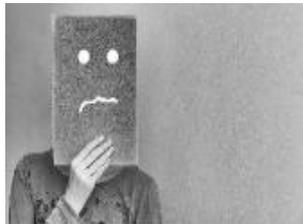




NEWSLETTER JANUARY 2022

WELCOME ...

...to another year of card playing, friendship, competition and the odd bit



of frustration.

Welcome to prospective new members Francie Vagg, Joan Key, John Key and Graham McLauchlan. We look forward to your company and wish everybody many slams.



CONGRATULATIONS

...to Vicki Boffa, who moves up a grade from Junior to Intermediate. Congratulations also go to the following Open players who have increased their ranking within their grade: Derek Snelling, now Open National Master; John Donbavand, now Open Master; and Angela Gattsche, now Open Provincial Master. Graham Norman stands at 121st in the top 200 All-Time Masterpoint Earners.





AGM

Our Annual General Meeting will be held on 28 February 2022 at 4.30pm in the clubrooms. Notices of motion must be with the Secretary by 29 January 2022. Three committee members are retiring at the AGM and to date, three of our members have expressed interest in joining the committee. This would give us a full complement. However if there are other people interested please talk to Ady and we will surely find a way to accommodate your skills. Nominations close on 14 February 2022. Annual reports and relevant documents will be circulated to the membership after that.



LESSONS BEGIN

Learners' lessons begin on Monday 14 March taught again by Judith Jackson. Please encourage your friends to come along to learn the basics of this fascinating game. See the website for more details or contact Blair Campbell on 021 02545981. The cost for ten sessions is \$50 and includes notes and membership for the rest of the year.

Current financial members are encouraged to attend the lessons at no charge. You can do this every year for as long as you wish, and you will always pick up something new.



OPEN TOURNAMENT

We hold our Open Tournament on Sunday 6 February 2022. This is the first tournament of the year in the Wellington region and is usually oversubscribed. Get your partner soon and put in your entry on line. We will need a standby pair as well as general help on or before the day. If you can lend a hand please contact Margaret Gordon on 0278329777.



SITUATIONS VACANT

Gardening anyone? We would like someone to take an interest in the grounds – feed the feijoas, kill the weeds, plant something to cover the fences. The lawns are mown by the District Council. If you could be available for this role please let Ady know on 027 6229116.



COVID GUIDELINES

A newsletter wouldn't be complete without a Covid update. Here is your reminder that if you wish to play, you must register your Covid Vaccination Pass with the Secretary or President. The wearing of masks is recommended. Our policy may be altered in the future as we respond to changes in the local or national situation.



ERRATA and other changes for your booklet

Membership list

Michael Anderson	021 620065	(not 021 620063)
Miriam Lewin	020 408 34742	
Nedra Shand	027 446 7138	(not 027 466 7138)
Jane Bradbury	04 299 2915	and 027 484 1109
Anna Weir	Anna Peacock	(change of name)

Bank account number correction on page 6

02-0591-0005881-00 (not 02-0591-005881-00)



MATAI PAIRS

The third session of the Matai Pairs on Mondays in January was omitted from the booklet. We will play Matai Pairs (3) on Monday 31 January.

REAL BRIDGE

Wellington Bridge club is investigating the use of Real Bridge in the event we are unable to play at the club and currently has sessions on a Sunday night at 7.00pm. All welcome. In this trial period there is no charge.

The link for this Sunday is

<https://oceania.realbridge.online/df.html?p=220123225707&q=Playeraccess23Jan>

Players are invited to attend a "taster session" which is 8 boards to familiarize themselves with the platform. <https://realbridge.online/try-realbridge.html>

If you have questions or would like to register for these sessions, please email Bridget Hannaway-Wilcox at wellingtonbridge@gmail.com

Photos from the Xmas party



Enjoy your play.

Ady Dale

President