

Central Coast Leagues Club Bridge Club



NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 2007

Welcome to the October 2007 edition of the Central Coast Leagues Club Bridge Club Newsletter.

BRIDGEMATE

After considering both club members and operators' needs, our committee has decided not to purchase Bridgemate because there are too many strikes against the use of the programme. Parts of the programme technology and design of the table units need to be improved before we could consider such a large expenditure.

Some of our members are unhappy with the size of the screen that show the results on the individual table unit. (it is rather small and needs to be enlarged). The "setting up" of the programme for each session can be time consuming, especially when we need to take our equipment to different rooms within the Leagues Club. Comprehensive training also needs to be given to operate the programme.

We hope advances will come about with the Bridgemate programme and we will consider it again in the future.

AUSTRALIA WIDE PAIRS - Friday, 26 October 2007

This event will be held at our normal Friday session and normal table fees will apply, the bridge club will also subsidise the event. A booklet of comments on the hands played will be available after the completion of play. This is a very interesting competition, which we hope members will enjoy, as we would like to add it as a regular event each year. Please add your pair names to the entry sheet on the notice board.

MELBOURNE CUP DAY-Tuesday, 6 Nov 2007(Parkview Room)

The popular Melbourne Cup bridge day is fully booked however there is a waiting list available (see noticeboard). The entry fee needs to be paid as soon as possible. Sweeps of \$1, \$2 and \$5 will be available from 10.00am. Please have small change available as it is sometimes difficult to change a large note on the day.

The bridge session will commence at 10.30am and lunch will be at 1.45pm. We will have prizes for best dressed, best hat, novelty hat/glasses or outfit of the day. There will also be spot prizes during the bridge session.

CALL DI MARCH ON 43810552

The club endeavours to have standbys for each session, except red point events. However this is not meant to be a regular partnership.

Di March has kindly volunteered to run a partnership search service. If you are seeking a partner please do not hesitate to call Di to arrange a compatible partner.

Di is also seeking experienced players who are willing to play with "newbies". We hope this will encourage them to play in our regular sessions. Please add your name to the list on the noticeboard if you would like to help. **NEW PLAYERS DON'T BE SHY TO CONTACT DI....as she will organise a game for you.**

RECENT PROMOTIONS

Congratulations to Sue Eastman who is now a State Master.

DIRECTOR'S CORNER

Be a good sport. We play bridge because we love it ... Help make the game fun for everyone.. Observe the simple proprieties and make bridge fair and enjoyable.

Make beginners welcome. New players are the future of the game we love. Make a special effort to explain calls fully to less experienced players Remember they may not know the methods and conventions you use.

When claiming, state your line clearly and explain if required. Less experienced players may not see it as quickly as you.

If opponents don't yet know the bridge code of behaviour.... explain... politely! Even better - refer them to this code. Law 74 explains the Conduct and Etiquette of Bridge.

Please call a Director when needed. Directors **adjudicate and help** players. It is not a penalty for call for a Director.

The above has be largely taken from an article from the NSW Bridge Association.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Australia Wide Pairs	Friday, 26 October 2007
Melbourne Cup Day	Tuesday, 6 November 2007
Foundation Pairs (R)	Saturday, 10 November 2007
President's Cup	Monday, 19 November 2007
Summer Pairs (R)	Tuesday, 27 November 2007

RESULTS OF RECENT EVENTS

Monthly Shield

N Joss and L Pears	134
N Berber and B Pinfold	93
P Lumby and Y Redwin	92

RESULTS OF RECENT EVENTS (cont.)

Zelda Overhall Cup

1. Y Redwin and A Nation
2. D Coates and L Harkness
3. K Ody and N Joss

TROPHY WINNERS: J Slight and J Kukara

SPECIAL PRIZE: B Boddington and J Boddington

Spring Pairs

1. C Holmes and D Veel
2. R Ivers and M Penfold
3. J Lehane and J Lehane

Intra – Club Teams

1. N Joss, L Harkness, T Dixon, H Gulliver
2. L Jespersen, J Hilton, L Pears, C Judd
3. B Grant, L Koolen, P Joseph, S McCall

A note from the editor.....

This has been my very first newsletter EVER!! Anyone who knows me, also knows that I love to use my computer, but I can be technologically challenged at times.

I would like to thank Bill Pinfold who set up my computer and who is the most patient man I know. I also need to thank my grandson Michael and to my erstwhile partners and friends. Camilla Barlow answers my endless computer questions and Leyla Moncelet who has helped with the contents of the newsletter. Thank you both.

This is the club members' newsletter so please feel free to make a contribution or suggestion. Any bridge hand or bridge story would be most welcome, please email your story to mkwhigham@iprimus.com.au or call 4341 1105 or tell me next time you are at the club. *Marilyn Whigham 2007*