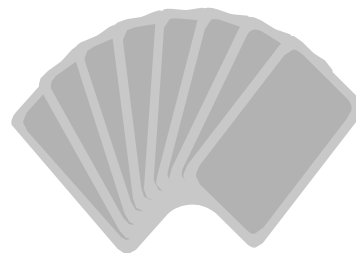


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Rotorua Bridge Club Newsletter #46

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Greetings Everyone

CONGRATULATIONS:

Congratulations to our member, **Alison Perin** who was last weekend presented with her **King's Service Medal (KSM)** for **services to the community and music**. Lovely to see Alison rewarded for her dedication, hard work and positive impact on various organisations and individuals over the last 40 years.



FAREWELL:

It is with great sadness that Trish Stephens has tendered her resignation from the RBC. Trish says *"Thank you to all of you who have been so kind and generous with your time and the help you have given me. Your support over the years has allowed me to continue playing at the club much longer than I ever anticipated so thank you all again."* Trish hopes to continue Bridge with home games as she can halt these after 2 hours if she needs to.

COMPLIMENTS RECEIVED:

Visitors to the Rotorua Restricted Tournament commented that the food was lovely and plentiful.

PRIZEWINNERS FROM IB THULIN COMPETITION pictured below



NEW ROOF FOR RBC:

The committee has decided that the club will start fundraising for a new roof. If anyone has any great fundraising ideas, please contact the committee.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

2nd Rotorua Handicap Tournament:

This tournament will be run along the same lines as the Ib Thulin and is on Sunday 2 November.

Club Working Bee Saturday 1st November

The club Working Bee **Saturday 1st November. Runs from 8am – 11am.** A water blaster will be available. There will be kitchen tasks. Toilets to be cleaned. Chairs to be mended. Windows to be cleaned. A detailed list of jobs will be available at the club. Morning tea will be provided.

Loveblock Wines New Zealand Wide Pairs:

Heads up for this great social occasion at **7 pm Friday October 17th**. The bar opens at 5.30pm. Food will be supplied at 6 pm for a 7 pm start. \$15 Entry fee. \$10 towards Youth Bridge - \$5 to RBC Roof fund. Entry is online. Log in to NZB and go to Loveblock Rotorua.

Club AGM and Prize Giving:

Set for Thursday 27 November 7pm at the clubrooms. All welcome.

NEW PARTNER STEWARD:

Dawne Sharplin will take over as the Partner Steward for Wednesday Night as from next year.

REPLACEMENT BADGES:

If anyone needs a replacement badge, contact Dawne. Cost will be \$15 - \$20.

IMPORTANT REMINDER:

All players **should be seated 15 minutes before session start time.** If delayed, partners should be advised before the 15-minute window. If no advice, players may not be able to play, depending on table numbers. It is an advantage to arrive early to sessions to discuss strategies or systems.

GETTING TO KNOW YOUR BRIDGE MATES:

Congratulations to Jude Lipanovic who correctly identified our club identical twin as Colleen Allen and won a chocolate fish and 2 bottles of 'Tony's Worm Juice'. This month's question is: **Which club member is turning 90 in November?** Please reply to Bobbie by text, or to either Monday or Friday **What's App** or email **mortytorty@hotmail.com**

TOURNAMENTS:

Remember to check both the club noticeboard and NZ Bridge website www.nzbridge.co.nz for all details of upcoming tournaments.

Upcoming Tournaments:

Sun 5 Oct	Thames Christmas 8B Pairs
Sat 11 Oct	Matamata Open Swiss Pairs 3A
Sun 12 Oct	Te Awamutu Junior 3B Pairs
Thurs 16 Oct	Waitomo Restricted 8B Pairs
Sat 18 Oct	Taupo Open 8B Pairs
Sun 19 Oct	Cambridge Intermediate 5B Pairs
Sat 25 – Mon 27 Oct	Hamilton Mini Congress

PARTNERSHIP STEWARDS:

Remember to contact your partner prior to the beginning of a new competition so there are no OOPPS moments!!!!

<u>Monday Afternoon:</u>	<u>WhatsApp</u> & Regina van der Sluis	020 4161 7772
<u>Wednesday Evening:</u>	<u>WhatsApp</u> & Hilary Williams	027 482 0699
<u>Thursday Evening:</u>	Marie Milsum	027 427 5727
<u>Friday Afternoon:</u>	<u>WhatsApp</u> & Bobbie Fluker	027 4274 151

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Please send any suggestions or contributions (especially tournament results) to me at mortytorty@hotmail.com

Happy Bridging

Cheers

Bobbie Fluker