BEGINNER LESSONS 2008

John Lehane will be conducting lessons for beginners in 2008. The course will comprise of 8 weekly lessons beginning on Friday 7 March 2008 The cost will be \$60.00. Supervised bridge will be conducted after the completion of this course.

CENTRAL COAST GNOT REGIONAL FINAL REPORT.

The GNOT Regional Final was won by the Molloy Team, Carolyn Molloy, Virginia Dressler, Noel Crockett and Shirley Crockett. The real battle was **which team would come second.** With one match to go the positions were:

Molloy	102 VP's	Bowles	70
Duxbury	86	Ball	68
Dougall	85	Mitchell	66
Clarke	85	Koolen	65
Berzins	78	Free	60
Morris	75	Dixon	55

The draw for the last match was:

Molloy v Morris	Berzins v Bowles
Dougall v Duxbury	Mitchell v Koolen
Clarke v Ball	Free v Dixon

The possibilities were intriguing. Assuming that the Molloy team did no worse than a 20-10 loss they would remain in 1st position a 25-0 loss and they could be overtaken by any of the teams in 2nd to 5th position with a maximum win. If the Duxbury/ Dougall match was a 15 all draw both of these teams could be overtaken by Clarke or Berzins with a maximum win. The first part of the script was followed—the Dougall/ Duxbury match did end in a 15 all draw, but the Molloy team won 18-12, but neither Clarke or Berzins could manage a big win. The Duxbury team, Stuart Duxbury, Kaylee Lemon, Peter and Kerrie Johnman maintained their 2nd position by 1 VP from the Dougall team, Kevin and Angela Dougall, Josie Ryan, Irma Heyting. The Molloy and Duxbury team will represent the Central Coast in the National Final at Banora Point on 30 November 2007.

Colin Mitchell

GNOT Convenor

A note from the editor.....

Thank you very much for the marvellous feedback I received about the newsletter, it has "gone to my head." I am enjoying writing the newsletter, please feel free to make a contribution or suggestion. Any bridge hand or bridge story would be most welcome. Please email mkwhigham@iprimus.com.au, call 43 41 11 05, or tell me at the club. Marilyn Whigham November 2007

Central Coast Leagues Club Bridge Club



NEWSLETTER

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

MELBOURNE CUP DAY 6 November 2007...

What a great day, we had three sections of nine tables and not a machine dealt board in sight!! However if the boards in my section (pink) were anything to go by they were certainly not dull hands. Very interesting as a matter of fact, distribution and point wise. Just goes to show what a good shuffle can do!! That is just what the machine dealt hand is... not set... but well shuffled. The only tricks in the hand are the ones you can either win or take from your opponents.

The fashion set was up a notch also, everyone "scrubbed up well". The best dressed were Hillary Owen (with a sensational hat she designed and made herself) and Colin Mitchell with a lovely red bowtie to complete his attire, The best hat prize went to" pretty in pink" Pam Beeton and the best novelty hat prize was won by Elka Henler. wearing a silver dazzler jockey cap The prize for novelty glasses was won by Marilyn Whigham

. The judging was done by L Koolen, Bob Mavin and Neville Sadler who were the winners for the membership of the judging panel. Nice job guys!!

Thanks must go to the social committee, the "sweep bookies", director, anyone who helped, and of course the participants on the day, who made the day very enjoyable. Thanks must also go to the Leagues Club for the lovely meal. The winners of the five dollar vouchers enjoy your coffee and cake!

AUSTRALIA WIDE PAIRS.

This event was held on Friday 26 October and proved to be popular. The booklet that accompanied this event proved to be both informative and "entertaining," showing what you could have or should have done. This event will be included in next year's programme.

Another event that is coming up next year will be the **Grand National Pairs**, which will give players the opportunity to win gold points. Stay tuned for further information.

Don't be shy to contact Di March on 43810552...as she voluntarily runs our Partnership Search Service. Don't hesitate to call Di and she will endeavour to find a compatible partner for you. The club provides a standby for each session, except red point events. However this is not meant to be a regular partnership.

Take a moment to ponder these Imponderables.......

- Why are a wise man and a wise guy opposites?
- 2 If a pig loses its voice, is it disgruntled?
- 3 Why is the person who invests all your money called a broker?

RECENT PROMOTIONS.

Congratulations to Patricia Tahmindjis—**Local, Master Jan Wheeler *Regional Master, Heather Milne **National Master, Dorothy Berzins Gold life Master, Beverley Winship Local Master.

RESULTS OF RECENT EVENTS

Monthly Shield

This event is run over 10 sessions and the scores are taken from a pair's best 6 scores The winners for 2007 are:

1	Nancye Joss and Lyn Pears	134	
2	Yvonne Redwin and Pam Lumby	110	
3	Angela and Kevin Dougall	104	
4	Norm Berger and Bill Pinfold	95	
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FOUNDATION PAIRS

- Toni Dixon and Helen Gulliver
- 2 Elka Henler and Felicity Osborne-Firth
- Wendy Mitchell and Colin Mitchell

Congratulations to these players.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Summer Pairs Tuesday 27 November 2007

Christmas Day Pairs Thursday 6 December 2007

DIRECTOR'S CORNER

Tell opponents about your system... The only secret in bridge is what cards you hold. Your opponents are entitled to know as much about your system and style as your partner does, tell them what they need to know.

Provide two fully completed system cards. This is especially important for red point events.

Make an effort through alerts and explanations to tell your opponents what they need to know about your system. Correct misexplanations as soon as you can....If partner accidentally misinforms the opponents, you can 't give an explanation during the bidding because you must not tell partner the correct explanation.

- IF YOU SIDE BECOMES DECLARER... you must give the correct explanation before the opponents make their opening lead.
- IF YOUR SIDE ENDS UP DEFENDING...apologise and give the correct explanation at the end of the hand. Call the director if opponents may have been damaged.

Be a good sport. We play bridge because we love it. Observe the simple proprieties and make bridge fair and enjoyable. Please call a director when needed. Director adjudicate and help players. It is not a penalty to call for a director.

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

The director will be endeavouring to supply machine dealt boards for each session. If something that is unforeseeable occurs this may not be possible, but directors will do their best.

You can see your results on the net and more than likely with a record of the boards played if you forget to pick up a copy at the completion of play. Our site is proving to be popular amongst our members. One member even goes home and rings her son to look up the results for her, so you do not necessarily have to own a computer to look up your results!! Remember cclcbridgeclub.asn.au

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