



# GOLD COAST BRIDGE CLUB

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### President's Message

For a couple of months now there has been a group of club members meeting at Jan Palm's house and getting very productive preparing the decorations for Melbourne Cup day and our Christmas Party. Last meeting, our leader Kerry Wood, sat us down and we watched a U Tube video on how to make a particular type of flower using crepe paper and away we went. Me, with two left hands managed an easy task and we had quite a good production line.

I am surprised at how talented and creative some of our girls are, Jan, Sue, Kerry and Elizabeth amaze me, but we also need the Eva's who just do what they're told. So much fun, especially when we start on the wine. You will be surprised at the effort we have made.

My brother and sister in law are visiting for a month so we will be spending time with them so if you don't see me I'll be whale watching or up Mount Tambourine playing hostess. **Eva**

**Telstra Car Park - Parking prohibited in areas adjacent to communications tower and the building.**

### Education

Beginners lesson will be commencing on Wednesday 14 August at 9am. The six week lesson course with a text book will cost \$85. Dot Piddington will be conducting the lessons. Please refer to the flyers, which will be available at the club, for further details. Members are asked distribute the flyers to family and friends.

### Christmas in July

On Thursday 25 July, 28 club members, partners and friends ventured to our major sponsor D'arcy Arms for a delicious Christmas luncheon which prepared to the satisfaction of all who attended. The Christmas decorations and the wood fire made a perfect setting for the occasion and a visit from Santa also added to the atmosphere. All who attended agreed it was a great way to celebrate this popular addition to our yearly calendar. D'arcy Arms has won the best Irish Pub on the Gold Coast.

### Nomination for Board Members

Nominations will shortly be called for President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Board members. Nomination forms will soon be available so please give thought to the challenges of assisting with the running of this great club.

### 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 12md for 12.30pm for club members and their friends. Please place your name on the flyer (and further details) on the large board if you will be attending.

### September Birthdays

For many years the club has had birthday celebrations for those who have their birthdays in September. *These celebrations are open for all members to enjoy.*

**The September luncheon will be held at the D'arcy Arms on Thursday 19 September after bridge at 1.00 pm.**

Please place your name on the flyer on the large board if you will be attending.

Brief history of the luncheon - during my life the only person who I knew of who had their birthday on 7 September was Buddy Holly. Thirteen years ago when I commenced writing the newsletter, lo and behold on the birthday list there were three other members with the same birthday. Only Mary Denison is with the club now. On Saturday September 7 I will be 77 (777 amazing) hopefully I will have many more good years to give to our club.

### August Events

- Thursday morning open eclectic - **sponsor Benowa Tavern**
- Friday afternoon eclectic - **sponsored D'arcy Arms**
- **Australia Wide Pairs** - Monday afternoon 26 August

- **Masters Pairs Championships - Wednesday 7 August - 3 section all day red point honour board event**
- **Club Teams Championships - Friday 30 August - 3 section all day red point honour board event**
- **Inter Club Teams vs Ballina - Sunday 27 September**

If you would like to sponsor an event in 2020 please contact me. Thanks Neil.

### Masters Pairs Championship

The Masters Pairs Championships is an all day Members Only red point event which will be held on Wednesday 7 August conducted by congress director Trevor Strickland. There are 3 divisions being under \*\*Local (<50mps), under \*National (<300mps) and Open. For \$20 competitors receive lunch, snacks throughout the morning, a cocktail party and drinks. Entry forms are now available now at the club. For many this event is an opportunity to have your name placed in gold on an honour board.

### Club Teams Championships

This prestigious Members Only all day red point honour board event will be held on Friday 30 August. Members are encouraged to get their teams together for what will be another great day of bridge at our club. Please refer to the small notice board for further details.

### Interclub Teams Event vs Ballina Bridge Club

The inaugural event was held in 2018 with teams playing for the Neil Raward Interclub Teams Trophy (I felt very honoured). Unfortunately Ballina trounced our club and I was saddened by the loss of the trophy. Short of burglary the only way we can get the trophy back is by competing and beating them at Ballina on Sunday 27 September. Three teams in each of the categories <200mps, <600mps and Open will be selected to go to Ballina to win back this trophy. Nomination form will be placed on the small notice board shortly.

### Birthdays for August.

1<sup>st</sup> - Lexie Yeates, 4<sup>th</sup> - John Leach, 6<sup>th</sup> - Wendy Clark, 8<sup>th</sup> - Kerry Hiscocks, 9<sup>th</sup> - Marilyn Bidey, 12<sup>th</sup> - Melanie Mills, 13<sup>th</sup> - Bill Guthrie, Dorothy Meier, 15<sup>th</sup> - Laura Dummett, Bob Still, 16<sup>th</sup> - Lynn Gerrard, Paula McLeish, Derick Coppack, 17<sup>th</sup> - Di Court, Elizabeth Downer, 19<sup>th</sup> - Ken Moschner, 20<sup>th</sup> - Jack Luke-Paredi, 21<sup>st</sup> - Allannah Aitken, 22<sup>nd</sup> - Charlie Dacey, Margaret Chesser, Anthony Tuxworth, Joanne Reid, 23<sup>rd</sup> Patricia Adam, 25<sup>th</sup> - Kay Simpson, Di Larcombe, 30<sup>th</sup> - Joan Leckie.

### Reminder

Annual Membership Renewal notices were emailed out to members on 16 July. Those without an email address can collect their notice at the club. Payment due 31 August 2019.

### Promotions

**Silver Life** - Patricia Powis, **National** - Cheryl Hensel, Tom Kenny, **\*State** - Connie Cassar, **Regional** - Christine Joslin, **\*\*Local** - Raj Limaye, **Graduate** - Joanna Reid.

### New Members

Welcome to Andrew & Sandra Richman, Stefan & Elizabeth Kotzander, Tom Ward , Kaye Buchanan & Larry Liakind.

### Vale

Former member Hari Baumanis passed away recently aged 70. Harry was a long time member of our club who was loved by all. RIP Hari. I will provide a eulogy for Hari in the next quarterly newsletter.

### *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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