

SPADEWORK

November 2016 Newsletter

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from our President -

It was with profound sadness that I learned of the passing of Lloyd Stevenson in Havelock North. Our Sympathy goes out to Alice and her family. Many of you will remember Alice who was well loved and contributed greatly to our Club as Director, teacher of bridge and computer work. As this is a recent event anyone wishing to send messages the address is Alice Stevenson, 6 Phoenix Place, Havelock North.

Late November and we are all being swept along with the tide of the 'silly' season.

Our Christmas Party commences at 11.30am on Sunday 27th. I look forward to our final large gathering of the season.

A reminder that the final Wednesday night 7th December has our usual 7pm starting time but will include an extended supper of wine!! nibbles and Christmas mince pies. \$5 charge is inclusive of table money.

Charity week follows on from the last events in our book and sessions are at the usual times. \$5 with \$3 of that donated to the Arthritis Foundation.

Subscriptions may be paid now. An area has been set up in the Club rooms. Books to follow.

Finally I would like to thank my Committee and members for their wonderful support and wish everyone a very Happy Christmas and a healthy New Year **JUNE**

Club Captain Carol writes ...

Well here we are at the end of another interesting and challenging bridge season. Wasn't it fun. Congratulations to all our winners over the year. It's great to see the diversity of names, it gives us all hope. For me, I'd like to say a huge thank you to everyone who has made my year as Club Captain such a pleasant one. It was with great trepidation I took on the position but the support and tolerance of so many of you has been amazing. Hope you all enjoy a wonderful festive season and look forward to seeing you all next year. Merry Xmas and Happy New Year.

Good bridging everyone.

Christmas Party

Our Christmas Party this Sunday 27
November at 11.30am @ \$10

Charity Week

Monday 12 December to
Friday 16 December to
support ARTHRITIS NZ.



DIRTY HANDS The Weekend Australian reported in August that the Ethical Oversight Committee of the American Contract Bridge League found two Italian and two Israeli players cheated during International competitions in 2015

In International competitions, the two partners are separated by a screen to prevent any information passing between them in an unethical manner.

Wikipedia explains the screen is a device used in some tournaments in duplicate bridge that visually separates partners at the table from each other, in order to reduce the exchange of unauthorized information and prevent some forms of cheating. It is a panel made of plywood, spanned canvas or similar material, which is placed vertically, diagonally across the playing table, with a small door in the center and a slit beneath it. The door is closed during the bidding stage, and the players place their calls using bidding cards on a movable tray, which slides under the door. After the opening lead, the door is opened, but its size allows the players only to see the hands and cards played from the opposite side of the screen, not their partner's face.

But the Italians, then ranked one and two in the world, cheated during play by placing a card in a vertical direction to show a strong suit and a horizontal position to show a weak suit. The Israelis cheated by placing the bidding pad in different places to indicate what suit they wanted led.

CLUB RESULTS

Mondays Nov'16 **Travelcom Pairs**

Mondays 2016 **Monday Champs Singles**

Mondays pm Oct'16 **Novice & Junior Champs Pairs**

Wednesdays 2016 **Malyon House Singles**

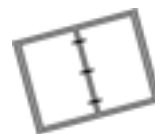
Wednesdays Nov'16 **Tyreworks Pairs**

Thursdays Nov'16 **Snowden Electrical Pairs**

Fridays Nov '16 **Friday Champs Pairs**

1st Joy Holmes & Carol Grant
2nd Barry Crosby & Sarah Stacey
3rd Linley Hay & Heather Slee
1st Jean Scott
2nd Shirley Knight
3rd Margaret Wakelin
1st Robyn Knight & Elaine Kingsford
2nd Jan Linwood & Jane Larsen
3rd Carol Cullen & Mike Nicholson
1st Linley Hay
2nd Julie Sheridan
3rd Philip Harris
1st Julie Sheridan & Carolyn Parker
2nd Bren Birss & John Carling
3rd Mike Nicholson & Sarah Stacey
1st Joy Holmes & Marilyn Wallace
2nd Joan Liddle & Lesley Stephen
3rd Linley Hay & Patty Spencer
1st Margaret Jones & Marilyn Wallace
2nd Kaye Robertshaw & Shirley Knight
3rd Jean Scott & Diane Moreland

SUMMER BRIDGE DATES



Monday 9 Jan 1pm
Wed 11 Jan 7.10pm
Monday 16 Jan 1pm
Wed 18 Jan 7.10pm
Monday 23 Jan 1pm
Wed 25 Jan 7.10pm

NEWS Some of our members featured in the recent Rank Reports. You can view these on the NZ Bridge website under the Masterpoints tab. Look out for

*Karen Martelletti,
Kate Terry
Carol Cullen.*

Also **Congratulations** to the following members on their recent rank changes:

Bren Birss Local Master 1*
Barry Crosby Local Master 4*
Tina Dudley Local Master 4*
Merv Harris Local Master 3*
Joan Heuvel Local Master 5*
Karen Martelletti Grand Master 1*
Carolyn Parker Provincial Master 3*
Pamela Pedersen Local Master 1*
Noelene Shrimpton Local Master 5*
Justin Sims Club Master
Lesley Stephen Club Master

Congratulations to the following members who have just received their **Certificates of Proficiency:**
Annette Dally - David Haxton - Carolyn Toy

Hmmmm ...
the only TRUMP I want to talk about is the one at the bridge table
from our resident US member Jo-an White

Diary Dates ...

Our next *AGM* will be

Wednesday 8 February at 6.15pm.

Notice of the meeting and nomination forms for office holders and members of the committee are on the notice board. This may seem early, but we need to give appropriate notice of our meeting while we are still 'in session'. Please note that any member wishing to bring business before the AGM must give notice in writing to the Secretary no later than Wednesday 25 January 2017.

The minutes of the 2016 AGM are on the notice board and these may also be viewed on our website.

A glass of wine will be offered to members on this occasion.

WELCOME to NEW MEMBERS

Trish Olsen
Kathy King

Welcome Back again to summer members -
Mac McCarthy
Barbara Chew Mob

We say "Good bye" and wish the following members success at their new clubs - Pamela Halls, Jo Rodley, Laura Sutherland.

Sadly we had a letter of resignation from Henk van der Beek and Johanna van der Wal also resigned.

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