



Minutes of the 60th Annual General Meeting

Held at the Club House on 14th June 2024 at 11:30am

The President Caroline Nelson welcomed all to the AGM, especially our Life Members Sue Eix and Margaret Prentice and one past Presidents in attendance- Margaret Prentice and declared the meeting open. A quorum was established.

1. Attendance and Apologies

Attendance:

16 as per the attendance list and 6 proxies.

Apologies:

30 as per the apologies list.

2. Minutes of the previous AGM held on 8th June 2024:

The minutes of the 2024 AGM were taken as read.

Motion that the Minutes be received as a true and accurate record of the Annual General Meeting of 8th June 2024.

Moved: Margaret Prentice; **Seconded;** Barry Fryar; **Carried.**

3. Business Arising from the minutes of the previous AGM:

None

4. President's Report:

The President's Report had previously been circulated. President Caroline Nelson mentioned some of the significant events of 2024/2025

- Building works

- (I) Restumping plus repairs to the verandah and other structures.
- (ii) Courtyard refurbishment.
- (iii) New Air-conditioning unit.

- Survey of club members instigated by Sherrell Cardinal. Valuable feedback was received and numerous suggestions have been implemented.
- The Education Sub Committee is formulating a new improved programme to better cater to needs of players of all levels.
- Thanks given to committee members and the volunteers who work tirelessly to ensure the club functions.

Motion: That the President's Report be accepted

Moved: Caroline Nelson; **Seconded:** Judy Vann; **Carried.**

5. Treasurer's Report and Financial Report:

The Treasurer's Report and Financial Report have been circulated to all members.

The club is in a sound financial position.

Some key changes:

- The implementation of the MyABF system has proved very successful, significantly reducing the amount of time spent dealing with manual payments and resulted in a reduction of table fees from \$6 to \$5 for members.
- Change of bank has resulted in higher interest rates earned on our deposits and simplified our banking.

Motion: That the Treasurer's Report and Financial Report be accepted

Moved: David Sydes; **Seconded:** Ingrid Hartel; **Carried.**

6. Appointment of Auditor:

The Financial Report was audited without qualification again this year.

Motion: That the Auditor's Report be accepted

Moved: David Sydes; **Seconded:** Cath Carkeet; **Carried.**

Our current auditor, Barry Williams will no longer be available to perform

this role, and suggested Melissa Ratcliffe would be an excellent replacement.

Motion: That Melissa Ratcliffe be appointed auditor.

Moved: David Sydes; **Seconded:** Margaret Prentice; **Carried.**

7. Election of Management Committee Members:

Mrs Kim Ellaway (Queensland Bridge Association) read out the 8 uncontested nominations for 10 committee positions. The remaining 2 positions were filled by Deanne Gaskill which had been received as a late written nomination, and Barry Fryar who was nominated from the floor and accepted the position.

Motion: that the nominations be accepted.

Moved: Ingrid Hartel. **Seconded:** David Sydes; **Carried.**

The **2024/2025 Management Committee** is:

President: Caroline Nelson; Vice President: Neil Strutton; Secretary: Judy Vann; Treasurer: David Sydes; Committee Members: Sue English, Janet Lovell, Jo Neary, Sherrell Cardinal, Deanne Gaskill & Barry Fryar.

8. Approval for Disbursement of Honoraria:

The schedule prepared by the honorarium sub-committee was circulated.

Motion: That the schedule be adopted.

Moved: David Sydes; **Seconded:** Sue English; **Carried**

9. General Business:

- No agenda items or motions on notice.
- Kim Ellaway addressed the meeting reminding those present how important the role of volunteers is to the club and without whom, clubs such as ours would not be able to function. She informed us that the Gold Coast Congress in 2026 will be held on 7th & 8th February as an online congress.
- Caroline Nelson presented flowers to Margaret Prentice thanking her for her long serving role on the committee as well as membership secretary, a role which she will continue to perform. Kim Ellaway was also presented with flowers thanking her for her continued support in her role as Manager, QBA.

The meeting closed at 12:01am.

Signed by:

Caroline Nelson.....

President

Judy Vann

Secretary

Date:

ADDENDUM.

Questions from the floor were accepted.

(i) Questions about the air-conditioning as there have been lots of complaints over the last year. David Sydes explained that this should no longer be a problem as we can alter settings if required. It will be set at 21degrees. In addition, the current system has sensors activating changes in temperature at table level and this will provide a more comfortable overall temperature. Keith Evans explained the movement of air in and out of the Club and the impact of external air on the system.

(ii) Marge Henry mentioned our Facebook page and encouraged people to visit it. There will be photos there about the meeting and asks that people provide input.

(iii) Ingrid Hartel enquired if we had CCTV Cameras. Not at present. There had been some car damage in the parking lot.