

## MOLLYMOOK BRIDGE CLUB INC

### MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT THE CLUB ROOMS, 127 ST Vincent Street, Ulladulla, Friday 28 January 2022

**Present:** Moira Heath (MH), Ross Milbourne (RM), Lauri Perino (LP), Kevin Tant (KT), Margaret Callan (MC), Helene Downs (HD)

**Apologies:** Rae Duffy (RD), Rowena Barton (RB)

**Welcome & Previous Minutes:** The President welcomed the Committee. The previous minutes were accepted & signed by the President. Moved: KT, seconded HD.

#### **Treasurer's Report:**

- A. Financial Report & Financial Management:** LP presented her report for the 2021 year advising that normal table money, combined with event table money is up \$7,338.36 for the year, just over 216%. LP also advised on the congress for 2021. The 2021 financial report was accepted & will be presented at the 2022 AGM.
- B.** LP advised that over half of members had paid their 2022 subs. LP agreed to follow up with these members either with emails or with phone calls. RM suggested that the whole committee could assist with the phone calls. This was accepted by the Committee. **Action:** LP with the assistance of the Committee.

Moved: RM, seconded MC.

#### **Secretary's Report:**

- A.** There were no new members & no correspondence.

Moved: LP, seconded MH.

#### **Business Arising from previous minutes:**

- 1. COVID Procedures:** It was agreed that the current COVID procedures would be continued including temperature checks on entry, the wearing of masks whilst inside the club house & ensuring that all attendees are double vaxed. It was noted that the correct wearing of masks was essential to protect the liability of the Club. MH will be check in monitor for Monday, RM will be check in monitor for Wednesday & MC will be check in monitor for Friday. All committee members were happy to fill in as check in monitor as required. **Action: All Committee**
- 2. Replacement of Fence:** KT will continue to follow up with the neighbour on the replacement of the fence & timeframe. **Action: KT**
- 3. DeFib:** MC is following up on initial costs & ongoing maintenance of a DeFib. MC advised that she is also talking to the Shoalhaven Council on funding opportunities. It was agreed that MC would arrange for Annette to speak at our next meeting to inform the committee on the use of a DeFib & and training required. **Action: MC**
- 4. AGM & Committee Members:** It was noted that John Reid had volunteered to become a committee member & the Committee thanked John for volunteering. Another Committee member was required & LP agreed to follow up Elaine to gain her interest in joining the Committee. **Action: LP**

- 5. Biscuits & Table Money:** It was agreed that due to the ongoing COVID virus that no biscuits would be purchased at this time. The \$3 charge for bridge would therefore remain until the kitchen could be completely opened & biscuits could be provided.
- 6. Partnership Organiser & Congress Convenor:** KT advised that he was happy to assist the volunteers with these tasks & the Committee agreed that it would canvass members to fill these two vital roles. It was noted that in the first instance members looking for a partner should try to canvass other members of the Club, through the phone list, if they felt comfortable with doing this. **Action: All Committee**

### **General Business:**

- A. Suggestions from Liz Sylvester:** The Committee thanked Liz for her suggestions to assist our members in improving their bridge. From the suggestions these actions were agreed:
- January free online lessons: An email was sent out to members in December advising of the free online lessons that were being conducted through ABF. It is not known at this stage how many members or potential new players participated in these lessons.
  - Creating a "What's On" section on the Website to assist members to improve their bridge. KT will provide access to our Website to Liz to enable her to advertise & advise on Quality Bridge Events, free lessons, bridge competitions, etc, with the aim of continuing to improve our members bridge skills.
  - Options for identifying interested members who wanted to improve their bridge talent with a view to developing more talent within the Club. It was agreed that this is a great initiative but needs to be implemented ensuring fairness across all members. An email will be sent to members canvassing interest.
  - Canvass the option of introducing Thursday Night Bridge online establishing it as a league with teams of up to 6 players playing 16 boards a night for approximately 6-8 weeks with an overall winner for the series. An upfront charge would apply. It was agreed that no more than one experienced pair per team to allow the competition to be more even. An email will be sent to members canvassing interest.
  - Follow up with players who have dropped off play during COVID. This has been done & these players will again be followed up in the future.

### **Action: KT, Liz & the Committee**

- B. Gardening:** Jim Thomas has advised that he will no longer be able to carry out any gardening at the Club particularly the mowing at the front of the Club. The Committee thanked Jim for his work acknowledging his & Graham Evans contribution & work in keeping the lawn & garden maintained & beautiful. KT stated that he used to do the mowing at the front of our Club & was happy to do that again. Graham Evans was also happy to continue with the gardening.

The meeting closed at 6.05pm.

**Next Meeting: Friday 25 February at 5pm**