

## **Crawley Bridge Club**

### **Committee Meeting 31<sup>st</sup> January 2024**

Attending: Phil Nash, Sue Noblett, Gordon Briggs, Helen Kent, Kate Massie and Richard Jameson

Apologies: Sam Randall, Carol Randall and Sylvia Smith

Minutes of the AGM (5th May 2023)

These were approved a correct record.

Treasurer's Report

An interim financial statement is attached.

The club is in robust financial health.

In the context of charitable collections, we have been in the habit of adding an additional amount out of club funds to that donated by members. Our constitution states "No part of the Club's assets shall be expended other than on the activities of the Club except with the consent of the full Membership at the AGM or at an EGM." This should be amended at the AGM to allow some scope for discretion as regards charitable donations.

Action GB

Review of Xmas Party

The Xmas Party was a huge success.

To take maximum advantage of the charity collection, in future we should have two volunteers with buckets doing the rounds to make the donation process as simple as possible.

Action SN

It was suggested that, following the success of the Best Dressed, some additional prizes be introduced such as the 1<sup>st</sup> Slam and making a trick with 2C.

Action. SS KM

Competition Calendar 24/25

Internal.

After some discussion it was agreed that next year's calendar will be similar to the current one except the second Compensated Teams will be changed to a Compensated Pairs event. This year's balance between Wednesdays and Fridays is an improvement and the Individual showed it is possible to get a good turnout on a Friday.

External.

There was discussion of the limited involvement of CBC members in external competitions. In particular, despite a substantial part of our membership being well suited we are not well represented at the events that are presented for less experienced players. Events such as the David Pavey should be promoted to members and those qualified should be encouraged to participate.

Action. RJ SN

We will enter a team in the Sussex League.

Action. RJ

Teaching & Development

Helen intends to run a Beginning Bridge course starting in the autumn. Tim Lane has agreed to assist. Helen and Tim will attend the EBED Teacher Training Course at Horsham in April.

Action. RJ

Assistance with the organisation of the Improvers sessions would be welcome. KM agreed to take that on.

It has been suggested that we approach local schools to explore the feasibility of establishing Bridge Clubs.

Action. SR

AGM

This will take place on Wednesday 1st May starting at 18.45.

It will be a free event.

Those present agreed continue in their respective roles. We should canvas SR, CR, SS and MW as to whether they are prepared to carry on for another year.

Action SR

It was suggested that, since Tim Lane will be involved in our teaching activities, it might be advisable for him to join the committee

Action. HK

AOB

There was some discussion of the EBU Festival of Bridge initiative.

We should monitor progress with a view to CBC involvement.

Action. RJ KM

The meeting closed

Notes	Income	2023-2024	2022-2023
	CBC Subscriptions	£214.00	£208.00
	Charity Collections	£584.00	£626.00
	Table Money Club	£5,231.50	£6,206.00
	Table Money Online	£1,879.20	£2,638.72
	Teaching Income	£1,994.00	£1,879.50
	<b>Total Income</b>	<b>£9,902.70</b>	<b>£11,558.22</b>
	<b>Expenditure</b>	<b>2023-2024</b>	<b>2022-2023</b>
	Bridge Equipment	£143.44	£503.53
	Cards and Flowers	£104.98	£153.21
	Charity Donations	£1,303.00	£1,782.00
	Competitions	£144.98	£263.07
	EBU Subscription	£28.00	£27.00
	EBU UM (P2P) Fees	£1,758.52	£1,897.67
	GIBC Room Hire	£2,352.00	£2,778.00
	Laptop	£471.48	£375.99
	Online BBO Fees	£579.65	£817.45
	Social Events	£687.41	£789.83
	Stationery and Sundries	£17.49	£65.31
	Teaching Expenses	£1,657.11	£1,774.91
	<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>£9,248.06</b>	<b>£11,227.97</b>
	<b>Surplus / Deficit (-)</b>	<b>£654.64</b>	<b>£330.25</b>
1	<b>Net Worth</b>	<b>29/01/2024</b>	<b>31/03/2023</b>
2	Cash	£552.00	£79.00
2	Cheque Clearing	£90.00	£0.00
	Community Account	£6,123.83	£5,323.92
3	Laptop	£0.00	£300.00
	Due from BBO	£0.00	£130.27
	Due to GIBC	-£280.00	£0.00
	Due from CBC Members	£2.00	£0.00
	<b>Total Net Worth</b>	<b>£6,487.83</b>	<b>£5,833.19</b>