WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE TBA – August 2021

The TBA Committee met at the TBA on Tuesday August 10th from 3.30pm.

PARTICIPATING : J Rhodes (Chair), M Gibbs, S Edler, S Falkingham, I Bailey, R Giles, J Grosvenor, K Marsden, E Gee

APOLOGIES : L Cooke

The following matters were discussed :

Individual Bridge - First Sunday of the Month

The TBA has been looking to utilise our Sunday Sessions in more interesting ways than just normal duplicate sessions. We have established the "Sunday Swiss" on the last Sunday of the month, "Social Sundays" on the second Sunday of the month, and now we have pleasure in announcing an "Individual" movement on the first Sunday of the month, commencing November 7th. An individual movement is where you switch partners after each round. It is a good event for people without a regular partner to be able to just turn up for a fun session of bridge.

Bert Forage Centenary Day of Bridge – September 12th

Of course, the recommencement of Individual bridge will initially be celebrated on the Bert Forage Centenary of Bridge Day on September 12th. Bert turns 100 shortly after this and to celebrate his passion for bridge and long association with the club, the TBA is conducting a special bridge event on Sunday September 12th from 1.00pm, so put the date in your diary.

Bridge will commence at around 1.15pm and will be an Individual Championship, with the Bert Forage Individual Trophy to be awarded for the first time at the conclusion of the event. Book a seat using the TBA Booking System.

TBA (Non) Bridge Fun Night

Sue Falkingham is organising a bridge related but non playing Fun Night on Saturday October 2nd from 7.00pm to 10.00pm. The night will consist of a series of quizzes and challenges and members are asked to make up a table of four. Tables are encouraged to bring their own snacks and drinks. Come on your own, or bring that non playing life partner who wonders what you are doing all those hours every week!

Teams of Three

The inaugural whole day Teams of Three event was held at the TBA on Sunday August 15th. Eighteen teams fought it out with Phil Beck's team of Ian Bailey, Judy Hooley and Roger Hooley merging triumphant at the end. A team from Launceston of Wendy Butler, Dennis Butler and Annette Keen, captained by Pam Lidl were runners up. A good time was had by all, ensuring that this annual event will become a permanent fixture on the TBA calendar.



Name Badges

The TBA will provide a name badge, free of charge to any member who would like one. Wearing a name badge is helpful for new members, and a good thing to wear if you are visiting another club. If you would like one, email your name as you would like it to appear on the badge to <u>tba@tasbridge.com.au</u> and specify whether you would like a pin or magnet attachment.

Wednesday Improver's Session

Hugh Grosvenor will be taking over this session from Wednesday August 18th. This session is designed as a transition for beginners wishing to move to a more competitive session, but not quite ready to play in open events. This is a great opportunity to be coached by a player with outstanding bridge credentials. You don't need a partner – just turn up for 10.00am on Wednesdays. This session has been struggling to attract numbers and will only work if enough players attend to make it a worthwhile experience.

The TBA thanks Malcolm Sherlock for his work in establishing this session and running it in its early stages. It has been greatly appreciated.

Julie Rhodes President, TBA August 2021