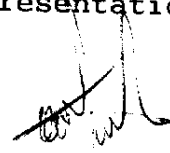


BERWICK-UPON-TWEEED BRIDGE CLUB

MINUTES OF THE 23RD. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
held at The Kings Arms Hotel on 10th. May 1994

1. PRESENT:- Mrs. R. McCreath (President) and 36 members
2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:- Mrs. J. Phillips Mrs. P. Mackie  
Mrs. L. Douglas Mrs. M. McLean Mrs. Ross Mrs. McAskill Mr.  
& Mrs. D. Calder Mr. & Mrs. A.E. French Mr. & Mrs. T. Tyler  
& Mr. R.N. Drysdale (who was attending The E.D. A.G.M.)
3. The minutes of the 22nd. A.G.M. having been displayed on  
the Club Notice Board were taken as read and signed.
4. PRESIDENT'S REPORT:- Mrs. R. McCreath read her report to  
the meeting (copy attached) The report was adopted.
5. TREASURER'S REPORT:- Mr. R. Pearson submitted the audited  
accounts of the Club and The Congress to 30th. April 1994.  
These accounts were adopted.
6. MATCH SECRETARY'S REPORT:- In the absence of Mr. Drysdale  
this was given by the Secretary. (copy attached)
7. TEAM CAPTAINS' REPORT:- Mr. G. Martin gave the report on  
behalf of the "A" Team and Mrs. J. Mole gave the report on  
behalf of the "B" Team. (copies attached)
8. ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS:- The following were elected.

PRESIDENT:-	Mr. Alan E. French
SECRETARY:-	Mr. Colin C.M. Edney
TREASURER:-	Mr. Robin Pearson
COMPETITION SECRETARY:-	Mr. Reg. N. Drysdale
COMMITTEE	Messrs. G. Sandwith & D. McMath
AUDITOR:-	Mr. Jim Coats
S.B.U. DELEGATES:-	Messrs. Edney Pearson & Drysdale
9. SPECIAL RESOLUTION:- The special resolution to alter the  
Constitution in relation to the office of the President as  
proposed by the Committee (copy attached) was, after due  
discussion, passed by the requisite two thirds majority.
10. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR 1994/95
  - 10.1. It was agreed to try summer bridge on a Wednesday  
with table money being £2 the club making up any  
deficit. This would open to non-members.
  - 10.2. The Wilf White to be run as a Mitchell.
  - 10.3. The Tom Woodman to be a "Pot Luck on the night"  
event. The details being made by the Committee.
  - 10.4. Handicaps on Thursdays only with all Tuesday  
competitions (including The Scott Cup) scratch.
  - 10.5. No effort to be spared to ensure a prompt start  
and an early finish.
  - 10.6. To donate £100 from the Congress Account surplus to  
a local Charity chosen by the Committee.
11. Meeting closed at 9 p.m. followed by Trophy presentations.






BERWICK-UPON-TWEED BRIDGE CLUB

SPECIAL RESOLUTION TO BE SUBMITTED  
AT THE 1994 A.G.M.

It is proposed by the Committee that Paragraphs C.1. and D.2 of the Constitution be amended to read as follows:-

C.1.1. A President, an Honorary Secretary and an Honorary Treasurer shall be elected for the ensuing year at A.G.M. of the Club from the ordinary members of the Club and shall be eligible for re-election.



C.1.2. In the event of the Club President being re-elected for a second year in office there shall be elected simultaneously from the ordinary members of the Club a Vice-President who shall serve on the Committee and shall be eligible for election as President the following year.

C.1.3. The Honorary Secretary and Treasurer may hold joint office.

C.1.4. All elections shall be by the votes of the members present.

D.2 The Committee shall consist of the President, the Vice-President, the Immediate Past President, the Honorary Secretary the Honorary Treasurer and six ordinary members of the club. The Immediate Past President shall only serve on the Committee for one year.

MEMBERS PLEASE NOTE

The existing constitution incorporates paragraphs C.1.1. C.1.3. and C.1.4. The proposed new paragraph is C.1.2. and has been brought forward following the discussion on this subject at the 1993 A.G.M. Paragraph D.2. has been amended to provide for the Vice-President to serve on the Committee when elected in substitution for the Immediate Past President.

COLIN C.M. EDNEY  
HON. SECRETARY  
19TH. APRIL 1994

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January 1st

Dear Mr. [Name] 3<sup>rd</sup> A.M. of the B.B.C. & Co. we  
 pleased to announce that the club is flourishing  
 with its membership & generally, although our  
 answer was it would be desirable to have  
 the club's friends, it is good to see your  
 names in our midst this year.

Most of the credit you give must go to the  
 very hard working committee whom you elected  
 last year. Someone on committee has played  
 a very important role in the smooth running of  
 the club. John - our extremely able Secy, Kevin  
 - our treasurer who makes our funds as if they  
 were his own, Reg, our competition secy who has  
 put so much work into the securing of copies & lists  
 of places in his immaculate competition book,  
 Glen our master's secretary, David, Eileen, Pat  
 & Jerry's assistance who all helped in the direction  
 of copies & maintaining the club.

Our thanks also go to Margaret our  
 partner secy, who has done some very good work  
 in finding us last year's partners & certainly  
 she has agreed to carry on the good work  
 To George, our Pres secy, well what can I

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con. that the work was in his hands in an  
total press. It always says the Bridge but in  
the gutter eye & had a good deal of work on  
next seat.

There was your Lord your committee this  
year as well as your work in ordinary past president  
steps too. Thank you all for your admirable help

It is with much relief that I am able to  
congratulate the A team on retaining their position  
in the 1<sup>st</sup> division. George is rightly proud  
in his report it was a well-earned triumph.

B team too, were well entered, all  
more than 5<sup>th</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> division. Keep working hard  
they & it's hard maybe in the near future  
you'll be in the top team class with the  
A team. Well done both teams.

Thank you for Congress was a great success  
& it was due to the precision forward planning  
of our secretary who libally rolled out &  
crossed every t when he arranged the success  
of the party. must also go to some of our members  
who gave up one or both sessions of play to help  
with their secretary. Thank you very much. Pat & Kay  
11/11/11

Again we were fortunate in having someone, Zane, as conductor & as usual he did a first class job. He was promised to check our progress again next year.

We will miss Betty, who has done a superb job as Congress Manager for several years, ably assisted by Pam & Marguerite and me no less, in having Terry who has offered to organize next year.

To all of you who have played well both at home & further afield & won cups, heartfelt congrats.

I think there are a few adjustments to be made in the format of some of our songs, eg the Tom Woodman (To Bear) & the Nell White Howell (Maid). We as committee would be interested to hear any constructive ideas later.

Thus brings me to mention a feeling I've had for some time regarding the songwriting system. Maybe the time has come to review this with a view possibly of endorsing it in the future. At present I am just testing the water as to what to see how far all feel. I don't realise that there are "dis" & "cons" on this issue & I know some of you would be well down the line. In favour of keeping standards, it does encourage

seem to be new players to the club. Means in the  
club that is not done. Given I had some other  
clubs in the NBA, which creates a "locking" system  
of means to not do that for the players' reasons  
like

The club you will see we have our ideas  
on the subject of "locking" in the committee and  
we are taking initial steps to possibly act on them  
as a result of the meeting.

What has been noticeable this year has  
been the growth in number of players in competition.

I fully applaud this as to you all we are  
a respect to all the players. I believe that the  
top players need practice facilities, it is encouraging  
to see them help in maintaining our facilities.

Some I find I would like to mark as a long  
one to be kept with the NBA, so that cooperation  
is also seen in the time here.

This is my last year as I should like to  
thank you for everything. I have enjoyed my year  
in office & would like to see you all individually  
your support throughout. I am sure to see the  
best is commercially as possible and I have  
- said out that is impossible to please all of  
the people all at the same time. You are hope on

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All that remains for me to say now  
is that I hope that next year is as  
successful as this is that we will continue  
to enjoy our Judge Club & the  
companionship of its members & wish  
you all every success at the tables  
next <sup>session.</sup> ~~year.~~

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BERWICK BRIDGE CLUB

COMPETITION SECRETARY'S REPORT 1993 - 94

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Berwick Bridge Club has had a successful season. We have had 10 competitions in the club these have averaged 9.3 tables per night and produced 17 different winners out of a possible 23 this would surely indicate that the standard is improving.

Wednesday night competitions mainly simultaneous pairs have not been nearly so well attended and we have struggled to get more than 4 tables, I would suggest that we encourage Dunbar and Kelso members to join us on these evenings.

There have been minor incidents in the club but when you consider that we have played nearly 20,000 hands since 14th September these must be kept in perspective. Directing on a Thursday night has been more relaxed which is important to encourage new members but it is still probably better to point out the correct ruling without drastically penalising the offender. However on the Tuesday evening the rules should be enforced so that standards can be raised and members prepared for playing outside the club. The rules are complicated and a good knowledge of them would improve directing, with this in mind it would be useful if some Berwick members could attend the SBU Directing Course next season.

As in most things to stand still is to fall back and I would recommend to the AGM and to the new committee that they bear the following points which I have noted as Competition Secretary.

1. Tom Woodman Trophy improved Thursday evenings shortening the Calder & Martin but the "No Fear" ruling has proved unsatisfactory and could be changed.
2. The Calder & Martin was run over 12 nights and could be the best 8 scores not 6 as it is at present.
3. The Scott Cup could be run as a non handicapped competition as it is on a Tuesday evening.
4. A Team handicap competition could be introduced on a Thursday evening to replace 4 of the 5 aggregate nights.

The most repetitive grumble I have heard is the time of finishing. Members must realise that playing 24 boards will take between 3¼ and 3½ hours and at the present time we cannot be finished much before 11.00pm. However we have often been later and it is the duty of directors to ensure members play more quickly or as an alternative the starting time could be brought forward to 7.15pm and if this proves satisfactory, an intention of starting at 7.00pm in 1995-96 may be acceptable.



I would like to thank all those who helped directing and scoring competitions Eileen Carmichael in the MacDonald Cup, George Martin in the Wilf White and Lindsay Trophy, Rita McCreath in the Tom Woodman Trophy, Terry Harris in the Calder & Martin and Colin Edney in the Scott Cup and Pivot Teams. Many others have helped who I cannot name individually but to ensure an efficient and progressive club in the future the work load must be satisfactorily shared.

Finally, it is our intention that Summer Bridge will be tried again, this year on a Wednesday evening starting at 7.00pm in the Kings Arms. There are a number of details to be sorted out and a programme to be arranged but everyone is welcome and a number of competitions will be organised.

REG DRYSDALE (Competition Secretary)

BERWICK BRIDGE CLUB  
CONGRESS ACCOUNT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED  
30TH APRIL, 1994

GREAVES, WEST & AYRE  
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS  
BERWICK UPON TWEED

BERWICK BRIDGE CLUB - CONGRESS ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH APRIL, 1994

1993

Income

488.00	67 Entries at £8	536.00
<u>390.50</u>	Congress Meal Money	<u>480.00</u>
878.50		1016.00

Expenditure

66.00	Room Hire	70.00
2.00	Licence and Master Points	34.00
130.65	Printing, Postage and Stationery	152.60
396.00	Cost of Meals	486.00
200.00	Prize Money	210.00
29.00	Congress Table Money (1993)	--
<u>17.90</u>	Sundries (1993)	<u>--</u>
<u>841.55</u>		<u>952.60</u>
<u>36.95</u>	<u>Profit for the Period</u>	<u>63.40</u>

BERWICK UPON TWEED BRIDGE CLUB

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH APRIL, 1994

	<u>1993</u>	<u>1994</u>	<u>1993</u>	<u>1994</u>
	<u>Income</u>		<u>Expenditure</u>	<u>1994</u>
391		408.00	60	259.62
2200	Subscriptions	2480.20	1961	1806.50
37	Table Money	63.40	420	457.60
70	Profit on Congress Account	100.00	142	142.00
27	Christmas Party Takings	19.91	30	30.00
78	Bank Interest	--	35	33.00
-	Leukaemia Research (1993)	274.00	52	66.90
27	Coffee Money	--	78	--
	Transfer from Building Society Account (1993)	--	78	182.15
		<u>3403.51</u>	<u>2856</u>	<u>2977.77</u>
2830				
1134	Balance Brought Forward - Current Account	1108.16	1108	1535.90
3964		<u>4513.67</u>	<u>3964</u>	<u>4513.67</u>

RESERVE ACCOUNT

1500	Balance Brought Forward	1500.00	1500	1509.07
27	Interest	9.07	27	--
1527		<u>1509.07</u>	<u>1527</u>	<u>1509.07</u>

Audited and Found Correct

J. Coats

5th May, 1994