

Macedon Ranges Bridge Club (MRBC) Inc.

Incorporated Association number: A0049378Y

Annual General Meeting
Community Hall, Woodend Community Centre
Woodend, Forest Street

7.00 pm on 21 February 2012

MINUTES

The meeting commenced at 7.04 pm. Those present were welcomed by the MRBC President, Ron Watkinson.

1. Attendees and Apologies

22 members were in attendance: Tom Mossop, Val and Gerrit Renkema, Gary Bradley, Jane Bland, Laura Hedberg, Ron Cowburn, Peter Wells, Len Baker, Diana Marsland, Linda and Ron Watkinson, Connie Albany, Mavis and James Wright, Fran Crimmins, Marilyn Summers, Cate Carr, Margaret Copland, Rhyll Trehwella, Barbara Crapper and Michael Francis.

Apologies were received from: Lyn Wells, Rex Fox, Andrew McLaren, Leonie McLaren, Desma Sampson, Angela Langley, Angela Alcock and Andrew Lance.

2. Minutes of the previous AGM

Motion 1

That this AGM accepts as read the minutes of the previous AGM held on 22 February 2011, and that these minutes are a true record of that meeting.

Moved: Ron Watkinson

Seconded: Tom Mossop

Carried without dissent.

3. Reports

3.1. President's Report

Ron Watkinson reported that the MRBC had enjoyed a very successful year and thanked everyone for their contributions. His full report is attached (Attachment 1).

Motion 2

That the President's report be adopted.

Moved: Fran Crimmins

Seconded: Cate Carr

Carried without dissent.

3.2. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's report for the financial year 1 February 2011 to 31 January 2012 was tabled by Val Renkema. This showed a bank balance at 31 January 2012 of \$5,919.73. Club assets amounted to \$11,696. The club has no debts. The full Treasurer's report and List of Assets are attached (Attachment 2).

Motion 3

That the Treasurer's report be adopted.

Moved: Ron Watkinson

Seconded: Linda Watkinson

Carried without dissent.

4. Election of Committee Members.

The President, Ron Watkinson, advised the meeting that for each committee position only one nomination had been received, and in the absence of any further nominations the following were duly elected. The AGM was then asked to confirm these positions by way of a motion.

Motions 4-7

That the following positions be confirmed:

President: Ron Watkinson

Moved: Peter Wells

Seconded: Val Renkema

Carried without dissent.

Vice-President: Connie Albany

Moved: Peter Wells

Seconded: Ron Watkinson

Carried without dissent.

Treasurer: Margaret Copland

Moved: Val Renkema

Seconded: Gerrit Renkema

Carried without dissent.

Secretary: Peter Wells

Moved: Ron Watkinson

Seconded: Val Renkema

Carried without dissent.

5. Fees for 2012

The following motions were put to the AGM.

Motion 8

For members who have the MRBC as their Home Club, the Annual Membership fee for 2012 is \$25.00, apart from government full concession card holders who may request their Annual Membership fee be reduced to \$20.00.

Moved: Peter Wells

Seconded: Ron Watkinson

Carried without dissent

Motion 9

For members who do not have the MRBC as their Home Club, the Annual Membership fee for 2012 is \$10.00.

Moved: Peter Wells
Seconded: Ron Watkinson
Carried without dissent

Motion 10

That the MRBC per person table fee remains unaltered at \$5.00 per playing session, apart from a MRBC member who holds a government full concession card who may request their table fee be reduced to \$3.00 per playing session from the first week of March 2012 until the last week of February 2013 (inclusive).

Moved: Peter Wells
Seconded: Ron Watkinson
Carried without dissent

Ron Watkinson advised club members who wish to avail themselves of these fee reductions to discuss this in private with the MRBC Treasurer at their earliest opportunity.

6. Appointments

The following appointments for 2012 were filled by club members:

Public Officer	Cate Carr
Special Events Coordinator	Peter Wells
Social Secretary	Diana Marsland
Coffee/Tea Coordinator	Connie Albany
Masterpoint Secretary	Ron Watkinson
Assets Manager	Tom Mossop
Director: Monday	Peter Wells
Director: Tuesday	Rex Fox
Director: Thursday	Frank Vearing
Instructor:	Rex Fox

Ron Watkinson thanked all members who held appointments in the previous year, and also thanked Val Renkema for her contribution as MRBC Treasurer.

7. Player Achievement Awards

The committee made the following awards based on ABF Masterpoints.

Best first year player – (to be advised)
Most improved partnership – Margaret Copland and Frank Vearing
Achieving 100 ABF MasterPoints – Maureen Redman and Lance Redman

Ron Watkinson congratulated these players on their success.

8. Other Business

8.1. Thursday Sessions

On a formal approach from the Thursday Group the MRBC Committee agreed to recommend that Green ABF MasterPoints be awarded for Thursday sessions if a suitable director can be found. The committee reported that Frank Vearing agreed to be the Thursday Director and his offer was accepted.

The following motion was put to the AGM.

Motion 11

That Green ABF MasterPoints be awarded for Thursday sessions.

Moved: Peter Wells

Seconded: James Wright

Carried without dissent

9. Next Meeting

Tuesday late February 2013

9. Close

The meeting closed at 7.24 pm.

Signed: Secretary

President

Attachment 1

Macedon Ranges Bridge Club – President's Report February 2012

Members,

During 2011 our club continued to provide the facilities for our members to play bridge and socialise three times a week throughout the year. We have in excess of seventy members.

Tuesday continues to be our busiest session averaging eight and a half tables throughout the year with ten not being uncommon. Thursdays also had good numbers, often six or more full tables, in some cases players gaining experience and others enjoying the more social, less competitive, atmosphere Thursday provides. Mondays continues to have its core players with about five tables being the normal attendance.

We hope this coming year to see more of a number of regular players who were not seen at various times in 2011 due to work commitments, overseas holidays (good old Aussie dollar) and illness, yours truly included. At this time I would like to express my thanks to the club and all those members and friends who provided support and best wishes during what was a difficult time for Linda and I.

Our Secretary Peter Wells conducted a training course at Gisborne during the year in an effort to encourage additional players from a relatively untapped source. This raised some revenue for the club and the publicity and interest generated may prove beneficial over coming years. I would like to pay a special thanks to Peter for all the work he puts in on behalf of the club. I believe most members would have little appreciation of the time involved.

Thanks also to Connie Albany, Vice President for her contribution during the year, probably ended up being a bit more than she envisioned with the President laid up for a significant period.

Finally, thanks to outgoing Treasurer Val Renkema for her work in looking after the money, as well as largely "running", along with husband Gerrit, the Thursday sessions. Gerrit also has been dealing the cards since taking over from me in September, thanks Gerrit. If there are other members who would be willing to take a turn at card dealing please advise Peter Wells or myself. About two hours work per week is involved and training is provided.

The committee has been asked to look at offering bridge sessions right through the Christmas period from this year, and we will think this over in the near future and get back to club members.

Some members have departed during the year but these have largely been replaced by new or intending, members. We welcome all new players and hope they enjoy their time at the club.

With the support of other members of the committee and members generally the club can look forward to another successful year in 2012.

Ron Watkinson
President

MACEDON RANGES BRIDGE CLUB
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE REPORT 2011 - 2012

as at 31/1/2012

	Debit	Credit	Profit / Loss
RECEIPTS			
Table Fees		\$18,077.40	
Registrations		\$1,540.00	
Congress		\$3,135.95	
Reimb RW		\$500.00	
Misc Income		\$292.00	
Total		\$23,545.35	
EXPENSES			
ABF	\$2,410.88		
Catering	\$1,652.49		
Congress	\$3,313.20		
Equipment	\$1,010.85		
Hall Hire	\$7,915.00		
Postage	\$207.00		
Stationery	\$883.58		
WebPage	\$212.50		
Books	\$616.41		
Misc Expenses	\$603.62		
	\$18,825.53		
Supper Costs	\$2,372.15		
Total	\$21,197.68		2347.67 CR.
BANK RECONCILIATION			
Opening Balance		\$3,572.06	
Add receipts		\$23,545.35	\$11,696.00
Less Expenses		-\$21,197.68	
Total Cash Book		\$5,919.73	
Balance as per Bank S/M		\$5,919.73	
Previous Year			
Receipts	\$24,022.70		Opening Bank \$10,326.32
Expenses	-\$30,776.96		Closing bank \$3,572.06
Profit / Loss	-\$6,754.26		

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Date of last inventory: 28 January 2011

Date of new inventory: 31 January 2012

(Value: generally drop about 20% per year)
(Consumables not included)

Category/Item	Quantity	Condition/ Comment	Value new (per each)	Value now (per each)	Estimated total value 31/01/12
Furniture & related					
Card tables with folding legs	22	Fair to good	\$ 30	\$ 15	\$ 225
Card tables with folding legs	6	New	\$ 19	\$ 19	\$ 114
White plastic side tables	50	Good	\$ 10	\$ 5	\$ 170
Green table covers	22	Good	\$ 20	\$ 10	\$ 150
Trolley for plastic cases	1	Good	\$ 25	\$ 15	\$ 11
Electrical/Electronic					
Kambrook Thermo Fan Heaters	2	Good	\$ 35	\$ 20	\$ 32
Kambrook Urn	1	Good	\$ 25	\$ 15	\$ 10
Power leads/boards	3	Good	\$ 10	\$ 5	\$ 10
Electric pencil sharpener	1	Good	\$ 90	\$ 60	\$ 34
Electronic timer clock	1	Good	\$ 400	\$ 300	\$ 174
Countdown timer	1	New	\$ 400	\$ 400	\$ 400
Remote timer controller	1	New	\$ 80	\$ 80	\$ 80
Kitchenware					
General		Good		\$ 200	\$ 160
Playing Cards/Holders					
Card cases - soft	6	Good	\$ 40	\$ 30	\$ 122
Card cases - metal	2	Good	\$ 25	\$ 15	\$ 21
Sets of 32 cards + boards	6	Good	\$ 88	\$ 75	\$ 306
Bidding sheet holders - wood	22	Good	\$ 2	\$ 1	\$ 15
Table numbers NSEW 1 - 16 (set)	2	New / Good	\$ 45	\$ 45	\$ 62
Miscellaneous/containers					
Plastic storage cases	6	Good	\$ 5	\$ 3	\$ 12
Plastic containers - small/various	5	OK	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 3
Library - Books					
Books acquired prior to 2008 in 2008	14	Fair to good	\$ 25	\$ 15	\$ 143
Additional new books in 2008	4	Good	\$ 25	\$ 20	\$ 54
Additional new books in 2009	4	Good	\$ 25	\$ 25	\$ 68
Additional new books	10	New	\$ 19	\$ 19	\$ 190
Paul Lavings books	12	New	\$ 19	\$ 19	\$ 228
Paul Lavings books	10	New	\$ 33	\$ 33	\$ 330
Computer / Scorebridge					
Dealing machine	1	Good	\$ 4,000	\$ 2,800	\$ 1,904
Black & white printer	1	Good	\$ 150	\$ 80	\$ 72
Projector screen	1	Good	\$ 149	\$ 149	\$ 119
Projector	1	Good	\$ 748	\$ 748	\$ 598
Laptop PW	1	Good	\$ 1,325	\$ 1,325	\$ 1,060
Laptop GR	1	Good	\$ 1,495	\$ 1,495	\$ 1,196
Carry case	1	Good	\$ 86	\$ 86	\$ 69
Bridge pads	24	Good	\$ 307	\$ 307	\$ 2,878
Licence PW	1	Good	\$ 175	\$ 175	\$ 175
Licence GR	1	Good	\$ 255	\$ 255	\$ 255
Licence RW	1	Good	\$ 95	\$ 95	\$ 95
Extra server	1	Good	\$ 189	\$ 189	\$ 151
Total Assets					11,696