



Kenmore Gum Leaf

President's Message

Our interactions with the community recently have been significant. At Pullenvale Market Place, IGA partnered with KBC to provide a **sausage sizzle on a drizzly Saturday morning**. We certainly warmed up the environment and gave the local shoppers the opportunity to stop for a game of bridge.

The Trivia Night, Melbourne Cup and Christmas Party events were well attended and provided rich social interactions beyond the normal daily bridge session exchanges. We provide an enormously valuable community club environment for people from all walks of life to socialise.

It was wonderful to have KBC's youngest, 15 year old Lucas Bouwman, and oldest, 95 year old Keith Archos, both attend the Christmas lunch. Sue Young's scrumptious signature Rum Balls and Christmas Cake provided a fitting culinary desert.

Leanne Nugent is to be congratulated for organising and managing the **Trivia Night extravaganza** for 200 members and friends. Bundaleer Rainforest Gardens was a perfect venue. Our Club member, Ian Ogle, provided the questions and was the Quizmaster with assistance from his wife Helen and Beryl Wilson's grandson Will Metcher. The event continues to play in the minds of members as Margaret Mobbs has spent countless hours creating a Movie which is available and will continue to raise money for the Club.

Congratulations to the four teams who represented Kenmore Bridge Club in the **Queensland Bridge Association's Interclub Competition**, and brought home the inaugural Marion Cooke Trophy. This trophy remembers the enormous contribution Marion Cooke gave to bridge in Queensland and beyond. Marion was a representative player, tournament organiser and tireless worker in the bridge world and, in particular, for the Brisbane Zone. The Cooke legacy is carried on by her daughter Kim Ellaway who, likewise, gives so much to Queensland Bridge Clubs.

Your directors, Margaret Mobbs, Mel Gilmour, Sue Noble and Richard Wallis, have offered to open the Club over the Christmas break, when, in previous years, we closed our doors. Margaret surveyed members to identify numbers of potential players who would like to play for each session. Open bridge session times for the Christmas period are listed on the KBC Website. Bring your friends along.

KBC is well represented beyond Kenmore in both Open and Novice competitions at numerous bridge clubs and KBC members' names regularly appear among the winners.

Tony Bemrose Insurance Brokers (TBIB) continue to support our club with a substantial donation and financial support for publishing our Membership Booklet. TBIB is

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providing a Perpetual Trophy for a new **KBC Members Novice Teams Competition** which will be held on 19 August next year. How exciting is that?

John Bosci, as our Grant applications member, applied for a grant with The Brisbane City Council. The successful submission granted KBC \$180 as a **Seniors Celebration Donation** "to show appreciation for the valuable contribution Brisbane's senior residents make to our city." This money will be used to purchase new books for our bridge library.

Youth members (under 25) join ABF and KBC with no charge. There are opportunities for these members to play bridge for Queensland and even Australia!! We know bridge players are inspiring and you have the chance to arouse interest with friends and family to play bridge from an early age. If you know any youth or other people who are unemployed and interested in being rejuvenated with a new and exciting way to keep their mind active, please encourage them to consider learning to play bridge. Beginner classes at KBC commence on Tuesday mornings 6th February or Wednesday evenings 7th February. Lessons are free – cost of resources is \$40. Now there is a perfect Christmas present!

Let 2018 see us flying high with a new facility on the horizon.

Best wishes for a joyful, restful and healthy Christmas.

Anne Russell

News Flash

Andy Hung will hold a special session on Competitive Bidding for Congresses. Saturday morning 3 February. Information on time and place to come in January

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Kenmore Bridge Club Teams Championship November 2017

Ten teams of KBC members participated in the annual day long competition to become the Champion Team. Geoff Longshaw, Keith McDonald, Graham Rusher and Bill Szumidlo defended their title after winning the inaugural competition last year.

Trevor Strickland directed for the day with much good humour and grace. He donated his director's fee to *Médecins Sans Frontières*.



The KBC library has now been re-catalogued by subject. This is to make it easier for members to choose a book of specific interest.

The Brisbane City Council grant will be used to purchase new books - add titles you want to the list on the Library noticeboard at the Club, or email: gillian_kinsella@y7mail.com

Early next year we will offer a variety of older bridge books for sale. If you have any bridge books you no longer require please contact a library assistant or drop the material into the book return box (located next to the coffee cupboard). All the money raised will go towards new books.

A reminder that the library is always available half an hour before each session.

Gillie Kinsella

Marion Cooke Memorial Trophy Brisbane Zone Interclub Teams won by Kenmore

The teams representing Kenmore Bridge Club in the Interclub competition were: -

Open grade – Graham Rusher, Keith McDonald, Tim Runting and Craig Francis

Grade B – Bill Szumidlo, Geoff Longshaw, Mick Fawcett and Lyn Tracey

Grade C – Andrew Sharp, Susan Sharp, Chris Williams and May Waddell

Grade D – Graeme Seaton, Judy Seaton, Naomi Visscher and Peter Visscher



Nicola Goulding and Kim Ellaway presented the trophy in memory of their mother to Graham Rusher.

Community Interactions



At Pullenvale Marketplace, IGA partnered with KBC to provide sausages and promote bridge to members of the community.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH



BUNDALEER

TRIVIA NIGHT



TRIVIA NIGHT - THE MOVIE

This long awaited movie has finally been released. Take 15 minutes from your busy schedules to sit back, relax and enjoy.

Even if you were not there you will see your friends, the beautiful venue and the antics of the participants.

Instead of charging to view the movie we hope you will appreciate the visual experience and \$ donate \$ a colourful note to the Facilities Fund. The Trivia Movie donation box awaits you at the Club.

Should you have trouble with the link contact Margaret in person or by email: margaretmobbs@bigpond.com

Mobbs Movies would like to thank all the stars of the show and the team who made the night possible.

[Click here for the link to the movie](#) or find it on our KBC home page.

MELBOURNE CUP

Loraine King selected the best headwear... Heather and David Douglas and Christine Williams were frontrunners on the day.

Director for the day was Mel Gilmour.



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Youth Bridge (8 to 25 years)

Sunday 17 December 2017

Where: QCBC 67 Ipswich Road,
Woolloongabba Qld 4102
Phone: 3391 3241 Lunch is provided.
Time: 10.15 am - 1.00 pm. For all youths
1.00 pm - 3.00 pm. Additional afternoon
session for the older youths 15 -25 years
(or younger persons who are already
playing bridge). Board games (e.g. Mo-
nopoly, Settlers) are available in the
afternoon for those who remain from the
morning but want to give bridge a break.



QCBC offers Friday night youth bridge
for both experienced players and those
wanting to learn! With coaching by
experts and playing with fellow youths
and dinner included. No bridge partner
required. If interested contact:
Paul Brake: paul.brake95@gmail.com
phone(07) 5570 4261 or 0490 117 482

Upcoming Events

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 Pairs
Sat 20 Jan NWP @ KBC
Sun 21 Jan Northern Suburbs Teams
Sat 27 Jan Kenmore Open & Novice Pairs
Sun 28 Jan Kenmore Open & Novice Teams
Sat 3 Feb NWP @ KBC
Sat 3-Sun 4 Feb QBA Senior Teams (Sunshine Coast)
Sun 4 Feb Toowong Pairs
Sun 4 Feb Toowoomba Novice Pairs
Sun 11 Feb KBC Pairs Championship
Sun 11 Feb Arana Teams
Fri 16-Sat 24 Feb Gold Coast Congress
Sat 10-Sun11 Mar QBA Mixed Teams (Noosa)
Sat 3 Mar NWP @ KBC
Sun 11 Mar Toowong Novice Pairs
Sat 17 Mar NWP @ KBC
Sun 18 Mar Gold Coast Novice Pairs
Sun 25 Mar Sunshine Coast Graded Teams

Christmas opening sessions

Bring your friends to meet your friends.

Friday 22nd December 9:15am
Saturday 23rd December 1:00pm
~~Monday 25th December 6:45pm - CLOSED~~
~~Tuesday 26th December 9:15am supervised - CLOSED~~
Tuesday 26th December 1:00pm
~~Wednesday 27th December 9:15 supervised - CLOSED~~
Wednesday 27th December 1:00pm
~~Wednesday 27th December 7:00pm - CLOSED~~
Thursday 28th December 9:00am
Thursday 28th December 1:00pm
~~Thursday 28th December 7:00pm - CLOSED~~
Friday 29th December 9:15am
Saturday 30th December 1:00pm
~~Monday 1st January 6:45pm - CLOSED~~
All bridge players welcome with or
without a partner.



Welcome to our New Member

Mary-Louise Churchill

*Membership renewal notices are
available at the Club until Saturday
16 December.*

Kenmore Congress at the end of January

Pairs: Saturday 27th **Teams:** Sunday 28th
As usual our Congress will be challenging,
mentally stimulating and, of course, good
fun.

Registrations are filling fast -- do enter
our own event either online or collect an
entry form at the Club.

Margaret Mobbs, Anne Russell and Sue
Noble are organising catering. Providing
food or help on either day will be
appreciated. Sign up in January.

Gold Coast Congress Friday 16th - Saturday 24th February 2018



This Congress caters for every level of bridge player. So grab a
partner for a pairs event or three for a team event and go to the
GCC website to find the Entry Form: www.qldbridge.com/gcc/

Therese Tully and Tim Runting, who provide so much encouragement to our
Kenmore players, are the Convenors of this Congress. Should you need a partner
or further information you may contact Therese (gttully@bigpond.net.au) or Tim
(gccconvenor@qldbridge.com). *Early Bird rates end 5 February.*

2018 KBC Pairs Championship

Have your name on the perpetual
trophy as the Champion Pair for 2018
Sunday 11 February all day event.

Every player must be a member of
KBC (home or away member).

Maximum 20 pairs - red point event.
\$15pp table fee. Sign up at the Club
BYO lunch. Contact Anne Russell



The KBC is zoned by BCC as a
non-smoking environment.
Smoking may be enjoyed
beyond the perimeter fence.

Bridge Lessons for beginners commence Tuesday morning 6th February and
Wednesday evening 7th February. Lessons are free and the cost of the resources is
\$40. A great Christmas present for your friends and family. See the Website for
additional information or take a flyer from the Club.

Contributions Welcome Please email or deliver your contributions to the Newsletter Editor Leanne Nugent
gitanalea@yahoo.com by Monday February 12 for the next **Kenmore Gum Leaf**