

Minutes QBC 2023 Committee held January 10, 2023

Present: Hamish McDonald, Sue Wilson, Owen Williams, Karen Wood, Georgia Mahoney, Lee Asher Simpson, Peter Henry

Apologies from: Anna Elms

NB: Quorum is five members present.

1. Minutes presented for meeting December 6 2022

Moved both be accepted: Owen Seconded: Georgia

Approved Unanimously and signed off by Hamish McDonald

PENDING MATTERS:

Hamish to discuss convenor role with Kathy Mackenzie and Bev Coburn and decide if role is relevant/needs changing/clarifying

New person to be found for Newsletter. Karen will ask Chris W if he will accept the role.

2. Incoming mail.

Resignation from Ross Sherwood tabled. Georgia will acknowledge and open door for return any time.

3. Tournament.

Four committee members met prior to this meeting to speed up
Hamish has approached Phil Hensman re sponsorship. Sponsors have been acknowledged on flyer.

NZB has been advised that it is a face-to-face tournament.

Closing date to be changed to 16th March.

Cost is \$40 per person, including morning tea/afternoon tea/lunch.

Lindsay has agreed to direct, and will stay with Kristin.

Georgia will arrange platters from Raeward Fresh for \$28 per person, picked up by club. Sue raised question about amount of food. Georgia to check before committing.

Members to be asked to bring morning tea/afternoon tea.

Catering sub-committee to be appointed. Georgia to approach Kristin. Karen Wood to assist. Kristin and Karen can organize volunteers.

Peter will organize volunteers for bar.

Prizes: Keep to few good prizes. Anna has offered Blanket Bay lunch for two, and is talking to Dart River re jet boat tour. Georgia to ask Gaye for basket chutneys.

4. Website.

Members reminded to edit the pages they were sent asap.

Lee shared visitor numbers and is working on removing bots.

Menu has been reduced to fit better on tablets. Lee invited feedback.

Lee has uploaded lessons from NZB (as supplied by Tauranga Club)

Lee suggests key searches: Find a partner, results should be on home page to attract more visitors. Invited feedback.

Anna to set up automatic payment for Website World hosting services.

Sue to be removed as Admin.

5. Seating rights.

Suggestion that ninety plus members be given North seating rights.
North sitting on table before to order cards.
Sue has suggested free membership for 90+ members for 2024.

6. Director Meeting. Will be held Monday 16.

7. Wanaka A&P show 10 and 11 March. Hamish looking for volunteers.

8. Otago/Southland Congress
To be held in Queenstown June 3 and 4.
Events Centre booked.
Otago/Southland will most likely BYO tablets etc.
More tablets may need to be provided.

9. Appeals and Disputes Committees.
We need appointees as members may not be present.
Hamish to put together a list of six people.

10. Friday bridge.
Supported by new members but numbers low.
Discussion centred around possible alternative venues, and opportunities.
Everyone agreed that polling members first.
Sue to create survey for handing out at a club meeting soon.
Owen to chat to Trish.
Meanwhile please keep promoting.

11. Representative for NZB to be discussed next meeting.

12. Robinson Pairs. A sign-up sheet to be circulated next club night.

13. Direction of club going forward to be discussed at a future club meeting.

The meeting ended at 6.45 pm

Signed..... Date.....