

Dear Members

Yesterday NZ Bridge sent a message to clubs recommending that bridge sessions be cancelled until 9<sup>th</sup> April at the earliest.

While we are able to meet the government requirement of less than 100 at a gathering, playing bridge requires us to be in close physical proximity and constantly handling cards played by others. We are also aware that many of our members are in the age group most affected by the virus should they contract it. Taking all these factors into consideration a resolution was passed at last night's Annual General Meeting to cease all bridge sessions until further notice.

From Monday March 23 all bridge sessions and lessons at the club are suspended until it is deemed safe to continue. This decision will be reviewed regularly.

Take care of yourselves, your families and your friends. If a club member needs help during this trying time, I urge you to support each other. Peter van Leeuwen and I are prepared to help if you contact us. If anyone else is willing to offer assistance please let me know.

The committee will keep you informed of developments via email. If you do not have email please arrange for someone to contact you to pass on any information.

Needless to say this is not the message I expected to be sending as my first communication as your new president. We look forward to being back at Crockfords playing the game we love as soon as possible.

Kind regards

Jan Barrow  
President