

SPADEWORK

May 2015 Newsletter

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... from our President ...

Seems no time since contributing to our last Spadework.

We have had all the excitement at the Cambridge 6's - Results are in Gloria's report - and there is also a delightful write-up on our new web-site.

The prestigious Bay Pairs are approaching before we go to Press next month. Lists will be passed around seeking help with morning tea plates and a notice placed on the board for entries. Any help is much appreciated.

Fun times arose at our recent Committee meeting arranging the Club's Christmas Party. There will be a departure from our usual break-up, with the day beginning with a Champagne breakfast followed by Prize Giving and then the playing of cards. The applause for our Prize Winners could be louder and more enthusiastic than usual.

Our new photo-copier arrived Friday 22nd May. We had reasonable service over the 11 years that we possessed the old model and in spite of servicing it could still cause problems.

We have been assured the new copier is cheaper to run and more efficient
Keep well and good bridging

June

Club Captain Gloria

Our club had 2 teams playing at the Cambridge 6's mid May – it was a great day and very festive – so many great outfits - what talented bridge players we have. I am pleased to report “The Six Pistols” came 1st overall. The team consisted of 2nd placed juniors Carol Cullen and Mike Nicholson, 2nd Intermediate Ronelle Middleton and me, and our Open players – the great combination of Linley Hay and Helen Heuvel. We all got quite a surprise as there were 34 tables.

The other Mount team was Pamela Pedersen, Brenda Birss, Chris Gibson, Anne Clarke, Shirley Knight and Kaye Robertshaw – a great effort by all. I do encourage you all to enter next year as it is a great day and atmosphere.

What an up and down game bridge is – Carol C and I came bottom on Thursday.

Whether you want to direct or not it is good to go along to the directors lessons to learn the rules of the game - see the notice board for the dates.

I am off soon for 3 months, good bridging and

keep well. *Gloria*

Waikato Bays 2015 Inter-Provincial Trials

Date: 20 and 21 June

Entries close: 12 June

Cost: \$25

Venue: Tauranga Bridge Club

Mount members please note: Those who qualify are eligible for a subsidy down to Christchurch. This includes Intermediate graded players. Please look at the notice on the board for more details.

Also A list will be going up for members who would like to be considered to represent our club at the BOP Teams Interclub event at Rotorua on 9 August.



A doctor, concerned about the physical condition of one of his bridge-playing patients, during a regular check-up asked,

“Do you get much exercise?”

“Only when I sit East West” was the reply





CLUB RESULTS

Mondays April '15 **Jones & Company Teams**

1st Bev Walker, Carol Grant, Flo Nield, Joy Holmes
2nd Jose McDonald, Noelene Shrimpton,
Henk Van Der Beek, Johanna Van Der Wal
3rd Mike Huymans, Hanny Hepburn, Marilyn Wallace
Pam Clotworthy

Mondays pm May'15 **Downtown Pharmacy Pairs**

1st Phil West & Gill West
2nd Susan Treadgold & Brian Cavit
3rd Glenys Westlake & Michele Rogers

Wednesday April '15 **F Shrimpton Memorial Handicap Pairs**

Top Junior Pair Judy Duncan & Robyn Knight
Best Other Pair Brenda Birss & Pamela Pedersen

Thursdays April '15 **Carol Hair Salon Handicap Pairs**

1st Gloria Mouatt & Dorothy Harvey
2nd Byrta Wagstaff & Colleen Ross
3rd Merle Halligan & Bruce Vant

Thursdays May '15 **Portside Motors Handicap Pairs**

1st Ruth Sweatman & Margaret Wakelin
2nd Linda Bailie & Barbara Stimson
3rd Fred Clarke & Pauline Taylor

Fridays May'15 **New World Pairs**

1st Noelene Shrimpton & John Andrews
2nd Diane Moreland & Barry Crosby
3rd Carol Grant & Flo Nield



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APPLIED PHYSICS Light travels faster than sound. This is why some bridge players appear bright until you hear them speak in the post-mortem.

I'M *STILL* GIVING UP BRIDGE ...

I'm giving up bridge ... tonight's a bad night
Declarer is horrid and nothing's gone right.
My partner's a dope and I'm losing hope
and when she says 'double' I know we're in trouble.

My points are not high and I'm wondering why
she kept on bidding right up to the sky.
We're in 7 spades and all my hope fades - when
suprise, suprise the high bidding pays.
We're winning all tricks, the defenders feel sick
and I have to admit my partner's a brick.
But I'm giving up bridge, tonight's my last night.
Farewell to conventions, I give up the fight!
So I leave with few words but some that are true.
Bridge is a game - not for me, but for you.
Be kind to your partners and don't mind their
cheek, for it's only a game ... oh

see you next week

