



**MINUTES OF NEW ZEALAND CONTRACT BRIDGE ASSOCIATION
MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
Held at the Christchurch Bridge Club Christchurch
At 5.30 pm on Friday 22 June 2007**

PRESENT Alister Stuck (Chair), Karen Cumpstone, Kay Nicholas, Susan Edwards, Arie Geursen, Tony Lenart, Arleen Schwartz, Norm Silcock, Richard Solomon, Noel Woodhall and Trish Scott

APOLOGY Murat Genc Moved Arleen Schwartz Seconded Kay Nicholas **CARRIED**

MINUTES Minutes from the meeting held 27 April were accepted and confirmed as a correct record
Proposed Arleen Schwartz Seconded Karen Cumpstone **CARRIED**

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Brochures	Funding not available
Draft Constitution	Workshop held 26 May – on Agenda
Sponsorship	On Agenda
Ethics DVD	Has been circulated to Clubs
Discount Tourn. Results	Early discount still applies for early return of complete tournament results
Levy/Membership	Date for cut off of membership / levy invoices was considered as part of Constitution Review during consultation with the Centres - 31 March not considered workable – 31 October was the latest date possible and provided for within the constitution draft.
Scoring Programme	On Agenda
Electronic Banking	Has been investigated
World Mind Games	Followed up regarding accommodation and travel support – not yet able to confirm but will keep under review. Thank you to Richard for his efforts.
Jean Peche Award	Award given to Susan Humphries
Bridge Teachers Assn	Follow up is ongoing

CORRESPONDENCE

MOTION that the large volume of inwards and outwards correspondence as tabled be accepted
Proposed Kay Nicholas Seconded Karen Cumpstone **CARRIED**

SUB COMMITTEE REPORTS

Services Richard spoke to the report circulated prior to the meeting.
Sponsorship Dorchester agreement signed on 11 June 2007 for one year to 7 June 2008. Discussion regarding conditions contained in agreement –

information to go out in Newsletter and will be contained in NZ Bridge Magazine.

Youth Weekend 13 – 15 July 25 Enrolled

Schools Bridge Attempts being made to commence in Hastings school

NZ Wide Pairs 51 Clubs participating

Research Proposal Further discussion regarding proposal /request for funding previously supported but which has been clarified as a request from NZCBA and not the researcher – Alister following up the possible ramifications for NZCBA.

NZ Bridge Magazine Has run at a financial book loss (timing issue regarding funding)

Funding Request from Otago to support international youth players and from Cromwell for financial assistance to run bridge lessons – referred to Services Committee

Administration

Rating Points The wording in the manual is not correct and will be amended for the next printing. Wording on the web will be amended to:

MOTION Players rating points are calculated as follows: Previous rating points x 0.8 plus the total A & B points earned in the immediate past year :

Example	Previous	80
	Less 20%	- <u>16</u>
		64
Plus	Last year's	
	Total A & B	<u>20</u>
	New Rating Points	<u>84</u>

Proposed Noel Woodhall Seconded Kay Nicholas

CARRIED

Administration Sub Committee recommendation that as from this year the rating points be calculated to 31 December not 1 October as current. Clarification required regarding any ramifications within the masterpoint programme

Tournaments Approach made by Wellington Centre for: Congress 9 – 13 July to include Youth Interprovincials. Meeting did not support Youth Interprovincials being split from IPs: Request from Wellington Centre for 5A Interclub Teams event for 2008; not supported on the grounds that this tournament would not be open to all players. Continuation of Poppy Roberts 5A and Suzanne Duncan 5A tournaments supported. Wellington Centre to be advised

Tournament Schedule Christchurch Club not available to host South Island Teams in 2008 – Otago could do but also due to run South Island Pairs – discussion regarding venues within Canterbury capable of running – Kay to follow up possibility of swapping. Waikato looking to run mini congress – shift the Provincial pairs from 19 – 20 April to incorporate into Congress – Kay to advise support for this.

Ranking All overseas players are considered Open, if now resident in New Zealand must provide proof that their ranking is below Open - the NZCBA programme ranks as 'junior' any new player – this is an anomaly.

Registered Office – Address needs amendment

MOTION That the registered office of the NZCBA be amended from 7 Armstrong Avenue, Carterton, to 56B Mahars Road, Christchurch within the Societies Register before 26 June 2007.

Moved Karen Cumpstone Seconded Susan Edwards

CARRIED

Scoring Programme Request from non-affiliated club to purchase scoring programme – to be advised not able to assist at the moment but a possibility in the future.

6.1 now available as a ‘patch’ download from the web. Clubs still experiencing problems after downloading the patch are to be advised to download 5.8 which will be put on web for downloading. NZCBA now has source code and looking at options for the future development with a way forward to be achieved within month or so.

Finance

“Actuals to budget” year to date be provided at each meeting
Accounts currently with the Auditor. Discussion regarding investment opportunities – Noel following up current rates which are available.

Zone 7 Fees Discussion regarding what was understood to be the fees around the Zone 7 tournament

MOTION That a sum of \$3,000 be paid to cover costs of the teams attending Zone 7 tournament as agreed in previous correspondence with Zone 7

Proposed Arie Geursen Seconded Tony Lenart

CARRIED

MOTION that payments as shown in the schedule be ratified

Proposed Tony Lenart Seconded Kay Nicholas

CARRIED

Charities Trust – Registration process to be achieved before 1 July 2008. Any organisation not registered will be treated as IRD taxable. Currently NZCBA exempt. Possibility of group registration. Requirement to follow up Charities Commission following review of Constitution.

Thank you to Tony for his work with Jardines who have increased the sponsorship for Congress.

Regulations

Baden Wilson – this competition relates to masterpoints awarded within New Zealand. Any A’s earned in Australia which are credited to a player’s total will be deducted at the conclusion of the competition. This information to be included on the monthly web update.

Congress

This year, and likely three out of every four years, there may be a conflict with major WBF tournament and our Congress. This is because the WBF now seem to be scheduling these around the same time in September. Will be discussed further by the Congress Sub Committee.

Australia/New Zealand Youth Support from the Management Committee for opportunity at some stage during the Congress for competition between Australian and New Zealand youth teams – to be organised with the Congress Sub Committee. The NZCBA will offer again this year up to 8 free entries to Australian Youth attending our Congress – this is reciprocal for New Zealand Youth to Canberra competition.

Richard to clarify whether the Australian policy of 50% reduction in fees for their youth applies to New Zealand youth playing in Australia as well.

Masterpoint Charges

