





Minutes

Regional Committee Meeting held on: Friday 17 March 2017 19:30 via Skype.

Present:

Rona Driscoll (Chair Person), Michael Neels, Ian Moore, Jan Spaans (Secretary/Treasurer), Karen Martelletti.

Apologies: Anna Kalma.

Welcome

Rona welcomed all to the meeting.

Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting held on Friday 10 February 2017 were confirmed.

Rona/Jan.

Matters arising from previous meeting:

- Sponsorship of Language Bridge Books for immigrants Jane Stearns initiative. Mike reported some encouraging feedback. Three of the attendees had already played bridge in their country of origin, Cambridge lessons are likely to increase by six from the immigrants group.
- Anna has organized a good speaker for the Regional Conference, which will have a teacher focus this year.
- Regional financial support for tournaments policy is fine tuned.
- Radio advertising is in progress.
- TWITs is going ahead from 24 March with 5 to 8 teams competing in each grade at Hamilton Bridge Club.
- Congress Sponsorship We are sponsoring 4 WB club members to Congress 2017 for the Thursday to Saturday package. There are two categories: 1. Self-nominations (2) and 2. Club nominations (2).

Correspondence In:

As distributed amongst the committee.

Correspondence Out:

Email to Jane, advising of WBRC supporting book printing.

Financial report:

Financial position per 28 February 2017

BNZ Cheque Account	\$5,161.29
BNZ Savings Account	\$8,936.39
Term Deposit with NZB	\$13,153.97
	\$27,251.65

Please note that the cheque account balance includes the Thames Festival account, from which the engraving and Masterpoints bills have yet to be paid.

Term Deposit status:	#1. \$7301.82 @ 3.25% P/A matures 16 June 2017
	#2. \$5852.15 @ 3.00% P/A matures 3 June 2017

Waikato Bays Regional Bridge	Comr	nittee	e - Payme	nts	to be approved
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J Stearns Booklets	17	Feb	\$240.5	8	17 Mar 2017
C Crowfoot Fest Liquor bal	17	Feb	\$56.7	5	17 Mar 2017
Thames Corom DC Hall	17	Feb	\$600.0	0	17 Mar 2017
J Spaans Web Site	24	Feb	\$333.6	7	17 Mar 2017
Allan Joseph Dir Seminars	24	Feb	\$800.0	0	17 Mar 2017
R Driscoll Dir Sem Travel	10	Mar	\$82.0	0	17 Mar 2017
Camb Br Club Catering	10	Mar	\$112.0	0	17 Mar 2017
TOTAL			\$2,225.0	0	

That the financial report is accepted and that the payment totaling \$2225.00 be approved for payment. Jan/Mike

WB Equipment

Asset Register to be updated with Boards and Cards. Equipment is primarily for use by Jane Stearns, though clubs may have access at times by contacting the WB.

Grant Applications

Some clubs have been successful several times with grant applications. WB to collate some examples for clubs to work with. Will sit on website when completed.

2017 Novice Pairs

Attracted 7 tables with enthusiastic players, particularly about the Howell movement, as "they played everybody". Winners were Hanna Frischknecht and Malcolm Kirkby who will receive a free entry to the 2017 Congress Novice Pairs.

IPs – Intermediates

It was noted that the IP trials fall very close to a few tournaments in the Intermediate League. Something to be looked at for 2018 planning.

Assistance to clubs for tournaments

Policy agreed for inclusion in manual

Meeting closed at 20:08 hrs.

Next meeting: Friday 7 April 2017 19:30 via Skype.

Minutes confirmed	by	
Name (<i>printed</i>):	Rona Driscoll	Role: Chairpersor

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