



## OREWA BRIDGE CLUB (INC)

### July Newsletter

Hello Everyone,

#### **40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration**

Firstly, I want to say thank you to all for the participation in the club celebrations. – to those who organised and to those who joined us for the evening. It was a very enjoyable evening.

#### **Charity Week**

The Committee has designated the last week in July, from the Sunday tournament on the 25<sup>th</sup> to Friday the 30<sup>th</sup> to be our charity week. We are asking that members perhaps give a little more than the usual \$5 tournament and \$3 table money when playing sessions.

The extra would go as a donation to the local St Johns Ambulance.

#### **Survey results**

Recently the question of time to start sessions was raised and a survey was put out for members' views. The result was overwhelmingly for the status quo, so times will stay the same.

#### **Seating rights**

As a club we do like to be as helpful and caring to our members as we can. Therefore, when seating rights are asked for a specific reason the director of the day usually accommodates. But we must be aware that this is a 'session by session concession' and that sometimes this becomes difficult when say, the last week of a competition requires a number of pairs to sit north south. In this instance the director's decision is final.

#### **Phantom table**

It has always been the tradition, in all clubs, not just Orewa that when there is a phantom table the person who enters the room last must sit at the phantom table for the first round.

This applies even when that person's partner has arrived earlier and may even have won the toss.

We have been a little slack on this recently, but after it has been brought to the committee's attention we agree it should be so.

#### **Fouled Boards**

The empty board should always be left in the middle of the table in a north/south direction while the hand is being played. This is to prevent cards being returned to the wrong pockets, which obviously affects play at the next table when the boards are moved on.

The Directors want members to know, that from now on, all four people at the table where a board has been fouled will be penalised. **The penalty will be that both pairs will get 45% on that board.** This does encourage all players to check the right cards are put back in the right pockets.

Players at the following table who discover the fouling after they have played the hand will not be penalised. They will be given a 'skipped' board result.

#### **Bridge Club computer system**

We are looking for club members interested in joining the team who currently take care of the computer system under Sandra Cooper's expertise and guidance.

If you are computer literate and are interested in getting involved in something new have a chat with Sandra or Cherrie.

**Judith Hollyer**  
**Vice President**