

## **Minutes of Meeting held Kirkbanny Farmhouse 18<sup>th</sup> July 2016**

Apologies received from Christine McCreath and Perry Vassie

The minutes of the last meeting were taken as read.

### **Matters arising.**

It was decided not to award life membership to anybody. It was agreed to leave this option in the new constitution.

### **Summer Bridge.**

This is going well and at time of writing was £120 in profit. There is the possibility that up to 4 participants become future members of the club.

### **AGM Matters arising.**

**Advanced Directors Course.** It had been suggested by George Martin that the club should subsidise a course, which extends over 2 days. However there does not appear to be any willing participants.

### **Review of Congress.**

This had gone well, although there are still a few issues with lighting. Next year's congress will be held on 7<sup>th</sup> May 2017 at the Rugby Club. Duncan Cursiter has agreed to direct for one more year. Paul agreed to ask Christine Walker who is the SBU Chief Director whether she can suggest anybody to take over. A total of £330 is to be donated to Berwick & District Cancer Care to assist with 'Cancer Cars'.

*Subsequent to the meeting, Christine (Congress Manager) and Paul have made an offer to a Tournament Director for the next two congresses and we are awaiting her response.*

### **New Season.**

The dealing machine has been serviced.

### **Programme for the new season**

Paul will check with Liz McGowan the date of the Eastern District District Sims, currently these are scheduled to be held the week following the SBU Sims.

*Subsequently resolved and reflected in the calendar.*

### **Christmas Party.**

This will be held on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December on a self catering basis.

It was agreed that the program for the season should continue to be posted to members along with a letter from the president. The letters can be printed using Pianola ready addressed to individual members.

### **Delegation of Duties**

Marilyn and Dorothy kindly agreed to continue taking charge of the kitchen. Members of the Committee are asked to assist with setting up and clearing away after sessions. It was felt that a rota was not required.

We will need to find somebody to take over the engraving of trophies from Christopher.

### **AOCB**

Louis wondered whether the computer should be upgraded to Window 10. This was recommended.

Jean suggested we should be firmer about sloppy play and etiquette, such as putting bids away before opening lead made etc. The Committee are asked to encourage this. The Director should be called to infringements.

It was agreed that minutes of Committee meetings should be put on the website so that members can have access to them.