

ABINGDON DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB

Minutes of a meeting of the committee held on Monday 13th November 2006, 7.30pm at 32 Picklers Hill, Abingdon

Present: Gordon Carroll (GC) (Chair); Clive Keep (CK) (Secretary); Chris Lloyd (CL), Jean Moore (JM), Brian Moore (BM) Valerie Welch(VW), Karen Hughes (KH) and David Walton (DW).

1. Apologies for Absence: Graham Simpson (GR).

2. Minutes of 24th April 2006

The minutes for 18th September 2006 were agreed and signed by GC. CL stated that although correctly minuted, the cost of duplimated baords was actually £6.50 at the time of the meeting, and was now £7.

3. Matters arising from the minutes

All actions arising from the minutes had been carried out, with the exception of items 9(d) (Agreed finishing time) and 6(h) (notice about Camrose trophy)

Action: **GC & CK**

4. Discussion on Club Membership

VM had prepared a list of possible members to contact. The comittee members went through this list (and other 'possibles') and suggested that the following be contacted to see if they would like to attend/join the club – David Irwin & Mike Brown (by CK), Carol Wadsworth, Jan Spearing, Gaye Kyle & Marriane Hymen (by VW). GC also reported that he had received a letter from the VOWH saying that the council were making some space on the Abbey Hall notice boards available for Club advertising. JM agreed to ask her daughter Elaine to prduce a suitable notice for circulation round the committee for comment. If Elaine could not do it, CK offered his services. It was also agreed that if a new prospective member wished to play at the club, then a member of the committee would agree to play with them on at least non-competition evenings.

Action: **CK & VW**

Action: **JM**

Action: **all**

5. Discussion on proposal to raise table money to £2

CL presented the case for raising the table money to £2. Reasons had been described in a presentation circulated prior to the meeting. There was much discussion on this topic including the costs of Duplimate boards, how to provide tea/coffee etc. GC requested to postpone this decision until the next meeting (CK to put on Agenda) and everyone to consider.

Action: **CK, all**

6. Len Salmon Memorial Trophy

This will take place in the village hall at Roke (Wallingford are the hosts) on Sunday 26th Novenber, starting at 1400. CK confirmed that all the current Wessex League 'A' team were available and playing. GC said that he still had a couple of people to contact before the three teams were finalised. Maybe we should consider charging team members next year (to be considered under item 5 above at the next meeting).

Action: **GC, all**

7. Table money for 'Children in Need' SIM Pairs

It was agreed that the Table money would we charged at £5 per person, with £2.80 going to charity.

Action: **CL**

8. Discussion on Christmas Party

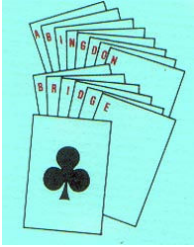
It was agreed that the club would revert to members bringing either food, or paying £5 to KH. If not paying £5, members would be asked to provide something substantial/orginal, not crisps/packets etc. It was agreed that:-

(a) Raffle prizes to be combined – to a maximum of 10

(b) VW & KH to organise the raffle.

(c) DW to orrganise the food on the night.

Action: **various**



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8.(cont) (d) GC to agree corkage –suggest £40

(e) £100 to be allocated for drinks

(f) CK to write to Waitrose to ask for a raffle donation

(g) BINGO BRIDGE (with random pairs) will be played on the night – GC to organise and direct the event.

(h) DW to prepare draw slips for pairs on the night

(i) GC to announce details of the party on Tuesday nights leading up to the event

(j) The charity will be 'Heads Up' – a local charity at the Oxford hospitals, dealing with cancer of the jaw etc.

Action:
various

9. Any Other Business

The subject of chairs was raised... the old ones are supposed to be being replaced/upgraded, but uncomfortable ones remain. GC to raise this with the council after Christmas, when we are back into our usual committee room.

Action: **GC**

It was agreed that we would reduce the number of SIMS booklets for the Children in Need event from 15 to 10 to save £4. CK to notify ECATS.

Action: **CK**

KH raised the subject of the EBU changes in alerting/announcing since August this year. It was agreed that the club would not complain about this – it would be done by any individuals that were concerned.

The meeting closed at 9.57pm.