

Friday Update October 4th

First Sunday of the Month

That's this Sunday. The walk-in pairs session is open to all, commencing at 1pm, and the ever-popular party pies will be served at the break.

Birthday Week Next Week

To celebrate the club's birthday there will be cake and a free drink after each session. There will also be cash prizes for the day's winners. A birthday where **you** get the presents!

New Event – Lebanese and Bridge

Following the success of the Curry and Bridge Friday session a few weeks ago a follow up Lebanese and Bridge session is being arranged for 2 weeks time on Friday October 18th. A separate email with all the details will come out shortly. The bridge will start later at 2pm with the meal following at around 6pm. Put the date in your diary now and watch for the sign-up sheet on the club noticeboard from this Sunday. Numbers will be capped at 40 for this event so make sure you sign up early.

Arthur Finley Novice Pairs Championship

This is our next major annual event coming up on Monday October 21st. It is for members with up to 25 masterpoints. It is a great way for novice players to get a taste of competitive bridge and is always good fun, and you might win some prizemoney as well. Please sign up on MyABF. Click on the flyer on the club website to link you to the sign-up page. As always the club will provide snacks and a free drink after the event.

In case you were wondering, Arthur Finley joined Melville Bridge Club in 2006 when he was 87 years old. He is remembered as being very supportive of beginners and novice players. He passed away in 2016 aged 97. His niece Sue Levy has made a generous contribution that sponsors this event for novice players.

Thanks

Thanks to the two pairs who contacted me following last week's call for volunteers to play with two residents at an Ascot aged care facility. I have heard back that arrangements are being finalized and the residents are excited.

Important Dates

Sunday 6 October	First Sunday of the Month Open Walk-in Pairs
7-13 October	Birthday Week Celebrations at all sessions

Friday 11 October	Afternoon Rookie Section commences
Monday 21 October	Arthur Finley Rookie Pairs Championship
Tuesday 5 November	Melbourne Cup Lunch before bridge. Details coming soon.

More details can be found on the Club website <https://melvillebc.org>

Have a good weekend.

Ken Bownes

Secretary