

## FROM THE TOMAREE COMMITTEE MEETING 1 DECEMBER 2021

**BEGINNER LESSONS:** Introduction to Bridge lessons will commence Monday 7 February 2022 at 10.00am. This course is for six sessions and participants will be playing cards from the very first session. Lessons will use the Paul Marston system and include all notes. Cost per person will be \$50 including the book, but \$30 if beginners have their own book. Kerry Wright will be the teacher. If you are aware of anyone who may be interested in these classes, please contact Bev Lawler (0417 480 206, [lawlerb@aapt.net.au](mailto:lawlerb@aapt.net.au)). We will also be producing flyers regarding these lessons, so if you are aware of anywhere you can place a flyer, please talk to Bev, John or Kerry to follow up.

**COVID REVIEW:** In line with NSW Government guidelines, it appears that as from 15 December, masks will not be required, nor will QR code check-in, nor proof of vaccination status. However, the committee have decided that masks will be optional and that double vaccination will continue to be required, given the vulnerability of our cohort. Social distancing continues to be encouraged.

**FEE INCREASES:** A Special General Meeting was held on 6 December 2021 to increase annual membership fees to \$30 (from \$25) to cover increases made by both NSWBA and ABF over the past two years. This resolution was successfully passed. The committee also decided to increase table fees as of 1 January 2022 – these will now be \$5 per game for members and \$7 per game for visitors.

**CASHLESS TABLE FEES:** A token system has been proposed to replace daily collection and banking of table monies. We are hopeful this system will be available from 1 January 2022 and further information will be forthcoming when we can confirm this changeover.

**SPORTS COUNCIL:** The Sports Council, who are responsible for the EWFR, have proposed to do some upgrade work including replacing the carpet. We are unaware of the timetable for this work as yet, but will keep you informed as details become available.

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