



Table Talk March 2022

What's coming up

March competitions

- Monday – Bay Pairs (7 & 21 March), Championship Pairs (14 March)
Autumn Pairs (28 March)
- Tuesday – Takapu Pairs
- Wednesday – Secretary Pairs
- Thursday – President Pairs

Club Play

Keen to play, but don't have a partner? – phone

*Leigh & Alan Savage (232-9926 or 021 112 5136) for a Tuesday partner,
John Avery (233-6122 or 027 840 7888) for a Wednesday partner, and
Di Lester (temporary - 021 0852 0810) for a Thursday partner.*

Change to dates for Back to Future

There is a change to the dates for Back to the Future on Wednesday in November. Instead of having 4 sessions there will be 3 with 30 November being used for Tiriti Pairs.

Tournaments

Please note the Kerr Cup (scheduled for 11 March) has been postponed to 28 August due to COVID-19.

The Kapi Mana Multi Grade tournament scheduled for 13 March has been cancelled.

Flyers for all tournaments are up on the noticeboard at the Club. You can enter online or write your name on the poster.

To make an on-line entry go to <https://www.nzbridge.co.nz/home>

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Interclub

This year Wellington interclub will be entirely online using the RealBridge platform. Kapi Mana has one junior team entered. All the best to Ro and his team. Maybe its time to learn how to play RealBridge online.

Refresher lessons going well

We have had 2 refresher lessons so far and one more to go. These have been well attended with between 12 and 14 people attending. The next session is on 14 March and will be on bidding weak and strong hands. So far Margaret has been over opening 1NT, opening 1 of a suit. Thanks Margaret and her helpers for doing this.

The learner lesson for 2022 will likely start on 2 May (to be confirmed). If you know anyone who might be interested, please let them know.

Covid requirements

COVID measures are:

- ❖ Covid vaccine certificate required to play (if not done so already, please show your certificate the next time you play)
- ❖ Mandatory mask wearing for all bridge sessions and tournaments
- ❖ Only KBMC members can play
- ❖ Please bring your own pencils/pens
- ❖ Please scan the QR Code on arrival, or record your attendance in the attendance register
- ❖ Please bring your own water bottle and snack (if wanted) as the kitchen cannot be used
- ❖ During play, only South can touch the bridge pad
- ❖ Please make sure your partner is keen to play and understands these restrictions

As we are not having a tea break in the evening sessions, if you need to have a break please do so when it is your turn to be dummy. Just ask the table for permission and your partner can manage your cards until you return.

Levin Bridge Club 50th Jubilee 1972-2022

The Levin Bridge club is holding their 50th Jubilee celebrations on 5 July. If you have been involved in that club, please have a look at their website for details or contact Mike Murray on 368 7262.

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Jokes or tips

To finish on a light note, here a list of things a typical bridge player would NOT typically say:

Ever heard a player say things like these?

Ten things a bridge player would never say ...

1. This club (playing area) is always the right temperature – never too hot or too cold.
2. Free coffee? No thanks.
3. Cool! A four-board sitout.
4. No. I don't think tournament fees are too high.
5. I can always count on my partner to remember every convention on our card.
6. No gossip, please. I'm not interested.
7. More new Alerts! More new Alerts!
8. One thing I can say about bridge players – they sure know how to dress.
9. No matter which direction we sit, the cards always go our way.
10. I don't feel like bridge today, thanks. I'd rather jog and work out.

– Marilyn White, Toronto

Please remember to send your favourite Bridge tips or jokes for the next newsletter to Pam (email pmclean868@gmail.com).

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