



ORANGE BRIDGE CLUB INC

NEWSLETTER

February 2017

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

- **Tops and Bottoms:** Wednesday mornings on the last Wednesday of the month – 22nd February
- **Clark Trophy:** Wednesday evenings first Wednesday of the month – 1st March
- **Valentine's Day Teams:** Sunday 12th February
- **GNOT Teams:** Session 2: Wednesday evening 15th February and Session 3: Saturday afternoon 25th February
- **AGM:** Saturday 18th February at 12:30 pm
- **Forbes Swiss Pairs:** Sunday 5th March
- **Parkes Teams Day:** Sunday 19th March (1 week later than previously advised)
- **Wellington Congress:** Pairs Saturday 25th and Teams Sunday 26th March

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As this is my last 'Presidents Message' I would like to acknowledge the wonderful support I have received from the Committee and so many of the club members over the last 3 years. Thank you to all members who contribute to making our club such a happy and welcoming one.

It was fantastic to see 22 and a half tables on Friday 3rd February – an all-time club session record! Congratulations to Anne Tonna, Margaret Barker and Christine Kershaw who calmly managed to make it all work. It was supposed to be a Nation Wide Pairs event but unfortunately I made an error with the extra boards we played so it won't be entered in the Nation Wide Pairs database. My apologies for that error.

Committee decisions

The next maintenance project is to replace the ceiling in the foyer which was damaged

when we had water overflowing from the roof. That work should start in the next few weeks.

The project after that will be to widen the steps outside the doors on the northern side of the building and install hand rails.

Thank you very much Piers for all your work organising our many maintenance projects.

Coming events

The Valentine Days Team event is on Sunday 12th February 9 for 9:30. It costs \$20 and you need to bring your own lunch. If playing please bring some morning/afternoon tea to share with our visitors.

The club's Annual General Meeting will be held at 12:30 on Saturday 18th February. Nominations for Committee positions must be submitted to the secretary (Anne Tonna) by the 11th February.

Forbes Swiss Teams day Sunday 5th March.

Parkes Teams day Sunday 19th March

Wellington Congress 25th (Pairs) and 26th (Teams) March.

Happy bridging!
Sally Spence



MASTER...ful
Masterpoint Promotions for
December



Congratulations to:
Robyn Stephens - Regional Master
Judy Royal – Club Master
Nettie Locke – Graduate Master



Table Manners:

The following has been taken from an article at <http://www.melvillebc.org/documents/bridge%20Etiquette.pdf> and represents good practice at the bridge table:

- Cards should not be taken out of the board before all players are at the table.
- Before you look at your cards count your hand and ensure that you have exactly thirteen cards.
- The board should be left on the table during the bidding and play of the hand so everyone can see the vulnerability.
- At the end of a hand ensure that you do not mix up your cards until the result is agreed with the opponents.
- During play you are not allowed, without permission, to touch or handle your opponents' cards. If necessary ask your opponent to show you a particular card.
- When you are making the initial lead or playing to the first trick, play your card before writing down your contract or entering details in Bridgmate. It saves time and is a courtesy to the other three people at the table.
- Do not ask for information unless it is your turn to call or play.
- Dummy or either Defender may draw attention to a card pointed incorrectly; the right expires when a lead is made to the following trick.

