

**REDLAND BRIDGE CLUB INC**  
**Management Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September**

**Welcome:** At 1.45pm Nigel declared a quorum to be present and the meeting was duly constituted. Nigel thanked all for their attendance.

**Present:** Nigel Cleminson, Anne Ormerod, Ros Putland, Cathy Mathieson, Robina Cooper, Sandra Berns, Di Elliott, Max Latimer, James Williamson, Molly O'Donohue

**Apologies:** Paul Elkington.

**1. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING HELD 8<sup>th</sup> August 2023**

The minutes were tabled and accepted as a correct record of proceedings. Moved: Cathy Mathieson, seconded Robina Cooper. Carried

**Business Arising from Minutes of Previous Meeting:**

- a) Redlands City Council can supply a red-lid bin for \$88 a quarter. CATHY
- b) New recycling system in place and working well.
- c) We do not have a congress convenor therefore this duty will be shared by the committee members.

**2. CORRESPONDENCE:** Cathy

The correspondence list from 6<sup>th</sup> of August to the 9<sup>th</sup> of September was tabled. Moved Cathy Mathieson, seconded Nigel Cleminson that the list be accepted. Carried

**Business arising from correspondence:**

- a) Letter of complaint from Bill Morgan (for discussion in General Business). CATHY
- b) Jane Whelan was informed that her 3-month suspension was changed to a reprimand. The Special General meeting was not required and was cancelled. CATHY
- c) An email will be sent to all members to inform them of the reason for the cancellation of the Special General meeting. CATHY
- d) Proof of completion of renovations to the bathroom and the installation of the Solar panels is to be provided to RCC. CATHY
- e) Majors and Councillors grant has been submitted for a new Dealer Machine. CATHY

**3. TREASURER'S REPORT:** Anne

The Treasurer's report was tabled. Moved Anne, seconded Ros Putland, that the report be accepted. Carried

- a) The sum of \$80,000.00 was invested in a Term deposit account. ANNE
- b) The annual subscription renewal process has been reviewed. A document outlining the process for sending and receiving subscription has been prepared by Anne Ormerod. Approval was given by the committee that the process will be published in the October 1<sup>st</sup> edition of the Trumpet and subscriptions sent out via Xero early October, as this program can track payments efficiently. Members without email address will be contacted individually. ANNE

- c) It has been brought to the committee's attention that our feed in tariff rates for the Solar Panels may not be optimal. Nigel will investigate the available tariff with Gary Jenkins who has knowledge in this area. NIGEL

**4. DIRECTORS REPORT: Ros**

- a) A director's report will be prepared in advance as Ros will be away the 4<sup>th</sup> of October until the 29<sup>th</sup> of October.
- b) A report regarding an incident at a bridge table was received by Ros. This will be discussed under General Business as some committee member are excluded from the discussion of this matter.
- c) Only the directors in charge on the day, can be called to adjudicate at a table. A second opinion cannot be requested from any other director. If a member feels that there is an incorrect decision by the on-duty directors, they can lodge and appeal. This will be announced in the Trumpet.

**5. DEALERS & MASTERPOINT SECRETARY'S REPORT: Carradine**

- a) Report distributed to all committee members.

**6. EDUCATION REPORT: Nigel**

- a) Beginner's classes, which started on Wednesday the 30<sup>th</sup> of August, are going well with 5 beginners and 2 members repeating the lessons again.
- b) Di Rigano will be doing intermediate lessons again soon. Nigel will check with her to confirm when they will occur.

**7. WORKPLACE HEALTH AND SAFETY**

**8. MAINTENANCE Max**

- a) Replacement of solenoid in Zip sensor in the men's bathroom.
- b) If the taps continue to cause problems, they will be changed to mixer taps.

**9. NEW MEMBERS: Robina**

**10. GENERAL BUSINESS**

- a) Buy liners for bins for congresses. Nigel will purchase the bags. NIGEL
- b) There is still a problem with smokers being too close to the entrances of the building. A club member has stated that she will go to the Council if this situation is not dealt with. The two members who smoke will be given an official letter stating that they must be at least 5 meters from the end of path and that they should use the small bins provided for cigarette butts. CATHY
- c) We have been advised that the QBA and ABF annual fees have increased to \$20.00 each. The annual fee for current members will therefore increase from \$53.00 to \$60.00. The fee for a new member joining the club will be \$70.00. ROBINA
- d) The caterers are charging the club \$35.00 for the Melbourne Cup party and \$39.00 for the Christmas party. As the club subsidises these events the members will be paying \$25.00 for Melbourne Cup and \$30 for the Christmas Party. Both events will be BYO, with juice, tea and coffee provided.

- e) The Trivia night held on the 8<sup>th</sup> of September was a great success and enjoyed by all who attended. The committee would like to acknowledge and thank the organizers of the night, James and Janelle Williamson and all those volunteers who supplied the dessert and supported this great effort.

*Note: Molly left the meeting while the following matter was discussed. Max also reclused himself. James was a witness to the event so he also reclused himself.*

- f) Ros was given a report by Max Latimer regarding an incident which occurred at the bridge table on the 5<sup>th</sup> of August involving Bill Morgan and Philip Thompson. Max was at the table as a player and was the director on duty.

A letter of complaint was received from Bill Morgen regarding comments made to him by Philip Thomson. As per the Procedure for Dealing with Behaviour Complaints policy, a subcommittee comprising of Anne Ormerod, Sandra Berns and Robina Cooper has been formed to investigate this complaint. They will write a report for the committee as soon as possible. The actions taken by the committee will be determined by their findings.

**Next meeting:** Tuesday October 10th at 1.30pm.

**Close:** There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 3.20pm

Confirmed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_