



# ORANGE BRIDGE CLUB INC

## NEWSLETTER

August 2019

### SESSION TIMES

Monday 1.30pm & Supervised Play 7pm  
Wednesday 9.30am & 7.00pm  
& Supervised Play 1pm  
Friday 9.30am  
Saturday 1.30pm

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

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### *What's On*

- **Eclectic Competition:** Fridays during August (play with the same partner at least 3 times during the month to earn bonus points - see the OBC Calendar 2019 for more information)
- **Parkes Mini-Congress Teams Day:** Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August
- **Nationwide Pairs:** Monday 19<sup>th</sup> August
- **Teams:** Wednesday evenings on the third Wednesday of the month - 21<sup>st</sup> August
- **Australia Wide Pairs (Suzanne Kay Trophy event #3):** Monday 26<sup>th</sup> August
- **Tops and Bottoms:** Wednesday mornings on the last Wednesday of the month - 28<sup>th</sup> August
- **Blue Mountains Congress:** Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> August and Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> September
- **Clark Trophy** - Wednesday evenings first Wednesday of the month - 4<sup>th</sup> September
- **Cowra Congress:** Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September

## *VICE-PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE*

### **Congress:**

Thank you very much all those people who contributed to the Club's very successful Congress over the weekend of 2nd and 3rd August. We received many compliments on how well the Congress was run and on how pleasant our club is to play in.

The contributions of wonderful morning and afternoon tea items were greatly appreciated as was the effort of all those people who helped in the kitchen. A special thank you goes to Margaret Corby who worked as "caddy" supporting David all weekend and to Barbara Shelley who did a sterling job in the kitchen on Saturday afternoon and all day Sunday.

Congratulations to David Reddel for his smooth directing over the weekend and to Manda for the overall organisation.

There was a particularly strong field competing this year with several nationally prominent players in attendance. Jennifer Hector and Terry Bossomaier from Bathurst won the Swiss Pairs on Saturday with Enid Dawes and Robyn Pearce being the top placed local pair coming a very credible 8th. A team from Canberra (George Kozakos, David Lilley, Margaret Bourke and Brad Coles) won the teams event on Sunday. Congratulations to the top-placed Orange team: Enid Dawes, Robyn Pearce, Jenny King and Anne Tonna.

### **Committee Update:**

Anne Tonna has kindly taken on the position of Chair of the Tournament Sub-Committee. Thank you Anne. The Tournament Sub-Committee is responsible for technical aspects of play and for scheduling tournaments on behalf of the club. Thank you to all the Sub-Committee members for their efforts working through all these issues.

Thank you also to Pam Bradford who Chairs the Directors Sub-Group making sure that

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there is a Director available for each session and that any issues are addressed.

The minutes from all the Orange Bridge Club Committee meetings are always available to read in a folder on the trolley. The minutes of the Tournament Sub-Committee meetings are also available to read on the trolley.

### **Australian National Bridge Championships:**

Orange has been selected by the Australian Bridge Federation as the venue for the Australian National Bridge Championships in 2021. The selection of Orange as the venue was partly based on the fact that we are a strong club. The event will be held at the Ex-Services Club (apparently the top floor has been booked out for 2 weeks to host the event!).

It is unclear at this stage what support Orange Bridge Club will be expected to provide to this event but Anne Tonna is part of the organising committee. We may need to create a hospitality sub-committee closer to the event. You will be kept posted on developments.

### **Club News:**

I was very saddened to hear of the death of both Alma Fraser and Bill Karay during July. Alma made a major contribution to our club over many years in roles such as directing, as President and as a Committee member. She was also a major driver in the club acquiring our own premises – an initiative whose benefits we are all now appreciating.

### **Training opportunities:**

**Director's training** is being held in Bathurst on 24th August. Anyone interested in participating in this training please contact Pam Bradford.

**Teacher's training** is being undertaken by Joan Butts at the Bathurst Bridge Club on 19th September. If you would like to enrol in this training please email Alan Sims on [alanfsim77@outlook.com](mailto:alanfsim77@outlook.com).

### **Upcoming events:**

Parkes mini Congress is on Sunday 18th August. There is a poster on the Notice Board if you are interested in this event.

The Blue Mountain Congress is the weekend 31st August 1st September.

Cowra Congress is the weekend 7th and 8th September

Condobolin Teams Day is 22nd September.

Happy bridging!

## *Sally Spence*



*MASTER...ful*   
*Masterpoint Promotions for July 2019*

Congratulations to:

Pam Bradford	LifeMaster
Bob Dillon	National Master
Margaret Munson	Regional Master

### *Call the Director*

*From*

[http://www.omahabridge.org/Library/mh\\_BRIDGE\\_ETIQUETTE.pdf](http://www.omahabridge.org/Library/mh_BRIDGE_ETIQUETTE.pdf)

Any player, except the dummy, must call the director when law infractions, hesitations, rude behaviour or problems of any kind occur. The director's responsibilities include handling all law and rule infractions as well as running a smooth and pleasant game. Remember that the director is your friend but that does not mean that he or she will always rule in your favour.

All directors try to be knowledgeable and impartial in applying bridge laws that are not generally known nor easily understood. It is also in your best interest as a bridge player to learn the basic bridge laws covering such things as dummy's rights and penalty cards as well as those concerning your responsibilities as a participant at the table.