



# Kenmore Gum Leaf

## President's Message Anne Russell

Thank you to Leslie, Margaret and Mel for directing and keeping the club running while Tim, Graham, Richard and I played and worked at the Gold Coast Congress. The GCC saw a number of KBC successes with Arvind and Geeta Bhasin winning the two Rookie events. Rick Webster with Robert Olander won the 0-50 master point event and Chris Williams playing with Gordon Plant came second. Unis Suliman, Peter Taylor, Steven Parkes and Allan Byrnes won the Novice teams event - repeating their 2016 success. KBC was well represented at the GCC. 58 KBC home members played in the 0-50mp and Rookies events. Many more Kenmore players also attended the event. Most importantly, Theresa Tully was the Convenor with Tim Runting preparing to take on this role from 2019. 2,500 players from all over the world attended the eight day event and they consistently report that this is the best run tournament in the world. Talk with your colleagues who attended and plan for next year: Friday 16 - Saturday 24 February, 2018.

This last weekend saw Kathy and Warren Males, Jenny Iliescu and Leanne Nugent representing KBC with a convincing win at the Redlands Novice Teams event.

In one non-red point week (27 Feb - 4 March) we provided bridge playing and supervision for 389 players @ 4hrs per person = 1776 hours plus 30 beginners @ 3hrs per person = 90 hours. A total of 1866 hours of community service!! 400 players joined us again the following week.

On Thursday 2 March when there were 11 full tables for the morning session, I did an analysis of the 44 players in that session. There were just four players (2 pairs) with more than 100 masterpoints each. Interestingly one of these pairs came third to a pair with masterpoints of 13 & 75 (1<sup>st</sup>) and 14 & 8 (2<sup>nd</sup>). Of the 44 players: 4 = over 100 mp; 3 = 50-100 mp; 37 = under 50 mp.

Saturday 4 March was a Nationwide Pairs competition. With 13 full tables we were set to run with 39 boards, however, 8 people arrived at 12.50. As we did not have a second set of NWP boards, 20 volunteers went to the 'Executive Suite' and did not participate in the NWP competition. Margaret Mobbs set up that room and directed a 5 table (20 players) Mitchell session. Jane Dale arrived without a partner and offered to go home. While I could have had an extra half table, I was pleased to let her go home. Just as well, as the computer provided a

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challenge for me throughout the afternoon. Jane received a free game on her next visit. I have asked the dealers to deal an extra set of NWP boards in the future.

Andrew Sharp, Suz Cheney, Margaret Mobbs and I have been grappling our way through the challenges of providing you with options regarding the building of a new Clubhouse. We look forward to your input at the members' information evening to garner your support regarding a future Clubhouse. You have received an email inviting you to this special meeting and I am excited to see a meeting of members where we do not need to limit the numbers and we can have productive discussions as we look to the future of the Club.

As we move towards the building of a new clubhouse we also need to be forward thinking and consider our conceptions of all that Kenmore Bridge Club provides for the community. As a club we are unique in entertaining up to 50 people in our premises for an average of eight hours per day six days each week. With a new clubhouse we can offer more than 'just' a space where people play bridge. We can provide a community facility for those living in the Western Suburbs, where all people, young and old, have the opportunity to participate in a friendly, inclusive, and welcoming environment.

Thank you all for your part in keeping KBC vibrant and an exciting place to visit.

Anne

## Sponsors --- Rally your family and friends



*The Kenmore Bridge Club and TBIB - Insurance Brokers to the ABF and it's members - have entered into an agreement whereby TBIB will remit sponsorship funds to the club every time one of our members - or their family and friends - uses TBIB to arrange their domestic or commercial insurance. This applies to Motor Vehicle Cover, Home and Contents, Caravans and Boats, Commercial Property and Landlords cover and Business, Liability and Professional Indemnity insurance and anything else you want to throw at them. This arrangement won't include the ABF Travel Insurance as TBIB already provides substantial financial support to the Bridge Community in this respect.*

*Please don't forget the ABF Members' Multi-trip and Single Trip Insurance. We believe it's the best and most convenient way to ensure that you are adequately covered when you travel.*

*If you are travelling this year, your first priority should be to contact TBIB to make sure your arrangements are in place. Please don't leave it to chance.*

*TBIB have been insuring the ABF and many clubs and members around Australia for some years now and their service and expertise have always been first rate. We are very excited about this arrangement with TBIB and what it could mean for our club if we really give this a go.*

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## The 2017/18 Entertainment Book

Order your NEW 2017 | 2018 Entertainment™ Book or Entertainment™ Digital Membership now and you'll have 14 months of use and the club will receive 20% of the purchase price. Browse the sample book and see where you can save.

Please purchase via the link on the KBC web page or contact Susan Sharp. Her contact details are on the posters. She strongly recommends the digital membership accessed through your phone as it can also be linked to other family member's phones. More users – more savings!

## Café Fiori in the Kenmore Village Shopping Centre

The new owners of Fiori Café are offering to donate to KBC, 10% of any purchases we make. They also have offered to cater for any function we might have and even open the café at night should we wish to run a special event. Show your KBC card or name badge when you order.

## Yee and Turner Travel Associates

Yee & Turner Travel Associates is a boutique style travel agency service, designed to cater for the frequent and more discerning traveller in search of new experiences or the ultimate in luxury holidays. They offer exclusive packages, escorted and special interest tours, luxury cruises and holidays with a difference.

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**Mackwoods**  
Fine Tea

With Mother's Day around the corner, consider purchasing a special boxed package of quality teas (loose leaf or teabags). Black tea, green tea, herbal infusions, tropical blends, ginger.... Such an interesting variety. Great gift idea for any occasion.



## Gold Coast Congress

You could well be in some of the photos taken at the Congress. These are on GCC website - Photos <http://www.qldbridge.com/gcc/gccPhotos.php>

Please email Anne giving the day/date and the number located at the bottom right of the screen e.g. 5/43 [Anne@RussellSynergies.com.au](mailto:Anne@RussellSynergies.com.au) Anne is happy to email you a copy.



Bruce Finlayson and Suz Cheney celebrated their decadent birthdays this month.

Kathy Males, Jenny Iliescu, Warren Males and Leanne Nugent posing after their win in the Novice Teams event at Redlands Bridge Club.



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## Dealing with a Misfit

We're very lucky to have **David Beauchamp** conducting a workshop  
**7.00 to 9.00pm on Tuesday 16th May**  
at the Kenmore Library meeting rooms.

For those of you who've had the pleasure of being a part of any of David's workshops, you'll know that he is both an entertaining bridge presenter and practitioner, who'll leave a smile on your face and thoughts to ponder.



He will offer advice on "**How to Develop an Auction with a Misfit**" complete with lecture notes, hands to play and notes. We all know the anxious moments of a misfit, so his presentation will be helpful to improvers and intermediate level players.

The cost will be \$25 per head, which includes drinks and nibbles.

**Sign up is essential** so we know the number of tables we must take to the library. The sign-up sheet is on the noticeboard in the middle room or contact Andrew Sharp if you want further information. Come with or without a partner. The workshop is open to all clubs, so if you know of any others who may be interested, please remember to make them aware.

## Australia-Wide Novice competition at KBC

Register with your partner to play at our club against players across Australia in this ABF Novice event on **Monday afternoon 29 May**. Sign up on the Blue sheet in the middle room. Novices with under 50 master points at 31st March.

## Bridge for Brain Research at KBC

Enter an Open field where you test your mettle against players across Australia at KBC on **Thursday 4 May at the 1pm session** - arrive early to ensure you are seated in time. Only play this event at one Bridge Club.

*Suz raised \$900 with the Easter Raffle*



## Welcome to our New Members

Andre Allavena	Beth McIntosh
Pam Ditchfield	Toni Redhead
Alice Flanagan	Maura Reilly
Louise Greenfield	Rosemary Sambrook
Kay McLennan	Gibson
Virginia McPhun	Sandy Spies
Gaye Owen	Judy Werner
Lana Politi	Lynn Woodhouse

## Coming Events

Fri 21- Tues 25 Apr Cleveland Bay Diggers Congress

**Sat 22 Apr Nationwide Pairs at KBC**

Tues 25 Apr Anzac Day Teams QCBC

Sat 29 Apr - Mon 1 May QBA Barrier Reef Congress Yeppoon

**Thurs 4 May afternoon Bridge for Brain Research Challenge at KBC (\$10)**

**Sat 6 May Nationwide Pairs at KBC**

Sat 6 - Sun 7 May Hervey Bay Pairs & Teams

Sat 13 May Surfers Teams

**Tues 16 May David Beauchamp**

**Sat 20 May Nationwide Pairs at KBC**

Sat 20 May QBA Mixed Pairs - Toowong

Sat 20 May Stanthorpe Pairs

Sun 21 May Novice Pairs Toowong

Sat 27 May QBA ANC Participants Day

Sun 28 May BBC Graded Pairs

**Mon 29 May Australia-Wide Novice Pairs KBC**

**Sat 3 Jun Nationwide Pairs at KBC**

Sat 3 - Sun 4 Jun Arana Pairs & Teams

Sun 4 Jun Darling Downs Novice Pairs

Sun 11 Jun QBA Graded Teams QCBC

**Sat 17 Jun Nationwide Pairs at KBC**

Sat 17 - Sun 18 Jun Gold Coast Pairs & Teams

Sat 17 - Sun 18 Jun Sunshine Coast Pairs & Teams

Sat 24 - Sun 25 Jun Moreton Bribie Pairs & Teams

Sun 25 Jun Toowong Pairs & <150mp

Sun 25 Jun Cleveland Bay Graded Pairs

**Winter Red Point Sessions at KBC**

Mon 5 Jun Evening session

Wed 7 Jun Afternoon session

Frid 9 Jun Morning session

Tues 13 Jun Afternoon session

Thurs 15 Jun Afternoon session