



## Waikanae Bridge Club

### NEWSLETTER MARCH 2023

Folks, please bear with me – I will endeavour to maintain Ady's high standard of newsletters.

## OBITUARY

Club members were sorry to lose one of our own last week – **Earle Andrews**. Our condolences go to Earle's family and friends at the club.

## RECENT EVENTS



### **Welcome Back – John McNab Memorial** – 19 February

An excellent day, sponsored by John's family and represented by his daughter, Jill Herman. Results, winners and photos are all recorded on our web page. Sincere thanks to those who did so much behind the scenes and to all players for your participation.

### **AGM** – 27 February

A successful and productive AGM. Thanks to all who participated. Interim Minutes will be available in due course.

### **Interclub/Charity Event vs Paraparaumu** – 5 March

A win to our Waikanae representatives which included five Juniors (of which two were Novices). Pleasing to acknowledge that Waikanae pairings filled the first five placings. It was also pleasing to note that the Cyclone Gabrielle affected Bridge Club's will benefit from the \$1,000 + raised. A great afternoon had by all.

## MONTHLY MONDAY AFTERNOON TEA



Our April Afternoon Tea is to be sponsored by Ryman's. Wendy Burns will join us for this afternoon tea on Monday, 3 April and we should expect a brief talk.

## FEBRUARY WINNERS



Congratulations to our February winners.

<b>Ryman Pairs</b>	Ruth Law and Beverley Jackson
<b>Graham Cheater Pairs</b>	Rachel Patrick and Graeme Norman
<b>Rata Pairs</b>	Maureen Pratchett and Chris Farrow
<b>Agnes Richard Memorial Pairs</b>	Ady Dale and Maureen Pratchett

## 2023 PROGRAMME BOOKLET UPDATES



Please note the following changes;

Page 24 – Partner Co-Ordinator – temporary change:

**Thursday** Rachel Patrick until 16 March  
Shelley Ross for weeks 23<sup>rd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> March  
Rachel Patrick returns for April

### To remind

Pages 25, 26 – Monday - Pub Charity Medley (April 17, 24 and May 8)  
has been changed to the Pub Charity Pairs

Page 33 - Thursday - Torry Medley (April 13, 20 and 27)  
has been changed to the Torry Pairs

### New Number

Please change the following phone number in the booklet.  
Yvonne Rolton (04) 282 1728 (**not** (04) 904 6616)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### KHAP

Kapiti Horowhenua Area Pairs are back in a different format for 2023: three autumn sessions in March/April/May and three spring sessions in September/October/November. Share transport to Otaki and maybe have a meal before play. **The first session is 16 March** at 7.15pm.

### St Patricks Day

To remind, **Friday, 17 March** is St Patrick's Day. Why not wear something **GREEN**. While, as always, the bridge will be serious, it will be a fun night with prizes followed by normal Friday night refreshments and a toast(?) to St Patrick!

### Rubber Bridge

The national Rubber Bridge competition is played in people's homes over a period of months. Players of all grades can enter. Junior tournament systems apply to all players unless agreed otherwise. Contact [grahamlcheater@gmail.com](mailto:grahamlcheater@gmail.com) before **23 March**. Please see the flyer on the Club Notice Board.

## BEGINNERS LESSONS

We are delighted to note that Judith Jackson and her team have commenced this year's classes with 33 new beginners. We must all be mindful that these new members that we retain will be the life blood of our Club going forward.

To remind, any Junior, or in fact any financial club member, can attend any or all of these new bridge sessions at no cost. Should you wish to avail yourself of this opportunity to revise the basics, please informally discuss it with Judith or any of her team so they can have the necessary additional copies of the course notes/paperwork/deals available.

Most would agree that many of us have forgotten or ignore aspects of the basics of ACOL. I am also sure that most seasoned players would consider that they are well past Beginners Lessons. However, I would challenge any seasoned player to achieve 100% correct answers to any of the NZ Bridge Beginners Lessons test papers – **I would be pleased to present a chocolate fish or easter egg** should anyone succeed in the challenge.

## COMMITTEE UPDATE

Although the Minutes of our Committee Meetings are available on the club noticeboard, a brief update on some of the more topical issues currently being worked by your Committee are;

### **Carpark Lighting**

It now appears likely that we can expect our Insurance claim to be accepted. We will endeavour to do what we can to expedite the reinstallation of the carpark lighting.

### **Bridge Club Lease**

We are delighted to note that the lease sub-committee, led by Ady Dale, have made significant progress in negotiations with KCDC over a new lease. We will advise when the new lease is in place.

### **Heating and Ventilation (HAV) Review**

A HAV Review sub-committee has been established to review the Club's policy relating to HAV. This sub-committee, led by Pat Stuart, is aiming to complete its investigations and report back to the Committee with recommendations by 30 May. This report will be considered by the June Committee meeting.

### **Utauta Street Development**

Ady Dale and Pat Stuart have offered to monitor and report on KCDC and the Developers decisions over the old Gus Evans Nursery site which may impact or effect the Bridge Club and/or surrounds.

## CLUBROOM SIDE TABLES

We are appreciative of MenzShed for their continued support in repairing our defective side tables at no cost. The tables are being cycled through the MenzShed workshop four at a time.

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Best wishes to members who have recently been hospitalised, undergone a medical procedure or have not been in the best of health. May you all have a speedy recovery.

# CONGRATULATIONS

Although some of these members may not have received their awards yet, the following have earned NZ Bridge grading promotions.

Tony Tait

**Certificate of Proficiency**

Margaret Gordon, Eileen Queree,  
Simon Nathan, Paul Brinkman,  
Rachel Patrick, and Betty Colligan

**Club Master**

Vicki Boffa

**Local Master**

Heartiest congratulations and well done to you all.

Regards to All. Happy Bridging.

Chris Farrow  
President