

BRIDGING THE GAP

Newsletter of the WANAKA BRIDGE CLUB INC. July 2012

Max's Message

At our last committee meeting we approved the admission of four new members (see details below) to the club.

A special welcome to you all.

Please note that the Championship Teams Bridge Competitions starts on the 16th August. These are played in Silver and Bronze divisions over 5-7 nights depending on the number of teams entered.

Each team will have either 4 Bronze or 4 Silver players.

This bridge is really enjoyable and a lot of fun. Please get involved.

Notes from Committee Meeting, 23 April

Resignations

It is with regret that resignations from membership of the Committee were received from Errol Kelly and Bruce Cathie.

Errol has made a huge contribution to the Club in his roles both as Treasurer and overseeing computer operations. His participation on the Committee will be sorely missed. The Club is indebted to you Errol for all you have done!

John Lyness will fill in as Treasurer until the end of the year and Nan Ottrey, Deirdre Lynch and Heather Wellman will continue with operation of the computer.

Mark Harry has also agreed to become involved with computer operations and has been co-opted on to the Committee.

Thanks to you all for helping out in these ways.

The thoughts and best wishes from all Club members are with Toni and Bruce at this time and we look forward to having them both back playing soon.

New Members

Five applications for membership were approved. These are:

Linda Thurow	Ph. 443 9244
Carolyn & Roger Field	Ph. 443 2422
Barbara Thompson	Ph. 443 7024

A very warm welcome to you all.

Room Heating

Following several requests, we thank Peter Herbert for arranging with the Bowling Club to increase the temperature setting on the heat pumps.

Tournaments

Recent Tournament Results

Cromwell Pairs – Open

Congratulations to the Wanaka prize winners in the Cromwell Open Tournament:

2nd Overall – Georgie Goodall & Ann-Louise Stokes.

2nd Junior – Sherril Harries & Mo Schofield

The following tournaments are scheduled over the next two months:

TOURNAMENTS			
July 21	Winton Pairs	Open	5A
July 28	Taieri Graded Pairs	Open	8B
Aug 12	Oamaru Pairs	Int/Jnr	5B/3B
Aug 25	Invercargill Pairs	Opn/Jnr	8B/3B
Sept 8/9	C/O Teams/pairs (Alex)	Open	5A
Sept 15	Wanaka	Int/Jnr	5B
Sept 22	Balclutha	Open	8B
Oct 13	Winton	Open	8B

Keep these dates free and do consider entering!

If you wish to enter a tournament, please contact Jenny Pryde.

Thursday & Friday Bridge

Thursday Bridge is struggling with numbers at present, but hopefully there will be an improvement as members return to Wanaka from the annual migration! In the meantime, Thursday play will be played in just one grade.

Remember that Thursday Bridge has been established to provide an additional weekly opportunity to earn Master Points and an opportunity for our newer members to improve their bridge playing skills in a competitive environment.

Friday Bridge continues to be as popular as ever, offering a welcoming, casual and social environment with no Master Points being awarded.

It is the stepping stone for new members to be coached and eased into the fully competitive environment of Monday and Thursday Bridge and provides an opportunity to play bridge for our members who are unable to come to night time Bridge.

Afternoon tea is provided and the afternoon finishes with drinks and nibbles.

Room Set-up Duty Roster for Monday Night Sessions:

There are still a few slots to be filled!

July 23	Morag Chisholm	Alan Chisholm
30	Annette Clements	Lyn Howson
Aug 6	Fran Holmes	Brian Holmes!
13	Heather Wellman	Judy Muir
20	Jacqui Roberts	Ken Roberts
27	Jan Anderson	Barbara Waterworth
Sept 3	Pam Buchanan	Trevor Buchanan
10	Laraine Shepherd	Max Shepherd
17	Sue Orbell	Lesley Davies
24	Allan Kelly	Julie Mulholland
Oct 1	Elle Johnston	Des Johnston
8		
15		
22	Lynne Fegan	
29		
Nov 5		
12		
19	Carol Orbell	Shona Watt
26		

Please note the date(s) you have been allocated. If you are unable to do this duty, please arrange a swap with someone else on the list and advise Trevor (ph 443 1309) of the change.