

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



**NEWSLETTER**

**December, 2010**

**M**ELBOURNE CUP DAY's change of venue to the Ray Maher Room proved outstandingly successful. 56 players dressed in their finery enjoyed champagne and orange juice and a choice of sweeps before bridge started, directed as usual by Leyla Moncelet.

A sumptuous seafood buffet followed, then the desserts which just kept coming! There was certainly something for everyone. The fashion parade, amusingly compered by Pam Carew, was won by Marie Purkiss. Colin Mitchell won a prize for the only man to wear a hat!

The cost of \$25 to members was more than matched from club funds to cover the bridge, food and refreshments. Congratulations to all the Committee, assisted by Pam Harris, for a very enjoyable day.

**MOBILE PHONE**

This will be discontinued in 2011.

If you wish to contact the club during playing times you will need to ring the landline: 4323 3456. Directors will carry their own personal mobile phones.

**NEW MEMBER**

A warm welcome to Rose Sperling who has transferred from Cairns.

**MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS**

Annual fees for 2011 are due to be paid by January 31, 2011.

*Renewal notices are at the club.*

**\$26.50** for Home club members includes ABF and NSWBA affiliation fees

**OR**

**\$6.50** for Associates (if you are a member at another club)

Please place your payment in the personalised envelope. If paying by cheque, make it payable to *Central Coast Leagues Club Bridge Club*.

A committee member will write a receipt for you.

## RECENT RESULTS

### MONTHLY SHIELD – Monday, November 1

As predicted this was won clearly by Vicky & Bob Morris - congratulations!

The final results after selecting the best six from sessions played are:

1st: V Morris & B Morris 102      2nd: C Barlow, D Bowerman 69  
3rd equal: M Whigham, J Wulff      with P Berzins, C Mitchell 63

### REMEMBRANCE DAY PAIRS – Thursday, November 11

1. Toni Dixon, Helen Gulliver 63.7%
2. Barbara Grant, Louis Koolen 61.9%
3. Gwen White, Vicky Morris 60.2%

### SUMMER PAIRS – Monday, November 15

1. Lyn Pears, Nancy Joss 64.0%
2. Alfie Nation, Yvonne Redwin 59.5%
3. Barbara Grant, Bev Moran 59.3%

### CLUB TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP—Fridays, November 12 & 19

	IMPs	(Wins/Draws/Losses)
1. Purkiss, Bowles, Hamilton, Lawrence	119	(11, 1, 4)
2. Joss, Mills, Lindsay, Lindsay	73	(11, 1, 4)
3. Grant, Koolen, Morris, Morris, Moncelet	71	(9, 0, 7)

### CONGRESSES

Port Stephens Teams October 31: 34 teams

2nd Kevin & Angie Dougall, John Redfearn, Norm Berger

3rd Di Nicholls, Kaylee Lemon, Trish Bowles, Marie Purkiss

CCBC Almost Summer Teams November 21: 26 teams

Against many strong visiting players, local players did well:

4th Bowles, Purkiss, Gulliver, Purkiss equalled 3rd with 120 Victory Points, but lost on a count-back of IMPs

7th Koolen, Grant, B & V Morris 116 VPs

9th P & D Berzins, D & P Coats 111 VPs

GNOT FINAL November 26 - 29 at Tweed Heads

Central Coast Team1 (Berzins & Coats) finished 17th out of 60 in the Repechage and Central Coast Team 2 (Dougall & Lindsay) finished 42nd.

Team members not in the Semi-Finals can play in the GN Pairs Final. Out of 101 pairs the Lindsays came equal 7th and the Coats equal 17th.

**PERSONAL PROFILE:** Margaret and Clyde Penfold

It is often said that partners in life should not play bridge together but if you have played against Clyde and Margaret you will know that they are exceptions to this rule.

Margaret's parents were married in the Embassy Chapel in Istanbul and she grew up in Turkey where her father was an accountant. Chess and backgammon were played, but she had no background in cards. Margaret was confirmed by the Archbishop of Istanbul – when she kissed his ring he said 'bravo'. This was the man who later became Pope John XXIII.

Schooled in England, Margaret loved sport, playing tennis and representative netball. She trained in London as a physiotherapist and after moving to Australia worked at a series of top Sydney hospitals and also had her own practice for a time. It was at a wedding in Sydney that Margaret met Clyde.

Clyde was named after his Scottish grandmother who was given the name of the ship *Clyde* on which she was born. He was born and educated in Orange where he remembers playing euchre, but no other card games. By the time he met Margaret he was an accountant/economist for CSR where he was employed most of his working life. Clyde's father was also an accountant!

Planning for an activity for their retirement, Margaret and Clyde saw bridge lessons advertised at Manly. They later attended some of Ron Klinger's classes, learning the rudiments of his 'Power' system. Otherwise they have developed their bridge playing together, with Clyde being the patient one according to Margaret. They regularly play twice a week because they love the challenge and mental stimulation of bridge, as well as the opportunity to meet people.

**TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE**

The Tournament Committee of the club is responsible for the organisation of all bridge sessions run within the club. The committee consists of the club President, the club tournament directors, any committee members that wish to attend and any club member who has an interest in the way tournaments are run.

If you are one of the latter you are most welcome to attend. The meetings take place every four to six weeks, the next meeting of the committee being on Friday 10 December in the Drake Room at 10 am.

*Colin Mitchell*

