

MINUTES OF THE 34th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 12th MAY 2005

1. **Present:** Mrs M Robson, President, and 32 members.

Apologies: B Thomas, C Elder, C&M Rowell, L Douglas, P Davidson, J Mole, C Edney, D Alkin, M & J Robertson, G Sandwith, J Davey, K Home Robertson, C McConnachie.

2. **Minutes:** The minutes of the 33rd AGM were read, approved and signed.

3. **President's report:** Mrs Robson submitted her report to the meeting, and it was adopted. (Copy on file).

4. **Treasurer's report:** Mrs Mole submitted the audited accounts to the meeting. The surplus for the year was £307, of which £71 was the profit made on the Congress. The Congress profit had been donated to the Lady Mayoress's charity, which was for equipment for cancer patients at Berwick Infirmary. The accounts were adopted. (Copy on file) Mrs Mole recommended that table money remain unchanged, and that the subscription be £2 per member plus the SBU levy (as yet unknown)

5. **Competition Secretary's report:** (copy on file) Mr Drysdale Recommended that there be no change in the competition format for next year.

6. **Team Captains' reports;** These were given by R Drysdale (A Team) and C McCreath (C Team) The A Team had won Division 2 and would consequently be playing in Division 1 next season. The C Team had finished bottom of Division 4, but as two teams had withdrawn, they would remain in this Division next season

7. **Election of Officebearers:** The following were elected

President:	Mrs M Robson
Hon Secretary	Mrs D Drysdale
Hon Treasurer	Mrs J Mole
Hon Competition Secretary	RN Drysdale
Committee	Mrs J Tait
	Mrs M Stone

8. **Appointment of qualified auditor:** Greaves, West & Ayre

9. **SBU Delegates:** Treasurer and the two secretaries

10. **New Members:** After some discussion, it was pointed out that the procedure for admitting new members, as described in the constitution, was not being followed. It was agreed that in future, prospective new members must apply in writing, must be proposed and seconded by existing members, and must then be approved by the committee.

10. **AOB:**

Mr Atkinson proposed that the first two weeks of the season should be open nights, with partners being drawn randomly. This was not carried

Mrs Robson asked for volunteers to teach Mini Bridge in Berwick Primary Schools

G Martin invited members who wished to play during the summer to come to the U3A bridge in the Maltings on Tuesday afternoons

13. The meeting concluded with the presentation of prizes (copy on file), followed by bridge.



11.5.06

President's Report 2005

There has been a very good attendance this year especially on Thursdays. I feel this indicates that we have a healthy club. This is due to the many members who have helped to make the evenings run smoothly

Diana secretary correspondence meetings scoring Sim. Pairs results on website the same evening table covers

Reg organises all competitions keeps rota of directors Organises heats for Cowan Cup, National Pairs, Bobby Allan. Also records all the results for the year plus photographs etc. This is the 3rd year he has kept a book and it makes for interesting reading

Jean treasurer looks after money advises on spending collects subs banks prepares for auditor SBU arranges prize money etc

Committee members

Betty Kelly hostess variety of drinks searches super markets water jugs "table service"

Pat McQueen Master Points computer holiday
Stand down this year

Gerald Christine McC Jim Dougal Penny and Colin

George Martin press secretary special thanks not on committee great job Berwickshire News emails widely read Nessie and Cubby
Individual competition

Directors Terry Gerald George Brian Thomas Allan Reg

The Congress success Reg Terry and all the others who helped Christine and Kitty George Gerald Diana Jean. Something right Dundee Border Clubs Edinburgh and Northumberland Time of low attendances in other places Surplus of £71 Mayoress's Charity equipment cancer

Winners

Congratulations to everyone who has won a trophy this year in the club competitions. Commiserations to those who haven't but we will try to do better next year!!!

Club members have also done well in events away from the club.

The Border's team won the annual match against Edinburgh This doesn't happen often.3 Berwick pairs played
Gerald and Christine McCreath won a section at S.B.U Congress at Peebles
Malcolm and Kathy Copley were part of the team that won the Congress Teams at Aviemore
The team of George Martin, Reg Drysdale, Malcolm and Kathy Copley won the Border Teams competition
Colin Edney and Alan French did very well in the Sim Pairs
The Bobby Allan is a popular competition and George Martin and Ros French did extremely well to be 5th in the whole competition
George and Reg won Border Pairs competition
At Berwick Congress Malcolm and Kathy Copley were winners of the Pairs section and together with Dr Allan and Chris Woodburn won the Teams Trophy.
Malcolm and Kathy also were winners of the Allan Fitch---a competition for married couples
Ros and Diana did well in the final of the Cowan Cup to be 4th
Well done all of you.

I hope you have enjoyed this season's bridge and will look forward to seeing you all in September.

Competitions have been well supported and I have had very few complaints and difficulty less on slow play and late finishes

I would like to thank those who directed & scored competitions, Colins in the teams, George, Tony and Gerald. Also thanks to those who made up boards for simultaneous parts

Reverting back to the old way of recording scores seems to have been better and the % method in the Royal Bait Cup has also worked well.

I have ^{had} engraved 17 different names out of 30 on the 10 trophies which is a good spread of winners. Last year at this time I said and I quote "Congratulations to Bros Thomas for winning the Royal Bait with George, Walf White with Alan, Pearson Pot with Tony and the Scott Cup with Malick & Killy and George" And he has done exactly the same again - no more, no less so well done to Brian. I was also pleased to see Christine McCreath and Brian Atkinson's Woodma Teams who were runners up last year with no team mates. Joan Tait and Sheila Pearson gang are better and winning the Woodman. I should also mention few ladies, Mayra & Catherine who won the Golden Trophy and Joan - Penny who won the McDonald Cup. Well done to all of them.

My recommendation would be to leave well alone and therefore continue next year along the same lines as this year.

The 'A' Team has been successful in finding 1 = in Div 2
and won the trophy with great cups for Celta Connemara.
Both these teams will play in Div 1. Next year, I will
be checking we have enough players and hope to add Eileen
and partners on a more regular basis.

We had a win, winning draw and loss in our first 3 games
with 5 pts out of 9. This could easily have been 3 losses
as we only won by the skin of our teeth. Certain players
of good selection of teams and there was also some heated
and our aggressive arguments during and after matches.

Team play is not difficult, you bid your games and make them
there will only be 1 or 2 hands where the expert play can
shine and you can do well without being too clever. Not
making silly mistakes is vital - and playing as a team
supporting each other rather than trying to outdo the partner
sitting the same way as you & talks away. Hopefully
the team may have learned this for next year, since we
definitely need a ^{better} ~~different~~ attitude if we are to stay in Div 1.

Report for the C Team 2004/5

Gerald has asked me to give the team report on his behalf as he is unable to be here due to another commitment. The results were not good in that we only won 2 matches against West Calder and Randolph. However 3 teams did drop out which did not help, as we had gained points from one which we did play. They resigned from the League before playing another match such was the impact that we had on them.

The Good News is that we have survived in Division 4 largely due to teams dropping out and a levelling out of the number of teams playing in each Division.

Gerald has decided to stand down as Captain after about 10 years. Margaret Patterson assisted by Kate

ole is taking over for the coming season. He has asked me to thank everyone who have been part of the team during his captaincy and he will be available for selection if required by the new Captain.

We have aggot team spirit and do support each other. An example of this being that 6 regular team members took part in the October Congress at Peebles.

I would like on behalf of the "C" Team members to say a big thank you to Gerald for running it so well for the past 10 years, there is a lot of organizing goes into it each match, from the team to venue to travel, and finally check if the opposition are going to turn up!!

BERWICK UPON TWEED BRIDGE CLUB
CONGRESS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 15TH APRIL, 2005

<u>2004</u>		
<u>Income</u>		
1,590	Entry and Meals	1,688
<u>Expenditure</u>		
36	Licences and Master Points	35
67	Printing, Postage and Stationery	67
994	Cost of Meals	1,030
220	Prize Money	300
60	Congress Directors Fees	60
14	Engraving	13
130	Sundries	112
<u>1,521</u>		<u>1,617</u>
<u>69</u>	<u>Profit for the Year</u>	<u>71</u>

Samples 307
 (most 71 from Congress)

BERWICK UPON TWEED BRIDGE CLUB
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 15TH APRIL, 2005

<u>2004</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>Expenditure</u>	<u>2005</u>
397	Subscriptions	426	1,725	Room Hire	1,800
3,227	Table Money	3,566	504	Prizes and Engraving	463
69	Profit on Congress Account	71	360	Master Points and Affiliation Fees	589
8	Bank Interest	9	84	Equipment Purchases	-
			156	Postage and Stationery	259
			272	Party Expenses	296
			186	Sundries	291
			58	Tea, Coffee and Juice	67
			-	Transfer to Yorkshire Building Society	1,000
		<u>4,072</u>	<u>3,345</u>		<u>4,765</u>
1,674	<u>Balance B/Fwd - Royal Bank of Scotland</u>	2,030	2,031	<u>Balance C/Fwd - Royal Bank of Scotland</u>	1,337
39	<u>Balance B/Fwd - Cash in Hand</u>	39	39	<u>Balance C/Fwd - Cash in Hand</u>	39
		<u>6,141</u>	<u>5,415</u>		<u>6,141</u>

RESERVE ACCOUNT - YORKSHIRE BUILDING SOCIETY

3,811	<u>Balance Brought Forward</u>	3,961	<u>Balance Carried Forward</u>	5,083
-	Transfer from Royal Bank of Scotland	1,000		
150	Interest	122		
		<u>5,083</u>		<u>5,083</u>

We have prepared the financial statements dated 15th April, 2005 from your books, accounts, vouchers and information and explanations given to us and the above is in accordance therewith.

GREAVES WEST & AYRE
 CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS
 BERWICK UPON TWEED

28TH APRIL 2005

Marguerite Robson

From: Jean Mole [jean_mole2003@yahoo.co.uk]

Sent: 08 May 2005 18:01

To: margueriterobson@onetel.com

Subject: correction

The numbers of the total, in the income column, of year 2005, have been transposed and should read £4,072 instead of £4,702, but the bottom figures are correct. This year the accountant has put all equipment purchases into sundries, hence the reason for a blank.

The overall profit for the year is £307, of which £71 is Congress. The Congress profit is being donated to help buy equipment for cancer patients at Berwick Infirmary.

I recommend that next years subs. and table money remain unchanged, unless the S.B.U. decide to raise the affiliation fee when we will have to do likewise with the same amount. Thankyou to the people who have collected the table money in my absence.

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