

FRANKLIN BRIDGE CLUB INC.

Minutes of Committee Meeting held ONLINE on Thursday 23 July 2026 @6p.m.

Present: L Thornton, A Geursen, C Godding, I Trifonov, T Phillips, J Taylor, B Henton, N Miller, D Biddick, P Wooffindin

Apologies: A Geursen, L Geursen, H Annabell, H Egelmeer.

J Taylor/I Trifonov

Minutes of Previous Meeting circulated be approved

T Phillips/L Thornton

Inward Correspondence:

1. NZ Bridge minutes circulated to committee
2. NZ Wide Pairs information
3. Regional Hui information – August 9th @Hibiscus Coast Bridge Club – delegate/s required
4. Henk Egelmeer – Property report

Outwards Correspondence

1. Board and regional minutes and newsletters forwarded to committee
2. Table Talk Correspondence approved *C Godding /J Taylor*

Financial Report: Christine reported the Regional Tournament was a financial success. Profit \$5186.70

Term deposit \$18,500 Current account \$20,000

Christine asked about having a Charity Tournament as the club is registered as a Charity. Support for the concept, Neil and Christine to work out a date. Suggested a date is put in the next years programme.

Club Captain: New badges ordered

Ultra restricted series due to start. Franklin to host final round 30th August

Membership forms for new members just need signing off.

NZ Wide Pairs 16/10/26, Friday Evening, \$12 per head to NZ Bridge Foundation. Jonathan will be away. Arie has offered to direct and run the evening. Confirmation required to Richard Solomon by **30/9/26**

Technology: Thanks to Ilian for setting up the Teams meeting. Some members had trouble connecting for a start but it saved going out on a cold night. Registration with Microsoft done. A workshop for Microsoft being planned. A new TV screen being looked at for the room to replace the drop down screen that is losing clarity. Security cameras for the front and back of the building to be priced.

Property: Henk submitted a report. Defibrillator that has been beeping. Battery and pads to be replaced. Dennise has priced @\$845.35 “Replacement pads and battery for defibrillator approved” *B Henton/ L Thornton*.

Sub-committee looking at options for space in the room. 26 tables fitted in the room for the recent tournament.

Discussion on having the office moved to committee room. Jonathan remarked it was helpful to have an area to set out the boards for the teams that the players couldn't access. Also the need to have an area to talk to a player away from the main room. Sub-committee to report back.

Discussion on replacing the screens in the kitchen to make it quieter for the room when action is happening in the kitchen,

Some problem with alarm being set off. Problem with keys sticking in the lock. New lock and keys suggested. Neil Miller has the key register at present.

A WORKING BEE suggested for the last week of August to clean windows, get rid of junk and a general tidy up.

Tournament: 18 tables for pairs and 26 tables for teams. Everything went well. Scoring had no problems and the room was well set out and players happy.

Next tournament 19th September, Intermediate and Open, 2 sessions. Encourage club members to participate

Catering: Thanks to Neil Miller and his team. Superb catering and feeding over 100 players in a very short time. Neil has a good supply of frozen savouries for the next events. The last Tuesday of beginners a supper will be held.

Training and Development: Beginner lessons for 3 tables almost finished. Discussion on Improvers' lessons. Offer by Linda and Teresa to take the lessons. Support hopefully by Lynne when she is back. Pip spoke of the need to have play time once a new convention is introduced. Suggest have one topic a month. Tuesday 4th August 7-9pm suggested

General Business:

1. Terry Evans requested release of names and numbers for his online calendar – Committee support the development efforts by Terry
2. Maureen has had a general enquiry if we rent out the clubrooms. Neil Miller and Dennise Biddick to be the contact person re renting out. Rates to remain the same:

35/hr (+GST) 2 hr min \$80.50 or \$230/day (+GST) plus

a \$70/day cleaning fee (renters leave room tidy but not vacumed)

3. Dennise had purchased a small round stool for next to the tables. No support for getting more as they are too small and don't stack. Existing stools to be cleaned at working bee then see if more stools are required.

4. Jonathan Taylor to be delegate to the Regional Hui 9th August

5. Recycling to be an agenda item for the next meeting

Next meeting. No meeting date set

Meeting closed at 7.30pm