

# **MINUTES OF THE AUCKLAND REGIONAL COMMITTEE**

**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2010 at 10.30 am  
at Royle Epsom Bridge Club**

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## **PRESENT**

Peter Bowyer (Chairman), Trevor Robb, Patrick Carter, Tony Morcom, Rosaleen Koch, Richard Solomon, Angela Royle

## **APOLOGIES**

Julie Atkinson, Graham Wakefield, Michael Ware

## **MINUTES**

The minutes of the previous meeting held Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2010 had been circulated.  
The minutes were agreed upon and confirmed: Rosaleen/Tony

## **MATTERS ARISING**

Any matters arising were tabled as items on the main agenda

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

- The Treasurer presented his report for 1<sup>st</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> Sept 2010 showing a balance of \$14,019.81.  
The report was tabled and seconded. Tony/Trevor

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

Received & Approved: Patrick/Trevor

All inward and outward correspondence was listed on the meeting agenda.

## **TOURNAMENTS**

### **CLUB TEAMS COMPETITION**

Mt Albert represented the Auckland Region at Congress and came 4<sup>th</sup>. For 2011 the date is Saturday 11 June

### **RUBBER BRIDGE**

- Following the success of Orewa club in gaining interest for the tournament from many of their members, in 2011 it is hoped that more clubs will have heats within their club. Trevor to prepare a draft of ideas that will be circulated to committee members and then to clubs.

**TREVOR**

### **NORTH ISLAND PAIRS**

Ian Berrington to be contacted and asked to take the trophy to Auckland Club. Angela will then collect it for engraving

**ANGELA**

### **MAIN CENTRE PAIRS & TEAMS**

2011 Auckland to host

2012 Northland to host

2013 Franklin to be asked to host

**TREVOR**

## **INTER-PROVINCIAL TRIALS**

- Auckland Region won the event for the second year in a row
- The Dougal McLean trophy is to be engraved **ANGELA**
- There was much discussion on this event especially regarding the Bye situation. Richard Solomon advised there is a debrief meeting shortly and was asked to put forward the suggestion of three-way matches instead of Byes
- There was also discussion on the selection process and it was agreed that the current trials would continue
- It was noticed from some of the NPC reports that several of the players were unable to find time to practise before the event. The committee felt this was detrimental to their team as it is an important part of being an IP team member
- It was decided that when the congratulations letter is sent to the winners after the trials, mention should be made in the letter that in 2011 they have three months to organise as many practice sessions as possible
- It was suggested that a Chef de Mission be appointed from the five NPCs so there is an opportunity for the captains to discuss, if they wish, any issues regarding play or the players. Once the NPCs are appointed the ARC will ask one of the captains to be the Chef de Mission
- Trial dates for 2011 are:
  - March 26/27 - Open & Intermediate
  - April 2/3 - Women's & Seniors

## **2011 EASTER TOURNAMENTS**

- The tournaments will be held at Auckland Bridge Club:
  - A flier will be sent out end of February **ANGELA**
  - Easter Saturday 23 April – 3A Open & 5B Intermediate
  - Easter Sunday 24 April – 10A Teams
  - Easter Monday & Anzac Day – Auckland club will hold their regular Anzac Day 8B Open Pairs
  - There will be no Seniors event over the Easter period in 2011

## **2011 SENIORS TOURNAMENT**

- Currently there is no tournament planned in 2011 for Seniors

## **COUNTRY OF ORIGIN TOURNAMENT**

- A new 5A Teams event to be held on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2011
- More information to come

## **NEW ZEALAND-WIDE PAIRS – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> November**

- The following clubs have confirmed they will be involved: North Shore, Howick, Franklin, Waiheke, Hibiscus Coast, Warkworth, Dargaville and Auckland
- Any clubs not mentioned above who wish to be involved should contact Richard Solomon immediately – Email: rksolomon@xtra.co.nz

## **DEALING MACHINE**

Tony advised he was having major problems with the dealing machine and after speaking with Martin Oyston who has serviced it many times over the last year, Martin said it was beyond guaranteed repair. A quote will be obtained for a new machine. It was agreed that Angela, the Auckland Regional Committee Secretary, would apply to Pub Charities to see if they are able to sponsor a new one. A motion was proposed to this effect – proposed by Chairman Peter, seconded by Treasurer Tony. Action: **ANGELA**

## **YOUTH BRIDGE**

Nothing to report

## **GENERAL BUSINESS**

### **50+ EXPO – 8/10 October 2010**

- Richard advised there were more people attending this year than last year and it was good publicity for the game and the clubs
- There was interest in the game but it is hard to tell how many future players may appear from the exposure of bridge at the Expo

### **INTERMEDIATE/JUNIOR TOURNAMENT LADDER**

After much discussion it was decided not to proceed

### **JOINT INTERMEDIATE LESSONS WITHIN THE AUCKLAND CLUBS**

Julie Atkinson to be contacted for thoughts on this and whether her current coaching sessions could be extended so that other clubs can attend

**ANGELA**

### **NORTHLAND REPRESENTATIVES ON THE COMMITTEE**

Patsy Walters mentioned at Congress that two Northland players, Ian Bond and Lynette Morgan, would be interested in being part of the ARC. Currently the committee is at its maximum but they would be most welcome to attend any of the ARC meetings and, if travelling together, would be given an allowance of \$50. Patsy to be advised of this.

**ANGELA**

### **TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS**

There was discussion regarding the lack of Tournament Directors in Northland. No solution was reached.

### **ADVERTISING OF LESSONS**

By way of these minutes, clubs are reminded they can claim 50% of any lesson advertising costs with a maximum claim of \$150 in each calendar year. All claims must be accompanied by receipts.

### **DEPARTING FOR THE SOUTH**

Tony advised that Neal Phillips is returning to Christchurch. Over the years Neal has provided invaluable assistance to the ARC, and the former Auckland Centre, and it was decided that a thank you present should be bought

**ANGELA**

The meeting finished at 12 noon

**Next meeting of the Regional Committee Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2011 at 10.30 am  
Royle Epsom Bridge Club**

Signed: CHAIRMAN: Peter Bowyer

Date: