

NEWSLETTER 5th December 2022

EVENTS AT OTAGO:

Prizegivings will be held for each of the Divisions this week, which will give an opportunity for us all to applaud the success of our fellow members. Your Convenor may have asked you to bring some food to enjoy with a chat and a drink afterwards.

WEDNESDAY 7th

Women's Pairs Xmas Lunch

12 noon start. Bridge to follow.

Junior/ Intermediate - Christmas Pairs 3

THURSDAY 8th

Senior and Open - Christmas Pairs 3

FRIDAY 9th

Friday Bridge - 10.30am

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15th December **Winton 50th Celebrations.** An invitation is extended to all ex members and their partners to celebrate 50yrs of bridge in Winton. 5pm bar opens, meal at 6pm. RSVP by 8th Dec 032217417, or winton.bridge@xtra.co.

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CONGRATULATIONS:

NINA HEWITT CHRISTMAS PAIRS:



Open

1st Anne Sommerville / Kay Shand

2nd Arleen Schwartz / Murat Genc

3rd. Marilyn Noye / Philip Noye

Intermediate

1st Murray Barron / David Larsen

2nd Dale Cameron/Alan Lewthwaite

Thank you to everyone who entered this very well run tournament.

Thank you to Lindsay for directing and to Pip Weber for keeping us very well fed throughout the day.

A very big thankyou to Michael Atkinson, who spoke about his very special memories of Nina – I don't think there were too many dry eyes in the room.

NORTH AMERICAN FALL NATIONALS

Bryant, Nisbet win Women's Pair

Pamela Nisbet of New Zealand and Brenda Bryant of Ferndale MI won the Whitehead Women's Pairs last Wednesday at the North American Fall Nationals in Phoenix Arizona.



The winners, Canadians who have relocated to other parts of the world, had three exceptionally strong sessions.

On Tuesday they scored 63.72% and 61.28% to lead the qualifying round handily with almost four boards of carryover.

A 49.46% in the first final dropped them to third place, but 61.38% in the last session put them on top by half a board.

While they have several Canadian championships, this is their first NABC title.

“For 50 years, this has been the best women’s event at a national,” Nisbet added. “Everyone was so nice.” “It’s exciting,” Bryant said. “We loved it.”

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		♥ 10	
	13	♦ J 4	
13	7	♣ AKQ85	
	7		
♠ AJ104		♠ Q3	
♥ AK		♥ QJ76432	
♦ 932		♦ Q5	
♣ J974		♣ 103	
		♠ 85	
		♥ 985	
		♦ AK10876	
		♣ 62	

The winners were particularly proud of their defence on Board 14 in the second qualifying session.

Against 4♥ by East, Bryant cashed the ♦A K and led a third diamond.

Nisbet ruffed with her ♥10, forcing declarer to overruff with the ♥Q.

Declarer then ran the ♠Q to Nisbet's king.

Nisbet cashed the ♣A K and gave an upper cut by leading a third club.

Down three was worth 90%.

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FIRE DRILL: Message from Neil Johnstone (President). “ A big thank you to all the Friday bridge players for their co-operation during last Friday’s Fire Drill. The exercise met with the approval of the fire authorities present.”

CONGRATULATIONS:

Christmas Pairs:

Open

Senior

- | | | |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1st | Marilyn Noye/Philip Noye | John Curran/Jenny Fieldwick |
| 2nd | Dai Redshaw/Brad Johnston | Glenys Shum/Raylene Ryan |
| 3rd | Barbara Hutton/Andrew Reynolds | Eunice Brown/Mary O’Neill |

Intermediate

Junior

- | | | |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1st | Mark Wilson/Neil Stevenson | Judy Gorman/Anne Tamati |
| 2nd | Judy Bevin/Mary McQueen | Jamie Smith/Jan Bramley |
| 3rd | George Friedlander/Margaret Borland | Alan Nicholls/Sally Stewart |

2022 DIVISIONAL PRIZE WINNERS:

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE DIVISIONAL PRIZE WINNERS LISTED BELOW – WELL DONE.

There are several people who have been promoted to a higher grade – we wish them all well in their new divisions, and I am sure you will all make them feel very welcome – and offer to play a game with them.

Intermediate to Senior – Pat Johnston and Mark Wilson

Junior to Intermediate – Jean McAlevey, Catherine Smith, Alan Nicholls, Graham Wallis, Sally Stewart, June Howie, Connie MacKay, Andrea Purton and Jenny Turnbull

2022 DIVISIONAL PRIZEWINNERS

CLUB TROPHIES

Moise Holiday Trophies (2021/22)

Open – Brad Johnston

Handicap – Hilary Bisset

Shirley Ford Trophy – Highest Score over all divisions on a Division Night:
Rodger Paul and Terry Evans 80.63%

Alma Delahunty Cup – Highest score over all divisions for the 3-night match:
Christine Kerr and Matt Blakeley

TEAMS TROPHIES

Swiss Teams–Norman Allan Trophy- Paul Freeland, Margaret Perley, Murat Genc, Dean Eidler, Arleen Schwartz, Chris Ackerley

Booths Gin Trophy – Championship: Sam Coutts, Brad Johnston, Lydia Turley, Cameron Benson

Otago Club Cup - Gold Section – Hilary Van Zoelen, Michael Ferrari, John Wolken, Mike Hickling, Mark Tully

John Swan Cup – Silver Section – Ann-Maree Fox, Alan Geare, Murray Barron, Phil Merchant, David Larsen

Don Hill Cup – Best performing Senior Team– Allan Lockhart, Lauren Uitermark, Ritchie Fieldwick, Jo De Bono

JUNIOR DIVISION

Dr C R Johnson Cup – Pairs Championship:

Catherine Smith and Jean McAlevey

John Lawson Plate – Individual Ladder – Alan Nicholls

Biro Bic Cup – Highest Score: Sally Stewart and Sharon Teasdale 76.25%

Edna McDonald Plate – Highest C Pts – Sally Stewart

Two Night Match – Sally Stewart

Summer Pairs – Connie MacKay and Graham Wallis

Autumn Pairs – Sally Stewart and Sharon Teasdale

Winter Pairs – Catherine Smith and Graham Wallis

Vice Presidents Welcome Pairs - Jean MacAlevey and Alan Nicholls

Alma Delahunty Pairs - Alan Nicholls and Cecylia Klobukowska

Spring Pairs – Peter McIver and Bruce Dowland

President's Pairs – James Cockle and Ramon Quennell

Christmas Pairs – Judy Gorman and Anne Tamati

INTERMEDIATE DIVISION

Otago Bridge Club Cup – Pairs Championship - Bridgitte Hudson and Rochelle Palmay

Trix Robertson Plate for Individual Ladder – Hilary Bisset

Grants Scotch Whisky Cup – Highest C Points – Mark Wilson

2 Night match Judy Bevin

Summer Prs – Rodger Paul and Ron McMurrin

Vice President's Pairs – Greg Sligo and Neil Stevenson

Otago Anniversary Pairs – Rodger Paul and Brigitte Hudson

Easter Pairs – Terry Evans and Brian Ellis

Autumn Pairs- Rodger Paul and Terry Evans

Winter Pairs – Mark Wilson and Pat Johnston

Alma Delahunty Pairs – Neil Stevenson and Wendy Fallon (runners up)

Congress Pairs – Andrew Nicolson and Frances Witchall

Spring Pairs – Andrew Nicolson and Mark Wilson

President's Pairs – Hilary Bisset and Terry Evans

Christmas Pairs – Mark Wilson and Neil Stevenson

Otago Bridge Club Junior Tournament Cup – Andrew Nicolson and Mark Wilson

Moise Holiday Trophy – Hilary Bisset

Fred Peters Memorial Cup for Highest Score on a Division night Rodger Paul and Terry Evans 80.63%
Shirley Ford Trophy – Rodger Paul and Terry Evans

SENIOR DIVISION

Baden Wilson Memorial Plate, Pairs Championship

Rod Waugh and Archie Crawford

J S Asher Plate - Individual Ladder – Jenny Fieldwick

Dulcie Duckworth Rose Bowl, **Highest C Points** – Jenny Fieldwick

Two-night Match –Raylene Ryan

Summer Pairs – Joy Ward and Kate Vercoe

Vice President's Pairs – Helen Haig and Kate Vercoe

Easter Pairs – Murray Thomson and Terry Ebeling

Autumn Pairs –Kathy Thomson and Eleanor Westoby

Winter Pairs – Archie Crawford and Jenny Fieldwick

Alma Delahunty Pairs – Jo De Bono and Jenny Fieldwick

Congress Pairs –Josephine George and Jo Torrance

Spring Pairs – Erin Flannery and Ken Nicholls (runners up)

President's Pairs – Mary O'Neill and Jenny Fieldwick

Christmas Pairs – John Curran and Jenny Fieldwick

SATURDAY NIGHT

Off the Stick

1st= Julienne Armitage & Alison Giller

Handicap

1st Margaret Tagg

OPEN DIVISION

President's Cup – Pairs Championship

John Sheehy and Robert Cowan

Fontana Challenge Cup - Pairs Championship Plate

Bob Gillanders and Alan Lewthwaite

Jack Finigan Cup - Individual Ladder – Brad Johnston

Rose Bowl – Highest C Points – Brad Johnston

Two-night match – Paul Freeland

Summer Pairs – Graeme Stout and Brad Johnston

Vice President's Pairs – Graeme Stout and Philip Noye

Otago Anniversary Pairs – Michael Atkinson and Matt Blakely

Easter Pairs – John Sheehy and Stewart Kerr

Autumn Pairs – Matt Blakeley and Sam Coutts

Winter Pairs – Matt Blakeley and Brad Johnston

Alma Delahunty Pairs – Matt Blakeley and Christine Kerr

Congress Pairs – Pam Hodgkinson and Judy Russell
Spring Pairs – Sam Coutts and Tim Webb
President's Pairs – Christine Kerr and Robert Cowan
Christmas Pairs – Marilyn Noye and Philip Noye

WOMEN'S PAIRS

Joy Jones Trophy – Women's Championship Pairs - Barbara Hutton and Ann Wood
Carol Whitney Plate – Women's Pairs Championship Handicap – Frances Best and Beverly Ross
Blanche Wolken Pairs Trophy – Ann Wood and Barbara Hutton
Blanch Wolken Handicap – Alison Giller and Marion Russell
Winter Pairs – Ann Woodhead and Gillian Alexander
Winter Pairs Handicap – Frances Best and Beverley Ross
Spring Pairs – Lorraine Peacock and Marilyn Noye
Spring Pairs Handicap – Judy Bevin and Pip Weber
Convenor's Trophy - Jan Flood and Ann Hamilton

FRIDAY DUPLICATE

Gustavson Medallions – Handicap result with three partners –
1st Rudi Prent
2nd Catherine Smith

Monthly Matches

February - Alec Weavers
March - Marilyn Stewart
April – Philip Gillen
May – Archie Crawford
July – Frances Best
August – Rod Waugh
September – Dawn Cope
October Lindsay Gunn
November – Mary McQueen

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WEDNESDAY 28th	Holiday Bridge – 7.10pm
MONDAY Jan 2nd	Holiday Bridge – 7.10pm
WEDNESDAY Jan 4th	Holiday Bridge – 7.10pm

FRIDAY BRIDGE RESUMES JANUARY 13th, 2023

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10am start. \$30. Entries close 12/1

January 29th Otago Festival Pairs – 5A Open

10am start. \$25. Entries Close 25/1

Prizes for Best Junior, Intermediate and Open Pairs.

RESIGNATION: Deirdre Bruce (Intermediate). Deirdre will continue to play her bridge at the Taieri Club next year. We wish you well Deirdre, and thank you for your contribution to our Club.

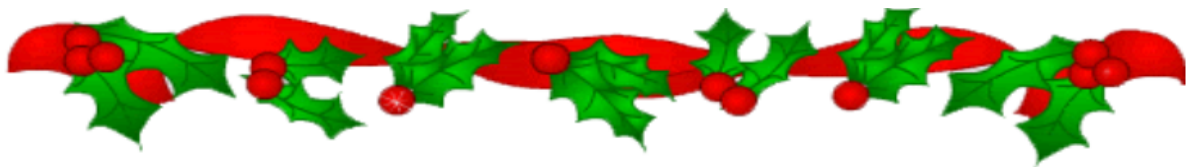
INCORRECT PHONE NUMBER (2023 Programme Book):

Kathryn Nevell (Junior) – should be 022 455 1500

CATERING/KITCHEN: Message from President Neil Johnstone –

“As we have noted previously, Pip Weber has done some excellent catering work from our kitchen recently. She has offered to assist in helping co-ordinate activities in the kitchen generally, and we are delighted to have her on board.

For those of you who assist in keeping the kitchen running, do take the opportunity to make yourself known to Pip as the occasion presents itself in the New Year”



This will be my final newsletter for this year. I would like to thank everyone who has contributed during the year, and made my job so much easier.

In particular I would like to thank Rob Lawson, Phil Noye, Brad Johnston, and Neil Johnstone.

A special thankyou to Lindsay Gunn. She has once again worked tirelessly all year, very much of it going unnoticed behind the scenes. Your information for me throughout the year Lindsay, has been invaluable.

The committee has worked hard all year to make our Clubrooms safe for you to play, sometimes during very trying times. We thank them all for their great efforts.

To all the volunteers (of whom there are many), our grateful thanks for all you have done. Our Club would not run so well without all your help.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Xmas, and a very safe holiday for those of you who are travelling.

Any contributions for next newsletter in early January, please email me

noyemarilyn@gmail.com.

I will look forward to seeing you all back at the Bridge Club in the New Year.

Marilyn Noye

