

# Caloundra Contract Bridge Club

## MINUTES

**Meeting Opened : Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2024                      8.30am**

**Present** : Bob Davies, Siobhán Davies, Steve Hughes, Kerry Thorp, Angie Robinson, Joanne Scott, Janie Brennan

**Apologies** : Greg Dobson, Bev O'Hara

### **Approval of Minutes from last meeting :**

*"It was moved that the minutes of the last meeting were a true and accurate record."*

*Moved: Siobhán Davies*

*Seconded: Angie Robinson*

*CARRIED*

### **Business arising from Meeting 20th August 2024 :**

- AC Polling of Members – update provided to Members. No further action required.
- Constitution – suggested changes to voting conditions. Getting feedback on important issues such as air conditioning was deemed a success, and this will continue when necessary, in the future. No changes to Constitution required at present.
- Bridge Timer / Clock. Kerry uses a laptop with timer when there are two sessions, and this is working well. No action required until other clock stops working.

### **Correspondence :**

#### **Inward :**

- President of Zone – AGM at Caloundra 25<sup>th</sup> October 4.30 pm
- Sunshine Coast Zone – GNOT dates for 2025
- Ron and Helen Thompson – questions regarding quotations whether all additions costs are included
- Bob Galvin – questions regarding the capacity of air con
- Croquet Club – thank you for making the club available to host the function for the State Teams on Tuesday 3 September at the Club. Over 100 guests were present, including the Sunshine Coast Mayor
- QLD Gov – confirmation of Grant Approval
- Congratulations to Greg Dobson for the Roof Grant from multiple members
- QBA – two GNOT teams from Sunshine Coast Club have reached the finals in Sydney. We congratulate Caloundra members in the teams : - Wendy O'Brien, Anne Young and Amber Noonan

## **Outward :**

- Noreen Weyling – confirm date of AGM at Caloundra
- Rozanne Thomas – confirm our dates correct for GNOTS
- Ron and Helen Thompson / Bob Galvin – advised no decision will be made until after the closing date for feedback
- Sunshine Coast Council – Lease Agreements 12 Months for 2024, 2025, 2026, audited financial statements, contact details for Executive Committee, insurance
- Thanks and Appreciation - Jason Hunt MP, Cr Terry Landsberg, Minister Yvette D'Ath
- Jason Hunt -Thanks and Appreciation
- Several emails with Sunstate Roofing. Courtesy email sent to surrounding club re potential noise during roof work
- Flyer for Graded Pairs sent to Brisbane and local Clubs. Emails sent to all entrants from last year

*"It was moved that the inward correspondence be accepted, and the outward endorsed".*

*Moved: Siobhan Davies*

*Seconded: Kerry Thorp*

*CARRIED*

## **Members :**

- Current 255, Away 46 and Life Members 2 = **303**

New Members Proposed:

Anita Swoboda (Home)

Paul Jenkins (Away)

Peter Flower (Away)

*"It was moved that the above members be approved for membership".*

*Moved: Angie Robinson*

*Seconded: Joanne Scott*

*CARRIED*

## **Treasurer's Report :**

- Spreadsheet of all Financial transactions presented to the Meeting.
- Balance in the Current Account is \$74,461 (this includes Grant Money for the roof) and balance in the Investment Account is \$59,291.
- The President spoke about conversations he had with other Clubs and local Clubs have expressed concern about their financial situation.
- Caloundra Bridge Club is financially sound and the Club always at least 'breaks-even' on a monthly basis, however expenses will be closely monitored.

*"It was moved that the Treasurer's Report be approved".*

*Moved: Steve Hughes*

*Seconded: Siobhán Davies*

*CARRIED*

## General Business :

- Council – Signed Lease and documents returned to Council. Revised Insurance Policy awaited
- Office of Fair Trading – Annual Return submitted
- ATO – Not for Profit Return submitted
- Grant – Written approval for work to roof received from Council. In correspondence with Sunstate Roofing, due to noise the Club must close for 3 days. Tuesday afternoon and Thursday morning sessions will be held at the RSL. Wednesday session will have to be cancelled. Small Slam to be issued to Members
- QBA Levy – the levy must be paid by any Away members whose Home Club is outside Queensland. The Clubs are responsible for notifying the QBA of names. We need to add this to our annual Fees schedule
- Solar Panels' tariff change from 6.6 c/kwh to 4.6 c/kwh. Only applies to energy sold back to the grid. \$61 received in the last quarter. The Club also received a QLD Government Small Business Rebate of \$325 and Energy Bill Relief of \$81.
- Fire Pak – confirmed that maintenance of Fire Equipment is no longer required. This is now the responsibility of Sunshine Coast Council.
- Key Register – audit carried out
- Car Park Lights – flood lights to side of building brighten up the car park on Monday and Thursday nights. It is now noticeable that the area in front of the building is dark and additional lights will be erected.
- Charity Day – Update. Bob D thanked Jo Scott for her hard work in coordinating the charity day and presented Jo with flowers as a thank you on behalf of the Club. Jo thanked everyone who contributed to the day and said there was nice feel on the day. Morgan from Kyabra spoke well. Congratulations to Margo Solomon for doing such a great job as Auctioneer. Recommendation that next year the Club reverts to 'Bring-a-Plate'. \$5,000 was raised for the Charity and Morgan will be invited to accept a payment certificate. A letter of thanks with copy of slide show will be sent to the many Sponsors.
- Melbourne Cup 5<sup>th</sup> November – Kerry Thorp will lead the sub-committee, together with helpers. Club will provide alcohol and chicken. Members will be asked to bring either a salad or dessert.
- Sponsorship – Angie spoke to Fixed Income and they are very keen to sponsor the 2 day congress in February. Angie to discuss the details. Also Propel Advice are interested in providing some sponsorship. Angie to follow up.
- Purchase of a replacement vacuum – Full Price \$1,299. Sale price \$900.
- Inter Club Teams – Caloundra won the event this year and we would like to hold the Trophy for another couple of years. As a result, Caloundra will host the event next year, proposed date 9<sup>th</sup> August 2025. The Club will actively promote the Event next year and encourage as many members to play as possible. Steve Hughes to coordinate.
- Club Maintenance – we thank Greg Sulzberger for volunteering to carry out small maintenance jobs in the Club
- Purchasing – Kerry orders cleaning products, paper plates, toilet paper, tissues. Bin bags to be included in list.
- Purchasing – Janie orders tea, coffee, sugar, biscuits. Biscuits are only purchased on-sale.
- Advertising – the Club ran two ads in My Weekly Review for Beginner Lessons and six people attended the Lessons from the ad. Two people from the Radio ad.

Siobhán Davies  
Secretary

**Meeting closed at 10.10 am**

**Next Meeting 12<sup>th</sup> November 2024 at 8.30am**