



MINUTES OF THE AUCKLAND/NORTHLAND REGIONAL COMMITTEE

Sunday 21st April 2013 at 10 am
Royle Epsom Bridge Club

PRESENT

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

IN ATTENDANCE

Graham Wakefield

APOLOGIES

Richard Solomon, Arie Geursen

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting held Sunday 17th March 2013 had been circulated. The minutes were agreed upon and confirmed: Trevor/Tony

MATTERS ARISING

Any matters arising were tabled as items on the main agenda

TREASURER'S REPORT

- The Treasurer presented the Income & Expenditure report from 1st Mar to 31st Mar 2013 showing a closing balance of \$12,272.87
- The report was subsequently tabled and seconded Tony/Brian
- Harold Spurgeon will audit the ANRC accounts
- Tony Morcom was thanked for being such a wonderful Treasurer over the last few years
- Susan Humphries will take over as Treasurer

CORRESPONDENCE

All inward and outward correspondence was listed on the meeting agenda

Received & Approved:

Angela/Susan

TOURNAMENTS

RUBBER BRIDGE

- The date for entries to Trevor Robb has been extended to 30th April
- Number of entries to Richard Solomon by 31st May

CLUB TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP – Sat 8th June 2013

- Flier to be sent to clubs
- Cost \$10 per person and BYO lunch
- NZB cost per club to enter \$100

ANGELA

NORTH ISLAND 15A TEAMS – 18/19 May 2013

- Auckland Club to be asked who will represent them on the Match Committee
- Tony Morcom will represent ANRC
- Murray Wiggins is the Director
- ANRC to pay the Masterpoint costs
- ANRC will contribute \$200 to assist with catering and also underwrite the event up to \$500 should there be a loss

ANGELA

INTER-PROVINCIALS

- 2013 one trial weekend only – 3rd & 4th August
- 2014 – two trial dates have been provisionally booked – weekends of 2/3 August and 16/17 August
- At the last NZB Board meeting it was decided there would not be a Youth team at the November IP tournament
- There will be a Youth event at Congress on the Friday/Saturday preceding Congress
- Four youth players will be selected from their respective region and possibly a Chef de Mission for the team

MAIN CENTRE PAIRS & TEAMS – 20/21 July 2013

- Hibiscus Coast to host the event
- ANRC will check nearer the time that they are up to date with the arrangements

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DIRECTING SEMINAR – 22nd & 23rd June 2013 at Howick Club

- Fliers promoting the weekend have been sent to all Auckland/Northland clubs and the Waikato/Bays Regional secretary as club members from this area may be interested in attending
- Follow up with clubs in May and June
- \$10 per day
- Saturday – Club Directing
- Sunday – Tournament Directing
- The weekend will focus on those interested in learning the Laws of Bridge plus those wishing to become a Director
- The dates are timely as Director exams take place the following weekend

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YOUTH BRIDGE

- Richard Solomon, although away for the meeting, emailed a report on youth bridge:
- There will be a schools match in early July involving Macleans College and Pakuranga College and possibly Macauley High
- The Auckland Schools' Competition will hopefully take place again in August
- Youth weekend in Christchurch – to date 7 from Auckland and 1 from Northland have registered
- Susan Humphries advised the numbers for the Auckland University club had dropped but this could be to do with exams and university holidays

GENERAL BUSINESS

GRAHAM WAKEFIELD ADVISED: CLUB NUMBERS

- The annual returns received from clubs showed the base membership was down by just over 600 from last year. A most disappointing figure. The current number of NZB players is around 13,000
- All club sessions must be part of the Masterpoint scheme
- The Masterpoint revenue has increased from last year but the number of membership levies has decreased

OPENING BID ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Announcing the 1C and 1NT opening bid will come into effect at all club sessions and tournaments from 1st May 2013. NZB will send a bulletin to clubs advising this will happen

SYSTEM CARDS

- The common system card for NZ and Australia is finalised and must be used by **ALL** tournament players from 1st July 2013
- Clubs will be encouraged to ask their members to use the system card but it will not be mandatory
- Hard copies to be sent to all clubs and sometime soon the system card can be downloaded from the NZB website
- There will be subtle changes on the system card relating to NZ and Australia, ie relevant logos
- The WBF system card will not be used in NZ and Australia unless it is an international tournament

The meeting finished at 11.05 am

**Next meeting of the Regional Committee - Sunday 26th May 2013
10 am at Royle Epsom Bridge Club**

Signed: Chairman:

Date: