

The Bognor Club

Minutes of the Committee Meeting Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2025

Present: Jenny Bartlett; Lesley Simmons; Mark Gregory; Silvia Turley; Ian Mackay; Dinah Honey;  
Pam Cook

1	Apologies	Janice Crockett; Robin McCaughan	
2	Minutes of Last meeting	Unanimously agreed	
3	Matter Arising	<p><b>Trophy Boards -</b> This was discussed and Ian Mackay agreed to oversee this</p> <p><b>Chairs</b> The committee agreed to purchase 32 new chairs with arms and to re-furbish the chairs without arms. Colour - yet to be decided and representative of firm is to visit. The chairs to be purchased are the same as the ones we already have and have proved their worth in the length of time they have lasted</p> <p><b>Vacuum cleaner</b> – a new Shark v.c. has been purchased as the old v.c. was broken and not mendable</p> <p><b>New Payment System</b> This was discussed and ST pointed out that at the 2022 AGM members voted to pay by card. This would mean a lot of members would need to volunteer and to be available at every session to carry out this process. MG has sent an email to all members asking for them to volunteer. They would have to be on a rota and find someone to cover their session if they could not make it. MG, our Treasurer, would prefer to use the EBU Bridgeweb Attendance Module which would mean members paid online through the EBU website. This would be fully explained to all members. Members could pay an amount to cover future sessions if they wished</p> <p><b>2025 Events</b> Ian MacKay said we should have a yearly diary showing forthcoming bridge events. This was agreed. <u>Eve Fryer/Tony Warlow Trophy (Hi-Low)</u> to be held on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2025 <u>Woodham Cup</u> to be held on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2025 <u>Sims Pairs</u> – next session to be held on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2025 Charity Event – It was decided to hold one later in the year</p>	<p>IM</p> <p>MG</p> <p>DH</p>

		<p><b>We would urge all members to try and take part in these special events to keep our Club up and running</b></p> <p><b>Review of Christmas 2024</b> We all agreed that this event had been very successful. It was agreed to follow a similar format this year, free to all members with a single large raffle prize to be held on 18<sup>th</sup> December 2025</p> <p><b>Stand By System</b> This was discussed and the system of ringing Lesley Simmons if anyone requires a partner, or looking online, is successful.</p> <p><b>MEMBERS – If you do not have a partner for any session that you would like to play in, please ring LS and she will do her best to find you one.</b></p>	
4	Snooker matters	We have gained some new members recently and things are going well. DH is snooker rep. The committee would like to point out that if members bring a friend in to play with them, if they are not a member, £1 should be put into the honesty box and if they play more than 6 times they are required to join the Club	DH
5	Treasurer's report	The bank balance is healthy and we have just received £808 interest on one bond that MG had put some money into and another is due to mature shortly. Any member that would like to know more information about finances can telephone or email MG	MG
6	Correspondence	None received	
7	Webmaster matters	-	
8	Refreshments	Jance Crocket looks after this aspect of the Club and she and MG have reported that they do not think some items are being paid for. Ongoing this aspect will be monitored	
9	Welfare	-	
10	Membership/bridge	We have 86 members	
11	AOB	ST is compiling a questionnaire to be given to members asking what aspects of the Club they would like to consult about/see improved ST has designed some flyers which can be given out to advertise the Club Christmas closing 2025 – After 19 <sup>th</sup> December 2025 and re-open 2 <sup>nd</sup> January 2026	
12	Next meeting	Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> March 2025	

