

PATRICIA CARR, OUR REGIONAL PRESIDENT ON HOME GROUND THIS WEEKEND
For the 47th Cork Bridge Congress

Patricia does not like the limelight but she creates it with personality, she is so well known throughout the country she needs no introduction. Involved on the National Executive and also her role on the Educational / Teaching Committee she is an all-rounder and we are very privileged to have her as our President. We know she will have a wonderful weekend and be so proud of the work done by all those involved in the Congress. Enjoy Patricia! **Full report on Congress next week**

ECATS BRIDGE EVENT in aid of the Ebola Crisis - that this year the Charity Pairs at the end of January will be to raise funds for the Ebola Crisis – the Disaster Emergency Committee has lodged an appeal to help with the crisis and more information can be found on the Ecats site The dates are Monday 26th, Tuesday 27th, Wednesday 28th, Thursday 29th and we will combine Friday 30th and Saturday 31st January 2015.

As is the norm, there are no master points, no prizes, not even a set entry fee. We offer you the chance to play the boards we can provide, enjoy the commentary and score using the Ecats Bridge pages so that your members can have a fun evening of bridge and all we ask is that you request donations and send them in to us. It is as simple as that. To get the hands just email Anna and tell her which day you want and I will send you a zip file with everything you need including instructions on how to send us the funds that you raise so that we can send a big cheque into DEC at the end of the event, For your information- Please note that Ecats have moved! Our new address is: Mill Cottage, Voy Stromness, Orkney KW16 3HX

BEGINNERS BRIDGE LESSONS The Mills Bridge Club Douglas: Beginners lessons: Monday 19th Jan 7.30 pm, **Play + Defence Course Monday** 19th Jan 10am, also 25th Feb 7.30pm, **Improvers Bidding Course Wednesday** 21st Jan 7.30 pm **Revision Back to Bridge Course** Thurs 22nd Jan 10 am www.millsbridge.com Mobile 086 8276699

REMINDER ON THE UPCOMING COMPETITIONS OF THE 2015 SEASON.... CEO PAUL PORTEOUS
National Championships for Mens' & Womens' Pairs & Teams coming up in the Westmanstown Sports & Social Club Open to Master & Intermediate A Grade players

The Revington Cup – Mens' Pairs and Jackson Cup – Womens' Pairs takes place on Saturday, 24th January 2015 starting at 1.30pm.

The Geraldine Trophy – Mens' Teams and McMenamin Bowl starts the following day, Sunday 25th January at 11.00 am Entries close on Thursday evening – 22nd January - at 5.00pm.

Please make sure that you have been entered in time. If you enter by email, you will receive an acknowledging reply. First entry listings will be on www.cbai.ie Monday 19th at 5pm

National Open Teams Championship – open to Master & Intermediate A Players

Holmes Wilson Trophy – Radisson Hotel, Athlone 14 & 15 February 2015 – three sessions starting at 1.30 pm on Saturday 14th. Entries close 1 pm Thursday 12th February 2015. Space in the venue will limit the event to 100 teams so get your entry in early.

CAMROSE SERIES 2015

Our Camrose team of Rory Boland & Mark Moran, John Carroll & Tommy Garvey, Tom Hanlon & Hugh McGann with NPC Grainne Barton will be heading to Scotland this weekend to do battle for this season's Camrose Trophy They do battle again in Belfast 6 – 8th March – let's hope for another Camrose success! Watch on BBO over the weekend!

WATERFORD CONGRESS RESULTS

MIXED PAIRS

1 Maria Whelan & Liam McKay (after tie) 1 Sheila Breslin & Pat Brisling (after tie) 3 Anne Heffernan & Justin Spratt Best Local: Julie Richardson & John-J Power

CONGRESS PAIRS

1 Sean Connor & Marian Croke 2 Nell Foley & Mary Treacy 3 Peter Finnegan & Liam McKay 4 Katherine Lennon & Frank O'Farrell **Best Local:** John Phelan & Lucy Phelan **1st Session:** Mary Lindopp & Noel Minogue **2nd Session:** Mary Hayes & Kathleen O'Connor

INTERMEDIATE PAIRS

1 Margaret Barron & Eileen Brennan 2 Sadie Uri Mhiachain & Joan Mansfield 3 Anna Hickey & Rose White 4 Alan Auchincloss & Otto Eisenring **2nd Session:** Ted Long & Ollie Reilly **Best Local:** Maureen Carroll & Elizabeth Morrissey **1st Session:** Teresa Coffey & Imelda Dunne

CONGRESS TEAMS

1 Jim Doyle, Katherine Lennon, Sean Connor, Marian Croke 2 Cian Holland, Geoff Roberts, Tom McCarthy, John Russell 3 Martin Brady, Michael Gowie, Ita Fahy, Marian Davenport 4 Michael Brennan, Mary Treacy, John Power, Pascal Browne

OPEN PAIRS FRIDAY NIGHT

N/S 1 Fran Freeman & Tom Dunford 2 Eileen Brennan & Margaret Barron 3 Kay O'Donoghue & Ann Barry E/W 1 Fran Freeman & Tom Dunford 2 Eileen Brennan & Margaret Barron 3 Kay O'Donoghue & Ann Barry 4 Bernie Foley & Mary Mahon

WEEKEND OF SOCIAL BRIDGE 5* MUCKROSS PARK HOTEL & Cloisters Spa, Killarney, Co. Kerry 30th January, 2015 – 1st February, FULLY BOOKED

CLUB RESULTS

AVONDALE 5.1.15 Gross: 1 Kathleen Lynch and Enda Young 2 Caroleann Lane **Gross:** 1 Kathleen Lynch and Enda Young 2 Caroleann Lane and Norah Cremin 3 Catherine Kearney and Maura Everard 4 Mary Sheehan and Jerry Cashman **Nett:** 1 Kathleen Lynch and Enda Young 2 Eilish Barrett and Kay Ryan 3 Pat Kelly and Teresa Ahern 4 Caroleann Lane and Norah Cremin Norah Cremin

BALLINHASSIG BRIDGE CLUB 1 Mona O'Hanlon and Chris Healy 2 Mary O'Riordan and Bernie Ryan 3 Rosita Hellstern and Imelda McCarthy 4 Noelle O'Leary and Frances O'Halloran

BANDON BRIDGE CLUB 13.1.15 Nett: 1 Nora Twomey and Jane Crowley 2 Mary Sugrue and Joan Crowley 3 Marie Walsh and John O'Donoghue **Gross:** 1 Marie Walsh and John O'Donoghue 2 Maria Farrell and Majella O'Callaghan 3 Áine Lynch and John Hurley

BANTRY 13.1.15 Gross: 1 Frances O'Callaghan and Eileen Twomey 2 John O'Sullivan and Noel Walsh 3 Karen Cummins and Breda O'Regan 4 John Barry and Paddy O'Keeffe **Nett:** 1 Frances O'Callaghan and Eileen Twomey 2 John O'Sullivan and Noel Walsh 3 John Barry and Paddy O'Keeffe 4 Karen Cummins and Breda O'Regan

CLONAKILTY 1 Maura McCarthy and Tess O'Donovan 2 Dave Daly and Otto Eisenring 3 Paula O'Sullivan and Julie Beckett **Best Gross:** Dan O'Leary and Gerard O'Driscoll

COLLINS BRIDGE CLUB 14.1.15 Room B N/S 1 Declan O'Brien and Christy Halligan 2 Deirdre O'Driscoll and Marie Goulding E/W 1 Jack Burke and Paddy O'Brien 2 Evelyn Duke and Brian Madden

CORK BRIDGE CLUB 8.1.15 N/S 1 Michael and Deirdre O'Connell 2 Pat Hinchy and Frances Wilkinson 3 Catherine Jordan and Eileen Twomey E/W 1 Anne Roche and Ger Canniffe 2 Joe and Norrie O'Connor 3 Margaret O'Connor and Margaret Joyce **9.1.15:** 1 Geoff Roberts and John O'Brien 2 Breege Cosgrave and Carmel Connolly 3 John Russell and Tom McCarthy **12.1.15 Section A N/S:** 1 John O'Brien and Geoff

Roberts 2 Betty Coleman and Carmel Connolly 3/4 Pat Barrett and Tess Murphy 3/4 Monica Hennessy and Eleanor Morgan E/W 1 Ena Noonan and Paddy Gallagher 2 Nellie White and Linda O'Riordan Marie Whyte and Kay Clement 4 Carmel Bell and Tim O'Connell **Section B N/S** 1 Ciaran Coyne and Derek O'Gorman 2 Noel Manley and Tom Brophy 3/4 Freddie Murphy and Grainne Murphy 3/4 John Barry and Liam Cotter **E/W** 1 Brian Madden and Evelyn Duke 2 Anne Hogan and Lillian Ahern 3 Sheila McKiernan and Dymphna McDade 4 Sean Wanglin and Paul Hogan

CURRAGHCROWLEY BRIDGE CLUB 7.1.15 Upper section Gross: 1 Liz McCarthy and Norah O'Neill 2 Margaret Burke and Brian Vaughan 3 Noreen Corcoran and Maria Farrell 4 Jerry and Margaret O'Flynn **Nett:** 1 Liz McCarthy and Norah O'Neill 2 Eileen McSweeney and Eileen O'Donovan 3 Margaret Burke and Brian Vaughan 4 Jerry and Margaret O'Flynn

DOUGLAS BRIDGE CENTRE (The Mills) 19.12.14pm 1 P Dennehy and M Dennehy **22.12.14am** 1 E O'Sullivan and I Fitzgerald **22.12.14pm** 1 R McSweeney and M O'Carroll **23.12.14am** 1 B Conneely and F O'Sullivan **23.12.14pm** Billy O'Neill and D Cotter **5.1.15am** 1 M Lee and HH Bowman 2 M O'Sullivan and N O Sullivan **5.1.15pm** 1 K Twomey and K Ballard 2 G Ryan and I Riordan 1 C O'Callaghan and T O'Sullivan **6.1.15am** 1 D Murphy and B O'Sullivan 2 H Gough and M O'Shaughnessy **6.1.15pm** J O'Connor and M Bredin 2 B O'Neill and D Cotter **7.1.15am** 1 A McCarthy and M Larmour 2 M Farrell and D Murphy 1 M O'Halloran and C O'Callaghan **7.1.15pm** 1 E McCarthy and E McCarthy 2 E Hendrick and M O'Donnell 1 A Moloney and F Walsh **8.1.15am** 1 D Higgins and D Murphy 2 H O'Sullivan and S Musgrave 1 D Murphy and C Cronin **8.1.15pm** 1 D Roche and J Fogarty 2 A O'Leary and F Burns 1 C O'Sullivan and E Guirey

FERMOY BRIDGE CLUB 22.12.14: 1 Betty Moore and Vanessa McCarthy **29.12.14** Bernadette Moakley and Vanessa McCarthy **5.1.15:** 1 Eileen Kelleher and Michael Nelligan 2 Mary Lysaght and Mary Thorp 3 Pat and Theresa Tiernan **Gross:** Phil Murphy and Mary N. O'Connor **8.1.15: (a)** 1 Ted Long and Oliver Reilly 2 Phil Murphy and M. N. O'Connor 3 Nora Kelleher and Mary Hayes **H/Cap** Mary Thorp and Helen Lane (b) 1 Margaret Mulkeen and Marie Byrne 2 Helen Leonard and Josephine Kappis 3 Ann Barry and Maureen Hurley **H/Cap** Geraldine Appleby and Rose Kinahan.

LEE 5.12.14 Section A 1 Eileen Cashin and Noreen O'Sullivan 2 Ann and Mary Kingston 3 Brid Long and Catherine Daly **Section B** 1 Lil Hamill and Christine O'Brien 2 Helen Hennessy and Bridie Dineen 3 Ann Moore and Mary Crowley

MALLOW GOLF BRIDGE CLUB 8.1.15: 1 P Winkle and P S Horgan 2 PA Horgan and M Collins 3 E Bolster and PG Horgan 4 N Buckley and M Cunningham **7.1.15 Scratch Results:** =1 Margaret Hanley and Denis Barry =1 Marie Dalton and Mary C Hanley =3 Margot Murphy and Marcella O Flynn =3 Louise O Regan and Phyllis O'Brien **5.1.15 Nett Results:** 1 Peggy O'Connor and Ann Lannon 2 Ann Kennedy and Sheila O'Connor 3 Pat Horgan and Isabella O Mahony 4 Frances O'Connor and Frank Cunningham

MIDLETON BRIDGE CLUB 5.1.15: 1 John Murphy and Noreen Lucey 2 Carmel O'Leary and Mary Barry 3 Phil Curran & Kathleen Jagoe 4 Phil Ryan and Bridget Abernethy **Nett:** 1 Elizabeth Moore and Mairead Day 2 John Murphy and Noreen Lucey 3 Carmel O'Leary and Mary Barry 4 Carolanne Lane and Mary O'Shea

OLD SCHOOL, Middleton 7.1.15 Gross: 1 Mary O'Donovan and Teresa Ahern 2 Ann Keane and Norah Cremin 3 Eileen Irwin and Peggy Curtin 4 Pat Kelly and Maeve Cronin **Nett:** 1 Mary O'Donovan and Teresa Ahern 2 Ann Keane and Norah Cremin 3 Pat Kelly and Maeve Cronin 4 Eileen Irwin and Peggy Curtin

OWENABUE BRIDGE CLUB 7.1.15 : 1 Anne J. Duggan and Catherine Desmond 2 Mary Cleary and Laura Sheehan 3 Sheila Drinan and Riona Dunlea 4 Lil Kelly and Phil Williams

OWENACURRA 13.1.15: 1 June McCarthy and Stephan Cremin 2 Carmel O'Leary and Paddy Gallagher 3 Catherine Kearney and Deirdre Hurst 4 Ita Birdthistle and Sheila Cantwell

SCHULL BRIDGE CLUB 8.1.15 Gross/Nett: 1 Ann Vaughan and Noel Walsh 2 Criss and Richard Pateman 3 Brian Vaughan and Ian Thomson 4 Margaret Burke and Ursula Norris

SKIBBEREEN BRIDGE CLUB 8.1.15 Yellow Section Nett: 1 J Hamilton and G Hegarty 2 M Foley and H Bailey 3 D Minihane and R O'Mahony 4 A Price and M Dineen **Blue Section Nett:** 1 H Hogg and C Crowley 2 B McCullagh and F Barry 3 E O'Regan and J O'Donovan 4 Sheehy and A Casey

WILTON BRIDGE CLUB 7.1.15: 1 Maura Lane and Donal Cronin 2 Mary Hartnett and Mary Barrett 3 Theresa McBarron and Beryl Lennon

YOUGHAL BAY BRIDGE CLUB 5.1.15 - Molly Buckley Trophy 1 Mary Goggin and Breeda Murphy 2 Jean Kelly and Denise Fitzgerald 3 Clare Quill and Rita Fitzpatrick 4 Sheila O'Donnell and Marie Connon 5 Pat Grace and John Whelehan Tuesday January 6th 1 Olive O'Shea and Michael O'Connell 2 Clare Quill and Sheila O'Donnell **8.1.15 Teams of 4** 1 Vera Medve, Kate Hogan, Joan Murphy and Mary Beausang 2 Maurice Power, Joan Power, Cliff Bennett and Olive Cotter

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

JANUARY

- 24th **Revington Cup** – Mens' Pairs and Jackson Cup – Womens' Pairs takes place on Saturday, 2015 starting 1.30pm.
- 25th **Geraldine Trophy** – Mens' Teams and McMenamin Bowl starts the following day, starting 11am
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- 30th **Ennis Congress** Auburn Lodge Enquiries Rita Cassidy 065 6824642

FEBRUARY

- 2-6 **CBAI Simultaneous Pairs** Contact HQ 01 4929666
- 6 **Michael O Connell Memorial Trophy** Cork Bridge Club 7.30pm Open Entry
- 8 **Barry O Connell Teams Cork Bridge Club 1.30pm** Entries Eleanor Hipwell 021 4870884
- 14-15 **Holmes Wilson Trophy – National Open Teams Championship – open to Master and Intermediate A Players** - Radisson Hotel, Athlone 14 & 15 February 2015 – three sessions starting at 1.30 pm on Saturday 14th. Entries close 1 pm Thursday 12th February 2015. Space in the venue will limit the event to 100 teams so get your entry in early.