



January Newsletter

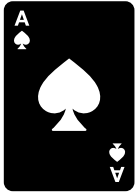


We are at the start of another exciting year of Bridge playing. We have new members who are starting to play with good support from our regular players. It is important to make their games as enjoyable as possible. Playing cards in teams, and combining strategy, chance, and fun is all part of the game. According to research, the game of bridge also has health benefits. It's fun, competitive element, combined with socialising, makes bridge both mentally, and emotionally stimulating.

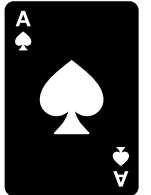
This month saw four Members attending the Summer Festival of bridge in Canberra, and they all acquitted themselves well. Sonja and Margaret were 22nd out of 45 pairs in the Swiss Pairs event [Under 750 master points]

Lynn Viegel and Kate Gargan were 9th out of 36 pairs in the Swiss Pairs Event [under 300 master points]
Lynn created their Tee Shirts for the event.





Player Profile



Lynn Viegel



1. You have just returned from a successful trip to Canberra to play bridge, and you are a regular participant in other out of town congresses. When did you start playing this game?

After moving from Cairns to Yungaburra in 2004 I started lessons. Though still working in our own business at the time (and being my own boss) I took the time to learn and have Monday afternoons free for bridge.

2. What inspired you to learn to play bridge?

My parents inspired me to learn bridge.. I grew up playing 500 every Sunday afternoon which gave me the card basics as well as enjoyment. Mum and Dad both played bridge in their retirement and thought it a great way for me to make friends when I moved to Yungaburra. It was certainly the best choice I have ever made and I feel I have a real “bridge family”, a wonderful club to be part of.

3. You have been a member of the Malanda Bridge Club for some time. How often do you play club bridge?

I try to play bridge twice a week, though now that Col and I are retired. Col and I do lots of travelling in our caravan, so I am away fairly often but it is nice to have understanding partners!

4. Do you play bridge with any other clubs when you are travelling?

No I don't play while we are away as I don't want to leave Col. The only time I play is when we are in Mackay and I play with my Mum or sister.

5. Who was your first bridge partner?

My first ever bridge partner was Ann Barron. We met at bridge lessons, and partnered each other until Ann moved to Ingham. We still remain great friends.



