



Bridge Update

The Otago
Bridge Club Inc
August 2009

TOURNAMENT SUCCESSES

Taieri Graded Pairs – 1 August

Section A was won by Kevin Farnden and Kaye Wilson. Section C was won by Pam Hodgkinson and Judy Russell. Well done.

Swiss Pairs Winners – 9 August

Congratulations to James Coutts and Nick Bailey, who came out top in this tournament.

A Special Tribute to Liz Nevill who works away in the kitchen for our tournaments. Liz provides a delicious selection of food which is available throughout the day and was particularly noted by all at the Swiss Pairs event where everything from her special gourmet damper, to mussels, feta and olive morsels, fresh sandwiches with tasty fillings and baking, etc, etc was enjoyed by participants.

Thank you Liz.

Quiz Night

Thirteen teams contested the quiz night held in the club rooms on Saturday 25th July, in support of the Otago/Southland Youth Inter-Provincial bridge team. This year's team is made up of five Otago Club members - Sam Bailey, Alysha Bloxham, Glen Coutts, Sam Coutts and Jared Fudge. \$1,360 was raised from the grocery hamper raffle, entry fees and raffles on the night. Congratulations to Heather Beckett (Reserved) who won the grocery hamper. The winning team, Susie and The Banshees, included Susie Lawless, Matt Blakely and two "non-members". The team is indebted to the support received from club members, and would like to thank everyone for their generosity. Also, several fabulous raffle prizes (just ask Betty Laing!) were donated by local businesses, who were acknowledged on the night. *Jared Fudge*

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Thank you to all who have donated to enable the club to purchase these – you have been most generous. We have also received Grants from:
\$6,000 from Southern Victorian Charitable Trust Inc
\$1,000 from Bendigo Valley Sports & Charity Foundation

We are extremely grateful to these two charities for their donations. With these and the promises of more donations the committee of management have resolved to purchase a set.

Hand Sanitiser has been placed in each playing room for your convenience.

Ina Anderson Trophy

Over the past few years it has been increasingly difficult to mount a junior tournament at our club to compete for this trophy. It was therefore resolved at the last committee meeting that this trophy should be awarded to the top junior pair in the *Festival Pairs*.

PLEASE RETURN ALL TROPHIES TO THE COMMITTEE ROOM

To complete engraving on trophies we need to know who won

Festival Pairs – intermediate cup in 2007?

Baden Wilson Memorial Plate – Championship Pairs, Senior Division in 2004-5-7-8?

Moise Holiday Bridge Open in 2007, 2008 and 2009?

Moise Holiday Bridge Handicap in 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2009?

J B Security Plate - Section 3 team winners in 2008?

Fred Peters Memorial Cup Highest score in Senior Reserve in 2006?

Trix Robertson Plate – Individual Ladder, Intermediate in 2007?

Junior Pairs Champions in 2005?

J B Finigan Cup – open ladder in 2008?

It is important for our club history to have records complete so your help would be appreciated.

Best wishes to our international representatives who are competing at this time in Sao Paulo for the Bermuda Bowl – Chris and Arleen and Jeff and Graeme. Also to members of the Otago/Southland inter-provincial teams competing in Hamilton 24-25 September and to all others heading off to play at Congress – we will follow your progress with interest.

Clubrooms entranceway

The area between the two double doors is in need of a makeover. We would like anyone who has skills in the DIY line to volunteer to sand and paint the doors and also paint the walls. It would be good to have a few volunteers. Please let the secretary know as soon as possible so that this can be co-ordinated.

Grounds Six volunteers gave their time on Sunday 23rd to weed, cut back and tidy the areas around the rooms. Three trailer loads of green rubbish were taken away. All looks so much better. Thank you.

Elaine McDonald
Secretary

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