

2025 AGM Minutes

Friday, February 14

Financial Update (Arthur)

We started the year with \$8,137.97 and finished with \$11,787.70 in the bank. However, the final amount is due to a generous \$10,000 donation from a member. We actually ended the year with a **\$6,350.27 loss**.

The largest expenses were \$10,840.00 for rent and \$7,651 in directors' fees.

We tried multiple items for raising additional funds like renting out the club to Euchre and Thursday night bridge. However, none of these panned out.

Hank asked about raising game fees. In response, it was indicated that fees were raised last year and are higher than most clubs. As such, we did not want to raise them again.

Bridge Classes & Novice Games (Arthur)

Introduction to Bridge Levels 1 & 2 are offered twice a year, starting in January and September.

We have started a novice game (0-99 ACBL points) Monday afternoons in conjunction with our open session.

Club House (Arthur)

In the past year we fixed the hot water heater, painted the club floor, replaced some curtains, and did a major reorganization of the club's supplies.

Thank you to the following volunteers for the wonderful job they did on rejuvenating our club!! We've had such wonderful feedback!!!

- Adrien
- Helena
- Pat Spratt
- Kathleen
- Don Eady
- Don Caldwell
- Pat McLean
- Phillippa
- Yvonne

Special Events (Shari)

Last year we held a record number of special events!! Everyone especially enjoyed the BBQ, Christmas party, Swiss Teams and the Friday's Social lunches!

Not so popular were the number of STaCs! In addition, the price of holding STaCs has gone up substantially. As such, we're going to focus on the favorite events of members this year holding them about once a month. Next March, it will be a **St. Paddy's Day Swiss game** followed by Phillippa's **Toller Cranston Individual Championship** in April. Stayed tuned for details.

2024 Attendance (Shari)

Overall, we had slightly more attendance this year than last. However, it is not enough. We're hoping that between the Arnprior Bridge Tournaments and Novice games, we can be profitable this year.

Arnprior Bridge Tournaments (May 2-4)

This year, we will be holding both the I/N Regional and Open Sectional again. However, it will only be 3-days. Plans are already well underway with the websites updated, caterer booked, Unit 192 Managers asked to hold the date and printed flyers on the way. Exciting times.

Board Election

The 3 retiring boards members, Eleanor Hotchkiss, Barbara Tench and Wayne Perrin, were acknowledged and thanked for their support and time! Eleanor will continue on the Tournament committee.

A motion to elect the following people to the 2025 Board was put forth by Shari Phillips. Eleanor 2nd it. It was unanimously accepted.

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| Chair, Special Events & Marketing | Shari Phillips |
| Past-Chair | Phillippa Baran |
| Club Director | Mark Lacroix |
| Treasurer & Training | Arthur Ham |
| Health & Safety | Maxine Etkin |
| Club Manager | Yvonne Levy |
| Member-at-Large | Adrian Mancini |
| Member-at-Large | Doug Younger-Lewis |