



GOLD COAST BRIDGE CLUB

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President's Message

The state government has made the decision that masks will no longer need to be worn in the club from 6pm Friday 4th March. The number of players is down at the moment, both at our club and at the Gold Coast Congress. Feedback indicates this is due to Covid and the wearing of masks. Hopefully this will change once restrictions are lifted and we are back to normal in the coming months.

To those who played at the Congress, Congratulations! I hope that you enjoyed the experience and are satisfied with your results. To the rookies and restricted players that participated for the first time, I'm proud of you taking the challenge, and hope that you are happy that you entered and are encouraged for future years.

I wish to thank John Leach for kindly agreeing to direct several sessions during the past week when our usual Directors were playing at the Congress. Much appreciated, John.

Congratulations to Lou Tillotson on her promotion to Grand Master.

As you know, we have had unauthorised people using our car park. The Board has discussed how to prevent these cars from entering and staying in our parking area. There will be automatic gates installed in both entry and exit driveways in the coming months.

Best wishes, Odette.

Events/Congress winners in February

Congratulations to the winners of the following events:

- Round 1 of the GNOT. Heather Reid, Lorraine de Nett, Lois Steinwedel, Ross Steinwedel.
- Thursday >50 MPs Pairs. Alan Kestenberg and John Lemarchand
- Rob Slobom Thursday Evening Pairs. Pat Beattie and Margaret Pisko

Gold Coast Congress winners.

Congratulations to these GCBC members.

Sunday Rookies <10 mps. 1st N/S - David Ward and Elizabeth Ward

Wednesday <50 mps. 2nd - David Ward and Elizabeth Ward

Bobby Richman Championship, Open. 2nd - Angeline Christie and Ed Hahn

Teams Championship, <1500 mps. 2nd - Margaret Pisko, Frank Hymus, Krystyna Homik, Trish Anagnostou

March Events

Ken Nicholson Memorial Pairs, Tuesdays 1st and 8th March. Open and <100mps. Sponsor June Pulford.

Cecily Critchley Memorial Teams. Thursdays 10th and 17th March. Sponsor Lynley Jenkins.

Monday Pairs. 14th and 21st March. Sponsor Ashok and Veena Chotai.

GNOT Heat 2 Day 1, 30th March at GCBC.

Andy Hung Workshop

Don't miss this opportunity to attend Andy Hung's workshop. Friday 4th March, 9.30am to 11.30am. Cost is \$20 each and this entitles you to a free session on Friday following the workshop.

Director's Course

Starting 26th March, 9.15am to 11.15am. Free to GCBC members, \$80 for other club members. It is not too late to register for this very worthwhile course. No need to sit for an exam.

GCBC Board

From time to time it is important to understand and acknowledge the roles that each of our Board members undertake.

- Odette Hall - President. This is a demanding role requiring constant attention to what is happening in the club on a day to day basis.
- Di Hodges - Vice President, Covid Co-ordinator and Sponsorship. (Also, Secretary of QBA).
- Pat Beattie - Treasurer. Pat took over this role at the last AGM and is busy training assistants.
- Viv Gillard - Secretary. Viv manages a wide range of duties in this role.
- Tony Berger - Maintenance. Tony is an old hand at maintaining our clubhouse, all done with little fuss and to great effect.
- Mary Ditton - Chair of the Tournament Committee.
- Charlie Howard - Assisting the Finance sub-committee to increase our bank balance.
- Jan Palm - Providor. Jan ensures that we have the all-important tea and coffee for our breaks and arranges catering for special events.
- Cheryl Hensel - Undertook the role of publishing the annual diary as well as assisting on the cash desk.
- Lauren Somers - has successfully mastered a steep learning curve to become our Congress Convenor.
- Greg Tosh - monitors our Security system and assists Pat Beattie.

Welcome New Members

Deb Roots, Shane Whiting, Sihan Zhou, Yida Zhou

Promotions

Lou Tillotson - Grand; Odette Hall - Bronze National; Barry Coe - National; Shi Zeng - Silver Local; William Han - Silver Local.

March Birthdays

2nd - Robyn Fletcher, Julie Hudson, David Kronenberg, Robyn Kronenberg; 4th - Anthony Donkersloot; 5th - Margaret Bills; 7th - Sharon Shapiro; 8th - Pamela Collins; 10th - Carol Ossher; 12th - Patricia Geale; 13th - Faye Atkinson, Carolyn Lloyd, Kerry Watson, Julie Wicks; 14th - Bob Hunt, Mark Trebble; 16th - Kathy Johnson; 17th - Merle Bogatie; 18th - Margaret Mellick, Anne-Marie Sherring; 19th - Carole McGregor; 23rd - Darryl Hennig; 27th - Norma Cameron, Yida Zhou; 28th - Setsuko Horsfield, Maggie Reynolds; 29th - Rhonda Peachey, Elizabeth Ward; 30th - John Glennie.

Happy Bridging, Julie Wicks

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

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

Players who require a partner please contact

Mon - Sat. Jim & Shelley Moodie 5591 2135 or 0402 634 013

Thursday Night. Tom Strong 0421 106 986

Welfare Officer: Cheryl Millar 0409 879 081

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