

Worcester Bridge Club

Minutes of the committee meeting held on 9th May 2023 at 6:00pm via zoom.

Present: MA, RD, MV, JD, IM, SS, TK, DW

Apologies: RA, ML

Special Events:

It was generally agreed that it was a good idea to hold some special evenings to try to promote attendance. Possibly 4 evenings:

Strawberries and cream
Cheese and Wine
Christmas
+ ANO

Roving Phillips:

The county are wanting to rotate this competition around club venues approx once every 4/6 weeks. There were some minor concerns about this in that it needed to fit in with ethos of our club. It was agreed to say yes to some Wed nights and see how it goes.

Dates:

Mixed pairs - 12th July
Summer event - 26th July

Club representation:

It was agreed that players needed to have a minimum level of participation in the club to be supported in representative events such as NICKO and Garden Cities. It was agreed that this could be a mix of in-person and on-line playing. Subsequent to the meeting an amendment to the club by-laws was agreed as below:

“6.1 Eligibility to represent WBC:

6.1.1 For all external competitions, anyone representing the club must adhere to the EBU requirements for interclub competitions i.e.

- a. Players must be a member of the club, and must have been so for at least 3 months immediately prior to the day they first represent the club.
- b. Nominated players must play regularly at the club, or for the club, or contribute regularly to the club in some other way OR have met one of these criteria in previous years, yet be unable to currently do so due to personal circumstances e.g. illness, work, childcare.

6.1.2 Players are considered to play regularly at the club if they have played at the club at least 6 times in the year or 4 times in the six months prior to the county/EBU closing date of entry into the competition. For these purposes, matches played online in WBC leagues are considered to count as playing at the Club.

6.1.3 The committee shall have absolute discretion to approve nominated players and to decide whether a player not meeting the club attendance rules above can represent the club. If a member wants to represent the club, but has not played at the club with the above specified regularity, then that member needs to apply personally to the committee for consideration under 6.1.1.b.”