



## Thames Bridge Club

### Newsletter

April 25<sup>th</sup>

Just a reminder if you are unwell & contagious.  
**Please stay home** until you have fully recovered

We have members who are elderly, vulnerable & may have travel plans ahead.

**I can not stress enough, please do not come along to play Bridge**

Lets lookout for everyone to stay well, as we head towards our winter time

**Otherwise you will be asked to return home**

## Upcoming Games at the Club

**Mondays** - **E Knight Champ Pairs Round 2**  
April 27<sup>th</sup>

**Pauline Yorke Individual Round 1**  
May 4<sup>th</sup>

**Tuesdays** - **Judith Bishop Pairs Round 1**  
April 28<sup>th</sup> & May 5<sup>th</sup>

**Thursdays** - **Whitmore Rosebowl Pairs Round 2**  
April 30<sup>th</sup>

**Torr Trophy Individual Round 2**  
May 7<sup>th</sup>



## Monday 13th April: Easter Handicap Pairs Session 1

**N/S**

**Winners:** Jan Blake & Caroline Thomas  
Followed by Pat Johansen & Ted Cliffin  
Then Claudine Dean & Greg Davenport

**E/W**

**Winners:** Nancy Davenport & Tom True  
Followed by David Williams & Mike Hosking  
Then Heather Tearle & Karen Woodford

## Monday 20th April: Easter Handicap Pairs Final Session

**N/S**

**Winners:** Claudine Dean & Greg Davenport  
Followed by Chris Good & Pete Woodford  
Then Jessica Flynn & Carol Crowfoot

**E/W**

**Winners:** Nita Knight & Barbara McFarlane  
Followed by Cheryl Banks & Christine Pullyn  
Then David Williams & Mike Hosking

**Well done to the Overall Winners**

David Williams & Mike Hosking

Followed by Nancy Davenport & Tom True

Then Heather Tearle & Karen Woodford

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April: Danby Cup Hi Lo Teams Final**

**Round 5**

<b>Teams:</b> Newton	61.11
Davenport	60.55
Dixon	49.18
Blake	29.16

**Round 6**

Newton	78.67
Dixon	65.55
Davenport	62.99
Blake	32.79

**Well done to the Overall Winners The Newton Team**

Carol, Mary-Ellen, Christine, Caroline and  
Murray who was the substitute for week 2

## Tuesday 21st April: Championship Pairs Round 1

**Winners:** Adrienne Donald & Nita Knight  
Followed by Judith Bishop & Mary-Ellen Newton  
Then Lorraine Dixon & Jena Robinson

**Congratulations**  
to the winners and to all of those  
who participate



**Purnell**  
LAWYERS

**Bespoke for men Barbers**

**Snowden Menswear**

**SKN - Pamper Me Medispa**

## **Club Chat**

First I would like to on the behalf of all our members, send our sincere condolences to Carol and her family on the sad passing of her beloved sister earlier this week. Our thoughts are with you all at this most difficult time

### **Privacy – Photos and other details in publications**

We all need to ask people before taking any photographs which are taken whether at our Club or at other Bridge events.

That those photographs may be used in any of our publications (Posters, Social Media, Website etc) that their details could be published i.e your first name along side the photo (If posted on FB only a first name is used)

If you DO NOT want your photograph taken full stop,  
**Please decline**

If you are happy for a photo to be taken but not your first name in the posting, **again please say so**

Refresh & Improve on your Bridge  
Formerly talking Bridge

Commences Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> April  
1-3pm

Will be weekly until July

So please come along and practice with our new learners

Nb: There may be a short video shown some weeks  
For learners to watch

## **ETIQUETTE/PLAY REMINDERS**

Please keep talk at the table to a minimum be respectful of others still playing.

Post-Mortems are for after play not during...  
Talking about what coulda, woulda, shoulda  
Only slows play down

Bridge is often described as a game of skill, logic, and partnership – but at its heart, it's also a game of courtesy and respect. Good etiquette ensures that every player, whether beginner or expert, enjoys a fair and pleasant experience at the table.

Respect the Tempo of the Game. Bridge is meant to flow smoothly. Take reasonable time to think but void excessive delays that disrupt the rhythm of play. Conversely, don't rush your partner or Opponents; a calm, steady pace promotes better focus and fewer errors.

Bidding and Play in Silence. Once the auction begins, keep conversation to a minimum. Remarks, Gestures, or tone can inadvertently give away Information. Speak only through written bids or Politely asking what a bid means – it's part of the Challenge and fairness of the game.

Protect Your Partner. Bridge is a partnership game, and mutual respect is essential. Avoid criticising your partner's decisions, especially during or right after a hand. Constructive analysis can wait until after the game in a friendly, supportive tone.

Handle the Cards Properly. Be gentle with the cards And place them on the table neatly. After each trick, wait until all players have played before gathering or turning over cards. Attention to small courtesies shows respect for both the game and fellow players.

Grace in Winning and Losing. Polite behaviour Doesn't end when the last card is played.

Congratulate opponents on a hand well bid and accept defeat with good humour. The best players are admired not just for skill, but for their composure and sportsmanship.

**In short: good Bridge etiquette is about Integrity, Respect, and Enjoyment. The smoother and friendlier the atmosphere, the better the Bridge.**