

# SPADEWORK

October 2017 Newsletter

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## from President Anne -

With our kitchen update completed and the required modifications made to the building to ensure the clubrooms comply with Health & Safety regulations, the committee is now discussing an upgrade of our toilet facilities.

As you can imagine, this will be an expensive project, but we do have a responsibility to maintain the investment we have in our clubrooms.

Roy Cooper our treasurer, assures us that with prudent management of our investments, we will be able to begin this project in 2018.

All of the above, without any increase in either subscriptions, or table money. So everyone, count your blessings, we are still the cheapest bridge club in the area.

*Anne*

## OVERCALLS

### THE PURPOSE OF ANY OVERCALL

1. Suggests a desire to compete for the opportunity to declare despite opening bid.
2. If partner is called upon, suggests an opening lead.
3. the '**mess it up**' function.
4. **WIRDI** acronym 'whatever is right, do it'!

### NEW FEATURE for the MT CLUB

"Bridge Players of the Month"

Congratulations to

Duncan McVicar & Bernie Robinson  
for their 71.14% result on October 9th  
Downtown Pharmacy Pairs.

We obviously have some very talented players coming through the ranks.



## Club Captain Carol writes ...

Well it is hard to believe Xmas is almost on us, but here we are. We will have tickets on sale for our

### Saturday 25th November Xmas party

from next week cost \$15.00. An 11am start with wine and nibbles, prize giving, lunch and then bridge to follow. If you're looking for a partner for the Xmas do, please contact me, Carol Cullen ph 5755927

\*\*Would the person who supplied our punch recipe last year please put their hand up, or anyone who has a great recipe for that matter, non alcoholic please.

I am planning on trying to set up a roster of people who would be happy to supply rides for players who need help in getting to bridge. Anyone who has any suggestions on how to achieve this could they please contact me. My thinking is we could have a system like our partnership stewards, but I would like your ideas.

Recently I spoke about how we should try to be a little gentle with our newbie players and give them a little slack on minor infringements. Am happy to say a report of Kay Wright doing just that to a flustered new player when playing in the Zita Reid/ Able Tasman pairs, was great to hear. Thanks Kay for your common sense.

Happy bridging everyone.

*please remember -*

Declarer must call the cards for dummy to play. However, declarer may touch a card if necessary but must call as well. Once declarer has touched a card in dummy it cannot be changed. However if the card has been called a change may be made at the director's discretion.



## CLUB RESULTS

Mondays 2017	<b>Championship Singles</b>	1st Margaret Wakelin 2nd Bev Walker 3rd Carol Grant
Mondays Sept '17	<b>Zita Reid-Abel Tasman Pairs</b>	1st Noelene Shrimpton & Diane Moreland 2nd Edna Nicholson & Shirley Knight 3rd Nick Comber & Carolyn Parker
Mondays Sept '17	<b>Zita Reid-Abel Tasman Handicap Pairs</b>	1st Noelene Shrimpton & Diane Moreland 2nd Edna Nicholson & Shirley Knight 3rd Margaret Burton & Pauline Taylor
Mondays Oct '17	<b>Craigs Investment Pairs</b>	1st John Laugesen & Elisabeth Bristow 2nd Joy Holmes & Ronelle Middleton 3rd Barry Crosby & Martin Van Der Meys
Wednesdays 2017	<b>Mt Maunganui Handicap Singles</b>	1st Gil West 2nd Sue Martin 3rd Teri Logie
Thursdays Sept '17	<b>Captains Handicap Pairs</b>	1st Marie Spence & Flo Nield 2nd Rosemary Collins & Daphne Ansell 3rd Nan Seabourne & Joan Heuvel
Thursdays Oct '17	<b>Cunningham Handicap Pairs</b>	1st Diane Moreland & Dorothy Harvey 2nd Ben De Kleynen & Loes De Kleynen 3rd Joy Holmes & Marilyn Wallace
Fridays 2017	<b>Malyon House Singles</b>	1st Jean Scott 2nd Julie Downs 3rd Sarah Stacey
Fridays Sept '17	<b>Presidents Pairs</b>	1st Barry Crosby & Diane Moreland 2nd Noelene Shrimpton & Julie Downs 3rd Mike Huymans & Jose McDonald

### Ever heard a player say stuff like this? 10 things a bridge player would NEVER say...

1. This club is always the right temperature -never too hot or cold.
2. Free Coffee? No thanks.
3. Cool! A four board sit out!
4. I don't think tournament fees are too high.
5. I can always count on my partner to remember everything on our system card.
6. No gossip please. I'm not interested.
7. More new alerts! More new alerts!
8. One thing I can say about bridge players - they sure know how to dress.
9. No matter what direction we sit, the cards always go our way.
10. I don't feel like bridge today thanks. I'd rather jog and work out  
- Marilyn White, Toronto.

### WELCOME to NEW MEMBERS

Bruce Inglis  
Mike Olsen  
Ada Kouwenhoven



### BEST LEADS - REFRESHER

- \* don't lead singleton trump - spoils partner's holding
- \* vs NT 4th - work out if from 4, 5 or more.
- \* vs NT major best if possible
- \* J 7 2
- \* 10 7 3
- \* J 10 2
- \* J 9 2
- \* 10 9 3
- \* 8 6 3
- \* 8 6 3 2 = 6 then 8
- \* partner's suit = not top! Q x x J xxx
- 10 6 2 (not mud)

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