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Dear Members

Congratulations to the twelve members who represented our club at the Canterbury Interclub teams, held in Timaru yesterday. Crockfords was 4th equal overall (of eight participating clubs), and our Senior foursome did particularly well, coming second in the open grade. I know there would have been stiff competition at all levels, so our players can be proud of their efforts.

Committee Meeting

This was held on Friday night. Matters of interest:

Property

Last week we received an email from the CCC informing us that the alterations we had previously been told had to be made to the rental building at our gate, would now not be necessary. Rob Freeman (SR), who was going to be doing this work and who was all “tooled up” and ready to go, is happy to save his time and energy for another project. It is of course, a saving to the club for which we are grateful.

We now have a confirmed tenant, a hairdresser who takes over on 1 January. Prior to this date you will see activity in the premises as she completes the fit-out. I am looking forward to seeing the building’s transformation. Thank you to Alan Robertson (SR) for his strenuous efforts to get this tenancy “across the line”.

Unfortunately, the Cornerstones Church which has hired our premises on Friday evenings will not be renewing their lease in 2021

The deposit has been paid for the front door joinery and hopefully is being made now.

The insurers have agreed to cover the cost of the drain replacement but this work can’t be finalised until the CCC rules on a required connection at Riccarton Rd.

Membership

We are delighted to welcome former members Marcia Admore (SR) and Margaret and Eric Scott (Int) who will be rejoining the Club from the 1 January 2021. At the same time we received the resignations of Gordon McCormick (SR) and Megan Bruynel (Snr). Megan will be a great loss to our club. She has been a regular player on Tuesday nights and for the last five years she has been in charge of the dealing - training and overseeing the dealers, organizing rosters and generally ensuring that we have boards dealt for all our weekly sessions and tournaments throughout the year. We wish Megan and her husband Tom, (newly graduated from our learner lessons) every happiness in their retirement to the Kapiti Coast.

Education

It was decided that only two sets of learner lessons will be held in 2021. In lieu of the third series, greater efforts will be put into upskilling players. We hope that in this way, current members will gain greater satisfaction from their bridge experience, play more regularly and retain their club membership.

October Minutes

These were passed as a true and accurate record and a signed copy is on the noticeboard for your perusal.

Name Badges

This is your last opportunity to order a magnetic badge. Please write your name, bridge number and colour choice on an envelope with \$20 inside and leave in the postbox at the front door, or in the office. Orders close on Friday 13th November. Thank you to Jill Crossland who is organising this for the club.

Working Bee

Advance notice that a working bee will be held at the Club on Saturday 21 November. Next week there will be more information about the time it is to be held, and some of the tasks we hope to complete. There will be something for everyone!

Best results this week were achieved on Monday night by Heather and Merv Spurway (Int), with a score of 63.43%. A great result.

Happy bridging this week.

Kind regards
Jan Barrow
President