

NOTICES FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING 2 JULY

TOURNAMENTS

JULY

- 7 **Otago Winter Graded 5A Teams.** \$25. Start 10.00 am (morning tea 9.30 am). Continuous tea, coffee and nibbles. Bring your own lunch. Entries can be made online and close 4 July
- 8 **Otago Winter Open 5A Pairs:** Start at 10.00 am (morning tea 9.30 am). \$25. Continuous tea, coffee nibbles. Bring your own lunch Entries close 4 July.
- 8 **Otago Winter Intermediate 5B Pairs.** Start at 10.00 am (morning tea at 9.30 am). \$25. Continuous tea, coffee, nibbles. Bring your own lunch. Entries close 4 July. **THERE WAS ONLY ONE ENTRY FOR THIS EVENT WHEN I LAST LOOKED. DO GET YOUR ENTRIES IN BY WEDNESDAY.**
- 14 **Gore Open 8B Pairs** Start 10.00 am. \$25. Bring or buy your own lunch. Light refreshments before and after play Entries are online and close 10 July.
- 16 **Monday night 7.10 pm – Back to the Future Teams.** Three rounds. In each round you play with a different team-mate against all the other teams.

SATURDAY NIGHT BRIDGE

This event will be held over until the second week of the month because of the Winter Tournament next week ... 14 July at 6.00 pm. A mid-winter meal of baked ham, roast veges etc are on the menu. Sign up for the meal or come for the Bridge at 7.00 pm.

LAW S O F B R I D G E PSYCHIC BIDS

Many people hate 'psyches' but Law 73E states a player may appropriately attempt to deceive an opponent through call or play as long as there is no concealed understanding . Anyone who psyches must report the psyche to the director, and this is passed to the recorder. This is to ensure that players do not psyche so regularly with one partner that it has become an understanding, or that players do not psyche so regularly against the same opponents that it has become unsporting.

The Otago Bridge Club rules that you may psyche only on your own division night against players of the same ability, and never on mixed occasions such as Friday day time, Saturday night or Charity one session tournaments.

There is no such restriction for A or B point tournaments even if they are graded, although again one would not expect an open player to psyche against a less experienced player.

MEMBERSHIP

We record with regret the resignation of Ketih Kendall who took bridge lessons in 2013 and has been playing the last 4½ years in the Intermediate Division. We are sorry to lose Keith who has been a great supporter of Wednesday night sessions and will be missed by all his friends there.

CONGRATULATIONS

WINTON INTERMEDIATE TOURNAMENTS

3rd Denise Carter and Grant Walker

OAMARU ALL GRADES

1st Donna Ruwhui and Kristen Collins

2nd Nik Mitchell and Brad Johnston

PAIRS CHAMPIONS DECIDED

JUNIOR

- 1st Sue Adam and Donna Wakefield
- 2nd Gaye Lester and Connie Mackay
- 3rd Sharlene Beaufort and Barbara Cloughley

INTERMEDIATE

- 1st Graeme Donaldson and Ron McMurran
- 2nd Terry Ebeling and Kate Vercoe
- 3rd Yvonne Walsh and Kate Aisi

FRIDAY BRIDGE

GUSTAVSON MEDALLIONS

- 1st Pat Hall
- 2nd Barbara Horne

NOTICES FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING 9 JULY

TOURNAMENTS

JULY

- 14 **Gore Open 8B Pairs** Start 10.00 am. \$25. Bring or buy your own lunch. Light refreshments before and after play Entries are online and close 10 July.
- 21 **Winton Open 5A Pairs:** Morning tea 9.30 am, Play starts 10.00 am. Bring own lunch. Nibbles during and supper after play. \$25. Entries close 18 July.
- 22 **OTAGO JUNIOR PAIRS – the second session of this tournament. Details next week.**
- 28 **Taieri Graded 8B Pairs** 9.30 am for morning tea and 10.00 am commencement of play. \$20. Continuous tea and coffee. Bring your own lunch. Light refreshments at end of play. Entries close 25th July On-line registration at otagosouthlandbridge.org.nz/taieri/

ALLCOMERS WEDNESDAY BRIDGE – this Wednesday 11 July at 1.00 pm. Please be seated by 12.50 pm.

SATURDAY NIGHT BRIDGE

This event will be held this coming Saturday - 14 July at 6.00 pm. A mid-winter meal of baked ham, roast veges etc are on the menu. Sign up for the meal or if you just want to play Bridge come along and be seated by 6.50 pm.

BACK TO THE FUTURE TEAMS: This event is next Monday night 16th – one night only. Get your team together now and enjoy a fun night playing one round with each member of your team. 7.10 pm. Entries online or at the club.

BRIDGE ZONE RADIO BROADCAST

The link below takes you to the latest broadcast of the new bridge radio show.

<http://www.accessradio.org/player.aspx?pid=6379a3ce-8450-482c-bad1-6b4cc2574313&Last=1> This week's episode contains:

- ➡ Assess how hot you are according to Zia!
- ➡ Yeh Bros Cup
- ➡ Tips on dealing with the 4-4-4-1 hand
- and much more ...

AND THIS FROM THE NZ BRIDGE FACEBOOK PAGE:

Have you tried the Weekly Free tournament on BBO? Go to BBO - Solitaire Bridge - Weekly Free Instant tournament. Play the 8 boards and then watch expert Pete Hollands play the same hands.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GTOqUnkFOaY>

LIBRARY NEWS

At last! We have finished processing the books kindly donated by Claude Richter, and these are now available in the 'New Books' section of the Library. The selection includes titles by Mike Lawrence, Marty Bergen, Paul Marston, Ron Klinger, Terence Reece and Jeff Rubens. Claude also donated a number of booklets on Bridge Conventions, and several from the excellent Bridge Plus Practice Series. If you are keen to practise your bridge conventions, e.g. Reverse Bidding, Transfer bidding, The Law of Total Tricks, Fourth Suit Forcing, and Roman Key Card Blackwood you will find these on the magazine and booklets shelf.

Dorothy Butterfield, Librarian

LAWS OF BRIDGE

The last of this series will appear next week.

VACANCY - REGIONAL BRIDGE MATEs - Otago/Southland region

New Zealand Bridge is seeking to contract motivated bridge players who are inspired by its vision to Grow the Game of Bridge.

An opportunity has arisen within NZB to support and grow bridge clubs across the Otago/Southland Region, following the resignation of Susannah Pinckney.

Information about the specification for this "Regional Bridge Mate" role is attached. Anyone interested should send their CV and covering letter to Jane.Stearns@nzbridge.co.nz. If you would like further information about the role ring Jane for an informal chat on 021 134 5560. Applications for this fixed term contract work must be received by NZB no later than Friday 27th July 2018.

Jane Stearns, NZB

CONGRATULATIONS

OTAGO WINTER TEAMS

- 1st Graeme Stout, Brad Johnston, Glenn Coutts, Sam Coutts
- 2nd Robert Cowan, John Sheehy, Maria Godfrey, Susie Lawless
- 3rd Chris Ackerley, Arleen Schwartz, Margaret Perley and Paul Freeland

OTAGO OPEN WINTER PAIRS

- 1st Margaret Perley and Paul Freeland
- 2nd Arleen Schwartz and Chris Ackerley
- 3rd Graeme Stout and Jeff Miller

OTAGO INTERMEDIATE WINTER PAIRS

- 1st Pam Hodgkinson and Judy Russell
- 2nd Barbara Hutton and Andrew Reynolds
- 3rd= Paul Yates and David Larsen
- 3rd= Marion Dent and Cushla Colquhoun

NOTICES FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING 16 JULY

TOURNAMENTS

JULY

21 **Winton Open 5A Pairs:** Morning tea 9.30 am, Play starts 10.00 am. Bring own lunch. Nibbles during and supper after play. \$25. Entries close 18 July.

22 **OTAGO JUNIOR PAIRS** – the second session of this tournament. One tournament run over two days, come along and enjoy a fun afternoon of bridge in a tournament setting. Cost: Both days - \$20 per person; One day - \$10 per person. Start: 1.00 pm. Afternoon tea and hot drinks provided. Entries close at the end of 20 July 2018. **GET THOSE ENTRIES IN PLEASE** – none on the website so far!! If you played in the first session, I am sure you will want to enter this session.

28 **Taieri Graded 8B Pairs** 9.30 am for morning tea and 10.00 am commencement of play. \$20. Continuous tea and coffee. Bring your own lunch. Light refreshments at end of play. Entries close 25th July On-line registration at otagosouthlandbridge.org.nz/taieri/

AUGUST

5 **Sunday - OTAGO SWISS PAIRS** – lots of entries required for this – it is our own tournament so it would be nice if Otago players would support it well. If you haven't played a Swiss Pairs event before, it is much more relaxed than a normal tournament. You play 8 or so boards with the same pair and then depending on each result you are matched with a pair of like strength. Give it a go!!

11 Geraldine All Grades Open 8B Pairs

12 **EAST OTAGO CHARITY PAIRS** Please note this has been changed from the date listed in your Programme Book. Details later.

BACK TO THE FUTURE TEAMS: Monday 16th, 7.10 pm.

COAT LOST: If you were at Saturday night Bridge please check whether you took home your own coat. Alison has a black one which is not hers – it has a blue cigarette lighter in the pocket. If this is your coat please phone her on 021 313 461, so that you can arrange a swap.

BRIDGE ZONE

<http://www.accessradio.org/Player.aspx?eid=1fc16c97-66d5-4ee1-95f7-10fda582bbe9>

Topics discussed this week:

- ➡ Opening 1NT with a 5 card major
- ➡ Announcing bids
- ➡ Funny things said at the table
- ➡ What brought you to bridge?
- ➡ South Island Pairs

MEMBERSHIP

We welcome the following, who having attended the lessons will now begin playing in the Junior Division this week. Judy Bevin, Hilary Bisset, Colette Bolger, Annette Booth, Peter Brazier, Elizabeth Cleverley, Winnie Cornelissen, Meryl Crowhurst, AnneMarie Devereux, Jenny Fenton, Nick Fieldwick, Pam Hill, Viv Hodgkin, Bob Hopkins, Anne Howorth, Susan McKillop, Gail Mitchell, Andrew Nicolson, Pete Ritchie, Matthew Smith, Anne Marie Tangey, Maree Thyne, Trish Whelan, Frances Witchall, Brian Young.

We hope you all enjoy playing the great game of Bridge.

WINNERS FROM OUR WINTER TOURNAMENT held last weekend.

Teams winners – Sam Coutts, Graeme Stout, Brad Johnston, Glenn Coutts

Pairs Winners – Margaret Perley and Paul Freelan

*Intermediate Pairs Winners –
Pam Hodgkinson and Judy Russell*

NOTICES FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING 23 JULY

TOURNAMENTS

JULY

28 **Taieri Graded 8B Pairs** 9.30 am for morning tea and 10.00 am commencement of play. \$20. Continuous tea and coffee. Bring your own lunch. Light refreshments at end of play. Entries close 25th July On-line registration at otagosouthlandbridge.org.nz/taieri/. *Please support our neighbouring clubs.*

AUGUST

5 Sunday - OTAGO 5A SWISS PAIRS – 9.30 am morning tea, Start 10.00 am. \$25. Bring your own lunch. Continuous tea, coffee and nibbles. Entries close 1 August at the Club or online.

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 **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 eobridge.tsecretary@outlook.co.nz. Please note date change from that in your Programme Book. *Please support our neighbouring clubs.*

ALLCOMERS WEDNESDAY BRIDGE -this Wednesday 1.00 pm start. If you are a regular attender please consider whether you would like this to continue for one or two months or the rest of the year.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - Monday 17 September at 6.30 pm.

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.

BRIDGE ZONE

<http://www.accessradio.org/Player.aspx?eid=fae51a29-d4b2-4a2a-9819-7f0c8e45c8ae>

This week Barry and Mereana talk over the pleasures and pitfalls of having your real life partner as your bridge partner, 5 card pre-empts, World Bridge Day, announcing bids when to ask about what a bid means plus much, much more!

Players can save the link below to their browser which will update around midday each Wednesday:
[//www.accessradio.org/player.aspx?pid=6379a3ce-8450-482c-bad1-6b4cc2574313&Last=1](http://www.accessradio.org/player.aspx?pid=6379a3ce-8450-482c-bad1-6b4cc2574313&Last=1)

This RSS feed will always take you to the latest episode broadcast.

BRIDGE LAWS

This is the last in this series. A huge thanks to Lindsay Gunn who compiled and updated the copy in accordance with the latest Laws.

DUMMY AND PLAY OF CARD

Law 45B states that declarer plays from dummy by naming the card, after which dummy picks up the card faces it on the table. Declarer may *if necessary* pick up the card himself.

When is it necessary? When dummy has left the table, of course, or if dummy is hard of hearing and the call of the card would have to be too loud or if dummy uses a card holder and would have trouble playing the cards. Perhaps declarer has a vision problem and need the cards so close that it would be hard for dummy to reach. And some neurological problems make it difficult for players unused to calling the cards to do so. I can think of no other good reason. Note that the laws do not say declarer should tap the cards or hit them with a pencil.

If you play the cards yourself there will rarely be any leeway if you play the wrong card, whereas if you *call* for the wrong card and correct without pause for thought you may well be allowed to change an inadvertent call although *not* a call caused by inattention (if you plan on a finesse of the Q and the K goes up you cannot now change your call to the Ace).

If you are not in the habit of calling your cards give it a go. It is much less tiring to sit back and contemplate your next play rather than constantly leaning forward to play from dummy.

If dummy plays a card you have not called it is just changed. Often dummy makes a bit of an assumption about what you will call – say declarer leads an ace and dummy has K & 3. You reach for the 3 but declarer says 'no, the K'. That is fine. Perhaps declarer says 'run the hearts' but someone shows out unexpectedly. Declarer is allowed to stop you from running the suit.

Often to speed up play dummy will catch declarer's eye and play an obvious card without anything being said. This I think is quite legitimate. But dummy may not suggest the play of a card. Perhaps the 4D is good and declarer asks for a card that will take him back to hand with no further entry back to dummy. Dummy certainly cannot hover his hand over the diamond to remind declarer to play it.

As dummy you should make sure you follow the play and *always* point your tricks the right way, as well as being alert to stop declarer from making a mistake. If you are reliable in this way you partner will know to look at your hand to see what tricks have been taken.

Dummy may not point out errors or make any comments during the play of the hand except to stop declarer from making a mistake. This can be tricky. You must not lay your hand flat on the table whenever play is in dummy and make a fist when play is in hand, but if you see partner starting to reach for a card from hand you can point out that the play is in dummy, or if s/he starts to open his mouth to call a card you may point out play is in hand. Dummy or either defender may also tell someone that they pointed a trick the wrong way as long as the lead has not been made to the next trick. Declarer may demand a card be pointed correctly at any time. If there is a dispute the director must be called as you may not look at earlier tricks without permission.

MEMBERSHIP

*Correction to last week's list of new players – should have been Anne **Howarth**.*

SYMPATHY: Our sympathy to Nora Dowse whose husband, Philip Charles, passed away last week. Philip was a member of our Club for some years until 2014.

CONGRATULATIONS

BACK TO THE FUTURE TEAMS

1st Ann-Maree Fox, Gillian Alexander,
Bernadette Van der Lem, Barry Bouton

WINTER PAIRS – SENIOR

1st Raylene Ryan and Diane Stevenson
2nd Erin Flannery and Lydia Turley
3rd Helen Watson and Murray Thomson

WINTER PAIRS – OPEN

- 1st Dai Redshaw and Anne-Marie Russell
- 2nd Stewart Kerr and Robert Cowan
- 3rd Christiaan Prent and Brad Johnston

*JUNIOR
TOURNAMENT*

*1st Kate Aisi and Allan
Lockhart*

*2nd Irene Scurr and
Yvonne Walsh*

*3rd Marilyn Stewart and
Pat Chaplin*