

**Minutes 2010 AGM and 2010-11 BFACT Council Meetings**  
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Annual General Meeting

19 November 2010

**Minutes, BFACT Meeting  
Friday 19 November, 2010 at CBC Deakin**

The President declared the meeting open at 5.50pm.

**1. Present**

Roy Nixon (President), Emlyn Williams (Treasurer), Val Brockwell (Secretary), Gordon Henderson (CBC), Bruce Crossman (South Canberra).

**2. Apologies**

Rebecca Plush, Ian Dalziell, Peter Kahler

**3. Confirmation of Previous Minutes.**

The minutes of the meeting of 8/10/2010 and the AGM of 17/10/2010 were not available.

**ACTION: Roy Nixon.**

**4. Welcome to New CBC Representative**

The Committee welcomed Gordon Henderson, the new CBC rep, to the meeting.

**5. President's Report**

No report

**6. Treasurer's Report**

a) Motions:

- (i) *That BFACT approve the request from Capital Bridge Club for \$677.60 from the marketing grant. Carried unanimously.*
- (ii) *That BFACT approve the request from Monaro Bridge Club for \$800 from the marketing grant. Carried unanimously.*

b.) Budget Proposal for 2010-2011.

Council noted the report tabled by the Treasurer.

Responding to a query re the Youth Bridge line entry in the budget, the Treasurer noted that the profits went to CBC. Therefore, CBC should be the first avenue for requests from the youth for activities such as teaching or intercity competition.

The Committee welcomes having Rebecca Thornbury as Youth Coordinator and invites her to attend our next meeting. **ACTION: Roy Nixon**

**7. Tournament Secretary's Report**

No report.

It was also noted that there is still one missing ANC Captain's Report. This report is urgently required for the next meeting. **ACTION Peter Kahler.**

## **8. Knockout Teams**

Council agreed that the Knockout Teams will be a BFACT event in the 2011 calendar. BFACT will pay for the GNOT entry and the Masterpoints. The BFACT Tournament Secretary will do the regulations. **ACTION: Peter Kahler.**

## **9. Honour Boards**

CBC requests a letter from the BFACT Tournament Secretary re placement and size specifications of the honour boards. **ACTION: Peter Kahler.**

Council agreed to tell CBC if we wanted them to do the updating of our honour boards, and if so, for a fee.

## **10. BFACT Webpage**

Approval granted for the Treasurer to seek a quote for a content/management system from a professional organisation. **ACTION: Emlyn Williams**

## **11. Any Other Business**

### **a) Public Officer**

Council thanked Ian Dalziell for taking over the role of Public Officer.

### **b) GNP**

Gordon Henderson reported that 15 pairs participated, 2 pairs qualifying for the National Final. Leslie Gunson/Keith Mitchell & Michael Donnelly & Phil Clark). BFACT will pay for two pairs.

The ABF requests four pairs. The Treasurer authorised to offer places to those who wish to play and will pay the \$400 entry fee, but only to the top half of the field.

Gordon Henderson will prepare a proposal for the running of the 2011 GNP.

**ACTION: Gordon Henderson.**

## **12. Next Meeting**

There will be no December 2010 meeting.

There will be no January 2011 meeting.

The next meeting will be Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February.

The meeting closed at 6.55pm

19 February 2011

## **Minutes BFACT Council Meeting**

at CBC Friday 19 February 2011 commencing at 5.35pm

### **1. Present**

Roy Nixon (President), Emlyn Williams (Treasurer), Val Brockwell (Secretary), Peter Kahler (Tournament Secretary), Rebecca Plush, Gordon Henderson (CBC), Ian Dalziell (Capital), Bruce Crossman (South Canberra), Griff Ware (Youth), John Yoon (Youth), Rebecca Thornberry (Youth).

### **Apologies**

Judy Goodman (Monaro)

### **2. Minutes of the meeting of 19 November 2011.**

*Confirmed.*

#### *Matters arising*

(a) Captains Report from the Captain of the Open Team at the 2010 ANC.  
Still no report. Tournament Secretary to follow up again.

(b) GNP

The Treasurer formally thanked CBC for the generous financial assistance regarding the Canberra pairs who participated in the National Final.

### **3. Treasurer**

*Statement of "Financial Performance – Standard Operations".*

The Treasurer tabled and spoke to his spreadsheet, Statement of Financial Performance – Standard Operations.

The President asked the Treasurer if the subsidies for the Melbourne ANC would be paid fully by BFACT or 50/50 with the CBC Barry Turner Fund. The Treasurer said he had tried in vain in 2010 to get the CBC and Barry Turner Trustees to agree to a standard annual contribution based on an average 8 year cycle rather than having to go cap in hand every year to negotiate, which was time consuming.

Gordon Henderson said he would look into the matter again and requested a proposal from BFACT for sharing costs.

### **4. Tournament Secretary**

*(a) ANC Selection Events for 2011*

The Tournament Secretary tabled and spoke to his paper "ANC Selection Events for 2011.

The selection event for the ACT Open Team for the 2011 ANC will comprise 12 pre-qualified pairs. **Seven pairs** will qualify from CBC. **Two pairs** will qualify from the ANC Last Train Butler Pairs at CBC. **One pair** will qualify from the ACT Swiss Butler Pairs at CBC. **One Pair** will qualify from South Canberra Bridge Club.

**One pair** will qualify from Capital Bridge Club

South Canberra has already notified clubs that they are running an appropriate event for their one spot.

Ian Dalziell to investigate whether Capital has organised a similar event for their spot and to report back before 22 February if possible so Peter Kahler can make an announcement on Tuesday night. ACTION: Ian Dalziell to inform Peter Kahler.

The Seniors' and Youth Selection Finals and the Women's Final will all be held at CBC on various weekends. The top three pairs from each event will be offered positions on the appropriate teams.

*(b) Honour Boards.*

The Committee requested negotiations between Peter Kahler and Gordon Henderson to resolve this issue.

## **5. Youth bridge**

*(a) BFACT Masterpoint Policy*

Griff Ware tabled and spoke to the BFACT Masterpoint Policy.

Due to some late submissions a late fee is expected from the ABF Masterpoint Centre.

*(b) Youth Coordinator*

Rebecca Thornberry expressed her wish to resign as Youth Coordinator.

**Motion:** That John Yoon be appointed Youth Coordinator and a BFACT Supplemental Councillor.

Proposed Peter Kahler Seconded Roy Nixon Motion carried.

*(c) BFACT Youth Program Proposals*

(i) John Yoon tabled and spoke to the preliminary BFACT Youth Program proposals. Roy Nixon asked if a centralised youth mailing list could be set up. John Yoon agreed the need for a simple data base of names and contacts and undertook to produce it.

(ii) The youth night at CBC (of coaching, then play in the walk-ins if desired) has been moved from Mondays back to Fridays.

(iii) Elaine Leach is to be contacted with a view to lending assistance.

*(d) Youth Budget for 2011*

**Motion:** That the youth budget for 2011 be \$3000.

Proposed: Emlyn Williams Seconded: Roy Nixon. Motion Carried.

*(e) Retrieval of Minutes and Files*

Rebecca Thornberry agreed to meet with Val Brockwell to hand over previous secretarial files, and also to provide the two sets of Minutes.

Rebecca Thornberry and Griff Ware left the meeting at this stage.

## **6. CBC Representative**

Gordon Henderson noted that for the past two years, BFACT has been charging only an entry fee for the GNP Regional Final and not table fees. He suggested that BFACT change this in 2011 to come in line with other State Associations. He tabled a paper to outline the impact on BFACT subsidy towards this event. He recommended that the subsidy by BFACT be limited to \$500. The CBC will not do any extraordinary funding of the event in 2011.

## **7. ABF**

### *Marketing and Teaching*

The new ABF appointees, (Sandra Mulcahey for Marketing and Joan Butts for Teaching) noted.

### *Request from Monaro for 2011 Subsidy*

The request from Monaro was discussed. For their 2011 subsidy, they require assistance for the purchase of six BridgeMates, a server, a printer and a computer.

**Motion:** That BFACT agree to a grant of \$1000 to Monaro subject to an acquittal of the 2010 expenditure.

Proposed: Roy Nixon Seconded: Emlyn Williams Carried.

Val Brockwell to request similar letters of acquittal from South Canberra and Capital regarding their respective 2010 grants from BFACT which can be used to report back to the ABF Marketing Committee at the ABF AGM in late March.

### *ABF Councillor for 2011-12.*

Roy Nixon's current term as ABF Councillor will expire at the upcoming 2011 ABF AGM.

**Motion:** That the President be re-elected as BFACT ABF Councillor for the next two years.

Proposed Val Brockwell Seconded Peter Kahler Carried.

Val Brockwell to notify the ABF

## **8. Other business**

### *BFACT Web Page*

Emlyn Williams has been in touch with Henry Hudson as to the whereabouts of the files which Emlyn needs to access. He has mapped out a structure for the webpage but cannot progress this further until he has received the old files from Henry.

### *Board Security Protocols*

BFACT undertook a review of board protocols with Sean Mullamphy and is happy with the security in place appropriate to the level of events. Roy Nixon has passed this information on to Simon Hinge at a national level.

### *Director training*

Ian Dalziell advised that BFACT ran a Directors beginners course last year with about 23 attendees. The Club will hold another beginners course in September-October this year. It was generally agreed that it is time to also hold an advanced (Congress Level) Directors Course. Ian Dalziell will put some dates forward.

Next meeting: 5.30 pm at CBC on Friday 18 March 2011. Gordon Henderson and Bruce Crossman submitted advance apologies.

The meeting concluded at 6.40pm

23 March 2011

**Minutes BFACT Council Meeting**  
at CBC Friday 23 March 2011 commencing at 5.35pm

**1. Present**

Roy Nixon (President), Emlyn Williams (Treasurer), Dorothy Jesner (CBC), Peter Kahler (Tournament Secretary), Jodi Tutty (Secretary), John Yoon (Youth Coordinator), Val Brockwell (Vice President)

**Apologies**

Bruce Crossman (South Canberra Bridge Club), Ian Dalziell (Capital Bridge Club), Dora Theunissen (Monaro Bridge Club)

**2. Minutes** of the meeting of 10 February

*Confirmed.*

*Business arising*

Honour boards

Ongoing

Marketing report

Sent to ABF by Roy Nixon.

Teacher Training

Agreement to hold a joint session with NSWBA. There is the possibility of holding the session in Goulburn in September. Roy Nixon to raise the possibility of holding the course in Canberra instead.

Inter Club Convener

Thanks to Alex Hewat for taking on this role.

**3. Treasurer**

Agreed that there is a need to raise the subsidy for the ANC in Darwin when compared with Melbourne. The current policy regarding the subsidy for the Victory Dinner is to be maintained.

**Action:** Treasurer to propose a figure for the subsidy for next meeting.

**4. Tournament Secretary**

1. The qualification process for ANC Trials going well.

2. Numbers for State Open Pairs are disappointing. Discussion of changing the format to that used for the Dick Cummings Pairs to encourage greater participation.

**5. Youth bridge**

1. There was a good turnout of youth teams at Batemans Bay Congress; Canberra teams formed in conjunction with NSWBA.



## **6. ABF**

*ABF Governance and Gold Point Event for ACT*

Discussed and the Council further endorsed the motions put forward to the ABF AGM.

2. ANU bridge club is attracting up to three tables a week.

## **7. Other business**

*CBC Representative*

1. CBC to send request for marketing funds to Treasurer.

2. Rendering of the CBC walls will commence on 27 May so the lower room will not be available for 2 weeks. This overlaps the final day of the Seniors Trials and so they will have to be held upstairs.

3. Informed that the CBC planning day to be held this weekend. The outcomes should better define the focus of the club and identify a number of issues to work with BFACT on.

1. Updating information on the BFACT

Need to ensure that the flow of information sent to Earl Dudley improves, i.e. Minutes, regulations and results.

2. ANC entry to be managed by Jodi Tutty

Next meeting: at CBC 5:30pm, 4 May.

15 April 2011

**Minutes BFACT Council Meeting**  
at CBC Friday 15 April 2011 commencing at 5.35pm

**1. Present**

Roy Nixon (President), Emlyn Williams (Treasurer), Peter Kahler (Tournament Secretary), Rebecca Plush (Vice President), Gordon Henderson (BFACT), Bruce Crossman (South Canberra), John Yoon (Youth).

**Apologies**

Val Brockwell (Secretary) Ian Dalziell (Capital), Dora Theunissen (Monaro)

**2. Minutes of the meeting of 19 February 2011**

*Confirmed.*

**3. Treasurer**

Noted that things were proceeding normally. SCBC noted that they would expect to receive an account for \$280 for the State Open Teams Selection event they ran recently. Set entry fee for Selection Finals at \$80 per player except Youth.

**4. Tournament Secretary**

Reported back on recent BFACT events including the Last Train and the Swiss Pairs. Noted that there had been a problem with the posting of the State Open Pairs Selection Event despite his efforts to copy in both the Director and the CBC office.

**5. Youth bridge**

There was discussion of an email from John Yoon about Ginnan-Williams being allowed to trial for this year's ACT Youth Team. Council agreed with the view of the Youth Coordinator that they would be considered eligible and should be allowed to compete. Foreign students were also considered eligible while they study in Canberra.

**6. ABF**

*BFACT Marketing Report*

The President noted that he and the Secretary had written the 2011 report on how we had spent the 2010 grant - thanks to those clubs that provided information on their use of the money provided. The ABF had thanked us for our report. It is expected that the ABF will continue the grants at existing levels in 2011. The ABF has also recently appointed a National Marketing Coordinator who we can expect to contact us in due course.

*CBC Request for Marketing Funds for 2010*

The CBC representative submitted a request for \$2,000 from the residual of the 2010 Marketing Grants towards a dealing machine. The CBC has said it would make the machine available to other clubs and the Youth if required. A motion was proposed by the Treasurer, seconded by the President that BFACT approve the Treasurer paying \$2,000 to the CBC for this purpose. Motion carried.

*BFACT Gold Point Event*

There was a general discussion about the background to the ABF's note to us that we consider a possible Floriade timeslot for a gold point event on the 2012 calendar. It was noted that the ABF runs the Summer Festival in January in Canberra (at considerable profit) and it was felt that

holding another event later in the year would present problems especially as it would be close to existing Gold Point events (Australian Swiss Pairs and Spring Nationals). It would take a lot of effort to get it going. In the meantime BFACT will lose the \$2,000 "annual compensation" negotiated by the President a couple of years ago. President to inform ABF of our views.

## **7. Other business**

### *ANC 2011*

The Secretary had circulated the 2011 Entry form and entry fees. Rebecca Plush again offered to handle the ANC entry and will liaise with the Treasurer re-cheques to pay the Victorian Bridge Association. Teams will need to be ratified and subsidy level set at next meeting.

### *Retrieval of Minutes*

The Secretary reported that she had received minutes for the October council meeting and the BFACT AGM from the former Secretary.

Gordon Henderson submitted an email to Council to go to affiliated clubs re the running of the GNP in 2011 - this will be attached to the minutes.

Next meeting: 5.30pm Friday 27 May at CBC.

24 June 2011

**Minutes BFACT Council Meeting**  
at CBC Friday 24 June 2011 commencing at 5.30pm

**1. Present**

Roy Nixon (President), Rebecca Plush (Vice President), Emlyn Williams (Treasurer), Peter Kahler (Tournament Secretary), Gordon Henderson (CBC), Ian Dalziell (Capital), Val Brockwell (Secretary).

**Apologies**

Bruce Crossman, Monaro Bridge Club, John Yoon

**2. Minutes of the meeting of 19 April 2011**

*Confirmed*

**3. Treasurer**

The Treasurer advised that he had received (i) \$6900 from the ABF Marketing Fund and (ii) \$5600 from the Barry Turner Fund via the CBC Treasurer towards ANC travel costs. He will circulate the current BFACT financial statement within the next few days.

Following a query about a Ron Klinger teaching tour for 2011, it was suggested that a list of teachers in the ACT be compiled. The President advised that the ABF is trying to improve teaching standards in Australia and are putting money into teaching to achieve that goal. It was suggested that the Audrey Grant teaching books would be a useful addition to club libraries.

**4. Tournament Secretary**

The Knockout teams was discussed and the fact clarified that it is a BFACT event. Therefore, BFACT will post tournament regulations for the Knockout Teams in the future. It was suggested that there be a generic set of regulations in order to harmonise the standards. These would be changed from event to event to suit the different needs of each occasion.

A suggestion re bringing forward the State Selection Trials was dismissed after some discussion. The Tournament Secretary suggested the introduction of a handicap event based on current ratings. The Swiss Pairs could be switched from its present slot to a later one and the handicap event be run in the existing Swiss Pairs time slot. A backlash was expected if the Women's Butler Pairs was cancelled.

**5. Other business**

*ANC Entry Forms and Subsidies*

Rebecca Plush advised that the ACT entry to the 2011 ANC had been implemented. All the system cards had been submitted with the exception of one pair from the Womens Team which should be ready in a few days time. This may result in a fine. The Committee thanked Rebecca. The Treasurer advised that the entry fees had been paid and the subsidies to the players is under control. The Secretary advised that letters to the Captains had been circulated. Roy Nixon will pay the bill at the Victory Dinner for those ACT team members who attend. The cost of a dinner ticket will be \$85, BFACT will pay \$45 and the team member \$40.

*Honour Boards*

Gordon Henderson advised that there has been some progress re BFACT's honour board request. The East wall of the club house will be allocated to BFACT for honour boards and

other BFACT material. As well, BFACT will have some space in the foyer. A Life Member's board was discussed.

**Motion:** The Tournament Secretary is authorized to liaise with Gordon Henderson on the subject of honour boards.

Proposed Roy Nixon Seconded; Emlyn Williams Carried

#### *GNP*

The GNP was discussed. Gordon Henderson produced a hard copy paper. When he sends it to the Secretary in electronic form it will be distributed to all clubs. The Southern Cross Club was suggested as a venue for the regional final.

#### *BFACT Director*

The current obligations to Sean Mullamphy as director for BFACT were discussed. The Tournament Secretary and the Treasurer authorized to liaise with Sean.

#### *CBC Bereavement Policy Document*

Noted that CBC now has a formal bereavement policy document in place.

#### *CBC Notice of rental increase and clean-up fee*

- (i) Rental increase noted.
- (ii) The clean up matter has been resolved without a fee being charged.

#### *Training of Directors*

Ian Dalziell spoke to his precirculated paper. The contract with Sean Mullamphy is approved. Ian Dalziell will make a current list of active and inactive directors to be posted on the website.

## **14. Web Development**

The Treasurer gave a demonstration of the new BFACT website which the Committee approved, so it is now ready to go live. Progress to be an agenda item for the next meeting.

**Motion:** The commission for the website to advance, the Treasurer to be responsible for content management.

Proposed Peter Kahler Seconded: Roy Nixon. Carried

Next meeting: Friday 12 August 2011 at 5.30pm at CBC.

The meeting closed at 6.50pm

12 August 2011

**Minutes BFACT Council Meeting**  
at CBC Friday 12 August 2011 commencing at 5.30pm

**1. Present**

Roy Nixon (President), Rebecca Plush (Vice President), Emlyn Williams (Treasurer), Ian Dalziel (Capital), Val Brockwell (Secretary).

**Apologies**

Bruce Crossman, Gordon Henderson, John Yoon

**2. Minutes of the meeting of 24 June 2011**

*Confirmed*

*Business Arising*

The President advised that the amount of \$1035.00 had been paid to the VBA for those team members who attended the Melbourne ANC Victory Dinner.

**3. President**

The President advised that:

1. A major reconstruction of events will occur in the ABF calendar.
2. The President's Meeting was held in Melbourne during the ANC. The main two issues were insurance and revision of the ANC timetable. GNOT Convenor, John Brockwell, addressed the meeting in relation to a proposal that the States should revert to control of GNOT regions.

**4. Treasurer**

The Treasurer will produce annual financial reports. He will seek advice about de-registering from the GST.

**5. Tournament Secretary.**

Peter Kahler spoke to his written report.

*(i) GNOT Selection Trial (Gala Pairs) and BFACT AGM*

The date of the Spring Nationals has been changed resulting in a clash with BFACT's Gala Pairs and AGM. The Committee decided therefore to switch the Gala Pairs/AGM to Sunday 16 October i.e. one week earlier. PETER KAHLER will prepare publicity but, in his absence overseas, the event needs publicity beforehand and around the clubs.

There was further discussion on the following tournament matters:

*(ii) Open Butler Pairs* has been changed to the ACT Swiss Butler Pairs Championship, (two qualifying spots for the Open Team Trials). The dates are the same, Tuesday nights 2-25 October. Acquire Honour Board.

*(iii) Women's Butler Pairs* is now the ACT ANC Category Pairs Championship (Open, Seniors, Men's, Mixed and Juniors categories). First pair in any category gets \$100 subsidy and second \$50. The dates are the same, Thursday nights 24 November to 8 December.

*(iv) State Open Teams and Presidents Plate.*

No change proposed. Peter Kahler will post regulations.

*(v) Next Year's Calendar*

CBC Tournament Secretary, Niek van Vucht, will soon provide a draft.

*(vi) Open Teams Qualifying Spots*

Swiss Butler pairs (2); CBC heat (6); South Canberra Bridge Club Heat (1); Last Train (2).  
Request that South Canberra host, direct, etc. as a contribution to BFACT and suggest the date.

*(vii) Handicap Championship*

Replace Swiss Pairs Championship in March timeframe with ANC Handicap Championship (both under 300, both under 750, Open).

*(viii) Honour Boards*

Peter Kahler would like to proceed with procuring the Honour Boards

*(ix) Convening events.*

Peter Kahler thinks that the current system is not working well. There is a need to resolve.

## **6. Youth**

The Committee thanked John Yoon for his pre-circulated report.

The topics covered were Gateway Program; Schools Bridge; Sapphire Coast Congress; ANU Bridge Club. John invited anyone with ideas, concerns etc. to contact him.

## **7. ABF**

*Submission to Presidents re cost sharing of global management and professional liability insurance document.*

The President spoke to the pre-circulated document. The ABF can contribute \$20,000. The Committee confirmed that BFACT would pay its premium - \$650 and recommend an increase in affiliation fees to partly cover this cost.

## **8. Other business**

*BFACT Website*

The new website is now "live" thanks to the work done by Emlyn Williams. The Committee expressed its heartfelt appreciation.

The Committee approved an offer from Earl Dudley to be Webmaster and felt that he would be excellent in the role.

*Training of Directors*

Ian Dalziel advised that the two courses will be run by Sean Mullamphy on 24/25 September 2011.

The Congress Directors Course, for those who have passed the Club Level Directors Course Examination, will be on the Saturday 24 September.

The Club Level Directors Course for those who wish to learn the Laws of Bridge will be on the Sunday 25 September.

Suggestions for advertising the courses included the new BFACT site, flyers, announcements by Sean before play and a notice on the CBC TV screen.

*Interclub teams*

There is the likelihood that we will need a director to run the last round of the Inter Club Teams on Saturday 27 August at South Canberra.

Gordon Henderson will most likely direct proceedings. Val Brockwell to organise

*BFACT AGM Sunday 16 October 2011*

The Notice of Meeting inviting agenda items to be circulated at least 21 days prior. An increase of 50 cents in affiliation fees will be an agenda item.

**Motion:** That the AGM approve an increase of 50 cents so that affiliation fees will then be \$7.50.

Proposed Emlyn Williams Seconded Rebecca Plush Carried

Next meeting: Friday 30 September 2011 at CBC.

The meeting concluded at 7.00pm.



30 September 2011

**Minutes BFACT Council Meeting**  
at CBC Friday 30 September commencing at 5.30pm

**1. Present**

Roy Nixon (President), Emlyn Williams (Treasurer), Peter Kahler (Tournament Secretary), Ian Dalziell (Capital), Bruce Crossman (South Canberra), Stephen Fischer (CBC), John Yoon (Youth Coordinator), Val Brockwell (Secretary)

**Apology**

Rebecca Plush

**2. Minutes of the meeting of 12 August 2011**

*Confirmed*

**3. President**

- (i) The ABF will sponsor a team from China to the 2012 Summer Festival.
- (ii) A new initiative at the Summer Festival will be free seminars by leading players. A member of the Chinese team will be one of the speakers.
- (iii) The ABF is considering giving BFACT an event within the Summer Festival
- (iv) The National Teaching Coordinator, Joan Butts, will be contacted about a teaching tour in our region.

**4. Treasurer**

- (i) The Financial Statements have been prepared for the AGM and are currently being checked by Ian Thomson.
- (ii) The Insurance policy for Liability Management, Fraud Control and Professional Indemnity has been paid.

**5. Tournament Secretary**

- (i) Peter Kahler spoke to his precirculated email and calendar.

**Motion:** That the Committee formally ratify the Calendar, subject to the Interclub date change.

Proposed: Peter Kahler Seconded: Roy Nixon. Carried

- (ii) The next BFACT event is the Gala Pairs.
- (iii) The First Train will be held at South Canberra on 5 April 2012.
- (iv) The Honour Boards will soon be purchased.

*BFACT Inter Club Championship Finals*

The results have been circulated by Bruce Crossman.

## **6. Youth bridge**

John Yoon reported that eight youth players attended the Sapphire Coast Congress, and twenty five youth played at Batemans Bay. The University Bridge Club is the main hub. Organising lessons in schools is difficult.

## **7. Other business**

### *AGM*

(i) All procedures are in place. The motion to increase affiliation fees was circulated within the prescribed time. Nomination forms for the election of office bearers have been posted on the BFACT Notice Board.

(ii) The President will invite Beverley Carmichael and Earl Dudley to attend to present their respective trophies.

### *Training of Directors*

The courses did not take place. Despite extensive advertising, there was not sufficient numbers to justify holding the courses. A further attempt will be made at a future date.

### *Masterpointing Open and Womens Trials*

These events have not been masterpointed. Peter Kahler will follow up.

### *GNP*

As Gordon Henderson will not be available to direct the GNP on 29 October, Bruce Crossman agreed to direct and organize the event at South Canberra if possible.

The AGM will be held on Sunday 16 October.

The meeting concluded at 6.50pm.