



#### OCTOBER 2012 BRIDGE UPDATE

'BACK TO THE FUTURE ' Teams event Monday 5 & 19 November & 3 December at 7pm. Teams to comprise 1 Open, 1 Senior, 2 Inter/Jnr players OR 1 Open, 2 Senior, 1 Int/Jnr players (any substitute must be a member of the same Division as the person absent.

Entries on Noticeboard close Friday 2 November

# Officers and Committee 2012-2013

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Susan Johnstone Mike Hickling Doreen Whiston Dennis McCaughan Alison Giller Jared Fudge

Friday Bridge continues - be seated by 10.25am. Bring Lunch. Visitors welcome.

Saturday Bridge: Open to all grades and to visitors. Dates: 6 Oct, 10 Nov.

# **Etiquette - Seating**

Before start of play ALL tables must toss for North/South seating (unless someone has seating rights).

Bereavement: Our thoughts go out to the family of Paula Westoby (Open Division) who died recently.

2013 Programme Book: All members should check divisional lists (at the front of each plaving room) to ensure telephone number is correct. All new members should ensure they are recorded on the appropriate list.

Trophies: Could those members holding divisional trophies please clean and return them to the committee room as soon as possible please.

#### **TOURNAMENT UPDATE**

We congratulate the first three winners in Tournaments. Results can always be found on the Tournament display board in the Cargill Room

Congratulations to our Intermediate Team who won the Inter-Provincial Teams competition at the Hamilton Congress. Team members: Matt Blakely, Susie Lawless, Robert and Vivienne Cowan, Christine Samson, Lyn Clark, Non-playing Captain - Cameron Benson.

The ALEXANDRA BLOSSOM TOURNAMENT was well attended by players from our Club. Sam Bailey and Sam Coutts were first in the Central Otago Pairs with an overall score of 59.03%. Jeff Miller and Graeme Stout with 58.75% were second then Peter Hall and Daphne Randle a very close third with 58.54%.

The Teams' event, also at Alexandra, was won by the Genc Team (Murat Genc, Jeff Miller, Arleen Schwartz and Graeme Stout) with a total of 102. The Coutts Team, (James Coutts, Sam Coutts, Sam Bailey and Glenn Coutts) were second with 89 and the Randle Team (Daphne Randle, Peter Hall, Michael Atkinson and Dai Redshaw) were third with 87.

WANAKA INTERMEDIATE PAIRS was won by Julienne Armitage and Alison Giller with 63.52%.

# BALCLUTHA Open B Pairs

Kristen Collins and Donna Ruwhiu were first with 62.90%. Well done to you both.

Matt Blakeley and Susie Lawless were 3rd with 60.10%; Frank Gradon and Elaine McDonald were 4th (59.05%) and Maria Godfrey and John Sheehy were 5th with 56.17%. Otago Club was well represented in numbers and placings.

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### **OBC Congress Results 2012**

# **NZ Teams Championship**

Graeme Stout/Jeff Miller playing with Pam Livingston/Wayne Burrows reached the semifinal stage after qualifying 5<sup>th</sup> from the Swiss.

James Coutts/Nick Jacob and Stephen Blackstock/Stephen Henry lost in the round of 16 after qualifying 11<sup>th</sup>.

Cameron Benson playing with former club member Fraser Rew and David Skipper/Pieter Vanderpoel lost to Stout in the round of 16 after qualifying 14<sup>th</sup>.

#### **NZ Pairs**

In the Final, Graeme Stout/Jeff Miller were 6<sup>th</sup>, Bob Lawrence and Anne Woodhead were 17<sup>th</sup>, James Coutts/Nick Jacob were 26<sup>th</sup>.

In the Plate, Peter McCaskill/Jeff Thompson and Nina Hewitt/Dennis McCaughan tied for 9<sup>th</sup>, Dean Eidler/Murat Genc were 14<sup>th</sup>, Kristen Collins/Donna Ruwhiu were 17<sup>th</sup> after coming 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Congress pairs to qualify.

# NZ Interprovincial Championships

The Otago-Southland open team (Graeme Stout/Jeff Miller, Chris Ackerley/Arleen Schwartz, Nina Hewitt/Dennis McCaughan, npc James Coutts) lost 63-62 to Auckland in the final.

The Otago-Southland youth team (Sam and Glen Coutts, Sam Bailey, Laura Stephen, Vicki Bouton, npc James Coutts) lost to Auckland in the final.

The Otago-Southland intermediate team (Matt Blakeley/Susie Lawless, Lyn Clark/Christine Samson, Robert Cowan/Vivienne Cowan, npc Cameron Benson) beat Auckland 71-34 in the final.

# Other events

Chris Ackerley won the same-sex pairs playing with Douglas Russell from Auckland.

Daphne Randle won the Multiple Teams and Margaret Perley/Paul Freeland were 3<sup>rd</sup>.

The bar will be open early from 6.30pm on teams nights and on Thursday nights. For those members who come directly to the Bridge Club from work there will be frozen (microwaveable) meals available for purchase e.g. pies and pizza.

Make your Bridge night a social affair – have a drink with your partner while discussing systems and tactics before play!!

### Monthly Bridge Update

If you have any news items that might interest bridge club members please forward to otagobridgeclub@gmail.com

# **Use of Club Rooms**

When our Club is not being used for playing bridge, it is available for other uses Meeting, workshops, social events.
Contact Susan Johnstone, Secretary for terms and conditions of use.

