

APRIL 2021 Newsletter

Easts Bridge Club

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

BRIDGE PLAYERS DO IT WITH FINESSE

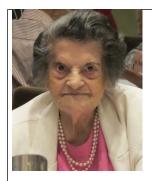
Bridge in: APRIL

Tuesday 6th April. COA SUPERVISED

Tuesday 13th April. COA SUPERVISED

Monday 19th April CHURCH IN THE MARKETPLACE Tuesday 20th April COA SUPERVISED

Monday 26th April CHURCH IN THE MARKETPLACE Tuesday 27th April COA SUPERVISED



VALE Sadly Montefiore, Randwick has advised that Ilona Sharpe passed away 23rd February. Ilona was a solid and competitive bridge player who recently celebrated 100 years and was still playing bridge at a Montefiore home until recently.

IN THE END THERE ARE NO LOSERS. SOME WINNERS ARE JUST A LITTLE SLOWER TO DEVELOP

WATCH OUT FOR SCAMS

In recent months, a large number of people have become victims of scams, losing sums of money by scammers impersonating people you know. The Sydney Morning Herald reported last week that an elderly lady lost \$375,000 by someone sending emails impersonating a nursing home administrator.

Members of the bridge club committee have also received emails requesting money be paid by them by impersonating the sender of the email. Either ignore the request or check the authenticity of all emails requesting money by phoning the person who has made the request. It is also important to have up to date virus software on your computer to stop scammers accessing information from your personal computer.



LIMITED SPACES ARE STILL AVAILABLE FOR THE BEGINNERS COURSE SCHEDULED TO BEGIN ON 13TH APRIL

Undoubtedly the best best value and most comprehensive start of the Bridge love affair, the course is conducted by our highly qualified, experienced and ever patient teacher, Nick Hughes. Four easy lessons followed by two practice lessons for \$40 include membership of the Bridge Club until October. Further information readily given by Nicoleta (0414876175), or from any Committee member listed on Page 2 of this Newsletter

SPECIAL EVENTS COMING UP IN APRIL/MAY 2021

Tuesday April 13: Beginners course commences Monday April 19 and 26: State Mixed Pairs Qualifying event Wednesday May 12, 19 and 26 : Club Championship Monday 17 May: Annual General Meeting and light refreshments (see Notice of



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Hand of the month

Monday 15th March

Board 13 N/All

West	East
▲ 7642	•
♥	♥ KQJT985432
♦KQ52	♦
♣AQJ95	♦ T84

The probability to get a 10-card suit is 0.000017%, even when you play in the Church !

What should you do when North passes as dealer? One thing you know for sure is that your side belongs in hearts, even if partner has a void. Also if the opponents have a fit, you want to stop them from finding it. So, out of 9 pairs, two NS were allowed to find their spade fit and make 11 tricks on the **•**K lead. Not so easy if East opens 4H.

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MARCH 2021 - MOST IMPROVED PLAYER	S ,
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Brenda Cohen	44.12	44.81	0.69
David Nathan	44.47	45.13	0.66
Helen Van Dam	58.39	58.86	0.47

BACK AT EASTS

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Easts management have apologised that we are unable to return to the club as envisaged at the beginning of April. However, they believe that the operation of the bridge club while much of the Bondi Room is now used as A Sports Bar and for other activities will be unworkable and of no benefit to the bridge club. This is a major disappointment for our committee and our members. It is unlikely that we can return before renovations are competed in late May. In the meantime, we will use existing alternative venues, and continue discussions with Easts management regarding reopening plans. We have had to cancel the Monday session on Easter Monday and the following week. If there are any updates to these plans during April they will be shown on our web site.



MARTINA NAVRATILOVA

(b. 1956) - Tennis legend and winner of 59 Grand Slam titles. On the topic of bridge, she has

been quoted as saying "No matter where I go, I can always make new friends at the bridge table."