



HDBC Newsletter Number 50

Dear Member,

I'm writing this on the equinox with lovely sunshine so let's hope that the weather is going to improve from now on!

Bridge Lunch at South Lawn

Just a reminder about the lunch this Friday 22nd March.

Please aim to arrive at around 12 noon - we sit down to eat at 12.30pm. We are in the Pavilion Restaurant and not in the usual area so you need to use the main hotel entrance. There will be one of us around to greet you when you arrive. If you find that you are unable to attend at the last minute please let Pat or myself know asap.

I look forward to seeing you there and having an enjoyable meal and afternoon's bridge.

Parking

You will have seen that there are going to be restrictions to parking at Greystones from this Friday 22nd until the end of April. Although this is in a different area it will impact heavily on us as residents will be parking outside Greystones.

The car park by the Cliff Hanger now charges and parking restrictions come in on the road from 1st April. The following ideas may help:

- Try to car share to reduce the number of parking spaces needed
- Park on one of the parking bays on Waterford Road (the area between the traffic lights and Montagu Road) as these allow 1hr and are unrestricted after 7pm.
- You could park in the Cliff Hanger car park. I'm not sure whether this is free after 7pm?
- There are no restrictions on some of Montagu Road so you could park there and walk back.

Charity Bridge evenings

Please don't forget the two charity evenings:

Wednesday 10th April and **Monday 15th April**.

Table money for Greystones will be collected as usual but donations for Macmillan Local will also be welcomed.

Hosting

Several people have forgotten their evening for hosting recently. Please make a note of when you are hosting. If you need to change your evening, please find someone to swap with you but remember to let Jo know and change it on the board.

Your Club Needs You!

The AGM is not far off (Wednesday 15th May at 6pm). Each year the committee stand down and need to stand for re-election. We really need volunteers to help us run the club. Don't be shy about coming forward to join the committee or see how else you might be able to help.

Do have a chat with any of the committee about what it entails and join in.

Friday Bridge

Just a reminder that there will be no social bridge on 22nd/29th March.

Easter Monday

We will be playing on Monday 1st April - Easter Monday

Answer to Sylvia's Time Puzzle

What is the Time?

Sylvia usually sets off for bridge at 6pm and gets home at 10pm. One evening, while bidding a slam, she looks at her watch and notices the time. She realises that 30 minutes ago the number of minutes after 6pm was 4 times the number of minutes it is before 10pm now. When does Sylvia look at the time? 9.18pm (well done Jo)

Quote and Quip

Instead of a puzzle I've included a quote and three quips:

Bridge Quote – Malcolm Forbes

Below is a quotation from the former US presidential candidate and owner of the highly respected Forbes Magazine — Malcolm Forbes. " Playing bridge reflects intelligence. It's one of the really great

pleasures of life. I think anybody who's missing bridge is missing so much in life. Don't make the mistake of missing out on the fun of bridge."

Misunderstanding^[L]_[SEP]

"We had a partnership misunderstanding. My partner assumed I knew what I was doing."

Deja Vous^[L]_[SEP]

You know you're in trouble when you are the declarer and the opponents start drawing trumps.

How True

The brain is a wonderful organ. It starts working the moment you get up in the morning and does not stop until you sit at the bridge table.

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