

FIELDING BRIDGE CLUB
NEWSLETTER #3
30 March 2025



Hi everyone,

And here is all the latest bridge club news.

NZ Bridge Website

The NZ Bridge website refresh threw up a number of problems, so they have reverted to the original version. You will have to sign in with your old password. If you cannot remember it, please email Alister Stuck at secretary@nzbridge.co.nz and he will sort it out for you. There have been no C-points entered for the past week, but I shall be fixing that up today or tomorrow.

Our Website

Our website has been down for some time due to payments having to go overseas and committee members were not happy about having to send their credit card details to an entity we could not contact by phone or email.

We have contacted a local business, Pivot Design in South Street, and they are setting up a new website for us. Not as interactive as NZ Bridge's one, so hopefully no dramas. We are very grateful to the **NZ Bridge Foundation** who granted us \$1000 to go toward this up-grade. It should be up and running in May.

Congratulations

Hearty congratulations to **Deirdre Leach** and her partner **Sarah Green** (Hawera) for winning the Dannevirke Open Tournament on Saturday 29 March. Deirdre and Sara had a final score of 59.69%.

Lessons 2025

We have nine very keen, smart learners going through the lessons at the moment. They are going to be great members and assets to the club. A big thank you to the members who come along to help Dale and I out. It really makes the lessons flow more smoothly.

Dates of Lessons

Balanced Hands (1NT Openers)	Lesson 4	25 March - Vicki
Responder's Rebids	Lesson 5	1 April - Vicki
Overcalls	Lesson 6	8 April - Vicki
Takeout Double	Lesson 7	15 April - Dale
Pre-emptive Openings	Lesson 8	22 April - Dale
Strong Opening Bids	Lesson 9	29 April - Dale
	Lesson 10	6 May - Dale

For current club members, these lessons are free. Come along, whenever you like and brush up on the aspects of your game that you think could do with improvement. If you let Vicki or Dale know prior, we will have some notes ready for you.

Monday Night Results:

The winners of the **Open Teams sponsored by William Cotton and Sons** were **John Seator, Barb Robinson, Deirdre Leach and Helen Smith** with 109.22 VP's. The runners-up were **Cindy Lowndes, Paul Orsborn, Jaedyn Eade and Elizabeth Gibson** with 106 VP's. Congratulations to all of you.

Your director for the competition was Jenny McIntosh, and your scorer was Vicki. The dealers were Bill and Vicki. Many thanks to you all.

The **Miro Pairs sponsored by a club member** will start on Monday 31 March. Jenny McIntosh will be directing; Cindy will score and Claire and Mandy are the dealers.

Mandy has the Monday book again, so if you wish to play or need to pull out, please contact her on 021 243 3505.

Thursday Night Results:

The winners of the **Apiti Pairs** were **Steve Simcox and Janet Papworth** with a handicap score of 61.05% (raw score 62.2%). The runners-up were **Stephen Kauri and Paul Kauri** with a handicap score of 57.18% (raw score 58.13%). A great effort from these players.

Thank you to the director, Carol, scorer Paul, and dealers, Vicki and Bill.

The next competition will be the **Kimbolton Pairs**, sponsored by a Feilding Automotive, which started last week on 27 March on 6 March. Your director is Carol. Jenni S will be scoring, and Claire and Mandy are the dealers.

There will be a list up on the notice board for those who wish to play in the Rotational Pairs which start on 17th April. The make up of these teams is based on your rating points as at 1 January 2025. Each evening you play with a different team member.

Please ring **Margaret Bartels** on 027 908 5656 if you are wanting to play, looking for a partner or need to pull out.

Friday Bridge Results

Results for last 4 weeks:

7/3/25 1st N/S: **J McIntosh & V Maugham** 57.5%, 1st E/W: **A Kirkpatrick & M Bartels** 59.58%

14/3/25 1st N/S: **A Kirkpatrick & J Bligh** 71.83, 1st E/W: **M Norris & C Smith** 67.01%

21/3/25 1st N/S: **J Smith & C Smith** 66.67%, 1st E/W: **A Kirkpatrick & J Bligh** 59.82%

28/3/25 Howell Movement 1st **J Oke & J Jenkins** 68.23%, 2nd **C Dickson & J Bligh** 60.94%

Congratulations to all and especially Andrew and John B for appearing 3 times.

Maia has the Friday book. Her number is 027 283 3880.

Start time for Friday Lunch is 10.30 am. We stop for lunch (BYO) and usually finish around 2.00 pm. This is a social day. We come to play good bridge and enjoy ourselves at the same time. Some of us meet at Delish Café for coffee afterwards. All welcome.

Our Sponsorship List – Please Support Them

For the Programme Book- AllanMcNeill

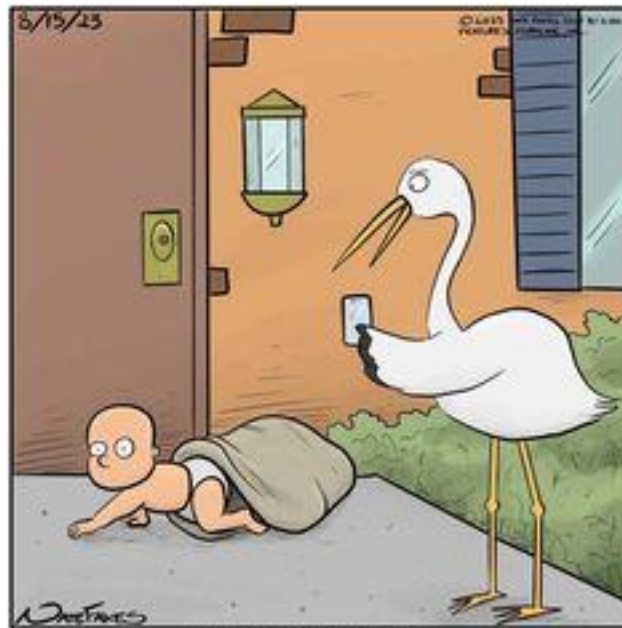
Grant for Website – NZ Bridge Foundation

For Competitions: William Cotton & Sons (Open Teams), Beauchamp Funeral Home (Miro & Waituna West Pairs), Jenny McIntosh (Scratch Pairs), Feilding Automotive (Kauri & Kimbolton Pairs), Streaks Ahead (Titoki Pairs), Racheal Manning, Harcourts (Karaka Swiss Pairs), P&C Insurance Brokers (Matai Pairs & Rotational Junior Teams), Evans Henderson Woodbridge (Totara & Halcombe Pairs), Leanne Dryfhout, Property Brokers (Manuka & Makino Pairs), CBD Painters, Clive Dorn (Kiwitea Pairs), Steve Simcox (Manchester Pairs), Happy Paws Kennels and Cattery (Intermediate Pairs), Anonymous members (Monday & Thursday Ladders, Puriri, Restricted, Rata, Colyton, Apiti, Cheltenham & Taonui Pairs) .

For Charity Tournament- Adore Beauty, Attention to Beauty, Beds and More, Beyond Coffee, Central Health Pharmacy, Central ITM Feilding, Darragh's Mitre 10, Delish Café, Edelweiss Florist, Farmlands, Farm Source, Feilding Computers, Gracies, Guthrie Bowron, Health For Life, Feilding, I Scream For Ice Cream, Just Zilch, Kelly's Footwear, Meads Farms, Paper Plus Feilding, Pedley's Nursery, Perfect Nails Feilding, PGG Wrightson, Rome, Salt and Honey,

Smitten, Subway Feilding, The Shed Hair Salon, Turners Gifts and Luggage, Turner's Sports, TWB Framing, Visique Optometry, Wool Criations.

And To Those That Got This Far...



"Hold still! I have to
get a photo to show you were delivered."

From Dale, Vicki, Janet, Judy, Jenni, Bill and Steve.