



COMMUNITY **BRIDGE** CLUB

B A T E A U B A Y

JUNE NEWSLETTER

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Louise Lewis ...	12 th June
Tony Sappideen ...	12 th June
Wanda Little ...	13 th June
Patrick Blades ...	19 th June
Ellen Williams ...	24 th June



Welcome ...

Our newest member is John Dillon.

Farewell ...

Sadly we say goodbye to Pam Cowin, who passed away suddenly on 4th June last. She organized many bridge gatherings at Aces and Pine Needles and had a passion for cruising. A great organizer, and she will be really missed.



Also, many remember Graham Steel. A long-time bridge player, he joined us briefly after caring for his wife, Ann, until her passing but then suffered ill health himself. He sadly passed on 12th May.



PROMOTIONS

Rhonda Nix has been promoted to Bronze State.

CONGRATULATIONS

Club Teams Day

Thursday 22nd May was our club's second Club Teams Day. We had 10 teams competing from the well experienced to the beginners. Thank you to Peter Hume, our director for the day, for his calm presence, our helpers Kerie, Dian and Pat, and our players for an enjoyable day.

Always well done to the winners – Team Heyting, Gary Heyting, Stephanie Mathews, Kevin Hughes and Marilyn Scott. Thank you to all for taking part. While a bit of a daunting experience for the newer players it is still part of your bridge learning.

Thank you also to the more experienced players for showing your respect for our beginners and supporting them in their bridge journey.

Further afield, the ABF Gold Congress was held in Orange in May. Very well run and organized, and a large contingent representing all Central Coast clubs with some very nice results. Too many to name all, but Elaine and Peter Hume were 5th from 32 in the Restricted Pairs, and Lucy D'Ambrosio and Jodie Summerhill 10th in the same event.

Gary Barwick with Helen Millward were 8th from 68 in the Open Pairs. They were also well placed in the Open Teams.

Congratulations to Central Coast Leagues Club Bridge Club on a successful State Seniors Championship in May.

In the Bridge NSW Teams of Three, Lucy D'Ambrosio and Michael Jackson with Ruth Robin as their Team Captain were second, followed in Third Place by Roy Cotton, Louise Lewis, Vic Pietraszkiewicz with their Team Captain Fraser Rew.



Sarah Yang and Roy Cotton were placed 5th from 48 in the Maitland Pairs. Also Lucy took part in the Autumn Online League with Jodie Summerhill, coming second.

Well done to all.

COMING UP ...

Central Coast Bridge Club
Novice and Restricted Congress
Sat 8th and Sun 9th July.

Brisbane Water Bridge Club
Super Congress
Sat 19th and Sun 20th July.
Brochures available at club.

13 Years at Tigers at
Community Bridge Club Bateau Bay
Will be celebrated on Friday 8th August.
Bridge followed by finger-food luncheon.

Community Bridge Club InterClub Teams
will be held on Thursday 4th September.

Remember 2012?



This was our first bridge session at The Entrance Leagues Club on 3rd August 2012.

On **Friday 8th August** we will be celebrating **13 Years at Tigers**. After our normal bridge session we will be having our usual Free Finger-Food Luncheon.

It's time to update our club photo as well, so see you there. Numbers are needed for catering so please enter via the Calendar, or on the list available at your bridge session.

InterClub Teams

Thursday 4th September 2025

Open to members from
CBCBB, BWBC, CCBC and
CCLCBC Clubs only.

Play starts at 9.30 a.m.
Director: Peter Hume
B5i (Red) Masterpoints

**Entry fee: \$160 per team which
includes lunch and drinks at
end of day.**

**Please notify of any dietary requirements
when entering**

Cash Prizes awarded:
according to entries

An interview with Marjorie McCredie

Our Club has great respect for you, Marjorie, and we'd like to know more about you. May we ask you a few questions?

Marjorie: "Sure!"



Club: Where did you go to school?

Marjorie: "I went to an all-girls school in Hornsby. They only had all girls or all boys schools then".

Club: So what did you do after high school, Marj?

Marjorie: "I went to a Business School and trained as a Comptometer Operator and Stenographer. I got a good job after that as a private secretary. My first assignment was an unusual one: to re-configure the company's cafe for their 90 employees which was running at a loss. My Mum helped me with all the recipes, and I got the cafe profitable again - although I never really knew how to cook!"

Club: We'd like to know when you first learned to play Bridge, Marj?

Marjorie: " Well, my Auntie had a Card Night as was typical back then when I was about 12. I went with my folks for one of those nights. We played poker and lots of card games but not bridge in the beginning. Then another relative came one night, and they taught us bridge just one time before they moved away. I've always wondered what my game would be if I'd be able to really start learning that early."

Club: You are a strong player now, What's your secret?

Marjorie: "Somebody told me that the game would be good for my brain when I got older. I'm now 94 and still working on that!"

Club: Marj, if I was playing, and my partner made an unreasonable bid, what do I do?

Marjorie: "I'd remember the times I'd made a crazy bid! Both sides always need a good, old-fashioned sense of humour, you know."

Club: Any other hobbies, Marj?

Marjorie: "Yes, I am an avid gardener. For many years I was badgered to enter the Central Coast Garden competition. I finally relented, and was awarded Grand Championship Prize for Best Garden!"

Club: You're showing your humility, Marj! Now - what's left on your 'bucket list'?

Marjorie: "I've always wanted to learn to fly. I may have left it a little too late".

Club: No. Never too late for you, Marjorie. Thanks for sharing with Sharon Kay for The Club.



Footnote:

Marjorie is also a gifted card maker. For over 20 years Marj was well known for crafting beautiful cards for all occasions. She kept a large supply available for members to purchase and all money from sales went to various Cancer Charities.