

Bridge Blog – 15th June

Report on Bridge Summer Party – 1st June

I thought the summer party was a great success, not least because no one fell in the fishpond despite us all standing perilously close, as we sipped a Pimm's cocktail in the late evening sunshine.

The buffet supper was delicious and included an extensive range of cold dishes, followed by strawberries and cream. Thanks go to the chef and the catering team for looking after us so well. Peter Bradburn provided us with some lovely floral table centres which helped to set the scene and we are once again grateful to Peter for his generous support.



After supper we played Chicago Bridge, format of which is to play three hands at each table, then opposition switch, and play continues with three hands against new opponents. Prizes were presented at the end of the evening for the highest score overall, highest bid slam, a mystery number, and a consolation prize to the lowest score.



Pat Crowe and Margaret Harrop (Highest bid slam)



Jeanette and Peter Reid (Highest Score)



Marion Kreling and Simon Lucas proud winners of the lowest score!



Margaret Swain and Naomi Laundy (Mystery score)

[Click here to see more photos from the Bridge Summer Party](#)

Bridge Teaching

Tim Chanter

Tim Chanter our excellent bridge teacher who has provided bridge classes at Roehampton Club for the last seven years, has informed us that regrettably (for us) he will be permanently moving back to Northumberland.

We will be very sorry to see Tim go as he has been a very valued member of our bridge section providing exceptional bridge tuition to our members who have commented on the high-quality structure and delivery of his lessons.

Tim's last lessons will be Monday 26th and Tuesday 27th June. Tim has discussed the possibility of continuing with some online teaching in the autumn and further information will be available once known.

We wish Tim all the very best.

Paul Mendelson

The good news is that Paul is returning to Roehampton Club in July and will offer the following teaching sessions:

Wednesday mornings 12th and 19th July

Friday mornings 14th and 21st July

We look forward to seeing Paul 'live' in the bridge room.

Bridge Classes for Complete Beginners

If you are aware of any members who would like to learn to play bridge, then please do let us know as we are considering introducing a series of lessons for complete beginners in the Autumn. If you would e-mail Fiona at fiona@datefamily.com or Julie at julie@juliebacon.plus.com it would be helpful. Thank you.

Match Reports

Wanborough Cup – 11th June

The following team of Malcolm Bricknell, Peter Hardyment, Danny & Sally Gesua represented Roehampton Club in the Surrey County Wanborough Cup on Sunday. They finished second on + 54 imps behind a very strong team from Mayfield (+83 imps) which included several international players. They were leading by 25 imps at the break but slipped a little over the full 40 boards. They did however beat the two large Surrey Bridge Clubs Richmond and Wimbledon by a good margin so overall a very respectable result for Roehampton Club. Well done to the team.

Match vs Woodcote Park – 8th June

Congratulations to the team of Fiona and Malcolm Bricknell, Sandra and Gordon Fox, Pippa and Derek Lyons, and Wendy and Roger Gilbert who won by a substantial 65 imps.

Notice to all bridge / tennis players ... 14th July internal bridge / tennis event

We are introducing a new event to the bridge calendar – an internal tennis / bridge competition. We already have golf / bridge and croquet / bridge, so we are giving tennis / bridge a try. Please sign up either as a ladies or mixed pair and we will work out the format accordingly.

Further details and sign-up list on the Bridge Board in Reception. If you have any questions, please speak to either the organiser Liz Dodds at buzwimbledon@yahoo.com Or myself at julie@juliebacon.plus.com

Guest Fees at Duplicate

At a recent committee meeting it was agreed that we would not charge guests £4 table money in addition to the guest fee of £12 paid to the Club, as the overall charge was felt to be too high by those Members wishing to occasionally bring along a guest.

The committee's view was that any increase in numbers at duplicates is generally a positive thing, however the committee will keep this initiative under review. Please note there is a limit on the number of times a year a member can sign in a guest to duplicate.

Bridgewebs

In addition to this newsletter our Bridgewebs site includes up-to-date information, including the bridge calendar, duplicate results, teaching schedules, and other information. <https://www.bridgewebs.com/roehamptonclub/> or via the Bridge section of Roehampton Club's internal webpages.

Julie Bacon, Bridge Chair