

Welcome to the
Central Coast
Leagues Club
Bridge Club



NEWSLETTER

APRIL/MAY 2015

PRESENTATION DAY

Our Presentation Day was a great success. Everyone was impressed with the decoration of the Parkview room, a veritable field of roses. Our thanks to Adele Mills for spending many weeks making the paper roses. We thought we were at Flemington when we walked in.

Members also liked the food, the seating and door prizes especially picking your favourite rose as your door prize. The ingenuity of our Social Club knows no bounds and the effort they go to in maintaining a theme is mind blowing. Well done to Rosanne and her Social Sub Committee. (See Photos inside this Newsletter).

Members have also fed back that they especially enjoyed the day as it was so friendly. This made me think of some recent articles which we would do well to note. In the most recent ABF Newsletter (March 2015) there is an article by Andrew Robson which appeared in the Times in the UK. Andrew is a former World Junior

Champion (1989) and a Silver Medal Winner in the 2004 World Individual.

Andrew expressed concern that new players were frequently turned off duplicate play for ever when they are confronted with “rude, officious, critical and even intimidating behaviour.” He particularly emphasises the need to discuss calling the Director (before the act) and doing so in a pleasant manner.

He also talks about Ethics and behaviour at Duplicate Clubs and extols players to be welcoming to new players and to go out of one’s way to be friendly and supportive even to the point of allowing an inadvertently dropped card to be picked up with no penalty. I encourage you to read his article in full.

The other Article was in the Sydney Morning Herald Bridge column with Ron Klinger on 31 March 2015. Ron highlighted the American Contract Bridge Leagues’ “10 Commandments of Bridge”. I urge you to read this Article now on the Notice Board. It refers to the Proprieties of the game which **new players and older players** should become familiar.

RECENT RESULTS

Congratulations to all

MONTHLY SHIELD (3) 8 tables Mon 13 April

1st	Vicky Morris & Janice Macadie	64.3%
2nd	Kerry Murray & Gwen White	55.5%
3rd	Gary Heyting & Dorothy Berzins	55.2%

EASTER PAIRS R 7 tables Tues 7 April

1st	Louis Koolen & Barbara Grant	61.2%
2nd	Gwen White & Nancye Joss	56.7%
3rd	Jim Swindells & Daphne Montague	55.8%

SWITCHING SINGLES (3) Thurs 9 April

1st	Jim Hancox & Yvonne Zammit	80 imps
2nd	Leyla Moncelet & George Boettiger	71 imps
3nd	Neryl Tyrrell & Joan Dominguez	61 imps

CLUB SWISS PAIRS 12 tables Mon 20, 27 April

(Total points after day 1)

1st	Diana Coats & Nancye Joss	62
2nd	Cheryl Davison & Pamela de Lacy	58
3rd=	Angela Dougall & Kevin Dougall	57
3rd=	Joan Lehane & John Lehane	57

(Total points after day 2)

1st=	Angela Dougall & Kevin Dougall	113
1st=	Diana Coats & Nancye Joss	113
2nd=	Joan Lehane & John Lehane	110
2nd=	Leonard Pratt & Alan Bustany	110

PRESENTATION DAY 18 tables Friday 27 Mar

North/South

1st	Nancye Joss & Vicky Morris	68.3%
2nd	Diana Coats & Jan Clarke	65.4%
3rd	Louis Koolen & Barbara Grant	62.0%

East /West

1st	Jaan Oitmaa & Sylvia Foster	63.7%
2nd	Phillip Morris & Allan Raward	61.9%
3rd	Julie Sadler & Carol Judd	56.5%

RECENT RESULTS

Congratulations to all

ANZAC DAY PAIRS R 5 tables Sat 25 April

1st	Peter & Dorothy Berzins	58.3%
2nd	John Lehane & Joan Lehane	57.3%
3rd	Jim Hancox & John Tagg	56.3%

CENTRAL COAST SUPER CONGRESS NEWS

The open teams event played on Sunday 22nd March was won by Gary Heyting, Helen Milward and team members.
There were 52 teams competing.

Well done to Gary & Helen and their team mates

SOME FACT AND FIGURES

The ABF February Newsletter gave the following figures for bridge players across Australia:-

Club Membership Total=37,452 (corresponding total last year: 37,016)
By State: ACT=958; NSW=15,090; VIC=5,670; QLD=8,174; SA=2,055;
WA=4,444; TAS=879; NT=182

At December 31, 2014, 334 clubs had at least one home member. Of these, there were 155 clubs that increased their membership over the 12 months, 148 clubs whose membership declined (shown with a minus '-' sign), and 31 clubs that showed no change (shown with a 0). Luckily the increases outweighed the decreases, with the total membership increasing by 531 members over the 2014 calendar year.

Central Coast clubs performed as follows:

2022 Brisbane Water	161	-32
2025 Central Coast	243	-13
2035 Community Bateau	70	9
2036 Central Coast Leagues	147	-6

PRESENTATION DAY WINNERS



**Paul Hughes, I.T. Manager of the CCLC presenting
The Teams Trophy to the winners:-
Dorothy Berzins, Adele Mills, Diana Coats, and Nancye Joss**

below (left)

below (right)

**Ruth Griffin & Rosanne Ransley,
organisers of another memorable day.
Well done Girls**

**Gwen White receiving her
trophy**





A Happy group of winners

below (left)

Alfie Nation, Jacqui Wilson & Colin Mitchell, Patron & Presenter

Below (right)

Louis Koolen, Presenter with Julie Sadler & Wendy Mitchell



LEARN BRIDGE

Lessons for Beginners start:-

Wednesday 27th May 2015 from 7.00pm to 9.00pm

Saturday 30th May 2015 from 9.00am to 11.00am

Put down that 

Open your 

Join the 

Shine like a 

8 lessons for \$80.00 includes textbook, notes and supervised games of play

To learn more contact Dorothy on 4340 1222

President, Central Coast Leagues Club Bridge Club

SMILE AWHILE - Doctor to an elderly patient.....

Q. What do you do for mental exercise?

A. I play Bridge.

Q. and for physical exercise?

A. I play East/West

COMMITTEE CAPERS:

I am currently contacting people who we believe are interested in learning bridge. Wendy Mitchell has offered to provide more lessons for beginners when she returns from her holiday. We are particularly interested in providing lessons for people who can only learn after hours as the other Clubs all offer lessons during weekdays. So far we have 5 people for lessons on a Wednesday night and possibly 8 on a Saturday morning.

IF YOU KNOW OF A FRIEND OR NEIGHBOUR WHO MIGHT LIKE TO LEARN BRIDGE THEN PLEASE HAVE A CHAT TO THEM AND GIVE THEM MY NAME AND NUMBER (4340 1222) OR PASS ON THEIR DETAILS TO ME.

We are again offering Supervised play on a Wednesday evening from 7pm to 9 pm. Anyone is welcome to attend. We do not play for masterpoints but play hands and then discuss them afterwards. The cost is \$5 per session.

We are still waiting to hear about the 6 new bridgemates we ordered.

Our thanks go to Lorraine Lindsay who recently conducted 3 Improver's Sessions on Wednesday evenings in April. The sessions were well attended with an average of 9 players per session. Thanks to Alan Bustany and Gary Heyting who helped by making up table numbers for the practice games.

We would like to remind members that our Charity Day will be held on Tuesday June 30th. We plan to support the two Charities that we nominated last year i.e Pandora and Wildlife Arc. We hope that members will think about donating items for sale or for our raffle tickets or making their wonderful jams and chutneys etc.

At the suggestion of Len Pratt the committee has agreed to organise a form on which members can provide personal details in case of an emergency. As Len rightly pointed out – he lives alone and his family are interstate so he would want us to advise them if he was suddenly taken ill. This will be a voluntary matter so we will set up a document folder and a form that can be easily completed and filed alphabetically.

We discussed our cleaning needs with the Leagues Club this month but they can only provide us with once a week vacuuming. However they have reaffirmed that this will also take place when Randall is on leave (which did not happen previously) so that is good. I would like to thank our Saturday players who pack up the chairs and stools in preparation for the Sunday cleaning.

Cheers,

Dorothy Berzins, President

COMING EVENTS

MAY

Monthly Shield (4)	E	Monday 4
Bridge for Brains		Wednesday 6
Country Teams (1)	(R/P)	Friday 1
Country Teams (2,3)	(R/P)	Friday 8
Switching Singles (4)	E	Thursday 14
Autumn Pairs	R	Thursday 21
Club Restricted Teams 1	(C/P)	Tuesday 19
Club Restricted Teams 2	(C/P)	Tuesday 28

JUNE

Monthly Shield (5)	E	Monday 1
Country Carnival Prs (1)	(R/P)	Wednesday 3 (Q1)
Country Carnival Prs (2)	(R/P)	Wednesday 10 (Q2)
Switching Singles (5)	E	Thursday 11
Presidents Cup	R	Monday 15
Charity Day Pairs	G	Tuesday 30

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for May to:-

Jack Cain, Margaret Campbell, Patricia Carey, Doreen Collis, Joan Dominguez, David Ford, Sylvia Foster, Helen Gulliver, Jan Henry, Gary Heyting, Lucy Julebin, Jan Kukura, Janice Macadie, Nancy Marchant, Vicky Morris, Frank Pellarini, Kath Pellarini, Marie Purkiss, Marilyn Scott, Dorothy Storey-Wilson, Paul Unger,

Please welcome new member Phil Denniston 0497379229

Change of Phone No. for Pamela De Lacy 4369 4693
“ “ “ “ Ann Gunner 4353 3010

RECORDER CORNER WITH GWEN

Always strive to maintain a calm manner and refrain from harsh words or judgements. Prefer to say too little than too much.

You will be a sought after rather than a shunned partner.