

June 2021

WHANGAREI BRIDGE CLUB NEWSLETTER



NEWS FROM OUR CLUB

We begin our June playing month at the Whangarei Cruising Club. All sessions, including the lessons, will be held at our temporary venue for the month of June while our car park is resealed. We ask for your patience, support and co-operation as we adjust to our new location. There will be some differences and adjustments to be made, but please remember a lot of hard work is going on behind the scenes to ensure bridge is continuous for our members.

If you can offer other members a lift to the June sessions and car pool as much as possible, this would be greatly appreciated.

Our lessons are progressing well with a keen bunch of students attending the Monday evening and Tuesday morning lessons. They are now halfway through their course. Any club member is welcome to attend for a refresher at the lessons. The topic to be covered is posted each week on the club website and facebook page.

A reminder that Tuesday evening play in June is our teams event – there is no casual drop-in play as teams are pre-registered and set numbers/format.

Although there is no morning playing session on QBW Monday 7 June, the bridge lesson **will take place** in the evening.

We look forward to seeing you at the Cruising Club.

Whangarei Bridge Club Committee

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MOVIE NIGHT – DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Make sure you keep the evening of **Friday 9 July** clear in your diary. To celebrate our return to the clubrooms we are planning a special screening of “Dirty Tricks”. ***“Filled with intrigue, cheating and trash-talk, this film unveils a story of the best bridge champion you’ve never heard of, and his shock fall from greatness.”*** More details in July’s newsletter.



TUESDAY TEAMS

We have six teams battling for the Marjorie Christiansen Teams title. If you would be happy to sub in for this series – please let Jane Stearns know. To those new to teams – here is some information to help you understand and enjoy the series:

- No two open players can play together
- Players can mix and match throughout the series subject to the above restriction and partner any team mate on any night of play.
- Players must play with the same team mate for both matches held on any one evening. They cannot switch at half-time.
- Two 12 x board matches will be played each evening against one team.
- If any team member cannot play, they must find a substitute and notify Olive of the substitution before play begins.
- Jane will try and find substitutes if a player cannot find their own. Please give as much notice as possible.

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Congratulations to our May series winners:

Monday morning **Canary Pairs** – Yvonne McKinnon and Helen Brodie

Tuesday evening **Kobi Pairs** – John McIntosh and Jane Stearns

Wednesday morning **PaknSave Pairs** – Henry Cramer and George McGirr

Thursday night **Yovich & Co Pairs** – Cynthia Johnson and Lee Orton

Friday morning **Rotterdam Cup** – Yvonne McKinnon and Tony Simmonds

Tournament success in June

Kerikeri Dolphin Pairs 8B:

Winners – Neil Ruddell and Tania Brown



Good Luck to John McIntosh and Jane Stearns who have won through to the semi-final of the Auckland/Northland Regional heats of the National Rubber Bridge competition.

Upcoming Tournaments

20 June – Dargaville Open 8B Pairs

20 June – Dargaville Intermediate/Junior 5B Pairs

Towai Cup – Whangarei v Kerikeri

Our annual local derby match – good luck to the Whangarei team selected for 2021 particularly those earning **their first cap** for Whangarei:

OPEN

Glen Bilton & Len Dent

Richard Bland & Margaret Hooson

Janice Johnson & Yvonne McKinnon

Isabel Thom & **Val Hegh**

INTERMEDIATES

Kevin Grundy & Kim Thomas

Judith Byrne & Laura Maton

Nancy Beck & Dave Beck

Stewart Love & Helen Brodie

JUNIORS

Jayne Broome & Laurie Brockliss

Henri Cramer & George McGirr

Adam Okura & Anne Rosandich

Judith Robinson & **Jenny Trigg**

Join in our regular club series in June at Whangarei Cruising Club

Monday mornings – Emerald Pairs, June 14, 21, 28

Wednesday mornings – Hilda James Memorial Trophy June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

Friday mornings – Yovich & Co Pairs – June 4, 11, 18, 25

Contact **Janice** if you need a partner for any **daytime** bridge sessions.

Tuesday evenings – Marjorie Christiansen Teams – entries closed

Thursday evenings – Rust Pairs, June 3, 10, 17, 24

Contact **Jane** if you need a partner for any **evening** bridge sessions.

Lee's Junior/Intermediate improver sessions & Bridge Banter with John

Please note – both suspended for June. Both will recommence in July on Thursdays.