

Hamilton



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Newsletter - May 2021

From the President

Three tournaments down this year and five to go!

Thank you to all those that played in any of the tournaments. Without your participation there would be no tournaments. Also, thank you to the helpers who assist in running these tournaments. A special thank you goes out to Richard Fletcher who assists at every tournament, counting the entry money.

Congratulations to Ian Ross and Roger Gunning for winning the Intermediate tournament. Congratulations also go to Jenny Millington and Don Macpherson for winning the Restricted tournament. Congratulations to Trini Lin and Angela Lovell for coming 2nd in the Intermediate section on Ladies' Day.

We now have a little break from tournaments to concentrate on our teams' championship. Good luck to all participants. The winners will represent our club in the Waikato Bays inter-club competition.

COVID-19

Although it appears that New Zealand has COVID under control, please do not become complacent regarding the signing in and more importantly, please make use of the hand sanitisers at the tables.

We do have a few members who have a persistent cough caused by specific medical conditions. There have been negative comments made to them regarding this which are both unnecessary and unkind. While it is understandable that people are nervous of coughs in this environment, I would ask you to be kind and avoid any negative comments. Our club members are important from both a social as well as a Bridge perspective. I would like to foster an environment that is both inclusive and kind.

Happy Bridging !

Nigel

Nigel Gresson

From the Captain's Table

A big 'Thank You' to those of you wearing your name badge!!

Remember, I am always happy to order a badge for you!

It has been great to see so many people playing in sessions and tournaments. There were big crowds for both our Restricted Pairs and the Ladies Open. The lunches provided were really delicious and a credit to the volunteers. Although the men who catered are used to cooking, they excelled on Tuesday!

Our next fun event is the SOUP and BUN day. As usual it will be on a Sunday. **This time the date has been changed to 16th MAY.** This is because the originally planned date is also Mothers' Day and many members would be unable to attend. Lunch is at 12.00 and the cost is \$5.00. The cost can be debited to your Compass account.

Then we have the GARAGE SALE on Sunday 22nd. Please bring anything and everything you can to fill our sales tables.

We all love our special building; however, it does prove a special challenge to heat and cool. The other day our Director commented on the difficulties of making hot women cool and cool women hot! A real

challenge! We have a record of one player's solution: make a cue bid and partner will respond (in this case by fetching a blanket):



A cool bridge player!!!

The lessons are going well. I have been lucky to assist while getting a refresher course. It is clear though how difficult it is to learn to play bridge. So, we all need to give encouragement to new players. Do please tell me of anyone who is unwell or if there are things I can do for the club.

Cheers and happy bridging!

Laura

Laura Sommerville, Club Captain

Meet Our Members - Nigel Gresson

(An interview by Phil Thompson)



Nigel is the perfect club member. Not only has he served on the committee for several years, but he has served as president twice: in 2017-2018, and again for 2021.

Nigel graduated in dentistry from Otago University in 1977, spent several years in the UK, before coming to Hamilton in 1990 where he practised until he retired in 2020. He first started playing bridge with

fellow dentist Ian Ross (whose story was told in a previous edition of this newsletter). Nigel, Ian, Bill West (another club member) and Patrick Carter began playing social bridge on a Tuesday night sometime early in the 21st century. At Ian's insistence, Nigel (and Ian) finally joined the club in 2008 and both have been regular (and valued) members since. Unable to just sit back and be a member, Nigel was elected to the committee in 2012, and has been part of the club's administration ever since.

Not only content to serve the Bridge Club, Nigel also served on the Waikato/Bay of Plenty dental committee, as treasurer for eight years. For many years Nigel was "Mr Parking" and organised parking at the club premises when there were events at the stadium. He did a wonderful job with his team, and we should all be very grateful for the funds he and his team brought into the club in often atrocious weather.

Nigel is a popular member of the club, and a competitive player. He was introduced to his preferred system, 'Precision', about four or five years ago, and just wishes that more members would learn the system. Sometimes Nigel is like a boy who can't sit still. Quite often it is frustrating to be partnering Nigel at the club, as he seems completely unable to sit down for three minutes to quickly review the system before play starts. He always has somebody to discuss important Club business with, which is much more important than the night's results. And he will jump up to collect dirty cups for the kitchen rather than discuss the hand

which has just been played - either successfully or disastrously! But it is difficult to treat this as a failing. Perhaps more members should be concerned about keeping the playing area and the kitchen clean and tidy. Aside from bridge, Nigel's other passion is basketball. He coached basketball at Waikato Diocesan School for ten years, and he has been a loyal Breakers fan since day one. In fact, if Nigel ever contacts you to cancel a game of bridge because he is not well, just check: there is every possibility that the Breakers are playing in Auckland, or maybe even on TV. But despite the Breakers, Nigel really is a great club member, and the perfect President. As he said to me, the most satisfying part of being President is to see a room full of players at a Hamilton Bridge Club tournament. And that's what it's all about.

Club News

Phone number changes / additions

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Stan Rinaldi	027 241-5036



Kitchen News

You may have noticed there is a new Zip (hot water heater) in the kitchen - the old one had a 'meltdown' recently! This new model goes to 'sleep' after 4 hours to save power. To start it up again, the first person using the kitchen each playing session needs to press the start button - there is a sign next to the button to help you.

Friday Evenings with Barry

Barry Jones is running a new series of improver lessons aimed at Intermediate and Junior players who have been playing several years.



These are planned to run about once a month, starting Friday 7 May at 7pm. The format is generally a handout and talk on a particular topic followed by a chance to play some sample hands. The first session is on '**Declarer Play - something for everyone**'! All for only \$5 a person. This is a great opportunity to improve your bridge

play with help from one of the club's best players. Don't miss it!

SOUP and BUN Social - Sunday 16 May

As the days get colder, what better way to spend a Sunday afternoon than with a lunch of hot soup and a bun, followed by a social afternoon of bridge with your friends? There will be spot prizes as well as prizes for the winners. Soup is at 12 noon on 16 May, followed by one session of bridge starting at 12.45pm and finishing with afternoon tea, all for \$5.

Garage Sale - Saturday 22 May

Jane is again organising a garage sale to raise funds for the club. Now is the time to go through your house and garage and sort out items you no longer need that are still in good condition. Bring them along to the bridge club 10-12 days beforehand,

where they will be sorted into categories for the sale. Last year's sale was a great success, so let's make this one another successful day. Volunteers welcome - please contact Jane to find out how you can help.



NZ Teams to Playoff against Australia

The NZ Bridge Selectors have announced the teams to contest the online Zone 7 playoff against Australia over the weekend of the 22nd and 23rd May 2021. The Mixed team consists of Liz Fisher and Blair Fisher, Jenny Millington and Barry Jones, Jo Simpson and Sam Simpson, all current or past members of our club.

The event will be played in Auckland using the "[Real Bridge](#)" platform, with 3 sessions a day at approx. 1pm, 4pm, 7pm NZ time. Go to the 'Latest' link at the bottom of the front page. You are welcome to login and watch the play - just scroll down through the list of links to the one you want to watch. Congratulations and good luck for the event.

Learner Lessons are go!

This year's lessons have fortunately not suffered from the disruption of last year. Mereana is running the lessons on Tuesday evenings while Ella runs Friday mornings. All up there are about 40 learners "working hard" at getting to know the basics of our great game, and having fun as well.



Friday Learners concentrating hard!

Defending against the Precision 1 Club opener

(Article by Cynthia Clayton)

As one of the dozen or so Precision players in our club, I'd like to offer some hints for players not accustomed to defending against the Precision system. This will mainly be of interest to daytime or Wednesday evening players.

When we open 1C, our partner is required to immediately volunteer the information "16+ points and can be any shape/distribution" (or similar wording). That is the full explanation and is all they know at that point. Sometimes we then get asked "does it show anything about clubs?" (often by people holding a long club suit). "Any shape" means just that - the opener could be holding a long club suit or no clubs at all and asking that question will not give you any more information but it will make it difficult for your partner to lead a club following your question (because by asking, then passing, you're inferring that you have an interest in that suit).

Likewise, our negative response to 1C is 1D which we alert. If asked (and there's nothing wrong with asking what it means), we will volunteer "0 to 7 points any shape". Full explanation and again "any shape" tells you it says nothing about diamonds, so no need to ask any more.

Experienced tournament players have all sorts of complicated systems in their armoury to defend against the Precision 1C, but for those of you who will only come across the bid once in a while, my suggestions are:

Pass with a balanced opening hand, and don't double (as you would over a "normal" 1C opener). There is a known 16+ points in the hand that opened 1C, maybe more, you have a normal opener, how much does that leave partner? Not a lot!! Better to just sit quietly and defend and let declarer find all your points the hard way.

With an unbalanced hand and a really good suit, you could decide to overcall it, including 2C, or making a weak jump (not vulnerable)! For those of you who play Michael's Cue bids, it's best to drop that against the Precision 1C opener and have the 2C available to bid a long strong club suit. Partners need to discuss this because it's not nice to bid your lovely club suit only to find partner has taken it as a Michael's Cue and bids a major that you haven't got at the 2 level when the opposition have a 16+ hand!

Because you no longer need the double as a takeout bid (and you should never overcall 1NT to play there), after a Precision 1C opener these bids are freed up for other uses. You could double to show both majors or bid 1NT to show both minors if you have good 2-suiters. This way you can find a major fit at the 1 level, or minor at the 2 level - both one level lower than over Michael's Cue or Unusual NT.

To summarise, over Precision 1C:

- . Pass - balanced opening hand or of course nothing to say anyway.
- . Suit bid (including 2C) - natural and good suit - preferably 6-card.
- . Weak jump overcalls - be careful vulnerable but worthwhile not vulnerable with a good suit.
- . Double - both majors
- . 1NT - both minors

This is the system of defence to the Precision 1C that Ian and I have always chosen to play. I hope this helps. Happy for any queries - email me at cynclayton@gmail.com.

Check your member balance with Compa\$\$

Want to know how much money you have in your Compa\$\$ account? From now on, emails will only be sent to those who owe money to the club.

Instead of waiting for an email to come, members can now log into their own individual Compa\$\$ account at any time to check the balance. First off, you need to set up a username and password. Information on what Compa\$\$ is and how to set up as a user is found [here](#). Please read the section on Compa\$\$ registration before setting up your user account. Once you have registered and logged in, a screen for Compass Scoring System will appear. Click on Compa\$\$ Accounts and your account data for the last processed period will appear on your screen. You can change to any valid Compa\$\$ date range if you want to see your transactions before the last processed period.

Credits for winning an event are only processed after the end of each month. Direct access to the Compa\$\$ information page from the club website is via the Compa\$\$ Balance link in the Results sub-menu on the front page. This is the easiest way to get to the Compa\$\$ login screen.

2021/22 Entertainment Deals Available Now!

Judith Brooks has again organised the Waikato / Bay of Plenty entertainment deals as a fund raiser for our club. This year the deals are digital only - you download the app on your mobile phone. Your membership can be shared with up to 5 family members or friends. Please support the Club by buying the app and nominating our club in the fundraising tab. The books cost \$69.99 of which the club receives 20%. The books have discounts of up to 50% on restaurants, cafés, arts, attractions, hotels, travel and shopping in the Waikato and Bay of Plenty, all valid to use for 1 year from when you join. There is a current gift card bonus if you join by 10 May. To order your Entertainment Membership visit: [Entertainment App](#) Judith Brooks can help you if you have any questions.

WINTER PRECAUTIONS

Now that the flu season approaches it's time to prevent the spread of infection.

DO:

Turn your head away from the table when coughing or sneezing
Cough or sneeze into a tissue or your upper arm

STAY at home if you are unwell

DON'T:

Cough or sneeze on your hand
Cough or sneeze on the cards you are holding



REMEMBER:

Wash your hands before and after bridge and use the hand sanitisers by the playing room doors

Upcoming Events

COMING UP AT OUR CLUB

Hamilton Open Swiss Pairs (1/3)	Wednesday 9 June
Hamilton Open Teams	Saturday 10 July
Hamilton Restricted Teams	Saturday 10 July
Waikato Area Pairs (6)	Sunday 1 August

EVENTS COMING UP IN OUR REGION

Junior/Novice Tournaments:

Mt Maunganui Junior Pairs	Mt Maunganui Saturday 20 July
Mt Maunganui Novice Pairs	Mt Maunganui Saturday 17 July

Intermediate Tournaments:

Katikati Intermediate Pairs	Katikati	Sunday 16 May
Mt Maunganui Intermediate Pairs	Mt Maunganui	Saturday 17 July

Open/Restricted Tournaments:

Putaruru Open Pairs	Putaruru	Thursday 13 May
Te Awamutu Restricted Pairs	Te Awamutu	Saturday 15 May
Te Puke Restricted Pairs	Te Puke	Saturday 22 May
Waikato Area Pairs (4)	Te Aroha*	Sunday 23 May
Morrinsville Open Pairs	Morrinsville	Saturday 29 May
National Pairs (2 days)	Tauranga	Sat/Sun 12/13 June
Rotorua Open Pairs	Rotorua	Saturday 19 June
Spa Town Open&Multigrade Teams	Te Aroha	Saturday 26 June
Waikato Area Pairs (5)	Thames	Sunday 4 July
Tauranga Restricted Charity	Tauranga	Wednesday 7 July
Matamata Open Pairs	Matamata	Saturday 24 July
Whakatane Restricted Pairs	Whakatane	Saturday 31 July

**Day & location differs from the Programme book - late change*

Cambridge Sixes - Saturday 7 August

What is the Cambridge Sixes?

The Cambridge Sixes is a fun concept aimed at getting more players from each bridge grade playing in tournaments. In effect, three tournaments take place simultaneously, a 3A for the Open players, a 5B for the Intermediates and a 3B for the Juniors. It is the only Swiss Pairs event specifically for Intermediates or Juniors. The first event was held in 2013 and since then numbers have grown each year. In 2016 it was held at the new Don Rowlands Centre at Lake Karapiro for the first time. This is a wonderful venue with all mod cons along with great views out over the lake. Last year Covid saw the Sixes cancelled but it is on again in 2021 and this year the organisers have allowed for 72 tables!

What makes the Cambridge Sixes different is that entries must be made up of one pair from each grade. Open players who wish to try getting three A points must find an Intermediate pair and a Junior pair to come along with them. While there is prize money in each grade, most of the \$2000+ in prizes goes to the best performed Teams of Six when the scores get added across the grades. In 2016, a Hamilton team won the overall prize so why not have a go this year?

The day provides not only serious bridge but also a bit of fun between rounds with Trivia quizzes and prizes for the Teams judged to be wearing the most "distinctive uniform". All this for just \$36 a head.

What is Swiss pairs?

Swiss pairs has a scoring format which resembles teams scoring. In Swiss pairs it is the actual size of the difference in score that counts. Bidding to game is important, especially when vulnerable. But going down in a game contract is very expensive with this scoring, while making an over-trick gains very little. As declarer, it is most important to make your contract so don't take a finesse for an extra trick if there is a risk of going down. As defender, always look for a play that allows the contract to be beaten and take your chance.

Recent Events at our Club

Hamilton Junior & Novice Pairs - Saturday 27 March

Eight tables of Junior players, mainly from Hamilton club but with several from Te Awamutu and Waitomo clubs, came together to play what was for many one of the first bridge tournaments they had ever competed in. Once the nerves had settled an enjoyable time was had by all. Rachelle Meijer and Stephen Weir finished a very creditable second with Heather Crosbie and Jane Sandelin in fourth place. Four pairs of novices from our club joined in for the afternoon session, with Mary Cave-Palmer and Hugh Barton taking out the novice prize. Well done! Thanks to Michael Neels for directing the juniors and novices while also scoring both tournaments.



Rachelle and Stephen

Hamilton Intermediate Pairs - Saturday 27 March

The most noticeable difference between an intermediate and an open tournament is the level of noise at the former with players enjoying catching up with the news from other clubs. Ella as director had to calm the social chatter several times to allow play to commence and continue. After two hard-fought sessions with quite a number of previously Open players present, the overall winners were Hamilton's Ian Ross and Roger Gunning, with Richard Wagstaff and Don Macpherson in third place. Congratulations! Thanks to Nigel for organising both pairs' tournaments (and playing in the second session of the Intermediate pairs!) and to Ella for directing the intermediates. Also, many thanks to Barbara and her team of mainly Open players who ran the kitchen, including making the delicious lunches.

Hamilton Restricted Pairs - Sunday 18 April

Our president Nigel also did a great job of encouraging our members to enter his favourite tournament, sponsored by Ryman Healthcare and the Linda Jones Retirement Village. Of 48 pairs on the day, 26 were from the Hamilton club, a very pleasing turnout. There was a friendly atmosphere in the room and a hearty lunch organised by Jane, with sumptuous morning and afternoon teas.

Winners from our club were Don Macpherson and Jenny Millington, 1st Open-Intermediate combination and also overall tournament winners. Elaine Hickel and Ian Clayton won the Open-Junior group and Bill Bailey and Margaret Boyd the Intermediate-Junior. Congratulations!



Bill and Margaret

Hamilton Ladies Day - Tuesday 27 April

This year's annual Ladies Day tournament was a fun, friendly day, but with a rather disappointing number of entries in the Open section, maybe due to the change in NZ bridge grades made this year.

Congratulations to our Open winners, Jan Cormack and Faith Tislevoll from Auckland. Cambridge visitors Liz Clayton and Jenny Oxley won the Intermediate section with our own club members Trini Lin and Angela Lovell second. Congratulations!

The lunch meal included a delicious choice of desserts made by Nigel Gresson and Phil Thompson and was much appreciated by the players. Many thanks to our sponsor, Craigs Investment Partners.

Recent Tournament Successes by our Club Members



Waikato Area Pairs 1	14 February	Matamata
1 st	Ian Moore & Pam Moore	
2 nd	Jenna Gibbons & Christine Gibbons	
Morrinsville Junior Restricted	19 February	Morrinsville
2 nd	Ross Stewart & Tineke Yates	
3 rd	Bill Bailey & Eunice Eccles	
Matamata Open Pairs	6 March	Matamata
1 st	Gary Foidl & Yuzhong Chen	
3 rd	Jenna Gibbons & Christine Gibbons	
Waihi All Grades Pairs	13 March	Waihi
1 st	Jenna Gibbons & Christine Gibbons	
3 rd	Olive Davis & Mary Ronke	
Kelly Peirse Memorial Teams	20 March	Rotorua
3 rd	Michael Curry, Jenna Gibbons & teammates	
Hamilton Intermediate Pairs	27 March	Hamilton
1 st	Ian Ross & Roger Gunning	
3 rd	Richard Wagstaff & Don Macpherson	
Hamilton Junior Pairs	27 March	Hamilton
2 nd	Rachelle Meijer & Stephen Weir	
Hamilton Novice Pairs	27 March	Hamilton
1 st	Mary Cave-Palmer & Hugh Barton	

Waikato Area Pairs 2	28 March	Cambridge
1 st	Richard Solomon & Anna Kalma	
2 nd	Ian Clayton & Cynthia Clayton	
3 rd	Helen Healy & Tim Healy	

Tauranga Open Teams	10 April	Tauranga
2 nd	Richard Solomon, Anna Kalma & teammates	

Cambridge Junior Pairs	10 April	Cambridge
3 rd	Rachelle Meijer & Stephen Weir	

Mt Maunganui Multigrade Pairs	17 April	Tauranga
2 nd	Jenna Gibbons & Christine Gibbons	
3 rd	Blair Fisher & Michael Curry	

Hamilton Restricted Pairs	18 April	Hamilton
1 st	Don Macpherson & Jenny Millington	
2 nd	Elaine Rayner & Gary Foidl	
3 rd	Catherine Cameron & Barry Jones	

Waikato Area Pairs 3	26 April	Morrinsville
3 rd	Michael Curry & Christine Gibbons	

Hamilton Ladies Open Pairs	27 April	Hamilton
2 nd	Jenna Gibbons & Christine Gibbons	

Hamilton Ladies Intermediate	27 April	Hamilton
2 nd	Trini Lin & Angela Lovell	





Club Results

Wednesday Rainbow Pairs

- 1 Barbara Daly
- 2= Ella Gray
- 2= Anna Kalma

Monday Opening Pairs

Scratch

- 1 Olive Davis & Pam Burns
- 2 Melinda Wang & Catherine Cameron

Handicap

- 1 Peter Kington & Sonya Roberts
- 2 Melinda Wang & Catherine Cameron

Tuesday Opening Pairs

Scratch

- 1 Ian Moore & Ian Clayton
- 2 Barbara Daly & Allison Smith

Handicap

- 1 Ian Moore & Ian Clayton
- 2 Joan Egger & Colleen De Luen

Tuesday Evening Opening Pairs

Scratch

- 1 Julie Hooper & Donna Prentice
- 2 Jiwan Dhaliwal & Bill Barwood

Handicap

- 1 Jiwan Dhaliwal & Bill Barwood
- 2 Irene McCaskill & Lesley Kuggeleijn

Thursday Opening Pairs

Scratch

- 1 Nigel Gresson & Cathy Nolen
- 2 Natalie Muller & Maureen O'Halloran

Handicap

- 1 Nigel Gresson & Cathy Nolen
- 2 Lois Jones & Nandy Costa

Friday Summer Pairs

Scratch

- 1 Thelma Bird & Duncan White
- 2 Lindsay Reid & Phil Thompson

Handicap

- 1 Thelma Bird & Duncan White
- 2 Lindsay Reid & Phil Thompson

Wednesday Summer Pairs

Scratch

- 1 Lindsay Reid & Richard Fletcher
- 2 Pam Moore & Ian Moore

Handicap

- 1 Lindsay Reid & Richard Fletcher
- 2 Barry Jones & Michael Curry

Monday Summer Pairs

Scratch

- 1 Gosha Hirsz & Helene Thygesen
- 2 Catherine Glyde & Jol Glyde

Handicap

- 1 Catherine Glyde & Jol Glyde
- 2 Jenny Seavill & Colleen De Luen

Tuesday Summer Pairs

Scratch

- 1 Ian Clayton & Barbara Daly
- 2 Elaine Rayner & Tracey Hoff

Handicap

- 1 Wendy Ramsey & Laura Sommerville
- 2 Elaine Rayner & Tracey Hoff

Tuesday Evening Summer Pairs

Scratch

- 1 Judy Cooper & Rachelle Meijer
- 2 Megan Jolly & Leanne Curry

Handicap

- 1 Laura Sommerville & Mary Cave-Palmer
- 2 Judy Cooper & Rachelle Meijer

Thursday Summer Pairs

Scratch

- 1 Maureen O'Halloran & Natalie Muller
- 2 Megan Jolly & Leanne Curry

Handicap

- 1 Maureen O'Halloran & Natalie Muller
- 2 Megan Jolly & Leanne Curry

Charles Holland-Goodwin Memorial Pairs

Scratch

- 1 Pam Moore & Ian Clayton
- 2 Thelma Bird & Duncan White

Handicap

- 1 Thelma Bird & Duncan White
- 2 Pam Moore & Ian Clayton

Wednesday Summer Swiss Pairs

- 1 Ian Clayton & Cynthia Clayton
- 2 Pam Moore & Ian Moore

Monday Pairs A

Scratch

- 1 Val West & Ross Stewart
- 2 Karen Thomson & Cathy Nolen

Monica Heard Handicap Trophy

Scratch

- 1 Ian Clayton & Nigel Gresson
- 2 Tim Healy & Malcolm Smith

Lil Goodger Trophy

Scratch

- 1 Catherine Cameron & Trini Lin
- 2 Julie Hooper & Richard Hooper

Anne Archbold Pairs

Scratch

- 1 Allison Smith & Cynthia Clayton
- 2 Ross Stewart & Mary Fear

Ray White Real Estate Pairs

Scratch

- 1 Julie Hooper & Donna Prentice
- 2 Rachelle Meijer & Stephen Weir

Wednesday Restricted Pairs

Scratch

- 1 Karen Harris & Joan Egger
- 2 Gary Foidl & Elaine Rayner

Tuesday Autumn Pairs

Scratch

- 1 Barbara Daly & Cynthia Clayton
- 2 Malcolm Smith & Ian Clayton

Handicap

- 1 Val West & Ross Stewart
- 2 David Taylor & Margaret Boyd

Handicap

- 1 Ian Clayton & Nigel Gresson
- 2 John Paterson & Michael Davies

Handicap

- 1 Stephen Weir & Stephen Baptist
- 2 Roger Gunning & Raewyn Grylls-Thomas

Handicap

- 1 Margaret Boyd & Peter Kington
 - 2 Ross Stewart & Mary Fear
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Handicap

- 1 Julie Hooper & Donna Prentice
- 2 Rachelle Meijer & Stephen Weir

Handicap

- 1 Tracey Hoff & Lee Cook
- 2 Barbara Daly & Cynthia Clayton

Thursday Autumn Pairs

Scratch

- 1 Ross Stewart & Mary Fear
- 2 Nigel Gresson & Judith Brooks

Handicap

- 1 Ross Stewart & Mary Fear
- 2 Nigel Gresson & Judith Brooks

Monday Autumn Pairs

Scratch

- 1 Gosha Hirsz & Helene Thygesen
- 2 Joan Egger & Pam Burns

Handicap

- 1 Karen Mackenzie & Janice Wilton
- 2 Karen Harper & Maggie Fisher

Alder Trophy Individuals

Scratch

- 1 Leanne Curry
- 2 Donna Prentice

Handicap

- 1 Leanne Curry
- 2 Jiwan Dhaliwal

Eileen Hartstone Trophy Individuals

Scratch

- 1 Cynthia Clayton
- 2 Phil Thompson

Handicap

- 1 Cynthia Clayton
- 2 Phil Thompson

Tournament Help required

Helpers are needed for our upcoming tournaments

In the kitchen (shifts of about 3 hours). Helping can include any and all of:

- making sandwiches
 - meal preparation
 - washing up
 - collecting cups and keeping the tea / coffee area ready
- Wherever your skills lie



Providing food for morning / afternoon tea
Contact Jane Sandelin if you are able to help.

From Lindsay's File

Challenge 13

<i>North</i>		
♠ K Q		
♥ A J 5		
♦ 5 2		
♣ A K 9 7 6 2		
<i>West</i>		<i>East</i>
♠ 10 9 8 2		♠ 7 3
♥ 9 7 4 3		♥ Q 10 6
♦ K 10 4		♦ Q 9 6 3
♣ J 5		♣ Q 10 8 4
<i>South</i>		
♠ A J 6 5 4		
♥ K 8 2		
♦ A J 8 7		
♣ 3		

How can South make Six Spades after West leads the 10 of Spades?

The answer will be published on Club's ["the website puzzle corner"](#) soon after the newsletter is published.



When you are missing six cards in a suit, the probable division is 4-2. Try to cater for that split rather than stake everything on a 3-3 break.