

SPADEWORK

June 2016 Newsletter

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from our President

I realise that this is the last Newsletter before the Club's July 23rd Intermediate, Junior Tournament which includes an afternoon session for Novices.

We delayed inclusion of this group before learning how Tauranga coped with 3 Graded Groups. Karen Martelletti will assist with scoring as another computer is needed to handle results.

I would like to thank Sarah Stacey who composed and sent Brochures to Bay of Plenty Clubs at short notice inviting Novice players to participate. The Club rooms will be bursting at the seams but what a buzz!!

14 teams participated in our just completed Wednesday night competition which included an enjoyable pizza and wine evening before play.

Grateful thanks to Secretary Pamela who organised the evening.

Shirley Knight and Gloria Mouatt recently attended a Directors Seminar in Matamata and gleaned important information from it. A resulting booklet is available to read.

An evening is being organised at our Club on July 4th for Monday night players to welcome those who completed the 10 week course in Tauranga.

Brenda Macfarlane has kindly stepped in to fill a niche by offering tuition to a small group who missed out on the lessons in Tauranga.

Grateful thanks to you Brenda.

It may not be appropriate to end this report with a keep warm message. How amazing to have temperatures of 17 and 18 degrees in mid-June

Keep well JUNE

Club Captain Carol writes ...

The smooth running of our club counts so much on dedicated members prepared to give generous amounts of time and effort. All the little things we expect when we stroll in and pick up our cards are there not only because of the work done by your committee but the many others who do their bit. Julie Downs who produces these editions of spadework each month. Tina Kennedy who so promptly and ably fills our requests for designing and laminating the table numbers, phantom cards and all the name labels. All those who cheerfully roll up their sleeves in the kitchen. By the way every little bit helps so feel free to wander in and lend a hand anytime. Rosemary Collins who never misses keeping in touch with our ailing members. Our amazing scorers Pauline Taylor, Barry and Kerry Crosby and Dorothy Harvey and of course all our dealers. Then a couple of years ago it was noted that our numbers of members were dwindling alarmingly, so a small group set about promoting lessons and we now have a thriving group of newbies on a Monday night who are increasingly joining our other sessions. The latest intake have just finished their lessons but we had requests from half a dozen who had missed that intake and Brenda Macfarlane has kindly stepped in on a Monday night and is now instructing this very keen group on our wonderful game. Isn't it great to see our club growing like this. Thank you all, it's a privilege to be your Club Captain.

****Over the next couple of weeks the Match Committee will be reviewing our club handicaps and these will apply for the remainder of the year.**

****If you would like to order a new magnetic badge, we will be doing another order very soon. Look out for the list on the notice board in early July.**

- PAMELA PEDERSEN Secretary.

Gloria WELCOMES 5 NEW MEMBERS

John Adshead

Patsy Jorgensen

Hugh Jorgensen

Christine Mora

Alma Wolfe

and sorry to say resignation from a long time member
Barbara Boyce - we wish her better health.

A hen plays very slowly. They are asked to speed it up a bit. Reply: "I'm sorry, but I can't think and play bridge at the same time."

CLUB RESULTS

Mondays May'16 Esquires Coffee
Pairs

1st Carol Grant & Byrta Wagstaff
2nd Linley Hay & Leo Edwards
3rd Gilda Rowland & Helen Heuvel

Mondays pm May'16 Downtown Pharmacy
Pairs

1st Grant Rowell & Yvonne Best
2nd David Haxton & Marie Spillane
3rd Sue Haughey & Helen Tomson

Wednesdays May'16 Paul Nielson Memorial
Pairs

1st Dixie Horne & Shirley Knight
2nd Kay Wright & Ruth Sweatman
3rd Mervyn Harris & Edna Nicholson
1st JS Gill West & Pamela Pedersen

Wednesdays June'16 Harcourts Graded
Teams

1st Shirley Knight Mervyn Harris
Carol Cullen Mike Nicholson
2nd Tina Dudley Tina Kennedy Helen Heuvel
Linley Hay
3rd Phillip Harris Terry Kerse Leo Edwards
Philippa Edwards

Thursday June '16 Van Dyk
Pairs

1st Catherine King & Doreen Francis
2nd Carol Cullen & Dorothy Harvey
3rd Lyn Bailie & Barbara Stimson

Fridays May '16 Travelcom
Pairs

1st Ronelle Middleton & Shirley Knight
2nd Joy Holmes & Flo Nield
3rd Mike Nicholson & Carol Cullen

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Enjoy your bridge ...

Man meets woman at bridge club and they decide to play in the evening duplicate. They play all the same conventions - Strong NT, Transfers, Short Club, etc. so they really have nothing to go over. They have a big game and win. They go to have a cup of coffee at a restaurant and go over the hands which of course puts them in a good mood. She invites him to her apartment at the Mt for a drink. They are sitting on the couch and one thing leads to another. Before you know it, clothes are flying around all over the place. In the midst of all this passion, he screams "Alert:" She says: "Yes, what" He says: "it could be short."

Ever wondered

what A B n C points are for or mean?

A points are awarded to players who finish in the top placings of approved tournaments, and to all session winners of Pairs Tournaments approved for the award of A Points. Fractional A points are awarded to the winners of each match in approved A Point Match-Play (teams).

B points are awarded to players who finish in the top placings of approved tournaments which do not qualify for the award of A Points, and to all session winners of Pairs Tournaments approved for the award of B Points.

C points are awarded to players who are successful in any one session of play organised by a licensed club, Region, or the NZ Bridge. B Points are not convertible to A Points. C Points are converted to B Points in the ratio of 100 C Points to one B Point.

So all you 'C' pointers, you probably have B points too - check yours on line at
<http://www.nzbridge.co.nz>

nb. **Hen** is a gender-neutral personal pronoun in Swedish intended as an alternative to the gender-specific hon ("she") and han ("he").

