

# Victoria Bridge Club Inc.



## Newsletter – September 2023

### From the President

Dear Members,

If I had written this a few days ago I could have talked about the great Spring weather in Wellington. Today though it is a little damp, but not enough to dampen the enthusiasm of your hard-working committee.

We have much planned before Christmas.

Three more Wednesday night Coaching sessions, the Children's Bridge Holiday programme, a members only half day tournament and the historically successful Thursday Christmas Luncheon.

Owen Knowles is very kindly dismantling the eyesore under the stairs (aka the shed) and Jaimes Wood is leading a group to enhance our wonderful building.

Victoria Bridge Club is in good spirits! Make the most of the many series of bridge still being offered, including the online bridge, until mid-December before we have our Christmas break.

Happy bridging

Robyn Green

### Session Winners

Monday	Ngaire Williams Pairs Heretaunga Swiss Pairs	Fran Dixon, Ren Davies Jennie Flower, Lesley Rothwell
Tuesday	Tony Thomson Teams  Hutchison Pairs	Don Dalgliesh, Bryan Weyburne, David Macdonald, John Cormack Lynn Scott, Mary Jane Farrell
Wednesday	Lambton Pairs Khandallah Pairs	Jennifer Lankshear, Joan Foster Padraig O'Connor, Ross Robertson
Thursday	August Pairs	Pat Knight, Ann Tyrie

Well played to all the winners.

## **Victoria Intermediate/Junior Pairs Tournament**

This was a very successful tournament with 32 pairs taking part.

In the Junior section Iwona Simpson and Andrew Simpson (N/S) and John Green and Ann Green (E/W) had second placings in the morning session, and Rosie Bowie and Denise Marten (E/W) placed second in the afternoon session. Overall Ann and John Green came second.

In the Intermediate section Owen Knowles and Julie Wright were top in the morning session for E/W. In the afternoon Graeme Fisher and Darryn McCutcheon were top for E/W, and in second place were Margot Davenport and Val Cooper (N/S) and Marilyn Goddard and David Yoing (E/W). Owen Knowles and Julie Wright were third overall.

The successful running of this tournament was due to the hard work by many members, organised superbly by Robyn Albertson. Many thanks to Lynne Noonan, Stella Bridge, Robyn Green, Ann Tyrie (who provided morning tea), Stefan Prentice (managed the bar) and Paul Cheng (organised the parking). Special thanks to Chris Bolland who directed the tournament ably coping with some stressful situations. And lastly another special thanks to our manager Graeme who puts in so many extra hours to ensure everything runs smoothly.

## **Members' Only Half Day Tournament**

Sunday 19 November. 1pm. \$25 per player.

Coffee and tea from 12 noon. BYO lunch if you wish.

Drinks and nibbles at the end of play.

Prizes for all playing grades, including beginners (2 years or less playing experience).

"Cheat sheets" will be allowed to be used by the 2023 beginners.

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

## **School Holiday Bridge**

This is being run at Victoria, in conjunction with Wellington Bridge Club, during the second week of the holidays, Monday 2 – Friday 6 October. 9am – 3pm.

There will be 3 hours of bridge plus other fun activities. Lunch and morning tea is provided.

\$15 per day - \$60 for the week.

If you have grandchildren aged 10 plus who would be interested, contact Graeme.

## **Gladys Palmer Teams**

A reminder that in October Gladys Palmer Teams is held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday – 12 October.

## **Wellesley Pairs**

Tuesday 24 October. Open to all players, with pairings of an experienced player with a less experienced player. This is a great learning experience. Contact your convenor if you are looking for a partner.

## Dishwasher

We now have 2 dishwashers. Our grateful thanks to the anonymous donor..  
Please put ALL your dirty dishes into the dishwasher as we don't have a maid to do it for us!  
Each dishwasher is clearly labelled, showing which dishwasher to use each time.

## Tidying Up

While griping about the lack of domestic servants, it would be helpful if after each bridge session everyone could take responsibility for tidying up their area. For example, if you don't push your chair in someone else has to do it!

## The Library

The library is situated on the mezzanine floor upstairs. Members are welcome to borrow books on an honesty system.

The library is in the middle of being re-organised with non-relevant books being culled. Once the books have been sorted you will more easily find many books of interest.

## Upcoming Series

### Mondays

2-16 October	Tinakori Random Draw
24 October (Tuesday)	Wellesley Pairs
30 October	Victoria Pairs

### Tuesdays

3-17 October	Wilkinson Individual
24 October	Wellesley Pairs
31 October	Dougal McLean Pairs

### Wednesdays

4-18 October	Petone Pairs
24 October (Tuesday)	Wellesley Pairs
25 October	Coaching Night

### Thursdays

5 October	October Pairs
12 October	Club Open Pairs
	Gladys Palmer Teams
19-26 October	October Teams

**Julie Wright**  
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