

# WAIKATO BAYS REGIONAL COMMITTEE



**Minutes of Meeting WBRC 22 August 2023 held on Zoom  
at 4.30 pm**

Attendees: Alan, Hugh McAlister, Nick Saunders, Ella Gray, Greg Davenport, Kevin Whyte, Anna Kalma

**Apologies:** -

**Minutes of July meeting:** Approved

**Matters Arising:**

**Matters arising from previous meeting:**

- Tournament date confirmations – only one club still to complete
- Committee refresh and meeting dates have been finalised
- Waikato Interclub Teams - Cambridge BC will offer to assist Hamilton in 2024 either by running it at Hamilton or using two venues in Cambridge - Clare Coles and Ian Moore to facilitate. Finals have been held at Matamata – results to be published on WBays website. C points for finals participation are being organised.
- Meeting with Allan and Alister – no meeting needed as all matters have been resolved.
- Update on Director Support initiative – included in GB
- NI Pairs venue for 2024 – Alan has contacted Hamilton BC
- Only a review of the accounts is necessary – status of accounts is unknown at present time. Alan is waiting information from Mereana. Alan will pay Matamata BC for Inter-club finals and will be reimbursed when accounts are organised.

**Correspondence/Finance:** no approval of accounts or correspondence other than a change request for tournaments as the information was not available.

**Action:** Kevin to persevere

**General Business**

**Access to dropbox** – Mike will organise access for new members.

**Action:** Alan to contact Mike

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**Query re rescheduling of tournaments (Nick)** – the Bay Area Pairs was rescheduled to the same day as the Te Awamutu Intermediate Tournament without approval of WBays committee. Alan explained correct procedures, but noted the change application had not been sent to committee.

**Query re assistance to clubs for advertising lessons (Nick)** – Te Awamutu has had no response from their application for the grant – is usual payment is 50% of expenditure up to \$200?

**Actions:** Alan to check re-imbursement amount. Nick to arrange application to be resent. Alan to check with Mereana re information to be passed on to Ella

**Grants to attend Bridge Teachers Conference in Christchurch** – no allowance has been included in the 2023 business plan. Considered to be a club responsibility. Anna will send copy of plan to new committee members. WBays to organise a local session in 2024.

**Director's Support Initiative (Hugh)** - letter has been sent to all club secretaries requesting names and contacts of their Directors - has received 12 responses from 23 clubs. 50% of names received are accredited as directors with the majority of non-accredited ones not interested in becoming accredited. Discussion re best format to use for support and education ie emails, whatsapp, website based forum similar to existing one on NZB website? Queensland is holding an online Zoom Director's forum in mid October, all are welcome to join.

**Actions:** Hugh to send information re Australian forum to committee, to persevere and to let the committee know how we can assist in any way.

**Planning for Regional Club Conference** – this has been scheduled for 15 October in Matamata – do we need feedback from players re 2023 online bridge or has NZB collected that information.

**Action:** Alan to send newsletter to committee.

## Other Business

**2024 tournament schedule** is available on NZB website.

Allan to send details of secretary responsibilities to Ella



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Meeting ended 6pm

Signed:

*a. a. Duh*

Date:

*19/9/23*

