

# BRIDGE IN THE CITY INC

**MINUTES OF MEETING – 11.45AM, FRIDAY 26 AUGUST 2023**

**CLARENCE PARK BOWLING CLUB**

**Present:** David Anderson (chair), Stewart Kingsborough, Nola Stone (minutes), Darrell Mitton, Pam Bowman, Dennis Reynolds, Stuart Tuck, Beverley Friling.

## **1) Opening from President/Chair**

- (a) David welcomed Nola Stone as the newly appointed Secretary.
- (b) David reiterated the importance and necessity for committee discussions to be kept in confidence.

## **2) Financials**

- (a) David pointed out a glitch in The People's Choice bank account which will only allow payments to be made to existing vendors but will not allow payments to new vendors. Darrell to investigate this and have it rectified.
- (b) Balance of account as of 14 July is \$5,200 (including pre-payments of table fees by members). Remaining \$237 from previous raffles to be paid into account by Jackie Ward.
- (c) Bidding Boxes and Bridge Mates have been paid in full and are now owned by BITC. Rent is paid up to end of August.
- (d) Name tags have been ordered. Cost \$5 each to be paid by either the individual member or BITC.
- (e) Treasurer's Report' - the treasurer, Darell Mitton, tabled an abridged financial report up to 31 July 2023. It was proposed that the report be accepted, (seconded).

## **3) Complaints**

- (a) Two members were cited for using abusive language towards their bridge partners. It was agreed that any member who uses abusive language or aggressive behaviour must issue a letter of apology to their bridge partner. Furthermore, any subsequent incidents from that person may incur a ban of a (yet to be decided) period of time. David will write to both members informing them of this decision.

**4) Christmas Lunch**

- (a) Christmas lunch to be held at the Warradale hotel on 17 December. Cost per member will be approximately \$38 to \$40 per head. Stuart will confirm once menu and cost has been made available by the Hotel. A list of members who wish to attend will be organised by Stuart and will be posted on the notice board.

**5) AGM**

- (a) BITC AGM will be held on 18 February 2024 at Clarence Park Bowling Club unless otherwise advised. Stuart and Bev will look into catering for this event and will advise the committee when costs and catering options have been discussed further and finalised.

**6) General Business**

- (a) Bev suggested a letter of thankyou be sent to Leonie Shearing (Former Secretary) for her service and was agree to by all committee members. David to send letter.
- (b) Stewart Kingsborough cited the minutes of Friday 14 July (point no. 4) to be amended to show the meeting closed at 12.30. David to make amendment before circulating minutes to all members.
- (c) David has contacted Sunday Mail to have 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> places included in all bridge sessions results.
- (d) Duty statements to be further discussed and reviewed at later meetings.
- (e) David to explain Bidding Box etiquette to members.
- (f) It was agreed by the committee that if a phone number is requested for a member by another member who may be looking for a partner, then it is acceptable for a committee member to give that number out. A list of phone numbers will not be put up on the bulletin board.

**7) Date of next meeting – Friday 27 October 2023**

**8) Close of meeting – 12.40pm**