



Table Talk March 2023

What's coming up

March competitions

- Bay Pairs and Autumn Pairs
- Tuesday – Takapu Pairs
- Wednesday – Te Pene Pairs
- Thursday – President's Pairs

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,

Dianne Grain (0274 449 641) for a Wednesday partner, and

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

Tournaments in March

Kapi Mana Multi-Grade Pairs which was due to be held on 12 March was cancelled due to low entries

Kapiti Horowhenua Area Pairs – 16 March

Kairangi Intermediate Teams – 19 March

Kairangi Junior teams – 19 March

Masterton Open Pairs – 19 March

Wellington Regional Open Teams Online competition – 24 March

Paraparaumu Open Pairs – 26 March

Upper Hutt Junior Pairs – 26 March

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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>

AGM – 16 May

Our AGM is on 16 May starting at 7.30pm with drinks and nibbles. Social bridge will follow the meeting. It is important for members to attend if they can, to support the club and discuss any issues that come up. The Committee is always on the look out for new Committee members. So please let someone know if you are keen.

Any remits or matters for the agenda must be received by 30 April. Please talk with Tracey or Kevin if you have any questions or send an email to kmbc@xtra.co.nz.

Kerr Cup

The annual Kerr Cup between our club and Kairangi Club was played on 3 March with 13 pairs from each club. It was an enjoyable evening with good competition and food afterwards. Thanks to those who organised it. Mary Scott, Kairangi Club's president sent us the following thank you note:

We want to say a huge thank you on behalf of all of Kairangi for last Friday. It was so lovely to finally play again at your club, and everything about the night was perfect, the directing, the food and the wonderful camaraderie – I think that's what bridge is all about! Congratulations to all! Looking forward to seeing you at Kairangi next year.

Here's a photo of Kevin and Mary (unfortunately we lost so they keep the cup for another year).



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Volunteers needed for Thursday Partnership Steward and Tournament Secretary

Anne Jackson can no longer be the Thursday Partnership Steward and Sue Fish will be resigning from being the Tournament Secretary. A big thanks to Sue and Anne for helping the club and being a volunteer.

If you are interested in either of these roles, please contact Tracey Shields or Kevin Stacey to find out more. Our club depends on volunteers to run smoothly.

The Thursday Partnership Steward helps people to find a partner.

The Tournament Secretary advertises our tournaments and lets members know about other tournaments, sends the Club Director the list of entries for a tournament, and answers enquiries tournaments.

They are supported by Committee members. On a similar note, thanks to Sue and Colin Russell who have volunteered to help with dealing. Much appreciated.

Interclub

Wellington Region Bridge decided to play interclub entirely online this year. Good luck to the teams who have entered.

Reminder to bring table money

A friendly reminder to bring your table money or a voucher when you are playing. If are caught short (which does happen), please ask your partner or a friend if they can help out until next time.

Learner lessons for 2023

Lessons for beginners will start on Monday 20 March. We will be advertising this at the Club and in various newsletters. If you know anyone who is interested, please tell them to let Margaret Robertson know (phone number in the book) or email us at kmbc@xtra.co.nz

Book sale table

The book and magazine sale table is going very well and members are enjoying new books to read. Swap or buy a book for a small donation when you come down. All proceeds to go towards future festivities!

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Cyclone Gabrielle Recovery Fund

The NZ Bridge Foundation Trustees have established a fund to help clubs and their members who have suffered loss and disruption as a result of Cyclone Gabrielle. Clubs will need to apply to the Foundation setting out their losses. If you would like to donate to this, you can do so by making a deposit to the NZ Bridge Foundation bank account which is: 02-0466-0272518-026. Please include your name as a reference. Donations are tax deductible.

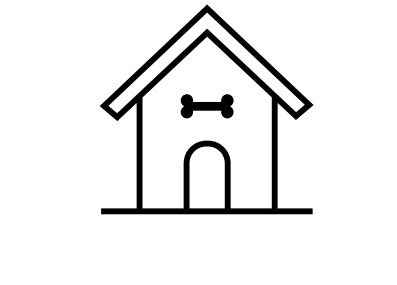
Rubber bridge event

Wellington Regional Bridge Committee is holding a knockout rubber bridge event for 2023. Entries by 31 March. This is online. Players of all grades are welcome. A trophy will be presented to the Wellington Region winner who then go to the National Congress on 23-30 September to compete against other regions. Cash prizes for the final winners. Please contact the convenor, Graham Cheater by email grahamlcheater@gmail.com if you have any questions or look at the flyer at the club.

To finish on a light note

How do you build a house with playing cards?

- **Start a Club**
- **Win their hearts**
- **Give them tools and Spades**
- **Pay them with diamonds**



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

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