

Waikato Bays Bridge Committee Meeting - 22.11.2022 at 5.00pm

Attending Rachelle, Jo, Greg, Alan, Mereana

Anna – apologies lateness – Board Meeting

Welcomed to meeting by Alan

Minutes of the previous meeting circulated and presented to committee

Accepted as true and correct Alan – Greg

Rubber Bridge – staying with Nick Whitten – Alan to contact

BNZ accounts – was sorted and now Alan does not have access Mereana can access and enter payments – Alister and Richard authorising

Planning meeting – info provided

Summer Festival in Thames

Any action required by WB – Thames all sorted – borrowing of some equipment from Te Aroha

NZB online play – due for release NZB meeting in WLG on the outcomes of the think tank outcomes

Next step to review and then release the plans and outcomes going forward prior to zmas or early Jan

Potentially these changes will require WB to meet with Clubs and keep them up to date – at least once per year – haven't had one for some years – plan for one early in the new year when this info is concrete

Suggestions – early in the new year no good, Feb may be busy with potential trials and Gold Coast – potential to attach the meeting after an event – Matamata has been used before – Alan suggested delay until middle of the year – review of AKL Regional info – shall we consider planning an event for 2023 – discuss ideas next meeting – include regional support person – do we need one – regional goals – plan these now – potential for a half-day session – consider travel time – membership drive – lessons and youth bridge

Next time for a discussion late Jan Early Feb

Governance Boards – law changes for INCSOC – working on some info in 2023

WBays League 2022 – no report from the event in Matamata – prize list from past years J Howards earlier support in the form of sponsorship \$2,000 – discover costs \$2,730 each year without any income – no entry fees come to WBays from the Clubs – researched the rules and came up with a spreadsheet to be able to calculate the prizewinning funds - where does the funds come from to be able to sustain running this event – how will this affect 2023 – when are we going to make any decision – originally only Int and junior – the intro of Restricted Open came in – need some new rules for 2023 – can we afford to continue the league – reduce the number of events, reduce the winnings, could plan to add into the WBays budget – junior attendees remain low – RO is lacking in numbers as well – strategy to see if this league actually works – do the Clubs contribute to this fund – answer is No – most of the intermediates have sent in their banking details – part of the entry conditions is to provide information for contact – more prepared with certificates at the final event –

instructions on certificates to issue on time Budget – planning for costs to run for the WBays programme – can we get this done now – Alan to plan

Te Aroha change of date approved and form signed – celebration of jubilee and run Spa Town teams be moved to June Morrisville support the change with the swap - supported by WBays

Hamilton to celebrate Jubilee July with no clash

General business

IP's – number of pairs in the team, idea is to provide a solid team and sometimes you cannot provide depth – for 2023 potential to enter teams of 6 maybe – programme to be online for the trials – up and coming pairs need to have the opportunity to enter – teams of 4 and winning team can choose the 3rd pair – does not need to come from the podium place getters yet will be a participant – compatibility and merit will come into the selection from the winning team and WBays will ratify choice

IP – reports from Richard and Pam – received and accepted thanks so much to all including Judy and Ian

Uniforms – to come in from memo sent out to representatives – memo going out to come back to Hamilton Club – send out with info – uniforms not used by all – good for face-to-face events – correct memo and get it out

Areas of improvement – mis click rule and treatment of Intermediate team – aware of the inconsistency from directors, will be raised by TRG – definition of a very good bridge reason – alerts – explanation box was small – potential to move Pass box - more flexibility – get a fair result – all people trialling pay the entry fee even if they don't trial

Agreed Alan -

Letter Hugh McAlister – Junior tournament Te Awamutu cancelled due to lack of entries and very close to the end of congress – changes in dates WBays would support change if Te Awamutu wish to do so

WBays – improve communication to Clubs and participants as raised by Hugh – yes – awkward situation when no information was available – unsure what the process was and this has been rectified and will need some guidance to promote this event and how in 2023 as per above

Resignation – Richard Solomon after 30 years or so – working until the end of 2022 potential to replace or restructure role coming in 2023 – will role be spread between more people – NZB will come back to the clubs about the future

NZB – hosting of IP's account \$150.00

Mike Neels – engraving account for leagues \$35.00

League payments as per Winner spreadsheet and banking details on hand allow

Accounts presented for payment moved Mereana /Alan – carried

Meeting closed 6.10pm

a. a. Dick
14/3/2023