



# **HAMILTON CONTRACT BRIDGE CLUB INC**

20 RICHMOND STREET  
HAMILTON

**2022/2023**

**71st  
Annual General Meeting**

**ANNUAL REPORT**

# HAMILTON CONTRACT BRIDGE CLUB INC

Notice of Annual General Meeting to be held in the Bridge Clubrooms  
Sunday, 19<sup>th</sup> November 2023 at 2 pm

## AGENDA

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– held on Sunday, 20 November 2022
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HAMILTON CONTRACT BRIDGE CLUB INC

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held in the Bridge Clubrooms  
 Sunday, 20th November 2022 at 2.00 pm

**APOLOGIES:**

Motion that the following apologies received be accepted

H Barton/M Davies

Carried

Sam Armstong	Lucie Armstrong
Sue Collinge	Janice Wilton
Barry Jones	Jenny Millington
Tim Healy	Helen Healy
Lois Jones	Heather Douglas
Joan Craig	Barbara Daly
Nigel Gresson	Cherie Barton
Karen Harris	Rosalind Millar
Leanne Curry	

**Attendees:**

Michael Davies	Richard Fletcher
Hugh Barton	Aengus Moore
Laura Sommerville	Cynthia Clayton
Roger Johnstone	Ian Clayton
Chris Goulding	Colleen de Luen
Oli Oliver	Val West
Jacqui McDougall	Richard Wagstaff
Tim Seavill	Margaret Boyd
Jenny Seavill	Julie Hooper
June Rogers	Richard Hooper
Jo Howell	Dave Edson
Judith Brooks	Marian Kingham
Tracey Hoff	Helen Green
Angela Lovell	Lee Cook
Elaine Hickel	Jane Sandelin
Megan Jolly	Ian Gilbert
Raewyn Grylls-Thomas	Judy Simonson
Sheila Smith	David Edson
Oilve.Davis	Rachelle Meijer
Gail De France	Cathrine Cameron
Gwyn Lobb	Mereana Cullen

**MINUTES of the 2021 AGM**

The minutes of the 2021 Annual General Meeting held on Sunday, 21<sup>st</sup> November 2021, were printed and distributed to those present.

Motion moved that these minutes are a true and correct record

Michael Davies/Hugh Barton

Carried

#### **MATTERS ARISING**

No matters arising from the Minutes.

#### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

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

- The need of the club to rebuild from the aftermath of Covid-19 of declining players playing face to face bridge.
- Ways of rebuilding the club by re-educating the incoming committee with the knowledge of all duties, tasks and document these processes.
- Share and record the knowledge of our members to provide the best possible experience for our members and playing visitors.
- Thank you to the committee and volunteers.
- As we look to 2023 to celebrate the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Club, we will acknowledge the past and focus on the future.

Motion moved that the Presidents Report be adopted

Mereana Cullen/Hugh Barton Carried

Hugh Barton thanked President Mereana Cullen.

#### **FINANCE REPORT:**

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

Motion moved that the Finance Report be adopted

Mereana Cullen/Roger Johnstone

Carried

#### **SUBSCRIPTIONS 2023:**

- No change for 2023.

#### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS:**

Nominations listed in the notice:

Mereana Cullen – President  
Richard Wagstaff– Vice President  
Cherie Barton  
Hugh Barton  
Michael Davies  
David Edson  
Chris Goulding  
Laura Sommerville  
Richard Wagstaff

Motion that the nominations listed be accepted.

Mereana Cullen/Tim Seavill

Carried

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Discussion if the building roof will be replaced. Options for repairs and funding to be looked at in the 2023 year. Confirmation that Hamilton City Council own the land and the Hamilton Contract Bridge Club lease the building.

Shared plates to have Gluten Free labeled.

Suggestion for a tab on the web site to find players to play with.

Wednesday night bridge – senior night and face to face for 2023, earlier start and less boards.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 2.44pm.

President \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

HAMILTON CONTRACT BRIDGE CLUB INC  
20<sup>th</sup> November 2022 at 2.45pm

Special General Meeting

Motion:

That the Financial year of the Club begins on the 1<sup>st</sup> September in each year and ends on the 31<sup>st</sup> August. (Rule 19)

Hugh Barton/Michael Davies

Carried

There being no further business the meeting closed at 3.00pm.

## Presidents Annual Report 2023

As we look to close off 2023, I have some good projects in mind for next year to bring some freshness into and also to revamp the Club though I want to bring up why we are here...

What are the objects of the Bridge Club you may ask – well the Constitution records these as follows:

The objects of the Club are those charitable objects and purposes which are recognised by the Courts of New Zealand and including:

- a. Teaching and providing amenities, facilities and equipment for playing the game of contract bridge and for any other like purpose that its members may decide
- b. Promoting contract bridge tournaments, competitions and matches and providing for the control, administration and management of bridge sessions and events,
- c. The provision and maintenance of premises considered necessary desirable or convenient for the advancement of such objects.

And to complete these obligations, we need a committee to nurture, grow and improve our members experience, provide a positive playing environment, deliver sessions to advance skill levels, to encourage new members and grow the existing membership and to maintain our building and keep the 'books' in the black

You will see that 2023 finishes on a high note recovering from the Covid sucker which yay, the financials confirm the turnaround

Over the year we have been blessed with the external incomes from car parking - Richard Wagstaff and all of his team must be congratulated on the time they have given for the Waikato Rugby events and of course from the FIFA programme that was a \$5,000 additional bonus to the Club – almost \$25k has been earned so far

The Club also received a donation of \$10,000 from the Shirley Waymouth whanau with no stipulations placed on how we send these funds – we have used \$1,000 on the new entrance sign dedicated to Shirley, to acknowledge her history and commitment to Bridge, both in Hamilton and NZ bridge

We are considering how to best utilise these funds in the future and it will be something tangible to add onto or improve our facilities

At this stage we do not have a committee to move into 2024, yet we do have a Plan B until we return in February – we require a minimum of 5 committee members and at this stage we have only 4 nominations

I encourage you all to think about what you can do for your Club – we need a committee, without one, our operation will cease and we can't have that happen I will be calling for nominations from the floor and the commitment is minimal as we have a good smattering of volunteers to call on to assist with events

With our large membership, it really is something that should not be a problem yet alas here we are in this awkward situation

Over this year, your committee has ticked off a number of achievements

The roof is currently under refurbishment and currently have been washed, treated for moss, about to be sealed

Secured 4 grants to improve the lady's accessible toilet and for roof repairs

Celebrated our 70<sup>th</sup> Jubilee anniversary

Improved our plumbing situation (we were experiencing multiple blockages)

Men's and ladies' toilets have been deep cleaned

Streamlined our Compa\$\$ transactions for easier management

Refreshed the internal skirting by painting

Completed the initial steps for replacing the carpet in both rooms

Improved our external security lighting by adding more lights

Completed a review of our Constitution – thanks to Dave Edson and Hugh Barton for the enormous amount of time spent to ensure we are compliant when the new Inc Soc Act 2025 comes in and we will be seeking adoption of various changes and upgrades by giving the members time to review the workings and to provide any feedback

Conducted 2 sets of beginner lessons and 2 sets of Improver lessons for club members – thanks to Cherie Barton and Richard Hooper

Agreed to keep updating the honours boards

Secured the hire of our building over the festive season whilst the Club is unattended

Well done to Barry Jones and Jenny Millington for New Zealand selection to Morocco this year

Blair and Liz Fisher were initially selected and for personal reasons were unable to attend - they currently lead the Baden Wilson list for the most A points gained for male and female as at October 2023 in New Zealand – congrats on this achievement

Thanks to the committee this year, Cherie Barton, Chris Goulding, Dave Edson, Hugh Barton, Laura Sommerville, Michael Davies, Richard Wagstaff – your contributions to the Club has made an impact

To the Directors and Tutors and their assistants – a job well done

And to the partner stewards, thanks for being there for the players

Thanks to Cherie, our Treasurer and Julie Club secretary, both valuable crew members



2024 looks to be a good year and once again we look to hosting some tournaments online

This medium is proving very popular and we could utilise more than one tournament in this format so we will review the programme and seek authorisation from NZB early next year

We have confirmed to continue as normal with the Thursday night session and will trial a Monday session, possibly start in the morning and break for lunch then play the remaining boards

Keep an eye out for this

The projects in mind for next year are carpet replacement, update of bridge mates – purchase of additional ones and refit of ones that are out of action, refresh of internal walls and noticeboards placement, upgrade of bar and kitchen areas including possible relocation of scoring room

The place will look upbeat and polished and continue to be a fantastic asset so join me on the committee to ensure that we continue to be the best Club we can be

My final words go to Vice President, Richard Wagstaff who has been a stellar member of the Club and the amount of work that he completes is truly unbelievable

Richard has worked tirelessly throughout the year and gives us some long hours - being our go to handy man and chief security guard He is our Plan B and oftens 'finds' things to correct without being asked

I don't have enough words to express my gratitude Richard - I am giving you a standing ovation for all the work you have done this year

Have a safe and festive Christmas and I shall see you at the table

Mereana

# Annual Report

Hamilton Contract Bridge Club Incorporated

For the year ended 31 October 2023

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## Profit and Loss

Hamilton Contract Bridge Club Inc  
For the year ended 31 October 2023

<u>Account</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
<b>Trading Income</b>		
Beginner Tuition fees	565.24	826.12
Bridge Book Sales	63.40	338.21
Building Hire	11,464.30	7,268.18
Donations	1,306.10	1,230.00
Interest Received	2,965.20	1,212.31
Programme Advertising	0.00	73.91
Raffles	175.63	0.00
Sales Table	339.30	413.65
Subscriptions	18,487.20	17,305.52
Table Money	33,847.90	23,294.46
<b>Total Trading Income</b>	<b>69,214.27</b>	<b>51,962.36</b>
<b>Other Income</b>		
Car Parking	24,321.96	6,950.16
Bar Income	(1,023.35)	(108.58)
Extra-Ordinary Expenses	(4,065.78)	0.00
Tournament Income	(144.30)	765.75
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>88,302.80</b>	<b>59,569.69</b>
<b>Operating Expenses</b>		
ACC	61.92	58.41
Affiliation Fees	5,240.85	5,730.00
Bank Fee	209.62	0.00
Bridge Book Purchases	0.00	418.69
Cleaning & Stores	6,624.97	5,672.29
Closing Book Stock	(237.35)	(346.93)
Communications	832.78	927.88
Computer Accounting Xero	288.00	264.00
Directors	12,092.39	8,970.00
Electronic Equipment Expenses	333.81	379.99
General Expenses	2,088.28	712.74
Insurance	7,880.65	9,926.33
Learn/Improv/Scorer Tuition	840.00	1,084.68
Learners Advertising/Expenses	90.76	1,184.60
Lease Rent	1,148.10	1,148.10
Maintenance - Plant & Furn	197.69	364.00
Maintenance - Property	9,718.67	5,932.97
Opening Book Stock	346.93	25.00
Player Session Fees	2,091.40	2,442.20
Playing Stationery	1,232.37	619.22
Postage, Paper & Stationery	2,395.69	2,368.35
Power & Heating	6,475.03	5,109.83
Professional Fees	86.96	260.87
Programme Book	769.00	841.00
Rates	1,228.12	1,079.91
RealBridge - Session Fees	232.08	1,906.86
Refreshments and Kitchen Supplies	2,146.29	1,039.85
Secretarial Salary	13,225.76	11,661.53
Security	556.76	585.61
Water rates	414.41	566.26
Website	430.40	430.40
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>79,042.34</b>	<b>71,364.64</b>
<b>Net Profit</b>	<b>9,260.46</b>	<b>(11,794.95)</b>

## Bar Income

Hamilton Contract Bridge Club Inc  
For the year ended 31 October 2023

<b>Account</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
<b>Trading Income</b>		
Bar Income	469.58	105.22
<b>Operating Expenses</b>		
Opening Bar Stock	778.17	480.00
Bar Purchases	1,253.89	511.97
Bar Training/Licences	235.00	0.00
Closing Bar Stock	(774.13)	(778.17)
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>1,492.93</b>	<b>213.80</b>
<b>Net Profit</b>	<b>(1,023.35)</b>	<b>(108.58)</b>

## Extra-Ordinary Income

Hamilton Contract Bridge Club Inc  
For the year ended 31 October 2023

<b>Account</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
<b>Income</b>		
Grant Income	9,153.45	0.00
Jubilee Dinner	1,947.79	0.00
S Weymouth Legacy	995.79	0.00
	<u>12,097.03</u>	<u>0.00</u>
<b>Operating Expenses</b>		
Grant Expenses	9,153.45	0.00
Jubilee Dinner Costs	6,013.57	0.00
S Weymouth Legacy	995.79	0.00
	<u>16,162.81</u>	<u>0.00</u>
<b>Net Profit</b>	<b>(4,065.78)</b>	<b>0.00</b>

## Tournament Income

Hamilton Contract Bridge Club Inc  
For the year ended 31 October 2023

<b>Account</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
<b>Income</b>		
Sponsors - Tournament	1,000.00	500.00
Tournament Income	17,390.74	14,616.89
	<u>18,390.74</u>	<u>15,116.89</u>
<b>Operating Expenses</b>		
Tournament Caddies	0.00	173.91
Tournament Caterer Payment	0.00	173.91
Tournament Catering	2,966.49	1,535.22
Tournament Conveynor	434.78	173.91
Tournament Directors	3,410.20	1,626.08
Tournament Prizes	8,618.05	5,768.67
Tournament Scoring Fees	890.87	869.56
Tournament Session Fees	2,214.65	4,029.88
	<u>18,535.04</u>	<u>14,351.14</u>
<b>Net Profit</b>	<b>(144.30)</b>	<b>765.75</b>

## Balance Sheet

Hamilton Contract Bridge Club Inc  
As at 31 October 2023

Account	31 Oct 2023	31 Oct 2022
<b>Assets</b>		
(Bank		
Business account	779.21	625.62
Tournament Account	18,328.04	27,289.25
<b>Total Bank</b>	<b>19,107.25</b>	<b>27,914.87</b>
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Bar Stock	774.13	778.17
Bridge Books	237.35	346.93
Debtors	2,597.56	753.75
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>3,609.04</b>	<b>1,878.85</b>
<b>Fixed Assets</b>		
Buildings & Ground Development	746,000.00	746,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	914.00	914.00
Kitchen Equipment	916.50	916.50
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>747,830.50</b>	<b>747,830.50</b>
<b>Non-current Assets</b>		
ANZ Bank Term Deposit 1001	41,592.37	40,164.19
ANZ Bank Term Deposit 1002	35,000.00	0.00
ANZ Bank Term Deposit 6373 (Includes Unspent Grant & Legacy money)	27,975.73	27,226.10
<b>Total Non-current Assets</b>	<b>104,568.10</b>	<b>67,390.29</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>875,114.89</b>	<b>845,014.51</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
GST	617.16	88.88
Subscription Money Received in Advance	0.00	214.00
Table Money Received In Advance	7,477.24	7,042.90
Trade Creditors	10,458.90	7,218.36
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>18,553.30</b>	<b>14,564.14</b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>18,553.30</b>	<b>14,564.14</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>856,561.59</b>	<b>830,450.37</b>
<b>Equity</b>		
Current Year Earnings	9,260.46	(11,794.95)
Deferred Maintenance Fund	45,000.00	45,000.00
Property Value Increase	50,000.00	50,000.00
Retained Earnings	735,027.76	746,822.71
Roof Replacement Fund	422.61	422.61
Unspent Grant Money	7,846.55	0.00
Shirley Waymouth Legacy	9,004.21	0.00
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>856,561.59</b>	<b>830,450.37</b>

## **Maintenance Report 2023**

### **Working Bees Completed**

Large potholes in side driveway filled with concrete mix.  
Rear parking potholes filled with loose gravel and compacted.  
Repair to rear fence crushed by large fallen tree.  
Unblocking storm water pipes  
Patch wall holes and paint ladies rest room following contractor work.  
Replant front garden (thanks Margaret Boyd.)

### **Contractor Projects**

Mens room vanity lights changed  
Improve lighting in front and rear car park in time for womens world cup football event.  
Led lighting Richmond room, kitchen, scorer room, ladies room. (Thanks Don Weston, Brett Glass) \$2,600  
Replace mens basin faucets. \$680  
Assessable Toilet renovation with funding from City Council (\$3700)  
Major repair to unblocking and removing tree roots to main sewer pipe. FB Hall (\$4500)  
Clear storm water drains at front car park (\$450). (an annual task)  
Fit a downpipe near secretary car park to redirect storm water from internal roof. \$750  
Roof Coatings Ltd presently retexturing the decramastic Roofs and repainting Turrets funded jointly from Pub Charity Ltd, Wel Energy, Trust Waikato and Club funds totaling \$16000  
Clean Boss polish rest room floors \$850

### **Miscellaneous**

Carbon Dioxide sensors to manage air ventilation

### **Security**

Car break-ins in early January, February and fortunately person apprehended in July event.  
The CCTV camera from the neighboring kindergarten overlooks our rear car park now.

### **Future projects**

Replace some roof sheeting above foyer area  
Replace roof tape repairs that have now aged.  
Redirect Richmond room storm water to drain (6K) or continue monitoring  
Replace carpets in one or both main rooms subject to funding. (30K)  
CCTV camera shortly to be installed for front car park.

# NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICERS

## 2023 – 2024 COMMITTEE

		Nominated/Seconded by
<b>President:</b>	Mereana Cullen	Hugh Barton/
<b>Vice-President:</b>	Richard Wagstaff	David Edson/ Mereana Cullen
<b>Committee:</b>	David Edson	Richard Wagstaff/ Mereana Cullen





**HAMILTON CONTRACT BRIDGE CLUB INC**

20 RICHMOND STREET  
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**TROPHY WINNERS**

**2023**

## Trophy Winners - 2023

### Monday Evening

J Van Selm Memorial	Pairs	Mark Thomson/Richard Hooper
Kellaway Plate	Monday Night Championship Pairs	Olive Davis/Pam Burns
Sheridan Evans - <i>highest aggregate over the year</i>	Individual	Catherine Cameron/Pam Burns

### Tuesday Afternoon

Monica Heard Trophy	Best handicap	Helen Healy/Cynthia Clayton
Henry Trophy		Francoise Campbell/Ella Gray
Clayton-Greene Trophy	Tuesday Afternoon Championship Pairs	Ian Clayton/Cynthia Clayton
Peggy Perry Cup	Pairs	Tim Healy/Cynthia Clayton
Galbraith Trophy		Duncan White/Barbara Daly

### Tuesday Evening

Alder Trophy	Best Individual	Ron Snoek
Grace Fuller Trophy	Championship Pairs	Mark Beavan/Irene McCaskil
Alisdair Beck Trophy	Pairs	Jiwan Dhaliwal/Bill Barwood
Allen Family Trophy	Individual	Armand Petrin

## Wednesday Evening

Barbara Minogue	Teams	Yuzhong Chen/Richard Hooper/Brett Glass/Gary Foidl
Coralie O'Connor Trophy President's Salver	Winter Pairs Winners - Restricted Teams	Richard Fletcher/Gwyn Lobb Mark Thomson/Yuzhong Chen/Richard Hooper/Mark Beavan
Julie Healy Cup	Winners – Spring Swiss Pairs	Jenny Millington/Barry Jones
The Jack Trophy	Runner up – Spring Swiss Pairs	Cherie Barton/Karen Harris
Meltzer Cup	Top Hamilton Pair – Open 5A Swiss Pairs	Gary Foidl/Brett Glass
Ethel Johnson	Spring Teams	N/A
Auckland Cup	Winners - Wednesday Championship Pairs	Brett Glass/Michael Curry
Hamilton Trophy	Runner up - Wednesday Championship Pairs	Jeffrey Chang/Yuzhong Chen
Fraser Memorial	Handicap Wednesday Championship Pairs	Stephen White/Richard Wagstaff

## Thursday Evening

David Head Trophy	Individual	Catherine Cameron
Wardlaw Trophy	Winter Pairs	Ross Stewart/Cherie Barton
Rose Bowl	Winter Pairs Handicap	Josie van Weerd/Cathy Nolen
Lil Goodger Trophy		Melinda Wang/Catherine Cameron
Elsie Pohio Trophy	Intermediate	Nigel Gresson, Trini Lin, Catherine Cameron, Cathy Nolen
Thursday Championship Teams	Junior	Don Weston/Debbie Weston/Stephen Baptist/Tim Densem
Clare-Cotrell Salver	Thursday Championship Pairs	Catherine Cameron/Trini Lin
A H Head Plate Thursday Championship Pairs	Winners Handicap	Roger Gunning/Ranjith Cooray

## Friday Morning

Charles Holland-Goodwin Memorial Cup	Pairs	Olive Davie/Mary Ronke
Anne Archbold Cup	Pairs	Mary Ronke/Cynthia Clayton
Eileen Hartstone Trophy	Individual	Elaine Rayner
Peter Kunac Trophy	Pairs	Judith Brooks/Colleen de Luen
Waymouth Trophy	Friday Championship Pairs	Ian Clayton/Cynthia Clayton

## Special Days

### Waikato/Bays Ladies Pairs

Kura Heather - Open  
Doris Head - Intermediate

N/A  
Eileen Barker/Anne Berben

### Hamilton Restricted Pairs

Margaret Beattie Best Junior Pairs

Mark Beavan/Tim Densem

### Melbourne Cup Day

Laurie Braithwaite Cup

Elaine Rayner/Colleen De Luen

## Special Trophies

Audrey Dixon Cup  
- *Most Improved Junior Player*

Mike Barton Plate  
- *Most Promising Player*