

Table Talk

An occasional newsletter of the Hunters Hill Bridge Club – February 2020

Vale Anne Ternes

Anne (Annie) Ternes, a member of the Club for many years, passed away peacefully on Monday, 17 February after a long illness.

Annie will be remembered fondly by all who knew her. She was a good friend to many, having longstanding friendships that passed back to her school days.

She was a wonderful and enthusiastic Latin teacher at St Joseph's, Hunters Hill for many years. She will be remembered with affection by those she taught, for both her love of Latin and her dedication to debating at the school.

Annie was a proud and loving mother to her four children and grandchildren and greatly enjoyed the company of her extended family. She was also an avid reader, follower of horse racing and bridge player.

She joined Hunters Hill Bridge Club when she and Bob retired. They competed together regularly at the Club and often travelled away to compete at congresses, achieving great success a few years ago when they won in their division at the Canberra Festival of Bridge.

Annie was keen to keep up her bridge as she became unwell, refusing doctors appointments on bridge days whenever possible. We will miss Annie's warm friendship and good humour at the bridge table. Our condolences go to her husband, Bob and to all members of her family.

Bushfire Fundraiser Event

The Club held a special one session Red Point event on 20th January to raise funds for bushfire victims. The event was a great success with 34 tables of players – at total of 136 people. The Committee put a lot of effort into organising the event which ended up raising \$2479. Thanks our Directors Brian Soutter and Austin Driscoll who ensured the smooth running of the Bridge.

Also a thanks to everyone who came in early on the day to help set up the two rooms and to those who helped to empty the second room at the end of the day.

The winners of the 2 divisions were -

Open Division

North/South Winners: Bina Kassam and Margaret Gidley-Baird

East/West Winners: Fran Kevans and Jan Munster

No Fear Division

North/South Winners: Colleen Barry and Louise Potts

East/West Winners: Shashi Wilson and Sue McLay

Future Club Events

The following Club events are planned for the next three months -

<u>March</u>

- The State Mixed Pairs first qualifier runs over three weeks on Wednesday 4, 11 and 18th. This is a red point event with special conditions which can be found in the Club Calendar booklet. The winners will be invited to represent the Club at the Metropolitan Final on 23/24 May.
- Henley Pairs is a one session red point event on Friday 20th.
- Restricted/Novice Pairs is a one session red point event with two divisions open to financial members of the Club only. Members with less than 50 masterpoints and members with 50 or more masterpoints but less than 100 masterpoints. A side game will be available for other members not participating in the Restricted or Novice Divisions.

<u>April</u>

- The State Mixed Pairs second qualifier runs over three weeks on Tuesday 7, 14 and 21st. This is a red point event with special conditions which can be found in the Club Calendar booklet. The winners will be invited to represent the Club at the Metropolitan Final on 23/24 May.
- Easter Pairs is a one session red point event on Wednesday 15th.
- Friday Teams is a three session bonus green point event on 17, 24 and 1st May. It is open to financial members of the Club only and registration closes one week prior to the event. There is no side game.

<u>May</u>

• The State Mixed Teams first qualifier runs over three weeks on Tuesday 5, 12 and 19th. This is a red point event with special conditions which can be found in the Club Calendar booklet. Registration closes one week prior to the event and there is no side game. The winners will be invited to represent the Club at the Metropolitan Final on 14/15 November.

- The Hunters Hill Cup (Pairs) is a two session red point event on Wednesday 13, 20 and 27th. It is open to financial members of the Club only.
- Autumn Pairs is a two session bonus green point event on Friday 15 and 22nd.
- Restricted/Novice Teams is a two session bonus green point event with two divisions open to financial members of the Club only. Members with less than 50 masterpoints and members with 50 or more masterpoints but less than 100 masterpoints. A side game will be available for other members not participating in the Restricted or Novice Divisions.

Recent Winners

The winners of recent major events conducted by the Club include -

Club Pairs Championship

Pauline Gumby and Bina Kassam

Australia Day Pairs

Pauline Gumby and Bina Kassam

Summer Pairs

Lyn Mallesch & Joseph So

Congratulations to all our winners including the winners of our weekly events.

New Members

The following 15 new members have recently joined our Club. We welcome them and wish them every success and happiness at our Club.

Arthur Chung	Marlaine Gahan	
Colin Thomas	Nu Beasley	
Siamak Parsanejad	James McDonnell	
Edith Chan	Sidney Yip	
Joan Stobo	Anne Bates	
Teresa Wilson	Jane Wynter	
Monica Appleby	Judy Murphy	
Orsolina Aroney		

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Reminder on Guidelines

Please be seated at least 10 minutes before a session is due to start. This helps the Director to determine the session movement and makes their life easier. Also players should have clearly completed system cards, particularly for Club events. Blank system cards are available in the office.

The John Fisher Award

As new John Fisher Award competition has started and as end January 2020 the leading contenders are –

Erica Gemmell	2.44 points
Anthony Curtin	2.28 points
Susan Spinks	2.19 points
Hamid Naderi	2.05 points
Paul Noone	2.00 points

Rank Promotions

We congratulate the following members on their recent rank promotion -

Name	Masterpoints	Previous Rank	New Rank
Deidre Walker	2.05	Nil	Graduate
Frank Morrison	2.03	Nil	Graduate
Neil Sylvester	2.03	Nil	Graduate
Vijay Belapurkar	15.55	Club	Local
Jenny Walsh	25.36	Local	*Local
Judith Fitzpatrick	35.22	*Local	**Local
Emer Noone	35.22	*Local	**Local
Margaret Trimble	50.01	**Local	Regional
Jan Durham	148.09	State	*State
Maryann Campbell	249.09	*State	National
Toni Alexander	200.33	National	*National
John Fisher	300.09	*National	**National
Rosemary Millar	414.71	Life	Bronze Life
Philip Moroney	509.57	Bronze Life	Silver Life