



Kenmore Gum Leaf

President's Message Anne Russell

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Welcome to our new Committee Members - Diane McClintock who is taking over Membership and Masterpoints from Bill Szumidlo; Pam Usher has also become a member of the Facilities Committee; and Gillie Kinsella is taking over the Library from Andrew Sharp.

Last month we had a busy week carting tables and all the extras to and from the library twice within a few days. Following the **Novice Congress**, players consistently remarked on the excellent organisation and ambience of the event. Thank you to Mick Fawcett for efficiently convening the event and effectively caddying on the day and Suz Cheney for organising the raffle. Jan Peach's considerate directing settled the nerves of the players. A few days later, **Ron Klinger** provided a valuable **workshop** to inspire deeper thinking as we play the cards - thank you Andrew Sharp for organising this event. Both events would not have been successful without the support of those who moved furniture, provided delicious food and staffed the kitchen: Peter Allingham, Frank Dyer, Mick Fawcett, Pat Fennell, Bruce Finlayson, Lindy Fogg, Wendy Gay, Bonnie Goodridge, Phil Goodridge, Jenny Ilescu, Ann McMaster, Patrick McMaster, Margaret Mobbs, Andrew Sharp, Susan Sharp and Anne Watson all provided their time to enable these events to operate.

High Tea at Jan Flanigan's Coucals Garden was a success in spite of the 37 degree heat. The wisteria covered veranda and Eugene Spatny's music provided the perfect ambience. 62 people attended and raised almost \$1,400. Sweet wee cakes, slices and scones arrived in abundance and much needed volunteers on the day



were: Jan Flanigan (all day), Lile Williams, Pat Fennell (both of whom stayed on in the afternoon when there were too few volunteers), Suz Cheney, Bonnie Goodridge, Jean McGuinness, Ros Lever, and Kerry Ross.

The IGA and The Pullenvale Marketplace are sponsoring Kenmore Bridge Club to run a **sausage sizzle** at a community promotions morning on Saturday 21st October. I hope many of you will go and visit this new shopping area to see what it has to offer - and have a sausage whilst you are there.

Kenmore Bridge Club is delighted to be a community partner with the **Moggill Creek Catchment Group Photography Competition**. *People Enjoying their Catchment Area* is a theme which mirrors the spirit of our not-for-profit club whose more than 400 local community members, of all ages, enjoy a friendly environment where lives and activities are shared and active minds flourish.

We entered the **Australian Bridge Federation's Australia Wide Open Pairs** with 20 pairs at KBC. Across Australia, over 750 tables submitted for each board, and over 22,000 boards were played overall by 1603 pairs. KBC has two pairs in the final 100 - 39th Bill Szumidlo & Geoff Longshaw, and, 45th Susan Sharp & Andrew Sharp. Well done.

I am sad to report the death of two Club members. Ingrid Pritchard was a regular player up until her final couple of weeks



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and attended the Melbourne Cup and Christmas gatherings always exuding goodwill and joy of life. Joceyln's husband, Ken MacKenzie died after some years in care... He played with us as long as he could, accompanied by an oxygen tank ... I recall he always set the cards ready for the EW players, enabling easy withdrawal from the card holder ... he was a real gentleman.

Play bridge and be healthy and wise.

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500 Club

The first four monthly draws have now been completed, the winners being:

#75 Caroline Pickering
#76 Therese Knauer
#01 Wendy Crombie

#09 Julie Stockley
#23 Beatrice Dyer-Von Wagenhoff
#68 Nola Croucher

#29 Kathryn Kelly
#81 Graham Rusher
#68 Nola Croucher



#42 Barry Johnson
#95 Sue Ploughman
#39 Barbara Bedwell

The next draw will be Friday 10 November



Susie Thomson has handmade wonderful card holders - a great Christmas present!!!



Jill Dunning brought fresh and growing organic herbs and plants for sale and so added \$100 to the fundraising effort.



Players practise being 'defensive' at Ron Klinger's workshop



KBC Library Gillie Kinsella has agreed to take over the management of the club library. As well as continuing with the present borrowing method of contacting the duty library assistant (see daily schedule) with a request from the website book list, the library will now also be open for inspection and borrowing for half an hour before each bridge session. When borrowing your book a gold coin would be so appreciated as it will go towards the purchase of new books. The return book box is situated beside the cupboard where the biscuits/coffee are kept. Book donations and suggestions on how to improve the enjoyment and use of your library are always very welcome. Gillian Kinsella <gillian_kinsella@y7mail.com>



Andy Hung returns with more "Improving your Bridge" classes ...

Andy will be conducting another round of Monday lessons 23 Oct & 6th & 20th Nov

Rookies (10am - 12.15pm) - Strategies for dealing with opponents' bidding (takeout doubles) and declarer play including establishing a side suit for extra tricks.

Improving players (1pm-3.30pm) Improve your constructive bidding to show strength without jumping to slam and perfect defence signaling.

Lessons are \$15 per player. Come with or without a partner. Registration essential.

Sign up at the Club or contact Andrew Sharp sharp.as@gmail.com

Sausage Sizzle morning on Saturday 21st October - bring your family along to a morning of fun activities at Pullenvale Marketplace.

The IGA and The Pullenvale Marketplace have offered facilities for a sausage sizzle. IGA is providing all the sausages and bread plus gas BBQ free of charge.



Things are taking shape for the Kenmore Bridge Club Fundraising *Trivia Night*. Supper will be served and wine, beer, non-alcoholic punch & water will be available from the bar.

Cost: \$25 per person includes supper. Payable at the club or on the night at your table.

Where: Bundaleer Rainforest Gardens 59 Bundaleer Street Brookfield

When: Friday 10 November 2017.... 6.30 mingling for a 7pm start till 10.00 pm

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

Donations: We welcome any donations/prizes for the raffles, lucky door etc.

Anyone willing to help? Please see Suz Cheney, Margaret Mobbs or Leanne.

Transport: With 200 + people attending we are asking participants to please rideshare where feasible.

More information???? Contact Leanne Nugent - phone 0409 588 123 or gitanalea@yahoo.com



Rookie Congress

On 10th September, twenty-eight eager pairs arrived at the Kenmore library meeting rooms in time for an early start, some players coming from as far as the Sunshine Coast in the north and Toowoomba in the west, although 50% of the players who entered were from our own Kenmore Bridge Club.



Some partnerships were arranged by the new QBA Novice Coordinators, Chris and Shelley Farr, who are setting up a novice congress partnership scheme. They can be contacted at novicecoordinator@qldbridge.com if a player wants to receive emails regarding any future novice congresses.

The event was directed by the wonderful Jan Peach who was able to settle the players' nerves quickly and kindly, getting play off to a good start.

Even though the event was for players under 50 masterpoints, it was fantastic to see a range of ranks with Nil Masters, Graduate Masters, and Club Masters making up over a third of the field. Therefore, it was decided to add a C category prize in order to encourage the newer players to enter future congresses.

The overall and clear winners by almost 4% were Kenmore players Keith Cohen & John Kelly with Kenmore players Susan Sharp & Andrew Sharp in second place. Kenmore also featured in fourth place with Bruce Gough & David Whybird and fifth with Judy Wallace & Ian Cameron, which was a first time partnership.

Well done to all!

All in all it was a wonderful day for the rookies and novice players attending. A BIG thank you to all involved, especially those Kenmore players behind the scenes, who helped throughout the day to set up the room, man the kitchen, and clear away afterwards. This friendly community spirit makes Kenmore Bridge Club one of the top bridge clubs.

Keith Cohen and John Kelly (above) Susan Sharp and Andrew Sharp (right)



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Your New Committee

President: Anne Russell
Vice President: Mick Fawcett
Secretary: Pat Fennell
Treasurer: Kathy Males
Membership: Diane McClintock
Committee: Suz Cheney
Gillie Kinsella
Graham Rusher
Andrew Sharp
Pam Usher
Bruce Williams

Melbourne Cup at KBC



Tuesday 7 Nov
Enter the sweep with Graham and Bill

Most interesting hats might win prizes
9.45 for 10.00 red point bridge
Bring a plate of food to share for lunch
BYO alcohol if you wish
Watch the race & collect your winnings!!!

Upcoming Events

Sat 28 Oct Sunshine Coast Graded Teams
Sun 29 Oct QCBC Pairs & Novice Teams
Sat 4 Nov NWP @ KBC
Sun 5 Nov KBC Teams Championship
Tues 7 Nov Melb Cup @ KBC
Sun 12 Nov QBA Senior Pairs @ Gold Coast BC
Sun 12 Nov QBA Novice Pairs @ Sunshine Coast
Sun 12 Nov Toowoomba Swiss Pairs
Sat 18 Nov NWP @ KBC
Sun 19 Nov Gold Coast Teams
Sun 19 Nov Noosa Imp Pairs
Thu 23 Nov Qld Wide Pairs @ KBC
Sun 26 Nov Toowong Graded Teams
Sat 2 Dec Christmas Lunch & NWP Bridge @ KBC
(places limited - sign-up at The Club for this day)
Sun 3 Dec Redland Graded Teams
Sun 10 Dec Teams of 3 @ Northern Suburbs
Sat 16 Dec NWP @ KBC
Sun 17 Dec QBA Individual
Sat 6 Jan NWP @ KBC
Sun 7 Jan Gold Coast Teams
10-21 Summer Festival of Bridge in Canberra
Sun 14 Jan QCBC Open & Novice Imp Pairs
Sat 21 Jan NWP @ KBC
Sun 21 Jan Northern Suburbs Teams



Vale Ingrid Pritchard
We miss you

Welcome to our new members

Catherine Aboud	Gay McKay
Carol Barnes	Dee Mets
Jan Cornfoot	Sonja Morgan
Debbie Esson	Lyn O'Callaghan
Ibby Flynn	Bob Smith
Linda Gough	Ellie Sutherland
Ros Handy	Sharon Vassallo
Jenni Hansen	Sue Veitch
Douglas Johnstone	John Whittington
Laurence Levy	Lesley Yeates



Come join us for our **Christmas Party**

Saturday 2 December 11am

\$10 & table fees (extra \$1 as it is a Nationwide Pairs event)

Don't bring a thing (except BYO alcohol)

Chicken & salad lunch will be arranged by the club.

Followed with red point bridge at 1pm.

Sign-up early as space is limited to 64 players (of our 438 members).

Interclub Teams Championship

Please nominate with your partner to represent KBC for the Interclub Trophy on Sunday 19 November to be held at BBC... **we need ALL masterpoint levels.** Forms at Club. Team selection criteria will be based on recognition of contribution to our bridge club, recent results, with preference given to home club members.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW IN ANTICIPATION

Sat 27 Jan OUR Kenmore Pairs Congress

Sun 28 Jan OUR Kenmore Teams Congress



16 - 24 Feb Plan to attend the Gold Coast Congress

Brisbane City Council have notified us Parking is not permitted on the Brookfield Road pathway and grass verge along the fence line (from Branton Street – right to the end of the Men's Shed site).

It is becoming a safety issue with people having to walk on the road to gain access to the site.