

REOPENING OF ORANGE BRIDGE CLUB

The committee of the Orange Bridge Club met this afternoon (28th June) and determined that the Club will reopen on **Wednesday 30 June** under its COVID Safe Plan distributed in 2020 with modifications to meet NSW Government Health Regulations which became effective as from 6 pm on 26 June. We have been in contact with the NSW Bridge Association and in a Regional Area we can continue to operate with these changes to the COVID Safe Plan:

- Masks are to be worn by all players and others in the club and stay on for the duration of the session
- Players are to remain seated except when moving between tables
- The kitchen will now close for tea and coffee until these regulations are lifted as this is inconsistent with the wearing of masks
- If you have returned from Sydney since 21 June you are not to come to the club for 2 weeks after your return. This regulation was introduced as from 6 pm Saturday
- The 4 square metre rule is reintroduced. The playing area of the club is 288 sq metres which means we can accommodate 72 players or 18 tables within the playing area. If the total area of the club is considered this could increase to 20 tables
- People who bring food to the club should not share this with others
- Payment for sessions will be by card or voucher only. Cash will no longer be accepted

As has been previously the case for the health and safety of our members please do not come to Bridge if you are feeling unwell but rather go and get tested if you have any COVID like symptoms. Sanitizer bottles will be back on the tables for your use.

Decisions regarding the Orange Congress planned for 7/8 August will be made at a later date determined by the progression and control of the pandemic in Sydney.

The committee would encourage you to continue playing as at this time there are no recorded cases of COVID in this area. If this were to occur the Club would close immediately

Thank you for your continuing support and if you could arrive at the club no earlier than half an hour before each session that would be appreciated by the people on the door.

Looking forward to seeing you in the next week at Bridge.

Best regards

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