

**Welcome to the
Central Coast
Leagues Club
Bridge Club**



NEWSLETTER

JULY 2015

C HARITY DAY

Tuesday June 30

A huge THANK YOU to all the wonderful people who supported over a month of activities to raise in excess of **\$4, 400!** for **Wildlife ARC and Pandora.**

- ▶ The sub-committee of Ruth Griffin, Rosanne Ransley, Lynette Lynch, Wendy Mitchell and Dorothy Berzins.
- ▶ All our members who made food and craft items for sale and donated items for the hampers and trash-and-treasure
- ▶ The people who purchased these as well as raffle tickets
- ▶ Members who donated time and food on the day
- ▶ All those making up a 16 tables for bridge on the day
- ▶ The generous donors of vouchers etc
Cowrie Restaurant, Wamberal Nursery, Chinese Massage Erina Fair (The Hive end) C.C.L.C. Cheeky Charlies, Gwen White, Kerry Murray, Oasis Erina Fair, Cheeky Three.

The Silent Auction was a new concept this year and raised \$336. A special thanks to those who made this possible with their generous donations - Ruth & Joe Griffin, Daphne Montague, Kerry Murray, Adele Mills, Wendy Mitchell.

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| **TED NEILSEN MEMORIAL PAIRS TROPHY: Aces v CCLCBC** |
| **Thursday July 23 at 1.15pm at the Erina Leagues Club** |
| **Come early and enjoy a great lunch at the Club for \$10.00** |
| **Entries now on the notice board or on-line - closing July 21** |
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RECENT RESULTS**Congratulations to all****MONTHLY SHIELD (5)****16 prs****Monday June 1**

| | | |
|-----|------------------------------|-------|
| 1st | Adele Mills & Len Pratt | 66.2% |
| 2nd | Lorraine Lindsay & Jan Davis | 63.5% |
| 3rd | Paul Unger & Marion Ellis | 62.5% |

SWITCHING SINGLES (5)**12 prs****Thursday June 11**

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|-----|-------------------------------------|-------|
| 1st | Bruce Branthwaite & Dorothy Berzins | 71.3% |
| 2nd | Wendy Alford & Paul Unger | 68.1% |
| 3rd | Robert Lassau & Alan Roser | 51.5% |

COUNTRY CARNIVAL PRS**9.5 Tables****Wed, June 3,10****Open results N/S****(Two day totals)**

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|-----|-------------------------------|--------|
| 1st | Adele Mills & Nancye Joss | 122.2% |
| 2nd | Marie Purkiss & Diane Nichols | 110.5% |
| 3rd | David Bowerman & Dasha Brandt | 108.5% |

Open results E/W

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|-----|---------------------------------|---------|
| 1st | Margo Brennan & Gwen White | 116.00% |
| 2nd | Colin Mitchell & Wendy Mitchell | 115.7% |
| 3rd | Peter Berzins & Gary Heyting | 114.2% |
| 3rd | Bob Morris & Dorothy Berzins | 114.2% |

Restricted results

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|-----|----------------------------|-------|
| 1st | Helen White & Trish Dennis | 99.9% |
| 2nd | Lyn Baber & June Thompson | 98.5% |
| 3rd | Mary Pye & Pam de Lacy | 90.9% |

PRESIDENTS CUP**9.5 Tables****Monday June 15**

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|-----|---------------------------------|-------|
| 1st | Marie Purkiss & Ronnie Ng | 63.3% |
| 2nd | Peter Berzins & Dorothy Berzins | 62.7% |
| 3rd | Adele Mill & Leonard Pratt | 54.6% |

CHARITY DAY PAIRS**16 tables****Tuesday June 30**

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|-----------------|------------------------------------|-------|
| N/S: 1st | Wendy Mitchell & Colin Mitchell | 61.0% |
| 2nd | Peter Berzins & Dorothy Berzins | 59.9% |
| 3rd | Adele Mills & Nancye Joss | 58.9% |
| E/W: 1st | Bob Morris & Vicky Morris | 67.3% |
| 2nd | Patricia Kull & Elizabeth Lawrence | 64.4% |
| 3rd | Helen Milward & Gary Heyting | 61.8% |

OTHER EVENTS

Best Local Players

COUNTRY TEAMS REGIONAL FINALS

This event was held over the weekend of June 6 & 7

The team, consisting of Gary Heyting, Helen Milward, Dorothy & Peter Berzins, were successful in winning this event with 143.0 IMP's.

They then went on to the Country Teams Zone Finals on June 27 & 28 where they came a very creditable 2nd. That team had Diana Coats as a replacement member. Well done to all Players.

CCBC INTRA-CLUB TEAMS 17 Teams June 18

This very harmonious and well run event was held at Long Jetty and it would be remiss of me not to mention the delicious lunch served.

Diane Nichols, Gary Barwick, Adriana Smith & Colin Shore came in 1st with 138 IMP's. 2nd place went to Louis Koolen, Barbara Grant, and team with 129 IMP's and just nudged into 4th place was Wendy Mitchell & Trish Dennis, Colin Mitchell and David Bowerman with 121 IMP's.

Well done to all.

GNOT/BWBC 9 teams June 20/21

The best teams from our Club were Adele Mills, Dorothy Berzins, Peter Berzins & Gary Heyting who came in 2nd. 4th place went to Marie Purkiss, Diane Nichols, Toni Dixon & Elizabeth Lawrence and closely following were Louis Koolen, Barbara Grant, Dasha Brandt & David Bowerman.

NEWCASTLE CONGRESS

Open Swiss Pairs 56 pairs June 13

= 6th Sylvia Foster & Jaan Oitmaa

12th Louis Koolen & Barbara Grant

Open Teams 36 teams June 14

10th Hope Tomlinson, Barry Foster, Jenny Buckley, Martin Johnson

NEW ABF RANKINGS JUNE - Congratulations to:-

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| <i>Bronze Life</i> | Hope Tomlinson |
| <i>Regional</i> | Gary Barwick |
| <i>Club Master</i> | Cheryl Davison |

CARDS RATINGS - MOST IMPROVED - JUNE

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|----------------|------|
| LEYLA MONCELET | 1.89 |
| PAUL UNGER | 1.62 |
| DAVID HOWELLS | 1.48 |
| COLIN MITCHELL | 0.92 |
| ANNE GRAYDEN | 0.88 |
| JIM HANCOX | 0.81 |
| ADELE MILLS | 0.79 |

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| TRISH DENNIS | 0.77 |
| MARILYN SCOTT | 0.73 |
| NANCYE JOSS | 0.70 |
| GARY BARWICK | 0.61 |
| DAVID BOWERMAN | 0.57 |
| JULIE SADLER | 0.55 |
| KATHLEEN BROMLEY | 0.48 |

MONTHLY SHIELD 2015

If you have already played twice in this event (first Monday of the month) then you are still eligible to qualify for outright awards, as the best 6 results are chosen.

Leaders after 6 sessions, with sessions played in brackets are shown below:

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| 1st | Gary Heyting & Dorothy Berzins | 74 | (5) |
| 2nd | Diana Coats & Nancye Joss | 66 | (6) |
| 3rd | Julie Sadler & Anne Grayden | 42 | (4) |
| 4th | Lorraine Lindsay & Jan Davis | 34 | (3) |

DID YOU KNOW:-

A complete set of playing cards contains four suits, two primary colours, and thirteen values.

Lurking within these colours, suits and values is an astonishing relationship in our modern calendar. They are:-

- *Two colours representing night and day.*
- *Four suits representing the four seasons.*
- *Twelve court cards representing the 12 months.*
- *Thirteen values representing the 13 lunar cycles in a year.*
- *52 cards representing 52 weeks in a year.*

Perhaps the most interesting coincidence is that if you add up all of the values in a deck, using the Aces as 1 and the Jacks, Queens and Kings as 11, 12 & 13 respectively, you arrive at a total of 364. Add the first Joker as another 1 and you get 365-the same number of days in a year, then add the 2nd Joker to get 366. So we even have leap years covered.

A message From Ruth Griffin

I would like to thank everybody for their contribution to Charity Day. A special mention must be made to Lynette Lynch who made the lucky door tickets, all the sandwiches along with so many more things including being Treasurer for the event. Even though she was away Rosanne organized so much before she went. Also to Wendy Mitchell who organized the food table on the day.

Thank you to everyone for donations, Vouchers, slices, cakes, our popular teacup cakes, jams chutneys, pates, chocolates etc. etc. It is a wonderful Club with wonderful Members.

Thanks again,

Ruth x

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Saturday, August 1

Please consider being part of your club's committee for the 2015/16 year - the nomination form is on the notice board.

All members are encouraged to attend the AGM at 10.30am.

Finger food will be served prior to the Anniversary Pairs (red points) commencing at 12.30pm.

Double Swing par excellence

No names, no pack-drill as they used to say in the army many years ago. Playing in a teams competition with MFP and another pair we were going through the end of match ritual of comparing scores which went something like this :

Home table player – plus 50 \diamond Away table player – minus 100
 Home table player – plus 400 \diamond Away table player – plus 400

Don't you mean minus?

It took some time to convince the Away table pair that, whilst they had bid and made 3 NT for plus 400, the Home table pair had defeated 3NT by taking 12 tricks for plus 400!

The hand is shown below:

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| Board 5 Dlr: N Vul: N-S | <p>♠ T5 ♥ QJT9 ♦ AQT86 ♣ 83</p> | |
| <p>♠ 94 ♥ K8732 ♦ KJ ♣ QT54</p> | | <p>♠ K6 ♥ A6 ♦ 743 ♣ AKJ962</p> |
| <p>9 9 15 7</p> | <p>♠ AQJ8732 ♥ 54 ♦ 952 ♣ 7</p> | <p>N: 4 ♦ 4 ♠ S: 4 ♦ 4 ♠ E: 3 ♣ 1 ♥ W: 3 ♣ 1 ♥</p> |

At the home table, in which South at one point bid spades, East bid 3 NT which became the final contract.

Now South is a wily (old?) bird and did not lead spades – so, as clubs and hearts had been bid by EW she led the ♦ 9. North took the first five tricks and then led the ♠ T; South then took the next seven tricks before conceding the last trick for +400.

This should have been a good score as NS can (with a combined 16 HCP!) make 4 ♠ for +620. Howeverat the away table East (our team mate) also bid 3NT and received the opening lead of a spade. This gave him the ninth trick (a spade, six clubs and two hearts)!

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COMMITTEE CAPERS:

The last committee meeting of the 2015 Committee was held on Friday 3 July. In one months time it will be the AGM and a new committee will be formed. Please consider volunteering on the committee.

At this meeting David Bowerman clarified that he has changed our Website Hosting to "Net Registry" from "Domain Central" which will result in better space available to us as well as being slightly cheaper (\$87.45 instead of \$150) .David has spent a lot of time testing the new website before moving us over with no noticeable interruption to services. Well done David.

We also discussed how to utilise the sessions advertised in August for a Novice / Restricted Event, which we were asked by the NSWBA to schedule in our Programme for 2015. The NSWBA subsequently decided to run this event in September and October instead.

The committee has proposed an Eclectic Event over these three weeks (Tuesday 4, 11 & 18 August) which is open to all but for which special masterpoints or prizes will be awarded to players with

1. Less than 5 MP's (i.e. Club Masters)
2. Less than 15 MP's (i.e. Local Masters) and
3. Less than 35 MP's (i.e. Local ** Masters)

As an eclectic event players can qualify by playing in at least two of the three sessions – i.e. they can play in all three sessions but only two of their best scores are counted.

Wendy Mitchell, our Masterpoint Secretary has to consider whether we can award MP's in this way bearing in mind that our numbers for Tuesdays have been low.

We are looking into the viability of purchasing a wireless microphone which would negate the risk of people falling over the microphone lead and/or the failing quality of our current System. We have just spent \$75 on fixing our existing microphone but it seems to have started crackling again. The cost of a new system is complicated depending on the type and size but seems to be potentially around the \$1,000.00 mark. Leon and I will continue to investigate possibilities.

Cheers,

Dorothy Berzins, President

COMING EVENTS

JULY

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| Jovial July | (E) | Mon Evenings |
| Switching Singles (6) | (E) | Thursday 9 |
| Zelda Overhall Cup | (R) | Thursday 16 |
| Ted Neilsen Memorial Pairs | | Thursday 23 |
| Pot Luck Teams | | Thursday 30 |

Please note there is **NO Bridge** at the Club on Thursday 23

AUGUST

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| Anniversary Pairs | (R) | Saturday 1 |
| Monthly Shield (7) | (E) | Monday 3 |
| Novice Restricted Event | (R) | Tuesday 4,11, 18 |
| Foundation Cup | (R) | Monday 17 |
| Club Pairs 1 & 2 | (C/P) | Friday 21, 28 |

The AGM precedes the Anniversary Pairs commencing at 10.30am

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for July to:

Patricia Bowles, Margo Brennan, Kathleen Bromley, June Clarkson, Theo Chadwick, Toni Dixon, Patricia Downes, Helen Eaton, Naomi Flint, Barry Foster, Don Holmes, Robyn Jackson, Rex Joseph, Carol Judd, Louis Koolen, Moira Love, Lorraine Lindsay, John Mitchell, Bob Morris, Alfie Nation, Joyce Small, Bill Thomson, Neryl Tyrrell
(Remember to tell me if I don't have you listed for your birthday month)

NEW MEMBERS Please welcome Nola Daly (0408 683 410) and Hilary Owen (4344 2309) and add their details to your program book.

Change of Phone No. for Joan Brierty 4365 1910

RECORDER CORNER WITH GWEN

Never pause with the deliberate intention of misleading: only pause when you genuinely have something to think about. If you find that you have paused inadvertently (easily done in a distracted moment), say "sorry, I had nothing to think about". ABF Newsletter (March/2015)

Trish Dennis/Editor