



West Coast Bridge Club

Newsletter

September 2023

West Coast Bridge Club Trivia Night Friday October 27 at 7 p.m.

This is a social event for Club members and friends. For more details see the flyer on the website or phone Colleen Stone on 0401516663.

Lessons in Standard American

Joanna Tennyson is starting a 10-week course in Standard American starting Sunday September 17. For more details see the flyer on the website or phone Joanna on 0434309525.

Soup Sundays followed by Bridge

Starting this month the Club is providing soup followed by bridge every third Sunday of the month. 12 p.m. for soup, bridge at 1 p.m. For more details see the flyer on the website.

Annual General Meeting

At the Club's AGM on 30th July the meeting:

- appointed the Management Committee for 2023-24 comprising:
President: Sue Vincent
Vice President: Adele Philpot
Treasurer: Patsy Davey
Secretary: Colleen Stone
Committee: Chris Ruffle, Sally Brittliffe, Linda Martin, Peach Partis and Ying Goodlet
- approved that the annual subscription fee be increased to \$65 from 2024-25
- appointed Lesley McKay as the Club Auditor for 2023-24



WCBC Executive – Patsy Davey, Colleen Stone, Sue Vincent and Adele Philpot

Other business at the meeting included:

- Graeme Hillier, a former president and long-term club stalwart, was awarded life membership.



Life membership recipient – Graeme Hillier

- Ann Patrick was presented with a lovely bouquet of flowers to acknowledge her contribution as club secretary for almost a decade.



Retiring secretary Ann Patrick

- Graham Cushion, our retiring club auditor, was presented with a token of the Club's appreciation.

New rankings

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

Club: Di Johnson

Silver Local: Patricia Fryer, Peiyung Xu

National: Margaret Tierney

Club Pairs Championship (*Anton Brazowski Trophy*)

The Club Pairs Championship, conducted in June, was won by Ray Wood and Marleen Medhat. Anton Pol and Wence Vahala were second followed by Cathy Slaughter and Maureen Phillips in third place.



Club Pairs Championship winners Ray Wood and Marleen Medhat.

Club Teams Championship

The Club Teams Championship, conducted in August was won by a team comprising Rick and Maura Rhodes, Ray Wood and Marleen Medhat. Martin Broome, Peter McCann, Christina Wu and Patrick Garnett were second followed by Max Havercroft, Brian Kaye, Cathy Slaughter and Maureen Phillips in third place.



Club Teams Championship winners Rick Rhodes, Ray Wood, Maura Rhodes and Marleen Medhat.

Coming competitions

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

- West Coast Congress – Sunday September 10
- Thursday pairs – Thursdays September 14-28
- Spring teams (Sylvia Pollastri Memorial Trophy) – Mondays October 9-23
- Swiss pairs (Eileen and Ernest Nickel Trophy) – Mondays November 6-20
- Melbourne Cup red point event – Tuesday November 7

BAWA Code of Conduct

The Bridge Association of WA has developed a new Code of Conduct to be implemented from the start of 2024. A copy is available on the Club's website. An extract follows: BAWA events operate under the ABF Code of Conduct, that requires all participants to:

- Be polite and courteous at all times.
- Respect other people's rights to have different opinions or ways of thinking.
- Conduct their game in a proper, mature and inoffensive manner.
- Assist new members and guests and try to show patience and understanding.
- Abide by the Ethics Code and rules of the ABF and BAWA.

Being courteous and considerate to all players and Directors is underpinned by Law 74A - Proper Attitude:

- A player should maintain a courteous attitude at all times.
- A player should carefully avoid any remark or action that might cause annoyance or embarrassment to another player or might interfere with the enjoyment of the game.

BAWA has zero tolerance towards behaviours that conflict with these principles.

Specifically:

- Badgering, rudeness, insinuations, intimidation, threats, or violence.
- Negative comments regarding opponents' or partners' bidding or play.
- Constant and gratuitous lessons and analysis at the table.
- Arguing or raising voices with players, Directors or Officials.
- Harassment of any kind, including any unwelcome physical contact.
- Discriminatory behaviour, including offensive jokes or comments.