

# Macarthur Collegians Bridge Club

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## We Play at:

Campbelltown Catholic Club  
20 Camden St  
Campbelltown NSW 2560

## Our Committee

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## About Our Club

The Bridge Club had its beginnings in 1973. It was affiliated with the Australian Bridge Federation in 1982 and moved to its present premises at the Campbelltown Catholic Club in 1986.

The club has approximately 80 members and conducts lessons on a regular basis.

We are a friendly club and welcome new members and visitors.

Dear Members

Lunch on Thursdays recently became a controversial issue due to major differences in opinion on the appropriate length of the break.

Some members feel that the current 30 minutes provided is not long enough to enjoy the meal of their choice, use the facilities and have a cup of tea/coffee and therefore would like to see it extended. Other members would prefer to retain a shorter break in order to leave a bit earlier in the afternoon and have more time for their other commitments. There are strong feelings on both sides

The Committee considered written and verbal comment on the issue from many members over a number of weeks. It also took into account the experience gained during the time the longer lunch break was implemented and it was observed that most players were back ready to play in 40 minutes.

In the interests of achieving a compromise and meeting the needs of both groups, the committee has determined that on **Thursdays play will now commence earlier and the lunch break will be extended to 40 minutes.**

To make this work:

- Players must be seated no later than 10.15am to allow the Director to organise the movement
- Announcements and the reading of results will commence at 10.15am
- Actual play will commence as soon as the Director is set up
- The lunch break will occur as close to 11.30am as possible and will be at the Director's discretion
- The lunch break will be 40 minutes long
- Time limits for rounds will be strictly enforced.

This means:

- You should plan to be at the Club and ready to enter at 10am (opening time)
- Your help in setting up and dealing cards immediately would be appreciated
- If both players of your partnership arrive after the movement has been determined **you may not be able to play on the day.** Reorganisation of the movement will not be undertaken to 'fit you in'
- You need to return to the tables as soon as your lunch activities are finished so that the afternoon session can commence as early as possible
- You must pass in boards that are not able to be completed in the allocated time.

We are lucky to have a friendly and thriving club and your ongoing cooperation is greatly appreciated. I trust that we can all work together on this so that we can enjoy a slightly longer lunch without extending the overall length of the Thursday session. As always, your feedback is welcomed.

Please discuss this issue with your partner/s, especially those who may not access their email regularly, so that everyone is aware of these changes which will be implemented as from **Thursday 31st August 2017**

**Ted Lilliss President**