

# Minutes for Central Coast Bridge Club      8 March 2022

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## Call to Order

A meeting of Central Coast Bridge Club was held on 8 March 2022 at the Central Coast Bridge Club. It began at 9:30 a.m.; Louise Lewis presided, and Steph Mathews served as secretary.

## Attendees

Voting members in attendance included John Redfearn, Norm Berger, Phil Thomas, Jill Wildey, Graham Williamson, Colin Kleinig, and Rod Shellshear.

## Apologies

Kerrie Ransom and David Purkiss

## Objectives

1. Decide response to Heyting complaint
2. Decide whether to purchase new dealing machine
3. Decide status of presidency
4. Receive feedback from committee
5. Decide on outstanding motions
6. Approve minutes of previous meeting
7. Decide whether any action necessary re correspondence
8. Decide whether to approve applications for membership
9. Receive reports from Tournament Secretary, Masterpoints Secretary and Treasurer
10. Receive report from COVID Coordinator and decide whether any further action is necessary

## 1. Call to order

Louise called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

## 2. The Presidency

Following a committee member's feedback, points regarding the president's position were discussed. Steph asked the committee to decline an offer by the president to step down and called for a vote of confidence, which was carried by 8 votes with one abstention

## 3. Complaint filed against Gary Heyting by Norm Berger

Steph and Norm left the room for this discussion; John Redfearn took the following minutes: Louise reviewed the events that gave rise to the complaint and evidence received. The committee agreed that Gary had not complied with the club's Code of Conduct and that a letter should be sent to Gary advising him of same and including a copy of the Code of Conduct with a warning that future violations could lead to disciplinary action. Steph and Norm returned to the room and were advised of the committee's decision.

## 4. and 5. Committee feedback and outstanding motions re dealing machine.

On 17 February, after the committee voted on 8 February to purchase a new dealing machine, Rod submitted three out of session motions for committee approval, one of

which was to rescind the motion to purchase a new dealing machine. On 20 February, Louise advised that the urgency of Rod's motions had subsided as steps to purchase a new machine had been halted and agreed to place Rod's motions on the agenda for the meeting on 8 March. See motions below for resolution.

## **6. Approval of minutes of previous meeting.**

Steph moved and Norm seconded that the minutes of the 8 February 2022 meeting be approved with the one clarification that Rod requested.

## **7. Business arising from minutes.**

None

## **8. Correspondence**

### **Incoming**

8 Feb email from Lorraine Lindsay re non-renewal of her alternate membership  
 16 Feb email from Gary Heyting re Norm's complaint against him  
 20 Feb email from Barry Foster declining to continue his and Sylvia's alternate membership  
 20 Feb email from Robyn Deane re non-renewal of her membership  
 20 Feb email from Stewart Duxbury inquiring about home club membership  
 20 Feb email from Roy Cotton inquiring about home club membership  
 21 Feb email from June Hale re transferring her membership to Community Club  
 22 Feb email from Janine Jones re non-renewal of her membership  
 2 Mar email from Cath Morrison re partner arranging whiteboard seeking online partner  
 2 Mar email from John Duncan requesting we place his name on whiteboard  
 3 Mar email from Southlakes Bridge Club re its replacing Dora Creek Club  
 3 Mar email from Warren Lazer re State Wide Pairs

### **Outgoing**

20 Feb email to Nola Daly re violation of the Code of Conduct  
 20 Feb email to Gary Heyting re violation of the Code of Conduct  
 21 Feb email to Stewart Duxbury re procedure for home club membership  
 26 Feb email to Roy Cotton re procedure for home club membership  
 6 Mar email to John Duncan re placing his name was on whiteboard and transmitting photo of other names  
 7 Mar email to Cath Morrison re possible partner for online play

## **9. Business arising from Correspondence**

Jill to contact Cath Morrison re online session

## **10. Membership applications**

Steph moved and Norm seconded that Veronica Stewart's application for home club membership be approved; the motion carried unopposed

Steph moved and John seconded that Virginia Dressler's application for alternate membership be approved; the motion carried with 7 votes in favour and one abstention.

## **11. Tournament Secretary's Report**

Norm reported that the Mixed Pairs Championship is scheduled for tomorrow and that 8 tables had signed up. The Country Teams competition is scheduled for April 6 and the Regional Final will be held at our club. The zone final will take place before the end of June. Norm to work with Shan re publicizing upcoming events on the web site. Norm to check on Country Teams and GNOT regulations re alternate member eligibility and report back to the committee. Louise and Norm to prepare something for the newsletter re these events.

## **12. Chief Director's Report**

John reported that John McIlrath is coming this Saturday morning for a directors' meeting. The dealing machine seems to be going okay. John requested authorization to contact Lismore Bridge club to see how we may help them after the flooding. See motions below.

## **13. Treasurer's Report.**

Phil presented the profit and loss statement for February 2022 and advised the committee that the New Era and paper costs were artificially high because John and Louise had been busy preparing materials for various sets of lessons.

## **14. COVID Update**

In Kerrie's absence Norm reported that we are basically returning to Pre-COVID status: no sanitizers needed on the tables, no plastic covers for bridgemates, no mask requirement, no entry register, no ventilation restrictions, and a return to regular bi-weekly cleaning.

## **Motions**

Phil Thomas moved and Rod seconded to rescind the motion made and carried 8 February to purchase a new dealing machine; the motion carried unopposed.

Rod's second outstanding motion, to cease or cancel any steps taken to purchase a new dealing machine, was deemed moot.

Rod moved that parts deemed necessary to ensure ongoing reliability of the dealing machine, generally normal wear and tear items be purchased and kept at the bridge club. The motion lapsed for want of a second. The committee asked that John report back at the next meeting re the dealing machine.

Steph moved and Norm seconded that John investigate Lismore Bridge Club's needs and report back to the committee; the motion carried unopposed with one abstention.

## Meeting Closure

The meeting objectives were met, and Louise adjourned the meeting at 12:02 p.m.

## Next Meeting

Tuesday, 12 April 2022 at 9:30 a.m.

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Stephanie Mathews, Secretary

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Louise Lewis, President

**Out of session motion:** On 2 March 2022 Steph moved (via email), and Jill seconded that Lyn Lynch's application for home club membership be approved; the motion carried with 7 votes in favour and none opposed.

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Stephanie Mathews, Secretary

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Louise Lewis, President