

Scottish Bridge Union – EAST District
Minutes of the Committee Meeting of 31st October 2019 at 7.15pm

Present: Ms. A Perkins, Mrs. J Choudhury, Ms. F Greenwood, Dr. J Palmer, Mrs F Davies, Mr. S Kirkwood

Apologies: Mr. W Whyte, Mr. A Officer, Mrs. K Bailey, Mrs. J Carnegie,

Minutes:

The minutes of September 5th 2019 were proposed by Ms Greenwood and seconded by Mrs. J Choudhury as being a true record of that meeting.

Matters arising:

- Mr Kirkwood still to purchase the salver. **(Action: SK)**
- Mrs Perkins to contact Mrs McGowan to confirm the ‘salver’ would be the trophy for East District Sims. No previous winners for engraving, start from 2019 **(Action: AP)**
- East District Congress – Monies from McGregor, Watson and Chalmers to be reported on financial as one tournament.
- Ms Greenwood produced a paper on SBU and Masterpoints – discussed later.

Chairman’s report: Nothing to report

Secretary’s report: Nothing to report

Sub-committee reports:

Finance:

- Mr. Kirkwood reported that there was a healthy balance.
- It was agreed that tournament entry fees would not be increased.
- Raffle last year was a one of to raise fund for Venice trip
- It was also agreed that where possible trophies should be presented at the end of a tournament to the winner, then returned for engraving.

League:

- Dr Palmer reported that the leagues are going well.
- The KO Cup has been delayed slightly but is progressing well.
- Dr Palmer informed the committee that there had not been a lot of interest from new teams for next year as yet. People should be encouraged to join a team when they are coming to an end of their classes.
- Mrs Bailey is possibly taking over the organisation of the Summer League and
- The Summer League was organised by Denise King who has resigned

Education & Bronze Events:

- Ms Greenwood reported they were still running classes in Stockbridge Primary at lunchtime on a Tuesday. There are 2 tables normally. Helen McCormack has been given the Disclosure Forms to complete.
- Ms Greenwood had written up a paper on SBU and Masterpoints. There are some minor points to be amended and then it was agreed that it would be uploaded onto the ED website, and issued to people as they finish classes and begin to play more tournaments and /or when they join a Bridge Club. It was also suggested that AP take it to the SBU meeting for discussion with other districts. (Action: FG)

East District Congress: There was positive feedback from the Congress and

National Tournaments:

The following tournaments had taken place:

Faie Rosebowl won by Troy Vandel

Bronze Individual won by Margaret Tait

Stirling Pairs -

Edwin Berry won by Derek Peden, Jim Hay, Mike Ash & Sandy Duncan

Diamond won by players from the North District

NL WE1

Forthcoming events:

Atholl Cup –17 teams entered and pre-match has taken place

ED Sims – This is being held on the Monday evening by Jedburgh, Carlton, New Melville and Peebles. Berwick will hold on the Tuesday. Results are not to be posted until the Tuesday evening.

Rayne Q - 6th and 13th November. Still awaiting entries from people who normally take part. Ms Greenwood to contact them. (Action: FG)

ED Swiss Pairs - 17/11/19 Mike Baron will TD. Boards have been requested. Numbers are down, promotional email to be sent out. Dr Palmer will circulate league team captains.

Bronze Challenge Pairs – this is not being held until 1/2/20. Mrs Bailey will organize nearer date.

MiniBridge: The Melville have held 2 events to date. The first day saw 22 children take part, the 2nd day 9 or the original children returned and there was 10 new children. It is hoped this will continue and the plan is to run one a month for six months.

Website news: Nothing to report

Report from Council: Nothing to Report as meeting takes place on 5th November 2019
Valentine Pairs Masterpoints – this had been resolved and those that were due points would have them for the beginning of the 19/20 session.

The Kennedy is being run the same week as the Kelsey in March 2020. Results will not be posted until the following week as it is run as sims on different nights depending on club.

AOCB:

Mrs Choudhury will be updating the Competition guidelines. **(Action: JC)**

Mrs Choudhury brought up the question of ranking of teams for prizes. It was explained that the TD can ask what level on EBU the team are playing and then decide what ranking they should have.

Meeting closed at 8.45pm with thanks to all for attending.

Date of next meeting – Thursday 23rd January 2020 at 7.00pm at Mrs Choudhury's house.

Please note that the date of the meeting in April is now 23rd April 2020, venue TBC