



# NOVEMBER, 2017 NEWSLETTER

## EASTS BRIDGE CLUB

*We encourage the game of bridge in an environment where players compete and develop with enjoyment and mutual respect*

### *Bridge in November*

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> is at Easts  
Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> - is **CANCELLED**  
Monday 6<sup>th</sup> is at the RSL  
Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> (along with everything else in Australia, due to the Melbourne Cup), is **CANCELLED**  
Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> is at Easts  
Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> at RSL (Bill Johnson Room)  
Monday 13<sup>th</sup> is **CANCELLED**  
Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> is at Easts (**Beginners Course** & Supervised session)  
Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> – is at Easts  
Saturday 18<sup>st</sup> at RSL (Bill Johnson Room.)  
Monday 20<sup>th</sup> is at Easts **RED POINTS**  
Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> is at Easts (**Beginners Course** & Supervised session)  
Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> - Easts **RED POINTS**  
**(THE AGM IS HELD IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE BRIDGE SESSION)**  
Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> is at RSL (Bill Johnson Room)  
Monday 27<sup>th</sup> is at Easts  
Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> is at Easts (**Beginners Course** & Supervised session)  
Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> is at Easts

#### DECEMBER TEASER .....

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> is at the RSL (Auditorium)  
Monday 4<sup>th</sup> is at Easts  
Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> is at Easts (Supervised)  
Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> is at Easts  
Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> is **CANCELLED**

#### Most Improved Ratings in October

	Rating	Prior	Gain
Oleg Julebin	46.68	45.17	1.51
Mary Hurst	46.74	45.44	1.30
Max Kromp	50.25	49.11	1.14

### THE CLUB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The AGM will be held on Wednesday the 22nd November immediately after the bridge session concludes.

*Stay around for the meeting to find out what is happening at your club, enjoy a sumptuous repast and have a drink after the meeting.*

Here is the full AGENDA for the meeting, which is expected to finish by 5:00 pm

1. Record of attendance
2. Apologies
3. Confirm minutes of previous AGM
4. President's Report
5. Treasurer's Report
6. Election of officers and committee members
7. Questions
8. Any other business: (You must provide one week's written notice of any "other business" that you wish to raise at the meeting).

Close of meeting followed by the consumption of food and drink

*A reminder that Membership Fees (and signed forms) were due by the 1<sup>st</sup> November. If you have not renewed, please do so at your earliest convenience.*

#### *"Joy to the World and Peace in the Bridge Room"*

Our **END OF YEAR XMAS LUNCH** is on  
Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December at 12:30.

Any financial member who has played six times in the last six months is eligible to attend free of charge. Others must pay \$65 to attend.

A "Table Booking Form" (tables of ten) for the lunch are already in the hands of the various Committee Members and others ("Table Captains") and they will make the forms available for you to join your friends at the appropriate tables and for you to nominate your choice of Barramundi, Roast Turkey or Vegetarian.

We have to give plenty of notice to the caterers so the completion of the forms by Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November, (or earlier if possible), would be appreciated.



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**Religious Cowboy** - The devout cowboy lost his favorite Bible while he was mending fences out on the range. Three weeks later, a horse walked up to him carrying the Bible in its mouth. The cowboy couldn't believe his eyes. He took the precious book out of the horse's mouth, raised his eyes heavenward and exclaimed, "It's a miracle!" "Not really," said the horse. "Your name is written inside the cover."

With due deference to "The Melbourne Cup", in this issue, we could be said to be "Just Horsing Around".



### THE LAWS OF DUPLICATE BRIDGE

#### LAW 53

##### Lead Out of Turn Accepted

Prior to the thirteenth trick, any lead faced out of turn may be treated as a correct lead. It becomes a correct lead if declarer or either defender, as the case may be, accepts it by making a statement to that effect, or, if a play is made from the hand next in rotation to the irregular lead. If there is no such acceptance or play, the Director will require that the lead be made from the correct hand.

### THE MELBOURNE CUP

A number of our members will be attending the Melbourne Cup celebration bridge game at Wollstonecraft Bridge Club (**details from Nicoleta**) but there are other celebratory bridge games at Sydney Bridge Centre, Kings and Queens Bridge Club and at the Grand Slam Bridge Club. Details of these are available on their respective web sites.



*These are new players that we welcome to our Club. We are confident that they will be playing in our open duplicate sessions within a year or two.*

Q. How do you get a horse drunk?

A. You drink him under the stable

Q. What do Racehorses eat?

A. Fast food.

**Tuesday bridge sessions, which include supervised players, are relaxing and educational and a good opportunity to improve your bridge**

### YOUR COMMITTEE... OFFICERS AND KEY CONTACTS

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Q: How does a winning jockey communicate with his horse?

A: He lays his cards on the stable.

**It is bitter-sweet and somewhat ironic that the Spring Nationals were conducted at Canterbury Race Course. A number of our members played but they are "still running" as, unfortunately, none of them made it to the winner's podium**