

# ***Rockingham Bridge Club***

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

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### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

**JUNE SCOTT**

June presented the end of year report for the Bridge Club at the AGM on 9 November. The following is an outline of it's contents:

- This year has been very successful. Many maintenance projects have been completed and there has been good participation in all Red Point Events.
- The Congress, was, as usual, very popular with all places being filled within a day and many names applied to a waiting list. Many thanks to the Convener, Raewyn Lewer; Director, Bill Kemp; Social Co-ordinator, Pat Hoson, and many others who worked behind the scenes.

Congratulations were extended to Jane Ophorst and Rae Edwards who won the BP Trophy and to Janice Hawker, Robin Aplin and Betty and Ron Philpot for winning the Best Rockingham Team.

The day was a great success, thoroughly enjoyed by all and the club lived up to it's reputation as 'The Friendly Bridge Club'.

- The annual Gala Day held in September was another great success. Many thanks to Conveners, Miriam Garbutt and Gwen Phoebe; to the local traders who supported this worthy cause with goods and vouchers; and, to club members who not only contributed but also bought plants, jams and saleable goods.
- Janice Hawker and Liz Sayers were acknowledged with a special thank you for attending to The Trading Table throughout the year. Through their hard work, \$2500 was raised, which with the Gala Day proceeds, enabled the club to present a cheque of \$5300 to the Silver Chain.
- The Club's 36th Birthday was celebrated in July. This occasion allowed us to remember our gracious founder member, Peg Brady. Thank you to Pat Hoson for the great birthday cake and thank you also to Jenny Green for organising the publicity coverage in the local newspapers.
- Long time member, Rae Edwards, was congratulated on attaining the wonderful age of 90 years. She still enjoys both social and competitive bridge.
- The new kitchen bench tops were efficiently installed early in January.
- The leaking roof caused flooding to the kitchen but this matter was handled, without question, by the Rockingham Council.
- The new chairs arrived and are now in place and these, together with the new tablecloths, give the club room a bright new look. Sincere thanks must go to Terry and Joy who spent much time on this project and also to Dave who took over from them whilst Terry and Joy were away. The first consignment of chairs was returned as unsatisfactory and replaced willingly by the suppliers. Their full co-operation was much appreciated. Some of the old chairs were taken by members and the one's that were left and still in good condition were put in the storeroom for use when necessary. Thanks to Terry, Joy, Ian and Joe for helping with the changeover.
- Thanks were extended to the bridge teachers for giving up their valuable time and providing lessons in such an 'easy-to-learn', friendly and fun manner. Many students have gone on to become valuable club members.
- The club appreciates the efforts of, and offers thanks to the many members who help out 'behind the scene': the directors, the card sorters, window and blind closers, those who look after the tablecloths and the library as well as members who bring along delicious afternoon teas.
- The members of the 2015 Committee were thanked and it was noted that they were willing to co-operate in every way and were a pleasure to work with. The time and effort that they have put into the club was acknowledged.

June finished her report by saying that it had been a pleasure to have been the club president for 2015.



## NEDRA ARNOTT PAIRS

Held on  
**Saturday,  
 14 November 2015**

Above Left: Winners, Jean Minns and Jan Pearson being presented with the trophy by Nedra Arnott's son, Bruce Leedman.



Left: Coming second was Jane Ophorst and Norma Marwick, shown here with Director, Eve Dethlefsen

### FROM THE SOCIAL DIRECTOR

Each session there are a number of members who willingly help with many necessary jobs which eases my load considerably.

This includes members who:

- ☺ bring scrumptious snacks
- ☺ help prepare the food before a session, such as cutting up cheese
- ☺ clean up after the break by wiping down benches and doing the dishes.

A heartfelt thank you to all of you who do the above, and more.

*Thank You*



Pat Hoson  
 Social Director

### 2016 COMMITTEE

President .....	Hazel Bennett
Vice President .....	Sandra Sandilands
Secretary .....	Stephanie McGlew
Treasurer .....	Sue Stephen
Facilities Co-ordinator .....	Yvonne Mathews
Liaison Officer .....	Michael Dawson
Master Points Officer .....	Terry Turner
Tournament Officer .....	Dave Clark
Social Director .....	Pat Hoson
Publicity & Membership .....	Jen Green



## Christmas Lunch

**Monday  
 7 December 2015**

Have you put your name down on the list to show that you are either going to bring food or pay \$10.00?

### CLUB CALENDAR

#### November

Sunday 22:  
 Mandurah Teams  
 of Four Competition

#### December

Wednesday 2  
 Christmas Pairs

Monday 7  
 Christmas Party

Wednesday 23  
 Last session before  
 Christmas

Monday 28  
 First session after  
 Christmas

Wednesday 30  
 Last session for 2015

### IMPROVE YOUR BRIDGE

#### BRIDGE ETIQUETTE & RULES



- ◆ When play commences, do not detach a card from your hand until it is your turn to play and you have decided to play that card. Do not pull up a card, push it back into your hand, and then pull up another card. Nor should you detach a card and then replace it to play another card. Also do not detach your card before it is your turn to play and never rearrange your hand when you are out of a suit. All of these manoeuvres provide additional valuable information to the declarer.
- ◆ In bridge as in other competitive endeavours it is extremely important to learn how to win and to learn how to lose. While it is acceptable in tennis or football to do "high fives" when completing a successful manoeuvre, it is not proper behaviour at bridge.
- ◆ In fact, it is not even proper to commend partner for an extraordinarily good play or defence in front of the opponents. On the other hand, it is also poor behaviour to berate partner when he or she plays less than perfectly. Likewise, it is not proper to chastise the opponents when a poor play turns out to be lucky or a good play provides you with a bad board.

**ENJOY THE GAME - and remember at all times that it is only a game.**

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