



ORANGE BRIDGE CLUB INC

NEWSLETTER

January 2022

SESSION TIMES

Monday	1.30pm
Wednesday	9.30am & 7.00pm
Friday	9.30am
Saturday	1.30pm

Please arrive at least 10 minutes prior to the above times.

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What's On

- 28 January Australia Wide Pairs
- 6 February GNOT Qualifying event
- 7 February Lessons with David Fryda
- 13 February Valentine Teams Day
- 14 February Clark Trophy
- 14 February Lessons with David Fryda
- 18 February Teams morning
- 19 February Annual General Meeting 12.30 pm

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Welcome back to 2022 and we look forward with more confidence than last year with vaccines available that we can continue to play through the COVID pandemic.

Orange Bridge Club Rules for COVID

COVID provides a significant risk to our members and we wish to ensure as much as possible we do not introduce the virus to the club.

Our club through its COVID Safe Plan is following NSW Government regulations. The committee discussed this at length at its meeting yesterday afternoon:

- **Anyone who is feeling unwell from cold or flu like symptoms should not come to bridge and should get a COVID test**
- To protect member masks must be properly worn by all players until such time as the risk of COVID infection reduces

- QR codes should still be used to check in to the club

Membership

Our fees for 2022 were due on 1/1/2022.

\$40 for members, \$20 for associates

Please pay as soon as possible

There are 3 methods

1. Electronic bank transfer to our NAB account
 - BSB: **082-774**
 - Account number: **831 850 831**
 - Reference: **YOUR NAME**
2. Use the EFTPOS machine at the club door
 - a. where your name will be marked off
3. Cheque or cash in a named envelope in the box outside the office door.

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To this stage 101 members have paid and we look forward to all members completing their payment by 31 January.

Lessons and Supervised Play

Lessons will be conducted by Chris Kershaw and Dorothy Woodside later in the year when the need to wear masks is no longer required. Anyone interested in doing lessons or undertaking supervised play should put their name on the list on the table.

Valentine Teams Day

The committee has decided to proceed with our annual Valentine Teams Day in accordance with our COVID Safe Plan on Sunday 13 February. This will mean masks must be worn and refreshments will be provided in individually wrapped portions.

This has always been a popular event and we look forward to inviting people from other local clubs on 13 February.

GNOT Qualifying

The Orange Bridge Club qualifying round for the Grand National Open Teams (GNOT) will be held on Sunday 7 February starting at 9.30 am. This is our best chance of getting gold points this year with the likely interruptions to large congresses being caused by COVID

Birthday Parties

We have a number of our members and associates who are in reach of their 90th birthday and in recognition the committee has decided that the club will provide a cake to recognise the occasion should the member wish this to occur.

Annual General Meeting

In the next 5 weeks we need to seek nominations for all positions on the committee. The constitution states that members in executive roles can only hold these positions for 3 years and in this regard we will need a new secretary as Elaine

has done an excellent job in this role but will have completed 3 years of service at the AGM.

The notice for the AGM will come out shortly and contains a motion for a change to the constitution which allows the committee to approve activities other than bridge to occur in the club. Several of our members play Mahjong and this would give the committee the ability to approve such activities.


To those who are not enjoying the best of health we look forward to your return whenever this is possible. A particular mention to Enid Dawes who is recovering and Roslyn McGroder who recently broke her foot

Best wishes for 2022 and hopefully less COVID

Happy Bridging

Murray Paterson



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*Masterpoint Promotions for
December 2021*

Congratulations to:

Sally Spence
Cliff Hall

National Master
Silver Local Master