



**Canterbury Regional Committee of New Zealand Bridge Inc.**

**MINUTES OF THE CANTERBURY REGIONAL COMMITTEE MEETING**

held on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2017 at 5.15pm at 21 Nova Place, Chch.

**PRESENT** Laura Stephen (Chair), Janis Franc, Giles Hancock, Tony Biddington.

**APOLOGIES** Mary Buckland, Peter van Leeuwen

**MINUTES** Minutes from the previous meeting as circulated were confirmed by email CARRIED.

**CORRESPONDENCE** **April - Mid-June 2017**

NZ Bridge, Board minutes and newsletters

NZ Bridge - Board vacancies

NZ Bridge bulletin - Constitution Review

NZ Bridge - paperwork for National Conference - Strategic Plan, RBDs, etc

NZ Bridge - confirmation of Janis' nomination

NZ Bridge - March masterpoints reports and levy share returns

R.Driscoll - National Tournament Schedule 2018

NZ Bridge Foundation - query about funding activities

Club Survey for National Conference

Chch Bridge Club - Easter Congress, budget and prizes

Westende Jewellers - invoice for Easter trophy engraving

Canterbury IP Trials entries

BridgeNZ - IP Trials invoice for assistance

IP Trials - certificates and pens

IP Survey - queries, feedback

IP Finals Flights - bookings for reimbursement

IP Finals Accommodation - receipts for reimbursement from Pub Charity

2017 new Laws - discussion

2017 new Laws seminar in July - confirmation of time and venue

2017 new Laws seminar in July - email to affiliated and unaffiliated clubs

Akaroa Bridge Club - approval of Coaching Grant for Beginners Lessons  
 Diamond Harbour - approval of Coaching Grant for Beginners Lessons

Intermediate League - results, queries etc  
 Congress Sponsorship - entries and result  
 Rubber Bridge results, various  
 Darfield Bridge Club update of contact details

Card to H.Good's family

OpenHost invoice for website hosting

Tournament Flyers, various - forwarded to clubs and website  
 Tournament Results, various

### TREASURER'S REPORT

		<u>Withd</u> <u>ws</u>	<u>Depos</u> <u>its</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>00</u>	<u>Balance 25</u>	<u>Interest</u> <u>Income</u> <u>25</u>
	<b>Balance 31 March 2017</b>			<b>1025.81</b>	<b>17132.02</b>	
date						
11-Apr	T Biddington	30.00				
11-Apr	G Hancock NatConference flights	412.00				
28-Apr	Interest					3.29
	<b>Balance as at 29 April</b>			<b>1957.00</b>	<b>17135.31</b>	
3-May	Open Host website	96.60				
10-May	J Morris IP trial entry		90.00			
17-May	BridgeNZ 2004 Craig's computer IP tri	90.00				
22-May	F Temple IP travel					
22-May	DPI Ashburton IP pens	303.60				
22-May	M Johnstone IP Travel	372.00				
23-May	P Fenwick IP Travel	276.00				
26-May	L Steven IP certificates	58.88				
29-May	NZBridge coaching grant top up		194.00			
29-May	Levy share March 2017		869.00			
31-May	J Hazlehurst IP travel	276.00				
31-May	Interest					3.87
	<b>Balance as at 31 May</b>			<b>1384.92</b>	<b>17139.18</b>	

## **IP TRIALS FEEDBACK**

Our small survey of players leads us to conclude that the trials were well run and that the format is acceptable. We agreed to approach three people to review the format and formalise the number of boards given the number of entries - Laura to action. Boards - we agreed that the host club will be responsible for organising boards, on the request of the Director. Required events - before the 2018 trials we will consider requiring all Canterbury IP finalists to play in a minimum number of tournaments together as a pair. Laura to ask K.Wooles to help encourage the IP Team to play in upcoming events together.

## **MOTIONS :**

1. That Mary Buckland become a signatory to the BNZ cheque account. APPROVED.
2. That we ask the BNZ to change the address of our bank account to 15A Walnut Ave, Ashburton. APPROVED.
3. That we apply for Pub Charity funding for IP Finals accommodation. APPROVED.

## **REGIONAL BRIDGE DEVELOPMENT OFFICERS**

We are 'lukewarm' on the RBDO proposal. We will wait for Canterbury clubs to digest the proposal before making any commitments.

## **NEW 2017 LAWS**

All under control, seminar on July 22<sup>nd</sup> with M. Wiggins.

## **TOURNAMENTS**

Regional Swiss Pairs 5A, 16<sup>th</sup> July, Chch club, all under control.

National Swiss Pairs 15A, 2<sup>nd</sup> September, Chch club.

In hand. Encourage all the Canterbury IP Team to play in this event.

Prize for best pair under 350 combined Rating Points.

Interclub Teams, 20<sup>th</sup> August, Rangiora

Need to create a flyer - Giles. Need to liaise on board requirements - Tony.

Charity Pairs, December, Crockfords

Consider outside catering by Lions etc.

## **CRC EVENTS**

Further discussion on how we run CRC Regional tournaments, sponsorship, budgeting, collection of income, payment to host etc

We would like to have CRC tournaments as special events that clubs are keen to host.

## **METROPOLITAN 5A EVENT ?**

We agreed to progress the idea of running a 5A 'tournament' as three week-night sessions at different clubs (possibly Chch/Crockfords/Rangiora). This has been popular in the North Island, and wouldn't involve any extra time or costs.

Giles to follow up requirements before approaching clubs for 2018.

### **REGIONAL CONFERENCE 2017**

Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup> at Christchurch Bridge Club, Nova Place.

Need to send a reminder to clubs about this date, to keep it clear.

We have Jane Stearns booked in as our guest speaker in the morning (and now also as Board representative). We need to tighten up with Jane what topics she will be presenting, possibly a mixture of Retaining Beginners, Member Experience, Regional BDOs. Allow plenty of time for Questions and Answers.

We will invite Rangiora to present their experiences of building membership.

We need to firm up topics for discussion, including how tournaments are run, especially CRC events. We agreed to have more talk time, less presentations.

### **WOMEN'S LIFESTYLE EXPO**

October 1,2, Horncastle Arena, Christchurch.

We agreed in principal to share funding with Chch and Crockfords clubs for hiring a booth at this event. We have approached the NZ Bridge Foundation to sound out funding. As well as hiring the booth, we should jointly prepare some leaflets, or even fridge magnets for the keen people.

### **DIRECTORS**

We agreed in principal to help funding of our candidates for National Director, possibly paying the exam fee. We will assess interest in setting up a Facebook group for Canterbury Directors. We will gather more information on all the qualified directors in the region, contact details, experience, aspirations, etc.

Meeting Closed 6.50pm