



TOP OF THE SOUTH REGION

A Committee of New Zealand Bridge

Minutes of Meeting held on Saturday 8 October 2016
at Nelson BC at 10.30 am

Present: Rebcca Osborne (chair); Jenny Cooper; Helen Robinson;
Wayne Smith; Chris Marshall (Treasurer); Robin Young (Secretary)

Apologies: Phil Rutherford

Minutes: 14 August. Moved as a true and accurate record.
Jenny/Helen

Carried

Matters arising:

- Jenny Pomeroy has accepted the position of Regional PRO
- Howorth Cup date 2017; Kaikoura BC will host it on Sunday 21 May, following their 5A Pairs on Saturday.
- Region Wide Pairs: refer this to the regional conference for the clubs response..
- Tournament Task Force: Chris tabled his report on the meeting

Correspondence:

- NZ Bridge: minutes 14/7; agenda NZ AGM, general business AGM Hastings BC, general business AGM Christchurch BC
- Canterbury region: Anne Barrowclough report on governance/management; copy of letter to NZB re minutes 14/7
- Waikato/Bays Region: extract from minutes re NZB minutes 14/7
- Pub Charity: granting the full GST exclusive accommodation costs of the IP teams. Chris will contact the NZ Board regarding the allocation of the GST refund on this.

The inward correspondence was accepted.

A letter to be written to the Motueka BC, congratulating them on Bet Glengarry being the volunteer of the month, for September. **Rebecca**

Finance:

Chris tabled his Treasurer's report. The bank balance includes the Pub Charity grant

Recommended that the signing authorities be: Chris Marshall, Rebecca Osborne, Robin Young.

Moved that the Treasurer's report be accepted. Chris/Helen **Carried**

General Business:

1: NZB AGM

A verbal report was given on the NZ AGM held on September.

In conjunction with correspondence re motion 65/2016 passed at the NZB meeting on 14 July, and also the report from Anne Barrowclough, a discussion took place on this matter.

2: Committee Meetings:

The following stand-alone dates were agreed to:

- Friday 11 November 2016; before the 10A at Westport.
- TBA in May or June 2017; after knowing the date of the National Conference
- Sunday 15 October 2017.

In between these dates matters will be discussed by email; and ratified if necessary with brief meetings in conjunction with open tournaments.

3: Regional Conference:

It was decided to hold this in Kaikoura on Friday 19 May 2017 starting at 3pm – prior to the Kaikoura 5A Open and the Howorth Cup.

To encourage attendance the TOTS would be prepared to pay travel for one car per club.

Clubs to be asked what items they want on the agenda. **Rebecca**

4: Tournaments:

(a) TOTS 10A Pairs at Westport 12/13 November.

Director Murray Wiggins.

Wayne Smith: TOTS match committee member

Westport club member: TBA

Chris Marshall will send a spreadsheet for calculating A Points.

(b) S Island Teams at Nelson 11/12 February 2017

TOTS match committee member is Rebecca.

Director and Nelson member TBA

(c) Guidelines

Rebecca tabled draft guidelines for running tournaments:

15A and 20A national tournaments;

Howorth Cup regional open interclub;

Regional intermediate and junior interclub.

Members to bring forward any further suggestions to the next meeting.

(d) Sundry

There was the usual discussion on tournament dates.

There was a discussion on how to encourage tournament participation by Junior and Intermediate players

It was suggested that some clubs might consider holding restricted 8B tournaments, where open players could not play together.

At about 12.15 the meeting adjourned for lunch

5: Website:

Ed Roggeveen has offered to help set up a website and to run it.

Agreed to accept his offer as a website would aid in communication with clubs and help bring the region together.

The website would need to be user friendly; usable by mobiles, and kept up to date. A draft is to be presented to the Regional conference. Suggested contents were made, and committee members to work on various headings:-

Tournaments: notices; graded results; entries; IP teams; tournament guidelines; find a partner etc

Chris

Club Page: link to club websites; club newsletters; club details – officers, playing times etc

Helen

TOTS: policies; regional information; etc

Jenny

Committee: members and contacts; meeting dates; responsibilities; Recorder, name and contact; what the Recorder does; etc

Rebecca

Presentation: the look of the landing page etc (consult with Ed?)

Wayne

The meeting closed at 2.22pm