

# Arnprior Duplicate Bridge Club: ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

10:30 am January 31, 2020  
ADBC CLUB HOUSE

**In attendance:** Board: Bob Vincent (*Chair*); Wayne Daze (*Club Manager*); John Coderre (*Treasurer*); Dan Baran (*At large*); Sherief Massoud (*Club Director's Representative*); Gail Clark (*At large & Webmaster*); Absent: Reg Gatenby (*Secretary*)

**Members:** Phillippa Baran; Eleanor Hotchkiss; Leo Coulas; Sue Phillips; Peter Phillips Nancy Cavanagh; Art Ham; Bernie Culhane

**1. Welcome Remarks & Chair's Report: Bob Vincent.** Bob welcomed and thanked the Club members for attending the Annual General Meeting. He stated that 2019 was a successful one for our club. The 10th annual Sectional Tournament was bigger, better and more profitable than ever. The Club is in a good financial position at the end of 2019.

Bob thanked the members of the Board, the game directors and the many volunteers for their contributions to the success of the Arnprior club. In particular, Bob thanked:

John Coderre for being the club Treasurer for the past two years.

Sherief Massoud for being the Game Directors' representative for this past year.

Dan Baran for being a board member-at-large for this past year.

Mike Donnelly for his many years of cleaning the clubhouse; and

Walter Wojtas for producing our Health & Safety reports for the past several years.

Bob stated that, while he will not be staying on as chair of the board due to other commitments, he very much appreciated the support given to him this past year by the board and the members.

**2. Approval of 2019 Minutes Secretary.** The minutes for the last AGM of January 25, 2019 are available in the Club's Official binder, and have been posted on the Club's bulletin board since the end of January 2019.

**Motion:** To adopt the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Arnprior Duplicate Bridge Club held on January 25, 2019. **Moved:** Dan Baran. **Seconded:** John Coderre. **Carried.**

**3. Treasurer's Report: John Coderre.** John presented the Income & Expense Statement for the 2020 calendar year. A copy of the statement was distributed to all in attendance at the meeting, and a copy was posted to the club's bulletin board.

John indicated that the Club's current assets in the bank are \$10,370. There is a \$100 float in Petty cash as well as a \$100 float in the Game float envelope. The club realized a \$3,974 profit for 2019. Net revenues from the 2019 Sectional Tournament were \$6,421. Capital purchases totalled less than \$1000 for 2019 for the purchase of chairs for the club as well as new playing cards.

John has produced a "Treasurer's Manual" which will help all future Treasurers of the club to maintain all of the tasks and duties of the club Treasurer. John has been working closely with Art Ham, our prospective new Treasurer, to help Art transition to his new role.

**Motion:** The financial statements be accepted as presented. **Moved:** Dan Baran. **Seconded:** Sherief Massoud. **Carried.**

## INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

**4. Report on Charitable Donations: John Coderre.** John reported that the ADBC has donated \$2548 to various charities in 2019, including:

- Almonte Bridge Club
- Renfrew Bridge Club
- Hospice Almonte
- Hospice Renfrew
- Arnprior Food Bank
- Arnprior Neighbourhood Link
- Arnprior Community Dinner
- Arnprior L'Arche Community
- The Grove, Arnprior
- CBF Charities
- ACBL Charities

**5. Club Manager's Report: Wayne Daze.** Wayne thanked all of the Board members for the support they gave him throughout the year. He indicated that the 2019 Sectional Tournament was very successful, and was the best tournament ever, with the highest attendance ever. Wayne reported:

- a) The club has a new cleaner, Wendy Whitman. Her work has been praised by club members.
- b) Barb Tench has donated a very nice quilt that the club will raffle off during the 2020 Sectional.
- c) Unit 192 has made a request of the ADBC to host an Intermediate-Novice Regional tournament in Arnprior in 2020.
- d) The 2019 Christmas party was attended by almost 100 persons, and a good time was had by all.
- e) Better Bridge education continues.
- f) The 2019 Directors' Cup was awarded to Marcel Masan and to Jeannie Yagminas.
- g) The club's lease will be up at the end of April 2020. The club has approached the owner to renew the lease.

Wayne's goals for 2020 include: a) more workshops; b) support teaching at sister clubs; and c) attract more beginner players.

**6. Game Director's Report: Sherief Massoud.** Sherief reported that in 2019, "Opening Leads" were introduced in the Bridgemates. The biggest change was the introduction of "ACBL Live for Clubs" which allows ADBC to post club games results on-line. Results of each game are now available by e-mail to all participants.

The ADBC Board has formally adopted the "ACBL Zero Tolerance policy". The club has posted Information Posters on the club's bulletin board. The ADBC Board has formally adopted ACBL's "Mandatory Reporting mechanisms;" Incident Report files are now located in the club Chairman's files.

John Codere provided a summary of the type of games played in the club for the 2019 calendar year.

Dan Baran was selected by the Directors and will take over as the Club Director's Representative

**7. Communications Report: Gail Clark.** Gail indicated that the website is being updated on a regular basis. She indicated that she has been including some information for our sister club in Almonte and a link to the Renfrew Bridge Club's new website.

**8. Club Honour Role: John Coderre.** John circulated the Club Honour Roll for **District 1** (all clubs in eastern Ontario to Newfoundland) & **Unit 192** (fifteen clubs in Ottawa, Smiths Falls, Pembroke; Renfrew; Arnprior; Kingston and Almonte).

Each year, the ACBL holds 2 Masterpoint race competitions: 1) **Mini-McKenney** (based on total MP's

accumulated during the year); & 2) the **Ace of Clubs** (based on points acquired only at the club level). Races are amongst those who start the year with a similar MP range and are competed for among members in the District and Unit.

John indicated that there were 17 members of the club who placed in the top 10 in the unit at their competition level. These include: Category/Level

0 - 5 MP	Bob Vincent
20 - 50 MP	Kim Curan; Anne Fuisz
50 - 100 MP	Jacques Gilbert; Marnie McCook
100 - 200 MP	Bernie Culhane; Raun Griffiths; Sherief Massoud
200 - 300 MP	Peter Phillips; Maureen McCann
300 - 500 MP	John Coderre
1000 - 1500 MP	Phillip Mayhew; Wayne Daze; Elaine Calvert
1500 - 2000 MP	Geoff Calvert
2500 - 3500 MP	Ed Chajkowski
3500 - 5000 MP	Paul Kilger

## ELECTION OF BOARD OF OFFICERS

**9. Nominations Report:** Nancy Cavanagh & Phillipa Baran. Phillipa thanked the outgoing ADBC Board Officers: Bob Vincent; John Coderre; & Sherief Massoud. Phillipa presented the report of the Board Nomination Committee. The following members are nominated for the ADBC Board of Officers:

Phillippa Baran: Chair  
Wayne Daze: Club Manager  
Arthur Ham: Treasurer  
Reg Gatenby: Secretary  
Gail Clark: Member-at-Large & Webmaster  
Nancy Cavanagh: Member-at-Large

Dan Baran will join the Board of Officers as the Club Director's Representative.

**Motion:** There being no further nominations from the floor, it was moved that the members named by the Nominating Committee be acclaimed as the new Board of Officers. **Moved:** Bob Vincent. **Seconded:** John Coderre. **Carried.**

## OTHER ITEMS

**12. New Business:** Dan Baran reported:

- The club has a new furnace, installed in January 2020
- A new kettle was purchased for the club in January 2020
- The rodent problem in the club is much less prominent since the start of our new cleaner, Wendy, has started working
- Dan has been providing Bridge education to the Almonte Seniors Active Living Center (SALC) since December 2019.  
This has been going well, and will be on-going in 2020, with the hope that we can attract new players to our club.

**13. Adjournment:** 11:30 am **Motion:** Motion to adjourn the AGM. **Moved:** Bob Vincent. **Seconded:** Gail Clark. **Carried.** A light lunch was served following the meeting.