## Orewa Bridge Club Newsletter June 2022

Hello Everyone

Just a short newsletter this month!

A timely reminder for us all that covid is very much around still, and we must be as careful as we can to stay safe. However, we must also accept that it is so easy to catch as we try to return to normal sociability. And for those unfortunate to have caught it we hope for a mild dose and quick recovery for you. And thank you to those who have acted so responsibly in either notifying us of close contact or who have stayed away if not feeling 100% 'just in case'.

As we have been advised that good circulation and airflow is required it does mean that windows are open as much as possible. Which means it has been a little .... some might say a lot....colder this week. Therefore, be prepared with warmer clothing, as getting the balance between safety and comfortable warmth is not always easy.

## New Seating Plan Trial:

From Monday 20th, for all daytime sessions, there will be set seating for tables 1-3, possibly table 4 if necessary. The top three pairs, both N/S and E/W, from the previous session, will sit at these tables and then cut for seating. Everyone else can sit where they wish, but MUST cut for seating with those winning sitting N/S, unless have seating rights.

As we are fewer tables at the moment we often end up playing the pair we started with twice, so it means the previous week's tops can battle it out again on that 2nd visit to their starting table.

Obviously, week 1 of a competition is less clear as there are different partnerships, but the director will identify who will start at the designated tables.

You may have noticed the new soap / paper towel dispensers that have been installed in the toilets over the long weekend.

A thank you to Bridget (and husband) who organised the purchase and installation.

Keep warm and safe

Judith Hollyer