

NOTICES FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING 4 MARCH

TOURNAMENTS

MARCH

- 9** Invercargill Open 8B Pairs. Morning Tea 9:30 am. Play starts 10:00 am. \$30 per player, payable on the day. Catered lunch. Please advise any special dietary requirements. Entries close 8:00 am Wednesday 6 March.
- 10** **Sunday.** Oamaru Open 5A Pairs. Morning Tea at 9.00 am. Play starts at 9.30 am. \$25. Refreshments: Morning Tea and continuous tea and coffee; Afternoon Tea after play finishes. Prizes for Open, Intermediate and Junior sections. Entries close at 6 pm on 6 March.
- 16** Taieri Open 8B Pairs. Morning Tea from 9.30 am. Start at 10 am. Bring your own lunch. \$20. Entries are online and close at 6 pm on 13 March 2019.
- 23** Queenstown Open 8B Pairs. Queenstown Events Centre, Joe O'Connell Drive. Morning Tea 9.30 am. Play starts at 10.00 am. Lunch provided. \$40. Entries can be made on NZB website and should be in by 19 March

23/24 Timaru Congress: 10A Open Teams and Pairs. Intermediate 5B Teams and Pairs

ALL COMERS BRIDGE begins this Wednesday, 6 March and is scheduled on our Bridge Calendar until October. Open to all bridge players, running in alternate weeks to Women's Pairs – ie usually the same week as Teams..Please be seated by 12.55 pm. Sessions will finish about 4.30 pm.

SUBSCRIPTIONS are now \$125. Direct credit to: ANZ 06-0911-0020619-00. Use your Computer No and Surname as reference

KEYS: Anyone in possession of keys who now do not use them, please return to the Property Manager, Neil Johnstone or return to any committee member. Neil would like to compile a Register of Keyholders, so if you have a swipe key to the front door and/or a key to any part of the building, and need to keep them, please get in touch with Neil.

SEATING RIGHTS: The committee have granted seating rights to Graeme Warburton, Open Division and to Wendy Fallon, Senior Division. The Seating Rights list has been updated (see at the end of this newsletter). If you no longer require Seating Rights or if you do require Seating Rights, please apply to the Committee of Management. There may be a time when you require temporary seating rights due to injury or surgery, etc – apply to your Convenor or Director . If there is no-one at the Table with seating rights, then you must toss with the opposing pair and the winner sits North-South.

BEGINNER'S LESSONS: Thirty people have enrolled for lessons – a little down on previous years. If you know of anyone who is thinking of learning do encourage them to go along. It is not too late as there has been only one lesson as yet. Wednesdays 7.00-9.00 pm or Fridays 10.00-12 nn.

IMPROVE YOUR BRIDGE SEMINARS: Monday 11 March. Topic: Defensive Signalling.

CLUB PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIP AND PLATE: Please enter via the website.

LIBRARY NEWS

It is great to see club members back using the library again. If you haven't had a chance to use the library this year, why not pop into the Cargill room for a browse. You will find plenty of excellent books suitable for all players.

New Books: We have recently purchased 2 copies of Vil Gravis' new book 'Thirteen Tricks and

Evil Acol'. These have now been processed and are available in the new books section of the library. Vi Gravis is a New Zealand author associated with the Hutt Club in Wellington. His previous book 'Tips and Quips' is also in the Library.

Magazines: In the magazine section you will find the latest copies of the 'Bridge' magazine published in the UK, and kindly donated by Lindsay Gunn. These are a great read with lots of interesting articles, tips, quizzes and suggestions for all.

CONGRATULATIONS : to two ex-members James Coutts and Ellena Moskovsky, now resident in Australia. The following is taken from the NZ Bridge website.

*The part Kiwi, part Australian with a touch of Irish, team **Ware** were well beaten in the final of the Gold Coast Teams by **Coutts** (James Coutts, Shane Harrison, Nabil Edgton, Ellena Moskovsky, Liam Milne, Andy Hung) 47-130, losing each of the four 14 boards sets.*

UPPER HUTT BRIDGE CLUB are celebrating their 50th Anniversary 3, 4 and 5 May. If you are a past member, visit their website or email cheryljones24@gmail.com. See the flyer on the right hand side of the General noticeboard in the Larnach Room.

SEATING RIGHTS - 2019

<i>SEATING RIGHTS (N/S)</i>			<i>MOVING RIGHTS (E/W)</i>		
Frances	Best	<i>Open</i>	Graham	Donaldson	<i>Intermediate</i>
Judy	Cook	<i>Intermediate</i>	Rob	Lawson	<i>Open</i>
Nora	Dowse	<i>Open</i>	Jenny	McPherson	<i>Senior</i>
Wendy	Fallon	<i>Senior</i>	Margaret	O'Connor	<i>Intermediate</i>
Marjorie	Freeman	<i>Senior</i>	Mary	Taylor	<i>Intermediate</i>
Addy	Gouverneur	<i>Open</i>	Pat	Westgate	<i>Intermediate</i>
Eileen	Hastie	<i>Open</i>			
Anne	Hudson-Ramage	<i>Senior</i>			
Barbara	Hutton	<i>Open</i>			
Joy	Kennedy	<i>Senior</i>			
Bob	Lawrence	<i>Open</i>			
Lynne	Newell	<i>Intermediate</i>			
Warren	Palmer	<i>Senior</i>			
Coral	Paris	<i>Open</i>			
Arthur	Patton	<i>Senior</i>			
Lorraine	Peacock	<i>Open</i>			
Bronwyn	Powell	<i>Senior</i>			
David	Rawson	<i>Intermediate</i>			
Marion	Russell	<i>Open</i>			
Edie	Tingle	<i>Open</i>			
Graeme	Warburton	<i>Open</i>			

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- 7** Cromwell Open 8B Teams. Venue: Catholic Church Hall (Sligo Street, Cromwell). Morning tea 9.30 am, start at 10.00 am. Bring your lunch. Afternoon tea at conclusion of play. \$25. Entries are online and close at 11:59 pm on 5 April.
- 13** Winton Open 5A Teams. Morning Tea 9.30. Play starts 10.00 am. Bring own lunch. Nibbles during play, supper at finish of play. \$30.00. Entries are online and close at 11:59 pm on 10 April.
- 14** Waimate All Grade Open 8B
- 14** **LIONS CHARITY PAIRS – OTAGO.** Sign up for this at the Club on the Tournament Noticeboard. A fun social event where we would hope to have lots of entries to aid the Lions Club chosen charity for this year. Mark the date on your calendar now.

IMPROVE YOUR BRIDGE SEMINARS: TONIGHT – Monday, on Defensive Signalling, hosted by Dean Eidler, who always puts together a challenging and informative session. Bring along your regular partner if you can so that both of you can practice the art of signalling on defence.

BRIDGE ZONE:

www.accessradio.org/Player.aspx?eid=a25f17a1-adab-4216-bf33-5a5929cf4e9d

Above is the link for last week's episode. Highlights -

- Oprah Winfrey – makes it onto the Bridge Zone
- Don't blink or you will miss it
- Book of the week: "Bridge Secrets"

SEATING RIGHTS: Two more people have applied for Seating Rights E/W – Ann Wood in the Open Division and Erin Flannery in Senior. As well, Val Dunbar's name has been added to the E/W Seating Rights, which had been left off the list for some time. An updated list is on the General Noticeboard in the foyer, and lists pertaining to each division is on those noticeboards.

MEMBERSHIP

Welcome to Roger Gudsell and Tai Tuai, whose nominations were received last week. Roger and Tai both also belong to the Taieri Club and will be playing in the Senior Division.

Resignation: Joyce Patton has found it necessary to resign from the Intermediate Division, which will be ratified at the Committee of Management meeting this month. Joyce will be missed by her bridge friends. We thank Joyce for her support of the Club over many years and send our very best wishes.

BEGINNER'S LESSONS: Continues on Wednesday nights and Friday mornings.

DISABLED CAR PARKS

The following drivers are eligible to park their cars in the designated spaces:

Frances Best
Judy Cook
Nora Dowse
Marjorie Freeman
Addy Gouverneur
Joy Kennedy
Bob Lawrence
Coral Paris
Lorraine Peacock
Bronwyn Powell

Each of these people have been issued with an orange mobility card which must be displayed on the dashboard. There are a limited number of disabled parks and it was disappointing to learn that cars have been parking in those spaces which do not display the Otago Bridge Club card. If you have mobility issues (whether permanent or temporary) then you should apply to the Committee of Management with an explanation of why you need it and preferably with a doctor's certificate. Your DCC Mobility card does not suffice. If you have a disabled passenger which you bring to Bridge, you should stop at the front door in order to let them off, and then carry on and park in one of the general parks.

CONGRATULATIONS

RESULTS OF THE VICE PRESIDENT'S PAIRS

SENIOR

- 1st Mary O'Neill and John Curran
- 2nd Heather Beckett and Alison Paterson
- 3rd Raylene Ryan and Wayne Adam

OPEN

- 1st Graham Stout and John Sheehy
- 2nd Susie Lawless and Matt Blakeley
- 3rd Brad Johnston and Philip Noye

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IMPROVE YOUR BRIDGE SEMINARS: MONDAY 25th March.

FROM NZ BRIDGE

The latest newsletter from our International Committee is available for download via the home page of our website.

BRIDGE ZONE:

Here is the link to the Bridge Zone Radio show:

www.accessradio.org/Player.aspx?eid=0d10062e-06df-4b10-aa08-2be0888209f4

This week's show includes:

Bring out the tissues – the Naki boy sheds a tear!!!

CONGRATULATIONS

OAMARU OPEN 5A TOURNAMENT - 10 March:

- 1st Donna Ruwhiu with Frances Sheehy (Oamaru)
- 2nd Lorraine Peacock and Margaret Perley
- 3rd Brad Johnston and Lydia Turley

Junior prize went to Alan Lewthwaite playing with Jen Macartney from Taieri.

TAIERI OPEN 5A TOURNAMENT held on 16 March

- 1st John Sheehy playing with Frances Sheehy from Oamaru
- 2nd Kaye Wilson and Kevin Farnden
- 3rd Margaret Perley and Paul Freeland

The Junior prize went to Lee Whyte and Stuart Whyte

NOTICES FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING 25 MARCH

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SATURDAY NIGHT BRIDGE - 6th April. Get your partner organised now. Dinner at 6.00 pm.
Bridge at 7.00 pm

IMPROVE YOUR BRIDGE SEMINARS: MONDAY 25th March. Dean's topic is *Slam Bidding*.

BRIDGE FORUM

This facility is up and running on our website, so if you have an interesting board at your table or if you wonder how you could make that particular contract, post it on the Forum and someone will be pleased to answer it. You can also see problems encountered by other players and the answers given which may be useful to you.

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THE BRIDGE ZONE RADIO SHOW

www.accessradio.org/Player.aspx?eid=7f33f124-92e2-4648-8a1b-979ebdf31dec

This week's show includes:

- Shirley Temple – animal crackers
- Purse Money – Did he make \$1,000,000 at the weekend
- Book of the week - Falsies at the table???
- Blair Fisher – unofficial has hit the mark of Gold Grand Master
- Bridge Zone Racing Channel – Timaru Congress – get your picks in so we can support these Bridge Players
- BLACK CARDS - cause havoc

MEMBERSHIP

WELCOME Christine Marrs to our Club. Christine has been playing in Westport and is now living in Dunedin. Please add her telephone contact number to the Junior Division list in your books – 456 1342, although Christine would prefer to play daytime bridge, so if anyone could oblige on Wednesdays or Fridays, please get in touch with her.

WELCOME BACK to Martijn Prent in the Open Division. His contact number is 042 736 12980.

RESIGNATIONS: We have had the following resignations, mainly due to people not having the time at the moment to devote to bridge – Elizabeth Cleverley, Annette Booth and Brian Young. We wish them well and hope they come back soon.

CONGRATULATIONS – Results from our players at the Timaru Congress -

Junior Pairs

2nd Lee and Stewart Whyte

Open Teams

2nd Brad Johnston, Glenn Coutts, Jeff Miller and Graeme Stout