

# WARRNAMBOOL BRIDGE CLUB

## Newsletter – 2019.

### AGM HELD THURSDAY, FEBRUARY, 28<sup>TH</sup>

President, Peter welcomed everyone to the AGM and in his report thanked the hard working committee for a pleasant year and made special reference to Secretary, Christine and Peter Webb for their commitment. He spoke of the successful congress at Deakin which has been booked again this year, October 12/13. Committee remains unchanged ie: Jan, Pamela, Sue, Betty T., Christine, Paula H., Peter, Tony, Owen.

Presentations by Tony: The award for the most improved player:



THE MANIFOLD/CLIFFORD TROPHY:

John Sarena.

### WARRNAMBOOL B.C.

#### ANNUAL MASTERPOINT AWARD:

1. 32.64% Peter Cooke
2. 32.35% Linda Picone
3. 29.97% Jan Cooke



Annual Fees remain \$35.00, now due. (Named envelope please).

Table fee remain @ \$4.00.



*WESTERN REGION NOVICE PAIRS.*

*SUNDAY, MARCH 24<sup>TH</sup>.*

*TIME TO ENTER...NOW.*

## Directors Corner.



Considering you will average half your hands in defence here are some suggestions.

1. If your partner has bid a suit and you find yourself defending and on lead, what do you lead?

On most occasions you lead the highest card in your partners bid suit.

However, if you have an AK in another suit, you should probably lead the A, promising the K then lead you partner's suit.

2 If you have no bid from partner what do you lead?

Try to avoid leading an A without the K.

Try to avoid leading from a suit headed by a K, unless you have the Q.

One of the best and safest lead is from the top of a sequence, for example: QJ10, 10984, KQ9, J109.

If you have three little trumps and the opp have bid strongly, lead a trump.

3 Do you have any way of encouraging your partner to lead a particular suit?

If you don't, you need to agree on a system.

Read about a system called Mc Kinney.

The worst lead I have seen recently is leading a K without the Q when partner has not bid the suit.

Remember, the first lead is your chance to put the opposition under pressure.

Peter Cooke



---

“When I started counting my blessings, my whole life turned around”.

Willie Nelson.



**LIBRARY REPORT:** Sue Sherwood reported that she, with assistance of Betty, had a big clean-up and were able to dispose of many irrelevant books. Books



are now arranged in Accession order, rather than Dewey. To simplify access they are grouped in categories eg: Bidding, No Trumps etc..

Sue said this will make it easier when selecting books to study. Refer to list on the Notice Board.

---

**SPARES ON ROSTER:** Although the system was working Peter Cooke felt that there weren't enough members available to fill all the days required----- ( which is 150 per year). It is obvious that not all members can make themselves available but it was a problem that numerous members were doing multiply days. Contact when partner required is Pamela.

---

**BRIDGEMATES:** At present they show percentages won at the end of each game – John S. explained how it is only late in the day that they really have any relevance. Quote, “Comparison is the thief of joy”. They are to be removed.

---

### **GEELONG WESTERN REGIONAL CONGRESS IN FEBRUARY.**

Lucienne/Janet: Gwen/Michael: Linda/John.

We represented Warrnambool in Geelong Saturday at a friendly, enjoyable, well run day.



Linda and John did extremely well. They started No 30, and, after one round they were on the bottom, ie 35<sup>th</sup>, BUT all good news from there.

After 2nd round they were 21st; 3<sup>rd</sup> round they had climbed to 14<sup>th</sup>; **after the 4<sup>th</sup> round they were 6<sup>th</sup>.** (They would now be playing top players).

After the 5<sup>th</sup> round 16<sup>th</sup> and finished 12<sup>th</sup>. Excellent result. As to the rest of us Lucienne/Janet had a disappointing day while Michael, (who has just come back to Bridge after 20 odd years) and I were reasonable pleased going from 31 to 28, to 27, 27 but then the rot set in and we finished 30th.

It was BYO lunch, extremely enjoyable (ie day!).

**"MARY CAMERON" – 90 YEARS OLD, January 15<sup>th</sup>.**



A big birthday deserves a big celebration – and so it was for Mary.

**Day 1: SATURDAY:** Luncheon with relatives and friends at Gillin Park's beautiful, new club rooms. Guests travelled from Adelaide (train), New South Wales, Melbourne, Hamilton, Queenscliff and Clifton Springs.

Her brother, Ian, spoke of her May's life and how she made a decision to apply for a scholarship to the Presbyterian Girls College, Geelong. This was successful and saw Mary complete her senior years there before training as a nurse at Royal Adelaide Hospital.

Mary's passions were Bushwalking, Skiing, travelling (bridge) which took her all over the world – Canada, Europe, United Kingdom, Tibet, Arctic and Antarctica.

Her Niece, Trina, recalled how she went to Canada for 6 months and returned 9 years later! She also related some instances of Mary's wicked sense of humour.

The family presented Mary with a Bird Bath

**DAY 2: SUNDAY:** Family and those from out of town joined Mary for breakfast at Simons before they waved farewell to those who came by train.

**DAY 3: MONDAY;** Celebrations with fellow members at the Bridge Club with Jan and Peter supplying supper.

**DAY4: TUESDAY: THE BIRTHDAY.** Lunch with niece, Trina, at Patlock Lane Restaurant – delicious.

**DAY 5: WEDNESDAY:** Day Bridge players celebrated, enjoying cakes supplied by Elinor.

(On Wednesday Mary suggested that there was still Bridge on Thursday night? President soundly rejected the wicked thought!)



=====



*BETTY RENDELL*

*CELEBRATING A SPECIAL DAY AT THE WARRNAMBOOL BRIDGE CLUB.*





*Any day of significance should be marked – to-day, January 23<sup>rd</sup>, is my Birthday and I've made a cake for everyone to enjoy with me.*

*Margaret Graham.*

Maria also celebrated at the Clubrooms with a cake supplied by her partner.



### **ODD SPOT:**

*I have heaps of green tomatoes, ready soon, available to anyone, contact me. Also recipe for "Baked Green Tomatoes" – Fresh Tarragon or plant available.*



## **Recipes**

### **BAKED GREEN TOMATOES** *Gwen H.*

*For 3 tomatoes: Wash and cut in half. Place in baking dish. Top each with: 1 tabs. tomato sauce. 1 teas. brown sugar.*

*½ teas tarragon or dill. Cover, bake 180oC 20 – 25 min, until almost tender. (Microwave 2 min then oven)*

*Stir 1 cup sour cream into pan juices. Serve sauce over tomatoes. Delicious.*



Bulbs:- daffodils and gladioli – photo.

---

## **SOCIAL DAY IN CAMPERDOWN.**

*FRIDAY, MARCH 29<sup>TH</sup>.*

*11.00 START. \$10.00 per person.*



*Incl. a.m./ p.m. tea & light lunch.*

**HANDICAP BRIDGE:** *Tony believes we can run a scoring system that allows for a handicapping result in conjunction with the traditional scoring method. We will trial this on Wednesdays.*

---

My wife crashed her car yesterday. She told the Police that the man she collided with was on his mobile and drinking beer from a can at the time. The Police said that the gentleman was entitled to do whatever he wanted in his own back garden.



**Interesting hand last week!**

EAST

WEST

S: .....

S: AKQJ8532

H: A7

H: K

2 pair bid and got 7 N.T.

D: KQ8632

D: A975

**Bed and Breakfast**

C: AQ874

C: .....



*Gwen Hindhaugh. 0418 539 902*