

# Hamilton Contract Bridge Club



## *Newsletter – February 2010*

### **FROM THE PRESIDENT**

Happy 2010 to you all.

To those of you I have not seen at the opening of each of our sessions ...”Happy Bridging “.

We are an open Club and you are welcome to play on any night/day session you wish.

Some partnerships like to practice for upcoming events and may choose to play every night in a week. Apart from Tuesday night all bridge systems may be played, however, that night only a BASIC system is permissible.

It is up to each of us to make any session as pleasant as possible so that we not only can ENJOY our bridge but can also be competitive.

Please always remember to greet your opposition ... if you arrive at the table and the other pair are in the midst of a discussion please don't constantly repeat your greeting until they respond but wait until they have finished their conversation and then all four can maintain the courtesy that we all desire.

In most cases you are not intentionally being ignored but we all at times get caught “midstream” and not necessarily about bridge!!!

There are lists on the notice board in the playing room requesting your assistance, when available, to ensure the smooth running of YOUR Club.

Please consider joining the band of members from outside the committee who have already volunteered to help in various ways.

At the risk of missing any member my sincere thanks to all those who have already made a difference within the Club this year.

Our free lessons begin 16 March. I am sure you would like to share your enjoyment of Bridge with others so please invite them along and we would appreciate your help in delivering some more fliers around your home area.

The library has now been sorted into categories ... you are welcome to borrow books but please record your name and other details in the exercise book provided and replace the book to it's correct shelving.

Some future events at our Club which you may like to mark on your calendars and consider entering

- Area Pairs 21 March 9.30 for 10.00 am start
- Anzac Day Restricted Tournament 25 April
- Ladies Day Intermediate and Open 4 May
- Charity Tournament 14 July (supporting Lions Cancer Lodge)

All these and other tournament information is displayed on the foyer notice board.

Take care,  
**Lucie Armstrong**  
President

## **NOTICES**

If you know of any member that is in need of a "**cheery-note**" from the Club (eg illness), please let Sheila Smith or the President know.

Murmurings around the Club have been very positive about the new **Bridge Mates** – ease of use and screen size a huge improvement on the earlier version. Thanks to committee members.

New to Bridge (for players with approx 5 years experience or less) – **Junior Jones Day Out** – Sunday, 11 April 9.30am, Matamata Bridge Cub. See Club notice-board for further information.

If you have any information, results from tournaments, bridge stories, etc to share in our **Club Newsletter**, please either drop in at the Club or email to [secretary@hamiltonbridgeclub.org.nz](mailto:secretary@hamiltonbridgeclub.org.nz). (PS: *The deadline for the next newsletter is Friday, April 9.*)

Please remember to wear your **name badge**.

## ***RULE REMINDERS***

### **Kitchen Items**

Please return items used, ie cups, to the kitchen ***before the end of play***. Early return is desirable so the items may be washed that session.

### **Table Clearance**

***After play*** you should help tidy the room including:

- Return bridge mates, table cards and boards to the directors table
- Put rubbish into the room bins
- Return pens and bidding slips to the plastic containers on tables
- Put chairs back to correct locations
- Close any open windows.

## **RESULTS UPDATE**

*Congratulations to the following members:*

### **Tuesday Afternoon**

Pairs A	S	Keitha Burton/Audrey Dickson
	H	Bev Dow/Shirley Fransham

### **Tuesday Evening**

Summer Pairs	S	Tangi Habib/Barbara Kinzett
	H	Elaine Rayner/Alison Bussey

### **Wednesday Evening**

Jack Vase Pairs	S	Blair Fisher/Liz Fisher
	H	Steve Baron/Maryanne Burkett

### **Thursday Evening**

Pairs A	S	Blair Fisher/Helen Muller
	H	Peter Kingston/Mary Fear