**Bawburgh Bridge Club**

**Minutes of online Committee Meeting held 5 September 2022**

Present: Mervyn Scutter, Bryony Seppings, Bet Davies, Graham Hardman, Paula Morton, Graham Morton, Catherine Jeffries and Clive Turner

1 Minutes of the meeting held on 16 May were agreed as a true record. There were no matters arising.

2. Directorial matters

* GM had sent out requests for availability for the next quarter to TDs and Bridgemate operators but had not yet had a response from everybody. He was concerned that the club had insufficient numbers of both to be able to lose any of them.

3 Training

* Monday mornings were well attended with up to 17 tables but many of those playing regularly did not want to become members. The beginners and Improvers sessions continue to be run together with a new group of beginners starting next week.

4. Financial matters

* The club was still making a loss overall but there was plenty of money in the reserves so it could be accommodated. However with hospitality costs rising dramatically and other costs likely to rise it was agreed we should consider increasing table money at the next AGM.
* It was agreed to produce a report of weekly costs compared with income for the next committee meeting. **Action CJ**

5. Hospitality

* A member of the club was proposing to hold a Quiz Night at the Village Hall to raise money for charity with the target audience being members of the bridge club. It was agreed that as this was a private initiative it would not be appropriate for the committee to become involved. It was agreed we would be happy to publicise the event for him and wished him success. Secretary to contact the individual and inform him of the decision.  **Action PM**
* It was agreed the Xmas Lunch would be catered and members would be charged £10 per head to participate. **Action BS**

6. Membership

* The deadline for paying subscriptions had now passed and 39 members, none of whom had played since 2020, had been deleted from membership. Current membership stands at 219
* There are currently no applications awaiting committee approval.

7. Competitions / Future programme

* The Charity Pairs event was currently scheduled provisionally for 13 October , this was a very recent addition to the programme. In the light of the clubs’ falling funds it was agreed not to run it this year but reconsider it for 2023.
* We had received 5 names for the Allwood Wharton Trophy but needed a further 3 to make up a team. It was agreed to send a further email to members asking for interest. **Action MS**

8. IT

* There were some issues over the software producing error messages. GH and Anne Plunkett would be working together to get the new cards to work successfully with the dealing machine.

10 Any other business

* MS and BS both announced that after careful consideration neither of them would be standing for re-election at the next AGM. Replacements would need to be found. **Action ALL**

11. Date of next meeting

To be held Monday afternoon 9 January 2023 at 2pm at a venue to be agreed.