



MINUTES OF THE AUCKLAND/NORTHLAND REGIONAL COMMITTEE

Sunday 13th April 2014 at 10 am
Royle Epsom Bridge Club

PRESENT

Peter Bowyer (Chairman), Tony Morcom, Susan Humphries, Brian Ashwell, Trevor Robb, Angela Royle

APOLOGIES

Arie Geursen

IN ATTENDANCE

Graham Wakefield, Richard Solomon

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting held Sunday 9th February 2014 had been circulated. The minutes were agreed and confirmed: Brian/Susan

MATTERS ARISING

Any matters arising were tabled as items on the main agenda

TREASURER'S REPORT

- Treasurer Susan circulated a comprehensive report showing a balance of \$11,888.80 as at 31st March 2014. For the year 2013/14 there was a loss of just over \$1034.04.
- Susan presented a budget for the forthcoming year and was congratulated on a well-prepared budget
- Harold Spurgeon has again agreed to audit the accounts and it was agreed a petrol voucher would be given to him **TONY/SUSAN**
- The report and budget was subsequently tabled and seconded Susan/Trevor

CORRESPONDENCE

Received & Approved:

Angela/Trevor

All inward correspondence from NZB was circulated to the committee as it arrived and other inward and outward correspondence was listed on the meeting agenda

TOURNAMENTS

INTER-PROVINCIALS

IP TRIAL DATES

- Trial date/s are Saturday/Sunday 16 & 17 August
- Dates to be confirmed with Auckland Club

ANGELA

IP FINAL – Auckland Club

- The event to start at 11 am Saturday 29th November and finish 2.30 pm Monday 1st December
- ANRC to Master host and Auckland Club to host
- Saturday 5 matches; Sunday 6; Monday 3; for Intermediate, Senior, Women, Open
- Several meetings have been held this year between ANRC and ABC regarding arrangements
- ABC to organise a substitute pair for each category

CLUB TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP – Sat 7th June

- Flier to be prepared and emailed to clubs
- The ANRC entry fee to be \$15 per person ie \$60 per team plus \$100 from each club to go to NZB
- Subsidies will remain the same
- Director Tony Morcom
- Morning tea
- NZB confirmed Masterpoints will NOT be awarded for the final at National Congress

ANGELA

SUSAN/ANGELA

INTERCLUB

- With 50 teams there are now two Directors at each Interclub session

NORTH ISLAND PAIRS – 17/18 May

- Auckland Club to host

MAIN CENTRE PAIRS/TEAMS – 19/20 July

- Franklin Club to host

YOUTH FUNDRAISING TOURNAMENT

- NZB has sanctioned a 5A Simultaneous Pairs fundraising tournament on Friday evening 9th May with a minimum cost to players of \$10. Clubs may charge additional to this if they wish.
- The money raised will assist the youth players who are representing NZ at the 15th World Youth Teams Championships in Istanbul, Turkey
- All clubs who enter will play the same hands – similar to the Babich NZ Wide Pairs but no booklet will be given at the end
- Clubs to be asked if they will give a donation from their club funds, especially those clubs not participating in the event

ANGELA

JUNIOR 3B TOURNAMENT

- Chairman Peter advised Howick held a one session afternoon 3B Junior tournament in April and had 26 tables. An amazing number indeed. It is hoped other clubs will follow the initiative and hold one in the future

RUBBER BRIDGE

- Information has been sent to all clubs but so far very little much interest. A follow up email to be sent and extension date to 15th May.
- Rubber bridge workshop planned for 30th March at Howick club was cancelled due to lack of interest

ANGELA

YOUTH PLAYERS

- Macleans and Pakuranga Colleges are going well and Auckland Grammar is meeting twice a week with 3 to 4 tables

DIRECTING SEMINAR

- A directing seminar to be held in Wellington 21/22 June 2014
- Three Australian presenters will facilitate the seminar
- To date Peter Bowyer and Tony Morcom are attending the seminar from the Auckland/Northland region and were asked to leave the meeting while there was discussion on whether or not the ANRC would offer a subsidy for Auckland/Northland Directors attending the workshop
- It was felt in the interest of the region that any Auckland/Northland directors attending be given a subsidy. A maximum subsidy of \$500 with a maximum of \$125 per attendee

GENERAL BUSINESS

SYSTEM CARDS

- Peter Hirzel's letter on behalf of the Northland Bridge Centre was discussed and a response has been made on behalf of New Zealand Bridge
- "Short form" System Cards comprising only the outer two pages that are required to be completed for tournaments below 10A, have been commissioned and printed and are in the process of being circulated to Clubs
- It was also suggested clubs may wish to remind players when they register for a tournament that a system card is required

NORTHLAND CLUBS/WEBSITE

- Peter to contact the Northland Bridge Centre to establish regular two-way communication between the Regional Committee and the Northland group of ANRC clubs
- ANRC will offer to fund and facilitate a Northland Bridge Centre website and encourage Northland clubs to either link to that website or establish their own club website

DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION

- It was agreed the dissemination of notices/information sent to clubs from NZB and the ANRC was not flowing down the correct channels and Club Secretaries to be asked to present this information at each club committee meeting.

ANGELA

REGIONAL CONFERENCE

- The next Regional Conference is in Wellington on 29th June. Susan Humphries to attend on behalf of the ANRC.

REGIONAL COMMITTEE

- Six nominations have been received for the two year term commencing 1st July 2014.

The meeting finished at 11.35 pm

**Next meeting of the Regional Committee - Sunday 8th June 2014
10 am at Royle Epsom Bridge Club**

Signed: Chairman:

Date: