



GOLD COAST BRIDGE CLUB

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President's Message

During the month we were paid a visit by JohnPaul Langbroek MP who is the member for Surfers Paradise. He just popped in to donate a cash amount of \$250 for our World's Biggest Morning Tea cancer fund raising event. What a great person, he must have done some homework about the club, premises and standard of bridge because he commented on all of it. (Mentioning he had heard we had more grand masters than any other club on the Coast). He also offered to do our colour printing if we need it, now that Steve Ciobo has retired from politics, it's good to have him as an ambassador of the club.

I can now announce that our hard working team raised \$4,200 for the Cancer Council and \$900 for Legacy, great job girls. The club donated the cost of food for our morning tea. A special thank you to Carole Millar who donated her time to assist in the kitchen to produce the scrumptious morning tea, a true champ.

With the cooler weather here I ask all members to please be aware that we are an ageing population and are susceptible to catching colds, please, if you have a cold take a few days off from bridge and get better so it doesn't spread.

Our upcoming congresses are graded and I invite you all to enter as you will be playing against players of your standard.

Eva

Breaking News

Congratulations to Kerry Wood, Charlie Howard, Lesley Sutherland and Pamela Hair who easily won Heat 2 of the GNOT at SPBC. Kerry and Charlie are both Silver Grand Masters who have represented Qld on several occasions (3,460 mps between them) and Lesley and Pamela (total 200 mps) who are outstanding junior players in our club. After Heat 1, Zone Chair Carole Cooke suggested to Kerry and Charlie after they qualified for the final that they mentor other players in the remaining heats. Thank you Kerry and Charlie for inviting Pamela and Lesley as your partners a most humbling and unselfish mentoring gesture that highlights skills of our junior members. It is hoped that other senior players will following your example.

Board Item

Tony Berger is going to explore as to whether we can place flashing warning light at the dangerous driveway exit of our club. The footpath has a lot of pedestrian and other fast moving bikes, electric scooters etc which can create a hazard when exiting the driveway. All footpath traffic has right of way and if a vehicle were to collide with this traffic criminal and/or civil litigation could result. **Please be very careful when driving across the footpath.**

Luncheon - Sunday 2 June

Benowa Tavern has been a long time major Sponsor of our club by providing \$500 worth of vouchers each year. For many years we have had a luncheon at the Benowa Tavern with the exception of the last two years. These luncheon have always been held on a Sunday with the Monday, Wednesday and Friday players being great supporters of the luncheons. A luncheon will be held on **Sunday 2 June (12md for 12.30pm)**. Please place your name on the list if you would like to attend. I would ask that members support the luncheon in appreciation of our Sponsor. **If we don't support our Sponsors they won't support us.**

Christmas in July

The club will celebrate Christmas in July at the D'arcy Arms after bridge on Thursday 25 July. Further details will be provided in the July newsletter.

August Luncheon

Connie Isaacs sponsors an event at our club each year in memory of her late husband Saul. Steven, her son, is the owner of the popular Taboon Restaurant at Robina and a luncheon has been organised at Taboon Restaurant on Sunday 25 August for club members and their friends. More details in the July newsletter.

June Congress

Entry forms are now available for our two June Congress, the graded pairs on Saturday 15 June (Sponsor a club member) and the graded teams teams (Sponsor TBIB Insurance) on Sunday 16 June. Please support these events and enjoy the atmosphere

of club congresses. Restricted players are asked to seriously consider entering the teams and the pairs event with players being graded according to the total master points of each pair thus ensuring that lower level pairs and teams will be playing each other and competing for the allocated prize money. Members are asked to assist with catering on both these days by proving the usual goodies.

Unfortunately there will be no walk in bridge on Saturday 15 June as the pairs congress will be also occupy the annex such is the popularity of the this event. If any member would like to play on a Saturday I would suggest that they enter the graded pairs event to enjoy the usual fun created by Saturday bridge.

June Events

- Monday night eclectic (best 3 of 4 scores) - Sponsored by Rob Slobom
- **Tuesday Pairs open and restricted** 4 & 11 June - Sponsor Grace Henry
- Thursday restricted eclectic (best 3 of 4 scores) - Sponsor Benowa Tavern
- Thursday restricted eclectic (best 3 of 4 scores) - Sponsor D'arcy Arms
- Thursday restricted pairs (Thursday 6 & 13 June - Sponsor Lorraine Twyford (new event)
- **GNOT Heat 3**, at GCBC Friday 7, 21 & 28 June
- **Zeppelin Travel All Day Red Point Teams**, Wednesday 6 June - Sponsor Zeppelin Travel
- **GCBC Graded Pairs Congress** - Saturday 15 June - Sponsor a club member
- **GCBC Teams Congress** - Sunday 16 June - Sponsor TBIB ABF Insurance
- **Club Pairs Championship** - Saturday 6, 13 & 27 July
- **GNOT Heat 4**, at SPBC - Monday 2, 9 & 16 July

Tom Strong - Retirement

After 17 years on the Qld Bridge Association Management Committee, Tom has retired. Many thanks Tom for your dedication and tireless work for the bridge community.

Di Hodges has been elected to take his place. Thanks Di for accepting the role knowing that the interests of bridge on the Gold Coast will be foremost on your agenda.

Birthdays for June

2nd - David Smith, 3rd - Wendy Browne, Carolyn Miller, John Masters, 5th - Angela Nichols, 9th - Robyn Spooner, Lynne Allan, Geoff Dorber, 10th - Judy Martin, Chris Smith (kitchen), Noel Watson, Di Brown, 11th - Beverly, Jarvis, 12th - Charles McClaren, 14th - Sue Robinson, 15th - Neville de Mestre, 16th - Lelie Riches, 17th - Victoria Cairns, 18th - Patrica Bourneville, Jennifer Hunt, Jo Wallace, 19th - Penny Grace, 20th - Philip Roberts, 23rd - Kerry Wood, June Cummings, 24th - June Packman, 25th - Jenny Lynton, Lora Heal, Ann Dean, 26th - Betty Karlovic, Alison Ryan, 27th - Elaine Hennig, Sally Gorman, Greeta Collins, 28th - Tom Strong, Pamela Hare, 29th - Krystyna Homik, 30th - Vere Drakeford, Desley Qusted.

New Members

Please welcome the following new members: Suzanne Baxter, Kodie Cheney, Peter Lyons, Tom Lyons

Promotions

National - Odette Hall, **Regional** - Marilyn Bidey, ****Local** - Julian EdgertonVernon, **Local** - Frances Taylor, **Graduate** - Sandra Henry

Enjoy Your Bridge

Neil Raward
Editor

Please come with a smile and leave with a smile and treat your partner and opponents with respect and dignity

Players who require a partner please contact

Mon, Wed, Fri. Neil Raward 0402 417 584

Tue, Thu, Sat. Jim & Shelley Moodie. 5591 2135 or 0402 634 013

Nights Mon & Thurs. Tom Strong 5593 3416

Use your Pianola account if you are looking for partner (you can also see who is looking for a partner)

Welfare Officer Cheryl Millar 0409 879 081

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