



COMMUNITY BRIDGE CLUB

BATEAU BAY



MARCH NEWSLETTER

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Donelle Foate ...	1 st March
Virginia Dressler ...	2 nd March
Robyn Ivers ...	7 th March
Mary Wood ...	8 th March
Michelle Campbell ...	11 th March
Margaret Driscoll ...	15 th March
Sarah Yang ...	18 th March
Elaine Hume ...	27 th March
Stephanie Mathews ...	29 th March

COMING EVENTS

COMMUNITY BRIDGE EVENTS

Our Annual General Meeting will be held on Friday 10th April at 9am before bridge at 9.30am. Notices will be arriving shortly.

Our Club Teams Day will be on Thursday 21st May. This is an all day event commencing at 9.30am. Please enter via Calendar on our website.

Central Coast Bridge Club Golden Congress. This 4-day event runs from 19th to 22nd March. Check out MY **ABF** for information and how to enter. Also, CCBC flier is available on the information table at bridge.

Brisbane Water Bridge Club InterClub Teams will be held on Monday 20th April.

On Saturday the 28th of February **Toronto Bridge Club** held an open day encouraging clubs to attend for an afternoon of bridge and socialising.

Representatives from all central coast bridge clubs participated along with clubs from the hunter region.

Most people arrived between 12 and 12.30pm and a light lunch was available. Bridge started at 1pm. There was an eclectic cohort of players ranging from grand masters to novices. Afternoon tea was served after three rounds and was excellent.

The hosts for the day were Toronto Club and committee members, and all were friendly and helpful.

Members of our club who attended included Wanda Little, Steve Calcroft, Gary Heyting, Stephanie Mathews and myself.

This was an excellent initiative and was enjoyed by all participants.

Roy Cotton

Congratulations to Roy and Wanda placed first East/West, and Steph and Gary placed third North/South.

Everyone dressed for our **BLACK FRIDAY** February Pairs.

Our surprise package was Irene Campbell in fish-net stockings.

Well done Irene!
And great legs.



PROMOTIONS

Stephanie Mathews is now Silver Life
Michelle Campbell Graduate
Marg Brett Local

Congratulations to you all.

BRIDGE NSW

Hunter and Central Coast Presidents Day. Twenty eight club representatives participated at this day at Maitland Bridge Club.

Glenda Parmenter from Bridge NSW outlined the range of Bridge NSW initiatives and club support resource. Then all enjoyed a lively discussion on club management and bridge education. Many topics were raised and discussed, with lots of interesting input from participants.

After a delicious lunch, John McIlrath gave a short talk.

The day was well received by all attending, and some interesting points raised.

The BridgeNSW has done an amazing job with its web page. It's easy to navigate and there is so much information available for both clubs and members.

Learners looking for more playing information can access a tremendous amount of information for free. There are online lessons and supervised plays available.

Their newsletter can be accessed from our own website, in the right-hand column under Newsletters, scroll down to BRIDGE NSW and then down to the link [Bridging NSW](#).

February newsletter also includes an article featuring Donelle Foate.

MONEY MATTERS

Vouchers are a convenient way to pay for your bridge game. They can be purchased when you play, either \$25 or \$50 worth. Also they can be pre-purchased via bank transfer.

Our banking details are:

Name: Community Bridg Club Bateau Bay

Bank: Greater Bank

BSB: 637 000

Account Number: 7191 34092

Also, your annual fees, or payment into special Club Events, can be made the same way. Please just quote your name and ABF number when paying.

COMING TO A BRIDGE SESSION

While we are able to hold our bridge sessions and events we don't actually have any storage or office space at Tigers. They set up our tables etc for us, but boards, machines, etc. are stored off-site and are brought in for each session.

This is why it is important for us to know fairly accurately how many people will be attending our sessions. Sometimes we need the printer, other-times we need two, sometimes three, sets of boards to be brought. This all has to be prepared well in advance.

The movement we play is determined last minute by the number of players we have, and if there is a sit out or not.

We need to know who is coming and also need players seated by 9.15am so we can work out the movement for the day. Please make sure you enter via Calendar on the web page, or notify us of your intention .

Ask Roy or Pam to help you with the web page if you have difficulties or need to cancel, or text us on our mobile. Our numbers are in the book.