Minutes Otago Southland Regional Committee Monday 8 April 2024 via Zoom at 11:30am

Present: Judith Lawton, Philip Noye, Hamish McDonald and Carole Bee

Apologies: Nil

Minutes of the previous meeting:

"That the minutes of the meeting held on 25 March 2024 be taken as read and moved as being a true and accurate record."

Moved Phil/Carole - Carried

Matters Arising:

- **1.** No responses for spare signs yet. Phil has put it out in a newsletter to the Otago region clubs.
- **2.** No confirmation from Bridgette Hannaway if any accommodation deals as yet. In negotiations.
- 3. Rubber bridge invites have gone out.
- **4.** Maniototo club has been contacted and will contact Alister directly re their current position. A very at-risk club and hoping to hold lessons this year.
- **5.** No response from NZBridge re our Strategic plan and budget submitted in Feb. Judith to call A Morris and ask if it has been approved.
- **6.** Paua and Oyster trophy/plate and been agreed to be repurposed.

Correspondence:

INWARDS:

As per emails:

- 1. Bridget Willcox re 2024 venue for IPS wellington
- 2. Moss Wylie tournaments. Comments noted for future reference, but Invercargill happy with current placement of OS Swiss pairs. Will make sure comments are part of the nationwide review of tournaments.
- 3. Greg Buzzard re IP trials as out of country on trial weekend.
- 4. Anne Somerville Phone call re IP rules
- 5. Alister re Williams Jewellery, Matamata for badges
- 6. Maniototo re advertising funds.
- 7. Alister re NZB levies waived for Maniototo
- 8. Rona re tournament schedule.
- 9. Dawn Cope re error on OS website. Has been amended.
- 10. Cups for reassignment Denise Carter.

OUTWARDS:

- 1. NZB Secretary Minutes of March meeting
- 2. Update to all clubs re region. Sign for placing, resignation of Lynne and our thanks. Committee vacancy.
- 3. Response to Donna Skoropada (Winton)
- 4. NZB Secretary Items owned by NZBridge stored with Sonya Adams.
- 5. Rona tournament schedule
- 6. Alister re Maniototo levies
- 7. Murray & Allan re regional champs, need for director support.
- 8. Maniototo re advertising funds and receipt
- 9. Invitation to trial for OS IP team

Motion: "That the Correspondence be accepted as dealt with."

Moved Phil/Carole- carried

Matters Arising:

- 1. Email from Moss Wylie. Comments noted but Invercargill happy with current placement of OS Swiss pairs. Will make sure comments are part of the nationwide review of tournaments.
- 2. Maniototo Club request for advertising support. Agreed to help as per offer in February to support our club.

Financial Report:

Financial report circulated. No activity since last meeting. Closing balance at \$5001.50 as at 31 March 2024.

Motion: "That the financial report be received."

Moved Carole/Phil -Carried

We as a committee have no idea how to proceed now should we come close to our previous budget limit as we have not had our new budget approved. This is the first time we have gotten close to our current limit historically since NZ Bridge reviewed the financial process and asked regional committees to spend their accrued assets. Judith to also broach this subject with Alan Morris.

General Business:

1. With the retirement of Lynne we have co-opted Hamish McDonald (president of Queenstown Club) to the committee.

Motion: "That we co-opt Hamish McDonald to the Otago Southland Regional Committee."

Judith/Phil - carried

IPs (Regional Championship) trials close 19 April.
 Currently 1 entry Women/Senior: 1 entry Open/Senior: 4 entries Int

Carole to send an email to all clubs.

2. King's Birthday Provincial all on track. Lynne still liaising between Wanaka club and our committee but will not be available to be there on the day.

Next meeting 5th May in Dunedin after trials TBC

Meeting Closed 12:21pm