



# Kenmore Gum Leaf

## President's Message Anne Russell

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Rain or shine: Playing bridge with pleasant and interesting people is a daily occurrence at Kenmore Bridge Club.

Following the installation of the TV monitor, Loraine King and Margaret Mobbs held the first of our **Watch, Chat and Learn** social evenings on Tuesday 30 April. 26 members attended each bringing either a bottle of wine or nibbles. We watched Bernie McGee's DVD *Playing and Defending NoTrump* with time for socialising between viewing parts one and two. The second successful evening was Tuesday 5 June where we were given strategies for *Making the most of the High cards* (9s, 10s, etc). Come and join us for the next Watch, Chat and Learn evening on Tuesday 23rd July.

Our duplicate session on a Thursday afternoon in May used boards played by clubs across the country in the national **Bridge for Brain Research** competition. All our table fees plus \$5 per player (\$440) were donated to NeuraAustralia Research.

Twenty-one pairs played in the **Australia Wide Novice Pairs** competition at the Club on Sunday 26 May. Players with under 50 masterpoints competed in one section and 50 - 100 masterpoint players competed in a second section.

This year we will hold the **Australia Wide Open Pairs** competition on Thursday evening 29<sup>th</sup> August. This gives the opportunity for our working members to play against several thousand other ABF members. Please sign up for this event. Take a leaf out of Harriet and Howard Posner's success in the Under 100 masterpoint Australia Wide Novice Pairs – where they were second against the Kenmore pairs, yet jumped ahead of all Kenmore players when pitted against 1433 pairs in the wider competition. Congratulations to Harriet and Howard with one masterpoint each.

While Richard Wallis is no longer directing on **Thursday evenings**, I continue to encourage your participation in this unique session which commences at 6.45pm. It is a great opportunity to make a session special as it is created around the members who attend. Come and find out why!!

We have been granted an extension for acquittal of the **Federal Stronger Communities Program grant** to 30 June 2019. The decision was made not to go ahead with a budget blowout to install fixed TV monitors to enable a timer in each room. Instead, the large TV monitor was purchased. This can easily be relocated should we move to a new venue. Storage cupboards will be located outside the toilet area to enable the photocopier relocation, thus giving more space for the tables in the middle room. We have requested a variation in scope for our grant project in order to purchase a defibrillator.

Your **Facilities Committee** continues in pursuit of an appropriate venue. We work with E-Waste Connection and



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Shed West to ensure a cohesive and uniform message is communicated to local politicians and members of the public regarding the need for suitable Community facilities. We believe it is in the best interests of KBC and the local community for us to be part of a Community Hub in our area. One of Julian Simmons commitments, prior to the re-election of the Liberal Government, was to provide \$1.5 million toward the 'planning and development' of a Kenmore Community Hub. We will hold him to this promise and urge other levels of government to financially participate in building a Community Hub.

As the August AGM approaches we need volunteers to join the Committee. The Constitution specifies maximum of three years for the **President** – this has been my third year. Pat Fennell has been our valued **Secretary** for 8 years and it is time for her to hand over this position. Kathy Males, as **Treasurer**, has ensured our finances are in good order and is ready to hand over. Suz Cheney is relinquishing her position as **Fundraiser** after raising \$50,000. If you would like to be involved in the running of this vibrant bridge club please let me know. The Club members are enormously supportive --- the club really runs itself!!!! However, we need a Committee.

I appreciate we do not formally organise club members to carry out "tasks". Members 'see' what needs to be done and automatically carry out the job. Such **things as emptying the dishwasher, closing windows, tidying the tables, replacing toilet rolls, washing table covers**, etc. To my mind this is what being a member of a club is all about. Each member respects the space for themselves and others. Thank you for being conscientious and sensitive club members.

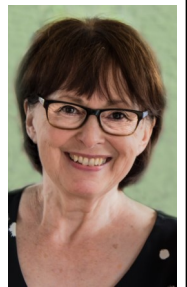
I would particularly like to thank Committee members and other members who carry out dedicated jobs which enable the Club to run efficiently.

*Anne Russell*

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## Library Corner



I hope you are all aware we have some new additions to the library. The titles are on the library notice board. We now have Grant and Rodwell as well as Joan Butts for those of you wishing to play two over one.

Come to our next **Watch, Chat and Learn** DVD session at 7pm on Tuesday 23 July to explore **Doubling and Defence against Doubled Contracts**. Just bring a bottle of wine or some nibbles and enjoy the evening.

♠ 875	Dealer S
♥ QJ42	Both Vul
♦ AJ2	4H by S
♣ 632	
♠ 92	
♥ AK1098	
♦ K103	
♣ AKJ	

This month's problem is from Dorothy Truscott's **Winning Declarer Play** (which you can borrow from our library)

### Cherchez La Femme

Opening lead – KS, AS and a spade to E's QS which you ruff. Cash two rounds of trumps – all follow. What is your plan with both minor suit queens missing?

	S	W	N	E
1H		Pass	2H	Pass
4H		Pass	Pass	Pass

**Solution** Play the AC, KC and lead the JC. Whoever wins will have to lead a D or give you a ruff and discard. No guesswork involved. This is known as an elimination play.

*Happy Bridging  
Loraine*

21 pairs played in the **Australia Wide Novice Pairs** competition at the Club on Sunday 26 May. Under 50 masterpoint players competed in one section and 50 - 100 masterpoint players competed in a second section. Our club results:

*1st NS under 50mps* Jan Flanigan & Judy Wallace  
*1st EW under 50mps* Heather Todd & John Todd

*1st NS under 100mps* Andrew Sharp & Susan Sharp  
*1st EW under 100mps* Peter Allingham & Peter Taylor

When all results are combined with the 1433 Novice (<100mps) players throughout Australia we are delighted to have two pairs in the top 100. 67th Harriet Posner & Howard Posner (each having 1mp) and who were 2nd NS in our under 50mps at KBC and 70th Jan Flanigan & Judy Wallace. Read the information on our notice board explaining how a pair who received a lower percentage at the local club level can rise above other local players when compared with a much larger group of players. Or read the information at: [http://www.australianbridge.com/2015AWNPN\\_scoring.pdf](http://www.australianbridge.com/2015AWNPN_scoring.pdf)



Jan & Judy



Heather & John



Andrew & Susan



Peter A & Peter T



Harriet & Howard

We asked Harriet and Howard to reflect on their first Australia Wide Competition:

*As Anne knows we nearly didn't start as we presumed it was a tournament with an upper limit of 10 to 20 points .... MAX! Luckily the group was split into 50 and below in one section, and 50 and above in the other.*

*Seeing familiar friendly faces from Kenmore in our section helped to allay our fears.....*

*The outcome was off the charts for us.....our lucky day!*

*(.....Howard thinks we should stop playing Bridge and quit while we are ahead!)*

*Many thanks to Graham for teaching us all we know about the game.*

## 500 Club Winners



### April

Karen Smith (\$500), Lily Manlapig/Leanne Nugent (\$100) and Ivy Bunce (\$50)

### May

Fay Jefferson (\$500), Janette Alcorn (\$100) and Sue Young (\$50)



**Therese Tully** was a member of the winning Open Team at the **Barrier Reef**

**Congress** with Richard Ward, Toni Bardon & Yolanda Carter.



**Tim Runtling & Patrick Bugler** won the **Queensland Men's 2019 Pairs Championship**.

In the **QBA Novice Pairs**, **Lyn Lodge & Ruth Hoffensetz** came fourth and in C Grade **Linda & Peter Neil** came second.

The KBC bank details to purchase **coupons** on-line are: BSB 638070 A/c 12394610 Reference: Your name & Coupons

## How to Find Killing Opening Leads



**Andy Hung** returns with a workshop not to be missed!  
So many helpful tips including bidding against a slam.  
Lecture followed by play of relevant hands with supporting handout and hand analysis.

**Date:** Saturday 3 August 9.30 to noon.

**Cost:** \$25 (pay on the day)

**Venue:** Kenmore Uniting Church, 982 Moggill Road

**Booking essential** so we know how many tables to set up.

**Sign up** on the notice board or email [margaretmobbs@bigpond.com](mailto:margaretmobbs@bigpond.com) Phone: 0409 479 436

**Andy Hung** is a professional bridge player and teacher who has represented Australia at both Youth and Open competitions. He has won Australian National titles and is part of the 2019 Australian Open Team competing in the Asia Pacific and World Championships.



## Training Corner

Partnership Development Sessions continue. We have new topics and previous topics are still available. Every Monday afternoon we will offer three tables and we invite you to request other times and topics from the list - Pick'n Mix on Monday mornings, Friday afternoons and Saturday mornings.

I am working on a set called *Mediocre Random Hands* to review basic bidding. If you think this is a good plan please tell me so.

Graham continues to conduct his mini lessons on Tuesday mornings and we plan to develop sessions in conjunction with his talks.

Hopefully you are looking forward to participating in upcoming Novice competitions. We will do a handout and maybe a session if there is enough interest in the difference between playing in pairs and teams. We can also offer help with completing the required systems card for your partnership.

16 of us would like to thank Craig Francis for conducting and writing all the material for the session on Lebonsohl over 1NT - an effective new strategy in our play.



*Celebrate Partners*  
Margaret

## Beginner Classes



Inspire your friends to join the world of bridge. New Beginners' Classes commence on Tuesday mornings 9th July with Graham Rusher and Wednesday evenings 10th July with Anne Russell. Pick up a flyer at the Club or go to the KBC website Lessons tab: <http://kenmore.bridgeaustralia.org/lessons.asp>

## Upcoming AGM



Be included and nominate to be on the Committee.

Please come to have a say in the future of your Club. And, by the way, we need your attendance to have a quorum.

Vote for your committee and for an amended Constitution to take us into the new decade of the roaring twenties.

**Date:** Tuesday 27 August **Time:** 7pm

**Venue:** KBC

**After business stay for "fun bridge" with prizes and no table fees.**



**Italian Lunch** will be served in the comfort of Sue and Phil Young's home. Sue is preparing an amazing meal for us to enjoy. Invite your friends to meet your bridge-playing mates and to enjoy a peaceful social afternoon of scintillating conversation (with no bridge!!) --- and you can buy a glass of wine!



Sue will have a room of *Trash 'n' Treasure* you can purchase as personal treasures.

**Time & Date:** 12 noon Sunday 7 July

**Book now:** [sue@theyoungs.com.au](mailto:sue@theyoungs.com.au)

**Pay:** \$50 pp to the KBC Bank Facilities account:

BSB: 638260 A/c No: 12394610

**Reference:** Your name & Lunch

Collect a flyer at the Club

Sue is generously donating all income to the Club





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## Upcoming Events

### June

Sat 22 NWP @ KBC  
Sun 23 Cleveland Bay Pairs  
Sun 30 Noosa Teams  
Sun 30 Toowong Pairs Open & <150mps  
July

Sat 6 NWP @ KBC  
Sun 7 QBA Graded Teams @ QCBC  
Sat 13 QBA Teams of 3 <50 @ QCBC  
Sun 14 Redland Novice & Restricted Pairs  
Sat 20 NWP @ KBC  
Sat 20 Moreton Bribie Pairs  
Sun 21 Moreton Bribie Teams  
Sat 20 Surfers Paradise Pairs  
Sun 21 Surfers Paradise Teams  
Sat 27 Maryborough Pairs  
Sun 28 Maryborough Teams  
Sun 28 Kenmore GNOT Heat (KBC members only)

### August

Sat 3 NWP @ KBC  
Sat 3 Sunnybank Pairs  
Sun 4 Sunnybank Teams  
Sun 4 Sunshine Coast Teams  
Sun 4 Toowoomba Novice Teams  
Sun 11 Northern Suburbs Pairs  
Wed 14 1pm Ekka Pairs @ KBC  
Sun 18 TBIB Trophy Rookie & Novice Teams  
<100mps KBC members only @ KBC club  
Sun 18 Redcliffe Pairs  
Sat-Sun 24-25 QBA Open Teams @ Toowong  
Sun 25 Cleveland Bay Teams  
Sun 25 Noosa Novice Pairs  
Tues 27 KBC Annual General Meeting 7pm  
Thur 29 Australia Wide Open Pairs @ KBC

### Remarkable Thursday Nights

Come and join us .. 6.30 for 6.45 start  
Why????? Why not????  
We enjoy playing bridge  
with friends and always  
leave by 10pm.



## Directors' Plea

Please **make it a habit to record your contracts** after every hand. Each session the computer identifies possible incorrectly recorded contracts. The players are asked for confirmation of the scoring. If you have not recorded your contracts you may well be disadvantaged as there is no proof of your correct contract.

**When you are on opening lead your first priority after the auction** is to make the opening lead. This should be done **before** entering the contract into the Bridgemate or writing on your personal scoring sheet. The same applies to Dummy - as soon as the opening lead is made, spread your hand before doing anything else.



## Welcome

### New Members

Lynda Andrews  
Toni Butel  
Stewart Butel  
Leon Carrall  
Robyn Clubb  
Kiran Dutt  
Ian Hutcheson  
Debbie Manche  
Lisa McConkey  
Karin Power



### Vale Marion O'Malley

Marion loved playing bridge and insisted on playing in our January Congress. She was always willing to come to the club as members were able to drive her. We enjoyed her company and bridge playing skills. Marion's charm and elegance are missed by us all.

Her granddaughter remembers: *When my mind takes me to Gram, it instantly goes to the finer things in life. I see well designed garments, full of vibrancy, class and attention to detail.*

## To be or GNOT to be!! Great Novel Opportunity for Teams



Our KBC GNOT heat will be held on **Sunday 28 July** at KBC. Come to enjoy a day of bridge at the club and play in a team with your bridge partners. Finish the day with wine and cheese.

This is a great opportunity to win some gold masterpoints.

All players must be KBC members.

Entry forms available at the Club or email: info@kenmore.bridgeaustralia.org

## TBIB KBC Novice Teams Championship

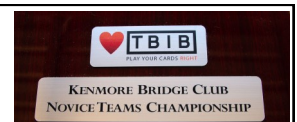
Our **TBIB teams** competition for KBC Novices (<100mps) will be held on **Sunday 18 August** at the club.

Just 12 teams can be accommodated so register early.

Only KBC members may enter this competition.

Entry forms available at the Club or email: info@kenmore.bridgeaustralia.org

With under 50 mps practice for this event on Saturday afternoon 13th July at QCBC in the QBA Teams of 3 event.



## Australian Wide Open Pairs

In the comfort of your own club, pit your bridge skills against thousands of other Australian bridge players on **Thursday evening 29th August - commencing 6.45.**

There will be a sign up so the director can set the session ready for your arrival.

**Contributions Welcome ....** Please email or deliver your contributions to the Newsletter Editor Jenny Iliescu j\_iliescu@hotmail.com for the next **Kenmore Gum Leaf**