

SPADEWORK

October 2018 Newsletter

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from President Anne -

Saturday 24th November is our day to have a 'bit of a do' when we celebrate all of our major prize winners, share a luscious lunch and indulge in an afternoon of bridge and bit of fun. Tickets will be on sale from Monday 5th November.

Our Christmas hamper raffle last year was such a great success, we would like to do the same again this year.

So please, would those of you who like to, bring a 'christmasy' item over the next two weeks to add to the hamper to be raffled.

That would be appreciated.

Shirley Knight has been working hard over the past weeks, co-ordinating with Robyn Knight, the sponsors and programme for next year. No mean feat with between eight and ten new sponsors required.

A very 'BIG' thank you to our wonderful club members who have rallied to the cause.

Also thanks to the many members who attended to celebrate the life of Terry Kerse Friday 19th October. He will be fondly remembered for his 'offbeat' and friendly approach to bridge.

As 19th October was the first of the Friday Champs Pairs, the format of this competition has been amended with respect to these extenuating circumstances and (for this event only) – the event be shortened to a four week event (still allowing for one sub).

Anne Clarke

Club Captain Carol explains ...

You may have noticed a disk marked H (heads) or T (tails) on it in the blue box on your table. Unless you have sitting rights you must toss at the start of play.

Winners sit north-south.

With only 6 weeks till the end of our programmed year we would like to remind you that from 10th December we will have our charity week. This year we are

supporting

"Sailability Tauranga Charitable Trust".

A "not for profit" volunteer based group who provide opportunities for children and adults with disabilities to learn to sail.

Normal bridge timetable will apply, table money will be \$5 and all proceeds will go to this worthy cause. So get your partners organised.

Good bridging everyone.



Hmmm....We had a partnership misunderstanding. My partner assumed I knew what I was doing.

REPORT FROM THE MONDAY NIGHT TEAM FOSTERING OUR NEW PLAYERS

"PARTNER A BROOKIE' Night was held on Monday 1st Oct.

and was a great success, largely due to excellent support from our Juniors and Novices. We had 11x tables with June, Liz and Judy playing, and managed to play 18x boards. Twelve Brookies participated, each partnered by one of our regular Monday night players. Feedback from the Brookies was very positive and they really appreciated the patience and friendliness of everyone in the room.

We also had positive feed-back following our Skills Night on 'Doubles'. It was an excellent turn-out for a Labour Day too with 8x Brookies, making a total of 42 attending on the night! Thank you Helen for leading a great night with Dixie helping those who needed it. We hope to see you using your new 'Doubles' skills from now on! **XX**

The next Improver lesson can no longer be held 6 November - watch for an update for this event.

- from Monday night emailer **Sharyn Rudolph**

CLUB RESULTS

Mondays 2018	Championship Singles	1st Hanny Hepburn 2nd Bev Walker 3rd Sarah Stacey
Mondays Sept '18	Zita Reid-Abel Tasman Handicap Pairs	1st Jan Payne & Julie Sheridan 2nd Nancye Ward & Daphne Ansell 3rd Margaret Wakelin & Bev Walker
Mondays Sept'18	Zita Reid-Abel Tasman Pairs	1st Margaret Wakelin & Bev Walker 2nd Linley Hay & Lyn Bailie 3rd Mike Huymans & Hanny Hepburn
Mondays Oct' 18	Craigs Investment Pairs	1st Carol Cullen & Mike Nicholson 2nd Joy Holmes & Flo Nield 3rd Heather Slee & Bev Walker
Thursdays Oct' 18	Cunningham Handicap Pairs	1st Diane Moreland & Dorothy Harvey 2nd Joan Heuvel & Rosemary Collins 3rd Linley Hay & Beth Strombom
Thursdays Sept '18	Big Bake Handicap Pairs	1st Graham Burgess & Cathy Burgess 2nd Diane King & Lesley Stephen 3rd Carol Cullen & Diane Rodger
Fridays Oct '18	President's Pairs	1st Noelene Shrimpton & Julie Downs 2nd Linley Hay & Bob Callcut 3rd Carol Grant & Sue Gibbons



People with small minds talk about other people. People with ordinary minds talk about events. People with great minds talk about ideas. People with warped minds talk about bridge hands.

MEMBERSHIP

We are sorry to hear Jo-an White has resigned but wish to welcome new members **Laurelle and Brian Breen** and **Dawn Buxton**

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**there were over 700 players at the annual NZ Congress in Hamilton at the beginning of October.
**world champs to be held in 2019, probably in China

THE TERRIBLE TWOS

In honour of the second-to-last edition of SPADEWORK for 2018 let's consider the importance of the number two in bridge.

1. the lead from a doubleton against a trump contract. It can be great if partner's honour is not finessed and you hold enough useless trumps to eventually win the 3rd round of your doubleton suit.
2. how about weak two openings? Go for it, especially if it's a major - better still if it's spades.
3. Overcalling at the two level? The requirements for an overcall at the two level are quite stringent. You should have a hand you'd be willing to open: the weaker your hand, the better your suit should be. It's a lot more dangerous to bid at the two level when the opposition has shown an opening hand.
4. The most important two of all in bridge is the two of you in the partnership. Work as a twosome for your mutual benefit and pleasure!
- from Lynn Berg, ACBL