

From Your President - June '24



Winter is upon us in earnest, so just a reminder to please wear a mask if attending the club if you have a cough or sniffle or consider giving it a miss until you are feeling better. This was one of several suggestions/comments in our Suggestion Box. Also less experienced players are keen to see a Balanced teams event, where teams are evened out. We are looking at possible dates for this. Other suggestions have been referred to appropriate club members to investigate.

The ABF Club Teams Online Knockout 2024 is commencing monthly on Tuesday nights starting on August 6th for Open, Under 750, Under 300, Under 100 and Under 50 MPs. This is a wonderful opportunity to represent your club playing on Real Bridge against players from all over the country. Please email TBA if interested.

Remember we have a regular club game on Real Bridge every Wednesday night at 7:15pm - enter on MyABF. There will also be an opportunity to have a practice try of playing on RealBridge with Sue Falkingham later in July.

Friday June 14th was the TBA's first foray at promoting Bridge in a regional place. Orford residents were invited to their local golf club for a taster or a game if they could already play. There were 5 tables of players - a great effort from Sue.

There are many exciting opportunities for members to improve their playing skills and knowledge coming up - Sue Falkingham is holding a 6 week Intermediate Bridge Course on Saturday mornings starting August 10th. Topics will be Major Suit Raises, Doubles, Preempts, Strong Openings and Slam Bidding, Defence, Checkback and Reverses. David Robinson will also be running a series of lessons Wednesday afternoons in October and there is a Bridge Coaching weekend in early November to be run by Hugh and Sue. Finally, next March, we are excited to announce that Ron Klinger will be running a workshop for club members.

Don't forget to get your entries in for the Eastcoaster on August 24-25. It has been a very popular event and is great fun.

Happy Bridging everyone