



NEWSLETTER

June 2010

Presidential Trumps

Heating

Put simply, to cope with every type of weather condition the playing room requires around 25 kW of energy to be available. The current heat pump has a capacity of 16.5 kW, consequently when we have really cold weather it becomes overloaded and this in turn has been the cause of problems with its performance. The key issue is to ensure we have enough heating capacity.

The heat pump is however very efficient in terms of power consumption and is preferred therefore as the primary source of heating (it has been configured to operate more in heating mode than air conditioning). We have now installed 14 kW of supplementary convection heating with \$2000 of the cost being met by a grant, thanks to the Endeavour Community Trust. The convection heating will be used in very cold conditions and should prevent the heat pump from being overloaded.

Both the heat pump and the convection heaters have been pre programmed to come on and off at certain times on playing days. The preferred heat setting for both is around 19°C and the use of the fans will enable the room to be more quickly and evenly warmed up. The heat pump and each of the convection heaters have thermostats. This means that when the temperature reaches 19°C they will adjust their heating output to maintain that temperature. Naturally there will be lag between when the machines adjust their output and the room temperature adjusts. Consequently it is unlikely that adjusting the temperature setting down on any of the machines will make much of a difference to improving on what they will do automatically.

Room temperature adjustments can be complicated by factors such as strong or early setting sun or body heat; every ten people produce 1kW of energy. These factors can contribute to temporary spikes in room temperature above 19°C even though the machines may have turned themselves off. Also with no fresh air coming into the room, mugginess, condensation, mould, and eventually odours from the mould, will follow. The cost effective way of dealing with both situations is to open the windows sufficiently while maintaining comfort levels. The alternative is to install ventilation/extraction fans.

We should now be able to provide a stable and pleasant environment all year. But, as I have said before, if around 19°C is not suitable to your particular needs then you should adjust your attire accordingly. If people fiddle with the controls the situation will remain unchanged because the other heaters will adjust their output to compensate and maintain 19°C. However, I don't expect that putting in a new addition to our heating system will be trouble free and we may have to make some adjustments. So if you have some advice or a problem, don't try and "fix" it yourself, tell the Duty Officer.

Apologies

In the last Newsletter you were advised that Jan Wood and Ken Morris had won the new Glory Willson Cup for coming first the Rata Pairs. However our Competition Rules stipulate that no partnership is eligible to win more than a single Pairs event on the same day of the week. So the Cup will go to Val Bentley and Joan Newbery. Apologies and congratulations to both pairs.

Mark Byers

"Finesse" - a refined gesture or articulation incorporating a delicacy of manipulation. If you don't understand that, under no circumstances attempt to have it explained by a bridge player.

Membership

Welcome to new members Valma Carter, Freddie Acland. We look forward to seeing you regularly on Friday evenings, if not more often.

The following resignations have been accepted with regret: Jean & David Ballantyne, Peter O'Reilly, Elizabeth Boleyn and Gill Pacey.

Did you know?

There are 52 cards in a bridge deck. From these, a total of 635,013,559,600 different bridge hands can be dealt.

Recent Bridge Results

Monday Club Events:

Norma Bridges Medley Heather Gay

Tuesday Club Events:

President's Pairs Angela Albiston & Shirley Hansen

Thursday Club Events:

Rata Pairs Val Bentley & Joan Newbury
Evans Mixed Grade Pairs Linda Hair & Arthur Thynne
Winter Medley Jan Wood

Friday Club Events:

Buckley Medley Joan Newbury
Algie Mixed Grade Pairs Florence Kane & Des Ellis

Tournaments:

Hutt Junior 1st Overall John McNab & Jill Herman
Levin Open 2nd Overall – Judith Jackson & Ann Tyrie
Paraparaumu Intermediate 2nd Overall – Jan Wood & Ken Morris
Waikanae/Paraparaumu Club Teams Won again this year by Waikanae.
Kapiti / Horowhenua Interclub, Round 1
 Open Grade 1st Paraparaumu
 2nd Waikanae
 3rd Otaki
 Intermediate Grade 1st Waikanae #2
 2nd Otaki
 3rd Waikanae #3
 Junior Grade 1st Waikanae #2
 2nd Waikanae #1
 3rd Levin

Our congratulations to all these winners.

Hall of Fame

For all those scoring more than 70% at a club event. Latest inductees are:

Judith Jackson & Marjorie McDonald	73.24%	(10 May)
Angela Albiston & Mark Byers	71.73%	(31 May)

A Woman's Viewpoint

Life with Men is like Bridge

You need a Heart to love them;

A Diamond to marry them;

A Club to beat them;

And a Spade to bury them.

Committee Ruffs

- **Wireless Bidding and Scoring Pads** – These will be further evaluated after our first trial of last Tuesday night. Comments from members are welcome.
- **Beginner's Lessons** – The second series of ten lessons for beginners is up and running with more than four tables of potential new members coming along each Wednesday night. Our thanks to Murray, Florence and their team for running these classes.
- **Social Bridge Sessions** – A series of social bridge sessions (perhaps on a Wednesday evening) are being investigated with a view to using them as a way of introducing newer members to our normal playing environment. More about these later.
- **Kapiti/Horowhenua Interclub Teams Event** – Apart from a few teething problems this competition was from all accounts been a very enjoyable event. The second round of this competition will be held on Sunday 17th October at Otaki. The future format etc of this competition will be reviewed with the other clubs. We hope it will be bigger brighter and better next year.

If swimming is so good for the figure, how then do you explain whales?

Discards

- **Bridge Etiquette** – A number of issues have been arising lately which should not be occurring. (1) Members intending to play at a particular session are not entering their team in the book or advising the Convenor. This makes for more work by both the Convenor and the Director. Please use the book whenever you are planning to be playing. (2) Too many folk are arriving at or after starting time. Please note that all players should be seated at least 10 minutes before starting time. Starting times are given in the Programme book. (3) The level of noise during play is causing concern as it is not fair to those tables still playing. Please assist by keeping the noise level down throughout the session.
- **Tuesday Night Teams Event** – This popular event starts on 6 July and continues on 13 and 20 July. Please enter your team entry on the list on the Notice Board. Remember this is a handicapped event so in theory everyone has a sporting chance of winning. Again this year we hope to have an external director to keep us on our best behaviour. It's great fun and should not be missed.
- **Waikanae Multigrade Tournament, Sunday 18 July** – Entries are now being received for this popular tournament. Let's put on a good show for our visitors on the day.
- **Kay Wallis Event** – This one session competition for the Kay Wallis Memorial Trophy will be held on Thursday 12 August. The format will be similar to that of recent years and there is a chance of some spot prizes on the day. Please enter your names on the entry sheet on the Notice Board.
- **Waikanae Club In-House Competition** – Rather than this event being run as two sessions on the same day, this year we are running it over two days with a single session each day. The first of

these sessions will be held on the afternoon of Sunday 22 August. An entry form for this will be on the Notice Board shortly. The second session will be on Sunday 10 October. Remember this is only for club members and there will be prizes in all grades over the two sessions.

More of life's mysteries!

Why don't you ever see the headline "Psychic Wins Lottery"?

Why does the sun lighten our hair, but darken our skin?

Why doesn't glue stick to the inside of the bottle?

Why is "abbreviated" such a long word?

Why is a boxing ring square?

Why is it called lipstick if you can still move your lips?

Why is it considered necessary to firmly nail down the lid of a coffin?

Why is it that rain drops but snow falls?

Why is it that to stop Windows 95, 98, 2000, XP and NT, you have to click on "Start"?

Why is the man who invests all your money called a broker?

Why is the time of day with the slowest traffic called rush hour?

Why is the word dictionary in the dictionary?

Why isn't there a special name for the tops of your feet?

Can a stupid person be a smart-ass?

Can fat people go skinny-dipping?

Cheater Finesses

Club Pairs Tuesday 6th April 2010

	K53	
	AJ10952	
	532	
	Q	
AQ		J10642
		Q743
KQ109		A8
AJ105432		K7
	987	
	K86	
	J764	
	986	

Dealer South, Game All

South	West	North	East
Pass	1C	2H	2S
Pass	3D	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

After an opening bid of 1C North bids 1H or 2 H depending on the strength of jump overcalls in their system. In this case 2H is a weak jump overcall similar in values to an opening weak two. With 10 points and a 5 card major East bids 2S and West with 16 plus a void reverses with 3D. 3NT closes the auction though 6C is an excellent slam for those adventurous enough to find it.

Regular readers of this newsletter will recall the previous missive in which ducking by the defenders was essential to maintain communication until the optimum time to exact the killing defence. In this example declarer must read the opposition cards exactly to avoid ignominious defeat in a makeable game.

The 6H lead may go to the A followed by the J hoping to capture the Q from a 3 card holding. East must resist the temptation to cover, opting instead to duck. The key to this play is that East must read South for 3 cards to an honour. North must surely have a 6 card suit for the jump overcall and the lead of a low card by South suggests such a holding. Defence wins the second trick and the third with the KH but now communication has been severed and declarer has no problem collecting the remaining tricks. Clearly rising with the QH on trick 2 will be beaten and the defence takes the first 6 tricks in hearts.

Many thanks again Graham.

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