

## WHANGAREI BRIDGE CLUB NEWSLETTER – MARCH 2022



### NEWS FROM OUR CLUB

We continue “Business as Normal” at the club with our playing sessions well attended and our tournament on 5 March still planned to go ahead if we receive sufficient entries – just five more pairs need to enter currently.

We also have the popular Friday night Auckland Interclub competition going online for the first time in 2022. This will enable Whangarei teams to enter and compete against some strong opposition. More details later in this newsletter.

Warm congratulations to Kevin Grundy and Kim Thomas who finished in the top 10 in National Congress in the intermediate field. This is an outstanding achievement and we hope our club members will acknowledge them when they next see them at the club.

We are trying to gather quotes for the installation of a disabled toilet at the club. This is one of our major projects currently.

Stay safe and well and please reach out to any committee member if you need support over the coming weeks or if you find yourself in isolation.

### Whangarei Bridge Club Committee

### CRAIGS INVESTMENT PAIRS TOURNAMENT – SATURDAY 5 MARCH

Please register **now** if you intend to take part. We need a minimum of 20 pairs registered by end of Tuesday to go ahead. Masks will be compulsory at this event and only those with a vaccine pass will be eligible to play.

## **NEW ONLINE INTERCLUB EVENT FOR AUCKLAND/NORTHLAND CLUBS**

Auckland Bridge Club has hosted a monthly interclub event on Friday evenings for many years. A very popular format with all the local teams converging on the Auckland club for teams matches and supper. For 2022 this will be online, which gives the opportunity for Whangarei club members to form teams and join on Real Bridge and take part against some top opponents.

- Interclub is held once a month on a Friday evening
- Run in 3 sections: Junior, Intermediate and Open
- Teams of 4-6 members to allow for substitutions if some members are away
- 2022 dates - 9 rounds of Interclub:

March 25th - April 8th - May 20th - June 17th - July 8th - August 12th -

September 16th - October 28th - November 18th

**Entries close 7 March.**

**Register your Whangarei team with Tony Morcom:** [jmtmorcom@gmail.com](mailto:jmtmorcom@gmail.com)

## **LESSONS START SOON!**

Lessons begin Monday 21 March at 7pm and Tuesday 22 March at 10am.

There are some lesson slips at the club to hand to family and friends who you think would enjoy our game. We rely on our members to introduce new students in order to grow our club. Please try and find one person to bring to lessons in 2022. More information from Lyn Nelson: 021 155 4645

## Reminder: Keeping each other safe – Covid protocols

1. If you test positive for Covid and have played at the club in the preceding 14 days, please **telephone Lee immediately**. Tel: 021 132 3284
2. The club may need to be closed for a few days on very short notice in order to carry out deep cleaning.
3. Closures will be posted on the club website and club facebook page – you may want to check these each time before you come out to play for the up to date situation.
4. A sign will be put on the outer club door advising if the club is closed. We apologise for any wasted journeys – situations can change quickly.
5. Ensure you scan-in when you come into the club to play.
6. Masks are highly recommended.
7. Hand sanitiser is available at the club.

These protocols may change at short notice - please have a mask with you in case this is needed in future sessions.

## February club results:

Tues eve Greywacke Pairs Winners: **John McIntosh** and **Alan Pumfleet**

Wed morning Lavender Pairs Winners: **Henri Cramer** and **George McGirr**

Thur eve Barrells Pairs Winners: **Tania Brown** and **Neil Ruddell**

Fri morning Sienna Pairs Winners: **Janice Johnson** and **Laura Maton**



*Happy Bridging!*