



# Otago/Southland Regional Committee

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## **MINUTES - Otago/Southland Regional Committee**

### **Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> May, Balclutha Bridge Club Rooms**

**Present:** Kristen Collins (in Chair), John Mitchell, Frances Sheehy, Marilyn Jackson, Ann-Louise Stokes, Frank Gradon

**Apologies:** Lynne Fegan

**Confirmation of Minutes:** 13 March 2012

Copies of 13 March 2012 Minutes were circulated prior to the meeting. Moved that the Minutes as circulated, be confirmed. Collins/Jackson

**Matters Arising:** - refer general business

### **Correspondence Outwards:**

Notification to Clubs of IP Teams

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- 3-4 NZ Bridge – IP Reps must use NZ Bridge Systems Cards.
  - 3-4 NZ Bridge – Masterpoint Bulletin reminding clubs to adhere to their obligations regarding the issuing of masterpoints
  - 5-4 NZ Bridge – National Congress Website operational by April 16<sup>th</sup>
  - 6-5 March 28 NZ Bridge Board Minutes
- 2013 Tournament Schedule

**Financial Report:** See separate detailed papers

Audited Year End Report - attached

### Bank A/c Balances

- Current – 1 April – 17 May - \$2,546.21
- On Call – 1 April – 17 May – \$7,945.23
- Congress – 1 April – 17 May - \$4,144.13

## Accounts for Payment/Approval

A L Stokes – admin exp	\$243.76	
Bridge NZ – Congress Computers	\$153.00	
K Collins – Inter Clubs Catering	\$ 78.56	
Cromwell copy & Print	\$309.44	Moved Stokes/Jackson

## General Business:

- 1) *Regional Conference, Hamilton*  
Points of interest from the Regional Conference in Hamilton were the move towards System Cards at all tournaments, together with the announcing of pre-alerts. A suggestion was to issue all beginners with a System Card, which would help re-inforce what they have learnt.  
  
Growing our Clubs was the theme of the workshop. Often it is just a small handful at each club doing the majority of the work. One North Island club phones all their members and asks them to contribute 2hours time annually to their club.
- 2) *IP Open Team Query* – given the long established partnership the committee would like at least one main event at the Wanaka Congress played.
- 3) *Youth Player – 5Apt fundraising tournament for Otago Youth Player* – we are pleased to announce the 4<sup>th</sup> team member is Laura Stephen and we look forward to the fundraising tournament in the near future.
- 4) *Director Training* – Allan Joseph is available to offer a combination of Director and Improver lessons before the Congress (3-5pm 1<sup>st</sup> June) and after the Congress (3-5pm 4<sup>th</sup> June). It is hoped that he may have an hour to spare sometime during the Congress for a Director's only lesson.
- 5) *IP Team Trials* – Scorer's report and recommendations – We appreciate this valuable report and will revisit the issues for next year.
- 6) *Review of Rubber Bridge / Inter club Teams / Oamaru email*  
It was disappointing to see poor entries for both these events. Marilyn Jackson has been appointed to oversee Rubber Bridge next year in an effort to encourage interest in this event. A similar approach will be taken with Inter Club Teams.  
  
Marilyn and Kristin offered some valuable suggestions for Oamaru's fund raising efforts.
- 8) *Youth Re-imbusement Query* – payments are made within the Calendar year only, as per the wording at the bottom of the form.
- 9) Resolution  
  
"That the Committee apply to the Pub Charities for a donation to cover the Accommodation costs of the five Inter Provincial Teams travelling to Hamilton to contest the National Inter Provincial Championships 26<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> September."  
  
Collins/Stokes
- 10) *2012 Congress* – disappointing numbers this year, possibly due to the change of dates. Little value is seen in advertising in NZ Bridge magazine for 2013.

- 11) *Balclutha Tournament* – Frank will direct and liaise with the club for any assistance they may require.
- 12) *Strategic Plan*

Web pages for clubs. Maniototo was the only club to take up this offer so far. Oamaru is interested and we shall try again with the remaining clubs.

**Date of Next Meeting: 3pm, 4<sup>th</sup> August, Otago Bridge Club Rooms**

**Declare the meeting closed at: 2.20pm**