

Minutes

Regional Committee Meeting held on: Sunday 29 October 2017 at Cambridge.

Present:

Rona Driscoll (Chair Person), Anna Kalma, Mike Neels, Ian Moore, Jan Spaans (Secretary/Treasurer).

Apologies: Jane Stearns, Clare Coles, Karen Martelletti, Alan Dormer.

Welcome

Rona welcomed all to the meeting.

Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting held on Friday 1 September 2017 were confirmed.

Jan/Rona.

Matters arising from previous meeting: Nil.

Correspondence In:

As distributed via email.

Correspondence Out:

Accountability Report to Pub Charity Ltd. Feedback since then is that we need to provide a tax invoice rather than a pro forma invoice.

Financial report:

Financial position per 30 Sep 2017

BNZ Cheque Account	\$7,375.51
BNZ Savings Account	\$8,945.75
Term Deposit with NZB	\$13,507.29
	<u>\$29,828.55</u>

Please note that the BNZ cheque account balance includes the Thames Festival account, from which the engraving bill has yet to be paid.

Term Deposit status: #14. \$7539.13 @ 3.15% P/A matures 16 June 2018

#06. \$5968.16 @ 3.00% P/A matures 29 January 2018

We earned \$58.29 over the last term of 120 days on 1 October on #6

Waikato Bays Regional Bridge Committee - Payments to be approved				
To	Date	Amount	Date approved	
OP Maultsaid Catering	15 Sept	\$240.00	29 Oct 2017	
Camb BC Directing/Dealing	15 Sept	\$180.00	29 Oct 2017	
Mark Thomson engraving	15 Sept	\$20.00	29 Oct 2017	
Lesley Chubb 3 x engraving	22 Sept	\$45.00	29 Oct 2017	
NZB Bay/WAPS Mpoints	14 Sept	\$154.56	29 Oct 2017	
Ian Moore Reg Conf Travel	29 Sept	\$70.00	29 Oct 2017	
J Spaans Reg Conf Travel	29 Sept	\$40.00	29 Oct 2017	
A Kalma Reg C Travel/Gifts	29 Sept	\$112.94	29 Oct 2017	
Matamata BC Reg Conf Cat	29 Sept	\$345.00	29 Oct 2017	
Pens-a Plenty Fest 2018	13 Oct	\$255.30	29 Oct 2017	
JSpaans Jnr League Prizes	13 Oct	\$240.00	29 Oct 2017	
NZB Reg Bridgemates	27 Oct	\$3,500.00	29 Oct 2017	
Jspaans IntmLeague Prizes	27 Oct	\$490.00	29 Oct 2017	
TOTAL		\$5,692.80		

That the financial report is accepted and that the payment totaling \$ 5692.80 be approved for payment.
Jan/Anna

Waikato Bays Regional Conference 25 September 2017

The summary/minutes were confirmed

Rona/Mike

We reflected on the fact that the NZ Bridge rules dictate that we must hold a Regional Conference each year, and we feel that once every two years is enough, specifically in the last year of the elected period. Also we feel, now the constitution is being reviewed, that the Board should have a look the role of the Regional Committees in general, given that there are now Regional Bridge Mates on the scene with what appears overlapping responsibilities.

Junior & Intermediate Leagues 2018

Due to another successful year, we continue with the leagues in 2018 under the same conditions and with the same prize money.

We do however express our concern about the fact that three Intermediate events are held in the time span of three weeks in July.

Waikato-Bays Junior Championship League: Result Summary

Club: Waikato Bays Bridge Association
Date: 2017-10-15

Top 10

Rank	Name	Club	Points	Sessions
1	Charlotte Jager	Te Aroha	38	6
2	Victor Kooter	Te Aroha	31	5
3	Eunice Eccles	Cambridge	21	6
4	Sue McKenzie	Cambridge	19	5
4	Susan Provan	Putaruru	19	6
4	Ross Provan	Putaruru	19	6
4	Malcolm Kirkby	Te Aroha	19	6
8	Sharon Barton	Taupo	16	6
9	Joe Brown	Mt Maunganui	13	5
10	Kim Chung	Taupo	12	4
10	Peter Daffurn	Te Aroha	12	6

Played in all Events

Rank	Name	Club
	Charlotte Jager	Te Aroha
	Eunice Eccles	Cambridge
	Susan Provan	Putaruru
	Ross Provan	Putaruru
	Malcolm Kirkby	Te Aroha
	Sharon Barton	Taupo
	Peter Daffurn	Te Aroha
	Christine Judd	Taupo
	Lauren Lehndorf	Taupo

Waikato-Bays Intermediate Championship League: Result Summary

Club: Waikato Bays Bridge Association
Date: 2017-10-29

Top 10

Rank	Name	Club	Points	Sessions
1	Mike Nicholson	Mt Maunganui	37	9
1	Carol Cullen	Mt Maunganui	37	9
3	Wendy Blackman	Rotorua	34	8
3	Elspeth Goodrick	Rotorua	34	8
5	Rochelle Van Heuven	Te Aroha	25	8
6	Tim Rigter	Te Aroha	24	7
7	Tracey Hoff	Hamilton	23	8
8	Nigel Gresson	Hamilton	21	7
9	Karen Thomson	Hamilton	19	6
9	Bren Birss	Mt Maunganui	19	5
9	Pamela Pedersen	Mt Maunganui	19	5
9	Mark Bendall	Rotorua	19	9
9	Leonie Pritchard	Rotorua	19	9

Played in all Events

Rank	Name	Club
	Mike Nicholson	Mt Maunganui
	Carol Cullen	Mt Maunganui
	Mark Bendall	Rotorua
	Leonie Pritchard	Rotorua

Congress Sponsorship 2018

We will once again sponsor a maximum of 4 players to play at Congress to the value of the Thursday to Saturday package. Players can self-nominate and clubs can nominate players. Conditions of nominations will be the same as 2017; these will be mailed out to the clubs and published on the WB website.

Other 2018 WB events

WB Novice Pairs	11 March 2018	Matamata
Rubber Ducky Day	8 April 2018	Putaruru
IP Trials	12 & 13 May 2018	Tauranga
Waikato Interclub Teams	24 June 2018	Hamilton
IB Thulin Bay Teams	29 July	Rotorua
WB Teams Grade Trophy Final	26 August	Cambridge
WB Regional Conference	23 September	Matamata

Tournament Schedule 2018

Rona confirmed that the 2018 tournament schedule is set in concrete.

Waikato Interclub Teams, Bay Teams, Grade Trophy Teams player eligibility

The policy manual has been updated to reflect that players may only represent one club per calendar year, which effectively means.

- Players may not play in both the Waikato Interclub Teams and the Bay Teams in the same calendar year.
- Players may not represent a different club for the WB Grade Trophy Finals than the one they played for in the Waikato or Bay Teams, unless they seek dispensation from the WB Regional Committee prior to the event.

2018 Regional Committee Elections

All committee members indicated they are happy to carry on serving the WB clubs. As we are one member short, we will do some shoulder tapping over the next few months to hopefully get to the point where an election is needed.

Director Seminar 2018

After a very successful 2017 version, we are looking at hosting another director seminar weekend in Cambridge and Rotorua early in the year.

WB Tournaments 2018

These will no longer be listed on the WB web site as the new NZB Tournament calendar tournament entry process is now fully functional.

Tournament Entry Procedure

The Waikato-Bays region has been noted for innovation and progress. Carrying this grand tradition forward, we're moving to a new model of streamlined tournament entry. With the exception of certain special events played at various centres - eg the **Babich NZ-Wide Simultaneous Pairs** - which may require entry on the host club websites, your committee encourages everyone, particularly Tournament Secretaries, to buy into the following strategy:

- Entries for **all** tournaments should now be made *on the NZ Bridge site*
- The attendees themselves are exhorted to make this effort: it's simpler than writing an e-mail and cheaper than making a phone call
- NB - *to make an entry you must first be logged in to the NZB site. To log in you must first register your e-mail address with NZB (a one-off)*
- Should entries be accepted off-line we ask that the Tournament Secretary take a moment to post them on the NZB site him/herself. It's not only quick and easy but also a spur to asking the attendees themselves to do it
- This means that **ALL** entries can be seen *in one place* on-line by *everyone*, particularly the Tournament Secretary (a single definitive exportable list), the Scorer (for purposes of creating a pre-entry file) and the Treasurer who can flag (very visibly) those who have paid upfront ... but not least by the entrants themselves giving rise to the policy:
- ***If your entry is not showing on-line then you're NOT entered in the tournament.***
- All WB tournament posters are to be available on this WB site - click the big blue button on the right to see our Virtual Noticeboard
- To close the loop we would very much appreciate clubs and Tournament Secretaries filing (Save As)-ing their posters in the **Dropbox/Waikato-Bays Clubs Info/Tournament Posters** folder to which all clubs have been invited - talk to WB Secretary if you need another invitation)

If we can get everyone, particularly all Tournament Secretaries, to buy into this policy our Region can take another step forward for Bridge in New Zealand whilst supporting the efforts of the Board in providing this facility.

Special Notes for Club Administrators in setting up their tournaments

The good news: - they're already set up. All you need do as a minimum is log in as administrator and tick the On-line Booking box.

Should club administrators still have difficulty, Mike Neels is available to assist.

Meeting dates in 2018

We continue to aim for meeting every second Friday of the month via Skype, with one face to face meeting in Cambridge coinciding with the last Intermediate League tournament of the year.

Meeting closed at 15:15 hrs.

Next meeting: Friday 9 February 2018 19:30 via Skype.

Minutes confirmed by

Name (*printed*): Rona Driscoll Role: Chairperson



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