

North Shore Bridge Club Newsletter



24 October 2025

Dear Members

It's been a busy and most rewarding couple of months at North Shore Bridge Club. Our recent tournament was an outstanding success, hosting players from many clubs to compete. A special thanks to Christine Wilson and the dedication of our committee and volunteers. Our director for the day, Andy Braithwaite, was outstanding. Special thanks to Jenny Revell and Helen Langford for the amazing catering. Our club has a reputation of fabulous yummy food. Robert Redford, our amazing barman. Thank you.

Upcoming Events

Our next special event will be Charity Day on Sunday 23 November at 1pm. This year our chosen charity to support is Women's Refuge.

This promises to be a fun day of bridge and socialising with friends, while contributing to a very worthy cause. We invite members to bring unwrapped gifts for the children & vouchers for teenagers. All to be placed under our Christmas tree (tree will be decorated at the Club by November 7th). A list of gift suggestions will be on the wall in the club rooms and is on our website.

Your kindness will help make a difference to their festive season and bring cheer to families in need.

Looking Forward

Our 2026 Programme booklet is now ready to go to print & a big thanks to Ilona West for her incredible printing and graphic skills. Our book will be available mid to late November.

Team Events 2026

Coming up in the programme for 2026 will be more Team Events.

Following feedback at the AGM and as we have more players moving into the open section next year, we have reviewed the Teams Policy to allow for more than one open player per team. I would like to draw your attention to the changes:

- Rating points for team members are set at:
 - Open player – 3 points
 - Intermediate player – 2 points
 - Junior player – 1 point

- Each team must consist of no more than 8 rating points in total. This allows for team combinations of, for example:
 - 2 x Open & 2 x Junior members (open do not play together)
 - 1 x Open, 2 x Intermediate, 1 x Junior
 - 4 x Intermediate members
- Substitutes are permitted in all Team events, provided the maximum of 8 team rating points for the Team are not exceeded.

Programme Sponsors

I am delighted to announce that the Club has secured three new sponsors for our 2026 Programme.

Auckland Eye, Resonate Health & Harcourts Cooper have joined our stable of existing sponsors, Shore Travel, Northbridge, The Poynton, William Sanders, Simply Fresh & Move by Design.

This support is vital in helping us continue to offer quality bridge to our members.

Please show your appreciation by supporting our sponsors whenever you can - their partnership makes a real difference. Let them know you are member of our bridge club & that's why you are there.

Trophies to Return

A reminder for those fortunate enough to win a club trophy last year, please return these suitably polished, over the next fortnight, so they can be engraved ready for our upcoming prize givings in late November and early December.

Thank you all for your ongoing involvement and for contributing to the warm, vibrant atmosphere that makes our Club special.

Yours in Bridge

Sharon Deaker
NSBC President

