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Dear Members

I am delighted to tell you that the application submitted to the Pub Charity by committee member, Alison Carding, has borne fruit, and we will be able to purchase 21 new tablets, securing them at sale price. Once the grant has landed in our account we will collect these and hopefully have at least some up and running for the tournament on Sunday week.

Speaking of the Crockfords All grades 8B to be held on 18 July, it is very pleasing to see quite a number of Crockfords pairs entered thus far. It is not that long ago, that we had very few members competing in these NZ Bridge tournaments. It also pleasing to see players from across the grades entering. There is room for more!!

Keen to improve your bidding and play?

Thank you to everyone who has returned a form or email expressing interest and/or suggestions for the series of Improver classes that we will be holding. You are welcome to continue to do so, until we call STOP! If returning a form manually, or dropping a note, there is an envelope on the Directors' Desk for these.

Bar Licence

This is due for renewal in early August, and in completing the large amount of paperwork required, and having to consult the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 every now and then, I have more than once felt the need of a good stiff drink!!

It has reminded me of a few of our responsibilities such as not allowing BYO alcohol at our events; requiring proof of age (I don't think that is an issue for us); providing low and non-alcohol beverages, food for purchase, and requiring intoxicated people to leave the premises, again this has never been an issue.

I am grateful to Bronwyn and Robert Bijl (Int) who are both licensed bar managers, and fulfill this function for Crockfords as well. If anyone else holds a bar manager's licence and is willing to have their name added to our list, or if you are interested in becoming a bar manager please contact me, or the office.

Congratulations to Peter and Elena Udy (Snrs) who competed in the Rangiora All grades last Sunday and were placed second.

Best Club result this week was Patricia Joyce and Tony Crow gaining a score of 64.17%.

Thank you to the grades who organised a special mid-winter celebration for grade members last week.

Attendance was down on Tuesday night as the weather felt like the depth of winter and even the temptation of Kate's catering wasn't enough to lure people from their homes.

We have just received confirmation of the Rangiora/Crockfords Exchange which will be held on the afternoon of Sunday 8th August. Refreshments will be served at 12.00 with an anticipated start time of 12.30. The entry form is on the main club noticeboard. Thirteen pairs are required, with all grades and levels of experience welcome to enter.

Finally, the July meeting of the Crockfords Committee will be held at the clubrooms this Friday night, commencing at 5.00pm. As always, members are welcome to attend.

Happy bridging.

Kind regards
Jan Barrow