



Minutes of the CD Regional Committee

Meeting held on 1 November 2013 at 7.30pm in
Palmerston North

Present: D. Nightingale, A. Doddridge, E. Hurley, B. Green, D. Mackay
and on skype J. Bennett. and V. Gardiner

Minutes moved by Jean Bennett and Alan Doddridge that the minutes
of the 16 August be accepted. Carried

Matters Arising: A further letter to the Hawkes Bay Congress
Committee to be sent as no response received to date from the letter
sent previously. There is a need to have further communication due to
the response the committee received from NZ Bridge
Napier hosting the Zelda Morris tournament on behalf of the region no
contact yet made by them with the regional delegate.
Wanganui to be asked for feedback and financial details re their
hosting of the Fullarton Teams in August.

Secretary: The question of how to grow youth bridge in the region
needs to be discussed and the committee would appreciate ideas and
suggestions on this matter. The region was unable to field a team in
the Youth Inter Provincial competition, although provision was made
for one youth player from Wanganui to participate in this event.

All clubs in the region were asked for information about when they
hold their bridge sessions and lessons. Only 6 clubs from 18 in the
region replied. Clubs of a reasonable size run both daytime and
evening bridge sessions yet most ran only evening lessons. Levin
manages to hold more daytime lessons than evening ones and
acknowledges that without daytime lessons in recent years their
membership would be down by 40. An approach some
other clubs may wish to consider.

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Clubs who have already asked for assistance re Christchurch Teachers Conference to be contacted asking for costings re travel.

Certificate for regional representatives approved. Also a decision made on the trophies for the highest achieving Intermediate and Junior players in the regions Intermediate and Junior Tournaments

Correspondence In: From NZBridge:

- Teachers Training course to be held 1 /2 February 2014. The committee has decided that it will assist with travel for up to 5 teachers to go from the region on a pro rata basis. \$ 1 000 has been allocate to this endeavour. Clubs who are interested should contact the Secretary with a costing for air travel. It will be on the first 5 to apply and only one application from a club will be accepted. Clubs who miss out this year can still send their own representative if they wish. As this event was held in 2013 it would appear that it is likely to become an annual event. Those who receive financial assistance from the regional committee will be asked to supply a short report about what they learnt and found most useful over the weekend.
- The change in the Levies to NZ Bridge. The NZ Bridge levy is now \$20 plus GST. This commences on the 1 April 2014 and clubs will be billed quarterly for this instead of yearly as was done previously. The regional committee suggests that clubs show their club subscriptions this way: club membership \$xx plus the NZ Bridge levy as $\$20 + \text{GST} = \23 , total membership subscription is $\$xx + \$23 = xxx$
- There has been an increase in masterpoint cost for tournaments. These costs have doubled refer to 15 October bulletin
- Nominations for the Board of NZ Bridge and Chairperson close early in February 2014
- New VP Scales come into play as of the 1 November, refer 1 November bulletin

Request for tournament changes from New Plymouth, Feilding, Wanganui and Taradale

Hokowhitu BC coaching evaluation report

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Information on the planning of IP in Wellington Nov/Dec 2013

Correspondence Out:

Request for feedback from clubs re playing sessions and lessons.

Wellington Bridge Club Zero Policy circulated.

Asking for IP team captains

Colin Carryer re IP

Congratulations to Peter and Julia Watson re success at National Congress

To Richard re parking at the Kingsgate

Correspondence received and outward approved moved Evelyn Hurley and seconded Jean Bennett.

Finance: Bank balance as at 31/10/2013, 000 Act. \$7 380.06 and 025 Act. \$9 760.26

Moved Evelyn Hurley and Bryan Green that the following cheques be ratified, carried. Payment Travel to D. Nightingale \$74 and travel and broadband expenses to D. Mackay \$100

Alan Doddridge moved seconded by Bryan Green that the following expenses be met. The regional representatives at the IP to be paid the travel subsidy supplied by NZ Bridge plus an accommodation allowance, paid by the regional committee, equal to \$230 if sharing and \$260 if using single accommodation. A list of cheques issued will be supplied at the next meeting. To meet travel, accommodation and expenses \$625 was allocated to the Chef de Mission Moved Bryan Green seconded Alan Doddridge carried with Val Gardiner abstaining

Inter Provincial

IPs The regional committee is delighted to appoint Colin Carryer as Chef de Mission for the IP.

Richard has been asked if the parking scenario has been sorted out at Kingsgate

Youth Players: Need to increase membership in this area.

Tournaments: Requests for changes were approved and will be sent on to NZ Bridge for approval. The secretary to monitor the number of tournaments held by clubs in the region.

Regional Tournaments

The flyer for these events should go on to the regional website. These can be sent to Alan Doddridge, Gerry.Atric@xtra.co.nz

Clubs hosting regional events should note that the following have been appointed as the regional representatives for 2014 tournaments. Clubs should make contact with these nominated people in the early stages of planning the event. More precise guidelines for hosting events will be sent to clubs shortly.

The regional committee's representatives for 2014 will be:

Taranaki Congress—Don Nightingale

North Island Teams—Evelyn Hurley

Hawkes Bay Congress—Alan Doddridge

Fullarton Teams—Jean Bennett

Zelda Morris—Evelyn Hurley

This list with the updated guidelines will be put on the website.

Rubber Bridge

The information for 2014 to be sent out shortly. Clubs are encouraged to have their members participate in this event and if you would like further information or assistance about this competition please contact the regional secretary. This information will also be on the website.

Other Business

Don presented his report from the regional meeting where the emphasis was on the financial state of NZ Bridge. The decision was made to increase the NZ bridge levy and the double the cost of tournament points. Retention of members was discussed and a survey to come to the regions and will be collated.

Evelyn to be the regions representative to the next regional meeting in Christchurch 6 February 2014

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Letters to be sent to Pam Livingston and Scott and Debbie Smith

Price to be obtained for re-silvering the Fullarton Cup.

Meeting ended 9.20pm

Next meeting 7 February 2014 in P.N.

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