



NORTH SHORE BRIDGE CLUB (INC)

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NEWSLETTER APRIL 2021

"A Bad Day At The Bridge Table Is Still Better Than Staying Home And Cleaning The House"

Dear Members

ANZAC Day Bridge

Monday 26 April – play begins at 1pm – draw for partners. A fun session of Bridge followed by drinks and nibbles. Add your name to the sign-up sheet on club room notice board.

Social Day Sunday 16 May

Play begins at 1pm followed by drinks and nibbles. A fun afternoon!

Making Our Bridge Sessions Run Smoothly

1. Arrive and be seated **fifteen** minutes before start of play
2. Confirm with your partner the day before that you are playing together
3. Stop your conversations (no matter how intriguing!) when the Director rings the bell
4. Make sure that if you are not at a table of four, you let the Director know

Seriously, we are not being picky, but our wonderful Directors need our help to input the correct movement into the computer and get us set up for an enjoyable session of bridge.

Beginners' Lessons

Our new series of beginners' lessons with Douglas Russell will commence at 7:15pm on Tuesday 18 May. If you know anyone who is thinking of learning to play Bridge, please direct them to our website for information and contact details. We are so fortunate to have Douglas as our teacher – he does a wonderful job imparting his knowledge and enthusiasm.

2 Club Openings

The rule for using a 2C opening has been tightened up as follows:

1. Balanced hand 23+ high card points or
2. Unbalanced hand 20+ high card points or the Rule of 29 which states that you can open the bidding with 2C when your high-card point-count added to the number of cards in your two longest suits gets to 29.

The **only** exception to this rule is for those players whose agreement uses 2D as their strong, game-force bid in which case their 2D opening follows the same rules as above. In this instance their 2C opener must be alerted.

Visitors

If you are bringing a visitor to the club for a session of Bridge – fantastic. Could you please let the Director know so that they can record the visit in the Visitors Book each time. This is important to ensure that correct records are kept. Thank you.

Kind regards,
Ilona West & NSBC Committee