

LISMORE BRIDGE CLUB  
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 23 NOVEMBER 2023  
AT THE HEIGHTS RECREATION, SPORT AND COMMUNITY CLUB, HIGH STREET, LISMORE HEIGHTS

Meeting Opened at: 11.00am  
Present: Sixteen (16) members as per attendance book  
Apologies: Three (3) members as per attendance book  
Minutes of Previous  
AGM Meeting: Read and confirmed accurate.  
Moved: Juliana Connell  
Seconded: Jacquie Williams  
Business Arising: Nil

Minutes of the Previous

General Meeting: Read and confirmed accurate.  
Moved: Juliana Connell  
Seconded: Frankie Crehan  
Business Arising: Frankie agreed to be the Players' Partnership Coordinator during 2024.

President's Report: Read – copy attached.  
Moved: Juliana Connell  
Seconded: Nancy Stivano

Treasurer's Report: Read – copy attached.  
Moved: Margaret Louise  
Seconded: Juliana Connell

Notice Of Motions:

1. That Director, Graham Askey, be reimbursed at the standard ATO rate his travel expenses for the days he held lessons for Lismore Bridge Club at Casino RSM.

Moved: Jill James

Seconded: Sue Ryan

Jill James spoke to motion.

Meeting voted unanimously to approve Motion.

2. The Quarterly General Meeting of the Lismore Bridge Club, held on Thursday 28 September 2023, referred the following motion to the 2023 AGM.

That the members decide whether to continue hosting the McDermott Regional Trophy in the future.

Moved: Jacquie Williams

Seconded: Allison Shepherd

Jacquie Williams and Chris Pezzutti spoke for the motion. Nancy Stivano inquired about the cost. Juliana Connell spoke against the motion, indicating that we relied heavily on Ballina club to run a successful event. Jill James suggested that the event be deferred for twelve months. Allison Shepherd suggested that a director be employed in the future. Graham Askey informed meeting that this event was originally conducted on a rotation basis within the regional clubs; over the years the regional clubs declined to host the event, which left Lismore to hold the tournament.

An amended motion was proposed:

That the Lismore Bridge Club defer hosting the McDermott Regional Trophy for 2024 and to reconsider at the 2024 Annual General Meeting.

Moved: Juliana Connell

Seconded: Jill James

Meeting voted unanimously to approve Amended Motion.

3. The Quarterly General Meeting of the Lismore Bridge Club, held on Thursday 28 September 2023, referred the following motion to the 2023 AGM.

That Full member fee is increased to \$40 per person; Associate members fee to \$20 per person and the table fee remain at \$5 per session.

Moved: Jacquie Williams

Seconded: Allison Shepherd

Jacquie Williams spoke for the motion, pointing out that we need 5 ½ tables per week to pay the rent, and extra funds are required to cover administrative costs.

Meeting voted unanimously to approve the Motion.

Election of Office Bearers for 2024

President Juliana invited Frankie Crehan to chair the election of the 2024 Committee.

Frankie declared all Committee positions vacant.

The following members were nominated: (nomination forms attached)

President: Juliana Connell

Vice-President: Jacquie Williams

Secretary: Allison Shepherd

Treasurer: Pin Sultas

Ordinary Member: Roger Spain

All nominees accepted the positions.

Meeting voted unanimously to appoint the above members as the 2024 Committee.

Frankie congratulated the Committee and wished them well for 2024.

Juliana thanked Margaret Louise for her excellent work as outgoing Treasurer and welcomed Pin Sultas to the position. Juliana also thanked Frankie for acting as interim chair.

General Business:

Sue Ryan reminded the meeting that the Lismore Workers Club has offered a room, for bridge sessions, free of charge, when the premises are renovated.

Juliana replied that the Committee would investigate the offer when the Lismore Workers Club has reopened.

Juliana thanked the members for attending and expressed her best wishes for 2024.

Meeting closed at: 11.40 am.

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President  
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Secretary