

Taieri Bridge Club



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A warm welcome back to bridge for 2013.

As we get ready to kick off the start of another new year, we need to ask for volunteers and helpers for various tasks around the club. I have already been approached by one member and I am hopeful that this is the start of the 'flood gates' opening. One of the considerable strengths of this club is that we have active volunteers who are generous with their time and resources. However, we are always looking for more volunteers. We need dealers, directors, bridge pad administrators and of course we need help in the bar. The 2013 Rosters are available. Please put your name up. As well as these duties, there are a myriad of other small tasks. Please contact me if you feel you can help.

Have a great bridge year, be nice to your partner and opponents and may all your finesses work..

Regards

Donna Ruwhiu

President

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Seating Rights:- The allocation of seating rights impacts how the movement is setup. The list of people currently requiring seating right appears to be well outdated. If you require seating rights or need to be removed from the list, can you please make it known to someone on the committee or via an email to me.

Table Money Increase

After reviewing the current operating costs of the bridge club and looking at the possible capital expenditure within the next five years, a decision has been made to increase the table money to \$4 from 1 February 2013.

The coroner arrived at the crime scene of the murder and was met by the lead detective. As the coroner took the detective to the body the coroner asked "Any idea of the cause of death?"

"Yes," replied the detective. "Doubling three spades."

Get Well / Condolence Cards

Please tell Pam Wood (phone 489 7223 or woody42@kinect.co.nz) if you know of any circumstances arising requiring any of the above cards. You are aware of what is happening with your bridge partners and friends and we need your help to ensure that the appropriate message is sent.

Directors

We have a serious need for directors. There is a directors training workshop on 9th February. This is being taken by Allan Joseph a well respected and experienced director. He has a laid back and relaxed style of training. It would be great to have someone join me.

Photos for 40th Anniversary

If you have any photos, digital (preferably) or printed, that you would be happy for us to use at the above celebration, can you please contact Donna.

*A doctor, was concerned about the physical condition of one of his bridge playing patients. During a regular check-up asked,
“Do you get much exercise?”
“Only when I sit East-west.”*

Interprovincial Teams

There is a big push by New Zealand Bridge and the Otago/Southland Regional Bridge Committee to get more clubs to enter the Interprovincial Teams. We need a team of 12, consisting of 4 Open, 4 Intermediate and 4 Junior players. There is limited funding available but should we qualify we have at least six months to get some fundraising underway. This should be a lot of fun. If you and / or your partner want to know more about the qualifying format, when it's played etc., please contact Donna.

Calling all Junior and Intermediate players

In 2012 the Otago Regional Bridge committee ran a competition as an incentive to increase Junior and Intermediate player participation in tournaments. This was won by our own Christine Samson and Lyn Clark. This competition is being run again. The details are on the notice board and the yellow tournament cards are located in the box at the entrance to the office.