

Minutes of the July 8th 2025 meeting

Meeting began 10.32

Present: Jim Routledge (JR), Christine Hadaway (CH), David Adams (DA), Jenny Buckley (JB), Elaine Hume (EH), Steve Anderson(SA), Dasha Brandt (DB), Deb Guthrie (DG)

Apologies: John Sandra

Correspondence : Bridge NSW has published a BWBC profile

Minutes and Correspondence accepted.

Reports

Treasurer.

There is a small surplus for this month. Table numbers are similar to last year but trending up.

Council has updated its booking site (several times, with corrections pointed out by our heroic Treasurer) and we are now firmly ensconced for the 2025-26 financial year.

Chief Director

CH has stepped down from the Chief Director's job and Sylvia Foster has taken over the responsibility.

A Director's meeting has proposed a new schedule of fees. Very similar to the original version except that payment of Directors for Green Point sessions was increased from \$20 to \$45.

DB proposed the new schedule and SA accepted.
(Five committee members accepted the new schedule of fees and two members abstained.)

Lessons and Teaching

There has been a loss of 5 beginners from the group, but new beginners from Long Jetty have joined. Last Friday supervised had 6 tables.

Everyone is paying \$5 for the new extension lessons amid a rather bloodthirsty enthusiasm, according to the teaching staff. (Doubles are very acceptable)

Directors of open sessions have been asked to announce the teaching topics of these teaching sessions so that more experienced but interested players can participate.

Tournament.

The Committee recognizes Peter Hume for his extraordinary extra administrative work. JR to write.

Peter Hume has asked for a backup administrative person. David Bowerman is to be petitioned.

Membership

Frequently people ask to join BWBC part way through or after the membership has closed for the year.(EH)

We are very happy to have these people join our club and BWBC will cover any outstanding costs with the NSW or ABF until the following year.

Congress

We have a wait list on both teams and pairs for the Congress.

David Bowerman and Ronnie Ng will decide how best to deal with this excellent situation.

EH proposed acceptance of reports. SA accepted.

General Business

1. Marcel says Congress dealing of boards is more complicated than normal session dealing.

It is proposed that rather than paying per set, an overall amount of \$300 be paid.

EH moved, DA seconded.

Due to lack of time, several matters have been deferred:

- Whether Congress Convenor should be paid
- The structure of ongoing lesson fees
- BWBC fund surplus . I'll add JR's notes to the suggestions we already have and publish separately.
- Life members, should they be limited to five, and whether they should pay table fees.
- We have had suggested reimbursement rates deferred again. Please have a look at the Treasurer's detailed list.

Meeting closed 12.00