

**Central Coast
Leagues Club
Bridge Club**



NEWSLETTER

June 2008

**Welcome to the June edition of the Central Coast Leagues Club
Bridge Club Newsletter**

Our Charity Day was a very successful and enjoyable day, and the final amount raised for the Pandora charity is \$1828.75. The committee has decided to take this amount up to an even \$2000. This is a wonderful result and thanks must go to everyone who donated, bought and worked for this charity day.

Our club's next round of GNOTS will be held on Monday evenings June 16,23,30. The sessions will begin at 7.15pm. If you wish to enter a team please do so by placing your team name on the entry form on the club notice board or contact Colin Mitchell. The closing date for entries is Friday 13 June 2008 .

The beginner's lessons are now completed and **supervised bridge sessions are now being held on Tuesday mornings 9.30am.** This would also be a golden opportunity for anyone who would like to "brush up" on their knowledge of bridge, before returning to regular club bridge sessions.

Nancye Joss will be continuing her lessons for intermediate bridge players. These lessons will be held in the Drake Room beginning at 9.45 am at a cost of \$10 per lesson. Friday 13 will be on Card play— and Friday 20 will be about Transfers after No Trump bids. Please place your name on the lesson list on the notice board or call Nancye on 43 69 33 71.

*****STOP* PRESS** Thursday bridge sessions will now start at 12.30pm, beginning on Thursday 12 June, 2008**

Congratulations to the following members who are the winners of recent club events:

GNOTS Teams qualifiers

- 1 Stephens
- 2 Berger
- 3 Bowles
- 4 Dougall
- 5 Clarke

Country Teams qualifiers

- 1 Jensen
- 2 Mills
- 3 J Mitchell
- 4 Whigham

Club Swiss Pairs

- 1 P Bowles & M Purkiss
- 2 A Mills & L Jespersen
- 3 H Gulliver & T Dixon

Anzac Day Pairs

E Lawrence & M Purkiss

Bridge for Brains

T & D Collis

Autumn Pairs

W & C Mitchell

Australia Wide Autumn Pairs

N/S D Berzins & I Heyting
E/W Y Redwin & C Judd

Charity Day Pairs

N/S B Moran & M Purkiss
E/W D & M Holmes

Monthly Shield Leaders as at 2 June 2008

- 1 C Barlow & D Bowerman 2 N Asquith & T Jensen

IMPONDERABLES

Why are they called stairs inside, but steps outside ?

Ever wonder about those people who spend \$2 on a little bottle of Evian water? Try spelling Evian backwards.....NAIVE

DID YOU HEAR ABOUT

Two Eskimos sitting in a kayak who were chilly. They lit a fire in the craft and it sank. This proved once and for all that you can't have your kayak and heat it too.

A HAND FROM THE ANZAC DAY PAIRS.

Board 11/Dlr S/ Nil vul

Sitting South as usual with my favourite partner I held the following hand:

♠ JT
♥ A652
♦ AKQ3
♣ AQ3

The bidding was

<u>S</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>E</u>	
2♦ *	2♠	P	P	* weak two in a major or 20-21 HCP balanced
X **	P	2NT	P	** showing a balanced 20-21 HCP
3NT^ //				^ wouldn't you?

The opening lead was the ♠8 duly taken by West with the ace, followed by the king, and then a switch to the ♥ king. Partner took the ♥ace on table, played the diamonds from the top, taking the fourth diamond in hand with the jack followed by the ten. She then played the established ♠ queen and took the successful club finesse to make nine tricks and a third top (two other players somehow made ten tricks). Easy-peasy one might say, even if it was a bit nerve tingling when taking the club finesse. The full hand is shown below and according to Deep Finesse it is only possible to make eight tricks in no-trump. How? West must return a heart at trick two – not too easy. Should the opening lead from a perceptive East have been the heart three?

<p style="text-align: center;">♠ Q72 ♥ 84 ♦ JT742 ♣ J82</p>		<p style="text-align: center;">♠ 8 ♥ QT93 ♦ 9865 ♣ KT65</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">♠ AK96543 ♥ KJ7 ♦ ♣ 974</p>		<p style="text-align: center;">A652 ♦ AKQ3 ♣ AQ3</p>

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DON'T BE SHYring Di March on 43810552 for a compatible partner. We have standbys (except red point and Monday night sessions). The latter is not meant to be a regular partnership.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS FOR JUNE

Monday 9 June Queen's Birthday Pairs
Monday 16, 23, 30 GNOTS
(evenings)
Friday 27 Henry Kendall Pairs

FORTHCOMING EVENTS FOR JULY

Saturday 5, 12 Club Teams
Monday 7 Monthly Shield
Wednesday 9,16, 2 Grand National Pairs (**under Life Master**)
Monday 28 Winter Pairs

The Grand National Pairs is a great opportunity to earn GOLD POINTS. Entry fee will be \$8 per session. Closing date for entries is Friday 4 July. A second round of selection sessions will be held Fridays 1, 8, 15 August

DON'T FORGET>>> Intra Club Teams at the Central Coast Bridge Club on Thursday July 17.

Swiping can be fun and a good thing!!! Thank you for swiping your membership cards when entering the Leagues Club.

The following self-alerting call has been added to the ABF Alerting Regulations effective from 1 June 2008

"Any two club response to a one no trump opening bid in an uncontested auction".

i.e. Stayman, Extended Stayman, Five card major enquiry Lavings, natural response to one no trump, or any other two club response to one no trump **must not** be alerted. Any conventional response to two clubs or any further conventional bids **must be** alerted.

Also, PLEASE remember to shuffle your cards before returning them to the bridge board at the completion of play. This is now compulsory.

Happy Bridging Marilyn Whigham Editor