

## Minutes – ABF Youth Committee Meeting September 20<sup>th</sup> 1999

By Phone 7:30am Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> September 1999

Committee Present DL DS AM PG

Apologies KR

[D = discussed]

ITEM	ACTION
<b><i>Australian Youth Championship – Butler</i></b>	
D Incorporating the Butler into the teams. DL believes that a trophy has been donated for the Youth Butler winners and this could cause a problem.	
Agreed to advise the ABF of our intentions in regard to the trophy	DS/PG
Required to ask ABF to have the Zonal play off ratified by the ABF.	DS/PG
PG to contact Panos Gerentopolous to ensure that the zonal play off will tie in with the age restrictions which we believe currently apply.	PG
<b><i>Australian Youth Championship – Logistics</i></b>	
Venue Booked	
Directors verbally agreed	
Funds required for accommodation	
D Entry fees which was agreed to be low and agreed to increase pairs to \$25 and teams \$35 and student to be \$10 and \$15 respectively.	
\$60 for under 16 considered to be OK	
Suggested that there be a Canberra contact on the form	
Expression of birth dates should include birth date after the relevant date	
PG will arrange for preparation of the brochure. Need electronic and paper versions. Copy in ABF newsletter, paper copies to all State associations, copy on ABF and State Association web sites. Copies to all Youth co-ordinators.	PG
Poster to be designed	PG
Sent to all clubs with “some” presence	AM
PG suggested that all entries to the women’s be sent an entry form	AM
The entry form should be included in the September youth Bulletin	PG
Email to all youth players	DL

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Bridge columnists to “advertise” youth event: Dixon, Jackman, Priest, Klinger, Cummings, Borin, Gue Lusk, Shockman Smith Penny. AM/DL

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### ***Zonal Play Off***

D NZ are prepared to have a Zonal play off during their Nationals. DL to neg  
The NZ National dates and the possibility of holding ANC youth as part of the NZ Nationals and Interprovincial Teams. This would add depth to the numbers.

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### ***Bulletin***

Bulletin to be sent out last week of September

Questionnaire to be sent out with Bulletin. Being sent back to DL who will collate the results.

NSW report for Bulletin to come

Bulletin should discuss the University Championships. DL suggests that we identify all international events, discuss the nature of the event and how Australian Youth fits in with them. PG

AM to write to State Associations regarding distribution of the Bulletin to youth players in their state. AM → Urgent

PG suggested that four “seasonal” bulletins be issued rather than indicating months. For consideration.

Bulletin to include item that a Youth Challenge is being considered as part of the GC congress and interested youth players should watch the ABF and GC (?) web site.

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### ***Panos Gerentopolous***

Agreed that PG/DS raise the status of Sean as WBF rep. Agreed that the letter be held pending resolution of Sean’s status.

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### ***Interstate 2000***

Most universities have holidays up till 10 July so the first week of July may be appropriate in the future. Given Zonal play off plans and short time to reschedule – leave Youth ANC where it is 23-28 July 2000 but review for 2001.

Invite NZ district teams as part of the ANC. PG/DS → ABF

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### ***Denise Dodd Correspondence***

She is no longer youth coordinator but she and Tony Jackman will ensure a 2000 Youth ANC team. Jackman to be advised that Zonal playoff as part of Surfers will not be proceeding.

D Youth “challenge” at the Gold Coast Congress. PG to write something for Youth Bulletin. PG

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### ***General Business***

World Events: PG suggests that there should be a Zone 7 Youth

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committee to deal with all of the “international” youth events.  
Agreed that PG should track down an appropriate person on NZ and take up this role.

Youth Website: need to do some work in this area

DL/NC

Hero: now no clash between “Butler” and this event. KR planning to play unsubsidised with Raisin, Brayshaw and another. DS suggested that they seek formal ratification.

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### ***Discipline***

We should ask the ABF that all youth discipline matters be referred to the YC for a recommendation back to the ABF.

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### ***Helman Award***

Believe that it is planned to be awarded in 1999 and the YC must make recommendations. Leigh Gold would be eligible on the MP basis. Bulletin to call for nominations for sportsmanship awards which would be considered among YC noms.

Award to be given during Summer Festival prize giving.

Next meeting scheduled for Sunday night of GNOT in Sydney. Perhaps a phone conference late October may be appropriate.

### ***To Discuss with ABF***

- National Youth Selection 2000
- Zonal playoff approval
- Zonal playoff subsidy
- Butler Youth Trophy
- Funding for pre-booking of 10-15 rooms (deposit on \$1,200)
- Establishment of Zone 7 committee
- WBF Youth rep – Sean Mullamphy ??
- 24 Board matches is inappropriate.
- NZ district teams for ANC
- Helman Award amounts etc
- Youth Web site cost (Nic croft) to establish (say \$240 per annum to establish maintain the web site)
- UK Teaching materials purchased GBP15
- Approval for Under 30
- ABF “phantom” club
- Discipline Matters