Rockingham Bridge Club

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT Roz Davey

I've got to stop this blinking business, because I'm sure the last time I looked I was talking about what a great time we had at the Christmas party and looking forward to the coming year, now we are half way through February. We have already played the Maurice Richards Memorial Pairs – well done to Elena and David.

The loom on the horizon of the Congress, hard to believe done and dusted. Wonderful to see some Rockingham names on top (and unfortunately on the bottom) of the sheet. I cannot thank everybody enough for their hard work, before during and after the event, it was an absolutely stellar effort by you all. Special thanks go to Pat and Yvonne for their catering efforts and to Raewyn for the carriage of the event and to our Director Neville Walker. I am especially happy to say that even though we were fairly crowded and kept moving along, I did not here any grumbles from our players or workers, what a great lot you all are.

Food for thought coming from our last meeting:

Mentoring Programme for new, less experienced players and those wanting to improve their game. Please see the notices on the board regarding this initiative, I hope many of you will take this opportunity being offered by our more experienced players.

Calling all players wishing to become Directors: Information sessions will be held at the Nedlands Bridge Club on Saturday 24th March and Sunday 25th of March. Both sessions are by John McIlrath – National Director Development Officer, also the author of the Director is called (the Directors Handbook). Saturday is for people wishing to become Directors and Sunday for people already qualified or undertaking club director duties. I already have a number of names if we have anyone else interested in attending either day please let me know. The club will pick up the cost of the day and pay reasonable travel cost to drivers.

As a PRECURSER TO THE DIRECTORS WEEKEND – Di Brooks is holding an introduction to Directing on Friday 23rd February – see Board notice.

Are our Club members interested in introducing or reintroducing some play/game changes?

Knock Out Teams

Jackpot game - Certain events throughout the year – not necessarily every month. First week of every month – normal session - each winner then goes forward into the Jackpot playoff in the first week of December - the winner of this session takes the Jackpot of \$50.

Individual Championship Award Event

Non Playing Duty Partners – Would any members be prepared to put their names forward to be a duty partner, particularly for Tuesday evening and Wednesday sessions. I believe that this procedure was in place some years ago and lapsed, Mandurah has something along these lines and it appears to work. Any player not required in a session would be given a voucher for a free session

Honour Boards: As we know our Honour Boards will be full at the end of 2018, we asked at the AGM for ideas on where to locate new Honour Boards or relocate the full boards to. This conversation is on the Agenda for our March meeting, so please any ideas, measurements etc, to reach me before the 10th of March. I have some feedback already and would really appreciate your input.

Happy Bridging to All.

MAURICE RICHARDS MEMORIAL PAIRS



CLUB CALENDAR

March

Monday 12:

Pisces Pairs

Friday 16:

Committee Meeting

Friday 23:

Autumn Pairs

Friday 30:

GOOD FRIDAY, NO SESSION

April

Monday 9

Aries Pairs

Wednesday 18

777 Teams event

Friday 20

Committee Meeting

Congress Director, Neville Walker & Assistant, Brian Wade of Bunbury

ROCKINGHAM BRIDGE CLUB

2018 CONGRESS

10th and 11th of February.

BP trophy winners from Rockingham Ana Maria Dela Carrera & Nicky O"Connell with President Roz Davey



Winners: Florence Maltby and Di Brooks with President, Roz Davey (centre).



Di Brooks presenting her donation to Best Under State Masters of Rockingham Jean Minns & Jan Pearson with President Roz Davey





Team Winners:- Nigel Dutton Marie-Fran Merven Viv Wood and Gerry Daly with President Roz Davey



Best Rockingham Team Ron & Betty Philpot, Janice Hawker and Robin Aplin