



Table Talk April 2018



Wellington Regional Bridge Congress 21-25 April 2018

Entries and payment due by Tuesday 17 April 2018

There's just over a week left to enter the Wellington Congress, [here's the link to enter](#). If you've never played before, think about giving it a go – it's fun!

Open Grade: The WRBC includes three Open events spread over four days. The Provincial Teams will be held over two days, Saturday and Sunday, with prize-giving finishing by 5pm on the Sunday. The Provincial Pairs will have its first session on the Sunday evening and the remaining two on the Monday. (This is an ordinary working day). The George Masters Motors Swiss Pairs (now a 5A event) will be held on Wednesday (Anzac Day). They also intend to have a separate walk-in Pairs competition on Tuesday afternoon.

Intermediate, Junior and Novice Grades: In association with the Open competitions, the WRBC also provides separate Pairs and Teams events for Intermediate, Junior and Novice players. Entries are taken for each grade separately. In the event of insufficient entries, some grades may be combined - this is likely to happen, especially for the Novice players. The Pairs events will be held on the Saturday and the Teams events on the Sunday. There will also be prizes for the best Intermediate and Junior pairs in the Swiss Pairs on Wednesday.

Here's links to the flyers: [Open](#) [Intermediate](#) [Junior/Novice](#)

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Club Play

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

April competitions

Monday: Autumn Pairs

Tuesday: Takapu Pairs (Mixed grade pairs)

Wednesday: Swiss Pairs (Pre-entry is mandatory)

Thursday: Porirua Pairs (Swiss pairs, pre-entry is mandatory)

Interclub: May 4

Tournaments

April 8 – Victoria Multigrade Pairs

April 15– South Wairarapa Junior & Intermediate Pairs

April 21-25 Wellington Regional Congress – [click here for more information](#)

May 6 - Kapi Mana Multigrade Pairs

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.

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21 reasons why Bridge is better than Sex...

Number 3: The 10 Commandments don't say anything about bridge

Watch, watch, watch those boards...

There was an incident at the Junior/Intermediate tournament on 18 March that caused unnecessary issues for the Scorer.

A board had been played, the direction of the empty board on the table had North facing West and this meant the played cards were repositioned in the board incorrectly. This was discovered after the event and the Scorer had to make adjustments at the same time as collating the results. The consequence was an unnecessary delay for our visitors and club members.

Remember, the 2017 Laws of Bridge state: **the board is required to stay in the middle of the table correctly oriented.**

This is also a timely reminder for those who take played boards to the next table - they need to be in the correct numerical order, all facing in the same direction and placed on the side table with North facing North.

Not difficult, just common courtesy.

The same applies at the end of a session when boards are returned to the Director's table. The boards should be merged with other boards, in numerical order and pointing in the same direction.

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Number 4: If your partner takes pictures of you at the table, you don't have to worry about them showing up in the tabloids when you become famous

Who's been doing well?

Congratulations to Eleanor Morel & Lorraine McArthur who came 4th (out of 51) in the Nelson Women's Pairs on April 7

Congratulations to Suzanne Keppel & Sue Fish for winning the Kairangi Junior Pairs on March 25. Suzanne & Sue are also 1st and 2nd respectively on the Wellington Region Junior League competition

Congratulations also to Pam McMillan and Julie Kropp who were the top Novice/Junior pair at our Junior/Intermediate tournament on March 18



High scorers in March

Mondays: *Chris Mowatt* and *Robyn Gundesen* scored 68.75% on March 12

Tuesdays: *David* and *Eleanor Morel* scored highest with 66.58% on March 6

Wednesdays: *Jeremy Blake-Palmer* and *Craig Booth* topped with 66.55% on March 7

Thursdays: *Kevin* and *Margaret McKeffry* achieved 61.11% on March 29

So far, so many C points...

These players have garnered the most C points on individual playing days this year – and it's exactly the same as last month!

Ynys Fa'atafa tops Mondays, *Kaye McCredie* Tuesdays, *Julie Kropp* Wednesdays, and *Yvonne Helps* Thursdays

Lessons~Lessons~Lessons

Lessons begin on Monday April 30, at 7.30 pm. The cost is \$50.00, which includes club membership.

If you know anyone who wants to learn, don't forget to let them know!

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Junior/Intermediate Tournament March 18 2018



1 Players concentrating during the tournament

Once again we held a successful mixed grade Novice/Junior/Intermediate tournament on March 18.

24 pairs of keen players battled it out during the day

A big thanks goes to Whitby Lakes Retirement Village for sponsoring the tournament, and to Vicki Hayward who came along to hand out the prizes at the end of play.

And the winners were...

First overall and top Intermediate/Junior Pair: Kahu and Kim Livingstone (Victoria)

Second overall and top Junior/Junior: Maciej Szczesny and Julie Newsome (Hutt)

Top Intermediate Pair: Hank Ankins and Julie Shepherd (Levin)

Top Junior/Novice Pair: Julie Kropp and Pam McMillan (Kapi Mana)

Our tournament wouldn't have been such a success without these awesome club members: Barbara Daly (Director), Eleanor Morel (Scorer), Barbara McDonald and her team of kitchen superstars, Lyn Mansfield and Don Mather (Bar-people), John Joseph (Name tags), Dianne & John Lester (money collectors), and everyone who brought along items for the raffles.

Our next tournament is the Multigrade Pairs on May 6 – it's not too early to think about who you'd like to play this tournament with!

Put this in your diary now!

AGM

Tuesday May 22 2018, at 7 pm

Beginning with drinks and nibbles, followed by social bridge

Yes everyone, that time of year is drawing near – the AGM is fast approaching, and all positions are up for grabs

Our Constitution states we need players from all playing nights represented on the Committee, so no matter what night you play, we need you!

If you want to know what's involved in being on the Committee, have a chat to any of the current Committee members - Nigel Horne, Dianne Lester, Yvonne Helps, Suzanne Keppel, Tracey Shields, John Antliff, Rod Ferguson, Alan Savage, Barbara McDonald, Colleen McCaw, Margaret Robertson and Marcia Forsman

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