



## Clare Duplicate Bridge Club

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> August 2021 at 4.30pm

Kindly hosted by John Hooper

Agenda No		Actions
	<b>Present:</b> Sarah Farr; Jayne Hunnable; John Hooper; Gerry Ford <b>Apologies:</b> Nick Kerry; Will Pavry; John Symons	
1.	Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.	
2.	No matters arising so the minutes can be signed off.	<b>SF</b>
3.	<p><b>Chair's Report</b> - Sarah reported that Nina has resigned due to her failing health.</p> <p>Sarah made it very clear that she wishes to resign ASAP. Various people were discussed as possible replacements and Jayne was asked outright which she rejected at this point in her life due to work commitments and various personal reasons. However she is happy to continue as secretary. Looking at our membership list we were trying to work out who might return to F2F bridge in the future.</p> <p>Unfortunately, we have had a couple of incidents in the club whilst operating online where players bidding sequences have been wondered about and the opponents have spoken to the Director. All Director's have been made aware to keep an eye going forward. Online bridge is very transparent.</p>	
4.	<b>Treasurer's Report</b> - Will was unable to attend however all is healthy with the accounts. See attached report.	
5.	<p><b>Andrew Robson</b> – Jayne was able to report that the Elite afternoon on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2021 2 - 6pm is now fully subscribed with 1 on the wait list.</p> <p>Sarah will ask Nick to amend the website declaring that we are fully booked however a wait list will be kept.</p> <p>It was discussed that although Nick had sent our Suffolk Clubs all the relevant information that there seemed a lack of interest in openly promoting this event to their own membership. Although there was a mention on the SCBA website initially it was</p>	<b>SF/NK</b>

	<p>not given much credence. Eventually a photograph of AR appeared on the site. However, we are fully subscribed anyway.</p> <p>JH was asked to check access time at Lavenham VH for setting up. 1pm at the latest if possible but of course it will depend on what else is on earlier in the day. It is also necessary to know what their C-19 protocols are so that we are compliant and prepared.</p> <p>It was decided to have hand sanitiser on entry and on tables which will be well spaced out with doors and windows open.</p> <p>Tables/bridge cloths/bidding boxes/cake stands/wine/tea/coffee/sugar/milk/napkins /hand sanitiser</p> <p>Food has been organised between Gerry and Jayne where each table will be served with a cake stand full of savoury and sweet delights.</p> <p>Tea/coffee/wine/ soft drinks will be available for everyone to get themselves with several people helping to serve these organised by John Symons.(hopefully..) We gave you the job John!</p> <p>Gerry is to organise help from his granddaughters.</p> <p>Andrew Robson Friday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2022.</p> <p>John H was asked to double check with Lavenham VH and to see if we can have access from 8.30am until 7pm.</p> <p>The flyer needs amending and Jayne offered to do this. It needs circulating from late Sept/ early Oct. Jayne to liaise with Sarah who will then forward on to Nick for circulation.</p> <p>It was discussed that we should send to all the London Clubs including the AR Bridge Club.</p> <p>Food was discussed and agreed as the ovens at Lavenham VH had proved unreliable in the past that we would stick to a tried and tested menu: Cooked Ham, salad, coleslaw and hot new potatoes. Brownies, cream and raspberries. Gerry will order the ham from Coleman's which will be already cooked and sliced.</p>	<p><b>JH</b></p> <p><b>SF</b></p> <p><b>GF/JEH</b></p> <p><b>JS</b></p> <p><b>GF</b></p> <p><b>JH</b></p> <p><b>JEH</b></p> <p><b>GF</b></p>
<b>6.</b>	<b>GDPR – Sarah will deal with this.</b>	<b>SF</b>
<b>7.</b>	<p><b>Champagne Tea and Social Bridge – Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> October 4 7.30pm at Clare Village Hall.</b></p> <p>Sarah to construct an email to all our current online player's and those who played F2F previously at the club. Partner's will not be required.</p> <p>Sarah will liaise with Nick to set up a booking system on the website to give us accurate numbers for catering etc.</p> <p>Jayne to collate the numbers.</p> <p>Clare VH is booked and Sarah will check their Covid protocols if any.</p> <p>Hand sanitiser will be supplied for arrival and on the tables. We will</p>	<p><b>SF</b></p> <p><b>NK</b></p> <p><b>JEH</b></p> <p><b>SF</b></p>

	<p>take our bidding boxes with us to each table, only North will touch the bridge mates, boards will be provided by Paul Rickard.</p> <p>Champagne and Tea will be served first followed by bridge which will be social, no masterpoints and no NGS.</p> <p>Champagne/ Tea/ Coffee/Milk/Sugar/Soft Drinks and Hand Sanitiser will be organised by Sarah.</p> <p>Food will be organised by Gerry and Jayne.</p> <p>Gerry is going to see if the Masonic Hall in Sudbury is available for 17/10</p>	<p><b>SF</b></p> <p><b>GF/JEH</b></p> <p><b>GF</b></p>
<b>8.</b>	<b>Moving Clare BC to Sudbury</b> – further discussion took place and many ideas bandied around however no decisions have been made at this point.	
<b>9.</b>	<p><b>AOB</b> – John H is to draft an email and send to Sarah for approval to circulate to a large list of local people he knows who play bridge currently online and socially who may well be interested in gentle supervised social duplicate bridge on a Friday afternoon at Lavenham Village Hall.</p> <p>It was suggested that if this became viable, we could advertise in the Lavenham Parish News, What's On in Sudbury, various other local publications from the surrounding villages and contact U3A locally.</p> <p>It was agreed by all that we need to find a way to encourage more players to be involved in our club be it on a gentle level or a more competitive one. This would necessitate 2 playing sessions a week possibly or maybe even fortnightly. We could provide some duplicate tutorials either separately or during these sessions.</p> <p>It was deemed that it would be a good way to feed new members into the main club when they were ready and may encourage some of the now folded Sudbury BC to give us a try.</p>	<b>JH</b>
<b>10.</b>	<b>Date and time of Next Meeting</b> – Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> September 2021 3pm @ Bridge House, Lavenham	