

Victoria Bridge Club Inc.



Newsletter – November 2023

From the President

Dear Members,

In these financially troubled times it is difficult to know whether a fundraising email will sit well with members. I was humbled and overwhelmed with the donations. They started the day my email went out. The tree is going to be cut down and removed over the Christmas break to minimise car parking disruption and the hot water in the ladies bathroom will be installed early in the New Year.

All I can say is “Thank you”. The support from this club has been amazing.

Another amazing thing happening at this club is that we are running follow up bridge sessions for the children who attended the hugely successful “Bridge Holiday Programme”. Stella was at this club on Sunday, along with Barbara Tumilowicz from Wellington BC, and 8 children and one mother who also wants to learn. This is fantastic, both from a new member prospective and for our club.

Victoria Bridge Club really is in good heart.

The input of every member contributes to making this club vibrant and inspiring. We can go into 2024 feeling very positive.

Robyn Green
President

Session Winners

Monday	Tinakori Random Draw	Robyn Green
Tuesday	Wilkinson Individual Wellesley Pairs	Don Dalgliesh John Hyatt, Don Dalgliesh
Wednesday	Petone Pairs	Alison Dangerfield, Richard Huelin

Thursday	September Pairs October Pairs Club Open Pairs Gladys Palmer Teams	David Esterman, Joy McNicoll David Esterman, Ann Tyrie Dinnie Hall, David Esterman Main Event Winners – Christina Mander, Val Cooper, David Esterman, Stefan Prentice, Owen Knowles Handicap Event Winners – Marilyn Goddard, David Young, Anne Patterson, Marcia Gibson
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Congratulations to all the winners.

Victoria Intermediate/Pairs Tournament

In the last newsletter I omitted to mention two session winners.

Michael Chilton and Peter McKenzie came top in the Junior morning session (N/S) and top in the afternoon session (E/W). They were placed 3rd overall in the Junior section. Congratulations.

Members' Only Half Day Tournament

Sunday 19 November, starting at 1pm.

Tea and coffee are available from 12 noon and you may bring your lunch if you want to come early.

The cost is \$25 per player which includes prizes, delicious food at the end of play and a glass of wine, beer, etc.

There will be prizes for all playing grades, including Beginners (2 years or less playing experience). The 2023 beginners may use their 'cheat sheets'.

To register, put your name on the sheet on the table downstairs or contact Graeme in the office.

End of Year Christmas Luncheon

Thursday 14 December at 11.30 am.

All members are very welcome to attend.

It is a "bring a plate" finger food lunch with wine provided. The food is always delicious. We play bridge at 1pm. Afternoon tea then consists of the sweet dishes. A fun way to end our bridge year.

School Holiday Programme

The Victoria Bridge Club, in conjunction with the Wellington Bridge Club, ran a hugely successful school holiday bridge programme. Even though it was exhausting, it was very rewarding and we are planning on running this initiative again next year.

Photos from the week are included in this newsletter.

Tai Chi

Tai Chi is held every Sunday downstairs at the Bridge Club 10 – 11am. Cost is \$10 per session.

An experienced Tai Chi Trainer takes the classes. All are welcome and no previous knowledge is required. And, of course, there are no parking problems!
The class will stop for Christmas and begins again mid January.

Upcoming Series

Mondays

13, 20 November	Hyams Pairs
27 November	Victoria Pairs (10)
4, 11 December	Summer Individual

Tuesdays

14, 21 November	John Hall Pairs (formerly Stohr Pairs)
28 November	Dougal McLean Pairs (10)
5, 12 December	Summer Individual

Wednesdays

15, 22 November	Hutt Pairs
29 November	Coaching Night
6, 13 December	Summer Individual

Thursdays

16 – 30 November	November Pairs
7, 14 December	Summer Individual
14 December	Christmas Luncheon

Julie Wright
Newsletter Editor



