

Central Coast  
Leagues Club Limited  
**BRIDGE CLUB**



13 December 1987

Fellow Bridge Players,

With 1987 almost at a close, it is difficult to really appreciate that it is less than ten months since the first approach was made to the Management of the Central Coast Leagues Club with a proposal to form a new internal club. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the Leagues Club personnel who have assisted us throughout - particularly Messrs Knock, Riddle and Kelk and Mesdames Phillips, Sprod and McAuliffe. Our Club has grown more quickly than ever predicted and thanks must go to all of you who have supported it. We are now averaging fifteen tables per week! No doubt with continuing support from the Leagues Club it is reasonable to predict that our current membership of one hundred and two will further increase.

Very special thanks go to Patron Zelda, President Colin, Secretary Dorothy and Treasurer Adele for the amount of time and effort that they have put in to the formation and operation of our Club.

Extensions to the Leagues Club buildings have commenced and we are hoping for more suitable playing conditions after completion. In the meantime please note the following dates in your diary:

Monday	11 January	NEW YEARS CUP
	15 February	CLUB TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP
	22 February	
Tuesday	28 January	MATCHPOINT COMPETITION
Friday	25 March	ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING and PRESENTATION DINNER

Please note that there will *be* no play on the following dates - 24 December and 31 December (Thursdays) and 28 December (Monday).

I would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a safe and happy New Year. My final wish is for the continued progress of the game of bridge on the Central Coast with all players giving support to all of the affiliated clubs and special events in the area.

Regards,

Bill Thomson,

Vice-President and Publicity Officer.

COMMITTEE CAPERS.

At our last Committee Meeting (thanks to Marty Houtman for providing the room and the hospitality) the following matters were discussed

- the 1988 Draft Budget was finalised (for presentation to the Sports Council)
- the 1988 Draft Programme was presented for discussion
- a possible Learners/Intermediate set of lessons were approved (probably during the July school holidays)
- Beginners lessons during the evenings will probably occur in March next year

Our Club has had two Committee representatives at every quarterly Internal Sports Club meeting at which a short report is given about each club's activities and information and advice is received from the Chairman. WT.

#### WINNERS CIRCLE

Analysis of all of the winners names shows FORTY players have earned a \$1 playing voucher on at least one occasion. Congratulations to all. Here are some of the more recent winners:

MONDAY		THURSDAY
30/11 Z Overhall & G Winder	3/12	J Periera & R Heffernan
M Houtman & J Williams		H Kasius & T Owen
23/11 A Mills & P Berzins	26/11	E Edwards & C McKellar (current MEDAL holders)
16/11 P Roche & W Thomson	19/11	T McVey & M Jameson
9/11 A Mills & P Berzins	12/11	J Brien & M Dixon
2/11 J Hopkinson & R Harvey	5/11	A Mills & Z Overhall
26/10 C Mitchell & J Hopkinson	29/10	R Scowen & J Holcroft
		T Chan & Z Overhall
		M & J De Ferranti
		A Mills & Z Overhall
19/10 P Roche & W Thomson	22/10	H Kasius & T Owen
12/10 C & J Mitchell	15/10	A Harvey & J Holcroft
5/10 A Mills & P Berzins	8/10	V Wright & A Mills
		H Kasius & T Owen
		J Holcroft & R Scowen
		L Barret & L Carr

#### SUMMER PAIRS.

This event attracted a record entry of fourteen tables. The hands were pre-dealt and hand records were available at the end of the event. This will be the case for all future events of this type on Thursdays and should give all of our members a chance to improve their bridge by having an informed discussion with their partners (and opponents!) after the event. The winners were Joan Holcroft and Alice Alexander (on percentage) with Tonie McVey and Monica Jameson winning N-S.

#### STATE MIXED PAIRS.

A qualifying event was run on Mondays 9 & 16 November at the club and this was won in convincing style by Phil Roche & Bill Thomson. They represented the club at the Finals at the NSWBA last weekend where I understand their style was not quite so convincing! However they came a respectable ninth in the Plate. CM.

#### PRESIDENTS PARAGRAPHS.

One of the dates to remember is the AGM and Presentation Dinner on Friday 25 March 1988. The probable format of the evening will be the AGM starting at 6.30 pm followed by the dinner (free to Club Members) and presentation of prizes to Competition winners during the preceding year. Non bridge-playing spouses/partners will be very welcome but unfortunately will have to be paid for (we are not yet sure of the cost but it will not be massive!). Some of the drinks will be free and we are considering the possibility of having a guest speaker (from the Bridge world) provided that we can find someone with a sense of humour and a fund of stories. So put the date in your diary now. CM.