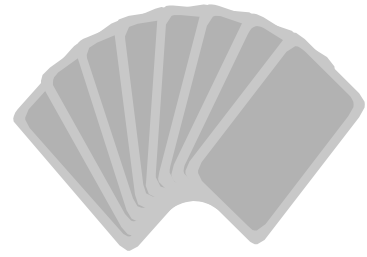


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Rotorua Bridge Club Newsletter #4 – 25 April 2021

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Hello Members

Winter is almost upon us. Get those Flu Injections as soon as possible so we can all stay healthy and well over these colder months – and can continue to play bridge.

Just a reminder – Our bridge programme provides for all grades of players with Monday afternoon and Thursday night results being “raw”, while Wednesday night and Friday afternoon results are handicapped.

BRIDGE LESSONS

The lessons are into week 6 of the 10 week programme. I must say – what a great group of new players. I have been helping on the Wednesday nights and thoroughly enjoying it. They are all so keen to learn and are progressing very well. Look forward to their inclusion in our playing sessions in mid June.

ROTORUA BRIDGE VISIT

The House of Cards group is visiting Rotorua for a week in May and have requested to play in our Thursday night session on 13 May. After committee discussion, and input from both Alan and Heini, it was decided that it would not be disruptive to the Jean Philips Mixed Pairs competition, and we look forward to hosting them. They are all Kiwis. We request that all members playing this session provide some finger food, which can be shared at the end of play, with drinks, to extend our hospitality to the visitors. Jody will finalize the number of attendees closer to the date.

BOP INTERCLUB TEAMS

This annual contest for the Ib Thulin Shield is being held at Rotorua Club on Sunday 25th July. The team consists of 2 pairs each of open, intermediate and

junior players. Please forward your partnership pairs to the committee for team consideration AND mark the date on your calendar. This has been a successful process in the past few years, showing some good results for our Rotorua Club.

PROPRIETIES OF PLAY

A committee decision has been made to turn off the percentage results on the Bridge Mates. This became effective on 21st April. Too much emphasis was being placed on the percent scored after each board. This can be detrimental towards the lower scoring players, and is also quite meaningless as it is dependent upon when the board is played or the number of tables being played in the session. Contracts of other players are still visible, but it is desired that any re-analysis of the hands take place at end of session.

N.B. Process of Bridge Mates = South person manages Bridge Mate input; East confirms the result after each board. Please ensure you do check the data entered.

HOUSEKEEPING

Please be reminded of responsibilities at the end of each playing session. North/South players are responsible for returning boards and Bridge Mates, tidying of table, used bidding sheets etc. All players are responsible to push chairs to table, return cups etc to dishwasher.

UPCOMING EVENTS

The Midwinter Dinner/Welcome to new recruits evening is on Wednesday 9 June. Please make yourselves available for this evening as it is proving to be a very enjoyable and popular social evening. More data to follow.

Rotorua Open 5A Tournament is the next tournament in our calendar, being held on Saturday 19 June 2021 (Sponsored by Dawson Insurance). Another date to diary.

COMPETITION RESULTS TO DATE

Monday Afternoon

4 day pairs winners to 29/3

Mervyn MacKay & Gerry De Nys 55%

Easter Monday winners Hcp

Kim & Frank Billington 62%

2 day pairs winners to 31/5

Margaret Hodgson & Glynis Penhale 58%

Anzac Monday winners Hcp

Jim Morgan & Phil Skinner

Wednesday Evening

4 night pairs winners to 17/3 Hcp

Wendy Fraser & Maureen Carter 54%

4 night IMP teams winners

Roger Dempster, Phil Skinner, Shirley Gainsford, Maureen Carter 104 VPs

Thursday Evening

4 night mixed grade teams winners

John Hughes, Trish Stephens, Gill Nelson, Liz Wilcox 80

Roger Dempster, Bev Skilling, Heini Lux, Alan Dick 80

2 night pairs winners to 1/4

Colleen Allen & Roger Dempster 65%

Friday Afternoon

2 day pairs winners Hcp to 26/3

Karen Smith & Marilyn Field 56%

3 day pairs winners Hcp to 23/4

Margot & Barry Thom 55%

Happy Bridging

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