

PRESTON CONTRACT BRIDGE CLUB

England & Wales · Charity number 1161100

Details

Status Registered

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Registered 2015-03-27

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Activities

Objects: THE ADVANCEMENT OF AMATEUR SPORT BY PROMOTING THE GAME OF BRIDGE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE RESIDENTS OF PRESTON AND THE SURROUNDING AREA; THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES FOR THE LEARNING, TEACHING AND PLAYING OF BRIDGE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE RESIDENTS OF PRESTON AND THE SURROUNDING AREA WITH THE OBJECT OF IMPROVING CONDITIONS OF LIFE.

Activities: Providing opportunities to learn and play duplicate bridge.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** Amateur Sport
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Lancashire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£14,862	£14,404	-	-
2024-03-31	£12,600	£12,773	-	-
2023-03-31	£20,754	£7,430	-	-
2022-03-31	£13,980	£8,465	-	-
2021-03-31	£22,001	£8,592	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Helen Anne Dent	Chair	2022-12-01
BARRY RUTLIDGE		2024-05-06
Christine Booth		2017-06-01
Dr Kamlesh Kumar Garg		2024-05-06
Leslie Robert Hood		2016-05-25
Peter Ashurst		2024-05-06
VERONICA PETRIE		2016-05-25

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Chair of Trustees Report

More of the same as last year – and the year before. Since Covid we, like many other clubs, have been struggling to re-invigorate f2f bridge. There has been a surge in the popularity of online bridge which has enabled bridge addicts to get their fix on-line rather than playing f2f.

Slowly but surely, however, regional and national f2f competitions are increasing their attendances.

I wish to thank all the people who are gainfully assisting in the running of our club to try and ensure f2f bridge at Preston carries on – in particular Christine, Rowena, Veronica, Philip and Don. Their commitment has been enduring and hopefully they will continue to assist. If anyone wishes to help with running a club session then please volunteer. We badly need your help.

We are mindful of the perforce changes coming to the club when our lease runs out next year – Veronica has put out feelers to the Diocese as to whether they will be looking to renew the lease. The feedback is positive but the harsh reality is that we cannot afford to pay the current rent, let alone what ought to be some kind of increase. There is a possible solution which has been mooted by the Church that they share the premises for some of the time – ie the entrance room – that is something which will be explored further as it would solve a big problem. On that note there is a Notice on the Web Page about any member wishing to be part of a Working Party to look at the future development of the club and, at the risk of sounding like a broken record, we hope some of you will step forward to assist.

I wish to say, on behalf of Preston B C, a massive thank you to Bill Alston who this year has resigned as Treasurer. We owe him a great debt for his stirring work over the years. I must also thank Maxine Whalley who has made a great contribution as Secretary to the club and who has also resigned this year. I would like to welcome our new Secretary James – and our new Treasurer Peter and look forward to working with you.

For my part I have found that my commitments outside my bridge life have become increasingly onerous in recent months. As Chair I feel I should be doing so much more both in assisting and partaking in the life of the club. Therefore, I would welcome any offers to relieve me of this role, but, until that happens I will carry on.

I hope to see you for some f2f bridge in the near future.

Helen Dent

Accounts for Preston Bridge Club for Year Ending 31 March 2025

	2023 / 24	2024 / 25
Income		
Grants	-	-
Table money and Membership	10,949.21	13,684.43
Bank Interest	480.38	506.27
Teaching	763.00	592.00
Room Hire	-	20.00
LOP Income	168.90	-
From P cash	22.00	-
From OCBE	67.50	60.00
Bank Compensation	150.00	-
Totals	12,600.99	14,862.70
Expenditure		
Repairs and Improvements	-	-
Housekeeping	927.60	780.00
EBU & LCBA	1,137.32	1,232.20
Online Bridge	-	-
Insurance	391.75	391.75
Alarm System	-	378.98
BT	465.19	788.34
Accounts System	240.00	240.00
Rent	9,375.00	10,000.00
Member refund	-	173.00
Teaching Cost	-	45.00
IT	64.90	-
Comp entries	48.00	298.00
Bridgewebs	76.80	76.80
Stationary	46.86	-
Miscellaneous	-	-
Totals	12,773.42	14,404.07
Surplus	-172.43	458.63
Bank Balances		
Brought Forward	48,974.43	
Year's Adjustment	458.63	
Carried Forward	49,433.06	
Petty Cash	-	
Members Account	-£3,152.28	

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Trustees Report to the members for year ended 31/03/2024

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During the year we have carried out the following in accordance with our aims:

We are continuing to run three club sessions every week plus The Gibb /Parkinson once a month on the 2nd Monday at 7.00pm. Monday/ Wednesday afternoon sessions start at 1pm Friday evening at 7pm. We are running our improver/supervised play session on a Tuesday evening at 7pm and would welcome any members who would like to play in a relaxed playing session where questions can be asked as they arise. You do not need a partner to attend a Monday afternoon or Tuesday evening session as there will always be someone available to partner you. I am pleased to be able to tell you that we have 2 members who have put themselves forward to become Trustees and 1 other who is considering standing. This will mean that 2 Trustees who no longer live in the area will be able to stand down - Charles Nixon and John Gordon. We thank them for all their hard work and commitment and hope that they will still play on line for the foreseeable future. The remaining member of the team who would like to stand down is also the Club Secretary and if anyone is willing to take on this role please let me know as Maxine no longer plays at the club and is out of the country several times every year. We also would be pleased to welcome anyone who is willing to join the committee and help with the day to day running of the club. As you will hear in the Treasure's Report we are on course to make a loss in the coming year but if numbers can be increased in all our sessions by a small amount we will be in a break even position. Please therefore try to make a commitment to a regular weekly session (or two) as this will be of benefit to all. I look forward to seeing you all many times in the coming year.

Christine Club Committee Chair.

This year we have promoted our services to the people of Preston

by:

Our website is our current means of promoting the club and promotes our facilities, lessons, and novice sessions to all who might want to learn more about Contract Bridge and to experienced players who may want to join

Education Report

We ran a fast track course for beginners last term (September to December 2023).

15 students started the course with 12 completing, some of whom are playing in the supervised play sessions and a couple also playing in the open club sessions.

The supervised play sessions on a Tuesday evening are continuing to be well attended with approximately 12-20 regular attendees.

We intend running another teaching session for beginners next academic year.

Treasurer's Report to the Trustees and Members

This year we budgeted for a loss of £3348 mainly due to this being the first year of full rent. In the event we kept costs down and income up and got close to break even ending up with just a small loss. Slightly improved outlook leads to a budget of more or less break even again.

Much is due to the hard work of the volunteers who do the teaching, the TD , dealing and assisting play etc. The club owes them a great deal.

Bill Alston

Accounts year ended 31st March 2024

Accounts Preston Contract Bridge Club Y.E 31/03/2024

	2022/23	2023/24
Table Money and Membership	£9,452.56	£10949.21
Bank Interest	£82.57	£480.38
Room Hire	£300	
Grants	£10,000	
LOP Income	£919.30	£168.90
Teaching		£763.00
From Petty Cash		£22.00
Bank Compensation		£150
From Oliver Cowan		£67.50
Total	£20,754.43	£12600.99
Rent	£3750	£9375
Repairs and Improvements	£105.19	
Housekeeping	£455	£927.60
Online Bridge Costs	£433	
Stationery		£46.86
IT Costs	£389	£64.90
Internet Telephone	£512.64	£465.19
Accounts System	£240	£240
Competition Entries	£48	£48
EBU & LCBA	£935.84	£1137.32
Teaching Costs		
Bridgewebs	£73.20	£76.80
Insurance	£391.75	£391.75
Alarm Maintenance	£97	
Misc		
Total	£7430.62	£12773.42
Surplus	£13323.81	-£172.43

Bank Balances

Brought forward £49146

Deficit **£ 172**

c/f £48974

Petty Cash £28.82

Members account **-£1432**

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Treasurer's Report to the Trustees and Members

At the year end there is a surplus of £13323 which is £4819 above budget. This leaves a balance in the bank account of £49146. The member's account is at £1663 owed to members so net balance is £47393.

The seemingly good result was achieved because of a £10000 grant secured by Andrew Petrie from the lottery and us spending considerably less than budget.

A new budget has been prepared and current forecast is for a loss of £3348 and unless we can improve our earnings by increasing either participation in sessions or more sessions this will continue. In future years this will be slightly worse as we still have six months of reduced rent from the diocese.

Budget and accounts included.

Bill Alston

Treasurers Report Year End 31 March 2023

Committees Report to the Trustees and Members

We are now running 3 club playing sessions per week plus the Gibb/Parkinson comp. once a month on the 2nd Monday of the month.

Monday afternoon at 1pm, for members under level 10 on the EBU grading system.

Wednesday afternoon at 1pm, open to all.

Friday evening at 7pm, open to all.

We would welcome more players to any of these sessions (please let me know if you would like to attend and need a partner) and at the present time Wednesday afternoon is our best attended session. (tele. 01772 640959).

We are also running our improver/supervised play session on a Tuesday evening at 7pm and would welcome any members who feel they would benefit from a relaxed playing session where they can ask questions (as they arise).

We need more volunteers for the committee and as Trustees and if you are interested please let me or any member of the committee know.

Christine Club Committee Chair

Accounts year ended 31st March 2023

Accounts Preston Contract Bridge Club Y.E 31/03/2023

	2022/23	2021/22
Table Money and Membership	£9,452.56	£13977.87
Bank Interest	£82.57	£2.90
Room Hire	£300	
Grants	£10,000	
LOP Income	£919.30	
Total	£20,754.43	£13980.77
Rent	£3750	
Repairs and Improvements	£105.19	£425.80
Housekeeping	£455	£31.19
Online Bridge Costs	£433	£4683.45
Donations		
IT Costs	£389	
Internet Telephone	£512.64	£503.76
Accounts System	£240	£240
Competition Entries	£48	£48
EBU & LCBA	£935.84	£1465.41
Teaching Costs		
Bridgewebs	£73.20	£73.20
Insurance	£391.75	£798.50*
Alarm Maintenance	£97	£96
Misc		£100
Total	£7430.62	£8465.31
Surplus	£13323.81	£5515.46

*Insurance cost variation is due to 2 years Insurance being paid in 2021/22

Bank Balances

Brought forward	£ 35823
Surplus	£ 13323
Carried Forward	£ 49146
Members Account	£-1753
Net	£ 47393

Budget 2023 to 2024

Income	Q1 Budget	Q2 Budget	Q3 Budget	Q4 Budget	Totals Year Budget
Membership	£1,500.00	£30.00	£30.00	£30.00	£1,590.00
		£1,550.0	£1,550.0		
Table Money	£1,550.00	0	0	£1,550.00	£6,200.00
LOP Earnings	£200.00		£600.00		£800.00
Lessons and Supervised Play	£550.00	£550.00	£550.00	£550.00	£2,200.00
Competitions net					£0.00
Room Hire					£0.00
Bank Interest					£0.00
Grants and donations					£0.00
Hosting Events					£0.00
Totals	£3,800.00	£2,130.0 0	£2,730.0 0	£2,130.00	£10,790.00

Expenditure

		£1,875.0	£2,500.0		
Rent	£1,875.00	0	0	£2,500.00	£8,750.00
Repairs and Improvements	£250.00	£250.00	£250.00	£250.00	£1,000.00
Housekeeping	£200.00	£200.00	£200.00	£200.00	£800.00
Internet Telephone	£130.00	£130.00	£130.00	£130.00	£520.00
Insurance				£420.00	£420.00
Equipment	£200.00	£200.00	£200.00	£200.00	£800.00
Furniture/Furnishings					£0.00
Electronics and Consumables	£50.00	£50.00	£50.00	£50.00	£200.00
EBU & LCBA	£220.00	£220.00	£220.00	£220.00	£880.00
Teaching Costs					£0.00
Volunteer Expenses					£0.00
Software and Web	£80.00				£80.00
Catering	£30.00	£30.00	£30.00	£30.00	£120.00
Publicity					£0.00
Accounts system	£60.00	£60.00	£60.00	£60.00	£240.00
Prizes					£0.00
Stationery and Postage	£30.00	£30.00	£30.00	£30.00	£120.00
LCBA Membership					£0.00
Club Handbooks					£0.00
Playing Cards	£30.00	£30.00	£30.00	£30.00	£120.00
Fylde League and other comps				£48.00	£48.00
Misc Expenditure					£0.00
Petty Cash	£10.00	£10.00	£10.00	£10.00	£40.00
Totals	£3,165.00	£3,085.0 0	£3,710.0 0	£4,178.00	£14,138.00

variance

Surplus/Deficit

£635.00	-£955.00	-£980.00	£2,048.00	-	-£3,348.00
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Note for Independent Examiner

In view of the small amount of income exc grants and small number of transactions the trustees have decided that an independent examination isn't necessary

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During the year we have carried out the following in accordance with our aims:

Face-to-face assisted play has now re-started with some success but there is still room for others to join in, contact Christine or any member of the Committee or Trustees if interested.

During the past year we have carried out the following according to our aims:- we have successfully run supervised play sessions for our improvers, initially on-line but now face to face in the club. Unfortunately, because of lack of students, we have no new total beginners coming forward for lessons - this is a continuing concern for the club.

In the past we have made our facilities available to the Lancashire Contract Bridge Association

No face-to-face tournaments have taken place this year, so LCBA has not used our premises.

Online Bridge

Preston have continued to participate in the BPS project providing online bridge to all Preston members who wish to play online. In the region of 100 members have used this facility

In September, BPS was replaced by a Lancashire wide partnership of which Preston is a member. There are online sessions available to all Preston members, but it does require you to register, which is free.

This year we have promoted our services to the people of Preston by:

We have a Facebook page which is regularly updated by Dave Parkin.

Along with our website this promotes our facilities, lessons, and novice sessions to all who might want to learn more about Contract Bridge and to experienced players who may want to join us.

Financials

Accounts for the year 21/22 are presented at the end of this report. A surplus of about £5.5K has been achieved, due mainly to income from online bridge and not having to pay rent for our premises.

Note to members

Face-to-Face bridge restarted this year. Unfortunately, we are not getting the numbers attending to make the club viable in the long term - expenditure is projected to exceed our income.

A message from the Chair

Hi all

At least we are getting back to some sort of normality. This means that we are working hard to get members back to playing bridge at the club, so that we meet other people and have the social interaction that is so good for our mental wellbeing.

The Committee and Trustees have been working hard to keep the club intact through these difficult times and we will persevere in our attempts to get back to where we were before Covid. We cannot do this without the support of members and volunteers to help with day-to-day tasks. We need more volunteers for these activities, hands on tasks (no need to be on the committee and attend meetings). Please let me know if you can help in this way.

The Trustees and Committee will continue to strive to rebuild our club and will review our progress in 12 months' time.

I look forward to seeing more of you at the club in the coming months. Why not decide that you will commit to playing at the club at least once or twice a month?

Christine

Treasurer's Report to the Trustees and Members

The year ended March 2022 shows us making a modest surplus in difficult times. This is due to the continued provision of online bridge and the great efforts by Christine and Rowena to get people playing at the club.

We are due to start paying rent in November and I am budgeting for a small loss this year, which will become a large loss in future years when we pay a full year's rent. If we do not get more people playing, we have a bleak future, if any future at all.

I still have hope that as we learn to live with Covid the bridge world will return to at least something like normal but I fear we will have lost a large number of players to online bridge.

The Budget

Budgets are always a guess but this one more than most as there is no real past year to compare it with.

Income

We debited membership charges of £2050 net of reversals on the 1st of April I am sure there will a few more reversals plus some people paid in advance or had enough in their accounts already to cover it. Hence the much lower figure in the budget.

We debited £282 for sessions and £165 for assisted play and I have assumed these will continue along similar lines for the next few months hopefully picking up a little towards the last 2 quarters but in reality, who knows?

LOP earnings received in April are £218.25 and no more will be received in the first quarter as LOP is changing to quarterly payments, we can expect the first one in the second quarter.

Expenditure

Rent commences in November giving us 5 months of the year to pay. Obviously, the effect will be more severe the following year.

Some expenses are independent of the number of sessions such as telephone and broadband, insurance etc. Some are directly related to the number of sessions such as EBU costs.

The non-variable charges are very much a guess or aspiration we will need to watch costs carefully.

Table 1 PBC Accounts 2021/22

	2020/21	2021/22
Income		
Table Money and Membership	£18,658.00	£13977.87
Bank Interest	£5.00	£2.90
Events	£338.00	
Grants	£3,000.00	
	£22,001.00	£13980.77
Expenditure		
Repairs and Improvements	£26.00	£425.80
Housekeeping	£75.00	£31.19
Online Bridge Costs	£5,162.00	£4683.45
Donations	£413.00	
Internet Telephone	£433.00	£503.76
Accounts System	£280.00	£240
Competition Entries	£40.00	£48
EBU & LCBA	£2,020.00	£1465.41
Teaching Costs	£70.00	
Bridgewebs	£73.00	£73.20
Insurance		£798.50*
Alarm Maintenance		£96
Misc		£100
	£8,592.00	£8465.31
Surplus	£13,409.00	£5515.46

Notes

*Insurance, paid late last year for various reasons so two lots in this year's figures.

Rent

We are currently paying no rent or service charge due to the money we have spent on the building this will commence on the 1st of November 2022 at a rate of £10,000 per annum including service charge.

Methods and Consequences

We currently work on a strict receivables basis so no accruals or prepayments. Whilst this is simple it may not always accurately reflect the true situation. This is particularly true where there are changes to system. In this case we are now receiving money for online bridge net of costs from LCBA March monies to be paid in April £218.

We now also have a members account which at the end of March was in credit by £1960 so that is effectively members overpayments or advanced payments

Bank Balances

Brought forward	£ 30308
Surplus	£ 5515
Carried Forward	£ 35823
Members' Account	-£1960
Net	£33863

Budget for next year is attached as Table 2

Table 2 2022/23 Budget

<u>Income</u>	Q1 Budget	Q2 Budget	Q3 Budget	Q4 Budget	Totals Year Budget
Membership	£1,500.00	£30.00	£30.00	£30.00	£1,590.00
Table Money	£800.00	£800.00	£1,000.00	£1,200.00	£3,800.00
LOP Earnings	£220.00	£600.00	£600.00	£600.00	£2,020.00
Lessons and Supervised Play	£500.00	£500.00	£500.00	£500.00	£2,000.00
Competitions net					£0.00
Room Hire					£0.00
Bank Interest					£0.00
Other Income					£0.00
Hosting Events					£0.00
Totals	£3,020.00	£1,930.00	£2,130.00	£2,330.00	£9,410.00
<u>Expenditure</u>					
Rent			£1,670.00	£2,500.00	£4170.00
Repairs and Improvements	£250.00	£250.00	£250.00	£250.00	£1,000.00
Housekeeping	£200.00	£200.00	£200.00	£200.00	£800.00
Internet Telephone	£170.00	£170.00	£170.00	£170.00	£680.00
Insurance				£420.00	£420.00
Equipment	£200.00	£200.00	£200.00	£200.00	£800.00
Furniture/Furnishings	£200.00	£200.00	£200.00	£200.00	£800.00
Electronics and Consumables	£150.00	£150.00	£150.00	£150.00	£600.00
EBU & LCBA	£140.00	£120.00	£150.00	£180.00	£590.00
Teaching Costs					£0.00
Volunteer Expenses					£0.00
Software and Web	£80.00				£80.00
Catering	£30.00	£30.00	£30.00	£30.00	£120.00
Publicity					£0.00
Trustees Expenses					£0.00
Prizes					£0.00
Stationery and Postage	£30.00	£30.00	£30.00	£30.00	£120.00
LCBA Membership					£0.00
Club Handbooks					£0.00
Playing Cards	£30.00	£30.00	£30.00	£30.00	£120.00
Fylde League and other comps				£48.00	£48.00
Misc Expenditure	£100.00	£100.00	£100.00	£100.00	£400.00
Petty Cash	£10.00	£10.00	£10.00	£10.00	£40.00
Totals	£1,590.00	£1,490.00	£3,190.00	£4,518.00	£10,788.00
Surplus	£1,430.00	£440.00	-£1,060.00	-£2,188.00	-£1,378.00

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During the year we have carried out the following in accordance with our aims:

Continued our assisted play programme online unfortunately with very limited attendance we hope to improve on this when the club re-opens for face to face bridge

Unfortunately, we have been unable to continue with lessons because of lack of interest and lack of teachers wanting to or able to work online. This is an area of great concern to the trustees and we urgently need:

- 1) someone with the skills to undertake a recruitment of students programme.
- 2) people to deliver online training if we decide that is the route to go down

In the past we have made our facilities available to the Lancashire Contract Bridge Association

No face to face tournaments have taken place this year so LCBA has not used our premises.

Online Bridge

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Financials

Accounts are at the end of this report all is self explanatory performance has been good due to all the work put in to online bridge and generous grants from Preston City Council.

Note to members

We are currently planning on a return to face to face bridge please watch our website, newsletters and emails for updates.

A message from the Chair

I would like to thank all members who have been working in very difficult circumstances, for all their time and considerable efforts. The Trustees and Committee have put their best endeavours into securing grants, when available, to help secure the future of the club. This together with support from members, playing in BPS and Realbridge has seen our financial position hold steady at a level we did not think we would achieve in the circumstances.

We look forward to a limited return to F2F bridge together with continuing sessions online for the next year, when we hope the situation going forward may be clearer.

I look forward to seeing more of you in person in the very near future.

Christine

AGM

It is a while since we had a AGM. It was our intention to hold one in September but the decision has been made to postpone this and it will now take place in January 2022.

The Effect of Covid 19

The club closed due to the Covid-19 epidemic on 12 March 2020 and is not due to re-open until September 2021. Preston BC members have been able to play online throughout most of this period through BPS Online, which is a partnership with Bolton and Southport clubs. This has enabled the club to remain cash positive throughout this period. The club has also introduced a Friday online session for Preston members only, which has proved very popular as it uses an online platform, with video and audio, enabling people to see and speak to the other players.

It is generally accepted that the bridge environment has changed permanently, with the future being a mixture of face-to-face and online bridge. This will clearly have a big impact on Preston Bridge Club, but with our excellent premises and online partnerships, the club is confident that it will be able to thrive whatever changes the future brings.

Appendix 1

Accounts Preston Contract Bridge Club Y.E 31/03/2021

2019/20	2019/20	2020/21	2020/21
Income			
Membership	£2,544.00	Online Bridge and Membership	£18,658.00
Table Money & Tokens	£15,271.00	Bank Interest	£5.00
Competitions Net	£1,679.00	Events	£338.00
Room Hire	£90.00	Grants	£3,000.00
Teaching Course	£479.00		
Hosting Events	£1,553.00		
Misc Income	£350.00		
Lessons and Supervised Play	£2,483.00		
Bank Interest	£9.00		
Teaching books	£126.00		
Total	£24,584.00		£22,001.00
Expenditure			
Repairs and Improvements	£3,387.00	Repairs and Improvements	£26.00
Housekeeping	£1,379.00	Housekeeping	£75.00
Internet Telephone	£563.00	Online Bridge Costs	£5,162.00
Insurance	£399.00	Donations	£413.00
Equipment	£723.00	Internet Telephone	£433.00
Furniture and Furnishings	£75.00	Accounts System	£280.00
Electronics Consumables	£153.00	Competition Entries	£40.00
EBU and LCBA	£3,006.00	EBU & LCBA	£2,020.00
Teaching Costs	£742.00	Teaching Costs	£70.00
Refreshments	£829.00	Bridgewebs	£73.00
Prizes	£513.00		
PPS	£98.00		
Software and Web	£73.00		
Handbooks	£149.00		
Cards	£144.00		
Fylde League and other comps	£75.00		
Misc	£280.00		
Publicity	£15.00		
Membership refunds	£30.00		
Total Expenditure	£12,633.00		£8,592.00
Surplus	£11,951.00		£13,409.00

Notes

Events

The items for events is a late banking from the previous year

Rent

We are currently paying no rent or service charge due to the money we have spent on the building this will commence on the 1st November 2022 at a rate of £10,000 per annum including service charge.

Methods and Consequences

We currently work on a strict receivables basis so no accruals or prepayments. Whilst this is simple it may not always accurately reflect the true situation. This is particularly true where there are changes to system. This year has been a unique year all our bridge income has come from online bridge the costs of which we pay the following month. These costs for March 2021 are £678 to be paid in April

We now also have a members account which at the end of March showed we were owed £641 This includes some BPS and membership charges which may not be renewed.

Bank Balances

Brought forward	£ 16898
profit	£ 13409
Carried Forward	£ 30307

Bill Alston April 2021

Note on Independent examination

In view of the smaller number of transactions, the restricted activity due to covid and the difficulties with meeting with the independent examiner it has been decided to forgo the independent examination this year.