



Table Talk

KAPI - MANA
BRIDGE CLUB

November
2016

**You Are Cordially Invited
to the
Kapi-Mana Bridge Club
Annual Christmas Party and Prize-Giving**

Friday December 02 at 6.30pm



Partners are very welcome

Please bring a plate to share – a main or dessert is preferred

Monday Daytime party is on December 12

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Club Play in October

Monday: Kolston Pairs

Tuesday: Johnsonville Pairs

Wednesday: Back to the Future teams

Thursday: Christmas Pairs

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

Gaye (238-9904) for a Monday partner,

Annette (234-8916) for a Tuesday partner,

John (233-6122) for a Wednesday partner, and

Pauline (234 8499) for a Thursday partner

Have you returned that trophy yet??



We need it back (in a sparkling condition please) pronto!!

Interclub

Interclub is on November 11.

Tournaments

November 13 – Waikanae
Junior/Intermediate Pairs

November 20 - Masterton Multigrade Pairs

December 10 - Christmas Cheer
(Wellington)

December 27-29 Wellington Susanne
Duncan

Resignation:

Ian Hayward, who's been a member on-and-off for 25 years, recently resigned from the club. Ian moved to Levin, where he has since joined the Levin Bridge Club.

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Director's corner

You've just made an insufficient bid - so you can just make it sufficient and carry on, right?

WRONG

Offender's left hand opponent must be given the option of accepting the insufficient bid.

Say North opens 1S, and East bids 1H (thinking the opening bid is 1C). South might like to accept the insufficient bid, and continue with 1NT, or 2C, or 2D, bids which can't be made if East changes the overcall to 2H.

Many experienced players think they know the rules, but sometimes there are options and nuances which are not apparent. This is why you should *Call the Director!*

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Do you know the difference between a major and minor penalty card?

Or the lead restrictions which might be applied when a defender has a penalty card?

Or what your options are after a late alert?

When something goes wrong - *Call the Director* - if you don't you may turn a minor mistake into a real mess.

How to save a few seconds

It can be hard to keep to time, and no-one wants the Director hovering over the table asking you to play quickly. So saving a few seconds here and there can help.

Do you keep a personal score card? And you are on lead? Make your lead first, and then write up your score card while dummy is being tabled.

Are you South, looking after the BridgePad? Enter the contract and declarer while the opening leader is deciding what to lead, and dummy is being tabled. Oh, you are on lead? Lead first, then turn to the BridgePad.

Sure, it only makes a few seconds difference, but those few seconds can make the evening run a lot more smoothly.

Obituary



Henry Perera

Lyn Mansfield contributed this remembrance of Henry

Henry joined Kapi Mana Bridge Club in 1972, he enjoyed playing bridge and was a very good player and played with the top players in the club. He played regularly on a Tuesday and Thursday night, and I was very surprised when one day he asked me to play a series with him and from then on we played a Tuesday and a Thursday series for about ten years, before he started to lose his sight and then his health began to deteriorate.

It is about three years since he stopped coming to the club. He was a tough task master and you would get a lecture if you got it wrong, but he would also let you know when you got it right. I learnt a lot from playing with Henry and although I was always a bit apprehensive when playing with him I did enjoy it.

RIP my friend.



Intermediate Tournament October 16

26 pairs battled it out to win the Kapi Mana Intermediate Tournament on October 16.

This year it was taken out by Malcolm Greig and George Westermayer from Wellington Club, who achieved a very creditable overall score of 56.81%

As always, the success of our tournament was due to our volunteers, so thanks to all who helped out on the day.

If you haven't helped with any tournaments this year, think about doing it next year. Make it your New Year's resolution to help out for one tournament! We always need volunteers, and it is a fun thing to do.

The hostess of a bride got a last minute call from one of the players that she was sick. Unable to get a replacement on such short notice, she drafted her husband.

During the game, he got up and went to the bathroom, leaving the door slightly ajar. Everyone listened as he urinated into the toilet.

Embarrassed, his wife called out, "John, would you please close the door!"

John's partner said, "Never mind, it's the first time since we started playing that I've known what the man has in his hand!"



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In the news: YEH Online Bridge World Cup

31 October – 2 November 2016

This Mixed Teams event was the first live online Bridge Show, featuring the greatest champions and biggest personalities associated with the game.

Team *Europe-Lavazza* (in Turin, at the headquarters of Lavazza) included the women who currently hold the top two positions in the world rankings, Sylvie Willard and Benedicte Cronier, alongside Maria Teresa Lavazza, Norberto Bocchi, Giorgio Duboin, Agustin Madala.

Team *USA-BBO* (in Seattle) was Bob Hamman (the all-time number 1 in the world rankings) playing with Jill Meyers (number 2 on the all-time women's list) Fred Gitelman & Sheri Winestock, and Bill Gates and Sharon Osberg.

Team *CCBA* (in Beijing) comprised Mr Zeng Peiyan, former vice premier for economy & General secretary of the Asian Economic Forum, Mr Guo Jinlong, former Mayor of Beijing, and Chinese World Champions: Gu Ling, Sun Shaolin, Zhang Bangxiang, Li Jianwei.

Team *Chen Yeh* (also in Beijing) included Mr Chen Yeh, joined by World Champions: Shih Juei-Yu, Chen Dawei, Sun Ming, Zhang Yanlan, Wang Ping.

At each venue, remotely controlled webcams monitored each player, streaming live images across the Internet.

After three thrilling days of around the clock play it was Lavazza who emerged triumphant



Team Lavazza

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Bridge books are coming

It'll soon be that time of the year again, the bridge books arrive, and then the mania to sign up people to play with next year begins.

But, you've got it all sorted, because you roll over this year's partners into next year's book. Easy, not a problem.

Now's the time to take stock of that system.

Maybe it might be nice to play with someone different?

Think about asking someone you've never, or seldom, played with to be your partner for a competition.

You'll get to know someone a bit better, learn new, or pass on your own, bridge tips and tricks, and still have all the fun of playing.

Your "regular" partner shouldn't mind, because it gives them the opportunity to do the same thing.

SUSPENSION BRIDGE

THERE is a man at Clifton,
Who is so wondrous slow,
He sits and contemplates his hand
For half an hour or so.
He sits and contemplates his hand
In agony and pain ;
And when he starts to play a card,
He puts it back again.

