Great Lakes Bridge Club Teams Congress

11 – 12 FEBRUARY 2017



The programme: 11 – 12 Dec (Sat – Sun) Teams

Acknowledge both friendship and keen competition

by Sue Gogarty

Thirty-four teams of four enjoyed the friendship and keen competition at Great Lakes Bridge Club's Teams Congress, held at the Forster clubhouse on the weekend of February 11-12. Fourteen clubs from throughout the State were represented at the event, with competitors relishing both the hospitality provided and the air conditioned premises of the host club, as well as the unflappable expertise of director Tony Howes.

Overall joint winners of the event were the WESTON team (David Weston, Helena Dawson, Johnno Newman and Matthew Smith) from various Sydney clubs and the MAYO team (Greg and Sharon Mayo, Ken Wilks and Michael Symes) from Newcastle.

Overall third was the LAVINGS team (Paul and Helen Lavings, Liz Sylvester and Peter Gill) from the NSW Bridge Association. Best Intermediate team was the THATCHER team (Trish Thatcher and Amber Noonan from Tomaree, playing with Fran and Wayne Carroll of the Great Lakes club). Winning Best Restricted was the CARMICHAEL team (Deborah Carmichael, Susanne Hollis, Ruth Herdegen and Florence Gibbons) from Port Macquarie. Best Great Lakes team over the weekend was the YARNOLD team (Daphne Yarnold, Gail Salmon, Margaret Boniface and Megan Grant).



Joint winners of the Great Lakes Bridge Club's Teams Congress held on the weekend of February 11-12, pictured with club president Des Ford (centre front), were the Weston team (David Weston, Helena Dawson, Johnno Newman and Matt Smith) and the Mayo team (Greg and Sharon Mayo, Ken Wilks and Michael Simes).

...More results can be found HERE.

Photo Gallery



Top of the Intermediate Section was the Thatcher team of Trish Thatcher and Amber Noonan of Tomaree, partnered by Great Lakes pair Wayne and Fran Carroll, here being congratulated by club president, Des Ford.



Placed third overall was the Lavings team of Helen and Paul Lavings, Liz Sylvester and Peter Gill, pictured with club president, Des Ford.



Great Lakes Bridge Club president Des Ford congratulates the best performing local team, the Yarnold team, made up of Daphne Yarnold (absent), Megan Grant, Margaret Boniface and Gail Salmon.



Taking out the Restricted title was the Carmichael team from Port Macquarie, made up of Stephanie Carmichael, Susanne Hollis, Ruth Herdegen and Florence Gibbons.



Director Tony Howes.



Keeping the engines fired up all weekend at Great Lakes Bridge Club's February Teams Congress was the all-important catering team of (from left), Lynne Barry, Shirley Craig, Faye Birtwistle, Marcia Gaden and Ro Ravell.