

WAIKATO BAYS REGIONAL COMMITTEE



Minutes of WBRC meeting 18 December 2023 held on Zoom at 5 pm

Attendees: Alan, Ella Gray, Kevin Whyte, Nick Saunders, Kevin Whyte, Anna Kalma

Apologies: - Greg, Hugh

Minutes of November meeting: as circulated - approved, moved/seconded Kevin/Ella approved

Matters Arising:

- IP finals – women's team had an excellent result (1st place with 11 wins/1 loss) especially operating with a 4 person team.
- Hugh noted the competition was drawn out accommodating the byes.
- A notice is needed for the website. Ella contacted Barry for a cdm report, but has not heard back as yet.

Action – Alan to write a blurb for the website

Correspondence:

IN -

- Hamilton BC request for change of name – query over format of tournament
- Taupo BC request to cancel tournament
- NZBridge – Interprovincials 2024 will be held f2f in Wellington with a new name - xxxxxx Regional Committees need to apply to pub charity for funding.
- NZBridge – budget template. Needs to be submitted by end of February
- Nick Whitten – will continue to act as Rubber Bridge Competition, queries whether or not to hold an introductory day and if yes, format of that day.

OUT -

- Taupo BC querying if a change of date would be an option rather than cancelling the tournament
- Nick Whitten – queries are noted and will be discussed at the December meeting

Actions: Ella to contact Hamilton and Taupo BCs with questions about changes in tournaments. Ella to contact Nick to discuss format for 2024 Rubber Bridge Comp.

Finance: Kevin still needs information from Mereana to update the accounts to have a complete picture. Until this is done it is difficult to compare actions with

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budget and a new budget is required by end February. Alan to draft a business plan and outline of budget for the next meeting.

Actions: Kevin to follow up with Mereana to complete the accounts and any reimbursements required. Alan to assist as required. Alan to draft business/activity plan.

General Business:

- **Format for 2024 IPs** - do we send 4 or 6 person teams, some funding will be required from participants. Clubs need to be involved in discussion.
- **2024 plan for NZB** - needs to be completed by end of February. Nothing circulated to date.
- **WAPs** – no one approached as organiser for Waikato in 2024
- **Scoring systems for future** due to age of current holders of main systems (Bob and Martin). Murray and NZB Board looking at this problem – there are a number of options available on the market.
- **Frustration** that the online schedule for tournaments has not yet been circulated – already overdue

Actions: Alan to write a discussion paper for 2024 IPs – circulate before next meeting. Alan will contact Ian Moore as possible convenor for WAPs

Meeting ended 5.40 pm. Next meeting 22 January

Signed: *Alan Moore*

Date: 22/1/24

Next meeting – 22 January

