



# Kenmore Gum Leaf

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**This year Kenmore Bridge Club** had the fourth highest contingent of players attending the Gold Coast Bridge Congress, probably the largest Congress in the Southern Hemisphere.

Forty-eight Kenmore members trekked to the Convention Centre to support the Congress and compete across Open, Restricted, Novice and Rookie events as well as in Team events. Organisers had had to cancel the competition in 2021 because of Covid and closed borders and were battling to make it viable for 2022. Numbers were down . . . but overall, it was certainly judged a success.

Congratulations to the organisers and the winners.

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**Clockwise from Top Left:** Clem & Claire Vanderloos – Winners of Friday Novice Matchpoint Swiss Pairs; Ria Mylrea & Maureen Mcnamara – N/S Runners up of Thursday Rookie Pairs; Lyn Tracey & Mick Fawcett – 3<sup>rd</sup> Intermediate A Pairs; Rick Webster & Robert Olander – Winners of Novice B Pairs; Carole Bloomer & Jill Cavanagh – E/W Winners of Thursday Rookie Pairs; Peter and Linda Neil – Winners of 0-50mps Wednesday Pairs; Cia Adernann and Neil Sadler – Runners up of 0-50mps Tuesday Pairs; Marie Low and Sandy Spies – 2<sup>nd</sup> E/W Sunday Rookie Pairs; Happy faces of Kenmore competitors; Wendy Cuthbert – Member of the Winning Novice Teams. **Centre:** Peter and Linda Neil – Winners of the Anniversary Diamonds Theme Day with their King and Queen of Diamonds.



### Easter Raffle Donations Please

As part of our on-going fund-raising campaign we hope, with your help, to conduct a raffle of "goodies" for Easter.

Non-perishable gourmet additions for a cheese platter, or sauces, relishes, wine or . . .

Please contribute your donations to the basket by the administration desk at KBC rooms over the next two weeks.

### WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

Maureen McNamara  
 Ria Mylrea  
 Sarah Nason  
 Madeleine Vanderbroucke

### PROMOTIONS

Congratulations to the following members who have achieved new bridge rankings.

#### February 2022

Silver Local	Gayleen Travaskis
Bronze Local	Linda Neil
Local	Jill Cavanagh
	Lisa McConkey
	Stephen Prowse
	Neil Sadler
	Susie Thomson
Graduate	Ros Rundle

## A Big Thank-you from Mobbs Movies

To all who smiled behind their masks and contributed to an enormous amount of footage "Thank You, Thank You, Thank You!"

Currently, the plan is to make three small movies:

Part 1 – Differences from the last Gold Coast Congress;  
 Part 2 – Memory Lane; and  
 Part 3 – Non-bridge activities for Kenmore members.

Not sure how long it will take!!

Anyone with movie footage or even a few stills of social gatherings or other favourite moments from the Congress might like the opportunity to incorporate their memories in one of the movies.

Please send to the producer.

*Margaret Mobbs*

Play 30 boards of bridge & then

You're invited

## WINE & CHEESE NIGHTS



every Monday night commencing  
 7 March 6:45 pm.

### UP-COMING RED POINT EVENTS

#### March

- 7 Autumn Pairs at the club
- 9 Birthday Pairs at KBC
- 11 Autumn Pairs at the club
- 15 Super Novice Autumn Pairs
- 17 Autumn Pairs – AM & PM sessions
- 19 Nationwide Pairs at KBC

#### April

- 2 Nationwide Pairs at KBC
- 23 Nationwide Pairs at KBC

**Don't Miss Out!**

**Check the Calendar on our website.**

Beyond competing in the Gold Coast Bridge Congress, Kenmore “punches above its weight” in assisting with the huge organisational task at hand.

Mention must be made of **Tim Runting**, the Convenor of the Congress, and **Sue Ziegenfuss**, the Hospitality Convenor and creator of the 60 Memory Lane display for the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Congress. The Administration team benefitted from the tireless work of **Elizabeth Handley** and **Anne Russell** who again made a photographic recording of the event. This year, **Margaret Mobbs** produced a video recording so as to create three movies.

**Lyn Tracey**, **Mick Fawcett**, **Therese Tully** and **Graham Rusher** provided support for new Novice and Rookie players. **Peter Allingham**, **Jenny Iliescu**, **Leanne Nugent**, **Andrew Sharp** and other Kenmore members were spied as ushers, safety officers and helping out in many roles where necessary throughout the Congress.

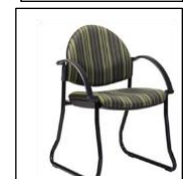


## NEW CHAIRS

Towards the end of 2021, the Committee requested the Treasurer, John Bosci to lodge an application with the Queensland Gaming Community Benefit Fund for a grant for the purchase of new chairs. The application was successful. Andrew Sharp looked at the design of chairs in use in several Brisbane bridge clubs.

Ultimately, three styles were purchased – a combination of straight legged and sled legged, some with arms and some without. The restful and utilitarian colours chosen for the upholstery are turquoise or rust.

We are informed that the stock is now in Australia and stored safely at Rocklea but as with many products during these times, there are delays with delivery. We expect to receive them by the end of March. Hooray!





## CALL THE DIRECTORS

by Jenny Coyle

One of the many notable features of the Gold Coast Bridge Congress is that it provides an opportunity for participants to earn GOLD points.

For those of you who are wondering about the different coloured points awarded at bridge sessions, I thought this explanation might help.



### Green points:

These are the usual points won during an ordinary club session. They are paid for by the club. They are uploaded by the Masterpoint secretary who has until 4pm on the 1st of the month to upload these points to the ABF website.

### Red points:

These are points you earn in events such as special days, congresses, interclub events, some state events and random days during the year.

Red points are also earned on state-wide or nation-wide events or qualifying events played at the club or elsewhere such as the State Open Pairs/Teams qualifier events, Australia-Wide Pairs and Bridge for Brains.

### Gold points:

In the club gold masterpoints can be earned in very special events. Gold Points are also earned in big ABF events such as Gold Coast Congress. These national events generally have sections for various levels of points: Novice (<100MP), Restricted (<300), Intermediate (<750) and Open are popular but there are also sometimes events for those with even lower MP levels.

Congresses are an inspiring way to get to know members you don't normally play with or against; take a break away from home; earn points; increase your learning of bridge and generally have a lot of FUN!

Gold points can only be uploaded by the national or state event conveners after the director has forwarded them the file and, if a club qualifier, the club has paid the invoice for the points. This can take several weeks if not months. If the gold point event is a qualifier, the points are not uploaded until after the final which could be six months later.

In order to progress to higher bridge rankings, a player requires a number of green, red and gold points. For instance, 50 green points and a combination of 25 red and gold points are required to proceed to "State" level. The secret to achieving "Life" level is acquiring 300 green, 180 red and gold of which 30 must be gold.

*We welcome contributions or suggestions.*

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