

MINUTES OF THE AUCKLAND/NORTHLAND REGIONAL COMMITTEE

**Sunday, September 10th 2017, 10.30am
Auckland Bridge Club**

PRESENT

Sue Brown (Chair), Tony Morcom, Bianca van Rangelrooy, Trevor Robb, Neil Beckett

WELCOME

Allan Morris

APOLOGIES

Richard Solomon

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting, held on, Sunday have been circulated

The minutes were agreed and confirmed,

MATTERS ARISING

Helene has resigned; Sue moved it be adopted, approved Tony and Trevor.

Signatory issues, adding Neil, as a signatory for ANRC, still in process

Neil: correspondence between various members of NZ Bridge committee and the bridge community to be sorted, finding it generalized and misdirected

Allan Morris gave answer, a better scenario than a the lack of communication in the past

Neil talked with Clare about NZ Bridge Strategy, finding the document a hard read

Neil: Master points review required

Allan: Master points review has been pushed back to 2019, a new grading system will happen prior

Tony: is it possible to have a restricted grade like Australia

Neil: Social media needs to be improved and the appropriate technology used,

To grow the game

We need to go out to remote locations

ANRC Chair would like amended minutes to go out, after the following ANRC meeting not before.

CORRESPONDENCE

Inwards

ANRC Secretary to forward all correspondence from NZ Bridge secretary to Committee

Outwards

Chairs newsletter to clubs

Financials

Youth subs for congress amended

Loss end of August \$1800

Financials review seconded by Trevor and adopted by Sue

Out goings

ANRC believes that there is some urgency required regarding regrading

Email to be sent to the Secretary of NZ Bridge stating this concern

General Business

Allan Morris:

NZ Bridge initiatives

- 1) Master points 5th September
- 2) Decision to proceed with Bridge Mates
- 3) Consultation document

Neil Suggested an application be developed to allow alternative access to NZ Bridge

Site via iPad, Android and iPhone

Sue checked out the new Master points website, noted each club has 1 administrator

The Bridge Mate scheme will be funded through Regional and National reserves

ANRC will cover mileage, plus a yearly grant

What is the committees view on the definition of "help" suggested for the Regional clubs, on Jane Stearns list?

Sue: help should not be foisted upon a club

Allan: talked of Janes approach, the value of the initiative, with funding coming from the larger clubs, also stated "They too have troubles"

Sue: to write a Newsletter suggesting clubs take on the Bridge Mates initiative

Allan asked "how can the ANRC assist NZ Bridge as a Regional entity?"

NZ Bridge has Jane Stearns revitalization initiative and Richard Solomon's more broad based approach in growing the game of Bridge

Regional Conference; potential Topics; Growing Bridge in changing times,

Taking the game to places in a time of changing demographic

Potential date for Regional conference, sometime in February

Communication has not been effective through club secretaries

It was moved Neil to take over the ANRC Website and Sue to communicate to Helene, seconded by Trevor

Send out a message, is anyone interested in joining the ANR Committee, a vacancy has arisen

Tournaments

Discussion about Inter Provincials

Sue as acting Treasurer drew the winners of the "First time in attendance Congress scholarship

Directors Seminar; to be held, prior to the October exam, Julie Atkinson to be asked to lead

Marketing

The meeting finished at 11.30 am

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Next meeting of the ANRC, Sunday, 19th November, 10.30 am, Auckland Bridge Club

Signed: Chair:

Date: