

WAIKATO BAYS REGIONAL COMMITTEE

of WBRC meeting 18 November 2024 held on Zoom
at 5 pm



Attendees: Alan Dick, Nick Saunders, Kevin Whyte, Hugh McAlister, Greg Davenport

In attendance – Anna Kalma

Minutes of October meeting: as circulated - approved

Matters arising –

- Tournament Directors Course 2025 in Waikato Bays, 4 people interested. Nick to follow up with Rebecca Osborne re her sitting.
- Pub Charity – Accountability report completed after some hassles of obtaining a link to the correct file.
- Training for Compass – Mike Neels happy to provide the sessions for training but does not want to act as the Leader/Convenor/Coordinator. Greg Davenport agreed to take this role on. Agreed that training to be online and recorded to build up a library for training purposes. Ideal time to start as can start with program for 2025 set-up of calendar of events. Alan to contact Mike Neels and get things underway. Nick offered to set up a WhatsApp forum if necessary
- Budget 2025 – in progress, Draft planned to be available by Sunday 24 Nov.

Correspondence:

IN - Nick will circulate a list of correspondence received

OUT – Related to Tournament change requests

Finance:

- Status of accounts circulated by Kevin.
- Hugh and Kevin working on reimbursement of airfares for the RC Finals
- Additional T shirts bill to come, also there may need to re-imburse for costs of online "Reluctant Director" sessions. Some Clubs are also picking up these costs.

Action: Kevin to complete draft 2025 budget

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General Business:

- Greg updated actions being taken to get Bridge in Schools. Program will get underway in the new year at lunchtimes starting with Mini Bridge. This will be run as a trial. The key seems to be to provide it similarly to existing programs like the Chess. The success of the schools program in the Netherlands was quoted. The idea of inter-school secondary competition was discussed. Te Awamutu is a likely possible site for this program. Greg to provide progress updates.
- Mini Moos. General agreement that this program had value and should be re-instated. Nick to contact Nick Whitten to see if he would be interested in reviving the programme he as running – it was a casualty of the Covid restrictions. Suggest perhaps a \$5 per session cost to cater for inflation etc.
- Tournament change requests. Tauranga and Thames requests approved. Alan to contact Ella re the date inconsistencies in their application, Te Puke changes are not approved due to clash with Te Awamutu and that the other issues are essentially internal club events only. Agreed to Paihia Club request from Jane Stearns

Action: Alan to contact Taupo (Ella) re inconsistent dates .

- New Secretary – some other possible candidates discussed and they are to be approached by those who know them.

Actions: Follow up with names suggested – Alan, Nick, Hugh

- Note required to congratulate Richard Solomon on his Emerald status. Action Nick to develop a draft.
- Manual submissions – came from a Nick Whitten writing to Murray Wiggins and we have put it out to the Directors Forum asking for inputg.
- Waikato Interclub. Cambridge will follow up for approvals. Agreed to approve the current proposed dates. The event will need to be held in Hamilton

Meeting ended 6.05 pm

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