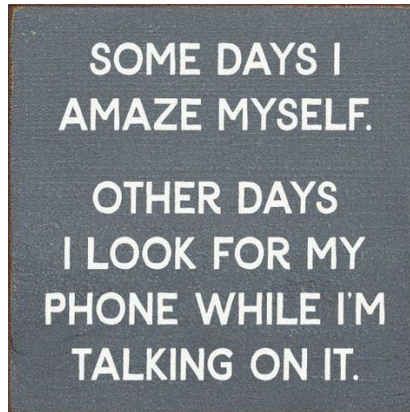


FIELDING BRIDGE CLUB  
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Hi everyone,

And here is all the latest bridge club news.

**Welcome**

The Club welcomes **Theo Pippas** as a new associate member. Theo plays at the Hokowhitu Club and is playing on Mondays with us. Welcome to Feilding, Theo. Theo's phone number is **027 242 9150**. Please write it in your programme book, so you can contact him.

**Congratulations**

Congratulations to **Cindy Lowndes** and **Alistair James** for winning the **Palmerston North Intermediate Tournament** on Saturday 12 April. Cindy and Alistair had a final score of 61.7%. **Kathy Gibson** and **Vicki Taylor** came 7<sup>th</sup> with 51.52%.

Kathy and Vicki also came 5<sup>th</sup> in the **Whanganui Intermediate Tournament** with 54.05%. **Margaret Bartels** and **Christina Van Mesdag-McGregor** came a very creditable 6<sup>th</sup> with 52.66%.

Pats on the back all round!

**Open Night on Easter Monday**

Easter Monday is an **Open Night**. Anyone in the Club is welcome to come and play. It is best if you find yourself a partner. Come along and enjoy the company.

**ANZAC Day Bridge**

As **ANZAC Day** falls on a Friday this year, we are starting bridge at 1.00 pm. If you wish to play, please ring Lesley R on 027 351 6572.

### Charity Tournament

Every two years we find a new charity to benefit from our Charity Tournament. For 2025 and 2026 it will be Manchester House that we are supporting.

### Videos on Bridge Laws

The Top of the South Regional Committee (TOPS) has put together some videos on common laws that often need to be adjudicated on. I will email these out with this newsletter. We recommend our members watch the videos, so that we all get a good idea of the rulings and their outcomes.

### Lessons 2025

We have eight 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.

It is great to see a few current players coming along to brush up on their skills. These lessons are free for our members, and you are most welcome to join the lessons. If you let Vicki or Dale know prior, we will have some notes ready for you.

### Dates of Lessons

<b>Takeout Double</b>	Lesson 8	22 April - Dale
<b>Pre-emptive Openings</b>	Lesson 9	29 April - Dale
<b>Strong Opening Bids</b>	Lesson 10	6 May - Dale

On **Tuesdays 13, 20 and 27 May** we will be asking members to partner up with our newbies to play in our **Extra Lessons**. These are where a proper bridge session is set up, using the tabs and moving around the room, so the new people get an idea of how the game works under normal playing conditions.

On Wednesday 4 June, we start **Winter Wednesdays** as per your programme book. We allow the newbies to use their notes and talk about the hands, which allows them to settle into the bridge room more easily.

### Monday Night Results:

The winners of the **Miro Pairs sponsored by a club member** were **Claire Perry and Andrew Kirkpatrick** with a handicap score of 58.08% (raw score 59.32%). The runners-up were **Paul Orsborn and Barb Robinson** with 57.47% (raw score 59.61%). We had to correct a score that had been entered on the tab incorrectly which pushed Barb and Paul into second place. If you are sitting East, please make sure you check the scoring on the tab before moving to the next table!

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

The **Scratch Pairs sponsored by Jenny McIntosh** will start on Monday 28 April. Bill will be your director. Vicki is the scorer and Jenny Mac and Lesley C are the dealers.

Mandy has the Monday book, 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 **Kimbolton Pairs** were **Christina Van Mesdag-McGregor and Gary Bowler** with a handicap score of 54.22% (raw score 53.26%). The runners-up were **Jenni Sowerby and Chrissie Ellis** with a handicap score of 52.49% (raw score 52.99%). A great effort from these players.

Thank you to the director, Carol, scorer Jenni, and dealers, Mandy and Claire.

The next competition is the **Junior Rotational Teams, sponsored by P and C Insurance Brokers**, which started last Thursday on 17 April. Your director is Janet. Vicki will be scoring, and Jenny Mac and Lesley C are the dealers.

Following That will be the **Cheltenham Pairs, sponsored by a club member**, on the 8 May, directed by Carol, scored by Jenni and dealt by Jenny Mac and Lesley C.

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 3 weeks:**

4/4//25 1<sup>st</sup> N/S: **J Willis & B Towler** 54.86%, 1<sup>st</sup> = E/W: **K Gibson & V Taylor, A Kirkpatrick & J Bligh** 67.06%

11/4/25 1<sup>st</sup> N/S: **G Elliott & C Lowndes** 71.25%, 1<sup>st</sup> E/W: **P McBeth & J Jenkins** 53.93%

28/4/25 - Good Friday - no play

Congratulations to all.

**Next Friday, bridge starts at 1.00 pm because of ANZAC Day.**

**Lesley R** has the Friday book. Her number is 027 351 6572. 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.

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**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...**



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