

**Central Coast
Leagues Club
Bridge Club**



NEWSLETTER

JULY/AUGUST 2010

**Welcome to the July/August edition of the Central Coast Leagues Club
Bridge Club Newsletter**

Our Charity Day was held on Tuesday 25 May with the proceeds donated to our local charity Pandora. The net amount raised on the day was \$1,410.21. A further \$21.90 was received in June , and your committee decided to make up the difference to make our donation up to \$2000.00. Pandora can certainly put the money to good use here on the Central Coast.

Our thanks must go to the wonderful Jean Carney for again donating one of her paintings.

Business Donations for Charity Day came from

Passion Hair & Beauty

West Gosford Pharmacy

Allmalay Malaysian Restaurant, Avoca Beach

Mermaids Seafood, Avoca Beach

Funky Kitchen, Avoca Beauty

Avoca Beach Pharmacy

Golden Tips Hair Salon Kariong

Letters of appreciation have been sent to these businesses for their generosity.

Thank you also to the many members, including the Director, who helped and supported the day.

COLIN'S CORNER

Written Bidding.

The following dot points are taken from the current ABF regulations covering written bidding:

- Calls must be made in a consistent manner without any emphasis or additional notations such as full stops.
- All calls must be made in neat, legible, handwriting. Where there is any doubt about what is written, players should seek verbal clarification.
- The written bidding sheet remains in view until the third player (partner of the opening leader) has played to the first trick when it should be removed (or turned over) by dummy. If dummy omits to do this then another player may remove the bidding sheet.
- The stationary pair, or N/S if both pairs are moving, must ensure that used bidding slips are not available to players who have yet to play that board

Some players leave the sheet in full view whilst play continues. Not a really big sin of omission – it only becomes a problem when some over-zealous players make a big song and dance about the fact that it has been left visible. “Another player” can just quietly remove the sheet and, if queried, explain as gently as possible why it has been removed.. [And don't forget to remove the sheet before the next pair(s) come to the table!]

CM.

Helping new players.

Wendy has told me of her experience of playing in her first congress when still a fairly new player (some years ago). She picked up a strong hand and her partner opened the bidding! After a couple rounds of bidding Wendy bid 4NT (Blackwood) asking for aces and after her partner, also a novice player, replied Wendy bid 5NT asking for kings. Her partner ‘froze’. Her left hand opponent, an experienced player, said something along the lines of “Have you forgotten the responses” and then proceeded to tell her – 6C shows 0 or 4 etc. A great example from Leonora Walker of Gordon Bridge Centre of how to assist novice players. Perhaps we could all learn from this.

CM.

COLIN'S CORNER continued

Annual General Meeting.

The AGM is to be held on Saturday 14 August starting at 10 am. A sandwich / finger food lunch will be provided at about 11:45. This is your opportunity to find out how the club has fared during the last financial year, make suggestions about how the club should be run in the next year and discuss any problems that you may be having. I will not be available for any committee positions this year. CM

LORRAINE'S BRIDGE TIPS

Here is a simple way of coping with **INTERFERENCE** over your partner's 1NT opening, other than using the Lebenshol system which is very complicated.

If you have a 5/6 card suit and less than 8 HCPs, simply overcall that suit at the 2 level.

If you have a 5/6 card suit and 10 or more HCPs call at the 3 level.

If you have a flat hand and 8+HCPs "**DOUBLE**," which would imply you have a 4 card major. Partner occasionally may leave it in (if appropriate), and make them suffer—especially if they are Vul and you are not!

Lorraine & Jack can recommend the "FUNKY KITCHEN" restaurant at Avoca. They won the \$60 voucher donated by "Funky Kitchen for the Charity Day and greatly enjoyed the good food that was very reasonably priced. The restaurant is also BYO. Their phone number is 43 823210.

PARTERSHIP SERVICE .-> Ring Elizabeth on 4344 1786

If your regular partner is unavailable and you want a game.

STAND BY SERVICE .. Ring Elizabeth on 4344 1786.

There is a stand by player available at each session and this **now includes Monday night**. This service is for emergencies only and is not meant to be used on a regular basis,

Elizabeth runs our search service on a voluntary basis

CONGRATULATIONS to the following members who have won recent club events.

Bridge for Brains

- 1 Karen Ody & Nancy Joss
- 2 Jack Lindsay & Thomas Kenny

Club Swiss Pairs

- 1 Edward & Sylvia Mallinson
- 2 Karen Ody & Christine Hadaway.

GNP—Club Selection Event

- 1 Edward & Sylvia Mallinson
- 2 Susan McCall & Pamela Joseph

Charity Day Pairs

- 1 Lorraine & Jack Lindsay
- 2 Louis Koolen & Barbara Grant

Henry Kendall Pairs

- 1 Lorraine & Jack Lindsay
- 2 Wendy & Colin Mitchell

The GNP Regional Finals

Gwen White & Elizabeth Lawrence, June Thompson & Jean Carney, Jan Wheeler & Dawn Sherriff will be representing our club on Sunday 15 August.

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS ...

P Green, E Riley, C Williams I Walker, M Paperis, M Mitchell, S Brook, J Hancock, M Gurran, I Olancin

FORTHCOMING EVENTS FOR JULY

Friday 30 Winter Pairs (R)

FORTHCOMING EVENTS FOR AUGUST

Monday 5	Monthly Shield (rnd 7)
Saturday 14	10:30 am AGM
	12.30pm Anniversary Pairs (R)
Wednesday 25	Foundation up (R)
Friday 27	Australia Wide Pairs
Monday 30	Gosford Pairs (R)
Sunday 15	@ BWBC GNP Regional Final
Saturday 28/Sunday 29	@ CCBC GNOT Regional Final