

# Tasmanian Bridge Association Inc.

Summary of the Minutes of Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 6 February 2018

**Present:** M Sherlock, D Robinson, H Grosvenor, G Poulton, B Giizel, D Cooper, L Cooke, C Girvan, R Cooke & M Gibbs

## Business Arising:

1. Commonwealth Nations subsidy of \$1,000 has been forwarded to Tasmanian team members.
2. ANC Team selection. After further discussion and several amendments, the draft document is to be distributed to Affiliated Clubs for comment prior to next TBA Meeting in March.

## Tournament Matters:

1. Tournament Director's Report tabled. Martin Willcox confirmed ANC scorer.
2. Entry fees for State and Congress events raised to \$10.00 per person per session  
Day events will therefore be \$40.00 per pair.
3. TFoB – H Grosvenor and C Carolan to be scorers.  
Agreed that \$3,500 be provided to purchase the necessary hardware & software
4. Sue Thompson-Walker has purchased and will present the Warren Walker Trophy to the highest placed Tasmanian pair in the Australian Swiss Pairs championship. There is also a cash prize associated with the Warren Walker Trophy. Launceston organisers to be advised.
5. ANC organisation is well underway and running to time.

## ABF Matters:

1. Bruce Neill is standing down as ABF President. Allison Stralow has nominated for position.
2. President of Zone 7 to be Ben Thompson.
3. Kim Frazer to be informed that the TBA has no strong views in regard to Women's Team Selection.

## Financial Matters:

1. Auditor has completed the annual audit and financials ready for presentation at AGM in March 2018.
2. ABF capitation/masterpoint fees are to rise 5.1% April 1, 2019 and then rise each year by CPI amount.
3. TBA membership and table fees for 2019 will remain the same as 2018 [in spite of the above increase].
4. In view of recent government changes in pension eligibility rules all members claiming the concessional rate for Table Fees are going to need to re-register their Pensioner Concession Card status.
5. An amount of \$100,000 to be deposited on a 12-month fixed term deposit.
6. Directors to be paid an additional \$40 when a session movement requires a 3<sup>rd</sup> section.
7. TBA will pursue the purchasing 30 Bridgemates from ABF at a significantly discounted price.

## State Matters:

1. Affiliated clubs advised that the State holds two Daytime Red Masterpoint sessions. Tamar holds a multi-session Teams event and TBA holds a multi-session Pairs event.

## Local Matters:

1. Letter of thanks to Tony Allingham for his many years of providing playing statistics to the Committee.  
Pianola will now be used for future statistical reports.
2. In future the TBA will have two annual Masterpoint Awards:
  - i) TBA club award [TBA member earning the most masterpoints in TBA Club events]
  - ii) State-wide award [Tasmanian player earning the most masterpoints in a calendar year]

## House Matters:

2018 Bridge for Brains will be held Friday 4 May. Table money and donations to be collected for Bridge for Brains.

## Membership:

10 new and reactivated memberships approved: Marek Kolodziejczyk, David Chung, Robin Foale, Gek Low, Peter Heuduk, John Cummings, Renate Schadack, Sharon Wilkinson, Phillip Wilkinson & Dorothy Stevenson

## General Business:

1. M Sherlock to organise Minutes communicate to Affiliated Clubs.
2. M Sherlock to contact a builder to inspect and, where needed, undertake building repairs.
3. The TBA thanked retiring Committee members, Chris Girvan and David Robinson, for their valuable assistance during their time on the committee.