Byron Bay Bridge Club Newsletter

Keeping you up to date with monthly club news





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President's Report

Welcome to our first ever Byron Bridge Club Newsletter. Our hope is to produce for you a monthly newsletter keeping you connected with what's happening at your club, helping you to get to know your bridge friends better and also what's happening in the wider bridge community.

We held our AGM in April and a new overseeing committee was elected. Hang on to your seats cause we are going on a ride...trying new things, new rooms, new ideas. Some may work some may not but together we will make our club a great club that other bridge players will enjoy coming to visit. If you have any ideas to contribute we would love to hear from you. The committee may oversee the club activities but it's your club too and your input will make a big difference.

We have some ideas for our newsletter but what's yours? We would love to hear from you.

Eric and I are away for two months in our caravan from early June but that doesn't mean I won't be staying in touch with you all. I'll share some news about our adventures, send you a pic or two and even see if there are some bridge players on the road if we get desperate for a game of bridge.

Brian and Leo will take over the reins so you will be in the best of hands were our club is concerned.

We meet every Friday at the Cavanbah Centre Ewingsdale Rd Byron Bay. We ask that you be seated by 12.15pm for play to commence at 12.30. Join us for a social time afterwards BYO + glass

JUNE JULY AUGUST please be seated by 11.45am for play to commence at 12MD

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Committee Members: Kay Milne, Greg Farrell, Helen Baker, Edna Millard, Patricia Ellis, Edith MacAuley

MAY REMINDERS

Dress up Day Friday 13th May theme BLACK wine tasting to follow \$5 per person BYO glass

Cancer Council Afternoon Tea Fund Raiser 13th May 2.30pm C

Club Championships Red Point Event 10th&17th
June



Peter Kiernan 16th
Peter Roger 19th
Fay Bogg 22nd

Happy bridge playing Eda

REMINDER

We are trialling a room change May 6th, 13th, 27th NOT 20th. Walk past the old room toward the rear of the Cavanbah Centre new room is on the left. We will have a sign out to point you in the right direction.

The Puzzle:



Two ladies played cards for candy; the winner received one piece per game from the loser. When it was time for one of the ladies to go home, one lady had won three games, while the other lady had a profit of three pieces of candy.

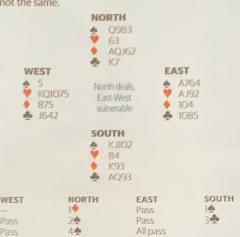
How many individual games had they played?

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The 45th World Team Championships is going on in Salsomaggiore, Italy from March 27 until April 9, the first world championship for two years, with 45 countries taking part. Australia has entered teams in all four categories: Open, Women, Seniors and Mixed.

Sometimes the winning play is invisible to the naked eye. That was the case on today's deal.

The bidding was the same at both tables and so too was the defence. West led the king of hearts followed by a low heart. East won with the ace and continued with a third round of hearts. But the declarer play was not the same.



The first declarer threw a losing club from hand and ruffed in dummy. He then went to work on the trumps. He played the queen of spades and a spade to the 10 with East playing low. But declarer's calm confidence was rocked when West discarded on the second round of trumps. Declarer could see that if he plays dummy's last trump, East will simply win with the ace and play another heart to force declarer to use up his last trump, establishing East's low trump as the setting trick. Declarer therefore tried to run the diamonds. All would have been well if East had three diamonds, but East ruffed the third round for one off.

Yes, it was unlucky to find the trumps breaking 4-1, and it was unfortunate that East did not have three diamonds, but careful play can sidestep this treachery. Watch carefully - if you blink you will miss it.

When East continued with a third round of hearts, the second declarer made the essential play of discarding a diamond from hand and ruffing in dummy. Now when the 4-1 trump break came to light, she cashed one club trick and ran the diamonds. She was home once East followed twice. East could ruff the third round but declarer simply overruffed and led out her club winners. All she had to lose was the ace of trumps.

Paul Marston

MEET YOUR COMMITTEE EDNA D'CRUZ

Edna was born in Malaysia where her father owned a rubber plantation and with his family had to escape the Japanese during the war and went to India.

The family migrated to Victoria on 1968. Edna was educated in Victoria where she became a Teacher Librarian and later a Primary School Teacher

During Edna's married life with her husband she owned and managed business in Victoria, Qld and NSW.

Edna's love of bridge commenced following her divorce. Her commitment to bridge sees her on the committee of both Byron Bay and Brunswick Valley clubs and she also enjoys social bridge. Edna lives in Ocean Shores and has two daughters and 5 grandchildren nearby. She has made many close friendships through bridge.

Bridge for Edna started with an ad in the local newspaper and so it began....



Did you know that there is a bridge podcast???

Solution:

They ended up playing nine games.the other lady had won 6 games (vs 3) for a profit of 3 pieces of candy.

Get to know KAY MILNE

Kay is one of the longest members of our



I was born and raised in Maroubra, Sydney, learned to surf at aged 3 and surfed every morning at 5.30 regardless of the weather with 2 cousins. I married at 22 and had 2 girls Terese and Vanessa. I was very close to my mother Kit and played cards from an early age. Mum and I played Solo as often as we could.

I was a secretary working school hours until we moved to Byron. I had a roadside mail run for 8 years from Byron to Mullumbimby and back.

I kept asking about any card games until someone told be about Guy Ethel. He said to come along to his home one evening and play with his club. No lessons just learned how to count the cards and if I had 12 points go one no trump. That was it - "Bridge" I loved it. I then had to talk mum into learning and she went to Ocean Shores and had lesions, she loved bridge as well. As we found new members we started to look for suitable places. We started to play at the primary school in the library. Then went to the Senior Citizen dining room for a fair while. After that we were in the old Norco building in Johnson St. Rats running around and draughty old room. Then on to Bangalow medical centre where we had a solid number of tables up to 12 and a very nice supper which we retained for some time.

When the Byron Health council said we couldn't play there any more, after about 3 years we then began our search for a venue. We then had to change from evening to afternoon and started our search. Back to the Senior Citizen dining room for a while then to Suffolk Park. We played for a while in a room in Bangalow park until one day we were locked out when one of us went to the Bowling Club and asked if we could play. That was the beginning of our time on Friday afternoon at the club. We then played at the Anglican Church hall and was very hot in summer. Then began our search once again, and here we are.

During that time of playing bridge I decided to do nursing so I was accepted at Uni at Lismore to do nursing. 3 years later I graduated and started nursing at Casino. All the while playing bridge at night. Then the Uni changed and it became a major degree so we had to do another year, which I did at night whilst working - soo tiring, but I finished it.

My marriage ended and Susan and Gary introduced me to Des and we built our home at Lennox Head where we lived for 26 years.

We are now at Ballina in an apartment with our two beautiful dogs which is a bit of a challenge as they are not allowed to walk on common spaces hence a pram in the lift.