



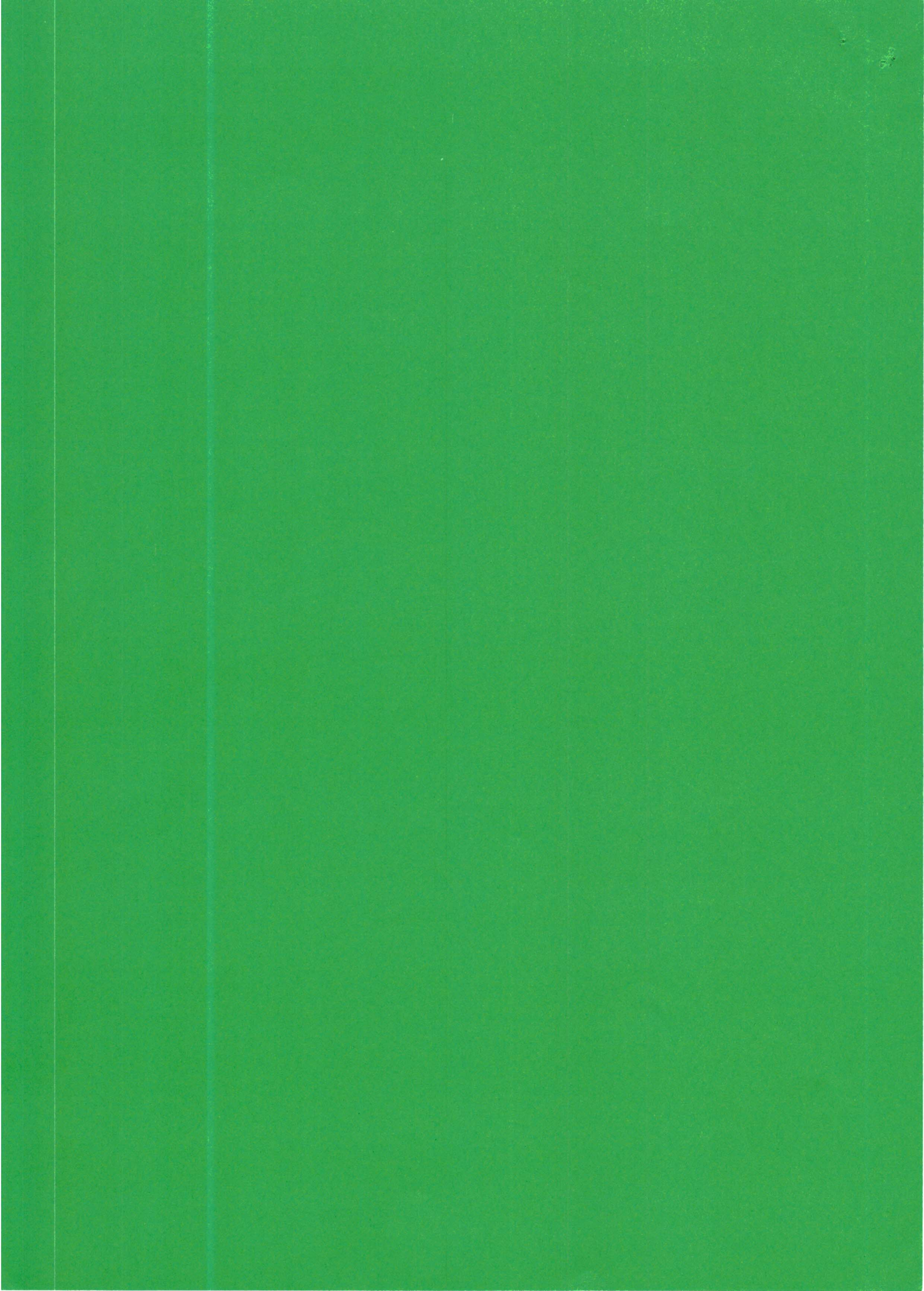
HAMILTON CONTRACT BRIDGE CLUB INC

20 RICHMOND STREET
HAMILTON

2024/2025

**73rd
Annual General Meeting**

ANNUAL REPORT



HAMILTON CONTRACT BRIDGE CLUB INC

Notice of Annual General Meeting to be held in the Bridge Clubrooms
Sunday, 23rd November at 2 pm

AGENDA

- 1 Welcome
- 2 Apologies
- 3 Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting
 – held on Sunday, 17 November 2024
- 4 Matters arising from the Minutes
- 5 President's Report
- 6 Finance Report
- 7 Subscriptions 2026
- 8 Election of Officers
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HAMILTON CONTRACT BRIDGE CLUB INC

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held in the Bridge Clubrooms
Sunday, 17th November 2024 at 2.00 pm

APOLOGIES:

Motion that the following apologies received be accepted

M Cullen/H Barton

Carried

Tim Healy	Helen Healy
Collen de Luen	Barbara Daly
Helen Rinaldi	Stan Rinaldi
Maria Muller	Judith Brooks
Bill Barwood	Catherine Glyde
Jol Glyde	Cate Anderson
Sam Armstrong	Lucie Armstrong
Rosalind Miller	Cathy Nolen
Jenny Millington	Lesley Kuggeleijn
Irene Stewart	

Attendees:

Michael Davies	Don Weston
Hugh Barton	Alan Grant
Laura Sommerville	Geoff Turner
Roger Johnstone	Phil Thompson
Chris Goulding	Shelia Horner
Cherie Barton	Pam Burns
Merle Jonson	Richard Wagstaff
Mary Girvin	Barry Jones
Lindsay Reid	Olive Davis
Malcom Smith	Deryl Northcott
Jo Howell	Heather Crosbie
Allison Smith	Mark Beavan
Jenny Seavill	Lois Jones
Doris Chapman	Kevin Brown
Jan Hancox	Jane Sandelin
Jane Lee-Smith	Ken Couper
Ian Clayton	Judy Simonson
Debbie Weston	Mereana Cullen
Cynthia Clayton	Nigel Gresson
Margaret Boyd	David Edson
Gwyn Lobb	Catherine Cameron

MINUTES of the 2023 AGM

The minutes of the 2023 Annual General Meeting held on Sunday, 19th November 2023, were printed and distributed to those present.

Motion moved that these minutes are a true and correct record

Mereana Cullen/Michael Davies

Carried

MATTERS ARISING

Directors to ensure front door is locked during bridge sessions.

What's App groups for sessions has helped with finding players.

Adjustment Secorder for Annual Report Michael Davies

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The President presented her report as printed in the Annual Report, with reference to the following items.

- Thank you to Richard Wagstaff for his work at the club and overseeing the carparking revenue which is a bonus the clubs income.
- Thank you to Cynthia Clayton for her donations from card sales.
- The roof is now done and dusted – it certainly took a while for this project to be completed
- Secured \$17,000 grant money to contribute towards the roof refurbishment costs of \$21,860
- Completed the roll out of the new carpet in the playing rooms
- Secured \$10,500 grant money to contribute towards the new carpet costs of \$25,560
- Streamlined our Compa\$\$ transactions for easier management
- Completed a review of our Constitution – we are nearing the final draft for the Constitution
- Conducted beginner lessons and Improver lessons for club members – thanks to Pam Burns and Cherie Barton
- We are currently discussing the hireage of our building to a community group looking for a long-term arrangement – The Congolese Kinyarwanda Community It is exciting to be able to increase our hireage portfolio and this also adds to our community footprint which looks awesome on our grant applications
- Security cameras were installed for the front carpark
- Maintenance on the grey water pipes was completed
- 2 working bee projects held to uplift the old carpets over a weekend
- Well done to Blair and Liz Fisher with Barry Jones and Jenny Millington making the New Zealand Mixed Team to Argentina this year along with Patrick Carter and Julie Atkinson from Auckland.
- Thanks to the committee this year, Maria Muller, Richard Wagstaff, Hugh Barton, Dave Edson, Karen Harris, Helen Rinaldi and Merle Jonson – I want to offer my sincere gratitude for your work and commitment to the Club this year.
- To the Directors and Tutors and their assistants – thanks for your relentless dedication here
- To the partner stewards, I see and appreciate your efforts to keep table numbers up.
- Thank you to our tournament assistants in particular Richard Fletcher, Gwyn Lobb, Jane Sandelin and Jenny Seavill – I can't thank you enough for helping out and pitching in where needed to make the days run smoothly.

Motion moved that the Presidents Report be adopted

Mereana Cullen/Merle Jonson

Carried

FINANCE REPORT:

The finance report as presented in the Annual report was tabled.

Hugh Barton thanked Richard Wagstaff for his work around the Bridge Club.

Hugh Barton commented on the tournament loss in 2024 compared to 2023. It was noted that the Hamilton Congress was in the 2023 accounts and not in the 2024. Due to the change in the financial year.

Hugh Barton commented on the revenue from carparking helped the finances of the club.

Merle Jonson queried the tournament sponsorship amount. Craigs Investment tournament sponsorship of \$700 should be transferred from general sponsorship to tournament sponsorship.

Mereana Cullen highlighted the cost of session prizes.

Jane Sandelin asked if there was a breakdown of tournaments by income and expenses.

Cynthia Clayton asked about the opening of the bar. The bar was not open on Melbourne Cup day,

Motion moved that the Finance Report be adopted

Mereana Cullen/Michael Davies

Carried

SUBSCRIPTIONS 2025:

- Mereana Cullen moved that the subscription for 2025 be \$110.00 and set the table money fee at \$5.00.

Motion moved that the Finance Report be adopted

Mereana Cullen/Merle Jonson

Carried

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

Nominations listed in the notice:

Helen Rinaldi – President

Nigel Gresson– Vice President

David Edson

High Barton

Merle Jonson

Rosalind Millar

Laura Sommerville

Geoff Turner

Richard Wagstaff

Due to 7 nominations for 6 officer positions.

A Ballot was taken. The following is the 2024/25 Committee

Helen Rinaldi – President

Nigel Gresson– Vice President

David Edson

High Barton

Merle Jonson
Rosalind Millar
Laura Sommerville
Richard Wagstaff

There being no further business the meeting closed at 3.20pm.

President _____ Date _____

President's Report 2025

I would like to thank Helen Rinaldi for her contribution as president for the first 11 months of the year.

Members who passed away during the year:

Kevin McCarthy, Joan Egger, Jo Howell.

On behalf of the club I would like to pass on my condolences to their family and friends.

Membership

We have 46 new members this year mainly through the lessons on Tuesday night and Thursday morning. My thanks go to Mark Thomson, Pam Burns, Cherie Barton and Lois Jones for their continued support for the lessons' program.

I also would like to thanks Barry Jones, Jenny Millington and Richard Hooper for their additional lessons given before sessions on Tuesday nights and Friday mornings.

Maintenance

The main expenditure this year was new carpet.

Our other area of concern is the leaking roof for which we in the process of applying for grants to help us with the cost.

Tournaments

We managed to hold 8 tournaments this year.

All these were very successful due to the help from our club members.

Thanks to Laura Sommerville, Hugh Barton, Jane Sandelin, Jenny Seavill, Tim Seavill, Richard Fletcher, Gwyn Lobb and the many others who make the tournaments successful.

Congratulations to Blair and Liz Fisher and Jenna Gibbons on representing New Zealand in China and Denmark respectively.

Congratulations to Brett Glass and Gary Foidl for winning the National Swiss Pairs.

We had several club member who were tournament winners this year.

Catherine and Trini won our Intermediate Pairs.

Ian and Larissa won our Junior pairs.

Richard Fletcher and Yuzhong won our Restricted Pairs.

Barry and Jenny won the 5A teams with their regular teammates Patrick and Julie.

Blair and Liz won our 10A Swiss Pairs.

Sponsorship

Many thanks to our sponsors this year; Craig's Investment Partners, Irene Stewart and AFT Pharmaceuticals. Thank you to all those who place advertisements in our programme book.

Fundraising activities

Our main fund raiser is car parking. As always many thanks to Richard and his team of helpers.

Once again Cynthia Clayton has achieved her target through the sale of her cards. Also Cynthia's quizzes are distributed to over 120 members.

Acknowledgments

Whilst my time as acting president was very short I want to thank our secretary Julie Thorburn for her support and willingness to work flexible hours.

I also appreciate Julie's ability to work independently.

Directors

Thank you to our directors Richard Hooper, Malcom Smith, Catherine Cameron, Phil Thompson, Barbara Daly, Cherie Barton, Barry Jones, Mereana Cullen and Jenny Millington.

Dealers

Thank you to our dealers Cathy Nolen, Jan Hancox, Steward Lawrence, Ken Couper, Michael Davies and Ian Ross.

Newsletter editors

Thanks to Catherine Cameron and David Edson.

Legal advisor: thanks to Mark Thomson.

Lastly my job as acting President was made a lot easier by the valuable support of the committee and their commitment to the club.

Many thanks to Hugh Barton and Laura Sommerville who are retiring this year after 4 years on committee.

I wish the incoming President and committee all the best and I will continue to support the club outside of the committee.

Nigel Gresson

TREASURERS REPORT TO ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2025

This has been a successful year for the Hamilton Contract Bridge Club financially with increases particularly in beginner fees, car parking, building hire and interest received.

The efforts of many in running the successful learners lessons this year and following up with an additional session on Thursday afternoons and the excellent assimilation of the night time learners into the Tuesday evening sessions is a large part of our financial success this year. The retention of these learners is essential in growing our membership.

The attached Profit and Loss account show a profit of \$3,806 for the year which is an excellent result given that in the year we have replaced the carpet and faced some additional expenses with regard to building maintenance.

There have been successful raffles run during the year which were initiated to raise money to make improvements to both the men's and ladies bathroom areas. Hopefully we are in a position to carry out this work in the near future.

My role has actually been as overseer of the accounts in consultation with both the committee and Julie, our very efficient office manager. We did utilize some of the S Waymouth legacy to cover the cost of new boards and cards during the year.

Although not shown in these accounts as it did not happen until October, we did raise just over \$2,000 from the Allo Allo show at Riverlea Theatre.

The recommendation of the committee that we raise the subs to \$120 for the 2026 year to cover the additional cost of NZ Bridge affiliation.

Merle Jonson

Annual Report

Hamilton Contract Bridge Club Incorporated

For the year ended 31 August 2025

Hamilton Contract Bridge Club Incorporated

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Statement of Service Performance

Description of the Entities Outcomes:

During the 2024/25 financial year, HCBC delivered a number of bridge sessions and tournaments. During the 2024/25 financial year HCBC provided rooms and car parking for hire to the local community.

Entities Outputs	Actual This Year	Actual Last Year
Number of Bridge Sessions	326	252
Number of Bridge Tournaments	6	5
Number of Social Events	4	4
Number of Organisations who have hired the club rooms.	11	9
Number of Organisations who have hired the car park.	2	7

Hamilton Contract Bridge Club Incorporated

Notes to the Accounts

The HCBC reporting date has changed and the annual financial statements are presented for a period shorter than one year.

The shorter reporting period is to allow for time to prepare the accounts and have them reviewed prior to the AGM.

The comparative amounts for certain statements such as the statement of services, profit and loss, other income and expenses and balance sheet.

Profit and Loss**Hamilton Contract Bridge Club Inc
For the year ended 31 August 2025**

	2025	2024
Trading Income		
Beginner Tuition Fees	\$3,182.69	\$260.88
Bridge Resource Book Sales	\$38.26	\$42.60
Building Hire	\$14,182.91	\$11,834.03
Donations	\$1,480.00	\$1,045.00
Interest Received	\$7,021.00	\$5,461.07
Other Income	\$740.87	
Programme Advertising	\$0.00	\$86.96
Raffles	\$429.47	\$582.71
Sales Table	\$173.90	\$130.20
Sponsors	\$0.00	\$917.39
Subscriptions	\$16,519.59	\$16,542.46
Table Money	\$42,124.13	\$31,432.94
Total Trading Income	\$85,892.82	\$68,336.24
Other Income		
Car Parking	\$16,581.49	\$11,564.28
Bar Income	-\$405.76	-\$570.68
Extra-Ordinary Expenses	-\$18,683.07	-\$4,946.89
Tournament Income	\$4,781.02	-\$3,020.60
Total Other Income	\$2,273.68	\$3,026.11
Gross Profit	\$88,166.50	\$71,362.35
Operating Expenses		
ACC	\$60.81	\$133.44
Affiliation Fees	\$4,040.33	\$1,680.82
Bank Fees	\$490.27	\$385.58
Bridge Resource Book Purchases	\$34.78	\$0.00
Car Parking Expenses	\$467.90	\$159.97
Cleaning & Stores	\$5,952.69	\$5,089.44
Closing Bridge Resource Book Stock	-\$99.99	-\$160.98
Communications	\$1,118.47	\$673.62
Computer Accounting Xero	\$336.00	\$262.00
Computer Replacements	\$57.33	\$2,899.06
Dealing Boards/Cards	\$669.47	\$0.00
Director Fees Compass	\$817.41	\$736.08
Directors	\$8,472.17	\$10,240.00
Electronic Equipment Expenses	\$774.79	\$352.61
General Expenses	\$3,633.79	\$1,472.20
Insurance	\$8,512.50	\$8,188.19
Learn/Improvers/Scorer Tuition	\$550.98	\$250.00
Learners Advertising/Expenses	\$1,381.77	\$0.00
Lease Rent	\$1,148.10	\$1,052.42
Maintenance - Plant & Furniture	\$672.03	\$594.39
Maintenance - Property	\$6,150.34	\$2,751.07

Profit and Loss**Hamilton Contract Bridge Club Inc****For the year ended 31 August 2024**

	2025	2024
Opening Bridge Resource Book Stock	\$160.98	\$237.35
Player Session Fees NZ Bridge	\$2,867.30	\$2,803.10
Playing Stationery	\$1,262.52	\$794.91
Postage, Paper & Stationery	\$3,283.97	\$2,276.88
Power & Heating	\$7,646.53	\$5,995.92
Professional Fees	\$0.00	\$0.00
Prizes - Compass	\$4,316.02	\$3,367.74
Programme Book	\$883.00	\$822.00
Raffle Expenses	\$0.00	\$175.12
Rates	\$1,208.16	\$1,086.57
Refreshments and Kitchen Supplies	\$2,296.34	\$1,030.98
Secretarial Salary	\$13,474.58	\$10,478.27
Security	\$751.64	\$672.28
Water Rates	\$502.81	\$255.01
Website	\$464.11	\$344.45
Total Operating Expenses	\$84,359.90	\$67,100.49
Net Profit(Loss)	\$3,806.60	\$4,261.86

Other Income and Expenses
Hamilton Contract Bridge Club Inc
For the year ended 31 August 2025

Account	2025	2024
Trading Income		
Bar Income	\$416.71	\$374.35
Operating Expenses		
Opening Bar Stock	\$582.94	\$774.13
Bar Purchases	\$546.31	\$753.84
Bar Training/Licences	\$180.00	\$0.00
Closing Bar Stock	-\$486.78	-\$582.94
Total Operating Expenses	\$822.47	\$945.03
Net Profit/-Loss	-\$405.76	-\$570.68

Extra-Ordinary Income
Hamilton Contract Bridge Club Inc
For the year ended 31 August 2025

Account	2025	2024
Income		
Grant Income	\$10,500.00	\$7,846.55
World Cup Bridge Fund Raising	\$1,450.10	\$0.00
S Waymouth Legacy	\$3,968.00	\$0.00
	\$15,918.10	\$7,846.55
Operating Expenses		
Grant Expenses (Carpet)	\$28,133.17	\$12,793.44
World Cup Bridge Fund Raising	\$2,500.00	0
S Waymouth Legacy	3968	0
	\$34,601.17	\$12,793.44
Net Profit/-Loss	-\$18,683.07	-\$4,946.89

Tournament Income
Hamilton Contract Bridge Club Inc
For the year ended 31 August 2025

Account	2025	2024
Income		
Sponsors - Tournament	\$1,560.87	\$660.87
Tournament Income	\$24,309.93	\$6,789.90
	\$25,870.80	\$7,450.77
Tournament Expenses		
Caterer Payment	\$0.00	\$65.86
Catering	\$2,372.02	\$1,226.93
Convenor	\$0.00	\$21.74
Directors	\$3,154.67	\$1,103.50
Expenses	\$90.05	\$513.05
Prizes	\$9,484.12	\$4,222.97
Real Bridge Fees - Swiss Pairs Online	\$301.32	\$0.00
Scoring Fees	\$1,436.00	\$312.57
Session Fees	\$3,406.96	\$2,815.95
A Points	\$844.64	\$188.80
	\$21,089.78	\$10,471.37
Net Profit/-Loss	\$4,781.02	-\$3,020.60

Balance Sheet
Hamilton Contract Bridge Club Inc
As at 31 August 2025

	2025	2024
Assets		
Bank		
Business Account	\$2,586.87	\$2,272.84
Tournament Account	\$1,698.44	\$21,251.48
Grant Call Account	\$37.61	\$10,519.78
Call Account	\$30,559.26	\$7,387.76
Bank	\$34,882.18	\$41,431.86
Current Assets		
Bar Stock	\$486.78	\$582.94
Bridge Book Stock	\$99.99	\$160.98
Debtors	\$2,804.80	\$1,144.20
Total Current Assets	\$3,391.57	\$1,888.12
Fixed Assets		
Building & Ground Development	\$746,000.00	\$746,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	\$914.00	\$914.00
Kitchen Equipment	\$1,693.79	\$1,693.79
Total Fixed Assets	\$748,607.79	\$748,607.79
Non- Current Assets		
Investments	\$46,851.42	\$42,649.52
Investments	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
Investments	\$0.00	\$10,000.00
Investments	\$20,845.47	\$19,527.32
Total Non-Current Assets	\$87,696.89	\$92,176.84
Total Assets	\$874,578.43	\$884,104.61
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
GST	\$3,230.81	\$4,954.51
Members Control Account	\$8,587.67	\$8,663.14
Trade Creditors	\$9,944.45	\$5,559.96
World Cupn Bridge Fund Raising	\$0.00	\$1,450.10
Unspent Grant Money	\$0.00	\$10,500.00
Shirley Waymouth Legacy	\$5,036.21	\$9,004.21
Total Current Liabilities	\$26,799.14	\$40,131.92
Total Liabilities	\$26,799.14	\$40,131.92
Net Assets	\$847,779.29	\$843,972.69
Equity		
Current Year Earnings	\$3,806.60	\$4,261.86
Deferred Maintenance Fund	\$45,000.00	\$45,000.00
Property Value Increase	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00
Retained Earnings	\$748,550.08	\$744,288.22
Roof Replacement Fund	\$422.61	\$422.61
Total Equity	\$847,779.29	\$843,972.69

NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICERS

2025 – 2026 COMMITTEE

		Nominated/Seconded by
President:	Michael Davies	Nigel Gresson/ Peter Craig
Vice-President:	Richard Wagstaff	Don Weston/Micheal Davies
Committee:	Alan Grant	Sean Dwyer/ Marian Kingham
	Mereana Cullen	Richard Hooper/ Julie Hooper
	Raewyn Higginson	Michael Davies/ Laura Sommerville
	Ken Couper	Michael Davies/ Cherie Barton
	David Edson	Cathy Nolen/ Adele Schofield
	Merle Jonson	Richard Wagstaff/ Catherine Cameron
	Chris Goulding	Genys Lynn /Mary Mackwell
	Lois Jones	Laura Sommerville/ Hugh Barton
	Cathy Nolen	Catherine Cameron/ David Edson