October 3rd 2023 Message from the Chair

Welcome everyone to our Annual General Meeting. It is so nice to see all of you. As you will hear from Members of our Management Committee we have had a good year in 2022/23. The focus of our bridge club has always been to provide a friendly and enjoyable environment for people to come and play bridge. We can see by the return of many of our members to playing at our club and the growth in new bridge players who join us that we have been very successful in achieving our mission.

I would like to recognize and thank the members of our Management Committee who supported our club over this past year. Their dedication is very much appreciated.

Claude Tremblay – Club Manager and Head Director
Donna Williams – Social Committee Chair
Heather Beckman – Newsletter and Promotion
Joan Soifert – Secretary and Web Master
John Marskell – Member at Large
Lorraine Horton – Membership Chair
Muriel Tremblay – I am your Chair and Treasurer

I want to thank our directors: Chandi Jayawardena Heather Beckman, Jerry Smee, Violi Whitmee, and Claude Tremblay. Without them, we would not have any games and therefore, no club. They provide us with a great playing atmosphere and we know that their rulings will be fair. One more person that I want to recognize is Verne Chant for dealing all of boards each week.

I want to thank **Jerry Smee**, who is always there for us when we need to promote one of our special events or our Education opportunities to our members. I also want to thank **John Mackay** who does our financial review each year for us.

We are very thankful to introduce to you the newest member of our Management Committee: **Freda Burgess**. Freda will be joining us at our next Management meeting in October.

I want to thank all of you for showing up for our 2023 AGM.

Muriel Tremblay Chair