

March Newsletter



2nd March Virginia Dressler ... 2nd March Barbara Harrison ... 6th March Gloria Smith ... Mary Wood ... 8th March 11th March Kaylee Lemon ... 11th March Michelle Campbell ... Margaret Driscoll ... 15th March Sara Yang ... 18th March 27th March Elaine Hume ... Stephanie Mathews ... 29th March 30th March Ray Moeser ... Kay Roberts ... 30th March Colin Speller ... 31st March

And a belated birthday wish to Elsie Yardley ... 10th February

COMING EVENTS

Central Coast Bridge Club Congress is on 23rd/24th March, this time at Diggers Club at The Entrance.

Central Coast Leagues Club Bridge Club are holding their annual State Seniors Championships from Wednesday 29th - Friday 31st May.

Entries to Congresses are presently made through the NSWBA website.

Brisbane Water Bridge Club are holding their InterClub Teams on Monday 29th April. Please visit their website tor information and entering.

CONGRESS REPORT

Sixteen of our members travelled to Port Macquarie for their annual Congress. All reportedly had a good time and as they say-what happened in Port stays in Port. There were some excellent results, so well done to all.

In the Pairs Rhonda Innes and Irene Campbell not only won their section, they also were placed 3rd overall in the Pairs.

In the Teams, Team Cotton with Roy, Steve Calcroft, Marianna Xerri and Maoliosa Hawkes were also winners of the section and were placed 3rd overall in the Teams.

A fantastic result !!!



Our happy bridge players were joined by President from the Port Macquarie Club who was delighted with the large representation from our club.

COMING SOON

Yes, it's that time again. Our Annual General Meeting will be held on Friday 19th April at 9.15am.

Notices will be coming your way shortly.

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PARTNER ARRANGING

Sharon is your contact if you need a partner. She knows who is away, who is sick, what is happening!

If you are in need of a partner, please ring Sharon by 7pm the night before your session. You can phone or text her on 0403 288 627. She can't always get to the phone the minute it rings, so if that happens, just leave your name and message, and yes, she will get back to you.

Calls and messages the morning of the session can be tricky. We are involved in setting up the room and often very busy and pushed for time and often do not see last minute messages, so *PLEASE*, if you can, ring by 7pm the previous evening.

As you know, we don't have a Standby Person, so turning up without a partner is not a safe option. However, if anyone is interested in being a Standby Person, or happy to be "on call", we would love to hear from you.

OPEN TEAMS DAY

That's right, we are holding our very own Open Teams Day on Friday 24th May. It will be an all-day event and lunch will be supplied. Being a Trophy Event you must be a current member of CBCBB to enter.

The number of grades will depend on the number of entries. You can enter with whoever you like, the Director will grade your team.

More info to come.

FROM THE DIRECTORS

Revokes are accidental. It's obviously a shock when someone at the table states "I think you revoked back there somewhere". Then you keep playing and get to the last trick and before calling the Director you all start madly turning over your cards to find where the error occurred.

But revokes must be established, and that is why it is important to call the Director immediately you think there is revoke.

Just as bad is if you realise someone has revoked and you point it out but say "Keep playing and we'll sort it at the end". Not sportsmanship. Penalties apply.

There are different penalties for revokes; not just a standard one or two trick penalty, so the order in which the cards are played is very important.

Also, there are rules in place so you can inquire about a possible revoke. (No-one wants to deliberately give away a penalty trick).

- 1. Declarer may ask a defender who has failed to follow suit whether he has a card of the suit led.
- 2. Dummy may ask declarer.
- 3. Dummy may not ask a defender.
- 4. Defenders may ask declarer and one another (at the risk of creating unauthorized information).

So please, the minute you suspect a revoke, STOP and call the director. Get the revoke established properly in the correct order.

Easter is coming and **YES** we are playing on Good Friday.

We don't want to be alone so please join us.