



Table Talk September 2017

A farewell to Phil



It was with a lot of sadness and shock that club members heard about the sudden death of Phil Clark on September 4.

Phil joined the Club in 2011, after moving into the area from New Plymouth. He was a man with a big heart and a big laugh, and was always ready to come and lend a hand to support club activities.

Club President Nigel Horne read this eulogy at Phil's funeral:

Phil was a fine bridge player, interclub team member, mentor, solid friend to many of our members and an all round top man. He was a long time and highly respected member of our club and his mana will be sorely missed.

He was a dedicated and generous club man who, in the time I have known him, has supported the club gifting vouchers for his Companion Driving Service "Chariot" and a ham for each end of year dinner.

Bridge is often perceived as a serious game played by quiet, reserved, unsmiling and unfriendly individuals.

But Phil changed that perception. When he won a difficult contract the quiet was broken and you could feel the fist pump and hear laughter from his table.

Phil, may your next move come up trumps.

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What's coming up

September competitions

Monday: Camborne Pairs

Tuesday: Spinnaker Pairs

Wednesday: Welcome Pairs

Thursday: Plimmerton Pairs

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

Gaye (238-9904) for a Monday partner,

Leigh or Alan (232-9926) for a Tuesday partner,

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

Annette (234-8916) for a Thursday partner

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### **Partnership Steward change**

Pauline Robb has resigned as Thursday Partnership Steward, as commitments next year means she is unable to continue as steward.

Annette Austing has taken over the steward's role for Thursday night, and Leigh and Alan Savage are replacing Annette on Tuesdays.

A big *thank you* goes to Pauline, who's energy and ideas to improve the steward system have been much appreciated.

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Have you moved house recently?

If you have, don't forget to let us know your new address and any other contact details that may have changed – email, phone etc. We're working on updating details for next year's programme book so make sure your information is all correct!

Interclub this month

September 22

Tournaments

September 17 – Victoria Intermediate Pairs

September 17 – Victoria Junior Pairs

September 24 South Wairarapa Multigrade Pairs

September 30- 7 October NZ Bridge Congress, Hamilton

October 1 Paraparaumu Multigrade Pairs

October 15 Kapi Mana Intermediate Pairs

16-24 February 2018 Gold Coast Congress

Entries are open for this Congress that a lot of our members attend.

A full programme is now on their website

<http://www.qldbridge.com/gcc/program2018.php>

The 2018 entry form can now be downloaded via

http://www.qldbridge.com/entryforms/2436_qba16Feb2018.pdf

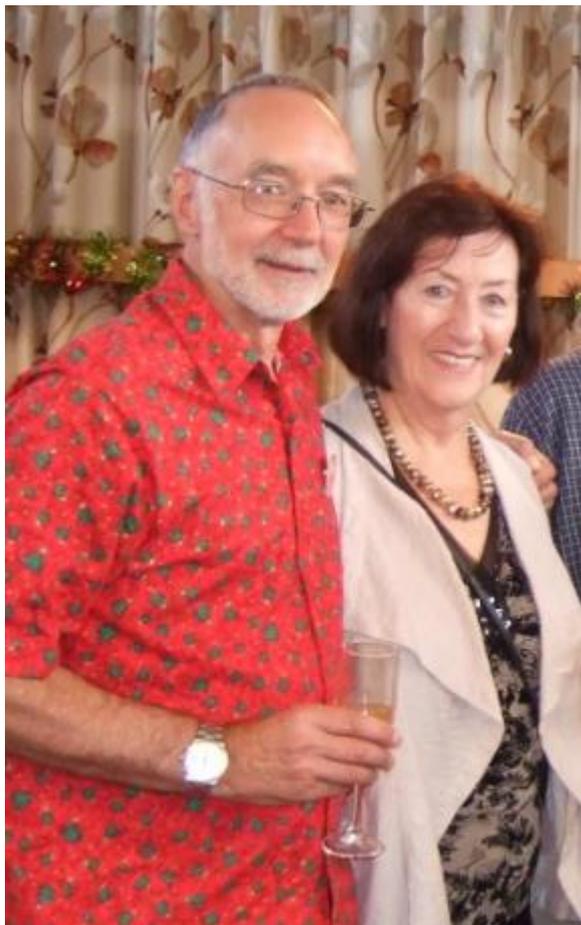
Jackways Shield

Entries are now being taken for players to join the battle for the Jackways Shield vs Paraparaumu on **October 8** (not October 1 as listed in the programme book).

Ideally we need 16 pairs, and for players to bring a plate on the day

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Hello from Nelson!



Hi everyone

Unfortunately, we didn't get to say farewell to many of you despite our best intentions. Our final nights of play at the end of June were upset when we had to wait three extra hours for the container truck to come & take all our furniture away and while it was tempting to leave them the key & head off to Bridge, we felt it could have been rather foolhardy. Then we had another more recent opportunity but again we were not destined to play Bridge. Since I can't see any other opportunities to put things right, I hoped this brief message might do the trick.

Firstly, we both thoroughly enjoyed our times with the Kapi Mana Bridge Club and socialising with the many people we had gotten to know over the years. Secondly, we would like to thank you all for making it such an awesome club to be part of. Hopefully, we will meet you at a Bridge table 'somewhere' sometime

in the future.

As new Nelson residents, we've already joined the Nelson Club and have already enjoyed a few sessions there. Our contact details (email & phones) remain the same and our address in Stoke is easy to find. Please look us up if you're in Nelson. Best wishes for the future.

Jann & Allan Dyer

Your 2017/18 Committee

Nigel Horne, *President*;
Dianne Lester, *Vice-President*;
Yvonne Helps, *Treasurer*;
Suzanne Keppel, *Secretary*;
Tracey Shields, *Masterpoints Secretary*;

John Antliff, Rod Ferguson, Alan Savage, Barbara McDonald, Colleen McCaw,
Margaret Robertson and Marcia Forsman

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Director's Choice Tuesday August 29

44 members attended out Director's Choice night held at the end of August.

The evening began with nibbles, drinks and convivial conversation, before everyone settled down to play the *No Fear Pairs* devised by our Directors.

Once again, a huge "Thanks" goes to Barbara Daly, our Club Director, for organising the evening



Facebook!

We now have a presence on Facebook.

If you have a Facebook account be sure to like us - [Kapi Mana Bridge Club](#)

If you have a strong objection to having any photos of yourself added to our Facebook page please let me know.

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