

YC Bridge Sub-Committee Meeting
Thursday 21nd May 2009
6.30 pm at YC
Minutes



1. **Present:** Jeremy Dhondy, Brian McGuire, Audrey Hartley, Luke Porter, Jonathan Lillycrop and Gordon Rainsford.
2. **Apologies:** none
3. **Approval of Minutes of last meeting:** They were accepted with a small change to a word in 11b.
4. **Items arising (not on the agenda):** The TGR league had not yet been completed. Jeremy would hold further discussions with Nick Sandquist later in the summer and report back to the committee next time.
5. **YCKO 2008/2009:** This was proceeding well; there were 4 teams left in the competition and these matches should be finished by mid June. The date for the final needed to be arranged as early as possible to leave time to arrange vuegraph with the BBO. Brian would investigate suitable dates and Jeremy would speak with the BBO.
6. **Keith Loveys Individual:** Posters were already up advertising this event but it was agreed to leave other publicity until after the International Teams had been held. Special efforts should be directed towards the French Club and the IADBC. Members would be charged £10 in advance and £12 at the door; non-members would be charged £13 in advance and £15 on the door. Ricci is to be asked if she will help with the catering.
7. **Autumn Ladder:** This will run from Friday 4th September 2009 to Friday 4th December 2009. This gives 40 games and the format will be the same as in previous years.
8. **Marathon review and future:** The entry had been very poor; no juniors had entered and only 18 pairs had taken part. Never-the-less the game had been a great success. It was agreed to consult with members. It was thought that probably it would be best to let the competition sleep for a while but not shut the door on it entirely.
9. **International Teams:** The numbers were not looking as good as last time. The TGR league final being held the same weekend was involving a number of players who had taken part in the event last year. There would be a minimum of 12 teams on the Saturday and 18 teams on the Sunday. Elizabeth Lindsay has kindly donated one of her sculptures as a trophy for the winners of the International Teams and will enter a Scotland Team for the Sunday teams game in celebration of her 90th birthday.
10. **YC Teams Game:** This competition is usually held in September and a date needs to be selected. Gordon would check with other September functions to avoid clashes. Teams would consist of no more than 6 members.
11. **Disciplinary Matters:** With reference to item d) in the previous minutes one further communication had been made to the individual but no apology had been forthcoming. The member will not be welcome at the club until a response has been received.
12. **Any Other Business:**
 - a) **Wednesday Evenings:** Tom Gunn is available to host the Wednesday game which should relieve the pressure on the Director who has needed to play as host on a number of occasions.
 - b) **Sunday Swiss Pairs:** It was agreed to hold 2 of these events per year. It was suggested that using IMPs instead of Match Points as a different method of scoring might work well. It was agreed to try it out.
 - c) **Bridgemates:** The display fades quite quickly. This can be adjusted using the key but it might be good to replace the batteries more frequently. The keys are sometimes depressed but this can be fixed by Gordon. It was suggested that we ought to have a replacement policy for the bridgemates.
13. **Date of next meeting:** Thursday 24th September at 6.30p.m.