

MINUTES OF THE AGM OF THE NORTH SHORE BRIDGE CLUB

Held on Sunday, 25th August 2024 at 1.00pm in the Clubrooms, Killarney Park, Takapuna

<p>1. PRESENT Richard Ryan (President), Christine Wilson (Vice President), Heather Richards (Secretary), Lutz Naujack (Treasurer), Mike McLaughlin and Norman Moritz (Committee); Rosaleen Koch, Trish O'Connor, Ira Turvey, Ash Barnes, Vernon Duncum, Clare Anderson, Ross Anderson, Ilona West, Don West, Margaret Ridge, Terrey Durbin, Ken Durbin, Lynne Griffiths, Brent Talbot, Gillian Trotman, Loretta Edwards, Adele Peart-Baillie, Graeme Chatfield, Barbara Egerton, Douglas Russell, Ray Clarke, Harry Young, Sue Bain, Marilyn Janmaat, Barbara Fitzgerald, Beth Campbell, Lizzy Roe, Rod Carson and Stewart Bowmar.</p> <p>Jill Torrie, new Treasurer, called in to the meeting at 1.45pm and was introduced to the attendees.</p>	
<p>2. APOLOGIES Heather Brown, Mandy McLean, Harvey Richards, Carol Preston, Diana Moorhead, Jenny Hemmings, Chris Pendleton, Angela Aberhart, Liz Boulton, Jo Bowler</p>	
<p>3. MINUTES OF AGM ON 27.08.23 The minutes, having been previously circulated, were taken as read and confirmed.</p>	Ryan/Barnes
<p>4. MATTERS ARISING Nil</p>	
<p>5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT The president's report had been previously circulated. Richard spoke to the report mentioning the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. The rise in table money which came into effect on 1 October 2023 has improved the Club's financial position in that there is no deficit. Club has been successful with getting funding from grants which has paid for maintenance items. The table numbers are good at some sessions; not so good on Tuesday and Friday morning sessions. B. The members who have passed away in the last 12 months were named – Catherine Stanaway, Lorna Haslem, Pam Collman, Michael Tangney, Gillian Howard and Val O'Driscoll. Tony Stanaway has donated a cup in memory of his late wife, Catherine, and the Committee has decided that will be a service award – given to a member who stands out as having done a lot for the Club. C. The large number of members who have helped throughout the year. Richard thanked the Committee, Christine Wilson (VP) who is tournament secretary, Heather Richards (Secretary extraordinaire), Lutz Naujack (Treasurer) who is standing down; Mike McLaughlin who has rewritten the Club constitution to comply with the new Incorporated Societies Act, Jenny Hemmings, new to the Committee, who took on the kitchen, including catering; Norman Moritz who stepped in when Michael Coats resigned, and those who help behind the scenes to make the Club run well. <p>Gillian moved a vote of thanks to the current Committee</p>	Durbin/Turvey
<p>6. ANNUAL ACCOUNTS Lutz spoke to the accounts. He noted the club made a profit of \$12,323 for the year compared to the \$20,000 deficit in 2023, also noting the receipt of grants. Gillian asked whether there had been any consideration given to raising the table money by a small amount annually rather than a large increase several years apart. Richard replied and said that matter had not been considered and he favoured a larger one off increase. Ilona said she felt the rise to \$6.50 last year was large as in effect it was a \$2 rise (due to there not being a bonus voucher now).</p>	Naujack/Barnes
<p>7. NEW NSBC CLUB CONSTITUTION Mike McLaughlin spoke to this matter noting that it is a requirement of the new Incorporated Societies Act 2022 for all clubs to update their constitution. The existing Incorporated Societies Act was passed in 1908.</p>	

<p>The new constitution requirements are now closely aligned to the provisions in the Companies Act with similar fiscal responsibilities on Committee members as there are on company directors.</p> <p>Of considerable emphasis in the new Act are the declarations of any conflicts of interest and the assurance that no members are gaining a pecuniary benefit from the Club. Also in the new Constitution, the pathways for handling disputes are now clearly spelled out.</p> <p>Since a copy of the proposed NSBC was first circulated, there has been a small amendment to clause [2.6]. Mike explained the issues that needed attention in the new Constitution re: the payment of subscriptions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Invoices for subscriptions are issued early in July and are due for payment by the end of July. If not paid by the end of July, the member becomes “unfinancial” and loses all privileges of membership. Any subscription not paid by the end of August means that player will have their membership terminated. <p>The new Constitution was adopted with the amendment as described above.</p>	<p>McLaughlin/ Talbot</p>																					
<p>8. ELECTION OF OFFICERS</p> <p>The following nominations were received:</p> <table><tr><td>President</td><td>Richard Ryan</td><td>Christine Wilson/Jenny Hemmings</td></tr><tr><td>Vice President</td><td>Christine Wilson</td><td>Heather Richards/Mike McLaughlin</td></tr><tr><td>Secretary</td><td>Heather Richards</td><td>Christine Wilson/Jenny Hemmings</td></tr><tr><td>Treasurer</td><td>Jill Torrie</td><td>Heather Richards/Mike McLaughlin</td></tr><tr><td>Committee</td><td>Jenny Hemmings</td><td>Norman Moritz/Heather Richards</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>Mike McLaughlin</td><td>Norman Moritz/Lutz Naujack</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>Norman Moritz</td><td>Mike McLaughlin/Lutz Naujack</td></tr></table> <p>Appointment of Honorary Solicitor: Robert Clark from Simpson Western has agreed to act as honorary solicitor.</p> <p>Appointment of Auditor: James Dellow has agreed to continue as auditor.</p>	President	Richard Ryan	Christine Wilson/Jenny Hemmings	Vice President	Christine Wilson	Heather Richards/Mike McLaughlin	Secretary	Heather Richards	Christine Wilson/Jenny Hemmings	Treasurer	Jill Torrie	Heather Richards/Mike McLaughlin	Committee	Jenny Hemmings	Norman Moritz/Heather Richards		Mike McLaughlin	Norman Moritz/Lutz Naujack		Norman Moritz	Mike McLaughlin/Lutz Naujack	
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<p>9. REMITS</p> <p>None received</p>																						
<p>10. GENERAL BUSINESS</p> <p>Nil</p>																						

The meeting closed at 1.30pm

Richard Ryan
President