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October 2024 Newsletter

Presidents Report

Greetings All, Wow! What a month?

A big thanks and congratulations to Greg Gosney for proposing and setting up our Mentoring Program. At last count there are 33 requests for mentoring and 14 offers to be Mentors. Congratulations to everyone. Obviously, there is a real desire to be better at playing Bridge.

Tom Dunsmuir presented a proposal to offer additional supervised Help with Play starting on Wednesday 2nd October until the new Beginners Program in 2025. The hope is that after these sessions the new Members will transition to our normal sessions. Time will tell.

We had the conduct of three competitions. Wednesday night Hoffmann's Tray (won by Jane Farquhar and Yolande Coroneo), The Friday Rose Bowl (won by Gary Mitchell and David Lehmann), and the Teams of 3 last Sunday. We had 38 participating teams and a good day was had by all. A very big thanks to all who helped in the Kitchen and all those who donated food. The reputation of NSBC was reaffirmed yet again. (The complete results are elsewhere in this newsletter.) Congratulations to the winners and all those who participated. By the way, 7 No Trumps Redoubled getting 13 tricks only costs 2280 points.

A big thanks to Kedron Wavell Services Club for the Grant which will be used to purchase new playing boards. I and Denise Taylor went and received the Cheque.

We have been offered a sponsorship of \$750.00 from FIS Finance to allow the Pat Clouston Christmas Teams event (Sunday 8 December 2024) to be free to Members. Nominations will be limited to 40 teams, so watch for the opening up of nominations.

As Sheena de Jager Miles is away on holidays, Jenny Dickson and Rita Von Rotz have volunteered to carry out her duties as Providor for the Kitchen. A big thank you.

Just a warning, take care where you park in the shared carpark when there is a baseball game on (see photograph).

In the interest of equality, several Ladies commented on my request re the wearing of less perfume and asked for Gentlemen to wear more deodorant.

Happy Bridging

Graham Killoran, President

NOTICE BOARD



UPCOMING EVENTS & COMPETITIONS

NSBC 2 Day X-Imp Pairs Congress - Sat & Sun 2 & 3 November.

Held over one weekend Arrive 9am - 9.30 Start both days

Closing date for registration is Thursday 31 October.

Melbourne Cup Day - Tues 5 November

Tuesday AM & PM Sessions Combined

Play starts 10.00am - Please arrive by 9.30 to secure your table

Lunch approx 1.30. Race starts 2pm.

BYO Lunch and a plate to share

Date Claimer – Pat Clouston Christmas Teams

Sunday 8 December 2024.

Mark your calendars & start getting your team of 4 together. Entry is free, but limited to 40 tables in the room.

Recycling at the Club

Started earlier this year, we gather all the cans & wine bottles after Events at the Club. Last month a \$22 Woolworths Voucher was used to buy goodies for the kitchen. Please members - add these items to the bin provided and we will continue to reap the rewards.

Membership Updates

New Home members -

Rob King-Scott, Philip Matthews, Tracy Martin, Rebecca Hitchcock, Liz Hardcastle

Reactivated Home members -

Susan King-Scott, Donna O'Reilly, Catherine Martyr, Thora Pease, Carolyn McKinnon

Transfer in - Lynette McFarlane

New Away members -

Barbara Moni, Valerie Robbins, Peter Robbins, Vadnae (Vad) Furminger

Deceased members - Fay Stegman (21.06.24), Jenny Musgrave (28.09.24)





QBA Teams of 3 - Sunday 29 September 2024

What a wonderful turnout for this year's event!

The youngest Competitor just 12 years of age. The oldest player on the day - 90 years young.

114 players entered (excluding team captains).

81 Players (almost ¾) were novice players with less than 100MP

24 Players (almost ¼) rookies with less than 10MP

5 Players had less than 1MP & 1 player had 0PM

A very well run afternoon thanks to Jacqui Dudurovic for promotion, Max Latimer organising and Robyn Wells for dealing – to name just a few members who contributed to making the day so smooth. The kitchen was also a very slick and delicious aspect to the afternoon – thankyou to all the ladies and gentleman for your work! Magic. Also thanks to the team Captains for their time and the Directors on the day.







Masterpoints Promotions August & Sept 2024

NORTHERN SUBURBS BRIDGE CLUB INC				
NAME	RANK	TOTAL MPs	2024 MPs	2024 RANK
August 2024 PROMOTIONS				
Bloch, Natalie	Bronze Life	671.18	40.60	819
Rivers, John	Bronze National	200.62	59.85	416
Hawken, Carolyn	Silver Local	35.15	8.57	5,425
Armour, Tracey	Bronze Local	25.40	8.52	5,453
Gavin, Merrilyn	Bronze Local	25.37	2.38	13,481
McIllwraith, Warren	Local	15.58	4.07	9,872
McClure, Fay	Local	15.01	3.51	10,863
Carter, sandy	Club	5.01	0.85	19,406
September 2024 PROMOTIONS				
Shardlow, Ross	Silver Life	510.28	64.54	457
McEvoy, David	State	200.62	9.73	5,462
Hornsby, Robert	Club	35.15	5.43	8,952
McLachlan, Lynne	Graduate	25.40	0.59	21,705



HOFFMAN TRAY WINNERS 2024
Jane Farquhar & Yolande Coroneo.

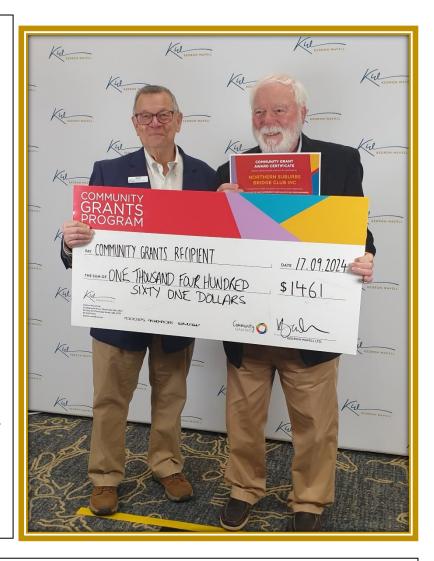
FRIDAY ROSEBOWL WINNERS 2024 David Lehmann & Gary Mitchell.



KEDRON WAVELL COMMUNITY GRANT

Graham Killoran and Denise Taylor attended the award ceremony on Tuesday 17 September in the Kittyhawk Room at Kedron Wavell Services Club. There were 54 grants awarded from 250+ applications, so we were fortunate to receive one. Amounts ranged from \$500 up to \$9,000+; our grant is for \$1461 to purchase 10 boxes of bridge boards (36 boards per box). It was very interesting, seeing the groups who did win grants, and hearing what they plan on using the money for.

They also showcased 2 groups who received awards last year. After a short video showing how their grant was used, a spokesperson answered questions in an informal session. Winners from one year cannot apply the next year.





Melbourne Cup Day

Everyone Welcome Green points





Tuesday 5 November
Arrive 9.30 to secure your table – Play begins at 10am

AM & PM Sessions combined, Usual table fees. Please bring a plate for morning tea to share and BYO Lunch. Orange Juice and champagne will be supplied. Prizes for most dazzling hat & "racy" outfit.

\$2 & \$5 sweeps will be run before play begins – Please bring correct cash!

Lunch: Approx: 1.30pm Race Starts: 2pm