

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



NEWSLETTER

JUNE 2023

C **HARITY FUND
RAISING**

Saturday May 20

A fine but chilly day greeted helpers and customers at Ruth and Joe Griffin's Garage, Terrigal. Items came from our old Donnison St rooms, member donations and Ruth and Joe's neighbours!

With mostly treasure and very little trash an amazing \$1500+ was raised on the day.

Wednesday May 24

Preserves and cakes were sold leading up to as well as on Charity Day when table money was all for charity. 8 tables of players enjoyed the green point bridge and some conviviality afterwards. Over \$1700 for Coast Shelter!

Congratulations to all the Raffle winners: Voucher - Pauline Caust,

Dorothy Berzins, Margo Burnet;
Wine - Ruth Griffin, Roy Cotton

S **TATE SENIORS
CHAMPIONSHIPS**
May 30/31 & June 1/2

As per the Secretary's email, these four days were highly successful. This was in great part due to the dozens of hours expended by Convenor Louis Koolen in the pre-planning and organisation. He was supported by all Committee members, especially Ruth and her team of helpers - Leonie, Leon, Alison & Peter, Julieanne, Margo.

Trainee convenor, Margaret Regan, made announcements and National Director Ronnie Ng directed smoothly and efficiently as usual.

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RECENT RESULTS

MONTHLY SHIELD (5)	(E)	9 tables	Wed May 3
1st Peter Mackey & Louis Koolen			64.47%
2nd Ian & Galina Cameron			62.01%
3rd Leonie Wain & Richard Webb			56.37%

PRESIDENT'S CUP	(R)	7.5 tables	Wed May 10
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1st Dorothy Berzins & Di Coats			62.50%
2nd Henrietta Hohnen & Wendy Mitchell			59.72%
3rd Alan Bustany & Chris Williams			58.68%

Congratulations to Dorothy & Di who also won together last year and in 2014. Dorothy also won in 2011 with Peter Berzins and Di won in 1999 with Lorraine Lindsay and in 2016 with Jan Clarke.

ZELDA OVERHALL CUP	(R)	5.5 tables	Mon May 15
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1st Peter Hall & Roy Cotton			60.88%
2nd Wendy Mitchell & Trish Dennis			58.98%
3rd Agnes Marsh & Barbara Grant			54.76%

Of the 11 pairs participating, only 6 pairs met the Masterpoint ranking conditions.

Best Bronze Regional & Below: Best performers were Margo Burnet and Allan Adams. However, since Allan was not a club member this pair was not eligible. The trophy winners were Frik Gautschi (Nil Master) & Suzanne Harrison (Regional Master).

Best Silver Local & Below: A Special prize goes to Julieanne Perceval (Club Master) & Christine Ashe (Nil Master). Congratulations to both pairs.

CHARITY DAY PAIRS	8 tables	Wed May 24
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North-South

1st Jan Clarke & Alan Bustany			66.67%
2nd Anne Grayden & Julie Sadler			55.65%
3rd Dorothy Berzins & Di Coats			55.36%

East-West

1st Peter Hall & Roy Cotton			62.20%
2nd Agnes Marsh & Ruth Griffin			58.04%
3rd Margaret Regan & Pauline Caust			57.14%

STATE SENIORS CHAMPIONSHIP

Hosted by Central Coast Leagues Club Bridge Club

Convenor: Louis Koolen

Director: Ronnie Ng

Swiss Pairs

Tues May 30 & Wed May 31

32 pairs - 9x9board matches

		W	D	L	VPs
1st	Liz Adams & Peter Gill	6	3	0	130.71
2nd	Warren Lazer & Pauline Gumby	7	1	1	124.93
3rd	Barbara Williams & Megan Grant	6	0	3	110.52
4th	Sally & Chris Williams	5	1	3	110.17

Prize monies were awarded as follows:

1s : \$400, 2nd: \$250, 3rd: \$150, Best unplaced CCLCBC pair: \$150. The latter came a very close 4th place.

Other CCLCBC pairs in the top third were Di Coats & Jan Clarke (7th), Ruth Griffin & Agnes Marsh (8th), Anne Grayden & Julie Sadler (11th).

CCLCBC has now hosted this State Event for three years, since its inception in 2021 when there were 36 pairs and 18 teams. Many positive comments were received about the organisation, particularly from Peter Gill. It is hoped that greater participation can be achieved next year.

Swiss Teams

Thu Jun 1 & Fri Jun 2

17 teams - 6x14board matches

		W	D	L	VPs
1st	Liz Sylvester & Robbie Feyder, Chris Dibley & Steven Bock	6	0	0	97.08
2nd	Warren Lazer & Pauline Gumby, Sally Clarke & Chris Williams	4	1	1	79.90
3rd	Sylvia Foster & Lorraine Lindsay, Dasha Brandt & David Bowerman	4	1	1	77.46
4th	Di Coats & Jan Clarke, Sharon & Greg Mayo	4	0	2	73.86

Prize monies were awarded as follows:

1s : \$800, 2nd: \$500, 3rd: \$30, Best unplaced CCLCBC team: \$300. The latter were in 4th place.

Another CCLCBC team was in the top third. Coming in 5th with 3 wins and 3 losses were Dorothy Berzins & George Connell, Margaret Regan & Kevin Hughes. This was a notable achievement as Dorothy filled in for Trish Dennis who was ill and the team was ranked 13.

**CONGRESSES Best Local Players
STATE MIXED PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIP**

36 pairs competed in 2 fields over 2 qualifying sessions of 27 boards. 14 pairs, including 1 Country Pair played in the final of 2 sessions. The State Mixed Pairs Champions for 2023 were Michael Courtney and Joan Butts.

The remaining 10 Country Pairs played 9x9board matches for the Country Mixed Pairs Final, with Di Coats and Alan Bustany clear winners. Representing CCLCBC were Chris Williams & Larry Bryant, 2nd.

Congratulations to all!

NEW ABF RANKINGS – May Congratulations to:

<i>Life</i>	Roy Cotton	<i>Bronze Local</i>	Maureen Catalano
<i>Bronze State</i>	Kathryn Ivits	<i>Graduate</i>	Penny Dilworth
	Alma van der Walt		

BRIDGE EDUCATION

1. This month Eunice’s current Beginners group are practising with buddies - expect to see them at sessions in July.
2. New Beginners Course: Eunice will start another group in August.
3. Improvers Supervised Play: Wednesday Evenings, **6.15pm**.

\$5 per session for another 5 weeks. Mixed hands and mini lessons - last session we looked at the Rule of 20, this week it’s the Rule of 15.

All welcome.

4. Intermediate Workshops:

These defence topics continue on *Friday mornings* - \$10 per session:

June 9 3. Second hand play

June 16 4. Third hand play

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AUSTRALIA WIDE KNOCKOUT TEAMS

The ABF is holding Australia Wide Knockout Teams open to all affiliated clubs. Six sessions will be played on the second Tuesday of each month on RealBridge, commencing Tuesday, 13th June at 7.30pm. There are four categories in which our club can compete:

- 1) Open
- 2) Less than 750 masterpoints
- 3) Less than 100 masterpoints
- 4) Less than 50 masterpoints.

Each player must be a home club member, or have played at least 10 times at our Club in the past year. The club pays your entry fee, so no cost to you!

Julie is still looking for players in categories 2/3/4. If you are interested in playing or want more details, please contact her on 0402 246 391.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for June:

Tony Burke, Wendy Byrne, Penny Dilworth, Chris Hannan, Henrietta Hohnen, Di March, Helen Milward, June Noble, Jan Oitmaa, Tony Sapideen, June Thompson, Alma Van Der Walt, Brian Warburton, Marilyn Whigham, Ellen Williams.

NEW MEMBERS

Please welcome the following new and returning members and add their phone numbers to your Program Book: Allan Adams (0408 865 427), Gina Robertson (0413 393 502)

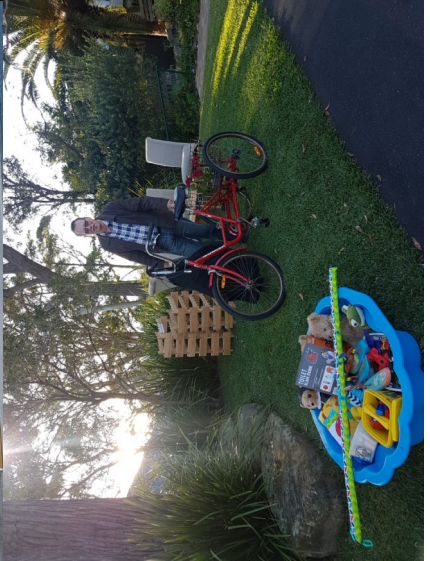
CORRECTIONS

1. Apologies to both, but somehow the phone number for Tony Langmead printed in our Program Book is actually that of Elizabeth Lawrence.

Please correct Tony's number to: **0412 388 192**

2. Please replace June Ball's with 0439 472 349 & 4339 1062

THE GARAGE SALE



**PROCEEDS TO
COAST SHELTER**

STATE SENIORS CHAMPIONSHIPS



Left to Right above: Pairs

1st: Liz Adams & Peter Gill 2nd: Warren Lazer, (LK), Pauline Gumby
3rd: Megan Grant, (LK), Barbara Williams Best Local: Chris Williams, (LK), Sally Clarke (LK: Convenor & President Louis Koolen)

Left to Right next page: Teams

1st: (MR), Robbie Feyder, Liz Sylvester, Steven Bock, Chris Dibley, (LK)
2nd: Sally Clarke, Chris Williams, (MR) Warren Lazer, Pauline Gumby
3rd: Lorraine Lindsay, (MR), Sylvia Foster, David Bowerman, Dasha Brandt
Best Local: Greg Mayo, (MR), Sharon Mayo, Di Coats, Jan Clarke.
(MR: Trainee Convenor - Margaret Regan)



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	♥ AQ972	Vul: All
	♦ J74	
	♣	
♠ QJ652	♠ 984	
♥ 85	♥ 4	
♦ AKT3	♦ 965	
♣ 64	♣ KQJT92	
14	♠	♠ ♠ ♠ ♠ N
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	♦ Q82	S - 2 5 2 3
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		W 1 - - -

A Hand from the last Teams Match:

Despite the strong field, 9 pairs out of 15 bid the unmakeable slam. Do your bidding methods enable you to identify no first or second control in diamonds?

eg	1H	1S	2S ¹	P
	3C ²	P	3S ³	P
	4H ⁴	P	P	P

1. Cue Raise in Hearts
2. first round control in Clubs
3. first round control in Spades, denying diamond control
4. denying second round control in diamonds

COMING EVENTS

JUNE

RealBridge

Tuesdays 12.30pm June 6, **13**, 20, 27

Thursdays CANCELLED DUE TO LACK OF SUPPORT

Face-to-Face

Monday 12.30pm June 5, 12, 19, 26

Monday Evenings 7.15pm June 5, 12, 19, 26

Wednesdays 1.30pm June 7, 14, 21, 28

Fridays 12.30pm June 9, 16, **23**, **30**

JUNE

Special Events

Monthly Shield (5) E Wednesday June 7

Winter Pairs (RealBridge) R Tuesday June 13

Club Swiss Pairs C/P Fridays 23 & 30

JULY

Special Events

Club Restricted Teams C/P Monday July 3 & 10
(*<300 MPs per player*)

Monthly Shield (6) E Wednesday July 5

AGM & Anniversary Pairs R Friday July 28

Wendy Mitchell ***Editor***

Real Bridge

1. Invoices for April and May will be sent out very soon!
2. Thank you to all who have supported our online Thursdays. Unfortunately it is no longer viable to conduct these so, from Thursday June 8, there will be no more sessions.

LOOKING FOR A PARTNER ?

Contact Ruth Griffin: 0407 854 060