

13/09/22

Dear Mount Bridge Club member,

The committee met today and following are some important messages for you all. Firstly and most importantly is the date for our celebration for our beautiful new club rooms. On Saturday 24th September at 11.30am you are all invited for bubbles, punch and a shared lunch, so please can you all bring a plate to share for lunch, that will be followed by bridge. No need for partners we will draw for partners and there will be lots of prizes for all sorts!! We want this to be a fun day and enjoyed by all. Gilda is in charge of decorations. I am hoping to have a reporter present to take photos and write a report on the bridge club (thanks to Julie Downes) this will be used by the NZ Bridge club for publicity and show the country what beautiful Club rooms we have. There will be a signing board at the club rooms for you all to add your names if you will be attending (this is to make sure we have enough bubbles). Hoping to see you all there.

The committee unanimously agreed to getting a digital honours board. It sounds wonderful and will do away with a signwriter annually as we will be able to add names digitally. The existing honours board will not fit on the walls in the club rooms. If anyone wants to discuss anything about this, please contact either Michelle or Teri. If you want to go back and look at the honours board from past years, refer to the web site under history, its all there. This is how Julie Sheridan filled in her time during lockdown. We do need a screen for this so if anyone has a defunct large screen TV we would love to take it off your hands. Thank you.

We need to let you all know as at 1/1/23 table money will increase to \$5 and \$7 for visitors.

As times get tough out there, it is becoming increasingly difficult to maintain our sponsors. Many of them are withdrawing their support, I think this is a sign of the times. If there are any members who would like to sponsor some sessions could you let me know. Many thanks.

There has been a lot of concern and complaints about the parking at the club. This is something we in the committee have been most concerned about for the last 3 years. Remembering the car park is a public car park we are at the mercy of the council, and I need to tell you all Gilda has on many occasions discussed this with the council, they have acknowledged there is a problem but its not at the top of their list, so therefore it will be up to us to find ways to cope i.e. pick up friends, come a little earlier or ?? bike.

Im working on our Health and Safety and fire evacuation. Our H & S policy is now on the wall please could you familiarise yourselves with it and in the meantime think about any Hazards you come across. There will be a hazard register available for you to document any Hazards, more about that to come.

Thank you all, enjoy your bridge, good luck for those playing in the tournament this Saturday and stay well.

Diane

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