



Annual Report 2020-2021

The 2020-2021 year was notable for its disruption. Periodic lockdowns because of Covid 19 saw a cancellation of regional tournaments and the curtailing of several Kapi-Mana Bridge Club competition nights. However, Kapi-Mana Bridge Club members proved their resilience by sustaining or even increasing the number of tables on most nights where competition was possible.

During the year there was a further improvement to technology. This was through the replacement of the old laptop with a more powerful version. Another benefit was the co-location of the two major software programmes that the club uses Scorer and BOS (Bridge Organising Software) on the same laptop. This allowed for the easier management of bridge sessions within the bridge room.

Acknowledgements

The successful running of the club depends very much on the voluntary efforts of its members.

My thanks to the committee for the tremendous efforts that they have put in to make our club a success.

Dianne Lester (Vice President), Tracey Shields (Secretary), Yvonne Helps (Treasurer), Marcia Forsman (Editor, Table Talk), Margaret Robertson (Director), Alan Savage, Pam McClean, Don Mather, Graeme La Cock, and for a short time Ken Tate, who moved to Palmerston North.

A lot of support has been provided by members outside of the committee. This has been essential for the successful running of our club and of benefit to all members. Special recognition goes to:

- ◆ Margaret Robertson, Club Director and Learners Lesson Class Presenter.
- ◆ Christine De Roo, Master Points Secretary.
- ◆ Sue Fish, Tournament Secretary
- ◆ Partnership Stewards: Gaye McGill, Viv Haliburton, Alan Savage, John Avery, and Annette Austing, who had the difficult task of matching partners.
- ◆ David Morel for Intermediate Lessons and installation of the new laptop.
- ◆ John Joseph for creating the deals, all individually different and challenging.
- ◆ Our Dealers: Kaye McCredie, John Antliff, Gaye Mc Gill, Sue Fish, Nigel Horne, Kevin Stacey, Pam McLean, Clive Phillips, Cherlie Arlidge and Bruce McDonald. Our dealers prepared almost five thousand boards during this shortened year:
- ◆ Sue Fish who purchases the vital supper and cleaning supplies.
- ◆ Richard Boodee our Independent Reviewer of Accounts (aka Auditor).
- ◆ Margaret Francis for organising our interclub teams.
- ◆ Colleen McCaw Trophy management.
- ◆ Our in-house Directors: Margaret Robertson (Club Director), Lyn Mansfield, Christine De Roo, Tracey Shields, and David Morel for directing our competitions.
- ◆ Tracey Shields who produced our programme book.
- ◆ Also, thanks to Kate Davies for preparing all those suppers.

A big thank you to those who acted as Playing Directors, those who assisted in the scoring, those who helped in the kitchen, manning the bar, and cleaning up after tournament events.

Supporters

The club acknowledges with thanks the support given by:

Dianne Tredger from Harcourts
McCabe and Company
Summerset Retirement Villages
Johnston Ebbett Holden
Travel Hub
Hutt Mana Charitable Trust
Pelorus Trust

Margaret McKeefry from Collective
Guardian Funeral Home
Whitby Pharmacy
BridgeNZ
all over IT
Pub Charity

Where possible please support these organisations, which have supported the club.

Membership

Membership at the end of the year was a very creditable 132. As there were no learner lessons there were no new members from that source. There were several former players who renewed their interest in bridge by joining our Club.

Obituaries 2020-2021

During the year, the club was incredibly sad to lose:
Eion Wimsett

Learner's and Intermediate Lessons for 2020-2021

There were no learner lessons this year because of the lock down. There were some well attended intermediate lessons taken by David Morel with assistance from Margaret Robinson. Early indications are that there will be a large group of new bridge players during 2021-2022.

Finances

Because of the impact of Covid on the ability to hold competitions it is not possible to compare this year with the previous one. It is pleasing to note however that we did end up with a net income of \$1,104.91.

Competitions and Tournaments Personal Achievements

Our annual matches against Paraparaumu (Jackways Shield) and Kairangi (Kerr Cup) once again had a mixed outcome. We retained the Jackways Shield against Paraparaumu but lost by a slim margin the Kerr cup to Kairangi.

Wellington Regional Interclub

We had five teams entered in the Wellington Regional competition. Two Open Restricted, one Intermediate, one Junior team and one Novice team. Well done to all.

2020 Results

Open Restricted 1, Captained by Margaret Francis came 2nd.

Open Restricted 2, captained by Yvonne Helps came 12th.

Intermediate 1, captained by Tracey Shields came 19th.

Junior 1, captained by Kevin Stacey came 8th.

Novice Team, captained by Lori Fernando came 1st.

Social Events

The Christmas party and prize giving were well attended and were a fun event. There were several Director's choice events during the year and these well supported.

Table Talk

Thank you to Marcia Forsman, the club's monthly newsletter editor. Newsletter contributions from members gratefully received.

In conclusion our membership has proven to be resilient and 2020-2021 finds the club in good shape. Going forward the emphasis needs to be on attracting and retaining more members while still being responsive to the needs of our existing members. The uptake of learner lessons for 2021-2022 currently at some 26 candidates bodes well for the future.

Kevin Stacey
President.