



MINUTES OF THE AUCKLAND/NORTHLAND REGIONAL COMMITTEE

Sunday 17th November 2013 at 10 am
Royle Epsom Bridge Club

PRESENT

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

IN ATTENDANCE

Graham Wakefield, Richard Solomon, Arie Geursen

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting held Sunday 22nd September 2013 had been circulated. The minutes were agreed and confirmed: Tony/Peter

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 \$10,971.59 as at 15 November 2013. YTD the account shows a loss of \$1301.28.
- The report was subsequently tabled and seconded Susan/Brian

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

CLUB TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP

- The 2014 ANRC entry fee will be \$15 per person ie \$60 per team; the subsidies will remain the same
- It has been suggested to NZB that A points be awarded for the final at Congress. No decision has been made

INTER-PROVINCIALS

- Timing for the 2014 IPs will be reviewed after this year's event

MAIN CENTRE PAIRS/TEAMS – 19/20 July 2014

- Franklin Club has offered to host the two events
 - Clubs in the Auckland region will be contacted to see if they wish to be considered before the ANRC give the okay to Franklin
- ANGELA**

WORLD TV COUNTRY OF ORIGIN 10A TOURNAMENT

- The ANRC applied to NZB for this to be an 10A tournament and NZB agreed
- This is now an Auckland Club tournament and they are responsible for all arrangements and paying the MPs
- This item will be removed from future ANRC agendas

ANRC TOURNAMENTS

- As there is a change of management at Auckland Club, they will be contacted regarding the dates of 2014 ANRC tournaments to be held at their club
- ANGELA**

HAMILTON CONGRESS

- Richard advised Congress numbers were down. 2012: 642 2013: 569
- Auckland + 23; South Island - 32
- There was also a decrease in the number of Australians participating

RUBBER BRIDGE

- Information to be sent to clubs at the end of February.
- TREVOR/ANGELA**

INTERCLUB

- The last interclub evening is Friday 22nd November
 - **Entries for 2014 need to be emailed to Tony Morcom by the end of January at the latest**
 - The first session is Friday 14th February at Auckland Club. (Valentine's just may have to miss out!) Clubs to be advised
- ANGELA**

BABICH NZ WIDE PAIRS

- 13 clubs in the Auckland/Northland area participated. An increase of two – Mt Albert plus Kaitaia, a non-affiliated club
- Clubs participating: 2013 – 62; 2012 – 57
- Players: 2013 – 2008; 2012 - 1892
- Many congratulations to Junior Dargaville EW players Katie Le Noel & Pam Rope achieving 58.7%

FUNDRAISER FOR YOUTH PLAYERS GOING TO OZ

- The date is Saturday 14th December at Auckland club. *(Since the meeting ANRC has agreed to pay \$200 towards catering costs.)*

YOUTH BRIDGE

- Auckland Grammar has an activities week coming up for 13 & 14 year olds. So far 32 have nominated to be part of the bridge sessions
- The annual Youth Weekend will be in Auckland in August 2014
- Lance Bowden, a teacher from Macleans College is promoting bridge within the Howick area with the support of Howick Bridge Club

MASTERPOINT CHARGES

- It was reconfirmed that from 2014 clubs are to pay the masterpoint charges when hosting a tournament on behalf of the ANRC. They can however, claim a 50% MP refund from the region

DIRECTING SEMINAR

- To be carried forward to the next meeting

GENERAL BUSINESS

LESSON ON LEADS

- Royle Epsom has arranged for Andy Braithwaite to give a lesson in 2014 on leads, similar to the session he gave at Congress. ANRC expressed interest in holding a similar session for clubs in the area
- Andy to be contacted in January 2014 for possible dates **ANGELA**
- *(Since the meeting Andy has advised he will be in Auckland 8-11 May.)*

BRI FILES

- Dargaville club contact Angela to see if there are any BRI files relating to conventions such as Multi Two Diamonds, Tartan Twos, Roman Key Card. At this time the answer is no. However NZB is preparing more files for lessons such as Stayman and Transfers and these will be available Jan/Feb

BRIDGE TEACHERS' WORKSHOP – Weekend of Feb 1st & 2nd 2014 in CHCH

- Some bridge teachers who attended last year's workshop may decide not to go next year. There are however different items to be discussed and it is hoped clubs will encourage their teachers to attend

XMAS & HOLIDAY TIME SESSIONS

- Clubs to be advised that details of sessions over the holiday season will be on the ANRC website: www.anrcbridge.org.nz **ANGELA/PETER**

THANK YOU

- To Peter Bowyer for being a Chairman supreme over the last year
- To all committee members for being a great working team
- To Brian Ashwell for the yummy light and fluffy freshly baked lemon muffins...we look forward to the promised date and walnut ones when we meet in February
- And finally, to everyone we wish you a very Happy Christmas and a Happy New Year too

The meeting finished at 11.15 pm

**Next meeting of the Regional Committee - Sunday 9th February 2014
10 am at Royle Epsom Bridge Club**

Signed: Chairman:

Date: