



## Table Talk August 2022

### What's coming up

#### August competitions

- Monday – Spring Pairs
- Tuesday – Patron's Pairs
- Wednesday – Grenada Pairs
- Thursday – Brown Pairs

#### Tournaments in August

Hutt Intermediate Pairs – 7 August

Kapiti Horowhenua Area Pairs (6) online – 18 August

Otaki Junior & Intermediate Pairs – 21 August

Karori Open Pairs – 21 August

Poppy Roberts 5A Pairs (Prelim 6) online – 31 August

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>

#### Club Play

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

**Lyn Mansfield (234-1636) for a Monday partner,**

**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**

**Anne Jackson (233-6220 or 022-192-8678) for a Thursday partner.**

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## Learner lessons

Learner lessons for 2022 are now complete. Please welcome the new members when they start playing in early August. A huge thanks to Margaret for teaching and organizing the lessons and also to her helpers, Kevin, Yvonne and Kaye.

The Welcome Pairs in September are a chance for the new members to have an existing member as a partner. Please let Margaret or one of the new members know if you are interested in having a new learner as a partner. Their names and contact details are below.

Kate Docherty	027-309-3304
Peter Gardiner	027-208-2280
Jakki Green	027-662-3808
Cathy Hamilton	027-660-9265
Kay Martin	021-260-5181
Anne Searancke	021-257-7130
Deane Searancke	021-0841-3652
Denis Tuffery	021-358-203

Here's a photo of the group at graduation.



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## Future of Bridge

A Working Group organised by NZ Bridge has been consulting with individuals and clubs on the implications for more online bridge sessions for tournaments and club sessions. Submissions close on 12 August. Please take the time to understand the issues and make a submission if you are interested. The link is on the NZ Bridge website at [NZB Online Bridge Strategy Consultation 2022 Final.pdf \(nzbridge.co.nz\)](https://nzbridge.co.nz/NZB%20Online%20Bridge%20Strategy%20Consultation%202022%20Final.pdf). The proposal is to have a new "Online Bridge Strategy" in place from 1 January 2023. We will let you know the outcome.

## Kerr Cup – 28<sup>th</sup> August

We are playing Kairangi for the Kerr Cup again in on 28<sup>th</sup> August. There is more information on this and a sign-up sheet down at the club. If you are interested, please put your name down and join the fun. Please bring a plate as there will be afternoon tea when the bridge is finished.

## Super Social Sunday – 28<sup>th</sup> August

There is a 'Super Social Sunday' event at Wellington Bridge on the 28<sup>th</sup> August aimed at learners from this year and last year. Margaret will contact our learners directly about this and we encourage them to go along and meet other learners from the Wellington region.

## COVID-19 requirements

There are no changes this month to the COVID measures which are:

- ❖ Mandatory mask wearing for all bridge sessions (unless medical exception)
- ❖ Please bring your own pencils/pens
- ❖ 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.

Finally, please do not come to bridge if you are feeling unwell. There are still lots of cases of COVID in the community and with the normal winter illnesses, it is better to be cautious.

Thanks for your continued patience and perseverance with these restrictions.

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## Bridge Humour

A famous expert, well known for his arrogance and rudeness was partnering a lady in a tournament. She was well known as well but only by her own bridge club and circle for her good play and politeness. As a result of his wrong play the expert went down embarrassingly. The lady was explaining gently her idea about the line which was taken. The expert, said angrily:

"Do you know who I am?"

"No." said the Lady softly and added:

"Look, the Director is over there. Go and ask him. He might be able to tell you who you are!"

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

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