

ALTRINCHAM BRIDGE CLUB

NEWSLETTER JULY 2024

I hope that you are all well.

Just a few comments on events over the last six months and upcoming events.

We continue to have over 150 members with double figure additions from our Wednesday afternoon supervised play sessions. .

We have taken a break from these sessions and will recommence on 18th September. We are pleased that a number of these players have attended duplicate sessions and have become members. There is a note and a photograph on our website thanking all concerned but particularly Joan for all her hard work.

We have held 2 social evenings to welcome new members to ABC but also to thank our existing members for continuing to support us. The next social evening will be on Tuesday 30th July. My thanks to all concerned in making these a success.

Congratulations to the following in club events:

Our teams who played in the Gazette Cup

Karen Jones and Richard Acaster who won the Commemorative plate, the club's handicap competition.

Ian Kane who was posthumously awarded the Brenda Williams Spring trophy for valuable contributions to the success of Altrincham Bridge Club.

Other successes by ABC members will be noted on the website in the near future

Faye Georgiou has joined the ranks of club scorers. Other trainee scorers and directors are in the pipeline.

The club is supporting the EBU's Festival of Bridge (Bridge it's a Big Deal) which aims to raise awareness of bridge and also to raise funds for Cancer Research UK. We will hold a SIM Pairs evening on Thursday 5th September, donating monies to the charity. We have been Invited by Bramhall & Cheadle BC to join in an inter club teams event on Wednesday 11th September, a mix of expert and non-expert players. We will be looking for volunteers to take part in this event. I am sure that we will be able to field strong teams at every level.

The AGM will be held on Thursday 24th October, more details to follow.

We intend to hold our Annual Dinner at Ringway Golf Club, date to be agreed.
Watch this space!

A couple of 'parish notices' Mobile phones silenced please and could players make sure to arrive by 7-20 on a duplicate evening.

We still have vacancies on the committee. Please let me or Joan know if you would like to help.

Our numbers of attendees is holding up well and I remain confident of the future of bridge at ABC, thank you for all the support.

Stay safe and healthy.

Stephen Halstead
Chairman