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## Minutes of the Borders Association of Bridge Clubs 36<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting held on Friday, 30 July 2021 online on Zoom

Present: Gordon Milne (Peebles) Chair  
Paul Gipson (Berwick) Minutes  
Louis Moore (Berwick)  
Jean Mole (Berwick)  
Tony Reed-Jones (Berwick)  
Morag Beaton (Hawick)  
Pauline Harris (Jedburgh)  
Sheena McPherson (Kelso)

Apologies: Vanessa Wilson (Kelso). Five affiliated clubs were represented.

### Minutes of 35<sup>th</sup> AGM

The minutes of the 35<sup>th</sup> AGM held on Zoom on Friday, 31 July 2020 were approved.

### Statement of account

The statement of account for the period 1 April 2020-31 July 2021 was presented. A small increase in funds was recorded. The balance as at 31 July 2021 was £620.77.

### Report on competitions

As online bridge became more prevalent over 2020, it was decided to hold the Border Pairs and Border Teams events in early 2021 on Bridge Base Online. Both events were expertly run by Gordon Milne and the Peebles club, who provided tournament directors and organised reserves to ensure that there were no sit outs.

Gordon reported that the [pairs competition](#) was held on 24 January 2021 with 44 pairs. The competition was won by Ann Love and Julian Bales (Berwick); Brian Thomas and George Martin (Berwick) were second; Vanessa Wilson and Jon Bridger (Kelso) were third.

The [teams competition](#) was held on 21 February 2021 with 20 teams. The competition was won by Diana Drysdale, Ros French, Jean Mole and Reg Drysdale (Berwick); Ian and Christine McCreath, Jane Smithson and Trish Frew (Berwick) were second. Gary McGinley, Gordon Finch, Fiona McKay and Elizabeth Thompson (Peebles) were third.

### Transfer to Berwick Bridge Club

The biennial chairmanship of BABC transferred to Berwick Bridge Club at this AGM. Louis Moore (Honorary Competitions Secretary) becomes the chairman of the BABC. Paul Gipson (Honorary Secretary, [secretary@berwickbridgeclub.co.uk](mailto:secretary@berwickbridgeclub.co.uk)) becomes the secretary. Tony Reed-Jones (Honorary Treasurer) will be managing the BABC accounts within the Berwick club's accounts.

The balance of £620.77 has been transferred to Berwick Bridge Club from Peebles Bridge Club.

### 2021-22 season

As it is unlikely that any clubs will be playing face-to-face bridge in the near future, It was decided that the 2021-22 Border Pairs will be held on Bridge Base Online again on Sunday, 21 November 2021. It will be organised by the Berwick club.

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Provisionally it is hoped that the 2021-22 Border Teams will be held on Sunday, 20 February 2022 at Gala Rugby Club, organised by the Berwick club with help from the Ormiston club. This is dependent on Government regulations, social distancing policy and any restrictions from the venue.

If a face-to-face event cannot be held at this time, then it will be run on Bridge Base Online and organised by the Berwick club. A decision should be made around the time of the Border Pairs.

## **AOCB**

The annual affiliation fee was maintained at £5.

Gordon will deliver the pairs trophy and BABC filestore to Paul in the near future.

Paul noted that he maintains a BABC section on the Berwick club website at <https://berwickbridgeclub.co.uk/babc>. This includes the [constitution](#) (created from a scanned copy held by Gordon), recent AGM minutes, accounts and recent results. If anyone wishes to add further information then just email him.

Paul mentioned that he may contact the Border clubs about TD sharing in the future.

The meeting closed at 2.35pm.