

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 26 February 2013

MINUTES

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

1. Attendees and Apologies

28 members were in attendance: Mavis Wright, James Wright, Len Baker, Graham Farley, Maureen Redman, Lance Redman, Anne Hill, Ron Watkinson, Linda Watkinson, Leif Michelsson, Maria Michelsson, Gary Bradley, Jane Bland, Diana Marsland, Michael Francis, Margaret Copland, Tom Mossop, Graeme Boscoe, Linda Healy, Evelyn Stephenson, Cherryl Downie, Connie Albany, Barbara Crapper, Marilyn Summers, Laura Hedberg, Ron Cowburn, Glenda Belcher and Peter Wells.

Apologies were received from: Lyn Wells, Desma Sampson, Angela Langley, Frank Vearing, Fran Crimmins, Angela Alcock and Annie Waters

2. Minutes of the previous AGM

Motion 1

That this AGM accepts as read the minutes of the previous AGM held on 21 February 2012, and that these minutes are a true record of that meeting.

Moved: Linda Watkinson

Seconded: Maureen Redman

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: Laura Hedberg

Seconded: Mavis Wright

Carried without dissent.

3.2. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's report for the financial year 1 February 2012 to 31 January 2013 was tabled by Margaret Copland. This showed a bank balance at 31 January 2012 of \$6973.96. Club assets amounted to \$9207.00. 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: Tom Mossop

Seconded: Laura Hedberg

Carried without dissent.

4. Election of Committee Members.

The President, Ron Watkinson, advised the meeting that for the positions of President, Vice-President and Treasurer only one nomination had been received. There had been no nomination for Secretary. After calling for nominations for Secretary from the members present, Ron Watkinson accepted the nomination. Nominations were then called from the floor for the position of President. Peter Wells accepted this nomination. The nominations for the 4 positions were then confirmed by votes as follows.

Motions 4-7

That the following positions be confirmed:

Treasurer: Margaret Copland

Moved: Linda Watkinson

Seconded: Tom Mossop

Carried without dissent.

Vice-President: Connie Albany

Moved: Ron Watkinson

Seconded: Jane Bland

Carried without dissent.

Secretary: Ron Watkinson

Moved: Gary Bradley

Seconded: Diana Marsland

Carried without dissent.

President: Peter Wells

Moved: Linda Watkinson

Seconded: Gary Bradley

Carried without dissent.

5. Fees for 2013

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 2013 is \$30.00, but government full concession card holders may request their Annual Membership fee be reduced to \$25.00.

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 2013 is \$20.00.

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 2013 until the last week of February 2014 (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:

Special Events Coordinator	Committee Members
Social Secretary	Diana Marsland
Coffee/Tea Coordinator	Connie Albany and Linda Watkinson (with a rosta if required)
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.

7. Player Achievement Awards

Achieving 100 ABF MasterPoints – Ron Cowburn, Michael Francis, Margaret Copland, Mavis Wright, Peter Wells and James Wright

Winners 2012 McCutcheon Trophy – Margaret Copland and Frank Vearing

Ron Watkinson congratulated these players on their success.

8. Next Meeting

Tuesday late February 2013

9. Close

The meeting closed at 7.24 pm.

Signed: Secretary

President

Appendix 1

Macedon Ranges Bridge Club – President's Report February 2013

Members,

2012 was another successful year for our club. We virtually maintained our membership numbers and our three weekly sessions continued to be well supported. Whilst Tuesday evenings have the largest 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 2012 congress was very successful with a full quota of 24 tables participating. Many of the attendees were regulars who have made our congress an annual event not to be missed. For the first time we found it necessary to have a standby list of pairs due to the event being sold out early. It was also pleasing that three local pairs were among the prize winners. The only issue in relation to the congress is the suitability of the venue for the future. St. Ambrose hall is showing its age, there are concerns about heating, noise and lack of modern facilities. The committee is reviewing this matter with a view to holding the 2013 and future congresses at a more suitable venue.

After the congress the club moved to its new premises at the Norma Richardson Hall, part of St. Mary's church. The club had been seeking more suitable premises for a number of years and the availability of the new hall at St. Mary's, combined with substantial rent increases at the community centre (increase of \$42 per week, \$2100 for our 50 week year) caused the committee to focus more heavily on the issue.

Subsequently, after discussions with St. Mary's representatives, an agreement was reached whereby the club would conduct all three weekly sessions at the one modern facility. We are now settled at the new venue and apart from occasional teething issues the arrangement is working well. The rent we now pay is less than if we had stayed at Community Centre/Tennis Club and we have the benefit of a very modern facility. It may well be that this facility could satisfy our need for a new venue for the congress, but first we need to confirm that it can accommodate the numbers involved.

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

Also thanks to Treasurer Margaret Copland who has done a fine 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 those 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, thanks. A club is only as good as its members make it so let's all contribute as best we can.

Ron Watkinson. (President)

Appendix 2

MACEDON RANGES BRIDGE CLUB
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE REPORT 2012-13

as at 31/1/20132

	Debit	Credit	Profit / Loss
RECEIPTS			
Table Fees		\$ 16,647.00	
Registrations		\$ 1,805.00	
Congress		\$ 3,525.00	
Training Day		\$ 800.00	
Misc Income		\$ 875.20	
Total		\$ 23,652.20	
EXPENSES			
ABF	\$ 1,830.30		
other ass'n fees	\$ 1,760.00		
Congress	\$ 3,106.55		
Training day with Kim	\$ 662.00		
Equipment	\$ -		
Hall Hire	\$ 10,012.50		
Postage	\$ 93.00		
Printing/ Stationery	\$ 700.79		
Books	\$ 837.65		
Catering/Supper	\$ 2,701.78		
Misc Expenses	\$ 893.40		
Total	\$ 22,597.97		\$ 1,054.23 CR

BANK RECONCILIATION

Opening Balance	\$ 5,919.73
Add receipts	\$ 23,652.20
Less Expenses	\$ (22,597.97)
Total Cash Book	\$ 6,973.96

ASSETS

\$ 9,207.00 profit and loss

Balance as per Bank S/M **\$ 6,778.96** + 195 cash on hand = 6973.96

Previous Year

Receipts	\$ 23,545.35	Opening Bank	\$ 3,572.06
Expenses	-\$ 21,197.68	Closing bank	\$ 5,919.73
Profit / Loss	\$ 2,347.67		

Macedon Ranges Bridge Club - Inventory

Date of last inventory: 31 January 2013

(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 31/1/2013
Furniture & related					
Card tables with folding legs	24	Fair to good	\$30	\$10	\$240
White plastic side tables	48	Fair to good	\$10	\$4	\$192
Table covers	22	Fair to good	\$20	\$5	\$110
Trolley for plastic cases	1	Good	\$25	\$15	\$15
Bookcase	1	New	\$80	\$80	\$80
Electrical/Electronic					
Lexmark printer	1	Good	\$150	\$50	\$50
Klipsal pedestal fans	3	Fair to good	\$20	\$10	\$30
Kambrook Thermo Fan Heaters	2	Fair to good	\$35	\$5	\$10
Kambrook Urn	1	Fair to good	\$25	\$5	\$5
Electric pencil sharpener	1	Good	\$90	\$50	\$50
Electronic timer clock	1	Good	\$400	\$250	\$250
Electronic timer clock with controller	1	Good	\$480	\$300	\$300
Crockery/Cutlery					
Wine glasses (doz)	2	Good	\$40	\$20	\$40
Crockery and cutlery (set)	1	Good	\$20	\$10	\$10
Playing Cards/Holders/Dealing machine					
Dealing machine	1	Good	\$4,000	\$2,500	\$2,500
Card cases - metal	7	New/Good	\$25	\$15	\$105
Sets of 32 cards + boards	7	New/Good	\$88	\$70	\$490
Table numbers NSEW 1 - 16 (set)	2	Good	\$45	\$20	\$40
Library - Books					
Books acquired prior to 2011	54	Fair to good	\$25	\$5	\$270
Additional new books in 2012	6	New	\$20	\$20	\$120
Computers etc					
BridgePads	24	Good	\$180	\$100	\$2,400
Additional server	1	Good	\$189	\$150	\$150
Asus laptops	2	Good	\$1,200	\$500	\$1,000
Computer case	2	Good	\$40	\$25	\$50
Video Projector	1	Good	\$748	\$600	\$600
Projector screen	1	Good	\$149	\$100	\$100

Estimated total value of MRBC assets = \$9,207