



West Coast Bridge Club

Newsletter

September 2021

Annual General Meeting

The Club held its AGM on Sunday 15th August. The meeting:

- appointed the Management Committee for 2021-22 comprising: Geoff Friebe (President), Sara Westergren (Vice-President), Ann Patrick (Secretary), Patsy Davey (Treasurer), Sally Brittliffe, Linda Martin, Sid Roatch, Sue Vincent and Patrick Garnett.
- approved that the annual subscription fee be increased to \$50 for the 2022-23 financial year
- appointed Graham Cushion as the Club Auditor for 2021-22.

Ann Patrick elected to honorary life membership

The President, Geoff Friebe, advised the AGM participants that the Club Committee had unanimously elected Ann Patrick as an honorary life member of the Club. Geoff paid tribute to Ann's enormous contribution to the Club over many years as secretary, director co-ordinator and relationship manager with the Town of Cambridge. Congratulations and thank you, Ann.



Newly elected honorary life member of West Coast Bridge Club, Ann Patrick.

Club Championship Pairs (*Anton Brazowski Trophy*)

The Club Championship Pairs, conducted in June, was won by Ray Wood and Wence Vahala (with Shirley Bloch in week 1). Rick and Maura Rhodes were second with David Cowell and Ann Hopfmueller in third place.



Club Championship Pairs winners Ray Wood and Wence Vahala

Winter Pairs (*Margaret Rowston Trophy*)

The 2021 Club Winter Pairs was won by Shirley Drage and Graeme Hillier. Ray Wood and Wence Vahala were second followed by Ying Goodlet and Colleen Stone in third place.



Club Winter Pairs winners Shirley Drage and Graeme Hillier

Club Championship Teams (*Silver Plate Trophy*)

The 2021 Club Championship Teams held in August was won by Robin Cordin, Sally Brittliffe, Christina Wu and Patrick Garnett. Michael Smith, Barbara Martin, Jean Calder and Helen Baker were second with Cathy Slaughter, Maureen Phillips, Baboo Bhagat and Peach Partis in third place.



Club Championship Teams winners Robin Cordin, Patrick Garnett, Christina Wu and Sally Brittliffe.

1000 Masterpoints Club

Robin Rose recently joined a select group of West Coast players who have achieved membership of the 1000 Masterpoints Club. She joins Helen Baker, Shirley Bloch and Marleen Medhat with Elizabeth Bennett who is also recognised as a Grand Master.



Robin Rose – West Coast's newest member of ABF's 1000 Club

New members

New members Patricia Black, Dot Miles, Gloria Sandford, David St George and Julie Feeney have recently joined the Club. Please make them welcome.

New rankings

Congratulations to the following members who received rank promotions during the last three months:

Graduate: Kath Malcolm, Keith Malcolm

Club: Maree Braimbridge

Silver Local: Lee Carter, Nancy Cornish

Bronze State: Gwen Gardiner

Bronze National: Ann Patrick.

Coming competitions – **please note some dates have been changed**

The following competitions are scheduled for the next few months at West Coast Bridge Club:

- Thursday pairs (John Utting Trophy) – Thursdays September 16-30.
- Spring teams (Sylvia Pollastri Memorial Trophy) – Mondays October 11-25.
- Swiss pairs (Eileen and Ernest Nickel Trophy) – Mondays November 8-22.

Interesting hand

Dlr: South ♠ KQ32
Vul: NS ♥ QT9
 ♦ J873
 ♣ Q8

♠ A874
♥ 62
♦ KT2
♣ 7653

♠ JT9
♥ AK854
♦ 964
♣ J9

♠ 65
♥ J73
♦ AQ5
♣ AKT42

After opening 1NT South ends up in 3NT after denying (via Stayman) a four card major. West leads the 6H hoping partner has a long heart suit (which she does) – don't lead the 4S from that rubbish spade holding! The 9H is played from dummy. What card should East play – and why?

Reminder

The microwave oven in the large kitchen is for the use of everyone in the club. Please wipe away any spills, leave the microwave clean for the next person who uses it and remember to switch it off after use.