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Weekly News Monday 31 May

Dear Members

As I look at the weather conditions outside, I am grateful that we have our new weather-tight door in place at the Clubrooms. I hope that this morning will not reveal any leaks in the roof etc. A big thank you to Piotr Ratka who has adjusted the heating settings so that the rooms should be warm on our arrival for bridge sessions during the winter months. Having said that, it is impossible to suit everyone so please dress according to your needs.

Club Raffle

Three times a year we hold a club-wide raffle. The tickets for the first of these will be on sale this week, with the raffle being drawn at the Quiz night on June 12th. Profits go towards a cause which will benefit all members. Generally, the profit from this raffle pays for the club barbecue held in March each year.

Quiz Night

We have just three teams entered and I presume the rest of you are waiting to complete a reading of the Encyclopedia Britannica before committing to entering this fun event. As I discovered at a quiz night a few weeks ago, I am now forgetting old stuff faster than I am learning new. We need to keep our brains working as long as we can. With this in mind I look forward to seeing a page of entries before the end of the week!

Club Trophies

The recent Maples and Haigh Tournaments have given me cause to search amongst the silverware for these trophies. We have an impressive number of trays, bowls, cups and plates as one would expect at the oldest bridge club in Canterbury. Less impressive are the apple cartons in which they are stored and it is a shame that none of us get to see this "treasure trove" in its entirety. While I have been thinking for a number of years how great it would be to have a trophy cabinet where all the Club's silverware can be displayed, the bill for the engraving of these trophies has just arrived – almost \$1800 for 2020. I am wondering if in future we continue with the acknowledgement of winners for each grade's main competitions on the boards in the main playing room but discontinue the engraving of trophies. If we had a trophy cabinet the names of the winner/s would appear on a printed card beside the relevant trophy. We would continue to record the winner's name/s for each grade trophy on our database. The savings would go some way to paying for a trophy cabinet.

I welcome your feedback about this suggestion. If you think the idea has merit, please also consider where we could place such a cabinet.

Found Property

A dark grey/brown sleeveless jacket was found in the main playing room Friday a week ago. It is in the office waiting to be reunited with its owner.

Well Done

Congratulations this week to Akiko Goto and Peter Reid who scored 67.79% on Monday night.

Happy bridging.

Kind regards
Jan Barrow
President