FEILDING BRIDGE CLUB NEWSLETTER #8 26 July 2025



Hi everyone,

I hope you are enjoying these frosty mornings and beautiful days. Here is the latest newsletter.

Welcome

Feilding Bridge Club would like to extend a warm welcome to **Steve Hodges** who has joined our club as an associate member. Steve learned to play bridge last year, and is playing on Fridays at the moment.

Please write his phone number in your books: Steve Hodges - 021 283 2777

<u>Discussion Documents on NZ Bridge Ranking Review</u>

I sent the discussion documents to our Open and top Intermediate players. If you have any comments or ideas, please get in contact with Vicki so we can send in a response to NZ Bridge by the end of the month.

Cell Phones in the Bridge Room

We have moved the club cell phone from the kitchen to the front desk in the clubrooms. This action has been taken after an emergency call to the Club went unanswered due to:

- 1) Positioning the cell phone in the kitchen made it difficult to hear when it was ringing and
- 2) Too many cell phones going off during play made us less attentive to our emergency phone.

As a result, we are reminding player to turn their cell phones off or onto silent during play.

FAILURE WILL BE COSTLY!!

Vicki's very large spotted piggy-bank will be demanding a gold coin fine!

Bridge Club Swapping Library

It has been suggested that we start a swapping library for members at the Bridge Club. It will be situated in the existing bookcase at the back of the room. If you have some interesting books to bring along to share, please do so.

Also, if you have a spare pair of bookends that would sit on the top shelf of the bookcase, they would be gratefully received.

Spouting Repairs

Repairs have been made to the roof spouting. No longer will you get soaking wet if you stand by the corner of the hall in the rain! Thank you, Bill, for arranging this.

Wordsmiths Wanted

The Committee would like to hear from any members who would like to either take over writing this newsletter, or the secretarial duties from next year. *Please contact a committee member if you are even the tiniest bit interested.*

<u>Handicaps</u>

The mid-year handicaps were done at the beginning of July. Unfortunately, some of the Monday Night handicaps did not stick. We have redone these and recalculated the 3 nights of the Titoki Pairs. There was no change with the top two placings, but some other pairs may notice small differences in their percentages.

Monday Night Results:

The winners of the **Titoki Pairs sponsored by Streaks Ahead** were **Janice Coleman and Shirley Humphrey** with a handicap score of 63.32% (raw score 64.84%). The runners-up were **Steve Simcox and Janet Papworth** with a handicap score of 57.29% (raw score 55.05%). Congratulations to all.

Your director for the competition was Carol and your scorer was Judy S. The dealers were Mandy and Claire. Many thanks to you all.

The Karaka Swiss Pairs sponsored by Racheal Manning, Harcourts will start on Monday 28 July. Lorraine Stachurski will be your director and scorer. Christine I and Bill are the dealers. Don't forget to say thank you to these volunteers.

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

Winter Wednesdays Results

Results for last 3 weeks:

9/7/25 – Howell: 1st: J Cooper & B Wilson (Marton) 78.13%, 2nd: E Churton & V Maugham 71.88%

16/7/25 – Howell: 1st: **K Vuleta & J Oke** 62.59%, 2nd: **L Meads & J Willis** 60.37% 23/7/25 – N/S 1st: **J Morton & J Bligh** 62.5%, E/W 1st: **M Norris & M McGrath** 67.5%

Winter Wednesdays started on Wednesday 4 June until 27 August. Play starts at 2.00 pm (to allow the golf people to get there on time) and we play until 4.30.

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 as well as any members of our Club.

Thursday Night Results:

The **Kiwitea Pairs, sponsored by CBD Painters (Clive Dorn)** which started on 10 July, were won by **P Kauri and John Bligh** with a handicap score of 61.37% (raw score 64.47%). Runners-up were **Lesley Radovanovich and Janet Papworth** with a handicap score of 58.03% (raw score 60.03%). Your director was Carol, scorer Jenni and dealt by Mandy and Claire.

Next Thursday we start the **Halcombe Pairs sponsored by Evan Henderson Woodbridge.** Your director will be Janet P, scorer Paul and dealers Bill and Christine I.

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

Friday Bridge Results

Results for last 3 weeks:

 $11/7/25 - 1^{st}$ N/S: J Coleman & D Leach 64.68%, 1^{st} E/W: B Benge & B Beard 53.82% $18/7/25 - 1^{st}$ N/S: V Maugham & A Kirkpatrick 61.9%, 1^{st} E/W: R Sinclair & J Willis 63.54% $25/7/25 - 1^{st}$ N/S: J Seator & B Robinson 66.32%, 1^{st} E/W: J Smith & C Smith 59.13% Congratulations to all, particularly to the Junior players featuring here.

Lesley Radovanovich 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.

Our Sponsorship List – Please Support Them

For the Programme Book- AllanMcNeill

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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), Stev e Simcox (Manchester Pairs), Happy Paws Kennels and Cattery (Intermediate Pairs), Anonymous members (Monday & Thursday Ladders, Puriri, Restricted, Rata, Colyton, Apiti, Cheltenham & Taonui Pairs).

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And To Those That Got This Far...



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