



SCBA
MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING
Held online on Friday 9th October 2026



PRESENT:

Richard Banbury (Chair); Gail Norman; Shirley Pritchard; Jackie Hawkins; Tony Cherrett; William Clennell (part).

APOLOGIES: Derek Thrumble

	ACTION
1. NOTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING Agreed 2. MATTERS ARISING Tony said the visit to the Brewery had been postponed until the end of January. There are 17 beginners signed up at Epsom to start on 19th October. There will also hopefully be 4 tables of players as well. The proposed Secondary teams event at Oxted did not run through lack of numbers. 3. COMPETITIONS REPORT Both GP events had almost the same number of attendees as last year. Once the final invoices are received, the surplus should be in the region of £1550. After the event had ended, Richmond submitted an invoice for £172.80 for making up the boards. This cost was not invoiced for in the past 2 years. After discussion, it was agreed that the cost should be reduced to £108 which was subsequently paid. 4. DEVELOPMENT REPORT Tony reported on the success of the Leith Hill event which had 17 tables. Tony proposed to run it again next year as a joint event with either Sussex or Horsham B.C. Complaints had been received about the disruptive behaviour of one player, and suggested he was written to asking him not to attend social events in Surrey again. Following discussion, it was agreed that Richard would speak to him instead. There was a possibility of running 4 leisure/bridge events per year. The committee are very grateful to Tony for all the initiatives he is involved in organising for the county. 5. CHAIRMANS REPORT After discussion, it was agreed there would not be a speaker at the Chairman's lunch this year. Richard will give a brief chat before lunch including some points for discussion during the break.	

He informed the committee that William is looking to stand down at next year's AGM. A new Lady Rose organiser is therefore required. Jackie suggested contacting Richmond volunteer organisation to see if anyone would like to take it on. Knowledge of bridge is not necessarily required to organise the matches.

6. SCHOOLS BRIDGE

Derek had sent a written report saying he is hoping to confirm the Surrey schools bridge 2027 date soon as Friday 5th February. He has approached Hampton school to host (Hampton and LEH next door are starting up bridge clubs), and is awaiting a reply.

NEXT MEETING – Fri 15th January 2027 4.45.p.m.