

NOTICES FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING 6 AUGUST

TOURNAMENTS

AUGUST

- 11 Geraldine All Grades Open 8B Pairs. Start time 10.00 am at the Geraldine Bowling Club. \$20. Entries close 7 August. Email: geraldinebridgeclub@gmail.com
- 12 **Sunday. EAST OTAGO CHARITY PAIRS** - Ardleigh Golf Club. 1.30 pm start. Please be seated by 1.15 pm. \$15. Raffles, Afternoon Tea. All proceeds to Palmerston St John Ambulance. Entries on notice board or to cobridge.tsecretary@outlook.co.nz. Please note date change from that in your Programme Book. *Please support our neighbouring clubs.*
- 19 Sunday: OAMARU Intermediate 5B and Junior 3B Pairs. Morning tea 9.30 am. Start 10.00 am. \$20. Finger food at end of play. Entries are online and close at 9.00 am 15 August.
- 25 Invercargill Intermediate 5B and Junior 3B Pairs
- 26 **Sunday** Cancer Society Charity Event at the Taieri Bridge Club, 1.30 pm. \$10 – includes 5 raffle tickets. Scrumptious afternoon tea. Entries close 24 August.

NATIONAL NZ PAIRS WILL BE HELD AT OUR CLUB ON 1 SEPTEMBER

We wish **BRAD AND NIC** well at the **World Youth Championship in Wujiang, China starting on Wednesday and continuing until Saturday. Google 17th world youth bridge team championships for their progress.**

2019 INTERNATIONAL SQUADS: The International Committee has finalised the application forms for the 2019 International Squads. The information is available on the NZ Bridge Website via the link <http://www.nzbridge.co.nz/documents-for-2019-squad-applications.html>

ALLCOMERS WEDNESDAY BRIDGE – this Wednesday starting at 1.00 pm.

SATURDAY NIGHT BRIDGE this Saturday “Pea, Pie and Pud”. Register for the meal (\$7) on one of the notices at the Club starting at 6.00 pm or come for the Bridge starting at 7.00 pm.

FOUND – black jersey left at the Taieri Tournament last weekend. If it is yours please get in touch with Eve Beardsmore – 486 1685.

BRIDGE CLUB WINDOWS. Many thanks to Gareth for the stunning job he made of the Bridge Club windows so that they were clean for the Swiss Pairs Tournament.

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NZB CLUB DIRECTORS EXAM is at the end of October. We can always do with more directors. Anyone interested should contact Dennis McCaughan so classes can start in early September.

2019 PROGRAMME BOOK: We are looking for more advertisers and people are encouraged to think of contacts they can approach. Allan Lockhart needs assistance to drum up and organise the advertisements. Dennis would like someone to help co-ordinate the drafting/printing of the book.

CONGRATULATIONS

INTERMEDIATE VICE PRESIDENT'S PAIRS

- 1st Kate Vercoe and Kate Aisi
2nd Alice Booth and John Parke
3rd Jenny Clifton and Terry Ebeling

JUNIOR WELCOME PAIRS

- 1st Gaye Lester and Fraser Reynolds
2nd Rochelle Palmay and Jane Hailes
3rd David Kiddey and Marje Schaddelee

OTAGO SWISS PAIRS

- 1st Arleen Schwartz and Chris Ackerley
2nd Margaret Perley and Paul Freeland

NORTH ISLAND PAIRS

- 8th Brad Johnstone and Vickie Bouton

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SEPTEMBER

NATIONAL 15A PAIRS SATURDAY 1st and SUNDAY 2nd SEPTEMBER 2018

- Venue:** Otago Bridge Club 100 Otaki St, Dunedin
Format: To be decided depending on number of entries
Cost: \$80 per person
Time: Saturday 10am–7pm (approx.) Sunday 9am–5pm (incl. prize giving)

Lunch provided both days

Please enter online at: otagosouthlandbridge.org.nz

Closing Date: Wednesday 29th August

We need lots of entries for this event, especially from our own Club – thank you to those who have already entered.

- 8/9 Central Otago 5A Teams and Pairs

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2019 PROGRAMME BOOK: The membership lists at the back of the Programme Book are forever changing, but it would be good to have them right up-to-date for the 2019 edition. Therefore

- if you have changed your phone number, or
- would like your mobile number printed rather than the landline number, or vice versa, or
- if you know that you will not be returning next year, please let us know.

Membership lists will be out in the Playing Rooms soon. Please check your details, as we also need to keep your mailing and email addresses up-to-date. Make changes on the lists or reply to this email.

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HAVE WE ANY MEMBERS WHO ARE 98 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER???

The Oamaru Club has a member who will reach 98 years of age very soon, and who still plays regularly at the club (3 times/week); and would like to know if any other club has a member who is still playing regularly at this age or older. Oamaru feels that this notable achievement should be recognised by their club – and perhaps even by NZ Bridge, if it turns out that their member is the most aged member of NZ Bridge still playing. Reply to this email if you know of anyone.

Here is the link to this week's episode of The Bridge Zone

<http://www.accessradio.org/Player.aspx?eid=eed36fa9-87e0-4e68-9777-8a9fe9b948d2>

Covered is a very entertaining interview with Blair Fisher - winner of the North Island Pairs - share his disastrous start to eventual victory.

NOTICES FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING 20 AUGUST

TOURNAMENTS

AUGUST

- 25 **Invercargill Intermediate 5B and Junior 3B Pairs.** Entries close at midnight on Tuesday. This tournament will be run in 2 separate sections. Juniors will only play against Juniors and the only Open player present will be our dedicated scorer. They look forward to hosting many members from our club on Saturday. Morning tea at 9.30 am. Start 10.00 am. \$30. Lunch provided.
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SEPTEMBER

- 1/2 **Saturday and Sunday NATIONAL 15a Pairs at Otago. \$80. Saturday 10.00am-7.00 pm. Sunday 9.00 am-5.00 pm. Lunch provided both days. Closing date 29 August. Enter online.**
- 8 **Central Otago Blossom Time 5A Teams.** Start 10.00 am. Morning tea 9.30 am. \$25.

- 9 Central Otago Blossom Time 5A Pairs. Start 10.00 am. Morning tea 9.30 am. \$25. Entries close 3 September.

WORLD YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS



This was the first time the Youth Bridge Blacks had competed in a world event outside of Australia. While they recorded just four wins, the experience and learning gained was immense. Pictured left Nik and Brad with Douglas Russell, (non-playing Captain)

Brad teamed up with USA players for those not through to the Junior finals and won this event – Brad with his “Best of the Rest” trophy.

(Thanks to NZB Facebook page)



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THE BRIDGE ZONE link for this week is

<http://www.accessradio.org/Player.aspx?eid=d41bbb3b-2374-438d-a53a-b5fd7ede1c1f> features

- an interview with NZB Bridge Development Officer Richard Solomon
- profiles of Russell Wilson and Russell Dive, winners of the South Island Pairs
- unusual leads and the Lightener double

2019 PROGRAMME BOOK: Thank you for those people who have let us know about changes in details: see changes which might affect you under membership. Keep any other changes rolling in. Membership lists will be out in the Playing Rooms this week. Please check your details, as we also need to keep your mailing and email addresses up-to-date. Make changes on the lists or reply to this email.

MEMBERSHIP

PHONE NUMBER CHANGES

Marg Bryant 456-1924,
Greg and Heather Casey 552 5972 or 0274 543 732,
Ann E Taylor 0277 145 134

RESIGNATION

Pauline Hockney joined the Intermediate Division last year, but has found pressure of other interests means she cannot attend very often. She thanks all those members who have made her so welcome.

CONDOLENCES

We record the passing of two very experienced and long-time players in our Club - Mickie Reid and Shirley Ford. Shirley was an Honorary Member of our club, a director at all levels, including National Director, Tutor, Club Captain, the first woman elected to the NZ Contract Bridge Association (NZCBA) - now NZ Bridge - and was the President of the NZ Bridge Teachers' Association. Otago Bridge Club owes much to Shirley.

CONGRATULATIONS – Senior and Open Champions decided

SENIOR

- 1st Adrienne Dearnley and Gordon Smith
- 2nd Raylene Ryan and Karyn Jaffray
- 3rd Helen Watson and Graeme Warburton

OPEN

PLATE

- 1st Lyall Inwood and Amanda Inwood
- 2nd Deslee Howell and Vivienne Cowan
- 3rd Paul Yates and Liz Rowe

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

- 1st Graeme Stout and Jeff Miller
- 2nd Philip Noye and Dean Eidler
- 3rd Lorraine Peacock and Michael Joseph

OAMARU INTERMEDIATE PAIRS

- 1st Barbara Hutton and Dorothy Butterfield

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- 8 Central Otago Blossom Time 5A Teams. Start 10.00 am. Morning tea 9.30 am. \$25.
- 9 Central Otago Blossom Time 5A Pairs. Start 10.00 am. Morning tea 9.30 am. \$25. Entries close 3 September.
- 9 Waimate All Grades Open 5B Pairs
- 15 Wanaka Intermediate and Junior Pairs. Morning Tea 9.30 am. Start at 10 am. Bring your lunch. Continuous tea and coffee. Light refreshments at conclusion. \$25. Entries close 10 September.
- 16 Balclutha Open 8B Pairs. Continuous snacks/tea/coffee/water/juice; morning and afternoon tea; then finger food at the end of play! Bring your own lunch. Phone Sheila Paterson on 418 3179.

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING Monday
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on the main noticeboard.

2019 PROGRAMME BOOK:

- Thank you to Ann Wood who has offered to help Dennis with the copy.
- The Club normally covers the cost of printing with the advertisements, but we need more ads this year to meet that goal. If you want to put in an ad or you know someone who would, please get in touch with Allan Lockhart or Ann.
- Lists are in both playing rooms for you to check that your name, division, and phone number are correct.
- Winners of Championship Pairs and the winner of the Individual Ladder will automatically be promoted to the higher division. If you feel you would be better suited to the higher division, please apply to the Playing Committee with your reasons why you should be promoted.

SATURDAY NIGHT BRIDGE will be held on 8 September. Murray Barron will be the chef, serving up pan-fried fish, sausages, chips, coleslaw and dessert. The bar opens at 5.30 pm so come along and enjoy some social time before the meal at 6.00 pm. Bridge starts at 7.00 pm.

SYMPATHY: We record the passing of Joyce McClintock recently. Joyce was a regular player at Thursday night bridge in the Senior Division for many years until she resigned in 2015. She was also a loyal member of the Dunedin Club.

Gillian Alexander -

Regional Bridge Mate - Otago Southland

Congratulations to Gillian on her appointment to this position with New Zealand Bridge. Gillian joined the Otago Club in March from the Howick Club. Her mandate in her new position is to support and grow the game of Bridge in the Otago/Southland Region - Gillian has hit the ground running, organising a raft of media releases over the weekend with the arrival of a gold medal to Bridge Jack Brad Johnston from Otago Bridge Club. You can contact Gill directly at gillian.alexander@nzbridge.co.nz

Brad is being interviewed tomorrow morning (Monday) on Otago Access Radio – 105.4 FM. Hopefully we will have the podcast link for you next week if you missed it.

Brad's final and prizegiving are on YouTube and can be found if you search for BAM Final and Prizegiving. Sorry, I had the link but can't find it now.

BRIDGE ZONE

In this week's show there is an in-depth interview with Professor Samantha Punch who is conducting research projects into the effect of bridge on our well-being, resistance to dementia and the sociological impact of the game Hear the fascinating interview here:

<http://www.accessradio.org/Player.aspx?eid=d70567b4-f674-49b9-a81e-0d8e99b9bae4>

TAIERI CHARITY PAIRS – Congratulations to

- 1st Kaye Wilson and Kevin Farnden
2nd Ann Wood and Neil Johnstone
3rd Wyn Jones and Donna Ruwhiu



MESSAGE FROM LYDIA WHO ATTENDED THE YOUTH WEEKEND IN WELLINGTON

Last weekend, I went to Wellington for a Youth Bridge weekend. It was great to meet and play with other young bridge players from all over the country and at many different stages in their bridge careers. It was a full-on weekend, where we played individual, teams, pairs, par and (my favorite) speed bridge. With less than 4 minutes per board in

speed bridge, it was a very intense competition and a good lesson on not dwelling on decisions too much! Thank you very much to the OBC for supporting me to attend this event.

*Nga mihi,
Lydia Turley*