

# MINUTES OF THE AUCKLAND REGIONAL COMMITTEE

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2010 at 10.30 am  
Royle Epsom Bridge Club

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## PRESENT

Trevor Robb, Peter Bowyer, Patrick Carter, Tony Morcom, Richard Solomon, Michael Ware, Angela Royle

## APOLOGIES

Julie Atkinson, Graham Wakefield, Rosaleen Koch, Arie Geursen,

## MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting held Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2010 had been circulated. The minutes were agreed upon and confirmed: Patrick/Trevor

## MATTERS ARISING

Any matters arising were tabled as items on the main agenda

## TREASURER'S REPORT

- The Treasurer presented his report showing a balance of \$13,539.18. The report was tabled and seconded. Tony/Peter
- The honoraria has been paid to the Treasurer and Secretary and a claim from the Coaching Grant has been sent to NZB
- It was agreed that \$10,000 would be transferred from the ARC account to NZB as doing so would see a better interest rate. Should ARC require the money or part thereof, NZB has agreed to advance money back to the account

## CORRESPONDENCE

Received & Approved: Peter/Trevor

All inward and outward correspondence was listed on the meeting agenda.

## TOURNAMENTS

### RUBBER BRIDGE

- A format has been decided and a flier will be sent to all clubs **TREVOR/ANGELA**
- Entries will be required by Friday 14<sup>th</sup> May
- Preliminary rounds to be by draw and, wherever possible, the draws will be from the same area, especially for out of Auckland entries
- For the initial rounds Auckland will be divided into four zones – North Shore, Central, South Auckland and Northland
- The winning pair must be available to play in the quarter, semi and the finals and will be given allowance for travel and accommodation for one night
- The Hamilton winners receive \$500 each and the event has prize money worth \$2000

### INTER-PROVINCIALS

- **Trials to be held at Auckland Club**
  - June 12/13 - Open & Intermediate
  - July 24/25 – Women's & Seniors
- A flier to be sent to all clubs before the end of April **ANGELA**
- Information to be sent via the Yahoo! Group **PETER**
- As per the NZB 2009/2010 Manual, players in the Senior category must have been born in 1950 or earlier

## **2010 CLUB TEAMS COMPETITION**

- Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2010. Flier and tournament information to clubs mid/end May

**ANGELA**

## **2010 EASTER 50+ MASTERS TOURNAMENT**

- This was the best ever event with 19 Pairs and 16 Teams
- There was much discussion on whether or not there should be a minimum age for entries. It was felt that 50+ excluded those who were in Auckland at Easter and wanting to play bridge
- The players at Easter time were asked and they were keen to continue the event and there was a suggestion that a 60+ event be held
- Those on the Yahoo! Group list (which includes all clubs) to be asked for their thoughts on a unrestricted age limit tournament; or should the age limit stay at 50+; plus the possibility of having a Seniors 60+ tournament
- Clubs asked to discuss it with their members and respond to the Yahoo! Group message Peter Bowyer has sent out. Follow up with clubs.

**PETER**

**ANGELA**

## **2011 TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE**

- No further action

## **WORKSHOP FOR NZ DIRECTORS – August 14 & 15 2010**

- The committee decided that registrations from the Auckland Region would receive a \$10 subsidy
- Those from Wellsford north would receive travelling expenses of \$100 for two or more in a car and \$50 for just one in a car
- To date there have been two requests for billets. Auckland Club to be contacted to see if they will agree to place a notice at the club asking if there are any members willing to billet those from out of town.

**ANGELA**

## **WORKSHOP FOR POTENTIAL DIRECTORS - PRIOR TO THE JUNE EXAMS**

- Venue to be East Coast Bays – Sunday 30 May 2010
- Two sessions from 10 – 4 pm
- \$10 per session; BYO lunch; tea and coffee provided
- Tutor – Julie Atkinson who will take the registrations
- ARC to top up payment for Julie if registrations do not reach \$200
- The workshop will be for those planning to sit their Club Directors' exam in the near future
- Flier to be sent to all clubs

**ANGELA**

## **DIRECTING MAJOR EVENTS AT AUCKLAND CLUB**

- There had been much discussion via email on this item and at the committee meeting Patrick Carter left the room so there could be unbiased discussion
- When Patrick returned it was decided, and with his agreement, that if a player within the Auckland Region is taking their National Directors' exam, then Patrick will step aside so that the candidate can have the experience of directing a major event. NZB to be advised of the decision.

**ANGELA**

## **CLUB & TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS' EXAMS**

- It was felt there was a big difference between the standard of the two exams. 80% pass mark could be too high for the Tournament Directors exam. We need to encourage more Tournament Directors.
- It was agreed this item should be on the agenda for discussion at the next Regional Conference. NZB to be advised.
- Patrick advised that he would be happy to assist any future directors if they wished to contact him and work with him either at club sessions or tournaments so that they would be more prepared for the directors' exams. The committee thanked Patrick for his innovative and kind offer.

**ANGELA**

## **REGIONAL TOURNAMENT RESULTS**

It was pointed out that the results for the Masters Easter Tournament were not on any website. Auckland Club to be asked if results for future Regional tournaments that are held at their club could be shown on their website

**ANGELA**

## **YOUTH BRIDGE**

Nothing to report

## **REGIONAL COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS**

Nominations received were sent to NZB. All current members of the committee were prepared to stand again. There were no additional nominations

## **GENERAL BUSINESS**

### **50+ EXPO**

To be held 8-10 October 2010. Clubs to be contacted nearer the time and asked for their involvement.

### **CAMPOLI CUP**

Finding the names of previous winners is not an easy job and will take quite some time. Meantime a new trophy is to be purchased. Waikato will pay for 50% of the costs

**ANGELA**

### **INTERMEDIATE TOURNAMENT WINNER SCHEME**

The committee will look at this again in September and decide whether or not it will implement it for 2011.

### **CLUBS AT RISK**

This item to be kept on the agenda

The meeting finished at 12.10 pm

**Next meeting of the Regional Committee to be held  
Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2010 at 9.30 am  
Auckland Club**

Signed: President: Trevor Robb

Date: