



## Taradale Bridge Club Incorporated

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### April 2021 Newsletter

Hi Taradale Bridge Players

Our bridge year has got off well without interruptions related to Covid-19, and may it continue! There are plenty of opportunities for all playing levels to play in the several local tournaments coming up. Of special note is the Hawke's Bay Congress over Queen's Birthday weekend with an emphasis on less experienced players having great options - the **Novice teams for example is free!!**

#### Upcoming tournaments, being run by Taradale Bridge or local Clubs - Taradale

- Saturday 15 May - Tierney Teams *See attached Flyer*
- Sunday 13 June - Charity Tournament

#### Other Club Tournaments

- 1 May - Hastings Junior Pairs
- 22 May - Waipukurau Intermediate/Junior Pairs
- 4 - 8 June - Hawke's Bay Congress

#### Recent Club Results



**Julie and Trish, winners of the New World sponsored Lawson Jugs.**

On 20 March, our club ran an excellent Lawson Jugs Tournament with the winning pair coming from within our club out of 22 pairs. Well done Julie Haslett and Trish Patterson!

On 17 April, a number of our club members played in the Waipukurau Open Pairs and once again a member from our club started with second place amongst a field of 32 pairs. Congratulations Carolyn Yeomans who, with her partner Jan Whyte, averaged 61.6% over the two sessions.

**Wanted** - do you have an unwanted flat screen colour TV (32 inch or larger) at home? Mike Smith, our Fund Raising & Sponsorship guru, is looking to use such a TV for sponsorship promotion within our clubrooms. If you can assist, please contact Mike at 842 0142 and he can arrange the pickup.

**Hawke's Bay Congress** - Autumn has arrived and the Hawkes Bay Congress is once again scheduled for Queens Birthday Weekend. This year the Congress is extended by one day. We have a new venue; The Hastings Sports Centre, 503 Railway Road, Hastings. There are extra events, and the main Open events are both elevated to be 15A tournaments. As usual there are events for all grades and levels of experience. If you want to come along and take part in Congress but don't want to play in the Open events the following might be of interest.

Walk in Pairs - The Congress opener - Friday 4th at 7.30 PM  
5B Intermediate Pairs - Saturday at 9.30am  
3B Junior Pairs - Saturday at 9.30am  
5B Intermediate Teams - Sunday at 9.30am  
3B Junior Teams - Sunday at 9.30am  
Inter Club - Novice Teams - Monday at 10am - New event  
5A Multigrade Pairs Tuesday at 9.30am - New event

*The Congress Flyer is attached for your information.*

### **Farewell to our long-term member - Joy Rose**

A farewell morning tea was held during the Bridge session on Thursday 1 April for our



*Joy, with Mary Burney, came third in our recent Intermediate Pairs tournament.*

longstanding member Joy Rose. It is a tribute to Joy that all the tables were full that morning. She and Harry are going back to family and friends in Dannevirke where they were originally from and where Joy learnt Bridge. We are going to miss Joy who always brings so much joy to others. Joy was a member of the Taradale Bridge Club in the 90s when we were in Devonshire Place. She contributed much to the running of the Club over this time, especially with the catering at tournaments. I met Joy in the 90s at my first tournament. We hadn't met before and we were playing as a fill in pair. We were at Table one with a feed in and so had no idea how we were doing. We ended up first for that session!! Joy was also very hospitable with social Bridge games on special occasions at her home with a fine luncheon provided. I shifted away from Napier, but next thing I heard from my mother who played at the Levin Bridge Club that Joy Rose had started playing with her at the Club. Again Joy was involved in

Club life there and enjoyed several years there. They came back to Napier about ten years ago and she has been a regular Monday and Thursday morning player, and often on Tuesday afternoon. She is a good player and has partnered many club members. We will miss Joy, but wish her and Harry all the best and we know she will still be playing and enjoying Bridge in Dannevirke.

Viv Pinkham

### **Sponsor of the month**

Beth Shan have been an ongoing sponsor of our club for the Tierney Teams and have recently established a new facility in Taradale:



Beth Shan Funerals has opened a new modern Chapel in Taradale. It is located near the Taradale CBD on Gloucester Street, meaning that we are now able to serve more of our community. The Chapel is flooded with natural light, has a pastel colour palate throughout and is able to seat up to 120 people. It has a modern and comfortable arrangement room and a private family room where you can spend quiet time with your loved one. We are able to offer amenities such as a sound system with surround sound, and TV screens for photo presentations. We also offer livestreaming, which means that family and friends are able to be a part of the funeral, even if they are far away. Our reception lounge is an easy solution for people wanting to share some time together after the funeral service. We have some onsite parking for families, with additional offsite parking behind the Duke of Gloucester. You are most welcome to come and talk to one of our friendly staff, who can give you a guided tour through our premises.

**Building Update** - as all members are aware, a Special General Meeting of our club has been called for Monday 26 April, 1pm at Lodge Omaranui, to approve the choice of builder as recommended by the Building Committee. Whilst, due to our current constitution rules, only full

members can have recorded a vote of the final deciding resolution, ALL members - both associate and full - are encouraged to attend and contribute their thoughts. Anecdotally, there are many associate members who have the knowledge, skills, and experience to contribute towards the decision and we look forward to hearing from you.

### From the Co-President's Desk



The Tournament season is well under-way and it is exciting to see so many of our Taradale members featuring in the top of the field. Most recently - Congratulations to Carolyn Yeomans and her partner who came second in the Waipukurau Open. A few weeks ago we had a 'surprise' morning tea for Joy Rose who has moved away from Taradale. Joy gave a moving thankyou speech, in which she said how much she would miss her many Bridge friends as well as the "specialness" she felt our Club has. Joy assured us we would see her again at some of our future tournaments. We look forward to that and wish her all the best in her new home.

### From the Committee

- Director Lessons - a further reminder to all members to seriously consider becoming a club director. We are most fortunate to have Carolyne Wiggins teaching and the sessions are being run locally - which in past years has not always been the case.
- Monday 26 April morning bridge - there will be casual bridge for members to come during this public holiday. Members can bring their lunch and stay on for the Special General Meeting at 1pm.
- Learner Lessons - as these are coming to being completed, we are looking to arranging mentors for the people coming off these lessons. It is planned to run supported bridge sessions on the Wednesday afternoon for these new members with their mentors. Please contact the committee if you are able to assist with this.

**Covid-19 Vaccine and Flu Vaccination** - members awaiting the Covid-19 vaccine should also be aware that there is a stand down period of two weeks between receiving the Covid-19 vaccine course and the Flu vaccine. I suggest that as many of our members will be a month or so from being offered the Covid vaccine, they book and receive their Flu vaccine soon. Also be aware that the Covid vaccine requires two injections three weeks apart.

**Monthly Humour** – Sometimes in bridge the player over complicates their decision process when simply fate will take care of the situation:

Will I live until ...

I recently picked a new primary care doctor. After two visits and exhaustive Lab tests, she said I was doing fairly well for my age. A little concerned about that comment, I couldn't resist asking her, 'Do you think I'll live to be 80?'

She asked, 'Do you smoke tobacco, or drink beer, wine or hard liquor?'

'Oh no,' I replied. 'I'm not doing drugs, either!'

Then she asked, 'Do you eat rib-eye steaks and barbecued ribs?'

'I said, 'Not much... My former doctor said that all red meat is very unhealthy!'

'Do you spend a lot of time in the sun, like playing golf, boating, sailing, hiking, or bicycling?'

No, I don't,' I said.

She asked, 'Do you gamble (play Bridge naturally), drive fast cars, or have a lot of sex?'

No,' I said...

She looked at me and said, 'Then, why do you even care?!'

**A special thanks to Helen Grant** for her assisting in numerous tasks within the club. Helen is currently assisting with the learner lessons and has been a member of the dealing team for many years. She has decided to retire from the dealing team at the end of this year.

#### **Reminders**

- Saturday 15 May - Taradale Tierney Teams
- Saturday 1 May - Hastings Junior Pairs
- 4 - 8 June - Hawke's Bay Congress
- Wanted - a 32 inch TV, contact Mike at 842 0142

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