



GOLD COAST BRIDGE CLUB

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President's Message

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank Greg Tosh and Pat Beattie for stepping up into the Treasurers position. Along with Marlene they handle all the financials for our club. Working many hours behind the scenes doing many jobs keeping our club running smoothly. Thank you Greg, Pat and Marlene, you are doing an excellent job. Your time and commitment to the club is very much appreciated.

Update : We now provide packaged biscuits for member's use whilst playing bridge. Did you notice that we have totally replaced the bidding boxes?

For member's comfort we have had the air conditioning re-calibrated to help with the hot and cold spots in the club. The climate should now be more regulated throughout the club. We are still obtaining quotes to reinstall fans.

Our Club is holding our first post COVID congress next month on the 19th and 20th June.

Enter your pair or team or both, it's a really exciting event. Both the pair and teams are **GRADED** therefore you will be playing in your own group in regards to standard.

Thank you to Liz Downer who organises fresh flowers for the foyer from our Sponsor 'Flowers on Tedder'. It's nice for all to see when entering our club. (PS. don't forget to support our Sponsors)

Looking forward to the months ahead enjoying this great game.

Christmas in July luncheon Thursday 15 July at D'arcy Arms. More details on large notice board..

Warm regards, - Odette

Education

Hard to believe we are already almost midway through 2021. The year has certainly flown by. Dot's Beginner Lessons continue as usual, but I have decided to take a 6 week break, to commence late June.

I am quite excited. For starters I shall be off to Newcastle to check out how many inches my two grandsons have grown over the past 18 months, and then who knows??... Returning refreshed, I hope, to start all over again in August.

My final lesson for Intermediates will be **Monday June 21st** and for Improvers, **Wednesday June 23rd**. Intermediates resume **Monday August 9th**. Improvers resume **Wednesday August 11th**.

Topics for the next set of Monday lessons have yet to be decided and suggestions are welcome. The present set **2/1 Game force** has been very well received, I am pleased to announce.

One of the highlights of the month will be that Joan Butts, our National head of teaching, will be presenting a 2 hour lesson for members of the GCBC on **Friday June 18th**. This event has been organised by our new hardworking president Odette. **The topic**, chosen by you the members, is Slam Bidding! *Surprise Surprise*. I believe focus will be on bidding Minor suit Slams. A great choice. I know you will all enjoy this lesson with Joan enormously. I also shall attend on the day to enjoy the occasion. Have Fun! Play the game! - **Lynley**

June Congress

Entry forms are now available for our two June Congress, the graded pairs on Saturday 19 June (sponsor RobertsLaw) and the graded teams teams (sponsor TBIB Insurance) on Sunday 20 June. Please support these events and enjoy the atmosphere of club congresses. Restricted players are asked to seriously consider entering the teams and the pairs event with players being graded according to the total master points of each pair thus ensuring that lower level pairs and teams will be playing each other and competing for the allocated prize money. Members are asked to assist with catering on both these days by providing the usual goodies.

Unfortunately there will be no walk in bridge on Saturday as the pairs congress will be also occupy the annex such is the popularity of the this event. If any member would like to play on a Saturday I would suggest that they enter the graded pairs event to enjoy the usual fun created by Saturday bridge.

June Events

- Tuesday eclectic open/restricted – 1 & 8 June, Sponsor Grace Henry
- Thursday open eclectic best 3 of 4 – sponsor D'arcy Arms
- **Zeppelin Travel All Day Red Point Teams**, Friday 4 June – Sponsor Zeppelin Travel
- **GNOT Heat 3** at SPBC Friday 31 May, 7 and 14 June
- Joan Butts Seminar Friday 18 June Slam Bidding - 9am
- **GCBC Graded Pairs Congress** – Saturday 19 June – RobertsLaw
- **GCBC Teams Congress** - Sunday 20 June – sponsor TBIB ABF Insurance
- Club Pairs Championship – Friday 2, 9 & 16 July
- **GNOT Heat 4** – G C BC – Monday 19 & 26 July 2 August

Birthdays for June

2nd – David Smith, 3rd - Wendy Browne, Carolyn Miller, John Masters, 5th - Angela Nichols, 6^{ty} – June Jackson, 9th – Robyn Spooner, Lynne Allan, 10th – Di Brown, 11th – Beverly Jarvis, 12th – Bronwyn Scott, Charles McClaren, 14th - Sue Robinson, Susan Ziengenfuss, 15th – Neville de Mestre, Jane Burke, 16th – June Burke, 17th – Victoria Cairns, 18th Jennifer Hunt, Jo Wallace, 19th – Penny Grace, Estelle Fluxman, 20th – Philip Roberts, 21st – Marlene Bernau, 25th - Jenny Lynton, Ann Dean, Sharon Reid, 27th - Elaine Hennig, 28th – Tom Strong, Sharon Sandeman, 29th - Krystyna Homig, Vere Drakesford, 30th – Jenny williams

Promotions

Life – Daria Williams, **Local** – Sandra Henry, **Graduate** - Viv Gillard, Elizabeth Ward, Jenny Dimond.

New Members

Please welcome the following new members:- Dennis O'Brien, Carol Vogel, Deb Carrrol

Neil Raward – Editor

Please come with a smile and leave with a smile and treat your partner and opponents with respect and dignity

Players who require a partner please contact

Mon, Wed, Fri. Neil Raward 0402 417 584

Tue, Thu, Sat. Jim & Shelley Moodie 5591 2135 or 0402 634 013

Night Thurs. Tom Strong 0421 106 986

Use Pianola if you are looking for partner

(you can also see who is looking for a partner)

Welfare Officer Cheryl Millar 0409 879 081

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