

Clare Duplicate Bridge Club Minutes
30th May 2022 at 2pm
Hosted by John Hooper @ Bridge House, Lavenham

Agenda No		Actions
	Jayne Hunnable; John Symons; John Hooper; Nick Kerry; Gerry Ford in attendance.	
1.	Jayne had not sent out the Minutes from the AGM so no approval given as this is done at the next year's AGM.	
2.	<p>Definition of Membership: Nick looked into our membership and made lists of those who had been playing throughout the pandemic on BBO online. 47 visitors 56 members Nick felt we should be charging our visitor's £5 subscription to cover the Sims Pairs that we currently sub and Director's fees. We had not taken any subs for 2 years from our membership.</p> <p>Jayne pointed out that we had been making ££ from our visitor's on BBO and that the club's finances were very healthy as a result and saw no need to ask them for subs.</p> <p>It was decided that John S would put together an email to our visitor's asking for a sub and he would circulate to the rest of the committee for approval before sending.</p> <p>It was decided that only club members were entitled to receive any club prizes.</p> <p>At the AGM Patsi Barnes and Joan Watson from BSE BC(who have been regularly playing on BBO on our club nights) were awarded £10 vouchers for the most slams bid. They actually have since refused this gift.</p>	JS
3.	<p>Gentle Duplicate: 60 different people have played so far. 5 tables each week is becoming the norm. John H is going to buy a shelf as we have now been allocated some space in a cupboard.</p> <p>John S wants to encourage other Clare members to come along by organising some team matches.</p>	JH

	<p>Gerry was asked to book Lavenham VH up to the end of October.</p> <p>John H to sort out rota's for directing, scoring and teas.</p>	<p>GF</p> <p>JH</p>
4.	<p>Future of F2F:</p> <p>Much discussion took place....</p> <p>Nick is to send a survey out to the membership asking them how often they would play F2F in order to gage the appetite further. He is very keen to get F2F going again if possible and is prepared to put in the effort to facilitate this.</p> <p>If there is enough support we would hold 3 F2F 2nd Monday of July, Aug and Sept evenings at Clare Old School and then perhaps weekly after this from October onwards whilst continuing online too.</p> <p>Jayne was keen to point out that we must not let our online presence disappear as we regularly attract 10+ tables. Other clubs(Colchester) in the county have folded as a result of going back to F2F too quickly, were unable to attract enough tables so restarted online only to find very little support for that too!</p>	<p>NK</p>

5.	<p>Laptop Purchase:</p> <p>Although we had asked Dave Allen to look into purchasing a new laptop John H did not think it was necessary at this time.</p> <p>Bidding boxes and cards need checking in case more are needed.</p>	
6.	<p>Confirmation of venue bookings for future Andrew Robson events:</p> <p>Jayne was able to report that all was in hand for Assington VH on Thursday 3rd Nov 2022 and Andrew was booked for this date. (Jayne asked Nick to amend the website as the date was wrong)</p> <p>Feb 3rd 2023 at Lavenham VH is booked as is Andrew.</p> <p>Jayne asked Nick if we can have an online booking system for these events as it would much easier and save time and paper.</p>	<p>NK</p> <p>NK</p>
7.	<p>Basil Ambrose Party:</p>	

	<p>It had not been possible to find a suitable date during the summer so September was suggested instead.</p> <p>Jayne was asked to contact Adele about 25th Sept as a possibility. It would be Drinks, Lunch and then Bridge.</p> <p>Gerry to enquire if The Old School is available.</p>	<p>JEH</p> <p>GF</p>
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8.	Treasurers Report:	
9.	<p>Date and time of next meeting:</p> <p>Friday 8th July at 12pm</p> <p>John H has kindly agreed to host the meeting once again.</p>	

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