



COMMUNITY BRIDGE CLUB BATEAU BAY

OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Helen Motbey ...	1 st October
Gabrielle Celests ...	4 th October
Catherine Porter ...	4 th October
Rick Gosby ...	6 th October
Thea Martinot ...	6 th October
Louise Lewis ...	9 th October
Rosemary Millar ...	10 th October
Sue Kenny ...	15 th October
Joan Walsh ...	18 th October
Geoff Peebles...	21 st October
Sharon Versteeg ...	22 nd October
Laughton Hegarty	23 rd October
Gary Barwick ...	26 th October
Jodie Gudaitis ...	28 th October



(Larkspur)

CONGRATULATIONS

Lynette Hannelly is now a Graduate Master

Sue Kenny is now a State Master



KEVIN HUGHES TROPHY DAY

Trophy Day this year was an extra special day as it was held on what would have been Kevin's actual 100th birthday.

The Bay Room was capacity with 15 tables and ready for our Fingerfood Luncheon to follow.

Congratulations to the winners:

North/South were
Virginia Dressler and
Ian McKinnon

East/West were
Kevin Hughes and
Gary Heyting

Sadly, Kevin Senior was never able to have his name on the trophy, but proudly now, there really is a Kevin Hughes (Jnr) name about to be engraved for the first time since 2009.

A great day, and well done everyone.

COMING EVENTS



**Community Bridge Club Bateau Bay
Christmas Party is on Friday 6th December 2024
following our normal bridge session**

**Bridge is the usual \$5
The Christmas Lunch is free to active members***

**Numbers are needed for both bridge and catering,
so please make sure you register**

**Active member – must have attended at
least 6 regular bridge sessions
in the past 12 months*

WELL DONE

Central Coast Leagues Club Bridge Club recently held their Annual Congress. There were 28 pairs in the Open Pairs event, 28 pairs in the Restricted Pairs event, and 24 Teams participating.

Competing in the Open Pairs Rhonda Nix and Irene Campbell finished 6th, way above their ranking. In the Restricted Pairs section Wendy Everitt and Ellen Williams finished 5th, followed by Sharonn Versteeg and Carol Parker finishing 6th, followed by Kevin Hughes and his partner who finished in 7th place.

One last special mention goes to Gary Barwick. Second with Helen Millward in the Pairs and first in the Teams. We love Gary.

BRIDGE PROTOCOL

Recently Gosford Bridge Club printed a booklet "Stuff You Should Know". It's an excellent read. The content of the book is aimed at Beginning and Developing Players.

The source of the book is Carla Heslop. Also at Carla's request in 2017 no profit is to be made from these books.

Gosford has made the book available to our members at a cost of \$1 per booklet. If you are interested, please let Roy know and he will arrange a copy.

Being a smaller club and only having a steady number of our players attending Tournaments, etc, we asked if we could print (with permission) some of the articles that pertain more to our circumstances.

Thankfully, the answer was "yes", so we would like to share this first article with you.

Recently we have had some queries from some of the newer players where bidding systems were not as expected, but there was failure to alert, and/or knowledge of when/who to ask what a bid meant.

SYSTEM CARDS

There are ABF (Simple) System Cards available at the club to help you sort out your bidding system.

Players are not allowed to look at their notes or their System Card during bidding and play. (No extraneous sources of info are allowed). However, you are allowed to look at your System Card or notes *between* hands.

Each player should put a System Card on the table.

The opps are entitled to know your system. They are allowed to look at your System Card before play and at their turn during bidding and play.

For help to fill out your System Card, ask a Director or your Teacher.

ALERTING

Alerting is where a player says "alert" out loud as soon as partner makes a bid, and circles their partner's bid. It lets the opposition know that the bid has a meaning different from that which they may expect.

(There are exceptions which we will explain in the next newsletter).

If a bid is alerted ask what it means *only* if you need to know. Ask only when it is your turn to act, and ask the *partner* of the player who made the bid.