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Hans G. Rosendorff Memorial Weekend

From Lynne Milne

HGR Women's Swiss Pairs



Winners

STELLA STEER and **GWYNEIRA BRAHMA** with
ABF President Allison Stralow

TBIB Restricted Swiss Pairs



Winners

LAURIE MONEY and **FIONA HAN** with
TBIB Sean Bemrose and trophy donor Di Brooks

The fields for the HGR Women's and TBIB Restricted Swiss Pairs were again small with a number withdrawing at the last moment. There were four interstate players in the Women's: Julia Hoffman from Canberra and Sue Lusk, Lori Smith and Angela Norris from Adelaide.

TBIB (Tony Bemrose Insurance Brokers) once again generously sponsored the prize pool for the Restricted. Sean and Jodi Bemrose were in attendance both days, drawing three prizes each day, including memberships to the ABF Improve your bridge with the ABF's daily column.

The Women's prizes and medallions were presented by ABF President Allison Stralow, and the prizes and medallions for the Restricted were presented by Sean Bemrose. The event went smoothly with Jonathan Free as Chief Tournament Director, ably assisted by David Burn. Thanks to Lynne Milne's daughter and girlfriends; the platters on the tables were again a huge hit.



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President's Report

There is no doubt that BAWA's monthly Focus magazine is the best in Australia and recognised overseas as a model for such publications. It has been the baby of Linda Bedford-Brown for quite some years with Beata Bieganski the technical star behind the production. One of the unique features of the Focus is the "Around the Clubs" section which allows every club, every month the opportunity to have a say and advertise what's happening in their corner of the bridge world. So why would so many clubs fail to use this service? It is disappointing to see only a handful of our 33 affiliate members make the effort to send Linda a small contribution. It is not necessary to write pages and pages maybe just a photo or two with a brief note; that would be great. The deadline for the publication is the 20th of the month for inclusion in the following month's edition. All copy should go to Linda at bedfords@bigpond.net.au

Whilst it is probably of no interest to most club player's substitutions in multi-session BAWA events has become contentious and cumbersome particularly over the last 12 to 18 months. Consequently, BAWA has undertaken a full review of its substitution regulations and has published, on the web site for comment, a draft document. It is likely the new rules will be in place by mid-November.

Congratulations to Lynne Milne and her team for a successful HGR Memorial Congress Weekend. Many Gold Points were won and by all accounts a good time was had by all; especially the well-deserved place getters. Three big club congresses

happening in October and then November sees two more chances to win some, hard to get Gold Points. First the Super Vets Congress for players over 75; it has been a tradition for clubs to assist their veteran players with transport to and from the venue (WABC). I hope your club is doing so. Special thanks to WABC who provide the venue free of charge. And, of course, late in November the very popular Golden West Congress held in Mandurah. It's full at the moment but keep an eye on the entry page as withdrawals happen regularly. I will be opening a waiting list on the entry page later in October.

Nigel Dutton



**New BAWA Substitution
Regulations will come into force on
November 6th 2019.**

Saturday Bridge

West Australian Newspaper

Ed Note the Bridge Column is back in the West Australian Saturday Weekend 2

BAWA President Nigel Dutton is writing a weekly column – it doesn't matter what level your game is this will be informative, educational and instructive - and at times tongue in cheek!

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Around the Clubs

By Linda Bedford-Brown

Kendenup Bridge Club

From Heather Fergie

We have had a quiet winter which is the problem of having such a small club. We have even had a few nights where we only had two tables however as anyone who has played teams will know, there is a lot of fun in playing half the boards, then swapping over people and directly comparing the scores.

We are looking forward to our Congress (*See flyer in this issue*) and would like to encourage any restricted players in the state to enter. One of our members Anne 0428517258 (see flyer) has very generously offered near free accommodation for the event in her lovely large house in pristine bushland, overlooking the Stirling Ranges There is also very good bushland camping sites at the venue. Entry is via the BAWA website www.bawa.asn.au

Hope to see you here.

Fremantle Bridge Club

From John Penman

The Club Championship Pairs was held over two Saturdays, 31 August and 7 September.



Club Champions for 2019 were Se-Moi Loh (Laurel Lander) with President Jenny Langridge.



2nd Malcolm Dick and Aruni Bandarage.



3rd Jenny Langridge and Alexis Keynes.

CORRECTION

Last month the new Committee for the Club was in error stated to included Florence Slater. Alexis Keynes was elected to that position.

Mandurah Bridge Club

From Ian Jones

Alan Cransberg and Kimberley Zhao won the Restricted 0-300 Masterpoints Championship in August; runners up were Denise Sampson and Brian Murphy.

The Jack Rowse Novice Pairs competition for players with less than 50 Masterpoints was won by Peter Knight and Kerry Carter.

Helen Atkinson and Robyn McKenna were runners up.



Peter Knight and Kerry Carter

Congratulations to Rockingham Bridge Club who won the annual competition against Mandurah.



Rockingham President Ros Davey and Mandurah's President, Josephine Dundas



Josephine congratulates and awards the trophy to Rockingham team captain and Vice President Nicky O'Connell.

Bunbury Bridge Club

From Jan Morgan

BUNBURY'S "JOHN BENNETT AWARD"

This award was, at our recent AGM won by Colin Bell, being the 'Club Person of the year'.



COLIN BELL

John Bennett was a stalwart of our club who died some nine years ago. He was a very active club person involved in teaching, directing, and committee member and with his wife Holly was responsible for establishing our good neighbours -Australind Bridge Club.

John's legacy was to establish this annual award, funding the membership fee for the person adjudged to have most enhanced the enjoyment of members and the smooth running of our club.

A past president and committee member Colin Bell is a director, the Wednesday evening session 'factotum' and most importantly the manager/administrator/organiser and 'hands-on do-er' of our monthly social get-togethers following the Monday bridge session. (His saveloys cannot be bettered!)

A very worthy recipient of The 2019 Club Person of the Year Award!!

Rockingham Bridge Club

From Di Brooks

The Annual Match between Mandurah and Rockingham has been held over many years with Mandurah being much more successful than its opponents. Sunday, 8th September was THE DAY. Six tables of players travelled from Rockingham to the Host Club, Mandurah.

The visitors were warmly greeted and the players were seeded and before the actual match a cold luncheon was first on the agenda. Huge dishes of

various salads and cold chicken and ham were the order of the day. Followed by platters of fruit; all healthy and delicious foods.

Then came the bridge -

The format was a 12 table Share and Bye Mitchell with a 2 round Arrow Switch.

The day was a happy, friendly event and everyone enjoyed the Mandurah hospitality.



The end result, the Trophy went to Rockingham.

On behalf of the Rockingham Committee and members, I would like to thank you all for making us so welcome. Your repast for the day was wonderful.

Looking forward to 2020.

Nedlands Bridge Club

From Linda Bedford-Brown



The trophies from the UK arrived! This now completes the Sheila Bishop and Viv Zotti Bill Hughes World Wide competition - well done again.

AUSTRALIA-WIDE OPEN PAIRS

The Australia wide results have now been published. Our top three pairs were Jonathon Free and Mimi Packer, Lily Lim and Charlie Lim, and Linda Bedford-Brown and Sheila Bishop. Congratulations.

SPRING CONGRESS OCT 11/12/13TH

This is a three-day event. There are pair's competitions on the Friday and Saturday 11/12 October and teams on the Sunday. For further information see the flyer in this issue

MELBOURNE CUP

Tuesday November 5th is always a fabulous day - start is 11.30am - cost is \$35 which includes lunch and bridge - book in early please. Sweeps and spot prizes!

NOVEMBER- FISKE WARREN WEDNESDAY 27TH

The club offers monthly lessons for more experienced players who want to build on their bridge skills. November's topic is the "Jacoby 2NT convention".

BLENNERHASSETT PAIRS DECEMBER 21ST

For the last Saturday before Christmas there is a special red point day. There is no need to enter beforehand - it will be a normal club session.

Northern District Bridge Club

From Anne Hooper

Congratulations to the winners of the Spring Pairs Red Point held on Monday 16th September 2019.



Ross Blakey, Gill Blakey, Lyn Fakira and Trevor Peters

They were Ross and Gill Blakey sitting N/S with 62.50% and Lyn Fakira and Trevor Peters sitting E/W with 63.66%. It was one of those days when N/S spent most of their time defending with E/W getting the good cards. Well done all.

Special thanks to all those who contributed to the afternoon tea which we all enjoyed and to Peter Wilson who directed. It was an enjoyable Spring afternoon, well supported with twelve tables.

Our website www.ndbc.bridgeaustralia.org has all the information you will need if you wish to visit our Club. In an effort to reduce rubbish going to landfill we no longer have disposable cups available for afternoon tea so it is a good idea to bring your own if you can.

Undercroft Bridge Club

From John Bayly

KATH BROSNAN WINTER PAIRS

This ever-popular annual red point event was held on three consecutive Tuesdays 13, 20 and 27 August 2019 and attended by 64 pairs.

The winners on:

Day 1	Tuya Cooke - Brian Fensome
Day 2	Christine Jenkins and Metka Agrez
Day 3	Philip Oldershaw and Margaret Szymakowski

The cumulative scores over the three days



Winners - Tuya Cooke and Brian Fensome



Runners Up Christine Jenkins and Metka Agrez



3rd Domenico De Gasperis and Christine Smitham

Once again many thanks to all of the organisers who made this event so successful

Congratulations to all

AUSTRALIAN WIDE OPEN PAIRS

This event was held on Friday 23 August 2019 and attended by 24 pairs

The winners in the North South position were Philip Oldershaw and Trevor Burr and in the East West position Ken Smith and Judy Havas.

GNOT FINALS

Congratulations to our four very skilful members who have won the GNOT Provincial Restricted Teams Event (WA) less than 300 masterpoints: Christine Bacon, Jane Adams, Divyesh Shah and Rina Shah who will now go on to represent WA in the finals later in the year at Tweed Heads in NSW between 29 November and 2 December. To qualify, they competed at Melville Bridge Club on Sunday 25 August 2019 against 6 teams and after a massive 50 boards were declared the winners with a great score of 61.43



Divyesh Shah, Rina Shah, Jane Adams and Christine Bacon.

With another plus to Undercroft two of our first class players in Tad and Beata Bieganski teamed with John Beddow and Edmont Melton to win the over 300 masterpoint section and will also represent WA in NSW in the finals.

Congratulations to all of these players and we wish them all the best in the Australian finals.

West Coast Bridge Club

From Hilary Heptinstall

The results of our CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP TEAMS Competition were



1 st	Helen Baker, Michael Smith, Jean Calder and Barbara Martin
2 nd	Shirley Bloch, Wence Vahala, Chieh Goodlet, Colleen Stone, Pamela Garnett
3 rd	Patrick Garnett, Christina Wu, Maureen Phillips, Cathy Slaughter, Ray Wood

WEST COAST CONGRESS

This was held on Sunday September 8 and was a very enjoyable event, run very smoothly by director Neville Walker. A lot of behind the scenes work by convener, Patrick Garnett, and his team of helpers for their efforts ensured all ran smoothly. Thank you to Sara and Chris Westergren and their team who served up such wonderful food and to all West Coast members who contributed to the refreshments. One visitor commented that the food alone was worth the entry fee!

Congratulations to all our winners and many thanks to all participants for supporting our Congress and making it such a great day!

Our President, Joy Jones, presented the trophies to the winners of the various sections.

The results were as follows:-

FINAL RESULTS



1st David Burn and Lynne Milne with Joy Jones



2nd Deana Wilson and Kirstyn Fuller



3rd Ron Cooper and Tom Peacock

PLATE RESULTS



1st Dave Munro (David Schokman)



2nd Linda Coli and Jonathan Free



Elizabeth Bennett and Peach Partis

WEDNESDAY PAIRS COMPETITION

The results were:-



3rd Janet Khaw and Mavis Koay

CONSOLATION RESULTS

1st Marion Bogue and Kate Nadebaum



1st Ann Hopfmueller and David Cowell

2nd Jay Medhat and Marleen Medhat

3rd Patrick Garnett and Harold McKnight



2nd Robin Rose and Sally Brittliffe

3rd Anthony Eardley and Wilma Piller

QUALIFYING WINNERS

1st N/S Anton Poll and Cynthia Belonogoff

1st EW Martin Broome and Valerie Broome

ELIZABETH CONSTABLE TROPHY

This is awarded at the end of the year to the West Coast Bridge Club pair who performed best on the day. Winners this year were Peach Partis and Elizabeth Bennett.

Maylands Bridge Club

From Fran Carter

CONGRATULATIONS.



Norma Pears and Vince Menezes came third in the AUSTRALIA WIDE OPEN PAIRS held recently with a score of 72.62%. They have had a very successful bridge partnership although they have only played together for a few years. They have known each other from Maylands Bridge Club since 1988, but

it was not until Norma needed a new partner that she approached Vince with a “ladies’ choice” and Vince accepted the invitation.

Each of these members say of the other “a very good player”. More importantly, however, Vince says, “Norma is a lovely lady”, and Norma remarks, “Vince is a true gentleman.” Of such is the essence of a good partnership!

A very big thankyou to our own culinary expert, David Croft, for providing a delicious soup and sausage sizzle for this event.

The JEAN LILLEYMAN MEMORIAL TROPHY was won by David Croft and Norma Pears. Runners up were equally Richard Maker/Colleen Prosser and Bernard Smith/Leo Erneste.

VALE ALF LINDNER



On a very sad note, a most loved member, Alf Lindner, died on Friday 23rd August. Alf lived for bridge and was a very fine player. He belonged to five bridge clubs in former years and served on the Committee. He also ran a weekly supervised bridge session for many years when the Club was in the Venville Centre in Maylands. Rest in peace dear Alf.

NEW AND RETURNING MEMBERS

Welcome to new members Barbara Gold, a very experienced player, and Angelo Ariyaratnam, who has only been playing since March. He really enjoys Friday sessions.

Great to see Cherie Stitt and Penelope Davis playing here at our club again.

CELEBRATING WILLEM (BILL) PABST

Recently our members were treated to a delightful lunch organised by James and Deanna Sheng (with help from Joyce and Colleen) in honour of life member, Bill Pabst.

As most members would be aware, Bill is experiencing some serious health problems but

continues to play regularly at Maylands and is an indefatigable director at the Dianella and Community Bridge Clubs.



Bill was born in The Hague, Netherlands.

In 1950, at age 13, he migrated with his parents and brother to Australia, eventually settling in Launceston in March 1951.

He attended Launceston Technical High School and was naturalised in

March 1954.

In December 1954, the family decided to travel by train to Fremantle.

He commenced a cadetship in Engineering Mechanical Drafting at Hoskins Engineering and Foundry in Perth and spent his final working years at the Water Corporation.

Bill married his wife Lily and they had two girls. He has 2 grandchildren and one great granddaughter. They were a family who moved house a lot and he travelled the world twice with his wife. He has also visited New Zealand, Hong Kong and Singapore.

Bill joined Maylands Bridge Club in 1984 and took lessons from Val Noble with Thelma Hannigan and Len Napier at Community Bridge club.

His first bridge partner was Mrs Proudfoot.

As a stalwart of Maylands Bridge Club he has occupied various Committee positions including Treasurer and President. Always an energetic member, he helped Robert Oaks with moving club premises and building furniture for the club.

In 2014, both Bill and Robert, were awarded Life Membership.

Over the last eight years Bill has had various challenging health problems.

He is stoic and philosophical in the face of all this but maintains that “Bridge has kept me going during all this time”.

He says Australia has been good to him and he still enjoys playing and directing bridge.

We thank you Bill for your contribution to bridge and being a great club member.

West Australian Bridge Club

From Jan McNab
(Photos courtesy of Sheenagh Young)

Over the past month, following the Open Pairs Championship in early September, WABC members have had the opportunity to play in further Club Championship competitions.

2019 OPEN TEAMS



This event was won by the Rhodes Team – Rick Rhodes and Maura Rhodes teaming up with Jan Blight and Kali Crosbie. Congratulations to you all.

2019 RESTRICTED TEAMS

There was great interest in this new event with 12 teams competing.



1st Hicks Team: David Woodliff, Andrew Edwards, Ian Rowland and Peter Hicks



2nd Koay Team: Arianna Yusof, Hamish McCracken, Mavis Koay and Tomoko Nakamatsu

MIXED PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIP

Eighteen Pairs competed over 2 sessions, resulting in the following:



1st Deana Wilson and Fiske Warren



2nd Mimi Packer and Jonathan Free



3rd Bruce Fraser and Helen Cook

BAWA AFFILIATED BRIDGE CLUBS

Focus will print details of your congress or red point events. All you have to do is email the full details before the **20th** of each month to be included in the following month's issue.

Send to Linda Bedford-Brown
bedfords@bigpond.net.au

AUSTRALIA-WIDE OPEN PAIRS

The Australia-Wide Open Pairs heats were played across clubs all over Australia. Congratulations to the following members who competed at WABC.



1st Meredith Goodlet and Margie Tulloch

2nd Doreen Jones and Dave Munro

3rd Alison Rigg and Jenny Fairweather

2019 HANS ROSENDORFF MEMORIAL CONGRESS

We are extremely proud of Fiona Han who, with partner Laurie Money, won the Restricted Swiss Pairs with 7 Wins over 9 sessions. Unfortunately, Deb Greenway and Marion Bogue, who had been at Table 1 since round 5, came up against them in the last round which resulted in them finishing 4th. As we all know, that last round can be a dream killer!

WABC member Stella Steer and partner Gwyneira Brahma were in first place in the Women's Pairs, closely followed by another WABC member Viv Wood and her partner Sue Lusk. It was terrific seeing the formidable pair of Kate Smith and Jill Del Piccolo back in the event and finishing 4th.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT WABC

The WABC Christmas Congress is not far away and will be played over 3 days from Friday 29 November to Sunday 1 December. All players very welcome.

Our Club Professional, Andy Hung is competing in the 44th World Teams Championship in Wuhan, China, 14 – 28 September. We wish Andy and the team well and look forward to some positive results for Australia.

Andy will return in time for his Term 4 lessons which commence on Tuesday 15 October and includes lessons dedicated to Slam bidding. Details can be found on the Club website www.wabridgeclub.com.au

South Perth Bridge Club

From Cassie Morin

LADIES PAIRS SPBC held over 2 Monday's in September –



1st Cassie Morin and Valerie Isle



2nd Jan Howell and Alison Orr



3rd Betty Day and Metka Agre's

EDITING OF MATERIAL

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

MEN'S PAIRS



1st Dave Munro and David Schokman



2nd Phil Bapty and Michael Burke

Joondalup Bridge Club

From Jeanette St Ledger

September saw two important events at Joondalup Bridge Club. The first being a series of two afternoons on Tuesday 11th and Wednesday the 12th September, when a large group of members were privileged to attend and receive lessons from Joan Butt, who was visiting WA and had come to the Club to teach predominantly on the subject of defence.



Joan, an international bridge player, obviously very talented and successful at the game, proved also to be an excellent communicator and provided us with some really great information in the hours spent with us. I am sure our club has benefited hugely from this experience and she has taught us many new skills to improve our play!

Chatting to Joan I asked her what was the most important message she would like to leave us with? Her response was to remember to enjoy the game (sometimes we forget!) and to never give up. We never stop learning and if we don't succeed in our contract, psychologically wipe the slate clean and move on to the next hand! We all at the club thoroughly enjoyed this experience and look forward to future visits from Joan who I am sure has contributed in elevating our standard of play.

The second event was our Red Point Competition held on Wednesday 18th September.

A good night was had and won by Michael Lawes and Magda Lawes in first place. Second place was tied equally and held by Jeanette St Ledger and Julia Hustad along with John Lees and David Wormesley. Lastly a prize was given to Caroline Chadd and Val Day the first couple with less than 10 Masterpoints. Congratulations to all who enjoyed a successful night and thank you to David Wheaton, Our President for the generous prizes!



David Wheaton, Magda Lawes and Michael Lawes



Jeanette St Ledger and Julia Hustad



John Lees and David Wormesley



2nd John Gilmore and Kath Jacques with John Mitchell –President



Caroline Chadd and Val Day



3rd Peter Miller (Ameer Ali) with John Mitchell-
President

Willetton Bridge Club

From Noel Daniel

When I go around the clubs lot of people ask me “where is the Willetton Bridge Club?”

It is situated at Rostrata Family and Neighbourhood Centre, Prendwick Road, Prendwick Reserve, Willetton.

Bridge Sessions are held on Monday and Friday afternoons from 12.30pm to 4 pm.

Please come along and have a Game. Members would love to welcome you. You can visit the website www.willetton.bridgeaustralia.org

The Club held its SPRING PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIP -



1st Mike Oehme and Kath Hancock with Vijay Ahooja - Trophy donated by Vijay Ahooja



Sabina Skotny and Dorothy Cahill receiving ABF Certificates from John Mitchell-President



Eleanor Efijemueh- New Community Development Officer of the District of Canning and

Carley Robbins visiting the Bridge Club and meeting with the Members.

The Willetton Bridge Club would like to say a Big Thank You, Linda, for the good coverage of The Willetton Birthday Novice Congress. It is very much appreciated.

Bayswater Bridge Club

From Sandy Sutton - Mattocks

The Bayswater Bridge Club has been buzzing lately.

VISIT FROM ABF PRESIDENT AND THE MAYOR OF BAYSWATER.



Allison Stralow, the Australian Bridge Federation President, caused a great deal of excitement and pride at our club when she came to see our new venue and to give us support, even helping us to network by bringing along the dynamic Bayswater Mayor, Dan Bull. It was great fun with lots of photos and a few short speeches.



Don Sutton-Mattocks was much chuffed as he got to partner Allison, with winning a secondary bonus.

Allison spoke about the friendly atmosphere and caring spirit at the club. This theme also came up in discussion with Mayor Bull who was very interested in Bridge as a Mind Sport with the potential for providing the many seniors in the

Bayswater area with a wonderful outlet for friendship and inclusion. He was thrilled and proud that the recently constructed building, the new premises of the Bayswater Tennis Club, is an ideal venue for regular bridge sessions and special Congress events.

NEW MONDAY SESSION

Our regular session is Wednesday 12.30 pm to 4.00 pm but we have commenced a new Session on Monday afternoon starting at 12.30pm until 4.00pm at 80 Murray Street, Bayswater (upstairs at the Tennis Club with lift access). So far the new session is attracting 6 to 7 tables but hopefully this session will continue to grow. All are welcome with or without a partner, as there is a duty dummy for Acol or Standard American players. Novices can be accommodated in a separate supervised section.

AUSTRALIA WIDE OPEN PAIRS



Bayswater was successful in the recent Australia-Wide Open Pairs with Max Gerber and Linda Gilbertson again in the winners' list coming 32nd in the Open Section and 3rd in the Under 100 points section. Several Bayswater pairs were also successful in this novice section.

Open Section

POS	PAIR	%
32	Linda Gilbertson & Max Gerber	65.2



Jean-Yvan Gilbertson and Herbert Henrison

Under 100 points

POS	PAIR	%
3	Linda Gilbertson & Max Gerber	65.2
9	Jean-Yvan Michel & Herbert Henrison	61.5
15	Ramon Eksanow & Robert Wall	60.8
17	Margaret Lambert & Elaine Lindebringhs	60.4
23	Janelle McGann & Alan Gregory	59.1
76	John Maiorana & Kevin Outred	54.7



Janelle McGann



Roman Eksanow and Robert Wall

KENN GIFFORD AWARDED CERTIFICATE FROM SOLARIS CANCER CARE

Kenn Gifford, a treasured member of our club, was awarded with a Certificate of Appreciation of Service to the Solaris Cancer Care of St John of God's, Subiaco, having recently retired after working as a volunteer for nine years. He brought the certificate along to show us and was congratulated by the members of our club. Kenn is a great helper at our club too, always helping to set up and put things away every week and gave up the whole day for our Congress, choosing to help

in the kitchen and dining area instead of playing this year.



Kenn Gifford

2019 AGM

Last month was our AGM and the Office Bearers are as follows

President	Sandy Sutton-Mattocks
Vice President	John Maiorana
Secretary	Jean McSkimming
Treasurer	Alicia Zwaan
Assistant Treasurer	Linda Gilbertson
Masterpoint Secretary	Lesley Raiter
Tournament Director	Pat Allen
Committee Members	Alan Gregory, Dot Wishart, Max Gerber

2019 PATRON'S TROPHY

The Patron's Trophy was this year awarded to Dorothy Wishart. The Trophy was originally presented to the club by our wonderful mentor, Alexandra Russell who helped to instil the integral tenets of respect and friendship we promote at our club. Alexandra suggested that the trophy be awarded to someone who supports the ethos of the club. Dot has certainly fulfilled these criteria. She is always on hand to support, bunk in and out, sew table cloths, organise special function morning and afternoon teas and often surprises us with delicious cakes and slices. Dot's cheerful, positive and caring personality is very welcoming to visitors and new members.

NEW TABLE COVERS

It was great to have the new table covers for our special visitors. The beautiful covers, so smooth

for the cards and in light grey to match our room, were beautifully sewn and embroidered by Marie Mitchell, wife of John Mitchell of the Willetton Bridge Club. Many thanks to Marie for the many hours put into the covers, to John Maiorana for the developing of the Bayswater logo design and to Pat Allen for her input and liaison with the Willetton club.

JOAN BUTT'S TEACHERS' COURSE

Sandy and Don Sutton-Mattocks, Joan and Michael Jackson and Susan Levy all attended Joan Butt's ABF Teacher's Training Course, some as Accredited Teachers, or experienced teachers formalising with the ABF and others just starting out on their journey as bridge teachers. The strength of a club is derived in great part to those who are willing to help to teach newcomers and to continue the learning process with advancers so their help in attending the course at Melville is commended. We extend many thanks to Joan Butt and to Bill Symonds of Melville for organising the event and to Noel Daniel for helping us on the day.

CHRISTMAS IN JULY

We took advantage of Christmas in July to have another party and with the super organisation of Pat Allen most of us dressed in Christmas gear. With the function room and bar downstairs we are already planning our Christmas Party in November.

COTA SENIORS' WEEK

On Monday November 11th, from 1.00 pm to 3.00 pm Bayswater BC is holding an Afternoon Tea and Free Bridge Lesson for Beginners as part of the COTA Senior's Week celebrations. The event is open to any senior from any district to come and learn bridge in a friendly and respectful environment. There will be lessons on the following three Mondays.

TRINITY SCHOOL FOR SENIORS

Bridge for Beginners and those Progressing

Fourth Term begins on the week of October 10 with Standard American on Monday morning from 9.30am to 11.30 am and Acol on Thursday from 10.45 am to 1.15 pm. New enrolments welcome - great place for seniors to learn some bridge before going off to play and continue their learning at various clubs.

LESSONS AT BAYSWATER BRIDGE CLUB

Progressing Lessons at Bayswater have been very successful with 3 week slots held from 10.45 to noon, before bridge on specific topics such as Strong Overcalling, Michael's Cue bids, Declarer Play, Signaling and Sleuthing the Lead etc.

Beginner Lessons are held at various slots during the year with the next 4 week slot starting on Mondays 14th October - 29th November from 1.00 pm to 3.00 pm.

For information on Sessions or Lessons contact Sandy on 0448 005 967

Melville Bridge Club

From Richard Fuller

Melville Bridge Club held its AGM on Sunday 15th September and the following Committee members were elected:

President:	Mark Hughes
Vice President:	Merwyn Menezes
Treasurer:	Mark Hughes
Secretary:	Richard Fuller
Tournament Manager:	Bill Symons
House Manager:	Heather Watts and Jackie Bullock (Joint nomination)
Committee Members:	Eugene McClorey, Di Nelson, Bruce Penhey, Dorothy Stevenson.

The Club conducted the DORA WILSON CUP in August with 26 pairs competing. The prize winners were:



1st Bill Symons and Frans Fikke



2nd Rohan Bandarage and Se-Moi Loh



3rd Suzanne Goodall and Martin Goodall



4th Barbara Frost and Joan Valentine

Albany Bridge Club

From John McBeath
(Photographs courtesy of Mike Trafalski)

The Albany Bridge Club held a Restricted Congress event at its Clubrooms on Saturday 27 July 2019. It was a wonderful event with Brian Wade as Director, with Carole Munro as Convenor. We had pairs from all over the Great Southern as well as Kalamunda and Busselton.

Our focus this year was to encourage beginners and less experienced players to come to the Congress and participate for the health and

wellbeing of Bridge throughout the State. The Congress Committee decided to award prizes for players in the under 10 to under 200 Masterpoint categories, as well as overall winners.

The prizes varied from Club pens (under 10MPs) to various cash prizes for all the other categories.

It was a long-playing day at the Club, but the facilities and weather were good, plus food prepared for the players organised and handled by Club Secretary Roz Trend and her group, were exceptional.



Thanga Prathalingam and Connie Daly – Overall winners, and 2nd place in 2nd Session



1st Ken Beatty and Clive Smith, Winners < 100MPs



Anne Wakelin and Malcolm Wornum Winners < 50MPs



Oriole Rigall and Judi Cullam 1st place < 25MPs



Diana Menzies and Suzanne Bellanger 2nd place < 25MPs with Vice President John McBeath



John McBeath and Pamela Sargeantson winners < 10 MPs



CONGRESS PAIRS



Claire James and John Elliott winners < 200MPs



Sharon Schneider (Tom Burton) winners of 1st session and 2nd overall



Wendy Wade and Brian Jackson 2nd place in 1st session



Entries [here](#)

MANDURAH BRIDGE CLUB

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2020 Summer Weekend Congress Saturday & Sunday 25 & 26 January

At our premises on the Corner Murdoch & Bortolo Drives Greenfields

PROGRAM

**Saturday – Swiss Pairs (XIMPS converted to VPs)
9.30am Start
\$30 per player**

**Sunday – Swiss Teams
9.30am start
\$30 per player**

Lunch is not provided, but can be ordered on arrival at player's cost. Light refreshments will be provided.

Prizes will be a minimum of 50% of Entry Fees

Convenor

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Tournament Director

**Neville Walker
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Entries via the Mandurah Bridge Club website

www.mandurahbridgeclub.com.au/events.php



City of Melville Bridge Club Inc.



Australia Day
Celebrate what's great!

Monday Australia Day Holiday
27th January

walk-in red point event + \$\$\$

OPEN TO ALL ABF REGISTERED
PLAYERS

Cost: \$10 members - \$12.00 visitors



Sausage sizzle 12:00 noon

Bridge starts 1:00pm sharp

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0-300MP as at 31st August 2019

OPEN TO ALL ABF MEMBERS

Tuesday 29th October 2019 12:30pm

ENTRIES: Via Melville Bridge Club
Events tab:

[http://melvillebc.org/congressentry.as
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Entry \$11.00

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Tournament Director:

David Burn - 0409 661 010

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To Bid or Not to Bid

- *that is the question*

By Di Brooks

When partner is Dealer and passes, this is the time for you to assess who has the balance of power. If you have few points, then it's obvious that it's not your hand! The opponents MUST have game on, therefore any interference from you could send them to game or slam. (In other words, let sleeping dogs lie).

Another sign to watch for is the oppositions bidding: jump bids, jump shifts or even just a change of suit, this conveys messages which their partner might not pick up. Take this hand:

Dlr	E	♠ 762			
Vul		♥ A74			
		♦ J7			
		♣ AK942			
		♠ 103	N	♠ KJ9854	
		♥ J109653	W	♥ K2	
		♦ A8	E	♦ Q	
		♣ 875	S	♣ QJ106	
		♠ AQ			
		♥ Q8			
5	12	♦ K10965432			
	11	♣ 3			

East: Dealer, opened 2H, (Myxy Two) Although there are a lot of options on this opening, you can count on it being either a weak 2S or weak in two suits.

South overcalled 3D, West passed so did North and East. The defenders both knew the contract was not for their side. They knew that the major point holding was N/S. Declarer had no trouble making 12 tricks, especially with the 10S lead.

I advise students to use the Losing Trick Count. This gives a guideline as to the amount of tricks the pair can make. In this case, North had a six loser hand, once South had bid the diamonds. Another clue to the auction is the weak opening and the non response from West.

The question here is "Who has the balance of power?" and the answer is North- South.

Grand Slams – do you sacrifice

Who says bridge is ever boring! To me, it's like Christmas every bridge day. The parcel arrives and no one knows what they will be presented with!

Take this bidding sequence, (not for the fainthearted)

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
		1♠	Pass
2NT (<i>Bergen</i>)	3♣	4♠	5♣
5♠	Pass	6♠	7♣
X	All Pass		

East leads AD

It didn't take too long to make 10 tricks, losing 500 to E/W. Now here's the rub ...

E/W doesn't have slam on, but only game, so the result still came up favourable for the N/S adventurers.

Dlr	E	♠ T3			
Vul		♥ AK4			
		♦ T9			
		♣ QJT763			
		♠ AJ9872	N	♠ KQ654	
		♥ QT6	W	♥ J987	
		♦ QJ	E	♦ A52	
		♣ A2	S	♣ K	
		♠ -			
	10	♥ 532			
14	13	♦ K87643			
	3	♣ 9854			

If you are going to be aggressive in your overcalls, just make sure the vulnerability is in your favour.

Kabel Ace Ask at the GNOT

In the Australian Women's Weekly 1989, Ron Klinger's article featured the use of the Kabel 3NT Ace Ask. Each of my partners liked the idea and so we incorporated it in our system.

The Method:

Opener	Responder
3NT asking	4C No Ace
	4D, 4H or 4S shows that Ace
	4NT = Ace Clubs

Therefore

	5C = Aces of C+D
	5D = Aces of D+H
	5H = Aces of H+S
	5S = Aces of S+C
	5NT = 2 Non-Touching Aces

The Opener MUST have a solid one suiter hand, with a side suit. High Card points don't come into the frame. So, it was a pleasure to watch the convention in all its glory at the G.N.O.T Finals in Melville recently.

Playing against Steve Rogoysky and Do Dean, Steve opened the hand with 3NT and Do replied 4NT, showing the Club Ace. Steve then bid 6NT as the contract. Partner lead the QC and Steve declared his hand for all 13 tricks.

He held-

AKQ
A2
AKQJ9875
Void

The interesting point to this hand, virtually all played in 6D or 7D making, whilst Steve made 6NT +1

Although Do Dean had the A and K Clubs, which was actually useless to Declarer unless a club was lead. The entry card was the magical 10 Diamonds.

Well done to Steve and Do for reaching a great contract.

Just as a heads up to everyone reading this article, you will be lucky to see this style hand maybe twice a year!

Never Give Up, Never Surrender

This adage comes from the teen film, Galaxy Quest, starring Tim Allen and Sigourney Weaver. You might not think this important to bridge, but it certainly applied to Florence and I on the weekend of the Hans G Rosendorff Memorial Women's Pairs. If you have sessions that question your bridge playing ability - please read on!

Our five sessions on the Saturday results were thus;-

-4	(We bid an unmakeable slam)
-22	(We made a small slam but lost on the other boards)
+17	(We made an unmakeable slam after a favourable lead)
-13	(Our opponents bid their games, the field didn't)
+23	(We defended well and bid and made 6C)

After a hard day's bridge, we had the fantastic score of +1

Here's when a good night's sleep helped.

Sunday morning

+9	(Bid another unmakeable slam but had many plus scores)
+9	(Bid another unmakeable slam, again, had many pluses)
+22	(Bid one slam and lots of games)
+25	(Defended well, bid when we could and bid the Grand Slam)

You may note I haven't named our opponents. All were worthy players and each match was played in the spirit of the game of bridge.

Take my word for our performance, we didn't give up, nor did we surrender. On that happy note.....Here endeth the lesson.

Happy Bridging,☺



Having just enjoyed the challenge of the Hans Rosendorff Women's Pairs, I have to congratulate everyone involved in the setting up and running of the event -

Lynne Milne, Convenor and her team who organised the catering, the Directing Team of Chief Director, Jonathon Free and his assistant David Burn, all worked very hard to ensure the event flowed smoothly.

It was great to see the event filled with players participating in the Restricted Pairs.

Congratulations to all. It was a great weekend.





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BAWA Executive Officer Robina McConnell in Wuhan, China at the 44th World Bridge Teams Championships – *photo courtesy of the WBF*

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SuperVets* Swiss Pairs

*For Players Over 75 Years of Age

This is a Gold Point Event

Sunday, 10 November 2019

This event will be held at the

WA Bridge Club,

7 Odern Crescent, Swanbourne

Plenty of Car Parking is Available.

Play Starts at 10.00am and should
concluded at 4.30pm

Entries via BAWA Website

Director Mr Dave Parham

Cost \$25 per player

Convenor Mr John Aquino

Contact Johnleonaquino@gmail.com

or Phone 0434 608 834

*A light lunch will be provided to players
at around 12.30pm*

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Test Your Slam Play

By Bill Jacobs

SOLUTION

Dlr	S	♠	7
Vul	NS	♥	AKQ1086
		♦	763
		♣	652
		♠	82
		♥	J632
		♦	QJ8
		♣	Q1083
		♠	AKQJ4
		♥	5
		♦	AK4
		♣	AK74

		♠	109653
		♥	74
		♦	10952
		♣	J9

9			
6		1	
	24		

Continue with a fourth and fifth round of trumps, losing your trump trick now. You don't want East ruffing a heart later.

Win the minor suit return and try to run the hearts.

Should you finesse the ♥10 on the first round? West, with short spades, rates to have long hearts, but is that enough distributional information to justify a finesse?

I don't know, and fortunately, you don't have to either. Before you play the hearts, cash off all your minor suit ace-kings, just in case a miracle has happened and somehow one of the little ones has come good.

And indeed, West has been squeezed. To hold on to his club guard, he will have had to discard a heart, and Bob's Your Uncle.

The moral: There's a second issue here. If West grimly holds on to his ♥Jxxx, then your ♣7 is a winner. To know this, you need to have been paying close attention.

Double Pay

By Ron Klinger

SOLUTION

If you found the killing lead, you were entitled to double 4H. If not, the double was an unwise decision.

From a Butler Open Trials:

Dlr	E	♠	KJ107
Vul	All	♥	A
		♦	52
		♣	AQ10865
		♠	65432
		♥	J1086
		♦	A9
		♣	72
		♠	9
		♥	KQ97543
		♦	KJ1086
		♣	-

		♠	AQ8
		♥	2
		♦	Q743
		♣	KJ943

14			
5		12	
	9		

After East opened 1C, you can imagine North's delight at hearing South bid 2NT, hearts and diamonds. What would do with the North cards?

North elected to try for 3NT and South removed to 4H. It is attractive to bid 4H at once over 1C.

North's 3NT bid strongly suggests that North is prepared for a club lead. Perhaps North is not as prepared for a spade lead. There are no guarantees, but the spade lead appeals.

On the actual deal, West needs to lead a spade or the DA and then a spade in order to defeat 4H. East wins the spade and can play a trump. South can cash the CA but then dummy is dead.

In practice, West led the C7. Away went the spade loser on the CA. Declarer continued with a diamond to the jack and ace. When the D9 fell on the second round of diamonds, declarer lost only one heart and two diamonds. That was +790 and +11 Imps against the datum of N-S 240.

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY TO BAWA COMPETITIONS

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.

Results

TEAMS OF FOUR

As at 22nd September 2019

From John Beddow

OPEN

	PLAYED	WON	VPs
NEDLANDS	5	4	75.65
WABC	6	3	59.20
UNDERCROFT	5	3	51.48
MACCABI	4	1	33.21
SPBC	4	1	20.46

INTERMEDIATE - BLUE

	PLAYED	WON	VPs
NEDLANDS	5	4	59.06
WEST COAST	5	3	58.07
WABC	5	2	56.86
MELVILLE	5	2	49.32
MAYLANDS	5	2	38.99
SPBC	5	2	37.70

INTERMEDIATE - GOLD

	PLAYED	WON	VPs
SPBC	5	5	78.32
WEST COAST	5	3	54.39
KALAMUNDA	5	3	50.55
UNDERCROFT	5	2	46.74
WABC	5	2	40.88

NOVICE

	PLAYED	WON	VPs
SPBC	7	5	104.05
KALAMUNDA B	7	4	72.61
SWAN DISTS	6	4	68.74
KALAMUNDA A	6	3	58.22
MELVILLE	4	3	45.38
WABC	5	2	45.30
MAYLANDS	7	1	40.16
UNDERCROFT	6	2	38.67

HGR Women's Pairs (28)

1st	Stella Steer and Gwyneria Brahma
2nd	Viv Wood and Sue Lusk



3rd Di Brooks and Florence Maltby



4th Kate Smith and Jill Del Piccolo

5th Lori Smith and Angela Norris

6th Dadie Greenfeld and Deb Frankel

7th Cynthia Belonogoff and Val Biltoft

8th Audrey Stokes and Di Quantrill

9th Shizue Futaesaku and Wendy Driscoll

10th Jan Blight and Joan Touyz

TBIB Restricted Pairs (36)

1st Laurie Money and Fiona Han



2nd Joe Louis and Joanne Payne



3rd Bob Fergie and Heather Fergie



4th	Deb Greenway and Marion Bogue
5th	Alan Cransberg and Kimberley Zhao
6th	Arianna Yusof and Mavis Koay Best Women's Pair
7th	Joan Schneider and Edward Roscoe Best Mixed Pair
8th	Andy Cayley and Annelouise Dubrawski
9th	Jennifer Sharpe and Deirdre Doepel
10th	Laurie Money and Fiona Han

70% Results (Random search)

Northern Districts

72.0 Carol Thomas and Jeanette St Ledger
Willetton

71.7 Carol Daniel and Noel Daniel
South Perth

75.0 Bindy Howell and Janette Calligaro

70.8 Jan Blight and Cassie Morin

70.0 Ane Venter and Sharon Chapeikin

WABC

76.2 Rose Moore and Jonathan Free

72.69 Jill Curnow and Elizabeth Black

72.8 Jan Malcome and Susan Barham

Armada

73.0 Michael Flacks and Lucille Duncan

Busselton

70.4 Brian Appleyard and Peter Birch

Nedlands

70.8 Tom Wheatley and Elizabeth Ross

Fremantle

71.3 Barbara Dickinson and Malcolm Dick

70.0 Brenda Evans and Chris Wells

Bunbury

75.0 Murray Webber and Kate Boston

72.9 Graeme Bowman and Colin Saunders

Undercroft

75.6 David Cowell and Tad Bieganski

75.0 Arthur Sussmilch and Hayley Nichols

73.8 Karol Miller and Andrew Swider

Mandurah

71.2 Di Brooks and Florence Maltby

70.2 Pam Cooper and June Mulholland

West Coast

70.5 Michael Smith and Barbara Martin
Kalamunda

71.7 Bente Hansen and Madge Myburgh

71.3 Stephen Thyer and Gerry Daly

Melville

71.1 Salim Songerwala and Jeanne Hey

71.1 John Clarke and Wes Rudnicki

71.0 Peter Gill and Gwyneira Brahma

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ANNUAL CONGRESS 2019

Saturday October 26th

(Match Point Pairs)

Sunday October 27th

(Swiss Teams)

TIME: 9.30 both days

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	Oct	Wed 2nd	BAWA Daytime Open Teams 1/3
		Fri 11th – Sun 13th	Nedlands Congress –see flyer
		Fri 18th – Sun 20th	Denmark Congress
		Sat 26th –Sun 27th	Undercroft Congress
		Thu 31st	Grandmaster Pairs – Restricted 1/2
	Nov	Sat 2nd	Kendenup Restricted Congress – see flyer
		Sun 3rd	BAWA Masters in Teams of 3
		Sun 10th	BAWA Super Vets Congress
		Fri 15th	Mandurah Welcome Pairs
		Sat 16th-Sun 17th	BAWA Golden West
		Fri 29th – Dec 2nd	Tweed Heads GNOT Finals
			WABC Xmas Congress
	Dec	Sat 7th	APBF Team Challenge
		Sat 14th –Sun 15th	APBF Pairs Challenge
2020	Jan	Mon 6 th	<i>South Perth BC Swiss Pairs 1/3 – see flyer</i>
		Sat 25 th -26 th	<i>Mandurah Summer Congress – see flyer</i>
		Sat 25 th	<i>Nedlands Australia Day Red Point – see flyer</i>
		Mon 27 th	<i>Melville Australia Day Red Point – see flyer</i>
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.		
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Kendenup Restricted Conga/ress



When: Saturday, November 2nd 2019 - 9.30am start.

Where: Kendenup Bridge Club - signs off highway

Cost: \$40 includes lunch, morning and afternoon teas

Director: Brian Wade

Prizes: Extra prizes to encourage beginners.

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Directors Forum

Australian Bridge Federation National Director and Development Officer John McIlrath returned to Perth in September for a weekend Directors Forum.



The two sessions – “So, you wish to be a Director” and “So, you wish to be a better Director” attracted participants from Albany, Glen Forrest, Undercroft, Fremantle, WABC, Mandurah, Maylands, South Perth, Armadale, Gosnells, Swan District, Canning District and Nedlands.



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6TH, 13TH & 20TH January 2020

at 7.30 pm

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