

# **Kenmore Gum Leaf**

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During these times of increased incidence of Covid and Flu viruses, and in keeping with QLD government policy, KBC urge all members to wear masks indoors, sanitise hands and socially distance.



Not the famous 1974 World Heavyweight Championship in Zaire between Muhammad Ali and George Foreman but the rumble heard in the Kenmore Hills bushlands at the foothills of the Taylor Ranges. Rather than the usual gathering of harmonious and joyful Kenmore Bridge Club members, twitterings of discontent and negativity lurk around corners.

How did this happen?

One of the best features of our club is in its membership: its harmony, care, camaraderie, and laughter. Such qualities are to be valued and we don't want to see them jeopardised.

For several years, a great deal of work centred on a new club house. These efforts continue. The Committee walks a tightrope between continuing to work towards the long-term goal but, in the short term, ensuring that members play in pleasant and comfortable environs. To this end, most club-house improvements are transportable, that is, they can be moved to a new venue to be fully utilised.

We urge those who have concerns to address the KBC Committee either in person or in writing. Members are encouraged to attend any Committee meeting. Also, members are invited to submit their comments, their suggestions or questions to the "Have Your Say" box at the administration desk. The Committee Members strive to be responsive but negative comments circulating during bridge play are not helpful nor conducive to the usual good spirit of the club. Return the Rumble to the Jungle.

### Improvements over the past four years

Improvements	Funding
Covered area replaced and insulated	Brisbane City Council
Installation of fully integrated	Brisbane City Council
Air-Conditioning system in all three rooms	
New lighting	KBC
New secure storage for the photocopy room and relocation of the photocopying	KBC;
machine and decluttering the Handicap Toilet reorganising storage	Committee Members'
	work
Painting of rooms and installing paintings and noticeboards	KBC; Committee
	Members and
	Volunteer Members'
	work

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Negotiating the new card dealing room so as to avoid loading and	No charge to the
transporting approx. 15 boxes of cards to a private residence for dealing	club
Installation of Timers	Proceeds of the
	2022 Easter Raffle
New chairs	Qld Gov grant of
	\$11,000
Slightly smaller, higher tables to maximise space	KBC
(Future project) Slightly smaller, more useful side tables to maximise space	KBC
(Future project) refurbish the outdoor area with transportable feature	

## **REPORT OF COMMITTEE MEETING – 9 AUGUST**

#### The Committee:

Determined that the Annual General Meeting would be held on Saturday 17 August at 11am before the Nationwide Pairs. A light lunch would be provided after the meeting;

Confirmed that the booking for the Indooroopilly State High School Main Assembly Hall was organised for the Kenmore Graded Pairs Congress on 11 September;

Received the Vice-President's Report of the telephone survey of non-attending members (more on this report in the September issue);

Resolved to take action to improve the outdoor area with transportable features including the erection of adequate "Kenmore Bridge Club" signage on the exterior of the club-house and visible from the roadways;

Received the Treasurer's report noting that the club's finances are in a healthy state;

Considered and debated the members' submissions to the 'Have Your Say" facility;

Decided to continue to use the Booking System for the Monday and Wednesday supervised play sessions; return Friday morning session to 9:00am start

Noted some members' dissatisfaction with the height of the new tables which are Australian Standard Height and the table covers and agreed, at this time, to recommission the corduroy table covers;

Concurred with members' requests to reactivate the book-exchange service;

Received an update on the Roma Bridge Club Exchange and agreed to proposals for future social events for the Melbourne Cup (Tuesday 1 November) and the Christmas Party (Sunday 11 December).



# Annual General Meeting Saturday 17 September at 11am

Followed by the Nationwide Pairs

Nominations for committee positions close Friday 26 August

Notices including forms will be forwarded to all Members

#### **HAVE YOUR SAY**

During the past few weeks, members may have noticed a box inviting all to HAVE YOUR SAY. Initially, the intention was to hear your thoughts regarding future refurbishment to the outdoor area. Members took the opportunity to make suggestions about a range of other issues as well. All of these suggestions have been noted by the committee and changes have been made, notably in relation to the starting time for the Friday morning session and the return of the booking page for the Supervised sessions. We continue to look for ways to make your bridge experience better in every way, so if you have suggestions about the operation of the club please continue to HAVE YOUR SAY .



# Be part of Australia's largest bridge event AUSTRALIAN-WIDE OPEN PAIRS

## Thursday 25 August at 1:00pm at Kenmore Bridge Club

Table fees: One coupon + \$5 per person
Players must have an ABF Number
Players can play in this event at only one bridge club
Players receive a souvenir booklet with results analysis

Top players from around the country win book and magazine prizes totalling over \$4000 in value

Register on KBC Booking Page max = 24 pairs

Contact Director Jan Flanagan 0412 201 439 if you have any inquiries





# **TBIB**

# KENMORE GRADED PAIRS CONGRESS

NOVICE (<100mps)
ROOKIE (<50mps)

The only opportunity and event of its kind in Queensland

Sunday 11 September 9:30 am

Indooroopilly State High School

## **KBC GNOT HEATS WINNERS**



On Sunday 17 July, eight teams competed at Kenmore in the Grand National Open Teams.

The Parkes Team of Allan Byrnes, Unis Suliman, Steven Parkes and Peter Taylor come first and held off the Russell Team (Anne Russell, Jenny Iliescu, Jill Dunning and Bill Szumidlo) to second place.

Both teams will proceed to the Brisbane GNOT finals to be held 27 & 28 August. We wish them well.

# Yea !!! Corduroy is back!

# MASTERPOINT PROMOTIONS

National >150 mps Susan Sharp

#### Graduate >2 mps

Anne Munro George O'Brien Val Quinn Denis Stark

Congratulations



## **Name Badge Orders**

- 1. Pay \$15 to the Director
- 2. Receive a receipt.
- 3. Write name and receipt number on the list on the admin notice board above the front desk.

Any contributions or suggestions for the newsletter, please contact the Editor

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### **GERALDINE NEWBEGIN**

Geraldine Newbegin started playing with KBC members during Covid Lockdown when we introduced tournaments on BBO. Frequently she responded to a phone call to make up a table and was always keen to play with, and support, novices.

Geraldine lived on the Sunshine Coast, where she was a director and active member of her local Clubs. She enjoyed playing with KBC members and joined our Club as an away member. Though we never met face to face, she frequented our website results!

Geraldine will be remembered for her enthusiasm for bridge and for life.

RIP





**RealBridge** continues to be offered for all players including those who might be confined to home with cold, flu or Covid symptoms, or recovering from other health issues, or even on holiday!

Games on Realbridge provide a great opportunity for partnerships wanting to review hands by actually replaying how each hand was bid and played – card by card. Any game continues to be accessible for months.

While bookings are not necessary, session links are offered Monday morning and Wednesday evening. The Friday afternoon session for under 25 masterpoint players includes a zoom debrief of the hands following the game. Other game times for four players can be arranged by arrangement with Anne Russell.