



Victorian Bridge Association Limited

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February 22, 2014

Memorandum to VBA Club Secretaries

1. Special Councillor Elections Conclude

At the close of the nomination period for Special Councillor positions, the VBA had received nominations from the following:

Pam Dingwall, Bairnsdale Bridge Club: Country East

Sarah Livingston, Dromana Bridge Club: Metro Arc

Rob Quirk, Waverley Bridge Club: Metro near VBA

There being no other nominations, as per the regulations, the above nominees are declared elected.

No nominations were received for Country West, so this position remains as a Casual Vacancy which may be filled at a later date under the rules governing casual appointments.

The VBA Council congratulates Pam, Rob and Sarah on their appointment.

2. Capitation Fees

Affiliated clubs are reminded that in line with approved changes to the annual capitation fee cycle introduced last year, you will receive your annual invoice for the period April 2014 - March 2015, in April 2014 as based on the ABF Census data for your club. The capitation fee for the year remains unchanged at \$10 per player. The VBA reminds clubs that the capitation fee for the 2015 - 2016 year will increase by the 2014 CPI in accordance with VBA policy. As an indication of the likely magnitude of the increase, in 2013 the CPI was 2.7%.

3. Late Payment Policy

Affiliated clubs are advised that at its most recent council meeting, the VBA Council agreed to adopt the ABF policy for late payments on accounts. The policy which may be found in section 8.4 of the ABF Masterpoint manual states:

"A 10% per quarter penalty will be charged for all accounts overdue by more than 90 days."

4. Future Fund Policy

At its most recent council meeting, the VBA council approved a policy for allocation of funds for marketing and promotional activity by affiliated clubs. A copy of this policy is included separately, and is also available on the VBA website. I would like to acknowledge the work of Pam Dingwall in developing this document.

4. Teacher Training Seminar

Joan Butts is in Melbourne to host a Teacher Training Seminar at the VBA over the weekend of March 29/30. This is a free seminar open to all affiliated bridge club members. Registrations may be made with Cathie Lachman at the VBA 9530 9006 or E: info@vba.asn.au. More details are available on the VBA website.

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5. Club Presidents' Day

Clubs are reminded that the Club Presidents' Day will be held at the VBA on May 10th. More details on this day will be provided closer to the date.

Best regards,

Kim Frazer
Secretary

cc: VBA Council