



COMMUNITY BRIDGE CLUB BATEAU BAY

NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Lyndall Hall ...	2 nd November
John Dillon ...	6 th November
Helen Hallett ...	7 th November
Ron Moran ...	10 th November
Rhonda Nix ...	10 th November
John Swaine...	12 th November
Rose Viglione ...	15 th November
David Howells ...	19 th November
Margaret Brett ...	20 th November
Merlyn Morris ...	21 st November
Christine Hadaway ...	24 th November
Nancy Asquith ...	30 th November

Our Christmas Party is on
Friday 5th December @ 1pm.

We need final numbers to
the caterers by Friday
21st November 2025.

If you have registered, your
name is listed on the web- site.

*Please check as we will
not be able to make last
minute changes.*

Re-location over Christmas/New Year break.

Same as last year we will again be re-locating to the Anglican Church, corner Eastern Road and Brooke Avenue, Bateau Bay. Entry is via Tyrrell Place in Brooke Avenue, just before the lights, and there is ample parking adjacent to the church hall and op shop.

Our last day at Tigers will be our Christmas Party on Friday 5th December, and our first day back at Tigers will be Thursday 8th January.

This year Christmas Day and Boxing fall on the Thursday and Friday respectively, so there will be no bridge that week.

Also, the Anglican Church run a fabulous op-shop which will be open on bridge days, so please, check it out and the money from the op shop goes to local charities, so please feel free to browse after bridge, find-a-bargain, and support the local community projects.

ANNUAL FEES

Yes, these are now being distributed. Please check your details on the form so we can make any necessary changes to not only our records, but also the ABF records. Home Membership is \$55, Away Membership is \$10.

See Carol to make payment, or you can pay via bank transfer, and the information is located on your renewal form.

**CBC Reporter
Sharon H.
gets to know
Roy Cotton.**



*SH: So, Roy,
tell our club something
about yourself growing up.*

Roy: "It was a very different culture. I grew up in Gosport in England which was a small quiet town by the sea, and we had a simple life. Mum, dad, and one sister and no TV, no phones, no car, no internet, and just bicycles to get around. My dad was born in Gosport, my mum from Sunderland in the north.

I went to a local school and left at 15 to do an apprenticeship as an electrical fitter. The apprenticeship was at the naval dockyard in Portsmouth. It lasted 5 years and covered many areas. I worked on many naval ships plus a stint on the Royal Yacht".

SH: So, what motivated you to learn bridge?

Roy: "I wanted something that would exercise the brain and that I could do forever".

SH: Do you have hobbies other than bridge?

Roy: "I love walking and cycling and do a lot of reading. I enjoy watching MotoGP as I always liked motorcycles, and, in my teens, did some racing in the sidecars in England.

SH: Professional or personal? Of what are you most proud?

Roy: "I have had differing jobs and many employers both in England and Australia and enjoyed most of them. The last 20 years of my working life was for a company that provided electrical, mechanical and control systems for the major road tunnels all over Australia.

My final years was as a general manager for the group that provided tenders for the works, often worth hundreds of millions of dollars. My work also allowed me to do stints overseas in Vietnam and New Zealand.

My favourite position was as a project manager working on the harbour tunnel from start to finish".

SH: Roy, if you could do a career make-over what would you do?

Roy: "Well I did study psychology at Macquarie so can help people".

SH: Have you had any brush with fame (or infamous) moments?

Roy: "I did meet John Howard, Janet Holmes a Court and was friends with Catherine Livingstone. I was once on the same plane as Michael Caine".

SH: What's the most important thing life has taught you?

Roy: "Never give up and be kind".

SH : If you won the \$million lotto, what would you do?

Roy: "Probably put it in trust for the grandchildren as they are going to have it tough!"

