



# Wellington Regional Bridge Committee

## Minutes of Meeting

Minutes of the Committee Meeting held Tuesday 3 December at the Victoria Club at 2.00pm

		Follow-up
<b>Present</b>	Dinnie Hall (Chair), Heather Jared (Treasurer), Tony Sutich, Allan Joseph, Joan Waldvogel, Paula Jenner	
<b>Apologies</b>		
<b>Minutes</b>	The Minutes of the Committee Meeting held on 3 September 2013 were taken as read and confirmed. Tony/Allan	
<b>Matters arising</b>	<b>Vil Gravis Lessons-</b> a number of positive comments had been received about these with most participants wanting to see them continued next year. Each lesson averaged about five tables. Vil has asked for feedback from those who attended.	
<b>Finance</b>	<p>Heather reported that the money incorrectly deposited by the bank to the Waikato Bays Club account had been deposited in our account</p> <p>Agreed to renew maturing term deposit with TSB</p> <p>Cheque a/c opening balance 31.08.13 \$2,135.91 closing balance 31.10.13 \$2,844.32</p> <p>Savings a/c opening balance 31.08.13 \$30,557.82 closing balance 31.10.13 \$25,676.61</p> <p>Income Sep-13 \$7,961.00 Oct-13 \$3,487.19</p> <p>Expenditure Sep-13 \$9,096.28 Oct-13 \$1,643.50</p> <p>Moved (Heather, Seconded Allan/Paula) that the financial report be accepted.</p>	
<b>Correspondence</b>	<p><b>From</b> NZB re Change of dates for WRC/Masterpoint Input Return Forms Link. AGM Annual Report/ 2015 Tournament schedule (Rona Driscoll) NZ Wide Pairs (Richard Solomon) Masterpoint update/ Bridge Teachers conference 2014/ New grandmasters/ Levy and Mpoint charges/ Board Meeting Minutes/ 2015 Tournament schedule (Rona). Re Wellington Congress 2014/2015/Directors Exams/ranking reports/ Levies and tournament charges/AGM and SGM Minutes/ Supplementary Information re IP trials/VP Scales/Board Nomination Forms/Next Masterpoint Update/Alan Barclay re Facebook/2014 Squads/ R Driscoll re 2015 tournaments/Napier Jubilee Tournament/ Babich Pairs winners/Alan Barclay re NZ Bridge online/Richard Solomon re Ips/ latest club directors/EOY Masterpoint run and ratings recalculations/ Wayne Burrows</p> <p>Alan Grant confirming renewal of website provision/ new regional website</p>	

<p><b>Matters arising</b></p>	<p>Martin Reid (thanks)  Otaki Bridge Club re change of tournament date  Andrew James re Aleksa's withdrawal from youth team</p> <p>SWBC re change of tournament date/financial assistance with advertising  Masterton Bridge Club re assistance with purchasing electronic bridge scorers  Wellington Bridge Club re change of date for Open in 2014  Bridge NZ November newsletter</p> <p><b>To</b> Karl Hayes re IPS  Wellington Regional Clubs re Teachers Day/ Date of Feb meeting/  Interclub(Tony)updated schedule and results  Members of youth team re IP expenses  Wellington and SW bridge Clubs re change of tournament dates for 2015.  Masterton Bridge Club – acknowledging letter</p> <p><b>Request from Masterton Bridge Club</b> - Allan has been informed that the Masterton Club has since received a grant for the purchase of bridge pads. The Committee decided that funds should be used for the purpose of bridge promotion rather than for items of capital expenditure. Joan to contact club's president.</p>	<p>Joan</p>
<p><b>General Business</b></p>	<p><b>NZ Wide pairs</b> – Seven of the twelve clubs in the region held this event. There was general agreement that clubs wanting to hold this event should be able to do so rather than just having the event alternating between the Hutt and Wellington as the main point is to get people playing bridge. Tony reported that the Kairangi Club divided their participants into three sections, based on bridge ability, with the winners of each section receiving a prize. So that scores remained valid for NZ Wide Babich Pairs, the three seeded sections were apportioned around the room and competed in one overall group purposes. This proved very popular.</p> <p><b>Substituting at Interclub</b> – It was suggested that each club should provide a list of club members available to play as substitutes to avoid the need for teams to find substitutes from outside the club or use subs with dual club membership who have already played interclub for another club during the same year. Tony will clarify the rules around substitutes.</p> <p><b>Teachers' Meeting</b> – The Committee confirmed that it would subsidise the cost of transport to the Teachers Conference in February to a maximum of \$150 per club. As return airfares were currently available below this amount, the onus is on attendees to book early. The Committee will also contribute up to \$50 to a club to assist it with advertising. It is hoped to advertise lessons in the region in local newspapers so Clubs and teachers will be asked for the dates of their lessons in 2014.</p> <p><b>2014 Wellington Congress</b> – This will be held over three days. Dinnie is to check the cost of A points with NZB and she, Heather and Tony will do some costing so that the Congress fee can be fixed and fliers prepared for early promotion of the event. The Wellington Clubrooms have already been booked.</p>	<p>Tony</p> <p>Joan</p> <p>Dinnie</p>

	<p><b>Christmas Cheers Tournament</b> – Apart from a glitch with the dealing, this event went well. The boards have all now been stickered and dealers will be asked to be more careful to avoid a recurrence of the problem. Positive comments were made about the catering.</p> <p><b>Issue from Wellington Congress</b> – An appeal lodged after the last board of the Congress had been played and when results were already being processed resulted in a change in the placegetters in the teams event. Prize money will be sent to the team members affected and NZB contacted re the allocation of A points.</p> <p><b>Knock Out Teams Cup</b> – This event initiated by Alan Grant and played in people's homes, has fallen into abeyance. The Committee felt it was worth resurrecting and will consider it further next year.</p> <p><b>IPs</b> - Several very positive comments have been received about the running of this event. The format for next year's trials was discussed as the feeling had been expressed that some of the best Wellington players did not play in this year's event. To get a less random result at the trials, the following ideas are under consideration: having longer matches, allowing only established partnerships to enter, stipulating the number of rating points a partnership needs to enter, using a mix of the results from the trials and partnership achievement in tournaments to determine who will represent the region, having each women's pair play each of the open and senior pairs.</p> <p>A book voucher will be sent to Anna Herries, the chef de mission in appreciation of the excellent job she did. Appreciation was also expressed to Heather for the great job she did in overseeing the IPs.</p> <p>The meeting closed at 4.20pm</p> <p><b>Next Meeting – 28 January 2014</b></p>	<p>Dinnie/Heather/ Tony</p> <p>Allan</p> <p>Heather Joan</p> <p>Joan</p> <p>Joan</p>

