



DECEMBER, 2019 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 December

Monday 2nd is at Easts
Tuesday 3rd is at Easts
Wednesday 4th is at Easts
Saturday 7th is **at the RSL**
Monday 9th is at Easts
Tuesday 10th is at Easts **Supervised**
Wednesday 11th is at Easts
Saturday 14th is **at the RSL**
Monday 16th is at Easts
Tuesday 17th is at Easts **Supervised**
Wednesday 18th is at Easts
Saturday 21st is **at the RSL**
Monday 23rd is at Easts
Tuesday 24th is at Easts **Supervised**
Wednesday 25th **NO BRIDGE - CLUB IS CLOSED**
Saturday 28th is **at the RSL**
Monday 30th is at Easts

AND WHAT ABOUT JANUARY? all Saturdays are at RSL and we expect to play all other days at Easts (No bridge on New Years Day)

The **OVERALL WINNERS** in sessions during November (Free Game vouchers earned thereby)

Ave. of best 3 scores

Mondays: Shirley Rowan & Kerry Hill 61.42%
Tuesdays: Lis Moller & Thomas Karsai 49.43%
Wednesdays: Leah Rona & Robert Vadas 64.96%



Ester Sherwood with trophy, \$20 voucher and her bottle of Kahlua. These being prizes for her winning the "most improved" in ratings over a 3 months period for "Novice" players under 5 masterpoints. Ester improved by 9.8

TABLOIDS FROM THE AGM

"Allen Rosenberg gets Life"

"Thomas Karsai looks forward to a year of Vice".

The AGM of Easts Bridge Club took place after the bridge game on Wednesday 27th November.

Allen Rosenberg was elevated to Life Membership of Easts Bridge Club, the vote being unanimous, underscored by extended applause from all those present.

Other highlights of the meeting included the unopposed installation of the following Office-Bearers for 2020

President: Allen Rosenberg

Vice President: Thomas Karsai

Secretary: Theo Mangos

Treasurer: Andrew Bell

Committee Members:- Halina Drwecka, Ted Popper, Terry Ann Maunsell and Shirley Rowan.

Helen Van Dam not standing for office on this occasion allowed for one further Committee Member and **Lester Abrams** volunteered, from the floor of the meeting, to fill the vacancy for this prestigious position.

The vote to Judith Rychter's motion "Commencement Session Times at Noon" was resolved in the negative, having received 22 votes in favour and 45 votes against.

Improved Ratings in Nov.

	Prior	New	Gain
1.Toni Paramore	50.39	51.50	1.11
2.Robert Vadas	60.01	60.96	0.95
3.Helene Friedland	55.17	56.01	0.84

Easts Bridge Club wishes to gratefully acknowledge the generous gift of 9 bottles of Kahlua, donated as prizes, by Bryan Adams. Come back to bridge soon, Bryan... we miss you!



Bridge is not all they Play!

Andrew Bell (Treasurer) and Thomas (VP) belting out "Blue Moon" at the AGM after-party

Helen, receiving a flower tribute, thanking her for all her years on the Committee and her work during that time in administering the voucher system and the annual membership renewals



For those who may be unaware, Helen is one of the few remaining "Foundation Members" of our Club. Helen is also a "Life Member"



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More about the Annual General Meeting

A big "Thank You" to all those who attended in person or by Proxy. Your input on addressing the financial needs of the Club, and also other issues, are highly regarded and valued by your Committee.

Furthermore, the Committee acknowledges that some members feel disadvantaged by the Committee decision and subsequent ratification at the AGM, that we start at 12:30, play 27 boards and only have a short comfort break. The new Committee will take steps to minimise the impact of the 12:30 start time.

There will be **no bridge** on Christmas Day or New Years Day. We wish all members a Merry Xmas, Happy Chanukah and a healthy New Year

The Welcome mat is put out to **Shirley Rowan** who has re-joined the Committee having served some years ago prior.

Welcome back! We are delighted to extend a warm Easts'

Welcome to **Lester Abrams** who, we are sure, will bring a fresh perspective to the deliberations of the Committee.

"Hold the Bus!"

If you need the Easts bus at 4pm, the director at each session will arrange for your membership card to be taken to Easts reception to register you for the bus. Each session should finish by 3:40pm to allow you to get to the bus on time. If for any reason, the session is running late then advise the director and you may leave at 3:40 without affecting your score.

A "Warm Welcome" to our new members, the graduates of the Beginners' Class of October 2019

Michael Bell
John Bennett
Sally Boyce
Janine Capes
Kirsten Castorina
Sam Castorina
Linda Ethell
Elizabeth Hanley
Lisa Murdoch
Chris Parry-Okden
Vicki Stait
Susan Swan
Bruce Williams
Lisa Gusto
Diane Goodman
Tat Mallanoo
Sue McMurchie
Louise Noreika
Mary Rozowsky
Doris Schnyder
Ross Smith
Shelley Stoch
Riva Taitz
Sandy Watson
Zina Weiss



Lis Moller and Thomas Karsai, upon being presented with engraved, commemorative pens for coming 3rd in the "under 50 masterpoints" section of the 2019 Australia Wide Restricted Pairs Competition. This is a national event for players with fewer than 300 mps. The actual score was 63.8% which achieved 23rd place in the "under 100 masterpoints" section, comprising 1,000 pairs and, as above mentioned, 3rd in the under 50s.

Did you know that after the establishment of a Revoke the Automatic Trick Adjustment is not always two tricks?

LAW 64 - PROCEDURE AFTER ESTABLISHMENT OF A REVOKE

A. Automatic Trick Adjustment

When a revoke is established:

2. and the trick on which the revoke occurred was not won by the offending player then, if the offending side won that or any subsequent trick, after play ends one trick is transferred to the non-offending side,

Congratulations to Paul Larby & Alan Cooper in achieving a creditable 13th placing, from a field of 64, in the recent NSW Swiss Pairs event.

A man was playing bridge with his father, who had not played bridge in years. On the first hand the father was the dealer and said: Pass. His son said: Dad, you have to use the bidding box. His father picked up the box and whispered into the box: Pass.

3 sportsmen were lost and wandering through the desert, hungry and hallucinating, when they came upon a dead camel. "I play soccer so I will eat the feet" "I play bridge so I'll eat the brain" "I play billiards" said the third sportsman "but I seem to have lost my appetite."

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There are **two major bridge congresses** early next year that players of all levels, including "Novice" and "Restricted" players can participate in and enjoy. The Summer Festival of Bridge in Canberra (January) and the Gold Coast Congress in February. There are opportunities for earning those elusive "Gold" masterpoints! Details are on the ABF website. We wish those of our members who are competing in these events, all the very best of luck!