

DORKING BRIDGE CLUB

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

INCORPORATION

Dorking Bridge Club was registered with the Charity Commission as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation on 7 January 2016 at its principal address of North Holmwood Village Hall, Spook Hill, North Holmwood, Surrey RH5 4JP.

TRUSTEES

The trustees who served during the 2021/21 financial year were:

OFFICERS: Steve Hooker (Chairman), Graham Osborne (Treasurer) and Chris Woolf (Secretary)

COMMITTEE: Sheena Bassett, George Romanowski and Phil Visser

OBJECTIVES

Our objectives are:

- (1) The advancement of amateur sport by promoting the game of bridge for the benefit of the residents of Dorking and the surrounding area; and
- (2) The provision of facilities for the learning, teaching & playing of bridge for the benefit of these residents and to improve the quality of their life.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE DURING THE YEAR

The club was closed throughout 2020/21, for both play and training, due to Covid 19 restrictions.

However, in order to enable members to continue to play regularly, a weekly on-line session was introduced using Bridge Base OnLine platform. The first session was on 23 July 2020 and sessions are continuing to be held each Thursday. A total of 33 sessions were held in 2020/21.

To maximise the value of the on-line bridge, sessions are open to non-members. To help local clubs the on-line sessions are open to English Bridge Union members with a link to the Mole Valley who may not be members of Dorking Bridge club. This has resulted in good numbers and club income.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The club's finances remain healthy as out-goings are low as room hire charges, our main cost, are not being paid during closure. The on-line bridge has also provided a useful income stream as we have opted to run the sessions ourselves, using volunteer members, rather than having it done for us.

LOOKING AHEAD

Our intention is to re-open as soon as it is safe to do so and sufficient numbers of members are ready to play face-to-face. We ran a few such sessions over the summer but attendances were not sufficient to support continuing. It is not surprising given the high proportion of older and/or at risk members and the close quarters' nature of the game it is not surprising that people are being

cautious. We plan to try again in January 2022. Any decisions on future training can only be taken once the club is up and running again.

**Steve Hooker (Chairman)
2021**

October

DORKING BRIDGE CLUB
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

31 March 2020			31 March 2021	
£	£		£	£
		INCOME		
£1,235		Membership Subscriptions		£0
£239		Gift Aid		£0
	£6,495	Table monies - members	£0	
	£224	- visitors	£0	
£6,719	£0	- virtual club	£2,576	£2,576
£1,894		Bridge Training		£0
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£10,087		TOTAL INCOME		£2,576
		EXPENSES - PLAYING COSTS		
(£6,001)		Rent of hall	£0	
(£75)		Club insurance	(£75)	
(£26)		EBU subscription	£0	
(£154)		Club night refreshments	£0	
(£671)		Bridge supplies and equipment	£0	
(£174)		Bridge Directors Training	(£100)	
(£35)		EBU SIMS net cost	£0	
(£8,281)	(£1,147)	P2P levy	(£774)	(£949)
		OVERHEADS		
(£73)		Christmas Party expenses (net of contributions)	£0	
(£68)		Social evenings	£0	
(£73)		Web site fees	(£73)	
(£43)		Sundry expenses	£0	
(£311)	(£55)	Club prizes	£0	(£73)
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(£8,593)		TOTAL EXPENSES		(£1,022)
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£1,494		SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR BEFORE EXCEPTIONAL ITEMS		£1,554
£6,128		RESERVES BROUGHT FORWARD		£7,622
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£7,622		RESERVES CARRIED FORWARD		£9,176
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