Cargen Bridge Club

Minutes of Committee Meeting at 9 Woodgrove Drive Dumfries - 17th June 2013

Present

Chair	Denise Kearney (DK)
Vice Chair	Fiona Waite (FW)
Retiring Chair	Margaret Brydson (MB)
Treasurer	Margaret Anderson (MA)
Secretary	Lesley Lindsay (LL)
TD's	Derek Dunn (DD); Bob Gibson (BG); Alan Nicolson (AN) Margaret Barber (MBa)

	1	DK Welcomed the group	
2	2	Apologies from Peter Boreham, Bill Hitchen, Robert Dempster	
;	3	Minute of Committee Meeting - 14th May 2012 proposed by DK ; Seconded by DD	
4	4	There were no matters arising	

5 Secretaries Report

Membership

- At May 2012 56 Members
- At April 2013 60 Members
- At June 2013 58 Members

Over the year 12 new members. So far 3 people have indicated an interest in joining for next session.

Xmas Party

- 44 people attended The Moreig on 4th February 2013
- Cost to members was £10 (each Member subsidised by club at £7)
- There were a few adverse comments re-food. Recommend a change of venue

Changes to Constitution

Will require notification to members eg "Subscription will now be due first Monday after AGM and must be paid by the last Monday of October"

Members

Sympathy Cards sent to the Moore and Bartlett families. A get well card sent to Ian Anderson. Margaret Halliday (Georgetown Community Centre) was recognised by a gift voucher of £15 at Xmas and at the end of season.

6 Treasurer's Report

MA reported that the balance at June 2013 was £1034. Balance at end of May was £482.39

7 Subscription Money

There would be no changes in charges made in 2012-13 ie

Subscription - £10

Table Money - Members £2 - Visitors £3

Prize Money is £2 for each 1st place

8 Updating of Bridge Equipment

- Replacement as follows Playing Cards, Red Duplicate Boards, Table Numbers, Bidding Boxes - Total Cost £295
- BG suggested a card shuffling machine would help to provide more challenging hands. There are two types - (a) Table Top version at £16.18 which does 1 or 2 packs at the touch of a button OR (b) Dealing Machine (computerised) at £3240
 - o It was decided that a) too time consuming b) too expensive
 - Members should be encouraged to mix each pack thoroughly before play begins

9 Purchase of Tables

Clarification was given by **DD** that card tables (apart from 2) belong to the Centre. Over the years **DD** had replaced felt and done any necessary maintenance. After discussion, was decided that Cargen should not offer to buy tables but an agreement was reached that the club should build up a reserve fund. In the event of Cargen having to move to another premises there would be funds to buy new tables.

10 AGM, Office Bearers and Date

Bill Hitchen's no longer wishes to be a TD. Further info on TD's later at item 12

Proposed Committee

Chair - Fiona Waite

Vice Chair - Margaret Nicolson or Joy Usher (DK)

Secretary - Robert Dempster

Treasurer - Margaret Anderson

Committee - Members who may consider Treasurer Post in 2014-15 (Nancie Clanachan Chris Boston) (LL)

The AGM will take place on Monday 30th September 2013

11 | Xmas Party - Date and Format

To be held 3rd February 2014

FW to investigate Crichton Golf Club as a possible venue

Also mentioned D&G Golf Club

12 Number of Tournament Directors

The Club has 5. Robert Dempster has shown an interest in learning. Sandra Schneider may also be interested.

13 | Setting up tables prior to play

Committee to encourage ALL able members to help.

14 | Table Etiquette

- 1. Bidding cards should REMAIN on table until lead has been made.
- All boards should stay in the centre of the table for bidding and remain on display during play.
- 3. Apart from sitting out table, the chair should encourage those present to stay until the winners have been announced.

15 Unacceptable Behaviour

DK provided a paper which would give the Committee a reference point when following u complaints about unacceptable behaviour. The group gave its approval.

16 Start of Season Letter to Members

Taking account of changes to Constitution. **LL** to prepare the letter.

Also some improvements were made to the content pertaining to table etiquette.

17 AOCB

Once subscriptions have been paid, Secretary to issue updated members list and contact details to all members.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.50pm