Minutes of the Committee Meeting held in the Ashburton Bridge Clubrooms on Wednesday 9 Sept 2026

Present: L Wackrow (Chair), B Oakley, M Holdaway, R Holdaway, M Buckland, S Reid, H Sim, A Watson, L Griffin, R Nicholson

Apologies: D Fisher

Moved "that the apologies be accepted". Mike/Heather

Declaration of possible conflict of interests: None

Minutes: Minutes from Committee Meeting of 12 August 2026 were accepted as circulated. Mike/Heather

Matters arising: (Action list)
The pothole in the shared drive has been fixed, thanks to Mike.

Correspondence:

Moved "that the Committee receive the inward correspondence and approve the outward correspondence" Sheryl/ Amanda

Matters Arising:

1. Laura and Heather are available to attend a CRC meeting of Canty clubs next month.
2. The match committee is to draft a letter to NZB to express concern at the new tournament regulations.
3. Caroline Wiggins, Chair - Director & Scorer Development, Assessment & Retention Committee for NZB, recommended using Rating points plus 2 X A points to seed players in a tournament, which is very close to the method already used at Ashburton tournaments.

Finance:
The report for the month of August 2026 has been circulated. Income was $6,466.80 and payments totalled $5,439.79. The balances in the bank at 31 August 2026 were:

- $14,246.52 (current account)
- $58,975.39 (term deposits).

The report also listed accounts totalling $2,710.93 scheduled to be paid on 20 September.
The financial report was accepted, the payments made were ratified and the payments due were approved. Sheryl / Amanda
It was agreed to reinvest one of the terms investments at the most suitable rate.

Sub Committee Reports:

Match: Thanks to Laura for directing the Intermediate/Junior tournament.

Social: Fellowship time after play Wednesday afternoons continue first Monday of each month

House:

1. Everyone reminded that wet paper towels are disallowed in recycling, they need to go in the red bin.
2. Mary was thanked for her donation of office roller blinds which will be very useful on a sunny day.

Buildings and Grounds: Thanks to John F Rickard who has offered to spray around the clubhouse as needed.

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Computer: When charging tablets take care to ensure that the charging plug is properly inserted into the tab.

Health and Safety: The beginner group will be briefed before graduation on 28th September.

Teaching and Learning:

1. There was a discussion about the graduation evening for the beginners, on 28th September. Wednesday evening short sessions will be $5 or one voucher per pair.
2. Mentors to partner beginners at their first Monday night.

Renovations:

1. Preparations are progressing.
2. A grant has been received from Braided Rivers Community Trust to be put towards the new utility room window.
3. The steriliser from the bar will be advertised for sale as the committee believe a dishwasher is better suited for our purpose now.

Directors: none

General Business:

1. It was decided that a Cashless payment system be deferred until a later date, until there was more push for it from members.
2. There was a discussion about promotions. Possible promotions will be discussed at the next committee meeting.
3. Kai for Kids was approved as the recipient for Charity Night this year. It was recommended that Cycling Without Age Mid Canterbury and Hato Hone St John both be considered for next year's Charity night.
4. Tournament fees for next year are to be $15 more than this year, but reducible by $10 if paid online by the Thursday before the tournament.
5. The following were approved as new members (Heather/Rachel):
   Sheryl Hendriksen, Joss Kennard, Peter Kennard, Leanne Miller, Hannah Rodger, Josh Rodger, Phil Straw, and Robyn Wall.
   The Club warmly welcomes these new members.

Meeting Closed: 8.55 pm **Next Meeting: 14 October 2026**

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