

OTAGO BRIDGE CLUB

BRIDGE WEEKLY – 10 AUGUST



TOURNAMENTS

OAMARU Int (8B) and Jun (3B) Pairs –
16 August. 10.00 am. Morning tea 9.40 am. \$20.
Entries close 12 August.

TAIERI Cancer Society Charity – **Sun 23 August**
Enter online through Taieri's website by Friday the
21st. \$10. Start time 1.30 pm. Raffles.

INVERCARILL: South Island 20A Pairs **29 August**

O/S INTER-PROVINCIAL TEAM

The Committee of Otago/Southland Regional
Bridge wish to thank all players who requested
consideration for an Otago/Southland I/P Team in
2020, and congratulates the players who have been
selected.

The Open Team

Anne Somerville / Moss Wylie, Brad Johnston /
Sam Coutts
Reserve: Ernie Sutton / Ross Sherwood

The Women's Team

Kristin Collins / Donna Ruwhiu, Frances Sheehy /
Ann Wood
Reserve: Marilyn Jackson / Anne McGregor

The Senior Team

Graeme Stout / Jeff Miller, Phil Hensman / Hamish
Ryan
Reserve: Wyn Jones / Kevin Farnden

The Intermediate Team

Jeff Elton / Jo Smith, Sandy Buzzard / Jen White
Reserve: Pam Hodgkinson / Judy Russell

Chef de Mission: Phil Noye

The Committee extends commiserations to the
players who have not been selected for one of the
teams this year. We trust that you can appreciate
that having to select teams this year, instead of
holding trials has been a difficult task for us. We
hope that you will consider entering the trials again
next year, and we wish you better luck next time if
you choose to do so.

Frances Sheehy (Chair), O/S Regional Committee

GOLD COAST CONGRESS

It is with great sadness that we announce that after
much consideration we have decided to cancel the
2021 Gold Coast Congress.

Due to the Covid-19 Restrictions currently in place
and likely to be in place at the Convention Centre
and elsewhere in 2021, an early decision had to be
made.

We will hopefully be celebrating the 60th event in
2022 - dates are **19th February to 26th February.**
*Tim Runting Gold Coast Convenor and Kim
Ellaway Manager*

RESULTS

WELCOME PAIRS - JUNIOR

- 1st Fiona Ellis and Brian Ellis
- 2nd Wendy Bain and Barbara Galland
- 3rd Judy Bevin and Deirdre Bruce

VICE PRESIDENTS PAIRS - INTERMEDIATE

- 1st Philippa Edwards and Helen Haig
- 2nd Yan Campbell and Rich Mahoney
- 3rd Graeme Donaldson and Rodger Paul

SATURDAY NIGHT

Off the Stick

- 1st Amanda and Lyall Inwood
- 2nd Ruth Airey and Betty Laing
- 3rd Joy Martin Frew and Pam Hodgkinson

Handicap

- 1st Margaret Borland and Alison Patterson
- 2nd Ruth Airey and Betty Laing
- 3rd Joy Martin Frew and Pam Hodgkinson

Congratulations. Well done!

BRIDGE ZONE

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Our leader, Mr Chairman - Alan Morris will be
joining us next week. Bridge Zone Podcast Hits
11,949, for the month of July. **Super spreadsheet
man. The latest Bridge hero. Well done Brad,
amazing stuff.** Judge Julie rules on unintended
bids, mistakes. Auction explanations – who does
what? Ace ask. King ask. Who, what, when, how
and why. Bridge mentors. Barry found some tips.
Congress numbers. Get your entries in. Pre
registrations numbers are encouraging. *Barry,
Mereana and Judge Julie*

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SEPTEMBER

5/6 Central Otago Open 5A Teams and Pairs
6 Waimate Open 8B Pairs
12 Wanaka Junior and Intermediate Pairs
13 Balclutha Open 8B Pairs

NOTICE OF MEETING

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
of
THE OTAGO BRIDGE CLUB
will be held on
MONDAY 14 SEPTEMBER
at 6.30 pm
in the
OTAGO BRIDGE CLUBROOMS

The AGM Minutes for last year are available for your perusal online under Resources and the 2020 Annual Reports and Accounts should be available there soon.

Nominations for the Committee of Management are being taken now.

16c of the Constitution states
Nominations in writing shall be delivered, not later than three weeks prior to the date of the Annual General Meeting and shall, upon receipt, be posted on the Club's notice board. Every candidate must have been a member of the Club for at least twelve months prior to the closing of nominations and shall be nominated in writing by two members of the Club. Absentee Members, Secondary School Members and Visiting Members are not eligible for election. The nomination form must bear the signature of the candidate as evidence of his or her consent.

If you have the welfare of the Bridge Club at heart, if you enjoy your Bridge and wish to give something back to the Club, why not put your name forward for election to the committee. Or if you know somebody who would be capable of making a contribution in this way to the Club, ask them if they would be willing to be nominated.

Nomination Forms are at the Bridge rooms and there is one attached which should be forwarded to the Secretary as soon as possible. The meeting is just four weeks away, but in these circumstances perhaps a few days late could be overlooked. (Maybe we will be back to Level 1 by next week! Who knows.)

If you are unable to have the form filled in and scanned to the Club email, please get in touch with the Secretary, Joy Ward as soon as possible. Joy's number is 021 910 460.

BRIDGE ZONE

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Here we go again. Talking about Gold Coast, Canberra Congresses being cancelled and under review. Our Congress was going full steam ahead. Numbers were looking good. Tournaments cancelled though the spirit of the show lives on. Who's this handsome devil!!! We slipped Allan a copy of the July ratings for The Bridge Zone. He was just as impressed as we were. Thanks everyone for listening. Judge Julie enlightened the team with a word of the week. Are you loose, a fudger, a deviant? It's all in a day's work. Happy Bridging if you can. See you online.

When we do go back to Level 1, check the website regularly for notification of when Bridge will start again. An email to all members will also be sent but this can take 2/3 hours to get through to everybody, especially when it is sent during the day.

24 AUGUST

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- 6 Central Otago Pairs. Play starts at 9.30 am. Entries close 31 August.

- 6 Waimate Open 8B Pairs. See Waimate Bridge Club for entry details, etc
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MEMBERSHIP

We record the death of Frank Gradon, who was a member of our Club from 1992 until 2018. He was a great support to our Club directing, dealing, advising and generally helping out when required.

Frank played around the region at Bridge Tournaments and also attended the National Congress on several occasions, representing the Otago-Southland Region in the Inter-Provincial Teams contest in 2005. Frank was always helpful, ethical and friendly to all.

PROGRAMME BOOK 2021

Yes, it is coming up to that time again. If any of

your details need to be changed before the book goes to print, please reply to this email. When we are back at Bridge Club the lists will go out for you to check that your phone number is correct. Now is the time to let us know if you want your cell number in the book or your landline.

Winners of the Championship Pairs and the Individual Ladder have automatic right to progress to the next division. Your Convenors will check with you if are one of those people to ensure that you do wish to go up.

Library Open – Tuesday 10am–1pm

I will be working in The Otago Bridge Club Library on Tuesday 25 August from 10am–1pm. If you would like some reading for while we are at Level 2, please come along and have a browse through our collection.

Dorothy Butterfield (Librarian)

BRIDGE ZONE

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We make face masks out of scarves, headbands, socks and undies. Join Judge Julie online for BBO fun if you are just out of the lessons. It's a normal session with support on hand to help with bidding. No pressure with generous time limits. Judge Julie shares her secret life away from Bridge. No secrets at the Bridge table today. Barry's shares his other speciality as well – mooooo. It's all fun today. Tournaments are being cancelled left right and centre. We are holding our breaths that Congress will go ahead. Barry catches up with Richard the Gatekeeper. Nigella sneaks back into the Bridge Zone. Tip of the week. Politics, Trumps, Overcalls and Shape.

31 AUGUST

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These are cancelled

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These have been confirmed as still on.

- 12 Wanaka Junior and Intermediate Pairs. \$25. Bring your lunch. Start time 10.00 am. Entries close 8 September.
- 13 Balclutha Open 8B Pairs. 9 Crown Street. \$25. Start 10:00 am. 9:30 am Morning Tea. On-line entries: NZBridge.co.nz which close: Tuesday, 8 September. Bring lunch. Continuous tea/coffee, snacks. Finger food at end of play. Tables are limited to allow for social distancing. So far there are not many entries so do get them in soon.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE:

**LABOUR WEEKEND
OTAGO-SOUTHLAND CONGRESS
ALEXANDRA BRIDGE CLUB**

SATURDAY – Open 10A Pairs and Intermediate 8B Pairs

SUNDAY Open 10A Teams and Intermediate 8B Teams

Enter online at otagosouthlandbridge.org.nz
Entries close 21 October.

MEMBERSHIP

Thanks to those who have advised of new telephone numbers for the 2021 Programme Book. In case these have not been notified before and you are trying to contact them ...

Mike Hickling	0274 925 667
Alison Paterson	0272 597 894
Len Andersen	021 361 153
Moirra Andersen	0211 042 585

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Blood on the floor - that's what you get when you double and double well. Do the maths - When partner doubles opposition's 1NT. Get those telephone numbers. Judge Julie: We have a heavy discussion about level 3 and level 2 lockdowns. Some Bridge Clubs are playing. South Island Pairs – we tackle this event. Andrew ROBSON – our next International Guest Got a question for him? Send it in so we can put our agenda together for him. Kia Ora Kotou to our listeners at Kyle of Lochalsh in the Highlands. Nice to hear from you and welcome to The Bridge Zone clan. Old Trout Syndrome – any ideas – perhaps you are one or know of one. Stay safe and make that mask.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1 Chairman Allan's latest Advisory message
- 2 S Asher and Body Language. Grateful thanks to David Green for this fascinating article.

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