



# THE GYMPIE BRIDGE CLUB NEWSLETTER

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Hi all

Autumn is here (just in case you hadn't felt the change in the temperature) but then who can tell with droughts and Cyclones, wind and rain. And lots of grass to mow.

Kay and I went to the open day for the new Swimming Pool (Sorry Aquatic Centre.) and it looks to be a very nice area. Should be lovely for the Grandkids and even for us older folks, if we venture in. They are apparently having water aerobics (not organised as yet) but these could be fun.

I believe that Kathi Vince has had a new knee. Lets hope that she is doing OK. Jeanette has had another leg op. We hope this will be the last for her.

Nannette has gone again on her travels (Japan, I hear) and Keith Johnson is off to Europe in the very near future. This retirement is a hard life.

I believe that our April Congress is full (great). I think that Kay could still want emergency players, available. Let her know if that is you. The food sheet has been going around, if it has missed you, please see Diana or Kay to add your name to the great food list that we provide.

The 50th Anniversary committee is up and running and making plans for the celebrations next May. The big ticket item will be an Invitation Day, possibly on Sunday 27th May. Jenz is in the throes of compiling a commemoration booklet and has made great progress. Aren't we lucky to have a journo in our ranks.

# BIRTHDAY BOOK

## Birthdays in

### APRIL

*John Sparrow*

*Trevor Simpson*

*Brian Brink*

*Jen Wright*

### and in

### MAY

*Margaret Bazzan*

*Judith Malcolm*

*Jane Lennox*

*Fran McDonald*

*Arlette Cook*

*Kathi Vince*

*Ian Manly*

*Angela Blomfield*

*Pat Feeney*

## PLEASE NOTE

We ask that you read the Directors Notes and take notice of them.

It is your responsibility as a club member to follow these simple rules.

# PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Here we are at the end of a long, hot summer! We have survived the aftermath of Cyclone Debbie and the Mary River didn't flood- we have a lot to be thankful for!

Welcome back to Peter, Dean and Ross Plowman who have been holidaying around the globe and bon voyage to Nanette who's off jet setting again. On behalf of the committee, I would also like to wish a full and speedy recovery to Kathi Vince who has just had a knee replacement and to Jeanette Roughley who's had surgery on her leg. Jeanette has already returned to play (you can't keep a good woman down hey Jeanette) and Kathi can't wait to get back to the bridge table!

Speaking of bridge tables, it has been raised a few times by various members that we need to have more tables permanently set up in case numbers swell, particularly for the Tuesday session. Purpose built bridge tables could not be sourced. With the help of Jean Harm's internet expertise, a manufacturer of cast iron bases was found! Three tables were ordered, have been delivered and with some small alterations (thank you Ian Manly) and some expert carpentry (thank you Jeff Street), the Club will soon have 3 new tables which will bring our complement to 15 tables. This is a prime example of members working together to reach the desired outcome - well done Bridge Club.

We will shortly be calling an Extra Ordinary General Meeting to discuss the proposal for the installation/upgrading of the air conditioning units. The Committee sincerely thanks Bevan Anderson, for his efforts in liaising and obtaining quotes from local suppliers.

The Gympie Congress in April is fully booked and don't forget to let Diana (or Kay) know if you can cook some yummys for the two day event.

Happy Bridging!"

Thanks  
Kelly

Vice President

## RESULTS OF RECENT EVENTS

### VALENTINE PAIRS (RED POINT Monday 13th Feb.)

1st - Jeanette Roughley & Peter Coppin

2nd - Sue Schierning & Ross Muirhead

3rd - Ron Organ & Shelly Gauld



### PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIPS (14 & 21 March)

Week 1 1st - Sue Schierning & Chris Lucas

2nd - Ian Manly & Bevan Anderson

3rd - Ron Organ & Trevor Simpson

Week 2 1st - Carolann Verity & Jenifer Hollingworth

2nd - Chris Lucas & Sue Schierning

3rd - Shirley Bishop & Joy Anderson

### OVERALL WINNERS

1st - Sue Schierning & Chris Lucas

2nd - Carolann Verity & Jennifer Hollingworth

3rd - Shirley Bishop & Joy Anderson

### GNOT PLAY OFFS (Sunday 19th March)

1st - Jeanette, Sue Schierning, Jennifer Hollingworth & Carolann Verity

2nd - Kelly Chapman, Rennie Pettit, Steven Verity & Trevor Simpson

3rd - Arlette Cook, Kathi Vince, George Konyi & Bill Bishop

## COMING EVENTS

### OUR CONGRESS

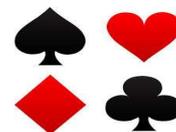
Pairs on Saturday, April 22nd (9.00 for 9.30am start)

Teams on Sunday, April 23rd (8.30 for 9.00am start)

### SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIPS (over 2 weeks..8 & 15th May)

A different partner for each day needed.

Names on the Sheet Please.



### CLUB TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS (ALL DAY Sunday 21st May)

\*\*\*\*\*Don't forget the Sunday Bridge sessions. They are a good relaxing afternoon and are a very social day.



## **DIRECTOR'S CORNER**

For this issue, here are a few reminders for things that seem to have been forgotten by a lot of players.

It is NS responsibility to organise the boards and bidding slips.

EW should not touch.

If you play Extended Stayman, responses to 2C MUST be alerted.

Dummy MUST NOT touch a card until it has been called for by Declarer.

Dummy MUST NOT draw attention to any infringement at any stage and MUST NOT call the Director unless another player has drawn attention to an irregularity.

It is extremely rude to gloat. By all means give partner a simple 'well done' but keep the gloating for when you are alone.

You MUST state your line of play when declaring, taking particular care to account for any outstanding trumps. To not do so will be to your disadvantage.

Call the Director for a penalty card. Not all penalty cards are equal. Director will apprise you of the correct procedure.

Once the opening lead has been played face down, it cannot be withdrawn.

It is Dummy's job to cover the bidding sheet immediately the player to his or her left has played to the first trick. This is a QBA Regulation just like any other Regulation. Just because people in other places might not do it does not make it okay not to do it.

Players MUST NOT announce their own shortage by declaring that they have none of the led suit.

Agree the number of tricks made before folding your cards.

Once Dummy's cards have been arranged on the table they must not be re-arranged.

**Carefully check the data on the Bridgemate before accepting.**

Till next time,

Kay

Not a big newsletter this time, but still enjoyable I hope.  
Cheers for now. Fran