



Kenmore Gum Leaf

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ABF Australia-wide Novice Pairs 2023



Forty players competed at Kenmore in the 37th annual ABF Novice Pairs event on Saturday 27 May. This event gives those players with fewer than 100 masterpoints the opportunity to compete against more than 2,500 players from clubs across the nation for more than \$3,500 worth of prizes. Those scoring more than 52% nationally are awarded Red Points.

Winners at KBC on the day were **Sue Calthrope and Stuart Stoddart (N/S)** and **Jim Pope and Gayleen Trevaskis (E/W)**.

Nationally, Sue and Stuart were 48th (under 100) and 24th (under 50) while Gayleen and Jim came 84th in the under 50mps section. Well done!

The huge success of the day at Kenmore is due to the dedication of our own Anne Russell who contributes not only as the Director but also the chief organiser for the event at Kenmore and the photographer.

TBIB TROPHY - NOVICES & ROOKIES held Sunday 18 June

Seven teams competed.

- 1st:** Gayleen Travaskis, Jim Pope, Renuka Mahadevan, Mary Fletcher
2nd Linda & P Neil, C&C Vanderloos
3rd Beth Rothery, Cathie Pearson, Glen Lockington, Gillian Long.



May Birthdays Last month we had the good fortune to celebrate the birthdays of Ivy Bunce, Louise Nohreiter and Jill Hislop. Two of them are now at that age when table fees for games at KBC are no longer required.



REPORT OF COMMITTEE MEETING – TUESDAY 13 JUNE

The President opened the meeting with news that still there was no news from Brisbane City Council regarding the upgrading of KBC's premises at 98 Brookfield Road
Committee:

- agreed to send a delegation to James Mackay, Alderman for Walter Taylor Ward, to discuss the Toowong Bowls Club rooms as a possible interim venue during the club renovations.
- commissioned JB with pursuing the process for KBC to gain DGR (Deductible Gift Recipient) status.
- received treasurer's report which is both up-to-date and "healthy" and noted that all financial reports would be ready for auditing by the end of the financial year.
- reviewed revision to the Constitution for approval at the AGM in September.
- acknowledged that major changes are being incorporated into the MyABF website and that these will enable individual clubs to enhance the capacity of their own websites, e.g. in (1) reducing the current work involving masterpoint data collection and reporting and (2) as a vehicle for "partnership finding".
- received an updated safety report: (1) new batteries for defibrillator; (2) proposal to conduct a St John's Ambulance course for 18 key members eg Directors – tbc; (3) create a list of members with medical experience; (4) notified Kenmore Ambulance of KBC location for emergency access.
- received report of organisation/results for: (1) recent ABF Nation-wide Novice Pairs; (2) TBIB Kenmore Novice Teams; (3) GNOT teams; (4) KBC to host QBA Novice Congress in September to be held at Toowong Bridge Club; (5) Real Bridge "Up Here v Down Under" Competition.
- endorsed posting a monthly KBC (KK) entry in the Club Notices of *The Local Bulletin*.
- received report of progress towards the 2nd Kenmore-Roma-Dalby Weekend.
- set the date for the Annual General Meeting as 11:00am Saturday 16 August 2023 to be followed by complimentary light lunch and afternoon bridge.

Invitation to Nominate in the Grand National Open Teams

GOLD POINTS >700mps; >300mps; >100mps

Kenmore Bridge Club Heat Sunday 16th July

BOOKINGS ONLINE ONLY

www.kenmore.bridgeaustralia.org

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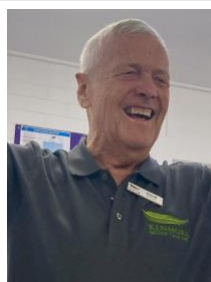
Vale

Susanne Parker

Passed away peacefully
12 June 2023.

Aged 75 years.

Friend to many at KBC.



David Benson models the new KBC polo shirt.

The shirts are embroidered with our club logo. Available in men's and women's styles, they are in colours of white or charcoal. The shirts are well made in soft pique fabric of 97% pre-shrunk cotton and 3% spandex. Price \$40.

Contact **Marion Tomes** or **Anne Gardiner** for details or to place an order in the colour and size of your choice. Once there are 15 new orders, a purchase will be made and should take about a fortnight for delivery.

FREE
Bridge Lessons
for
BEGINNERS

Spread the word! Tell family, friends and neighbours that 8 weeks of FREE Beginner Bridge Classes followed by supervised bridge games will be offered at KBC beginning next month.

**Monday mornings with Graham Rusher from 3 July or
Thurs evenings with Anne Russell from 6 July.**

Go to the KBC Website and click on Lessons for more details.

On-line classes available also. Contact anne@russellsynergies.com.au

OUT OF HAND

BY BILL BUTTLE



"Just you, me, and that big ol' moon — which reminds me — only a lunatic would've put me in game on Board 5 this afternoon!"



IMPROVING YOUR GAME

Education News

"I don't play just for the masterpoints but I do want my game to be good" or "Bridge is a game of mistakes. I want to avoid them". How often do we hear comments such as these while at bridge? It is difficult to think of any KBC member who is not striving to improve their standard of play. But . . . You needn't try alone. Kenmore Bridge Club is committed to offering a multifaceted education program to help each of us improve the standard of our game.

Partnership & Game Development – Mondays at 12:30

(Zoom or in person at the Club)

Joining the lessons using Zoom is proving popular. It is easy and convenient. You don't need to subscribe to Zoom personally. Just click on the link on the Booking Page. It is only one hour of your time each Monday at 12.30 and will advance your bridge enjoyment enormously. Grab a cup of tea or coffee and enjoy the camaraderie as you clarify your bridge knowledge. If you would like to practise using zoom before the lesson Margaret or Anne is happy to assist you – just ask.

Recent lesson materials including videos, handouts and hands with commentaries are now available through a link from the KBC website, Lessons Tab. [Recent Lesson material can be accessed here.](#) In addition, there is a special 5-minute video on Completing the Transfer after a 1NT opening bid by partner. This has been created as several players do not realise there is more to transferring than just making their partner bid a specific suit.

The list of the next lessons based on the feedback from the survey can be found in the **Lessons Tab** on the KBC website.

Video with Wine and Cheese Nights – Tuesdays at 6:30

Now that Covid seems to be behind us, many members requested a return to video nights. The first session is **20 June at 6:30pm** for a 6:45 presentation of the video, "Disrupting Declarer". Bring a plate of nibbles, sweet or savoury and the club will supply the wine. The nights are limited to 20 so that there is space for everyone in the middle room. Book on the Booking Tab.

RealBridge Session (Under 50mps) – Fridays at 2:00

Games on-line via Zoom with discussion of hands after the game. Play from the comfort of your home or even when you are away from home out of town. See KBC Booking Page for the Link to the game. Director is Anne Russell 0411 255 434.

Supervised Duplicate Sessions – Mondays & Wednesdays at 9:00 and Thursdays 7:00pm

Conducted by ABF accredited teachers from the club, these three sessions are popular with beginners having completed their initial course of lessons but . . . these sessions are available for players of all standards. They provide members with opportunities to receive advice and feedback on all aspects of their play including bids, opening leads and defence.

2nd Annual Kenmore-Roma-Dalby Bridge Event

proudly hosted by KBC Friday 18 – Sunday 20 August 2023

Planning so far: Working party formed. Graham Rusher agreed to be Director. QBA awarded a Red Point event. Wonderful response to the raffles from members. Invitations to our visitors are sent and we have enthusiastic responses and registration. Sponsorship confirmed from TBIB and KM Smith. Application submitted to Origin Energy (awaiting formal response). Venues booked.

Program: “Meet and Greet” on Friday evening; Morning and Afternoon sessions of bridge on Saturday; Pre-Dinner Drinks (sponsored by KM Smith) followed by Restaurant Dinner and Awards Presentations (sponsored by TBIB) Saturday night; Sunday-Morning Talk with Therese Tully at Toowong Library (numbers restricted); Sunday-afternoon River Cruise and BBQ Lunch aboard the *Lady Brisbane*.

How can you help? Already some members have volunteered to provide home-crafted items for the visitors’ welcome packages, some for items to raffle on the Saturday bridge day. Ethel Lavin even volunteered her home as the venue for the “Meet and Greet”.

As we approach the event, we’ll be making other requests such as plates to help cater for the morning and afternoon teas and the lunch on Saturday. We will need a few helpers to assist Susie Thompson, Janet Warby and Jan Ford on the day.

Coming soon:

1. Detailed Program for the weekend
2. Registration for Events

This is a “whole of club” event. We need your support.

If you can help, please talk to Kathryn Kelly or any member of the Working Party – Cia Aderman, Jenny Coyle, Alex Daw, Jan Ford, Ruth Hoffenstetz, Leanne Nugent, Susie Thompson, Janet Warby or Chris Williams

**Looking for a
Partner ?
(any session)
Contact
JACKIE TOZER
0420 506 867**

**Welcome
New Members**
Helen Charlton
Kerry De Voss
Richard Paviour

Masterpoint Promotions
Bronze National >200 – Sue Ziegenfuss
State >100 – Lyn Lodge
Regional >50 – Jim Pope
Silver Local >35 – Stuart Stoddart
Bronze Local >25 – Jean McGuinness
Club >5 – David Benson
Congratulations

*We welcome your contributions for the newsletter. Please contact the Editor,
Kathryn Kelly kathrynmkelly@me.com DEADLINE for next issue – Tuesday 11 July.*