

# SUNNYBANK BRIDGE CLUB INC.

## NEWSLETTER

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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well 2021 is well under way and your new committee is in place and doing their bit to manage the Club on your behalf.

May I take this opportunity to thank the members for their trust in me to be your President for the twelve months. I would also like to



thank all the 2021 committee members for stepping up and supporting myself and the bridge club. I would like to thank the previous committee members capably led by Ken Clem for their great work over the last two years and in particular 2020 as we all know it was a most unusual and difficult time. I believe your committee did a sterling job to keep things going and getting the club open and back into operation. I know we all love our bridge and social interaction.

I would like to thank Janet Price and Cora Taylor for publishing the newsletter and Sue Holburt who did a wonderful job last year. John Moore's work will be missed and I wish him and Rita all the best for the future.

Wishing everyone happy, cheerful and successful bridge.

Doug Matthew (President)



“If you were me how would you have played that last hand?” “ Under an assumed name.”



Learn from the mistakes of others. You won't live long enough to make them all yourself.



The real test of a bridge player isn't in keeping out of trouble, but in escaping once he's in it.



### DIRECTOR IS CALLED

by John McILRATH

#### Opening Lead Out Of Turn

Opening leads are to be made face down on the table. However – In this example, North is the declarer, but West incorrectly leads a face up card and the **DIRECTOR IS CALLED**.

North should be given five options:

- \*Accept the lead and still be declarer, but dummies hand goes down before the declarer plays to the trick.
- \*Accept the lead and be dummy. ie Declarer's hand goes on the table and the trick continues in normal rotation.
- \*Ask the correct hand to lead a card of the same suit, in which case the card incorrectly led is replaced in the hand.
- \*Ask the correct hand NOT to lead a card of that suit (for as long as they retain the lead), in which case the card incorrectly led is replaced in the hand.
- \*Ask the correct hand to lead any card they wish, in which case the card incorrectly played stays on the table AND all penalty provisions apply.(See Appendix A).

If you have the situation where both defenders lead face up cards at the same time, you should allow the correct player to lead and the other card becomes a penalty card.

You may occasionally see a defender who has played a face down card change this to play an alternative card. This should not be allowed as **illegal information** has now been passed to partner, i.e. a natural second choice of leads.



“Would you care for a friendly game of cards?”  
“No, let's play bridge.”



## BRIDGE LESSONS



The Bridge lessons are up and running again this year after being cancelled week 3 in March 2020 due to Covid-19.

After many years teaching the beginners, Janet Loosmore has retired and Sue Holburt is presenting the current lessons. Approximately 20 people are attending the classes, so hopefully we will see an influx of new players at the bridge table in April.

The next set of lessons will begin 3<sup>rd</sup> August on Tuesday nights. Please tell your friends and family about them.



Ever since I started playing Bridge it became impossible to have any free time.



A bad day at Bridge is still better than cleaning the house.



One advantage of bad bidding is that you get practice at playing atrocious contracts.



## BRIDGE ETIQUETTE

Recently there have been some instances where our etiquette standards have slipped. The following points are a gentle reminder of how we can maximize the enjoyment of bridge for all.

### Before Play:

- \* If you are a walk-in please arrive no later than 30 minutes before commencement.
- \* Players are to arrive 15 minutes before and be seated no later than 10 minutes before start of play.
- \* If you are running late please ring the club.
- \* Please do not pay the \$5.00 playing fee in coins.
- \* If purchasing vouchers please arrive 20 minutes before commencement of play. Please note: vouchers can be paid for by EFT.

### During Play:

- \* Hands are not to be discussed until the end of the round (if time allows).
- \* North shall show the other three players the current and previous results of the hand.
- \* There are to be no verbal or non-verbal comments (this includes high 5's) when the results are shown.
- \* If N/S are discussing a hand when their new E/W opponents arrive please immediately stop the discussion and greet the opponents.

**\* If hands or results are commented on/discussed during the round the club may turn off the Bridgemates' results display.**

### At the end of Play:

- \* Please ensure all rubbish bins are emptied.
- \* All chairs are pushed in.
- \* Please take home your used plastic water bottles or empty and dispose of into the recycling bins.



## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The AGM this year was held on 13<sup>th</sup> February and was attended by 47 members. The meeting lasted for an hour and 15 mins. and 20 members stayed for a free game of Bridge.

Our Committee for this year will be:

**President:** Doug Matthew

**Vice President:** Jane Whelen

**Secretary:** Alice Edwards

**Treasurer:** Jenny Andrews

### General Committee

Nine members were elected, they were: Kenneth Clem, Bernice Cooper, Robyn Chippindall, Sue Holburt, Di Robinson, Janet Price, Col Seed, Cora Taylor & Michele Thorne.



## Almoner's Report

Last year (the year of Covid 19) saw the club closed for approximately 4 months and during that time I phoned as many of our members who I knew lived on their own just to confirm that they were O.K. and thankfully everyone was.

Now into 2021 Michelle Thorne has been in hospital having a knee replacement but it is nice to see that she is back at the club playing bridge again - well done Michelle.

Just recently Ken Robinson has had a nasty fall and is in hospital - We hope that he will recover soon and hopefully back where he belongs (at the "CLUB")

We are sad to hear Tamar Jenkin is leaving us to move to Victoria early June to be closer to her family. She will be sorely missed.

It's good to see Barry Steele back at the club again after his recent hospital stay. It was so fortunate that the club rang to check why he missed two sessions and was able to get the ambulance to him. Please let this be a reminder, if your partner doesn't turn up and lives alone, please check all is well. Jeanette Brine.



## Congratulations Octogenarians!!!

Barry Watters , David Crocker, Graham Wilson, James Lee, Mrinal Barui, Eileen Cooke, Lyn Cleary, Tamar Jenkin, Joan Campbell and Lesley Focks.



## CONGRATULATIONS TO THESE COMPETITIONS WINNERS

Summer Pairs Rnd 1. **Barry Koster & Jeff Conroy.**  
Rnd 2. **Robin Webcke & Alan Currie.** Final  
Summer Pairs – **Robin Webcke & Alan Currie.**  
4<sup>th</sup> March – KISS Trophy –A1. **Jim & Cora  
Taylor,**A2 **Lyn Tracey & Mick Fawcett,** A3 **Narelle  
McIver & Bernadette O'Connell.** B1. **Pam  
Wood & Pam Pratt,** B2. **Betty Johnson & Marg  
Low,** B3. **Ros Purchase & Sandra Knowles.** C1.  
**Kath Seefield & Jill Arkadieff,** C2. **Kerry Pope &  
Allie Hayes,** C3. **Jenny Andrews & Alice Edwards.**



## An interesting and awkward hand to play!

( You don't want to know how we got there, but is sometimes a position that we find ourselves in. )

♠AJ8  
♥K942  
♦752  
♣986

♠KQ6	Dlr:W	♠10973
♥A1073	Vul:Both	♥5
♦QJ96		♦AK103
♣A3		♣QJ74

♠542  
♥QJ86  
♦84  
♣K1052

### Contract 4 Spades by East.

I got a shock to see only 3 trumps in dummy with the Ace & Jack missing – but we do have 26 HCP.

This hand is a basic example of seeing what is required to make the contract and planning the play accordingly.

If the King Clubs was onside there are 5 tricks in off-suits which means 5 tricks were needed from the spades.

This means you cannot lead trumps and also cannot afford to lose the lead or opposition will lead trumps at you.

From there the contract was actually relatively simple -

- \* win Ace hearts & trump a heart = 2 tricks
- \* Queen clubs/King clubs/Ace clubs & trump a heart = 4 tricks
- \* diamond to Queen & trump a 4th heart = 6 tricks
- \* Jack clubs, Ace diamonds & trump a club with dummy's 6 spades ( fortunate 4/3 break in clubs ) = 9 tricks

- dummy still has K,Q spades remaining which gives the 10th trick.

From Kiss Trophy by Richard Spelman.



Send in your favourite recipes to us and that will be published next Newsletter. Thanks to James Yee, Pam Pratt and Jeanette Brine.

