

Minutes of an AIBC meeting held in the Ness Club, Inverness at 19.00hrs on Tuesday 3rd Oct 2017

1. Present. Susan Brodie in chair, Jean Armstrong, Ann & Tim Wickens, Helen Corrigan, Ken Davidson.
2. Apologies. Val Skelton, Duncan Cameron, Jan Holiday, Katie Nelson..
3. Minutes of the meeting on the 8th Aug 2017 were approved.
4. Matters Arising. There was a discussion on training for the running of Bridge Competitions. First it would be useful if say a 2 hour course could be held to cover bridge rules and competition movements Action TW
Second; It would also be useful if the SBU course for Directors could be held in Inverness again. This would be a day course lasting 6 hours with a written test at the end. Action SB
It was noted that the SBU were running a 1st aid course in Perth, AW has full details.
5. 19th Inverness Congress. The went well. 16/17 tables took part. There was a profit of £375.
6. 20th AIBC? Congress. Gordon Hay would Direct again. This would be the 1st Congress held in the Highland Hotel, Newtonmore. A working party will visit the Hotel in Dec. to discuss fine detail with staff/owners. Action SB At this meeting the financial implications of a weather related congress cancellation will be discussed. Action SB Publicity for this event will require to be good especially in the Highlands and the Central Belt. Action TW et al
Newtonmore is on the edge of 'whisky' country and we may be able to attract some sponsorship. Action AD/SB
It is hoped to run a reception for the players. Action SB
7. Charity Event 2018. It was decided to run the event again in the Waterside Hotel. No suitable low cost venues were available. However the UHI will be approached to see if they can accommodate us in 2019. Action SB
8. Education. Work goes on introducing Bridge to schoolchildren. If you are interested please contact AW
9. AOCB. Americans visit;. It is suggested that they stay in the Kingsmills hotel. Details can be sorted out near their visit in July 2018
- 10' Date and place of next meeting. Tues 16 Jan '18 at 19.00hrs in the Ness Club Action SB