



HDBC Newsletter Number 61

Dear Members

Summer is well and truly here, pheww! I hope you're enjoying it and are managing to stay cool.

Details of your new committee

Acting Chairman	Christine Graham	01425 278470
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Minutes Secretary	Marian Clarke	07570 202216
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Host Co-ordinator	Jo Phillips	07919 952428
General member	Mike Caruana	
General member	Steve Lewis	
General member	Sarah Lockwood	
General member	Delyse Robertson	

Club opening/closing details

Greystones is closed throughout August; however, Monday and Wednesday evening sessions will continue, apart from during Jigsaw week 3-7 August.

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No Friday afternoon sessions during August; they will restart on 4th September.

Beginners Groups

These will restart on Monday 28th September at 0930. Thelma will be running an “Absolute Beginners” group (contact price.thelma@icloud.com) and Shirley and Bob will be running a “Bridge with Help” group (contact mayshirley3@gmail.com). If you know of anyone who may be interested, please ask them to email Thelma or Shirley.

Peter Thom will continue to run his Improvers Group.

Scorers

It would be great if we had more scorers, as Mike Price (lead scorer) has gaps in the next rota. It’s not an onerous duty, as Mike has made copious and clear notes for aiding the scorer. If he can’t fill all the dates, we will have to refer to using paper travellers and then get someone to decipher them and manually complete the scores, not an easy task! So **please** do give some thought to this request, and contact Mike (either in person or email price.michael.d@icloud.com) if you are willing to give it a go. Thank you in hopeful anticipation.

Club Etiquette

I respectfully remind you that one member of each partnership should have a convention card to hand, as in the Club Etiquette. If anyone doesn’t have a hard copy of the above, they can obtain one from a committee member or access it via our website, under the “Information” tab.

Other Info

There will be no lunch/bridge event this autumn due to recent low take-ups at South Lawn. We are therefore looking into alternatives and hope to arrange something for next spring.

Christine Graham
Acting Chairman

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