

NZBridge Otago/Southland Regional Committee

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MINUTES - Otago/Southland Regional Committee

10.30am, 8th November 2014, Balclutha Bridge Club, Balclutha

Present: James Coutts, (in Chair), Marilyn Jackson, Kaye Wilson, Joan Scarlett

Apologies: Kristen Collins, Frances Sheehy,
Apologies accepted: J. Scarlett/ K. Wilson

Confirmation of Minutes:

Copies of 13th September minutes were circulated prior to the meeting. Moved that the minutes as circulated, be confirmed. M. Jackson/ J. Scarlett

Matters Arising from minutes: Matters Arising were dealt with in General Business except

- James still to speak with Martijn re dealing of boards.
- James to contact Lindsay Gunn re number of boards dealt at labour weekend tournament.
- Arlene Schwartz has agreed to be Chef de Mission for Interprovincials. She has made contact with the teams.
- Travel subsidies still to be paid to Anne- Marie Rusell and Kay Shand. James to speak to Anne- Marie and Marilyn to contact Kay asking them to email committee requesting the travel subsidy. In future a form to be filled in at the trials.
- Website is working well.
- Tournament League closes on November 14. Extend closing date in the future.
- Youth reimbursement: Bronwyn Bouton has been paid. Applications close end of November.

Correspondence Inwards: - forwarded previously to members

- Tournament Schedule 2016: All trials for Interprovincial teams to be held on the same day ie May 14th
- Oamaru and Te Anau are swapping dates for 2015
- O/S Swiss Pairs 17th January have been moved to Invercargill. Review 2016 date for this event based on entries in 2015. Date may not be ideal because it is in the middle of Canberra Bridge. Agenda item for next meeting
- Regional Secretaries workshop, January 31, 2015, Wellington Marilyn is attending. NZ bridge paying for travel.
- Taieri has asked if their 5A tournament can be changed to 8B. Committee would like it to remain as 5A as there are not many A point tournaments in the region.

Correspondence Outwards:

Various as noted in Business

Financial Report:

Balances

Congress Acc: \$19.80

O/S: \$3325.91

On call: \$2539.99

Total Balance: \$5885.70

Accounts for Payment/Approval

Balclutha Club: \$100 for room hire for 2 meetings and \$100 reimbursement for Director

J.Scarlett: \$33.21 lunch expenses for meeting.

J. Scarlett: Meeting travel subsidy x2

Kay Shand: \$60, IP trials travel subsidy

Ann- Marie Russell: \$20, IP trials travel subsidy

Lindsay Gunn: \$448.20, card dealing and Director fee for Labour weekend tournament

Otago Bridge Club: standard room hire SI pairs and Labour weekend

K.Wilson, J. Coutts, K.Collins, F. Sheehy: Meeting travel subsidy

Moved accounts be paid: J.Coutts/K.Wilson carried

General Business:

- 1) Regional Conference: J.Scarlett tabled a programme and evaluation form for the conference. Regional Committee to be introduced and Strategic Plan outlined. Clubs to be asked what they would like from the Regional Committee. Committee members to chair sessions and report back in a general session at 2.30
- 2) Arlene Schwartz has checked travel arrangements of IP entrants. We would like a bye at the beginning of the tournament so that contestants can travel in the morning. Ask NZ Bridge (via Alister) why travel has to be done on specific days.
- 3) Provincial team/ pairs went well. Keep format for 2015 the same
- 4) O/S Swiss pairs – Invercargill hosting this, January 17th. Director Lindsay Gunn. Kaye to check if she will bring dealt boards with her and if she is happy to do the scoring. 9 for 9.30 start. Cost \$25-\$30. Bring own lunch. Add sponsors to poster. Entries through website.
- 5) Tournament Calendar 2015: Oamaru/Te Anau 16/23 May, date swop arranged. Alexandra Open B 14 March. Alex would like a date change. They have been informed that they either swop with Taieri or pick another date. Awaiting response. Balclutha Open B, 26 September, Congress is on then. Marillyn to contact them to pick another date.
- 6) Changes to website (John Shanks)
 - Swiss pairs (Jan17) to Invercargill
 - Oamaru/Te Anau date swop
 - Add SI pairs although not in region
 - East Otago, new secretary
 - Milton, new PO Box
 - O/S RC postal address 240 Centre St, Invercargill
 - Invercargill start times now 7.15 on Tuesdays
 - Add 2015 tournaments

Kaye to add email address to letterhead on minutes
- 7) Newsletter to clubs: advise tournament changes, tournament league and youth reimbursement closing dates

- 8) Rubber Bridge 2015: Kristen is organising this. Entries by March 31.
- 9) O/S congress 2015: James to approach possible Director.

Meeting closed at 1.25pm

Next Meeting: to be advised