



Kenmore Gum Leaf

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Our Club's Annual Signature Events

As an affiliate of the QLD Bridge Association (QBA), Kenmore Bridge Club has the right and privilege of hosting two annual Red Point Congresses. These are held in January and September.

The **Open Pairs and Teams Congresses** conducted over a January weekend is our biggest event. It gives us the opportunity to welcome members of clubs from near and far to compete in open competition. Many come to hone their skills in preparation for the world renown Gold Coast Congress. Next year this event will be held at the Mt Coot-tha Botanic Gardens.

On Sunday 11 September, we held our other key event, the **Novice and Rookie Only Congress**, an event of two "grades" for beginner and newer players.

This opportunity isn't available anywhere else in Queensland where, through the QBA, a club holds an under 50mp event open to players from other clubs. 7 tables competed in the under 100 masterpoints (novice) grade and 8 tables in the under 50 masterpoints (rookie) grade. Thanks go to Julie Jeffries, the Director as well as the many other bridge clubs around the State for giving a special promotion for our Congress.

It is an event that provides the chance to gain confidence in Congress competition, meet new bridge players and enjoy a fabulous day. We now look forward to the second Sunday (10th) in September 2023 for a repeat.

Novice Grade



Winners of Novice (<100mp):
Peter & Heather Andrews



Runners-up:
Margaret Giebels &
Jill Dunning

Rookie Grade



Winners of Rookie (<50mp):
Lois Munro & Anna De Borah



Runners-up:
Anne Gardiner &
Jennifer Brangan

2022 Australia wide open Pairs

Congratulations !!!

In the recent Australia-Wide Open Pairs Competition played at the Club on 25th August, **Andrew Sharp and Susan Sharp** came 46th in the Open and 19th in the Under 300mps section. They win a subscription to the Australian Bridge Magazine.

In the under 300 masterpoints section of the ABF Australia-Wide Competition: **Chris Williams and Margaret Giebels** came 39th and win an online subscription to the Australia Bridge magazine.

Bertilia Colling and Carol McCafferty came 67th.

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President's Report: This year saw our almost total return to members playing at the club. It is wonderful to see members catching up with old friends and making new ones. We continue to provide *RealBridge* sessions for those members who cannot make it to the club. Though we are not yet at pre-covid figures we are getting there. We are very pleased to welcome many new members.

Several projects have been instigated and completed by the management committee this year. They include: the reintroduction of a monthly newsletter; the purchase of new chairs and tables; the installation and implementation of new timers; the installation of the NBN; the purchase of the new key cabinet; the construction and erection of a new trophy display; the instigation of the inaugural Kenmore-Roma-Dalby Inter-club Bridge Weekend; the purchase and installation of new signage; and last, but not least, the hanging of the woodcuts donated by Lily Manlapig. Our thanks also go to Christine Groh whose wonderful works of art have graced the clubhouse for the last couple of years.

Kenmore is a club that thrives because of the goodwill and hard-work of many volunteer members – some going above and beyond to take on several roles. They include these essential jobs in the Club. If I have missed anyone, my memory is terrible but your efforts are appreciated.

Board Dealers:	Anne Russell, Clem Vanderloos , Claire Vanderloos, Chris Williams (who retired earlier this year after many years of service), George O'Brien, John Mayze, Susie Thompson, Leslie Henderson
Congress:	Mick Fawcett
Directors:	Jenny Coyle, David Douglas, Jan Flanigan, Mel Gilmour, Sue Noble, Graham Rusher, Anne Russell
Librarian:	Peter Neil
Membership:	Diane McClintock
Newsletter:	David Douglas, Kathryn Kelly
Operations Manager:	David Douglas
Providore:	Sue Cheney, Lyn Lodge
Recycling:	Douglas Johnstone, Maria Miller
Table Cloths:	Gayleen Trevaskis
Teachers:	Loraine King, Margaret Mobbs, Graham Rusher, Anne Russell
Management Committee:	John Bosci, Andrew Churchill, Jenny Coyle, David Douglas, Jill Dunning, Mick Fawcett, Kathryn Kelly, Diane McClintock, Andrew Sharp, Peter Wilce

We are losing five committee members this year Jenny Coyle and Peter Wilce both joined the committee last year. They provided insightful contributions as members of our Management Committee. Jenny was actively involved in both teaching and directing at the club and filled the role of liaison between the committee and the directors. Peter has actively participated in the committee and provided assistance whenever needed around the club.

Jill Dunning, a member of the committee for two years, has provided valuable assistance with online playing and assisting at the club in whatever way she can.

Mick Fawcett and Andrew Sharp both joined the committee in 2015. Mick Fawcett worked tirelessly to promote and run the Kenmore Bridge Club Congresses. He was responsible for overseeing the ongoing growth and the successful running events both open and club This is a mammoth task and we will miss his valuable input.

Andrew Sharp for many years was responsible for and assisted with the maintenance of and the improvements made to our clubhouse, He was our Community Liaison Officer to the Brisbane City Council and has been tireless in the pursuit of the Kenmore Community Centre. We value his ongoing involvement and commitment.

We hope all these committee members will continue their involvement and ongoing support of the club.

Kenmore is a club that values its members and the time and the support they provide to the club. It is what builds our enviable reputation as a friendly club that really does practise *no fear bridge*. Our members have competed in local, State and National competitions and congresses with some success. We encourage all members to have a go. I think those members that participated in our recent Rookies and Novices Congress enjoyed the day. They were certainly magnificently fed by contributions from many of our members.

Any organisation is only as good as its members and their involvement. Kenmore continues to grow and improve as a result of your ongoing interest. I will finish by saying thank you for your ongoing involvement and support of your committee and our club.

Elizabeth Handley

Kenmore Bridge Club Committee October 2022



Elizabeth Handley
President



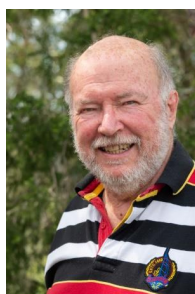
Andrew Churchill
Secretary



John Bosci
Treasurer



Diane McClintock
Membership



David Douglas



Anne Gardiner



Eliza Hemphill



Kathryn Kelly



George O'Brien



Stuart Stoddart



Marion Tomes

PARTNERSHIP & GAME DEVELOPMENT

Zoom Sessions with Margaret Mobbs

1 Hour Monday Afternoons at 1:30pm

*Notes and Copies of Boards included
Opportunity to play boards online later*

Sept 12 – Judging when to open light

Sept 19 – Practice boards on *Real Bridge*

Oct 3 – Practice boards on *Real Bridge*

Oct 10 – Opening Leads

Oct 17 – Counting winners

Oct 24 – No lesson **Margaret Away**

Oct 31 – Counting Losers

Nov 7 – Overcalls

Nov 14 – Take out doubles

Nov 21 – Attitude Signals

What would we do without them?

Special mention must be made of all who helped make the **September Novice and Rookie Congress** such a success.

Amongst many other tasks, Elizabeth Handley led the team catering for the event: Anne Russell, Margaret Mobbs, Sue Cheney’s granddaughter, Evie-Rose Smith (pictured below) and Linda Neil. Mick Fawcett assisted Julie Jeffries with the directing and running of the event.

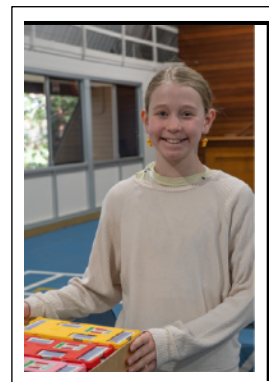
Kenmore members contributed many tasty delights enjoyed throughout the day. Jill Dunning arranged for any surplus food to go to the homeless shelter she is involved with. It was very much enjoyed and appreciated.

The team of Peter Bouwman, David Douglas, Peter Wilce, Margaret Mobbs, Anne Russell, Jill Dunning, Lyn Tracey, Lyn Lodge, Heather Douglas, Clem Vanderloos, John Bosci, Graham Rusher and numerous other players helped to set up, transport and, later return all the necessary bridge equipment for the successful running of the event.

VOLUNTEER DEALERS

Thank You

Clem and Claire Vanderloos
George O’Brien and John Mayze
Susie Thomson & (in training)
Ethel Lavin & Gayleen Traveskis (soon to come on board)



Please be aware that there will be no sessions, as the club will be closed, Friday (23rd) and Saturday (24th) of this week.

Any contributions or suggestions for the newsletter, please contact the Editor, Kathryn Kelly kathrynmkelly@me.com