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### President's Message

June has been extremely busy with competitions. Wasn't it wonderful to see our room full again. Our June Graded Congress was extremely successful. On Saturday, we had 50 pairs and on Sunday, 32 teams! Hands were raised that we continue having graded events in our calendar for 2023. An event like this takes a lot of volunteers working very hard behind the scenes. A big thank you to you all...

- Our Congress Convenor Lauren Somers (*I know she was still making changes right up to the last minute with people being sick*)
- The members who donated delicious homemade goodies.
- Jan Palm for organising the food and Di Hodges and her team for assisting with preparation and serving.
- The Dealers for all the extra boards that needed to be dealt; and
- Melanie Mills as caddy.

You may remember we held a farewell party for Neville DeMestre on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March. Neville and his wife, Margaret, were moving interstate to live with their daughters and to be close to family. Sadly, Neville passed away on 24th May. He had been a member of our club since 1990 and was the News Editor of our Quarterly Newsletter for the past 17 years. Neville (Emeritus Professor of Mathematics) created the handicap system that's now used Australia wide!! What a fantastic life Neville lived. Here some links to view some of his achievements.

<https://sites.google.com/site/pjt154/home/a7-awards/de-mestre>

<https://bond.edu.au/news/71467/remembering-surfing-professor>

Neville, you will be sadly missed.

Warmest regards, Odette

### Events/Congress winners in June. Congratulations to all the winners.

#### Australia Wide Novice Pairs (held 31<sup>st</sup> May)

78<sup>th</sup> - Robyn Kronenberg, Deb Carol

89<sup>th</sup> - Alan Kestenberg, John Lemarchand

#### Tuesday Morning Red Point Pairs

A. Juliet Rogers and Peter Lyons

B. Alan Kestenberg and John Lemarchand

#### Wednesday Red Point Pairs

Jenny Sawyer and Dot Piddington

#### June Congress Graded Pairs

A. Marjorie Askew, William Powell

B. Pamela Jessep, Bill Peters

C. Shi Zeng, Xiao Liu

#### June Congress Graded Teams

A. Magee Team. Jill Magee, Terry Strong, Watson Zhou, Charlie Lu

B. Robinson Team. Sue Robinson, John Sea, Jane Swanson, Bob Hunt

#### Zeppelin Teams

A. Fletcher Team: Robyn Fletcher, Pat Beattie, Eva Berger, Tony Berger

B. Millar Team: Marlene Millar, Shirley Wanz, Trevor Fletcher, Joan Phillips

## July Events

Club Teams Championship, 15<sup>th</sup> July

GNOT 4, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> July and 1<sup>st</sup> August

Thursday Red Point Pairs, 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> July

## Going Cashless

Please note that as from 1<sup>st</sup> July our club will be cashless. Cash will no longer be accepted for any transaction at the club including table fees, tickets, books, entry fees, lessons etc. These will all be done by EFTPOS using your credit/debit card. If you have any difficulty in this regard, please speak to John Lemarchand.

## Education

Our next Beginners' course will start on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July at 9.00am. Please contact teacher Dot Piddington on 0418 887 806 for more details.

## Welcome New Members

Anne Moase, Caroline Gillmer, Pamela Barton, Irene Werzberger, Pamela Rowney.

## Promotions

National - Anne Zeng

Regional - Kerrie Goldston, Lesley-Ann Parry

Silver Local - Ralph Spinks

Bronze Local - Robyn Kronenberg

Local - Elizabeth Ward, Joanna Reid, Jenny L Williams, Xiaohong Zhou

Graduate - Sandra Feingold

## July Birthdays

1<sup>st</sup> - Bruce Marr, John Pisko; 4<sup>th</sup> - James Lindsay, Lyn Thompson; 5<sup>th</sup> - Edie Tonkin; 6<sup>th</sup> - Ian Jarvis, Elinor McCloskey; 8<sup>th</sup> - Jenny Dimond, Carolyn Jordan, Adam Marks; 10<sup>th</sup> - Marlise Jones; 11<sup>th</sup> - Marlene Dwuer; 13<sup>th</sup> - Edward Hahn; 15<sup>th</sup> - Dennis O'Brien; 16<sup>th</sup> - Lesley Riches; 17<sup>th</sup> - Suzanne Purnell; 20<sup>th</sup> - Valerie Bennett, Annette Karstensen, Lesley Kenyon; 24<sup>th</sup> - Patricia Powis; 25<sup>th</sup> - Rachel Langdon, Roger Weathered; 27<sup>th</sup> - Greg Day, John Wilkinson; 29<sup>th</sup> - Lydia Bayer, Ange Kerr, Edith Richardson; 30<sup>th</sup> - Dot Piddington, Daria Williams.

## Milestone Birthday

Wishing Edith Richardson a very happy 90<sup>th</sup> birthday on 29<sup>th</sup> July.

*Happy Bridging,  
Julie Wicks*

***Please come with a smile and leave with a smile and treat your partner and opponents with respect & dignity.***

***Use your Pianola account if you are looking for partner (you can also see who is looking for a partner)***

**Players who require a partner please contact**

**Mon - Sat. Jim & Shelley Moodie . . . . . 5591 2135 or 0402 634 013**

**Thursday Night. Tom Strong . . . . . 0421 106 986**

**Welfare Officer: Cheryl Millar . . . . . 0409 879 081**

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