

# Biennial General Meeting

Monday 26th June 2006

## AGENDA

1	MEETING OPEN AND WELCOME BY ACTING PRESIDENT	Patrick Gillmann
2	APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN	
3	APOLOGIES	
4	ROLL CALL OF MEMBER ASSOCIATIONS	Member Associations Present & Financial status
5	CONFIRMATION OF VOTING REQUIREMENTS & PROXIES	Confirm who will vote & number of votes.
6	MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS	Confirmation of Minutes - BGM Whangarei NZ Review of Minutes of Other Meetings
7	BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES	BGM Whangarei Other Meetings
8	PRESIDENTS REPORT	To receive a report from the President
9	FINANCE REPORT	Receive audited financial statements and balance sheet
10	DETERMINE AMOUNT OF FEES for	Membership Fees - (Currently USD\$170-00 & USD\$50-00)
11	PERSONAL HONORARY MEMBERS	Election of (if any)
12	PROPOSITIONS & RELEVANT BUSINESS	Constitution, Regulations (if Any)
13	OCEANIA CHAMPIONSHIPS	2008 Championships - option/allocation No applications received
14	REPORTS	Development Officer Umpires Co-ordinator ITTF Global Youth - World Cadet - World Junior ITTF Information – Gillmann/Dainton/Tepper
15	OCEANIA OLYMPIC QUALIFYING	Dates for event (2007)
16	ELECTIONS (See Annexure)	OTTF President / ITTF Vice-President ITTF Board Members OTTF Management Committee Members
17	ANY OTHER BUSINESS	Chairman to accept
18	CLOSURE	

## 1. MEETING OPEN WELCOME BY ACTING PRESIDENT Patrick GILLMANN

## 2. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

As it is use, the president suggests that the acting president will chair this meeting;  
General agreement

## 3. APOLOGIES

Phil MALES, Neil HARWOOD, Glenn TEPPER, Steve DAINTON, Averil ROBERTS

## 4. ROLL CALL OF MEMBER ASSOCIATIONS & STATUS

<b>Present:</b>	<b>Australia</b>	<b>Cook Islands</b>	<b>Fiji</b>	<b>Kiribati</b>	<b>New Caledonia</b>
	<b>New Zealand</b>	<b>Samoa</b>	<b>Tahiti Nui</b>		<b>Vanuatu</b>
<b>Absent:</b>	<b>Federated States of Micronesia</b>	<b>Guam</b>	<b>Northern Marianas</b>	<b>Marshall Islands</b>	
<b>Nauru</b>	<b>Niue Island</b>	<b>Palau</b>	<b>Solomon Islands</b>	<b>Tonga</b>	<b>Tuvalu</b>

## 5. CONFIRMATION OF VOTING REQUIREMENTS & PROXIES

Samoa is not sure to have paid there fees. They have the money here. It will be discussed with the ED on Thursday. Everybody is authorized to vote.

## 6. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Confirmation of Minutes - BGM Whangarei NZ; OTTF meeting in Koror (PAL), Shanghai (CHI), Bremen (GER)  
All confirmed

## 7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

None

## 8. PRESIDENTS REPORT

Sent to all members. The highlights are presented with pictures.

### **Development:**

This is the leading activity of the OTTF thanks to the dynamism, professionalism and great competence of Steve Dainton, our development officer. In spite of working half-time as a result of his recruitment by the ITTF, he did not spare his efforts to enable Oceania to be recognised at the highest world level. Thanks to a record amount of training camps financed by the Olympic Solidarity Fund and financial support from the ITTF and ONOC, no fewer than 13 training courses and logistical support have been organized.

### **The members:**

The Federation comprises 18 members in 2005 which have become more and more active with the stable administrative structure and convincing sporting results.

### **The management committee:**

For the first time since its establishment in 1977, the Oceania Federation has an elected representative on the ITTF Executive Committee in the person of Neil Harwood in the post of Vice-President for Finance. This is a source of great satisfaction for our federation which has thus acquired international recognition. Congratulations to Neil who is a great servant of Oceanic table tennis and who remains a privileged adviser to the OTTF.

should like to thank warmly the members of the Management Committee who have devotedly assumed the following responsibilities:

The women: Anolyn Lulu.

Links with countries in the Pacific: Anthony Ho

Finances: Graeme Ireland

**Classification and Technical Committee: David Jackson**

First Oceania & Pacific ratings system: David Jackson

The Youth: Patrick Gillmann

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### **Appointed positions:**

Umpire and Referee Coordinator: Fran Keyhoe.

Veterans Committee: Averil Roberts

### **Competitions in Oceania**

World Junior Circuit in Suva:

Qualification tournament for the World Cadet Challenge in Suva :

The Pacific Mini-Games in Palau:

The open National Championships: New Zealand, the pioneer in this field, Australia, Fiji and New Caledonia have opened their championships to the other countries of Oceania. This initiative should become widespread in 2006.

### **International events**

\* The World Cadet Challenge in Santo Domingo:

AGONISINGLY CLOSE to attend the semi-finals in the boys event. Victory v Africa & close loose v L America

Victory v Dominican Rep and finally the 6th place

1 victory v Dominican Rep in the girls event and finally the 7th place

FRANCK Robert finished n° 18 in the individual event

HUNH Jenny finished n° 18 in the individual event

\* The World Junior Championships in Linz:

\* The Commonwealth championships in Melbourne:

2 silver medals for Australia: the Women's team and William Henzel in the single event

**Thanks:**

I should like to thank all those who enabled table tennis in Oceania to prosper: The International Federation, its president and administrative staff, the ONOC for its unfailing financial support, Neil Harwood for his sensible advise, the members of the OTTF for their active participation, Steve Dainton for his excellent work and his personal investment in developing table tennis in the whole of Oceania, the members of the Management Committee and the Administrative Director Phil Males for he's professional management of all OTTF matters, those responsible for Committees, those elected in international authorities and all the national associations managers for the time devoted to the service of table tennis in Oceania.

## 9. FINANCE REPORT

Sent to all the members. Graeme presented the important matters. No objections

## 10. DETERMINE AMOUNT OF FEES

Currently

USD\$170-00 for the big four

USD\$50-00 for the other countries

New fees proposed by the chairman:

USD\$200-00 for the big four

USD\$50-00 for the other countries

Accepted.

Australia proposed to increase the amount at every BGM

Accepted

## 11. PERSONAL HONORARY MEMBERS

None

## 12. PROPOSITIONS & RELEVANT BUSINESS

Constitution: done in the SGM

Regulation: MC

Information's about OTTF Web Site

Nauru Membership application: accepted as 19<sup>th</sup> member

## 13. OCEANIA CHAMPIONSHIPS

2008 Championships - No official applications received at this time.

Tahiti expressed their interest for end June beginning July 2008. They will send an official application soon.

Accepted.

Kiribati has expressed interest for 2010

## 14. REPORTS

\* Development officer: to be made at a special session on Friday 30th June 2006 at 10h00am

\* Umpire Co-ordinator: in 2005 there were 4 major activities.

Umpire's course conducted by Graeme Ireland in Fiji

Referee's course conducted by Graeme Ireland in New Zealand

Umpire's course conducted by Fran Keyhoe in Palau.

Umpire's course conducted by Phil Males in Vanuatu

Fran intend to form an active Umpire and Referee committee.

The chairman suggest to change the general mind, not to consider only the players, but to give more importance to the umpires and add at least one in the teams going overseas.

\* Veteran Co-ordinator: Averil's report attached

\* Woman Co-ordinator (Anolyn): Concerning the women's working group in Oceania, I don't know the progress of the previous women's working group but what I saw that concerns Oceania is:

1) No Women coaches

2) No women officials eg. Referee, Umpires apart from Australia and New Zealand.

3) Administration training to get more women involve in the running of their NF's.

These are the 3 main things that I thought we need to improve in Oceania concerning Women.

\* ITTF Global Youth (Patrick) - World Cadet

WCC & WJC finals:

2006 in Serbia WED 25 OCT – SUN 29 OCT

2007 in South Africa.

In 2008 ITTF will try to place them in a Continent that did not stage the event

yet as a priority

- World Junior

World Junior Championships:

2006 in Cairo

2007 in Palo Alto (USA)

In 2008 North Shore (NZL)

In 2009 (Columbia)

Possibility of increasing the teams to 20:

Europe 5

Asia 5

Concacaf: 4

Africa 3

Oceania 2

Host Association

## 15. OCEANIA OLYMPIC QUALIFYING

New Caledonia has sent a bid. But no information's have been sent to the countries with N'OC and no deadline has been fixed;

The best period would be end March, beginning April 2008.

This mater will be postponed to the MC

Patrick explained the new criteria's.

## 16. ELECTIONS

OTTF President/ITTF Vice-President Patrick Gillmann (NCL)

ITTF Board member Graeme Ireland (AUS)

ITTF Board Member David Jackson (NZL)

ITTF Board member Anthony Ho (FIJ)

OTTF Management Committee Ron Garrett (NZL)

OTTF Management Committee Anolyn Lulu (VAN)

OTTF Management Committee Will Goodier (AUS)

Accordingly there will be no elections and the BGM can confirm all the positions and the nominated persons are elected

The chairman asked the BGM members if anybody has an objection. No objections, so the above persons are elected. Applause

The president congratulate all the elected persons.

The president propose that the person who held the longest elected mandate will become the new deputy president.

He must work very closely with the President and represent him if he is prevented.

He must also be introduced at the international level and be known from ITTF staff.

So he proposes: Mr David Jackson.

David accept

## Appointed members

Executive Director: Phil MALES

Chairperson Umpires Committee: Fran KEYHOE

Chairperson Women's Working Group: Anolyn LULU

Development Officer: to be appointed by the MC

Veteran Committee: Averil ROBERTS

## 17. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

\* Australian Youth Olympic Festival: postponed to the MC

\* Development Seminar: Friday 30th June at 10.00am at the venue

Countries development plan and needs  
OTTF's offers in the development plan  
ITTF level one  
OTTF Courses  
Solidarity courses

\* World Cadet Challenge Team

The team will be announced during the team's medal presentations  
The players must be present in their country uniform  
The delegates are invited to inform their team managers

\* PROMOTION OF TABLE TENNIS IN OCEANIA

If OTTF wants to go ahead and battle with the other continents, we need to have some own incomes.  
The president has discussed with Adham Sharara how we can earn some money through a link with TMS. The only issue is Marketing TV, Live scoring, advertisement, newspapers, etc.:  
Promotion of OTTF's own competitions as Oceania champ's, World cadet Challenge, World Junior & Olympic Qualifications  
Promotion of national open champ's  
Promotion of national teams  
Planning and excellent presentation of all our events  
Key people to help with this area (Outside of MC and some links with MC members) are needed

**IF WE WANT TO TAKE PROFIT OF THIS OPPORTUNITY GIVEN BY TMS, WE MUST WORK  
ALL TOGETHER IN THE SAME DIRECTION  
I THANK YOU FOR YOUR INVESTMENT**

**18. CLOSURE**

Meeting close at 8.50 pm