

Harpenden Duplicate Bridge Club
Minutes of AGM held on Tuesday 28th January 2020
Chaired by Dave Tookey in the absence of the Chairman

Apologies for Absence: Richard Last and others

2019 Minutes: Agreed

Committee Election: All existing Committee Members re-elected with the addition of Gill Burn

Chairman's Address: It is hoped that Friday will be a steppingstone to playing on Tuesday evenings, (Mondays being mostly at full capacity). There is an average of 7 tables and thanks go to Peter Verkroost who has been so helpful in setting up and running the Friday sessions.

The dealing machine has been a success. Thanks to Malcolm Rainbow for organising the dealing rotas.

Teaching sessions: The numbers have decreased on Thursday afternoons from 27 to 24 and there are 10 – 12 good players coming through.

There is also a post-mortem analysis session on Monday afternoons with a good mix of players

The email service for those requiring a partner is working well.

It has been decided to cut the number of Sims Pairs competitions to 2 per evening, to be alternated by season so that we don't have these competitions on consecutive nights.

It would be beneficial for partnerships to have convention cards and these can be downloaded from the internet. This is not a directive, but it could be useful.

Treasurer's Report: Teaching sessions currently provide the most profit, and subs and table money will remain the same for the time being. Thanks to Leyton Green Club for donating their surplus to the Club's funds.

Our thanks to David Beale for auditing the accounts.

Competitions: It has been agreed to increase the number of times a member has to play per year, in any competition, from 12 to 18.

Winners:	Monday Pairs	Peter Verkroost and Richard Last
	Monday Slam Prize	Shirley Brooke
	Monday Improver's Prize	Judith Walters
	Tuesday Pairs	Richard Last and Ken Barnet
	Tuesday Slam Prize	Eric Audsley
	Tuesday Improver's	Joan & Stan Kemble jointly

AOB: The outstanding subscriptions are due.