

# SPADEWORK

May 2018 Newsletter

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## from President Anne -

It was with sadness, that we were told that former club member Kaye Robertshaw passed away in Australia on Wednesday 23rd May. Kaye was a very special person, an intelligent bridge player, a great mentor for younger players and a real fun person to play with in tournaments, as those who have been privileged to do so will remember.

She was an astute observer of people and had a very dry sense of humour. Such was her passion for the great game, that she regularly checked on our club results, even on the Monday before she passed away. If there is bridge in heaven, Kaye will surely take up the challenge.

Farewell dear friend.

*Anne*

## congratulations to members ...

Tracey Anderson, Roy Cooper, Kathy King who achieved **Certificates of Proficiency** also

Merle Halligan and Tina Kennedy **Club Masters**  
Patty Spencer and Kath Harvey **Local Masters**

This lady plays very slowly. She is asked to speed it up a bit. She says: "I'm sorry, but I can't think and play bridge at the same time."

## from the Director's chair...

If during the bidding you hesitate then 'pass' it may restrict your partner from bidding on further. If you hesitate and bid there are no restrictions unless you are consuming too much time.

## Club Captain Carol asks

### Please note.

We had a demonstration on how to use our defibrillator on Monday 28th May.

Thanks to those who made an effort to attend.



### A couple of reminders.

(1) Our partnership stewards, when asked, take time and effort to find partners for you. Please have the courtesy to ring them if you have already found someone.

(2) After a hand, please place the Bridgemates in the middle of the table so everyone can see the results. Mistakes are less likely to occur.

### I found this little nugget

the other day and thought it worth sharing. Look after your partner. The secret to their success is to be constructive. Keep your hand records for later, with the intention of using them to discuss and prevent misunderstandings or defensive slip ups from happening again. Importantly there should be only two comments at the bridge table, "Well done partner" and "Bad luck partner".

Good luck and enjoy your bridge together.

## *please help your club*

with recycling - there is a new recycle bin in the bar area for plastics, cardboard etc. but not glass. *thanks*

## CLUB RESULTS

Mondays May '18 **Spotless Spouting Pairs**

Mondays May'18 **Esquires Coffee. Pairs**

Mondays pm May'18 **Novice & Junior Champs Pairs**

Wednesdays May'18 **Wendy's Boutique Pairs**

Thursdays May'18 **Furniture Gallery Handicap Pairs**

Thursdays May '18 **Carol's Hair Salon Handicap Pairs**

Fridays May'18 **Esquires Coffee Swiss Pairs**

1st Carolyn Parker & Bev Walker  
 2nd Brian Lomax & Bill Ridley  
 3rd Diane Moreland & Barry Crosby  
 1st Carolyn Parker & Barry Crosby  
 2nd Bev Walker & Kay Wright  
 3rd Daphne Ansell & Margaret Burton  
 1st Jenny Fraser & Richard Roberts  
 2nd Annette Dally & Michele Rogers  
 3rd Kathy Abel & Jill Stewart  
 1st Bren Birss & Bob Callcut  
 2nd Pat Hunter & Anne Clarke  
 3rd Bruce Inglis & Murray Knight  
 1st Carol Cullen & Brenda Bleakley  
 2nd Ann Cooney & Margo Kirk  
 3rd Joy Holmes & Marilyn Wallace  
 1st Joan Smith & Lynette Simonsen  
 2nd Marie Spence & Miriam Heeney  
 3rd Jo-an White & Fred Clarke  
 1st Nancye Ward & Corinne Levy  
 2nd Barry Crosby & Mike Huymans  
 3rd Chris Gibson & Anne Clarke

NZB has now created blank and partially filled in **System cards** in Excel. The PDF version has presented challenges for some to fill in. If this is you, try the Excel version, which has been designed to virtually look the same as the PDF cards. To use these templates, you need **Excel 2013** or a later version

The date of **Karen Martelletti's 'Improver Lesson'** for June has been revised and will be held a week later due to a clash with other events as follows:

**now: Tues 19th June, 1pm**

We are very fortunate to have Karen Martelletti, a very experienced player (Grand Master) and wonderfully kind instructor, offer these **'Improver Lessons'**. They are suitable for **advanced Juniors and Intermediates** who want to improve their partnerships or learn more conventions.

(not recommended for Novice players.)

Here are the details for this upcoming lesson:

When: ...**Tuesday 19th June : 1pm - 3:30pm.**

Where: ..**Mt Maunganui Bridge Club**

Topic: ....**'On the Power of Shape'** Cost: ... **\$5 table money.**

(How to bid those hands that have big shape, but not big points!)

Note: The same lesson will be taught two weeks later at:

**Tauranga Bridge Club: Tues 3rd July 7:15pm - 9:30pm.**

### Bridgies & Brookies

We had a great turn-out for our May Skills night, which was led by our lovely Bren Birss. We were delighted to have some new 2018 students join us, keen to sharpen their skills. They were all pleased to learn about getting rid of their losers, cross ruffing, when to draw trumps and setting up side suits.

### WELCOME to NEW MEMBERS

**Judith George  
 Edna Williams  
 Dee Drew  
 Barbara Stimson**

### Life -

*We cannot change the cards we are dealt*

*- just how we play the hand!*

*(from Sharyn)*

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