



Wellington Regional Bridge Committee

**Minutes of Committee Meeting held at the Wellington Bridge Club
Thursday 23 July 2015**

<p>Present: Dinnie Hall (Chair), Heather Jared (Treasurer), Tony Sutich, Paul Maxwell, Anthea Black (Secretary)</p> <p>Apologies: Janet McMenamin</p>	
<p>Approval of Minutes of Meeting: Moved Paul/Seconded Heather – that the and Minutes of the Committee Meeting held Tuesday 16 June 2015 be taken as read and confirmed – agreed</p>	
<p>Matters arising:</p> <p>From Meeting held 15 May</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - as the lack of system cards is still causing problems at tournaments Director's will be asked again to remind players of the importance of having a system card and that a basic one already completed is available on the National Bridge website - Committee to review previous edition of website for archival material - date to be set for the Committee to meet at Wellington Bridge Club to go through old hard copies of WRBC files stored at the club - response from David McDonald in regards to the type/length of time financial records should be kept for archival purposes required - the possibility of accruing congress receipts to overcome any overstatement to the end of a financial period yet to be resolved (David to discuss with Alister Stuck). - investigate the possibility of putting sponsorship logo's up on website <p>From Meeting held 16 June</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - introduce a code of conduct and participation for players to sign when representing the region (deferred to 2016) - Strategy for NZBridge to meet with clubs in the region (discussed under general) - Work towards supporting a club holding a three day event in 2017 (possibly over a long weekend) and/or a 5A teams event (deferred to November meeting) - Paul provided a hard copy of a draft Regional Clubs Newsletter. It was agreed that the Newsletter was informative and the content is appropriate. On 	<p>Allan</p> <p>Committee Committee</p> <p>Heather</p> <p>Heather</p> <p>Anthea</p> <p>Dinnie</p> <p>Committee</p> <p>Committee</p> <p>Paul</p>

<p>completion of the layout Paul to circulate the Newsletter via email for comment within two days. Newsletter then to be circulated to the clubs via email. It is expected a further Regional Clubs Newsletter will be required in November.</p>																	
<p>Correspondence:</p> <p>To: IP triallist (45X) Regional Clubs Otago Swiss Pairs flyer Regional Clubs Updated Rubber Bridge rules Regional Clubs Hastings Open and Intermediate Pairs tournament Regional Clubs Revised tournament schedule</p> <p>From: Heather Jarad (receipt of sponsorship money) Nan Weihipeihana (Photo of Intermediate IP winners) Cathy Nijman and Diana Dobbinson Kapi Mana (agreement to move its open tournament to 19th June so that the WRC will not clash with National 15A Swiss Pairs) NZBridge (cheque book via mail) – passed to the Treasurer NZBridge (Otago Swiss Pairs flyer) NZBridge (National Conference Minutes) NZBridge (Board Meeting Minutes) NZBridge (Fullarton Teams Flyer) NZBridge (Baden Wilson reports) NZBridge (Grandmasters 2x) Rona Driscoll (change of detail form for tournaments) NZBridge (top 100 Masterpoint earners) NZBridge June quarter master points update request (2) – hard copy passed to the Treasurer NZBridge – Richard Solomon’s role within NZBridge Tony Sutich – Interclub results NZ Bridge – Notice regarding Congress Novice Pairs event NZBridge – Updated rubber bridge rules (rule book received via post) to Tony Sutich Joan Waldvogel – congress invoices (2) Heather Jarad (info regarding travel and accommodation process for IPs) Tony Sutich – Club Champs rules and draw Tony Sutich – Rubber Bridge (2) Tony Sutich – Junior League update NZBridge – Masterpoint update and levy invoicing (plus hardcopy of Masterpoints refund advice) NZBridge – Directors examinations IP triallist (20X) NZBridge tournament schedule</p> <p>Moved Anthea/Seconded Paul - that the correspondence as listed be accepted - agreed</p>																	
<p>Finance</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Working (cheque account)</td> <td>29 May 15</td> <td>Opening Balance</td> <td>\$ 7,056.67</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>30 June</td> <td>Closing</td> <td>\$ 7,990.97</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Savings</td> <td>29 May</td> <td>Opening balance</td> <td>\$26,857.91</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>29 May</td> <td>Closing</td> <td>\$26,923.58</td> </tr> </table> <p>Moved Heather/Seconded Tony - that the financial report be accepted – agreed</p>	Working (cheque account)	29 May 15	Opening Balance	\$ 7,056.67		30 June	Closing	\$ 7,990.97	Savings	29 May	Opening balance	\$26,857.91		29 May	Closing	\$26,923.58	
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<p>To ensure prompt payment Treasurer to send the Secretary a copy of an invoice to forward to Sponsors prior to Congress in 2016.</p> <p>The Hutt Club's Main Centre Team Report was tabled.</p> <p>The Audit to 31 March 2015 as presented to David McDonald was tabled. It was noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - the Region has made a surplus - payment of some \$2,000 for Masterpoints achieved over Congress is outstanding - the subsidy per club of \$200 for advertising bridge lessons was only claimed by one club - it is anticipated there will be further claims for the advertising subsidy and that this will be reflected in the next financial year <p>NZBridge's financial period of the 12 month period to 31 March was discussed. It was noted that this differs from most clubs calendar year and this can make reporting more difficult and time consuming.</p> <p>The Treasurer's role of strategic planner was noted. One initiative for 2016 is to run a competition for Intermediate players along the same lines as the Junior League. It is intended that this be an individual competition with points being awarded for players placed in any Intermediate Tournament. As it will be managed along the same lines as the Junior League. Anthea volunteered for this role.</p> <p>Moved Tony/seconded Dinnie – in 2016 to increase the total Junior League prize pool to \$400 - agreed</p>	
<p>Tournaments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - IPs – The Committee discussed the poor turn out for the trials. It was explained that the focus of the trials is not to be a tournament for the betterment of the players but to find the best players to represent the region. It was acknowledged that there is little interest in the teams format for the trials. Moved Dinnie/seconded Tony – the for 2016 the IP's to be run as a pairs event – agreed The Committee discussed the email from Kathy Nijman and Diana Dobbinson noting their disappointment at the way the Centre dealt with their late pair entry for the Women's trial. It was agreed that Ms Nijman and Ms Dobbinson be advised: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - that the focus of the trials is to find the best team to represent the region and not to promote up and coming players - endeavours were made to find another pair - the IP's will be run as a pairs format in 2016 - Chef de Mission for the IP – A number of people were discussed with the Committee agreeing that Dinnie approach Annette Henry in the first instance - Travel and accommodation reimbursement process for players – it was noted that the Treasurer will reimburse players on receipt of a record of their expenses - Club to hold Main Centre Teams in 2016 – Hutt Bridge Club to be asked if they will host this event in 2016 	<p>Anthea</p> <p>Dinnie</p> <p>Dinnie</p> <p>Dinnie</p>
<p>General Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Recorder's resignation – It was noted that NZBridge now require all complaints to be written rather than verbal. Committee to consider and 	<p>Dinnie</p>

<p>suggested suitable replacement to Dinnie.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Richard Solomon's letter noted along with his interest in attending the next Regional Clubs Meeting. - Teachers Meeting (refer to email of 25 June from Tony Sutich). Tony to send the Chair a list of teachers so the matter can be discussed at the next meeting. - It was agreed that the date for the meeting of clubs in the region will be Sunday 21 February 2016. Dinnie to invite NZBridge Board Member to attend. - Dinnie to check when NZBridge intend to hold the next National Teachers Meeting <p>The Meeting closed at 12.15pm</p>	<p>Tony</p> <p>Dinnie</p> <p>Dinnie</p>
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