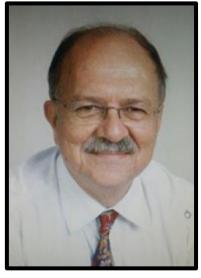


Bridge-an Olympic Mind Sport

wa bridge

Dennis Yovich 1946-2020



Dennis fell in love with bridge in 1965, when he learned the game while studying electronic engineering at UWA. That love stayed with him for the rest of his life.

Dennis was a club player first, helping found Greenwood Bridge Club (now Undercroft), and was always a passionate supporter of club bridge. He started playing State Bridge when he became President of the Bridge Association of Western Australia in 1988, and continued to play at club, state and national level. He represented WA as a player and NPC several times, and achieved the rank of Australian Grand Master. In 1989 he helped Joe Greenfeld run the Bermuda Bowl when it was held in Perth (the first and only time the Bowl has been held in Australia). He was BAWA President until 1995, convening the Far East Championships in Perth in that year before stepping down. However, he continued to contribute to the administration of the game, including as secretary of the Australian Bridge Federation Management Committee between 1997 and 2006.

At the 1990 World Championships in Geneva Dennis first encountered Per Jannersten and his bridge dealing machine, and it immediately interested him. He was soon to become instrumental in introducing electronics and computers into bridge in Australia. In 1994 Dennis and Martin Wilcox formed a business to market a range of innovative electronic and other accessories for duplicate bridge players, bridge clubs and National Bridge Organisations across Australia starting in Perth. Hands could now be pre-dealt by machine and hand records generated for players. Dennis continued to provide this service until his death on 26th September 2020. His innovations helped make the game more enjoyable for players and more manageable for tournament directors and administrators.

Dennis is survived by his wife Hilary, whom he met learning bridge at university. For 55 years they had a devoted partnership, both in the game and its administration and in their lives together.

Dennis also leaves behind his devoted children Paul, Matthew and Sarah, and three adoring grandchildren.

ABF WA Representative – ABF Secretary BAWA President - 1989-1996 Swiss Teams - 2005 Men's Teams - 2010 Mixed Teams - 1994 - 2002 Open Pairs - 1997 Men's Pairs -1995 Swiss Pairs – 2002 Summer Pairs – 2005 New Year Pairs - 2005 GNOT - Metro -1991 - 1996 - 1998 - 2004

Hans Rosendorff Women's Swiss Pairs

(Photos courtesy of Jane Reynolds)



1st **Kate Smith** and **Jill De Piccolo** (winning all 9 matches) with Convener Lynne Milne and ABF President Allison Stralow



2nd Leone Fuller and Marnie Leybourne



3rd Di Brooks and Florence Maltby



4th Cynthia Belonogoff and Val Biltoft

Hans Rosendorff Restricted Swiss Pairs

(Photos courtesy of Lynne Milne)



1st **Tom Burton** and **Jana Mayhew** – winning 8 of 9 matches with Trophy donor Di Brooks



2nd Julie Short and Debbie Chappell – winning 8 of 9 matches

President's Report

It seems somewhat selfish to be complaining about the effect that COVID-19 is having on our favourite pastime when our Eastern States cousins, particularly in Victoria, are barely able to leave their houses. Most of our clubs are now up and running and many congresses are able, within social distancing rules, to run. Just a couple of weeks ago the HGR Memorial Women's Swiss Pairs and the HGR Restricted Swiss Pairs were successfully run by Lynne Milne and her team. Well done to all concerned. I am increasingly confident that the Golden West Congress will enjoy similar success. Should WA have moved to Phase 5 restrictions then we will be able to increase table numbers. A waiting list is currently operational. The Super Vets event is currently under discussion; keep your eye on the BAWA web site for further news.

The main headache for bridge administrators is the reluctance by venues to book dates with a firm commitment on numbers. I am told this is one of the main reasons the Gold Coast Congress has been cancelled for 2021. The ABF will be deciding on December 31 whether or not planning should proceed for the 2021 ANC, due to be held in Orange NSW. It is simply not reasonable to have organisers spend weeks, if not months planning events and have them cancelled at the last minute. In addition, dozens of players will need to make regarding commitments airfares and accommodation sooner rather than later.

I am not optimistic regarding the running of the 2021 ANC consequently our planning for 2021 is problematic as the first three to four months is normally the time of our selection events. So, don't expect an early draft calendar to be published any time soon. Bruce Fraser, the Tournament Committee Chair, will be delighted to receive any suggestions regarding the structure of the 2021 calendar.

I am pleased to announce the Jo Dundas has volunteered to take on the role of Country Coordinator. Her primary role will be to organise the 2021 Country Championships, dates to be confirmed. If you are able to assist Jo in any way, I'm sure that she will be delighted.

Check out BAWA website for details of the Grand Master – Restricted Pairs; a two week event starting October 29. This is a great event where a Grand Master teams up with a player who has less than 300 MP. Full details are on the website.

Nigel Dutton

Club Directors' Course

Four Tuesday Evenings
November 10th 17th 24th and Dec 1st
from 7.30pm to 10.00pm
Venue: Melville Bridge Club
Presenters:

Dave Parham and Neville Walker
Cost \$40

This is an introductory course aimed at those interested in learning to become a Director at Club Level, so it is suited to players who have never directed before or have 'walked through' with a club director but have had no official training.

Topics covered:

- The Laws 2017 Laws of Duplicate Bridge Movements -specifically those necessary to run a club duplicate session.
- Scoring Matchpoint and IMPS Software Bridgemates and Compscore II (ASE by request)

It is recommended that participants should have a copy of the 2017 Laws of Duplicate Bridge Further information and registration

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Around the Clubs

By Linda Bedford-Brown

Bridgetown Bridge Club

From Jan Burgess

We have been shocked and saddened by the recent unexpected passing of one of our long-time members, Mona Stockwell. Besides being a very competent bridge player, and the holder of many of our trophies (she and her bridge partner of many years, Heide, had recently won another of our Club Championships) Mona was a strong contributor to our Club. Over her time as a member, she served in many positions including President, Vice President and Committee Member as well as Director. Mona has been the organiser of some memorable parties for the bridge club and at her winter parties, in particular, the delicious aroma of mulled wine invariably greeted us as we stepped into the austere Church hall where we play.

Mona was also a very creative artist in many media and was a driving spirit behind the 'yarn bombing' of trees in our main street during the "Bridgetown in the Winter" Festival - sadly not held this year, of course. Pictures of her amazing work can be found on her Facebook page.



Members were invited to record their memories -

• A wonderful, intelligent and talented lady;she will be missed by us all.

- Always herself.
- A friend for many years, sharing many interests.
- We had only the week before connected with our mutual love of cooking shows, I was only lucky enough to have her famous waffle once!
- Bridge is not the game they play in heaven but I'm sure you will give it a go.
- To me, you are just away sailing around the world.
- She's left a colourful footprint, always in rainbow colours.
- Talented, intelligent lady, a top bridge player innovative, a breath of Swedish-Australian fresh air.
- A bright, bubbly friend competent at everything she tackled. Generous - always creating things for her family and friends.
- A wonderful lady, always larger than life, who brightened the room when she breezed in.
- A wonderful friend, always there for everyone. Most of my bridge life was with Mona as my partner. I will miss her.

Maylands Bridge Club

from Linley Le Page

It was back in April 2019 when the MBC Committee started to consider running a congress.

The reason for this was twofold:

- 1. It was seen as a way of publicising the club around the bridge community, hopefully, to keep our player numbers ticking over.
- 2. It was an opportunity for our members to spread their wings in a more competitive environment.

After discussions with the Morley Sporting Club, who manage our premises, and with BAWA, it was determined that a mid-week congress in October

2020 would be suitable. A Novice congress seemed appropriate to many of our members, so a decision to allow up to 150 Masterpoints was made.

The planning then began in earnest. A sub-Committee of Joyce Archibald, David Croft, Colleen Prosser and Fran Carter was formed and they started to consider all the issues. Input was gratefully received from Faye Shelton also.

Our premises were measured up to see how many tables we could accommodate, and a limit of 20 tables was established. It was soon realised that a lot of new bridge equipment was required, such as side tables, Bridgemates, bidding boxes etc. The Committee saw this as expenditure that would occur over time anyway, so were comfortable with the cost.

A grant request was submitted to the Lotteries Commission, however, Covid19 has changed the priorities of their grants and unfortunately the grant request was unsuccessful.

It appeared a few months ago that Covid19 may interfere with all the planning and effort, but at this stage the congress will become a reality on 30^{th} October – 10.00am start

Applications to play in the Congress are now open and already several people have signed up. Interested players should sign up quite quickly. No money is required to sign up. You can apply by going to the BAWA website www.bawa.asn.au

Geraldton Bridge Club

From Heather Cupitt

Our AGM was held in August and there was a flurry as heads were counted and were found to be one short of a quorum. Everyone got on the phone and at last someone was found. Then just as she arrived a member strolled in early so we ended up with a surfeit!

All members of the Committee were elected unopposed with the addition of Paul Sheriff. Jeanette Day is president, Bryan Baldock is vicepresident,

Margaret Hickson is secretary with Roz Barker managing the finances. Maureen Knight is the Chief Director, with Jeanette Elliott as house captain and Richard Bailey and John Potter making up the remainder of the Committee.



Roz Barker, Jeanette Day, Bryan Baldock, Margaret Hickson.



As people are exploring the north and east of the State we are getting a nice sprinkling of visitors. Nikki Riszko and Andrew Struik sheltered in Geraldton during the lockdown, and called in this week on their way to the south. They still cannot return home!

Joe and Di Lunn used our informal caravan park and played bridge before having an excursion to gold prospect at Yalgoo.

Undercroft Bridge Club

From Bernie Plath

UDC is getting back to the 'new normal' with a number of events completed and several events planned before the end of the year.

The Allan Doig pairs is a new event that recognises the many years of dedication of a club legend. Congratulations go to Richard Grenside and Sue Grenside who won the open division and Bernie Plath and David Saunders who took out the restricted section. The winners were presented with their prize by Allan Doig and Club Vice President Alan Tolley.

The Kath Bronson pairs have also been completed, with Stella Steer and Gwyneira Brahma taking the honours. The winners were presented with their prize by Club President Connie Coltrona.

Results are as follows:

Allan Doig Pairs (Division 1)



1	Richard Grenside and Sue Grenside
2	Joe Peci and Anthony Eardley
3	Satish Bedekar and Brian Kaye

Allan Doig Pairs (Division 2)



1	Bernie Plath and David Saunders
2	Margaret Jenkinson and Valerie Nicholson
3	Sharon Dyball and Lillian Haagensen

Kath Bronson Pairs



1	Stella Steer and Gwyneira Brahma
2	Connie Coltrona and Christine Jenkins
3	Joe Peci and Anthony Eardley

Busselton Bridge Club

from Jenny Shaw

The club has been operating for a few weeks now after the forced Covid shutdown and we are now enjoying up to 10-14 tables per session. Our club warmly welcomes several new members and we expect more visitors over the summer, as many people are now travelling down to enjoy the South West, rather than travel outside of our state.

Unfortunately, the Busselton Bridge Congress had to be cancelled this year and we look forward to hosting again next year, all things being well.

Vale Jane Moulden



The Busselton Bridge Club community was shocked and saddened to hear that Jane Moulden had died recently.

Jane was much admired and respected by all who knew her and several of her friends described her as quiet, kind, fair, considered, committed, resolute, hard working and humble. She was never afraid to put her hand up to lead, and was an amazing cook. Jane was a person you wanted on your side and would never let you down. She was, most of all, a proud mother of Will and Jenny and an ecstatic grandmother.

Jane and her family were in partnership with another family establishing the famous Rivendell Gardens in Yallingup. You will all remember the marvelous fresh produce generated from their farm store, Jane making all the pickles and jams, which were sent far and wide. She had studied Agricultural Science in South Australia, majoring in genetics and plant breeding. She also had a huge knowledge and love of our native plants and was a go to person for many with any queries on this subject.

Jane's was a passionate bridge player with extensive bridge knowledge and keen acumen about the game. She was always competitive in her quiet way and will be missed by all that played with and against her at bridge competitions far and wide. She started teaching bridge to a group of keen learners in Dunsborough in the 1990's and was a very patient teacher and mentor, encouraging her players to join a bridge club to advance the standard of their play. Jane was instrumental in establishing the Dunsborough branch of the Busselton Bridge Club where a core group of our members play every Monday.

Jane was a valued and passionate member of the Zonta Club of Dunsborough and saw a great opportunity for fundraising at an annual Zonta Bridge Charity day, a very well attended and much sought after event on the Bridge calendar.

Jane's contribution to Zonta was enormous and she was totally committed to championing women's causes.

Rest In Peace, dear Jane.

Herewith, Jane Moulden's very, very, very secret Brinjal (Aubergine) Recipe.

You will never forget her once you have made this!

- 30 grams green ginger
- 2 cloves garlic
- 600 mls vinegar
- 2 Tbs chilli powder
- 2 tsps turmeric
- 2 tsps ginger powder
- 2 kg aubergines
- 25 grams green chillies
- 300 mls canola oil
- 1 dessert spoon cumin seeds
- 1 dessert spoon fenugreek
- 2 Tbs salt
- 250 grams sugar

Peel ginger and cut into small pieces. Slice garlic and add chilli powder and tumeric and mix together with a little vinegar.

Cut aubergine into smallish chunks. De-pip chillies and slice finely

Heat oil. Add cumin, fenugreek and cook 1 minute. Add garlic mixture and cook till oil floats on top. Add remaining vinegar, salt, sugar and mix well

Finally add aubergines, chillies and ginger. Cook until oil floats on top.

Bottle and use after 14 days.

Nedlands Bridge Club

From Linda Bedford-Brown

Sunday Congress



1st Gwyneria Brahma and Phil Bapty



2nd Viv Wood and Marnie Leybourne



3rd Jonathan Free and Mimi Packer









Saturday Club Pairs





1st Chris Cullen and Gill Dolling



2nd Vinod Nasta and Cynthia Belonogoff

October 28th advanced lesson Fiske Warren

The lesson this month is on Wednesday 28 on the topic of the importance of trick one – the time to put on your thinking cap. Cost of the lesson is \$15 and it runs from 1000 to 1200. No partner is necessary. Registration for this lesson is essential -Email officenbc@westnet.com.au to register by noon on the previous day. Make payment on the day.

Melbourne Cup luncheon Nov 3rd open to all players

This is a popular event where you can come along have a fine lunch and finish off the day with a game of bridge. The date is, of course, the first Tuesday in November, the 3rd. A prize will be given to someone attired in the most sumptuous finery. Enter your name in the book at the club. No partner is necessary.

November 25th advanced lesson

This lesson is on the topic of Roman Key Card Blackwood and continuations. Find out more about this convention. The lesson runs from 1000 to 1200 and the cost is \$15. No partner is necessary. Registration for this lesson is essential - Email officenbc@westnet.com.au to register by noon on the previous day. Make payment on the day.

Club members Mixed Pairs 28th Nov

Owing to the club closure earlier in the year it has been necessary to reschedule this event. It will be a two session competition on Saturday 28th November. Grab your best guy or gal and make an entry. Entries can be made in the book at the club or you can enter on-line

Christmas party and awards Dec 12th 1.30pm Red Point – open to all players

This is the formal windup day when we can congratulate those that have won events and those that have contributed to the functioning of the club during the year. Red points will be awarded for the bridge session.

 Blennerhassett Pairs Dec 19th 1.30pm – Red Point – open to all players

This is a normal bridge session but in addition is a bonus red point day. Make it on December 19 for the last Saturday session before Christmas.

Melville Bridge Club

From Richard Fuller

Our AGM was held on Saturday 26th August and our new Management Committee appointed. We filled all positions except Vice President. We welcome Lyn Toft as our new House Manager: she has taken over from Jackie Bullock and Heather Watts.

RECENT EVENTS

100th birthday celebration

On Tuesday 8^{th} September we held a special celebration in honour of Life Member Miriam Winter's 100^{th} birthday. Her birthday was on 24^{th} March, but the COVID closure prevented us from

celebrating it at the time. Many Club members came along to the celebration, which was attended by City of Melville Mayor George Gear. Miriam still plays regularly and is a formidable opponent at the bridge table.



Miriam Winter cuts her 100th birthday cake.



Miriam Winter with Mayor George Gear.

Mayor's Cup

On 25th August we played for the Mayor's Cup, sponsored by City of Melville Mayor George Gear. Fifty-four pairs competed in this event, with the Cup winner decided on a handicap basis. The Cup was won by Eileen Dutton and Trevor Williams who narrowly beat Carole Murphy and Judy Sterrett.



Winners of the Mayor's Cup: Eileen Dutton and Trevor Williams with Mayor



Mayor's Cup Third Place Unhandicapped Score: Erica Auguston and Corinne Monteath with Mayor George Gear.



Mayor's Cup Highest Unhandicapped Score: Rez Karim and Doreen Jones with Mayor George Gear.



Mayor's Cup Second Place Unhandicapped Score: Merwyn Menezes and Hilda Remedios with Mayor George Gear.

Helloworld Melville Red Point Pairs

On 7th September we held the Helloworld Melville Red Point Pairs, which attracted a field of sixteen pairs.



Helloworld Melville Winners: Rez Karim and Doreen Iones.



Helloworld Melville Second Place: Jeannie Ravn and Danny Ravn.



Helloworld Melville Third Place: Cassie Morin and Gwyneira Brahma.

COMING EVENTS

We invite you to the following open events that will be held over the next few weeks:

- ✓ First Sunday of the Month Open Walk-in Pairs: Sunday 4th October 1.00pm.
- ✓ Silas Street Physio & Pilates Open Red Point Walk-in Pairs: Friday 30th October 12.30pm.
- ✓ Giddyup Melbourne Cup 30% more green points Open Walk-in Pairs: Tuesday 3rd November 12.30pm. Pre-race festivities start at 11.30am.

✓ Bill Symons will conduct a series of lessons for beginners on Tuesday evenings from 6th October to 27th October. Full details are on our website. He continues to offer regular Wednesday morning workshops which are well attended, and he has just begun a series on Intermediate Bidding and Card Play. Visitors are welcome to these workshops, and do not need to come with a partner.

Northern District Bridge Club

From Anne Hooper

The Spring Pairs Red Point was held on Monday 14 September 2020, directed by Peter Wilson.



Winners N/S were Susan Sharland and John Sharland with 69.44%



E/W Eddie Pozarowszczyk and Carol Thomas with 67.36%.

Well done all who played on the day - a successful afternoon's bridge.

The next members only Red Point is on Thursday 15 October 2020.

Please check our website www.ndbc.bridgeaustralia.org for the latest information as there are limits on who can play due to Covid19 restrictions.

West Australian Bridge Club

From Jan McNab (Photos courtesy of Sheenagh Young)

Bridge players are gradually returning to the Club now that the playing area has been opened up to allow 50 tables to operate each playing session. There are still strict rules in place in regard to hand hygiene and social distancing but players seem to be taking it in their stride and enjoying their bridge in this relatively safe environment.

WABC GRAND NATIONAL OPEN TEAMS EVENT



The GNOT event was very popular with 30 teams playing over a 3-week period.



Congratulations to the Daly Team – Gerry Daly, Marnie Leybourne, Viv Wood and Trevor Fuller the overall winners.

2nd Mark Doust, Belinda Taranto, John McMullan and John Aquino

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS 2020

Members at WABC have been busy over the past month with a selection of Club Championship events. Congratulations to all. The results are below:

WABC OPEN TEAMS

1stMimi Packer, Virginia Seward, Jonathan Free, Linda Coli, Rose Moore 2nd Doreen Jones, Dave Munro, Fiske Warren, Deana Wilson.

WABC RESTRICTED TEAMS

1st Phil Jacobsen, Julie Short, John Finlay-Jones, Hamish McCracken

2nd Deborah Greenway, Marion Bogue, Kate North, Bernard Yates.

MIXED PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIP

1st Deana Wilson and Dave Munro

2nd Tomoko Nakamatsu and Dave Sloan

FUTURE EVENTS

A red point duplicate event is planned for Melbourne Cup Day on Tuesday 3 November. Players are invited to bring their own lunch and arrive early to view the race on screens around the Club. Bridge will commence at 1pm.

A Swiss Pairs event will be played over 3 weeks on Wednesday evenings starting on 11 November at 7.15pm. This is an Open event and pairs must be available to participate in all sessions. There will be no regular sessions over this period.

The WABC Christmas Congress will be held over 3 days commencing on Friday 4 December. There is an interesting selection of Red Point events including Open Pairs, Restricted Pairs, President's Pairs, an All Day Swiss Teams and an All Day Swiss Pairs. Cash prizes will be awarded to top placegetters.

Further details are available on the WABC website and Entries are via www.bawa.asn.au

LESSONS

Andy Hung's Term 4 Lessons begin on the week commencing Monday 12 October.

He is presenting a range of courses including a Basic Beginners Course, Advanced Beginners Course, Rookies Course, Advanced Rookies Course.

A four-week course on four important and useful conventions will start on Saturday 17 October, 10.30 am – 12.30 pm.

"Training with Andy" comprises four one-hour lessons commencing on Wednesday, 14 October, 9.30 am – 10.30 am. Andy will set out and discuss problems, with boards to practice. Different focus topics will be presented each week.

For further information and bookings – lessons@wabridgeclub.com.au or the WABC website.

West Coast Bridge Club

From Hilary Heptinstall

2020 AGM

Our AGM was held on Sunday August 23. The following committee was elected.

President	Geoff Friebe
Vice-President	Sara Westergren
Secretary	Ann Patrick
Treasurer	Patsy Davey
Committee Members	Patrick Garnett,
	Sally Brittliffe,
	Sid Roatch,
	Sue Vincent,
	Linda Martin



Sue Vincent, Ann Patrick, Geoff Friebe, Patsy Davey, Sara Westergren, Sally Brittliffe

Helen Baker thanked retiring President, Joy Jones, for her service over the last two years and presented her with some lovely flowers.



Helen Baker and Joy Jones

The results of our Club Championship Teams Competition were:-



1st Patrick Garnett, Sally Brittliffe, Christina Woo and Peach Partis

2nd Baboo Baghat, Chootoo Baghat, Shirley Bloch, Wence Vahala

 $3^{\rm rd}$ Joy Jones, Pat Scotford, Chieh Goodlet, Colleen Stone

South Perth Bridge Club

From Cassie Morin

Wednesday 9th September pharmacy 777 red point event –



1st Cynthia Belonogoff and Val Biltoft with 777 Pharmacy Sponsor Nigel Krummel



 2^{nd} Mimi Packer and Virginia Seward (Jonathan Free)

3rd Tony Stevens and Ros Warnock

The AGM - held on Saturday 12th September -



Incoming President Danny Ravn with Outgoing President Jan Howell.



Jeanne Hey – who was made a **Life Member** for her unending support to the club.

Mandurah Bridge Club

From Ian Jones

The Jack Rowse Novice Pairs competition was won by Terry and Robyn McKenna, followed by Jenny Cormack and Jan Marron, with Roger Nichols and Jan Torrens third.



Pauline Rowse (left) and Vera Hardman (President, right) congratulates winners Terry and Robyn.

The Open Pairs championship was won by Doug and Vera Hardman. Runners up were June and Mike Mulholland.

The Mandurah Bridge Club's 2021 Summer Congress will be held from Friday January 22nd to Sunday January 24th. Friday afternoon will be a Walk-in Duplicate Pairs session, Saturday will have a Qualifying Session in the morning, with Finals in the afternoon, and Sunday will be Swiss Teams.

Entries are via the web at http://www.mandurahbridgeclub.com.au/events.php

Rockingham Bridge Club

From Jean Dance

The inaugural *Raewyn Lewer Trophy* sponsored by Stephanie McGlew, Rockingham Bridge Club engraved winners' glasses and pens for second place



Winners - Kimberley Zhao and Alan Cransberg with Stephanie (middle)



 $2^{\rm nd}$ and Understate Masters - Jen Green and Jean Dance

Leo Pairs



1st N/S Di Brooks and Florence Maltby
1st E/W Jane Ophorst and Ros Davey



President Nicky O'Connell with Understate Master 1st N/S Paul Davey and Pam Davey



East/West: Understate masters 1st Jen Green and Jean Dance

Willetton Bridge Club

From Noel Daniel

The Willetton Bridge Club opened back in July and going steady.

Members are slowly coming back to Play Bridge and following the Covid Safety Plan.



Carol Daniel receiving the ABF Certificate from Director Vijay Ahooja



Mr Anthony Spagnolo-Liberal candidate for Riverton and Liza Harvey- Leader of Opposition talking with Noel Daniel - re the Game of Bridge.



Anthony Spagnolo and Liza Harvey visiting members of the Willetton Bridge Club

We would like to invite the Bridge Community in WA to please come and have a game with our Members - either on Monday or Friday afternoon.









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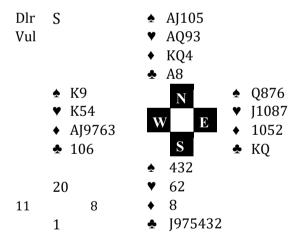
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State Open Pairs

From David Schokman

The State Open Pairs was played on Sunday, August 30. It is obvious that the Tournament committee was caught unprepared as it has been a long time since we had 24 tables in play for this event. While it is disappointing that everyone could not play each other, and some pairs played each other twice, it was great day of bridge, and almost every good player in WA was present. However, they all had their colours lowered by a new Star pairing of Gwyneira Brahma and Phil Bapty who won easily, producing two 60 pc sessions. They won the Nedlands congress recently also upstaging a strong field. BAWA was also very generous with the prize money returning almost all the entry fee to the winners.

So the problem today is Shakespearean – to bid or not to bid, and surprisingly, it may appear, that the answer was in the affirmative for a hand which contained total rubbish.



Passing was easy for south and at one table the bidding went 1D: double by north: 2D by east. This bid is probably not by the book and partnerships have to agree on how they handle the situation after a double. Do you bid 1H or 1NT? Eight points do not give you enough strength to use the redouble. Over 2D should south bid? There is no question about this as the answer is no, as any bid will paint a flawed picture for your partner. P: P: and north bids 2NT, showing at least 20 points. At this table east decided to bid 3D, and this bid will not be commented on, but was probably supposed to be a pressure bid which was going to be punished for a poor score. Then south joined the party with a bid of 4C, and one question was

should south have made this bid. There was consensus among the experts. All it said was -" I was too weak to bid over 2D, but I have a long weak suit, and want you to know about it". Where south passed, north doubled and the question asked was, should the double be left in, or should south now bid 4C?

I returned to the panel of experts who helped in the past and current partners too.

Ron Klinger says "It is not so much a matter of trust. Partner does not figure to have a stack of diamonds, but rather a very strong hand. I call it a "do right double", and I think that passing is not right. I bid 4C".

Chris Mulley believes that the double has to be for pure penalties. Partner knows that I have nothing (based on the bidding), and the time to stick your nose into the auction is over 3D.

Jonathan Free "I trust my partner and the 2NT must already show one and a half stoppers. The time to bid 4C is over 3D" He adds a bridge codicil. "I would bid 4C over 3D, and not bid 4C, after a double, against sound bidders. Against "others" (my italics) I would pass in both situations"

Ben Thompson "I would bid 4C over 3D, and would not pass 3D doubled in a pink fit" He believes that the double should show the top end of the original bid.

Fiske Warren "I believe that we should trust partner's double"

Cynthia Belonogoff "I think that I should trust the double"

Cathy Hood "A hard question. I would pull it to 4C"

Nigel Dutton At their table he doubled three times and after his partner bid 4C his kind opponents came in with 4D. This is not a very disciplined bid as north must be showing a monster.

David Matthews "I would not take it out. Partner has bid 2NT, and doubled. He expects to beat the contract".

What did the results show? 5C was bid five times and 4C on seven occasions. You need the

impossible spade lead to beat 5C, so on a diamond lead everyone made 11 tricks. 3D was doubled once for minus 800. Something wrong here. 4D was doubled once. One pair in 3H: Four in 3NT and tree in 2NT, and as you would expect it was not a success.

The contract that caught my eye was 1D, doubled, for +240 to E/W, a screaming top. South, it was time for you to bid, even if you had only one point. I believe that they may have been overawed by their opposition. You can check it for yourself.









Taking the Lead



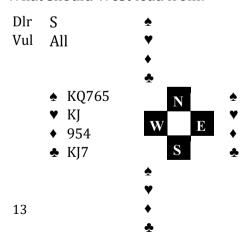
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WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
			1♠
Pass	Pass	X	Pass
Pass	XX (*)	Pass	2♥
Pass	Pass	X	All Pass

(*) Rescue re-double

What should West lead from:



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Test Your Slam Play



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IMPs		♦	AK8	762	
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	•		N		•
	♥	77	7	16	•
	*	V	у	E	•
	•		\mathbf{S}		•
		•	AK1	1042	
	16	•	KJ1	093	
		♦	93		
	11	•	6		

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
		1♠	2♥
Pass	2♠	Pass	4♥
Pass	5♥	Pass	6♥
All Pass			

West leads $\clubsuit 3$, an obvious singleton, to the $\clubsuit J$ and $\spadesuit A$.

There will be no problem if both red suits divide 3-2 (you can establish the diamonds, and then draw trumps ending in dummy), but what if they don't?

SOLUTION on page 22









SATURDAY BRIDGE West Australian Newspaper

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!



The Highlight of My Day

By Di Brooks

I've been learning bridge since 1978. (Some might say' A Slow Learner', but if people were truthful, they would admit that we never stop learning!) I've been teaching Basic Bridge since 1986 and have met some really lovely people. One such student left me a message this week. It read 'We got 50% and came in 6th', earning their first green points since venturing out from classes into the normal bridge session. Like my students, I was over the moon. Recently, Rockingham Bridge Club held a Masters and Student session, with 7 full tables participating. The winners were Jill Dawson, (Master) and Kay Daye, student, earning them a crystal wine glass. Congratulations to everyone playing in the inaugural Masters session.

My students are like family to me. Their progress gives me a warm and fuzzy feeling. Since 1978, I

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have had many ups and downs in my life. This is not whether we win or not, but day to day hiccups. Each time, I turn to bridge for some enjoyment. A great way of exercising the brain, forgetting your troubles and meeting up with lovely people - I recommend this therapy to one and all.

So, having shared some of the l pleasures of my day, let me share with you some of the advice that I have picked up along the way...

Don't fret the small stuff. After all, the game is played with 52 bits of cardboard!

So, you've made a mistake. Learn from it and move on......

Don't be afraid to ask the experienced players for advice. After all, they were beginners once. Although sometimes I see Primary School playground behaviour!

When trying to learn from a bridge book, make sure you and your partner are on the same page.

Don't try and cram too many conventions at one time. Read, learn and practice till you've got it down pat, before taking up another convention. That way, you won't get too confused.

And finally, enjoy the journey; it's a wonderful way to enrich your skills.

Happy Bridging [©]









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Be seated by 9:45am for 10:00 am start \$30 per player		
SUNDAY	Swiss Teams VP scoring.	
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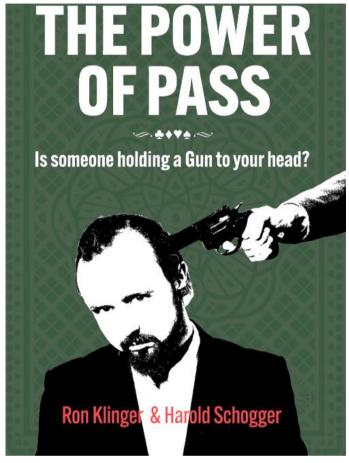
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The Power of Pass

New Reading from Ron Klinger and Harold Schogger



When you first start teaching people to play bridge it is very hard to make them bid and to bid up -they are very cautious. On many hands, they will be playing in 1NT making ten tricks or in 2s making ten or eleven tricks. After some nine months or a bit longer, when they are out of the bridge womb, the difficulty is to stop them bidding too much and especially when to say Pass.

The purpose of this book is to show you the frequent occasions at the bridge table when silence is golden and the best available call is NO BID. There are plenty of examples from matches on BBO and national and international events. Most of the time, experts do the right thing but sometimes even the world's best players would have done better to pass.

Harold Schogger began his full-time bridge club in Hendon, London, in 1983 and has taught more than 10,000 classes. Devoting his time to teaching and directing since 1997, he holds the Professional Teachers' Diploma from the English Bridge Union, trains new teachers for the

EBU, is a Premier Life Master and author of the ebook *Bridge For Winners* as well as *Practice Your Rule of 11* with Irving Rose.

A member of the International Bridge Press Association, Hand-of-the-Month writer for OK Bridge and former bridge correspondent for the *Jewish Chronicle*, he has written many articles including *The Rule of 26* and *The Theory of Final Destination* and edited some bridge software for the vubridge website.

Ron Klinger is a leading international bridge teacher and has represented Australia in many world championships from 1976 to 2016. He has written over sixty books, some of which have been translated into Bulgarian, Chinese, Danish, French, Hebrew and Icelandic. He wrote a daily bridge column in *The Sydney Morning Herald* and *The Sun-Herald* (Australia) from 2002 to 2018. His column now appears there only on weekends. He contributes regularly to several bridge magazines.

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Results

HGR Women's Swiss Pairs (28)

Directors Jonathan Free and David Burn

1	Kate Smith and Jill De Piccolo
2	Leone Fuller and Marnie Leybourne
3	Di Brooks and Florence Maltby
4	Cynthia Belonogoff and Val Biltoft
5	Allison Stralow and Lauren Shiels
6	Patricia McNamara and Belinda Taranto
7	Jessica Chew and Kimberley Zhao
8	Beata Bieganski and Sue Grenside
9	Marcey Spilsbury and Noriko Sakashita
10	Helen Kemp and Gill Dolling

HGR Restricted Swiss Pairs (30)

(Photos courtesy of Lynne Milne)

Tom Burton and Jana MayhewJulie Short and Debbie Chappell



3 Meredith Goodlet and Jennifer Andrews



- 4 Marion Bogue and Deborah Greenway
- 5 Gary Wood and Roslyn Varkevisser



6 Mel Foster and Donna Crossan-Peacock
Best Mixed Restricted Pair



- 7 Sue Shadbolt and Jay Wongphasukchot Women's Restricted Pair
- 8 Gill Blakey and Ross Blakey
- 9 Mei Huang and Hilary Stilling
- 10 Joe Louis and Joanne Payne



John Finlay-Jones and Hamish McCracken Best Men's Restricted

BAWA State Open Pairs (48)

1	Gwyneira Brahma and Phil Bapty
2	Mimi Packer and Jonathan Free
3	Karol Miller and Jan Kochmanski
4	Cynthia Belonogoff and Anton Pol
5	Jonathan Pynt and Terri Garbutt
6	Sandy Sutton-Mattocks and Don Sutton- Mattocks
7	Catherine Hood and Pauline Collett

8	Jan Burgess and Jana Mayhew
9	Gerry Daly and Alan Harrop
10	Fiske Warren and Kaiping Chen

BAWA Restricted Swiss Pairs

(Photos courtesy of Ian Rowlands)



1st Dianne Dwyer and Mavis Koay 1



- 2nd Julie Short and Deb Chappell (Jude Casey)
- 3rd Andrea Peretti and Sebastiano Bianchini

70% Results (Random search)

Undercroft

- 84.5 Diane Tilvern and Margaret Szymakowski
- 72.5 Matthew Bampton and Peter Stephenson
- 71.5 Trevor Burr and Jairo Giraldo
- 70.4 Beata Bieganski and Carol Fensome
- 70.0 Philip Oldershaw and Trevor Burr

Busselton

- 79.8 Diane Bishop and John Whiting
- 70.0 John Whiting and Diane Bishop
- 72.2. Glenda Barter and Bernadette Campbell
- 71.7 Raelene Willis and Stuart McGregor Albany
- 73.7 Kay Thompson and Robert McLaughlin

Kalamunda

- 73.9 Brian Daxter and Carole Daxter
- 73.4 Gerry Daly and Dianne Dwyer
- 70.0 Joseph Gaudet and Joe Louis South Perth
- 75.9 Bob Prince and Jenny Lesoeuf Melville
- 71.5 John Clarke and Wes Rudnicki Kendenup
- 78.7 Sybil Davies and Peter Hebson
- 75.0 Ros Trend and Neville Koenig
- 75.0 Heather Fergie and Bob Fergie Denmark
- 71.2 John Elliott and Claire James
- 70.6 Colin Payne and Bob Stick Rockingham
- 75.5 Nicky O'Connell and Jane Ophorst
- 70.8 Jane Ophorst and Nicky O'Connell
- 72.4 Jane Ophorst and Norma Marwick West Coast
- 73.4 Harold McKnight and Patrick Garnett
- 71.8 Patrick Garnett and Harold McKnight
- 70.5 Harold McKnight and Patrick Garnett

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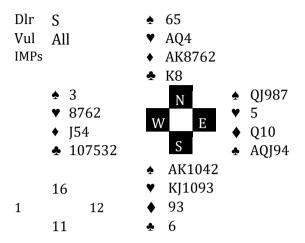
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Test Your Slam Play

By Bill Jacobs

SOLUTION



There's not much you can do about a bad diamond break, but a 4-1 trump break can be dealt with.

Play three rounds of diamonds, ruffing the third one high. Now play \bigvee K and \bigvee A. If hearts divide, draw the last trump and take your overtrick.

If hearts are 4-1, play a winning diamond, discarding your club. It will be ruffed, but you can then regain the lead, probably by trumping a club, and draw the last trump. Two winning diamonds remain in dummy, on which you discard your two low spades, and then you can finesse in spades to claim your contract.

The trap here is to play two rounds of trumps first, which will finish you.

The moral: Hope for the best, but prepare for the not-quite-best.

ABF Daily Bridge Column

Courtesy of Ron Klinger

www.abfevents.com.au

Bridge Author of nearly 70 books, Columnist for the Sydney Morning Herald (six days a week) and The Sun-Herald for 17 years, Australian Emerald Grand Master, WBF International Master, competed in 24 World Championships and Asia Pacific Zonal Championships and Commonwealth Nations Teams.

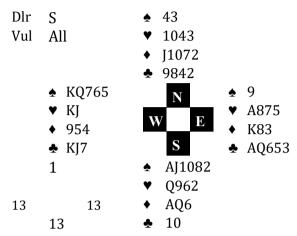
Taking the Lead

By Ron Klinger

SOLUTION

From the final of a National Open Teams:

SOUTH Dealer | BOTH Vulnerable



With doubleton support for the 5+ spade suit and no sure trump fit elsewhere (South possibly 6-3-2-2), not everyone would find the SOS redouble from North. Expecting dummy to have a singleton or void in spades, West started with the HK(!) to protect the spade honours. West continued with the HJ, ducked to the HQ. Declarer played the DA, followed by the DQ, ducked.

Next came the SA, followed by the S8. West played low and East ruffed. He cashed the HA, CA and played another club. Declarer made one spade, one heart and two diamonds to be three down for -800.

At the other table the bidding began the same way, but 1S doubled was passed out. The lead there was also the HK, followed by the HJ to the ace and the third heart ruffed. After a club to the ace and another heart ruff, West played the CK, ruffed. The outcome was two down for -500, but +7 Imps.









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