

## Mackay Play Under Covid-19 Restrictions

Mackay Contact Bridge Club reopened for play under very restricted Stage 2 Easing conditions on Saturday 6 June. Current play is under Stage 3 Easing Restriction. That means that we must still follow strict sanitising and related restrictions but playing times have returned to normal pre-Covid times as per our web site. Play is still restricted to current members of bridge clubs providing they pass our basic health declaration and conform with our playing conditions.

As the first Club in Queensland to open, we had to prepare protocols and other documents to guide our activities. That documentation is available from the QBA website. We thank all those involved in making a Mackay reopening a reality and QBA for their endorsement of our efforts. We particularly appreciate the following quote from a QBA email

*The QBA Acknowledges the efforts of Mackay Bridge Club Members in preparing the Documents linked above describing the steps and preparations required to enable the Club to restart playing sessions in their Clubhouse.*

## Playing Conditions under Covid-19 Restrictions

Please carefully read the documents available on the QBA web site if you have not previously seen them. A basic summary of initial entry requirements is listed below for your convenience.

- **Only Members of Bridge Clubs** are permitted to play
- Numbers are limited to a maximum of 72 at any one time in the premises while Stage 3 Restrictions apply.
- **Registration to Play is now NOT REQUIRED** under normal circumstances
- A complete Entry Protocol document is available on entry to the club.
- Entry Protocols are strictly enforced.
- Hand hygiene and social distancing is mandatory immediately on entry' However, currently, social distancing has been relaxed during actual play so that it can take place around a normal card table. This is a special arrangement based on conditions set out by the Mackay Regional Council from whom we lease the land on which our Club house sits. This relaxed condition is under active review by Queensland Health and may be rescinded at any time.
- Please do not come to the premises if you are unwell.
- Health Questionnaires are to be completed satisfactorily along with temperature readings before full entry is permitted. If a high temperature is recorded, you will be advised to seek medical advice and refused entry.
- Please bring your own snacks or lunch as well as your own cup & spoon. Tea and coffee is available under strict distancing requirements.
- There is NO ACCESS to the Kitchen unless specifically requested to do so by an authorised person. No crockery, cups or glasses may be accessed from the kitchen. Please come prepared to take your dirty utensils home with you.
- **Protocols must be followed.** Any additional direction will come from the Director or the Authorised person at the Entry point.