



## Mt Maunganui Bridge Club

# SPADEWORK

July 2019 Newsletter

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### from our President ...

Firstly, an enormous 'thank you' to those club members who supported our Saturday Tournament in any way.

Sarah Stacey, our Tournament Secretary, spends considerable time endeavouring to get a 'stand-in' pair for the day, as well as responding to those who withdrew the day prior to the tournament.

Also, to Helen Heuvel and Sue Gibbons, who each coped in the kitchen. Thank you both, especially as Julie Sheridan was needed in the office to help with scoring/computer problems.

Subsequently, the Club is looking into the purchase of a new printer. Despite these few hiccoughs, it was a very successful day.

It has come once again to that time of year when we are looking at sponsorship for next year. We really appreciate the number of our very loyal club members who rose to the occasion last year, when several of our of our long-term sponsors withdrew their support.

Mike Nicholson is our sponsorship person and Robyn Knight is responsible for our programme book.

Please talk to them if you have a new sponsor in mind. *Anne*

### Club Captain Carol writes ...

Our Club is still growing, so let's keep it a welcoming place.

Just a few reminders:

- (1) Make each hand enjoyable for yourself, your partner and opponents. Your partner doesn't make a bad bid or bad play to spite you. We all strive to do our best but mistakes do happen. Be philosophical about it.
- (2) Please don't offer advice unless asked for. New players have enough on their minds without unasked for comments making them feel inadequate.
- (3) If you do want to point out an error by your partner, save it until later, away from the table. It saves embarrassment all round.
- (4) Be gracious. Don't gloat over a good board.
- (5) When the bridgemate is given to East to confirm the result remember that others at the table might also like to look at the data so place it in the middle of the table.
- (6) After the hand has been played, do not sit discussing the hand, remember others can hear you and respect that members may still be playing so keep the noise level down.
- (7) Call the Director every time a ruling is required, don't make your own decisions because you think you know the ruling. We have a Director to direct - let them do their job.

**Enjoyable Bridge everyone.**

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Congratulations  
to members who excelled in Saturday's 20 July  
tournament at our Mt Club.

#### Intermediate Tournament

4th - Diane Rodger & Annie Barry

7th - Brenda Macfarlane & Judith  
Wilson

8th - Bob Callcut & Ruth Sweatman

9th - Robyn Knight & Judith George

#### Junior

6th - Jane Larsen & Kathy King

#### Novice

2nd - Emma Barber & Michele Larnder



### PLEASE SUPPORT OUR SPONSORS

#### *Awatira Rowhai Cottage*

is a self-contained unit sleeping 4 for casual accommodation - handy location in Papamoa.

If you need a place for visiting family or friends the unit can be booked through Air BNB where it gets a 5 star rating or contact our bridge member Dianne Gibson  
ph 022 1615969

for a personal arrangement.

Please remember all our sponsors have contact details on p30 of our programme book.

## CLUB RESULTS

Mondays July'19	<b>Dorothy Aitken Handicap Pairs</b>	1st Margo Kirk & Diane King 2nd Noelene Shrimpton & Anne Clarke 3rd Lesley Stephen & Joan Liddle
Mondays June'19	<b>Esquires Coffee Pairs</b>	1st Julie Sheridan & Gilda Rowland 2nd Margaret Jones & Marilyn Wallace 3rd Noelene Shrimpton & Diane Moreland
Mondays pm June'19	<b>Novice Champs Singles</b>	1st Mick Werren <b>Junior Champs</b> 1st Warren Coventry 2nd Sue Werren <b>Singles</b> 2nd Annette Dally 3rd Emma Barber 3rd Bernie Robinson
Wednesdays July'19	<b>Wed Winter Pairs</b>	1st Bren Birss Birss & Murray Wood 2nd John Laugesen & Tim Torr 3rd Helen Charteris & Julie Sheridan
Wednesdays June'19	<b>Harcourts Rotational Teams</b>	1st DEVILISH Bren Birss, Bob Callcut, Phil West Mike Nicholson 2nd BRIDGE ADDICTS Julie Sheridan, Jo De Bono, Pam Clotworthy, Karen Martelletti, Elaine Kingsford 3rd MUSICAS Tina Dudley, Mary Girvin, Ruth Sweatman, Helen Charteris
Thursdays June '19	<b>Van Dyk Handicap Pairs</b>	1st Ben & Loes de Kleijnen 2nd Merle Halligan & Charles Forbes 3rd Diane Moreland & Diane Rodger
Thursdays July '19	<b>Awatira Kowhai Cottage Handicap Pairs</b>	1st Linley Hay & Brenda Bleakley 2nd Joan Heuvel & Fay Irwin 3rd Margaret Carmichael & Fred Clarke
Fridays June '19	<b>Friday Championship Singles</b>	1st Jean Scott 2nd Diane Rodger 3rd Mike Nicholson

### A Warm Welcome to these new members . . .

Yvonne Best	Mick Werren
Sue Rowell	Alan McLean
Lee Sinclair	Joanne McLean
Kate Stannard	Chrissey Hutchinson
Gordon Cameron	Audrey Jensen
Carol Cameron	Steven Jensen
Michael Cotter	Nick Reynolds
Sandra Crawford	Helen Beazley
John De Bono	Margaret Bowditch
Jenny Dodd	Kay Burnie
Bev Dowling	Jo Horrocks
Allan Goodhall	Dorothy Low
Michele Lander	Rob Park
Phyllis Leech	Pamela Jones
Sue Werren	Pauline Rowe

*And joining us from Remuera*  
Grant Chalmers and Sandra Chalmers

### Brookies.....

Twelve Brookies came last Monday for 3 tables, using one helper.

**LEADS are such an important tool** when defending - learn what you should or should not lead in different circumstances.

**"SKILLS Night" on 5th August will focus on card-play** again, building on what was covered in the last instruction.

After that there's practice for those **Strong Opening Hands (15 - 19 pts)** again, then '**STAYMAN**', (the way to get into a Major contract after a NT opener), then '**GERBER**', (a widely used method to ask for Aces, that gives you more information & allows space for you to "bail out" if necessary.)

### *Humour from the Mount Club ....*

Quip from partner when asked how the day was going . .  
"oh you know, up and down like a roller blind . . ."

On doing a good deed for the scorers ... "that should be worth some C points ...." Reply - "No several A points at least!"

