

# SPADEWORK

July 2016 Newsletter

Editor: Julie Downs



## from our President ...

What a buzz last Saturday to have the tournament room filled to capacity with 29 tables consisting of Intermediates, Juniors and Novice players. We had just enough tables and Bridgemates.

It was heartwarming to have had so many members remain after bridge on Friday to assist setting up the room with table placement in the capable hands of Barry Crosby.

Sarah Stacey with her accuracy did a wonderful job as Tournament Secretary.

Congratulations to Rochelle our Caterer, who provided meals for 120 people, to Flo and kitchen helpers - Flo's friend, Carol Cullen's sister-in-law,

Diane King and Jean Scott. To morning tea helpers Margaret, Carol Grant and Sue and also members who brought a plate for morning tea.

I am sure no player at conclusion of the tournament departed feeling hungry.

While assisting recently with the Club's data base revealed we now have 238 members and growing. New members from other Clubs say we are a friendly Club. Please continue in the same vein, and our table numbers will grow as a result.

Good luck to those members who have been selected to play in the Teams event at Rotorua.

Good bridging **June**

## more accolades ...

Karen Martelletti and Kate Terry are on the Baden Wilson Report as among the top 40 female Bridge players in our country.

Also, Carol Cullen and Gilda Rowland are in the top 10 female 'Local Masters' for New Zealand.

## SUPPORTING our SPONSORS

For all your investment advice please support our Sponsor  
CRAIGS INVESTMENT PARTNERS  
158 Cameron Rd  
Tauranga

## Club Captain Carol writes ...

Our Club is growing, so let's keep it a welcoming place.

Just a few reminders:

- (1) Make each hand enjoyable for yourself, your partner and opponents. Your partner doesn't make a bad bid or bad play to spite you. We all strive to do our best but mistakes do happen. Be philosophical about it.
- (2) Please don't offer advice unless asked for. New players have enough on their minds without unasked for comments making them feel inadequate.
- (3) If you do want to point out an error by your partner, save it until later, away from the table. It saves embarrassment all round.
- (4) Be gracious. Don't gloat over a good board.
- (5) When the bridgemate is given to East to confirm the result remember that others at the table might also like to look at the data so place it in the middle of the table.
- (6) After the hand has been played, do not sit discussing the hand, remember others can hear you and respect that members may still be playing so keep the noise level down.
- (7) Call the Director every time a ruling is required, don't make your own decisions because you think you know the ruling. We have a Director to direct - let them do their job.

**Enjoyable Bridge everyone.**

Q. What's the difference between a puppy and a bridge player?

A. A puppy eventually stops whining!  
nb. we know that's never our Mt members!



\*\*\* catch the August Edition of

**SPADEWORK**

for recent member rank changes

## WELCOME to NEW MEMBERS

Jenny Fraser  
Richard Roberts  
Laura Sutherland  
Nelson Hodgetts  
Helen Moffatt

## CLUB RESULTS

**Mondays June'16 AYC Handicap  
Pairs**

1st Nancye Ward & June Nightingale  
2nd Kath Harvey & Muriel Cruickshank  
3rd Jan Kirk & Daphne Ansell

**Mondays pm June'16 shoe & me  
Singles Handicap**

1st Jenny Coventry  
2nd Judith Robinson  
3rd Sharyn Rudolph

**Wednesdays July'16 Dawson Insurance  
Pairs**

1st Karen Martelletti & Nick Comber  
2nd Linley Hay & Janette Papesch  
3rd Laura Sutherland & John Laugesen

**Thursdays July'16 Spotless Spouting  
Pairs**

1st Jean McCulloch & Joan Heuvel  
2nd Joy Holmes & Marilyn Wallace  
3rd Betty Forbes & Charles Forbes

**Fridays July '16 Championship  
Singles**

1st Flo Nield  
2nd Shirley Knight  
3rd Joy Holmes

### Ever wondered about the health of our club??

Judy Bartlett gives an update ...

It is exciting to see our club membership growing slowly, but steadily again. Last Monday evening there were 10 full tables of Juniors and Novices playing a competition under Helen Heuvel's Directorship. In the Dealing room, six or seven learners were being taught by Brenda Macfarlane, supported by John Andrews. At the back of the playing room, two tables of Brookies (those who have come after doing the lessons at Tauranga) were being coached by Judy Bartlett and Kath Harvey. We tackled Stayman again, after Jean's introduction the previous week. Our aim is to have all of the Brookies and learners ready to join the Junior/Novice group by the end of the year

These Novices and Juniors play competitions as in other sessions, throughout the year but they have 6 Skills nights interspersed with the competitions. This is to provide opportunities for them to keep improving their Bridge – last time we studied and practised Reverse Bids, for example.

As more of our Novices earn their masterpoints & become Juniors, the time is coming for each group to have the challenge of its own Singles and Pairs Championships. Also it would be quite appropriate to have trophies to award to the winners at Prize-giving as we do in other sessions. The year before last Corinne Levy generously donated a cup for the winner of the Novice Championship Singles. If any other member who has enjoyed and valued his or her time at our club would consider donating a trophy for a Junior Championship event, please contact Judy on Ph 575 9910.

Such trophies enrich our club and are very much in keeping with our history

### Welcome to these new members from the lessons at Tauranga:

Christine Guilford  
Maria Guilford  
Isobel McIntyre  
Hilary McKenna  
Athol Ryan  
Cathy Burgess  
Graham Burgess  
Sue Finlayson  
Penny Sando

### Also a warm welcome to these new members who have recently joined Brenda Macfarlane's lessons:

Helene Paterson  
Kathleen Pender

## - - - STOP PRESS - - -

*Congratulations*

to members who excelled in Saturday 23 July tournament  
at our Mt Club.



**1st overall** *Intermediate*  
Tournament

**June Nightingale & Nancye Ward**  
5th Tina Dudley & Gilda Rowland

*Junior* Tournament

3rd Terry Kerse & Carol Cullen  
4th Ann Barry & Lesley Stephen

and *Novice* Tournament

5th John Curtis & Rose Curtis

