

2024 Match Programme

MONDAY AFTERNOONS AT 1.00 PM

Open to all grades

Visitors welcome but are not eligible for competitions

Please be seated by 12.50 pm

January 8, 15, 22, 29

First Match Point Ladder

This competition will consist of three rounds of three or four sessions. To qualify, each round of three/four sessions is to be played with a different partner. The best nine qualifying scores are to count.

February 5, 12, 19, 26

Rose Bowl sessions 1 - 4

This is an individual event over fifteen sessions, the best eleven scores for each player to count. At least three of the ten qualifying scores must be played with different partners.

March 4, 11, 18, 25

Sir Joseph Ward Memorial Salver sessions 1 - 4

This is a pair's event of fifteen sessions. Eleven matches must be played with the same partner to qualify, best twelve scores to count.

April 1 is Easter Monday, Open bridge

April 8, 15, 22, 29

Second Match Point Ladder

May 6, 13, 20, 27

Rose Bowl sessions 5 - 8

June 3 is the King's Birthday, Open Bridge

June 10, 17, 24, July 1

Sir Joseph Ward Memorial Salver sessions 5 - 8

July 8, 15, 22

Third Match Point Ladder

July 29, August 5, 12, 19

Rose Bowl sessions 9 - 12

August 26, September 2, 9, 16

Sir Joseph Ward Memorial Salver sessions 9 - 12

September 23, 30, October 7

Rose Bowl sessions 13 - 15

October 14, 21, November 4

Sir Joseph Ward Memorial Salver sessions 13 - 15

October 28 is Labour Day, Open Bridge

November 11, 18, 25, December 2, 9

Summer Pairs - Open

December 16

Prize giving, Christmas cheer and social bridge

Note: There will be holiday bridge. Dates over Christmas and New Year published nearer to the time.

Seat reservations: Players with mobility issues may request to have a NS or EW seat. This is not the preferred option, with players arriving early enough to sit where they want preferred. If a seat is granted these will be reserved up to five minutes before the time you are supposed to be seated.

INTERMEDIATE GRADE
Monday Evenings

Please be seated by 7.20 pm

January 8, 15, 22
Combined Pairs (Combined with SR section but with Intermediate winners)

January 29, February 12, 19, 26, March 4, 11, 18
Intermediate Pairs sessions 1 – 7

February 5 as 6 February is Waitangi Day, this is an open session

March 25, April 8, 15
Intermediate Teams or Rotating Pairs (each night with different partner)

April 1 Easter Pairs – Open Bridge

April 22, 29, May 6, 13, 20, 27
Cambridge Ladder

June 3 King's Birthday, Open Bridge

June 10, 17, 24
Intermediate Pairs sessions 8 - 10

July 1, 8, 15 Handicap Pairs

July 22, 29 August 5, 12, 19
Intermediate Pairs sessions 11 - 15

August 26, September 2, 9, 16, 23, 30
Oxford Ladder

October 7, 14, 21
Mixed Grade Teams – play with an expert

October 28 Labour Day, Open Bridge

November 4, 11, 18, 25, December 2, 9
Intermediate Summer Pairs

December 16
Prize giving, Christmas cheer and social bridge

Grading matches (27 sessions)

SENIOR RESERVE SECTION
Monday Evenings

Please be seated by 7.20 pm

January 8, 15, 22
Combined Pairs (Combined with Intermediate grade)

January 29, February 12, 19, 26, March 4, 11, 18
Lion Foundation Cup 1 – 7

February 5 as 6 February is Waitangi Day, this is an open session

March 25, April 8, 15
Teams or Rotating Pairs (each night with different partner)

April 1 Easter Pairs – Open

April 22, 29, May 6, 13, 20, 27
Shirley Newton Ladder

June 3 King's Birthday, Open Bridge

June 10, 17, 24
Lion Foundation Cup 8 - 10

July 1, 8, 15 Handicap Pairs

July 22, 29 August 5, 12, 19
Lion Foundation Cup 11 - 15

August 26, September 2, 9, 16, 23, 30
John Hay Ladder

October 7, 14, 21
Mixed Grade Teams or Restricted Pairs

October 28 Labour Day, Open Bridge

November 4, 11, 18, 25, December 2, 9
SR Summer Ladder

December 16
Prize giving, Christmas cheer and social bridge

Grading matches (27 sessions)

TUESDAY OPEN BRIDGE SESSION
Tuesday Afternoon

Please be seated by 1:20 pm

Enjoy bridge in a smaller section, with more time to play the hands and get the most from the session.

January 9, 16, 23, 30

February 6 – Waitangi Day Open session

February 13, 20, 27

March 5, 12, 19, 26

April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

May 7, 14, 21, 28

June 4, 11, 18, 25

July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

August 6, 13, 20, 27

September 3, 10, 17, 24,

October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

November 5, 12, 19, 26

December 3, 10

December 17

Prize giving, Christmas cheer and social bridge

SENIOR GRADE
Tuesday Evenings

Please be seated by 7:20 pm

January 4, 9, 11 = **Canterbury Holiday Pairs 5A Tournament**

January 16, 23, 30 (open to all grades)

Butler Pairs Trophy or First Match Point Ladder

February 6 is Waitangi Day, with open session bridge

February 13, 20, 27 (open to all grades)

Teams or Restricted Teams (Team total < 1000 A points)

March 5, 12, 19, 26, April 2, 9

Championship or Restricted Pairs (pair has < 500 A total) 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6

April 16, 23, 30 (open to all grades)

Swiss Pairs or Second Match Point Ladder

May 7, 14, 21, 28, June 4, 11

Directors Cup Teams or Judy Heaps Ladder

June 18, 25, July 2 (open to all grades)

Teams or Third Match Point Ladder

July 9, 16, 23, 30, August 6, 13

Championship Pairs or Restricted Pairs 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12

August 20, 27, September 3, 10, 17, 24 (open to all grades)

Secretary's Plate Teams or President's Ladder

October 1: National Congress week TBC, Open Pairs

October 8, 15, 22, 29 (open to all grades)

Men's, Women's, Mixed Pairs

November 5, 12, 19, 26, December 3, 10

Winner's Trophy or Vice President's Trophy (handicap)

December 17

Prize giving, Christmas cheer and social bridge

JUNIOR GRADE
Wednesday Evenings
Please be seated by 6.50 pm

January 10, 17, 24
First Match Point Ladder

January 31, February 7, 14, 21, 28, March 6
Junior Pairs 1 – 6

March 13, 20, 27, April 3, 10, 17
Avon Ladder

April 24, May 1, 8, 15, 22
Junior Pairs 7 - 11

May 29
Welcome Pairs: the new lesson class joins in, please make them welcome

June 5, 12, 19, 26, July 3, 10
Pickering Ladder

July 17, 24, 31, August 7
Junior Pairs 12 - 15

August 14, 21, 28
Second Match Point Ladder

September 4, 11
Welcome Pairs: the new lesson class joins in, please make them welcome

September 18, 25, October 2, 9
Third Match Point Ladder

October 16, 23, 30
Teams (with an expert, a senior player will be available for each team)

November 6, 13, 20, 27, December 4, 11
Summer Pairs

December 18
Prize giving, Christmas cheer and social bridge

Bidding notes: new players from the lessons may use their flipper notes at the table for a month after leaving lessons. The expectation is that you will remember this information and be able to play without assistance after that time.

INTERMEDIATE SECTION
Wednesday Evenings
Please be seated by 6.50 pm

January 10, 17, 24
First Match Point Ladder

January 31, February 7, 14, 21, 28, March 6
Charitable Trusts Cup 1 - 6

March 13, 20, 27, April 3, 10, 17
Jane Skipper Ladder

April 24, May 1, 8, 15, 22
Charitable Trusts Cup 7 - 11

May 29, June 5, 12
Second Match Point Ladder

June 19, 26, July 3, 10, 17, 24
Jenny Wilkinson Ladder

July 31, August 7, 14, 21
Charitable Trusts Cup 12 - 15

August 28, September 4, 11
Rotating Pairs: Play each night with a different partner to win

September 18, 25, October 2, 9
Third Match Point Ladder

October 16, 23, 30
Teams (with an expert a senior player will be available for each team)

November 6, 13, 20, 27, December 4, 11
Summer Pairs

December 18
Prize giving, Christmas cheer and social bridge

Grading matches (27 sessions). Players to play in their own grade for these nights.

SENIOR RESERVE GRADE

Thursday Evenings

Please be seated by 7.20 pm

January 4, 9, 11 = **Canterbury Holiday Pairs 5A Tournament**

January 18, 25, February 1
First Match Point Ladder

February 8, 15, 22, 29, March 7
Senior Reserve Pairs 1 – 5

March 14, 21, 28, April 4, 11, 18
Autumn Ladder

April 25 ANZAC Day: Club closed tournament on this day. See poster.

May 2, 9, 16
Open Teams or Second Match Point Ladder

May 23, 30, June 6, 13, 20, 27, July 4
Senior Reserve Pairs 6 - 12

July 11, 18, 25
Rotating Pairs: Play each night with a different partner to win

August 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, September 5
Spring Ladder

September 12, 19, 26
Senior Reserve Pairs 13, 14, 15

October 3: National Congress week TBC, Open Pairs

October 10, 17, 24, 31
Mixed Grade Teams or Third Match Point Ladder

November 7, 14, 21, 28, December 5, 12
Summer Ladder

December 19
Prize giving, Christmas cheer and social bridge

Grading matches (27 sessions)

SENIOR GRADE

Thursday Evenings

Please be seated by 7.20 pm

January 4, 9, 11 = **Canterbury Holiday Pairs 5A Tournament**

January 18, 25, February 1
First Match Point Ladder

February 8, 15, 22, 29, March 7
Thursday Senior Pairs 1 - 5

March 14, 21, 28, April 4, 11, 18
Nelly Croft Ladder

April 25 ANZAC Day: Club closed tournament on this day. See poster.

May 2, 9, 16
Open Teams or Second Match Point Ladder

May 23, 30, June 6, 13, 20, 27, July 4
Thursday Senior Pairs 6 – 12

July 11, 18, 25
Rotating Pairs: Play each night with a different partner to win

August 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, September 5
Committee Cup

September 12, 19, 26
Thursday Senior Pairs 13, 14, 15

October 3: National Congress week TBC, Open Pairs

October 10, 17, 24, 31
Mixed Grade Teams or Third Match Point Ladder

November 7, 14, 21, 28, December 5, 12
Summer Ladder

December 19
Prize giving, Christmas cheer and social bridge

FRIDAY DUPLICATE BRIDGE

Open to all grades

Visitors welcome but are not eligible for competitions

Enjoy a friendly game of bridge during the daytime, commencing at 10.20 am and finishing at about 2pm. A lunch break will be taken about 12.00 noon so bring your lunch. Tea and coffee are provided.

January 5, 12, 19
First Match Point Ladder

January 26, February 2, 9, 16
Open Pairs 1 - 4

John Lawson Trophy

A twelve-match pairs competition. The best ten scores count, at least nine matches to be played with one partner. Three substitutes per partnership allowed.

February 23, March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, April 12, 19, 26, May 3, 10, 17
John Lawson Trophy

April 5, Good Friday, open bridge session not part of the competition.

May 24, 31, June 7
Second Match Point Ladder

June 14, 21, July 5, 12
Open Pairs 5 - 8

June 28 Matariki, open bridge session not part of the competition.

Friday Handicap Pairs

A twelve-match pairs competition. The best ten scores count, at least nine matches to be played with one partner. Three substitutes per partnership allowed.

July 19, 26, August 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, Sept 6, 13, 20, 27, Oct 4
Diana Isaac Retirement Village Handicap Pairs

October 11, 18, 25, November 1
Third Match Point Ladder

November 15 Canterbury Anniversary Day, open bridge, not part of competition.

November 8, 22, 29, December 6
Open Pairs 9, 10, 11, 12

December 13 Prize giving, Christmas cheer and social bridge

SUNDAY BRIDGE

All welcome, partner not required for juniors.

Visitors welcome but not eligible for competitions
1 - 4 pm Players to be seated by 12.50pm

Sunday Open Individual Handicap

The open session runs for the year as a handicapped tournament.

January 7, 14, 21, 28

February 4, 11, 18, 25

March 3, 10, 17, 24

March 31 Easter Sunday. Open Bridge

April 7, 14, 21, 28

May 5, 12, 19, 26

June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

July 7, 14, 21, 28

August 4, 11, 18, 25

September 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

October 6, 13, 20, 27

November 3, 10, 17, 24

December 1, 8

December 15: Prize giving, Christmas cheer and social bridge

SUNDAY BRIDGE

**All welcome, partner not required for juniors.
Visitors welcome but not eligible for competitions
1 - 4 pm Players to be seated by 12.50pm**

Sunday Juniors

Jan 7, 14, 21, 28
First Match Point Ladder

Feb 4, 11, 18, 25, March 3, 10
Otautahi Plate #

March 17, 24, April 14
Second Match Point Ladder

March 31 Easter Sunday. Open Bridge

April 21, 28, May 5, 12, 19, 26
Nova Cup #

June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, July 7, 14, 21, 28, August 4, 11, 18, 25, Sept 1, 8
Otakaro Bowl #

September 15, 22, 29, October 6
Third Match Point Ladder

October 13, 20, 27, Nov 3, 10, 17
Spring Ladder

November 24, December 1, 8
Fourth Match Point Ladder

December 15: Prize giving, Christmas cheer and social bridge

Note:

1. The three competitions marked #, comprising 27 sessions are the Grading Matches. Players are to play in their own grade for these sessions.
2. Players are encouraged to play with other partners for non-grading sessions.
3. To qualify for the three ladders, players **must** play with a different partner in each one.