

APRIL NEWSLETTER

LEARNERS CLASS 2022

Our Learners Class 2022 comprises around 36 brave people learning how to communicate with a partner by code while holding thirteen slippery cards.



As we expected, the majority of the class heard about the lessons from friends or family. The letterbox drop of a flyer advertising the lessons was also a very successful way of bringing in interested newcomers.

Many thanks go to Eileen Queree for organising the flyer drop and to Judi Vernau, Roseanne McElroy, Stephanie Cheeseman, John Ellen, Ady Dale, Maureen Pratchett, Barbara Henley, Carol Hogan, Margaret Gordon, Miles Davidson, Sue Hiles, Pat Stuart and Malcolm Hyland for making it happen.

Remember, current members can sit in on the lessons at no charge.

ST PATRICK'S DAY

The club celebrated St Patrick's Day 2022 with the usual dose of silliness and fun with spot prizes, jokes and chocolate bars interrupting play.



Best costume was won by Elva Brown in her striped tutu.



KAPITI AREA PAIRS

The Kapiti Horowhenua Area Pairs, sprang into being on 17 March with a last minute change to online play caused by players' uncertainties around Covid. Players are now joining the tournament from throughout New Zealand. Our on-line director is Bryan Green from Levin Bridge Club.

Players can join any session from now till November. You will find the link each month on our website along with all the other details. The next session is scheduled for Thursday 21 April.



NEW CARPET IS COMING

We are delighted to have secured a grant of \$13,230 from Pelorus Trust to pay for new carpet throughout the clubrooms. Committee member Stephanie Cheeseman will manage the project for us with the contractors, Carpet Court Waikanae.

The date of installation has not been finalised at this point. As happened with the installation of the air conditioning units, the contractors require a period of three days for the work to be completed. Understandably, there will be some disruption to play and other events that take place in the clubrooms over this time and we are doing our best to keep this to a minimum. We will be calling for some person-power to prepare the rooms just before the installation and will appreciate your help at that time.

ONLINE BRIDGE TOURNAMENTS



Many clubs are now hosting on-line tournaments and some of these may not be listed on the NZBridge website. If you are interested in seeing what is around, the flyers we receive will be posted on our noticeboard.

COVID



IS STILL WITH US

Although many of our members have escaped covid till now there are a number who have not. We are very grateful to all those who have self-isolated while being sick or after being in contact with people with covid. Consequently normal sessions have continued and despite some absences we still have good numbers attending.

The Committee have decided that our current guidelines will remain in place for the meantime i.e. masks are to be worn throughout every session, vax pass is required for members and visitors, no food or drinks at the card tables. These rules will be reviewed in May.

LANDSCAPING PROJECT



Plans are being developed for some changes to the surrounds of the clubrooms. We are in discussion with the Kapiti Coast District Council who are the owners of the land our building sits on and who have the final say on what happens. We are hoping to make some changes to the car parking lines and to put in some plants. If you are interested please have a chat with Pryor Rowland or Eileen Queree.

Enjoy the cards

Ady Dale
President