

## 2012 Financial report.

This is my last report as treasurer. What a year it has been for all of us! The financial accounts normally show how an organisation has performed and what it is worth at the end of a period. This year I am not sure that they clearly do that. It is important when reading these accounts that you read the notes to the accounts and the audit report.

On financial performance we show a surplus before grants and donations of \$48,324 which sounds excellent, but if you deduct the business interruption insurance from that of \$72,041 then we have a loss of \$23,717. It is what we have insurance for but that for business interruption cease on the 22 February 2012. So we have increased subs by \$20 to offset some of this probable deficit by \$16,000. Controlling operating expenses for 2012 is essential as the committee has agreed not to increase table fees for 2012.

On financial position the earthquake has impacted on the accuracy of the value of the land, building and insurance. I don't believe that anyone could accurately value the land at balance date, so it was better to leave it at the value stated in 2010. While the building is likely to be demolished we have no written confirmation that it will be, so we have not written it out of the accounts. We do know that we have insurance capped at \$1.8m for the building. In summary, if the building is replaced, as seems most likely, then the net asset value of the club will be significantly more than before the earthquake.

The greatest asset of the club doesn't feature in the accounts, it is the members. Members have been very loyal in difficult circumstances post earthquake and I thank you for that loyalty. New members are the lifeblood of this club. We always need to bring in and retain new members, financially it is one of the most important things we do.

The club is in a very good financial position. It has been prudent in having up to date insurance, we have had insurance valuations done every year, we have reduced debt and maintained membership. Having to borrow more if the final cost of the new building exceeds the insurance will be manageable.

The generosity of individuals and bridge clubs around the country in responding to the earthquake impact on us is wonderful, thank you. The charities that support us, this year, Pub Charity and Mainland Foundation who helped us buy the bridge pads and defibrillator, thanks you. I thank Susan for all her work in a very difficult year, holding things together, helping find new temporary premises, coping with stress and stressed people and helping me.

Good luck for the exciting year ahead! Our 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary, maybe our new clubrooms and bridge.

Peter O'Boyle  
Treasurer