## Mt Maunganui Bridge Club

# SPADEWORK

### **July 2015 Newsletter**

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## ... from our President ...

Well, with Spring around the corner we hope the influenza bugs are in decline, and now that some of our holiday makers have returned home we should get back to our usual number of tables. Grapevine tells me two stalwarts of our Club are on the threshold of returning. It will be great to have them among us again.

Pat Lowe passed away recently and although Pat had not played at our Club for a number of years we were saddened to hear of her passing. To have nearly reached 100 yrs was a great achievement.

A reminder recently as to how many people contribute to the running of our Club with the Wilson family updating our signage to read Junior as well as Novice on a Monday night. Convey our thanks to your son and his wife please Judith.

We are extremely grateful for the efforts of our Directors, 10 Scorers (over 5 sessions) Dealers, Master Point person, Technical Manager, Monday night Convenors and of course our Newsletter Editor, as well as our hard working Committee.

Recent Tournament success was achieved with Julie Sheridan and Karen Martelletti winning the final round at TePuke and 3rd overall in the Bay Pairs. Tina Dudley and Joe Brown winning the Intermediate - Junior partnership in the Restricted Tournament at Rotorua

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#### OMAR SHARIF 1922 - 2015 on bridge ...

"There was a point when I became too keen. It was obsessive. I would play all the tournaments. I would not make certain films if they interfered with my bridge schedule. I dreamt about cards. I was driven by the competition. I was good at it and I wanted to be perfect. But bridge is like golf; you can never achieve perfection. You get better, but because it is a game of partnership there is no way you can get there. You need to perfect a system between you and your partner."

ANOTHER successful Tournament was held at the Mt Maunganui Club Saturday 25 July. Our club was exceedingly generous giving all prizes to visiting players from other clubs.

Editor: Julie Downs

The INTERMEDIATE section was won by Arthur and Beth Mann from Waihi and the JUNIOR section by Maureen Carter and Colleen Allen from Rotorua.

The best Intermediate competitors from the Mt Maunganui club were Brenda Birss & Pamela Pedersen and best Mt Maunganui entrants in the Junior competition were 4th placed Carol Cullen & Mike Nicholson.

Our Club excelled in hospitality however with a fabulous lunch from Flo Nield and her team, flowers by Byrta, MC Carol and admin from Sarah, Dorothy, Judy and Pauline.

## MEMORY EXPLANATION THAT WORKS FOR US!

Brains of older people are slow because they know so much.

People do not decline mentally with age.

It just takes them longer to recall facts because they have more information stored in their brains, scientists believe.

Much like a computer struggles as the hard drive becomes full, so humans also take longer to access information.

Researchers say this slowing down is not the same as cognitive decline.

The human brain works slower in old age, but only because we have stored more information over time.

The brains of older people do not get weak.

On the contrary, they simply know more, but may not be able to access the information.

Also, older people often have to ask "what's trumps?" during play.

It is <u>NOT</u> a memory problem, it is nature's way of making older people do more thoughtful exercise.

SO THERE!!

**CLUB RESULTS** 

Mondays June '15 AYC Handicap

1st Kaye Robertshaw & Bev Walker 2nd Joy Holmes & Jose McDonald 3rd Sarah Stacey & Margaret Jones

Mondays July '15 Dorothy Aitken **Handicap Pairs** 

1st Jo-an White & Julie Downs 2nd Colleen Ross & Judy Bartlett

Mondays pm June '15 Gilmours

3rd Heather Slee & Kay Miles 1st Stuart Pedersen

**Singles** 2nd Judith Robinson

3rd Brian Cavit

Wednesdays June '15 Harcourts **Teams** 

1st Robyn Knight, Judy Duncan, Bev Smail

Elaine Kingsford

2nd Barry Crosby, Kerry Crosby, Diane Moreland

Jean Scott

3rd Philip Harris, Phil West, Bryden Lane

Terry Kerse, Joe Brown

Wednesdays July '15 **Dawson Insurance Pairs** 

1st Alan Papesch & Philip Harris

Thursdays July '15 **Spotless Spouting Pairs** 

2nd Tina Dudley & Ronelle Middleton 3rd Dorothy Harvey & June Nightingale 1st Jo-an White & Margaret Carmicheal

2nd Marie Spence & Miriam Heeney 3rd Barry Thom & Carol Cullen

Fridays July '15 Championship Singles

1st Flo Nield 2nd John Andrews 3rd Noelene Shrimpton

#### WELCOME to NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to a new member from Auckland, Dixie Horne

Also welcome to the following learners who are now full members of our club:

John Curtis

Sue Haughey

Rae Holmes

Jenni Calderwood

Warren Coventry

Teri Logie

Mary Pettigrew

Grant Rowell

**Ngaire Short** 

Maureen Tarrant

Pat Verran

Sue & Tony Unwin

A warm welcome to the following learners who would like to play at our club as associate members:

Kathy Abel

Yvonne Best

Lynne & Carl Madden

Jill Stewart

Ellen Thompson

John Smith

Rick Bernau

You're probably aware that June Nightingale, our President has shifted and has a new phone number. heck the notice board for details.

**ALMONER** Rosemary Collins reports that Jo small is healing well, having physio and expects to be back to bridge at the end of the month.

> Lyn Gilchrist Linley Hay\_

Barbara Tomalin

Jean Scott

Hoping to see you back to club play soon.

#### Supporting our Sponsors

Bob Owens Village at Bethlehem is one of our most generous tournament sponsors. It is situated in a lovely part of Tauranga surrounded by beatiful gardens. If you're considering down-sizing and think this lifestyle might suit you then Janet Coutts ph 07 5793041 is the person to talk to.