

MAY NEWSLETTER



POT-LUCK DINNER

Midwinter is approaching and it is time we had some socialising. Put the date in your diary: Friday 17 June. Please come with a plate at 6.00pm and we will have a shared dinner before we begin playing at the usual time. Be prepared for some unusual directions such as “The opener must bid 1NT” or “Bidding Spades is forbidden”.

Masks must be worn at the table from 7.00pm onwards.

NEW DIRECTORS

Congratulations go to our two newly qualified directors, Anne Ricketts and Pryor Rowland, who recently passed the Director’s Examinations.



Pryor Rowland



Anne Ricketts

RATs and MASKs



We are pleased to see a number of members returning to play now that Covid is no longer at its height. We want everyone to be as safe as possible as they venture out again. The club has been fortunate to acquire a number of Rapid Antigen Test kits and some masks. If you don’t have these at home already you are welcome to take one or two RAT boxes and a pack of masks. Please leave a gold coin donation in the tin.



NEW CARPET JUNE 8 - 10

Our new carpet will be laid on 8 – 10 June. This means the club will be closed over those three days and there will be no play on Thursday 9 June. This is the first date of the Vicky Young Pairs which will then become a three-session series. Play resumes on Friday night, 10 June.

A few touchups to the interior paintwork will be needed after all the furniture has been shifted from A to B and back again. If you would be willing to tidy up the paintwork over the weekend of 11-12 June please contact Stephanie Cheeseman on cheeseman@xtra.co.nz Two volunteers would be greatly appreciated.



MASK UP FOR WINTER

We sit at the table for hours at a time in close contact with other players. Because we want to keep our playing environment as safe as possible, the Committee has decided that the requirement to wear a mask at the table will remain over the winter months. And please, no nostrils should be visible! We will review the mask requirement in September.

WAIKANAE/PARAPARAUMU INTERCLUB TOURNAMENT



On Sunday 29 May we host Paraparaumu Bridge Club for our annual interclub tournament. This is an afternoon of bridge followed by a glass of wine and something to eat. The serious part is that we want to retain the shield which we have won for a number of years. Players are asked to bring a plate to share with the participants at the end of play. Please enter your pair on the sheet at the top table.



IMPROVERS LESSONS



Lessons for those wanting to improve their play will take place in July. Set aside three Monday nights beginning 11 July. Graeme Norman will teach us some interesting ways to develop our skills and refine our play. Details will be provided closer to the time.



KAPITI AREA PAIRS

If you are playing in the online KHAP tournament please remember you must register each time you play. Preferably you will do this on the NZBridge website so the Director can plan, although last minute entries are allowed. Table money is \$5 a session to Waikanae Bridge Club unless you have bought the nine-session ticket for \$40.

Enjoy your play

Ady Dale
President