

## Coming Up

- **Prize Giving** Photos of trophy winners are in the gallery courtesy of Pamela Frank.

- **Pamela** is an editor of this web site and thank you for making yourself available. Any photos or news worthy items can go directly to Pamela for publishing.

- Check out the **Special Clubs /Top 10 Statistics** for the years, top players.

**Well Done** Not content with winning the Taupo Club championships, John and Rona Driscoll also won the Rotorua Club Championship.

### November Competition Winners

**Monday November Pairs:** Chris Jones / Sheila Taylor

**Tuesday Monthly High Flyers:** ( 3 sessions to qualify )  
1. Rosemary Ritchie 2. Edna Nicholson 3. Kim Chung

**Wednesday Championship:** John Driscoll / Rona Driscoll

**Ballantyne Salver Winners:** Allen Zohrab/Valerie Penlington

**Friday Monthly Top Players:** ( 3 sessions to qualify )  
1. Pam Burry 2. Pamela Frank 3. Tineke Baldwin

### Te Awamutu Bridge Club Christmas Tournament

Te Awamutu Bridge club kicked off the festive season with its annual Christmas tournament on Saturday 17th November.

Congratulations to Joan Berg and Peggy Nisbet who came overall third and to Rosemary Ritchie and Pam Burry who came overall fourth.

Other Taupo players attending, enjoyed contributing to their ever-expanding bridge repertoire. It was a very cheerful day for all attendees.



**New Zealand Simultaneous Pairs.**

Locally we had 18 pairs competing. A couple of top results on the night being John & Rona Driscoll with 64.9% and finishing 19th in the open grade and 26th overall. Patricia Tyler and

Colin Light with 64.2% and finishing 9th in the Intermediate grade and 34th over all. Just under 1000 pairs took part in this event.

### **Forsyth Barr All Grades 8B Tournament**

On Saturday 27th October the Taupo bridge club hosted its annual All-grades 8B tournament, sponsored by Forsyth Barr Taupo.

Local players welcomed members from Thames, Havelock North, Hastings, Hamilton, Rotorua, Matamata and Te Aroha. While the atmosphere was convivial, competition was strong and players

were evenly challenged right down to the last hand.

The overall winners of the day were Doug and Bobby Couchman from Hastings with a score of 61.94 per cent. In second place were Mike Newton and Stephen Franks from Tauranga with 59.17 per cent.

Thank you to both Forsyth Barr for their sponsorship and local members for supplying the fabulous food.



Overall winners Bobby and Doug Couchman from Hastings with Rona Driscoll. Other photographs are in the gallery.



Waikato Bay of Plenty Junior league has been completed for this year. It comprised of 6 events and we had up to 8 junior players taking part at various stages. Most playing at least half of the events. The final placings show Christine Judd and Sharon Barton were 6<sup>th</sup>, Sheila Taylor 8<sup>th</sup> and Adrienne Rehioui 10<sup>th</sup>. About 60 players in the region played at least 2 events during the year so well done to all the Taupo Players.

### **Juniors do well in Hamilton**

Christine Judd & Adrienne Rehioui Winners of the tournament with an excellent 68% in the second session. Well Done

Sharon Barton & Sheila Taylor and Sharon Opai & Lauren Lehndorf also scored over 50% in some of there sessions

All Played at the Hamilton Junior Pairs on Sat 8th September

### **Representing us at Rotorua in the Bay of Plenty Teams:**

Senior Rosemary Ritchie and Edna Nicholson  
Joan Berg and Peggy Nisbet

Intermediate Garth Robinson and Estelle Davis  
Sue Treadwell and Lyn MacLeod

Junior Barbara Cook and Lauren Lehndorf  
Sharon Barton and Christine Judd

A hard day at the office, one might say. There is always another year and thanks for representing us.

### **CAN YOU HELP ?**

From time to time we need more card dealers. You mostly work in Pairs and takes about one to two hours depending on the number of sessions being dealt. You will be on a roster and the dealing can be done at any time you want.

If you can do your bit as part of the club then that would be great. Please talk this over with Patricia Tyler

### **RICHARD SOLOMON LESSONS**

There was a wonderful turnout for the lessons with Richard Solomon. All up there were over 70 club members who attended one or more sessions. There were 44 at the first session, 36 at the second session and 16 at the third session. I hope all those who came enjoyed it, and I think we will be able to get Richard back again in the future.

Thanks to all those who helped out, particularly Sue Swanney for the delicious dessert she made on Thursday!

**Grand Slams** Something in the tea! 3 grand slams on Friday 27th July.



## **YOU Travel Tournament Results**

North / South

Hazel Milliken/Ann Eastwood came first.  
Second was Wene McMillen/Peggy Nisbet

East / West

Molly Green/Pam Burry came first.  
Second was Mike Corkin/Ann Robertson

Steve & Julie Sievwright from YOU travel our Sponsors of this tournament are shown with the winners and runner ups below.





**Have you got a team together for the Teams Events coming up?**

**Monday teams are on in May**

**Wednesday teams are on in June**

**Well done to Warwick Tyler, Patricia Tyler, Christine Judd and Colin Light on winning**

**the Mondays Teams played over 3 Mondays.**

**Runner Ups Lauren Lehndorf, John Driscoll, Barbara Cook and Sally Menzies.**



**PAK 'N' SAVE all grades 5A Tournament.**

The popular local tournament brought players from as far a field

as Auckland, Palmerston North, Napier, New Plymouth, Tauranga, Wellington, Akarana, Stratford, Havelock North, Rotorua, Taradale, Hamilton, Hawera and Wanganui to fill 18 tables.

Caroline and George Wilkinson from Auckland were the overall winners, Blair and Liz Fisher from Hamilton were second and Toni Blackburn and Nan Wehipeihana from Wellington came third.

Rona and John Driscoll won the Trevor and Betty Watts trophy. This is awarded to the top Taupo pair who did not win a major placing in the Tournament.

Thank you to both PAK'nSAVE for their sponsorship and local members for supplying the fabulous food.

**Juniors continue to do well.**

Christine Judd and Sharon Opai (on the left) from Taupo shared third place with Phil and Gill West from Mt Maunganui in the latest Matamata Junior Tournament.



**Great results from Taupo at the Cambridge Junior tournament on Saturday 7 April**

**Congratulations to** Sharon Barton and Sheila Taylor, overall winners with 125.9%, including nearly 70% in the second session! This has given them a healthy lead in the Waikato Bays Junior Championship League.

Well done too to Christine Judd and Adrienne Rehioui who came 4th with 115.30%.



**Bayleys Intermediate 5B Tournament.**

**Saturday 10th March.**

Many apologies but there was a slight scoring error yesterday (completely Rona's fault). The corrected results can now be found [HERE](#)

Prize winners are still the same except for 1st and 2nd who switched places.

So congratulations to our own Ev Gardiner and Sharon Opai who were first overall, and Lauren Lehndorf and Barbara Cook who were the top junior pair.

Thanks to Ross Turnbull from Bayleys Taupo who came to present the prizes. We are very grateful for their generous sponsorship.



Winners Ev Gardiner and Sharon Opai





### **2018 Programme booklets**

The new programme booklets have now been posted out to those who were unable to pick them up from the club.

Sharp-eyed members will have noticed an error on page 14. You can download a new page [here](#) or pick one up from the club in the new year.

## **Congratulations to Taupo players who have moved up a grade**

**New open players: Pam Burry and Peggy Nisbet**

**New intermediate players: Kim Chung and Derek Rankin**

## **LESSONS**

Beginner's lessons start Tuesday 6th February  
7.00pm to 9.30pm

Supervised play starts Wednesday 14th February  
2.00pm-4.00pm

Improver's lessons start Wednesday 7th February  
2.00pm-4.00pm

Full details are on Lessons Page above.

### **Where to find our top bridge players.**

Check out the Special Clubs /Top 10 Statistics for the previous years, top players.

## **Members Area**

These pages have information of interest to club members.

- Calendar: This shows the club events.
- Championships: Gives the winners of these and clicking on any image brings up a list of previous winners.
- Competitions: This gives the winners of the trophies played for during the year and clicking on any image brings up a list of previous winners. There is also a link to a list of all prize winners for all years.
- Archives: This column is archived at the end of each year and can be found there. At the beginning of each year this column starts blank.
- Update contact details: Changes can be made here. Fill out the form and submit. If we don't have sufficient information on who to contact in case of an emergency ( **ICE** ) then please fill out those details there as well.