



## Central Coast Leagues Club Limited

### BRIDGE CLUB

31 January 1990

#### EDITORIAL

At the end of March we will be holding our Annual General Meeting. This may appear to be a long way in the future, but in fact our members should now be thinking about who they wish to run their club for them in the year that lies ahead. We obviously need a new Treasurer and probably one or two other committee members. Now is the time for members to volunteer their services - no club can be run without a general committee and it is preferable that they be members who want to do the job and haven't been coerced into the position. CM.

#### DISTRICT MATCHPOINT MEDAL 1989.

After the final round of this competition the final positions are :

	Medal Wins	Points
T & G Chan	2	12
H Kasius & T Owen	2	11x
W Thomson & J Bording	1	8
J Holcroft & A Alexander	1	4
J Rushbrook & J Hoplinson	1	3
M Sellick & E Gilchrist	1	3
S Mills & J Broad	1	3

Congratulations to Therese and Guy. The first round of this years competition is on 25 January.

#### DIRECTORS CORNER.

A note about scoring. Our Directors are voluntary; some of them are relatively inexperienced; they all do it for at least one reason - they wish to help in the running of their club. They are also all (I think!) human and therefore are liable to make errors. Errors made when giving rulings at the table are dealt with by the Appeals procedures laid down in our Tournament Regulations. Errors made when scoring are a little more difficult to deal with - it can be difficult to ensure that the scoring is checked by another Director during the week before the next session. Our Directors therefore place the score on the notice board and the travelling score sheets are placed on a table close to the notice board. They may be checked by interested members and if any errors are found they should be brought to the attention of the Director (either the original Director or, if not present, the Director of the current session). If no errors are brought to the attention of the Director then the results become official half an hour after the end of the session.

#### BRIDGE LESSONS.

Two series of lessons for beginners commence in February. Both start on Thursday 15 February with the daytime course starting at 9.30 am being given by Zelda Overhall (phone 677241) and the evening course starting at 7.30 pm being given by Colin Mitchell (phone 243143). If you have any friends who you think would benefit by learning to play then tell them about the lessons and get them to ring either of the teachers to book for the course.



#### MULTI TWO OPENING BIDS.

These bids have enjoyed a surge in popularity locally since Greg Quittner devoted some time to them in his course of lessons at Brisbane Water Bridge Club last year. Needless to say you only ever hear about successes obtained by players - they never seem to tell people about the failures! I am no different from others in this regard - some Mondays ago I picked up the following hand T,A953,T95432,K5 and the bidding proceeded as follows :

LHO	PARTNER	RHO	ME	*	Less than eleven points, two suited with
P	2NT*	3S	P		at least five cards in each suit
4S	P	P	5D**	**	As the opposition have spades partner must
X	5HX**	X	/		have at least one of the red suits
				***	Correcting to the longest suit

In fact, my partner held 83,KQ874,J,A8632 and only lost one spade and one diamond to score an outright top on the board. This does illustrate the necessity of giving your partner as early as possible in the bidding some idea of the shape of your hand.  
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#### FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

##### Newcastle Charity Congress.

Sunday 11 February. Newcastle Bridge Club are holding a one day Swiss Teams (seven matches) at their clubrooms at Broadmeadow. All profits will be donated to the Mayors Earthquake Appeal Fund. The entry fee is forty dollars per team and further details may be obtained by ringing Ian Walker at 049-873211. There will be no entry forms as the club are minimising their costs in order to give as much as possible to the appeal. An added attraction (for some) is that Newcastle Bridge Club is a non-smoking venue!

##### Great Lakes Congress (Forster).

Saturday/Sunday 17/18 February. Another Congress where smoking is not allowed (not at the table anyway). Programs available at our club or by ringing Kath McCulloch at 065-547130.

##### Grand National Teams 1990.

This Australia-wide tournament is being organised on a regional knockout basis. Our club is in the region bounded by the Hawkesbury River in the south, Springwood in the west and Muswellbrook in the north. There is no entry fee but table money of \$4 per person per match. The winner of our region will play in the national final in Sydney from 9-12 November (possibly with subsidised travel). Entry forms are available at the club and further details may be obtained from John Brockwell (the national convenor) at 062-585647.

#### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

The date of our AGM and Dinner has been changed to Thursday 29 March.