

Mt Maunganui Bridge Club

SPADEWORK

April 2019 Newsletter

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from President Anne's keyboard

I realise that our Multi Grade Tournament is over but please do have a look at our website to view the lovely photo of our overall winners - Dot Skousgaard and Margaret Y. Guy - an Open/Intermediate Pair.

It just shows that it is not always the Open/Open combinations that do the winning!

Thank you again to the many members who contributed to the day's success.

The raffle draw result was as follows: 1st Jane Larsen (\$50) 2nd Kate Terry (\$20) 3rd Yvonne Madden (Wine)

Our next tournament is the third round of the Bay Pairs, to be held on Sunday 9th June.

Stephen Searle, the Whakatane organiser of the Bay Pairs, is keen to have more non-open players and combinations of other grades, participate in this four-session series, so do consider entering.

Enjoy your Bridge everyone and do remember to be kind to your partner and the opposition who come to your table.

A little courtesy goes a long way and is remembered by others

Anne

Club Captain Carol writes ...

Our room temperatures. Some like it hot some like it cool. How do we please everyone? We can't! We do try though. With our wildly fluctuating outside temperatures at the moment, getting a comfortable setting on the air conditioning unit is (as always) a challenge. Please bring along a warm article of clothing just in case. Nobody likes a hot stuffy room to play in so we haven't turned the new unit over to heating yet. When we have a small number of tables the required temperature can be quite different to a full room, so bear with us, nothing is easy. (As all bridge players know.)

Umbrella's. We had a number of umbrella's available for club members for use in sudden downpours. These seem to have dwindled. Please check your cars to see if you have one hidden in the back.

Want to know who your committee members are? Check out the new name badge board to the left of the main board.

Isn't Murray Knight a whizz for whipping this up for us.

Good bridging everyone.

Congratulations to these members who have recently achieved - Certificate of Proficiency:

Peter Boynton
Ngaire Short
Rae Holmes
Jenny Coventry
Kathleen Pender
Pat Verren
and

Club Master – Loes de Kleijnen



INTRODUCING for those who have not met

JANE DEKKER

Jane is our Treasurer/Bookkeeper who has taken over from Roy and is responsible for keeping our accounts clean and tidy. A newly retired accountant, Jane is now a very enthusiastic, positive, pro-active and helpful addition to our admin team.

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

Rachelle Pelkman
Michele Larnder
Joanne Bruce

CLUB RESULTS

Mondays March '19 Autumn Pairs

1st Margaret Wakelin & Pam Clotworthy
2nd Barry Crosby & Sarah Stacey
3rd Shirley Knight & Hanny Hepburn

**Wednesdays March '19 Ultimate Motors
Handicap Singles**

1st Bob Callcut
2nd Tina Dudley
3rd Murray Knight

**Thursdays Feb '19 COMPLETE RESULT
Pure Health & Beauty Handicap
Pairs**

1st Ben & Loes de Kleijnen
2nd Linley Hay & Brenda Bleakley
3rd Margaret Carmichael & Annette Dally

**Thursdays March '19 M H Rogers
Handicap Pairs**

1st Carol Cullen & Fay Irwin
2nd Ben & Loes de Kleijnen
3rd Margaret Carmichael & Byrta Wagstaff

BON VOYAGE

to **Pamela and Stuart Pedersen**

Who are about to embark on a 6 month voyage under
sail to Tonga and Fiji.

Immaculately groomed yachtswoman Pamela and
skipper Stuart will be joined by 2 crew aboard
"ESSENCE"

A Bavaria 47 14metre sloop proven seaworthy for
19 years.

The outward trip should take 7 - 9 days with a
following high. (weather pattern that is ed.)
GOOD LUCK SEAFARERS.



SNIPPETTS from Sharyn Rudolph, our
Monday evening correspondent . . .

Monday night 1 April was our Skills night, where
we had 29 people attend. Graham Stern talked
about a website he finds helpful which has a huge
online following, **Bridge Base Online:**

<https://www.bridgebase.com/>

Afterwards the group played a friendly game of
bridge.

NZBridge - New To The Table

NZBridge are starting a new section in their website
for beginner bridge players. Have a look at the
following link:

[http://www.nzbridge.co.nz/latest-updates.listing.
5046.new-to-the-table.html](http://www.nzbridge.co.nz/latest-updates.listing.5046.new-to-the-table.html)

In Support of our Sponsors **M. H. ROGERS OPTOMETRIST**

Optometrist Murray is husband of our fellow
bridge player Michele and practices at
257 Maunganui Rd opposite Coronation Park at
the Mount.

Endorsed by president Anne for their personal care
during her recent cataract surgery, they ensured
she had the correct new glasses so should could
resume playing bridge asap!

If you call in, do let them know you are from the
Mt Maunganui Bridge Club.

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In a novice game a player leads a low club and
partner alerts. They ask about the alert. Reply -
"They are leading a singleton." "How do you
know", one opponent asks. "Because they led
it with the left hand. If it were from a
doubleton, it would have been led it with the
right hand."

Member is playing with a partner who never
knows what to bid. Imagine the chagrin when
a hand is picked up with 7 clubs and 6
diamonds. Rather than figure out how to
describe the hand, member puts one suit in
one hand and the other suit in the other hand -
and promptly lets partner play 3S.

