

JULY NEWSLETTER



NEW SIDE TABLES

Thanks to MenzShed Kapiti, we have twenty new side tables, one for each side of each playing table for small items. Our existing side tables have also had a full base attached, making them much more stable.

The club appreciates the support of those who made a donation of \$20 per table last year when we first got this project going. Did you ever carve your name into the school desk? No? Now is your chance. The donors are invited to write their name on the underside of the base of a table if they wish. Not on the top please – note that these tables are not reversible. Check first! A gold pen is available for your hidden graffiti.



RUBBER BRIDGE

Congratulations to Isobel Ross and Derek Snelling for winning the Kapiti section of the National Rubber Bridge competition. They go on to play the regional semi-final against Lorraine and Tony Sutich on Tuesday 19 July. The winner of this match will represent the Wellington Region nationally. Good luck, Derek and Isobel.

IMPROVERS LESSONS

Improvers Lessons have been rescheduled to begin on Monday 25 July at 7.00pm. Graeme Norman's lessons will include leads and signals, multi two diamond bidding, transfers including to minors, losing trick count and other interesting things.



All club members of any level (and only club members) are welcome at these Improvers' Lessons. Please enter your name on the sheet at the top table so we know how many tables to prepare for. \$15 should be paid online if possible, otherwise directly to Margaret Gordon, Treasurer.



NEW MEMBERS

A number of the new members from the beginners' group have already begun their club play. We hope they enjoyed the day and come back often.

We are very grateful to those who gave their time to help out during Judith's lessons – Mehegan Goodman, Anne Hancock, Gillian Van Raalte, Vicki Boffa, Shelley Ross, Margaret Gordon and the committee who came in at the end for three practice nights. All this support is essential and it is an excellent way to make the club a comfortable and friendly place to belong.

Thank you too to the members who have offered to partner a new player over the next few months, either as a spare on a Monday afternoon or for the full series of Welcome Pairs in August.



SESSION WINNERS FOR JUNE 2022

Congratulations to the session winners in June.

Bert Dekker Prs – the trophy goes to the top pair including a junior:
John Ellen and Jocelyn Brooke
Moonlight Prs – Derek Snelling and Pryor Rowland
Vicky Young Prs – Lorraine and Michael Gaffaney
Pat Sutton Prs – Ann Edwards and Maureen Pratchett.



ROSTERS

We have many wonderful people who give their time to help the club by being duty officer, dealer, scorer, director and collecting table money, not to mention a myriad of other jobs. That's what makes the club function and your help is essential and valued.

Since the rosters were draw up a number of volunteers are no longer playing face-to-face and we are now particularly short of people to do duty – once a week for a month, to put out the biscuits and milk and do the dishes after play. It's not hard and it doesn't take long!

If you like biscuits with your bridge and can help with a duty some time in the next few months please contact Anne Verboeket on ann.verboeket1@gmail.com or 021485706.

Further, please remember to come when rostered or find your own replacement.



NEW CARPET

The new carpet has been laid and a massive effort went into replacing furniture, earthquake-proofing cupboards and tidying everything that goes into them. People seem to agree that carpet look great and the repositioning of the cupboards enhances the appearance and usability of the main room. Many thanks to the Committee members who made this all happen.

Unfortunately a leak became evident on the East wall which was exacerbated by the latest big storms. We have made some repairs outside and are currently monitoring things as we pass through winter weather events. Which leads me to the next item...



MAINTENANCE CREW



We need your help!

The Maintenance Crew is the group that we don't have at the moment. We need to form a group of members who have some knowledge about maintaining a building and its fittings, liaising with tradies (or being one), and are willing to give a bit of time to the club.

Please, if you have any skills from using a screwdriver to clearing a blocked drain and are willing to be part of a group to help out now and then ... please let me know on adydale@xtra.co.nz or 027 6229116 or the secretary on waikanaebridge@xtra.co.nz or just talk to Ady.



ONLINE BRIDGE

For those members who choose not to play face-to-face at the moment there are plenty of opportunities to play on line. Some of the local clubs eg Levin and Wellington are running regular sessions and anyway, you can play anywhere in the world if you want. Check out what is available on NZBridge and RealBridge.

Happy bridging

Ady Dale
President

