

Timaru Bridge Club Inc.

**Minutes of the Club Committee meeting held in the Clubrooms 63
Wilson Street Timaru on 8 September 2021 at 5:30 pm.**

Present

Tina Ivamy, Allan Luscombe, Joe Harris, Sue Milmine, Pauline Prendergast, Gavin Spence, Mary McSherry, Penny Dewar, Ashley Milliken, Anne-Marie Pavletich.

Apologies: Grant Patterson

Motion – “The apologies are accepted”

Seconded and carried

N.B. This meeting was held under urgency with very short notice and no published agenda. The only topics for discussion were:

- 1. Reopening Club (or not) under “Delta” level 2 restriction**
- 2. Date for next Committee meeting**
- 3. Date for our next AGM**

Reopening Club

- Primary question – Can we provide a safe place to play bridge under the “Delta” level 2 guidelines?
- Noted: “Our Club is a private (not public) space so we have some latitude”. However, we should follow NZ Bridge guidelines which clearly indicate we should limit attendance to 50 people.
- Face coverings required? – There was vigorous discussion around this issue. The conclusion was that we should require face coverings under current “Delta” level 2 restrictions.
- Attendance? –It will be limited to Club members (or registered Temuka, Geraldine or Waimate affiliates).
- Club competitions? – They will be temporarily suspended, since no player should be disadvantaged due to concerns for their health. The first 2 weeks back at bridge will be casual play. This will allow the Silver & Gold divisions the opportunity to sort out the remainder of their competition schedule.
- Setting up specific Timaru sessions for Bridge Base Online (BBO)? – Agreed that this would be worthwhile, but we are not able to identify a convenor at this time.

Motion:

We will resume sessions for Monday, Tuesday and Friday bridge on 13/9/21. Play will be limited to 50 players with no outside visitors, no competitions until the divisions determine the way forward, Wednesday sessions on hiatus until a convenor is available, no tea breaks or snacks (BYO only), Wednesday lessons will continue (wearing face coverings if playing at the table). All players must register by scanning the QR code or signing the register.

Seconded and carried

N.B. -- These decisions will be revisited immediately if the government changes Covid levels, but will also be reviewed at the next Committee meeting.

Next AGM: Thursday, 25 November 2021 at 7pm

Next Committee meeting Thursday, 23 September 2021 5:30 pm

Meeting adjourned 6:10 pm

Confirmed _____

Date _____

Submitted by
Joe Harris, secretary