

# CBC Newsletter December 2020 PDF

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### President's Update

Peter Gruythuysen



What a year! 2020 is the year we will all remember. From bush fires to floods and that C-19, which is hopefully only in the background now. It is a year which has made us reflect on self-values and what is important to us as individuals and as a club.

Thank you to all members who have taken on board the challenges of playing under different and everchanging conditions. I know it gives me enormous pleasure seeing your smiling faces at the clubhouse.

On your behalf, can I express my/our gratitude to your committee, particularly: Dave, Noreen, Jenny, Gary and Alison. Also, four quite unassuming people who operate behind the scenes: Robyn, Deb, Charlene and Tony. Thank you!

I think the Club has grown & matured this year with some very successfully run major events (Stringfellow Teams, Club Teams and Pairs comps) run by outside director Steve Murray. Some of these are now one day events. Thanks Noreen and your group for these great days and looking forward to Caboolture's first Congress in the future.

To all members, partners and families, have a Merry Christmas and safe festive season.

Looking forward to 2021 and playing this most challenging game we call bridge.

Ed: And of course, a special thanks to Peter G who is our groundsman and chief maintenance officer.

Membership for 2021

In order to ensure that your name appears in the diary, we request that your 2021 fees are paid by the end of January.

Please advise of any changes to contact details as well so that we can ensure our next diary is up to date.

Home Club Members: \$35

Associate Members: \$10

Payments will be accepted from January 1st, 2021. These may be made by cash or by direct deposit.

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#### **Revokes -** When to Call the Director!

#### HANDLING REVOKES

In bridge, a player's failure to follow suit, when they are in possession of the led suit, constitutes a **REVOKE.** It is frequently much more advantageous to correct the revoke before it is *'Established'*. A revoke becomes 'established, and may not be corrected, when the **offender or his partner have played, or lead to, the next trick.** 

An established revoke can result in the transfer of tricks to the other side, usually the revoke trick, if won, and a subsequent trick. This could mean the transfer of 0, 1, or 2 tricks, and could become very costly.

A revoke that is discovered before it has been established may be corrected. If you are in the habit of immediately calling attention to the failure of your partner to follow suit, the correct card may then be played. So by asking your partner immediately whether they do have any of the led suit, 'No Diamonds?', for example, this allows them to replace this misplayed card.

#### Who May Ask?

Declarer may ask either Defender if he has failed to follow suit.

Dummy may only ask Declarer if he has failed to follow suit. [But not if he has seen Declarer's hand]

Either defender may ask Declarer, or his own partner, if they have failed to follow suit.

If Declarer has revoked, he may simply return the card to his hand, and play the correct suit (providing the revoke is not established).. No penalty.

If a Defender has revoked, and the correct card has been substituted, the revoke card must remain on the table as a Major Penalty Card. Declarer does not have Penalty cards; Defenders will have a Penalty card, as information has been wrongly given to partner about the offender's hand. This must be played at the first opportunity the offender has to lead or play to a trick, and if partner is on lead, lead restrictions may apply. **Call the Director.** 

Usually the substitution will be much kinder to the offending side. So try to get into the habit of asking, immediately there has been a failure to follow suit, 'No Diamonds?'

Please call the Director immediately [if established you will continue to play until the hand is finished], and **please do not discuss the revoke or start turning over all the cards.** The latter makes it difficult for the Director to work out what exactly has happened!

#### Registering for Sessions

Session Registration Form

Check Registration Here

Prior registration enables our Covid Officer to monitor attendance, and allows our Directors to manage seating at our sessions, often allowing us to start play early. Registration can be made by: a) writing your name on the sheet at the club for the appropriate date; b) phoning Deb G to advise of the date you are playing; c) Using the *Online Registration Tool*.

We encourage players to try our *Online Registration Tool*, which can be found on the home page of the <u>club website</u>.

For full details on using this tool, please see the manual on our <u>Documents Page</u>, under the **OTHER** section, titled: *Registering for Bridge Sessions*.

For any questions or feedback on this process, please contact Jenny H.

**Competition Winners** 

**Beryl Cramb Competition** 



On Sunday September 27th, 14 pairs competed in our annual Beryl Cramb Competition with members from Moreton-Bribie Bridge Club, Bribie Island Bridge Club (social), and Caboolture Bridge Club. This year the competition was hosted by Moreton-Bribie. Well done to Pete and Dom for taking out the trophy, with only a 0.4% margin over Deb and Gary.

#### **Stringfellow Teams Competition**



Our annual competition was held on Saturday October 17th. Due to Covid restrictions, this was held as a half day competition for club members only. We were pleased to have Steve Murray directing, which meant smooth sailing all afternoon.

This closely contested competition was won by the team comprised of Bob & Chris T, and Melva L & Maree F. Well done!

Club Teams Competition

The competitions were coming thick and fast in an effort to catch up on as many as we could now that Covid restrictions have been relaxed.

Our Club Teams event was held over two Tuesdays; the 10th and 17th of November. This was a 7 match, Swiss Teams competition, once again ably directed by Steve Murray.

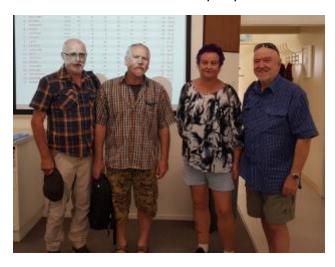


Congratulations go to the team comprised of Pete G & Margie J, and David R & Mike L for a convincing win.

All players earned red points for their efforts.

#### GNOT Zone Final at the Sunshine Coast Bridge Club

We had 14 of our players participating in the GNOT Zone Final for much coveted gold points, held on Sunday November 29th. Qualification for this event was by way of the heats we ran back in March.



A great performance by Pete G, Gary G, Sarah H-W and Dom H saw them move from their 18th ranked starting position to 4th overall at the end of the day's competition. Well done to all our players; all managed to bring home some 'Goldies'.

#### Club Pairs Competition



This one day Club Pairs Competition was held on Tuesday December 15th. The Masterpoint Centre allowed us to use red points for this event, which is outside the norm—a relaxation due to Covid because many clubs had been unable to use their allocated allowance of red points this year. Many thanks go to Steve Murray again for directing this event, making it enjoyable for all players.

#### Bridge Base Online

#### by Noreen Weyling

With face to face Club sessions resuming and Covid restrictions relaxing, players are now able to play Bridge and socialise with friends at our respective Clubs. This is the way Bridge should be played. Consequently, BBO numbers have reduced to the point where the tournaments are no longer viable.

We feel well satisfied that we were able to help fill the Bridge void created by the demands of Covid-19 and enable players to continue to play Bridge in a quasi Club atmosphere. Should we find ourselves in a position where we are revisiting face to face restrictions we will always have the ability to reinstate our on-line Bridge tournaments and would be happy to do so.

Thank you to you all for your participation and support. It has been a great adventure!

#### Christmas Fun & Awards



On Saturday December 5th we recognized our winners for the year with our trophy presentations. Lucky door prizes, Christmas cake and Red points were also on the menu.



1 - Gardner Pairs winners: Maree and Melva



2 - Part of our winning club team: Margie and Pete. Absent were Mike and David.

## **Masterpoint Notes**

by Charlene Frederiksen

#### **Promotions**

Congratulations to the following players on their promotions, awarded since September.

Karen Jorin - promoted to Graduate Master

• Jan Kinross - promoted to Graduate Master

Norman Atkins - promoted to Club Master

Dave Bruce - promoted to \*Local Master

• Alison Bodman - promoted to \*\*Local Master

David Rubin - promoted to National Master

• Charlene Frederiksen - promoted to \*National Master

Noreen Weyling - promoted to \*\*National Master

Peter Gruythuysen - promoted to \*\*National Master

#### **Newsletter Contributions**

We would love some contributions from our members.

Let's start with some pictures of your Christmas festivities or holiday fun.

If you would be happy to share these snaps, please email them to the club for inclusion in the next newsletter.



#### ABF Newsletter

Click here for a .pdf version of the December ABF Newsletter

Read the interesting article about the **History of Masterpoints in Australia** by David Anderson.

He outlines how the scheme developed and has been the same since 1994. The most recent change occurred this year, 2020, with the introduction of the *One Thousand Club*. This Award recognises players who possess 1,000 masterpoints but who do not have sufficient gold and/or red points to achieve the rank of Grand Master.

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