Dear members,

As the festive season approaches, we are busy arranging the Christmas party on Friday the 13th at Oakdale GC as well as decorating the bridge club. This year we will be having different decorations which doesn't involve putting holes in the new walls and that means we have got a TREE..... with lights, it looks very elegant and excellently decorated.

We are expecting another good turnout for the rescheduled Swiss pairs on Friday the 6th, we have a full complement of 12 tables for this event. If you signed up to play, please be there at 1pm because setting up a Swiss movement takes a little longer than pairs and we want a prompt 1.15 start.

It's been decided that from the New Year the Tuesday afternoon session will start at 1:15, the same time as the rest of the weeks afternoon sessions to save confusion, please be seated ready to start 10 minutes early so the movement can be set up, this goes for all sessions. Maybe I will actually get chance to finish my sandwich with the extra time

Congratulations to the winners of the very closely fought mixed pairs competition. It was a dead heat between Jenny and Brian Graham and Christine Hesketh and myself; even a head-to-head count back between the 2 pairs couldn't split the result. The new prize for the competition to include handicap adjustment was won by Kate and Steve Hall.

We will gauge interest in Christmas opening times this week, a separate message will go out and the sessions will be on the website.

I hope you all have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Rob