

FROM THE COMMITTEE MEETING 18 MAY 2022

State Veterans Bridge Competition: As mentioned in the last bulletin from our Committee Meeting, our club is hosting the State veterans Competition from 2-5 August.

Attached are the flyers advising of this exciting event and seeking sponsorship from the Nelson Bay Business Community. If you know of anyone who you could approach regarding sponsorship, please do so. You can discuss this with the organisers of the competition who are listed on the flyers. Hard copies of these flyers are available at the club.

Charity Day: The Club's Charity Day is programmed for Monday 6 June. This year we have chosen Hope Cottage as the recipient of our donation. Hopefully the Rev Kesh Govan will be able to attend our session for a brief overview of how Hope Cottage works for the community. As usual, table monies will be the donation, with a top up from the Club. If you wish to donate more than your table monies, you can give your donation to either Kerry Wright or another Committee member, on the day.

Assisting Newer Members: You may be aware that we have a few newer members who rarely (if ever) have attended any of our regular sessions. We also have some new people who are still attending supported play after the initial 6 beginner lessons. In an effort to integrate these people into our friendly club, we are asking for members to volunteer to play an occasional game with a new/beginner player. It is not necessary to play with the new person at every game, but if we can encourage attendance by these people and help integrate them into our club, it would be wonderful. If you are prepared to give some of your time to assist, please advise Judy Parkinson (by email judith.parkinson@bigpondcom or phone 4982 1559) who will have a list of new people ready (and hopefully eager) to accept your offer.

AGM: Yes, it's coming to that time of year again. Our AGM will be held on Wednesday 31 August. The usual notices regarding this will be forwarded in timely fashion.

From the Suggestion Box: Ink marks on tablecloths: Could everyone please be mindful (especially when thinking things through!) not to tap or make marks on the tablecloths with your pens. We try to keep up with the washing, but sometimes we get behind. Thanks so much.

NEW MEMBERS: The Committee welcomed our new member Ailsa Denyer.

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BIG NEWS FOR TOMAREE BRIDGE CLUB!!!

NSW State Veterans Bridge Championship 2022

Tomaree Bridge Club is hosting the State Veterans Bridge competition this year. This is the major NSW State competition for bridge players 70 years and older.

There will be four days of pairs and teams competition played at Horizons Resort from Tuesday 2 August to Friday 5 August 2022.

The program will be as follows:

Tuesday August 2	Afternoon Session Pairs play...tea/coffee snacks on arrival
Wednesday August 3	Morning and afternoon Sessions Pairs play...lunch provided
Thursday August 4	Morning and afternoon Sessions Teams play...lunch provided
Friday August 5	Morning Session Teams play...lunch provided

Many of our visiting bridge players will then travel on to the Coffs Harbour Pairs and Teams events starting on Tuesday 9 August.

Our top NSW National Director, Matthew McManus, will be directing the event.

We anticipate a large number of senior bridge players from around the state will attend. This big state event has previously been run with great success by the Bowral Bridge Club since 2015, but Pairs only. This is the inaugural Teams event.

A *Christmas-in-July* evening is being planned at a local eatery and a list of suggested venues to visit while here will be issued.... your suggestions are most welcome.

We will be seeking sponsorship from the Nelson Bay business community. Such support could be the form of raffle prizes, discount vouchers or cash.

If you know any local businesses who may be willing to support this prestigious bridge event, we can supply you with a promotion/request for sponsorship form.

Let's work together to put Tomaree Bridge Club on the map!

Organisers: Kay Baguley Peta Grice Trish Burningham John McIlrath



Sponsorship Request

Tomaree Bridge Club is hosting the Veterans Bridge Competition this year. This is the major national Australian Bridge Federation competition for bridge players 70 years and older.

We anticipate 100 plus Bridge players from far and wide will descend on Nelson Bay for four to six days in the first week of August 2022.

This is a golden opportunity to showcase the many charms of Port Stephens.

We are seeking support and sponsorship from the Nelson Bay business community. Such support could be in the form of sponsorship prizes for Champion Pairs and Champion Teams.

Of course a donation to our monster raffle would also be much appreciated. For example any of our local produce - wine, craft beer, olives, discount vouchers promoting your business and local attractions would be very welcome.

All sponsors will be acknowledged and thanked for their support. Major sponsors could have naming rights to major prizes.

We thank you and look forward to your support for this event.

Sponsor Name:

Company Name:

Sponsorship/ Donation:

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