



Taradale Bridge Club Incorporated

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September 2019 Newsletter

Hi Taradale Bridge Players

The next month or so will be a busy one for a number of committee and club members as we move from the Bridge Room to the Napier Bridge Club. The last bridge session at the Bridge Room in the Taradale Club will be on Thursday 26 September. We are organising a car pool system to assist members travelling to Napier and there is a list for members to complete in the Bridge Room. Don't forget our AGM on Tuesday 12 November commencing at 5.00 pm. If you aware of club members with email but are not receiving the newsletters, please get in touch with a committee member.

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

- 14 September - Hastings Open Pairs 5A
- 21 September - Waipukurau Open Swiss pairs 8B
- 12 October - Napier Junior Pairs - *See attachment*

Results – as you are no doubt aware several bridge sessions have the winners accumulated over the whole year i.e. Monday morning, Monday evening, Tuesday afternoon, and Thursday afternoon. The Wednesday evening bridge sessions are accumulated over a month and the recent results for those have the following winners of the month

Competition	Winners
Lady Dowling Pairs (Wednesday Night)	Jan Davis & Ash Fitchett



Lady Dowling Pairs winners - Ash Fitchett & Jan Davis



Megan Eddy who was a sub for Ash in the Lady Dowling Pairs - Jan and Megan got 75% which as can be seen really pleased Megan! To be fair to Megan, she was the photographer for the Napier Open Teams winners and inadvertently took this lovely selfie!

Tournament Successes	
Napier Open Teams	Diana Lees, Lynnaire Hampton, Jo Hayes & Ash Fitchett
Havelock North Intermediate Pairs	1 st Henny French & Diane Pye
	2 nd Susan Scott & Jennie Turbitt
	1 st Session Sue Lambourn & Trish Peters
Mahine Creagh	Neil McDonald & Russell Turner



Napier Open Teams Winners L- Ash Fitchett, Lynnaire Hampton, Diana Lees, and Jo Hayes



Mahine Creagh Tournament - with the winners also - L Neil McDonald & Russell Turner



Sponsor of the Mahine Creagh was Unichem Pharmacy and Taradale Medical Pharmacy

Sponsorship 2020 - Neil McDonald who is our Fundraising and Sponsorship guru is keen to add to our club and tournament sponsor portfolio. **If any members are aware of such opportunities or have suggestions of businesses to approach please contact the committee or Neil directly.**

From The Co-President Desk



This has been a month of letters and meetings. President Jo has put in an enormous amount of time with her contribution to these. Others on the Planning Committee have supported her in a multitude of ways. We are so fortunate to have members with a multitude of talents besides their ability to play Bridge. The results have been mostly encouraging, as you will have read in the correspondence you've received. Thank you to all those who volunteered for the cleaning roster (I found using an unfamiliar vacuum cleaner an interesting challenge). Thanks also, to Sue Lambourn and her helpers for the delicious afternoon tea we had at the Mahine Creagh tournament. It made us appreciate how much we will all enjoy our own catering for our tournaments when we move to the Napier Club's rooms. The planning for our 'move' has also been discussed and planned with all eventualities covered. It is really heart-warming to be part of such a caring, supportive and enthusiastic group of people who are making what seemed a 'catastrophe' become quite an exciting 'adventure'.

Jan Davis (Co-President)

From the Committee

- Our Club AGM is in early November and any notices of motion are required by the end of September. Please also think about the nominations for the new committee - **we are looking for a new treasurer.**
- With the move to Napier Bridge Club requiring "people power", we would appreciate offers to help with this move starting at 9.00 am on Saturday 28 September. Please contact a committee member if you can assist - even for part of the day.
- Sue and Peter are unable to continue as convenor and we are very keen to get a replacement for the new year. Volunteers please to the committee.

NZ Bridge Newsletter - please find **attached** the latest newsletter from NZ Bridge.

Monthly Humour - team work at the bridge table is important for achieving the desired results. Sometimes such team work is tricky with newly introduced team members as discovered in this month's humour contribution...

A Short Love Story

A man and a woman who had never met before, but who were both married to other people, found themselves assigned to the same sleeping



Farewell to a longstanding club member Gary Vincent. Gary and his wife are moving to Hamilton to be closer to family. After 21 years of having your friendly face and gentlemanly manner at the bridge table, we wish you the very best for the future Gary.

room on a trans-continental train. Though initially embarrassed and uneasy over sharing a room, they were both very tired and fell asleep quickly, he in the upper berth and she in the lower. At 1:00 AM, the man leaned down and gently woke the woman saying, "Ma'am, I'm sorry to bother you, but would you be willing to reach into the closet to get me a second blanket? I'm awfully cold." "I have a better idea," she replied. "Just for tonight, let's pretend that we're married." "Wow! That's a great idea!", he exclaimed. "Good", she replied. "Get your own f.....g blanket." After a moment of silence, he farted.

A Special Thanks - to the people who have generously given their time to keeping our Bridge Room clean these past few weeks after the Taradale Club management refused to honour the agreement. Your selfless help has been appreciated.

All the best to club members attending the National Bridge Congress in Hamilton later this month. Naturally photos of successes are mandatory!

Reminders

- 26 September - the last bridge session at the Bridge Room
- 21 September - Waipukurau Open Swiss Pairs
- 12 October - Napier Junior Pairs
- Assistance with the move to Napier Saturday 28 September - starting at 0900.
- AGM - 12 November commencing at 5.00 pm. Notices of motion required by the end of September. Please also think about nominations for the committee!

Ash

Ash Fitchett
Newsletter Editor