

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE TBA – May 2019

Club Survey

Thanks to the 102 members who have already completed and returned their Club survey forms. We still have a few weeks to go, so if you haven't yet returned your survey, please do so as we are receiving important feedback from Club members.

Slow Play

As a result of the feedback received so far, slow play has been recognised as an area which needs attention.

Consequently, effective immediately, bidding for the last Board MUST have commenced with no less than 3 minutes remaining in the round. This means, that if there is not an opening bid on the table when the 3 minute alarm sounds, the Board cannot be played, and both pairs will receive an average score.

Directors will be proactively monitoring the time situation, and you can notify the Director if you feel that you have been disadvantaged by the slow play of your opponents.

Supervised Sessions

Supervised sections are available on Tuesday mornings and Thursday evenings provided there are sufficient pairs to make it worth while (at least 3 tables). Wednesday evening continues to be a fully supervised session.

Committee Meeting Outcomes

At the Committee Meeting on May 7th, John Grosvenor was appointed as our technical support person. He will be assisting the Committee across a range of areas, particularly with regard to making our web site more helpful and informative to members.

The State Teams (as selected by the Selection Panel) were ratified. They are :

OPEN : Jane & Robert Tyson, Andrew & Sandra Richman, John Bailey & Hilton Francis
WOMENS : Dallas Cooper & Maruta Boyd, Maria Gibbs & Julia Corr,
Anna Egan & Julie Rhodes
Seniors : Valda Badcock & Judy Mann, Fiona Hicky and Alaine Macmorran
+ 1 other pair

We wish all the teams the best of luck for the ANC which will be held in the latter part of July in Melbourne.

The “Southern Teams of 3” event will be held on September 11th, not in August as previously advertised.

New members welcomed to the Club in May are : Yolande and Marc Boost, Veronika Sakell, Diaine Clark and Lynn Marszalek.

The Committee also approved the purchase of an additional 2500 boards to enable the TFob to be self sufficient with regard to boards, and not have to use those boards which we have dealt for TBA session purposes.

Issues of the month

From survey responses, there are some things for Club members to think about.

Should we have an extra round of bridge rather than a coffee break on Thursday mornings?

Should we have a novice section on Thursday mornings?

Should we commence at 9.30am on Friday mornings?

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Novice sections would have a master point limit, and only green systems would be played in these sections.

Think about these questions and discuss them with your friends.

We’ll either ask for a show of hands on Thursday mornings, or put a question on the web site (or both) over the next few weeks.

In the mean time

Happy Bridging

Julie Rhodes
TBA President