



**Grand National Open Teams Finals**

*Wishing our Teams the greatest of Success for  
the Grand National Open Teams Finals being  
held in Tweed Heads*

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> – Monday December 1<sup>st</sup>**

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Heather Williams and Jan Blight

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Trevor Fuller and Leone Fuller

Wendy Harman, Joan Valentine,  
Carmen Jackson and Madge Myburgh

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Hasam Hazra and Resaul Karim

**COUNTRY**

Robina McConnell, Eugene Wichems,  
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## Saturday Pairs PLATE



1<sup>st</sup> Vera Hardman and Doug Hardman



2<sup>nd</sup> Karen Wallwork and Jane Henderson  
3<sup>rd</sup> Pat Morrison and Mal Clark

## Saturday Pairs FINAL

= 1<sup>st</sup> Tad Bieganski and Beata Bieganski  
= 1<sup>st</sup> Viv Wood and Kim Morrison



3<sup>rd</sup> Ian Bailey and David Dale

## Saturday Pairs CONSOLATION



1<sup>st</sup> Jackin Clare (John Whiting) N/S



1<sup>st</sup> Bob Brierley and Michael Stewart E/W

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# President's Report

By Nigel Dutton

There has been some disquiet and some considerable discussion at committee level regarding the use of TBA and the like in the BAWA web based event entry facility. This is particularly the case when an event is full and full early. Personally I don't have a problem with the use a TBA when entering an event. For example, I think I have played in every Rockingham Congress for the past 20 years so I have entered the Sunday Teams with a TBA. I am going to play but I'm not quite sure who my team mates will be. Is this OK? Obviously I think yes, but, and it's an important but, I will update the entry as soon as I can and should I be unable to find a pair to play I will have removed the entry at least 7 days prior to the event.

I understand that when an event if full players are reluctant to delete their entry and resubmit with updated information. I have to say that you would be incredibly unlucky that, in the seconds between deleting and re-entering, somebody was to grab your spot. It's theoretically possible but the person would have to be watching the web page - refreshing every 20 seconds or so - see that the entry list was again open - head off to the entry page and get an entry in. By this time your entry is in and you are sitting having a coffee. Nevertheless, it is open to you, when you have full details, to email me and I will update the database manually. Don't do this if the event is not full, delete and re-enter. Or, if you wish re-enter then delete using the name of the TBA.

It has been suggested that an automatic wait list be generated and when a player withdraws the

first on list is added to the event. This would be similar to what happens with the automated entry facility at a gold club. I have given this quite some thought and believe, for a bridge event, it would be unworkable. Should a player become ill the night before an event and withdraws the list is updated with a pair who are now expected, with little or no notice, to play next morning. It has been suggested that all entries with a TBA be deleted on week prior to and event. My reaction to that suggestion was less than positive. We have decided that the convenor should keep a list a players wising to be on the wait list - so first contact, the convenor.

So the moral of the story is, before the regulators get in, do the right thing with your TBA entries - get them updated as soon as possible. This is also important from the director's side as he needs, by regulation, to seed the field.

## BAWA Events 2015

The BAWA Management Committee has determined that for 2015 BAWA Events will be held primarily on Thursday evenings. Should the calendar require some Monday evenings may be utilized.

Falling attendance at evening events, particularly Monday evenings, was the most significant contributing factor.

BAWA is currently working with clubs to finalize venue arrangements.

As always your comments are welcome.

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# Around the Clubs

By Linda Bedford-Brown

## Northern Districts Bridge Club

From Maureen Heslop

The Red Point Event held at Northern Districts Bridge Club on Monday 13th October had a good turn out with 12 full tables.

A Mitchell movement was played and the results are as follows:

1 <sup>st</sup> NS	<b>Neale Consigliere</b> and <b>Ted Wills</b> with 61.20%/
1 <sup>st</sup> EW	<b>Lee Leach</b> and <b>Lyn Fakira</b> with 62.50%

As usual a delicious afternoon tea was organized by Gisela Leonhardt.

Our club plays at the Seacrest Community Hall, Seacrest Drive , Sorrento on Monday and Thursday afternoons. We start at 12.30 but would like all visitors to be seated by 12.15. The cost for visitors is just \$4 including tea and biscuits.

For more information please contact:  
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## Mandurah Bridge Club

Form Walter Aldridge



Winners of the Jack Rowse Novice Pairs at Mandurah — **Anne Wheel** and **Rosie Elphick** with runners-up Walter Aldridge and Janet Aldridge.



Congratulations to the 2014 Open Pairs Winners **Bill Maley** and **Jenny Maley**.



**Vera Hardman** and **Doug Hardman** won the best 2 out of 3 Saturday competition

The Under 300 Masterpoints Competition is currently being run over two weeks which will be followed by the Open Pair Championship with the Annual Rockingham / Mandurah Challenge Cup programmed for November 30<sup>th</sup>.



## Melville Bridge Club

From Lyndie Trevean

Our party season will soon be starting with our Melbourne Cup Day in November and our special Christmas Lunch in December – both great social events.

Our Final building plans are now with the City of Melville Council and in a few weeks we will be moving into the next stage, and negotiations with the Tompkins Park Association – all very exciting.

Our Management Committee has taken a decision and formulated a new policy: All our intermediate sessions, i.e. Tuesday and Thursday afternoons and Saturday mornings, will now be graded. Members and visitors below the rank of State Master, may play in these sessions.

We still have our supervised session on Tuesday afternoons and Saturday mornings, and plan to start a supervised session on Monday evenings, after our bridge lessons in November. See our website for details.

Our Saturday morning session is going very well. We encourage all eligible members and visitors to come along and enjoy playing bridge on Saturday mornings at our club.

Congratulation to the winners of Our Novice Pairs Championship:

1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Mark Hughes and Kathleen Thomson</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Gerry Sagaram and Pari Sagaram
3 <sup>rd</sup>	David Lobo and Joyce Pereira



Left to right: David Lobo, Joyce Pereria, Pari Sagaram, Mark Hughes, President Dorothy Stevenson, Kathleen Thomson, and Gerry Sagaram.

## EDITING OF MATERIAL

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## West Australian Bridge Club

From Kitty George



WABC enjoyed double celebrations at the club this month as **Derek Pocock** celebrated his **80<sup>th</sup>** birthday shortly followed by another party as we toasted Derek and Carol's **Golden Wedding Anniversary**. We were honoured to be part of these special milestones for our valued Life Members.



The club held our AGM in early October where we farewelled President Gwen Wiles, Secretary Dee Sinton and Committee Members Kate Pinniger and Faye Cullen. They have all given many years of service to WABC and were warmly thanked by the membership. Kitty George was elected President and is joined by Dymphna Elsey Treasurer, Rhona Barton Secretary as well as new committee members Jessie Duffill, Beverley Hunt, Deborah Greenway and Libby Ferreira. Others staying on committee include Richard Basham, John Nelson and Ursula Maitland.





The Patron's Cup for 2014 was won by **Jocelyn Parry** who once again has earned the most green points for the year.

The Evening pairs Championship was held over two Wednesdays in October and the worthy winners were Geoff Yeo and John Aquino, closely followed by Sue Gammon and Jo Sklarz.

We have recently installed new screens and projectors at the club to improve the display of results, particularly during Congresses. We are all looking forward to watching the Melbourne Cup on the 'big screen'. Happy punting everyone!



## West Coast Bridge Club

From Hilary Heptinstall

The results of our Wednesday Pairs competition were:

1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Maurice Herman and Shirley Drage</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Harold McKnight and Patrick Garnett
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Graeme Hillier and Shirley Bloch



Shirley Drage and Maurice Herman

## Bunbury Bridge Club

From Di Brooks

Bunbury Bridge Club held its October Red Point event. Places of 1st, 2nd and 3rd were very close, in the low 60%, with less than 2% between first and second.



Congratulations to the winners **Kathleen Phillip** and **Holly Nutley**

Runners up Marianne Viebke and Di Brooks.



Most Improved Pair: **Gillian Disney** and **Jennie Drennan** with President Dennis Evans.



Club Champions **Di Brooks** and **Colin Bell**



Handicap Winners **Liz Norton** and **Kath Phillip**

## Geraldton Bridge Club

From Heather Cupitt

The Monday Championship was run over two weeks in September.



The winners were **Elise Criddle** and **Yvonne Dymond**



Barbara Allen and Bob Scolaro were second.



With only two points separating them from Norma Lodge and Chris Knight for third place.

*Ed note:* Congratulations to **Wayne** and **Heather Cupitt** – placing 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Northern Territory Gold Restricted



*(Photo courtesy Territory Gold Bridge Festival)*



## Undercroft Bridge Club

From David Cowell

Undercroft Bridge Club held its Individual competition over three weeks, Thursday September 25th October 2nd and 9th. This competition gives everyone the opportunity to play with a different partner every round therefore to meet and partner people they may never have played with before - a nice sociable competition.





Congratulations to the Winner **Gary White** with President David Cowell



Tony Martin 2<sup>nd</sup>



John Lees 3<sup>rd</sup>

Many thanks to Harold McKnight who came along and directed for us and also a big thank you to Julia Corr, Linda Reading and Margaret Melson for supplying the lovely food we had on the final afternoon.

Congratulations to Max Havercroft one of our long standing members who has become a Gold Life Master, well done Max.

This year again on Wednesday evenings starting at 7.15 pm 19th, 26th, November, and 3rd December our club is having a Swiss Pairs

competition **Open to all**, entries on the BAWA website. *(See flyer this issue)*

## Rockingham Bridge Club

From Jean Dance



Our Championship Pairs were held over two weeks and congratulations go to the winners, **Ron Philpot and Betty Philpot**, who seems to have a firm hold on this trophy.



Under State Masters Winners: **David Clark and Elena Olsen**.

A big thank you to Eve Dethlefsen, the Director, for a wonderful job done under difficult circumstances, particularly the second session with eight people pulling out sick. Thank you to the members who filled in at the last minute.



Our kitchen renovations will be done on January 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> so please note there will be no bridge on the 5<sup>th</sup>

The David Beauchamp workshop is coming up on Wednesday morning, 12<sup>th</sup> November.

Coming up in November:

- Monday 10<sup>th</sup> AGM at 11 am
- Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> Nedra Arnott Pairs



## Nedlands Bridge Club

From Linda Bedford-Brown



### Friday Pairs



1<sup>st</sup> **Corinne Monteath** and **Dene Craddock**

2<sup>nd</sup> Lily Lim and Charlie Lim

3<sup>rd</sup> Doreen Jones and David Schokman



Best Nedlands Pair **Robin Burton** and **May Schonwolf**



Best Restricted Pair **Mark Doust** and **Sue Gammon**

### Saturday Pairs



1<sup>st</sup> **Gill Dolling** and **Mark Dolling**

2<sup>nd</sup> Charlie Lim and Lily Lim

3<sup>rd</sup> Doreen Jones and David Schokman

## Teams



1<sup>st</sup> David Schokman, Catherine Hood, Dave Munro and Doreen Jones



2<sup>nd</sup> Nigel Dutton, Viv Wood, Kim Morrison and Marie-France Merven



3<sup>rd</sup> Pauline Hammond, Ann Ohlsen, Kathy Power and Phil Power

Best Nedlands Team: **Therese Garbutt, Viv Zotti, Chris Mulley and Jonathan Pynt**

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## Denmark Bridge Club

From John Elliott



President **John Elliott**, Denmark Bridge Club and BAWA Executive Officer **Robina McConnell**.

A small informal bridge club has existed in Denmark for many years. Initially we met once a week and played at a variety of venues including members homes. More recently however, our membership has increased significantly and a second playing session was introduced so that the choice was available to play either during the day or at night – or both of course.

As interest and participation increased, so too did the desire to elevate our playing standards and become involved in the wider bridge playing community. At a special meeting late last year a committee was formed to guide the club through the process of incorporation and affiliation with BAWA and ABF. We are delighted that these have now been achieved and look forward to actively promoting the game in our community.

We are in the process of acquiring various items of equipment and this should be completed within the next month or so. Grants from Lotterywest and the Shire of Denmark have enabled us to purchase Bridgemates, a dealing machine, computer and other associated items. Amongst our membership we have a number of experienced players but for many others these are new and they now face a steep learning curve.



To assist, free improvement sessions are available when requested and new procedures including the more formal aspects of club play are being gradually introduced. Our intention is to provide a friendly and welcoming atmosphere for everyone so that less experienced players feel comfortable as they learn and improve whilst others feel challenged at the same time. Longer term, we are hopeful of achieving another milestone and hold our first congress.

Visitors to the club are very welcome. We meet on Monday evenings and Thursday mornings at the St Johns Ambulance Hall in Price Street. If you would like to join us please contact Jo 9848 2035 for Mondays or Barbara 98481356 for Thursdays.



From Stella Steer



*John Rice, Margaret Middleton, Brenton Rice and Annette Ruvidini.*



*Claire James, Bob Steer and John Elliott (President)*

On a recent trip to the South-West, Jay, his brother Bob and I took the opportunity to visit BAWA's newest country member: the Denmark Bridge Club.

Club President John Elliott is doing a great job in obtaining equipment for the newly affiliated club and encouraging new players to participate. On

the night that we visited bidding boxes were in use for the first time. The local players managed very well but Jay managed to upset his!

We were made very welcome and I would encourage others to visit the club for a game if in the area. Sessions are held on Monday nights and Thursday mornings at the St John Ambulance Hall. For more details see the BAWA website.



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## **GOLDEN WEST**

**Gold Point Event**

**Swiss Pairs**

**Saturday 22nd and Sunday 23rd  
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**10am and 2pm**

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Venue: Mandurah Bridge Club

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**Tournament Unit:**

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# Things I have seen ... (2)

By Matt McManus

This time around, on the same theme as last month, a few more absurdities that I have observed at the table while directing. On each of the following hands, the player in the spotlight did something wrong, which resulted in an outcome which seems way disproportionate to the error he had made. However, on each occasion, the correct application of the relevant laws meant the end result was quite bizarre. The sort of things which, when other tables see the score on the travelling score sheet, result in me being called and being told to go and fix it because that result is "clearly impossible".

## Careful with those Red Aces

Brd ♠ K  
 Dlr ♥ J1064  
 Vul ♦ 106532  
 ♣ 1074

♠ 6 ♠ QJ1097  
 ♥ AQ85 ♥ 973  
 ♦ A984 ♦ QJ7  
 ♣ A952 ♣ 86

♠ A85432  
 ♥ K2  
 ♦ K  
 ♣ KQJ3

4	
14	6
16	

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
			1S
X	Pass	1NT	2S
X	All Pass		

Declarer seems to have 3 losers in spades, two in hearts and one in each of the minors. Two down, +500 seems like it will be a very good score for EW, but it didn't turn out that way....

Rather than trying to find partner's strength outside trumps – if he had any – West found the best lead of S6. On winning dummy's SK, declarer tried to sneak through a trick, by leading up to his singleton king of diamonds. This shouldn't have worked, but West "won" with the HA and then banged down the ace of clubs. Yes, West had been careless in sorting his cards and had mixed up his red aces. This particular error is probably not

that uncommon but the effect on this hand was quite devastating. Playing HA on the diamond constituted a revoke and then leading to the next trick established it. This meant that West could not correct his revoke – which in turn meant that CA was a lead out of turn, as South had now won trick two with DK!

Declarer chose not to accept the lead out of turn, so CA became a penalty card. The ace of trumps was played and West had to discard CA. So by the time the hand was finished, declarer had lost no tricks in diamonds and no tricks in clubs. The defence still had to make 3 trumps and HAQ, but not enough to defeat 2SX. To add insult to injury, still to come was the penalty for the established revoke – one more trick to NS, for a final score of NS +870. Quite a difference from the -500 declarer would have been expecting at the start of the hand.

## Sublime Revoking

The second hand features a simple three card ending. In a contract of 5C by South, West is on lead to Trick 11 in the following position:

Brd ♠ -  
 Dlr ♥ A  
 Vul ♦ -  
 ♣ AJ

♠ - ♠ -  
 ♥ 10 ♥ -  
 ♦ - ♦ 7  
 ♣ 74 ♣ Q10

♠ -  
 ♥ 6  
 ♦ -  
 ♣ K6

West leads H10. Dummy's ace is ruffed by East with the ten, and declarer over-ruffs with the king. South next finesses clubs, losing to East's now singleton queen, and dummy's ace of trumps is there to win the last trick. When declarer's H6 turns up at trick 13, the revoke is discovered and the director is called. After an established revoke, the penalty when the offending player wins the revoke trick (here, Trick 11) is one trick plus an additional trick if his side wins any tricks after



the revoke. That means that two tricks were transferred from NS to EW. Declarer, clutching the ace, king and jack of trumps in his hands with three tricks to go had contrived with this rather “strong” holding to make a total of zero tricks!

## Counting points

West is the dealer and the auction goes:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
			1NT

A bid out of turn. The Director is called. West has the option of accepting 1NT, but chooses not to. 1NT is therefore cancelled, the call goes back to West and North must pass for the remainder of the auction. (It is one of the curiosities of the laws that in many of the circumstances where you do something wrong, it is your partner who is punished.) West decided to pass. North passed because he had to. East also passed so it was back to South again. NS were playing a weak no trump and South had really “stretched” to open 1NT with

♠ Q84      ♥ J742      ♦ KJ8      ♣ KJ10

and had then done it when it wasn't his turn to call! He now had to make the big decision for his side. Of course, he was vulnerable and the opponents weren't. He also knew that his right hand opponent was more than capable of a little legal deceit. That is, East could be holding quite a strong hand, but had passed expecting that South would have to guess at the final contract (since North had to pass), and that he might overdo it and go for a big penalty. After quite a lot of thought, South eventually decided that discretion was the better part of valour and took the lowest road of all – he passed the hand in.

Unfortunately for his side, East had not been laying a trap for him. In fact, this deal contained probably the biggest hand I have ever seen – 27 points. You may have guessed that it was held by North, who cruelly had been forced to pass because of his partner's bid out of turn. The travelling score sheet which looked like:

7NT	N	2220
7NT	S	2220
6NT	N	1470
7NT	N	2220
Passed in		
7NT	N	2220
7NT	S	2220

Raised more than a few eyebrows.

## Counting cards

Brd	♠ KQ1053		♠ 8
Dlr	♥ 74		♥ 953
Vul	♦ 109		♦ 765
	♣ AK		♣ QJ9852
	♠ 62	♠ N	
	♥ J1086	W	E
	♦ J842		
	♣ 1064	S	
			♠ AJ974
			♥ KQ2
			♦ KQ3
			♣ 73

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Pass	1S	Pass	3S (*)
Pass	4S	All Pass	

\* Strong

Opening lead: CQ

Declarer won in hand with the ace, drew trumps in two rounds, cashed CK, then played the king and queen of hearts and ruffed a heart and then king and queen of diamonds and ruffed a diamond. At this point, declarer called for the director. He had only one card left, while dummy and both defenders still had three cards to go.

I asked if he had counted his cards at the start and he assured me that he did and he definitely held thirteen of them. Although I was a bit sceptical (the player was not particularly well known for following correct procedure), I checked to see whether any of his cards were stuck together in case two cards had been played at once on an earlier trick. This wasn't the case. The laws require that the director “institute a search for the missing cards”. Usually when this occurs, one of two things has happened: the player has dropped the card(s) on the floor, or the cards are still on the previous table, usually under North's system card.

But in this case, neither of those searches solved the problem. It turned out that it was far simpler than that – there were still two cards in the North pocket in the board – so much for counting his cards and counting to thirteen! When the player's cards eventually turn up, the laws require that the hand be completed and the relevant laws are applied as if the cards had been in the player's hand throughout. At the time I was called,

dummy just had three trumps left, so there was no more to the play. The missing cards were a heart and diamond. So, I needed to check to see if North may have revoked. So, I asked the questions: did you ruff a heart? "Yes" – two trick penalty for that. Did you ruff a diamond? "Yes" – two trick penalty for that as well. Final result: 4S by North, one down, EW +50.

Those of you have been following closely will have noticed which cards were missing from the hand diagram above – the ace of hearts and the ace of diamonds. So, while this declarer was going down in game, most of the other pairs in the room were bidding and making either a small slam or a grand slam. Sometimes, there is justice in the world.



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# The Critical Point

From Marnie Leybourne

Peter Rogers once told me that many bridge hands have a critical point, whether you are declarer or defending. Bridge players need to learn to recognise these points and take the time to stop, reassess and then make the winning play.

The Hans Rosendorff Women's Memorial Teams had plenty of examples of this critical point and correct critical point decisions made at the tables determined the winners of the event.

We'll start with a simple example:

Brd ♠ J42  
 Dlr E ♥ AT8  
 Vul EW ♦ K952  
 ♣ QJ3

♠ AQ96	N	♠ KT3
♥ K2	W	♥ 64
♦ QJ4	E	♦ T8763
♣ A942	S	♣ T65

♠ 875  
 ♥ QJ9753  
 ♦ A  
 ♣ K87

11
16
10

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
		Pass	1H
X	2NT(*)	Pass	4H
All Pass			

(\*) Good raise in hearts, promising 10+ points and 3+ hearts

It is not easy for West to find a good lead. With 16 points, the opposition may be expected to hold almost all the remaining 24. Say West leads the club Ace and East discourages clubs. The critical point for West emerges at trick 2. Three more tricks are required to set the contract. If East has the diamond Ace, then a lead of the Queen, through the King in dummy, is likely to work.

However, can East hold the diamond Ace? That would leave South with only nine points, and the opening bid would more likely be a weak two-bid. Therefore, the only hope, given East has denied anything in clubs, is that East has the spade King and three spade tricks can be made.

At the table, I was sitting South and actually received the lead of the diamond Queen. I won with the Ace and reached the critical point as declarer. There were three spade losers and I could drop one on the diamond King. However, I could not do that before taking the heart finesse, so the only way to make the contract is to take the finesse at trick three. If it loses, then a spade return means you are down two instead of one, however you are playing teams, so you need to try to make your contract.

A simple hand, however it demonstrates the critical point moment from both points of view (and not every declarer made 10 tricks, even on the lead of the DQ).

The next example was certainly fun for the defence. South was dealer and opened an Acol 1S, which was passed out (hand rotated for convenience).

Brd ♠ 832  
 Dlr S ♥ 953  
 Vul EW ♦ QT75  
 ♣ JT9

♠ KQ64	N	♠ 75
♥ A	W	♥ J108764
♦ A8432	E	♦ 9
♣ 862	S	♣ A753

♠ AJT9  
 ♥ KQ2  
 ♦ KJ6  
 ♣ KQ4

3
13
19

I led the heart Ace, followed by the diamond Ace, on which declarer played the King. I switched to the club six, taken by partner with the Ace, and declarer played the King!

My partner returned the heart Jack, covered by the Queen and I ruffed. The critical point had now been reached. Partner's Jack could be a suit preference signal for a diamond, or simply the correct card through strength. It was highly unlikely that declarer had two singleton Kings – she was unblocking in order to gain access to dummy. If partner had wanted me to return a club, she was more likely to have played a low heart, so I returned a diamond which she ruffed

to play another heart, another diamond ruff and a third heart ruff. We took the first eight tricks, setting the contract by two tricks.

A defensive error on the next hand had the potential to be costly:

Brd	♠ T97642		
Dlr N	♥ 7		
Vul NS	♦ Q8		
	♣ 8432		
	♠ Q8	N	♠ -
	♥ J9643	W	♥ AQT8
	♦ A95	E	♦ KT32
	♣ AQ5	S	♣ JT976
	♠ AKJ53		
	♥ K52		
	♦ J764		
	♣ K		

2		
13		10
15		

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
	Pass	1C	1S
X	4S	5H	5S
X	All Pass		

West led a low heart, taken by East with the Ace. The club Jack was returned, I played the King and West won with the Ace. The critical point had been reached. Unless I had a diamond void (highly unlikely), this contract was not making. What West should do now is cash the diamond Ace and see what East plays on that trick. If East encourages, then a second diamond can be played, while if East discourages, then the club Queen could be played.

In reality, West played the club Queen at trick three, which allowed me to escape for only one light, as I threw one of dummy's diamonds on the heart King. This was -200 against +480 at the other table when our team-mates played in 4H, making 12 tricks. If the diamond Ace had been

cashied, we would have ended with -500.

The next example is a trap for those who play too fast:

Brd	♠ AT4		
Dlr E	♥ A6		
Vul Both	♦ KQ84		
	♣ QJ54		
	♠ J82	N	♠ Q76
	♥ JT32	W	♥ K9854
	♦ J73	E	♦ 52
	♣ T32	S	♣ A97
	♠ K953		
	♥ Q7		
	♦ AT96		
	♣ K86		

16		
3		9
12		

In an uncontested auction, South declares in 3NT and West leads the heart two. Dummy plays small, East wins the King and plays her original fourth highest (the 5) back. Declarer plays the Queen and the Ace wins in dummy.

The critical point for West has arrived. What is happening in the heart suit?

The only reason declarer has played the Queen is because she has no other heart. Therefore, partner has five and West needs to unblock, so MUST play the Jack or 10 at the second trick. When East gets in with the club Ace, she can play another low heart to West, who will have that precious 3H to be able to play back to partner, setting the contract. Those that don't stop and think when the critical point has been reached may play a small heart at trick two and block the suit, allowing 3NT to make.

The critical point for the next hand came before the opening lead was made. The bidding:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
1D	2C	Pass	2S
Pass	3S	Pass	4S
All Pass			

As West you are on lead and hold:

♠ K94	♥ Q74	♦ QJ8732	♣ A
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What do you lead?

First, you need to work out where your tricks are coming from, as you need four to set the contract. You are pretty sure of making the club Ace and you have a good chance of making the spade King.

On the bidding, it doesn't sound like your partner has much, however if your partner has a red trick, you might be able to score a club ruff, so the plan

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is to lead the Ace and look at dummy to see what is there and what sort of signal your partner might make. The only reason for you to lead dummy's suit is for a ruff, after all.

So, club Ace; partner plays a high club (suggesting a card in hearts), you play a heart (the 7, so it doesn't look encouraging), partner returns a club which you ruff and you sit back to wait to score the spade King as the setting trick. If partner had played a small club at the first trick, you would have to hope she had the diamond King and play a diamond – even if the Ace was played from dummy, you could get in with the trump King and cross to your partner's hand before you run out of trumps. The full hand (hand rotated):

Brd	♠ J83				
Dlr W	♥ J9				
Vul Nil	♦ A4				
	♣ KQJ432				
	♠ K94	N		♠ 7	
	♥ Q74	W	E	♥ AT865	
	♦ QJ8732	S		♦ T95	
	♣ A			♣ T976	
				♠ AQT652	
				♥ K32	
				♦ K6	
				♣ 85	

12		
12	4	
12		

The critical point in the next hand didn't come until trick 12 (hand rotated):

Brd	♠ J94				
Dlr N	♥ QT92				
Vul Both	♦ K5				
	♣ AQJ5				
	♠ K65	N		♠ QT873	
	♥ K543	W	E	♥ 6	
	♦ AQJT	S		♦ 974	
	♣ T6			♣ 9873	
				♠ A2	
				♥ AJ87	
				♦ 8632	
				♣ K42	

13		
13	2	
12		

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
	1C	Pass	1H
Pass	2H	Pass	4H
All Pass			

West leads a small trump, taken in hand by declarer, who leads a small diamond. West rises with the Ace and plays a second trump (to cut ruffs down). On this trick, East encourages spades. Declarer wins in dummy and cashes the

diamond King, crosses to hand with the club King and ruffs a diamond in dummy. A spade is then led to the Ace and declarer's last diamond is ruffed. The club Ace is played and then the Queen of clubs, ruffed by West. The following cards remain (see over page):

Trusting partner's early positive signal in spades, West now plays the SMALL spade to East's Queen, which wins the trick. 11 tricks have been played and we are now at the critical point.

South has no more spades – there is only the King missing, and South would have won the trick if South had it, so West has the King. West's missing card must be a trump, and if it is the King, a trump coup can be executed. Therefore, East plays her last club and whether South plays the Jack of hearts or the Ace of hearts, West will make the King and set the contract by one trick.

Brd	♠ J9				
Dlr N	♥				
Vul Both	♦				
	♣ J				
	♠ K6	N		♠ QT	
	♥ K	W	E	♥	
	♦	S		♦	
	♣			♣ 9	
				♠ 2	
				♥ AJ	
				♦	
				♣	

There were 16 entries in the Hans Rosendorff Memorial Women's Teams, with three teams regularly exchanging top spot throughout the two days: Fuller (who beat Law), Law (who beat Frankel) and Frankel (who beat Fuller). The final result was Fuller (Val Biltoft, Alida Clark, Leone Fuller and Viv Wood) in first place, Law (Annabel Booth, Noelene Law, Marnie Leybourne and Lauren Shiels) second, with Frankel (Pauline Collett, Deborah Frankel, Deidre Greenfeld and Joan Prince) third.





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# Capel Life

## Capel: Another Day in Paradise

By Di Brooks

Capel: Another Day in Paradise My sleep patterns have never been that great. I suppose old habits die hard when, as a child, it was early to bed and early to rise. This adage was completed with... "Makes a Man Healthy, Wealthy and Wise". In this respect, I have been very fortunate, as I am blessed in all three categories. Wealthy - definitely. I have a full and happy life with many good people around me and as for wise....I may not know the secrets of the Universe, but I certainly appreciate my path in life. Waking at 4.30am, to me, is the best time of the day. The only sounds are of the dawn chorus. Our choir is made up of the family of magpies that warble away as they perch on top of the street lights. A lovely way to start the day.

Alan and I celebrate fifty one years of happy marriage in November. Our family numbers are still increasing, proving that the Brooks brigade don't watch much television. At the latest tally, 15 grandchildren and the newest member, Hudson, brings our great grandies to 3. Thankfully all have good health.

So to the younger set, especially those people who have teenage children and they are feeling stressed, hang in there. Of our three surviving children, our youngest son felt we were parents from hell. His friends had more freedom and we had archaic values... according to him.

Now that my son has teenage children, he can now appreciate our role as his parents. Believe me; what goes around definitely comes around. Whenever my son complains of any hiccups with his children and their behaviour, Mother can always recall his youthful antics and of course, share them with her grandies. Back to reality and living in a different century, we all need to keep a good sense of humour. We need to laugh more. It's Nature's way of relieving stress and keeping us healthier. Don't sweat the small things. Love, Laugh and Be Happy. It's the only way to go.



Morning Tea with the Hon. Mark McGowan at the Seniors Forum in Capel.



I registered as a fundraiser for Cancer Research a few months ago so was well prepared for my stall at the Capel Country Club Markets on Sunday, 12th October. I had two raffles running and a stall of goodies for sale. The weather was fine but with a cold wind so there were fewer people up and

about at 9am. When the monies were totalled, the amount raised, including donations, came to \$144.90. Not bad for a slow morning.

I am grateful to the Capel Country Club for their use of a stall at no charge; also to everyone who gave items to me to sell and to the many who supported the project ensuring another successful fundraiser.

A November project is in the pipeline for another worthy cause.

One Happy Little Vegemite.....and back to bridge

## Blocking and Unblocking

Too many times, we play a card without thinking of the consequences. Take a look at this example.

Contract 6H by South Lead KS.

Dummy holds:

♠ -           ♥ AQJ5       ♦ AJ9832   ♣ 1064

The immediate need to trump the Spade King was done without little thought, declarer calling for the 5H. As South held K1098643, he could afford to trump with the Ace and still have entries to his hand, without cashing his Ace of Clubs.

The crucial play here, in Teams, was to make the contract. To ensure the right result, take out whatever trumps are necessary. They actually broke 1-1. If you are stuck in Dummy, play small diamond towards South's Queen. Even losing to the King, twelve tricks are there with little thought and thirteen tricks if Declarer ends up their own hand and can afford to take the finesse of the Diamond Jack.

So if you are sat with a great holding of trumps, within both hands, take a moment's thought to unblock the high cards to ensure you have communication between both hands.

Happy bridging, ☺



## WA Players at Noosa

From Margaret Nixon

Paul Marston ran his annual week at Noosa on the Sunshine Coast in Queensland from 11th to 18th October 2014.

18 West Australians attended, and enjoyed a very stimulating series of lessons and play sessions. There were five lessons - Jacoby 2NT, End Plays, Splinters, The Simple (!) Squeeze and finally a session of 12 boards covering all these things. These hands were discussed after we had played them.



In addition to Paul himself, we had Bob Jones, a top player from the USA. He gave us words of wisdom about 2 over 1 forcing-to-game bids and he also reviewed half of the hands we played on the final day.



We had two 3-session events, and to help run these we had Queensland's chief director Peter Busch.

This bridge week has become so popular that it was booked out well in advance so Paul conducted a 3-day lessons only -event prior to the main one.

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# Kalgoorlie Congress

From Sue Lia

Great players and a hardworking Director (Peter Holloway) made the 2014 Kalgoorlie Congress another enjoyable success.

Thanks to all those that travelled far and wide, to Val for her time and effort in supplying another magnificently decorated cake, sponsors and the tireless work and support provided by the Kalgoorlie Bridge Club Committee.

Results:

## Friday night - Welcome Pairs

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1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Jim Smith and Gary Frampton</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Tony Martin and Mary Lang
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Joan Valentine and Barbara Frost

## Saturday - Qualifying Pairs



1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Anne Lowe and Pam Minchin</b> with President -Sue Lia and Vice President Mary Williams
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Maureen Knight and Chris Knight
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Valerie Isle and Rose Warnock

## Saturday - Pairs Final



1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Maureen Knight and Chris Knight</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Rez Karim and Geza Sulykos
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Anne Lowe and Pam Minchin

## Saturday - Pairs Plate



1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Rosemary Enright and Rosemary Rear</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Cassie Morin and Helen Arendts
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Pam Goodman and Pam Blazley

## Sunday Teams





1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Trish Hunter, Maureen Knight, Chris Knight and Carol Newport</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Rose Enright, Rose Rear, Pam Minchin and Anne Lowe.
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Barry Aslett, Gary Frampton, Chris Shotter and Jim Smith.

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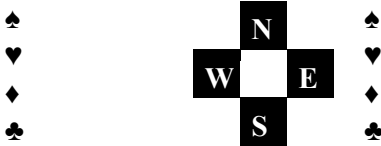
# Test Your Slam Play

By Bill Jacobs

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Brd  
Dlr S  
Vul Nil

♠ J652  
♥ A  
♦ K97  
♣ AK932



♠ AQ10  
♥ Q32  
♦ AQJ5  
♣ J84

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WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
		Pass	1NT
Pass	2S	Pass	3C
Pass	3S	Pass	3NT
Pass	4C	Pass	4D
Pass	4H	Pass	4S
Pass	6C	All Pass	

The bidding has quite worn you out. West starts to lead a card, but you say: "wait, it's my partner's clubs". "No, you're playing it," says partner. Drat.

West makes a second attempt, and leads HJ.

## Forum-online

If you have an interesting comment or observation to make Forum is the place to have your say.

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## Solution:

Brd  
Dlr N  
Vul Nil

♠ J652  
♥ A  
♦ K97  
♣ AK932

♠ K73  
♥ J10954  
♦ 1082  
♣ Q6

♠ 984  
♥ K876  
♦ 643  
♣ 1075

♠ AQ10  
♥ Q32  
♦ AQJ5  
♣ J84

15  
6 3  
16

There might be a loser in spades, and there might be a loser in clubs. Of course there could also be two losers in clubs, if an opponent has Q10xx. You can protect against that by playing a top club, and then a low club from dummy towards your jack. If either opponent started with Q10xx, this will pick up the suit for only one loser.

But you don't want to take this safety play in trumps if there is a spade loser. If the spade finesse fails, you will need someone to have started with Qx in clubs, in which case banging out the ace and king will work spectacularly.

So win the first trick and play a spade to the queen. If West wins the king, then play the clubs from the top. If the spade finesse wins, then play CA and a low club, to protect against the 4-1 break. If West smoothly lets the SQ win on the actual layout above, look for an easier game – a much easier game.

*The moral:* Tiredness is no excuse.





# There can be days like this...

By Ron Klinger

<http://www.RonKlingerBridge.com>

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## PROBLEM

Teams | South dealer | NS vulnerable

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
			1S (1)
Pass	2C (2)	5C	Pass
Pass	6S	X	All Pass

- 1) 4+ ♠, could be Canape (shorter suit first)
- 2) Artificial, forcing to game

West to lead from:

W ♠ K98  
♥ 1098765  
♦ 75  
♣ J9

Partner's double after pre-empting with 5C heralds a void. Your obvious choice is to lead a heart. The choice of card is not critical as you have no quick re-entry but you should avoid leading your lowest heart. Partner may take that as a club entry and, expecting you to have the CK or CQ perhaps, lead away from the CA. A middle heart like the 7 or 8 will leave partner in the dark (usually the best place).

Awards: H7, H8: 100; H10, H9, H6: 90; H5: 70; club: 60% diamond: 40% spade 10%

*Principle: If you expect partner to be void in an unbid suit, it will usually be in the suit in which you have greatest length.*

On this occasion there were no drums, no bugles.

Brd	♠	QJ102			
Dlr E	♥	-			
Vul EW	♦	AKQ109642			
	♣	K			
♠ K98			♠	65	
♥ 109876			♥	Q4	
♦ 75			♦	-	
♣ J9			♣	AQ10876432	
			♠	A743	
			♥	AKJ32	
			♦	J83	
			♣	5	

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The hand arose in the 1999 New Zealand Teams and was reported by Richard Solomon, editor of NZ Bridge. West led a heart, away went the club loser, declarer played SA and another spade and the slam was home. Richard asked, 'Is this just unlucky or with a natural trump trick, should one disregard partner's request, risk the lash and lead his suit? I would like a quiet word with Mr. Lightner as he has much to answer for.'

It's just unlucky. Imagine that you did lead the club and partner had the heart void and no ace of clubs. Accept that there will be days like this.

*There is only one rule for being a good bridge player: learn to listen.*



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# Roving Rhodes

## Struck by Lighter at the Nedlands Spring Congress

By Maura Rhodes

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The Nedlands Bridge Club Spring Congress was well organized, as usual, and the increasing participation reflects the popularity of this event. 35 pairs competed in the Friday competition and 50 pairs in the Saturday event. Twenty teams competed in the Sunday event and the competition was tough, but the final result was conclusive. Congratulations to Doreen Jones, Catherine Hood, David Schokman and Dave Munro who won the event.

On Round Two, we faced the challenge of the team seeded One and this interesting hand occurred on Board 14:

Brd	♠ J6		
Dlr E	♥ QT8754		
Vul Nil	♦ -		
	♣ QJ752		
	♠ K74	N	♠ AQ532
	♥ AJ62	W	♥ -
	♦ KT952	E	♦ AQJ76
	♣ 8	S	♣ K64
	♠ T98		
	♥ K93		
	♦ 843		
	♣ AT93		

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After East opened 1 Spade and West responded 2D, our opponents reached the small slam in Spades. My partner was on lead, so I made a lead-directing double, known as the Lightner double. This is a conventional double made by the defender not on lead, requesting partner to make an unusual lead, often the first suit bid by dummy. John Nicholas and I had never discussed the Lightner double, but I knew that he is an experienced player and would recognize it. Sure enough, John led the 3D for me to ruff. The low card led showed me his entry, the Ace of Clubs, so that he could give me another ruff. That was a thrilling experience for me, as it was the first time I had ever used the Lightner Double. Our teammates, Stella and Jay Steer bid to the safer slam of 6D, which made with ease.

Would that all our bids and plays had been so successful! On Round Five, I made a bad decision, which us a double swing.

Brd	♠ 3		
Dlr E	♥ 87		
Vul Nil	♦ KQT86		
	♣ KQJ62		
	♠ AJ652	N	♠ T9874
	♥ J94	W	♥ T2
	♦ A95	E	♦ J7
	♣ A5	S	♣ T943
	♠ KQ		
	♥ AKQ653		
	♦ 432		
	♣ 87		

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After a Pass by East, John opened 1H and West overcalled 1S. I bid 2D, E raised to 3S and John bid 4H. When the opponents bid to 4S, I made the silly decision to bid 5H. In my experience, it is rarely right to bid 5 over 5 and this was no exception. My hand screams defence with the points in the minor suits. At the other table, 4S went off. I might forgive myself for this folly next year!

Congratulations and thank you to all involved in organizing and managing this Congress. Everything about it was well done, from the beautiful flowers, the walls adorned with paintings, the lovely food. I really enjoyed being greeted with the signature warm cheese scones and then, later, to be treated to a roast Sunday lunch. It was an absolute pleasure to attend.





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The cost for the day is **\$35**. BYO lunch.



**David Beauchamp**

Full time bridge teacher from Sydney.

2014 Bridge Playing Achievements:

- Finalist in National Open Teams
- Semi-Finalist in Gold Coast Open Teams

2013 Bridge Playing Achievements:

- Represented Australia, 2013 in APBF
- Winner Dick Cummings Pairs – Spring Nationals



**Rockingham Bridge Club Inc**

Corner McClarty Road & Watts Road  
Shoalwater

**CONGRESS 2015  
February 14 – 15, 2015**

**ENTRIES:**

Via BAWA Website: [www.bawa.asn.au](http://www.bawa.asn.au)

**PROGRAM**

Saturday 14	<b>Congress Pairs</b> (Swiss Pairs)	10am
\$30.00 per player (includes lunch) - pay at the table on the day		

Sunday 15	<b>Congress Teams</b>	10am
\$30.00 per player (includes lunch) - pay at the table on the day		

**20 TABLES**

- **Raffles** ● **Door Prizes**

**Convenor:**

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# Results

## TEAMS of 4 as at 6<sup>th</sup> of October

From John Beddow

### OPEN

Club	Played	Won	VPs
Melville	6	3	96
Nedlands	6	4	87
SPBC B	6	1	84
SPBC A	4	3	72
Maccabi	4	4	71
WABC	6	1	71

### PLAYOFFS:

Melville host and play SPBC A.

Nedlands host and play SPBC B

### INTERMEDIATE

Club	Played	Won	VPs
SPBC A	10	6	183
West Coast	10	7	182
SPBC B	10	5	160
Melville	10	5	160
Maccabi	10	7	158
WABC Sharks	10	4	156
Kalamunda	10	6	150
WABC Sparkles	10	2	133
Nedlands	10	3	131
WABC Others	10	1	113
Undercroft	10	2	93

### PLAYOFFS:

SPBC A host and play Melville

West Coast host and play SPBC B

### RESTRICTED

Club	Played	Won	VPs
Kalamunda	8	6	156
WABC Sandgropers	8	6	140
SPBC A	8	4	134
SPBC B	8	5	134
WABC B	8	4	121
Swan Dists	8	3	113
Undercroft	8	4	106
WABC Silverfish	8	2	102
Melville	8	1	65

### PLAYOFFS:

Kalamunda host and play SPBC B

WABC Sandgropers host and play SPBC A

## 6 OCTOBER - 9 NOVEMBER

### Qualifying Finals

- The Team finishing first in the Division will host and play the team finishing fourth.
- The Team finishing second in the Division will host and play the team finishing third.

## 10 NOVEMBER - 30<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER

### Play Off for 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Places

The losers of the Qualifying Finals will play off for 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> places. The team having the smallest losing difference in IMPS in the Qualifying Final will be the Home Team.

## 11 NOVEMBER - 01 DECEMBER

### Grand Final

The winners of the Qualifying Finals will play off for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> places. The team having the biggest winning difference in IMPS in the Qualifying Final will be the Home Team.

## 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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## Upcoming BAWA & Club Events 2014 / 2015

	<b>Nov</b>	Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup>	BAWA Masters in Teams of 3 Venue: Nedlands Bridge Club 10.00am
		Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup>	BAWA Xmas Swiss Pairs 1 <sup>st</sup> of 3 Venue Nedlands Bridge Club 7.30pm
		Sat 8 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Kendenup Bridge Club Congress</b>
		Sun 9 <sup>th</sup>	BAWA State Open Teams Final Venue: Nedlands Bridge Club 10.00am BAWA Super Vets Congress
<b>**NEW**</b>		Thu 13 <sup>th</sup>	BAWA Grand Master RESTRICTED Pairs 1 <sup>st</sup> of 2 Venue: South Perth Bridge Club 7.30pm
		Fri 21 <sup>st</sup>	Mandurah Bridge Club "Golden West" Welcome Pairs – Red Point Event
		Sat 22 <sup>nd</sup> – Sun 23 <sup>rd</sup>	BAWA Golden West Congress –GOLD POINTS
	<b>Dec</b>	Fri 5 <sup>th</sup> – Sun 7 <sup>th</sup>	<b>WABC Xmas Congress</b>
		Thu 11 <sup>th</sup>	BAWA Award Function 6.30pm Venue: Nedlands Bridge Club
<b>2015</b>			
	<b>Jan</b>	Mon 5 <sup>th</sup>	<b>South Perth Bridge Club Swiss Pairs 1<sup>st</sup> of 3</b>
		Thu 8 <sup>th</sup>	BAWA New Year Pairs 1 <sup>st</sup> of 3 Venue to be advised
		Sat 31 <sup>st</sup> – Sun Feb 1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Mandurah Bridge Club Summer Congress – see flyer</b>
<b>**NOTE**</b>	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.		
<b>**NOTE**</b>	<b>BAWA/Congress Events</b>		Entries <a href="http://www.bawa.asn.au">www.bawa.asn.au</a> unless other specified.

**Cappelletti ... wonderful  
... Benjamin ... mmm  
Stayman ... what a man!  
Jacoby ... does it for me  
And then there is my  
man Michael ...**

### Kendenup One Day Bridge Congress 2014

**Who did you say you  
were playing with last  
night?**

Venue: Kendenup Lodge, Moorilup Road, Kendenup

Light lunch, morning and afternoon tea provided

This is an official BAWA congress for players with less than 300 points

Saturday 8th November

Qualifying session 9.30am; Plate and final 2pm; \$25.00 pp

Red point event with prize money

Congress Enquiries: Bob 9851 4168 Email : [anne.waters@skymesh.com.au](mailto:anne.waters@skymesh.com.au)

Register on the BAWA website, by phone or by email

Weekend  
accommodation  
packages  
available



# Busselton Congress cont...

Sunday TEAMS



**1<sup>st</sup> Beata Bieganski, Tad Bieganski, Robina McConnell and Eugene Wichems**



**2<sup>nd</sup> Elizabeth McNeill, with Convener Jane Moulden, Cassie Morin, Ros Warnock and Valerie Isle**



**3<sup>rd</sup> Rick Rhodes, Maura Rhodes, (Martin Broom and Valerie Broom)**

Seen at the Busselton Congress...







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