



Otago/Southland Regional Committee

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New Zealand Bridge

Secretary/Treasurer

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Minutes - Otago/Southland Regional Committee
Sunday, 16 May, 2010 at 10.00am - Otago Bridge Club

Present / Apologies: John Mitchell (Chairman), Frances Sheehy, Frank Gradon, Kristen Collins,
Marilyn Jackson, Lynne Fegan (Secretary/Treasurer)

Minutes of the Previous Meeting: 14 February 2010
Frank / Kristen

Matters Arising: Other than those recorded in General Business

- 1) 2009 MasterPoints charge refunded to O/S Regional Committee from Queenstown Congress Account
- 2) Regional Recorder - Kristen has approached Graham Stout & he doubts that there will be issues of 'Conflict of Interest' with his national & regional role. If so, then Graham is aware of this, & will declare the 'interest' - there has not been an instance of this in the past.

*** Kristen will continue with her pursuit of Stan Peacock's notes

Correspondence Inwards:

- 05 Feb NZ Bridge Minutes - Promotional Material (Page 5) -
Membership/Affiliation Brochures
- 10 Feb NZ Bridge - ***Directors' Exams - 19/20 June + 30/31 October
2010 - Sec to advise Clubs
- 18 Feb NZ Bridge - Minutes of NZ Bridge Foundation - amendment of Trust
Deed
- 21 Feb Ray Crowe - Allocation of C Points (response by phone 21/02 + email
24/02) + Taieri 21/03
- 25 Mar NZ Bridge - Awarding of MasterPoints clarification document (via
Norm Silcock)
- 24 Feb Otago Bridge Club - Guidelines for Tournaments (to GB)
- 09 Mar NZ Bridge - Late filing of Club Annual Returns - Mossburn & Winton

10 Mar Murat Genc - *** Promotion of Events (apart from Noticeboards) -
Sec to remind clubs
17 Mar NZ Bridge - response to Cromwell Club's letter (15/02) re Scorer
Program charging
17 Mar NZ Bridge Minutes - Guidelines for Regional Recorders via Noel
Woodhall - 03/02/10
- Scope & Delegation of Authority document for review + Reg Conf
- 28/29 August
27 Apr NZ Bridge - Coaching Grant Policy
07 Apr Michael Johnstone - *** O/S Provincial Teams - Easter Saturday -
reschedule to 02 April?
02 May Marett Malloch - *** letter re: Marett & Derek not available for
Directing in future
06 May NZ Bridge - 31 March 2009 - Financial Statements

Correspondence Outwards:

18 Feb Frances Wood/Ranfurlly Club - Tournament Prize Money allocations
28 Apr Otago Bridge Club - thank you for gifting of Traveller Sheets

Financial Report: See separate detailed papers

- 2009/2010 Audited Accounts
Marilyn / John
- Cashflow - 01 Apr 2010 - 30 Apr 2010 - \$18.71
- On Call - 01 Apr 2010 - 30 Apr 2010 - \$3741.58
- Debtor - Otago Bridge Club - \$774.63 (MasterPoints for South Island
Pairs)
- Accounts for Payment - \$1238.57
Lynne / Frances
- Hamilton Congress Travel - NZ Bridge wonderfully fast at reimbursing
- Youth Player Tournament Reimbursements - Cameron Benson now fully
expended his 2011 allowance
- Coaching Grant Applications - much easier to assess if all applications for
the year are assessed at the same time - hence leave applications open
until 31 October this year. *** Secretary to advise all clubs of extended
date + distribute the new Coaching Policy; + advise Gore, Cromwell &
Wanaka that they can review their current applications. Response to all
after November meeting.

General Business:

Future of 2 Regional Trophy Cups

- a) Otago Southland Bridge Centre Inc - Women's Pairs (last awarded 1997,
presented by Mrs V Lindsay)
- b) Otago Southland Bridge Centre Inc - Inter-Club Teams Junior (last
contested 2001)

Discussion ensued regarding the future of the cups. It was decided to retire them to the appropriate clubs according to the last recipients. Should they be required again in the future, then they would be retrieved for awarding.
*** John Mitchell to bring trophies to next meeting so that the Secretary can send on info to NZ Bridge

Jean Peche application

A nomination was presented to NZ Bridge for Sam Bailey, representing the Otago/Southland region

Sam was our highest qualifier *** John Mitchell to supply Secretary with Nomination Notes

2011 Tournament Schedule

Changes to be made: *** Secretary to distribute updated files to all clubs & Regional Committee

06 Feb	Inter-Club Teams
13 Feb	Otago Festival Pairs
19/20 Feb	IP Trials
25/26 Jun	Otago Winter Teams/Pairs - upgrade to 10A
12/26 Sep	Otago Intermediate & Junior 5B
21-24 Oct	Queenstown Congress - list all days

*** Michael Johnstone's request to change O/S Provincial Teams away from Easter - to 02/09 April?

*** Secretary to advise Susan Edwards that scheduling of 2012 IP Trials in February is too early

Otago/Southland Regional Bridge Committee Website

Kristen has contacted John Shanks of Spacific Design re Password Security. Currently, Frank Gradon, John Mitchell & Lynne Fegan hold the access link to enable editing of our site.

*** Frank to speak with John Shanks regarding 'website ethics' - only able to edit own site on joint website - ie: is password protection required for differing clubs to edit their part of total site only?

*** Frank to request Spacific Design to change the banner on the website to read ' Otago/Southland Regional Bridge Committee' (currently still in name of O/S Centre)

Currently, Taieri & Otago Clubs have links to their sites from our website

*** Secretary to advise clubs that they can link their websites (look at Taieri Club's link) - in readiness for Scorer Program integration. For small clubs - Bio-page + Google Map etc

A suggestion that we register on Facebook was not acceptable to some committee members!!

Regional Committee Elections

*** It was agreed to allocate responsibilities for next 2 year term at the next committee meeting

Regional Committee Members liaison with Clubs

Most committee members had effected some liaison/communication with their allocated clubs.

*** Secretary to remind committee members of this month's topics - Training & Coaching Grants

Queenstown Congress Report - timetable/website/food

Timetable has now been finalised. *** Frank to update this on the website (costings etc not done yet)

Sponsorship, Stationery, Accommodation all being addressed

Food - *** Lynne to look into orders for Subway for Sunday lunch - vegetarian & gluten-free required

MasterPoints - *** Secretary to determine as to whether Queenstown Congress can have it's own club #

*** Secretary to respond to Ray Crowe's letter

Guidelines for Clubs Running Tournaments on behalf of the Regional Committee

Otago Bridge Club had kindly supplied answers to some of our matters of mutual concern

*** Secretary to research what happens in other regions & if there is a document already in existence

*** Committee to review the idea of a Sub-Committee to oversee Regional Tournaments at next meeting

Business Plan/Forward Planning/Budget - workshop

The committee fleshed out the bones of a Strategic Plan

*** Secretary to prepare initial draft from meeting notes - to be supplied separately

Info to Clubs

For distribution to clubs this month:

- Minutes of this meeting - on NZ Bridge website
- Dates of 2010 Directors' Exams
- Suggestion of verbal advice of forthcoming events to players
- Updated 2011 Tournament Schedule
- Club websites linking into Regional Committee site
- Club/Committee member liaison - Coaching Grant applications & training

Date of Next Meeting:

when required - probably early September - following Regional Conference
28/29 August

Meeting declared closed at: 2.40pm