



COMMUNITY BRIDGE CLUB BATEAU BAY

JULY NEWSLETTER

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Chris Swan ...	7 th July
Richard Webb ...	7 th July
Sue Davis ...	10 th July
Kath Bromley ...	17 th July
Lynette Hannelly ...	25 th July
Lee Gorman ...	28 th July



PROMOTIONS

Apologies to Rhonda Nix. She rose from Bronze State to **National Master** (not as reported last month) , and is now well on her way to becoming a Bronze master.

WELL DONE

A large number of Central Coast bridge players travelled to Newcastle for the Pairs and Teams well run Annual Congress. Stephanie Mathews and Gary Heyting were placed 9th in the Pairs. Congratulations also to *Team Cotton*: Roy Cotton, Pam Townsend, Kevin Hughes and his partner Marcelle Goslin finished 7th overall, way above their ranking and way out of their comfort zone.

COMING UP

Brisbane Water Bridge Club

Super Congress

Sat 19th and Sun 20th July.

Entries filled quickly, so this promises to be an excellent event for BWBC.

We are about to celebrate our



at Tigers on Friday 8th August 2025

Our usual Friday bridge will be followed by a free Fingerfood luncheon for our members.

Please enter via Calendar or when at bridge.



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Inter Club 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

Entries via Calendar on our website
www.community.bridge-club.org

Entries close Friday 29th August 2025

Please pay cash/cheque on the day or prior via bank transfer to Community Bridge Club BB

Greater Permanent BSB 637000

Account 7191 34092



Where in the wide world is Colin Shore?

Alive and well on our lovely Central Coast. Still independent, he likes it that way, but connected often to his daughters, grandkids and friends.

Sharing with Sharon Kay for The Club:

On Youth: "I grew up in a loving family of 6. I quickly discovered I was drawn to teaching."

On Career: "I've loved my 40 years in education, also being a practicing Celebrant for 30 years (over 2000 services), and also a Justice of The Peace. My first teaching job was at a little country town called Barmedan. I quickly developed survival techniques, and those 4 years were the happiest of my life."

On England: "I sailed off to England at the age of 24. My first teaching job there was in a modern high school teaching teenagers. I asked my unruly class what they wanted to learn; it seemed like nothing! But they said "...to learn to read". So, they did!"

On Travel: "I began my trip in China with a stop in Snowy Mongolia and then hopped on the Great Siberian railway headed for St. Petersburg. My return to Australia was unusual. I boarded a migrant German boat – the only choice I had at the time – complete with an invite to highlight at the Captain's table dinner for the whole trip."

On Colleen: "Colleen was the love of my life. We met at college, then went our separate ways but caught up again when I returned from England some 8 years later. She was a school principal by then. We eventually married and worked together once in Moree NSW, where I had a large school

where 33% were Aboriginal. This school surpassed itself and I took great pride in that."

On bridge: "Colleen and I had been introduced to bridge in Moree and with only one lesson we commenced playing competitive bridge in the small environment.

1985: With the girls nearing university age and a desire to keep the family together, we decided to return to the Central Coast.

However, Colleen was a country girl and yearned to return to the country where she had grown up. So we made the decision to commence playing bridge more frequently. We joined the Central Coast Bridge Club where we met Josie Ryan, Adriana Smith, Virginia Dressler and Bill Geerligs and they became life-long friends.

We also became involved in the fund raising ventures for improvements to the club house they had just purchased.

Colleen ended really liking The Entrance area, what with teaching adults English and many bridge dinner parties, she was very busy, so life was positive and productive for both of us."

Any advice for us Colin?: "Yes, take nothing for granted my friends."



The year 2008.

As a beginner, I had the pleasure that Colin allowed me to partner him. My favourite memory is one Thursday evening with stiff competition I did something surprisingly well. His comment:

"Well, I am flabbergasted. Never has by flabber ever been so gasted". PT

Look who's turning

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Never change Colin – we love you.