

THE VILLAGES DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB
MINUTES JUNE 2, 2008

MEMBERS PRESENT: TOM BUSH, JACK FISHER, PAT FORD, BONNIE
OVERSON, NEIL TIMM, DOUG WORTHINGTON, PAT POITINGER.
GUESTS: MARILYN FULTON, JOHN KELSH

CALL TO ORDER: Tom Bush, President, called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M. at the
Laurel Manor Recreation Center. The minutes of April 7 were approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

FAQ: Doug Worthington presented his Frequently Asked Questions report. The Board
feels this report will be very helpful to the membership. It will be posted to the website
as soon as Doug makes a few minor changes that the Board suggested at the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

SUSPENSION OF COLONY COTTAGE FRIDAY AFTERNOON GAME EXPIRES
IN SEPTEMBER: Discussion followed concerning utilizing the time slot at The Colony
Cottage. Suggestions were made. This item is tabled until the next meeting. Members
are to come back with ideas for putting a game there; it doesn't necessarily have to be a
Friday afternoon and it could be an existing game that is being held at another
recreational center. Pat Ford said it depends upon the availability of a room if the Friday
spot is not used.

SPECIAL GAME GUIDELINES:

TWO SUNDAY SWISS GAMES PER MONTH ALL YEAR: Tom Bush talked of the
increased interest in the Sunday Swiss Games. The Board members agreed to hold two
Sunday Swiss Games per month from September to May every year in months when
there are no other Special Sunday games scheduled. Neil Timm and Jack Fisher
presented the "Eight is Enough" concept, which was featured in the ACBL Bridge
Bulletin, June issue, 2008. "A" players are 3 points, "B" players are 2 points, and "C"
players are 1 point. A Swiss Team cannot have more than a total of 8 points on their
team. The Board agreed to try the "Eight is Enough" concept when the opportunity
arises.

THE FOLLOWING STEPS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED TO FOSTER BETTER
PUBLIC RELATIONS: Marilyn Fulton agreed to guarantee partnerships at the startup of
the 299er game for a seven-week period. Marilyn will no longer "guarantee"
partnerships; however, she may act as a facilitator in helping players find partners.
Taking this step eliminates the possibility of a disgruntled player who has not been
partnered. Additionally, Game Directors are asked to refrain from partnering with a
player for the entire session until further notice for the same reason.

The meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be held July 7, 2008 at 5:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Pat Poitinger, Secretary