

AUCKLAND CHESS ASSOCIATION INC

Minutes of Annual General Meeting held in the Stables Café, Alexandra Park, on 1st March 2020

Present:

Helen Milligan (chair), Daniel Johns (minutes) (both North Shore); Paul Morten (Howick-Pakuranga); Bruce Pollard and Chris Joel (both Waitakere); John McRae (Papatoetoe); Simon Lyall and Keong Ang (both Auckland Chess Centre). Summit Chess Club was not represented.

The meeting opened at 6:34 PM.

Apologies: An apology for Paul Postma was received and accepted.

The minutes of the previous AGM were taken as read, and confirmed as a correct record.

Matters arising: None.

The **Annual Report**, having been previously circulated, was discussed and adopted. Helen stated her suspicion that NZCF's attitude toward rating of Interclub and Interschool events was influenced by Murray Chandler's attitude toward her personally, and might therefore change without her involvement.

The **Annual Accounts** were discussed and adopted. Helen noted that ACA's equipment had seen little paid-for use and that its storage costs were a drain on ACA's finances; John suggested that the equipment was likely to prove durable and see good use, if less costly storage could be found. The absence of engraving costs was queried; it was noted that some trophy-winners had done engraving at their own expense. The matter of accounting for fees for the cancelled Lightning Interclub was not well understood by those present, but it was expected that outgoing treasurer Lynn Wei would be able to explain the point to her successor. None of those present knew the rationale for the 20% depreciation rate for the tables, although Helen noted that at least one was missing a key.

Setting fees: All decisions about fees for 2020 were left to the Committee.

Election of officers:

The following nominations were made:

<i>Position</i>	<i>Nominee</i>	<i>Nominator</i>	<i>Seconder</i>
Chair	Simon Lyall	John McRae	Helen Milligan
Vice-Chair	John McRae	Peter Morten	Daniel Johns
Secretary	Daniel Johns	Helen Milligan	Chris Joel
Treasurer	Bruce Pollard	Daniel Johns	Paul Morten
Committee	Chris Joel	John McRae	Simon Lyall
	Helen Milligan	Daniel Johns	Paul Morten
	Paul Postma	John McRae	Bruce Pollard

Paul Morten

Daniel Johns

Simon Lyall

All nominees were declared elected unopposed.

Tournaments:

It was resolved that ACA organize an A-Grade Interclub (with a time control of 75 minutes + 30 seconds per move), a B-Grade Interclub (for players rated under 1800 on the latest NZCF rating list, using the same time control), a Junior Interclub (for players under 14 on 1st January 2020, with a time control of 15 minutes + 5 seconds per move), and a Teams Lightning event.

General Business: John indicated that he had found cheaper storage for ACA's equipment, albeit potentially less accessible at short notice: a storage area at the Auckland Trotting Club for the tables, and at 5 Woodside Road, Mt Eden (the residence of David Taylor) for the sets and timers; he noted that the contact person at the Trotting Club was John Farrier. ACTION: DANIEL to contact Storage4You and notify them of an upcoming termination of ACA's use of their storage facility.

The meeting closed at 7:18 PM.