

4 March 2012

## CLUB CAPTAINS REPORT – 2012 AGM

To members and any guests present.

2011 was a successful year due to the things that were proposed at the last years AGM being implemented namely

- The rescheduling of our rapid tournament from father's day the year to another Sunday with an increase in people attending.
- Coaching for the juniors eventuated to try and promote junior chess on the Kapiti coast this was successful but only Guy and myself seemed capable of turning up on time to do it. Following on from this a big thank you to Mike O'Rourke for going along to the local schools in the area to coach. For the coaching to continue more seniors have to put their hands up to make the effort to turn up at 7.10 and give something back to the juniors I can be here at 7pm to open up but don't wish to coach very often as I am busy organising who is playing who and setting up etc.
- Guy has obtained a piece of Rimu to mount the grand prix trophy on and we will also get it engraved at some stage.
- Mike O'Rourke donated a cup for his freebird 15 15 tournament thank you Michael.
- Games were a lot more prompt starting with the draw being promptly being done at 7.45pm with people texting me or Guy if they were going to be late and put them in the draw. This system would be good if it could continue if people could please note my number down 027 747 7511.

Things that have not happened as yet were

- A new laptop for the club as the old one whilst ok at the moment will need to be put out to pasture soon.
- Running a 2 day tournament which at this stage is work in progress.
- Also obtaining sponsorship to purchase more boards sets and clocks so we are not reliant on wellington chess Club to run tournaments.

Plans and Visions for the club moving forward

- Turning the financial situation around maybe running two tournaments this year totally separate to the NZ Chess Federation under a Rebel banner.

Obtaining sponsorship for the club think about how you can help approaching local bars etc. We need money for board's clocks and sets so we are again not reliant on Wellington Chess Club to run our tournaments.

- Promoting Kapiti Chess club as more of a social club and attracting new membership through this using the media. Maybe a newspaper article or having an open day down at coastlands how we have done in the past.
- Appointing a Liaison officer position some one that makes new guests feel welcome and have an enjoyable experience whilst visiting our club.
- Perhaps we want to stop the clocks maybe at say 9pm have a cuppa and enjoy the fellowship of others for 10 minutes away from the boards.
- Interclub chess is there any interest in these sorts of events that have run successfully in the past e.g. Upper Hutt chess club and us.

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