



# BRIDGE UPDATE

## MAY 2011

CONGRATULATIONS to the following winners of May events:

**Foundation Simultaneous Pairs:** Diane Carruthers and Bob Gillanders

**Otago/Southland Pairs:** Nina Hewitt and Dennis McCaughan

**Club Swiss Pairs:** *Overall* James Coutts and Janette Quennell, *Intermediate:* Maria Godfrey and John Sheehy, *Junior:* Alison Giller and Julienne Armitage.

### THANKS FROM CHRISTCHURCH BRIDGE CLUB

*We have been overwhelmed with the generosity of bridge clubs around New Zealand. We have suffered badly as a club, with our building likely to come down and needing rebuilding from scratch. There are so many similar decisions to be made in Christchurch at this time, that it will take some time for us to get sorted. Some of our members are suffering, having their houses wrecked. As a club we are fortunate to have found a temporary home and continue playing, thanks to the generosity of Bowls Papanui. It makes a big difference to know that others care and have taken the trouble to contribute so generously. This is gratefully accepted and will help, particularly once we get toward the rebuilding stage. Kind regards, Sue Edwards, Manager.*

The Otago club has banked \$1,700 into the Christchurch Bridge Club's account and continues to raise funds with the books at the club for which people are paying a gold coin. Please feel free to add your own books which you no longer require, so that other people may enjoy them. Thanks to Ann Wood who instigated the book fundraiser.

### QUIZ NIGHT – Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July

This is a fundraising night for our Youth Team travelling to Congress and representing the Otago/Southland region. You can be assured of lots of fun and plenty of prizes. Get your team together and put your entry in as soon as possible.

Congratulations to Nina Hewitt who has attained the rank of Silver GrandMaster.

### 75<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY WEEKEND 24-26 June

*We hope that all Bridge members will participate in this weekend of celebration.*

**Enter** for the tournaments on the Saturday and Sunday in the usual manner.

**Your** attendance at the dinner must be registered – Brown House Catering will be providing a sumptuous menu for only \$20 (the club is subsidising the meal). Partners most welcome. Unfortunately we have not been able to procure a *Key Speaker* as stated on the poster. Instead any attendee at the dinner who wishes to offer thoughts, memories, moments of glory or otherwise should make their intention known to our Master of Ceremonies, David Stewart before or at the dinner.

**Lindsay** Lawrence will be convening the Friday bridge event and we ask people to sign up, for catering purposes.

**Liz** Nevill will be providing her usual delicious fare for the *Happy Hour* (or two) on Friday evening for which we will need to know approximate numbers.

**Sign up on the noticeboard or register by email of your intention to attend any of the above by MONDAY 20<sup>th</sup> JUNE.**



*"You know why I'm livid. You went to bed with an ace."*

### From the May Committee meeting:

- The design is being finalised for the disabled toilet, two quotes will be obtained and grants applied for.
- The garden at the front of the building (under the women's toilet windows) is to be removed and seats installed. Anyone with ideas about suitable seats should get in touch with Bob Gillanders or Bev Ross.

### Why Play Bridge

**Bridge is Social.** A game of bridge involves communication and cooperation with your partner and interaction with your opponents. There's a special camaraderie among bridge players that develops from the social setting and the game's emphasis on teamwork, ethics and sportsmanship. And if you play duplicate bridge, you can find new friends and partners at hundreds of clubs throughout the world.