



Kenmore Gum Leaf

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President's Message

Two months of a balmy winter and no need to contend with the air-conditioning!! We have occasionally resorted to using the few shawls which are now owned by the Club. In spite of the perfect blue sky weather we have enjoyed record numbers of players - often over 400 in a week. The thirty five beginners are becoming addicted and will soon join the throng of supervised players on a Tuesday morning and/or Wednesday evening.

August 1st was the official implementation of the **Revised Bridge Laws 2017** - produced by the World Bridge Federation. Peter Evans provided a worthwhile training session for all KBC Directors and clearly explained nuances and the essential changes to the Laws. Margaret Mobbs, Mel Gilmour and Sue Noble attended a two day Australian Bridge Directors' Association Seminar in Sydney where the Laws were further explored. Their heightened understanding will be of benefit to the Club - read their article in this newsletter and listen as directors are called to your table.

Thank you to Mick Fawcett for organising, and Leslie Cheung for directing, the **KBC GNOT heat**. We are delighted to have two teams represent KBC at the Brisbane Zone finals.

We are hosting the QBA Congress for **Rookies (under 50 masterpoints)** on Sunday 10 September. Register early to capture the limited places before players from other Clubs fill all the available tables. Please bring nibbles on the day and let me know if you are not playing and willing to assist during the event.

If you would like to play in an open competition, sign up with your partner to play in the **ABF Australia-Wide Open Pairs competition at KBC** on Monday afternoon 28 August. Playing in our Clubrooms limits the number of pairs who can register to 24 - so get in early.

The QBA have prompted clubs to formalise an **Appeals Committee** for situations where players wish to request reconsideration of a director's ruling on a particular hand. Mick Fawcett has prepared a document outlining the conditions for players to lodge an appeal against a director's decision. (A copy is in Documents on the KBC website).



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Therese Tully has agreed to act as the Club's **Recorder** to be consulted should any player have concerns about ethical behaviour in the Club. Possible examples of this are bullying at the table, accusations or any unacceptable behaviour of another person. (A copy of the details of the Recorder Role is in Documents on the KBC website).

During the past months I have complained about the inadequate cleaning of the premises. Andrew Sharp has placed a written complaint about the air-conditioning and maintenance of the physical environment - condition of the floors, walls, windows, flywire, etc. We await action on these issues.

Some of you may have seen the Local Bulletin article about 'koala friendly trees' on the Pullenvale Road site. This is contra to our arborist report which was accepted by BCC during the approval process of our development application. We remain clearly focused to ensure our present overcrowded facility for the Club is addressed for the long term.

With amazing tenacity, Suz Cheney continues to spear head the **grassroots fundraising** with support from a small group of dedicated Club members committed to bringing the dream of a new club environment closer to reality.

I look forward to seeing you at the AGM on Wednesday 23 August @ 7pm with a Red Point game afterwards.

Anne Russell

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“No fear” the directors are here...



We (Mel, Sue and Margaret) had a lovely girls' weekend in Sydney! We even managed to squeeze in the Australian Bridge Director Association workshop on the revised bridge laws which came into force on 1st August 2017.

We trust you are playing bridge with “no fear” and now we want you to call the director with “no fear”. Jan Peach made the point that the role of the director is to restore equity and ensure enjoyment of players. To support this, we thought we would share some of our key learnings and ask that you call us to help your game.

Here are the highlights we want to share with you:

1) Law 7a. The board shall be placed in the centre of the table where it remains correctly orientated until the end of play (We hate fouled boards, and now it's written in the rule book so no excuses – don't move the board).

2) Law 23. Comparable Call - Players need to call us for passes, bids and doubles out of rotation and for insufficient bids. We will work out what is a comparable call as the consequences are slightly different now. We may require some patience please just remember to call us to assess what is a comparable call.

3) Law 68/69 Claim or Concession of tricks

The claimer must display the remaining cards in the hand and state the line of play. If there is a dispute there are two options:

Call the director who will work out what might have happened, or;

At the request of the non-claiming side (and if all four players agree) it may be played out. If you choose this option, there is no appeal and the result stands.

4) Law 42 /43 Dummy Rights and Responsibilities

This one has often caused discussion at our club and there are a few small changes. Dummy may still check there has been no revoke by declarer when declarer does not follow suit. Dummy used to be able to prevent an irregularity by declarer. Now dummy can prevent an irregularity by any player. Of course, once the irregularity has occurred it is too late and dummy should not draw attention to it until the end of the hand. There was discussion around whether dummy could bang the table to draw declarer's attention to the fact that the lead should be from dummy. The answer seemed to be that it is not illegal as long as no card is being indicated. Banging / tapping the table was not the preferred method amongst directors. Apparently dummy may lose these rights if dummy breaks the limitations listed in Law 43.

There were many complicated discussions around what to do about unauthorised information, wrong explanations and the like. We can only get to grips with this if we practise with "no fear" and you call us with "no fear". We still have much to learn, but after two very full days of bridge discussion, and two very pleasant evenings of discussion (some of which involved bridge) we are very much looking forward to implementing these changes with you.

Mel, Sue and Margaret



Ron Klinger Workshop on Defensive Signals

**Tuesday 12 September
7-9pm \$25 Bring your
bridge playing friends.
Sign-up is essential so
we know how many
tables to set-up @ the
Kenmore Library**

Ron represented Australia in world championships in 1976, 1978, 1980, 1984, 1986, 1988, 1993, 2000 and 2002-2016. He has published books and regularly contributes to newspapers and bridge magazines. His bridge holidays and teaching classes are legendary.

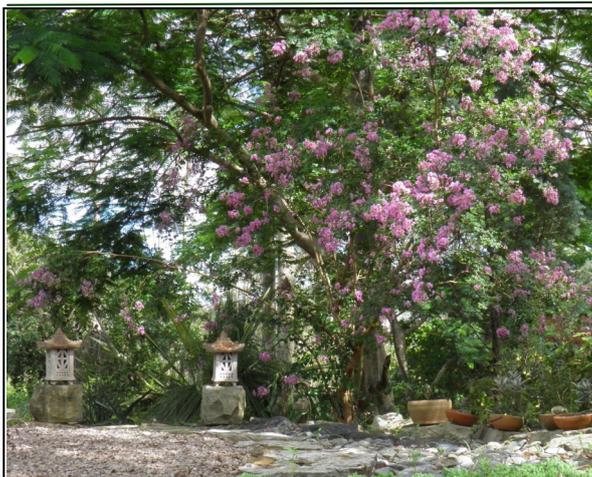
DO YOU HAVE FRIENDS WHO WOULD LIKE TO JOIN US FOR A FREE INTRODUCTION TO THE GAME OF BRIDGE?

WHEN: 10.00AM MONDAY 9TH OCTOBER

**WHERE: KENMORE COMMUNITY CENTRE,
98 BROOKFIELD ROAD CNR BRANTON STREET**



**CONTACT: GRAHAM RUSHER 0414452021 OR
info@kenmore.bridgeaustralia.org**



HIGH TEA AT COUCALS GARDEN

Cost \$30 per person

This includes entry to the garden

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

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info@coucalsgarden.com

www.coucalsgarden.com

Explore Jan & Jim Flanigan's amazing Coucals garden featured on ABC's Gardening Australia. Gather your friends for morning or afternoon tea.

Sunday 24 September

Sessions: 9.00 - 12 noon or 1.00 - 4.00

Or sign-up at the Club and offer to help prepare or serve food on the day.

Or make some wee cakes (we need 500)!!



Test your knowledge of pop culture, history, geography, science, sports, literature, music, politics, fun facts and more at the Kenmore Bridge Club Fundraising *Trivia Night* on Friday 10 November, 2017. We are asking one leader to gather 9 other "up and coming trivia champions" to make tables of 10 where you can stretch your brain and challenge the best of the best. Friends and Family outside the bridge club are most welcome. To add a splash of colour

to the night we would ask each group to choose a letter and create a theme using that letter....something simple like **R** for red where participants at that table wear red or **S** for safari where contestants come suitably dressed. Keep it as simple or as imaginative as your heart desires.

Supper will be served and wine, beer, non-alcoholic punch & water will be available from the bar.

Where: Bundaleer Rainforest Gardens 59 Bundaleer Street Brookfield 4069

When: Friday 10 November 2017.... 6.30 mingling for a 7pm start til 10.30pm

Dress Code: Creative Casual, Costume bits & pieces welcome!

Cost: \$25 per person includes supper (Payable on the night via Envelope listing contestant names)

Sign Up: Fundraising Noticeboard at KBC (Enquiries: Leanne Nugent E: gitanalea@yahoo.com or see Leanne at the club)



The **Plant and Craft stall** was a wonderful success raising over \$1,000. Special thanks to everyone who brought plants and made interesting saleable items - especially Susie Thomson for the card holders, Yvonne Bowman for pottery, Lyn Lodge for baby quilts, Lola Harris for comfort birds and Bing Wilson for handmade bags. We sold a million and one scarves and a great variety of healthy plants. Some of the scarves are now part of our much needed Club collection for those chilly days.

The donation box has done really well with an average of \$315 each month, plus the member who generously donated \$2,000 and Melba Nicholas who raised \$90 when she brought her delicious trademark cakes and biscuits for afternoon tea.

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Grand National Open Teams Kenmore Heat July 2017

Six teams played at the club under the Directorship of Leslie Cheung. The King and Russell teams will represent KBC at the Brisbane Zone Finals on 14 & 15 October.



Liz Marshall, Helen Standfast,
Loraine King, Paul Mitchell (First)



Margaret Weekes, Louise Greenfield,
Wendy Bristow, Trish Dolphin (Second)



Susan Sharp, Andrew Sharp,
Jenny Iliescu, Leanne Nugent



Bill Szumidlo, Geoff Longshaw,
Keith McDonald, Graham Rusher



Diane McClintock, Ingrid De Meillon,
Margaret Mobbs, Anne Russell



Keith Cohen, Lyn Tracey,
Mick Fawcett, David Le Good

Upcoming Events

Wed 16 Aug Ekka Pairs @ KBC 1pm

Sat 19 Aug Nationwide Pairs @ KBC

Sat 19 Aug Surfers Paradise Pairs

Sun 20 Aug Surfers Paradise Teams

Sun 20 Aug Redcliffe Pairs

Wed 23 Aug 7pm AGM @ KBC

Sat/Sun 26/27 Aug Qld State Teams @ TBC

Mon 28 Aug Australia Wide Open Pairs

@ Kenmore Bride Club

sign up at the Club ASAP

Sat 2 Sep Nationwide Pairs @ KBC

Sat 2 Sep Qld Graded Pairs @ QCBC

Mon 4 Sep Spring Pairs Red Point @ KBC

Wed 6 Sep Spring Pairs Red Point @ KBC

Fri 8 Sep Spring Pairs Red Point @ KBC

Sun 10 Sep QBA Rookies Congress

@ Kenmore Library

Complete the Registration form ASAP

Tue 12 Sep Spring Pairs Red Point @ KBC 1pm

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Thu 14 Sep Spring Pairs Red Point @ KBC 1pm

Sat 16 Sep Nationwide Pairs @ KBC

Sun 17 Sep Sunshine Coast Pairs

Sat/Sun 23/24 Sep QLD State Pairs @ NSBC

Sun 24 Sep Redland Pairs

Sat 30 Sep Toowoomba Pairs

Sun 1 Oct Toowoomba Teams

Sat/Sun 7/8 Oct Qld Senior Pairs @ GCBC

Welcome to our New Members

Ann Stirling and Tom Usher

AGM is coming up on Wednesday 23 August
at 7pm followed by an enjoyable game of red
point bridge.

New Sponsor

Visit Dorte Kirk at **Kenmore Health and Nutrition** in the Village Shopping Centre for healthy advice and products. 10% of your purchases will be allocated to our Facilities Fund.