



SPADEWORK

November 2018 Newsletter

Editor: Julie Downs

from President Anne -

What a great day was had by all who were able to join us for our Christmas Luncheon and Presentation day on Saturday - 102 people attended this year.

Rochelle Stewart (Flo's daughter) and her team provided us with a lovely lunch and 'Mother-Claus' alias Liz Gilbert, did battle as Director, with a somewhat boisterous group of bridge players.

We were really pleased to have so many of our Monday night players join in the fun.

Such occasions don't just happen without a tremendous lot of support and the committee certainly had that in abundance. Thank you for that.

They say it is a woman's privilege to change her mind and one member has decided that we are too nice a group of people to leave just yet, so will stay with us for another year. Good thinking Helen.

Please book up your partners for Sail Ability Charity Week, our final week of Bridge for 2018 - prizes every session.

Have a happy festive season.



Anne

Charity Week

starts Monday 10th December

After our Bridge programme finishes on Dec 7th, the club runs another full week of Bridge sessions. This is our Charity week.

The table money will be \$5 which will be donated this year to Sail Ability, a local training programme for the disabled which is in need of funding. You can come along as usual to play Bridge for another week & support this worthy cause.

Carol writes ...

Merry Xmas and Happy New Year to you all.

How this year has flown and sadly along the way we have lost some lovely members. Happily though we have an amazing dedicated group teaching who are bringing new faces to our bridge tables - so important.

I believe our club has a reputation for it's welcoming atmosphere and we have all you to thank for that.

A huge thank you to all the people who help make this club run smoothly (well most of the time, we are human after all).

Scorers, dealers, kitchen helpers, gardeners, Spadework convenor, Directors and of course your wonderful committee.

We can, as always, use help in all these areas in the coming year, so please let me know if you have a little time to spare.

Hope you all have a lovely summer break and look forward to seeing you all next year.

Club Captain Carol.

nb. 2019 subs due now.

please note treasurer Roy's efficient payment system set up at the table by the door. Members just need a pen and \$60 to enjoy another year of friendly bridge.

Books available soon!



CLUB RESULTS

Mondays Nov '18	Travelcom Pairs	1st Bev Walker & Lois Taylor 2nd Linley Hay & Rachel Olson 3rd Margaret Burton & Daphne Ansell
Monday pms Oct '18	MN Downtown Pharmacy Pairs	1st Duncan McVicar & Bernie Robinson 2nd Ngaire Short & Mary Pettigrew 3rd Cathy Burgess & Emma Barber
Wednesdays Oct'18	Christine Grant Handicap Pairs	1st Frazer Smith & Justin Sims 2nd Bob Callcut & Mike Nicholson 3rd Graham Stern & Barry Crosby
Wednesdays 2018	Malyon House Singles	1st Suzanne Lugton 2nd Kerry Crosby 3rd Barry Crosby
Thursdays Nov'18	Snowden Electrical Handicap Pairs	1st Byrta Wagstaff & Dora Wickham 2nd Gloria Mouatt & Lesley Stephen 3rd Raewyn Wright & Yvonne Madden
Fridays Nov '18	Friday Champs Pairs	1st Linley Hay & Flo Nield 2nd Kath Harvey & Julie Downs 3rd Anne Clarke & Patty Spencer

SUMMER BRIDGE

MARK THESE DATES
in your new diaries!

2019

Mondays 1pm
January 7, 14, 21

Wednesdays
7.10pm
January 9, 16, 23
thanks

to Gloria Mouatt
ph 5441834
who is partner
steward for

SUMMER BRIDGE



Bridge Lessons 2019

These lessons will start on Thursday evenings from March 7th for approx 12 weeks.
The lessons are \$70 for the whole course, including all handouts and club membership for the year for new participants.

Great idea to give a family member or friend for Christmas!

The gift that keeps on giving!

Please feel free to contact me for more details. **Bren Birss**
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some nice bridge tips to enhance your play and make your partner love you in 2019

- **NEVER MAKE A PENALTY DOUBLE OF A PART-SCORE WITHOUT FOUR TRUMPS. (That means never!)
 - **LIMIT YOUR HAND WHENEVER YOU CAN. Partner knows the partnership level, and the bidding goes smoothly from here.
 - **NEVER LIE ABOUT TRUMP LENGTH. If you do, partner cannot make winning Law of Total Tricks
 - **WHEN YOU HAVE A RAISE, RAISE. Whenever you can, raise your partner's suit.
 - **WHEN YOU KNOW WHAT'S TRUMPS, TELL PARTNER. They makes better decisions when they know.
 - **WHEN YOU KNOW WHAT TO DO - DO IT. Don't make partner guess.
 - **BID YOUR LONG SUITS - DON'T MAKE A TAKEOUT DOUBLE.
 - **BID YOUR 5-CARD MAJORS - DON'T MAKE A TAKEOUT DOUBLE IF YOU KNOW THAT YOU DON'T WANT YOUR DOUBLE TO END.
- THE AUCTION

*Merry Xmas and
good luck for Bridge
in 2019*

Xmas Laughs

- ❖ I never drink alcohol while playing bridge. It interferes with my suffering.
- ❖ Bridge is just a Game - Winning does not really matter, as long as you win.

Skills night

Judy reports that 50 Juniors, Novices and Brookies attended Bren's Mystery Skills Night - 13 full tables including helpers. Bren began with an extraordinary and historic hand, known as the Duke of Cumberland's hand which she set up to be played by South in 7C XX.. Quite a challenge to play so well done to someone who made 6C. Apparently the contract can be made & would score 1960 (or 2660 if Vul) !!

