



TOWNSVILLE BRIDGE CLUB NEWS

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Zonal Positions

Geoff Allen - Delegate

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COMING EVENTS

Proserpine Teams
August 4.5

Cassowary Coast Congress
Mission Beach
August 10 - 12

Thursday Pairs
16, 22 30 August

QBA Open Teams
Toowong
25, 26 August

Cleveland Bay Teams
26 August

Monday Pairs
3, 10, 17 September

Restricted Convention Pairs
5, 12, 19 September

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS DUE THIS MONTH

Bridge at the Castletown Shopping Centre



FROM THE ARCHIVES

Have Times Changed?

In the very first newsletter published by the Bridge Club (early 1993) then President, Laurie Kelso, had this to say in his column.

New players, especially beginners, tend to suffer a type of culture shock when they first encounter club duplicate. They are likely to meet a variety of characters ranging from: the friendly and outgoing, the quietly reserved, the extroverted, or the self absorbed. Sitting at the table often brings out the worst in a player, but it behoves everyone to make that little extra effort with new players. An old friend (or adversary) will accept your foibles, but a beginner won't know what a warm friendly person you really are, if all they see is a gruff exterior. First impressions are important if we are to attract and retain a healthy membership.

Current President Clive says

I am sure the Club has become more accepting of beginners helped by mentoring by people like Fay Blower and social Sundays with Gloria MacDonald.
Let's make 2018 the Year of Welcoming Beginners

SOME RECENT RESULTS

Townsville successes in the Bowen Congress

Pairs Category A

1st – Geoff Allen and John Johnson

Pairs Category B

1st – Fay Blower and partner

2nd – Ian Patterson and Geoff Patterson

Pairs Category D

1st – Robyn Green and Ann Smith

2nd – Robert Mischlewski and Fred Cole

Teams Category A

1st – Lesleigh Rooney, Helen Clayton, Judy Hunt, Delma Johnson

Teams Category B

2nd Bill Redhead, Gayleen Brown, Pat Allen, Geoff Eales

Teams Category C

1st - Bill Bishop, Albert Beric, Di Garside, Sam Bishop

2nd – Charlie Georges, Russell Wooley, Kenn Winter, Cristel Philip

Townsville successes in the Cairns Show Congress

Pairs A Grade

6th Bill Bishop and Bruce Bowden

Pairs B Grade

1st Sam Bishop and Pam Jamieson

Teams

4th Bill Bishop, Bruce Bowden, Sam Bishop, Pam Jamieson

6th Bill Redhead, Gayleen Brown, Ursula Graham, John Page

BECOMING A DIRECTOR

by Clive Bunnett

Townsville Bridge Club is fortunate to have a number of very competent directors including three Congress Directors. Recently, this number has increased with Maria Chippendale and Bill Redhead both recently completing the requirements. Well done to them and we look forward to having them conducting sessions.

Becoming a director is a rather arduous process requiring a great deal of prior study, support and practice. Anyone seeking to do this is to be commended for their efforts. Generally one or more experienced directors conduct a number of instructional sessions over the months leading up to the exam. This is generally done using questions from past papers of Director's Exams.

There are two different exam papers to complete, one on Movements and Scoring and the other on Rules and Regulations. Both take about 2 1/2 to 3 hours to complete.

For the first paper, the budding director is given about a week to respond, during which time they can consult various sources. However with the advent of computerised systems, manual scoring and setting up movements is becoming somewhat of a lost art and can be quite difficult to understand.

The second paper is an 'open book' type of exam on Rules and Regulations. The Rules are those of the World Bridge Federation and the Regulations are those special requirements set by the QBA on such things as Alerting, types of systems allowable and so on. This is done under supervision from an 'invigilator'. Copies of the Rules and the Regulations as well as a condensed summary can be brought in to help answer the questions. The first section simply involves Yes/No answers and the remainder requires written explanations. For each answer one or more Rule numbers must be quoted. So it is important when studying for the exam to be familiar with the locations of various rules so that one can refer directly to them during the exam and know which ones apply.

The main principle to be conveyed is 'restoring equity'. This means that one party should not be disadvantaged in any way by the intended or unintended actions of the other. So directors are not there to 'punish' offenders but to rectify any disadvantage caused.

Hopefully more members will attempt the task in the future.

THE GOOD SAMARITANS



JULY RANKING PROMOTIONS

Albert Beric – State*

Charlie Georgees - Local

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Carol Blackman

Yvonne Houbolt

Hugh McAlister

Christine Perkins

Helen Tapiolas

Robyn Green

Del Ward

Lesley Boulger

Happy birthday also to anyone with a birthday this month who has been missed, If you would like your birth month added to the list, please contact the editor jeandartnall@hotmail.com