TAIERI BRIDGE CLUB NOVEMBER 2024 NEWSLETTER



NOTES FROM THE COMMITTEE:

- Welcome to two new members: Robyn Hawkesby and Melvin Cain.
- We had a successful fun night on October 28th. 32 attended and after the meal all enjoyed bridge with Diane Paterson, Jen Macartney, Bob Gillanders and Patsy Williams were the winners.
- Our two Christmas parties are approaching: Saturday Bridge Players on the 14th December at the RSA and all members on the 16th December. The cost of the meal is \$35.00 per head but the club is subsidising this by \$10.00 per person. A list will be on the wall for you to write your name. Payments to be paid online. Don't forget with new banking rules the name of the bank account must match exactly so please ensure our payment details are noted as "The Taieri Bridge Club Incorporated". The close off date for this is 9th December.
- Please remember to return all trophies.
- Thank you to Angela Wilson for helping to direct bridge on Monday nights recently.
- There will be a working bee on 30th November at 9.30 am.
- The committee has agreed to accept one of the quotes and go ahead with the replacement of the 3 heat pumps. The new heat pumps should be more efficient and with the new heat pump in the foyer it will be a lot warmer in winter.
- The committee has agreed to participate in the NZ Bridge social media campaign.
- A sub-committee is to be formed to help attract new members. Looking for a couple of club members to join in— please let Marie know if you are interested.
- Also looking for a new Wednesday night and Saturday convenor. This is an overseeing position with many tasks that can be delegated (opening the club rooms, directing, setting the room up). Thanks to Jen (7 years) and Christine (12 years) who have undertaken this—much appreciated.
- Thanks also to Patsy who has been our purchasing officer—another important task. Lyn will now take over this position.

BRIDGE RESULTS

October results:

Janefield Pairs (Monday) Congratulations

Karen Baughan—Cheryl Tapp

Catherine Smith—Judy Gorman

Championship Pairs—Monday

Karen Baughan—Joan Robertson

Spring Pairs (Wednesday)

Deidre Bruce-Pip Weber

Murray Baron—David Larsen

If you are interested in attending a 2 hour webinar on the basic mistakes when directing that will be held on 17th November then please let Marie urgently know. There is a small cost to this which the club will pay for.

You may wonder why you don't see a copy of the committee minutes until a month after the meeting has been held. The reason why is that once they have been typed up they are circulated to committee members to make any changes. This can take a week or two (sometimes). The minutes are formally adopted at the next meeting which is standard business practice.

TOURNAMENTS:

Nov 15—Loveblock NZ Wide Pairs—held at Otago Bridge Club—\$10.00, starting time 7.10 pm.

Jan 3/4—Alexandra 5A Holiday Pairs, 6.30 pm start, entries close 3/1, limited to 40 pairs.

CONDOLENCES

To the family of **Alison Kerr** our condolences —Alison was a member for 45 years, being involved in the club's inception with her husband Noel. It was calculated that she played over 23,000 hours of bridge, usually playing 4 times a week. She was on the committee for decades and usually involved in any catering for tournaments. One of Alison's pet hates was catching anyone scribbling on the tablecloths which is still true to this day.

Alec Ansett also has just passed away. He was a member for well over 20 years. Alec was a very active member in his time and he had been on the committee andwas also the bar manager for many years. Alec will be remembered for the lovely wood turned vase we have at the clubrooms.





Barbara Wilkes

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