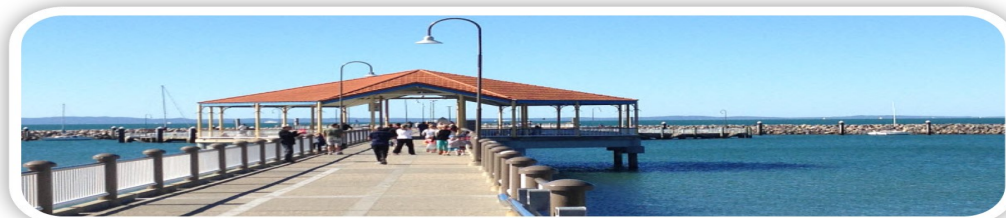


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BRIDGE BUZZ

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- * 2024 Program
- * Rainbow session
- * CO2 Monitoring

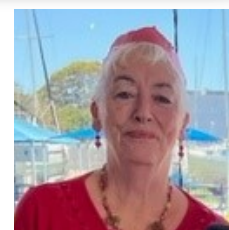
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From the President—Sue Kennard

Hi everyone,
 The end of the year is looming very fast now!
 Don't forget to keep Wednesday 13th December free for our Christmas party at the Moreton Bay Boat Club commencing at 12 noon. Register online on the green BOOKINGS button as soon as possible, so that we can get numbers. Cost is \$10 members and \$37.50 for non members and you can pay with your table fees any time. Hope to see you all there!
 Sadly we had to cancel our Teams congress in November due to the termite drama. This was a shame as we have been trying to get a teams congress for some time. We owe a big vote of thanks to our

providore Maddy Wong. She has been providing us with all of our refreshment comforts (bar hot water) under very difficult circumstances, working from a cupboard and spare bridge table as a replacement kitchen! A big thank you to you Maddy, you have helped keep our spirits up in trying times.
 We have welcomed back our immediate past president Fay Jeppesen from a three month round the world trip, and we wish her all the best for her upcoming surgery in the next couple of weeks.
 Floor update: the men from the council have been in this week and they put a mobile camera under



the floor to check on the (hopeful) demise of the termites. The camera could not see any so the next step was taking up some of the floor in that area to get down and have a look. There is a lot of damp in some areas and they need to find where that is coming from, so there will be plumber involvement as well as the removal of the asbestos that was left behind underneath the building. So we are still keeping our fingers crossed!
 In the meantime, our great little club will keep calm and keep on playing!
 Cheers Sue

B4c Champion Pairs

Our Champion Pairs were held on the 8th and 15th September with Magdeline Wong and Midge Spice finishing up the winners for our club.

Paul and Annette Hendry came in second and Annette Hyland and Gordon Gemmell were third. This was a red B4c masterpoint event which is only conducted

during the regular club calendar and they can only be advertised within the club. Twenty-Six pairs played on the day.

Single Session Teams

A teams session was held on the 22nd September with 19 teams competing.

Both Open and Under 100 MPs Novice teams competed. Herold Rienstra's team was (1st)

followed by Noreen Weyling's Team (2nd), and Melva Leal's Team (3rd).



Roxane Blaylock and Jenny Reid



John Henderson and Carol Bailey

Novice Pairs Trophy

The Novice Pairs was held on the 13th and 20th October.

Eighteen pairs competed for the trophy which included players

with less than 50 Master Points. Winners for the two rounds were Chris and Mike Stewart with Debbie and Gary Pearce second,

Lisa Balfour and Linda Almond third.

A great day was had by all.

Australian Wide Restricted Pairs

The Restricted Pairs was held on the 27 October, the Redcliffe Club entered 22 pairs. Jenny Reid and Roxy Blaylock (N-S) along with

Carol Bailey and John Henderson (E-W) won our club heat.

Carol and John came 9th overall Australia-Wide and Debbie and

Gary Pearce came 40th in the Under 100 MP section Australia-Wide.

A great day was held by all.

Players Code of Conduct

It will be polite and courteous at all times.

I will respect other people's rights to have different opinions or ways of thinking.

I will conduct my game in a proper, mature and inoffensive manner.

I will assist new members and guests and try to show patience

and understanding.

I will at all times abide by the Ethics Code and rules of my Bridge Club, my State/Territory Association and the ABF.

2024 Program

The program is being prepared for 2024. Please check your details and forward any changes to your personal details to secretary@redcliffebridge.com.au

Role of the Club Recorder

Our Recorder is Sandra Routley. In her role, she is an experienced player to whom players have recourse on complaints or suspicion of improper, unethical or discourteous behaviour by others in general matters which are not strictly the providence of the Director of the session.

The session Director may also refer a complaint to the Recorder.

An example of reportable incidents could include a person making disparaging remarks about another player, being aggressive or argumentative to another person or harassment.

If the Recorder is absent from a regular Club session, players may choose to communicate with the Recorder via telephone or email.

If the Recorder is unable to resolve an issue or if it is deemed that further investigation may be appropriate the Recorder shall make a formal written report to the Management Committee who will then assume ongoing responsibility for the resolution of the matter or instigate disciplinary proceedings in accordance with Rule 12 (2), By-Law 6, and By-Law 7.

The Recorder shall maintain a confidential written record of

referred incidents and actions taken on an Incident Report Form which will be available to the Secretary of the Management Committee on request.

The Recorder shall have the support of the Management Committee. Any discourtesy to the Recorder while exercising her functions will not be tolerated and the Management Committee will use its disciplinary powers to support the Recorder.

For more information on the role of the Recorder go to the Club Website/Documents/Other/Committee Position Descriptions

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Interclub Teams

Each year this competition invites three teams (A, B & C) from all the clubs in the Brisbane Zone to compete in a large competition.

This year it was held at QCBC.

Redcliffe was only able to enter two teams, A & B as we could not rally a C team. It was a great day, good fun and I urge players to think about entering next year's competition in November 2024.



Changes Coming

THERE ARE SOME CHANGES to next year's program for the Monday and Friday sessions.

There will still be two sections on both these days and they will be called the Red and Blue sections.

There will be *no masterpoint stipulation*, but there is an understanding that the more experienced players will play in the Blue section. The rest of the players may choose to play where they wish and to play for

as long as they like.

However, there is an understanding that the Director of the day may need to move a pair from either side in order to avoid a sit out on both sides. I am confident that our Directors will be fair about this, should the situation arise.

This will also make it easier for our upcoming mentors as they will be able to work on both sides of the room. At the moment, some of the newer

players are reluctant to be mentored in the Blue section, so they will now have a choice.

Ted Morriss will run four supervised play sessions on Friday mornings in January and a list will go up soon for interested players.

I feel that this system will meet the legal requirements of our affiliation and I am hopeful that it will maintain harmony within our club.

Rainbow Session

8th December

Coloured hats will be provided.

Individual play.

Same system card for everyone.



ALTHOUGH ADEPT AT A GREAT MANY OTHER GAMES, MURIEL NEVER QUITE GOT THE HANG OF PLAYING 'NORTH' WHEN INVITED OVER FOR BRIDGE.



"Just think, I could be taking you to your bridge game if we had bought that bass boat."

Talk Like a Pirate Day

On Monday 18th September our bridge club was invaded by a band of swarthy and swashbuckling pirates whose aim was to collect booty for the cause of Child Cancer Research. Aply led by Captain No Beard (aka Ken

Griggs), the sum of over \$1000 was extracted from the good citizenry of the Redcliffe Bridge Club. Our members were very generous buying raffle tickets for the cause, so the cat o' nine tails never needed to be produced and

walking the plank was never mentioned. Ilo Hellaby won the raffle prize which was a bottle of Captain Morgan's finest rum. A great effort from Ken and everyone else who joined in the spirit of the occasion.



Bridge Session Times

Monday 12 Noon
 Tuesday 9 am
 Tuesday 6.30 pm
 Thursday 9 am
 Friday 12 Noon
 Saturday 12 Noon



Melbourne Cup Function

A great day was had by all at the club on this day, where the bridge session was followed by lunch which was provided by the club, as well as a scrumptious morning tea, courtesy of some of our great club cooks!

A sea of flowery hats and stylish outfits was on display and Steve Woodrow judged the best dressed to be Jane Doyle who was presented with champagne and chocolates. (what else!)

Paul Hendry and Peter Murray also received a prize for making a sartorial effort befitting the day.



Special Deal

At the Komo restaurant, if one person holds a Senior's card, they may purchase 2 meals for the price of 1. This means you only pay for the most expensive meal, not the other. This applies to breakfast, lunch and dinner .

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday.

Note that the dishes must be meals, not say a salad or entree. I feel it's great value and I can highly recommend the lamb shanks for \$27, and the 2nd one is

for free!

When ordering, present just 1 senior's card and advise your intention. Just check that your dishes are both classified as meals and that it's Monday to Friday only.

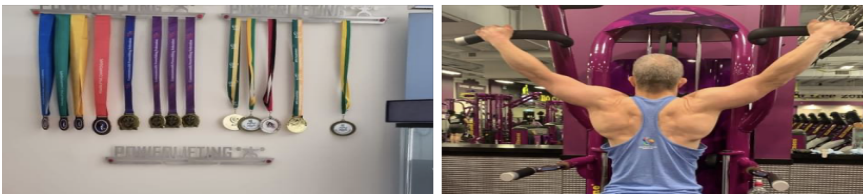


Congratulations to Maureen Smith's son, Martin

Happy Birthday to my Martin who has grown from a cute little boy to a lovely young man. Who brings so much joy and happiness into the world. His sense of humour is incredible. Who would have believed from when he was born to be told take him home and love him do not expect too much....

Represented Qld in 6 Special Olympics National Games in 4 different sports, represented Australia in 2 Special Olympics World Games in Gymnastics. Holds a 2nd Dan Black in Karate....the list goes on. His love is now Powerlifting, and he competed in Canada last year at the World Masters and came home with Bronze. He also competed in Auckland at the Commonwealth Powerlifting Games end of Nov. I am so very proud of him and all he has achieved. He gives 100% to what ever he undertakes, and does it all with a smile and a laugh.

Have a fantastic day Martin, love you to the moon and back, mum. 🧡💜🎉🍷🍺🍸💕💕



Termite Update

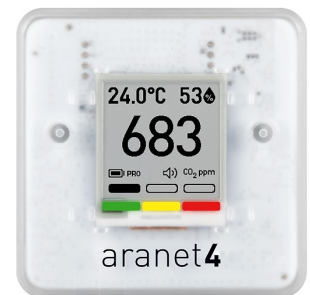
As of the 16th November, it has been found that the termites are still alive. So the treatment continues. Termites are a group of eutrophagous eusocial insects which consume a wide variety of decaying plant material, generally in the form of wood, leaf litter, and soil humus. They are distinguished by their moniliform antennae and the soft-

bodied and typically unpigmented worker caste for which they have been commonly termed "white ants"; however, they are not ants, to which they are distantly related. About 2,972 extant species are currently described, 2,105 of which are members of the family Termitidae. . . and we have one of them in our club house.



CO2 Monitoring

The Aranet CO2 monitor that was purchased by the club to check the freshness of the air circulating in the club has not yet identified any problems, but monitoring continues.





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Christmas Party



Claim the date

13 December

Moreton Bay Boat Club

12 Noon.



Australian Bridge Federation (ABF) News . . .

Recent Newsletter can be accessed on <https://www.abf.com.au/abf-newsletter-october-2023/>

Queensland Bridge Association (QBA) News . . .

1. The most recent QBA bulletin is available to download <https://qldbridge.com.au/qba-bulletin>

Masterpoint News . . .

Congratulations to the following members on their promotion to the next level.

Rank Promotions				
Grade	September		October	
	Name	Total MPs	Name	Total MPs
Bronze Life			Ross Shardlow	437.82
Bronze National			Melva Leal	239.35
Regional	Leanne Paddison	50.05		
Local			Jan Bencsevich	15.42
Local	Eva Marshall	15.15	Geoff Talbot	15.29
Club			Lynne Ryan	5.41
Graduate	Steve Wild	2.46	Michael Stewart	4.75
Graduate	Ashley Fitzgibbon	2.42	Christine Stewart	4.75

For more information go to ABF Masterpoint Centre www.abfmasterpoints.com.au

Dates to remember . . .

9-12 January

Summer Festival of Bridge
Canberra

17-24 February

Gold Coast Congress
Broadbeach

2-6 May

Autumn Nationals
Adelaide

3-6 May

Barrier Reef Congress
Mackay

25-26 May

River City Gold Mixed Pairs
Brisbane

25-31 May

Australian Wide Novice Pairs

6-10 June

Victor Champion Cup
Melbourne

29-30 June

Western Senior Pairs
Perth

6-18 July

Australian National
Championships—Orange