

# Taradale Bridge Club Incorporated

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## May 2023 Newsletter

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Hello Bridge players

I continually hear from people who really appreciate our new rooms. This is fantastic feedback & I hope it continues into the future. To enjoy these facilities we have to work together so if you see a little 'job' that you could do, such as helping to put chairs up/ down, wiping stool tops, putting cups/ glasses in dishwasher etc please just do it.

The sales table is still available so please use it if you can. Any floral contributions would be appreciated also.

That's the housekeeping business done. Now to the important part- bridge. The championships are underway. There is also the charity tournament coming up on SATURDAY 27 May at 1pm. It's earlier due to parking issues & remember to bring a donation to the prize table. Good luck to the teams playing this Sunday in the Tierney tournament & to those who are playing in the Hawke's Bay Congress.

Good bridging everyone.

Enjoy

Ruth

### TARADALE CHARITY TOURNAMENT

Please note that the tournament will be commencing at 1.30pm **to avoid parking issues with neighbouring sports activities be there early.**

Please register your participation – either online through NZ Bridge or adding your name to the list on the noticeboard. Cost is \$10 and remember to bring an item for the prizes and some loose change to buy raffle tickets. St. John is the chosen and worthy recipient of the proceeds.

### WELL DONE!

Sincere thanks to Mike Smith for collating photos and producing an amazing photo book that commemorates the official opening of our new clubrooms. Certainly an occasion worth recording! A very thoughtful and generous gesture .... and a treasure for us to refer to and reflect on now and in the future.

### HOUSEKEEPING

- A cleaner has been employed to clean the clubrooms weekly (with a few exceptions). If you have any concerns about the cleanliness, etc. please liaise with Ruth Spittle and not directly with the cleaner

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- If you find yourself in the “phantom seat” how about stretching your legs and using the free time to wipe the black stools and black coasters while you wait? (They often have stains/marks from hot drinks)
- On Monday mornings help take chairs off the tables and on Thursday afternoons put them back up (to make it easier for the cleaner)
- We ALL need to take responsibility at the beginning of sessions to check if:
  - the dishwasher needs unpacking
  - the urn has been filled and switched on
  - tea, coffee, milk and sugar has been put on the bench

We shouldn't be taking it for granted by relying on other people to always get things organised. “Many hands make light work”. Let's work together as a team!

### **LESSONS ON SCORER (the computer software package)**

**Month of June for 4 consecutive weeks starting Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June from 6.00 – 6.45pm.**

The club needs additional people (3 or 4) to familiarise themselves with the computer programme used for running a Bridge session, dealing, etc. It's not difficult and you don't need to be a computer buff. It's about being able to follow a process and being committed to providing IT support. Peter Ramsey is willing to teach folk who'd like to learn.

The lessons will include some theory as well as hands-on practice. Please contact Ash Fitchett to register your interest.

### **HASTINGS JUNIOR TOURNAMENT RESULTS**

Congratulations to Alice and Dave Dravitzki who were the overall winners .... clearly a successful father and daughter combination!

### **BRIDGE “LIBRARY”**

Do you have any Bridge books that you're no longer using and willing to donate to the club for other people to read or refer to? Alternatively, you might like to recommend some titles of books that you've found particularly helpful and that the club could purchase. Any contributions in this regard would be much appreciated.

You can either contact Alison Hucker or send an email [taradalebridgeclub@gmail.com](mailto:taradalebridgeclub@gmail.com)

### **NEW MEMBERS' PHONE NUMBERS**

Please can you update your booklets:

Phillippa Gardiner	021 454 362	Sarah Kilmister	021 407 067
Teresa Thorn	027 288 5461	Joy Wakelin	027 426 2422
Annette Hibberd	027 844 5252	Kaye Cains	027 315 6386
Wayne Gamble	021 121 6263	Sandy Adam	027 442 5376
Phyllis Tuck	027 242 9124	Jewel Crabtree	022 064 0786
Linda Carle	027 334 8274	Maggie Walsh	021 025 28658
June Lawrence	027 229 8252	Peter Hug	022 693 3725



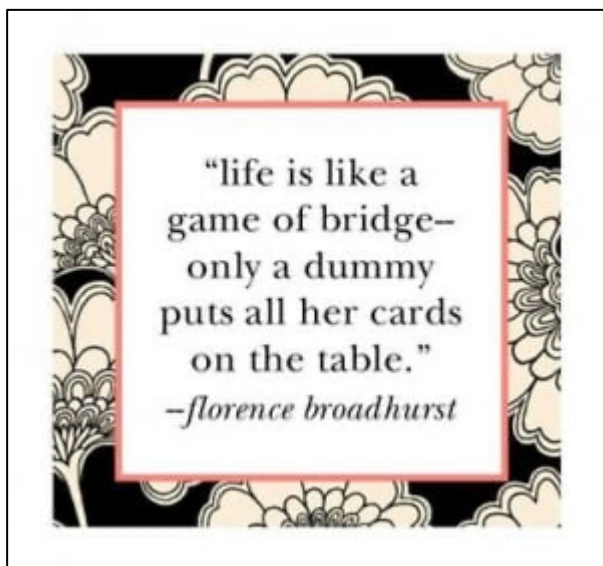
## DEFIBRILLATOR DEMONSTRATION

**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> June at 1pm**

St. John will be demonstrating (approx. 30 minutes) how to use the defibrillator correctly in the event of an emergency. As many members as possible are encouraged to attend. It could save your life! The Automated External Defibrillator (AED) was donated to the building by Napier City Country Music Club and is attached as shown (left), complete with instructions, to the northern wall in the Bridge Room.

## FACEBOOK

Given the way communication is progressing and in an effort to try and attract more members, the committee has decided it would be prudent to set up a FaceBook page for the club. Can you spare about 10 minutes a week to post info on the page? If so, please contact Meg Rodel.



*Meg Rodel*

Co Vice President