



# Kenmore Gum Leaf

## President's Message Graham Rusher

What a wonderful club we have, with the generous spirit of our players in any way they can to make bridge experiences enjoyable. We continue to experience a burst of new players including those who have just completed beginner lessons to those who have heard through friends of friends that we offer a great place for players to play at whatever level suits them.

The generosity of the club is further evident. For the fourth year we have just completed our annual Neuroscience Research Australia (NeuRA) Bridge for Brain Research Challenge (BfBRC) with the raising of \$540 (\$420 raised on the day and supplemented by \$120 by those players who could not attend the event). There has been an increase in the worldwide prevalence of neurodegenerative diseases including Parkinson's and Alzheimer's disease, and psychiatric conditions including schizophrenia. These illnesses have been placed at the front edge of neuroscience research and our club, and indeed the whole Bridge community, is pleased to play its part in supporting this research.

Many thanks to our wonderful helpers and support for our recent major event. The **QBA Novice Pairs** hosted by KBC at the Northern Suburbs BC on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> April. Original plans were for sharing space at the Kenmore Library venue, but once numbers exceeded the available area the venue was changed to NSBC. Convenor, Tim Runting, did a fine job organising the event and communicating the change of venue and no players were lost in the process. Special thanks to Anne Russell, Pat Fennell, Barbara Love, Margaret Mobbs and other members for catering and Bruce Finlayson and Mick Fawcett for their assistance in caddying for director Chris Snook. Winners of the 2016 QBA Novice Pairs were KBC members Steven Parkes and Unis Suliman.

With our close association with the wonderful people at the Churches of Christ organisation we were offered

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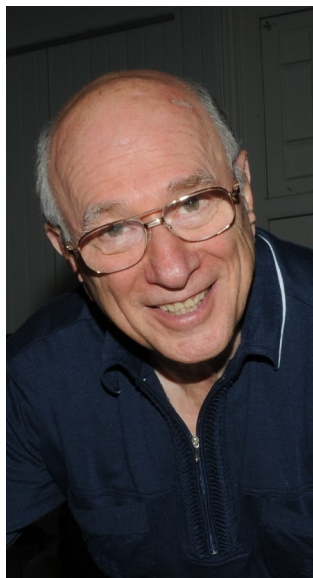
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a number of surplus items, and we thank C of C and Jodie Mears for the donations made. Many thanks go to Bob Fennell and Bill Szumidlo who helped collect and setup the cork boards, white board, clocks, and other items within the club. Members are delighted with the new look of our club.

KBC continues its training program for absolute beginners, supervised play and advancing bridge skills. Celebrity bridge trainers have been engaged to share their expertise with us - see page 2 for details.

Our Development Application to the Brisbane City Council for the establishment of a permanent home for our club at 43 Pullenvale Road continues to be diligently assessed and is taking into account all the support and objections to our application. We are keenly awaiting the outcome of this assessment. Thank you all for your contributions of support and to the tireless efforts of all involved in getting us to this stage.

## Improve your bridge



### Ron Klinger is coming to Kenmore...

Many of you may have already noticed the flyer on the notice board announcing that world renowned bridge expert and teacher, Ron Klinger, will be conducting a workshop on **Winning Tips on Declarer Play** at Kenmore Library, Kenmore Shopping Centre, on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July from 7:00 to 9:00pm. Registration is essential, cost is \$25 per player (payable on the night) and there is no requirement to come with a partner. If you are interested, please add your name to the registration list on the notice board.

### Beginner's Course ...

The next 8 week course will commence:

- Tuesday morning 12 July  
9am for a 9:15am start

Or

- Wednesday evening 13 July 6:45pm  
for a 7pm start.

These lessons are free of charge. Two reference books and other reference material are provided for a cost of \$40.

See KBC website or collect a flyer from the Club for registration information.

### Andy Hung returns with more classes at KBC ...

Andy will be conducting another round of Monday morning lessons for Rookies and Improving players on Monday July 18, 25 and Aug 8, 15. He will follow the well received format of having a week's break in the middle of the program, with formal lesson notes followed by playing a number of hands. Further details will be published on the notice board when they become available, but these lessons are ideal for those wishing to improve their bridge or for those transitioning from supervised play. If there are any specific topics anyone would like to be covered Andrew Sharp would be happy to discuss them with Andy. Lessons are \$15 per player or \$55 for the four week program. Contact Andrew 0411 878 001 or [sharp.as@gmail.com](mailto:sharp.as@gmail.com)



### Do you want the chance to win some GOLD points at Kenmore Bridge Club?

This year, Kenmore Bridge Club will be hosting a **Grand National Open Teams (GNOT)** heat. This competition, for GOLD points, is held at various clubs throughout Australia and teams entering progress from a **Club Heat** to a **Zone Final** and then on to a **National Final**. The Kenmore Bridge Club Heat will be held on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> July in the clubrooms where one team for every four that enter the competition can progress to the zone final at Northern Suburbs Bridge Club, which will be held over the weekend of 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> October. The entry fee for the Heat event (to be advised) includes the entry fee to the Zone and Finals. However, there are some conditions of entry, firstly all players of the team (4 to 6 players) have to be a member, either home or away, of Kenmore Bridge Club. Secondly, each team has to nominate whether it is contending to progress to the Zone Final, before the commencement of the Heat. If not, the team will be playing for the chance to win some GOLD points and **not** progress to the next round. Additionally, if a player is a member of a team that has already qualified to play in the Zone Final representing another Club, that player cannot play in a contending Kenmore team.

With GNOT events held at other clubs throughout the year, this is an exciting competition to enter. More details for the Kenmore Bridge Club Heat will be on the entry form available nearer the time. In the meantime, why not organise your team to be ready for the chance to win some GOLD points and represent Kenmore Bridge Club in the GNOT finals.

## QBA Novice Pairs

This Queensland Bridge Association event was hosted by Kenmore Bridge Club on Sunday 17 April. Many thanks to Northern Suburbs Bridge Club for allowing us to use their spacious venue.



Unis Suliman & Steve Parkes won the event and Chris Snook was the wonderful Director for the day.

Bruce Finlayson, Barbara Love, Pat Fennell and Mick Fawcett provided the food and caddying expertise.



### New Duplicate Session

Every first Wednesday of every month commencing June 1, there will be a concurrent Duplicate session alongside the Supervised session. Both sessions commence at 7pm, please arrive by 6.45pm.

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## Director's Corner - A wise man once said ...

*"Bridge is for fun. You should play the game for no other reason. You should not play bridge to make money, to show how smart you are, to show how stupid your partner is, to prove that you are the greatest teacher since Socrates, to show off the latest fad in bidding or to prove any of the several hundred other things that bridge players are so often trying to prove."*

Charles Goren

## Coming Events

**Sat 21 May Nationwide Pairs (KBC)**  
**Sun 29 May Sun Coast Graded Teams**  
**Sun 29 May Darling Downs Novice Pairs**  
**Mon 30 May Aust Novice Pairs (@KBC)**

**Sat 4 June Nationwide Pairs (KBC)**  
**Sat-Sun 4-5 June Arana Pairs & Teams**  
**Sun 12 June QBA Graded Teams (QCBC)**  
**Thu 16 June Noosa Pairs**

**Sat 18 June Nationwide Pairs (KBC)**  
**Sat-Sun 18-19 June Sun Coast Pairs & Teams**  
**Sat -Sun 18-19 June Gold Coast Graded Pairs & Teams**

**Sun 19 June Toowong Pairs w Rest <150**  
**Sat 25 June - 7 July ANC (in Brisbane)**  
**Sun 26 June BBC Novice Pairs**  
**Sun 26 June Cleveland Graded Pairs**

**Sat 2 July Nationwide Pairs (KBC)**  
**Sun 3 July Lockyer Pairs**  
**Sun 3 July Noosa Teams**  
**Sun 10 July Northern Suburbs Pairs**  
**Sun 10 July Redland Novice Pairs**  
**Sat 16 July Nationwide Pairs (KBC)**  
**Mon 18 & 25 July Andy Hung @KBC**  
**Thu 21 July Ron Klinger @ KBC**  
**Sat-Sun 23-24 July Surfers Paradise Pairs & Teams**  
**Sat-Sun 30-31 July Moreton Bribie Pairs & Teams**  
**Sun 31 July Darling Downs Pairs**

## June Winter Red Point Sessions at KBC

Mon 6 (Night), Wed 8 (Afternoon),  
Fri 10 (Morning),  
Tue 14 (Afternoon), Thu 16 (Afternoon)

## Welcome to our New Members

Elaine Bentley, John Bosci, Lucas Bouwman (ABF Youth Club), Paul Bowker, Jan Ford, Jan Hannagan, Robyn Hawkins, Colleen Jones, Jenny Joseph, Kathryn Kelly, Paul Kennett, Helen Knauer, Sue Lennon, Joan McArthur, Maria Miller, Marilyn Myers, Sue Pegg, June Phillips, Melanie Powell, Joseph Powell, Helen Richardson, Ros Rundle, Annette Rutledge, Kathy Samson, Charlie Webster, Sue Webster, Jennifer Wright, Wendy Wright

## Situations Vacant - Get in early to avoid the stampede

### Librarian

We are fortunate to have available nearly 250 bridge books, kindly donated by Tim Runting, which will form the foundation of the Kenmore Bridge Club library. To make the library function, we are looking for one or two volunteers to manage the lending process. Ideally it would help if anyone interested in this position played at a number of sessions weekly. If you are able to help, please contact Andrew Sharp 0411 878 001 or [sharp.as@gmail.com](mailto:sharp.as@gmail.com)

### Website Update Person

With the constant new events and changes occurring at KBC we are looking for a reliable person to update the KBC website on a regular basis. The task is fairly straight forward and does not require webmaster knowledge. If you have the mind to play bridge, then this is the job for you.

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**Contributions Welcome ....** Please email or deliver your contributions to the Newsletter Editor Leanne Nugentgitanalea@yaho.com by Monday 18th July for the next **Kenmore Gum Leaf**