

# OTAGO BRIDGE CLUB

## BRIDGE WEEKLY – 4 OCTOBER



### TOURNAMENTS –

OCTOBER

10 Gore 8B Multigrade Pairs. \$25. Bring your own lunch. Start 10.00 am. Morning tea from 9.30 am. Enter by 7 October at [www.otagosouthlandbridge.org.nz/gore/](http://www.otagosouthlandbridge.org.nz/gore/)

### 11 HOSPICE CHARITY PAIRS – SUNDAY

At the **Taieri Club**– 1.30 pm. \$10 (includes 5 raffle tickets). Limited to 26 tables. Entries close noon Friday 9 October. Enter at the Club or on Taieri's web page.

### 24/25 LABOUR WEEKEND

**O/S Congress - Alexandra**

**SATURDAY** – Open 10A Pairs \$45  
- Intermediate 8B Pairs \$35

**SUNDAY** - Open 10A Teams \$65  
- Intermediate 8B Teams \$50

(Both days: Open \$100 , \$75 for Intermediate.)

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### NATIONAL CONGRESS

The new venue for National Congress is Baypark Arena, Mount Manganui, Tauranga and will be a long term booking. The Trustpower Baypark location is central to all services in Tauranga, effectively ten minutes from Tauranga Airport, Mount Maunganui, Papamoa and Tauranga CBD. Congress will be held in the Lion Foundation Centre. The venue is big enough to hold all our events in the one room, has great lighting, suites for staff and a huge parking area. There is an in-house catering team and coffee stations and they may even be able to bring back the BBQ lunches (or similar) that so many of you enjoyed in the past. It is a wonderful venue for our National Congress.

### PROMOTIONS

Remember to get your promotion requests in.

### MEMBERSHIP

It is with regret that we record the death of Bob Hopkins and extend sympathies to Mrs Hopkins. Bob was a member of the Junior Division.

**TEAMS** will recommence this week

**WOMEN'S PAIRS** will resume on 14 October.

**WEDNESDAY ALLCOMERS** is back in action. Stick and Handicap results. All grades welcome. This week 7<sup>th</sup> and the 21<sup>st</sup>

### CONGRATULATIONS

**CONGRESS PAIRS WINNERS**

#### JUNIOR

- 1<sup>st</sup> Barbara Galland and Eunan Cleary
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Fiona Ellis and Brian Ellis
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Judy Bevin and Hilary Bisset

#### INTERMEDIATE

- 1<sup>st</sup> Graeme Donaldson and Rodger Paul
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Dawn Brieseman and Averil Power
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Patsy Taylor and Ron McMurrin

#### SENIOR

- 1<sup>st</sup> Jan Flood and Ann Hamilton
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Raylene Ryan and John Curran
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Robin Lamont and Alison Martin

#### OPEN

- 1<sup>st</sup> Jeff Miller and Graeme Stout
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Marilyn Noye and Matt Blakeley
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Paul Freeland and Murat Genc

### OTAGO 5A SWISS PAIRS

- 1<sup>st</sup> Dean Eidler and Murat Genc
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Arleen Schwartz and Chris Ackerley

### OTAGO 5A TEAMS

- 1<sup>st</sup> Glenn Coutts, Sam Coutts, Jeff Miller, Graeme Stout
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Chris Ackerley, Arleen Schwartz, Pamela Nisbet, Peter McCaskill

### BRIDGE ZONE

Got some info from the Chair – Allan Morris. Consider, ugly and social media activity. Judge Julie. Tournament entries and conditions, what the haps here Julie. The power of the Director. The power of the Match Committee. Both Barry and Judge Julie give Bailiff a wee dig in the ribs. Poor chap – I had your back Patrick (BBO) Idiots....we're in trouble. Other stuff that we wouldn't think about in this segment. We talk about balancing. And who has heard of pre-balancing. Andrew Robson - shares a personal story about how a wee walk turned into a major event in his life.

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**TEAMS** as usual next week.

## 2021 PROGRAMME BOOK

Division Lists are in your playing rooms. Please check that your name and phone number are correct. Now is the time to change your phone number if you wish your mobile to be your contact number (or vice versa).

### TOURNAMENT CO-ORDINATOR

Maria Godfrey has been looking after our Tournaments – getting flyers out to other Clubs, notifying NZ Bridge, organising Directors and Caterers for each day. It is a constant job, but Maria would like to stand down from this position which she has done so admirably since 2014. If you are interested in helping out the Club and you think you would like to fill this position, please get in touch with the President, Rob Lawson.

What do you call an eight card suit?

Trump

## MEMBERSHIP

Learners classes are now completed and we welcome the following who have decided to join the Club - Michele Brooks, Claudia Christie, Michael Christie, Jacqui Clough, Bruce Dowland, Peggy Edmonds, Angela Henderson, Anna Hutchens, Richard Hutchens, Jerrald Mathias, Joan McAlevey, Julia McNaughton, Mary McQueen, Mervin Scott, Maureen Tomlinson, Andrew Wang, Terry Wang, Pip Weber and Elizabeth Wilson. We hope you all enjoy playing the great game of Bridge.

These new players are playing the Spring Pairs amongst themselves in the Junior Room and will join the Junior Division for the President's and Christmas Pairs.

**WELCOME** also to Olivia Truax and Sam Waetford who have recently moved to Dunedin and will be playing in the Junior Division. They may be reached on: Olivia 0224 064 690, Sam 0279 527 164.

## CONGRATULATIONS

### GORE TOURNAMENT

1<sup>st</sup> Murray Barron and David Larsen

2<sup>nd</sup> Kristen Collins and Donna Ruwhiu

### TAIERI HOSPICE CHARITY

#### Prizewinners

#### North/South

1<sup>st</sup> Kay Dixon and David Larsen

2<sup>nd</sup> Wyn Jones and Lorraine Peacock

3<sup>rd</sup> Pat Leen and Christine Samson

#### East/West

1<sup>st</sup> Diane Carruthers and Bob Gillanders

2<sup>nd</sup> Anne-Marie Tangney and Steve Moratti

3<sup>rd</sup> Kay Wilson and Kevin Farnden

**Over \$700 was raised for the Hospice**

## BRIDGE ZONE

Congress Gatekeeper talks it up about the Congress venue for the next 3 years. Over leading versus Underleading. Reverse Dummy. Somethings to think about or .....not. Patrick joins us on The Bridge Zone. Is there anybody out there that wants to be free friends with us? Free..dom, free reign, Free FM 89.0, free podcast access, free everything including your time and wages. We have it all – FREE for the love of the game. Our hotline 027 4447 127. Email [bridgezonestow@gmail.com](mailto:bridgezonestow@gmail.com). Good luck if you're playing Bridge this week.

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## PRELIMINARY NOTICE

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## MEMBERSHIP

*Additional members from lessons.* Those who have taken lessons and are also joining the Club are Jeanette Crawford, David Mackle, Raewyn Pratley. Welcome to you all.

*Rejoining member:* Anne Paterson has decided to come back to Bridge and will play in the Intermediate Division. If you can play with Anne this year or you would like to book a game with her for next year please get in touch. Her contact number is 0273 684 012.

*Resignations:* Judy Wilson and Pat Westgate from the Intermediate Division are unable to continue playing Bridge. We wish them well and thank them both for their support of the Club over the years.

*Moving from Dunedin:* Paul Beale, is now playing in Oamaru, and Nicki White, who has moved to the North Island and intends to join a Bridge Club soon.

## LOST PROPERTY

There is a women's black merino cardigan, Size XL left on the sofa in the Hudson Room and has been there for some weeks. If it is yours, please collect it from there.

## CONGRATULATIONS

... to our latest **Grand Master – Kristen Collins.**  
Well done Kristen.

To reach this lofty position one has to achieve an aggregate of 1000 A and B Points including at least 500 A Points.

## BRIDGE ZONE

<https://accessmedia.nz/Player.aspx?eid=b6b3b31d-e7ab-40cd-8458-5283b91e67af>

Celebration of Bridge. Enter a tournament. Count, counts and counting. Tips for you this show. Claim and Concede. Bailiff gives us the official word on some examples provided. *How many boards is enough boards to play.* Andrew Robson shares his views on lessons this week. Have you looked at his podcasts yet... Pretty amazing. Our feedback is that listeners are enjoying his opinions. Let us know if you agree.

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### NOVEMBER

14 Invercargill 5A Swiss Pairs  
21 Inter-Provincial Teams – Wellington

### DECEMBER

6 Nina Hewitt Open 3A Christmas Pairs

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### SATURDAY NIGHT BRIDGE

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### MEMBERSHIP

A number of members have indicated that they will not be back next year for various reasons. We are sad to see them go and wish them well: Joy Martin-Frew (will play at Taieri). Carol McDougall (will join a Christchurch Club) Jane Tomkinson (we thank Jane for the valuable time she spent as a card dealer), and Jacquie Wright who is finding night time bridge a little taxing.. Gerogie Christie will take 2021 off, but hopefully will be back the following year.

**MESSAGE FROM ROSS HADDOW** who had the intention of having continual summers in the UK or NZ, but Covid has got in the way. He says: Hi everybody at OBC. Thank you for including me in your weekly newsletter. It is hard to imagine

when we will be able to get back to visit our daughter and you all, but it is nice to hear your news, even if it makes me very envious. We are still restricted to online bridge, which is likely to remain the case for several more months.

We returned to England at the end of March, and despite taking good precautions we contracted Covid in early May. Luckily we were not badly affected. I am sure you are aware of our news, but after a summer reduction, cases are very much on the increase again. All sorts of measures are having to be imposed again, and it is a very restricted life we lead. My wife returned to nursing to help out at the local hospice and is also doing 2 days chiropody / foot health care – all vulnerable people, so we have to be especially careful. In September we managed to get an exciting holiday, where we walked the full length of the river Wye, walking from Chepstow to Plynlimon, clocking 170 miles over 13 days, in and out of Wales. We were mostly lucky with the weather (unusual for Wales!!), and our feet have nearly recovered. Best wishes to you all, hopefully back in November 2021,

### LIBRARY NEWS

It is great to see a number of our bridge players back using the library. Last year Margaret Archer donated a large number of bridge books to the club. This was before she died so tragically, in a fire at her home. The processing of her books is almost complete, and these can be found in the 'New Books' Section of the Library.

#### **Overdues**

There is a large number of Otago Bridge Club Library Books now overdue. Could you all please have a good look at home and return these as soon as possible. Many thanks

*Dorothy Butterfield (Librarian)*

### Otago Bridge Club Badges

We are making a new order for club badges. If you wish to purchase one please give your name and NZ Bridge number to Dorothy Butterfield .

Clip Badge - \$9.00

Magnetic Badge - \$12.00

### CONGRATULATIONS

#### **PROMOTION**

We also congratulate Andrew Nicolson who will play in Intermediate next year.

### DIVISIONAL SPRING PAIRS

#### **NOVICE**

1<sup>st</sup> Claudia Christie and Michael Christie

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Jean McAlvey and Julia McNuaghton  
3<sup>rd</sup> Bruce Dowland and Alan Nicholls

### **JUNIOR**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Judy Bevin and Andrew Nicolson  
2<sup>nd</sup> Barbara Galland and Lesley Greenbank  
3<sup>rd</sup> Deidre Bruce and Eunan Cleary

### **INTERMEDIATE**

- 1<sup>st</sup> AnneMarie Tangney and Lauren Uitermark  
2<sup>nd</sup> Cath Ellis and Brigitte Hudson  
3<sup>rd</sup> George Friedlander and John Parke

### **SENIOR**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Heather Beckett and Peter Pfeifer  
2<sup>nd</sup> Kate Aisi and Jenny Fieldwick  
3<sup>rd</sup> Erin Flannery and Cathy Thomson

### **OPEN**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Bob Gillanders and Alan Lewthwaite  
2<sup>nd</sup> Jeff Miller and Graeme Stout  
3<sup>rd</sup> Adrien Dever and Kevin Farnden

### ***O/S CONGRESS***

#### **Intermediate Teams**

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Pam Hodgkinson and Judy Russell with  
with Cath Preen and Annemarie Pavletich from  
Timaru

#### **Open Pairs**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Graeme Stout and Jeff Thompson  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sam Coutts and Brad Johnston