

**May 2020**

## Message from the President

**Sarah Anwar (SarahAn / TD Sarah)**

Dear Members,

It has been a hectic month on StepBridge with our team working tirelessly to establish new player ID's for more than 2000 new players.

To give you an indication of how much our club has changed in the past 6 weeks our membership has grown from 16 Home Club Members and 131 Associate Members to 63 Home Club Members and 1038 Associate Members with a further 1240 Trial players created during this time.

We have introduced new Sessions and now offer 7 sessions Monday to Friday and 6 sessions on Saturday & Sunday. We are catering for Under 50MPS, Novice, Restricted and Open Sessions. Last month we hosted 3,784.5 tables.

From Monday 11 May, will see a session created especially for our Western Australian players which will probably start 7.15pm WA time. For the moment we will offer this tournament every week, Monday to Friday.

I am pleased to welcome 2 new Tournament Directors to our team Suzi Ledger from Queensland and David Burn from Western Australia. My thanks and welcome to the family Suzi and David.

We are hopeful of being able to offer separate Club rooms in the not too distant future to individual clubs to be able to run their own events. This will eventuate as soon as the testing of our new software is complete and installed.

To all our new players - Welcome, we are happy to have you with us.

This month Kevin Kendall, long time StepBridge player and member of our Committee, has resigned his committee position. Thanks Kevin for your contribution to our club and committee. Please continue to enjoy your bridge.



## Committee

### President

Sarah Anwar (SarahAn)

### Secretary

Chris Larter (ChrisLar)

### Treasurer

Richard Lawrie (Ricky)

**Head TD &  
Chief Technical Officer**  
Sarah Anwar (SarahAn)

**Masterpoint Seretary**  
Antonina Hayles (Antonina)

**Public Officer**  
Eric Taylor (EricTay)

**Committee Members**  
Mardi Hogarth (MardiHo)  
Brenda McClean (Brenda)  
Rita Pringle (RitaPr)

## Email Address

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# Shaved My Head for the Leukaemia Foundation - *My Curls Are Gone*

*Jean Hydleman (JeanHyd)*



In the absence of my hairdresser during the COVID-19 crisis, I shaved my head in aid of the Leukaemia Foundation at noon AEST on 2 May 2020. My aim was to raise \$1,000 to provide support for patients suffering from leukaemia and their families and I am looking for sponsors. If you would like to sponsor me, please click on the following link: <http://my.leukaemiafoundation.org.au/jeanhydleman>

Donations are open until the end of June.

If you would like to watch, this is available on Facebook – just click on the following link <https://www.facebook.com/events/226104978610905/>

Thank you!



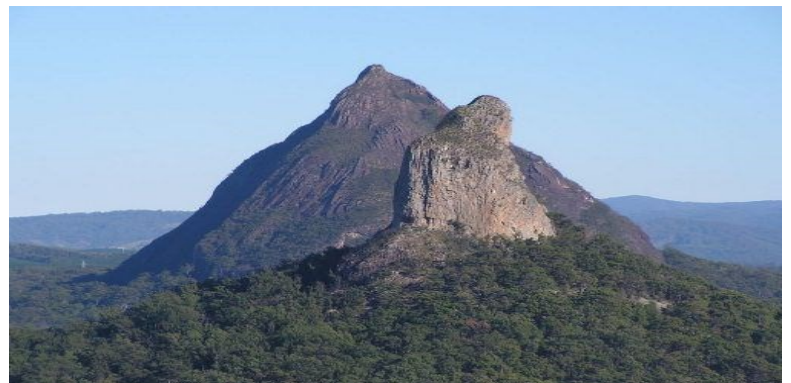
## Poetry: A Place in the Mountains

*Brenda McClean (Brenda / TDBrenda)*



There is a place up in the mountains that I'd like to take you to.  
Its so beautiful with natures assets, a place you could never feel blue.  
The streams run warm and silent, and there's wildlife all around.  
There's not a thing to be sad about, and rarely ever a sound.  
We'll build a little campfire to stay toasty and warm.  
And snuggle up together while we stay free from harm.  
Our time of peace and quiet away from the city life.  
It'll be our little secret , away from the trouble and strife.  
We could stay there just we two and no one need ever know,  
About that place in the mountains where we can always go.

*Mt Beerwah,  
Glass House Mountains,  
Queensland*





## Recipe Corner Zucchini Slice

Lyndel Hewitt (LyndelH)

*Stand-alone meal or with salad*

### Ingredients

- 375g Zucchini
- 1 onion
- 1 cup self-raising flour
- 5 eggs
- 3 rashers bacon (can substitute with another vegetable like carrot for vegetarian)
- 1 cup grated cheese
- ½ cup oil
- Salt and pepper

### Method

1. Grate zucchini coarsely
2. Finely chop onion and bacon
3. Lightly beat eggs
4. Combine zucchini, onion, bacon, cheese, flour, oil, eggs
5. Season with salt and pepper
6. Place in well greased tin and/or use baking paper (lamington tin for thick slice or use biscuit tray for thin slice)
7. Bake in moderate oven for 30 to 40 min or until browned



## Red Point Sessions

Monday 11 May - 8pm  
 Wednesday 27 May - 8pm

## Masterpoint Promotions

April 2020

Forde Leathley (FordeLea)	*State
Jan Letts (JanLet)	*Regional
Greg Mayne (GregM)	Regional
Kate Ward (KateWa)	*Local

*Plus anyone else we have missed, due to the influx of players on StepBridge*

## Weekly Sessions

Since our last newsletter, there has been a further increase of sessions at StepBridge.

### Monday-Friday

Open: 10am, 1pm, 4pm & 8pm  
 Restricted: 1.15pm  
 Novice: 9.50am  
 Under 50 MPs (Tues & Thurs only): 7.30pm

### Saturday-Sunday

Open: 1pm, 4pm & 8pm  
 Restricted: 12.45pm  
 Novice: 4.10pm  
 Under 50 MPs: 10am

### IMPs Sessions

Monday: 1pm Open & 1.15pm Restricted  
 Tuesday: 4pm Open  
 Wednesday: 10am Open  
 Thursday: 8pm Open  
 Saturday: 1pm Open & 1.15pm Restricted  
 Sunday: 4pm Open

We will also be adding an evening session to suit Western Australia players. Details are currently being finalised regarding the frequency, start time and start date of these sessions.



## Contributions to the Newsletter

All contributions, big or small, would be welcome to this newsletter.

- Do you have an interesting hand for a recent bridge session or congress?
- Can we interview you, so we can all get to know you better?
- Do you have a favourite recipe you would like to share?
- Do you have any other information you wish to share?

Please email your contributions to [admin@stepbridge.com.au](mailto:admin@stepbridge.com.au) with the subject title of the email being **Newsletter**.

## Vale

StepBridge has been advised that former member Penny Richardson (PennyR) passed away on Friday 17 April after her battle with cancer.

Penny loved her bridge, and was a great advocate of StepBridge.

## From the Desk of the Editor

**Chris Larter (ChrisLar / TDChris)**

This last month or so has seen the admin team of StepBridge work long hours to meet the demand. Some of us working from 6am in the morning to 10.30pm at night and also juggling a full or part time job in between.

We hope to be back to our usual 6+ page edition of the newsletter next month. Next month we hope to write something on the history of StepBridge for our newer players and also some funny stories.

I leave you with the following picture below.



## Session Fees

Account name: StepBridge Australia Bridge Club

BSB: 012 013 Account number: 3025 38455

Reference: *Your StepBridge Username*

*Email [admin@stepbridge.com.au](mailto:admin@stepbridge.com.au) that you have made a payment.*

10 Standard Tournaments \$30.00

50 Standard Tournaments \$125.00

100 Standard Tournaments \$225.00

***Each player is required to become a member of StepBridge once their trial membership of 5 free games has lapsed.***