

SPADEWORK

April 2017 Newsletter

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from President Anne -

Problems, problems, problems, but aren't we fortunate to have members like Barry Crosby and Murray Knight to help solve them. I am of course, referring to the water problem in the kitchen cupboards. We are all relieved that it seems to have been identified at last and requires just a small amount of work to hopefully fix the problem, at not too great a cost.

Re play courtesy: We do want to treat ALL members fairly and with respect.

So, the committee feels it is reasonable to speak with infringers first, then the next time they will receive a letter reminding them of their obligations and on a third such occasion, a period of stand down from play, as determined by the committee, will be in place. We hope the above 'yellow card - red card' concept is acceptable to all and not deemed to be too draconian.

Please continue to make our new members feel welcome at our club.
Happy bridging all.

Club Captain Carol comments ...

How often do we stop and look around or up? Well for the observant, you will have noticed we now have two additions to our past presidents' photo gallery. Judy Bartlett and June Nightingale. For newer members a suggestion - take a few minutes looking along the line of past Presidents who have served our club so well. A number happily, are still likely to be sitting across the table from you.

A question recently asked about substitutes, was whether or not a visitor can play in a singles championship event. (Where 5 out of 6 scores count). Yes they can, but that would be the score that did not count. In the front of your club programme book under general information it clearly states substitutes must be club members. So if you substituted a visitor in a pairs event where all the scores counted you would then be ineligible for a club prize. It is worthwhile to have a read of that general information page.

Good bridging everyone.

Library

We are pleased to announce that we now have a new librarian,
Loes de Kleijnen.



Also we have several new books in our library so do have a look.

The higher the number, the more recently the book was bought.

Also a big thank you to **Mac McCarthy** for donating quite a number of books to our library, including some newer and some old treasures. Much appreciated.

Lessons

We have now had several weeks of lessons with an enthusiastic group of around 25 participants. These are being held on Thursday evenings and go over 13 weeks.

DID YOU KNOW?

The most common hand pattern you can hold is 4-4-3-2 and occurs about 21.55% of the time.

The second most frequent pattern is
5-3-3-2 at 15.52% and
5-4-3-1 at 12.93% of the time

CLUB RESULTS

Mondays pm Feb '17 **Furniture Gallery Pairs**

1st Kerry Crosby & Barry Crosby
2nd Helen Heuvel & Carol Cullen
3rd Bev Walker & Liz Simpson

Mondays April '17 **Jones & Co Teams**

1st Judy Bartlett, June Nightingale, Colleen Ross,
Sue Wotton, Margaret Wham
2nd Mike Huymans, Margaret Jones, Marilyn Wallace
Hanny Hepburn
3rd Noelene Shrimpton, Jose McDonald, Julie Downs
Ronelle Middleton

Wednesdays March '17 **Ultimate Motors Handicap Singles**

1st Linley Hay
2nd Richard Roberts
3rd Kay Wright

Thursdays March '17 **M H Rogers Handicap Pairs**

1st Gloria Mouatt & Jo-an White
2nd Dorothy Harvey & Fred Clarke
3rd Diana Maltby & Colleen Ross

Thursdays April '17 **Harcourts Handicap Pairs**

1st Diana Maltby & Byrta Wagstaff
2nd Corinne Levy & Fred Clarke
3rd Joan Heuvel Lesley Stephen

Fridays March '17 **Dawson Insurance Pairs**

1st Noelene Shrimpton & Diane Moreland
2nd Carol Cullen & Mike Nicholson
3rd Joy Holmes & Carol Grant

Husband comes home and turns on tv, feet up.
Wife bursts into tears.

He: what are you crying about?

She, sobbing: you don't remember what day this is?

He thinking rapidly: Sure, it's your birthday.

She: no, that's in August. You don't even remember when we got married, it's our anniversary. I bet you don't remember where we got married.

He: sure I do, it was Masterton

She: no it was Te Kuiti. I bet you can't remember where we went on honeymoon.

He: I do, it was Rotorua.

She: no, we went to Whakatane. Do you remember where we met?

He: oh yes I do. It was at the Cambridge bridge club, you were East of the second pair we played. You had 5 spades to the King-Queen, Ace 3 of hearts, King-Queen 4 of diamonds and a short club. Now what are you crying about?

- from ACBL Bridge Bulletin.

BIDDING the *opponent's* suit usually means one or more of the following

1. I have a good hand, possibly a lot stronger than I've been able to show so far.
2. I have no other (forcing) bid that would describe my hand
3. I need more information about your hand partner (e.g. extra strength), stoppers in opponent's suit, length in an unbid suit).

What is *doesn't* show is that you want to play in an opponent's suit.

A Mount bridge player got her young grandson to hack into hubby's bridge programme - now a dialogue box pops up when he's playing on line saying =

'this is tricky - ask your wife what to do'.

WELCOME to NEW MEMBERS

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