**Bawburgh Bridge Club**

**Minutes of Committee Meeting held 9 July 2024**

Present: Anne Plunkett, Gill Newnes, Shirley Giles, Paula Morton, Bet Davies, Graham Morton, Catherine Jeffries. Apologies for absence were received from Graham Hardman

1 Minutes of the meeting held on 15 April were agreed as a true record. There were no matters arising.

2. Directorial matters.

There have been fewer instances of slow play since the request at the AGM, and TDs are reminding players regarding phones before each session.

It has been noticed that some players are not following EBU guidelines on Announcing & Alerting bids and **it was agreed** that an email would be issued with the up to date guidance to all active players. **Action GM**

3 Training

Matt Jackson was carrying out revision for improvers. There were still people coming through the system from Improvers to Monday Relaxed sessions.

4. Financial matters

CJ presented the latest accounts. The club’s finances were in good shape although with the recent increase in rent we were losing approximately £160 per month**. It was agreed** that in order to save £1,000 we would cancel the Charity Pairs Event but continue to donate £3 towards charity for the SIM Pairs events.

Given the recent rent increase **it was agreed** we should raise the issues of the need for more mugs, replacing a toilet seat in the Ladies and fixing the electrics with the Village Hall Committee. **Action GH**

5. Hospitality

Pie day had made a profit of £162 but this would go towards the cost of Christmas Lunch. The question of catering for vegans for future Pie Days was raised**. It was agreed** the club would buy in a vegan meal for them and they would be charged the same amount as the other attendees. People bringing in food for Christmas lunch would be told not to bring food that needed cooking from scratch in the oven

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6. Membership

This year 3 people had passed away and 4 new people have joined. Current membership is 225. There are four applications for membership being considered.

A number of membership booklets had still not been collected but after discussion **it was agreed** that we should continue to produce them.

7.. Competitions / Future programme

Handicap Teams – agreement was obtained for this competition at the recent AGM and space found in the roster in September for the event. Members will be asked to sign up with an email sent out around a month before the event, with details of the Handicap system. It was agreed that the highest ranked, and those who do not disclose their NGS will start with a 0 Handicap, with each lower NGS gaining a higher ‘plus’ figure for the final adjusted score. GM to finalise scoring system, download player NGS data and issue competition email in time for the event. **Action GM**

The club has also signed up for the EBU ‘Bridge – It’s A Big Deal’ charity event, being held in September, with the Wednesday 4th session being a designated as Charity Pairs, for Cancer Research UK. It was suggested that the club could also participate in the EBU Sim Pairs for the Monday session. Bet will raise the opportunity with Monday players and check on level of support for them to be included in the National event. **Action BD**

8. IT

The problems with the hall wi-fi continues. BVH committee are aware of the problem**.**

9. Any other business

There was no other business

10. Date of next meeting

To be held on Monday afternoon at 13.15 on 30 September in the Village Hall