

LAVENDER BRIDGE CLUB

Dear Member,

As you know, from January 2025 our club will be run by a committee. Andrew will continue to direct and Anne will still play a large part, although the only food provided will be tea, coffee & biscuits. We should bring our own food to have either before bridge begins or during a shortened break of 20 minutes instead of 30 minutes.

The results of the recent survey showed that all but one of us were in favour of introducing Club Membership which will enable to club to start with a relatively small working capital to cover costs such as replacing cards, buying stationery, etc. It will also enable the implementation of Visitors paying more than Members in table money. Only 11% of us were against bringing food with us to bridge. Just 14% were against the use of BriAn scoring but most of those were worried how to use it or didn't have a smartphone; only one phone per table is required, it is easy to use so you'll pick it up quickly. We shall endeavour to obtain a tablet on which results will be displayed immediately after the slowest table finishes their boards at the end. In any case the results will continue to appear on Lavender Bridgewebs. As to the cost of membership, 62.5% voted for £20; we are proposing just £10. Regarding table money, 50% voted for £10, and most of the rest for £7; we propose £5 for both Wednesdays and Fridays for the time being.

As Lavender will basically belong to all of us in future, it is important for the committee to demonstrate to everyone that all the monies you pay are safe. The only way this can be done is by having a club bank account. In order to open an account we need to produce a Club Constitution and the results of an Annual General Meeting. Therefore, I set out below our notice of the AGM and the resolutions that will be put to you. After each resolution is read out, you will be asked to raise your hand either in favour or against.

An agenda will be handed out at the AGM. I hope you will all attend our very first members' annual general meeting, and vote in favour of all the resolutions.

Yours sincerely

David King, December 2024

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the 1st Annual General Meeting of Lavender Bridge Club will be held at the Bridge Room in the York Gardens Community Hall, Lavender Gardens, SW11 2UG on Friday 31st January 2025 at 12.15 p.m. to consider and, if thought fit, pass the following resolutions:

- 1 That the **Constitution** of Lavender Bridge Club be approved.
- 2 That Andrew Stimson be elected as **President** of the Committee.
- 3 That David King be elected as **Chairperson** of the Committee.
- 4 That Frances Cernuschi be elected as **Treasurer** of the Committee.
- 5 That Elizabeth Gibson be elected as **Secretary** of the Committee.
- 6 That the Annual Membership **subscription** be set at £10 per person.
- 7 That **Members' Table Money** (including tea/coffee/biscuits) be set at £5 per person.
- 8 That **Visitors' Table Money** (including tea/coffee/biscuits) be set at £7 per person.
