



Brisbane Water Bridge Club Inc

(Registered No: Y2481225 ABN 84660 359 652)
P.O. Box 108, Woy Woy, NSW 2256

Committee Meeting - 9th April, 2024

Meeting opened at 10:03am

- **Present:** Jim Routledge (JR), Ann Snow (AS), David Adams (DA)
Elaine Hume (EH), Jaan Oitmaa (JO) Chris Hasemore (CHs)
Christine Hadaway (CHd) Steve Anderson (SA)
- **Apologies:** Jenny Buckley (JB)

- **Minutes of March Meeting:**
Moved that the minutes of the March meeting be accepted; SA
Seconded; JO.
- **Business Arising from the Minutes.**
 - Standby compensation; entitled to 2 vouchers for free games.
Moved by Chris HS. Seconded by EH. Carried.
 - Board loan to Ronnie Ng. Collected. Will be invoiced for \$180
for the loan of 18 sets of boards and dealing machine.
 - New Application Form for Membership to go on Club website
after EH has added an area for preferred name on badge.
Moved CHs. Seconded SA. Carried.
 - Meeting with David Purkiss. CHd met with him to discuss radio
promotion. JR will call DP to discuss intentions.
 - Bridgemates; turning results off during play. Discussed.
Directors to have a meeting to discuss this topic. CHd to report
back.
 - Guest Speaker; Joan Butts on May 17 (Friday) at 10am to
12am. \$500 fee. Topic; Defence. Charge to Club members;
\$15.00 pp. Committee approved this.
 - Mentoring; JB has identified 18 players interested in being
mentored. Duration of mentoring will be four partnerships every
other week or more if organized between pairs.
 - Systems Card for mentoring pairs showing basic system. CHd
to design this. EH to contact JB to find out how many/who is on
the list.
 - Kibitzing; CHd to mention this to new players.

- **Voting Outside of Normal Meeting:**

- None

- **Correspondence**

- **Correspondence In:**

- Transfer out; Helve Beale
- 12/3 BNSW Draft Constitution feedback from Louis Koolen
- 17/3 Meeting of Regional Clubs' Presidents and Secretaries.
- 20/3 State Senior Championship Pairs and Teams at Gosford.
- 26/3 NSWBA resignation of Gary Barwick.
- 30/3 Online Pairs League Rewards (\$10.00 to us)
- 2/4 Anne Grayden change of email address
- 6/4 Nambucca Valley Club Swiss Pairs Congress.

- **Correspondence Out**

None

- **New Memberships:** None

- **Reports:**

Treasurer: Report given. Discussed and approved.

Chief Director: Nothing to report but a meeting to be held soon to cover session allocation backup and turning off result displayed on bridgemates.

Teaching: Report received. Discussed. Supervised sessions to run on Mondays and Thursdays at 10am. Future improver lessons in May. On notice board.

Tournament Secretary: Report received from Peter Hume

Masterpoint Secretary: Report received from Peter Hume

Congress Convenor: Report received from Peter Hume

Membership Secretary: Report submitted and discussed. EH to contact people who haven't played/renewed.

SA moved reports be accepted. Seconded by CHs. Carried.

- **General Business:**

- **Player Support and Progression:** The ability of providing opportunities for people out of lessons to progress into open sessions without feeling intimidated was discussed. It was agreed to reintroduce a supervised

session to include; those recently completing lessons; all other members wishing to take advantage of support for their bidding and play. CHd to get feedback from current learners as to whether to continue Thursday morning session or change to a Friday. At that point this new session would be advertised.

- **Director Wednesday Session and Other Session Backup.** Sylvia directs first Wednesday of the month; Marcelle Goslin and Peter Hume also share Wednesdays. Even with the recent uptake of Donelle Foate, there is a lack of an immediate supply of Directors to fall back on if needed. A request for members who would be prepared to be Directors to be put in Newsletter; anyone interested to contact CHd/JR.
- **Meeting of Regional Club's Presidents;** CHd and EH reported on their attendance at a meeting of Central Coast bridge Clubs regarding changes of structure to NSWBA. No immediate consequences although more outcomes could be expected.
- Future Event Planning; the Committee will vote as to charges to cover costs for the GNOT Club Qualifier to be held on 1st June.

Next Meeting; 13th May.

Meeting closed at 12:00.

April 9 Committee Meeting – Membership Secretary

Reporting:

- 1 Membership application – for Committee’s final approval and then to be on both club desktop and via website.
- 2 Current Membership list completed, submitted to ABF and accessed on the cloud (club computer). **Please see all ABF reports.**
- 3 List of Club and NHC Members names and addresses on computer desktop; should a member ask for such information(as required by the constitution)
- 4 Member Emergency list – currently available at microphone, asking directors to announce it and ask members to complete their bit (when complied to be on cupboard for easy access)

For discussion - Follow-up with new players (distinct from Jenny’s mentoring plans.)
List of non-returners – what do we have to offer them or can we combine a session with the newest learning cohort. Is there going to be a special session? What is a time line for people’s progression

After Membership sorting these are non-returners :

VINCENT	Elaine	CLARK	Stuart
BUTTON	Laura	CLARKE	Wendy
GALE	Anita	BETTS	Vicki
GRIMA	Jennifer	TALTY	Peter
ISON	Penny	THORNDYKE	David
WATERS	Shirley	THORNDYKE	John
REEVES	Robyne	BURNS	Beverley
SHAPLEY	Sandy	VOORWALT	Jennifer
PARKER	Geoff	ERIKSON	John
CRAMOND	Lynette	LAWTHER	Jenny
VICKERY	Elvera	POWER	Jane
		LAWS	Roz

Subject: Congress Convener Report to Committee April 2024

From: P Hume <hume.ep@gmail.com>

Date: 8/04/2024, 10:11 pm

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Congress Convener Report April 2024

After consultation with Congress planning colleagues Sylvia Foster and Jaan Oitmaa, the participation fee for the Congress will be \$60 per entrant.

With full attendance of 30 tables per day, income \$14400 less and expenses as follows

- • Catering \$4500 - \$5000
- • Room hire \$1000 (may be able to have this waived)
- • Director \$1000
- • Masterpoints and NSWBA fees \$1000
- • Prizes \$4000
- • Miscellaneous expenses \$1000
- • MyABF fee (2% of income) \$280

The congress details have been published on the MyABF website and entries can be made from 10th April.

We will rely on club members support to provide cakes etc, and in other tasks :for example Caddy-assistants to the Director, emergency standby players, room setup.

I intend to employ help / labour – at a cost – in transporting equipment to the Everglades (with some setting up) and back again at the end of the congress. The Woy Woy bingo helpers will be approached.

Hopefully the club membership will support the congress by participation. Publicity around the club will start soon.

I will retire as Congress convener after this congress, having filled the role since 2019. The club should bear this in mind as we go forward.

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Proposed publicity – release to members eg in a newsletter

What is a Bridge Club Congress? An important event for Bridge, for our Club and for our members.

This year's BWBC Congress is planned for 20 and 21 July.

Lorraine Lindsey initiated the club's first in 1987 so this year will be the club's 37th. We have had a great reputation for presenting an enjoyable day's play, with a good mix of organisation, card play and hospitality. Last year there were 30 tables each day, with players coming from as far afield as the South and North Coasts, and the Blue Mountains..

There's 2 days of bridge - the first a Pairs competition, and the second Teams. Each day sees 6 sessions of 9 boards – something like 54 boards. Open Restricted and Novice sections are planned, and prizes awarded. And the cost? \$60 pp per event - covering entry, prizes, catering, Director's fees and those special red points.

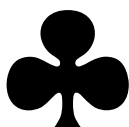
Things have changed a lot over the years, entries are halved from the early 'noughties', and no longer are the 2 days fully catered by club volunteers -salads, meats, cakes, drinks, slices. Not anymore! Last congress the majority of members clearing things back to the club were over 80.

2023 saw the Pairs played in our large hall, with lunch delivered from outside, while the Teams were at the Everglades, and catered. This year all the equipment, tables, side tables, bridgemates etc need to be set up at the Everglades Saturday morning, and returned Sunday afternoon. And this year we are investigating paying for the transportation of all our requirements.

Though still relying on members to provide morning/afternoon slices cakes for both days

There will still be need for help – but more on the thinking and planning side,

It would be great if newer members can find out more about how the club works, more about the tasks involved and consider taking part.



Brisbane Water Bridge Club Inc

<https://www.brisbane-water.bridge-club.org>

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Surname:		First Name:	
Preferred first name for ABF and Club records			
Street Address:			
Suburb:		State:	Postcode:
Phone:		Phone (other):	
Emergency Contact (name):		Phone:	
Email:			
Day/Month of Birth:		/	/ [REDACTED] (ABF identity requirement)
I agree to my name and phone no being printed in the annual club program booklet:			Yes / No
The club member nominating me for membership is:			Signature:
I hereby apply to become a member of Brisbane Water Bridge Club Inc. In the event of my admission as a member, I agree to be bound by the rules of the club.			
Signature:		Date: / /	

ABF STATUS AND APPLICATION TYPE

<input type="checkbox"/> New Membership	I have never been issued with an ABF number
<input type="checkbox"/> Reactivation	I have an ABF number, but I am not currently active in a home club and nominate Brisbane Water Bridge Club Inc as my home club
<input type="checkbox"/> Transfer-In	I wish to transfer my home club membership from my current club to Brisbane Water Bridge Club Inc
<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Home	I wish to retain my current home club and apply for non-home club membership of Brisbane Water Bridge Club Inc
ABF Number	Current Club

SUBSCRIPTION FEES 2024

New Home Club Member	\$65 (Includes mandatory ABF & NSWBA fees & club name badge)
Non-home Member	\$10
Transfer-In as Home Club Member	Consult Club Treasurer or Membership Secretary

OFFICIAL USE ONLY

Confirmed nomination by a member	Action by:	Date: / /
Accepted by Committee	Action by:	Date: / /
Fees paid Amount \$	Action by:	Date: / /
ABF No ... Club Masterpoint Secretary	Action by:	Date: / /
Entered in Member Register	Action by:	Date: / /
Welcome Letter sent	Action by:	Date: / /
Contact Details (email) to Newsletter List	Action by:	Date: / /
Club Name Badge ordered	Action by:	Date: / /

1. Proposed new Application form which can be on the website, in PDF but can be written, emailed or printed off. ? fees phrasing acceptable
2. Applications for NHCM from Stephanie Mathews, Gary Heyting, (\$10 renewing NHCM) and Margaret Regan (\$25), Ruth Webb and Lin McLaren (\$10) have been received. Can Committee members vote to accept them?

3 Current state of membership renewals As of 8/2/24:

Life members 3
 Non ABF Life members 2
 Paid NHCM 38
 Paid HCM 113
 Total 156
 Not paid 45 +5?

Note: transferred out 7 1 staying as NHCM

4. Survey of New members since 2018.

REVIEW 2018 +Joiners

193

28 25 listed 2 or 3 times

165

Joined as	NOW										
				Frequency of play in past year at BWBC							
Inactive30	7 inactive	Playing Tally	<10	<20	<30	<40	<50	<60	<70	<80	90&+
	4 sup ses	21	9	4	3	1	0	2	0	0	2
New 91	38 inactive	37	10	3	7	3	2	4	5	0	3
	sup only	14									
	Step	3 or 5									
NHCM 29	17 inactive	11	8	2			1				
	Step 3										
Transfers16	1 inactive	14	4	2	1	1	1		1	3	1

2

186

4. January Players

Hilary	19	Meg	10	Christine	10	Edith	15
Kerery-Anne	19	Martin	11	Jim	13	Marcelle	6
Chris Has.	16	Chris Han	6	Helen	6	Jenny	11
Judy	8	Hope	8	Sylvia	7	Barry	6
Lorraine	12	Lyn	9	Meryl	5	Caroline	10
Pam	7	Ann	10	Sue	11	Jaan	6

This is not everybody who played, but demonstrates the multiplier that these 24 account for an average of 10 games in the month with (Barry Sylvia Marcelle and Christine absent for some of this.)

5. REMAINING UNPAID PLAYERS

List of 43 - shows last playing session and context

Inactive indicates no presence in the club over 2023.

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Sup, supervised sessions only

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ADAMS	Allan	Apr-23	RUSSELL	Cathy	Aug-23
ADAMS	John	inactive	SHAPLEY	Sandy	Mar-23
ADAMS	Merran	inactive	TALTY	Peter	june sup
AMOS	Larry	Feb-23	THORNDYKE	David	dec 23sup
BERESFORD	Carol	Feb-23	THORNDYKE	John	Dec 23 up
BETTS	Vicki	Nov 23	VICKERY	Elvera	xmas sup
BROMLEY	Kathleen	May-23	VINCENT	Elaine	inactive
BURNS	Beverley	oct 23 sup	VOORWALT	Jennifer	inactive
BUTTON	Laura	nov 23 sup	WATERS	Shirley	once oct 23
CLARK	Stuart	sep23 sup	WHEATLEY	Peter	Dec-23
CLARKE	Wendy	nov 23 sup	WHITE	Gwen	inactive
CLARKE	Garry	nil	WILD	Claire	inactive
CRAMOND	Lynette	de c23 sup			
CUNNINGHAM	Michael	Jul-23			
CUNNINGHAM	Linda	inactive			
ERIKSON	John	once oct sup			
GALE	Anita	oct 23 sup			
GRIMA	Jennifer	once Nov 23			
HOPSON	Carmen	Dec 23 sup			
ISON	Penny	nov 23 sup			
LAMBKIN	Judith	Oct-23			
LAWS	Roz	Oct 23 sup			

LAWTHER	Jenny	inactive
LYNCH	Lyn	Apr-23
MAHER	Mona	Jul-23
MOWER	Jeanette	inactive
NORRIE	Janette	inactive
PARKER	Geoff	inactive
POTTS	Wendy	inactive
POWER	Jane	Sep-23
REEVES	Robyne	sep23 sup

if we email reminders for fees to them, are we offering an interim to encourage their protected session return? There are 5 or 6 who joined in November after lessons. Could the committee advise me on how to approach this group.

6. I notice there is an **Emergency contacts** list on the cupboard and intend to update it after the renewals list is finalised

Other:

Club Maintenance

First Aid review – I have checked out the first aid kit, ensured that they have relevant contents and provided a sign for people to know where it is.

Fans and Air conditioner cleaning - Peter and I removed really heavy dust from the individual fans, though had no screwdriver to get to the blades, happy to follow up on this. Gives rise to the question of the filters in the air con units – should they be serviced for the general wellbeing of players lungs.

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Disappointing member interest in MIXed Pairs Championship over 2 Saturdays 13 & 20 April, only 3 tables which is not enough to warrant running the event.
It will be abandoned unless 5 tables entered by 5pm Tue 9th April.

Hoping for more interest in Novice Teams and Interclub Teams later in April.

Peter Hume

BRISBANE WATER BRIDGE CLUB

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

March

2024

Regular Income

Interest cash reserve account	\$12.65
Lessons	\$0.00
Sales books/badges	\$20.00
Subscriptions	\$60.00
Sundry	\$10.00
Table fees	\$2,996.00

Regular Expenses

Catering	\$141.34
Cleaning - February 2024	\$220.00
Dealing fees	\$45.00
Director fees	\$672.00
Merchant fees	\$73.46
Photo gallery	\$0.00
Rent for Feb 2024 main room	\$940.00
Stand by	\$5.00
Stationery	\$0.00
Sundry	\$40.00
Teaching	\$0.00
web hosting	\$0.00

TOTAL REGULAR INCOME **\$3,098.65**

TOTAL REGULAR EXPENDITURE **\$2,136.80**

Monthly surplus from regular activities **\$961.85**

IRREGULAR INCOME

Nil

IRREGULAR EXPENDITURE

Deposit room for Congress \$1,000.00

Monthly surplus from ALL activities **-\$38.15**

BANK ACCOUNT BALANCES as at **29/02/2024** **31/03/2024**

Solutions One Account \$14,986.66 \$15,450.86

Cash Reserve Account \$12,219.02 \$12,231.67

Term deposit \$55,625.40 \$55,625.40

Total bank accounts \$82,831.08 \$83,307.93

Notes:

Directors fees did not come out of bank account until April.

Same with other reimbursements.

monthly report goes to BWBC, Jim Routledge, Christine Hadaway, Ann Snow, Chris Hasemore, Elaine Hume, Steve Anderson, Jaan Oitmaa, Jenny Buckley