



# ORANGE BRIDGE CLUB INC

## NEWSLETTER

May 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*

- **Rookie Rivalry/ Clark Trophy** Monday 14 June
- **Teams Morning** Friday 21 May
- **Tops and Bottoms** Wednesday 30 May
- **Bathurst Slams Day** 29 May
- **OBC Teams Championship** 14/15 June
- **OBC 34 th Birthday Party** 30 May

## *PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE*

### **Pianola Lessons**

A number of players have expressed interest in learning more about our electronic management system Pianola. You can look up your results, analyse your play, find a partner and many other uses.

The first thing to do is log in. If you are having difficulty doing this please see Anne Tonna and she will give individual lessons on how to do this in the next 3 weeks.

Once this has been achieved Anne is prepared to offer sessions at 12 noon on a Monday to interested players. Pianola will improve your play and it is not difficult to use.

### **News from the the Garden**

Many thanks to Dave Tovey who provided the muscle needed to dig out the root bound Spanish

Iris which had taken over several sections of the garden.

This has freed up plenty of room in the gardens for replanting of shrubs.

Audrey Tonkin, Judy Jackson and Pam Bradford have kindly donated plants to fill gaps.

### **Disabled Car Spaces**

The committee decided on Monday to reserve two places at the front of the clubhouse for drivers with a disability sticker. The identified spaces will be at the front of the clubhouse on the left-hand side of the entry facing the clubhouse. As disabled car spaces require more room for wheelchair access etc it will mean reducing the current three car spaces to two. It is a legal requirement for the club to provide identified disabled car spaces.

### **Alerting Bids**

Many of our new players are finding it difficult to understanding bidding systems. All irregular bids such as 2 Clubs must be alerted but with new players, could you please encourage them to ask what a bid means and provide whatever support is needed so they are aware of what your bid means.

### 34<sup>th</sup> OBC Birthday Party

The Orange Bridge Club will celebrate its 34<sup>th</sup> year with a Birthday Party on Sunday 30 May at the clubhouse. There will be a birthday cake, catering provided and prizes all for a cost of \$10. A day not to be forgotten which you can put in your diary. This is a pairs and not a team event.

### Club Teams Championship

Is on the long weekend in June on 13/14 June. To this point there is one team entered only. Unless there is a significant increase in interest, this event may need to be rescheduled until later in the year. Play is scheduled for the Saturday afternoon and all day Sunday.

### Slam Saturday in Bathurst

Bathurst Bridge Club are not holding a Congress this year owing to COVID and have replaced their Congress with a Slam Saturday. If you are interested in playing and it would be fun there is a sheet on the table. The event is to be held at the Bathurst Clubhouse on Saturday 29 May.

### Australia Wide Novice Pairs

A heat of the Australia Wide Novice Pairs event will be held at our club on **Monday 24 May** for players with less than 100 master points. This is a wonderful opportunity for players in that bracket to play against players of similar ability across Australia. You also get a booklet describing the hands all for a cost of \$5. Please have a go if you are eligible.

### What is a Played Card?

A card is deemed to have been played when it is removed from your hand and your partner can see it. It is not a penalty card, but it must be played.

In this regard you should think carefully before you remove a card from your hand. It is unethical to half remove a card from your hand, put it back and then choose another as it tells your partner

that there is more than one line of play which could be successful.


### Teams Friday

Don't forget that Friday 21 May 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.

Happy Bridging

*Murray Paterson*



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*Masterpoint Promotions for April  
2021*

Congratulations to:

Des Mulcahy

Silver Life Master

David Gray

Regional Master

Judith Anne Francis Silver Local Master