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Newsletter - August 2025

From the President

Hello to you all. A lot of great things are happening and being achieved at the Club. Thank you for all your responses to requests for help and your offers of assistance. Clearly, morale is high and the Club is benefitting from it. Our Table numbers continue to rise, jobs are getting done and we have a lot in the pipeline. It is very rewarding being your President. Thank you, again.

The Constitution:

After 3 years of work, the Constitution is almost sorted. A Special General Meeting is to be held on Friday, 15th August at 9.45 - immediately before Play. Information has been on the website for some time. If you wish to join the discussion, please make sure you have read the changes and know what they involve. All additions are marked in red, while all deletions are crossed out.

The majority of the changes have been required by the Incorporated Societies Act. However, the Committee have made 3 major changes:

The first is to be able to have The Treasurer voted in at the AGM. Previously, The Treasurer's role was filled by a committee member at the committee's first meeting after the AGM.

The second significant change is the ability to co-opt as many members as needed to make a committee of nine (3 Office holders and 6 others). Presently we have only been able to co-opt a maximum of 2 people at any one time. Last year we were unable to co-opt a Treasurer as we already had 2 co-opted members to ensure a quorum could be present.

The third change is a tidy up of the clause explaining the handling of donations and grants.

Fundraising

We plan to regularly run a raffle and will also request donations of specialty items to put in 1 or 2 gift baskets. Our intention is that the funds raised will be put aside for an upgrade of both the Ladies' and Men's toilets. Our ongoing \$50 (prize) daily raffle for \$2 a ticket will be going towards the toilet upgrade.

We would also like to sell raffle tickets at our 3-day Congress at Labour Weekend. Profits from our Tournaments are not large, considering the time and effort that goes into organising them. Often, to make a profit we need Sponsorship. So, raffles are a very effective way of raising extra money. The plan is to try to have a variety of prizes, including one or 2 big items that will draw the punters. We will appreciate any ideas for raffles and donations for prizes.

Maintenance work

We are slowly getting on top of the leaks in the roof that we have had recently. Two are fixed. One to go...

Having fixed the leak above the O'Neill Room serverry, we can now go ahead and have a new water dispenser connected up in the O'Neill Room. It will be plumbed in. The last one was old and cracked from the weight of the water bottle and was in danger of collapsing, causing a big flood! Not something we wanted on our nice new carpet.

The other big job in the wings is the installation of 2 TV screens (One for the O'Neill Room and a second one for the Richmond Room). They will both offer surveillance of the car park. Internal security cameras are also planned. These will be used for monitoring hirees using our rooms. Also, if there is anything that goes wrong, we will have surveillance footage to work out how the problem arose.

Working Bees

Thank you to all of the members who have come to help on any of these days. Richard Wagstaff has had great support in dealing with repairs, ground maintenance, cleaning. The kitchen is looking organised. We are making an attempt to keep up with the cleaning of the coffee cups. The rooms are looking cleaner and tidier.

The Library has been tidied up by culling the books. There are now several groups of books making it easy to locate what you want. Books for beginners, books about different bidding systems (especially ACOL, Goren and Precision). There are books on card play, defence, different conventions, quizzes, tournament stories... The library runs on an honesty system whereby you write your name, date and book title in an exercise book and cross it out when you return the book. Do have a look. There are some gems there.

Two other big tasks are being worked on. The first is the tidying up of the *Bar Room*. This room is now obsolete, as the Bar has been moved into a locked fridge and cupboard in the kitchen with alcohol being served from the kitchen. At present the old Bar Room is being used for supplies for the Friday morning session and the scoring computer for the O'Neill Room. It also has a screen for outside security in it. We are still working out a practical use for the room.

The other job is the sorting of the *Trophy cupboard*. The Trophies are being sorted and labelled for easy access. The intention is to establish a record of the people who the trophies are named after and some information about them - factual or anecdotal. Long standing members (and possibly past members) will be approached for assistance in the sharing of their knowledge. It will be wonderful to have a little information at hand about each trophy when it is presented, bringing some of the past back to life.

Our next working bee will be on Saturday 3 October. All welcome.

The Learners

Welcome to all our 2025 learners. You are fitting into the club very easily. The Tuesday learners have fully integrated with the Tuesday night players creating up to 10 tables of players. There are 12 regular Thursday morning learners who have settled into playing with a number of our regular players making up to 5 tables. This session is open to all players. Thursday morning,

like Tuesday evening, is a walk-in session with no partner required. Cherie Barton gives a lesson at 9.30am before play starts.

Preparing for next year

Changes to the programme are being considered in preparation for the Programme book being printed for next year. An overhaul of prizes is being considered as well as some Series being extended to 4 sessions. The topic of sponsorship of sessions will also be discussed. A relaxed discussion will take place on *Monday, August 25, 10.30am* at the Club. If this topic interests you, please feel free to come and share your thoughts. You will be welcomed.

Waikato Area Pairs

The final session of WAPS is going to be held at Hamilton Bridge Club on Sunday, August 31 at 10am. Please do consider entering. Cost is \$15 for a 5A Tournament. BYO lunch, morning tea will be provided, as will Pizza at the end of day. We hope that players will stay on for the Prizegiving afterwards.

Dates to remember:

August 31: Our financial year comes to an end

August 31 : WAPS final tournament for the year

Sept 6 : The Waikato Bays Regional 10A Swiss Pairs Tournament

September 21: Soup and Bun III

October 3: Working bee at the club

Oct 25/26/27: Labour weekend Congress - something for everyone

Nov 23: HCBC AGM. Please speak to the President if you would consider helping out with some decision making regarding the direction of the Club and helping to make things happen. New committee members are always needed.

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Helen Rinaldi, President

Club News

Phone number changes / additions

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'Allo 'Allo 2 - Wednesday 15 October

Remember 'Allo 'Allo, the popular British sitcom from the 1980s? Hamilton Playbox is doing a live version play in October 'Allo 'Allo 2 - The Camembert Caper' at the Riverlea Theatre. Our member, Sean Dwyer, has a part in the show and has arranged for our club to run a fundraising evening by selling tickets for the play on Wednesday 15 October starting at 7.30pm. We have the opportunity to sell 114 tickets at \$30 each to fill the theatre. In return we pay approx. 25% to the Theatre group and stand to make about \$2,500. Seating will be in Café style, in keeping with the Play.

To book your tickets through internet banking, pay the total for your number of tickets required (\$30 each) to the club bank account: 01 0315 0381282 00 with your name, 'Show', and number of tickets needed in the Reference fields.

'Allo 'Allo 2. Wednesday 15 Oct, 7.30pm - put it in your diary now!

Our Club Members are No. 1 in NZ!

Congratulations to Liz and Blair Fisher who both top the mid-year standings in their categories in the Baden-Wilson Trophy competition for 2025. This competition is for the most A points earned in NZ for each gender during the year. Liz is the top Female and Blair is the top Male. Both have earned over 150 A points up to the start of July.

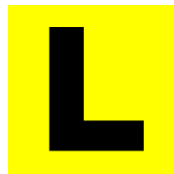
Our Learners graduate

Tuesday evening and Thursday morning lessons finished recently with the learners now playing in our regular sessions on Tuesday and Friday or in the new session on Thursday mornings which will run to the end of this year.

With a bit of help from the director and tutors, their results show they are coping very well.

We all know what a complex and confusing game bridge can be at first, so please make them welcome. Why not offer to be a partner if needed? Be prepared to be patient with slow play and limit your comments until they find their feet. We want everyone to enjoy our great game!

N.B. Our Learners have been taught ACOL 4 card majors and a weak 12-14 No Trump. If you partner them, please play their system. **Please DO NOT** introduce your system to them, they need to remember what they have been taught before they can consider the advantages of playing something different. Please also DO NOT ever leave a penalty double in. This no-double ruling should last until at least July next year. This will give them time to learn their system, make errors and not be disheartened.



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Thursday learners concentrating hard!

Be Kind to Your Directors

Before Play Starts:

Make sure you are seated at a table (not making a drink in the kitchen!) five minutes before play is due to start. This allows the director to correctly count the number of occupied tables and set up the movement for the session. If the movement setup is wrong, the whole scoring system and the Bridgemates have to be re-started, meaning a delayed start to play (resulting in a later finish time).



During Play:

If you are phantom, waiting between rounds, or if you finish the last round early, it would be greatly appreciated if you collect any empty cups from the playing room and return them to the tray in the kitchen. If the tray is full, put the tray in the steriliser, close the steriliser door then push the far-right button to start the sterilising process.

After Play ends:

Just like us, our directors like to get home at a reasonable hour. After play finishes at your table, tidy the pens and bidding pad away in the table container, return the table number and boards to the director's table, the Bridgemate to the cupboard in the Richmond room (or to the Bridgemate container in the O'Neill room), and put the used paper in the recycling bin near the door. Other rubbish (including paper cups) goes in the separate rubbish bins. If there are any used batteries, these go in a special container in the Richmond room for recycling. In the kitchen the milk needs to be put in the fridge, the surfaces wiped down and the steriliser needs to be drained and then turned off - instructions are on the wall.

Thank You

Tournaments at our Club - Players and Helpers Needed



Don't worry - we are not expecting a kitchen wizz, but the more helpers we can get the easier it is for everyone!

Labour weekend in particular is our busiest tournament as we provide the players with the option of buying lunch so please consider volunteering for a couple of hours if you can - your choice of time.

Waikato/Bays Regional Swiss Pairs - Saturday September 6

This is a very big event, which we hope will attract many players, so we need plenty of helpers! Please can all members - whether you are Intermediate, Junior or Open and not playing in this tournament - make an extra effort to volunteer to help on Saturday September 6. The club will be asking for names soon or talk to any Committee member if you are able to help out on the day.

Hamilton Congress (Labour weekend)

Our annual Club Congress is our main tournament event of the year, running for 3 days over Labour weekend (25-27 October). As such, it is an important fund raiser for the Club and the Club does need this event to succeed. We would prefer to have a separate group of helpers for part of each day, so again many helpers are needed.

Upcoming Social Events

Soup and Bun Sunday 21 September



Join the socialising on a Sunday afternoon for delicious soup, great company, bridge and the chance to win one of the spot prizes at our last Soup & Bun for this year. Just \$8 for a homemade soup and bun lunch (starting at 12.30) followed by a session of bridge. The first two Soup & Buns were great fun for those who attended - it is a good way to catch up with others who play at different sessions and to meet new people.

Melbourne Cup Day Tuesday 4 November

Starting at 12 noon, Judith Brooks and her team will once again provide prize winning opportunities, the sweepstake on the "great race", the best hats competition, and most importantly bridge! This is always a very enjoyable event so put it in your diary now!



NZ Bridge National Congress Coming

For the first time the 2025 Bridge National Congress will be held at the Palmy Function Centre, Palmerston North, from **Saturday 8 November to Saturday 15 November**. Info is on the NZ bridge website.

For event overview and to enter: [NZ Bridge Congress 2025](#)

For general enquiries or to organise teammates contact Bridget on 027 243 8321 or Bridget@nzbridge.co.nz

Visit the Congress [website](#), read the Information tab, then enter or view events. For all events you must **enter in advance**.

Remember - When you are Dummy

- Dummy is Dummy
- After the opening lead is faced, Dummy puts their cards face up on the table, sorted into suits with the trump suit on Dummy's right (declarer's left).
- Dummy **should** lay down all 13 cards so they are visible.
- Dummy **cannot** indicate with their hand which card is to be played.
- During play Dummy **can** try to **prevent** any irregularity by Declarer (their partner). However once Declarer has made a mistake e.g. by requesting a card from Dummy's hand when the lead should be from table, Dummy cannot say 'Your hand' - it is up to the defenders to do this.
- Dummy **cannot** draw attention to any irregularity that has occurred, either by partner or the opponents, until the finish of the hand. So if Dummy realises someone has revoked but no-one else notices they cannot mention this until the end of the hand.
- When Declarer has failed to follow suit Dummy **can** ask whether Declarer has a card of the suit led e.g. "No clubs partner?"
- **Otherwise** Dummy is just there to play the cards on Declarer's instruction.

Regional Championship Team Selections

The Regional Championships pit teams from all of NZ's 7 bridge regions against each other. This year the final will be held in Palmerston North on 6-7 November, just before the National Congress begins.

Players were selected for the Waikato Bays Open, Women's and Senior Teams. A trial was held for the Intermediate Team.

Competitors from our club with their partners are:

Open: Liz and Blair Fisher, Barry Jones and Jenny Millington

Women: Jenna and Christine Gibbons

Good luck to you all!

Recent Events at our Club

Craigs Investment Multigrade Pairs - Tuesday 13 May

This year the Craigs tournament needed to have a late date change due to a conflict with an Auckland tournament. This may have affected the lower number of entries this year. 28 pairs took part, mainly our club members but some from Waikato, Cambridge and Auckland clubs.

Hamilton club members won the top 2 placings - Richard Fletcher and Yuzhong Chen 1st with Helen and Tim Healy 2nd. Prize winners of the grade combinations from our club were 1st Junior/ Junior Mary Cave-Palmer & Iain Paterson, 1st Intermediate /Junior Maria Muller & Merle Jonson, 1st Intermediate/ Intermediate Catherine Cameron & Helen Rinaldi, 1st Open/Open Barry Jones & Jenny Millington. Congratulations!

A number of spot prizes and free raffle draws meant many players received something to take home afterwards. Prizes were presented by our club member Codi Merito from the Craigs Investment Partners Hamilton office, again sponsors of the day.

Many thanks to Cherie for directing, Richard Fletcher, Richard Wagstaff, Nigel, Jane and all the other helpers.



Codi with 1st place winners, Richard and Yuzhong

Soup & Bun I - Sunday 18 May

After our long, dry summer this year, a cooler Autumn Day enticed 15 pairs to come to the clubrooms for our first social event of the year. There was a very warm cheerful atmosphere with members catching up with friends and meeting others over delicious homemade soup and home baking.

Lucie Armstrong and Barbara Daly topped the north-south players with Olive Davis and Gail deFrance first east-west. Helen and Stan Rinaldi, and Colleen White and Cherie Barton won the handicap prizes. Thanks to Jenny Seavill, Laura, Cherie and all helpers for organising and running this event.

5A Swiss Pairs - Wednesdays 18 June to 5 July

This year the Wednesday Swiss Pairs tournament was changed to an online event, run by our club. This was a successful change resulting in a strong field of 62 pairs, with several of our club members also acting as substitutes at different times.

Winners by 5 VPs were Geo Tislevoll and Michael Cornell, with our own Blair and Liz Fisher a very creditable 2nd place. Many thanks to Nigel Gresson for overall organisation of the tournament with help from Barry Jones, David Edson and Shireen Mohandes from Real Bridge.

Hamilton Open Teams - Saturday 12 July

18 Teams, mostly from Auckland and Waikato / Bay of Plenty, arrived in Hamilton to play in the annual Hamilton Open 5A Teams tournament.

Hamilton members performed well, with the team of Barry Jones, Jenny Millington, Patrick Carter and Julie Atkinson finishing in a very close 1st place at the end of the intense competition. Yuzhong Chen and his teammates were in 3rd place. Thanks to all the helpers on the day and to our sponsor AFT Pharmaceuticals.

Soup & Bun II - Sunday 27 July

On a sunny mid-winter's day, the bridge club rooms hosted 9 tables of bridge players for this enjoyable social event. Included in this number were 2 pairs of Tuesday night learners attending their first event, and visitors from Cambridge and Morrinsville clubs. Great to see you!

First North-South were Judith Brooks and Colleen De Luen while the East-West winners were Gwyn Lobb and Richard Fletcher. Our handicap winners were John Farmer and Mary Cave-Palmer playing North-South and Olive Davis and Gail deFrance for East-West. Several other players won spot prizes as well.

Thanks to Jenny Seavill for overall organisation as well as making most of the delicious soup and nibbles and running the kitchen with sterling help from Tim and Laura. Catherine Cameron directed and Richard Wagstaff helped as always.

Waikato Interclub Teams result

Congratulations to the Hamilton Team for winning the Waikato Interclub Trophy for 2025. On 22 June the Hamilton team competed against teams from Waikato, Cambridge, Matamata, Thames and Te Aroha clubs in a round robin teams competition.

Hamilton won the Trophy for the second year in a row. Well done!

Members who made up this year's Hamilton team were:

Open (1st): Barry Jones - Jenny Millington / Liz Fisher - Blair Fisher

Intermediate (2nd): Helen Rinaldi - Catherine Cameron / Leanne Curry - Megan Jolly

Junior (5th): Mark Beavan - Tim Densem / Larissa Eyre - Iain Paterson

Teams that finished in the top 2 in each grade will play in the Waikato Bays Interclub final against Bay of Plenty teams on 24 August. Wish them luck!



The Intermediate team of Megan, Leanne, Catherine and Helen won the Elsie Pohio trophy at the Club, then came 2nd in the Waikato Interclub teams competition

Thanks to all our Volunteers!

Our club cannot run successfully without the many unpaid hours of our volunteers. Thanks to all our volunteers:

- Thanks to those who deal the cards each week and for tournaments
- Thanks to our unpaid directors
- Thanks to those who tidy the kitchen during and after play
- Thanks to the Partner Stewards
- Thanks to those who do car parking, building maintenance and gardening at our club rooms
- Thanks to those who come to our working bees held on the first Saturday of most months
- Thanks to those who make and donate food for tournaments and our Soup and Bun events
- Thanks to Cynthia for her quizzes and cards
- Thanks to those who help with our fundraising activities by purchasing cards or raffle tickets
- Thanks to the many players who work unpaid doing admin, keeping the technology running, managing and providing guidance
- And thanks to those experienced players who mentor and help those who wish to improve their bridge skills

If anyone wishes to join the ranks of our volunteers, please talk to any member of the committee or put your name forward when asked.



Recent Regional Tournament Successes by our Club Members



Matamata Junior Pairs Matamata Saturday 10 May
1st Larissa Eyre & Iain Paterson
2nd Maria Muller & Vicki Petherick

Hamilton Craig Investments Pairs Hamilton Tuesday 13 May
1st Richard Fletcher & Yuzhong Chen
2nd Helen Healy & Tim Healy

Putaruru Open Pairs Putaruru Thursday 15 May
2nd equal Gary Foidl & Yuzhong Chen

Te Awamutu Restricted Pairs Te Awamutu Saturday 17 May
1st John Little & Yuzhong Chen

Katikati Intermediate Pairs Katikati Sunday 18 May
2nd Graeme Hope & Robert Knyvett

Waikato Area Pairs (3) Cambridge Sunday 25 May
1st Gary Foidl & Yuzhong Chen

Spa Town Open Teams Te Aroha Saturday 7 June
2nd Barry Jones, Jenny Millington & teammates
3rd Jenna Gibbons, Michael Curry & teammates

Rotorua Open Pairs Rotorua Saturday 14 June
1st Michael Curry & Blair Fisher

Waikato Interclub Teams Cambridge Sunday 22 June
1st Open Barry Jones, Jenny Millington, Blair Fisher, Liz Fisher
2nd Intermediate Helen Rinaldi, Catherine Cameron,
 Leanne Curry, Megan Jolly

Hamilton Open Swiss Pairs Online Wed 18 June-2 July
2nd Blair & Liz Fisher

National Swiss Pairs 20A Tauranga Sat & Sun 5/6 July
1st Gary Foidl & Brett Glass

Hamilton Open Teams Hamilton Saturday 12 July
1st Barry Jones, Jenny Millington & teammates
3rd Yuzhong Chen & teammates

Mt Maunganui Junior Pairs Mt Maunganui Saturday 19 July
2nd Ken Couper & Bruce Bettany

Matamata Open Pairs Matamata Saturday 26 July
1st Michael Curry & Ken Yule
2nd Blair Fisher & Russell Wilson



Gary Foidl and Brett Glass won the National Swiss Pairs held at Tauranga Bridge Club in July

Upcoming Events

COMING UP AT OUR CLUB

Waikato Area Pairs (5)	Sunday 31 August
Waikato/Bays Regional Swiss Pairs	Saturday 6 September
Shirley Waymouth Open Pairs	Saturday 25 October
Waikato/Bays Provincial Teams (Qualifying)	Sunday 26 October
Waikato/Bays Consolation Swiss Pairs	Monday 27 October
Waikato/Bays Provincial Teams Final	Monday 27 October

EVENTS COMING UP IN OUR REGION

Junior and Novice Tournaments:

Cambridge Sixes Junior Swiss Pairs	Cambridge	Saturday 9 August
Tauranga Junior & Novice Pairs	Tauranga	Saturday 30 August
Te Awamutu Junior Pairs	Te Awamutu	Sunday 12 October

Intermediate Tournaments:

Cambridge Sixes Intermed Swiss Pairs	Cambridge	Saturday 9 August
Te Awamutu Intermediate Pairs	Te Awamutu	Saturday 16 August
Tauranga Intermediate Pairs	Tauranga	Saturday 30 August
Matamata Intermediate Pairs	Matamata	Sunday 14 September
Cambridge Intermediate Pairs	Cambridge	Sunday 19 October

Restricted Tournaments:

Thames Restricted Pairs	Thames	Sunday 7 September
Rotorua Restricted Pairs	Rotorua	Saturday 13 September
Mt Maunganui Restricted Pairs	Mt Maunganui	Saturday 20 September
Waitomo Restricted Pairs	Te Kuiti	Thursday 16 October

Open Tournaments:

Cambridge Sixes Open Swiss Pairs	Cambridge	Saturday 9 August
Tauranga Open Pairs	Tauranga	Saturday 27 September
Matamata Open Pairs	Matamata	Saturday 11 October
NZ Wide Pairs	Many Clubs	Friday 17 October
Taupo Open 8B Pairs	Taupo	Saturday 18 October



Thursday Winter Butler Pairs - Wardlaw Trophy

- 1 Pam Burns & Marilyn Webby
- 2 Richard Hooper & Mark Thomson

Van Selm Memorial Pairs

Scratch

- 1 Pam Burns & Barbara Daly
- 2 Catherine Cameron & Helen Rinaldi

Handicap

- 1 Pam Burns & Barbara Daly
- 2 Karen Thomson & Cathy Nolen

Friday Richmond Individual - Eileen Hartstone Trophy

Scratch

- 1 Ian Clayton
- 2 Olive Davis

Handicap

- 1 Mark Beavan
- 2 Olive Davis

Friday O'Neill Individual

Scratch

- 1 Geoff Turner
- 2 Michael Davies

Handicap

- 1 Mary Mackwell
- 2 Michael Davies

Tuesday Day Individual Pairs

Scratch

- 1 Duncan White
- 2 Cynthia Clayton

Handicap

- 1 Duncan White
- 2 Cynthia Clayton

Grace Fuller Championship Pairs

Scratch

- 1 Mary Cave-Palmer & Lou Roughton
- 2 Cate Anderson & Merle Jonson

Handicap

- 1 Cate Anderson & Merle Jonson
- 2 Mary Cave-Palmer & Lou Roughton

Monday Pairs A

Scratch

- 1 Irene Stewart & Helen Rinaldi
- 2 Catherine Cameron & Deb Harwood

Handicap

- 1 Catherine Cameron & Deb Harwood
- 2 Irene Stewart & Helen Rinaldi

Thursday Teams Championship

Intermediate

- 1 Megan Jolly, Leanne Curry, Catherine Cameron, Helen Rinaldi
- 2 Don Macpherson, Irene Stewart, Ian Ross, Lois Jones

Elsie Pohio Trophy

Thursday Teams Championship

Juniors

- 1 Iain Paterson, Larissa Eyre, Mark Beavan, Tim Densem
- 2 Wendy Kelly, Jane Sandelin, Jennifer Humphreys, Nigel Judson

Friday Richmond Pairs A

Scratch

- 1 Cynthia Clayton & Duncan White
- 2 Ian Clayton & Brian Dingwall

Handicap

- 1 Cynthia Clayton & Duncan White
- 2 Ian Clayton & Brian Dingwall

Friday O'Neill Pairs B

Scratch

- 1 Deryl Northcott & Geoff West
- 2 Lesley Kuggeleijn & Geoff Turner

Handicap

- 1 Deryl Northcott & Geoff West
- 2 Ruth Niemiec & Bob Niemiec

Tuesday Henry Handicap Trophy

Scratch

- 1 Duncan White & Jenny Seavill
- 2 Sam Armstrong & Tim Healy

Handicap

- 1 Sam Armstrong & Tim Healy
- 2 Duncan White & Jenny Seavill

Tuesday Alisdair Beck Trophy

Scratch

- 1 Tim Densem & Mark Beavan
- 2 Armand Petrin & Donnalea Whitcher

Handicap

- 1 Armand Petrin & Donnalea Whitcher
- 2 Tim Densem & Mark Beavan

Monday Winter Pairs

Scratch

- 1 Catherine Glyde & Jol Glyde
- 2 Karen Thomson & Barbara Daly

Handicap

- 1 Dave Edson & Richard Loughnan
- 2 Catherine Glyde & Jol Glyde

Thursday David Head Trophy: Individual

Scratch

- 1 Pam Burns
- 2 Ross Stewart

Handicap

- 1 Julie Hooper
- 2 Karen Mackenzie

Friday Richmond Peter Kunac Trophy

Scratch

- 1 Lindsay Reid & Cynthia Clayton
- 2 Tim Healy & Malcolm Smith

Handicap

- 1 Lindsay Reid & Cynthia Clayton
- 2 Tim Healy & Malcolm Smith

Friday O'Neill Winter Pairs

Scratch

- 1 Roger Johnstone & Michael Davies
- 2 Cate Anderson & Merle Jonson

Handicap

- 1 Ruth Niemiec & Bob Niemiec
- 2 Roger Johnstone & Michael Davies

Tuesday Evening Pairs A

Scratch

- 1 Mary Cave-Palmer & Lou Roughton
- 2 Cath O'Connor & Vicky Holloway

Handicap

- 1 Mary Cave-Palmer & Lou Roughton
- 2 Cath O'Connor & Vicky Holloway

Monday Mid-Winter Pairs

Scratch

- 1 Pam Burns & Barbara Daly
- 2 Richard Hooper & Mark Thomson

Handicap

- 1 Paul Stevens & Chris Jones
- 2 Pam Burns & Barbara Daly

Friday Richmond Winter Pairs

Scratch

- 1 Nigel Gresson & Cynthia Clayton
- 2 Mark Thomson & Brian Dingwall

Handicap

- 1 Don Macpherson & Donna Prentice
- 2 Ian Ross & Ross Stewart

Friday O'Neill Winter Pairs

Scratch

- 1 Lesley Kuggeleijn & Geoff Turner
- 2 Margaret Gilbert & Nigel Judson

Handicap

- 1 Glenys Lynn & Rosalind Millar
- 2 Margaret Gilbert & Nigel Judson

Congratulations!



It pays to not only think about what has been bid but also what hasn't and why not!

Tip of the Day:

Tempo of play - start thinking about your bids when you finish counting the hand - if you have 6+ points then you should have a response bid ready to go if partner opens. Too often we think - "AHH no points - it must be the opponent's contract", sit back and relax and are not ready if partner bids.



Remember, bidding and playing with the same tempo or momentum, and bidding without hesitation, are all very important rules in our game. So let's be ready to bid promptly. Also, if you can see you may end up on lead, figure yours out while the auction is ending and, if partner agrees you are on lead, lead promptly.