

# **OREWA BRIDGE CLUB NEWSLETTER**

October 2018

TO ALL OF OUR BRIDGLINGS OUT THERE – The festive season is on our doorstep, so we need to prepare for lots of outings, too much eating etc. It is also time to get out the slip, slop, slap and enjoy the summer that is ahead of us.

## **FORTHCOMING EVENTS**

### **Orewa Bridge Tournament on Sunday, 4 November starting at 10 am.**

It is a 3A 5B tournament open to all members and guests. There is an extra prize for the best junior/junior pair.

### **AGM on Friday, 9 November beginning at 12.15 pm.**

This will be a short meeting and will include the election of a committee, play will commence after that. If you would like to join the committee please ask someone to nominate you and put your name up on the list. New members are welcome.

### **Christmas Party and Prizegiving on Sunday 9 December**

I will give you more detail on this in the November Newsletter but please mark the date in your diary now.

### **Sandy's Improver Lessons**

These are on Friday mornings starting at 10.30 am and are well worth attending.

2 November is on bidding

9 November is on slam bidding

16 November is on playing your hand

## **REMINDERS**

- **Name Badges**

We have several new members and visitors to the Club so we have been asked to please wear our badges when playing.

- **Diamond Bust**

Some members, when they are playing a short club consider a 1 Club opening as forcing for one round. Responder bids 1 Diamond with less than 5 points.

**If this is your agreement it must be alerted.**

Sometimes your partner will have a genuine Diamond suit with 6 plus points BUT the opposition should know that 1 Club is forcing and any bid by responder could be weaker than 6 points.

## **A THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH**

For beautiful eyes, look for the good in others, for beautiful lips, speak only words of kindness; and walk with the knowledge that you are never alone.

**OPENERS** – the following information is **important** and though it was in the last newsletter, unfortunately some are still not adhering to it.

When a 1 Club or a 1 No Trump opening bid is made your partner must explain exactly what it means. If it is a 1 Club opener which is explained as 2 or 3 plus but the hand MAY also have a 5 card major you must include that possibility in your explanation.

**Not just bridge players...**



**A day out at Stanmore Bay Leisure Centre on 26 July**

We had a great team comprising of Gil, Barbara, Roger, Christine, Kaye and Dennis where we competed in the “Commonwealth Games” organised by Orewa Age Concern. Nine teams of seniors competed fiercely for their Commonwealth medals. Our team represented Australia (I know!) known as Oi Oi Oi enthusiastically rose to the challenge of goal shooting, hockey goaling, golf, shuffle board and the like to be placed second overall.

Well done team, and thanks to Age Concern for putting on such a fun day.

**A THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH**

Wrinkles mean you laughed, grey hair means you cared and scars mean you lived.