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"BRIDGE CLUB"

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- NEWSLETTER -

1st August 1993

Dear Members,

(1) Our club membership now stands at 283 and all playing sessions are well attended and growing.

(2) An important innovation has been the introduction, on a trial basis, of a stand-by player system. This means that a player can turn up, without an arranged partner, and be assured of a game. As from the week commencing 9th August 1993, a standby player will be available for all 'normal' sessions. STANDBY PLAYERS WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE ON 'SPECIAL EVENT' SESSIONS ... i.e. those designated (R) and (C) in the program. Many thanks to the current stand-by players ... Bill Pinfold, Joan Rubie, Zelda Overhall, Graham Winder and Bill Thomson. No doubt our stand-by list will increase.

(3) The outstanding contribution of the session directors who give so much time and effort, on a voluntary basis, is much appreciated. It is my hope that the club may have sufficient funds to present each of them, on a pro-rata system based on the number of sessions each managed, with an appreciation gift at the end of the year.

(4) In order to improve the operation and efficiency of special club events, it will be required, from 1st October 1993, that intending participants must make PRE-ENTRY NOMINATION TO ALL MULTI-SESSION EVENTS and PAYMENT OF ALL TABLE FEES FOR ALL SESSIONS MUST BE MADE BY THE START OF THE FIRST SESSION. Those intending players who do not make pre-entry nomination, and then turn up, should not be surprised to find that they are not eligible to play. Therefore, please continue to read both the club program booklet and the club noticeboard.

(5) If you have some ideas you would like your Committee to consider or you wish to communicate some viewpoints on the functioning of the club, your elected Committee persons are Joan Rubie, Peter Berzins, Graham McLeod, Colin Mitchell, Bill Thomson and myself.

Regards,

Graham Winder (President)

** Don't forget to read the Leagues Club's Internal Club Newsletter.

***Director's Corner ... You have briefly scanned your opponent's system card and you are to make the opening lead against them. If you decide, before making the lead, to ask further questions of either opponent, you must be very careful not to give unauthorised information to your partner during the conversation. Such an occurrence, if detected by the opposition, may result in a heavy penalty as a result of the Director's decision. Silent bidding means just that but any player is fully entitled to understand the opposition system ... just be very careful what you ask and how you ask it. B.T.

****Congrats. to Kim Hopkinson, member of the winning N.S.W. Junior Team at the National Winter Bridge Championships in Canberra. B.T.