

NOTICES FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING 2nd SEPTEMBER

TOURNAMENTS

SEPTEMBER

- 7/8 Alexandra 5A Teams and Pairs – Play starts at 9.30 am with morning tea at 9.00a m. \$25. Bring your own lunch. Note New Venue: The Alexandra District RSA Club at 35 Centennial Avenue. (next to KFC, opposite the NPD petrol station and just along from Pioneer Park if going North.) **Entries close at 9.00 pm on 2 September 2019.**
- 8 Waimate All Grades Open 8B Pairs Waimate Town and Country Club, 14 John Street, Waimate. Start Time 10.00 am. \$20. Entries by 2 September to: waimatebridgeclub@gmail.com or Diane 027 2231644 / 03 6892861. Please include name, number and rating points. Morning tea 9.30 am. Lunch is available at Town and Country Club for \$16.50 pp. Continuous Liquid Refreshments. After Play Food.
- 14 Wanaka Intermediate and Junior Pairs: Morning Tea 9.30 am Start at 10.00 am. Bring your lunch. Continuous tea and coffee. Light refreshments at conclusion. \$25. Entries close at 6 pm on 10 September 2019.
- 15 Balclutha Open 8B Pairs. Morning and afternoon tea; finger food at the end of play! Bring your own lunch. To enter phone Sheila Paterson on 03 418 3179.

***THE ANNUAL MEETING
of
THE OTAGO BRIDGE CLUB
will be held on
MONDAY 16 SEPTEMBER
at
6.30 PM***

Printed annual reports are now able to be picked up at the Club and are also available on the Club's website under Resources.

WEDNESDAY ALLCOMERS BRIDGE will be on this Wednesday starting at 1.00 pm.

SATURDAY NIGHT BRIDGE – 7 September. The meal is Lasagne and Salads - come along by 6.00 pm to enjoy a time of food and fellowship. Bridge begins at 7.00 pm – be seated by 6.50 pm.

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MEMBERSHIP

Diane Casey of the Intermediate Division has applied for and been granted permission to use one of the Mobility Car Parks at the Club.

CONGRATULATIONS

ALMA DELAHUNTY PAIRS

Junior

- 1st Lesley Greenbank and Janes Hails
- 2nd AnneMarie Tangney and Frances Witchall
- 3rd Lee Whyte and Stewart Whyte

Intermediate

- 1st Ron McMurrin and Robyn Thomson
- 2nd Rod Waugh and Eleanor Westoby
- 3rd Dawn Brieseman and Gaye Wright

SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP PAIRS

- 1st Roger Gudsell and Tai Tuai
- 2nd Croisella Trengrove and Vi Wilkinson
- 3rd Karyn Jaffray and Raylene Ryan

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

- 1st Margaret Perley and Paul Freeland
- 2nd Michael Atkinson and Matt Blakeley
- 3rd Dean Eidler and Philip Noye

CHAMPIONSHIP PLATE

- 1st Cushla Colquhoun and Jan Munden
(not sure of 2nd and 3rd as they no longer appear on the website)

TAIERI CHARITY

Just under \$1,000 was raised for the Cancer Society with 19½ tables attending.

- 1st Kristen Collins and Donna Ruwhiu
- 2nd Brad Johnston and Tim Webb
- 3rd Diane Daly and Neil Johnstone

NOTICES FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING 9th SEPTEMBER

TOURNAMENTS

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- 21 Winton Graded 8B Pairs: Morning Tea 9.30 am, Play starts 10.00 am, Catered Lunch. Nibbles during, Supper after play. \$35.00. Entries close at 6 pm on 18 September.
- 22 Oamaru Bridge Club St John Fundraiser. Play starts at 1.15 pm. \$15. Finger food at end of play. Raffles. Register at otagosouthlandbridge.org.nz/oamaru or phone 027 298 5407.
- 28 **NZ National Bridge Congress begins in Hamilton.**
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BRIDGE ZONE

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Congress is coming. **Hero to Zero** - highs and lows happen to everyone. **Championship Pairs** at Hamilton Club - Table numbers, length of the competition, we talk about the event – is it losing interest to our members? **Waikato Bays Swiss Pairs – Junior and Novice** Tournament. Great numbers have entered for this Saturday. Online Bridge – does it affect Clubs? How long do you play online? **BBO** - General chit chat. **Judge Julie:** Some curly questions today - Stuck cards, Confession – if you revoke, Dummy – what's your job?

AN INVITATION FROM THE TAIERI BRIDGE CLUB

The TBC would like to invite Otago Bridge Club members to play bridge at the Taieri club at their Monday night or Wednesday night sessions. This special invitation will apply from 1 September until the end of the year. The current table money charge of \$5 will apply. The usual rule that invited guests may play up to 3 times in a year before being required to become a TBC member is being waived for this period.

Under the existing reciprocal agreement, OBC members are able to play at Taieri on Saturday afternoons without having to become a TBC member and this agreement continues.

Both the Monday and Wednesday sessions are open to players of all grades, but the Monday nights are aimed more specifically at Junior players. We like folk to be seated at both sessions by 7 pm.

The TBC is a small club with a friendly and competitive atmosphere.

For more information, refer to the website <http://otagosouthlandbridge.org.nz/taieri/> or phone the president Jenny Magee at 489 8004.

FROM GILLIAN ALEXANDER – REGIONAL BRIDGE MATE

During my time as O/S Regional Bridgemate, many clubs have mentioned to me that they have an acute shortage of directors, especially qualified directors. There is a director's exam planned by NZ Bridge for 2–3 November, and in order to support interested players to achieve this qualification I

am planning to run a one day course of lessons to prepare people for the exam.

The exam is by no means easy to pass – a score of 80% is required in order to gain the qualification, while a score of 75% gives the opportunity to have another try at it for free. So, it seems appropriate for people to be well-prepared to sit this test.

Southland region lesson day – 13 October at Gore

Otago region lesson day -19 October at Oamaru

John Sheehy has kindly agreed to run these lessons. John is a very experienced director and also an experienced bridge teacher, so he is well-placed to know what should be focused on for this exam.

People who do not want to sit the exam are also welcome at these lessons – it is good for people playing bridge to be more aware of the rules even if they are not interested in directing.

The plans for these lessons remain flexible, depending on the level of interest we get. However, our current thinking is that the lessons will be run over one full day, with pre- and post-lesson material being made available to those who register for the lessons. The aim is to make the exam predictable for those sitting it and ensure that their learning efforts have the correct emphasis.

The expected cost of these lessons is \$50.00 per person, assuming that we get approximately 10 people along to each event. There is a lot of work for John in preparing the lessons and delivering them, and considerable travel – consequently we believe this charge is very reasonable. If there are more people attending the lessons we may be able to reduce the charge a little. If there are very many less people than 10 at each lesson we will not be able to run the event(s). On the day it is expected the lessons will begin about 10.00 am and will be finished by 4pm, and there will be about an hour break for lunch.

Please send registrations of interest in these lessons to Gillian via e-mail as soon as possible to saltarelo@xtra.co.nz

MEMBERSHIP

WELCOME to Noel Graham who joins the Junior Division. Noel has just completed lessons and his contact number is 021 0275 2441. He also belongs to the Taieri Club.

PHONE NUMBER CHANGE: Judy Robertson's phone number is now 021 071 0930.

CONGRATULATIONS

CHAMPIONSHIP PLATE

- 1st Cushla Colquhoun and Jan Munden
- 2nd Julienne Armitage and Alison Giller
- 3rd Lyn Clark and Christine Samson

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LMA DELAHUNTY PAIRS

SENIOR

- 1st Raylene Ryan and John Curran and winners of the Alma Delahunty Trophy as their score of 59.87% was the highest over all divisions.
- 2nd Mary O'Neill and John Henderson
- 3rd Vi Wilkinson and Peter Pfeifer

OPEN

- 1st Kaye Wilson and Kevind Farnden
- 2nd Maria Godfrey and Matt Blakeley
- 3rd Susie Lawless and Peter Hall

ALEXANDRA BRIDGE CLUB

Central Otago Teams

- 1st Margaret Perley, Paul Freeland, Arleen Schwartz and Chris Ackerley
- 2nd Kristen Collins and Donna Ruwhiu playing with Philip Hensman and Hamish Ryan (Queenstown)

SUN PRINCESS BRIDGE CRUISE 5-15 April 2020

Cruise return Sydney to Cairns for \$2,754, visit six ports and learn Bridge tips from NZ's Karen Martelletti.. Cost includes airfare to Sydney. See flyer on foyer table. **NOTICES FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING 16th SEPTEMBER**

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Otago-Southland Congress , Labour Weekend, Otago Bridge Club

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2020 PROGRAMME BOOK

Are you able to help? For business reasons, several advertisers are not renewing for the 2020 OBC Programme Book. Some suggestions of businesses it would be good to have in our book include: Physio, Travel Agency, Your favourite place to eat out. Other ideas very welcome. Do you have contacts, or own a business that may advertise in the 2020 book? Very reasonable rates. Please contact Ann Wood 455 6061 to discuss.

AN INVITATION FROM THE TAIERI BRIDGE CLUB

The Taieri Bridge Club is hoping that Otago players will give their Club a try. They meet on Mondays and Wednesdays with play starting at 7.15 pm. Be seated by 7.00 pm if possible. Table Money is \$5. They are waiving the rule that says you must join after three sessions until the end of the year. Taieri is a friendly, sociable club with a good atmosphere. Mondays are for Junior and Intermediate players while Wednesdays are open to all. The Club is on the corner of Wickcliffe Street and Church Street.

MEMBERSHIP

WELCOME BACK to Mark Gribben of the Open Division. Mark will be happy to fill in for the rest of this year and would appreciate partners for next year. Contact him on 488 0220.

SPECIAL BIRTHDAY GREETINGS
to Marjorie Freeman who turns
99 this week

CONGRATULATIONS

INDIVIDUAL LADDERS

Junior

- 1st AnneMarie Tangney and **winner of the John Lawson Plate**

2nd Andrew Nicolson

3rd David Kiddey

Intermediate

1st Ron McMurrin and **winner of the Trix Robertson Plate**

2nd Rod Waugh

3rd Pat Johnston

Central Otago Teams

1st Margaret Perley, Paul Freeland,

3rd Arleen Schwartz and Chris Ackerley

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Ki te tautoko te wiki o te reo maori, Supporting Maori Language Week

Richard Solomon shares his workload heading into the National Congress, Late entries are possible and do happen. Numbers are looking good, Traditions – Do you have any when heading into big events? Boards, boards and more boards, editor in chief, chairs and tables, the disco returns, International presence – Is the Worlds in China having any effect on Congress, Inaugural events in 2019, main sponsors, baking, Judge Julie, Homer Award, Match making – the ups and downs of this duty. Any tips for new players ... we share a new Bridge Players blues... Do you have any targets, what's your incentive – food or money or simply points. Barry shares a story for one of his bets.

NOTICES FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING 23rd SEPTEMBER

TOURNAMENTS

SEPTEMBER

28 **NZ National Bridge Congress begins in Hamilton. Good luck to all those attending.**

29 Taieri Junior 3B Pairs. Morning Tea from 9.30 am. Start at 10 am. Bring your own lunch. \$20. Entries close at 6 pm on 26 September.

OCTOBER

12 Gore Open 8B Pairs - 10 am. Morning tea from 9.30 am. Supply your own lunch. \$25. Entries close at 11:59 pm on 8 October.

20 West Otago Social – Town and Country Club, Tapanui. Start at 1.00 pm. \$30.00. Meal provided at end of day. Anyone with food allergies please let us know. Enter on West Otago Bridge Club website by 6 pm 14 October.

OTAGO SOUTHLAND CONGRESS: Labour Weekend, Otago Bridge Club

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Pam Hancox and Colin Haywood from Wellington have contacted the O/S Regional Committee asking for help to find another pair to make up a Team for the Sunday event. Their details are: Pam Hancox, 57868, RP 193 (161 A's) and Colin Haywood, 46003, RP 192, (208 A's). Phone Pam at 027 944 7259. if you can help.

IMPROVERS SEMINAR

Please see attachment for information regarding the Seminar for Improvers to be held at Oamaru

Bridge Club on 05/06 October by John Sheehy. Please note that the seminar is scheduled to be held over two days. However players may attend one day only, if that is their preference. Those who wish to attend this seminar should advise their intention to do so as soon as possible, please - to assist John with preparation of materials. Please email Frances Sheehy, fsheehy@xtra.co.nz by Thursday 26 September, or after that, email John Sheehy directly, nzjsheehy@gmail.com.

AGM - YOUR COMMITTEE FOR 2020

President: Alan Geare
Vice-President: Rob Lawson
Treasurer: Matthew Baird
Secretary: Joy Ward
Committee: Paul Freeland (Club Captain), Neil Johnstone (Property Manager), Peter Pfeifer, Judy Russell (Club Room Bookings), Paul Spain (Chair of Finance Committee).

Congratulations to all those elected and thanks to those who have stood down – Di Daly, (2 years) Marion Dent (6 Years) and John Henderson (3 years). Your service to the Club over those years has been invaluable.

THANKS

To Robin Lamont for the new cloths for our tables in the Cargill Room. It is good to have cloths without holes, cigarette burns and obvious wear. Your generosity Robin, is much appreciated. You have given the Cargill Room a real lift.

2010 PROGRAMME BOOK

- 1 The list of Members with details have been put in each of the Playing Rooms. Could you please check. The first phone number is the one which will be printed – if you want to change it, please do so on the sheets and it will get into the book. If you are not at Bridge for the next 2-3 weeks, then please reply to this email, letting us know changed phone number, postal address or email address.
- 2 Reminder to ask employer, friends, etc if they would like to place an advertisement. The advertising does help to cover the cost of printing.

SATURDAY NIGHT BRIDGE is 5 October. Meal is at 6.00 pm, which you need to register for – on one of the doors into the Playing Rooms, or phone Margaret Tagg – 949 0227. Bridge begins at 7.00 pm.

MEMBERSHIP

WELCOME back to Paul Beale who until a few years ago was a member of the Intermediate Division. He has been finding his feet again in Junior and will go into Intermediate again next year. He can be contacted on 464 0472.

CHANGE OF PHONE NUMBER: Robin Lamont is using her mobile now – please change in your books to 0211 044 378.

BRIDGE ZONE

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We are in **China**, attempting to collect silverware. Check out the **NZ Bridge website** to keep up to date with the play. **Results** so far – for NZ and Australia. **Judge Julie** is back. **Smacked** hand again – be warned this could self-destruct in 5 seconds. Congress could be fun or annoying for some. **Tips** and a **Book** of the week from Barry.

CONGRATULATIONS

BALCLUTHA last Sunday

- 1st Glenn Coutts and Brad Johnston
2nd Cameron Benson and Sam Coutts

NOTICES FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING 30th SEPTEMBER

TOURNAMENTS

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NOVEMBER

1 NZ Wide Pairs – venue to be notified Invercargill Contract Bridge Club.

9 Invercargill 5A Swiss Pairs: Morning tea: 9:30 am. Play starts: 10:00 am. BYO lunch. \$20. Entries close at 11 p.m. on 13 November 2019.

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TEAMS WOMEN'S PAIRS AND ALLCOMERS

Because of Congress, there will be no Teams this week (30 Sep), BUT there will be WOMEN'S PAIRS again this week 2 October (no All Comers). Teams will be on the following Monday (7th October) and All Comers will be on that week also (9th October). Please note that there will be just two more opportunities for you to play in the All Comers competition - 9th and 23rd October.

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2020 PROGRAMME BOOK

Please check the Membership Lists in the Larnach or the Cargill Room.

PROMOTIONS:

The following will be playing in the higher division from next year. Congratulations to all.

Open: Lydia Turley, *individual ladder winner?*

Senior: Barbara Clare, Lynn Newell, Ken Nicholls, Matt Smits,, Rod Waugh, Eleanor Westoby, Lee Whyte, Stewart Whyte

Intermediate: Paul Beale, Jane Hailes, David Kiddey, Marje Schaddelee, Ann-Marie Tangney, Frances Witchall, Val Rowe,

NATIONAL CONGRESS IN HAMILTON

A number of our people are playing during this week, so it will be Bridge, Bridge and more Bridge for them. The Youth Teams event was on Friday and the Team which Brad was in came 2nd, but in the final did not do as well. Very good effort Brad.

There were 150 Pairs competing in the **NZ Pairs**. The top 78 Pairs qualified for the semi-final – the rest played in the Congress Pairs. In the Semi-final were David Ackerley 8th, Graeme Stout and Glenn Coutts 14th, Murat 19th, Margaret Perley and Paul Freeland 48th, Brad 78th. In the Semi-final today (Sunday) David Ackerley was 5th and Brad 7th. The NZ Pairs Final and Plate will be held tomorrow (Monday). Sam Coutts and his partner were 5th in the Congress Pairs.