## December 2019

## Orewa Bridge Club Newsletter

Yet another busy Bridge year has come to an end, with afternoon sessions averaging 20 tables, and evenings 10, showing what keen and interested bridge players we all are.

Our last official function of the year was last Sunday's Christmas party. This was a very pleasant affair, attended by around 100, and enjoyed by all. We began with drinks and canapés, followed by prize giving and thankyous. Ron Cooper ended this part of the day with a very witty poem concerning the achievements this year of the president....

We then attacked a delicious dinner of chicken, ham, potatoes and salads, and dessert of trifle, Christmas pud and fruit salad, before concluding with a spontaneous joke / story telling session!

Percy continued his tradition of barman, providing his very popular special punch....

Congratulations to all winners from competitions that ran throughout the year.

## These include:

Sandy Regan, Rose McClausland, Peter Grey, Dennis Hopkins, Chris Taylor, Betty Kenny, Derek Evennett, Pat Chessum, Pam Everett, Joan Gordon, Chris Mold, Joan Bale, Fran Joseph, Roslind Koch, Barbara Fitzgerald, Paul Grimmer, Peter Green, David Gardiner, David Phillips, Faye Pearson, Margaret Howat, Eddie Mosa, Lawrence Bredenkamp, Chris Moore, Steve Moore, Alison Beer, Greg Campbell, Rae Stamp, Brian Ballard, Nicola Timms, Kath Anderson, Jacqui Biggs, Helen Maddren, Corrinne Evans, Eileen Sanger, Kaz Creaghan, Jeanette Grimmer, Paul Baldwin, Heather Jack, Jenny Robinson, Caroline Goodall, Kath Clark, Florence Edwards.

The highest score gained in any one session this year was 75.44% by Margaret Howat and Faye Pearson.

Greg Campbell took the award for the highest number of 'c' points for a junior, Lawrence Bredenkamp took the intermediate 'c' points award and Sandy Regan the open.

Sandy won the award for the greatest number of Grand Slams.

A big thank you to the very many members who have done so much to ensure the continuing smooth running of the club this year, always happy to take on tasks with good humour and efficiency. Please also remember the suggestion box situated on the ledge by the results board. It is very helpful to hear suggestions or any ideas that can improve the club experience for members.

Holiday bridge resumes from January 3rd 2020, before the first competitions which begin on week beginning January 9<sup>th</sup>.

The committee wishes you a happy, safe and healthy Christmas and New Year and looks forward to seeing you next year to resume battle at the card table!