

President's Message



We continue to provide an important venue for members of our community. This month Joan Branthwaite chose to play bridge at KBC on her 94th birthday. Bridge friends bought biscuits and a cake with candles. On that day Paddy Taylor, Therese's 12 year old grand-nephew, played bridge with Margaret Mobbs. It is a joy to see the diversity of our players sharing a game across the table and across four generations. We have the enthusiasm and capacity to cater for all age groups

The Annual General Meeting was held on 28 August. Draft minutes of the meeting together with the President's and Auditor's Reports are available for Club Members to read in the black folder in the Director's Desk. Thank you Gillie Kinsella and Pam Usher for your time on the committee. Gillie, with a background in Librarianship, effectively organised the library books and culled the collection. Now she has moved away from Kenmore and consequently resigned from the Management Committee. Pam has been a valuable member of the Facilities Committee and will continue in that role while retiring from the Management Committee. Welcome **Sameer Pandya** and your already proactive involvement within the Facilities Committee.

Your Facilities Committee continues to look for new strategies to locate a more appropriate bridge environment. We have become aware there are many clubs and organisations willing to join with us to promote the concept of a Community Hub in the Kenmore area. A space where not only the bridge club is located, but also where other clubs meet and you can gather with friends of all ages. We continue to explore options and interact with representatives of all levels of government and community groups. Pledges will not be called in until such time money is needed in relation to new premises.

Andy Hung's lessons are back (see inside for details). Margaret Mobbs has offered to take on responsibility for **bridge education**, taking over from Andrew Sharp. Andrew, thank you for your dedication to improving the bridge skills of members by organising Andy Hung and other guest educators.

Jenny Iliescu has volunteered to become the **Newsletter editor** after Leanne Nugent has so effectively produced the first 23 issues. Leanne, thank you for providing your valuable contributions.

Thank you to everyone who donated to the **Queensland Drought Appeal** ... KBC contributed \$722.00. Queensland Bridge Clubs combined to raise over \$20,000 – this includes \$2,000 from QBA.

TBIB Novice Kenmore Teams Championship. Tony Bembrose Insurance Brokers donated a Trophy especially for a KBC Novice Teams Event. Thank you to both Graham and Mick for all the time and effort you put into ensuring the day ran smoothly.

The **Kenmore under 50 Masterpoint pairs competition** was held in the Brisbane City Council Library. Thank you Mick Fawcett, Lyn Tracey, Pam Russell, Pam and Tom Usher, David and Heather Douglas, Margaret Mobbs and Gloria Newton for moving furniture

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between venues. During the day Anne Watson, Ros Smith, Christa Steinmuller, Ruth Hoffensetz and Margaret Mobbs effectively kept the catering going.

We have a busy few weeks coming up - on Saturday morning 20 October a **Sausage Sizzle** for the community at Pullenvale MarketPlace. The following Saturday morning, 27th October bring family and friends to a **Jigsaw and Sausage Sizzle** at our club.

The next afternoon – Sunday 28th – we are holding the **Australia-Wide Restricted Pairs** competition at KBC (table fees + \$5.00). The **Queensland Wide Pairs** competition will be played on Friday 23 November at the regular morning session (table fees + \$3.50). Each competition can be played at one club and players receive a booklet with explanation and recommended bidding for every hand.

Register for our **Teams Championship** on Sunday 4th November. Last year we won the **Inter-Club Teams Competition**, help us do it again this year. Further information about these two events inside.

Tuesday 6th November is your opportunity to dress up (or not) and celebrate the **Melbourne Cup**. Please bring a small plate of food to share for lunch. Arrive by 9.30 to register, buy a sweep ticket or two, and be judged for a prize. We play bridge, enjoy lunch together, and then watch the RACE.

The Dealing Machine was serviced and upgraded in Adelaide and set up with the new computer – thanks to Tim Runting and perseverance by Chris Williams. Since March last year Chris and Prue Dick have shared the dealing of cards and delivery of the boards. This job is hugely time consuming and uses a room in Chris's home for dealing and storing of boards. We are enormously grateful to them both for their time, effort and efficiency. Prue has moved to Tasmania and Claire & Clem Vanderloos will assist Chris with the dealing once they return from holidays later in October.

Thank you all for your support of Kenmore Bridge Club and for ensuring it is a congenial environment where partners appreciate each other's game.

Anne Russell

Kenmore Gum Leaf



Prue Dick Farewell Lunch

Prue Dick and her husband, Michael, decided it was time to embark on a life changing adventure by moving to Notley Hills, west of Launceston, Tasmania. By the time you read this article, they will be settling in to their new home.

Chris Williams, one of Prue's bridge partners and friend, organised lunch at a Thai restaurant which was attended by many KBC members. The food was wonderful and we were treated to many speeches from the heart and a special toast to wish Prue the very best wishes for her future. She is a very kind, considerate, hard working person

who always wears a smile. Chris and Prue took on the enormous task of dealing the cards for KBC in March last year.

Prue will be missed by her many friends at the bridge club. However, if you want to meet up with her, she is planning to be at the Gold Coast Congress in February next year and she will be pleased to see you again.

Good luck and all the very best wishes to you Prue from all the members at Kenmore Bridge Club.

Kenmore Bridge Club Rookie and Novice (under 50 masterpoints) Pairs Congress.

Our Rookie and Novice (>50 mp) Pairs Congress was held on Sunday 9th September at the Kenmore Library meeting rooms. There were 28 pairs ranging in rank from Nil Master up to ** Local Master and players came from clubs around Brisbane as well as Toowoomba. The field was split into three prizewinning categories: 'A' (under 50 masterpoints), 'B' (under 25 masterpoints) and 'C' (under 15 masterpoints).

The overall winners were Carolyn North (QCBC) and Jane Whelen (Sunnybank Bridge Club) who soon made their way to table 1 and stayed there for the rest of the day. The top Kenmore pairs were Naomi and Peter Visscher who made a steady climb up the field to finish in second place. 'B' category winners were Wendy Crombie and Janet Warby closely followed by Anne Gardiner and Gloria Newton. 'C' category winners were Graeme and Judy Seaton. A pair from Northern Suburbs Bridge Club, Lynnette Rose (Graduate Master) and Nicola Henderson (Nil Master) are new to the game and this was their first congress. They were ranked in last place and managed to rise to 11th place before finishing in 23rd place which is a very respectable start to their competitive bridge playing.

A special mention and big thank you to our members who helped to set up on Saturday evening, worked in the kitchen through the day, dismantled everything after the congress and set up back at the clubhouse ready for our regular Monday evening session. Our congress ran smoothly and was enjoyed by all.



Peter & Naomi



Wendy & Janet



Anne & Gloria



Judy & Graeme



Julie Jeffries – Director



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

Andy will be conducting another round of Monday lessons 29 October & 5 November

Rookies (10am - noon) - Declarer play - avoid being overruffed & Defensive play - counting tricks for a better outcome.

Improving players (1.00pm-3.00pm) Defensive play - when to cover an honour & Second player play - as defender or declarer.

Lessons are \$20 (\$35 for two sessions when paid on first day) per player.

Come with or without a partner.

Registration essential in middle room or contact Andrew Sharp sharp.as@gmail.com

KBC has been well represented in the wider community

Australia-Wide open Pairs

Geoff Longshaw and Graham Rusher 54th

Novice Category: Heather and David Douglas 43rd and Frank Dyer and John Conoplia 88th

Toowoomba Queens Birthday Swiss Teams Congress

Tim Runting – member of the winning A Grade Team & **Therese Tully** of the Runner up team

Loraine King, Helen Standfast, Helen Clayton & Kathy Males won B Grade

Warren Males, Aijun Yang, Andrew Sharp & Susan Sharp won C Grade

Warren Males & Aijun Yang won the C Grade pairs event on the previous day.

Our **KBC GNOT teams** have credibly represented us in the Zone Finals achieving 14th (Loraine King, Helen Standfast, Kathy Males, Helen Clayton) and 20th (Graham Rusher, Keith McDonald, Bill Szumidlo, Geoff Longshaw) in a field of 44 teams.



TBIB Kenmore Novice Teams Championship



*Directed by
Graham Rusher*



*Geeta Bhasin, Arvind Bhasin, Sue Noble, Rick Webster
(runners-up)*

*Sue Ziegenfuss, Steve Weil (TBIB), Jill Dunning,
Susan Sharp, Andrew Sharp*

Tony Bembrose Insurance Brokers donated a Trophy for a KBC Novice Teams Event. This inaugural competition attracted eight enthusiastic teams on Sunday 19 August. Thank you to Graham Rusher and Mick Fawcett for all the preliminary time and effort you put into ensuring the day ran smoothly. Players are often unaware of the amount of work and knowledge which goes on behind the scenes. At the end of the day Steve Weil from TBIB presented the Trophy to the winning team of Susan Sharp, Andrew Sharp, Jill Dunning and Sue Ziegenfuss. Congratulations to all the teams for a day of challenging play mostly secluded from the swirling wind outside.



*Pam Ditchfield, Merrill Lance, Jan Deitch,
Sandra Conoplia*



*Eliza Hemphill, Jill Rankine, Beatrice
Dyer-Von Wagenhoff, Jackie Tozer*



*Judy Werner, Sandy Spies,
Gloria Newton, Anne Gardiner*



*Warren Males, Ruth Hoffensetz,
David Le Good, John Kelly*



*Therese Knauer, Desley Chadwick,
Judy Seaton, Graeme Seaton*



*Peter Wilce, Jan Flanigan,
Judy Wallace, Fay Wells*



Sausage Sizzle at Pullenvale Marketplace Café 63

8 McCaskill Road and Pullenvale Road on **Saturday 20 October**

This is a fundraiser as well as a bridge awareness event.

Café 63 will provide the sausages, etc. and IGA the BBQ – we supply the person power, play a few hands of bridge, talk with the locals and serve them sausages. Come and bring your family and friends to join Suz Cheney between 8am and 2pm to play a few hands and have a sausage.

Family Jigsaw Morning with sausage sizzle 9.00-1.00

Bring and buy jigsaws at the Club on **Saturday 27 October**

Come with your family, neighbours and friends to piece together works of art.

All ages welcome \$5.00 entry includes communal jigsaw and sausage, tea/coffee/cordial.

If you are coming to bridge in the afternoon, come early for a (\$3.00) sausage before play.

Meanwhile please donate your pre-loved quality puzzles for this exciting event.

Organised by Susan Sharp 0403 127 110



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Upcoming Events

October

Sat 20 NWP @ KBC
Sun 21 BBC Novice Pairs
Sat 27 Surfers Paradise Graded Teams
Sun 28 QCBC Teams & Novice Teams
Sun 28 Aust-Wide Restricted Pairs @ KBC
Mon 29 Andy Hung Lessons

November

Sat 3 NWP @ KBC
Sat-Sun 3-4 Hervey Bay Pairs & Teams
Sat-Sun 3-4 Northern Suburbs Pairs
Sun 4 KBC Teams Championship
Sun 4 Cleveland Bay Pairs
Mon 5 Andy Hung Lessons
Tues 6 Melbourne Cup @ KBC
Sun 11 QBA Senior Pairs—GCC
Sun 11 Sunshine Coast Novice Pairs
Sun 11 Toowoomba Teams
Sat 17 NWP @ KBC
Sun 18 Gold Coast Teams
Sun 18 Noosa Pairs
Fri 23 Qld-wide Pairs @ KBC
Sun 25 Toowong Teams

December

Sat 1 KBC Christmas Lunch
Sun 2 Redland Teams
Sun 9 Teams of 3 @ Northern Suburbs
Sat 15 NWP @ KBC
Sun 16 QBA Individual

Interclub Teams Championship

Please **nominate with your partner** to represent KBC for the Interclub Trophy on Sunday 18 November to be held at BBC... **we need ALL masterpoint levels.** Nomination forms at Club or on KBC website.

Under 10 mps (D grade)
Under 100 mps (C grade)
Under 400 mps (B grade)
Open (A grade)



Team selection criteria will be based on recognition of contribution to our bridge club, recent results, with preference given to home club members.

Kenmore Teams Championship for KBC home/away members.

Register your team to play on **Sunday 4 November** at the Club 9.00 for a 9.30 start \$80 per team - BYO lunch. Entries close 28 October
Enjoy a day of friendly competition. One team will become KBC Champions.

QBA Teams of 3 at Northern Suburbs Bridge Club

Sunday 9 December groups of three play with an expert to hone their game. Under 300 mps divided into three grades. Entries close 5 Dec - see notice board or QBA website.



Melbourne Cup Tuesday 6 November

Arrive by 9.30 to buy your sweeps, to register to play in Super Novice or Open. Prizes for best original attire. Bring a SMALL plate to share for lunch and BYO if you wish. We will play bridge 10.00 till 1.00 with no morning tea... Then lunch and see the race before collecting your winnings.

Welcome to New Members

Vivienne Del Mar
Linda Girle
Chris Guy
Majorie Jackson
John McIvor
Chris Payne
Harriet Posner
Howard Posner
Mark Radley
Denis Stark
Jane Turvey



Come, join us for our Christmas Party

Saturday 1 December 11.00am
"Don't bring a thing!!" (except BYO alcohol)
Chicken and salad lunch will be arranged by the club (\$10.00)
Followed with bridge at 1pm
Sign-up early as space is limited to 64 players (of our 434 members).



KBC January Congress - Pairs and Teams Australia Day Weekend

Mark your 2019 calendar for Sunday & Monday 27 & 28 January.
New venue at Jindalee Bowls Club. Entry forms available soon



Gold Coast Congress Friday 15 to Saturday 23 February 2019

Contributions Welcome Please email or deliver your contributions to the Newsletter Editor Jenny Iliescu j_iliescu@hotmail.com by Monday 11th December for the next **Kenmore Gum Leaf**