

Newsletter

Save the Date

Sunday 13th November 2022

Please support your Board by attending the Club's Annual General Meeting. To proceed we need a quorum, and importantly, it is your opportunity to vote on any matters which may be tabled.

The pack including:

- Notice of AGM
- Agenda
- Minutes of previous AGM
- Financial Accounts & Report
- Board Nomination forms

will be sent to all Auckland Bridge Club members by separate email soon so please look out for these during the next fortnight.

Improvers Session Online

Encouraging Junior members to play online. Log onto RealBridge Thursdays from the 15th October, with your partner. Or if we can help find you a partner let us know. This is an ideal opportunity to get some 'Bridge miles' clocked up and give yourself more confidence.



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Freaky Friday *Director Sylvester*

Majors and Minors - the two freakiest hands in September

[here](#)



and [here](#)



NOVEMBER

**FRIDAYS -
UPSTAIRS
BACK FOR
NOVEMBER**



Arrange your 4 to enter the Janet Barnard Rose Bowl championship teams event, Fridays during November

Doors open at 1:15pm
Session starts at 1:30pm
4th, 11th, 18th & 25th
November

Thank you to Russell who will have the Bar open, and BYO shared nibbles for post play



September Online Ladder

The September Ladders for Online play are out, and a few more ladders have been added.

Congratulations to Sophie Kranz for topping the table for Double Dummy play.

Hand with the most High Card Points in September (25 hcp) [here](#)

Double Dummy Declarer Success

This table shows how many tricks a declarer takes compared to double dummy play, given the actual lead. A figure of +1.0 for example would mean that on average the declarer takes one more trick than the double dummy result.

Position	Name	Hands	Average
1	A♠ Sophie Kranz	31	+0.39
2	A♥ William Leach	69	+0.25
3	A♦ Patrick Carter	33	+0.24
4	A♣ Jerry Chen	34	+0.24
5	K♠ Rachael Goffin	64	+0.23
6	K♥ Dong Gao Bi	88	+0.22
7	K♦ Cynthia Clayton	57	+0.18
8	K♣ John Driscoll	74	+0.15
9	Q♠ Ronald Evans	37	+0.14
10	Q♥ Joanna Silk	32	+0.13
11	Q♦ Michael Johnstone	26	+0.12
11	Q♣ Monica Cheng	26	+0.12
13	J♠ Linda Cartner	35	+0.11
14	J♥ Jan Bennett	45	+0.11
15	J♦ Bruce Marr	29	+0.10
15	J♣ Andrew Michl	58	+0.10

Club Sessions



Face to face sessions are being assessed frequently as we consider additional sessions.

We encourage your continued support to play at the Club and help increase the numbers

Mondays - 11am

Tuesdays - 7.15pm

Please come along with your partner - love to see more of you participating

Wednesdays - 2 sessions: 11am and 7.15pm

Lesson at 6.45pm with Patrick for those wanting to learn more.

Except no 7:15pm session on the 5th October due to Congress

NB: Evening session - you do not need to have a partner ..just come along

Thursdays - Supervised session at 9.30am with a lesson and play beginning at 10am

Except no 7:15pm session on the 6th October due to Congress

Fridays - 11am

See our [RealBridge](#) page on our website for the extensive schedule of **online** sessions

Donations

Thank you - Every \$ helps

Should you like to make a donation to the Club please see the various amounts on HelloClub where it is easy to donate.

For your donation you will receive a tax receipt enabling you to claim 33.33 cents on every dollar donated - not to mention the priceless good you are doing for your club.

Hello Club Top Ups

Top ups online are easy

Go to akbc.co.nz website

Click the members tab at the top

Click [LOGIN TO HELLOCLUB]

Then enter your:

User name (*usually your email address*)

Password (*contact the office if you need to reset*)

Please ensure you always have a credit balance in HelloClub

Do you know someone who would like to join AKBC?

If you know of anyone wanting to become a member please have them contact us by phone or email. We look forward to welcoming more new members to our Club.





Congratulations to Alex Shan

for winning the Novice Pairs at Congress at Mt Maunganui - See [here](#)

The first event exclusively for JIN club members was held at Congress on Sunday. The Novice Pairs was open to all players who had not yet attained their Certificate of Proficiency as at 1 January 2022. Seven tables playing a full 26 board Howell under the guidance of director Babs-Merel de Visser.

The event was won by 13 year old Alex Shan from Auckland and his partner Kate Wade from Tauranga with a very healthy score of 61.54%. They were one of only two pairs bidding and making 4♠ with just 22 point between them, on this hand:

BOARD 26									
BD: 26		♠ K4		Dir: E					
		♥ 753				Vul: ALL			
		♦ QT854							
		♣ KQ2							
♠ 953				♠ 82					
♥ 4				♥ AKQ982					
♦ J732				♦ AK96					
♣ J8543				♣ 7					
		♠ AQJT76							
		♥ JT6							
		♦							
		♣ AT96							
	♣	♦	♥	♠	NT				
N	1	-	-	4	-	10			
S	1	-	-	4	-	2 16			
E	-	1	2	-	-	12			
W	-	1	1	-	-				

No surprise that Alex is placed very well in the rolling 3-month ladder (Jul-Aug-Sep) for frequency declarer making a contract.

This table is not just about play - it also reflects bidding. There are two good ways to get on this table: (1) by being a great declarer, (2) by being a sound bidder. There are two bad ways to get on this table: (1) by being a chronic underbidder, and (2) by never sacrificing. Regardless of which category you fall into, it is better to be higher than lower in the ranking.

Rank	Name	Making	Total	Percent
1	A♠ Brent Mandel	43	48	89.58%
2	A♥ Alex Shan	41	47	87.23%
3	A♦ Gwyneth Mace	27	32	84.38%
4	A♠ Bruce Marr	51	61	83.61%
5	K♠ Graham Mellsop	36	44	81.82%
6	K♥ Gadi Bental	22	27	81.48%
7	K♦ Sophie Kranz	59	73	80.82%
8	K♠ Gayle Cullwick	21	26	80.77%
9	Q♠ Sandy Buzzard	25	31	80.65%
10	Q♥ Jennifer Perkins	49	61	80.33%
11	Q♦ Ian Ormiston	40	50	80.00%
11	Q♦ Roger Cole-Baker	20	25	80.00%
13	J♠ Harry Shepherd	39	49	79.59%
14	J♥ Vaughan Smith	31	39	79.49%
15	J♦ Steph Jacob	27	34	79.41%
16	J♠ Bruce Gully	71	90	78.89%
17	Marilyn Jackson	66	84	78.57%
17	John Mansfield	33	42	78.57%
17	Raymond Crowe	22	28	78.57%
20	Linda Farley	51	65	78.46%
21	Rineke Mansell	80	102	78.43%

Upcoming Events

Register Today

Kohimarama Retirement Village Pairs
Thursday 13th October - 9.45am - online

Wes Dodd Open 5A Pairs
Saturday 15th October - 9.30am - at the club

Loveblock New Zealand Wide Pairs
Friday 11th November (evening) - at the club

High Card Points

Hand with the most High Card Points in September

See [Here](#)

