



CENTRAL COAST BRIDGECLUB

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*July
2022*



UPDATE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

The world of great opportunity is open now (Carnegie)

In this newsletter: stage 1 of the building upgrade, lessons and new members, and changes to the constitution as well as updates from committee members. Finally, COVID rears its ugly head again.

I would like to congratulate members on their overwhelming approval of stage 1 of the building upgrade. At this point, the architect will progress a development application and respond to any Council queries concerning the project. Once the DA has been approved and related matters sorted, building tenders will be called for. Commencement of the building works will probably not occur until sometime next year. We will keep you posted.

The constitution took a back seat while the building upgrade was being considered but we have dusted it off and you can expect to receive some more information about progress on that front shortly. You might recall that we have proposed a new membership structure which contains home club, alternate and life members as well as we have provided you with criteria for granting life membership. There are a number of formatting, grammatical and spelling errors in the current constitution and there are quite a few confusing or irrelevant clauses. We have instructed a solicitor to help us fine tune the document with a view to taking it to the next AGM. All proposed changes will be shared with members for feedback before the AGM.

On the training front, we are now offering three stages of lessons for beginners: Essential Bridge Skills I, Essential Bridge Skills II and mentored practice play. John has been beaver away to ensure that these run smoothly ably supported by Steph. Thank you also to Peter, Colin and Gary for supporting our program during the lessons. Please don't forget to take advantage of lessons that are being conducted on Wednesday mornings for novice players and Friday afternoons for more advanced players. Curated by John, these lessons include tips and tricks from a number of famous bridge players and are very worthwhile for those looking to improve their game.

Our drive to build the membership is coming along nicely. I would like to welcome new members, some of whom have come through the lesson ranks as follows:

Jennifer O'Donoghue
Bella Beinart
Sue Allen
Nola Daly
Jo Henry
Richard McCarthy
Christine Passafaro
Penny Rains
Mike Rowland
Robert Brooks
Dallas Endrulat
Vic Pietraszkiewicz
Sharon Cole
Gloria Smith
Jackie Hardwick
Lynette Bigland
Veronica Stewart

On to COVID - you will know that once again it is causing issues at the club with several members falling ill. At this time, we have had no alternative but to reinstate a mask mandate and we will be increasing ventilation as well as using the CO2 monitor during sessions. We ask that you please adhere to our request to wear masks at the club because not to do so may risk the closure of the club once more if the numbers of sick people increase.

Look after yourself and happy bridge playing.

Louise

*Louise Lewis,
President*



Congratulations to our graduates!



CCBC Club Events

Congratulations to the easy winners of our Club Novice Teams Championship, Mark Mathews, Jan Lawson. David Purkiss. and Peter Cloughessy. Well done.

The new dates for the Club Restricted Teams Championship are 1.30pm Thursday 18 and 25 August. Also our Club Open Teams Championship is now on Wednesday 30 November.

We currently have three Red Point events carried over, 1 for Monday morning, Tuesday afternoon and Friday morning. As soon as we have 5 full tables at any of these sessions it will be a red point event.

I will be putting a flyer on the directors table on Wednesday 27 July informing all the important events still to come this year.

Why not come along and enjoy the Monday, Thursday and Friday morning sessions, they are all very enjoyable and fun.

Monday morning we are providing a lovely morning tea at each session PLUS we have a standby player available so if you don't have a partner feel free to come along and have a game.

We also have a standby player available on Friday mornings and there is a bridge lesson afterwards if you want to play and stay for some extra bridge knowledge.

*Enjoy,
Norm Berger*



Some fun!

Give two words that rhyme that describe the following. Let me give you an example.

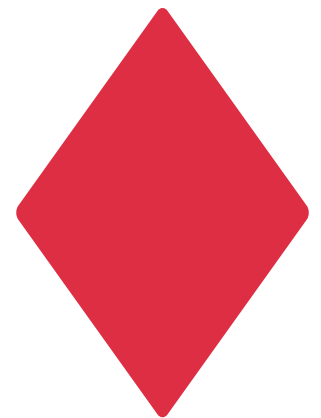
A residence for a rodent (1 syllable) mouse house
A versatile cover for a finger (2 syllables) nimble thimble

What are the following. (The first four have one syllable each and the second four two syllables.)

nasty monarch	bird cake
dead friend	light coloured sea mammal
obese rodent	unimportant ship
unusual twosome	sad conjuring

Look at the seven words on the left. Find their synonyms in the second set of words on the right. To make things harder there are eight words in the second set!

layer	Queen Victoria
flower	bridge
number	hen
ruler	money
lower	anaesthetic
butter	river
spanner	goat
	cow



*It's a thinking game
John Redbear*

Player Promotions

Congratulations to those who were promoted another ABF placing

June

Rhonda Wenniger - Club
Sue Eastman - Bronze Life

A massive shout out to John Redfearn who became a member of the 1,000 Masterpoints Club! He's only a hair away now from becoming a Grand

July

Chrissie Flanigan - Graduate
Robyn Price - Local

*Colin Kleinig,
Masterpoint Secretary*

