

Waltham Forest Bridge Club

Minutes of Committee meeting 19/7/2015

Present: Colin Elliott, Peter Hatton, Cathy Macnaughton

Agenda agreed at beginning of meeting:

1. Apologies
2. Minutes of last meeting
3. Matters Arising
4. Income and Expenditure
5. Advertising
6. Scoring/uploading to EBU
7. Equipment
8. Slow Play
9. Simple Systems
10. AOB

1. Apologies from Peter Rogers and Steven Coulter
2. Minutes of last meeting – Peter Hatton was at the last meeting, with that amendment minutes agreed
3. Matters arising – Cathy is unable to implement broadcast emails and needs to discuss this further with Steven
4. Income and Expenditure – Cathy had not prepared figures as year-end accounts due at the end of July but we continue to make a small loss with the deficit looking as though it will be in the region of £400 which keeps us within safety margins. With increased table money agreed we should break even next year including the small increase in rent
5. Advertising - Cathy had prepared 2 draft flyers with the more pictorial one preferred. Cathy will finalise and progress printing via Waltham Forest College
6. Scoring. Peter Rogers is now able to score again. Andy will do so occasionally with John as back-up. Peter Richardson has offered to be the 4th scorer and this offer is gratefully accepted.
7. Equipment – Peter Rogers has some cards from TGRs. It was agreed that Cathy would order a further set of 12 (but on 23/7 Colin discovered the missing new sets so we now have plenty). Colin, perhaps with help from Cathy, will go through the bidding boxes and replace some cards with spares and sort out what need to be ordered. Bidding cards are £18.95 for a set of four. One table is broken and if numbers increase we may need to order new tables at some point - £42.99 each. A new storage box is needed, Colin will obtain one.
8. Slow Play, issues continue with slow play and with a number of complaints some of which have been unnecessarily aggressive. Colin will yet again remind members of the need to be courteous, which includes not holding up play, and to have an atmosphere which will be welcoming to new players.
9. Simple Systems Night – we noted correspondence from Anne and that it was no longer appropriate to consider these as primarily for Anne's students who are mostly West London based. We agreed to discuss again in early 2016 to consider whether it would be useful to run another with specific advertising and whether there would be sufficient response.
10. ECBA – info for Noticeboard and website available. Cathy to check over information and speak to Steven about email consent.
11. Team for Fletcher is Paul and Ian, Winnie and Val, Cathy and Maureen, John F and Steven.

Cathy Macnaughton 24/7/15