

Berwick Bridge Club

Minutes of 42nd AGM

Held 16th May 2013

Present . President Gerald Sandwith and 39 members.

Apologies: P&C Ross, K Home Robertson, J & M Stone, I & C McCreath, P & J Fisher, R French, H Gipson, K Mole.

The Minutes of the last AGM were approved.

Matters arising, Master points had not been submitted electronically this year, may change during the course of next year.

Presidents Report on file.

Treasurers Report on file.

The club had 88 paid up members this year. The SBU affiliation fee rose by £1.00 this year, a fact that was unknown to the club at the start of the season, as a consequence the subscription should rise to £7.00 to cover this. Considerable capital expenditure had occurred during the year with the purchase of bridgemates and the storage cupboard.

The Congress had raised a surplus of £301.00. It was suggested by Reg Drysdale that this should be donated to the SBU to go towards the Scottish teams expenses. C McConachie felt that a charity should benefit . D Elder suggested that we could do both. The committee to decide.

Competition Secretary's report.

Competitions had gone well with the notable exception of the Lindsay, the trophy was not awarded this year.

Problems with bridgemates largely stemmed from operator error/ineptitude.

5 members of the club had agreed to become new directors, and that a short course would be organised for them to attend prior to the start of next season. Thanks extended to existing directors, particularly George Martin who had decided to retire, although will continue to provide backup as required.

Team Captains Report.

Paul Gipson, on behalf of Helen, thanked the team for their support over her 3 years as captain. The team had managed to stay in the first division. A New captain is required for next season.

Tony Oates, on behalf of Christine McCreath reported that the Bears had had a poor season and as a consequence had been demoted to the 5th division.

Office Bearers.

President Gerald Sandwith

Vice President Jean Mole

Hon Sec Trish Frew

Hon Treasurer Jane Smithson

New Committee Members

John Smithson, Brian Griffiths, Christopher Smith.

AOCB

Roger Smith recommended that the number of boards on a Thursday should be restricted to 24. This was counter amended by Reg Drysdale who felt that 26/27 was feasible if required. Regardless of the number of boards, play should finish by 10.30pm

Competition Secretary Report - 16th May 2013

The competitions this year have all run smoothly, with the notable exception of the Lindsay Individual. I hope to make a better job of running it next year. As a consequence of this failure, the trophy will not be awarded this year.

The most notable change in the club this year has been the use of the Bridgemates. Their introduction has not been altogether problem free. When we have had problems, they have almost all been due to operator error, which in turn has been due to operator inexperience. However, we are getting to grips with them now, and things are running more smoothly.

The other change has been the introduction of new directors. I held a brief introductory course in December, and since then five club members have started to direct competitions. We are hoping to arrange another course in the summer, this time taken by an SBU director, so next season the new directors should each be able to undertake a competition with confidence. I am very grateful to them for taking on this role. My thanks are also due to all the existing directors, and in particular to George, who has decided to retire, though he has said he will be a back up in case of emergency. George has been a mainstay of the directing team since long before I joined the club, and I think we are all very grateful for all his input.

BERWICK-UPON-TWEED BRIDGE CLUB
CONGRESS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 10thMAY,2013

<u>2012</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>2013</u>
£2,444	Entry plus Meals	£2,332
<u>95</u>	Soup	<u>77</u>
£2,539		£2,409
 <u>Expenditure</u>		
300	Room Hire	320
1,063	Cost of Meals, including soup	1,125
100	Directors Fee	100
350	Prize Money	350
65	Gratuities	65
54	License and Master Points	55
129	Printing, Postage and Stationery	78
15	Engraving	15
<u>108</u>	Pens	<u>----</u>
£2,184		£2,108
354	Surplus	301
540	Opening Balance	544
(350)	Charity Donation	
544	Closing Balance	845

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 15TH APRIL, 2013

<u>2012</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>Expenditure</u>	<u>2013</u>
517	Subscriptions	528	2,740	Room Hire	2,245
6,115	Table Money	5,680	599	Prizes and Engraving	611
18	Bank Interest	12	705	Master Points and Affiliation Fees	825
50	Sundries	50	206	Equipment Purchases	3,373
207	Party Money	-	359	Postage and Stationery	369
-	Transfer from Yorkshire Building Society	6,188	-	Party Expenses	91
			641	Sundries	1,054
			124	Tea, Coffee etc.	215
			2,000	Transfer to Yorkshire Building Society	
6,907		12,458	7,374		8,783
4,225	Balance B/Fwd - Royal Bank of Scotland	3,758	3,758	Balance C/Fwd - Royal Bank of Scotland	7,433
<u>11,132</u>		<u>16,216</u>	<u>11,132</u>		<u>16,216</u>

RESERVE ACCOUNT - YORKSHIRE BUILDING SOCIETY

4,017	Balance Brought Forward	6,086	Balance Carried Forward	6,188
69	Interest	102	Transfer to RBS Account	
2,000	Transfer from Royal Bank of Scotland	-		
<u>6,086</u>		<u>6,188</u>		<u>6,188</u>

We have prepared the financial statements dated 15th April, 2013 from your books, accounts, vouchers and information and explanations given to us and the above is in accordance therewith.


GREAVES WEST & AYRE
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS
BERWICK UPON TWEED

23rd APRIL 2013