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FOSTERING BRIDGE IN WESTERN AUSTRALIA



WA around the 50th Gold Coast Congress



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Well Done Jane

Congratulation to Jane Reynolds as our Australian representative in the Under 26 Youth Team in June in Kuala Lumpur.



President's Report

by Nigel Dutton

I can't believe it's almost April and the next Focus column is due.

I hope everybody was pleased with Focus-On-Line developed by co-editor Beata Beganski. I was hoping to have the "Leave a Comment" facility operational by now but unfortunately it is proving very difficult. Basically the comment facility of the Focus and the Enter/View Entries page on our web site use different database structures which are proving difficult to get to operate together. Our ISP is not being particularly helpful and I'm sure you would appreciate the frustration of phoning and remaining in a queue and being told every 30 seconds how important your call is. Nevertheless, I hope to be able to spend some time in the coming holidays to get things running smoothly. Until then the more important entry facility will to priority.

As far as the age requirement for seniors is concerned we are

but servants of the WBF and the ABF. The following announcement was made recently by the ABF.

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Thus if you turn 59 in 2011 you are now eligible to play as a senior.

I do believe that this changes the advertised age condition for the upcoming Western Senior Pairs so please take this as official notice of the change. Speaking of the Western Seniors – the entries are building for the first ABF/BAWA Gold Point event of

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"Articles always welcome"

the year so make sure you get your entry in soon and hopefully we will see a few new senior faces (Glenda for one ☺).

So far this year we have received no complaints from clubs regarding 'no shows' to their congress. Well done everybody.

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South West Promotions Officer Di Brooks from Capel



Tom and Rosemary Thorpe live in Mount Barker. Each Monday they leave home at 7.30am to travel to Kojonup for their game of bridge. At the club's Simultaneous Pairs session, they scored the highest percentage. Originally from Southern Rhodesia, they emigrated to N.S.W in 1982, but have since retired to the S.W. of W.A.

The happy couple are a great example to all of us. May they continue to enjoy their Bridge. Congratulations to Tom and Rosemary.... great ambassadors for bridge.

My heart felt thanks to Helen George for her kind donation of the bridge books that I have distributed to country clubs.

Ed note: Di Brooks will continue in her role as Promotions Officer for the South West Region and can be contacted dialbrooks@tadaust.org.au

EDITING OF MATERIAL

Contributors should note that the right to modify submitted material is retained by the Editors.

BRIDGE CITY

I chew my knuckles to the bone
As my bridging skills I try to hone
Humiliation, scorn and pity
Await for me in bridge city

I tippy toe into a game
Praying I can hide my shame
For what to bid is my internal cry!
As partner's eyes roll to the sky

Aghast I see there's no more bids
Pass, Pass, Pass – it's me - I'm on the
skids.
All eyes on me at every trick
Each card I play I feel more sick

I grind my teeth I pull my hair
Take out doubles - what a scare
It's fight or flight it's plain to see
This game won't get the best of me.

Gerber, Blackwood, 4NT
Reputations reduced to a rump
I read, I play, I read some more
I win a trick, then two, then four!

So, one step forward and five steps back
I throw an ace, a queen, a jack
Friendly faces coax me on
And pretty soon I'm going strong

I leave the club and walk on air
Tricks are blossoming everywhere
My shame retreats, I puff a bit
No longer feeling such a novice twit.

Anon



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and see who has won, travelled, partied and more!

If you have congress photo's send them to Linda and they shall be included.



Kalamunda Bridge Club Congress

from Andrew Leal

Last weekend saw Kalamunda bridge club host their annual bridge congress at their Ledger road clubhouse in Gooseberry Hill . Organised by Denise Borger with players from all over WA attending the event it was a huge success with forty four pairs competing in the session on the Saturday. Gerry Daly (from the Kalamuda club) and Viv Wood eventually emerged as winners with Ian Bailey and Dave Parham as runners up in a very strong field. The best Kalamunda pair were Guy Gaudet and Mike Klasztorny who came a creditable sixth. On Sunday the team competition drew similar numbers and was won by Nick Cantatore's team with Rory O'Toole's team as the best Kalamunda team. Rory was easily the oldest competitor in the congress being over ninety

At the conclusion of the congress the Kalamunda club provided a substantial running buffet with dishes provided by club members This proved highly popular and is a feature of this congress which the players specially enjoy with a cooler weekend enhancing the occasion.



Best Kalamunda Pair: Guy Gaudet and Mike Klasztorny with president Andy Leal and convenor Denise.



South Coast Esperance Congress



from Jim Smith

Despite smaller numbers than usual the South Coast Esperance Congress proved a most enjoyable event. People came from Kalgoorlie, Albany and Perth to support the local players. The feedback during the congress was very encouraging with everyone agreeing that the event was very friendly, relaxed and the food sensational. The ham on Friday and the fresh local fish on Monday went down very well.

As in previous years the congress was held over the Labour Day public holiday weekend therefore there was no rush to squeeze games in. Play was scheduled to ensure that the Saturday and Sunday evenings were free to relax and enjoy a leisurely meal with a glass of something refreshing.

I would like to thank all players who travelled long distances to take part in the congress- their efforts and good company were much appreciated. I would also like to congratulate the team of Chris Mulley, Matthew Raisin, Paul and Simon Brayshaw who drove to Esperance to participate in the open teams and show their support to our club. Their effort was greatly appreciated and the standard of their play admired. If readers get a chance do ask to have a look at the system card/book that Chris and Paul use, it is a work of art, high in detail and high in humour.

Teams Winners-Simon Brayshaw, Chris Mulley, Matthew Raisin, and Paul Brayshaw.



Welcome Pairs
Winners:
Patsy and John
Mc Donald



Pairs Final
Runners up:
Brian Mee and
Thanga
Prathalingan



Helen Clews gives Farewell Pairs Winners Jim
Smith and Charlie Braid their prize



Erica, Sybil, Lurlene, Carole, Barbara
and Joan resting between sessions



City of Melville BC Congress

Final Winners

Tony Stevens and Leon Randolph with Vice President Dorothy Stevenson Erica Auguston
Tournament Manager



Final 2nd Place- Larry Szalay and Leon Ref



Consolation 2nd - Melanie Szalay and William Hearn



Plate 2nd - Valerie Isle & Noel Daniels (House Manager)



Plate 3rd - Barbara Frost and Salim Songerwalla



Team Winners:

Alan Tolley, Christine Shawcross, Ann Hopfmueller and David Cowell



Teams 2nd

Ann Mitchell, Lisa Wylie, (Dorothy Stevenson)
Erica Augustson and Valerie Isle



Teams 3rd

Joan Valentine, Barbara Frost, Jeanne Hay, Wendy Harman



Melville 2011

from Richard Fox

This year Lynne Errington and I joined in the fun and feasting at the Melville Congress. They have always served up a magnificent spread of goodies, scones, cakes, samosas etc. I couldn't help wondering if it would be worth having a morning tea break in the Pairs to maximise eating time...

Oh, yes – we played bridge there too! It was one of those days when things just didn't seem to work for us. Lynne has used the euphemism "interesting" for some of our sessions, roughly translated "partner is a lunatic". Some of our bad scores could indeed be attributed to lunacy, but we did get the occasional good result too.

Helping the Winners

Congratulations to the eventual winners Tony Stevens and Leon Randolph, who owe me a drink for this effort. Leon opened 1D as North, I overcalled 2C and Tony stretched reasonably to a 2H bid. Lynne had no comment with her 1-count, and the bidding continued 2NT from North, raised to 3NT – fair enough, if the hearts behaved 3NT would look a good prospect and if not 2NT

would also probably fail. I couldn't resist a double, 4 hearts to the ten in partner's hand would be enough to set the contract. The bidding suggested there might be an unfriendly heart break, friendly for us.

| | | | |
|-----|----------|--------|------------|
| Brd | | ♠ AKQ | |
| Dlr | N | ♥ 864 | |
| Vul | NS | ♦ K973 | |
| | | ♣ K82 | |
| | ♠ J10874 | | ♠ 632 |
| | ♥ 1095 | | ♥ K |
| | ♦ 10642 | | ♦ AQ |
| | ♣ 7 | | ♣ AQJ10654 |
| | | | ♠ 95 |
| | 15 | | ♥ AQJ732 |
| 1 | 16 | | ♦ J85 |
| | 8 | | ♣ 93 |

Contract: 3NTx by North

Lead: QC

Unfortunately this time it didn't work out. I started with the QC, ducked, then ace and another club. Declarer started playing on hearts and when he showed up with 3 small ones – he wasn't

supposed to have more than 2 on the bidding - we were doomed. He didn't even need a diamond trick. Oops, -950 and zero%.

Effective Interference

The following hand was another when the opponents found actions that gave us insoluble problems. Lynne opened 1C as South, I responded 1D and Nick Cantatore scraped up a bold 1H overcall. Lynne rebid 1NT, showing a stopper, and Marnie Leybourne found an even bolder raise to 2H. Looking at my hand, with 27 or 28 combined points I wasn't interested in a part score. At this vulnerability doubling looked clear to me - surely they were going for a number.

Again - not to be. Lynne wasn't prepared to sit for the double, and she pulled it to 3C. This clearly implied a skinny stopper in hearts. Still, with so many values I had to choose a game, and it seemed to me that if the diamonds came in 3NT

had as good a chance as 5 of a minor.

| | | | | | |
|-----|----|---|---------|---|----------|
| Brd | | ♠ | AJ | | |
| Dlr | S | ♥ | 87 | | |
| Vul | EW | ♦ | KQ10932 | | |
| | | ♣ | Q103 | | |
| | | ♠ | 987542 | | ♠ K10 |
| | | ♥ | K963 | | ♥ Q10542 |
| | | ♦ | J | | ♦ A65 |
| | | ♣ | 92 | | ♣ 865 |
| | | | | ♠ | Q63 |
| | | | | ♥ | AJ |
| | | | | ♦ | 874 |
| | | | | ♣ | AKJ74 |

Contract: 3NT by South

Lead: H3

Lynne did well to minimise the damage. The heart lead knocked out her only control, and by playing diamonds she avoided losing a spade trick. One off and a poor score. Most others who reached 3NT made it, probably with no heart bidding to guide the defence. A spade lead and continuation makes life easy, someone made on the questionable 9H lead which probably discouraged their partner from continuing. A spade lead and heart switch should also beat the contract.

Another puzzle - on the printout Deep Finesse doesn't show 2H making, but how can it go down? Four hearts just losing the ace, two ruffs in West, the AD and the KS on side. I can't see a defence looking at all four hands, so if Lynne had left the double in, it probably would have been -670 and an outright bottom.

Ah, it's a cruel game sometimes but we keep coming back for more.

Masters

In Teams of Three



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Not the Norm

by Ron Klinger

<http://www.RonKlingerBridge.com>

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PROBLEM

South dealer : Nil vulnerable

| West | North | East | South |
|------|--------|------|---------|
| | | | 1D |
| Pass | 1S | Pass | 1NT (1) |
| Pass | 4D | Pass | 4H (2) |
| Pass | 5C (2) | Pass | 5D |
| Pass | Pass | Pass | |

(1) 15-17

(2) Cue_bid for diamonds

What should West lead from:

- 93
- Q10986
- Q864
- 104

Players sometimes stretch too far when a normal action will do. Consider this deal from the final of a national teams event:

| | | |
|----------|---------|----------|
| Brd | ♠ K1042 | |
| Dlr S | ♥ 52 | |
| Vul Nil | ♦ AJ975 | |
| | ♣ AQ | |
| ♠ 93 | | ♠ AQ76 |
| ♥ Q10986 | | ♥ 743 |
| ♦ Q864 | | ♦ - |
| ♣ 104 | | ♣ 987532 |
| | ♠ J85 | |
| 14 | ♥ AKJ | |
| 4 | ♦ K1032 | |
| 16 | ♣ KJ6 | |

In the auction above the need to jump to 4D to suggest slam in diamonds escapes me. If 3D is not adequate, there are other good methods, such as 2D artificial force to game, followed by 3D, or 2C Checkback, also followed by 3D. In each case

South would rebid 3NT, which should curb North's eagerness on those values.

North-South escaped a significant loss after West made a poor choice with the C10 lead. Declarer took the CA and played the D5 to the king. South could then pick up West's trumps and lose just two spade tricks. After North cue-bid 5C, denying the SA, and South signed off, suggesting no spade control, West might have found the S9 lead, which takes 5D down.

At the other table:

| WEST | NORTH | EAST | SOUTH |
|------|-------|----------|-------|
| | | | |
| | | | 1NT |
| Pass | 2C | Pass | 2D |
| Pass | 3NT | All Pass | |

Lead: H8

Declarer made 11 tricks for +460 and +2 Imps.

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Regards,
Ron Klinger

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|----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
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For details, please contact ron@ronklingerbridge.com or 02 9958 5589.

WA Country GNOT

4th,5th and 6th of June
Kojonup RSL Hall
Albany Hw

Director: Peter Holloway

The GNOT's have moved to Kojonup this year. The format is Swiss Pairs over 3 days using Butler scoring. The top two qualifying Pairs will earn a subsidized trip to Queensland in November for the National playoffs.

Entry Fees is \$100 per player (covers coffee, tea and biscuits)

Entries can be made on the BAWA Web site in BAWA event entries <http://www.bawa.asn.au/>

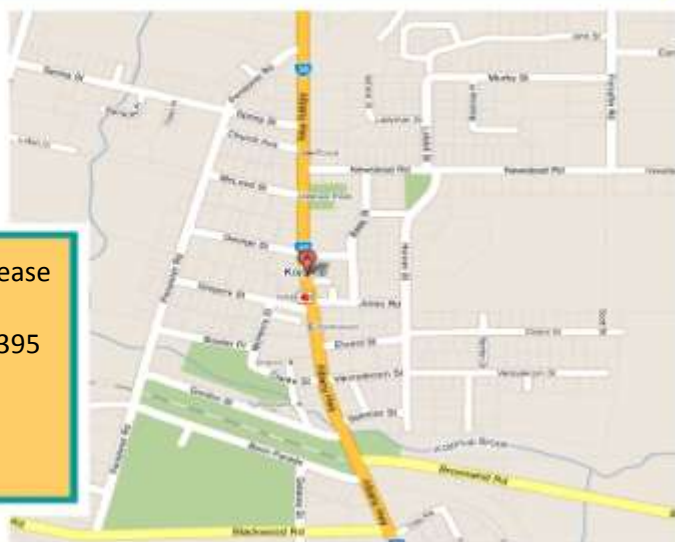
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ABF News

Change to the age for ABF Seniors' events

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Special consideration for 2011 Senior' playoff

Players who turn 60 in 2011 and who have 15+ Open PQP may apply to the ABF Tournament Committee to be added to the seniors' panel.

Western Senior Swiss Pairs



14th and 15th May 2011

10.00am start



Gold Point Event and Senior P Q Points

For ABF Seniors events, a player must be born before 1 January 1953.

Venue is Melville Civic Centre Main Hall.

10 Almondbury Road, Booragoon

Entry Fee: \$80 per player (collected at the table or pay online)

Entries: www.bawa.asn.au or Jane Reynolds 0402074070

Director: Matthew McManus

Convenor: Jane Reynolds

New Prize:

BAWA are sponsoring a subsidy of \$500 for the first two placed WA pairs to travel to a Seniors PQP event

Cocktail Party and Presentations

Sunday at approx 4.45 pm

Under 26 Youth selection for Kuala Lumpur for Jane Reynolds

Jane Reynolds, daughter of Thelma Koppi and Peter Reynolds, has been playing bridge for about 8 years. Jane has an ever improving ability in bridge and has recently "moved up" to play in BAWA's interstate selection events with more experienced players as she will eventually "graduate" from (be too old for!) youth bridge. She is committed to improving her bridge, encouraging youth participation in events and will play with all youth players.

Jane's achievements in bridge at a local level have been consistent over a number of years. For a WA player to do well internationally is very difficult. Suitable partnerships are very hard when there are not experienced youth players in WA who can attend youth week in Canberra. Playing in selection events is difficult from Perth. Jane has been disappointed not to make the Australian team previously, but has, over the years, played interstate in both youth events and national events. She has been a regular at the National Open Teams (NOT) for many years and has won the Youth Teams Award at the NOT on several occasions. She has regularly attended youth week in Canberra for a number of years.

Michael Bausor and Jane won the BAWA Mixed Pairs events in 2009. For many years Jane and Jess Tearne played together and Jane held bridge

playing sessions at her home for the youth to bond and practice.

Jane has represented WA in the BAWA ANC youth team for 5 years and has actively been involved in fundraising and organising youth events. Playing with Renee Cooper last year they won a Nedlands Bridge Club Pairs event both overall and on Handicap. Quite an achievement.

Jane has been on the BAWA management committee for 5 years and has convened the Western Seniors event for 4 years - has contributed bridge articles for Focus - reported on youth events over a number of years and expresses a desire to be a director and assists as a BBO operator.

Having recently graduated Jane has been able to play in more bridge events -

recently in the selection finals in the Summer Festival of Bridge in Canberra. She thoroughly deserves her selection for Australia and it shows that the encouragement and support for youth in WA can produce winners and young people who contribute back to bridge. Our good wishes go to Jane as our Australian representative in the Under 26 Youth Team in June in KL.



Congratulations!



The Terry Glover Memorial Swiss Teams 2011

South Perth Bridge Club



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Entry \$40 per team

Sun -3rd of July
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| | | |
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Director: Bill Kemp
Convenor: Val Isle
 (valisle@bigpond.net.au)





THE ROVING RHODES

By Maura Rhodes

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Gold Coast Congress 2011

The sun shone for the 50th anniversary of the Gold Coast Congress, at least during the time we were there. Rick and I played only in the Teams this year, but we also attended some of the very interesting lessons, which were available to anyone who wanted to attend. Joan Butts arranged for nine celebrity speakers, including her, to give an hour of their time free. Entry was by donation towards Youth Bridge. This was a fantastic opportunity to listen to some of the top teachers and hear about the up-coming trends in this wonderful game which keeps evolving. The lessons were so popular that on some occasions, people who did not arrive early, were unable to be accommodated. A sponsor had provided the room, which held 25 tables and on several occasions more than 100 people turned up for the lesson.

The Gold Coast Congress is always a popular event, and the year of its 50th birthday was no exception. An incredible 436 Teams participated

in this competition.

We enjoyed playing in the Teams with our team-mates, Linda Bedford-Brown and Robin Paterson. After losing to some better Teams, it was good to have a few convincing wins. Here is a board on which there was a double swing:

2011 Gold Coast Congress - Teams

Round 7

| | |
|---------|--------|
| Brd: 2 | ♠ AK95 |
| Dlr: E | ♥ 4 |
| Vul: NS | ♦ JT84 |
| | ♣ KJ65 |
| ♠ 83 | ♠ JT74 |
| ♥ T953 | ♥ KQJ7 |
| ♦ A62 | ♦ KQ95 |
| ♣ T943 | ♣ 8 |
| | ♠ Q62 |
| | ♥ A862 |
| | ♦ 73 |
| | ♣ AQ72 |

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| 4 | | 12 |
| | 12 | |

At our table, I opened 1D, as East, which was doubled by South. Rick passed and North made a serious underbid of 1S which was passed out to Rick, who decided to do a take-out double with his handsome hand. A 2H rebid by me ended the auction. Eight tricks later, we notched up 110 and waited to see what our team-mates' score was on that board. We were astonished and happy when they brought home a score of 600 for a vulnerable 3NT game, which Robin must have played like a genius to make nine tricks!

This hand is another proof that Bridge is a bidders' game. It clearly belonged to North-South, with their combined 24 points, but we managed to steal it from them. Too many

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inexperienced players are discouraged by interference in the bidding and won't bid game if their opponents have opened the bidding. Fortunately, our team-mates were not in the least put off!

Kim Ellaway, Therese Tully and their whole team must be commended for undertaking the massive organisational task so efficiently, that every year, the whole event proceeds smoothly, seemingly without a hitch. I am sure that they must encounter numerous difficulties every year, but they certainly cope magnificently with them all.

We were delighted to hear the announcement that next year the Teams will have no night play. I know my editor won't agree with me on this! Rick and I love the Canberra format where you play in the day and have the evenings free to unwind and quieten your mind before going to bed. Yes, we are getting old!

We were unable to stay for the Swiss Pairs or the final celebratory dinner, but I am sure they went as well as everything else which preceded them and that if there were any scandals some other correspondent will advise you of them.



New Zealand Bridge

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(earlier this year because of Rugby World Cup.)





Gold Coast Congress...

personal reminisce from Ross Harper

Some ten years ago we visited this Congress known at that time as Surfers. We were now on their 50th anniversary playing at the Gold Coast Convention Centre in Broadbeach and enjoyed ourselves (the wife and I) in a vast breathtaking room holding over 1000 pairs.

A most magnificent and efficient organisation.

Only the lack of bidding boxes prevented a five star rating. The organisation and disposition of a myriad events was truly magnificent....directors , caddies and on screen instructions with barometer scoring were an example to all.

I have attended numerous international events but none compared.


I had a difficulty with ABF rules! We were playing against a pair using or abusing Precision club. After numerous alerts I decided that these alerts were more useful to the proponents than to the opposition and therefore with the necessary consent of she who must be obeyed waived our rights to alerts and asked that the pair ceased. They called the tournament director and after an explanation of my requests asked for confirmation that we could waive our rights for alerting. The director a young lady from New Zealand responded in a mili second (perhaps slightly less) "NO ". I thanked her for her consideration and we resumed continuing with the dreaded alerts.

After the event I cornered the great P.O. Sundering who confirmed that under international bridge rules I was correct but could not speak for the ABF. Nothing daunted and irrelevant to our actual score I approached a top director who confirmed that the original director was correct. Obligations to alert cannot be waived under ABF rules but he listened patiently to my plea and who knows since he was the big wig in ABF my protestations may not be totally in vain. I recall vividly when trying to master precision as a younger and intemperate man always being grateful for alerts and even more importantly for non alerts !

But that interesting interlude did not take away our enjoyment of the event. The only thing that did was that our apartments forbade any smoking even on the balconies!

We did not shine but played in the teams with Stephen Burgess whom I had never met but is truly a great player, partnered by the attractive Astrid. Prior to the congress I had restudied Kelsey (a fellow Scotsman) on squeezes and endeavoured to understand Clyde Love. I did not for the full week manage or recognise one squeeze. There is one moderate hand in which I got the rare benefit of impressing Stephen.

Hand shown:

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| | | ♠ 1086 | | | | | | |
| | | ♥ 5 | | | | | | |
| | | ♦ 963 | | | | | | |
| | | ♣ KQJ832 | | | | | | |
| ROSS |  | URSULA | | | | | | |
| ♠ KQ752 | | ♠ A94 | | | | | | |
| ♥ K84 | | ♥ J76 | | | | | | |
| ♦ A52 | | ♦ KJ1094 | | | | | | |
| ♣ 10 | | ♣ A7 | | | | | | |
| | | ♠ J3 | | | | | | |
| | | ♥ AQ10932 | | | | | | |
| | | ♦ Q8 | | | | | | |
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South had jumped in hearts but as West I ended up in 4 spades. Deep finesse (or Deep throat as I prefer to call it) says that you can make 11 tricks but deep finesse always take finesses correctly or drops doubleton queens. When I returned with plus 620 Stephen remarked that I must have guessed the queen of diamonds " Not at all "was my response. I still do not know who had the queen. It did not matter.

He was incredulous but the hand is very neat. Singleton heart lead to the Ace. A small heart return fortunately ducked by me and ruffed by North. King of Clubs returned and taken by the Ace. Trumps drawn in two rounds...I was lucky that the hand which trumped the heart had three trumps. King of hearts and then I claimed stating only that I was exiting with a club and exposing

my hand. Sometimes this saves time but not always. In any event defence has to open up the diamond suit or give a ruff and discard. Not a great play but better than the majority who relied on a diamond finesse playing South for fewer diamonds (which he had) went one down.

And how about the great Stephen Burgess. He was proud of making a slam missing two Aces and gaining 14imps.

STEPHEN

♠ Q10
♥ KJ952
♦ Q
♣ AQ832

| | | |
|---------|--|---------|
| ♠ 743 | | ♠ J87 |
| ♥ A7 | | ♥ 843 |
| ♦ A9542 | | ♦ 1063 |
| ♣ J94 | | ♣ 10765 |

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| | N | |
| W | | E |
| | S | |

♠ AK952
♥ Q106
♦ KJ87
♣ K

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| | 14 | |
| 9 | | 1 |
| | 16 | |

6 hearts by Stephen - sitting north. Club lead (a red suit lead sees him doomed immediately.) He quickly played three top spades, discarding a diamond. Took a ruffing finesse in diamonds and pocketed 12 tricks. A wonder man and a pleasure to play alongside him.

Then there was this hand:

Match 6

| | | |
|-----|----|---------|
| Brd | 25 | ♠ 75432 |
| Dlr | N | ♥ A2 |
| Vul | EW | ♦ K8743 |
| | | ♣ 4 |

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|-----------|--|-----------|
| ♠ A2 | | ♠ QJ98 |
| ♥ 1087643 | | ♥ 5 |
| ♦ Q | | ♦ J109652 |
| ♣ J9862 | | ♣ Q7 |

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| | N | |
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| | S | |

♠ K106
♥ KQJ9
♦ A
♣ AK1053

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| | 7 | |
| 7 | | 6 |
| | 20 | |

| WEST | NORTH | EAST | SOUTH |
|---------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------------|
| Glen Campbell | Stephen Burgess | David Lamont | Astrid Goncharoff |
| | Pass (1) | pass | 2C (2) |
| 2NT (3) | 3S (4) | Pass | 4S |
| All Pass | | | |

Lead: H5

- (1) denies 5 card major and 8hcp
- (2) any game force
- (3) any two suits
- (4) 5+Spades & Less than 8 hcp

Burgess wished he had passed and doubled them at the vulnerability but back to 4S. Obviously West has plenty of shape to bid at this vul so problem is how the Spades are placed. Burgess decided that any high card W had was likely to be singleton A of trumps. Trick 2 play of a low spade from both hands limited N/S to just 3 trump tricks.

Note if you try cashing 2D tricks before a Spade duck the defence will get 4 trump tricks.

Datum was plus 160 so most pairs were failing in game.

No prizes but goodwill all round and I shall find a smoking apartment for next year. Travelling a fairly long haul from WA (Dulcet) Equivalent of London to Moscow I reckoned but we no longer live in London and the bridge in Moscow is hardly comparable.-----



Ross Harper, Ursula Harper and Stephen Burgess

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BAWA State Swiss Teams 2011



One of the most popular teams event

5 weeks event starts Thu, 8th of May 2011

Event commence at 7.30 pm

VENUE South Perth Bridge Club

ENTRY FEE: \$200 per team

ENTRIES via BAWA Website
www.bawa.asn.au

DIRECTOR Peter Holloway - 0411 870 931

Check: Conditions of Entry To BAWA Competitions



BAWA State Swiss Pairs 2011



This is possibly the most popular pairs event of the calendar.

You play as a pair but the scoring is IMP based.

6 weeks event starts Thu, 9th of June 2011

Event commence at 7.30 pm

VENUE South Perth Bridge Club

ENTRY FEE: \$60 per player

ENTRIES via BAWA Website
www.bawa.asn.au

DIRECTOR TBA

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Notice Board

A Sponsor and Professional were playing at a major event and being kibitzed. The sponsor excused himself from the

table and the kibitzer turned to the professional and said” How can you play with him, he’s terrible, a terrible player, he can’t even follow suit correctly! Why do you play with him?! I wouldn’t play with him if he paid me \$50,000!

“Neither would I” responded the Professional.



Message for Alistair Campbell – sending his very best regards from the Gold Coast Congress (GCC) is Charlie Howard (Thornlie U.S)



GCC ‘hello’ message from Di Dunne to Anne Bussell – remembering your win at Unley.



GCC foyer and a boy is proudly showing off his Spider Man outfit to a gathering and being complimented on his fine rendition of Spider Man.

“What do you say when you are given a compliment” says his mother.

“Please?” was the response.



This may get lost in the writing, but it caused much hilarity at the table. Defender leads and declarer, playing low -says “Duck - for dinner!”



Esteemed identities gave of their time for lectures at the GCC –they were packed (in fact a bigger room had to be sought) and were a resounding success. There was not a fee payable to attend – just envelopes for each attendee on the tables asking for a donation to Youth Bridge. One miserable person pocketed the envelope and when reminded that they were for donations, threw it back onto the table – empty.



Suzie Coleman sends her regards to Peter Smith



Darrell Williams, President of South Perth Bridge Club, presented WA players with WA lapel badges, yellow with the black swan. Most thoughtful of you, Darrell.



CONDITIONS OF ENTRY TO BAWA COMPETITIONS

BAWA takes this opportunity to remind all players, new and established, of the attendance requirements when entering a BAWA event.

Attendance:

Entry to an event entails a commitment to play every session. Penalties may apply to pairs failing to arrive or failing to give 24 hours notice to the Tournament Director. Should unforeseen circumstances prevent attendance, it is the players' responsibility to arrange a suitable substitute.

Substitutes:

Proposed substitutions should be notified to the Director at least 24 hours prior to the session. Penalties apply to players who play with unapproved substitutes. (See the BAWA regulations for full details’



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2011 Annual Congress

To be held at our new premises on the corner of Murdoch and Bortolo Drives
Greenfields, Mandurah

6th, 7th & 8th May

This year we have reintroduced a Welcome Pairs on Friday evening

Saturday's event will be Swiss Pairs

ENTRIES via BAWA WEBSITE

www.bawa.asn.au

PROGRAM

| | | |
|----------|---------|----------------------------------------------------|
| Friday | 7.30 pm | Welcome Pairs \$10 per player - includes supper |
| Saturday | 9.30 am | Swiss Pairs \$30 per player - includes lunch |
| Sunday | 9.30 am | Swiss Teams \$30 per player - includes lunch |

Prizes will be a minimum of 45% of Entry Fees

Convener Neville Walker - 9586 1641

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Tournament Director - Bill Kemp - 9447 0534

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Upcoming BAWA & Club Events - 2011

| | | | |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| | Apr | Fri 8 th –Sun 10 th | Albany Congress – see flyer |
| | | Sat 9 th –Sun 10 th | Interstate Senior Selection Trials Venue: Nedlands Bridge Club 10am |
| | | Sat 16 th –Sun 17 th | As above |
| | | Mon 18 th | BAWA State Open Pairs 1 of 6 Venue: Nedlands Bridge Club 7.30pm |
| | | Fri 22 nd –Tue 26 th | South Perth Easter Congress-5 day event –see flyer |
| | | Thu 5 th | BAWA State Swiss Teams 1 of 5 Venue: South Perth Bridge Club 7.30pm |
| | May | Fri 6 th –Sun 8 th | Mandurah Bridge Club Congress – see flyer |
| | | Sat 14 th –Sun 15 th | Western Seniors Pairs Championship Venue: WABC |
| | | Sun 22 nd | WABC Novice Congress – see flyer |
| | June | Fri 3 rd –Mon 6 th | WABC Congress – see flyer |
| | | Sat 4 th –Mon 6 th | Country GNOT |
| | | Thu 9 th | BAWA State Swiss Pairs 1st of 6 Venue: South Perth Bridge Club 7.30pm |
| | | Mon 13 th | BAWA State Winter Teams 1st of 4 Venue: Nedlands Bridge Club 7.30pm |
| | | Sun 26 th | WABC Masters in Teams of Three Venue: Nedlands Bridge Club 10.00am |
| | July | Sun 3 rd | Terry Glover Memorial Swiss Teams 1st of 3 See flyer |
| | | Wed 6 th | BAWA Daytime Open Pairs 1st of 3 Wednesdays Venue: Nedlands Bridge Club 12.30pm |
| | | Sun 10 th | Terry Glover Memorial Swiss Teams 2nd of 3 |
| | | Mon 11 th | BAWA State Handicap Pairs 1st of 3 Venue: Nedlands Bridge Club 7.30pm |
| | | Sun 17 th | Terry Glover Memorial Swiss Teams 3rd of 3 |
| | | 23 rd –Aug 8 th | Australian National Championships -Melbourne |
| | | Sun 24 th | Nedlands Bridge Club One Day Congress |
| | | Sun 31 st | BAWA MASTER IN TEAMS OF 3 Venue: Nedlands Bridge Club 10.00am |
| ***NOTE*** | Times and venues are subject to change: substitutes must be confirmed by the director: read conditions of entry for the event on the BAWA website. | | |
| | BAWA/Congress Events | Entries www.bawa.asn.au unless other specified. | |

Around the Clubs

by Linda Bedford-Brown

West Australian Bridge Club

from Kitty George



Lauren Shiels
and
Annabel Booth

We were all
very pleased
to hear that
the 2011
State

Women's Pairs was won by WABC members Lauren Shiels and Annabel Booth. Annabel runs our Supervised Bridge sessions on Friday morning and Wednesday evening so, if you need some tips on how to play the cards, she's your girl!

On Sunday March 13th the club held the inaugural **Restricted Swiss Pairs Congress**. This event was for players with less than 100 MP at Jan 1 and was very well attended. Most participants were new to this type of competition and our Director Neville Walker and Assistant Director David Burn were kept very busy at first. We all soon got the hang of it however and, from the feedback we have received, it was seen as a very successful and enjoyable event. **Graeme Esson and Peter McCann** from Undercroft occupied Table 1 for most of the day and was very convincing winners. However the rest of the field Swissed merrily over most of the room with Breffni Baker and Margaret Martin filling second place, closely followed by Susan Evans and Pat Rosser. Congratulations to all the prize winners (and there were many) and to all at the Congress. It was a fun day conducted in a wonderful spirit. The club will certainly hold the event again next year so please mark your diaries



Vice President
Chris Bagley with
winners Graeme
Esson and Peter
McCann



In 2nd place Breffni
Baker and
Margaret Martin



3rd Pat Rosser and
Susan Evans

South Perth Bridge Club

from Darrell Williams

The Captain's Open pairs - John McKie Trophy conducted on Sunday 6th February was a strongly contested event resulting in a tie for first place between the Gill & Mark Dolling [photo] and Suzanne Goodall & Bill Simons. Congratulations to both.



South Perth Bridge Club celebrates its 30th birthday on Sunday the 27th March with the Dora Wilson Trophy.



On Tuesday 5th April, the Karalee Open Pairs will start at 12.30.

The Easter Congress is filling on the BAWA web site. Individual events will be held on each day of the extended 5 day weekend.

The Gold Coast congress over 8 days from the 28th February is the largest bridge event in Australia. This year was the 50th anniversary. Attendance reached a record of over 1600 folks for the prestige Swiss Teams. Participants included many Internationals.



The Congress Committee did a really great job. The organisation, direction and reporting was superb. The Convention centre at Broad Beach is an outstanding venue. This congress is now a



very regular part of the WA bridge program. Many WA players, including 26 from South Perth Bridge Club, happily played and "celebrated" together before and after bridge in the many cafes and restaurants.



Davies and Helen Arendts].

Val Isle's team was 6th in the Intermediate Teams [Val, Pam Smith, Chris Lawrence and Ros Warnock]. The girls dressed up for the Event in traditional Gold.

Remember that should you want to escape for a few hours to practise your system, play with a

new or regular partner the SPCB is open at 1.30pm on a Sunday and you can even also come along without a partner and play with the duty partner.

Melville Bridge Club

from Margaret Newton

Our Swiss Pairs Event was won by **Sue Goodall & Bill Symons**, 2nd Noel Daniel & Sandy Vertannes with Margaret Blagg & Mary Firth third. The Asian Dinner Night held Thursday 24 Feb was heralded by Ken Toft's exciting menu which was only surpassed by the food. One has to book early to partake of the bridge and dinner nights. Our recent Congress was a marvellous event and thanks go to our amazing members for their voluntary, endless deliveries of food - complete with a generous meal for Congress participants at the end of play on Sunday. It is true - bridge players do have insatiable appetites! Bill Kemp was his usual marvellous self. Thank you, Bill



Apart from having the most enjoyable time at the Gold Coast Congress Joan Barnett, Elizabeth Cooke, Mary Johnston and Bridge Cooke was also the Best Melville Team

Bunbury Bridge Club

from Nils Andersson

Eight of our members attended the Rockingham Congress. Four had a colourful uniform of apple green and black made with the clubs name embossed. They looked great.



Pictured:
Margaret Henderson,
Bob Stevans,
Mariene Viebke and
Kerry Fraser

We extend a very warm welcome to Di Brooks who now resides in Capel. Di was an outstanding promotions officer for BAWA for 5 years. I am sure she will be sorely missed in this role, as well as Rockingham Bridge where she became a Life Member. And Di plays precision! The only one so far.

February is gone and was it h - o - t. We have air-conditioning so come and play at Bunbury Monday, Friday, and Saturday starting 1.00pm

Mandurah Bridge Club

from Ian Jones

Congratulations to **Doug Hardman** for winning the 2010 Alan Mason Master points Trophy. This is awarded to the club player who has earned the most points during the year.

The winners for the Best 3 out of 4 competitions for January 2011 were **Tom Stack** and **Neville Walker**, and for February 2011 were **Neville Walker** and **John Willemsen** The Grand National Open Pairs Qualifying Sessions on Wednesday 6th, 13th and 20th April is approaching then the Club Teams Championship is on Saturday 16th April. The club supports Bridge for Brains and this event will be held on Friday 6th May.

If you are intending to play in our Congress (6th to 8th May) do be quick as sessions are filling fast. Join us for the Welcome Pairs on Friday evening, Swiss Pairs on Saturday with a separate Walk-In Single Session Duplicate Pairs on Saturday afternoon and the Swiss Teams on Sunday. *See our flyer in this issue.*

Diarise the Handicap Pairs Championship on Tuesday 7th, 14th and 21st June

Esperance Bridge Club

from Jim Smith

Visitors to the Esperance Bridge Club in the past couple of years may remember **Eva Proctor** and **Dot Spencer** who are two of our senior members.

Eva figured prominently in the press recently when she celebrated her **100th** birthday. She received telegrams from Queen Elizabeth II, the Governor of Australia, the WA Premier and local

and federal politicians. Her family and friends travelled from far and wide to help her celebrate the milestone.

GWN had a feature about Eva on their evening news and also Triple J radio interviewed her and broadcast the show nationwide as part of their celebration of the Year of The Woman.

Over the years Eva has ribbed Dot for being the "young one" of the partnership, after all Dot isn't 100 until April 6th this year. Despite their advanced age the pair of them could still play staunch defence and liked nothing better than putting players off in their contracts. It goes to show that keeping the mind active creates positive ageing.

Many of the club members visited Eva on her birthday and wished her Many Happy Returns. The photograph below is part of her birthday card which also included poems written by the members.



Nedlands Bridge Club

from Ann Ashman

It was a pleasure to see 32 of our members taking part in the Interstate Open Selection Butler, more pleasing to see 18 playing in the final and we congratulate all 6 players that won, and especially that 5 were members. Well done to 1st

David Schokman and Thilak Ranasinghe, 2nd Marie France Merven and Nigel Dutton, and 3rd Pauline Collett with Joan Prince



Members are enjoying the first week of our Cash Jackpots. All members' numbers are put into the barrel daily and you have to be playing on the day to win if your name is drawn. Congratulations to Jean Hodge on winning the \$65 cash Jackpot.

We congratulate Robin Paterson and President Linda Bedford-Brown for their sterling effort on placing 7th in the Ivy Dahler Swiss Pairs at the Gold Coast 50th Congress.



Fiske Warren will be conducting his very informative lecture on "When to draw trumps". These lectures are extremely popular and you do not need a partner to attend. April 13th 10.00am.

Undercroft Bridge Club

from Tony Martin

Our new air conditioners have been installed at last and are working well.

The Summer Pairs came and went and congratulations are due to the winners **Vina Maia & May Schonwolf**.

We held our Masters with newer players evening which was very successful and my thanks in particular to all the "masters" who turned up to impart some of their wisdom. We need to do more of this activity. It is a massive step to come out of lessons and play in "normal" sessions.

Congratulations also to **David Cowell, Ann Hopfmueller, Chris Shawcross & Alan Tolley**

for winning the Melville Congress Teams – a great effort.

(Ed note: slight hiccup in the March issue: All funds raised for the Flood Appeal by Undercroft were donated as such. A raffle is being held to raise funds for the Lord Mayor Fire Relief Fund.)

Around Overseas



The most delightful couple - Michael Coop and our own Youth player **Kirstyn Fuller** heading for a game of bridge.

IN COLOUR

Focus can be seen in full colour on the Focus OnLine website:

<http://www.bawa.asn.au/bw/focusonline/>

Click on **April 2011** to open

THE PLATE

NOVICE PAIRS CONGRESS

To be held at the
WABC CLUB ROOMS
7 ODERN CRESCENT SWANBOURNE
SUNDAY 22nd May 2011

CONVENOR KITTY GEORGE
DIRECTOR BILL KEMP

ENTRIES VIA:

BAWA WEBSITE www.bawa.asn.au
WABC WEBSITE www.wabridgeclub.com.au
or phone 9284 4144

☺IF YOU HAVE NEVER PLAYED IN A CONGRESS BEFORE☺

THEN THIS IS THE EVENT FOR YOU

PLAYERS MUST HAVE 0 – 49.99
MASTERPOINTS as at 1 Jan 2011

RED POINTS and CASH PRIZES

ENTRY FEE \$30 per player

ALL PAIRS MUST HAVE 2 IDENTICAL
COMPLETED SYSTEM CARDS

(arrive early and we will supply the cards and
help you fill them in)

2 SESSION EVENT:

QUALIFYING COMMENCING 10.00am

FINAL COMMENCING 2.00pm

A LIGHT LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED BY WABC

PRIZE GIVING AFTER PLAY at approx 5.00pm

WABC 2011

FOUNDATION DAY CONGRESS

To be held at the
WABC CLUB ROOMS

7 Odern Crescent SWANBOURNE

FRI JUNE 3RD to MON JUNE 6TH

ORGANISER: KITTY GEORGE 9447 5303

CHIEF DIRECTOR: BILL KEMP 9447 0534

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via WABC WEB SITE: www.wabridgeclub.com.au

EMAIL: bridge@wabridgeclub.com.au

PHONE: 9284 4144

ENTRY FEE:

\$14 per person Pairs session

\$28 per person Teams/Swiss Pairs

½ price entry for Youth players

RED POINTS & CASH PRIZES ALL EVENTS

| | | |
|---------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|
| Fri 4 th | 1pm | CONGRESS PAIRS |
| Sat 5 th | 1.30pm | CONGRESS PAIRS |
| Sun 6 th | 10am and 2pm | CONGRESS TEAMS |
| Sun 6 th | 1.30pm | PRESIDENT'S PAIRS – Walk-in event |
| Mon 7 th | 10am and 2pm | SWISS PAIRS |

Lunch is available for purchase from nearby outlets

PRIZE GIVING AFTER PLAY ON MONDAY

Results

Interstate Woman's Selection

| | |
|-----------------|---------------------------------|
| 1 st | Annabel Booth and Lauren Shiels |
| 2 nd | Val Biltoft and Leone Fuller |
| 3 rd | Joan Touyz and Viv Wood |

Summer Swiss Pairs

| | |
|-----------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1 st | Andrew Swider and Eddy Mandavy |
| 2 nd | David Schokman and Thilak Ranasinghe |
| 3 rd | Karol Miller and Gerry Daly |

Interstate Open Selection Butler

| | |
|-----------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1 st | David Schokman and Thilak Ranasinghe |
| 2 nd | Nigel Dutton and Marie France Merven |
| 3 rd | Joan Prince and Pauline Collett |

Esperance Congress

FRIDAY WELCOME PAIRS:

| | |
|-----------------|----------------------------------|
| 1 st | John McDonald and Patsy McDonald |
| 2 nd | Ian Letts and Doug Hegarty |
| 3 rd | William Hearn & Diana Hearn |

SATURDAY PAIRS:

| | |
|-----------------|----------------------------------|
| 1 st | Tim Knowles and Rhys Cooper |
| 2 nd | Brian Mee and Thanga Prathalinga |
| 3 rd | David Cole and Therese Garbutt |

SUNDAY TEAMS:

| | |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 st | Chris Mulley, Paul Brayshaw, Simon Brayshaw and Matthew Raisin |
| 2 nd | Allison Mettam, Neville Koenig, Thanga Prathalingan and Brian Mee |
| 3 rd | Joan Prince, Bob Prince, David Cole, Terri Garbutt, Rhys Cooper and Tim Knowles |

FAREWELL PAIRS:

| | |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|
| 1 st | Jim Smith and Charlie Braid |
| 2 nd | Joan Davies and Barbara Guelfi |
| 3 rd | William Hearn and Diana Hearn |

Melville Congress

SATURDAY SWISS PAIRS

FINAL:

| | |
|-----------------|---------------------------------|
| 1 st | Leon Randolph and Tony Stephens |
| 2 nd | Leon Ref and Larry Szalay |
| 3 rd | Jean McLarty and Phillip Power |

PLATE:

| | |
|-----------------|------------------------------------|
| 1 st | Karol Miller and Gerry Daly |
| 2 nd | Erica Auguston and Valerie Isle |
| 3 rd | Salim Songerwala and Barbara Frost |

CONS:

| | |
|-----------------|----------------------------------|
| 1 st | Anita Davis and Sheila Pryce |
| 2 nd | Melanie Szalay and William Hearn |
| 3 rd | Noel Daniels and Sandy Vertannes |

SUNDAY TEAMS

TEAMS:

| | |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 st | Allan Tolley, Christine Shawcross, David Cowell and Ann Hopfmueller |
| 2 nd | Anne Mitchell, Lisa Wylie, Valerie Isle and Erica Auguston |
| 3 rd | Joan Valentine, Wendy Harman, Jeanne Hey and Barbara Frost |

Kalamanda Congress

SATURDAY PAIRS:

| | |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------|
| 1 st | Viv Wood and Gerry Daly |
| 2 nd | Ian Bailey and Dave Parham |
| 3 rd | Domenico Rocchiccioli and Kay Johnson |

SUNDAY TEAMS:

| | |
|-----------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 st | Shizue Futaesaku, Nick Cantatore, Thilak Ranasinghe and David Schokman |
| 2 nd | John Rousset, Margaret Mioceovich, Kathy Perry and Matt Kruk |
| 3 rd | Tony Stevens, Leon Randolph, Michael Berk and Dave Parham |

WABC Novice Pairs

| | |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1 st | Graeme Esson and Peter McCann |
| 2 nd | Breffni Baker and Margaret Martin |
| 3 rd | Susan Evans and Patricia Rosser |



2011 PENNANTS ROUND TWO

| | | | | | | | | |
|-------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------------|-------|
| ALBANY | 65.50 | 58.00 | 55.90 | 54.30 | | | 58.43 | |
| BRIDGETOWN | 57.70 | 55.50 | 48.70 | 46.50 | | | 52.10 | |
| BUNBURY | 69.40 | 61.20 | 57.50 | 51.00 | | | 59.78 | 6 VPs |
| BUSSELTON | 64.60 | 59.40 | 57.00 | 54.00 | 46.20 | | 56.24 | |
| ESPERANCE | 61.30 | 57.90 | 57.70 | 51.90 | | | 57.20 | |
| GERALDTON | 61.50 | 60.00 | 59.10 | 56.90 | 56.80 | | 58.86 | 4 VPs |
| KALAMUNDA | 61.90 | 55.60 | 52.30 | 49.60 | | | 54.85 | |
| KALGOORLIE | 61.10 | 55.60 | 51.60 | | | | 56.10 | |
| MACCABI | 64.00 | 60.60 | 58.70 | 57.70 | 57.60 | 53.00 | 58.60 | 2 VPs |
| MELVILLE | 55.60 | 55.20 | 55.20 | 54.70 | 54.50 | 46.50 | 53.62 | |
| NEDLANDS | 62.70 | 61.20 | 57.30 | 52.80 | | | 58.50 | |
| ROCKINGAM | 60.20 | 54.80 | 53.90 | 52.30 | | | 55.30 | |
| SOUTH PERTH | 57.00 | 56.80 | 56.00 | 55.50 | 55.00 | 54.30 | 55.77 | |
| UNDERCROFT | 66.50 | 62.70 | 60.10 | 55.80 | 52.80 | 52.20 | 58.35 | |

Calling all youth (under 26) bridge players

The Australian National Championships and Butler Pairs take place from Sat 23rd July to Thursday 4th August at the Powerhouse Function Centre, Albert Park, Melbourne. The teams start on Sunday 24th July. If you are interested in playing in the Youth Team to represent Western Australia, please email Thelma Koppi at the address below. It is expected that the team members will arrive on Friday to play in the pairs on Saturday. You are expected to attend the Victory Dinner on Friday 29th July. All team members must arrive 24 hours before the start of the teams. This is true for all BAWA teams and helps cater for any flight problems that may arise.

BAWA provides an air fair subsidy and all other costs are to be met by the players. Please be advised that term 3 for school starts on 25th July which is when the ANC is on so this may affect you. Second semester begins for most at UWA and Edith Cowan on 1st August. Any member of the youth team must agree to practise for several months beforehand.

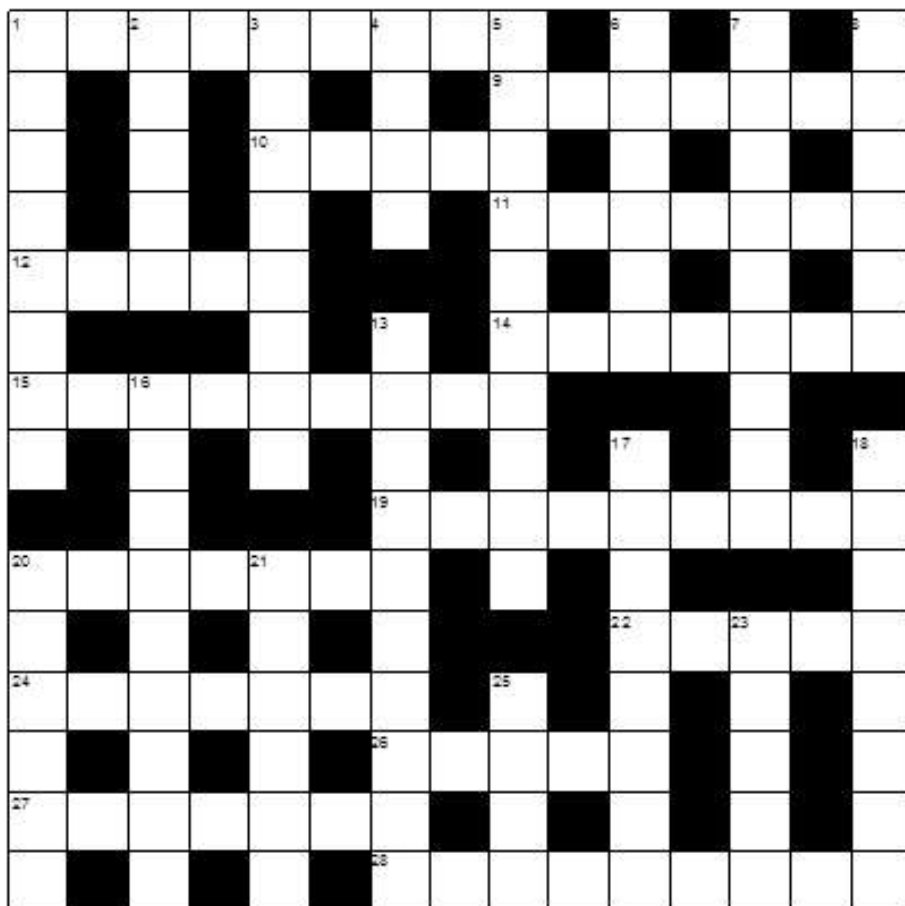
If you know of any other youth player, resident in WA who may be interested, please let me know.

Thelma Koppi

BAWA Youth Co-ordinator

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PUZZLE 1105



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ACROSS

- 1 Broth gets rid of nothing flying.(5, 4)
- 9 Mr Shenkar has nothing with the Italian back for a meal.(7)
- 10 One foreign friend to leave for another.(5)
- 11 Threw self down when play crashed.(7)
- 12 Model Saul confused in American city.(5)
- 14 Diamond castle in German lettuce.(7)
- 15 Satchel for a horse bend and confuse old woman in derogatory way!(6, 3)
- 19 Identify & cries,"gone!" oddly enough.(9)
- 20 Warrior sounding like,"Sam, you are top class!"(7)
- 22 Wanders with 1000 oars intertwined.(5)
- 24 Messily arranged I hound one past master magician.(7)
- 26 The good French is a mess, but stately.(5)
- 27 Decay German and a large round room.(7)
- 28 Hooligan takes in roof edges, but omits...(6, 3)

DOWN

- 1 Place of law removes one from easy showing of consideration.(8)
- 2 Artist's need leisure student.(5)
- 3 Reed can sound legible.(8)
- 4 Miss some vomit or at least 80% of it.(4)
- 5 Paid expert with loud frilly returning soldier included wastefulness.(10)
- 6 Elite Greek note against area, makes East 5 to last one.(6)
- 7 Dried flowers & spices mixture for an eclectic mix.(3, 6)
- 8 Large canine may dig bog with Mr Spooner.(3, 3)
- 13 First in a place shows a smell at Rhode Island with spirit, Mr Gore.(10)
- 16 Leaves the train with Diana's horses.(9)
- 17 Aggravate a string with Scottish farm manager.(8)
- 18 Directions to players shows information on TV.(8)
- 20 Desert Sara has a small internal laugh.(6)
- 21 Checks note in royal times.(6)
- 23 Aggressive feelings make a Governor General right, love.(5)
- 25 Bishop making a bachelor go both ways.(4)

SOLUTION to Puzzle 1104

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