



New Zealand Bridge

Meeting held 14th February 2010 at St Johns Rooms, Matamata 10.00am

Present

Karen Martelletti, Allan Barclay, Lois Smith, Max Lewis, Jenny Millington, Rosemary Ritchie

Apologies

None

(1) Previous Minutes

Allan pointed out that he was at the previous meeting.

- * Jenny still to follow up the Cambridge schools with a view to establishing bridge in schools
- * Jenny to establish youth bridge register

Previous Minutes approved Millington/Lewis

(2) Previous Action List

Was not done with the previous minutes

(3) Correspondence

List of correspondence distributed. All email correspondence had forwarded to the committee.

Jenny requested that if a discussion follows on from another topic to change the subject title to the topic being discussed

Correspondence Approved
Martelletti /Ritchie

(4) Finance Report

Cheque Account \$679.90
On call account \$12,469.33

NZ bridge are able to get a higher interest rate on deposits \$100,000 and over and they have advised If clubs want they can forward an amount to NZ Bridge to deposit on their behalf. NZ Bridge will top up to \$100,000 to achieve the higher rate of interest.

It was agreed the Waikato Bays Region will invest \$10,000 under this scheme.

Lewis /Ritchie

Max to organize with NZ Bridge
 Payment to Patrick and Julie approved

(5) Items from Regional Conference

Max had distributed and outline of the topics discussed at the Regional Conference. Major items are listed on the minutes.

There was some mention about the cost of Master points to the regions and is it being recouped in the entry fees.

* Max to check how much the masterpoints cost our region each year.

(6) Election of Regional Committee

The biennial meeting of delegates as per 16.6 of the NZ Bridge constitution is set down for 25 April 2010 Nomination forms to be sent out to all the clubs and all nominations to be in by 1 April 2010. If more than 6 nominations are received an election by ballot as per Rule 10.6 will be held at the meeting on 25 April.

Jenny to send out notification and forms

(7) Rubber Bridge

A different format this year. The Waikato Bays Region will be divided into 4 areas and the initial qualifying rounds will be decided among these areas, then the 4 successful pairs will play off to obtain a winner. All games are knock out.

Entries to be in by 31 March
Initial rounds to completed 7th April – 31st July
Semi Final to be completed by 1st August
Final to be decided by 31st August.

Cost \$5 per player

Proposed Prize money (to be confirmed after entries are in)

Initial Round winners \$50 each
Semi Final winners \$50 each
Winning Pair \$100 each

(8) Recorder

That clubs are notified there is a recorder and the purpose of a recorder

* Jenny to advise

(9) Calendar of Regional Tournaments

Allan talked about an opportunity, now that NZ Bridge intends to set tournaments 2 years in advance, to have printed calendars with the next years tournaments.

Allan to follow up

(10) Junior Jones Day Out

To be held on 11th April and will be a different format to the other JDO's.

Flyers have been sent out and clubs need to be encouraged to send their junior players.

There will be a 'celebrity guest'

(11) Targetting over 50's

Lois advised the Rotorua Council is advertising sports/events targeting the over 50's.

Allan said he would check with the Hamilton Council

(12) Strive for Excellence

Allan has obtained a list of mentors prepared to help with Strive for Excellence partnerships. A list of mentors with contact details and BDO sign on is going on the WB website.

(13) Membership Drive

The ad paid by the Waikato Bays region has gone into the Country news this week.

Max to send a copy to NZ Bridge.

(14) Sport Waikato

The committee endorsed Allan's request to contact Sport Waikato to see if they could provide assistance in any way to promoting the game of bridge.

* Allan to follow up

(15) Meeting Dates

Next Meetings

4th April at Matamata

IP format to be discussed

25th April at Hamilton (if required)

Vote by clubs for Regional Committee

15th May at Matamata

The Day if the Bridge to the Future

Allan to send out notices

Sunday 20th June

Tournament schedule

(16) Website

Max to check that expired tournaments are taken off

(16) General Business

We should ensure that the Waikato Bays region has a presence at Regional Tournaments and that we should mention regional tournaments at Waikato Bays tournaments.

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* Waikato Bays Action List

	Item	Action	Name	Completed By
1	Bridge in Schools	Make contact with Cambridge players	Jenny	Ongoing
2	Youth Register	Jenny to establish one or the Waikato Bays Region	Jenny	31 March
3	Finance	Term deposit with NZ Bridge	Max	
4	Masterpoints	Max to check how much the Waikato bays Region pays in Masterpoints each year	Max	
5	Election	Send out notification and nomination forms for regional elections	Jenny	19 Feb
6	Recorder	Jenny to advise who is and the role of recorder	Jenny	28 Feb
7	Calendar	Allan to look at printing a calendar with regional tournaments	Allan	ongoing
8	Membership Drive	Send a copy of the country news ad to NZ Bridge	Max	
9	Sport Waikato	Allan to follow up contacts	Allan	31 March

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