

# NZBridge

## Minutes of the Auckland/Northland Regional Committee

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July at 10am Auckland Bridge club, Remuera

### Present

Peter Bowyer, Sue Brown, Angela Royle, Bianca van Rangelrooy, Helene Labreche, Tony Morcom, Trever Robb

### In Attendance

Ricard Solomon, Carol Richardson

### Apologies

Brian Ashwell

Peter Bowyer welcomed the new committee, Richard Solomon, Carol Richardson

### Achievements of ANRC 2009-2016

- Name change to Auckland Northland Regional Committee, has empowered all the regional committees
- Three Director's workshops initiated
- Two Bridge Lessons by Richard Solomon and Ron Klinger, within the region; recommendation to continue
- Two Youth Fundraisers
- Interclub very well received, forty six teams, (20 junior teams), 2016

- Single session 3B tournaments

- A/N website created

## **New Committee members Roles**

Chair- Sue Brown Nominated: Tony Morcom, Seconded by Bianca van Rangelrooy

Secretary- Bianca van Rangelrooy, Nominated by Sue Brown, Seconded: Helene Labreche

Treasurer- Sue Brown, Nominated Tony Morcom, Seconded: Bianca van Rangelrooy

Sue Brown declined nomination, as she felt too busy as Chair. However as no-one else wanted the job, she accepted it, on a temporary basis, until someone else could be found

Angela Royle thanked the old committee, stating secretarial role was a lot of work, and Peter Bowyer thanked her for the work done for the ANRC over a 13 year period.

Sue Brown took over as the new Chair

She welcomed Richard and Carol to the meeting and acknowledged the efficiency and longevity of the contribution by resigning committee members

Carol Richardson congratulated the new committee members and thanked the outgoing for their contributions. She gave a report on NZ Bridge, its expectations of the Regional Committee and the function and purpose of the committee

## **Minutes of the last Meeting**

The Minutes of the previous meeting held at the Royle Epsom Bridge club, Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> May had been circulated and were taken as read

These were moved as a true and correct record; Moved Trevor Robb, Seconded: Tony Morcom

## **Matters arising**

There were no matters arising from the minutes

## **Treasurers' Report**

Main expenditure, tournaments

A/N role; paying for directing, coaching, youth and travel grants

Clubs can claim for advertising

NZ Bridge pays supplements travel; Wiaheke members

Chair has signatory forms

Acknowledgement of resigning committee member, Sue Humphries, on her contribution as Treasurer

## **Resolution**

Resolved to change the signatories, of the BNZ bank accounts,

Signatories to be; Sue Brown, Bianca van Rangelrooy and Tony Morcom (existing signatory)

Angela Royal is to be cancelled as a bank signatory. Moved Trevor Robb, Seconded; Helene Labreche

All correspondence is to go through the new secretary

Moved: the adoption of the financial Report, Moved Helen Labreche, Seconded: Tony Morcom

## **Tournaments**

### **Discussion**

IP's, expenses, Chef de Mission and National conference

A/N tournament 2017 event

Interclub, November last session 2016

A/N regional Pairs/Teams, 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> July, Auckland club

Rubber Bridge

Congress 2016

2016 Tournament schedule

2017 Tournament schedule; check with clubs to see if their dates are correct

Action Tony Morcom

## **Inward Correspondence**

All relevant correspondence from NZ Bridge circulated to RBCs

## **Inward Correspondence – General**

a) Letter from Papatoetoe received; welcoming new club members and thanking those leaving

## **Outwards Correspondence**

a) Emails sent to IP trial winners and Chef de Mission

b) Email reminding clubs about teaching conference 16&17th July, to be held at Franklin

The correspondence was approved, moved: Tony Morcom, Seconded Trevor Robb

## **Standing Items**

### **Tournaments**

#### **Inter Provincial Championship**

IPs teams have been selected, although the regional committee had approved the trials to be run over one datum; for Open, Senior and Women's, all entered in one section only, resulting in the various divisions playing separately

The A/N committee was not consulted of this procedural change

The Chair and Carol Richardson felt all grades, should in future, be played in one over one datum, after each pair has given a divisional preference

Mark Sylvester and partner (open grade pair) have pulled out of tournament, due to work commitments.

There was a discussion at the national conference regarding the IPs relevance

Angela Royle sent a copy of an email message sent from the chair of the Canterbury region Committee, asking members of the Canterbury region of their thoughts

It was suggested that ANRC should canvas its region

Discussion ensues

#### **Club teams**

Discussion at national conference regarding the IPs relevance

Angela Royle sent a copy of Fiona's email message, asking members of the Canterbury region, of their thoughts

Draft up of an A/N regional survey suggested

Discussion ensues

## **Club teams**

Although NZ Bridge has discontinued the club team's event at a national level, ANRC will continue the event on a regional level.

2016, A/N region, twelve entries in total

All agreed it was a success and could run in 2017. Queen's Birthday weekend was suggested

With no Papatoetoe sponsorship next year, table fees might have to increase

15A, 28 tables for 2016 tournament

2017, North Island teams to be held in March, A/N hosting, Tony has emailed the secretary of the Auckland bridge club, to see if we can use their rooms

"There has been a name change of the tournament: "Main centre" to "Regional teams"

It was decided the Chair would have a discussion with the Auckland Bridge committee, about the difficulties they have hosting Regional events.

Most regional events are hosted by the Auckland Bridge Club, due to its size

Discussion: access to email addresses

## **Rubber Bridge**

Very disappointing entries, only three clubs competing, even with a good level of advertising

It's very competitive and social, emphasising the social, the sharing of food and playing at people's homes, this aspect should be advertised

## **2016 Congress**

Richard gave a short report on the congress organisation and the number of entries so far.

## **Regional Meeting**

Angela Royle provided an overview of the recently held Regional meeting

Optimum time for the next meeting (September, October, November) format discussed

One per year expected by NZ Bridge

## **General Business**

Teaching conference reminder, it will be held on July 16<sup>th</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> July in Franklin

Would one session tournaments be successful? They have been approved

Youth Bridge, report by Richard

Helene will take over the running of the A/N regional Bridge Website

Change of addresses needed and send to current A/N regional committee members

Jenny from the Wiaheke bridge club would like to attend A/N regional meetings

It was decided the Chair would send out a brief report on the function of the regional committee, to include invitations to any members to attend ANRC meetings

National web site doing a really good job

Volunteer of the month to be nominated, Angela Royles name put forwards

Next meeting in 8 weeks' time

Next meeting, 10am, 11th September at the Auckland bridge club

Meeting finished at 12.15