



As Jason is having a well-deserved holiday you have me (Heather) this month to compile the newsletter.

MESSAGE FROM CLARE

Gosh, the year is zipping past!

Many of us enjoyed Ena's fun day of bridge on July 29th. It really was a great day, and it was wonderful to see Ena and her longtime friend and partner Laraine Shepherd become the overall winners. Thanks to all who helped to make the day such a success.

Our next event is our 40th anniversary celebration and the Junior/Intermediate tournament on September 15th and 16th respectively. We will start the celebration at 4.30pm with a short special meeting. Your committee are really excited to nominate three of our hard working and long standing club members for Life Membership. This needs to be passed by all club members. We think it is a great way to get our celebrations started and we look forward to seeing as many of you there as possible.

The new NZ bridge laws are in force from the beginning of this month, so don't forget to leave the board on the table!

Enjoy the remaining days of winter.

Clare

WANAKA BRIDGE CLUB 40TH ANNIVERSARY

This is to be held on Friday September 15th, 4.30pm at our clubrooms. The event will start with a Special General Meeting to confer Life Membership of three of our club members and will be followed by drinks, nibbles and of course the cutting of our wonderful birthday cake.

All past and present members are very welcome.

A notice regarding the Special General Meeting will be sent out on September 5th.

SEPTEMBER TOURNAMENT

Our Junior/Intermediate tournament is on September 16th and thanks to Stonewood Homes for sponsoring this. It would be great to see as many local players enter as possible; entries are online and close on Monday September 11th.

Could every club member please provide a raffle prize for the day? This can be left on the back table at the clubrooms at any time - thank you. Also, if you are playing in the tournament we ask that all local players provide a plate for morning tea; thanks! Morning tea will start at 9.30am and play at 10.00am. Helpers will be needed to assist on the day and if you can help please contact Georgie.

SYSTEMS CARDS

For the upcoming Wanaka Tournament (and subsequent tournaments) all players will be required to complete a Systems Card. These can be printed from the NZ Bridge web site or you can use the Basic System Card from our club.

For those who are unsure what this is/means, there will be a quick lesson to explain, 15 minutes before play on September 8th at 12.45pm, 11th and the 13th at 6.45pm. Also, there is a sample basic ACOL system card on the noticeboard that you can refer to, or please ask any committee member or senior player to assist you.

You will be able to keep your systems card at the club in the box provided.

TEAMS

As per a recent email, Teams has gone back to the previous scoring system. Once again, there have been a few issues with Teams in 2017, and as we are starting to plan for next year, we would love your feedback or ideas on how best to run teams going forward. Please send these to southcreek@xtra.co.nz Thanks.

NEW MEMBERS

A warm welcome to Eddie Lowe who has joined us from Christchurch. Eddie is a bronze player and can be contacted at 0221035973

WINTER BRIDGE

Thank you to everyone who has supported and enjoyed Tuesday bridge this year. Due to popular demand, we will continue to run during the first three weeks of Spring! So, put September 5th, 12th and 19th in your diaries!

CHRISTMAS PAIRS

As advised in the Bridge book the format is to be decided and we have now decided! Christmas pairs will be run as a Swiss pairs series with all partnerships to be Bronze/Silver.

ELECTRIC PENCIL SHARPENER

Many thanks to Noeline Munro for the donation of the pencil sharpener. This is sitting on the shelf in the library

WANAKA BRIDGE CLUB LOGO

As you can see from the top of the newsletter we have a new logo, many thanks to Sherril and Jason for this. The new letterhead will be coming your way shortly

And to finish on..

Bedtime Story

A bumbling bridge player explained to his regular partner how he planned to improve his game: "Every night when I go to bed I think about the mistakes I made that day at the bridge table."

"Gee," his partner said, "how do you get any sleep?"

Cheers
Your Committee