



BRIDGE UPDATE

APRIL 2011

WINNERS

Congratulations to Kay Wilson and Kevin Farnden, who won the Taieri Tournament on 26 March.

THANKS FROM OUR YOUTH PLAYERS

NZ Bridge donated five A points for free to members of the NZ U26 team from OBC to run a fund raising tournament. A Swiss Pairs event was held at the club on 2 April, attracting 22 pairs. NZ team member Glenn Coutts won the event with partner Kristen Collins. The team (Glenn Coutts - Sam Coutts and Sam Bailey - Jared Fudge) wishes to acknowledge the outstanding support they continue to receive from club members. \$975 was raised to assist with expenses at the APBF Championships in Malaysia in June.

USE OF CLUB

When our club is not being used for playing bridge, it is available for other uses. Recently the club has been used for weddings, a 90th birthday, a scrabble tournament, a Bonsai workshop, meetings. Contact the Secretary if you know of anyone wishing to use the rooms.

WHAT'S ON IN MAY?

Saturday Bridge - 7th May. Meal 6.30 pm.
Bridge 7.30 pm. Sign up

for the meal on one of the notices at the club.

Christchurch Earthquake Fundraiser
Sunday 8th May

Organised by NZ Bridge - hands will be pre-set and played at the same time by all participating clubs. Time: 1.30 pm, Cost \$10. Please enter early this week at the club or by email.

Otago-Southland Pairs
Saturday 14 May at Otago
Hospice Charity
Sunday 15 May at Taieri

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ETIQUETTE

- After entering the details on Bridge Pad, please hand to opposition to check the input, and allow other members to see the screen if they wish (and if there is time).
- There is a tendency for players to resolve violations between themselves at a bridge table. Even if all parties at the table agree, this is still illegal. – next time there is an infringement at the table, eg wrong

explanation of a bid given, bid made out of turn, insufficient bid, etc, **call the director**

Inter-club team

The team to play in the Hamilton Congress on 22-23 July representing our region are:

OPEN: Cameron Benson, Martijn Prent, Alan Geare, Annabelle Molloy

INTERMEDIATE: Judy Russell, Margaret Auty, Judith Smeijers, Irene Hallberg

JUNIOR: Alison Giller, Julienne Armitage, Pam Hodgkinson, Joy Martin-Frew.

Please support these players

From the recent Management meeting

- It has now been decided that it would be better to have one uni-sex disabled toilet rather than one in each area. A space in the Women's cloakroom will be used. The space left for women's cloaks is small, but it has been observed that most leave their coats in the playing room, so this should not be a problem.
- Pencils have been causing problems, as the leads are breaking very easily. Some ordinary pencils will be purchased, but please feel free to use your own pen. Now that Travellers are not being used on most playing nights there is no need to use pencils.
- It has been requested that the director make a pot of tea before the supper break. This is not always possible and it would be preferable for the person on supper duty to make the tea if required.
- Because the disposable cups are now able to be recycled the **empty cup** may be put in the rubbish baskets beside the table. **Please do not put plastic bags or gladwrap in this bin.** Use the lined rubbish bins around the sides of the room for other rubbish..
- Dennis McCaughan has been appointed the Regional Recorder and will look after psyches and infringements at tournaments.

WHY PLAY BRIDGE?

Bridge is fun. Of all the reasons to learn the game, the most important is that it's just fun to play. It offers the suspense of poker, the cerebral qualities of chess and the excitement of athletic sports, all in a sociable setting where you're a participant, not just a spectator. Every session allows you to test yourself and experience the feeling of accomplishment when you find a successful bid or play.