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August 2020 Newsletter

Hi Taradale Bridge Players

What a rollercoaster ride we are all receiving from Covid-19! Our move from the Napier Club to Lodge Oamaru has been completed successfully and we welcome back to the bridge table a number of our members. We have recently run a very well organised and attended Open Pairs tournament and Sue and her army of volunteers are to be congratulated for their efforts. A special mention, whilst not trying to single it out amongst the other food provided, was the lunch catered by Debbie Gibson.

Upcoming tournaments, being run by Taradale Bridge or local Clubs - Other Club Tournaments

- 12 September - Hastings Open Pairs 5A
- 19 September - Waipukurau Swiss Pairs 8B
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Results – on 8 August we ran very successfully our Open Pairs tournament with 16 pairs from within and outside the Hawke's Bay region.

Our generous sponsors - PAK'nSAV Tamatea - for the tournament are thanked once again for their support.



Taradale Club Players whom were placed in the Taradale Open pairs: Left - 3rd Jo Hayes & Ash Fitchett; Right 4th Lynnaire Hampton & Diana Lees.

Well Done - to **Yvonne and Ron Janes** for selection in the CD Inter Provincial Intermediate Team!

Competition	Winners
Open Pairs 5A	3 rd Jo Hayes & Ash Fitchett 4 th Lynnaire Hampton & Diana Lees
Monday Night Championship Pairs	Margaret Hall & Margaret O'Leary

In Memoriam - Kingsley Dep, Margaret Jefferies and Margaret Edwards - all former long standing members of our club have recently passed away.

Womens' Refuge Collection - whilst at the Napier Bridge Club room, we joined alongside Napier into contributing clothing and other items towards this worthwhile charity. Our contribution was recently acknowledged by the Napier Club President:

Would you, please, pass on my thanks in your next newsletter to the Taradale Bridge Club members who joined us in collecting for the Women's Refuge. The final of three van loads of clothes, toys, bedding and toiletries was collected this week. The generous contributions will be invaluable to the families who have to use the Refuge.

*Thank you,
Karen.*



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Mahine Creagh - this "members only" tournament was held on Sunday 12 July and was another successfully run event. We are grateful to Princess Alexandra for their continual support to this important session.

1st N/S Julian Herbert & Jane O'Brien

1st E/W Mike Smith & Ron Humphreys

From the Committee

- Duties at bridge sessions - to share the load of tidying up after the bridge session, a table number will be identified, at the beginning of play, for those four people to be responsible for cleaning up the dishes/kitchen area at the end of play.
- The Committee has decided to trial a system of paying by internet banking for prepaid table tickets. If members wish to pay this way they are respectfully asked to **ensure the money is deposited in the Club's bank account by each Friday** for tickets to be available for collection the following week. Tickets can of course still be purchased from the Director as they currently are if preferred. Bank account details for internet banking payments: Taradale Bridge Club account number 03 0631 0174234 00. **Please be sure to include your name in the details.**
- 2021 Committee - we had a general discussion regarding the duties of the next committee. With the building project involving additional work for the committee for example, it was decided that some roles will need to be shared amongst our members to allow the overall workload to be realistic. So, if you are available to assist please volunteer! Likewise, if you are approached to assist, please seriously consider the role.
- Charity Tournament - the charity this year has been decided as Age Concern. However, with the disruptions of Covid-19 it has proven difficult to reschedule **so unfortunately it has been decided to cancel this for 2020.**

Meeting with Napier Bridge Club (NBC) 9 August

The committees of the two clubs met at the Napier Bridge Club (NBC), with the meeting chaired by Peter Ramsay, President of the Havelock North Bridge Club. Each club's Vision Statement had been circulated prior to the meeting. The clubs spoke to their statement and then answered any questions arising. Taradale Bridge Club (TBC) reiterated their desire to obtain new permanent

premises close to Taradale and that this seemed to be on track via the Napier City Council (NCC) agreement in principle to provide land at Park Island. The TBC believes it has considerable momentum with the NCC and does not want anything to detract from this. The TBC is not averse to discussing a merger with NBC in the future but at present its priority and energy are focussed on the new premises. NBC would like to work with TBC to effect a merger of the two clubs via the formation of a new club as it sees considerable benefits in this. NBC has its own clubrooms and sees no point in relinquishing its building or becoming the tenant of another club or paying rent for club rooms. TBC invited NBC to attend the joint meeting with NCC on 14 August. This invitation was subsequently declined. NBC have since informed the NCC of their desire to stay at the Whitmore Park site. There are no further actions arising from this meeting.

From The Co-President Desk



Thank you everyone for the enthusiasm with which you have greeted our move to Lodge Oamaru. We all recognise that there are compromises involved but hopefully these are well outweighed by being back in the Taradale area and by not having ongoing concerns about the security of our vehicles. A big thank you to our directors for battling the IT teething problems and our convenors for coming to grips with the kitchen lay out and intricacies. It is disappointing that our Bridge has been interrupted again but none of us wants to take any risks with our health or that of others. Hopefully late next week we can get back to Bridge in our new home.

See you all soon, I hope.

Jo Hayes

(Co-President)

Taradale Bridge Club Rooms Update - Last Friday our planning sub-committee met with Napier City Council officer, Debra Stewart, and representatives of HB Indoor Bowls, Pirates Rugby Club and the Napier City Country Music Club, to discuss building at the Northern Hub, Park Island. Debra shared copies of the Proposed Park Island Master Plan and an aerial photo of the same area. She said that the Council was fully supportive of establishing a Northern Community Sports Hub at Park Island and that whilst the groups are interested in being part of this development, it didn't mean they had to all develop their buildings at the same time. It is envisaged that each club would have their own separate rooms around shared toilet and kitchen facilities. Amenities such as sewage/water/power/gas/fibre optic are usually provided to the boundary (probably the HBRU building area) - with the cost to extend into the property lying with the different clubs. Parking spaces with numbers based on building size must usually be provided by each club. However, this could be negotiable as it was acknowledged that parking and changing rooms for visiting teams would need to be provided by NCC for sports grounds adjacent to the club buildings. It will be at least a year before any building is likely to begin. All the clubs are to send Debra a plan and description of their requirements by 4 September. When these are received from all the clubs a concept plan can be drawn up by NCC. Our planning sub-committee will be meeting later this week to discuss our draft plan. Kevin Holmes has already developed and amended several of these drafts. Next week we will meet with the Napier City Country Music Club to discuss whether our plan will meet their needs. We will also meet with Indoor Bowls and Pirates after that, then the final draft will be sent to Debra.



These no-cost electronic organs are patiently awaiting a good home. Contact Ray (phone 021 0314976) at Lodge Oamaru

NZ Bridge News No 6 (Attached) - included in this newsletter from the Chair is mention of the role of the Recorder. Lyn Bowcock is our club recorder and has contributed this information. *It is probably timely to remind our members that there is a code of conduct. That it is expected that members will be courteous to their partners the opposition and the director. Also to avoid any remarks or actions that may cause annoyance or embarrassment. Such behaviour that will not be tolerated:*

- *Abrupt and less than courteous behaviour unnerving some newer players*
- *Reading a book at the table while bidding is in progress*
- *Unrequested gratuitous "lessons" and analysis at the table*
- *Continued talking about a hand at the next table*
- *Gloating over getting a top board*
- *Harassment - conduct that is insulting abusive intimidating humiliating or offensive*
- *Badgering - criticise or pester repeatedly or over time*
- *Loud or disruptive arguing with the directors ruling (you may appeal if you consider a ruling to be wrong).*

Lyn Bowcock (Recorder)

When inappropriate conduct occurs in our club sessions, the Recorder must be contacted. The matter can be referred to the committee by the Recorder as part of the resolution of the matter. Due to recent incidents at a club session, the committee wishes to reinforce to all members the expectation of appropriate conduct at our club.



Fundraising Committee-

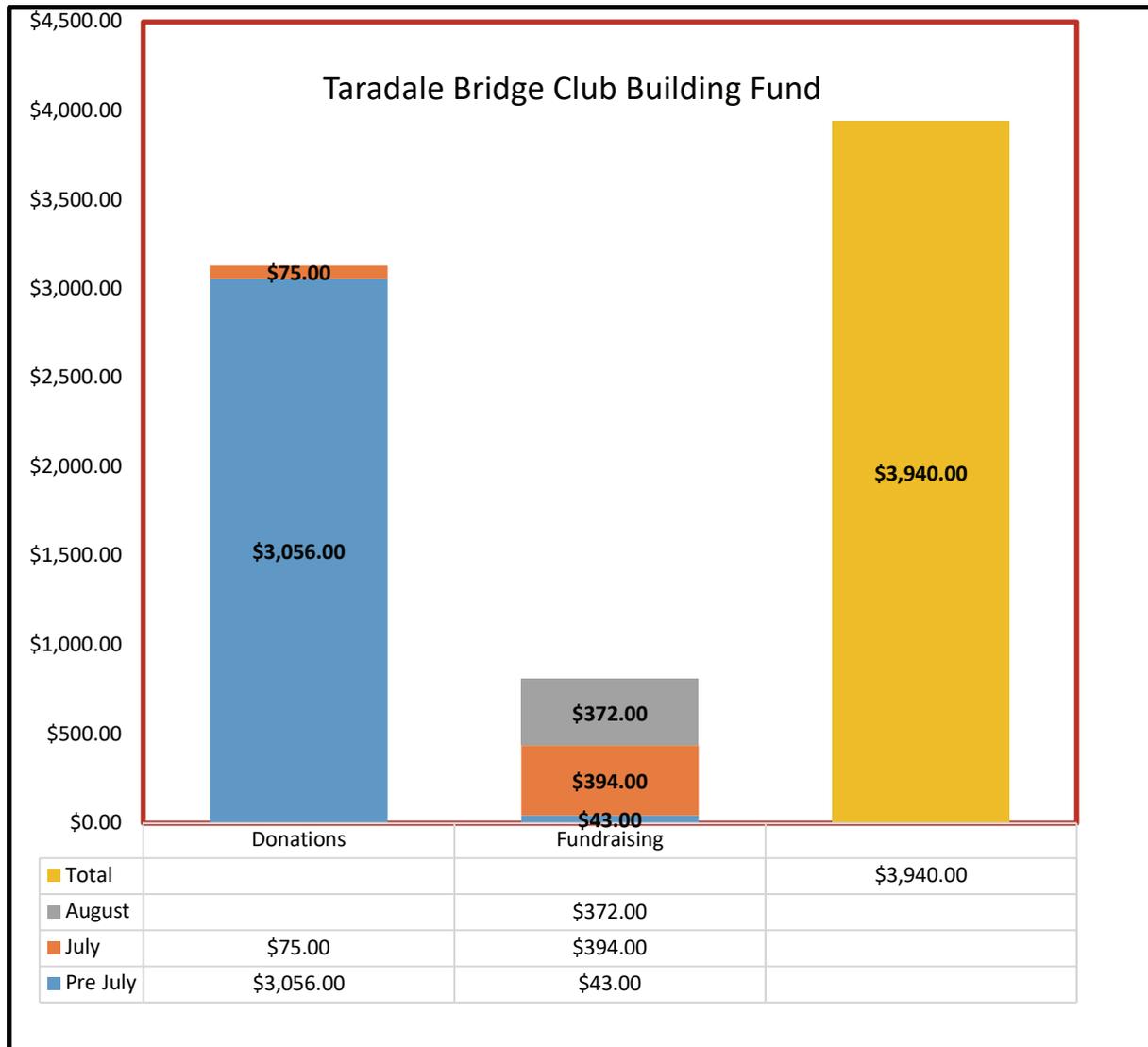
One of our members has placed their property on the market and has come up with a fundraising opportunity!

*\$500.00 to Taradale Bridge Club if the purchaser of **Herrick Street** is sourced from a club member.*

The house was built in 2008 and is on a freehold section of 736m². The 219m² home has four bedrooms, ensuite,

and walk-in-wardrobe in the master. More details are available on request from Jim Brown 027 4518102 or Liz Walsh, Property Brokers, 027 4718553.

The Fundraising Committee currently has two raffles on the go - the \$50 one and a basket of goodies that was donated back to the club when won by a member at the recent Open Pairs tournament. I want to also acknowledge a club member who donated back to the club their placement prize in the Junior Pairs.



Monthly Humour – bridge players will always have to be somewhat canny and control their physical emotions to avoid inadvertently disclosing information!

A fellow's wife went missing. He and his wife had had a big and very public fight, so he was duly accused of murdering her and disposing of the body. When witness after witness came to the stand testifying to all sorts of the horrible threats he had made against his wife, things were looking quite grim for the accused. Then the man's lawyer got up. "Ladies and gentleman of the jury I have something quite exciting to tell you, if you would all please direct your attention towards the door behind me on my left you will see the supposedly dead woman walk in on her own two feet." There was a loud murmuring in the courtroom as all eyes turned towards the door.

"Ladies and gentlemen," said the lawyer after a few seconds of anxious waiting, "to be honest with you, nobody is going to be walking through the door, however from the fact that your eyes all turned towards the door, it is quite obvious that you are not sure beyond the shadow of a doubt about my client's guilt." At the end of the trial, to the lawyer's great surprise, the jury decided that the man was guilty. "But how could you say that he is guilty? Didn't I prove it to you?" questioned the lawyer.

*"It is true that we all turned towards the door," one lady on the jury explained, "but there was person who didn't." "Who was that?" questioned the indignant lawyer.
"Your client," came the reply!*

A Special Thanks To The Members who:

- helped with the retrieval of the items in storage that we required
- collected our tables from HB Congress storage and assembled these
- helped on the day of the move from NBC to Lodge Omarunui
- helped with the Big Clean

and to HB Congress committee for lending us the tables.

Your ongoing help and support is very much appreciated by your committee.

Reminders

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We hope that all members are keeping safe and look forward to your return to the bridge table once our region moves back to Alert Level 1.

Cheers

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