

31st AGM Ipswich City Contract Bridge Club

16th June 2025

Meeting Commenced: 5:30 pm

Apologies: Gael McLeod, Dianne Bevan, Rae Morgan Riddell, Lana Pallenberg, Jeanie Augustin, Greg Cook, Dieter Vogelsang, Reini Vogelsang.

President's Report:

The past year has been a quiet but productive one for our club.

- Christmas in July at the Prince Alfred was a great success.
- The second Club Championship was again won by Kath Eadie and her partner (David Le Good) – congratulations.
- The Christmas party held at the Community Centre was well attended and, as usual, plenty of great food was on hand.
- On a more sombre note, the Community Centre, without consultation, doubled our rent in January from \$30 to \$60 per session.
- With 34 current members we are in stable financial position and playing sessions are well attended with both Monday night and Thursday afternoons attracting 5 to 6 tables.
- This year we welcomed Helen, Greg, David, Paula, Rae, Janneke, Arthur, Dianne.
- Unfortunately, we also saw the passing of our dear friend and long-term member, Marlene Smith. We will remember her with much love.
- I would like to thank all those who have assisted in the smooth running of the club during the year. These include my ever reliable vice-president, Kath Eadie; Kim Mensforth, whose input cannot be over emphasised; Betty Tansley, who, despite being conned into the treasurer's position last year, has done a sterling job; Gary Smith, (the heart and soul of this club) for his secretarial position, as well as organising partners; John for sorting the cards for us; and of course, Anne, Gael and Dennis.
- I take comfort from the words of recent visitors, Kiri and Andrew, Grand Masters from Canberra, who said it was a pleasure to play at such a friendly, inclusive club with such a pleasant atmosphere.
- Bridge should be about enjoyment, fellowship and learning, though you will never master the game, and my aim is to continue fostering these on my watch.
- President's report moved as read by Kim Mensforth. 2nd Betty Tansley.

Treasurer's Report: Betty Tansley delivered the Treasurer's Report. Treasurer's Report moved as read by Anne Dujela. 2nd by Kath Eadie.

Ipswich City Contract Bridge Club Inc.

Financial Year: 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025

	FY 2023-24	FY 2024-25
INCOME		
Bank Interest	\$0.00	\$0.00
Fundraising	\$410.00	\$471.75
Membership Subscriptions - ABF, QBA and Club	\$1,947.50	\$2,113.10
Other Income	\$250.00	\$30.00
Donations/Grants	\$0.00	\$0.00
Entry Fees - Special Events	\$861.00	\$210.00
Entry Fees - Regular Meetings	\$9,547.00	\$9,976.00
Total Income	\$13,015.50	\$12,800.85
EXPENSES		
ABF and QBA Affiliation Fees	\$2,860.46	\$1,637.41
Admin (stationery, phone calls, mail...)	\$227.40	\$0.00
Bank Fees	\$188.00	\$120.00
Bridge Specific Supplies (Cards, Bidding Sheets, pencils, ...)	\$165.00	\$952.75
Catering: refreshments & food	\$595.51	\$609.48
Computer Related Expenses (Software, hardware, electrical equipment)	\$986.93	\$334.03
Fundraising Expenses	\$221.00	\$453.10
Library	\$0.00	\$0.00
Office of Fair Trading and Verification Accounts	\$60.05	\$62.10
Premises: Rent	\$4,357.00	\$3,729.00
Social Events & Special Events	\$859.31	\$1,424.09
Other Expenses	\$0.00	\$437.14
Trophies & Gifts	\$355.00	\$315.62
Sundry Creditors		\$41.83
Internet Expenses	\$0.00	\$450.00
Total Expenses	\$10,875.66	\$10,566.55
Income for the year	\$13,015.50	\$12,800.85
Expenses for the year	\$10,875.66	\$10,566.55
RESULT FOR THE YEAR	\$2,139.84	\$2,234.30
BENDIGO BANK – Account No. 189007461		
Opening balance 1 st April 2024	\$5,372.35	\$9,156.96
Closing Balance as at 31st March 2025	\$9,156.96	\$11,316.09
CASH IN HAND	\$100.00	\$175.17
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE TO CLUB		
	9,256.96	11,491.26
ASSETS		
Value of Assets at 31 March of FY 2022	\$750.00	\$0.00
Laptop + printer (ICC Grant 2021)	\$379.25	\$0.00
Bridgemate set (ICC Grant 2021)	\$982.50	\$0.00
Amplifier (February 2021)	\$195.78	\$0.00
Kettle and ext. lead (September 2021)	\$8.00	\$0.00
Kettle (October 2021)	\$6.75	\$0.00
Battery for Amplifier (December 2021)	\$10.24	\$0.00
Urn 15 Litres (December 2021)	\$29.16	\$0.00
Laptop (Treasurer)	499.50	\$333.00
BridgeSorter IV	4328.47	\$2,885.65
BridgeSorter Board Sets	483.75	\$322.50
Canon Pixma Home TS5160 Printer Office Product(24/10/23)	59.25	\$39.50
Philips 32" Monitor (May 2024)		\$207.90
Total Value of Fixed Assets	7,732.64	3,788.55

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BALANCE SHEET

FY 2023-24 FY 2024-25

ASSETS		
Bendigo Bank Account No. 189007461	\$9,156.96	\$11,316.09
Cash in hand with Treasurer	\$100.00	\$175.17
TOTAL CASH	\$9,256.96	\$11,491.26

FIXED ASSETS		
Furniture & Equipment	\$11,884.64	\$8,009.84
Less Depreciation [rate 25% pa over 4 years]	\$4,152.00	\$4,221.30
TOTAL FIXED ASSETS	\$7,732.64	\$3,788.55

LIABILITIES		
Sundry Creditors	\$1,644.77	\$41.83
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$1,644.77	\$41.83

EQUITY		
Current Year Earnings	\$2,139.84	\$2,234.30
Retained Earnings [Cash + Fixed Assets - Liabilities]	\$15,344.83	\$15,237.98
TOTAL EQUITY	\$17,484.67	\$17,472.28

I declare that the Ipswich City Contract Bridge Club Inc. keeps adequate financial records to correctly record and explain transactions to enable a true and fair financial statement to be prepared.

B.J. Jansley

Treasurer
Ipswich City Contract Bridge Club Inc.

16/6/2025
Date

D.H. P. Scott

President
Ipswich City Contract Bridge Club Inc.

16/6/2025
Date

Masterpoints Secretary and Website Manager Report: Delivered by Kim Mensforth

Masterpoints Secretary Report

- The club currently has 34 members registered with the ABF and QBA.
- Masterpoints gained through weekly sessions are uploaded to the ABF at the end of each month.
- Masterpoints gained through each session are displayed on the club's website "Results" page.
- The results for each club session are forwarded to the club's website immediately after play finishes. This requires internet access which the Leichhardt Community Centre is unable to provide. The club currently pays \$120 per annum for a data sim card that Kim Mensforth uses in a USB modem that is inserted into the club's laptop.
- The ABF Masterpoints site provides a number of documents for each club that show a variety of information (e.g. Masterpoints gained by individual members and their rank within the club and on the national database). As of 1 July 2025, Kim will start displaying those documents in a special section of the "Documents" page the club's website.

Website Manager Report

- The club pays an annual fee of \$330 for our website:
(<https://ipswichcity.bridgeaustralia.org>)
- Kim reports that management of the new website requires far less time than the previous website used by the club. The owner of the server company (Altosoft/Bridge Australia) has been very helpful in setting up and adjusting the website. Although it requires some effort, new pages can be added to the site and major adjustments can still be made to individual pages.
- Suggestions from club members regarding improvement of the site are welcomed. Kim will accept suggestions in written form as well as through verbal discussions.
- One area of the website that definitely requires improvement is the "Photos" page. Members wishing to provide photos from special events are asked to send them in JPG/JPEG file format to Kim through the club's email address. That address is listed on the "Contact" page of the website and is shown below in this document.
- The official email address for the club remains as:
ipswichcitycontractbridgeclub@gmail.com
- Google recently changed its policy for logging into its workspaces. This now requires a two-step process. That change has complicated arrangements for providing the Management Committee members full access to the emails, club files and other workspace features. Kim hopes that this can be discussed as an agenda item at the next Management Committee meeting.
- The Treasurer uses a laptop and software provided by the club. To ensure that all future treasurers have access to the internet, a modem and data sim card are supplied by the club at \$120 per annum.
- The report was moved as read by D. Le Good. 2nd by M. Hawkins.

Election of Management Committee (4 Positions):

These are the newly filled executive positions:

PRESIDENT. **David Le Good** Nominated by G Smith. Seconded by Kim Mensforth.

VICE PRESIDENT. **Barbara Love** Nominated D Le Good. 2nd G Smith.

SECRETARY. **Gael Mcleod** Nominated S. Hilton. 2nd G Smith .

WEBSITE MANAGER & MASTERPOINT SECRETARY. **Kim Mensforth**. Nominated Marlene Hawkins. 2nd K Eadie.

PARTNERSHIP MANAGER. **Sandra Hilton** Nominated Anne Dujela 2nd B Tansley.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS. **Marlene Hawkins** Nominated by D Le Good 2nd G Smith.

Kath Eadie Nominated by B Tansley 2nd G Smith.

Ann Dujela Nominated by D Le Good 2nd G Smith.

Garry Smith Nominated by D Le Good 2nd K Mensforth.

General Business:

- The date for the **Club Championship** will be in November, day to be announced. An email will go out to see if a Saturday is suitable. A discussion was held as to whether the Championship should be open, or contested as an Advanced group separate from a Beginners group. It was decided that it should be held as an Open event and perhaps a Novice/Beginners Championship could be held at another date.
- **Engraved badges** are available for \$15. The secretary will take names for those wanting to purchase one.
- The secretary will send out an email to see who would like to play on a Saturday with visiting **Kalbar players**. The club will trial one Saturday. If it is successful and enough people would like to play further Saturdays (perhaps once a month) with Kalbar players, it will be arranged.
- Marlene Hawkins will look into a venue for **Christmas in July** for a Monday night. TBA.
- David Le Good will take broken tables to the Men's Shed for repair. It was moved by S Hilton that the club buy a couple of new tables. 2nd M. Hawkins
- The subject of purchasing new cards came up, but the club has a sufficient supply of new cards for the time being.
- The date for the 2026 AGM will be in April, day to be announced.
- Barbara Love inquired about ABF cards, but Kim says they are not being sent anymore. He volunteered to print them out for everyone at the club.
- ABF and QBA are increasing their charges by \$3.30 each for the 2026-2027 financial year. Annual membership fees for 2026 will be increased by \$6.60 per person.

Meeting Closed: 6:15 pm