

# ♠♥ Thursday Bridge Club ♦♣

June 2023

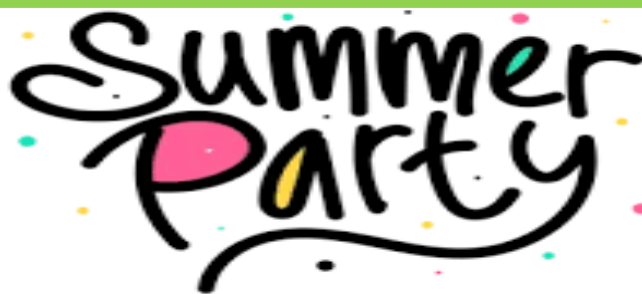
*Welcome to our first newsletter since we have resumed playing Face to Face following the pandemic, we are so pleased that so many of you are joining us either face to face on a Thursday night and/or online on a Friday evening. We hope that you are enjoying you bridge and, remember, we are always happy to receive ideas from members as to how we can improve the club, so any suggestions you have please let one of the committee members know, all their contact details are below.*

## Dates for your diary

Summer Party – 20<sup>th</sup> July 2023

Bridge Weekend – 13<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Annual General Meeting – 26<sup>th</sup> October 2023



You will have received an email about the summer party will take place on 20<sup>th</sup> July, you need to pre book with Allison by the 29<sup>th</sup> June if you are coming along.

# Thank You!

It very often goes unsaid so we would like to take this opportunity to thank all the Directors, scorers and those members who always turn up early to help set up the room. Without volunteers we would not survive, so thank you all. We are always looking for volunteers to help with directing and scoring so if you can help let us know.

## Friday Night Bridge

Many of you will know that we have combined our Friday online game with Fulbourn Bridge Club, which has proved a success as table numbers now average around 8, these games are played on RealBridge and there is a link on the website if you wish to play.

## Membership

*We are very pleased to report that membership of the club has increased this year to over 70!*

## Championship Pairs.

We ran the first of our competition of 2023 on the 9<sup>th</sup> February, congratulations to Allison and Simon who came out on top you can see the full results here: -

[Thursday Bridge Club, Cambridgeshire \(bridgewebs.com\)](http://Thursday Bridge Club, Cambridgeshire (bridgewebs.com))

## Online Championship Pairs.

The online pairs championship was held on 31<sup>st</sup> March, with xxxxxxxx leading the way, the full results are here: -

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## LADDERS

YOU WILL SEE ON THE WEBSITE THAT THE PAIRS AND INDIVIDUAL LADDERS ARE NOW LIVE THERE ARE THREE LADDERS: -

### **Championship Pairs Ladder 2023**

[Thursday Bridge Club, Cambridgeshire \(bridgewebs.com\)](http://Thursday Bridge Club, Cambridgeshire (bridgewebs.com))

### **Online Championship Pairs Ladder 2023**

[Thursday Bridge Club, Cambridgeshire \(bridgewebs.com\)](http://Thursday Bridge Club, Cambridgeshire (bridgewebs.com))

### **Individual Ladder 2022/2023**

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## Partners

Remember if you want to play and need a partner then we are happy to spread the word to other members, use the link on the website to contact Allison and she will send your details around. Or [CLICK HERE](#)



## Half Year Accounts



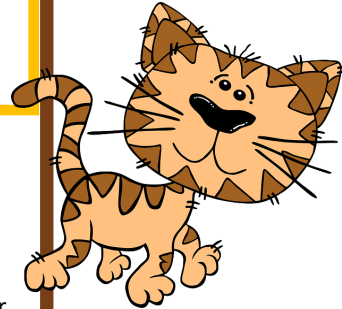
We are very aware that it's only at the AGM that you find out about the financial health of the club so we thought we would take this opportunity to update you. The accounts to date show that we are making a profit despite having to replace our dealing machine.

## RealBridge

The RealBridge double dummy solver is a big hit. We want to make sure that you know about it. Especially the feature to explore other contacts (accessed via the traveler). RealBridge have a page on their website to explain how to use it: <https://realbridge.online/double-dummy-and-explore-play.html>

## Dealing Machine

**Unfortunately, our dealing machine gave up this year, it was 17 years**



**old and had done sterling service. We needed to replaced it and were fortunate to be able to purchase a second hand one from Balsham Bridge Club.**



## **Weekend Away?**

***You will have seen from earlier emails that we are arranging a weekend away at Sprowston Manor. See this link for details. (link to web page).***

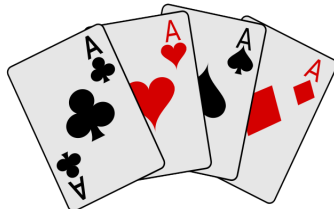


## Great new puzzles for players of all abilities

RealBridge have a new type of bridge puzzle.

<https://realbridge.online/dropped-card-puzzle.html>

On this link you will see one example, and you can also download the full set. There are 20 there now; and they will be adding more.



## Committee Contact Details.

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## County Leagues.

*Many of you will be aware that Cambs and Hunts Contract Bridge Association run a team's league during the year. It's a team of 4 and you play every other team in your league. We have always entered a team in the league. This year we are keen to do the same so if any of you wish to form a team of 4 and represent the club, you will need to be club members, please let us know. We will allow you to play the games on our RealBridge account, without charge, all we ask in return is that you do not arrange your games on a Thursday or Friday night, so you don't clash with our sessions, make sure you play all your games and play a reasonable number of games either face to face or online with us during the course of the year.*

**Finally,** our hope is that we keep growing the club over the year and would like to see many new faces playing with us either Face to Face at Trumpington or online. The bridge is always competitive but always played in a friendly atmosphere. You can all play your part in increasing our numbers by recommending the club to your bridge playing friends.

# Happy Bridging