



# Kenmore Gum Leaf

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## Celebrations Champions & Challenges

*KBC 12<sup>th</sup> Birthday  
95 players  
celebrated  
on  
9<sup>th</sup> March 2023*

The journey of twelve years for KBC is marked by so many triumphs, celebrations and achievements. Of course, we have had a few challenges and disappointments along the way. One such test is the news we are facing now. Recently, Brisbane City Council finally made it clear that it has no plans to provide financial resources for the *development* of the current site at 98 Brookfield Road. They do have plans to *upgrade* the shared site by spending the \$1.5 million procured through a communities grant by the former Federal MP, Julian Simmonds. (*Read more in Breaking News on the website*). Be assured that behind the scenes the KBC Management Committee continues to do everything it can, as it has done over 12 years, for the benefit of the club and its members.



## 2023 Kenmore Pairs Championship SHARPS VICTORIOUS

The Annual Kenmore Bridge Club Pairs Championship was held on Saturday 11 February. 24 pairs competed in the all-day event. A Swiss movement of 11 matches of 5 boards was directed by Julie Jeffries in the capable and professional manner for which she is known.

Andrew and Susan Sharp were clear winners with 742 match-points and 61.3%. The runners-up with 696 match-points and 57.5% were Gill Phillippo and Peter Munro (pictured below far right). They were closely followed by Unis Suliman and Steven Parkes (left of the photo) who were only 4 match-points behind with 692 and 57.2%.

At end of play, the coveted KBC Pairs Championship Trophy was presented to Andrew and Susan. Participants celebrated with wine and cheese after the event.



## REPORT OF COMMITTEE MEETING – Tuesday 14 February

The Committee:

- received a briefing from Andrew Sharp, of the Facilities Sub-Committee, which provided (1) a background to several site options considered while there were plans for the KBC building project over the years; and (2) outlined the BCC's current scaled-back proposal to expend the \$1.5M grant provided by the Federal Government
- agreed, at this time, to pursue the current BCC proposal in order to provide certainty for the club and to maximise space for playing and other necessities
- resolved to respond to Greg Adermann's misleading Facebook post on the development project and urge members to "like" comments posted by Elizabeth Handley and Anne Gardiner
- approved the use of Survey Monkey and the annual subscription
- approved the setting up and subscription to Google Drive
- directed George O'Brien to follow up with Geoff Longshaw on the set up of the dealing machine and any necessary software upgrade
- decided that no further action was required regarding QBA defibrillator policy and that the equipment was to be used as required
- joined with Elizabeth Handley in congratulating George O'Brien for his contribution to the successful KBC Congress in January and in thanking Marion Tomes and Eliza Hemphill for their organisation of the catering.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE MEETING – Tuesday 7 March

The Committee:

- received the Vice-President's report and noted the appointment of two new directors, Lisa McConkey and Chris Williams and agreed that copies of the bridge rules be purchased for their working reference
- received confirmation that a grant of \$17.5k (to be used for dealing room equipment) had been approved through the QLD Gov. Gambling Community Benefit Fund
- agreed that future financial management accounts be produced quarterly and accepted the Treasurer's proposal that some changes be made to the accounts to enable two debit cards to be applied to the club's operating account
- tasked AC, JB & DD with preparing a review and update of the KBC Constitution for consideration at the April committee meeting
- approved the club membership of five new applicants
- noted advice from the Federal MHR, Elizabeth Watson Brown (after being approached by members of the committee) that she had applied for a six-month extension to the April deadline for the plans to spend the \$1.5m on-site renovations. We await news.
- agreed that the G-Drive storage be upgraded to 2 terabytes at an annual cost of \$125.
- agreed that SS inquire into the possibility of Andy Hung conducting two training sessions (10am & 1pm) on 16 April at Arana Hills Bridge Club. More info to come.
- agreed that EH would discuss with AS the feasibility of running a competitive evening session directed by Richard Wallace (perhaps in conjunction with another club).
- received a report on growing the membership and discussed various options for promoting the club through the media.





**1<sup>st</sup> in Bobby Richmond Pairs Intermediate D:** Tere Wotherspoon & Mick Fawcett

### Gold Coast International

**One of each year's highlights!** Take your friends. Catch up with old ones. Meet new ones.

Each February, Gold Coast International Congress exposes participants to a wider bridge world where much can be learned. It can be daunting, challenging, humbling but always fun. ***Congratulations to our winners.***

The final table count was 6457. More than 3700 boards were dealt. Once again, Congress Convenor was Kenmore founding member and past-president, Tim Runting.

While, many Kenmore members assisted with the organisation, special mention must be made of Sue Ziegenfuss (social organiser), Elizabeth Handley (admin. central) and Anne Russell (photographer). They worked long hours every day of the Congress to ensure its success. *(Thank you also to those who stood in for dealing and directing duties back at KBC.)*

Plan your entries and join in the experience next year when the Congress will be held 17-24 February.



**1<sup>st</sup> Friday Novice Pairs:** Peter Wilce & Heather Douglas



**2<sup>nd</sup> Novice Pairs Thursday:** Alex Daw & Clare Drew



**2<sup>nd</sup> N/S 0-50 Pairs Tuesday:** Marie Low & Douglas Johnston



You guessed it . . . the theme of this year's parade was **HATS.** Next year . . . **SPORT !!!**



**Date Claimer – 160 days to go**

*Fri 18-Sun 20 August*

*Kenmore-Roma-Dalby*

*Interclub Red Pts*

*Bridge Event*

### Easter Raffle

The raffle theme this year is “treats” - Treats to be eaten or body care treats.

All donations to the basket in the club rooms will be very much appreciated. Proceeds are to help fund activities for our Roma and Dalby visitors in August.

**Drawn: Wednesday 5 April.**

**Tickets: \$5 each or 3 for \$10.**

### Welcome to New Members

- Faye Briggs (reactivated)
- Ilva Copley (reactivated)
- Gabrielle Johnson (reactivated)
- Beryl Kerven (reactivated)
- Mitchell Winkworth (Youth and Away Member)

### Masterpoints Promotions

**Bronze National >300 MPs** Diane McClintock

**National >150 MPs** Peter Taylor

**Silver Local >50** Cia Adermann

**Local >15** Carole Bloomer, Jenny Hearle, Brett Waring

**Graduate >2 MPs** Andrew Churchill, Shane Hubner

*Congratulations to all*

*About six months ago, members were somewhat disgruntled when new and higher tables were installed. A big thank-you, long overdue, to **John Bosci** for quietly and efficiently rectifying this problem. He removed every table to his own workshop, cut the central columns back 100mm, swiveled each to the diagonal position and rewelded each support.*

*Another member who deserves a big thank you is **Anne Watson**. At the end of the session, she can be seen taking cups and glasses left behind to the dishwasher, collecting used bidding slips and sweet wrappers for the relevant bins and closing the louvres.*

*I wonder, could each one of us help by leaving our playing area clean and tidy in preparation for players at the next session.*



*Partnership and Game Development Lessons on Zoom or at the club 12:30 on Mondays. See LESSONS tab on KBC website. There's something for everyone.*

*Security using KBC website*

*Please see notice on “Breaking News”. It may also explain why you miss out on some notices.*

*Name Badge Orders*

*Pay the director \$15 and write your preferred name on the order form pinned to the board above the admin desk.*

*So much info is on the KBC website.*

*Don't forget to use it !*

*We welcome your contributions for the newsletter.  
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**DEADLINE for next issue – Wednesday 5 April.***