



## West Coast Bridge Club Newsletter December 2016

### Club Congress

The Club's Congress was held on Sunday September 11. Four West Coast pairs qualified for the final, with Elizabeth Bennett and Peach Partis the best of our qualifying pairs. In the final, Robin Rose and Nerilyn Mack finished equal fifth overall and are therefore winners of the 2016 Elizabeth Constable Trophy. Congratulations are also due to Annette Newton and Iris Dick who won the Consolation Event. Sincere thanks to Colleen Stone and Ying Goodlet for another outstanding effort organising the food.



*Club President Maureen Phillips with Congress Consolation event winners Annette Newton and Iris Dick*

### Wednesday Pairs (*Phil Appleyard Trophy*)

Shirley Drage and Maurice Herman won the 2016 Wednesday Pairs held during September. Sally Brittliffe and Joan Cornish finished second (with a little help from Margaret Tierney in week 2), with Ray Wood and Marleen Medhat in third place.



*Wednesday Pairs winners Shirley Drage and Maurice Herman*

### Spring Teams

A new competition, the Spring Teams, was held on three Mondays in October. The winning team comprised Peter Garcia-Webb, Peach Partis, Ray Wood and Marleen Medhat with 139 VPs. Sally Brittliffe, Robin Cordin, Ron Dalton and Margaret Tierney were second with 125 VPs, with Leone Lorian, Annette Newton, Lyall Page and Richard Pianta in third place.



*Winners of the Spring Teams – Ray Wood, Marleen Medhat, Peach Partis and Peter Garcia-Webb.*

### **Vale Rosie Carver**

It was with great sadness that we learned of the recent death of Rosie Carver, at the age of 99. Rosie had been a member of West Coast Bridge Club for many years and played most Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays until quite recently. We send our condolences to all Rosie's family and friends.



*Rosie Carver*

### **Thursday Pairs (John Utting Trophy)**

The 2016 Thursday Pairs, run over three Thursdays in November was won by Robin Rose and Nerilyn Mack. Verna Holman and Graeme Hillier were second, with Max Havercroft and Brian Kaye in third place.



*2016 Thursday Pairs winners Nerilyn Mack and Robin Rose.*

### **2016 BAWA Teams of Four (Intermediate)**

A West Coast Bridge Club Team (comprising Peter Garcia-Webb, Peach Partis, Chotoo Bhagat, Baboo Bhagat, Harold McKnight and Patrick Garnett) achieved fourth place in BAWA's 2016 Intermediate competition.

### **Melbourne Cup lunch**

This year the Club again held a Melbourne Cup lunch in association with Tuesday bridge on Melbourne Cup Day. Unfortunately the turn-up this year was below previous years but those who attended had an enjoyable time. Thanks to Patsy Davey for running the sweep and Mike Smith for directing.

### **New members**

New members – Irene Barnes, Anne Boan, Patricia Carboni, Zoe Hewitt-Dutton, Chell-Marie Lodge, Setsuko McGrath, Adele Philpot and Gloria Sandford 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:

Club master: Jim Claffey, Bernice Claffey, Dianne Murphy; Local master: Susan Bahr; \*Local master: Faye Agnello, Lisa McGuire, John Pearce; \*\*Local master: Nan ManeaHelen Scott; Regional master: Garry Hawkes, Joan Trethowan; \*Regional master: Gillian Kennerly, Rosemary Pratt.

### **Coming events**

#### ***Christmas Party***

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> December. This commences with FREE BRIDGE at 1 p.m. followed by food and festivities from about 4:30 p.m.

#### ***Competitions***

Competitions enable members to enjoy good competitive bridge and provide the opportunity to win red and gold points. The following competitions are scheduled for the next few months at West Coast Bridge Club:

- Monday pairs (Joyce and Norman Moody Trophy) Mondays Jan 16 – 30, 2017
- Summer Teams – Mondays Feb 13 – 27, 2017.

Please make every effort to participate in these events.