



# Mt Maunganui Bridge Club

# SPADEWORK

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## from President Michele -

### Recognition of New Life Member

We are delighted to announce the induction of a new Life Member to our club. This honour is bestowed in recognition of outstanding dedication, service and commitment over many years. Please join us in congratulating our newest Life Member,

**Gilda Rowland,**

whose contributions have made a lasting impact on our club's community and spirit. Gilda is often likened to the 'Eveready Bunny'- she is always on the go and completes tasks at a speed that leaves one in awe.

She served as Secretary from 2018 to 2023. The comprehensive club history that can be viewed on our website is part of her legacy. Gilda is the driving force behind the team that caters for National Party meetings once a month, bringing in valuable income to the club. She is the club's tournament secretary and part of the terrific trio (Teri, Julie, Gilda) who organise all club events. Gilda's creative skills both in crafts and food are to the forefront in many of our festive events. The committee was unanimous in the decision to award her a life-membership



### Election of Vice President

Congratulations to **Bernie Robinson** who has been elected as Vice President. Bernie has been instrumental in the success of the Wednesday casual Bridge session. He is also invaluable as our 'Mr Fixit' where his vast experience in the building industry is very useful. Bernie's managerial skills prove to be beneficial to committee decisions. We look forward to his future contributions to the club.

## Club Captain Teri writes ... WHEN WE . . .

**When** playing bridge and you get set in your ways - you are being obstinate, but when **we** get set in our ways, we are firm and resolved.

**When** you don't like someone, you are prejudiced, but when **we** don't like them, we are a good judge of character.

**When** others treat someone well, they are buttering them up, but when **we** do, we are being considerate.

If you take too much time to get up and move at the end of the round, you are holding up the entire room, but when **we** do it - we are being thoughtful.

**When** you make a noise and talk loudly you are being egotistical, however when **we** do it - its because we have something important to say.

**When** you take too much time to play your cards, you are taking valuable time from your opponents, but when **we** do it - we are the experts and are owed that time.

**When** some chat between boards and discuss the boards, they are being selfish, when **we** do it, we are enlightening others.

**When** you ignore calling the director you are being discourteous, when **we** do, it's actually because we know more than the director anyway.

What's the difference between a discontented Bridge player and their car? The car stops whining after parking in the car park.

**Be Kind, happy Bridge, Teri**

### WELL DONE - PROMOTION IN RANK

**Lucy Hollister** - Novice to Certificate of Proficiency  
**Bob Kidd** - Certificate of Proficiency to Club Master

post-production change to member phone list -  
Life Member and keeper of our cellar

**Judy Bartlett**

no longer has a land line but can be reached on mobile  
**0273046144**



## CLUB RESULTS

Mondays February'26	<b>EasyGo Thai Handicap Pairs</b>	1st Graeme Boyd & Bernie Robinson 2nd Judith Robinson & Bev Smail 3rd Kerry Crosby & Barry Crosby
Mondays February'26 pm	<b>EasyGo Thai Handicap Pairs</b>	1st Nicola Dutton & Craig Malpas (w Lynley Drain) 2nd Janet Dunn & Joanne Bruce 3rd Judith Somerville & Teri Logie
Wednesdays Feb'26	<b>Welcome Back Pairs</b>	1st Helen Charteris & Rosemary Wilkey 2nd Dot Skousgaard & John Sheridan 3rd Graham Stern & Frances Ball

**Bridge**  
**Aerobics**

*get up  
shave or  
makeup  
look into  
mirror say  
no bid  
no bid  
no bid  
no bid  
no bid*



**XXX** The opponents have doubled your contract and you have to decide how best to play the hand. Are you aiming to make your doubled contract? Is there a possibility of doubled overtricks? These are attractive objectives, but often they are not realistic.

Should you accept that you will not make your contract and limit your losses as best you can? Obviously it is better to go 1 down than 3 or 4 down and it is important not to panic just because of the double. If you have sacrificed against the opponents' game or slam, which would have made, it is vital that your loss does not exceed the value of their contract.     - **Ron Klinger**

CLUB CAPTAIN Teri Logie ISSUED THE FOLLOWING VIA EMAIL, BUT IT'S WORTH A REMINDER -

1. **Partnership stewards** – here are their email addresses. **Please contact them directly** if you wish to be on the emailed list of members looking for partners.  
Monday afternoon 1 pm. Annie Barry - [anneebarry@gmail.com](mailto:anneebarry@gmail.com)  
Monday Eve 7pm . Lucy Hollister - [lucyhollister43@gmail.com](mailto:lucyhollister43@gmail.com)  
Wednesday Eve 7pm. Gilda Rowland - [gildarowland4@gmail.com](mailto:gildarowland4@gmail.com)  
Thursday afternoon 1 pm. Carol Cullen - [enodega@gmail.com](mailto:enodega@gmail.com)  
Friday afternoon - 1 pm. Annie Barry - [anneebarry@gmail.com](mailto:anneebarry@gmail.com)
2. **Monday evening sessions** are changing, and we ask for the support of all junior / novice players as well as all Intermediate players. There will be two sections – Intermediate and Juniors / Novices. Junior and Novices are welcome to play up. C Points will be awarded for both sections. All sessions will be on Handicap except for the Championships. Looking forward to seeing you all there.
3. **Friday Sessions are calling you!** Please consider coming to play. All sessions are scored on gross. Occasional attendance incentives offered! - check your emails weekly.
4. **Subs** – These will have come out of your Compa\$\$ account at the end of Jan. Details and amounts are on Page 5 of your programme book. We would appreciate it if you could let us know asap if there are to be any changes in your membership.
5. **New Year Resolution** –to anticipate how much you are going to play in the coming month, pay in advance or set up an automatic payment into your Compa\$\$ account to keep it in credit.

**WELCOME to NEW MEMBERS**

*Shirley Bain  
Carol De Luca  
Tom Uden  
Jo Wenham  
Graham Robinson  
Jean Morris  
Sadie Vernall*



Michele thanks retiring committee members  
Isobel McIntyre & Jane Dekker

Mt Maunganui Club was proud to host the first round of the  
2026 BAY PAIRS

Sunday 22 February, 19 tables, 76 participants. The day was ably conducted by tournament director Gilda, her team of kitchen helpers and director Norm wielding our trusty Bridgmates III.

Great to feature successes from our club below and also kudos to Amber and Bryce for joining the fray.  
President Michele presented the prize envelopes -



1st Intermediate/Junior pair Rebecca Bartlett and Gill West with Michele

5th Overall and 1st Intermediate Pair Dianne Rodger and Lyn Bailie



6th Overall, from Table 1, Marion Kelly and Julie Sheridan

Michele with 4th Overall and 3rd Open/Intermediate pair, Joy Bates and Frances Ball

Right - Rosemary Wilkey and Tina Dudley, 4th Open/Intermediate section.

