

ORANGE BRIDGE CLUB INC

NEWSLETTER

June 2021

SESSION TIMES

Monday 1.30pm

Wednesday 9.30am & 7.00pm

& Supervised Play 1pm

Friday 9.30am Saturday 1.30pm

Supervised Play Monday 7 pm and

Wednesday 1 pm

Please arrive at least 10 minutes prior

to the above times.

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What's On

- **Teams Morning** Friday 18 June
- Tops and Bottoms Wednesday 30 June
- Speed Bridge Saturday 26 June
- Winter Teams Sunday18 July
- Orange Congress 7/8 August
- **OBC Teams Championship** 27/28 August

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Pianola Lessons

Thank you to Anne Tonna for conducting two Pianola lessons on 7 and 14 June. From all reports these lessons were extremely valuable and well received by all participants.

Disabled Car Spaces

We are first going to investigate top dressing the Car Park and reassigning the car spaces with new dots before going ahead with the two disabled car spaces which were approved at last months meeting. Jens and Piers have volunteered to undertake this work.

34th OBC Birthday Party

Thank you to all those involved with the organisation of this day which attracted around 60 members who enjoyed the afternoon at the club.

Club Teams Championship

The committee made the decision that at least 6 teams needed to register for the Club Teams Championship or the event would be deferred to a later date. As only 5 teams registered this event has been deferred until the weekend of **28/29 August.** This event needs to be held before the Regional Final of the GNOT in September to give members the opportunity to obtain Gold Points and participate in the Regional Final.

New Member

Welcome Robin Mieklejohn as a new member to our club and we hope you enjoy your time with us.

Teams Friday

Don't forget that **Friday 18 June** is a team event. You can come along as a pair and be place with partners so long as there is another spare pair available on the day.

Speed Bridge

The tournament sub committee under the leadership of Anne Tonna have organised some

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interesting weekend events. On **Saturday 26 June** Speed Bridge will be taking place at the Club. In this event you have 5 minutes to play a hand. The rules are set out on the registration sheet at the Club. You need to register in the next week if you are interested in this innovative event.

Winter Teams

Sunday 18 July the Winter Teams event will see teams made up of higher players being partnered by those with less masterpoints in a team event. More detail will be available closer to the event.

Orange Congress

The Congress to be held on 7/8 August has attracted a capacity field for both the pairs event on 7 August and the teams on Sunday 8 th. Thanks to Manda for organising and it shows its popularity with all positions filled within two weeks of the brochure being released.

Education Program

One of the aims of the committee is to see continuous improvement in the standard of play and the way we run sessions at the Club. With this in mind Pam will approach both Emma Barnes to run education sessions at the Club and John McIlraith to come and work with the club to observe how we run our sessions particularly in relation to directing.

Challenges to Directors Rulings

All our directors are volunteers and we are grateful to them because without qualified directors we cannot run accredited programs.

In general, a directors ruling should be accepted but if there is an occasion where you feel that a significant error has been made you need to officially appeal before the session concludes so that evidence can be heard from the player and director before the end of the session. Directors present will make a determination before the results are posted.

Cashless Payments

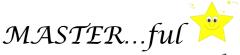
A comment was made at the club as "to when are we going back to cash". The committee are unanimous in that this **will not occur.** The use of credit cards simplifies the work of the treasurer and avoids constant trips to the bank.

With this in mind Helen will organise voucher cards for supervised play of \$10 or \$20 value to cover the \$2 cost of playing.

It would also be appreciated if all those buying vouchers would do so with a credit card rather than paying cash.

Happy Bridging

Murray Paterson



Masterpoint Promotions for May 2021

Congratulations to:

Valerie Hambrook Regional Master
Gwenda Cook Silver Local Master
Joan Gillespie Club Master
Wally Attalah Graduate Master
Georgina Windsor Graduate Master
Christiane Rondeau Graduate Master