

Prize Giving was the final night of the year on the bridge calendar. which was a fun night with a great meal (thank you Committee). This was followed by silly/fun bridge, and then prize giving. Congratulations and well done to all winners. Photos can be found in the Gallery.

Triton Xmas Tournament

Well done to the match committee on a great Xmas Tournament. Full house of twenty tables made a great atmosphere.

There was 4 stratified groups, winners of which are below and the full group placings can be found [HERE](#)

More Photos are in the [Gallery](#)



Herman Yuan/Jeffrey
Chang



Eileen Barker/Anne
Berben



Jon Verhoek/Rachelle
Meijer



Jenny Ewart/Sylvia Lee

Club Championship Winners for 2023 are Celia Bockett and Ann Eastwood. Congratulations.

Handicap Winners for 2023 are Kim Chung and Christine Judd. Congratulations also.



Friday Championship for 2023
Christine Judd and Sharon Opai



Junior Championship for 2023

Ruth Hennebry and Prue Kyle



Monthly Competition Results

LiquorLand Team's winners for November

Winners of the ongoing Handicap Competition for the year were the **Pohutukawas** team (Jude Merwood, Ann Robertson, Chris and Helen Younger),. They are the winners of the Neil Marshall Trophy for 2023.

This ended up as a very close competition with at least half the teams(8) being with a chance of winning going into the last round.

Second were the **Bridge to Nowhere**.

Third were the **Slam Dunks**

Fourth were the **Rough Diamonds**

Top team for the year on Raw scores were the **Bridge to Nowhere** (Frances Rankin, Christine Judd, Ann Eastwood and Caroline Martin), who also won the Swiss Teams after a great last round against the top team **Oddsnods** at that stage.

All these teams above took home bottles of wine.

Also taking home some wine were the good sorts team **Just in Time**. During the year they were so

close to winning but just missing out and finished the year close to the top on the ladder.

























November Competition Winners

Monday Property Brokers Junior Championships

1. Ruth Hennebry / Prue Kyle (winners of the Fred Tritt Memorial Trophy)
2. Rebecca Anderson / Judith Davis
3. Michael Anderson / Tim Paterson

Tuesday G M Painters Pairs

Handicap:

1. Jenny Ewart / Liz Giesen
2. Kim Chung / Rosemary Ritchie (1st on Raw Score)
3. Christine Judd / Hazel Milliken

Wednesday Justin Harris Championship Pairs

1. Celia Bockett / Ann Eastwood (winners of the the Melville Trophy)
2. Derek Rankin / Frances Rankin
3. Colin Light / Patricia Tyler
4. Pamela Frank / Sharon Opai
5. Kim Chung / Christine Judd (Handicap Winners for the Ballantyne Salver

Friday Championship Pairs.

1. Christine Judd / Sharon Opai (winners of the 50th Anniversary Trophy)
2. Tineke Baldwin / Hazel Milliken
3. Lauren Lehndorf / Prue Kyle

Great Scoring Playing in the Junior Championships Ruth Hennebry and Prue Kyle scored a remarkable 74.25% in X-Club (club score 75.17%). This placed them top in X-Club on the night with 2nd place about 8% less. WELL DONE

Loveblock NZ Wide Pairs played on Friday 10th November at various clubs throughout New Zealand including Taupo.

Pot luck and an evenings bridge was enjoyed by all, with 8 full tables.

Taupo winners in X-Club : North/South David Hamilton and Chris Jones
East/West Kim Chung and Gillian Robertson

Each of these players are awarded 1 A point from NZ Bridge. Well done

A special mention must be made to the Juniors that played. Over half the field at Taupo were Junior players which gave the club one of the best turnouts for this event. All Junior pairs did well (all over 40%) playing against top players in X club.

On the night at the club Juniors Sue Hadlington-Hight and Jude Merwood were top North/South and in X-Club were the 17th Junior Pairing out of about 200 pairs.

LiquorLand Team's winners for October

The first two rounds of the 4 round Swiss Teams. Full house of 16 teams taking part. Odds n Sods have the lead at this stage.

Winners of both matches: **Odds n Sods, Just in Time, Slam Dunks, South Paws.**

Sponsor's prize this month went to **Sheryl Righton**. For surviving 12 months as President and of course the service she gives to the club

Raffle winner looks all set for summer!



Melbourne Cup Day

A good turn out of 11 tables. Thanks Sue Swanney and her helpers for organising the sweepstakes. Thanks Chris and Pamela for the Drinks and Food

Prize for best outfit to Jan Cook.

More photos in the gallery



October Competition Winners

Monday Property Brokers Pairs

Handicap:

1. Ruth Hennebry / John Paine
2. Chris Jones / David Hamilton (1st on Raw score)
3. Chris Younger / Joan Berg

Tuesday G M Painters Pairs

Handicap:

1. Hazel Milliken / Patricia Tyler (1st on Raw score)
2. Linda Whitlock / Leonie Graves
3. Colleen Mankelow / Rosemary Ritchie

Wednesday Justin Harris Pairs

Handicap:

1. Chris Jones / David Hamilton (1st on Raw score)
2. Sylvia Lee / Pamela Burge
3. Sue Lower / Valerie Walker

Friday October Pairs

Handicap:

1. Colleen Mankelow / Paula Birch (1st on Raw score)
2. Rosemary Ritchie / Helen Heatley
3. Gillian Robertson / Alex Cornock

Waikato Bays Intermediate League

The last round of the League was played in Cambridge yesterday (15/10) There were 8 rounds in all, beginning in February in Taupo with the Bayleys Tournament and ending in Cambridge yesterday.

Taupo players proved competitive in yesterday's round with Kim and Christine 1st in the morning session and Frances and Derek first in the afternoon session. Overall on the day, Frances and Derek came 3rd and Kim and Christine 7th out of 28 pairs present.

Most importantly Derek came 4th overall in the series and Frances came 5th overall in the series. Well done and congratulations to you both.

Playing in the **Waitomo Restricted Open Tournament**, Kim Chung and Gillian Robertson scored an excellent 60.21% (3rd) in the first session. Overall they finished 5th and were the 2nd Intermediate pairing. Well Done

LiquorLand Team's winners for September

First **The Contractors**

and runner-up **Double Trouble**

Winners of both matches: **Cookies, The Contractors and Aces**

Sponsor's prize this month went to **Ruth Hennebry**. Thanks for all the dealing for lessons and directing today

14 teams played this month



September Competition Winners

**Monday Property Brokers Pairs
Handicap:**

1. Kim Chung / Gillian Robertson (1st on Raw Score)
2. Jude Merwood / Helen Younger
3. Helen Spencer / Christine Bailey

Tuesday G M Painters Pairs

Handicap:

1. Merryn Herrick / Lyn Macleod (1st on Raw Score)
2. Eleanor Burrow / Christine Knowles
3. Paula Birch / Rose Corkin

Wednesday Justin Harris Pairs

Handicap:

1. Ruth Hennebry / Barbara Cook
2. Kim Chung / Rosemary Ritchie (1st on Raw Score)
3. Sue Lower / Gill Scrymgeour

Friday Elizabeth Gray Trophy

1. Tineke Baldwin / Hazel Milliken
2. Lyn Macleod / Patricia Tyler
3. Joan Berg / Sharon Opai

Congratulations to Derek and Frances Rankin for a great win in the Matamata 5B Intermediate Tournament on Saturday. Top in both sessions - 62.50% and 63.56% giving them a first overall result. Well done indeed.

LiquorLand Team's winners for August

First **Aces**

and runner-up the **Rough Diamonds**

Only 0.01 of a VP separated these two teams

Winners of both matches: **Aces, Rough Diamonds, Misfits, South Paws.**



Sponsor's prize this month went to **Rosemary Ritchie**. Thanks for being a director and organising the Sunday sessions.

15 teams played this month



August Competition Winners

Monday Property Brokers Swiss Pairs

1. Barbara Cook / Ruth Hennebry
2. Sylvia Lee / Pamela Frank
3. Judith Davis / Rebecca Anderson

Tuesday G M Painters Pairs

Handicap:

1. Sheryl Righton / Rosemary Ritchie
2. Joan Berg / Hazel Milliken (1st on Raw Score)
3. Barbara Grainger / Audrey Swann

Wednesday Justin Harris Pairs

Handicap:

1. Rosemary Ritchie / Kim Chung (1st on Raw Score)
2. Sheryl Righton / Joan Berg
3. Sue Lower / Ruth Hennebry

Friday Elizabeth Gray Trophy

Handicap :

1. Hazel Milliken / Lyn MacLeod (1st on Raw Score)
2. Jean McKenzie / Patricia Tyler
3. Sharon Opai / Lauren Lehndorf

Finals of the Waikato-Bay's Teams Competition 2023

Thank you to the Junior Team of **Ruth Hennebry, Barbara Cook, Colin Anderson and Rebecca Anderson**, who won their heat in Rotorua and progressed to the Finals in Matamata, to represent the Taupo Club. You win some - you lose some, but the effort is the same and your participation is greatly appreciated. We are very proud that you made it to the finals.



Winning streak continues for Derek and Frances Rankin who came 3rd overall in the Te Awamutu 5B Intermediate Tournament - Saturday 12th August - 1st in Session one and 4th in Session two. Congratulations to you both.

Congratulations to Derek and Frances Rankin and Rachel Young and Heather Dickie for their success in the Mt Maunganui Intermediate and Junior Pairs Tournament - Saturday 15th July.

In the Intermediate Section, Derek and Frances came 5th overall with 6th place (50.64%) in the morning session and 1st place (61.54%) in the afternoon session.

In the Junior Section Rachel and Heather came 4th overall with 8th place (52.88%) in the morning session and 3rd place (59.13%) in the afternoon session.

Well done - awesome results

LiquorLand Team's winners for July

First **The Pohutukawas**

and runner-up the **Rough Diamonds**

Winners of both matches: **Hearty Bridges, The Pohutukawas, Rough Diamonds, Pass Pass Pass Double and The Misfits**



Sponsor's prize this month went to **Barbara Cook**. Thanks for filling in for the Teams in Rotorua.

18 teams played this month



July Competition Winners

Monday Property Brokers Pairs

Handicap:

1. Aline Fletcher / Ann Robertson
2. Joan Berg / Pamela Frank (1st on Raw Score)
3. Chris Jones / David Hamilton

Tuesday G M Painters Pairs

Handicap:

1. Jean McKenzie / Lyn MacLeod (1st on Raw Score)
2. Karen McNeill / Ann Velvin
3. Sheryl Righton / Kim Chung

Wednesday Justin Harris Pairs

Handicap:

1. Ruth Henneby / Lauren Lehndorf
2. Rosemary Ritchie / Patricia Tyler (1st on Raw Score)
3. Derek Rankin / Frances Rankin

Friday Elizabeth Gray Trophy

Handicap :

1. Kim Chung / Hazel Milliken (1st on Raw Score)
2. Colleen Mankelow / Lauren Lehndorf
3. Helen Spencer / Patricia Tyler

The Midwinter Bridge & Dinner was a great success with 11 full tables and with partners attending for the dinner - around 60.

A very successful afternoon and evening.

Well done to the committee and their helpers.



The bridge was won by:

North/South

- Ann and Ruth Henneby

- John and Lyn MacLeod
 - Rosemary Richie and Joan Berg
- East/West
- Sheryl Righton and Kim Chung
 - Sue and Ted Swanney
 - Jenny Ewart and Allen Zohrab

The food was excellent and catered in-house by Pam and her team of helpers. You are amazing Pam. Photos of the event are in the Gallery.

LiquorLand Team's winners for June

First **The Misfits**

and runner-up the **Slam Dunks**

Also winning wine this month : **Bridge Buddies**

Winners of both matches: **Bridge Buddies, Bridge to Nowhere, Pass Pass Pass Double, The Misfits, Slam Dunks, Tricksters**

Sponsor's prize this month went to Anne Powell
Thanks for substituting at the last minute

18 teams played this month



June Competition Winners

Monday Property Brokers Pairs

1. Barbara Cook / Helen Younger
2. David Hamilton / Chris Jones (1st on Raw Score)
3. Pamela Frank / Colin Light

Tuesday G M Painters Pairs
Handicap :

1. Jan Cook / Rosemary Ritchie (1st on Raw Score)
2. Christine Judd / Audrey Swann
3. Barbara Grainger / Sheila Taylor

Wednesday Justin Harris Joinery Swiss Pairs A

1. Colin Light / Derek Rankin
2. Kim Chung / Patricia Tyler
3. Rebecca Anderson / Judith Davis

Wednesday Justin Harris Joinery Swiss Pairs B

1. Colin Light / Derek Rankin
2. Christine Judd / Frances Rankin
3. Pamela Burge / Sylvia Lee

Friday Pairs

Handicap :

1. Rose Corkin / Lyn MacLeod (1st on Raw Score)
2. Joan Berg / Christine Judd
3. Jan Cook / Rosemary Ritchie

Monday Night Team Winners

Coming from behind in the last round The Lillies narrowly beat the Gladiolus

The winning team: Judith Davis, Lauren Lehndorf, Rebecca Anderson and Karen Law



May Competition Winners

Monday Property Brokers Teams

1. Judith Davis, Lauren Lehndorf, Rebecca Anderson and Karen Law

Tuesday G M Painters Pairs

Handicap :

1. Christine Judd / Frances Rankin (1st on Raw Score)
2. Christine Knowles / Toni Reyburn
3. Jan Cook / Colleen Mankelow

Wednesday Justin Harris Joinery Pairs

Handicap :

1. Sylvia Lee / Pamela Burge (1st on Raw Score)
2. Ruth Hennebry / Ann Robertson
3. Barbara Cook / Jude Merwood

Friday Pairs (Rangatira Trophy)

Non Handicap :

1. Rosemary Ritchie / Patricia Tyler
2. Kim Chung / Gillian Robinson
3. Helen Heatley / Colleen Mankelow

LiquorLand Team's winners for May

First **Cookies**

and runner-up the **Tricksters**

Winners of both matches: **Bridge the Gap, Pass, Pass Pass Double, The Tricksters and Cookies.**



Sponsor's prize this month went Rose Corkin and Lyn MacLeod. Thanks for dealing those 280 boards for our Tournament.

16 teams played this month



PAK 'N' SAVE ALL GRADES 5A

Tournament held on Saturday 29th and Sunday 30th April

Thirty Pairs enjoyed playing 70 boards over the two days. Ably directed by Liz Crawshaw, the Swiss Pairs format proved to be well liked by those taking part. More or less 100% voted for the same format next year. Thanks to Lyn and Rose for dealing the 280 boards.

Thanks to all those involved with the catering, which was a hit with everyone.
Thanks to Joan Berg and her committee for the organising of the event

Winners on the day
were Elizabeth
Fisher and Blair
Fisher

Runner Up
were Steve
Boughey/Carol
Richardson

**More Photos in
the Gallery**



LiquorLand Team's winners for April

First **Bridge to Nowhere**

and runner-up the **Pass Pass Double**

Winners of both matches: **Bridge to Nowhere, Pass, Pass Pass Double, Bridge the Gap, Just in Time and Cookies.**

Sponsor's prize this month went to David Righton. Thanks for subbing at the last minute

16 teams played this month



April Competition Winners

Monday Property Brokers Pairs
Handicap :

1. Barbara Cook / Jude Merwood
2. Patricia Tyler / Colin Light (1st on raw scores)
3. Lauren Lehndorf / Aline Fletcher

Tuesday G M Painters Pairs
Handicap :

1. Christine Knowles / Jill Jones
2. Colleen Mankelow / Sue Swanney
3. Sharon Opai/ Lyn Macleod (1st on raw scores)

Wednesday Justin Harris Joinery Pairs
Handicap :

1. Chris Younger / Jude Merwood
2. Colin Anderson / Derek Rankin (1st on raw scores)
3. Valerie Penlington / Allen Zohrab

Friday Pairs (April Pairs)

Handicap :

1. Colleen Mankelow / Aline Fletcher

2. Tineke Baldwin / Hazel Milliken (1st on raw scores)
3. Christine Judd / Jean McKenzie

Sunday Bridge

Usually the last Sunday of the month with refreshments after.



Well done Alex Cornock and Gillian Robertson. Top in X Club on Monday night with over 70% and 6% clear of the second person

LiquorLand Team's winners for March

First the South Paws

and runner-up the Slam Dunks

Winners of both matches: Just in Time, South Paws, Tricksters, Slam Dunks and Double Trouble.

Sponsor's prize this month went to Valerie Penlington. Thanks for subbing at the last minute

17 teams played this month



March Competition Winners

Monday Property Brokers Pairs

Handicap :

1. Valerie Walker / Ann Robertson
2. Jude Merwood / Prue Kyle (1st on raw scores)

Tuesday G M Painters Pairs

Handicap :

1. Gillian Robertson / Sheryl Righton
2. Hazel Milliken / Kim Chung (1st on raw scores)
3. Christine Judd / Audrey Swann

Wednesday Justin Harris Joinery Pairs

Handicap :

1. Ruth Hennebry / Joan Berg
2. Sheryl Righton / Kim Chung
3. Rosemary Ritchie / Garth Robinson (1st on raw scores)

Friday Pairs (Rosebowl)

Handicap :

1. Joan Berg / Rosemary Ritchie (1st on raw scores)
2. Colleen Mankelow / Jill Jones
3. Hazel Milliken / Jean McKenzie

Well Done



At the Taranaki Congress in the Intermediate Teams

Team captained by Christine Judd with her partner Kim Chung and joined by Derek and Frances Rankin won this event. Going into the last round 1 VP behind, they put together good last match to finish the winners. It was a great team effort as the Taupo pairs finished 1st and 2nd on the Bultler Ladder as well.

Supervised Play



**On Wednesdays at 2pm with
Frances and Joan**

February Competition Winners

Monday Property Brokers Pairs

Handicap :

1. Alex Cornock / Gillian Robertson (1st on Raw Scores)
2. Jude Merwood / Patricia Tyler
3. Sue Hadlington-Hight / Aline Fletcher

Tuesday G M Painters Pairs

Handicap :

1. Sharon Opai / Gillian Robertson (1st on Raw Scores)
2. Paula Birch / Jan Cook
3. Rosemary Ritchie / Patricia Tyler

Wednesday Justin Harris Joinery Pairs

Handicap :

1. Garth Robinson / Lauren Lehndorf (1st on Raw Scores)
2. Gillian Robertson / Alex Cornock
3. Kim Chung / Joan Berg

Friday Pairs

Handicap :

1. Hazel Milliken / Patricia Tyler (1st on Raw Scores)

Bayleys Intermediate Tournament.

A very enjoyable tournament was enjoyed by 64 players. It was good to see many Taupo members playing in this event. The lunch provided was supreme so will done Pamela and her helpers. Thank you to the match Committee headed by Christine Judd for their time in organising this tournament and thank you to our sponsors, Bayleys.

Winners on the day were Flo Mield and Annie Barry
Second were Kathryn Morgan and Jackie Pulman
Third were Mandy Jones and Cath Preen

Top Taupo Pair (9th) Pamela Burge and Sylvia Lee

Please check the Gallery for Photos from this event.

Happy New Year and Good Bridging in 2023

Please check our list of Tournament and Session Sponsors in the right column. Some are new this year and please support them when possible. All Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday sessions are now sponsored

Competitions Start in February.

All competitions are in the main, **monthly events**. Note this is a change from previous years for Tuesday and Fridays.

General Information:

- Any pair can play in these competitions.
- You can miss one session and you are allowed a substitute for one of the sessions.
- It is important that the Director is told before the start of play if you are playing with a substitute.
- Most sessions will be scored on Raw and Handicap.

Your Programme Book has details of these events.

Whether you are playing in the competition or not, come along and enjoy the game.