

**NEW SOUTH WALES BRIDGE ASSOCIATION - COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Wednesday 3 February 2010**

Present: Bruce Neill, Nye Griffiths, Julian Foster, Kim Morrison, Trish Carter, John Scudder, Michael Wilkinson, Leigh Matheson, Warren Lazer, Louis Koolen

Apologies: None

Observers: None

**1 Opening**

The meeting was opened at 6.34 pm.

**2 Confirmation of Minutes of meetings held 6 January 2009**

Motion: *That the Minutes for the meetings held on 6 January, as amended, be accepted as a true and accurate record of the meetings.*

Moved Warren Lazer, seconded Michael Wilkinson. Motion carried.

**3 Matters Arising from Previous Meeting**

BN to write to Marcia Scudder re convening the SNOT in 2010.

**4 Special Business**

**5 Correspondence**

**6 Reports**

**Chairman.** No matters not covered under action items.

**Treasurer**

- Discussed levels of subsidy for non-metropolitan players events attending eg State Mixed/Open pairs, Seniors ITS qualifying, ITS Last Train. Referred to committee of BN, JF, WL, Carrie Foster.

**Office.** No report in Liz's absence.

**Tournament.** No matters not covered under action items.

**Spring Festival.** No matters not covered under action items.

- JS discussed the availability of the Australian Jockey Club in Randwick as a possible venue for the 2010 SNOT. It has 60 tables in the main area and 15 tables in a side area (which could be used for finals as well). There is plenty of parking available. JS will present budget at next meeting.

**Regions**

- State Teams divisional final to be held on 4<sup>th</sup> July. Agreed \$140 entry fee.

- Discussed recruiting a Southern region representative on council and a convenor for country teams.

### **Teaching**

- Council accepted Ed Barnes' proposal for teaching remuneration.

### **Youth**

- BN to arrange for the Schaufelberger grant for youth players be publicised in the next NSWBA bulletin.

**Web and Technology.** No matters not covered under action items.

### **Directors**

- Mat McManus unavailable for the Seniors ITS trials so we will need to find an alternative. Action KM.
- Council approved payment of directing fees to MW when he works as a director at NSWBA. To avoid actual or perceived conflict, KM will take over Directing portfolio in the short term, and BN will identify permanent replacement.

**Appeals.** No matters.

**Rules and Ethics.** No matters.

**Promotion & Marketing.** No matters not covered under action items.

## **7 Action Items**

- After discussion, decided against adopting a single style ANC jacket and not giving players new jackets if they made the team in subsequent years.
- After discussion, decided that we would not adopt the "Alan Woods" rating system at this present time.

## **8 General Business**

- Discussed the possibility of using Skype during meetings for councillors unable to attend in person. BN to investigate.
- We have received informal complaints about equity and transparency of GNP wildcard entries. BN to write to John Brockwell & Di Marler.
- Moved that if LM was unable to attend the next 6 meetings due to his posting in Dubbo he will not lose status as a councillor.

## **9 Next meeting**

The next meeting will be held Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> February at 6:15pm. The meeting was closed at 7:48pm.