

Invercargill Contract Bridge Club

Newsletter September 2011

Dear Members

Spring has sprung and daylight saving is here so we hope there are lots of long warm summer evenings ahead.

We had a great get together with the Gore Club last weekend when we competed for the Lindsay Trophy. The final result was very close as we managed to keep hold of the trophy for another year and we look forward to hosting the Gore members 2012.

The Rugby World Cup festivities have passed through Invercargill and our facilities were a fantastic venue for the volunteers during the 10 day event. We received huge plaudits for our venue and hopefully we may gain some new members as many who were here never realised what an asset we do have. Thanks to you all for putting up with any minor disruptions during this period.

Upcoming events

Quiz Night Wednesday 28th September – Not too late to get a team together to support this Club fundraiser. Lots of great prizes and raffles available for all. Further donations are still appreciated for raffles.

Bowmont Meats Sponsored Tournament Sunday 2nd October 1pm
Names to be entered in the foyer as soon as possible as this is always a popular tournament with meat prizes from Bowmont Meats.

Mirror Teams 27TH October -Cancelled
This night has been allocated to the Championship teams to enable a full round robin of this competition.

Babich NZ Wide Pairs Friday November 4th – Invercargill are hosting this event this year so names can be entered closer to the time.

AGM Wednesday 9th November 7.30pm. Any notices of motion to be dealt with at the AGM are to be in the hands of the secretary at least 21 days prior to the meeting.

Xmas Pairs 17th November for 3 Thursdays. You are to play with a partner from a division other than your own and junior tournament rules apply. The convenors will be John Clarke – Silver and Lee Davies – Silver Reserve.

ILT Sponsored Tournament Saturday 19th November.

Christmas Prizegiving & Breakup Sunday 11th December 1.30pm.
This afternoon will commence with a game of bridge at 1.30 followed by prizegiving at approx 4.30 followed by a pot luck Tea.

Start Times:

Thursday evenings are to remain at 7.25 as these evenings tend to finish quite early no matter what competition is being held. Monday & Tuesday start times remain at 7.10 as a trial until the end of the year. The break for a cuppa and a bikkie appears to be working well in both divisions as the

noise levels increase considerably during this time. We intend to have a survey available in November to seek your input into the retention or otherwise of this start time for 2012. The new committee will consider the results at its first meeting on 23rd November.

Sponsors

It is timely to thank our sponsors again for their contribution to our tournaments though out the year. As we continue to support them they are happy to continue to support us.

Our 2011 Sponsors are: ILT, Air NZ, Bowmont Meats, Office Max, Foveaux Communications, Powernet, SBS.

A Little Laugh

Why did you lead the nine from K-9-7-5-2?

I play fourth best.

Then why not the five?

Darn! I always forget which end to count from.

A bumbling bridge player explained to his regular partner how he planned to improve his game:

“Every night when I go to bed I think about the mistakes I made that day at the bridge table.”

“Gee,” his partner said, “how do you get any sleep?”

Christine Dallas
President