



## Treasurer's Report: 25 April 2017

### Membership and Attendance

Membership continues to decline, although we are pleased to have welcomed 5 new members during the year. The number of player sessions also continues to decline, and our average number of tables has slipped below 7 for the first time.

	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
Renewals	76	77	81	95	83	87	102	103	104
New members	5	8	2	7	19	9	5	10	10
Total members	81	85	83	102	102	96	107	113	114
Player sessions	2,474	2,520	2,832	3,615	4,208				
Average tables	6.87	7.16	7.87	7.35	7.62				
Fee (full year)	£15	£15	£15	£15	£15	£60	£55	£40	£40
Table Money	£1.50	£1	£1	£1	£1				
Subscriptions	£1,168	£1,258	£1,238	£1,590	£1,642	£5,540	£5,770	£4,284	£4,469
Table Monies	£3,337	£2,514	£2,701	£3,486	£3,224				
Membership income	£4,505	£3,772	£3,939	£5,076	£4,866	£5,540	£5,770	£4,284	£4,469

### Financial Summary

Overall the Club generated a surplus of £162, compared with a loss of £259 last year. The main reason for this is the increase in table money agreed at our AGM in 2016.

Other aspects of the financial position to note include

- 30% increase in our bank balance from circa £2,500 to £3,300
- no success in replacing the income we previously received for providing dealt boards for Guildford Duplicate Bridge Club, although proposals have been made to other clubs in the area
- the decision to stop charging for refreshments has cost around £250

### Charity

A total of £200 was donated to Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice Care.

### 2017 Future Planning

Our genteel decline is clearly a concern, and could push us back into a loss making position in the coming year. However the Club does have healthy reserves, so the Committee is not recommending any change to subscription rates or table money this year.

It is noted that the Village Hall is planning a major upgrade to the heating system. It is hoped that this will have a beneficial effect on membership and attendance.

Pianola costs the Club £150 pa. The Auditor asked if we obtain maximum value from this expenditure. It's a good question, and whilst Pianola is integral to Club operations, I suspect some members are still not familiar with all of its potential. Therefore if any members would like to have a 1-1 session to understand better how to use it, please let me know.

Joan Heagin  
Treasurer