



# NOVEMBER 2024 NEWSLETTER

## **Working Bee - 23 November - 10am start**

There is still time to put your name up on the list for the various tasks.

## **AGM - 28 November - 7pm**

Attached to this Newsletter is the agenda for the forthcoming AGM. Of particular note are the motions relating to subs and table money and the proposed new Constitution. We look forward to seeing you there - and if you want to put in an apology you can let me know prior to the meeting.

Would those who are coming bring a small plate as we will have a supper followed by some fun bridge.

## **2024 Committee**

I would like to take this opportunity to thank those members of the Committee who have put in hard work over the years but are not re-standing for election to the 2025 Committee. So thanks to Lyn Dunlop; Peter McLellan; Peter Simpson and Louise Whitelock. And of course to our retiring President Liz Drew (though she will continue on the Committee in her role as Tournament Secretary).

## **Bidding Sheets - Turning over**

There seems to be a wee bit of confusion as to when the bidding sheet/pad should be turned over. The formal rules require the current bidding sheet to be turned over after the third player has played to the first round of cards.

## **2025 Programme**

Thanks to those who have provided updated details (phone numbers and addresses) - any more changes?

## **Sponsorship from Audiology South**

Thanks to Audiology South for the following:

*Audiology South are happy to continue the offer of a \$150 discount each member of your club who purchase a pair of hearing aids from Audiology South, and a \$150 donation to the Oamaru Bridge Club. We are happy to support the club with vouchers giving members the opportunity for a free earwax removal (rrp \$60) and/or a free hearing consultation (rrp \$80).*

## **Attracting New Learners**

Surveying the current crop of learners it is clear that word of mouth is by far and away the best way to attract new players. So if the opportunity arises please plug playing bridge and our lessons.

Regards

Alison

Secretary

## **Extra Individual Round**

**Monday 25 November and Tuesday 26 November will be an additional Individual round.**

However the overall results will still be the best 6 scores to count.

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## NOTICE OF AGENDA AND PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS FOR ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

To be held 28 November 2024 at 7pm at the Clubrooms

1. Apologies
2. Approval of minutes of Annual General Meeting of 23 November 2023
3. Annual Report (President)
4. Presentation of examined balance sheet and Income and Expenditure Accounts (Treasurer)
5. Appointment of examiner for 2025 financial year (Treasurer)
6. Resolutions:

### **Subscription and Table Money For 2025**

- That the annual subscription for home member subscription be increased from \$100 to **\$110** (and non home members from \$77 to **\$87** to recognise and provide for:
  - the increase in the NZB player levy from \$23 to \$27.60 for the 2025 year; and
  - a small additional margin to meet our anticipated increased costs of operation in 2025.
- That the table money remain at \$4 per session played

*To pass this resolution requires a two thirds majority of those members present and eligible to vote (Rule 12(c) Constitution)*

### **Adoption of a new Constitution**

The reasons for the adopting a new Constitution and the major changes proposed were set out in detail in a background paper circulated to members and posted on the noticeboard earlier in October 2024.

It is proposed that that the Club replace its existing Constitution with the proposed new Constitution and that the Committee be empowered to do all necessary things to register the new Constitution as required by law.

*To pass this resolution requires a two thirds majority of those members present and eligible to vote (Rule 21 Constitution)*

7. Election of Committee members - no election required:

<b>President</b>	<i>Margie Baird</i>
<b>Vice-President</b>	<i>Andy Anderson</i>
<b>Treasurer</b>	<i>Graham Mills</i>
<b>Secretary</b>	<i>Alison Brown</i>
<b>Match Secretary</b>	<i>Theo Jordens</i>
<b>Tournament Secretary</b>	<i>Liz Drew</i>
<b>Other Members</b>	<i>Bev Conlan (Bronze)</i>
	<i>Junelle Edmonds</i>
	<i>Clare Newlands (Bronze)</i>
	<i>Derick Van Basten</i>
	<i>Jane Windle</i>
	<i>(plus immediate Past President - Liz Drew)</i>

8. General Business
9. Promotions to Silver
10. 2024 Prizegiving

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