

# Rockingham Bridge Club

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## 7NT: Keeping you up-to-date

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### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Roz Davey

Another busy two months have flown by and with the change from autumn to winter we have seen good fields for both our Winter Pairs and our Anniversary Pairs. It was wonderful to see so many of our Life Members able to attend and celebrate the Anniversary Pairs with us.

What a really stalwart bunch some of you are. Thirty-eight years certainly has a wow factor about it. Having only been playing this wonderful game for a couple of years, I cannot even imagine the extraordinary fun that you have had over the years. I hope you liked the idea of spreading the celebration over most of the week, rather than on the Monday only. I thought it was fun and allowed members who don't always play on Mondays to be involved. All I can say about the Wednesday group is that you're just not into singing. What a wonderful cake, I think we catered for every member over the last 38 years but we eventually got through it. To Pat and her crew, as always, well done. Congratulations to all our winners.

**GALA Day** – Thank you to everyone who took the opportunity to tell us how you would like your Gala/Charity Day to be run. The consensus was that we will not have market stalls this year and that we will follow last year's model and have substantial raffles. So the format is 10.00 am for morning tea, some fun quizzing, fund raising, raffles, lunch then Bridge or Mah Jongg. Members will be asked for donations towards the raffles over the next few weeks.

**Australia Wide Pairs** – We will be running a session of the Australia Wide pairs on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> August at the Club. After discussion, the committee decided that members will only be charged \$5.00 for the day. The club will pay the additional \$5.00 towards the event.

**Changes to the Laws of Bridge** – Changes to the laws of bridge become effective as of the 1<sup>st</sup> August 2017, a summary is on the Web Site.

**Seniors Expo Rockingham, October** – we are waiting to hear back from the City of Rockingham as to whether we are a successful applicant.

November rushes at us: time to start thinking about committees! Are you continuing, or do you need to look at a successor, do you want to become a new committee member, how do I go about learning how?

A sad farewell to another of our wonderful members, Moira Hickenbotham.

Take care, keep well and good bridging.



Above: Winners: Jean McLarty & Kimberley Zhao with Director, Eve Dethlefsen (left)

## Winter Pairs

16th June 2017



Right: Under State Masters: Yvonne Mathews (Centre) and Elena Olson (Inset 'Photo) with Director, Eve Dethlefsen and President, Roz Davey.



### CLUB CALENDAR

#### July

Monday 3:

Anniversary Pairs:

Friday 21:

Committee Meeting

#### August

Friday 11:

Leo Pairs

Friday 18:

Committee Meeting

#### September

Wednesday 6:

Charity Day

Wednesday 13:

Spring Pairs

Friday 15:

Committee Meeting

## ANNIVERSARY PAIRS

3<sup>rd</sup> July 2017

38<sup>th</sup>  
Anniversary



Above: Winners of the Anniversary Pairs: Jean McLarty and Eugene Wichems.

Right: President, Roz Davey with the Anniversary Cake



Above: Celebrating the Rockingham Bridge Club Anniversary are Life Members, (L-R) Ian Oldham, Miriam and Bob Garbutt, Diane Brooks & Ron Philpot.

## RAISING FUNDS FOR CANCER

A fun morning tea was organized by Di Brooks on Monday, 10th July to raise funds for cancer research.

Those who attended enjoyed the most delicious morning tea, took part in some fun but taxing quiz games and had the opportunity to win some wonderful prizes, or buy exceptional craft-work/produce supplied by members.

Over \$500 was raised for this very worthy cause. Well done, Di.



Di & Roz with some of the prizes and goods for sale.



Left: Visitor to the Club, Judy Toey, who won the door prize.



## CHARITY DAY

Wednesday  
6<sup>th</sup> September, 2016

Donations for Raffles  
Appreciated.

Or

Pick up a Flyer from  
the Club Room to give  
to local businesses  
that you patronise,  
requesting a donation.

## Important changes to the Laws of Bridge

- When a player has given wrong information about a partnership agreement and becomes aware of it during the auction, he is no longer obliged to rectify it immediately, but may wait till the auction is completed.
- If a player replaces his illegal call with a comparable call, then the consequences will be less severe than in the present laws. An important benefit of this is that in most cases partner is no longer silenced for the entire auction, which in turn removes the need to select a unilateral (gambling) final action.
- Defenders will now be permitted to ask one another about a possible revoke, irrespective of which Regulating Authority's auspices the event is being held under.
- Dummy is now permitted to prevent any player (previously it was just declarer) from committing an irregularity.
- When a player has a penalty card, information related to that card is authorized for his partner as long as that card stays on the table. It becomes unauthorized when that card is played or taken back into the hand.
- When both sides have revoked on the same trick and only one side has played to the next trick; both revokes must now be corrected.
- When a player claims/concedes, both sides (all four players) may now agree to continue play, rather than summon the Director. If they do however agree to play on, then the table result will stand. When a player makes a claim or concession, that player is now required to face his hand if play does not go on.
- When there is a scoring error discovered after the correction period, that error may still be corrected, but only when the Director is satisfied beyond all reasonable doubt that a mistake has been made.