



ORANGE BRIDGE CLUB INC

NEWSLETTER

October 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

- **Melbourne Cup:** Join the celebrations at our regular session on Monday 4th November
- **Eclectic Competition:** Wednesday mornings during November (play with the same partner at least 3 times during the month to earn bonus points - see the OBC Calendar 2019 for more information)
- **Teams:** Wednesday evenings on the third Wednesday of the month - 20th November
- **Nationwide Pairs:** Friday 1st November
- **Tops and Bottoms:** Wednesday mornings on the last Wednesday of the month - 30th October and 27th November
- **Clark Trophy** - Wednesday evenings first Wednesday of the month - 6th November
- **Mudgee Congress:** Saturday 2nd and Sunday 3rd November
- **OBC Club Pairs Championship:** Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning and afternoon, 9th and 10th November
- **Orange Teams Day:** Sunday 17th November

VICE-PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dubbo Congress success!

Congratulations to Robyn Pearce and Michele Tredinnick who were placed second in the Dubbo Congress Pairs competition on the 12th October.

Housekeeping

All players are reminded to return their cups to the kitchen by the end of play. Also each table is responsible for returning the boards and Bridgemates to the front table and emptying the bins at the end of each session.

The club provides players with morning or afternoon tea under a limited budget. This food is not intended as a substitute for breakfast or lunch for members running late for a session!

Committee Decisions

Fee Increase:

The Committee has been advised that both the Australian Bridge Federation fees and the NSW Bridge Association Affiliation fees are to be increased next year. These fees are charged for each club member and together with printing costs for the Calendar, currently take all but \$1 of each club membership fee. Consequently the Committee has decided that the club membership fee for 2020 will be increased to \$35 per member.

'Novice' and 'Restricted' Definitions

The Committee agreed that Orange Bridge Club should have an overarching definition of 'Novice' and 'Restricted' for all our events unless otherwise specified by specific rules for particular competitions - e.g. Clark Trophy. It was agreed that 'Novice' players have less than 100 Master Points and 'Restricted' players have less than 300 Master Points.

New club events in 2020

The Committee has endorsed the recommendation of the Tournament Sub-Committee to hold some new events in 2020. There will be a "Teams of three" event held on Sunday 5th July and a "Speed Bridge" event on Saturday 18th July. More details about what these events involve will be provided closer to those dates.

Upcoming events

Melbourne Cup Celebrations

Pam is again organising another fun Melbourne Cup event for us. This will be held on the Monday afternoon session, 4th November. Many thanks Pam!

Club Pairs Championship – Including a Novice section:

The annual Pairs Championship for the club is being held over the weekend 9th and 10th November. There will be 3 sessions; Saturday afternoon plus Sunday morning and afternoon sessions. Enter your pairs name on the sign-on sheet on the front table if you are playing in this event.

Note: this event is not just for the top players as there is a Novice Section for pairs where each pair member has less than 100 Master Points.

Orange Teams Day 17th November

Orange Bridge Club is hosting a Teams Day on Sunday 17th November. This event attracts visitors from other clubs in our region and is an opportunity to earn some Red Master Points. We don't cater for this day (participants bring their own lunch) but we will be asking for donations of slices etc to provide morning and afternoon tea for our visitors.

2020 NSW State Novice and Restricted Pairs Championship

Orange Bridge Club is hosting the 2020 State Novice and Restricted Pairs Championship on 21st and 22nd March 2020. Many thanks to Dorothy Woodside who is doing a marvellous job organising this event. Registering for this event is done on-line – the details are in the pamphlet available at the club. We are limited to 30 tables and Dorothy tells me that we already have some registrations so don't leave it too long to register.

Happy bridging!

Sally Spence



MASTER...ful 
*Masterpoint Promotions for
September 2019*
Congratulations to:

Jeffrey Bool	Life Master
Barbara Bool	Life Master
Murray Paterson	**National Master
Lyn Dillon	National Master
Liz Carpenter	*State Master
Calvin Konner	State Master
Dave Gray	**Local Master
Ro Sheardown	Club Master

