

BEGA VALLEY BRIDGE CLUB INC.

Criteria for Awards

The following eligibility criteria were approved unanimously at a Special Committee Meeting on 29th October 2018, and amended on 29th July 2019 (in respect of the Margaret Settle award), and supersede all previous rules and guidelines. These criteria shall apply from the date of adoption.

All awards are contested by club members in 'good standing' based on events over a club year (1st January to 30th November), except as otherwise stated or as determined by the Committee. In the event of a tie, award(s) may be granted jointly.

Jean Parbery Memorial Award

Jean Parbery (1907 - 2000) was a foundation member of the Bega Valley Bridge Club and a great stalwart of the club in its formative years.

Jean donated a trophy in 1989 (the year of the club's formation) as a perpetual award for the highest individual percentage in the year. The winner of the inaugural award was Di Woolford with an average of 59.8%. After Jean's passing in May 2000, a new trophy was purchased and from then became the Jean Parbery *Memorial Award*. Suzanne Donoghue won this award 16 years in a row, having won the original award 8 times during Jean's lifetime.



The eligibility criteria for this award are as follows:

- Based on highest individual percentage in a club year from matchpoint statistics kept by the Masterpoint Secretary;
- Supervised/supported sessions do not qualify;
- Includes both individual and pairs events (but not teams);
- In the case of pairs events, both members of the pair must be BVBC members to qualify for that particular event;
- Players must have played a minimum of 20 games to be eligible;
- Progressive results will be displayed on club website until early December at which time competition scores will be hidden from view until the winner(s) are announced at the annual prizegiving;
- Secretary will arrange for the trophy to be engraved in time for presentation;
- The Jean Parbery Trophy is to be regarded as the most prestigious of all club awards;
- Trophy should be displayed prominently in the club rooms.

Nancye Apps Encouragement Award

Nancye Apps (1935 - 2005) was a foundation member of the Bega Valley Bridge Club and a great supporter of the club over many years.

Originally called the Di and Tony Woolford Encouragement Award, and first awarded in 1991, it was renamed the Nancye Apps Memorial Award from 2005. A perpetual trophy was made by Bega Men's Shed members in 2018.



The eligibility criteria are:

- Contested by members who have been playing bridge for less than five years or such other time as the Committee may determine;
- Players must have played a minimum of 20 games to qualify;
- Members must have < 10 Masterpoints at the time of determination;
- Based on the "Novice" competition - awarded to the member(s) with the highest individual percentage (averaged across eligible events) of the club year;
- In the event that a member wins this award on a second or subsequent occasion, it is to be awarded to the next most eligible person;
- Secretary will arrange for the trophy to be engraved in time for presentation;
- Trophy should be displayed prominently in the club rooms.

Margaret Settle Award for Improvement

Margaret Settle (1929 - 1992) was a long-term bridge player and was instrumental in the club's formation and promotion in its early years.

An award was established in Margaret's memory after her passing. A trophy was made by Bega Men's Shed members in 2018.



The eligibility criteria are:

- Awarded to members irrespective of how long they have been playing bridge;
- Players must have played a minimum of 5 games to qualify;
- Based on the "Improvers" competition - awarded to the member(s) with the best individual average percentage improvement of the club year compared with the previous full year's average percentage;
- This award is based on the period 1st January to 30th November, in order for the trophy to be presented at the annual prizegiving;
- Secretary will arrange for the trophy to be engraved in time for presentation;
- Trophy should be displayed prominently in the club rooms.

Directors' Award

This is awarded to the member(s), who in the opinion of the director(s):

- Has displayed good camaraderie and sportsmanship;
- Has been actively involved in club activities;
- Has been active in promoting bridge;
- Has been of assistance to the director(s) in preparation and running events; and
- For encouragement and development of newer players.

Note: It is *preferable* that the recipient *not* be a committee member.

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Other Awards

Other prizes *may* be awarded at the Committee's discretion:

- Awards for the highest percentages on individual days' play - Monday, Tuesday, Friday and/or daytime and night-time events;
- Highest aggregate point score based on 8 for a win, 7 for 2nd, 6 for 3rd, 5 for 4th etc. or other distribution that may be determined by the Committee;
- Pairs and teams prizes including an award to the pair or pairs with the highest % in a year;
- Award based on handicapped events during the year;
- An attendance award for the member(s) who has played the most number of games in a year;
- Novelty awards;
- Prizes for *Grand Slams*;
- Any other award that the Committee may determine.