



GOLD COAST BRIDGE CLUB

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President's Message

My first month as President has been slower than it should have. Because of my hand surgery I have not been able to do my Thursday directing and I miss my group, but I'm back, so make sure those cups get put into the dishwasher?

This coming month is our busiest of the year, to start with Melbourne Cup, please buy your tickets - our sales numbers are down on last year. Jan Palm is our kitchen coordinator this year and along with Liz Affleck and a group of helpers will be making the club room into Flemington Race course, I can't wait to see it.

We also have our regular November teams, please support our congress and enter. The Senior Pairs is a QBA titled congress, we have hosted it for many years but after next year we will pass it back to QBA and let another club have the honour.

At our first board meeting it was decided to trial BYO lunches at our congresses, this is widely practised around Australia. There are very few clubs that continue to provide lunch. This will allow us to do a special high tea after bridge.

Finally, behind the scenes, Darryl Hennig has been very busy on behalf of the club preparing options, if/when the high rise commences, these will be tabled at the next meeting and I will report more next newsletter.

Eva

Board Items

The first board meeting was held on Tuesday 9 October and the following matters were raised:-

1. Julian Edgerton-Vernon appointed to board
2. Garden shed to be erected at rear of premises to house gardening equipment, ladder etc
3. Investment Sub Committee formed, chaired by Lance Workman which will provide advice on better investment opportunities for our fixed deposits
4. Futures Sub Committee formalised and chaired by Darryl Hennig will report on implications if building development on the Telstra land proceeds
5. Club to trial BYO luncheons for January and March congresses

Education Report

Wednesday's Help with Play continues to attract up to 7 tables each week and the Beginners Lessons on Saturday are still proving popular with our recent lesson graduates. The February date for the beginners with Andy Hung still to be formalised. **Lynley**

Diary

The first draft of the diary will be forwarded to Local Newsletters early November. Unfortunately Di Hodges and Cheryl Hensel who were going to take over the role as diary coordinators have had to withdraw because of family commitments, however they have been kept in the loop with the ongoing process of preparing the first draft and hopefully will take over next year. Please check the membership list at the club to ascertain if the correct contact numbers are listed. The diary will be available for distribution at the Christmas Party.

Interclub Teams with Ballina Bridge Club

On Sunday 28 October three teams in three masterpoint categories did battle in the inaugural event playing for the Neil Raward Inter Club Teams Trophy. Congratulations to Ballina who were victorious on the day. The only teams that could hold their head high were the open team, with Trevor Fletcher, Janet Johnson, Coral and Michael Aikin winning outright and also assisting in winning the section for the club. A full report will be given in the December quarterly newsletter.

Melbourne Cup Party - Tuesday 6 November

The Melbourne Cup the event that stops a nation. This year the GCBC will celebrate the event with a catered lunch and champagne. **Arrive at 9am for a glass of champagne and canapes. Bridge will commence at 9.30am.** This year the day will be generously sponsored by Linda Stanton Realty with prizes going to the handicap winners, French champagne to the winners of the fashion of the fields and Linda will provide the champagne on the day. (Linda is also a member of our club).

November Events

- **Thursday Red Points Pairs (1 & 8 November) - prizes <300mps & <50mps.** Sponsor - Odette Hall
- **Thursday night Eclectic** (best 3 of 4 scores). Sponsor - Spits N Pieces
- **Friday eclectic.** Sponsor - Your Local Newsletters
- **Saturday open eclectic.** Sponsor - Modern Goddess
- **Melbourne Cup Party - Tuesday 6th November.** Sponsor - Linda Stanton Realty
- **QBA Senior Pairs** - Sunday 11 November. Sponsor - Heritage Brothers Funeral Services
- **Graded Swiss Teams Congress** - Sunday 18 November. Sponsor - RobertsLaw
- **Qld Wide Pairs** - Monday 19 November (afternoon)

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Benowa Tavern Club Members of the Month

The winners for the month were Trevor Fletcher and Janet Johnson following their victory in the interclub teams. Two \$20 vouchers will allow them to share a victory lunch at the tavern.

Birthdays October

1st - Christine Joslin, 3rd - Zacharia Davidson, John Auld, 4th - Pat Gaudet, 6th - Lorraine de Nett, Charles Rees, Greg Tosh, 7th - Kim McMaster, Merle Marr, 9th - Errol Holmes, 11th - Carole Stone, Lyn Keogh, Cheryl Hensel, John Ratner, 12th - Noni Affleck, 15th - Colin Lewis, James Pisko, 17th - Barbara Marker, Sarah Taylor, 21st - Glen Davis, 22nd - Eva Berger, 23rd - Valmae Smith, Georgina Moore, 24th - Beth Dermoudy, 27th - Naomi Ryan, Violet Grady, 29th - Beverley Payne, 30th - Carolyn Sargeant.

Summary of ABF Rank Promotions

Bronze Life - Dot Piddington, ***State** - Pamela Hare, **State** - Lesley Sutherland, **Regional** - Julie Wicks, ****Local** - Elinor MccCoskey, Maureen Smith, Carolyn Waters, ***Local** - Wendy Clark, Val Gibney, **Local** - Bev Payne, **Club** - Carolyn Sargeant, Ralph Spinks. **Graduate** - Ann Dean, Kerrie Goldston, Leone Harris, Lesley Riches.

New Members

Welcome to our new members:- Carol Jackson, Kelly Taylor, Charles McLaren, Sarah Taylor and Elaine Jones.

Sponsors Corner

- Two of our members Linda Stanton (Linda Stanton Realty) and Philip Roberts (RobertsLaw) are very generous sponsors for November and if the need arises members should consider supporting them.

Enjoy Your Bridge

Neil Raward

Editor

Sponsorship Coordinator

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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