

**FIELDING BRIDGE CLUB**  
**NEWSLETTER #5**  
**19 May 2025**



Hi everyone,

Autumn is here and the leaves are falling; it's the very best time to play bridge. And here is your news.

**Congratulations**

Congratulations to **Carol Dickson** and **John Bligh** for coming 4<sup>th</sup> in the **Hokowhitu Intermediate Tournament** on Sunday 18 May.

**More Congratulations**

In our club we have people who, not only are devastating bridge players, but who have other amazing skills and talents outside of the bridge room. One of these is **Barb Robinson**, who won the Black and Coloured Sheep Breeders Award in the fashion parade at the Creative Fibre National Festival in Christchurch last month. Barb handspun the wool and knitted this fantastic top.



### **Mid-Winter Christmas**

We will be holding our Mid-Winter Christmas party on Sunday 22 June. More Information will be coming out soon.

### **Open Night on King's Birthday Monday**

King's Birthday Monday (2<sup>nd</sup> June) 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.

### **Lessons 2025**

We have worked our way through the 10 lessons and much to the relief of our learners they are now putting those lessons into practice.

On **Tuesdays 20 and 27 May** we have asked some 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.

### **Winter Wednesdays**

We start **Winter Wednesdays** on Wednesday 4 June as per your programme book. We start play at 2.00 pm (to allow the golf people to get there on time) and play until 4.30. Then we slope off and have wine and nibbles, or tea or coffee...and cake! Mustn't forget the cake. To cover the cost of the afternoon tea, the table money is \$7.00.

This is a safe place for those newly out of lessons to come and play. We allow the newbies to use their notes and talk about the hands, which allows them to settle into the bridge room more easily. We also invite players from other clubs.

### **Monday Night Results:**

The winners of the **Scratch Pairs sponsored by Jenny McIntosh** were **John Seator and Deirdre Leach** with a score of 61.81%. The runners-up were **Val Pain and Janice Coleman** with 58.33%. Well done and well deserved!

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

The **Kauri Pairs sponsored by Feilding Automotive** will start tonight Monday 19 May. Carol will be your director. Cindy is the scorer and Judy S and Christine I are the dealers.

Don't forget, there is an Open Day in the middle of this competition on King's Birthday weekend.

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 **Junior Rotational Teams sponsored by P and C Insurance Brokers** were **Janet Papworth, Kathy Gibson, Jocelyn Oke and Paul Kauri** with 82.89 VPs. The runners-up were **Bill Towler, Jenni Sowerby, Judy Jenkins and Chrissie Ellis** with 74.1 VPs. A great effort from these players.

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

The current competition is the **Cheltenham Pairs sponsored by a club member**, which started last Thursday on 8 May. Your director is Carol. Jenni will be scoring, and Jenny Mac and Lesley C are the dealers.

Following that will be the **Waituna West Pairs, sponsored by a club member**, on the 29 May, directed by Dale, scored by Paul and dealt by Judy S and Christine I. There will be some of our new learners starting in the competition.

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:**

25/4/25 - 1<sup>st</sup> N/S: **C Van Mesdag-McGregor & L Radovanovich** 59.5%, 1<sup>st</sup> E/W: **A Kirkpatrick & W Jones** 64%

2/5/25 - 1<sup>st</sup> N/S: **C Dickson & M McGrath** 61.67%, 1<sup>st</sup> E/W: **J Coleman & B Beard** 60%

9/5/25 – 1<sup>st</sup> N/S: **J Seator & B Robinson** 66.96%, 1<sup>st</sup> E/W: **K Gibson & V Maugham** 60.42%

16/5/25 – 1<sup>st</sup> N/S: **P Taylor & J Scott** 61.11%, 1<sup>st</sup> E/W: **W Jones & J Bligh** 64.58%

Congratulations to all, and particularly to the Juniors, Christina and Lesley and to Wanda for appearing on the list twice.

**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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**And To Those That Got This Far...**



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