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## FEBRUARY 2020 NEWSLETTER



### **Fire is never a gentle master.** (proverb)

Our thoughts are with those whose lives have been devastated by fire in recent months. Climate change has been around for four million years but what Australia needs is a common sense approach to the management of our forests and bushland. They should be cared as our indigenous people cared for them for 60,000 years before colonisation.

### Bushfire Appeal Fund Raiser

All members of the Fremantle Bridge Club should be really proud of their efforts as over \$900 was raised on Saturday January 17<sup>th</sup> to go towards assisting in the Bushfire Appeal. The committee has decided that the money will be divided equally between the Red Cross and Animal Welfare.

The raffle alone raised over \$300 and, along with generous donations from players combined with the usual the table money, the total kept rising. Mention should be made of Director, Chris Wells, who donated his fee, Sue, Liz, Jean and Jenny who donated the goods for the raffles; Judy and Jenny for the afternoon tea and the energetic Jane and Anne who sold tickets. A wonderful team effort with a great result.

### HAND WASHING

Members are advised the Hand sanitiser at the kitchen door is being replaced. Finding an alternative dispenser took time – however we encourage members to be vigilant with their hand hygiene (there is a hand washing facility available in the small basin just inside the kitchen door) until the replacement is installed. Thank you.

New Member: Welcome back to Bill Turner who has re-joined our club. We hope it will be a long and happy association, Bill.

## BRIDGE LESSONS



If you know if any friends, family or neighbours who have expressed an interest in learning to play bridge – let them know there is a series of lessons starting at Fremantle Bridge Club on Saturday February 15<sup>th</sup>2020.

Have you heard anyone say – “Oh I learnt that when I was younger and have always thought about starting to play again”? They may want to refresh their knowledge.

A series of eight lessons – 9.30 to 11.30 on Saturday mornings, only costs \$50 and will be run by Sue Simper. Please contact her on 0409 372 222.

The lessons will take place at The Club rooms located in the Masonic Lodge on the corner of High and Chalmers

Streets, Fremantle – and Morning Tea will be provided.

## DIRECTING:



### WHO WANTS TO BE A DIRECTOR?

Expressions of interest are called for from members who wish to try their hand at Directing.

Without a Director there is no bridge.

**NO DIRECTOR NO BRIDGE.**

No Experience required but basic computing skills and a general knowledge of Bridge would be an asset.



### **LAW**

**One simple little law which players sometimes forget, is to make the opening lead face down. This enables all players to establish that the correct person is leading and thus, the annoying and quite common error of leading out of turn, is avoided.**

## **PARTNERSHIP CO-ORDINATOR**

Don't forget if you need a partner you can contact Odelle on **0411 776 390**. Please let her know if your partner is going away and you would be available for a game. Let's Talk!!! You are doing a great job, Odelle.

## **HUMOUR**

### **A Bridge Player**

**There once was a Bridge playing bloke  
Who cried, "This game's far from a joke!"  
With the best of intentions  
To learn the conventions,  
The very next round I revoke.**

**And: What is the difference between a psychopath and a Bridge partner?  
You can reason with a psychopath.**

**Jane Walters**