

**Brunton Bridge Club Committee**  
**11.00 Tuesday 12 November 2024**

Present: Peter Avery (Chair); Steve Ray; Susan Green; Jill Armstrong, Guy Herzmark (minutes by Guy); Marion Curran; Steve Sansom.

**1 Minutes of the last meeting**

These were agreed [ACT Guy]

**2 Matters arising**

**2a Minutes [Item 3c]** We agreed that in future minutes would be added as soon as they have been agreed by Peter and Guy with 'draft' changed to 'final' after they have been approved in Committee. [ACT Peter, Guy, Jill]

**2b BIABD [Item 8]** This event went well with some ten tables. The total cost was nearly E400. We decided to run a similar event in February with a cost of £10 per player. Guy to check hall availability on Sundays 2, 9 and 16 February, from 1.30 to 5.30. We will advertise the event in early January using the past and current student lists and more widely. Only players with no NGS grade or a grade of nine or less will be eligible. Catering could be by Cambo WI as before. [ACT Guy, Peter, Jill, Steve R]

**2c Scoring [Item 9b]** Steve S is welcome to watch as Peter or Guy set up on any Monday night. [ACT Steve S]

**3 Finance (Steve R)**

The club had £7,600 at the end of March and £8,500 by the end of October. The growth is due to the fee increase, despite extra spending on the BIABD event and one new table.

**4 Mondays**

Table numbers average some 9 to 10 tables. We agreed to play on 23 and 30 December. Guy to let Susie know. Peter will announce this. [ACT Guy, Peter]

**5 Tables**

The new GOPAK table is liked better than the old tables. Guy has raised the shelf to enable it to fit in. We agreed to buy another 11 (at a 10% discount), provided there is room under the shelf for them. We will also keep the six best wooden tables (where the black ones are now) and discard the others. [ACT Guy, Peter]

**6 Wednesdays**

We decided that there will be no play on Wednesday 25 December or 1 January. Guy to let Susie know and book the next few months from 8 January onwards. On 18 December we will have a small Xmas do with cake etc. [ACT Guy, Peter, Susan, Marion]

**7 Inter club 2024-25**

Everything is organized for our next match on Sunday.

## 8 Xmas party

**8a Date and format** The event will be on 16 December starting at 18.30. There will be a sign-up sheet on the notice board and an on-line facility on the website. Advance notice will be needed. Pairs will enter and be assigned by Peter to one of two groups based on NGS ranking. One pair from each group will form a team on a random basis. The event is members only and there will be no charge to them. **[ACT Guy, Jill, Peter]**

**8b Food and drink** Each pair will be asked to bring one savoury item and one sweet one which do not need the use of cutlery. Susan will supplement this with some extra nibbles. She will provide soft drinks, with a budget of £40 for these and the extra food, and sort out paper plates, bin bags, serviettes and table cloths. Steve R will bring enough wine (sale or return) up to a value of £100. He will also provide the long table cloths for the food table and the wine glasses. Tumblers are still in the kitchen, we hope. Tea and coffee will be as normal, using the cups in the kitchen. **[ACT Susan, Steve R]**

**8c Raffle and play prizes** Susan will provide the raffle tickets and four prizes. There will also be play prizes for the top two teams, consisting of four bottles of wine (Steve R) and four boxes of chocolates/biscuits (Susan). The wine costs will be included in the £100 already budgetted. Susan has another £100 for prizes. **[Act Steve R, Susan]**

## 9 Website

This has not been updated as often as Jill would like as she has not been notified of events to put on it. Susan suggested she could add the teams for the next Inter-area on Sunday and the results, when known. There are also some issues making sure the member list is accurate. The events calendar could be more complete, both in terms of our own club sessions and NEBA events, especially those we are hosting. **[ACT Jill, Peter]**

## 10 Next meeting

Wednesday 22 January 2025 at 10.30 on Zoom. Marion to host.

**[ACT All]**