

WBC News – May 2017

PUT IT IN YOUR DIARY ...

Saturday 27th May at 10 am - Improvers' Bridge Class - with Alan Grant

Saturday & Sunday 17 & 18 June National 15A Pairs at Wellington Bridge Club

Sunday 18 June- 3A Pairs at Wellington Bridge Club

Friday 30 June – diary this date for our mid-year social event. See details over the page

Presidents Corner... Brad Tattersfield

Hi everyone

In conjunction with the Wellington Regional Committee, we did a great job hosting the Wellington Congress over the Anzac long weekend. The feedback we've had suggests that everything ran well and people enjoyed themselves (except perhaps those who, like me, bombed out in the bridge!). Thanks to all who helped make it such a success.

There was a strong view that spreading the competition across four days made it a more relaxed and fun event. In light of that, the Regional Committee is seeking further feedback before deciding on the format for next year, bearing in mind that Anzac Day falls on a Wednesday in 2018.

Congratulations to all the Wellington Club place-getters – and a special shout-out to Grace Millar and Eirlys Hunter, two members of the all-junior team who won the intermediate/junior team competition. Well done!

Finally, a very special thank you to Damian Palmer and his team and Painter's Inc for their fantastic work repainting the playing rooms. Shortly before Congress we installed new heaters in the second (Pipitea) playing room, finding that removing the old heaters had left unsightly marks on the walls – not a good look for us hosting a prestige event. Damian and crew swung into action at short notice, repainting the room and throwing in a freshen-up coat on the main playing room walls for no extra charge. The club is very fortunate to have members like Damian who go the extra mile to help – we really appreciate it.

10th Wellington Regional Congress last month



Congratulations to the organising Wellington Regional Committee who very successfully planned and ran the Congress weekend recently at our club. Having the extra day's play seemed to be popular with visitors from outside Wellington, and with no night play, gave players time to relax over dinner. Many thanks to Mindy Wu's catering team for the lunches; and specially to our members who contributed loads of baking and their time to help in the kitchen. From a player's point of view, it was a very enjoyable and friendly tournament, well directed and ran to time, and we look forward to Congress 2018. Check out the list of winners on the back page.

Winners of the George Masters Swiss Pairs:
George Masters & Wayne Burrows and George's dog

Improvers' Bridge Classes - presented by Alan Grant

Saturday 27th May 2017 – Wellington Bridge Club, 17 Tinakori Road, Wellington

Starts: 10.00 a.m. Finishes: 5:00 p.m. (approx.)

First Stage: Parts 1 to 4

Cost: \$40 includes the “Competitive Bridge for Improving Players” booklet (retail value \$15).

Or \$35 if you have the booklet already and don't require an updated copy.

Filled roll for lunch also included.

Mid-winter bridge social – all welcome!



Mark Friday 30 June in your diaries for a fun social night for all our grades and “social bridge’ to follow – your partners (in life) are welcome, whether they play bridge or not. Come on over after work. Stay for a drink; and/or a meal; and/or bridge. Your choice – and it's a great opportunity for a catch up between the grades.

Theme: “cocktail capers”

Format:

5.30 – 6.30 cocktails in the Lobby

6.30 – 7.30 dinner

7.30 – social bridge. Other entertainment (cards, board games etc) will be available for non-bridge players who want to stay on.

Cost to be advised – we'll let you know in the next newsletter.

This is working well and thank you for your support here

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Welcome to New Member: Frances Dixon

Monthly Pairs - Results from April 2017

Tuesday - <u>Morley/Bennett Ladder</u> 1 st Denise Barnett; 2 nd Sue Storer	Wednesday - <u>Jubilee Cup Pairs</u> 1 st Nigel Kearney & Karl Hayes 2 nd Anthony Ker & Kate Davies
Thursday - <u>President Cup Teams</u> 1 st Cheryl Scott, Paula Jenner, Pam Hancox & Stephanie Smith 2 nd Pauline Murtagh, Mike Murtagh, Liz Baker & Nigel Kirk-Patrick.	Friday Afternoon - <u>Autumn Pairs</u> 1 st Barbara Allen & Margot Davenport 2 nd Michael Stride & Hitomi Maruo

Results from Recent Tournaments - Congratulations

Victoria Multi Grade 9 th April 1 st Nelson Procter / JOHN DONBAVAND 2 nd Joy McNicoll / Ann Tyrie 3 rd MALCOLM GREIG / GEORGE WESTERMAYER	
Levin Multi Grade 15 th April 1 st MINDY WU / JOHN WILKINSON 3 rd LUKE KELLY / CHRIS BOLLAND	
Karori Mix Sex Pairs 17 th April 1 st Lynda Rigler / Peter Delahunty 2 nd ROSS QUAYLE / ANN TYRIE 3 rd TERESKA KNAP / CHARLES CAHN	
Upper Hutt Open 30 th April 1 st GRAEME NORMAN / PATRICK D'ARCY 2 nd SANDY MCKIRDY / GRAHAM STRONACH	
Kapi Mana Multi Grade 7 th May 1 st ANNETTE BLACK / NANCY COONEY 2 nd MALCOLM GREIG / BRAD TATTERSFIELD 3 rd MARY JANE FARRELL / Lesley Gilhooly	

10th Wellington Regional Congress Winners

Congratulations to the following;

Open Pairs

- 1st Michael Whibley & Matthew Brown
- 2nd Nong Li & Jeter Liu
- 3rd George Masters & Wayne Burrows

Open Teams

- 1st Colin Carryer, Sandra Calvert, George Masters & Wayne Burrows
- 2nd Anna Herries, Annette Henry, Michael Whibley & Matthew Brown
- 3rd Charles Ker, Anthony Ker, Geo Tislevoll & Michael Ware

Swiss Pairs

- 1st George Masters & Wayne Burrows
- 2nd Graham Stronach & Sandy McKirdy
- 3rd Don and Robyn Nightingale

Junior & Intermediate Teams

- 1st Grace Millar, Eirlys Hunter, Adrienne Dale & Miriam Lewin
- 2nd Graham Potter, Mira Trifunovic, Jeremy Morley & Denise Barnett

<u>Junior Pairs</u>	<u>Intermediate Pairs</u>
1st Eirlys Hunter & Grace Millar 2nd Adrienne Dale & Miriam Lewin	1 st = John Black & Graham Potter 1 st = Denise Barnett & Jeremy Morley

REMINDERS

Wednesday Afternoon Bridge – tomorrow 10th May at 1 pm.

This Wednesday we have a contingent from Paraparaumu Club coming to play for the afternoon. All welcome and the usual excellent spread for afternoon tea.

Help wanted in the Kitchen and Bar Please !

Saturday and Sunday - 17 & 18 June – National 15A Pairs



If you can please spend an hour to help us here, clearing away dishes or helping in the Bar on one of these days, this would be most appreciated. Our members are always generous with their time helping at our tournaments and thank you. Please contact Bridget if you are available.