



## MINUTES OF THE AUCKLAND/NORTHLAND REGIONAL COMMITTEE

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2016 at 10 am  
Royle Epsom Bridge Club  
16/16 St Stephens Avenue, Parnell

### PRESENT

Peter Bowyer (Chairman), Sue Brown, Tony Morcom, Angela Royle

### IN ATTENDANCE

Brian Ashwell

### APOLOGIES

Susan Humphries, Trevor Robb, Richard Solomon, Anthony Hopkins, Arie Geursen

### MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting held Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2015 had been circulated. The minutes were agreed and confirmed: Tony & Sue

### MATTERS ARISING

Any matters arising were tabled as items on the main agenda

### TREASURER'S REPORT

- Treasurer Susan emailed her report as she was unable to attend the meeting. ANRC account has a balance of \$17,082.62 as at 4<sup>th</sup> March 2016. Additional comments:
- At year end, it is anticipated there will be a \$2000 surplus
- Donation from Papatoetoe Club not fully utilised for the year end 2016
- Expenses to come: Dealing board invoice and Waiheke inter-club ferry grant
- The report was subsequently tabled and seconded Angela/Sue

### CORRESPONDENCE

Received & Approved:

Angela/Sue

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

#### REGIONAL CLUB TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP – Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2016

- As the Congress Committee has cancelled this tournament from 2016, ANRC will hold a similar tournament for clubs in the Auckland/Northland Region only
- Auckland Bridge Club to hold the event
- Flier to be designed and sent to all clubs SUE/ANGELA
- Papatoetoe Club has agreed the ANRC can use part of the 2015 donation to help subsidise the event
- Cost will be \$10 per person
- Teams to consist of four Open, four Intermediate and four Junior players
- More than one complete team can enter from any club
- A club can ask ONE other club to join them to make up a team or part team; there is NO restriction on the number of members of either club (as there was for the Congress event)

### **INTERCLUB**

- Friday dates for 2016: 18 Mar; 8 Apr; 20 May; 24 June; 15 July; 19 Aug; 9 Sep; 14 Oct; 11 Nov
- Franklin and Auckland yet to enter their teams. Follow up required. **TONY**

### **INTER-PROVINCIALS**

- This year's trial dates: Sat/Sun 14/15 May. These dates are for all Regions
- Flier to be emailed in March **ANGELA**
- 2016 finals will be in Dunedin the last weekend in November
- Auckland club kitchen staff to prepare afternoon tea **TONY**
- Morning tea each day **TONY/ANGELA**

### **EASTER CONGRESS**

- Auckland Club hosting
- Tony Morcom to represent the ANRC on the Match Committee. ABC to be advised **ANGELA**

### **RUBBER BRIDGE**

- As Regional rubber bridge organiser Trevor Robb was not at the meeting there was no discussion on the event

### **NATIONAL 15A SWISS PAIRS**

- Sat/Sun 18/19 June – Auckland Club to host

### **AUCKLAND/NORTHLAND REGIONAL PAIRS/TEAMS**

- Sat/Sun 23/24 July – Auckland Club to host

### **NORTH ISLAND PAIRS/TEAMS 2016**

- Teams – Wellington weekend 5<sup>th</sup> March
- Pairs – Hamilton weekend 6<sup>th</sup> August

### **YOUTH FUNDRAISING TOURNAMENT**

- Susan Humphries will not be organising an event as she is moving to Sydney early April 2016

### **REGIONAL MEETING**

- Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2016 at Orewa Club
- As per the latest NZB manual, clubs need to be given a minimum of 21 days notice of the meeting
- The May meeting will have a simple format. Meeting from 10 am to 12 noon followed by lunch and a friendly bridge tournament at 1 pm
- No charge for those attending
- Clubs to be advised of meeting **ANGELA**

### **NORTHLAND DIRECTING WORKSHOP**

- Sue Brown will check later this week to see if Northland clubs would like this to go ahead **SUE**

## **YOUTH BRIDGE**

Richard Solomon was unable to attend the meeting but emailed a report:

- There are good groups starting at Auckland Grammar, Macleans College and probably Bucklands Beach Intermediate with a smaller group at Pakuranga College
- There should be enough interest to run a Pairs School competition as well as the Auckland/Northland Teams competition later in the year
- Twice a month Sunday afternoon sessions depend on sufficient interest – sufficient being a minimum of three tables
- NZB holding a Youth Weekend in Christchurch in Auckland
- National Youth Teams in Hamilton the day before Congress starts
- The challenge is to get more schools involved and, to achieve this, enthusiastic teachers are needed to make it happen

## **TREASURER DEPARTS**

The ANRC's wonderful Treasurer Susan Humphries has resigned. Susan is moving to Sydney the beginning of April and will be very much missed by the ANRC and her family and friends. Over the years Susan has been a shining star in the world of bridge, in the world of youth bridge with her fundraising and support of the youth players; plus a great Treasurer for the ANRC...thank you so much Susan. Susan is heading away to Oz for a new adventure and we wish her much success and happiness.

## **NEW TREASURER**

Sue Brown has offered to take over the position of ANRC Treasurer. Sue will liaise with Susan and take over from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2016. **SUE**

## **AUCKLAND/NORTHLAND REGIONAL COMMITTEE VACANCY**

- With Susan Humphries leaving there is a vacancy on the committee. ANRC members have nominated Brian Ashwell to join the committee
- Clubs will be asked for any nominations **ANGELA**
- If no other person is nominated then Brian will become part of the committee and NZB will then be advised for final approval **ANGELA**
- If anyone else is nominated then there will be a ballot

## **COMMITTEE MEMBERS ON HOLIDAY**

Angela Royle is overseas from 23 March to 23 April

Sue Brown is overseas from 13 May to 17 June

Special thanks to Brian for bringing the yummy home-made blueberry muffins...delish.

**The meeting finished at 11.15 am**

**Next meeting of the Regional Committee – Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2016  
10 am at Royle Epsom Bridge Club**

Signed: Chairman:

Date: