

A Queenstown Bridge Club Committee

Minutes of Committee meeting held on 12 May 2026 at the Queenstown Events Centre, 5.30pm.

Present: Hamish McDonald (Chair), Vicki Buckham, Ernie Sutton, Lesley Muir, Peter Henry, John MacGillivray, Owen Williams, Maree Aoake

Apologies: Sarah Pearson

Minutes of the meeting held 10 March 2026 were taken as read. Vicki/Maree

Matters Arising:

- **Follow up on Teaching Conference Report** – Maree to help with integrating new members into the Club, shoulder tap members to mentor new folk.
- **Otago Southland Conference** – Hamish reported that procedures had been put in place when difficult situations arise in a club – preference is to deal with it in the club, anything which arises at a tournament may be dealt with further afield.
- **Life Membership** – a procedure is needed to provide consistency when deciding on a life membership for someone. Vicki to investigate other club situations.
- **NZ Bridge sponsoring coaching for elite members** – Ernie to draft an email to NZBridge re this matter.

Correspondence:

In –

Out – Thank you letters to sponsors of March Tournament.

Financial Statement:

Reports tabled. Insurance paid. Maree/Owen

General Business:

- **Queenstown Tournament – 28 March** – Successful tournament.
NOTE: Raffles tables need to be brought up to the front of the room to avoid in future.
Be sure printers and computer are working before the tournament.
Need licence for 26 Tablets as we have the facility to host 26 tables.
- **Intermediate/Junior Tournament** – 26 September (Vicki to confirm with QLDC)
Fee - \$35.00 Owen has in mind potential sponsors. TBA.
Notice – Owen to check with Lee to obtain March Poster and amend for use.
Bring your own lunch
- **Computer/Router** – ideally someone needed to man the computer who is not involved in playing at tournaments.
- **Ryan Challenge** – Vicki to check for suitable dates in August (Sundays) with the QLDC then John to liaise with the Winton Club.
- **Teams** – need 4 team leaders to gather a team of 4 under the agreed parameters.
- **Friday Bridge** – All bridge results need to go to NZ Bridge – Ernie to follow up.
- **Committee responsibilities**
Premises/council liaison – Sarah sent an email to the committee members re QLDC and its intentions for upgrading the Events Centre. Council contact is Simon Battick.
Committee members to think about other venues which could be used in future.
Dealer liaison – Lynette – there is a long list of volunteers to draw from but need more supporters.

Meeting closed 6.38 pm.

Next meeting 5.30 pm Tuesday, 9 June 2026.

Signed:

Date: