

Bookham Afternoon Bridge Club
Treasurer's Commentary on Accounts for the year
1st September 2023 to 31st August 2024

The accounts show a loss of **£1560** in the year which can be explained by the investment in the future of the club by the training of 6 new directors at a cost of £1722.

In 2023-24 we raised £3564 for charity. We held an Andrew Robson master class event which generated additional funds for charity. The charities supported this year: Children in Need, Queen Elizabeth Foundation, Bookham Barn Hall and Village Week, Cherry Trees, Princess Alice Hospice.

We have included in the income and expenditure account the value of the vouchers redeemed as payment for a session played. The value of unredeemed vouchers is shown in the balance sheet - £2770.

We wish to recoup the cost of the directors training over the next few years so that we maintain reserves which will be used for replacement of equipment such as the duplimating machines and bridgemates as this becomes necessary.

Our direct playing costs - rent, tea service, pay to play - continue to rise each year. The value of the vouchers at £2.70 does not cover these costs. We have therefore as a committee decided that we need to increase the cost of playing and the cost of the annual subscription.

Annual subscription which becomes due on 1st November will increase to £18.

Table money for members will increase to £3.25 and for visitors to £4.25.

We wish to continue to sell books of 10 vouchers at a discounted price so a book of ten vouchers will increase to £30.

Subscriptions can be paid via the contactless machine or by payment online.

Bank account details as follows:

Acct name: Bookham Afternoon Bridge Club

Sort code: 30-92-70

Account number: 01242266

The accounts have been independently reviewed by Chris Pullan. Our thanks to him for doing this.

Any questions on the accounts for last year?

Thank you

Sue McDonald

Treasurer

14th October 2024