

TOP OF THE SOUTH REGION

A Committee of New Zealand Bridge

Minutes of Meeting held on 27 January 2018 at Bridge Room Clubs of Marlborough Blenheim at 6.10pm

Present: Chris Marshall (chair); Helen Robinson; Wayne Smith

Robin Young (Secretary)

Apologies: Jenny Cooper; Pam Whitehead Sustained

Minutes: 17 November 2017 Sustained

Matters arising:

- 2018 10A Teams: the maximum of 22 teams. Noted that there was no non-playing scorer.

 Nesting Pairs: This is being run by Jane Stearns and the Cambridge club. Starting in March; more information will come.
 Westport may take part.

Correspondence:

- NZ Bridge: minutes 17 Nov; 2018 Dan Gifford Rubber Bridge; approval for TOTS committee changes; IP survey request
- Jane Stearns: Intermediate IP trials
- Ed Roggeveen; offer for Tournament directing, including Interclub
- C de M: IP report

Out:

- NZ Bridge: re Rebecca Osborne's resignation
- Rebecca Osbourne

General Business:

1: 2018 Rubber Bridge: entry notice approved for sending to clubs.

Chris will provide rubber tactics etc from Waikato/Bays to be sent out with the notice.

Chris

2: 2018 IP Trials: The IP venue this year is Auckland. Ask Bev Gay if she is willing to direct. Discussion on the Intermediate trials, with lack of entries and clash with the Interclub the following weekend. Should it be over one day; use the Interclub as an aid to selection. Decided to call for entries and review the situation if they are low. Ray said he would encourage entries during his travels around the Region. The Marlborough BC indicated that it would endeavor to find billeting for the Intermediates.

- 3: 2019 Tournament schedule: Chris reported that he had no feedback from Golden Bay, Kaikoura, Nelson, Richmond, and Westport clubs as to what tournaments they wanted in 2019. He was told that Westport wanted the same as 2018.
- 4: RBM Report: Ray Curnow presented his report to the committee.
 - Greymouth has reaffiliated. They will need assistance to get started, in addition to any aid NZ Bridge will give. Agreed.
 - Suggested an Intermediate/Junior League similar to that run by Waikato/Bays. As the number of Intermediate and Junior tournaments are low, he suggested using results from all tournaments. Perhaps start with the Westport 8B on 3 March. Agreed to provide prize money for such an event. Ray will come back with a proposal before that date.
 - He will be visiting in the Marlborough and nelson areas on his way back to Westport.
- 5: Board Elections: It had been suggested that interest for this election should be canvassed. Agreed that some people should be approached, to see if there is any interest in standing.

The meeting ended at 7pm