

October 2019 Newsletter

President's corner – Margaret Curnow

Hi everyone

Another busy month as we prepare for the upcoming AGM, the printing of the 2020 programme and other end of year events. Do please let Bridget know this week if any of your contact details have changed, so they can be correct in the programme when it goes to print.

At the Bridge Committee meeting this week we discussed the ongoing problem we have with some players arriving late and the difficulties this causes the directors. **Remember we ask you to be seated by 7.20** so the directors have time to set up. People arriving late means re-setting, which can cause problems and delays, hence the committee's support of the director turning people away if at least one of the playing pair is not seated as requested by 7.20. If this happens to you, don't be offended – just make sure you get here on time in future.



Many of you will be aware of the problems we have from time to time with our scoring software. We are, in conjunction with Victoria Bridge Club undertaking a review of the Bridge Scoring software options

A reminder to both Tuesday and Thursday players of the 'Pay and Play' scheme. This is a great way to get one-on-one coaching from an experienced player and really improve your bridge. Talk to Bridget if you would like to participate.

I hope you are enjoying the longer days and the warmth that is coming with them as we move toward summer – don't let it distract you from your bridge though!

Cheers
Margaret

Register NOW! AGM and New Zealand Wide Pairs bridge – Friday 1 Nov

Our Annual General Meeting, meal and bridge combo deal is coming soon.

Here's the deal:

- Come to our **AGM 6-6.45 pm** and get a **FREE MEAL** afterwards, before **NZ Wide pairs** starts at 7.30
- Cost of meal without attending the AGM is \$15 – but you must pre-book
- NZ Wide pairs cost \$13 (\$10 goes to NZ Bridge)



Let Bridget know ASAP if you're coming...enrol by the 29th to get a free booklet post-match analyzing the hands.

PUT IT YOUR DIARY ...

Wellington Region Tournaments

- 25-27 October Kairangi Open (5A)
- **1 November Babich NZ Wide Pairs (3A) (Wellington)**
- 10 November Waikanae Intermediate/Junior (5B/3B)
- 17 November Masterton Multigrade (8B)
- **14 December Wellington Region Christmas Cheer (3A) (Wellington)**
- **27-29 December Suzanne Duncan Open (Wellington)**

Aubrey Hann – screwdriver extraordinaire!

Our club chairs are now all safe and secure thanks to club member Aubrey Hann. Aubrey recently checked and tightened or replaced the screws on the bases of all 200 of our chairs. Thanks Aubrey!



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Caught in the act...anyone recognise this toerag?



The thief who recently stole three of our expensive security cameras from the basement carpark looked up from under his peaked cap just long enough to be snapped by the camera. Let Bridget or a committee member know if you recognise him!

This latest theft, and the earlier thefts of copper pipe from the basement, have prompted the committee to review our security – perhaps with a view to installing automatic doors or gates.

Recent triumphs

Tuesday

Manoy Estate Teams

1st Caroline Hull, Emma Holland, Logan Hull & Oliver McCready

2nd Helen Climo, Murray Climo, Margot Booth & Ben Thomas

Wednesday

McDermont Cup Ladder

1st Graham Stronach

2nd Nigel Kearney

Thursday

Porter Ladder

1st Graham Potter

2nd Denise Barnett

Friday

Owen Cup Handicap Pairs

1st Judy Glackin & Mary Wilson

2nd Annette Prebble & Rhona Carson

Tournaments

New Zealand Congress Successes

NZ Pairs

2nd Anthony & Charles Ker

4th Karl Hayes & Nigel Kearney

NZ Restricted Pairs

Top Junior Pair: Helen & Murray Climo

NZ Restricted Teams

2nd Bridget Hannaway Cath Glyde, Michael & Liz Willcox

3rd Brad Tattersfield, Jan Borren, Gail Tippett & Paul Maxwell

Multiple Teams

1st Nigel Kearney, Karl Hayes, Anthony & Charles Ker

Same Sex Pairs

2nd Karl Hayes & Nigel Kearney

Mixed Sex Pairs

2nd Brian Cleaver & partner

4th Mindy Wu & Murt Genc

Open Swiss Pairs

N/S 1st Anthony & Charles Ker
E/W 2nd Alan Grant & Jane Lennon

Open Restricted Swiss

4th Pam Hancox & Brian Gallaher

Intermediate Swiss Pairs

2nd Mariusz Tumilowicz & Barbara Tumilowicz

Rubber Bridge

2nd John Davidson & Susan Laurenson

Goulash Pairs

1st N/S Anne-Marie Russell & Bridget Hannaway

Other tournaments

Victoria Bridge Club Intermediate/Junior Combined 15th September

1st Pauline & Mike Murtagh
2nd Oliver McCready & Caroline Hull

South Wairarapa Multigrade 22nd September

1st Anthony & Charles Ker
2nd Brian & Mairi Fitzsimons
3rd David May & Sandy McKirdy
Top/Intermediate Open Pairs Chriselda & Murray McMillan

Palmerston North Swiss Pairs 12 October

2nd John Davidson & partner

Congratulations to Peter Delahunty on achieving the rank of Silver Grand Master

Welcome to new members

We welcome Tymek Tumilowicz.

Pay and Play – a reminder that if you are wanting to improve your game, we have experienced players who will assist by playing with you for a night or a series. All you do is pay their table money and reap the benefits.



Bridge Israeli style

Our jet-setting magazine editor Simon Louisson recently played some bridge at the Avivim Club in Tel Aviv, Israel with his brother and sister-in-law. They played a barometer system, where pairs go up or down a ladder depending on the results from their previous table. Simon, who finished mid-table, reckons the standard was good – equivalent to our Wednesday nights.



Book from Vil

Thanks to Vil Gravis for donating his book to the library:
“Thirteen tricks and Evil ACOL”

Foreign coins – not wanted!!!

Some of our frequent flier members have taken to using foreign coins for table money and coffee. Please desist – we prefer Kiwi please!!



