



It's Christmas Party Time!

We have had a challenging year, with lockdowns, masks, and nights when the opposition got all the good boards. That's all behind us and it's time to celebrate what we have, with a fabulous Christmas Party at the Event Centre starting at 6 pm.



The cost is \$40 per person, which includes:

- Your first drink free with canapes served between 6 and 7 pm
- Our annual prizegiving ceremony
- A delicious dinner
- Your table fee
- Two hours of fun bridge
- Cheese to finish off the night
- *No mask required
- **A fully vaccinated environment

Dress is festive. RSVP as soon as possible, dig out those kitschy Christmas earrings, and come ready for fun.

Prepay is preferred, by online payment to the QBC club (remember to add your name). Cash will also be accepted on the night.

*With the traffic light system starting next week, and the entire South Island on orange, we will not have to wear masks, except when we enter and cross the public area of the Events Centre.

In order for us to comply with Government regulations, and create the safest environment for all, you **MUST show a valid VACCINE PASS before you enter the party. A paper version is fine if you haven't yet downloaded your Vaccine pass to your phone.

Christmas Pairs

Congratulations to winners of the final series of the year

Handicap winners:

First: Hamish McDonald and Jos van Hees 61.74%

Second: Owen Williams and Helen Henderson 58.51%

Third: Louie Cameron and Annie Telford 53.86%

Raw score winners:

First: Hamish McDonald and Jos van Hees 64.50%

Second: Ernie Sutton and Anne McGregor 57.73%

Third: Anna Elms and Hamish McKenzie 55.56%

Little Red Book

It's almost time to start planning for 2022!

Our committee has made some changes to the series and championship pairs calendar, so check your book for the new dates and the qualification criteria for Championship Pairs before you start planning your 2022 holiday.

Please also check the bar, supper, and Director roster listed in the back of the book. Our club runs on volunteers, and the more members who step up and help, the better it runs.

If you are scheduled but not available, we ask that you find a replacement.

Bridge Trivia

- What game does bridge originate from?
- In what century was the first bridge game played?
- What percentage of households had a bridge player in the 1940s?
- How many people currently play bridge worldwide?
- What game is considered harder? Chess or bridge?

(Answers in December bulletin)

National Bridge Congress

New Zealand National Bridge Congress will be held February 17th-22nd, 2022 at Trustpower Baypark Arena, Mt. Maunganui. This year there are no packages, and grades range from Novice to Open, and Seniors. You can pick and choose which events you want to enter at nz.bridge.co.nz Registration preferred by January 16, 2022.

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