



Welcome to the Central Coast Leagues Club Bridge Club



NEWSLETTER

May 2016

CHARITY DAY 2016

Thank you to all those who participated on Charity Day. You'll be pleased to know the club raised at least \$3,700.00 for Pandora.

So many people contributed in the weeks before and on the day, in so many ways, it's hard to know where to start. But here goes:

Delicious food was prepared and brought in by Anne, Paul, Marion, Helen W, Toni, Lyn B, Di M, Pauline, Rosanne, Trish, Wendy and Ruth. Rosanne brought in fruit which Trish D turned into an objet d'art. Lucky Door prizes were donated by many but especially Di M, Lyn and Ruth. Trish D, Dorothy, Lyn, Pauline and especially Wendy sold raffle tickets. Adele and June crocheted

lovely rugs. Dasha, Cheryl & Rosanne sewed bags. Julie, Paul, Dasha and Rosanne cooked & preserved.

Pauline sewed and sewed stain stopper dribble bibs. Judy secured 7 gift vouchers. Di obtained 3 restaurant vouchers. Lyn organized lucky door tickets. Marion and Rosanne sold plants. Margaret brought in passionfruit. The Two Ewes gift shop donated vouchers, clothes and cards. Agnes donated huge prizes. Helen, Ruth & Agnes also donated raffle prizes. Ruth set up the Trash





& Treasure. Margaret decorated the artistic jewellery stand. Ruth organized the silent auction. Leyla bought almost everything in the silent auction. Alan, Helen, Pamela, Ruth and Elizabeth staffed the stalls enthusiastically.



All attending seemed to have fun browsing, buying, bridging and eating on the day. Then there was the bridge. Seventeen tables superbly directed by Ronnie, competed for green points (interspersed with lucky door, raffle & silent auction prize draws).

North-South field top results were:

Peter Berzins & Bill Thompson	67.00%
Marie Purkiss & Diane Nichols	59.92%
Daphne Montague & Anne Whatmore	58.80%

East-West field top results were:

Jacqui Wilson & Trish Dennis	61.39%
Helen Gulliver & Toni Dixon	60.95%
Gary Heyting & Helen Milward	58.97%



NEW ABF RANKINGS - MARCH

Congratulations to

Bronze Life	Gwen White	Club Master	Yvonne Zammit
		Graduate Master	Robert Lassau

NEW ABF RANKINGS - APRIL

Congratulations to

Grand Master	Kaylee Lemon		
Silver Life	Henrietta Hohnen	Club Master	Stephen Calcroft

**RECENT CCLCBC RESULTS**

Congratulations to all

BRIDGE FOR BRAINS WEDNESDAY 4TH MAY

21 Pairs played and the results for the North-South Field were as follows

Rank	Name	%
1	Anne Grayden & Carol Judd	64.23
2	Adele Mills & Nancye Joss	56.97
3	Diana Coates & Dorothy Berzins	55.66

And for the East-West Field

Rank	Name	%
1	Bob Morris & Vicky Morris	58.91
2	Chris Hannan & Alan Bustany	58.83
3	Jacqui Wilson & Trish Dennis	56.13

MONTHLY SHIELD 4

Rank	Name	%
1	Bob Morris & Vicky Morris	63.10
2	Anne Grayden & Julie Sadler	61.01
3	Wendy Mitchell & Trish Dennis	58.63

OTHER RESULTS

Best local players

State Mixed Pairs Championship 2016:

The finals for the Mixed Pairs Championship were held over the weekend of the 21st/22nd of May. The CCLC Bridge Club sent 4 pairs from our qualifying sessions while Brisbane Water and the Central Coast Bridge Club sponsored 3 pairs from each Club. With 10 pairs competing it was wonderful to have 6 pairs in the Final of the Country Mixed Pairs and to have Sally and Garry Clarke (CCBC) winning the Country Title for 2016. Our members Angela and Kevin Dougall did well to come second while Gary Heyting and Dorothy Berzins did the next best coming 6th.

Helen Milward playing with Les Grewcock came = 8th in the State Final.

Toni Dixon and Peter Berzins competed in the Autumn Swiss Pairs which were held at the same time as the Country Finals and came a very creditable = 7th out of 44 pairs. Well done everyone.



COMING CCLCBC EVENTS

KEY (C) CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP (E) ECLECTIC (G) GOLD POINT (P) PRE-ENTRY (Q) QUALIFYING SESSION (R) RED POINT

PERPETUAL TROPHY EVENT

Autumn Pairs (R)	Monday Evening May 30
Club Restricted Teams 1	Tuesday June 7
Winter Pairs (R)	Saturday June 11
President's Cup (R)	Friday June 24

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS

Club Restricted Teams 1	Tuesdays June 7
Club Restricted Teams 2	Tuesday June 14

COMING EVENTS ELSEWHERE

NSWBA Teams of 3	Sunday June 5
Long Jetty Intra-Club Teams	Tuesday June 7
Long Jetty GNOTS Club Selection	Saturday/Sunday June 11 & 12
Newcastle Congress	Saturday/Sunday June 18 & 19
Illawarra Congress	Saturday/Sunday June 18 & 19

2 DEGREES OF SEPARATION



We've all heard.... now here's proof that we know fellow bridge players who've had tea with the Queen. What we really want to know is why they don't scrub up this well for Monday night bridge?





COMMITTEE CAPERS – APRIL 2016

Thanks to all the committee for doing extra duties while we had some members gallivanting around Europe for some of the time. A special thanks to Alan Bustany who agreed to write the minutes while Lynn was away and to Rosanne who took over the organising of the Charity Day (please see Rosanne's report on a great day with exceptional results).

The Leagues Club has recently advised that they are providing an individual air-conditioning unit for our area. This is to be installed on Wednesday 25th May 2016. Fay Toomey has arranged for us to play in the Parkview Room on that day so that the installation can take place with no disruption to our game. We greatly appreciate the CCLC's efforts on our behalf.

Alan Bustany, David Bowerman and I recently attended a meeting with the Internal Clubs to discuss incorporating our Club. The CCLC is keen that all Clubs become incorporated by 31 August 2016. In order to do this we will need to change our Constitution slightly to include the appointment of a Public Officer and we will need to take out an insurance policy to protect our property. One aspect of the change is a clarification that all our equipment (cards, bridgemates, dealing machine etc) and other items (paintings, microphone, trophies, refrigerator, microwave) is considered to be our property and not the property of the CCLC which we had always assumed was the case. We are going to have to get working on changes to our Constitution so that we can have it ready for the AGM and to advise members 21 days before the 6th of August.

The CCLC also advised that they have no objection to us utilising some space in the Newsletter for some advertising. It is possible that this could be a good way to make some money for our Charity and/or to purchase special items that are extra expensive, for example a new dealing machine costs around \$4,000. Although we have one now it occasionally breaks down and to have a backup would be helpful. Your comments on this idea would be very helpful.

Dorothy

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• HANDYPERSON • CHEMIST	The CCLC Bridge Club is considering offering space for advertising by local traders or professionals in this newsletter. The newsletter is circulated to over 100 members and available on the web to all bridge clubs. It is published monthly. Please enquire with the committee, about fees, if you think someone you know could use a space about this size. Two spaces may be offered each issue.
	• HAIRDRESSER • TECHNICIAN
• DOG WALKER • FINANCIAL ADVISER • HANDYPERSON •	





FROM THE MASTERPOINTS SECRETARY

Masterpoints

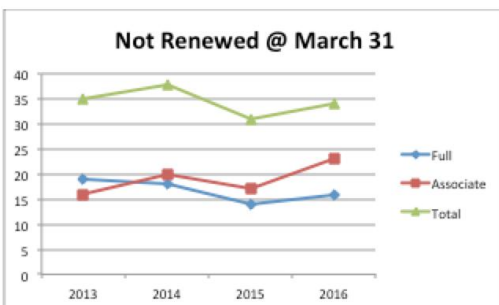
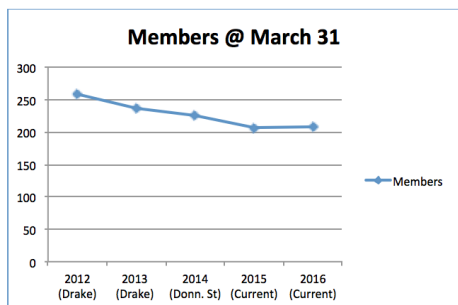
I am still clarifying the approval for the Summer Pairs, but expect to sort this out soon!

Rosanne and Ronnie gained approval for the Easter Pairs and processed these points as well as the green points for March and April – many thanks to them both for the time and effort they put in to achieving this on my behalf.

Membership

Rosanne and Ronnie also completed the checking and submission of member cancellations and new Home members as at March 31. The ABF charges us the annual capitation fee of \$15 per player based on the latter number.

There was a sudden flurry of membership payments towards the end of March, which meant our membership numbers did not drop for the first time in some years.



On the Central Coast this is how we compare to our local clubs with respect to Home Club members.

Club	2015	2016
Central Coast (Long Jetty)	236	245
Brisbane Water (Woy Woy)	144	152
CCLCBC	128	129
Community BC (Bateau Bay)	71	72

Across the country there was a small increase (0.22%) with half the states increasing and half decreasing.

State/Territory	2016	Difference
NSW	13 754	-144
Queensland	7 524	-30
Victoria	5 229	+255
Western Australia	4 072	-64
South Australia	1 947	+68
ACT	896	+1
Tasmania	841	+22
Northern Territory	144	-3
Youth Club	252	-9
TOTAL	34 407	+75

As you can see, we players are part of a rather large 'bridge family'!



SWITCHING SINGLES

After 4 months, only 2 players have played with 3 different partners – Dorothy Berzins and Yvonne Zammit. Four others have played with 2 different partners – Agnes Marsh, Colin Mitchell, Paul Unger and Janice Bowyer.

This competition requires you to play with 5 different partners. There are 6 more sessions, so don't be shy. Either arrange a different partner or turn up on the day and be willing to swap – this is meant to be a fun event!

Wendy Mitchell

RECORDER CORNER WITH GWEN

When play commences, do not detach a card from your hand until it is your turn to play and you have decided to play that card. Do not pull up a card, push it back into your hand and then pull up another card. Nor should you detach a card and then replace it to play another card. Also do not detach your card before it is your turn to play and never rearrange your hand when out of a suit. All of these actions provide additional valuable information to declarer.

NEW & OLD FRIENDS

please welcome and add to your Program

Suzanne Willis 0414 332 175
Colin Stapley 0457 275 076
Wendy Byrne 0400 580 526

Welcome back

Gina Robertson 0413 393 502
Gary Barwick 0413 884 805

New numbers

Leyla Moncelet 0468 427 868

Elva Arrowsmith 0407 417 139
Pam Harrison 4369 4847

Mark Levitt 4325 1047

Wendy Byrne 0400 580 526

HAPPY BIRTHDAY in May to:

Jack Cain, Margaret Campbell, Doreen Collis, John Duncan, Joan Dominguez, David Ford, Helen Gulliver, Jan Henry, Gary Heyting, Stewart Lee, Jan Macadie, Nancy Marchant, Vicky Morris, Frank and Kath Pellarini, Marilyn Scott, Paul Unger

NEVER HEARD AT OUR BRIDGE CLUB

- The playing area is always at the right temperature
- I've had lots of points all evening
- Free coffee? No thanks
- Cool! A four board sit out
- No, I don't think tournament fees are too high
- No gossip please. I'm not interested
- One thing I can say about bridge players – they sure know how to dress
- No matter which direction we sit, the cards always go our way
- I always hear what the Director says



**HAND PATTERN PROBABILITIES****Wikipedia wisdom****PROBABILITY OF SUIT DISTRIBUTION IN TWO HIDDEN HANDS**

No. of cards	Distribution	Probability	Combinations	Individual probability
2	1 – 1	0.52	2	0.26
	2 – 0	0.48	2	0.24
3	2 – 1	0.78	6	0.13
	3 – 0	0.22	2	0.11
4	2 – 2	0.41	6	0.0678~
	3 – 1	0.50	8	0.0622~
	4 – 0	0.10	2	0.0478~
5	3 – 2	0.68	20	0.0339~
	4 – 1	0.28	10	0.02826~
	5 – 0	0.04	2	0.01956~
6	3 – 3	0.36	20	0.01776~
	4 – 2	0.48	30	0.01615~
	5 – 1	0.15	12	0.01211~
	6 – 0	0.01	2	0.00745~
7	4 – 3	0.62	70	0.00888~
	5 – 2	0.31	42	0.00727~
	6 – 1	0.07	14	0.00484~
	7 – 0	0.01	2	0.00261~
8	4 – 4	0.33	70	0.00467~
	5 – 3	0.47	112	0.00421~
	6 – 2	0.17	56	0.00306~
	7 – 1	0.03	16	0.00178~
	8 – 0	0.00	2	0.00082~

The table left represents the different ways 2 to 13 particular cards may be distributed, or may split, between two unknown 13-card hands. The table also shows the number of combinations of particular cards that match any numerical split and the probabilities for each combination.

High Card Points (HCP) are usually counted using the Milton Work scale of 4/3/2/1 for each Ace/King/Queen/Jack respectively. The probabilities that a given hand contain no more than a specified number of HCP is given in the table below. To find the likelihood of a certain point range, subtract the two relevant cumulative possibilities. So the likelihood of being dealt a 12-19 HCP hand (inclusive) is the probability of having at most 19 HCP minus the probability of having at most 11 HCP or: $0.986 - 0.652 = 0.334$

PROBABILITY OF HCP DISTRIBUTION

HCP	Probability
1	0.0036
2	0.0115
3	0.0251
4	0.0497
5	0.0882
6	0.1400
7	0.2056
8	0.2858
9	0.3748
10	0.4683

HCP	Probability
11	0.6518
12	0.7321
13	0.8012
14	0.8582
15	0.9024
16	0.9355
17	0.9591
18	0.9752
19	0.9855
20	0.9920

HCP	Probability
21	0.9958
22	0.9979
23	0.9990
24	0.9995
25	0.9998
26	0.9999
27	1.0000
28	1.0000
29	1.0000
30	1.0000

HCP	Probability
31	1.0000
32	1.0000
33	1.0000
34	1.0000
35	1.0000
36	1.0000
37	1.0000