

**Welcome to the  
Central Coast  
Leagues Club  
Bridge Club**



**NEWSLETTER**

**APRIL 2023**

**P**RESENTATION  
DAY  
Thursday March 16

Twelve tables of players played 27 boards in a Mitchell movement, directed by Ronnie Ng. Congratulations to the winners - see Page 2.

Anne Grayden and Marion Ellis judged the 'best dressed' in the white & gold theme. Winners were husband and wife – Peter and Alison Mackey.

Presentations of 2022 trophies and prizes were made by Leagues Club Board Deputy Chairman, Ed Johnson, President Louis Koolen and Tournament Organiser Julie Sadler. Ed Johnson joined us for a very enjoyable sit down meal.

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**EASTER RAFFLE**

This was drawn on April 5 at the end of the session. Congratulations to the winners:

1. Steve Garnsey
2. Anne Grayden
3. Henk Keulemans
4. Tanya Masters

A big thankyou to all for your generosity – raising \$1,000 to donate to local charity, *Coast Shelter*.

**RELOCATION NEWS**

Friday March 31:

Meeting with LC CEO, Ed Camilleri, Gaming Manager, Rebecca Clayton and Food and Beverage Manager, Andrew Robinson clarified and confirmed the need to move bridge club items. This was relayed by President Louis to members at the beginning of the session.

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## RECENT RESULTS

### PAULINE EVANS TROPHY (R) 6 tables Mon Mar 6

1st	John Aldersley & Beryl Lowry	65.11%
2nd	Joe Griffin & Tony Manea	59.04%
3rd	Galina Cameron & Ruth Griffin	55.26%

### PRESENTATION DAY PAIRS (R) 12 tables Thu Mar 16

#### *North-South*

1st	Henrietta Hohnen & Elizabeth Lawrence	60.44%
2nd	Jaan Oitmaa & Sylvia Foster	58.25%
3rd	Alan Bustany & Chris Williams	56.23%

#### *East-West*

1st	Gary Barwick & Helen Milward	63.80%
2nd	Dorothy Berzins & Adele Mills	56.73%
3rd	Anne Grayden & Julie Sadler	55.89%

### COUNTRY TEAMS (R) 11 teams Wed Mar 22, 29

Because of the odd number of teams, Director Louis Koolen used an American Whist movement where 6xboard matches were played against each team – 3 boards the first week and 3 the next.

		W	D	L	VPs
1st	Di Coats & Jan Clarke, Sally Clarke & Chris Williams	10	0	0	160.49
2nd	Dorothy Berzins & Adele Mills, Henrietta Hohnen & Wendy Mitchell	7	1	2	142.99
3rd	Barry Foster & Lorraine Lindsay, Jaan Oitmaa & Sylvia Foster	7	0	3	140.20
4th	Anne Grayden & Julie Sadler, Trish Dennis & George Connell	5	1	4	103.19
5th	Brian Warburton & Barbara Grant, Ruth Griffin & Agnes Marsh	6	0	4	103.00

The first two teams have accepted the invitation to proceed to the Regional Final at the club's expense. The 3rd team was non-contending. The next 2 teams are also eligible to progress to the Regional final and the Committee has decided to subsidise their entries if they wish to play.

<b>MONTHLY SHIELD (3)</b>	<b>(E)</b>	<b>9 tables</b>	<b>Wed Apr 5</b>
1st	Pauline Caust & Margaret Regan		65.54%
2nd	Sally Clarke & Jan Clarke		61.83%
3rd	Henrietta Hohnen & Wendy Mitchell		59.69%

Of the 11 pairs that have played all 3 sessions the leaders are: Dorothy Berzins & Di Coats (92), Ian & Galina Cameron (72), Henrietta Hohnen & Wendy Mitchell (72), Brian Warburton & Barbara Grant (62), Mei-Hua Crawford & Marion Ellis (52).

Five pairs have played 2 sessions, led by Anne Grayden & Julie Sadler (66).

A further 11 pair combinations have played 1 session.

The best 6 scores with the same partner count for the Monthly Shield.

### **MARCH MADNESS**

### **March Fridays**

There was great participation in this event – a record number since special monthly eclectics were introduced in 2013 - with 8, 8, 9, 9.5 and 8.5 tables over the month.

There were 22 pairs who played the minimum of 2 out of 5 sessions, with the best 2 counting. 11 of these pairs earned a total of 4.60 Masterpoints in Outright Awards (in addition to points earned in individual sessions.)

The leaders were:

1st	Anne Grayden & Julie Sadler	67.12%
2nd	Louis Koolen & Barbara Grant	64.62%
3rd	Dorothy Berzins & Diana Coats	60.89%

### **CONGRESSES Best Local Players**

#### **Central Coast BC Super Congress**

**March 18 & 19**

*Swiss Pairs:* Best CCLCBC players were Pauline Caust and Alan Bustany - 6th, Larry Bryant & Chris Williams - 9th and Jan Clarke & Di Coats - 10th, out of 20 pairs in the Open. There were 32 pairs in the Restricted/Novice division.

*Swiss Teams*: Best CCLCBC were Jan Clarke & Di Coats, Sharon & Greg Mayo – 8th and Pauline Caust & Alan Bustany, Larry Bryant & Chris Williams – 14th, out of 28 teams.

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Saturday April 1: 11 members responded to the call for help and the huge job of emptying the ‘office’ and sorting items into long-term storage, short-term storage and everyday use was accomplished via great team work. With the help of Peter Hall and his trailer, the Griffin garage now contains all the items that did not fit in the above categories!

Monday April 3: Leon and Ruth removed remaining items from the Don-nison St room. The committee was offered, and accepted after viewing, the use of the old Yume Teppanyaki Restaurant Area for the duration of Leagues Club redevelopment.

Tuesday April 4: Secretary Anne informed you of this development and noted that the space is not available immediately.

#### Until the Move:

- Monday sessions will start at 1.30pm, at least for now
- 2 trolleys are set up with boards and computer for the use of the Director
- 1 trolley holds all items that members may need to access
- Personal bidding boxes and system cards can no longer be left in the bridge area
- You will be advised when it will be necessary to stack stools and chairs and to fold tables
- To compensate members for the expected disruption and noise, all face-to-face games will be free until the move occurs (except for Red point sessions)

#### **NEW ABF RANKINGS – March**

Congratulations to:

*Club*

Trish Howard

*Graduate*

Eva Hartzell

**LOOKING FOR A PARTNER ?**

Contact Ruth Griffin: 0407 854 060

## COMING EVENTS: *Brisbane Water Bridge Club*

Please consider participating in these events. We are keen to promote contact between clubs and it is always enjoyable and interesting to play other people at other places!

Friday 21/4: Mixed Pairs Championship and State Qualifier

*So that you can play in this event we have moved our Teams of 3 to Monday 24/4.*

Friday 12/5: GNOT qualifier

Monday 5/6: InterClub Teams

## BRIDGE EDUCATION

1. Eunice's Beginners group are consolidating their knowledge before starting supervised play.
2. Improvers Course: Wednesday Evenings, **6.15pm**.  
Each session starts with review of homework exercises. Anyone who wants refresh their understanding of any of the remaining sessions is welcome to join in.

April 12	4.	Interposing Review; Third Hand Play
April 19	5.	NT Bids and Declarer Play; Jacoby Transfers
April 26	6.	Stayman Convention; Finesses
May 10	7.	Preempts & Defence; Second Hand Play; Ogust
May 17	8.	Review and Practice of Conventions

**\$10 per session OR \$5 per session for repeating players.**

**Followed by SUPERVISED PLAY: 6 weeks @ \$5 per session**

### 3. Intermediate Workshops:

The three Monday morning workshops attracted from 8 and 11 players each week. I propose to conduct the next 3 workshops on Friday mornings, May 12, 19 and 26 but the dates have yet to be confirmed with the Leagues Club. The topics are all on Communication and Card Play in Defence:

1. Count, McKenney discards
2. Second hand play
3. Third hand play

*Wendy M*

## HUNTER CENTRAL COAST ZONE

Previously known as Outer Metropolitan Zone, this consists of 2 regions and 20 clubs.

Zone Councillor, John McIlrath, chaired a meeting on Saturday March 18 of the 4 clubs in our Region: Brisbane Water Bridge club, Community Bridge Club, Central Coast Bridge Club and Central Coast Leagues Club Bridge Club. 2 or 3 representatives of each club were present as well as Regional Representative, Ronnie Ng.

Clubs were asked what help they needed as well as what they could contribute. There was a detailed agenda and wide-ranging discussion. One of the outcomes is a new website:

<https://huntercentralcoastbridgezone.com/>

Here you can find information about clubs, events including RealBridge games, news, results and other information. You will be able to access this site via a link on our Home Page.

HunterBridge conducts a RealBridge session on a Wednesday evening – we are invited to participate. At our recent Committee Meeting it was agreed that players from these other clubs can participate in our RealBridge games for \$5 each.



## From Page 1 .... PRESENTATION DAY SCENES





The players, the trophies, the white/gold decorations & the food.



Below Left:  
Julianne Perceval receives a President's prize for the most sessions played in 2022.





Club Pairs & Club Swiss Pairs  
Champions:

Dorothy Berzins & Adele Mills  
with Ed Johnson and Louis  
Koolen

Marion Ellis & Mei-Hua Crawford - Graded Pairs B, Larry Bryant & Chris Williams - Graded Pairs A, Barry Foster (Hope Tomlinson) - Club Mixed Pairs



Teams of Three:

Leon Babinski, Jan Clarke  
(captain), Mei-Hua Crawford,  
Marion Ellis)

Club Teams Champions:

Helen Milward, Sally Clarke,  
(Gary Clarke), Gary Barwick







Summer Pairs - Wendy Mitchell & Dorothy Berzins;  
 Winter Pairs - Gwen White & Dorothy Berzins;  
 Spring Pairs - Eunice de Vries & David Bowerman;  
 Autumn Pairs - Julie Sadler & Anne Grayden.

New Years Cup - Anne Grayden & Julie Sadler (left) and Jan Clarke & Chris Williams (right).

Centre: Dorothy Berzins & Di Coats - Foundation Cup, President's Cup, Gosford Pairs.



Right: Jan Clarke presents Pauline Evans Novice Trophy to June Clarkson



Above Centre:  
 Barry Foster (Hope Tomlinson) - Anniversary Pairs  
 Leon Babinski, Brian Warburton - Zelda Overhall Cup  
 Julieanne Perceval, Margo Burnet - Zelda Overhall Special Prize

Christmas Pairs:  
Larry Bryant & Chris Williams

Easter Pairs:  
Di Coats & Dorothy Berzins

Valentine's Day Prs:  
Dorothy & Adele Mills

Presentation Day Pairs:  
Sylvia Foster & Jaan Oitmaa,  
Jan Clarke & Chris Williams

Remembrance Day Pairs: Martin Johnson (Hope Tomlinson)

Henry Kendall Pairs: Jan Clarke & Di Coats



Charity Day Pairs N/S:  
Julie Sadler (2nd left) &  
Anne Grayden (far right)

Charity Day Pairs E/W:  
Di Coats & Dorothy Berzins

Australia Day Pairs:  
Wendy Mitchell (left) &  
Eunice de Vries (centre)

Anzac Day Pairs: Mei-Hua  
Crawford (Leonie Wain)

Monthly Shield:  
Dorothy Berzins & Di Coats

Presented by Julie Sadler





Best dressed Gold/White:

Alison Mackey (left) and Peter Mackey (above)

with glamorous judge, Marion Ellis

## **HAPPY BIRTHDAY for April:**

Christine Ashe, Lyn Baber, Steve Calcroft, Kerry Garnsey, Kevin Hughes, Lorraine Lindsay, Hope Tomlinson, Suzanne Whelan.

## **NEW MEMBERS**

Please welcome the following and add their numbers to your Program Book: Lynne Leggett (0447 240 610); Gillian Sadler (0432 044 905).

## **COMING EVENTS**

### **APRIL**

#### ***RealBridge***

Tuesdays	12.30pm	Mar 11, 18, 25
Thursdays	12.30pm	Mar 13, 20, 27

#### ***Face-to-Face***

Monday	<b>1.30pm</b>	Mar 10, 17, 24
Monday Evenings	7.15pm	Mar 10, 17, 24
Wednesdays	1.30pm	Mar 12, 19, 26
Fridays	12.30pm	Mar 14, 21, 28

### **APRIL**

#### ***Special Events***

Easter Pairs	R	Wednesday 12
Teams of 3	P	Monday 24
Club Trophy: Total MP per team <600, per player <300		
Anzac Day Pairs	R (RealBridge)	Tuesday 25

### **MAY**

#### ***Special Events***

Autumn Pairs	R	Monday Eve May 1
Monthly Shield 4	E	Wednesday May 3
President's Cup	R	Wednesday May 10
Zelda Overall Cup	R	Monday May 15
(Best Bronze Regional & below; Special Prize Best Silver Local & below)		
Charity Day Pairs		Wednesday May 24
State Seniors Pairs		
Championship	R	Tues/Wed May 30/31

***Wendy Mitchell***

***Editor***