

# Paraparaumu Bridge Club Inc

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Please note the change in our street address. The Box number is still our postal address.



*Coming Events* Sunday May 24 Summerset-Paraparaumu Intermediate Tournament

#### New website

Ralph Brown is currently working on a new website which will be more comprehensive and userfriendly than the present one.

There will be a members only section and people with email will be notified of their personal login password in due course. In the meantime you can have a look at how it is progressing on <u>www.paraparaumu.bridge-</u> club.org

## NEWSLETTER NO 2 March 2015 A message from the President Greetings to you all

**Kapiti Bearings and Locksmithing Tournament:** I would like to acknowledge the generous sponsorship by Kapiti Bearings and Locksmithing towards our recent successful in-house tournament. Also I would like to thank Dennis Lahman for donating his time in directing this tournament and thank all the other people who gave their time to make this tournament the success it was.

**Noise:** It has been noticed that at some sessions it can get quite noisy, especially at start of play when the Director is trying to do announcements, and when some tables complete their boards, making it hard for those still playing to concentrate on their hands. Please respect your fellow players and all Director instructions as keeping noise down can only be achieved with your cooperation.

**Trophies:** In the first newsletter for this year you were asked to contribute your feedback on a suggestion about changing the way trophies were presented, due to over two thirds of the trophies not being taken home and the wear and tear some trophies are showing.

The committee has considered various options and have decided that the trophies will now be kept in the trophy cabinet and certificates will be awarded to the competition winners, the week after the competition ends. All competitions will retain their current names and these certificates will reflect this. The competition winners will continue to be recorded in the 'Honours Book'.

**Dealing Machine:** The dealing machine is currently away being repaired. Thanks to Trevor Smith and his team of dealers who have dealt an extra week's hands to enable us to send the machine away for repair. Our machine is now at least seven years old; the suppliers of our machine have advised us that it will not be supported after mid-2015 and there is a very limited supply of spare parts. Bearing this in mind the committee has decided that we should purchase a new dealing machine. As the new machine will cost us \$7,615.00 the committee has lodged an application with Pub Charity Limited for a grant towards the cost of the new machine. This new machine has many improved features and advantages over the current machine. These features should make the dealers' lives a lot easier.

**Lessons**: Learners' lessons commence on the 9<sup>th</sup> of March. At the time of writing this we have at least 17 people enrolled which is very heartening. Thank you to Brian Pender for his excellent advertising. If you know of any other people interested in learning bridge please get them to contact Jocelyn Graves or Brian Pender.

Ian Nicholls

#### The Kapiti Bearings & Locksmithing Sponsored In-House Pairs

15<sup>th</sup> February saw the first of this year's in-house tournaments.

56 club members gave up their Sunday afternoon to play at this tournament, generously sponsored by Kapiti Bearings & Locksmithing. In addition to the cash supplied for the prizes Kapiti Bearings & Locksmithing also provided some really high quality tape-measures, sufficient for one per pair. There was no obvious arguing as to who got the tape-measure, so that set the mood for a very friendly 28 hands. The room was not split for play so East-West moved around the entire room. However prizes were given for each of four sections of seven pairs determined by the combined ranking points for each pair.

The results were:

Section A (125 to 509 Ranking Points)	
Fi	rst - Carol Hill and Elizabeth Steinbauer
Se	econd – Pauline Reid and Marion Sillick
Section B (89 to 118 Ranking Points)	
Fi	rst – Bill Anderson and Michael Stace (also 1 <sup>st</sup> overall)
Se	econd – Anne Kerr and Dennis Kerr (also 2 <sup>nd</sup> overall)
Section C (34 to 87 Ranking Points)	
Fi	rst – Fay Manley and Sara Enoka (also 3 <sup>rd</sup> overall)
Se	econd – Lottie Anderson and Helen Horsfall
Section D (1 to 27 Ranking Points)	
Fi	rst – Lynne Lahman and Jill Montgomerie
Se	econd – Colleen Mankelow and Diane Miller
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Congratulations to all the winners, and many thanks to the folk who assisted with the front door, and the cleaning up afterwards. Special thanks to Dennis Lahman who did a sterling job as Director. The next In-house tournament is on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> July.

*Bill Sewell* Tournament Co-ordinator

#### Bits and pieces Member's responsibilities

- Whilst it is ultimately the responsibility of the director for the way the room is left at the end of the session, members can help by leaving their table tidy with chairs pushed in and ensuring that windows are closed.
- If you are the last to leave the building at any time make sure the alarm is set.
- On two occasions the Security officer has been called out quite unnecessarily as we are always notified if windows are open.
- If there is a **dispute** about a **score at any time, the director must be called and asked to deal with it. Both parties must agree before any change is made.**

### Dale's tips

Dale has agreed to continue to provide these for the newsletter which is much appreciated, but he cannot do it this month.

I am happy to include any contributions from members in the newsletter. If possible I would prefer to receive it by email – <u>j.newport@xtra.co.nz</u>, or by snail mail at the club's address which is on the heading of this newsletter or by phone.

Jennette Newport Editor