



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



**Bridge is not all they Play!**  
 Andrew Bell (Treasurer) and Thomas (VP) belting out "Blue Moon" at the AGM after-party

### 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 27<sup>th</sup> 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!



*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"



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

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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.

The Welcome mat is put out to Shirley Rowan who has rejoined 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.



Lis Moller and Thomas Karsai, upon being presented with engraved, commemorative pens for coming 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 23<sup>rd</sup> place in the "under 100 masterpoints" section, comprising 1,000 pairs and, as above mentioned, 3<sup>rd</sup> in the under 50s.

### "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

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 13<sup>th</sup> placing, from a field of 64, in the recent NSWA 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!