



HASTINGS BRIDGE CLUB NEWSLETTER



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IN MEMORY OF

Late last month we learnt of the sad passing of Mary de Lange. Mary had been the subject of a note in a recent newsletter so you will all be aware of her close association with our club. Even though Mary suffered from poor health her friendly and happy spirit was there for us all to see. We all miss Mary.

We have also just learnt of the sudden death of Bill Jamieson while travelling overseas. Bill was an active member of both Hastings and Havelock North clubs. He will be remembered fondly by all that have played with him or against him. He was a gentleman.



FROM THE COMMITTEE

The committee met on Tuesday 9th July with the purpose to review the draft version of the updated constitution required by the changes to the Incorporated Societies Act. Once completed it will be available to members to view before the AGM in November.

The Club has been the recipient of a grant from the Eastern & Central Community Trust to support the operating costs of the clubs.

Congrats!

Congratulations to Judy Chen and Peter Ramsey who won the Monday Championship pairs last month and to Bernie Schroder, the winner of the Wednesday night June ladder.

Junior Championship pairs are currently being played. A second session is being run for the next two weeks and all are welcome. Open and Int. players are not required to play with a junior play for these session in July.



Bridge Under Troubled Water

TARADALE JUNIOR PAIRS

Hastings club members did well in the field of 20 pairs competing at the Taradale junior pairs earlier this month. It was supportive and friendly environment for new players.

2nd Overall: Marianne Wynands and partner



1st Morning session: Chris Burns and Partner



1st Afternoon session: Judy Chen and Sarah Kilmister



HASTING INTERMEDIATE PAIRS

Hastings held an intermediate teams tournament on Saturday 22nd June with 10 teams playing. Again, our Hastings members had success. Thank you to the members that supported on the day either with their time or donations of food and baking.

1st: Sue Whitten, Greg Whitten, Robyn Andersen, Marit Van Rangelrooy



2nd: Kathryn Loughlin, Bernie Schroder, Jenness Clark, Bart Klumpers



Top Junior Team: Chris Burns, Lorraine Burns, Kim Potts, Jo McGowan





THE LEARNER'S CORNER

What is a Yarborough?

During the Taradale junior pairs one player picked up a hand with the highest card being a 10. Not quite a Yarborough, but a new term for many in the room.

A Yarborough is a hand where the highest card dealt is a nine. The term was coined by Charles Anderson-Pelham, 2nd Earl of Yarborough.

The Earl offered £1000 to anyone who achieved a "Yarborough" on the condition they paid him £1 every time they did not succeed!

So, what are the odds of a hand like this being dealt? Around 1 in 1828 – still much better odds than winning lotto!



FROM THE DIRECTOR'S CHAIR

SLOW PLAY

While the Director is expected to have a reasonable knowledge of the rules of the game, the main expectation that players have of the Director is that he/she will keep the room moving in an orderly way.

To enable this, players need to be courteous to each other. No one pair should consistently take more time over their play than others. Common sense needs to prevail. If you are asked by the Director to move on promptly, or to catch up because you have started after everyone else, please don't just think about the director being grumpy, but rather think about your need to show courtesy to other players.

Sometimes you are left waiting for a pair to arrive at your table. Even though you are not the cause of delaying the play of your boards, you still have a responsibility to catch up. Minimum chat and less time spent examining the details on the traveller/tablet will help. Remember that North/South are the hosts at their table. At our club, North has the responsibility to keep an eye on the clock as they can best see it.

