

# **Queenstown Bridge Club**

## **Bridge Bulletin** ♠ ♥ ♦ ♣

**July 2020**

Welcome back to the Events Centre. Help us celebrate our homecoming by staying after play for drinks provided from club coffers.

### **Upcoming club and area events**

- Ryan Queenstown v. Winton Interclub Challenge Sunday 16 August at Winton Club. The club has arranged a bus for a small charge per person, departing at 10am. Winton Club will provide a light lunch at noon. Sign up tonight.
  - Southland Jnr/Int pairs Saturday 22nd August at Invercargill Club. Enter online.
  - South Island Championship Pairs Saturday 29 and Sunday 30 August at Invercargill Club. Enter online.
  - Central Otago Open 5A Pairs Sunday 6 September at Alexandra Club. Enter online
  - Wanaka Jnr/Int Pairs Saturday 12 September at Wanaka Club. Enter online.
  - Charity game Thursday 17th September at Queenstown Club, with proceeds going to the Wakatipu Community Foundation. More details to follow.
  - Winton Open Pairs Saturday 19 September at Winton Club. Enter online.
  - Teams tournament catch up Thursday 29th October at Queenstown Club. T
- For more tournaments in Otago/Southland check [outnzbridge.co.nz](http://outnzbridge.co.nz)

### **Know someone who would enjoy bridge?**

Betty is holding lessons on Thursday evenings at her home 12 Shoreline, from 7pm till 9pm. Call 03 441 4460. Volunteers to help would be appreciated.

### **Meet our members – Kathy Mackenzie!**



Kathy started playing bridge in Kaikoura 10 years ago, then joined our club when she and Hamish (our club President in 2016) moved to Queenstown. The highlight of her bridge days was winning the Kaikoura tournament in 2013 after a “magical day when all the stars aligned” for Kathy and her partner. When she’s not bridging, Kathy enjoys walking her dogs, cycling, golfing, and reading. She and Hamish also enjoy Model A and Daimler rallying. Two interesting facts about Kathy are that she greatly misses her nursing days, and she’s a closet piano player.

## Congratulations to winners of the Melbourne House Pairs!

### Handicap winners:

Lynda Baker / Eleanor Fallow 56.50%

Vicky Buckham / Kristen Guthrie 54.12%

Bev Coburn / Lynn Darnhill 53.32%

### Raw scores :

Lisa Cassels / Ernie Sutton 56.82%

Lynda Baker / Eleanor Fallow 56.48%

Bev Coburn / Lyn Darnhill 55.54%

## Squeeze your opposition!

Dealer: N Vul: All

		<b>N</b>		
		♠ 10874		
		♥ 7		
		♦ K9875		
		♣ QJ3		
<b>W</b>			<b>E</b>	
♠ J			♠ K3	
♥ AK986432			♥ QJ	
♦ -			♦ AQJ642	
♣ A1087			♣ K64	
		<b>S</b>		
		♠ AQ9652		
		♥ 105		
		♦ 103		
		♣ 952		

Bidding			
S	W	N	E
		/	1D
/	1H	/	3D
/	4NT	/	5D
/	5NT	/	6H
Pass out			

With W in 6 hearts, lead was the ♠8. Declarer ruffed the second round and considered his options. There are 11 tricks and a twelfth may come from diamonds. The problem is, three entries to dummy (QJ of H and king of C) are not enough to ruff diamonds three times and take advantage of a 4-3 break in the suit.

Consider your alternatives before you play. The best plan is to run your long suit, putting your opposition under pressure by giving them two choices of discards. By running a long suit, opposition are in the situation of setting up winners for you.