

## BORDERS ASSOCIATION OF BRIDGE CLUBS

### Minutes of the 26<sup>th</sup> AGM held at Kelso on Wednesday 15 June 2011

The chair Reg Drysdale welcomed -

Present Isabel Middleton – Jedburgh	David Harris Burland – Kelso
John Urquhart - Hawick	Dominic Alkin – Kelso
Kitty Home Robertson – Berwick	Reg Drysdale - Berwick

Apologies : Peebles and they did intimate that they would be paying subs for 2 years.

Minutes of the 25<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 12 May 2010 circulated and proposed by Isobel Middleton and, seconded by Kitty HR – as a true record.

3/ Matters Arising –

*The Cowan Cup* - those present would like to see a 'heat' within the Borders, likely venue Kelso. Reg to organise – Sunday afternoon early Nov; as the final is in January. He will provisionally book and see how many entries – and hopefully enough to make this to be an annual date for all club diaries to be noted. DA suggested email round all clubs now, and wait for their response.

*Borders Teams* was eventually completed August 2010 – winners Kitty Home Robertson's team.

4/ Chairmans report – attached

5/ Treasurers report – annual accounts tabled and it was accepted that a lower bank balance would be accepted. JU suggested that funds could be used to pay the venue booking for the Cowan Cup, and entry for competitors would be free. The state of the bank balance to reviewed annually.

6/ Annual Subscription – to leave unchanged at £5.00.

7/ Venues 2011/12 JU worried that Hawick not able to run competitions locally and asked for help from other members. IM volunteered that Jedburgh would help on the day of the competitions.

8/ a) Cowan Cup as above.

b) Duns Club have notified RD that they no longer wish to be part of the Association – he will make contact with them and explain that by being members it is then open for club members to compete in national competitions if they so wish.

c) Eastern Committee member – RD has been for the past 5 years and now Dominic Alkin will take over.

9/ Date of next AGM fixed for 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2012.

Chair thanked all for their input –and wished all enjoyable 'bridge' .

# **BABC AGM 15/6/12**

## **Chairman's Report 2011**

A warm welcome to everyone attending the agm tonight.

This year started very positively with some new initiatives which were agreed at the last agm, falling into place, such as a handicap system in the Edinburgh match, changing the KO4 competition to a summer one without handicaps and continuing with the new venue at Ednam Village Hall.

The Edinburgh match took place at Lauder in the Lauderdale Hotel and although the handicap did not make any difference to the result on this occasion, I think it is the correct way forward to make the match more competitive in future years. The location was disappointing and I suggest we move back to Carfraemill for 2012

Bad weather took over in November and December and forced the cancellation of the Border Teams .

After what seemed like a long hard winter, the Pairs took place in Ednam on 4<sup>th</sup> March. This was the highlight of the season, 21 pairs took part and Alex Jeffrey and Jock Dun were worthy winners.

It was my intention to have this agm in early May but for one reason or another this did not happen.

I was going to do the draw for the KO4s at it, so that has sadly fallen behind. This has now lost the momentum required and I suggest we forget about it for this year and start again...you will have to decide whether we run it as a winter or summer competition next year and also whether we continue with no handicaps as we were going to do this year. It seems the handicap system was unpopular mainly because I seemed to be unable to get the levels quite right.

Berwick has now completed its 2 years in the chair and Duns were due to take over in the alphabetical progression through the 7 clubs but unfortunately I received this letter from them.....

This was the low points of what has ended up a disappointing season for the Border Association.

However, I believe Hawick are happy to take over and inject new enthusiasm into Border bridge and I will be happy to help in any way I can.

This concludes my report other than to say my thanks to all those who have helped and especially to Kitty Home-Robertson my secretary/treasurer.

Reg Drysdale Chairman

**BORDERS ASSOCIATION BRIDGE CLUBS 2010 – 2011.**

Annual General Meeting

May 2011

**Annual Accounts**

**Income**

**Expenditure**

Opening Balance –

563.56

30.0

Membership subs x 6  
(Pebbles to pay)

384.00

Edinburgh Match  
Supper/Prize Money

384.00

Cheque 063 Abbey Row AGM

8.50

Cheque 064 Ednam Hall –  
Booking fee

100.00

Cheque 065 – photo copying

7.50

Engraving

10.00

62.00

Border Pairs 6/3/2011  
Prizes, catering, printing

128.00

10.00

Hall refund

50.00

Cheque 066 engraving

5.50

.21

TOTAL interest received

May 2011 as per bank statement

544.27

**£1049.77**

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**May 2010/2011 -£19.29**