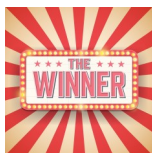


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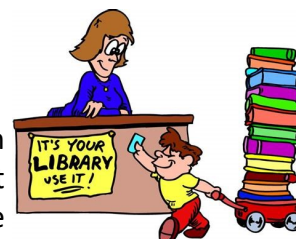


NEWS FROM THE COMMITTEE

- ⇒ There will be a spring clean on Sunday 14th October starting at 9.30 a.m. All are welcome!
- ⇒ There is a weekly bridge can now listen to "The Bridge Zone" live. You need to go to Otago Access Radio - 105.4 FM and 1575 AM Sundays at noon.
- ⇒ Our AGM will be held on Monday 5th November at 6.30 pm. At this present point in time there is uncertainty about President, Vice President, Treasurer plus 2 general committee members. We need your help and input for the longevity of the club. We are also looking for a new partnership officer for Wednesday nights.
- ⇒ Thanks to the 56 responses to the survey. Some very interesting comments came out of it. A sub-committee will be formed to address some of these issues. This committee is open to ordinary members. A full copy of the survey can be found on our website under resources and other documents. Don't forget that if you win the prize you must be at the AGM to receive the gift.



WINNING CARD PLAY BY HUGH KELSEY

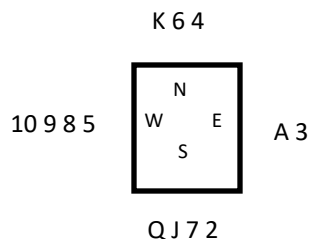


Have you ever looked in our own library? I thought it was about time to use one of our own books.

Some hints from this book about promoting tricks:

There are only 3 sources of tricks: 1. High cards, 2. low cards in a long suit (once the high cards are gone) and 3. Trumps.

- It is always worth thinking that playing high cards will promote lower cards.
- Be careful of blocking suits. When high cards adjacent in rank are divided between dummy and your hand, play first the high cards from the shorter holding.
- Always lead towards your higher cards than playing away from them. The high cards are more likely to win tricks if one of the opponents has to play ahead of them.



- Above is a combination that is often mishandled. Players tend to lead low towards the king, or to lead low from dummy to the jack and return a low card to the King. To be sure it makes no difference when the suite breaks 3-3, but it costs a trick when the cards are divided as shown. For the maximum chance of 3 tricks you should lead twice towards the two honours; lead the four to your jack, re-enter dummy in another suit, and lead towards your queen.

TOURNAMENTS COMING UP:

Oct 14— West Otago Annual Social Tournament. Closed yesterday.

Oct 20/21—Otago Southland Congress . Intermediate 8B and Open 10B Pairs,. Held in Alexandra. Entries close 17th October.

Nov 2— NZ Wide Pairs—held at Otago Club this year. The same hands are played all over the country.

You are rewarded when the Ace tumbles down without capturing an honour.

The Finesse: The best-known stratagem in the play of cards. By leading towards a sequence of honours with a gap in it you compel one of the defenders to play ahead of your high cards. Sometimes you need to postpone a finesse especially if you had in your hand AKJ105. It is better to try the finesse than hoping the Queen will drop if you have 8 card suit between dummy and yourself.



WHAT TO DO WITH THESE SHAPE HANDS BY KRISTEN COLLINS

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Happy reading

Barbara Wilkes

Editor