

Table Talk

Newsletter of the Wanaka Bridge Club Inc. August 2015

Teams Report

The Teams Competition is drawing to an end, with Silver to play one more round and Bronze three more rounds.

Silver is having a really tight competition, 13 points cover the whole field. On July 29th the bottom team had a win, and the top team had a loss. The Harry team is in the lead, with the Wilson team 3 points back, then 1 point to the Roberts team, and 1 point to the Fegan team. So a good showing from anyone on Sept 2nd could bring glory and honour!

Bronze is somewhat more spread, with the Stenhouse team in the lead from the Coghill team, followed by the Limacher team then the Hart team. However the Stenhouse team still has to play both the second and third teams, so there is still time for a change of places.

The next round is Wednesday Sept 2nd. Thanks to all those who are playing, and filled in when asked, I hope you are enjoying the experience.

Marion.

Grading

Please see attached document for implementation in 2016. The grading committee will review the current gradings in October this year. Once gradings are decided there will be a chance to appeal decisions. Anyone wishing to be considered for regrading please apply in writing before October 22^{nd} .

Housekeeping

A few matters for your attention

Please wash your cups if you have a drink, also if are using disposable cups and you don't finish your drink please tip the drink out into the sink in kitchen. DO NOT just put straight in rubbish bin-This is creating a big mess for the cleaner.

The doors will be unlocked for a session 15 minutes before play is due to start.

If you are unwell please do not come to Bridge and share with the rest of the club- please stay home and get better.

Car parking- during working hours please do not park in the space in front of Lakeland Flooring, they would like it to be available for their customers.

Glendhu Pairs- this series is played in 2 divisions Silver and Bronze- please do not mix up your partnerships. And on this note Championship Pairs are also played in two divisions Silver on Mondays and Bronze on Wednesdays. The rules for these series are in your bridge books.

Winter Bridge

Thank you to everyone who has supported this. We have two more Tuesdays and then we will start back again in May 2016

From the Director Corner

Lead out of Turn

Any lead out of turn can be accepted, (except an opening lead by the declaring side!)

A very common lead out of turn is the **opening lead out of turn (**by the wrong defender). When this lead is face down, it can be withdrawn, but if it is face up call the Director.

Declarer has a few options- firstly whether to accept the lead or reject it.

You have the option of accepting or rejecting this lead:

If you accept it you have 2 further options –

- dummy goes down now, and you play second to the trick, or
- you can put your hand down as dummy and your partner can play as declarer.

If you reject it you have 3 further options

- You can demand the lead of this suit from the correct hand
- You can refuse the lead of this suit from the correct hand ,
 In both of these cases the card which is lead out of turn is picked up*
- You can allow any lead from the correct hand, in which case the card led out of turn stays down as a major penalty card.

Liquor Licence

We are almost there in getting our liquor licence. We hope this will be done within the next few weeks. We will email everyone once the licence is approved, as after this date you will not be able to bring your own alcohol.

September Tournament

Our Junior/Intermediate tournament is coming up on September 19th.

Many thanks to Stonewood Homes who have agreed to sponsor this tournament.

A few bits and pieces for the day. Could every club member please provide a prize for the raffle table. These can be dropped off at the clubrooms.

The entry form is available on the noticeboard. We would love to have a good turnout of local players, so get your names up asap.

Could every player please bring a plate for morning tea.

We will be asking for helpers to assist with the day, please contact Carolyn if you can help.

Recent Results

Pembroke Pairs

Terry Wilson/ Ena Leckie 63.73% Sheryl Harries/ Maggie Stratford 61.84%

Pisa Pairs

Charles Kiewiet/Beaton Marr 63.02% Jen and John Milburn 61.00%

Upcoming Tournaments

Aug 16 Oamaru Pairs
Aug 29 Invercargill Pairs

Sept 12/13 Alexandra Pairs/Teams

Sept 19 Wanaka Sept 26 Balclutha

Please contact Georgie 443 6789 for more info or to enter.

And to finish on...

Bridge is a great comfort in your old age. It also helps you get there faster.

Cheers

Your Committee

^{*}The information derived from seeing the penalty card is only authorized only to declarer, but NOT to offender's partner.

Wanaka Bridge Club Grading Document

Grading Guidelines.

Promotion through the Club grades is based on performance during the year and regrading will take place at the end of the year, after the final of Championship Pairs. The numbers to be regraded will be set by the Committee, depending on the size and standard of each grade.

You can apply for regrading, or you may be invited at the end of the year.

Grading results will be taken from Championship Pairs Results (12 nights, best 8 scores), Hunter Pairs (best 2 scores) and Matukituki Pairs (best 2 scores). This makes a total of 18 nights and your 12 best scores will be looked at. If you are unable to play these pairs please apply to the Committee for an alternative series.

You must play the Championship Pairs, and other two series with different partners. All partners must be in your own division, ie a silver/bronze partnership would not qualify.

To be promoted to the next grade you must have an average of 55%. This percentage may vary at the discretion of the committee, for example, the average for an event may be considerably lower and this would have to be taken into consideration.