

CBC MINUTES

WEDNESDAY 15 JANUARY 2025 AT 6.15 PM (DEFERRED FROM 6 JANUARY DUE TO BAD WEATHER)

PRESENT Gordon, Mark, Helen, Phil Patricia, Richard, Sylvia, Kate

APOLOGIES Sylv

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING Approved

MATTERS ARISING

- A. It was agreed that we will continue to do the ECATS Bridge CIN in future.
- B. It has been proposed that we provide the club members with information on Bridge Rules. It was agreed that this is a good idea and that we use the TV to provide regular presentations on Wednesday and Friday evenings. RJ to discuss the process with MW and GC (our current Directors). RJ, HK and PN will take it in turns to present the information before play starts.
- C. Financial statement shows that the club continues to have a secure financial status.
- D. GB presented some minor changes to the Privacy Statement and New Members form, which were agreed by the Committee subject to the addition of a new field in the NMF – a voluntary Emergency Contacts number. Current members will be asked at the AGM if they wish to supply an emergency contact. This field will be added to the CBC membership database and this will be made available to all committee members.
- E. It was agreed that the website would be updated to move the relaxed BBO Monday evening on line sessions to the Home page. Action GB to ask MW.
- F. It was agreed that we should emphasise that members should not come to face to face sessions if they have a cough or cold. A notice to this effect will be put on the website and TV. Action RJ
- G. The noise levels at the club can sometimes rise to an unacceptable level. RJ will ask members to keep the noise down and MR and PN will reinforce this if it becomes an issue during play.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- H. After some discussion it was agreed that we need to make more concerted effort to try to retain people who complete the beginners course. To this end it was agreed that:
 - 1. The Club would contact those that completed the course last year and find out if they are playing Bridge and see if they can be encouraged to join the club. A number of the committee agreed to act as mentors. Action HK
 - 2. In June this year, when the current course ends, all those who complete the course will be offered the opportunity to play with more experienced players during normal Wednesday or Friday evening sessions. Action HK

DATE OF NEXT MEETING 12 March 2025 at 6.00

The meeting closed.