



Stratford-upon-Avon Bridge Club

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Friday 4th September 2015

- Stop Press: Tuesday's AGM: thank you for all those who attended. It really helps the Management Committee to know that they are being supported in their duties and responsibilities.

The usual business of approving minutes, end-of-year accounts, appointing new directors and other formalities were dealt with. Roger Harris was re-appointed as a director, and 2 new directors were co-opted onto the board as there were 2 vacancies after Tony Wild [Secretary] and Richard West [Property] both stood down.

Then onto 'Any Other Business' where questions were taken from the attendees.

Gordon Fox commented on the lack of general communication to the members. We will be taking steps to improve this, including a monthly newsletter [yes, this is it].

The possible building works were mentioned with a request to clarify the reasoning behind the proposals. See below for an update.

Yearly calendar of events was referred to. We will consider how we can further involve members in decisions.

Finally the possibility of electronically recording all bids was raised. Peter Randall [Bridge Affairs Team Leader] replied that unfortunately this was not viable due to lack of suitable technology and the general logistics concerned.

- Proposed Building Improvement Project: the detailed plans that are currently going in for planning approval are now being displayed in the foyer. They were in the Events Room. Further explanations of why all this work is considered necessary by the Board of Directors will be issued soon. Note that no actual works will be decided upon without consultation with the membership.
- Wednesday's first new Board and Team Meeting: The Team Leaders' Roles were agreed at this meeting, as follows:

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| Chairman ~ Roger Harris | Deputy Chairman ~ Peter Hayes |
| Secretary ~ Phillip Bell | Treasurer ~ Alison Rigg |
| Bridge Affairs ~ Peter Randall | Membership ~ Judith Horton |
| Social ~ Mary Lee | Training/Teaching ~ Peter Styles |
| Property ~ John Caulkin | |

The Management Team have many items to discuss and resolve but if any member wishes to raise any matters please contact any of the above or email the bridge club. Also they can write their comments in the books in reception.

Finally we thank all members who contribute on a regular basis to the running of the club but do not get mentioned often, well done. We will be seeking further help in certain areas so be on the lookout.

Regards,

Roger Harris ~ Chairman

Thought for the Day: "*The average defender operates in a fog of uncertainty.*" Hugh Kelsey
Postscript:

"It's not enough to win the tricks that belong to you. Try also for some that belong to the opponents."