



Table Talk October 2023

What's coming up

October competitions

- Monday 2, 16, 30 October – Mana Pairs
- Tuesday 10, 17, 24, 31 October – Paremata Pairs
- Wednesday 11, 18, 25 October – Papakowhai Pairs
- Thursday 12, 19, 26 October – Plimmerton Pairs

A reminder for players to please be seated at least 10 minutes before each session starts to provide sufficient time for the Director to organise the session.

Club Play

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

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

Leigh & Alan Savage (021 112 5136) for a Tuesday partner,

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

Dianne Lester (021-0850-0810) for a Thursday partner.

Tournaments in October and November

- Kapi Mana Intermediate Pairs – 15 Oct
- Kapiti Horowhenua Area Pairs – 19 October
- Kairangi Open 5A Pairs - 20, 21, 22 October
- Waikanae Junior Pairs and Intermediate Pairs – 5 November
- Kapi-Mana Intermediate/Junior Multigrade Pairs – 12 November
- Masterton Multigrade Teams – 12 November
- Kapiti Horowhenua Area Pairs (9) – 16 November

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>

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Success with Jackways Shield again

A group of 26 Kapi Mana members travelled to Paraparaumu on Sunday 24 September and won the Jackways Shield competition against the Paraparaumu Bridge Club. 1st, 2nd and 3rd went to:

- Dianne Lester and Tracey Shields (69.23%)
- Lesley Gilhooly and Bill Black (68.59%)
- Margaret McKeefry and Anne Jackson (68.27%)

Well done to all who attended and much thanks to the Paraparaumu Club who provided great competition and a very nice afternoon tea. Here is Ro accepting the shield from Trevor Smith, President of the Paraparaumu Bridge Club (his t-shirt says "Never underestimate an old man who plays bridge").



Sad news about Ed Forsman

We were very sad to hear that Ed Forsman passed away suddenly on 14 September. A lovely service for Ed was held at St Theresa's Church on 21 September. We will miss Ed deeply and our condolences go to Marcia and family. Ed was our quiz master at several Christmas functions and was always a cheerful and talented player on Wednesday nights.

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New tournament secretary needed

We still have a vacancy for Tournament Secretary. If you are interested or would like to know more, please let Ro or someone on the Committee know asap.

Learner lessons start on 24 February

One suggestion from the Survey was to start the learner lessons a bit earlier. We've taken this on board and Margaret will be starting the lessons on 24 February 2024. If you know anyone interested in learning please let them know. We will be starting to promote this before Christmas.

Did you know bridge is taught at schools in the USA, France and the Netherlands?

Did you know that bridge is taught in some USA school. Late in 2005, Warren Buffett and Bill Gates put up \$1 million to try to get bridge teaching started in schools. The program enjoyed success and helped lead to the inaugural Youth North American Championships in Atlanta in 2008.

It is also taught in schools in France and Netherlands. Minibridge was first developed in France and the Netherlands as an introduction to bridge for schoolchildren and was soon acknowledged as an excellent game in its own right. Card playing helps children to identify numbers, colours, similarities and sequences.

We just need to encourage New Zealand schools to do the same!

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

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