



Mt Maunganui Bridge Club

SPADEWORK

August 2019 Newsletter

Editor: Julie Downs

from President Anne -

The Committee is pleased to report to members that Teri Logie has agreed to be our Administration Person. It has taken some time to fill this much-needed role at the club because the necessary commitment and hours do not suit everyone.

We have the new printer installed in the scoring room and the new computer in the main office, thus hopefully streamlining our efficiency.

It is always appreciated when experienced members offer suggestions for our programme booklet, as did Barry Crosby for our Friday play. With Mike Nicholson and Robyn Knight, we are endeavouring to combine voucher days to make up an additional competition.

Good thinking Barry!

Mike tells us he is well on target with sponsors, so thanks to all who responded to a previous Spadework asking for help.

Which reminds me, if you were the recipient of a trophy last year, we require them to be returned in preparation for prize-giving this year.

Don't forget the next Improver's Lesson to be held on 3rd September at 1.00pm. Thanks to Karen Martelletti for providing these lessons for us throughout the year. Keep on enjoying your bridge and look after yourselves

Anne

Club Captain Carol's catch up ...

Over the last couple of weeks I have been helping Patty Spencer who has been away, to reconcile and bank the table money. I'm sure it is just lack of attention, but it is alarming how often there is a shortage, especially with small change. Could I please ask the North/South pair at each table to take responsibility for checking that the correct amount is there for collection. It really would help.

It seems that the keen group that meet for social bridge on a Wednesday are going well. Anyone is welcome to join them, 1- 4pm. At this group you don't need a partner, players can discuss the bidding and replay the hand if required.

Table money \$4 (includes afternoon tea)

There is no competition or Director and you can come and go when you need to.

Those tricky hands you wonder how on earth they were bid or played, well here is your chance to rehash them after the game. For further information ph **Michelle Lander** 0210427330.

Last weekend Helen Heuvel and Graham Stern went to a Bridge Teaching Conference in Wellington and have come back brimming with ideas. So great we have such dedicated members who have an interest in growing membership in this wonderful game we play.

Good bridging everyone.

Feedback to our committee please ...

Emailed Sessions Results. All members - please inform a committee member if you find these emails useful, or are you happy to check results via the website? Once feedback is received, the Committee will review procedures.

Charity Week in December. The committee is asking membership for suggestions of a charity which is close to their hearts in order for the Committee to nominate a suitable recipient.

Also - please return all trophies to be cleaned and returned ready for engraving. Thank you.

September 'Improver' lesson Tuesday 3rd Sept.

Once again we are fortunate to have tutor Karen Martelletti impart her knowledge.

We play as defenders approx 50% of our games.

In order for us to overturn our opponent's contract, it's important that our partner knows the best suit or card to lead. The cards we play as 'leads or signals' give our partner that clue!

Come along to the 'Improver' class and learn how to effectively signal the correct message to your partner.

Tuesday 3rd September, 1pm - 3:30pm.

Where: **Mt Maunganui Bridge Club**

Cost: **\$5 table money.**

CLUB RESULTS

Mondays Aug '19	Ruth Corbett Memorial Handicap Pairs	1st Joan Heuvel & Diane Rodger 2nd Judith Wilson & Brenda Macfarlane 3rd June Nightingale & Judy Bartlett
Mondays Aug '19	Ruth Corbett Memorial Pairs	1st Hanny Hepburn & Shirley Knight 2nd Mike Huymans & Marilyn Wallace 3rd Joan Heuvel & Diane Rodger
Mondays pm July '19	Rialto Pairs	1st Janet Dunn & Marian Young 2nd Annette Dally & Emma Barber 3rd Helene Paterson & Grant Rowell
Wednesdays July '19	Paul Nielson Memorial Singles	1st Elaine Kingsford 2nd Tina Kennedy 3rd Kathy King
Thursdays Aug '19	Esquires Coffee Handicap Pairs	1st Merle Halligan & Charles Forbes 2nd Brian Cavit & Fred Clarke 3rd Lesley Stephen & Margaret Carmichael
Fridays Aug '19	President's Pairs	1st Nancye Ward & Hanny Hepburn 2nd Jose McDonald & Liz Gilbert 3rd Pat Hunter & Diane Rodger



Misplaced

A player had made a bad bid and went down 1400.

"I'm sorry," player said to their partner, "I had a card misplaced."

Asked his partner innocently, "Only one card?"

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the August sponsor of Monday Night Junior and Novice Pairs is
Bakers Delight

2 Owens Place opposite Bayfair ph. 07 5743581

Owner and Mt club member Keryn O'Brien advises their special until the end of September is **Nutella Danish** 3 for \$7.50

Treat yourself and pick up healthy bread too.

WANTED ... for upicycle

A spare small computer monitor with VGA fitting for clubroom display.

Please contact Julie Sheridan if you can help.



WELCOME to NEW MEMBERS

Bill Armstrong (from Tasmania) and Fred Chard

Unlucky for Some

If we were meant play bridge, we would have 13 fingers.

Ron Klinger's wise words re the BRIDGE FALLACY

You need 2 stoppers in the opposition's suit to bid no-trumps ...

To adhere to this will lead to too many good games being missed. It's nice to have 2 stoppers, but it's sufficient if the first member of the partnership to bid no-trumps has one stopper. If the opposition's suit has been bid and raised, it's better to have 2 stoppers but not essential.

**Attention Monday afternoon players -
analyst/scribe/communicator required ... read on ...**

Vil Gravis at the Hutt Club plays on Monday afternoons as part of the X-Clubs set up, as does our club. She is starting a new series of articles and will be using material from Monday afternoon play from time to time. She would like to establish a regular contact with an interested player from this session at our club. She would like to hear from anyone interested. The series will also feature play from other sessions that we play - also at the Hutt Club, namely Wednesday evening, and Friday afternoon. Vil would also be keen to hear from anyone to contribute from those sessions.

Further details from Teri Logie or a committee member.
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