

# **Macedon Ranges Bridge Club (MRBC) Inc.**

Incorporated Association number: A0049378Y

Annual General Meeting  
Norma Richardson Hall, Buckland Street  
Woodend, Forest Street

7.00 pm on 25 February 2014

## **MINUTES**

The meeting commenced at 7.05 pm. Those present were welcomed by the MRBC President, Peter Wells.

### **1. Attendees and Apologies**

27 members and visitors were in attendance: Peter Wells, Robert Hetzel, Anne Hil, Annie Waters, Michael Francis, Terry Dold, Ron Watkinson, Linda Watkinson, Tom Mossop, Laura Hedberg, Leif Michelsson, Maria Michelsson, Ron Cowburn, Rosa Baernreuther, Roger Scrivener, Gary Bradley, Rex Fox, Margaret Copland, Millicent Henry, Diana Marsland, Barbara Crapper, Marilyn Summers, Evelyn Chittleborough, Glenda Belcher, Graeme Boscoe, Ed Butler and Robyn Cary.

Apologies were received from: Lyn Wells, Desma Sampson, Angela Langley, Frank Vearing, Fran Crimmins, Angela Alcock, Maureen Redman, Lance Redman, Clare Green, Leonie McLaren, Jill Williams, Jane Bland, Tek Marko, Jack Newman, Carmel Halloran, June Cohen, Connie Albany and Marilyn Trevorrow.

### **2. Minutes of the previous AGM**

#### ***Motion 1***

That this AGM accepts as read the minutes of the previous AGM held on 26 February 2013, and that these minutes are a true record of that meeting.

Moved: Ron Watkinson

Seconded: Linda Watkinson

Carried without dissent.

### **3. Reports**

#### **3.1. President's Report**

Peter Wells 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: Ron Watkinson

Seconded: Gary Bradley

Carried without dissent.

#### **3.2. Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer's report for the financial year 1 February 2013 to 31 January 2014 was tabled by Margaret Copland. This showed a bank balance at 31 January 2013 of \$6973.96 and at 31 January 2014 a balance of \$6220.18, a decrease of \$753.78. Club assets amounted to \$7539.00. 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: Barbara Crapper

Seconded: Laura Hedberg

Carried without dissent.

**4. Election of Committee Members.**

The President, Peter Wells, advised the meeting that for all positions only one nomination had been received.

The nominations for the 4 positions were then confirmed by votes as follows.

***Motions 4-7***

That the following positions be confirmed:

President: Peter Wells

Moved: Ron Watkinson

Seconded: Gary Bradley

Carried without dissent.

Vice-President: Connie Albany

Moved: Peter Wells

Seconded: Ron Watkinson

Carried without dissent.

Treasurer: Margaret Copland

Moved: Peter Wells

Seconded: Laura Hedberg

Carried without dissent.

Secretary: Ron Watkinson

Moved: Peter Wells

Seconded: Anne Hill

Carried without dissent.

**5. Fees for 2014**

The following motions were put to the AGM.

***Motion 8***

That the annual fee for full "home" members remains at \$30, for Centrelink concession card holders the fee remain sat \$25 and for members who have their "home" membership at another club their fee remains at \$20.

Moved: Peter Wells

Seconded: Ron Watkinson

Carried without dissent

***Motion 9***

That the MRBC per person table fee shall increase to \$6.00 per playing session, apart from an MRBC member who holds a government full concession card who may request their table fee be reduced to \$4.00 per playing session from the first week of March 2014 until the last week of February 2015 (inclusive).

Moved: Peter Wells  
Seconded: Ron Watkinson  
Carried without dissent

**6. Appointments**

The following appointments continue to be filled by club members as indicated:

Special Events Coordinators	President and Secretary
Catering (Congress Coordinator)	Diana Marsland
Refreshments (weekly + Xmas)	Linda Watkinson and 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

Peter Wells thanked all members who held appointments in the previous year.

**7. Significant Home Club Member Achievements**

Achieving 200 ABF MasterPoints – Linda Healy  
Achieving Life Master Status – Frank Vearing

The Club congratulated these players on their success.

**8. Next Meeting**

Tuesday late February 2015

**9. Close**

The meeting closed at 7.30 pm.

**Signed: Secretary**

**President**

## **Appendix 1**

### **Macedon Ranges Bridge Club – President's Report February 2014**

Members,

2013 was another very successful year for our club. We just about maintained our membership numbers and our three weekly sessions continued to be well supported. Whilst Tuesday evenings have the largest average attendance, the Monday and Thursday groups play an important role within the club, providing further opportunities for social interaction amongst members. We thank all members for their continued support.

Our 2013 congress was very successful in the new venue of St Mary's Norma Richardson Hall, with a full quota of 24 tables participating. Many of the attendees were regulars who have made our congress, and particularly the food, an annual event not to be missed. Again we found it necessary to have a standby list of pairs due to the event being sold out early. Graham Hill proved to be a very good Director for the second year running.

We have now called St. Mary's Norma Richardson Hall home for the MRBC for just over 12 months now and as far as I can ascertain all the club members like the venue and its new facilities. We have recently negotiated a new lease for a two year period with the St Mary's representatives, and while the rent has increased we still feel it represents good value. Although we are recommending a table playing fee increase I have to remind all members this is the first increase in table fees for at least 10 years. Our aim is always to just maintain a bank balance that can cope with replacement costs for our equipment, and not much more.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Club Secretary Ron Watkinson for his contribution throughout the year, I don't think members are generally aware of the time and effort he puts in for the club. He manages club correspondence, liaises with the ABF and VBA and others on Bridge matters, the list goes on. Thank you Ron.

Also thanks go to Treasurer Margaret Copland who has done a splendid job with the finances since taking over the role. Connie Albany our Vice President, has also been active around the club doing much of the shopping for weekly supplies such as tea, coffee, biscuits, you name it. Thanks Connie.

Finally, thanks to all those other club members who assist with all manner of things, getting there early to help set up tables, helping to clear up at the end of sessions, tidying the kitchen etc. it all helps, thank you. A club is only as good as its members make it, and I believe that we have a very good club, so let's all contribute as best we can.

Peter Wells  
(President)

MACEDON RANGES BRIDGE CLUB  
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE REPORT 2013-14

as at 31/1/2014

	Debit	Credit	Profit / Loss
<b>RECEIPTS</b>			
Table Fees		\$ 15,345.00	
Registrations		\$ 2,085.00	
Congress		\$ 3,760.00	
Training Day		\$ -	
Misc Income		\$ 300.00	
Total		<b>\$ 21,490.00</b>	
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
ABF	\$ 1,933.77		
VBA+ others	\$ 1,655.00		
Congress	\$ 3,244.80		
Equipment	\$ -		
Hall Hire	\$ 10,225.00		
Postage	\$ 99.00		
Printing/ Stationery	\$ 839.20		
Books	\$ 211.00		
Catering/Supper	\$ 2,579.41		
website etc	\$ 759.00		
Misc Expenses	\$ 697.60		
Total	<b>\$ 22,243.78</b>		<b>\$ (753.78)</b>

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**BANK RECONCILIATION**

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Opening Balance	\$	6,778.96
plus cash on hand at start	\$	195.00
Add receipts	\$	21,490.00
Less Expenses	\$	(22,243.78)
Total Cash Book	\$	<u>6,220.18</u>

**ASSETS**

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**\$7,639**

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Balance as per Bank S/M	\$	6,114.18	+ \$106 cash on hand at end	\$	6,220.18
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**Previous Year**

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Receipts     \$     23,652.20

Expenses    -\$     22,597.97

Profit / Loss    

\$	1,054.23
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Opening Bank + cash     \$   5,919.73

Closing bank + cash     \$   6,973.96

## Macedon Ranges Bridge Club - Inventory

**Date of last inventory: 31 January 2014**

(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 31/1/2014
<b>Furniture &amp; related</b>					
Card tables with folding legs	24	Fair to good	\$30	\$5	<b>\$120</b>
White plastic side tables	48	Fair to good	\$10	\$2	<b>\$96</b>
Table covers	22	Fair to good	\$20	\$3	<b>\$66</b>
Trolley for plastic cases	1	Fair to good	\$25	\$10	<b>\$10</b>
Set of kitchen steps	1	Good	\$65	\$55	<b>\$55</b>
Bookcase	1	Good	\$80	\$60	<b>\$60</b>
<b>Electrical/Electronic</b>					
Brother Laser printer	1	New	\$150	\$150	<b>\$150</b>
Klipsal pedestal fans	3	Fair	\$20	\$5	<b>\$15</b>
Kambrook Thermo Fan Heaters	2	Fair	\$35	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Kambrook Urn	1	Fair	\$25	\$5	<b>\$5</b>
Electric pencil sharpener	1	Good	\$90	\$30	<b>\$30</b>
Electronic timer clock	1	Good	\$400	\$150	<b>\$150</b>
Electronic timer clock with controller	1	Good	\$480	\$250	<b>\$250</b>
<b>Crockery/Cutlery</b>					
Wine glasses (doz)	2	Good	\$40	\$15	<b>\$30</b>
Crockery and cutlery (set)	1	Good	\$20	\$15	<b>\$15</b>
<b>Playing Cards/Holders/Dealing machine</b>					
Dealing machine	1	Good	\$4,000	\$2,000	<b>\$2,000</b>
Card cases - metal	7	Good	\$25	\$15	<b>\$105</b>
Sets of 32 cards + boards	7	Good	\$88	\$50	<b>\$350</b>
Table numbers NSEW 1 - 16 (set)	3	Fair	\$45	\$15	<b>\$45</b>
<b>Library - Books</b>					
Books acquired prior to 2012	58	Fair to good	\$25	\$5	<b>\$290</b>
Additional new books in 2013	4	New	\$25	\$25	<b>\$100</b>
<b>Computers etc</b>					
BridgePads	24	Good	\$180	\$80	<b>\$1,920</b>
BridgePad server	2	Good	\$157	\$100	<b>\$200</b>
BridgePad server	1	New	\$157	\$157	<b>\$157</b>
Asus laptops	2	Good	\$1,200	\$400	<b>\$800</b>
Computer case	2	Good	\$40	\$20	<b>\$40</b>
Video Projector	1	Good	\$748	\$500	<b>\$500</b>
Projector screen	1	Good	\$149	\$80	<b>\$80</b>

**Estimated total value of MRBC assets =     \$7,639**