

## *Christmas Greetings*

Firstly, I would like to thank our outgoing President Carol Crowfoot, for all that she has done & contributed as President for the past 10 years for our club

Also a great thanks to our Committee, for all the hard work they have put in over the past year, to ensure our Tournaments and Club sessions run smoothly, along with our army of helpers who ensure that this happens. Welcome to 2 new committee members Jan Blake & Jane Browne

It has been a hard year for some of our members health wise, we have had members or their spouses who have had surgery then long recovery periods in hospital or at rehabilitation or at home. As well as those who have had stays in hospital for other reasons, and some are due to have surgery early 2026. Also for members that have genuinely not been well and have struggled with various health issues over the year

It is this time of year, to reflect and send our best wishes to those members who have not been well and wish you all a speedy recovery and we look forward to seeing you in 2026

## ***Recent Regional Tournament Successes during 2025***

Some of our members have been to various tournaments around the Waikato Bays region, have had some great success: **Fantastic results all round, well done to you all, you all made our club proud**

### **The Waikato Bays Interclub competition:**

**Intermediate team:** Ted & Josie and Sabrina & Nita came first

It was great to get our name on the Trophy

**Junior team:** Jane & Louise, Pete & Chris came third

**In the Waikato Area Pairs:** which took place over the year Mary-Ellen & Jenna came 2nd overall.

**In the Waikato/Bays Intermediate League** again took place over the year, Ted & Barbara came 2<sup>nd</sup> overall

Looking ahead to 2026, we have our Thames Summer Festival taking place at Thames High School, which commences Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January with the Social Walk-in-pairs, followed by the Barclay Open Swiss pairs on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> January, and Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> January the John Eldridge Open Teams. **If you are thinking of playing, get registered, this is a very popular Tournament.**

**Our first game of Bridge at our club starts**

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2026**

**We wish everyone a Merry Christmas & Happy New Year,  
if you are traveling out of town, stay safe on the roads.**

**Enjoy the summer break see you in 2026**