



Welcome to the Central Coast Leagues Club Bridge Club



NEWSLETTER

July 2017

The Bridge Club has Moved

By the time this issue of the newsletter is published, the Bridge Club will have moved from the current room, inside the Leagues Club, to the Donnison St side of the quadrangle behind the Leagues Club. Longer term Members will remember this location. Entry is through a door under the Community Centre sign on the right after you turn off Baker St and head towards the main carpark. Games in the new old room commenced Friday 28th July.

AGM is coming soon

Our AGM is on next Saturday 5 August, commencing at 10.30am in the Parkview room, followed by followed by a free lunch & refreshments at 11.30am and the Anniversary Pairs at 12.30pm in the new old room. All members are encouraged to attend and contribute to the election of the committee and future directions for the Club.

THANK YOU TO THE CURRENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR YOUR FINE EFFORTS

STOP PRESS: THE NEWS IN CROATIA IS THAT CCLCBC'S MOVE TO THE NEW OLD PREMISES WENT WITHOUT A HITCH: STOP: PLENTY OF HELPERS PITCHING IN: STOP: A BIG EFFORT FROM LEON & JOE: STOP: COMPUTER WORKING: STOP: NO HICCUPS ON INITIAL DAY OF PLAY.



**RECENT RESULTS**

Congratulations to all

MONTHLY SHIELD 6 (11 Pairs)

3 July

RANK	PLAYERS	MPs
1	Peter & Dorothy Berzins	0.36
2	Bob Morris & Gwen White	0.25
2	Wendy Mitchell & Trish Dennis	0.18

ZELDA OVERHALL CUP (11 Pairs)

13 July

RANK	PLAYERS	MPs
1	Gwen White & Bob Morris	0.60
2	Adele Mills & Stewart Duxbury	0.42
3	Lucy Julebin & Mary Pye	0.30

Cup Winners (best *Regional and below): Joan Dominquez & Neryl Tyrrell (they won the Special Prize in 2015)

Special Prize (best **Local and below): Allan Roser & Robert Lassau

SWITCHING SINGLES 6 (16 Pairs)

17 July

RANK	PLAYERS	MPs
1	Colin Mitchell & Alan Bustany	0.48
2	Carl Sparre & Leon Babinski	0.34
3	Dorothy Berzins & Julie Sadler	0.24

JOVIAL JULY OVERALL RESULT

29 July

RANK	PLAYERS	MPs
1	Shirley McLean & Helen McLean	0.49
2	Alison Mackey & Dianne March	0.34
3	Leon Babinski & Leyla Moncelet	0.25

CLUB RESTRICTED TEAMS (8 Pairs) (result after 7 rounds)

25 July

RANK	PLAYERS	MPs
1	Alan Bustany, Pauline Caust, Jurate Laisve, Trish Byrnes	1.19
2	Diane March, Alison Mackey, Joan Brierty, Lynette Beston	0.88
3	Lyn Lynch, Mei-Hua Crawford, Pamela De Lacy, Theodore Chadwick	0.77

Stump the grandkids 1.

Q. Can a kangaroo jump higher than the Empire State Building?

A. Of course. The Empire State Building can't jump.



**OTHER EVENTS**

congratulations to local players contesting these events

COUNTRY TEAMS ZONE FINAL

1-2 July

RANK	CENTRAL COAST TEAMS	MPs
3	Patricia Kull, Dorothy Berzins, Peter Berzins, Angela Dougall, Kevin Dougall	3.77
3	Jan Davis, Lorraine Lindsay, Di Coats, Janet Clarke, Diana Ellis	2.52
4	Adele Mills, Stewart Duxbury, Ellen Williams, Gary Barwick	2.10

2017 BRISBANE WATER SUPER CONGRESS

8 & 9 July

RANK	WITH CCLCBC PLAYERS	MPs
	OPEN SWISS PAIRS (north-south) (27 Pairs)	
7	John Mottram & Henrietta Hohnen	1.43
9	Sylvia Foster & Jaan Oitmaa	1.28
10	Jacqueline Wilson & Alfie Nation	0.95
14	Wendy Mitchell & Colin Mitchell	0.81
20	Diane Nichols & Elizabeth Lawrence	0.68
21	Anne Grayden & Dorothy Berzins	0.27
	OPEN SWISS PAIRS (east-west) (27 Pairs)	
3	David Snow & Martin Johnson	2.95
5	Christine Hadaway & Hope Tomlinson	2.29
10	Barbara Grant & Louis Koolen	1.08
11	Janet Clarke & Di Coats	1.08
13	Kerryn Murray & Rhonda Innes	0.54
16	Judy Wulff & Marilyn Whigham	0.81
20	Greg Mayo & Sharon Mayo	0.81
23	Margo Brennan & Bob Morris	0.81
24	Marie Purkiss & Toni Dixon	0.41
	NOVICE/RESTRICTED SWISS PAIRS (54 Pairs)	
	Won by Central Coast pair Irene Campbell & Margaret Regan	
17	Kathy Mitchell & John Mitchell	1.09
23	Ruth Griffin & Agnes Marsh	0.55
24	Cynthia Deane & Jurate Laisve	0.66
35	Gary Barwick & Ellen Williams	0.66
37	Alan Bustany & Pauline Caust	0.66
40	Lyn Lynch & Peter Hall	0.44
52	Rosanne Ransley & Tony Ransley	0.22





54	Wendy Potts & Chris Spikesman	0.22
	OPEN TEAMS (34 Teams)	
4	Lorraine Lindsey, Helen Milward, Greg Mayo & Sharon Mayo	3.72
10	Dorothy Berzins, Peter Berzins, Julie Sadler & Anne Grayden	1.64
15	Sylvia Foster, Jaan Oitmaa, Wendy Mitchell & Colin Mitchell	0.81
16	Christine Hadaway, Hope Tomlinson, Tricia Nolan & Martin Johnson	1.08
21	Kerryn Murray, Rhonda Innes, Pamela Joseph & Susan McCall	0.68
23	Barbara Grant & Louis Koolen, David Bowerman & Dasha Brandt	0.54
24	Janet Clarke, Di Coats, Chris Hannan & Diana Ellis	0.54
30	Sue Eastman, Leon Babinski, Judy Wulff & Marilyn Whigham	0.54
33	Marie Purkiss, Toni Dixon, Elizabeth Lawrence, Alfie Nation	0.14
	RESTRICTED/NOVICE TEAMS (22 Teams)	
8	Alan Bustany, Pauline Caust, Jurate Laisve & Cynthia Deane	1.39

In the Teams events, a total datum score was calculated for each **pair**. After adjusting to take into account the strength of the specific pairs played against, pairs were then ranked. Congratulations to CCLCBC members:

	WITH CCLCBC PLAYERS IN OPEN EVENT (out of 68)	
3 rd	Sharon & Greg Mayo	
5 th	Julie Sadler & Anne Grayden	
15 th	Wendy & Colin Mitchell	
22 nd	David Bowerman & Dasha Brandt	
	WITH CCLCBC PLAYERS IN NOVICE/RESTRICTED EVENT (out of 44)	
16 th	Jurate Laisve & Cynthia Deane	
17 th	Sylvia Robb & Janice Crane	
19 th	Alan Bustany & Pauline Caust	

STATE VETERANS PAIRS (36 Pairs)

28 July

RANK	PLAYERS	RED PTS
7	Wendy & Colin Mitchell	2.56
9	Toni Dixon & Peter Berzins	2.22
=10	Anne Grayden & Dorothy Berzins	1.99

Last month the team of Barbara Grant, Louis Koolen, David Bowerman & Dasha Brandt came 9th in the Open Teams at the June Newcastle Congress. This great result was omitted from the newsletter. Apologies for the omission and thanks to Barbara and Dasha for not ragging us about the oversight.



**COMING EVENTS AT CCLCBC**

KEY (C) CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP (E) ECLECTIC (G) GOLD POINT (P) PRE-ENTRY (Q) QUALIFYING SESSION (R) RED POINT

3, 10, 17, 24 & 31 August	Thursday	Auspicious August (E) – best 3 of 5
5 August	Saturday	Anniversary Pairs (R)
7 August	Monday	Monthly Shield 7 (E)
16 & 23 August	Wednesday	State Open Pairs (Q, P, R)
21 August	Monday evening	Switching Singles 7 (E)
28 August	Monday	30 th Birthday Foundation Cup (R)
28 August to 2 Sept.	All week	30 th Birthday Celebrations
2 September	Saturday	30 th Birthday Pairs (R) – extra red point event

UPCOMING EVENTS ELSEWHERE

31 July – 6 Aug	Mon - Sun	NSWBA State Wide Pairs
5-6 Aug	Sat-Sun	Moree Pairs, Orange Pairs
5 Aug	Saturday	NSWBA State Individual
8-13 Aug	Tues-Sun	Gold Coast Congress
18 Aug	Friday	Community BC Aust-Wide Open Pairs
20 Aug	Sunday	Toronto Teams, Tamworth Pairs
26-27 Aug	Sat-Sun	GNOT Regional Final CCBC

NEW PLAYERS

In the coming weeks seven graduate Beginners from my class, as well as two others who have joined in, will start play in duplicate sessions. They will play their first two games with their 'buddy' and then they are on their own. While they must follow the rules, please be tolerant if they don't know/remember the correct procedure. If you need to call the Director, do it in a pleasant, non-threatening tone.

Beginners have been taught the **basics** of Bridge – no conventions. They may remember to open 1NT with 15-17 but forget that the hand must be balanced. Or they may open a balanced hand 1NT and forget the point range!

Most importantly, please resist the temptation to teach them and make their first experiences pleasant. Names to watch for and welcome are: Margot Burnet, Sharon Callinan, Margaret Crispin, Noelle Gills, Kath Harper, Pat Loker, Lyn Parry, John McGrath, Kerrie Williams.

Thanks,

Wendy Mitchell.

Stump the grandkids 2.

Q. What starts with E, ends with E, and only has one letter in it?

A. *an envelope*



**NEW ABF RANKINGS - JUNE**

Congratulations to

<i>Club</i>	Robert Lassau	<i>Graduate</i>	Leonie Lovell
	Margaret Campbell		

FROM THE MASTERPOINTS SECRETARY

27 July

Switching Singles (best 5 of 10): After 6 months, 9 people have now qualified by playing 5 times. With 4 sessions remaining, there are another 39 pairs who can still qualify if they play with different partners.

Monthly Shield (best 6 of 10): With only 4 sessions remaining in this competition, just 16 pairs remain 'in the running'. One pair has played in 6 sessions and can discard poor scores from now on. The 3 pairs who have played twice must play in all the coming sessions.

Jovial July (best 3 of 5): 5 pairs have already qualified to compete for the outright awards. Another 3 pairs must play in the last session on July 29 in order to compete for outright awards. 10 other pair combinations have played once only and cannot qualify.

Wendy Mitchell

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

in July to



Margo Brennan, Kathleen Bromley, Theo Chadwick, June Clarkson, Toni Dixon, Helen Eaton, Barry Foster, Joe Griffin, Ann Gunner, Christine Hadaway, Don Holmes, Robyn Jackson, Louis Koolen, Lorraine Lindsay, Moira Love, Alison Mackey, John Mitchell, Bob Morris, Alfie Nation, Gabriel Roffey, Allan Roser, Cathy Russell, Joyce Small, Neryl Tyrrell, Peter Yates.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY HAPPY

With special best wishes to DON HOLMES, who joins the NONAGENARIAN CLUB

NEW & OLD FRIENDS

please welcome and add to your Program

WELCOME BACK
NEW MEMBER

Trish Byrnes
Nerida Gillies

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For the IT challenged make your password 'incorrect'. If you type it in wrongly your computer will remind you 'Your password is incorrect'.



**ROMEO & JULIET**

from Bridge & Humour

In the JACOBY MODERN version of Shakespeare, we find that Romeo and Juliet had met at a bridge club. Juliet had persuaded her parents to play in a Swiss team game with them. Her father had argued that no Montague could play bridge but Juliet's tears had prevailed and good fortune had attended the new team.

VULNERABILITY

Both

WEST:

♠ K842

♥ 653

♦ 5

♣ J10863

OPENING LEAD

5 ♦

NORTH:

♠ 10 6

♥ 82

♦ K10 863

♣ A752

SOUTH:

♠ QJ93

♥ KQJ10974

♦ A4

♣ --

West	North	East	South
		1 ♦	4 ♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	

EAST:

♠ A75

♥ A

♦ QJ972

♣ KQ94

GAME

4 ♥ x by South

As you know, in a Swiss team you play a series of short matches at IMP scoring.

The Capulets, plus one Montague, needed one more win to finish first. They finished the match and started to compare scores. Coming to the last board, they trailed by eight IMPs. Old man Capulet remarked, "We're plus 100 but it won't do us any good. The best you can get is plus 140 with your cards and that will just give us six IMPs."

Juliet smiled demurely and said, "Plus 620. Romeo bid and made four hearts."

"Wonderful," said the old man. "Did West lead his singleton diamond against you? That's what I led." "As a matter of fact, he did," replied Romeo.

"What's more, Juliet looked surprised at my first two plays. I went up with dummy's king of diamonds and discarded my ace of diamonds on her ace of clubs, preventing East from giving his partner a diamond ruff."

"A play worthy of a Capulet," was the old man's response.

"Since Juliet wants to marry you, you have my blessing, provided, of course, that you will play with us in the National Mixed team championships this summer."

A burgler was sneaking around a house in the dark when he heard a voice say "Jesus is watching you". He looked around, saw nothing and kept on creeping. Again he heard "Jesus is watching you". In a corner he found a parrot in a cage. "Was it you who said Jesus is watching you" the burgler asked? "Yes" replied the parrot. Relieved, the burgler asked "and what is your name"? "Clarence" replied the parrot. "That's a stupid name for a parrot" the burglar scoffed. "What idiot named you Clarence"? The parrot answered, "The same idiot who named the Rottweiler Jesus".



**STATISTICS**

The following tables show the probabilities of your partner having a given number of cards in your longest suit, assuming you know nothing about the contents of the other hands. If you have two suits with the same longest length then the tables refer only to the single longest suit of interest. In all cases, after your 13 cards are removed from the pack, the possible combinations for your partner's hands total 8,122,425,445.

Your long suit is 12 cards, then:

PARTNER HAS	POSSIBLE COMBINATIONS	PROB ABILITY
1	2,707,475,148	33.33%
0	5,414,950,296	66.67%

Your long suit is 11 cards, then:

PARTNER HAS	POSSIBLE COMBINATIONS	PROB ABILITY
2	854,992,152	10.53%
1	3,704,962,995	45.61%
0	3,562,467,300	43.86%

Your long suit is 10 cards, then:

PARTNER HAS	POSSIBLE COMBINATIONS	PROB ABILITY
3	254,186,856	3.13%
2	1,802,415,888	22.19%
1	3,755,033,100	46.23%
0	2,310,789,600	28.45%

Your long suit is 9 cards, then:

PARTNER HAS	POSSIBLE COMBINATIONS	PROB ABILITY
4	70,607,460	0.87%
3	734,317,584	9.04%
2	2,503,355,400	30.82%
1	3,337,807,200	41.09%
0	1,476,337,600	18.18%

Your long suit is 8 cards, then:

PARTNER HAS	POSSIBLE COMBINATIONS	PROB ABILITY
5	18,156,204	0.22%
4	262,256,280	3.23%
3	1,311,281,400	16.14%
2	2,860,977,600	35.22%
1	2,741,770,200	33.76%
0	927,983,760	11.43%

Your long suit is 7 cards, then:

PARTNER HAS	POSSIBLE COMBINATIONS	PROB ABILITY
6	4,272,048	0.05%
5	83,304,936	1.03%
4	578,506,500	7.12%
3	1,851,220,800	22.79%
2	2,903,050,800	35.74%
1	2,128,903,920	26.21%
0	573,166,440	7.06%

Your long suit is 6 cards, then:

PARTNER HAS	POSSIBLE COMBINATIONS	PROB ABILITY
7	906,192	0.01%
6	23,560,992	0.29%
5	220,884,300	2.72%
4	981,708,000	12.09%
3	2,257,928,400	27.80%
2	2,709,514,080	33.36%
1	1,580,549,880	19.46%
0	347,373,600	4.28%

Your long suit is 5 cards, then:

PARTNER HAS	POSSIBLE COMBINATIONS	PROB ABILITY
8	169,911	0.00%
7	5,890,248	0.07%
6	73,628,100	0.09%
5	441,768,600	0.91%
4	1,411,205,250	5.44%
3	2,483,721,240	17.37%
2	2,370,824,820	30.58%
1	1,128,964,200	29.19%
0	206,253,075	2.54%

Your long suit is 4 cards, then:

PARTNER HAS	POSSIBLE COMBINATIONS	PROB ABILITY
9	27,405	0.00%
8	1,282,554	0.02%
7	21,375,900	0.26%
6	171,007,200	2.11%
5	737,468,550	9.08%
4	1,802,700,900	22.19%
3	2,523,781,260	31.07%
2	1,966,582,800	24.21%
1	778,439,025	9.58%
0	119,759,850	1.47%

This is my last newsletter for the time being. Thank you to those who contributed, above all to the font of all bridge club knowledge, Wendy Mitchell. Happy bridging.

