



ORANGE BRIDGE CLUB INC

NEWSLETTER

June 2018

SESSION TIMES

Monday 1.30pm & Social Bridge 7pm
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

- **Teams:** Wednesday evenings on the last Wednesday of the month – 27th June
- **Tops and Bottoms:** Wednesday mornings on the last Wednesday of the month – 27th June
- **Clark Trophy:** Wednesday evening 4th July
- **Winter Madness:** An individual competition Sunday 22nd July (read more about this fun event in the Newsletter)
- **Orange Congress:** Saturday 4th August (Pairs) and Sunday 5th August (Teams)

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Last month the Club held its annual Bridge for Brains session in conjunction with a raffle. The bridge raised \$290 and members made \$82 of donations. The raffle raised \$219. In total we donated \$591 to NeuRA for Alzheimer's research and we received a very appreciative letter from them. First and second prizes in the raffle were won by Helen Britton and Derek Cassidy respectively.

We should congratulate Jenny King who has just become an ABF Accredited Teacher as a result of which our Club is now an accredited teaching club. Jenny is keen to improve the overall standard of play in the club and your committee will continue to support her in this endeavour. Already Jenny is giving intermediate level lessons and working alongside Chris Kershaw and Dorothy Woodside with teaching generally.

Early this month a meeting was held of all the directors of the club to discuss the many things that directors have to think about

including rostering, movements, giving rulings and so on. They decided to try to have two directors at each session wherever possible to reduce the burden on one director and to ensure that there will always be at least one director present.

As I am sure that you are all aware we don't really have enough qualified directors in the club so we are looking for some members who would be willing to learn the basic rules, sit the fairly simple open book exam and become a qualified club level director. Having done that, you would be able to work alongside another director until you have gained confidence. To help with the learning you can attend the one day session being given by Tony Howse of the NSWBA in Dubbo on Friday 29th June. You will be able to claim up to \$60 of travel expenses to get there. I strongly encourage willing members to become directors.

Also at the meeting of directors a decision was made that the "no new boards" requirement, whether by announcement or by alarm from the clock, would be more rigorously enforced from now on so as not to cause undue delays for all the other players in the room and that an infringement would be rewarded with an average minus score for both pairs at the table.

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This is for the benefit of all members and is endorsed by your Committee. Please try to play within the clock.

Happy bridging from your friendly president

Piers Bannatyne



STOP the PRESS: Orange Club Teams Champs

Orange Bridge Club Champions for 2018 are the Calov Team: Virginia Calov, Lidy Seysener, Judy Jackson, Murray Paterson and Chris Kershaw. Well done!

Second placed was the Baker Team: Rita Baker, Jens Skovgaard, Dariusz Drodz, Manda Labuschagne. Third placed was the Street Team: Hooky Street, Margaret Robinson, Enid Dawes and Val Halcroft.

MASTER...ful 
Masterpoint Promotions for April

Congratulations to:

Gwenda Garde	Gold Life Master
Kathy Hart	National Master
Laurie Niven	* Local Master
Lidy Seysener	Club Master
Diana Whiteley	State Master

Congratulations Julie Machin, Sally Keenan, David Driscoll and Cliff Hall

Who were Orange Bridge Club's best North-South and East-West pairs for the Australia Wide Novice Pairs heat held in Orange on Monday 28th May. Across Australia, these two pairs placed 31st and 49th respectively in a field of over 600 tables. Well done!

Winter Madness - Sunday 22nd July

The game is set up in such a way that each player is a separate contestant who plays with a multitude of different partners.

Since each player is playing with so many different partners, it is impractical for partnerships to use complicated systems and conventions. OBC will be supplying everyone with a standard system card to be used on the day. If you would like to learn more about individual movements at Bridge, please see

http://www.acbl.org/tournaments_page/generalinformation/explanation-of-events/

Vale



Jan de Jong

We extend our deepest sympathy to Alice and all the family. May they find peace in their fond memories and in knowing others share their sorrow.

Jan was a founding member of the Orange Bridge Club and contributed a great deal over any years to the success of the Club.

Jan is sadly missed by his bridge colleagues and friends.