

Newsletter – 27/10/25

The AGM will be held on Wednesday 5 November. Please try to attend if you can. There are still 2 committee positions available. We could do with your expertise and input. Hopefully this will be a short meeting. If so it will be followed by a free session of bridge.

Results from Gore tournament

3rd Lindsay Glover and Kevin Skoropada

Results from Balclutha

3rd Ian Chamberlain and Kate Ramsay

Results from Lovelock NZ Pairs at Winton

1NS Marilyn Jackson and Anne Cosgrove

1EW Lindsay Glover and Kevin Skoropada

Changes to the Pairs completions in Silver and Silver Reserve Divisions for 2026 have now been finalised and are as follows:

A qualifying series of 7 nights will be held on the following dates

Silver Division

Mondays 19 January

26 January

2 February for the Coldstream Pairs and

Mondays 9 February (Pairs)

16 February

23 February

2 March for the Tisbury Pairs.

Silver Reserve Division

Tuesdays 20 January

27 January

3 February for the Swinton Pairs and

Tuesdays 10 February (Pairs)

17 February

24 February

3 March for the Kildare Pairs

To qualify a pair must play at least any 4 of these 7 nights.

The top 14 Pairs will qualify for the Pairs championships. Positions will be the best 14 average percentages with all nights played being used for calculations. The remaining pairs will play in the Plate section for the remainder of the year. Pairs who do not play a minimum of 4 of these 7 nights will be placed in the Plate section.

There will be NO carryover between qualification and the main competitions.

Following qualification there will be 11 nights left beginning on Monday 9 March for Silver and Tuesday 10 March for Silver Reserve The winners will be the Pair with the highest average percentage and must play a minimum of 8 of these nights. All of these nights will be played using Howell movements so that all Pairs will play each other regularly. All nights played will be used for calculations.

Once the 2 sections are formed a player in the championship section will NOT be available to play as a substitute in the plate section.

There will be NO change for Wednesday Pairs for 2026

Start times in all divisions and all playing nights and for Saturday evening tournaments in 2026 will be 7 15 p.m.

Please be seated by 7 05 p.m.

Good Bridging

Tony