



JULY 2023 NEWSLETTER

Next Improvers Lesson - 19 July - *Competing over Opponent's 1NT Opening.*

Next lesson is Wed 19 July at 7pm covering *Competing over Opponent's 1NT Opening*. Names on list in foyer please. Continued thanks to Peter and Frances for these lessons.

Pizza Night

This was a great success; thanks to the Mountain family (who even roped in their son - hope he enjoyed himself) for organising this. \$80 profit was made for the Club and bar takings were up.

Combining the Bronze/Silver Nights - Idea Only

First of all this is only an idea! Given lower numbers on the Bronze night it has been suggested that it might be sensible to save money and combine the Monday and Tuesday sessions into one night. This would see Bronzes playing at one end of the room and Silvers playing at the other. (So the separate Bronze and Silver competitions would continue).

Before this goes any further we want you to tell us what you think. We can see some of the pros and cons: save money on cleaning, heating and lighting by only having 2 night sessions during the week but extra pressure on directors; greater scope for problems with scoring, potentially not enough tables if playing numbers increase etc. And there are no doubt other issues.

Can Bronze players direct feedback to Lyn Dunlop (their rep on the Committee) and Silver to Liz, Junelle and myself.

The next step from here will be for the Committee to consider all feedback. **If** the Committee decides this is an idea that should go forward we would put a resolution to the AGM in November so that the whole Club can vote on it.

Some Housekeeping

Last Person out turns off heaters and lights

Our power bill continues to grow again and we need to be extra vigilant about turning off the lights and the heaters off at the end of each playing session. The heaters are the heat pumps on the far wall and the heat pump in the Committee room (the floor heat pumps are on a timer and we are looking at lowering their temperature etc). So the rule has to be the last out is responsible for doing this.

And lastly - thanks

To all those club members who make the club tick. We rely on everyone to do their duties or find someone to take their place, to ensure the smooth running of each session.

Regards

Alison
Secretary