

# wa bridge focus

FOSTERING BRIDGE IN WESTERN AUSTRALIA

## WA at the ANC 2011



ANC Teams - Women's		After Round 7						
Pos.	Team Name	Win	Draw	Loss	IMPs	B/Fwd	Score	Total
1	QLD	6	0	1	106	85.9	1	86.9
2	WA	5	0	2	47	44.1	29	73.1
3	NSW	4	0	3	51	78.3	-31.8	46.5
4	SA	4	0	3	59	26	31.8	34.4
5	ACT	4	0	3	46	46.1	1	8.7
								-3.1
								-115.5
								-134.2



Open Team NPC Hilary Yovich and women's team members A.Booth and L.Shiels.



Congratulations to the WA Women's Team who came 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Teams Finals.

V.Biltoft, L.Shiels, A.Booth, V.Wood, L.Fuller and J.Touyz with NPC A. Stralow accepting the cup.



At the Victory Dinner members of the Seniors Team - W.Driscoll, S.Futaesaku, J.Beddow, H.Williams and L.Bedford-Brown.



The Open Team - MF.Merven, N.Dutton, P.Collett, D.Schokman, T.Ranasinghe and J.Prince score up.



Youth Team NPC Marnie Leybourne and Michael Bausor.



# President's Report

by Nigel Dutton

Clubs and state associations are increasingly finding it difficult to get their members to stand for positions on their councils and committees. One reason, especially for the smaller ones, is the lack of comprehensive protection to mitigate the risk of litigation/compensation for decisions made by them arising from their position on club or association committees. Recently a Queensland bridge club has been embroiled in a legal dispute with one of its players over a disciplinary matter and here the level of professional indemnity cover for the Committee members of that club was not considered sufficient to alleviate substantial personal risk.

The ABF has negotiated a great deal which is an absolute MUST for all clubs; the policy is for global coverage management and professional liability insurance. The policy would indemnify the Associations/Clubs, its Office Bearers, its Employees and any outside Directors against claims for any Management Liability.

Management Liability includes;

- (i) Executive Liability
- (ii) Outside Directorship Liability
- (iii) Employment Liability
- (iv) Membership Liability
- (v) Liability for any Wrongful Act of the Organisation

In particular Membership Liability means; any liability from a claim made against any Organisation (the associations/clubs), or any Office Bearer or Employee of any Organisation, by a Member of the Organisation based upon any Wrongful Act in connection with membership promotion, membership rights or the termination or suspension of membership, including, but not limited to, any harassment or discrimination'.

This policy will be in addition to the global insurance coverage for all state and territory associations and all affiliated clubs for **public liability** which is presently fully funded by the ABF. Both of these policies benefit from the ABF's

substantial "group buying power" to secure competitive quotations. It is much cheaper than the individual clubs and associations having to take out individual policies).

The cost of this policy is around \$46,000 pa of which the ABF is prepared to pick up the first \$20,000 this leaves the states and clubs, on a per capita basis, to fund the remainder. This is less than a \$1 per player. Many clubs don't have such coverage which, in these litigious times, is crazy, even clubs with such coverage will find this option far cheaper. Consequently, the Management Committee of BAWA intends, at the AGM, propose a small increase in capitation fees to cover these costs. I'm quite confident that this

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proposal will be accepted and every club will wish to be involved in this great scheme.

**The HGR Memorial Congress Weekend** is coming very soon and BAWA is somewhat disappointed at the response to the **Gold Point Restricted Pairs**. You the players lobbied for the event so the convenor went to the ABF and requested the addition. It would be really great if you now supported the event. This is a gold point Swiss pairs event for all players with less than

300 master points as of January 1 2011. It will be a great weekend with gold masterpoints for every match you win.

A quick reminder that BAWA is calling for applications for Executive Officer/Secretary, this position attracts a salary of \$13,500 pa. Full details can be found on the BAWA web site. John Beddow would be pleased to provide further information.

## No Show Policy



from Alison Rigg  
West Australian Bridge Club President

May and June have been busy months at the club with three major congresses held in a five week period. These congresses and other gold/red point events require a great deal of planning by the Event Organiser and the Tournament Director. The Tournament Director must order the requisite number of dealt boards and set up the movement based on the entries received by a cut off time 48 hours prior to commencement of the first session. A recurring problem of –'no shows', which inconveniences the Tournament Director and the other players by delaying the start time as the movement is rearranged, has been an agenda item for our Tournament Committee for some months.

BAWA has recently introduced a policy on –'no shows' for players registering in events on their web site. The offending players will be required to pay their entry fee for that particular competition or face a ban from entering any future red or gold point events sponsored by BAWA. The WABC Tournament Committee at its meeting on June 16<sup>th</sup> 2011, agreed to recommend to the Management Committee that WABC adopt a similar consistent policy on 'no shows'.

John Aquino, who is a member of both the BAWA and WABC Management Committees, has formulated a policy for us on this issue. It is based on the BAWA policy and will become effective on August 1<sup>st</sup> 2011. I've used material from John's presentation and the Policy for this article.

The policy will be advertised on our web site, displayed on our notice board, sent by email to

members, and all entries to club events will include an acknowledgement of this condition of entry which must be checked/ticked by the entrant.

In future the Tournament Director will formally advise the WABC Tournament Committee of any –'no shows' so that the offending member's subsequent entries can be monitored.

Late withdrawals may be made up to 48 hours prior to commencement of the event, by directly advising the event Tournament Director or Sheenagh Young, our Office Manager. To quote our new policy –'After this time withdrawals or non-attendance will be regarded as a –'no show' and will be considered on a case by case basis by the event Tournament Director to determine if there are extenuating circumstances for the 'no show.' The Tournament Director will report all 'no shows' without reasonable extenuating circumstances to the WABC Tournament Committee for action.'

This policy has been introduced to ensure the smooth running of our well patronized and popular events. Players, by entering a WABC club congress or event, make a commitment to that date and are under an obligation to compete.

*(Ed note: Alison has kindly given Focus permission to use this edited article from Trumps Plus June 2011 Winter 2011 Vol 4 Issue 2)*





# Life in Capel

by Di Brooks  
BAWA South West Promotions Officer



Life in the country has to be the best kept secret of the century. Living in Capel gives us the best of both worlds. We are within cooee distance of Bunbury and Busselton and a stones throw from Boyanup, Nannup, Donnybrook, Collie, Dunsborough and Margaret River. A little further afield for Bridgetown, Manjimup and Albany. All the jewels in the South West crown.

Our house is almost finished, four months after the initial clearing of the land. We are rapt with our builders and contractors who have done a marvellous job.

Weekends are spent foraging at local markets, purchasing home grown plants and local produce for my garden and kitchen. (Our back garden at our leased property looks like a nursery) Friends and family are well versed in my abhorrence of bottles of wines as gifts. A potted plant, (as opposed to a POT plant) takes first place on my Wish List. If I move so do my plants – often given by friends and keeping my memories alive.

Our lifestyle is certainly more laid back now. Driving into Bunbury or Busselton is a breeze with the Bussell Highway. The Forrest Highway to Mandurah and Rockingham, then hooking up to the Kwinana Freeway makes for easy travel from country to city. Si if you are thinking about a move to quieter climes, take a look to the South West. You will not be disappointed.

## South West Friendly Country Teams Event

Busselton Bridge Club was host to the S.W. Friendly Country Teams Event on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July, held at the local tennis club rooms.

Nine teams were entered. Busselton members made up a scratch team so that a Round Robin movement could be used.

The ladies hosting the day, provided plates of delicious foods, savory and sweet, for morning and afternoon teas and lunch.

Seven rounds of 7 boards per round were played. The winning team:

Murray Webber, Kate Boston, Trish Anderson & Di Brooks were presented with bottles of wine.

Runners Up were Jane Moulden, Robyn Howe, Brian Appleyard and Stephen Samuel also receiving wine.

Peter Holloway, recently appointed as a National Director, (Congratulations, Peter), ran a great event smoothly.

Many thanks to all involved. It certainly was a friendly competition. Everyone enjoyed the hospitality and the friendly rivalry for Top Spot.

Any country players, who missed out on this event, earmark your calendar for 2012.

Well done, Busselton. Great Comp, Great Day, Great Time!!

## Mandurah Bridge Lecture

I was booked to give lectures on Defence at Mandurah Bridge Club on August 4<sup>th</sup> with a 10.00am start. Not wanting to arrive hot and bothered after a long drive I was offered billeting by Peter and Jill Dixon (two of my former students)

I was thoroughly spoilt from Wednesday to Friday and I thank Peter and Jill for their kindness. Arriving bright and early on Thursday morning I was greeted by Mandurah's President Jim McNamara and his lovely wife Jennifer. Members soon had the club almost filled to capacity with keenness to improve their defence.

The K.I.S.S. Convention was the order of the day. Mnemonic for Keep It Simple Sweetie (prefer this to "Stupid")

The members not only provided a delicious morning tea also on the menu for lunch was tasty soups and tempting sandwiches plus cakes, slices and pikelets. They certainly did their club proud.

The afternoon session for supervised play began at 1.00pm and I was invited to help with bidding and techniques for planning the play of the hand. A thirteen and a half table Mitchell ably run by Elizabeth Hunt.

This lecture gave me the opportunity to see the new clubrooms first hand. Bright, airy and very comfortable the clubhouse holds twenty tables without a struggle. A tribute to the hardworking

committee: past and present and of the support of their members. Congratulations to you all. Thank you all for making me feel so welcome.

The Golden West is scheduled for November. Don't miss the fantastic hospitality of the Mandurah Bridge Club or the chance to lock swords with players from all over Western Australia. I look forward to seeing you all there.



In conjunction with the



Welcomes you to the

## GOLDEN WEST

19, 20 November 2011

Gold Point Event (A3)

Swiss Pairs

Mandurah Senior Citizens Centre  
Ormsby Terrance, Mandurah

\$\$\$\$ Generous Cash Prizes \$\$\$\$

\$1,000 First

### Friday Night 18 November

Welcome Pairs - Red Point event - 7.30pm

Run by Mandurah Bridge Club

168 Gordon Road, Mandurah

9581 7048

Tea and Coffee available

### Swiss Pairs

Saturday and Sunday - 10am and 2pm

No play Saturday Night

Plan your dinner party or drive home

Cocktail Party 5.30pm, Sunday

Entry fee: Welcome Pairs \$10 per player; Swiss Pairs \$75 per player

Pay Swiss Pairs online see BAWA website, or at the table

Submission of an entry warrants that the entrant is a current financial member of the ABF Masterpoint Scheme, or a *bona fide* overseas visitor

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Allison\_Stralow@yahoo.com

**Tournament Unit:** Bill Kemp, Neville Walker

**Entries:** [www.bawa.asn.au](http://www.bawa.asn.au) or contact Allison or Bill



# The Art and Alchemy of Illusion

## (Part Two)



by Jill Courtney

### Or: A few more magic bridge tricks.

Have you ever wondered why magicians always have the pretty girl there to assist them in their magic tricks. Yes well, there is the obvious reason, just as game show hosts usually have beautiful girl to turn the letters or give out the money box – it's show business. But there is also another slightly more subtle reason. The magicians sidekick, like many of his/her props and antics, are there to distract the audience from what is really happening as the trick is performed. As you know, in the trade, this is referred to as 'misdirection'.

And misdirection, as I alluded to in Part One of these articles, is an essential component of successful bridge play. It can comprise creating misdirection in order to encourage a continuation, as demonstrated in the false ducking play in Part One, or it can induce a switch when a continuation is necessary. Perhaps even more importantly misdirection can induce the wrong switch. Have a look at this first example, carrying on the same theme from Part One.

#### Getting into an opponent's head

South plays Four Hearts. Lead: jack of clubs.

	♠ K876		
	♥ T962		
	♦ T96		
	♣ AQ		
♠ T95	N	♠ J43	
♥ A3	W	♥ 34	
♦ KJ42	E	♦ AQ	
♣ KJT5	S	♣ 987643	
	♠ AQ2		
	♥ KQJ87		
	♦ 8753		
	♣ 2		

9		
12		7
12		

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
			1H
Pass	1S	Pass	2H
Dbl	Rdbl	3C	4H
All pass			

West showed points and East club length. Obviously to make the contract declarer needs the club finesse since you will never come to ten tricks without it. The queen holds, as the bidding suggested it would. But that is only the first hurdle. How can you possibly avoid losing three diamonds and the Ace of hearts? It is hard to imagine that the defence will not switch to diamonds if a discard of diamonds is taken on the second club. So it's time for the misdirection – you guessed it- you must throw a spade on that second club before you give up the Ace of hearts. Now when West takes his Ace he will almost certainly try for spade tricks rather than diamonds. Your performance is not over yet however, in this slender contract. You must win the spades, enter dummy, draw trumps and hope for 3-3 spades to provide two diamond discards and so deliver your contract. You stumble over the finishing line, but nice illusion, Sorcerer-in-charge.

#### Become a mind-reader

Dir S		♠ Q6	
Vul All		♥ AQJ95	
		♦ J93	
		♣ Q74	
		N	♠ J94
		W	♥ 73
		E	♦ KQT5
		S	♣ A982
		♠ AK8732	
		♥ KT4	
		♦ 863	
		♣ J	

12		
7		10
11		

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
			1S
Pass	2H	Pass	3H
Pass	3S	Pass	4S
All pass			

Another staple of the magician is mind-reading. Of course the mind-reader is an expert in picking up small signs and inferences from what is said by the subject. Here the subject is your partner and it is what he does and does not do that allows you to 'read' his mind and see his cards.

North-South bid unhindered to four spades and you, West, lead the three of clubs. Your partner takes his Ace and sees the jack fall. He plays the King of diamonds which you encourage with the seven and then leads the five of diamonds to your Ace. So far you have three tricks and you need to cash either a diamond or a club to set the contract. But which one?

You can't read much from the spot cards of partner as Declarer would certainly false card with Jx of clubs and also should false card in diamonds. So now to read partner's mind and trust him. Let's try to think what his play should suggest. If he had started with five, rather four, diamonds he shouldst cash his queen of diamonds and, assuming declarer follows and you still have the Ace he knows there are no more diamonds with South so therefore he plays back a club. Since he hasn't made this play, he only has four diamonds and you must play one back.

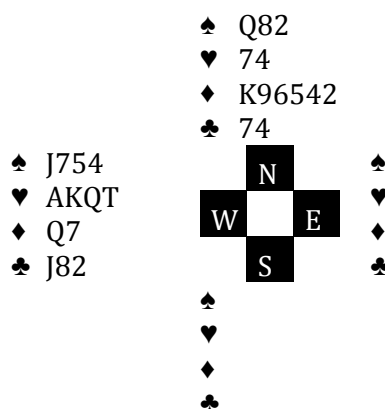
While this is not strictly speaking magic – it is more science than art and illusion – it is important in illustrating the need not to guess which setting trick to try to cash (how many times have we got it wrong?) when there are clear inferences to be drawn if you try to visualise your partner's hand and how s/he would behave with the two possible distributions. Note, importantly, that it is also incumbent upon East to find the play of the queen of diamonds should he have five so that, when s/he doesn't, partner will know he does not have five and can confidently cash the last diamond.

### Smoke and Mirrors

#### i) Problem

The next hand demonstrates a number of important plays. Misdirection by South; analysis by West, and such analysis informs his

subsequent actions. But this time try it first yourselves. You are West.



WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Pass	1D	Pass	1c
Pass	3D	Pass	3NT
All pass			

You begin, naturally enough, with two top hearts on which partner plays the 6 and then the 2 and Declarer the 5 and then the Jack. When you cash a third heart both players follow. It seems clear that partner started with four small hearts and declarer with three to the Jack. Is there is a reason he played the jack on the second round and can you think what it is? What do you play next?

#### ii) Solution

What you should be wondering is why did declarer play the jack of hearts early, effectively encouraging you to continue hearts, so that you would not be worried he held jack to four hearts and switch. Like you, he knows from partners carding that hearts are probably 4-4 (east played high-low). Did you work it out? Look at dummy's diamond pips, therein lies the clue. Yes! he wanted the fourth heart so he could unblock the diamond suit. He must therefore hold AJT and has no prospects of getting into dummy by other means unless E-W misdefend. So, for now, you must leave aside the fourth heart and play another suit. His jack of hearts was the smoke and your refusal to cash one of the mirrors. The second mirror -and this is important but not always seen- is, if on winning your switch he tries a sneaky jack or ten of diamonds from hand (trying to solve the blocking problem), you must restore the dilemma for him by covering the

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jack/ten with the queen. Now you will have five tricks irrespective of whether he ducks or covers. If he covers he can kiss dummy goodbye. If he ducks you cash your setting heart. If, of course, you played that fourth heart the pesky jack or ten of diamonds would go and declarer would have none easy tricks.

The complete hand:

♠ J754	♠ Q82	♠ K96
♥ AKQT	♥ 74	♥ 9632
♦ Q7	♦ K96542	♦ 83
♣ J82	♣ 74	♣ QT53

♠ AT3	♠ K96
♥ J85	♥ 9632
♦ AJT	♦ 83
♣ AK96	♣ QT53

5	5
13	17

So that's it for this month. Until next month the Great Hoochy-Doochy Courtenista will be working on her famous vanishing act designed to make chaos, foolishness and disorder in Federal parliament magically go up in a burst of smoke and completely disappear! Needless to say my rather simple and confused assistant – the Australian voting public – will doubtless try to help in this endeavour.

(Note. While a good trick, it has been known to fail on an inordinate number of occasions – oh well.)

Classes with **Ron Klinger** in WA Bridge Clubs

**1 September - 8 September**

For details check flyer on the BAWA website

## MARGARET RIVER CONGRESS



**Friday, Saturday, Sunday October 21<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**RED POINT EVENT**

**GENEROUS PRIZES**

**Venue: Australis Hotel, 78 Wallcliffe Road, Margaret River**

Friday Evening:	Vasse Felix Welcome Pairs	\$20 per player 7pm start	6:15pm wine & nibbles
Saturday:	Pairs	\$40 per player 10:30am start	includes morning tea & lunch
Sunday:	Teams	\$160 per team 9:30am start	includes morning tea & lunch & pizza with results

**Tables limited to 32**

Convenor:	<b>Bob Taylor</b>	Ph 0409576417 email: bobtayl@highway1.com.au
Director:	<b>Bill Kemp</b>	Ph 9447 0534 email: diggadog@inet.net.au
Registration:	Through BAWA website only. Payment collected on the day	

**PLEASE NOTE BAWA POLICY ON NON ATTENDANCE WILL APPLY**



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 Or  
 contact Margaret River Visitor Centre Ph: 9780 5911  
[www.margaretriver.com](http://www.margaretriver.com)



# Kalgoorlie Bridge Club

## 2011 Congress

Due to the long weekend being changed in 2011 to the end of October

(to coincide with CHOGM in Perth)

The Kalgoorlie Bridge Club will hold their 2011 Congress

Friday	28 <sup>th</sup> October	(evening)	Welcome Pairs
Saturday	29 <sup>th</sup> October	(day)	Pairs Event
Sunday	30 <sup>th</sup> October	(day)	Teams Event

Venue: Kalgoorlie Golf Club, Killarney St, Kalgoorlie

For more details/registration pl ph: Secretary Sue Lia

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### Spring

Into action at the 2011  
Nedlands Bridge Club

### 3 DAY CONGRESS

14th, 15th , 16th of October

FRIDAY PAIRS: 1 SESSION 1PM \$15

SATURDAY PAIRS: 1 SESSION 1.30 PM \$15

SUNDAY TEAMS: 2 SESSIONS

10 AM AND 2PM \$30

(Sunday Teams -LUNCH PROVIDED)

DIRECTOR: PETER HOLLOWAY

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# The South West Friendly Teams

by Jane Moulden

The South West Friendly Teams event was exactly that. Ten teams from Bunbury and Busselton competed in a relaxed atmosphere at Busselton Tennis Club. We overlooked the pristine grass courts and a sunny, if somewhat chilly, Geographe Bay.

Country hospitality was to the fore, with sumptuous goodies for lunch. The day was very capably run by Peter Holloway whilst filling in as an emergency player.

This event succeeds because it encourages us to be more confident about playing in Teams Events. It is also a wonderful way to promote inter-club camaraderie.



**1<sup>st</sup> :**

Trish Anderson, Di Brooks, Kate Boston and Murray Webber



**2<sup>nd</sup> :**

Jane Moulden, Robyn Howe, Brian Appleyard and Stephen Samuel

**3<sup>rd</sup>:** Lloyd and Margaret Nixon, Alf Laslett and Julie Laslett.

## 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)



The Australian Bridge Federation  
and  
The Bridge Association of WA  
Present



## A Weekend Seminar for Bridge Teachers

The sessions will be of enormous value to established and aspiring teachers at all levels

The presenter will be Ms Joan Butts the ABF's National Training Officer. Joan is an expert bridge teacher. She is also an experienced player, who has represented Australia and Queensland.



Joan has developed a new, easy approach to teaching bridge. She hopes to train teachers to become the most professional and effective that they can be. She has been the official teacher for the QBA for a number of years and runs a bridge club as well as giving many lessons.

There will be plenty of time for questions and discussion. Participants who complete the two day seminar will receive a Teacher Training Certificate.

**Format:**      **Saturday** Will cover Teaching Methodologies and Practical Teaching Tools  
                  **Sunday**    There will be a 3 hour workshop which applies the methodologies and tools from the Saturday session. Workshop Topic "Competitive Bidding without a Fit"

The seminar will be restricted to **30** attendees — so it is advisable to lodge your entry early.

**Dates**            Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 13<sup>st</sup> November 2011  
**Times**            Start 10.00am and concluding at 4.30pm each day  
**Cost**              \$30 for both days includes a light lunch each day  
**Subsidy**         BAWA will subsidise currently practicing bridge teachers travelling more than 100km to the venue at the rate of 50 cents per km up to \$100 per person. In addition the low entry fee is a general subsidy BAWA will provide to all attendees.

For enquiries on the event and registration for the seminar contact **John Aquino**  
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# From Instruction to Inclusion at Undercroft



by Allan Doig

The instructional program at the Undercroft Bridge Club has been going for 11 years now and two or three years ago I wrote an article about the curriculum model that we are using. Probably, like other clubs, we have a real issue once the participants in the program have graduated because of the high attrition rate in terms of participating in club events. We have instigated a three tiered program to try to encourage developing players to participate in club events.

## Instruction

One of the major aims of the initial instructional program, which lasts just over four months, is to promote a love of the game and a desire to compete in club events.

To this end Leslie Routledge and her husband Ray have instigated a number of strategies. They know the names of every student and often phone them to see how they are progressing. Boards are lent out at the end of each session and they encourage the participants to use these boards to play bridge at home with other members of the class. We realise that some of the people who participate in our program may end up going to other clubs but this doesn't bother us as we believe in promoting the game of bridge. Once the participants have finished their 18 lessons there is a formal graduation ceremony with systems cards presented. A group photo is placed on our website.

## Integration

The second phase of our program is to prepare the new graduates so that they can participate fully in the normal club events. We have evolved a number of strategies. One of the most essential facets of this part of the program is to make sure that the partnerships that the players have formed are compatible. We encourage them to work in groups of four or six so that they can interchange partners when necessary. Once the graduates leave Leslie and come to Jim Pinington

and myself they have the option of asking for further instruction on any topics they need. In other words they have ownership. Jim runs a supervised competition on the last Saturday morning of each month and this gives them a chance to play to a time and to play competitively. When we think some of them are almost ready to play in the club Jim sets up teams of four which certainly helps to hone their competitive skills. As a further effort to improve their bridge, Peter McCann, a former graduate of the classes, comes in twice a month and works with groups of eight tutoring them using carefully constructed boards. We encourage the participants to speak to Jim or me when they think they are ready to participate in the club events. Often, after participants play in the club, they still play on Saturday morning for a while. This way they can ask questions and discuss what has happened when they played in the afternoons.

Jim and I ran four instructional sessions at night on bridge basics and we averaged 70 per session. After a break of a few weeks I then ran three sessions where we used the timer but didn't score. This gave them some idea of whether they played fast enough to play in the afternoon sessions.

One further aspect of this part of the program is that I often get suitable club players in to help. Their help is greatly appreciated but it has another positive component in that when the participants move into club events they can see some friendly faces.

## Inclusion

The third aspect of the program is that of inclusion and we tried a number of strategies. Most of the developing players would love to have a mentor and I thought this would be simple but it is not. I tried putting a list of names on the board but that didn't work very well and then I tried putting a list of mentors on the board and again that didn't work very well. It's a matter of



matching compatible personalities. What I do now is take charge myself and because I know almost all the club members I can match the right personalities together. Quite a few long-standing partnerships have developed through this arrangement. All of us, and particularly Ray, try to partner players from Saturday mornings on their first foray into the club. We find that this reassures them. Once they've settled into the club events we find that they soon leave the Saturday morning sessions and begin to enjoy the competitiveness of normal club bridge. However I find that many of them still come to me to settle disputes and that's where I have to be very diplomatic.

Like most bridge clubs in Perth, our evening sessions are not well attended. The session on Monday evening had reached the stage where it was in danger of ceasing altogether. In conjunction with some of the remaining players who were attending on Monday evening, I persuaded a group of players from Saturday morning to try playing on Monday evening. I have attended the start of each of these sessions in a settling down capacity and after the third week

there are now five tables and increasing. A feature has been the manner in which the experienced players have welcomed the newcomers and helped them with the electronic scoring and generally encouraged the newcomers.

As a final word, because of the very large numbers we have on Saturday morning – sometimes over 100 – we have to make up lots of boards. We are very fortunate in having Elaine Khan rendering tremendous help in this area.

Yes, we do still have a high attrition rate but given the strategies in place we are hopeful to increase participation. Even now at least 30% of the players on a normal bridge day have graduated through Saturday morning. One extremely satisfying part of the program has been participation of former graduates into the running of the club. The past president, Tony Martin, was a graduate as is the present president, Ann Hopfmueller.

We continue to search for new strategies to retain our graduates.



## UNDERCROFT BRIDGE CLUB

### 2011 ANNUAL CONGRESS

#### Undercroft Bridge Club,

Percy Doyle Reserve, Cnr Warwick & Marmion Rd, Duncraig

**Date:** Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> OCTOBER 2011 (pairs)

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> OCTOBER 2011 (teams)

**Time:** 10am (sharp) Both Days

**Cost:** \$30.00 per person per day

**Director:** Bill Kemp - 94470534

**Convenors:** Tony Martin – 93421125

Connie Coltrona - 92451723

**Food:** Lunch Provided on both days



#### GENEROUS PRIZES

**TO ENTER:** (Preferable) on the BAWA website or telephone the **convenors**.

# The Great Claim Robbery



## (Part One)

from Ian Baily

Although most people in the wide world are basically honest, and some are even nice to know, there are still thieves and vagabonds lurking in the shadows ready to pounce on something they see that is not rightfully theirs. This can even happen at the bridge table, and the following tale recounts a case that can be considered daylight robbery.

The hand shown in the diagram came up in a club session. The bidding is rather interesting and we could have an animated discussion about it. But that is not what we are looking at just at the moment. You can indulge in your own contemplation on what clever action you would have taken.

Dir	W	♠	KQ76542								
	Vul	Nil	♥	-							
			♦	T82							
			♣	T98							
		♠	-			♠	98				
		♥	AK			♥	876				
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		♣	KQ654			♣	AJ732				
		♠	AJT3								
		♥	QJT95432								
		♦	6								
		♣	-								

5
19
8
8

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
<i>Wesley</i>	<i>Norbert</i>	<i>Esther</i>	<i>Sally</i>
2NT	3S	4C	4H
5C	5S	Pass	Pass
6C	Pass	Pass	6S
7C	All pass		

Sally was required to lead and regarded it was her duty to lead her partner's suit. The ace of spades appeared on the table. Esther trumped this and Norbert followed with a spade whereupon Esther laid her hand on the table and said, "I claim all the tricks".

As you can imagine, Norbert was a little put out by this and called the director. This is correct

procedure; since once a claim has been made play ceases. The laws do not allow anyone to say anything like, "Play the hand out", with or without a please. Many players try to do this, but the book of laws says that anyone who tries this is a rascalion.

Now when you look at the hand, you will soon work out that even Donald Duck under the influence of Daisy could make all 13 tricks by drawing three rounds of trumps and cashing out. There are even tricks to spare, but opponents are often reluctant to allow you to score more than thirteen tricks. So what did the director rule? He ruled one trick to the defence.

This may seem rather harsh, so let's look at the reason for this decision. There is considerable space in the laws spent on in the case where there are outstanding trumps. Lets' face it, Esther plays even better than Donald Duck and we can be sure that she would draw trumps before attending to the side suits. The statement in the laws runs, "Where a trick can be lost to an outstanding trump by careless or inferior play, but not irrational, then that trick is lost". To my mind, playing side suits before attending to trumps is so far beyond inferior it can be discounted. In fact, this is almost beyond careless, and verges on suicidal. But maybe not quite superbly careless, so we can grudgingly agree with the director.

Of course, Norbert could have been gracious and said, probably through gritted teeth, "Okay, I'll allow the claim". I admit that in Club Bridge, this is what I would do, and have my teeth fixed up later, but this attitude is not universal. And you must admit that there are suicidal declarers around.

Now we can reflect on what Esther should have done. The laws actually require the claimer to make a full explanation of their play of the hand. Esther failed to do this so it was the director's responsibility to determine the outcome. The director indulged in significant contemplation but

eventually decided that there was a slim possibility that the declarer was feeling suicidal enough to venture a heart before tackling trumps so gave a trick to the defence. So, one down.

That's a lot of meandering, so now let's get back to Esther's actions. A full explanation would be along the lines, "I draw trumps, and play diamonds, discarding losing spades". The abbreviated version would be, "I draw trumps and claim the rest".

Well, this second statement sounds fine, but there is one fly in the ointment. You could conceive the possibility that declarer plays a low diamond from both hands. Now what would the director

decide if the claim is contested? If it were me, I would allow the claim as playing a low diamond from both hands would be irrational; in my view anyway. One point can be mentioned here, in that the laws say that when declarer instructs dummy to run a suit, this is to be done from the top. This gives support to allowing the claim. The outstanding trumps have gone and even Donald Duck would find it difficult to mess this one up.

The primary lesson from this is that you **MUST** make a statement about any outstanding trumps when making a claim.



**Hans G Rosendorff Memorial Congress  
Women's Swiss Teams**



## **2011 National Women's Swiss Pairs Event**

**Sat 17<sup>th</sup> & Sun 18<sup>th</sup> September**

at the West Australian Bridge Club, 7 Odern Crescent Swanbourne WA

**Gold Points**

**PQPs: 1<sup>st</sup> 24, 2<sup>nd</sup> 12**

For full details check flyer on the BAWA website



**Hans G Rosendorff Memorial Congress  
Restricted Swiss Pairs**



## **2011 National Restricted Swiss Pairs Event**

**Sat 17<sup>th</sup> & Sun 18<sup>th</sup> September**

at the West Australian Bridge Club, 7 Odern Crescent Swanbourne WA

**Gold Points**

For full details check flyer on the BAWA website



**2011**

## State Xmas Matchpoint Swiss Pairs



Runs like a normal swiss pairs but is scored by match pointing the boards (like a normal duplicate pairs) instead of producing datum and IMP's.

**4 weeks event - starts Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> of November 2011**

**Event commences at 7.30 pm**

**VENUE:** Nedlands Bridge Club  
(14 Melvista Ave, Nedlands)

**ENTRIES:** via BAWA Website  
[www.bawa.asn.au](http://www.bawa.asn.au)

**ENTRY FEE:** \$40 per player

**DIRECTOR:** Bill Kemp - 94470534

**2010 Winners:**

**Cynthia Belonogoff and Pauline Hammond**

Check: Conditions of Entry     To BAWA Competitions



**2011**

## BAWA State Mixed Pairs



**6 weeks event - starts Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> of October 2011**

Event commences at 7.30 pm

3 weeks qualifying - 3 weeks final

**VENUE:** Nedlands Bridge Club  
(14 Melvista Ave, Nedlands)

**ENTRY FEE:** \$60 per player

**ENTRIES:** via BAWA Website [www.bawa.asn.au](http://www.bawa.asn.au)

**2010 Winners:**

**Cynthia Belonogoff and Thilak Ranasinghe**

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# Reading Partner's Signals

by Ron Klinger



<http://www.RonKlingerBridge.com>

Improve Your Bridge Online

## PROBLEM

Teams: West dealer Both vulnerable

**NORTH**  
 ♠ 862  
 ♥ Q53  
 ♦ 2  
 ♣ KQJT54  
**WEST**  
 ♠ QJ4  
 ♥ AJ64  
 ♦ QJ%  
 ♣ 763

West	North	East	South
Pass	Pass	2D(1)	2S
3D	4S	All Pass	

(1) Weak two in diamonds

West leads the DQ: 2-10-8

How should you continue?

Would you change your answer if the play to trick one had been: DQ: 2-4-8?

When it cannot make sense to continue the suit led, the card led by third player should be used as a suit-preference signal, high card for the high suit, lowest card for the low suit (trumps excluded). This takes priority over an attitude (encourage vs discourage) signal. Giving count (showing the number of cards you hold in the suit led) is of no use when a switch is required. Giving a suit-preference signal eliminates the guesswork for partner.

Brd ♠ 862  
 Dlr W ♥ Q53  
 Vul Both ♦ 2  
 ♣ KQJ1054

♠ QJ4	N	♠ 73
♥ AJ64	W	♥ K98
♦ QJ5	E	♦ AK10764
♣ 763	S	♣ 92

♠ AK1095  
 ♥ 1072  
 ♦ 983  
 ♣ A8

8		10
11		11

## 2011 Bridge Holidays with Ron Klinger

# Norfolk Island

From Sunday, 4th December  
to Sunday, 9th December, 2011

For details, please contact  
[ron@ronklingerbridge.com](mailto:ron@ronklingerbridge.com)  
 or 02 9958 5589.

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

(1) Weak two

Lead: DQ

East is quite strong for a weak two but there are few restrictions in third seat. Opening 2D rather than 1D confirms a good suit and takes one level of bidding from the opponents.

At the table East played the D10 on the DQ. Since continuing diamonds would be fruitless, West should take the D10 as a suit-preference signal for the higher suit, hearts (trumps are normally excluded from suit-preference signals). West should shift to a heart. As it happens any heart can defeat the contract but the best card is the jack.

To ask for a heart switch, East should hold the HK. Playing HA and another heart will give you two tricks, while HA and HJ next will give you three tricks if East has HK-10-x. Starting with the HJ can give you three tricks when East has HK-doubleton and can ruff the third round. If the HJ holds, you continue with HA and a third heart.

The HJ also scores an extra trick when East has HK-9-8. If the HQ is played, East wins and returns the H9, trapping South's ten.

If East plays the D4 at trick 1, West should switch to a club. While the D4 may not be the lowest diamond visible, East has many higher cards if wishing to suggest a heart shift. The club lead could gain an extra trick or two if East is void in clubs or has the CA singleton, although neither of these are likely scenarios.

If East has no interest in a switch to hearts or clubs East should play a middling card, such as the six or seven. That leaves it to West to decide on the best continuation.

# Greetings from Broome



from Pam Wadsworth

Pam Wadsworth here writing from Broome where we are continuing to enjoy the balmy climate, away from the wind and rain of Perth and places down south.

Attached is a photo taken at our weekly session of the Broome Bridge Club but unfortunately we were reduced to only six tables yesterday as some of our members have headed for home this last week - down from our usual eight tables.

Fortunately we have had three willing workers to be directors this year with Brian Elson from Mandurah starting the ball rolling for the first three weeks, followed by Ann Shalders and now being looked after by Irene Perry.

One couple from Albany were determined to have a few games in Broome, having read the article in the BAWA newsletter, but could not get any information wherever they enquired despite my putting a notice on the community announcements at the ABC and also pinning notices on the boards at various caravan parks. Ted and Adrienne were not to be beaten however so, after enquiring at the library, the information centre and trying to contact BAWA, they ended up ringing the WA Bridge Club where Peter Smith was able to give them the Mandurah Bridge Club's immediate past president, Ann Shalders', mobile phone number. Ann was here in Broome at the time and was able to give them my number



and so, after plenty of perseverance; they were able to join us for our Tuesday sessions for a couple of weeks! Their determination to play was rewarded and next year I must ensure that the library and the information centre here in Broome have all the necessary information.

Lotteries House continues to be our venue for our weekly sessions on Tuesday afternoons and we

are booked in there again for next year too. Last week we held our annual pizza evening before people started heading south and we all enjoyed a few drinks and pizzas after our session which is always a pleasant way to spend the evening.

Thanks Linda for your continued interest in our little club.

*(Picture courtesy of John Lees)*

# Swan River Open Swiss Pairs 2011



by Fiske Warren

96 pairs gathered at WABC over the weekend of 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> August for the annual Swan River Open Swiss Pairs. Once again Hilary Yovich and her amazing team of helpers put on an event in which it is an absolute joy to partake and of which Western Australia should be proud. Directors Matthew McManus and Bill Kemp ensured that it ran like clockwork.

Henry Christie was attempting a hat trick of wins, having won in the two previous years, first with Nigel Rosendorff and then with Peter Buchen. Henry and Peter were back this year and soon found their way to the their accustomed spot at the top table but suffered a 21-9 loss to Ros Trend and Alan Harrop who led the field at the end of the first day.

Nigel Dutton found an excellent defensive play in Round 5:

♠ 7632	♠ KT98	♠ J4
♥ K6	♥ Q43	♥ AJT92
♦ Q432	♦ AT98	♦ J65
♣ K83	♣ A7	♣ T96

♠ AQ5	♠	♠
♥ 875	♥	♥
♦ K	♦	♦
♣ QJ542	♣	♣

13	7
8	12

After an unrevealing auction of 1NT (12-14) from South and 3NT from North, Nigel (West) led a spade to the Jack and Ace. Declarer tried a club to the Ace and a club back to the Queen and Nigel's King. After a short pause for thought, Nigel switched unerringly to his ♥K and continued hearts to take the contract two down. A play which may look easy enough on paper but which requires bravery and imagination at the table.

After Round 7 (out of 10), Gerry Daly and Karol Miller had opened up a handy 8 point lead at the top and then faced John Ashworth and Fiske

Warren. A closely fought match included a slam for each side.

♠ AT	♠ KQ4
♥ 6	♥ AKJ3
♦ KJ965	♦ A2
♣ QJT95	♣ AK84

It is not often that you hold 24 points and hear partner open the bidding at the one level. After 1♦-1♥-2♣, Karol used 4NT Key Card Blackwood and, after the one ace reply, confidently bid 7NT. After a spade lead, he could see only 12 top tricks and regretted not being in the lay-down 7♣. Running his black suit winners, he had to decide whether to take finesse or to play for a squeeze. Reading the cards accurately, he finessed ♦J and was relieved to see it win. (♥Q was right too!). With half the field not bidding the grand slam, this earned him 7 IMPs.

♠ T	♠ AQJ542
♥ K98	♥ AJT54
♦ KT976	♦ -
♣ Q976	♣ AK

Keen to demonstrate their bidding prowess, John Ashworth opened the East hand with a game forcing 2♦ and Fiske responded with a 2♥ waiting bid (possibly negative). The bidding continued 2♠-3♦-3♥-3NT-4♥. Fiske now raised to 5♥ and John bid 6♥. After a club lead, with spades dividing 3-3 and North holding Queen doubleton heart, this made an easy overtrick. With only 9 pairs bidding slam, this was worth 12 IMPs. The match finished with John and Fiske registering a small 16-14 win.

Meanwhile Henry Christie and Peter Buchen had worked their way back to Table 1 and were next to face Gerry and Karol in Round 9. It was not to be, as Gerry and Karol brought home a few tight game contracts and ran off with a 23-7 win. Meanwhile John and Fiske were also winning well and going into the last round the leaders were:

Gerry Daly and Karol Miller	177
John Ashworth and Fiske Warren	173
Tony Stevens and Michael Berk	163
Richard and Sue Grenside	161

Tony and Michael was the surprise packet of the weekend and played exceptionally well to lose only one of their first 9 matches and be in contention throughout. Their form held well in the final round and they edged to a 16-14 win against Gerry and Karol. This despite an unfortunate bidding misunderstanding over the meaning of a 2♦ opening (Sorry, Michael ..... you must learn never to speak to reporters!).

So could John and Fiske win the event by achieving an 18-12 or better win against the

dangerous Grensides? Not even close! Richard and Sue, from a position of 40<sup>th</sup> overnight, continued their charge through the field with a handsome 23-7 win. This was enough to secure themselves a remarkable second place overall. But the clear winners were Gerry and Karol who thoroughly deserved their gold medal. Final places were:

Gerry Daly and Karol Miller	191
Richard and Sue Grenside	184
John Ashworth and Fiske Warren	180
Tony Stevens and Michael Berk	179

This is a really wonderful event, so let us try and get over 100 pairs next year!

## Congratulations!



**1st**

Gerry Daly (Convenor Hilary Yovich) and Gerry Daly



**2nd**

Richard Grenside and Sue Grenside



**3rd**

John Ashworth and Fiske Warren



**4th**

Michael Berk and Tony Stevens



To see more photos go to **Focus Online**  
on the BAWA website: <http://www.bawa.asn.au/>



## **BAWA SECRETARY/EXECUTIVE OFFICER POSITION**

After nearly 10 years John Beddow, who currently holds the position of Secretary/Executive Officer, has decided to step down. Consequently BAWA is seeking to fill this role.

The Executive Officer responsibilities are extensive and wide ranging, covering aspects such as fostering and promoting bridge in WA, convening ABF and BAWA events, as well as initiating and managing other projects approved by the BAWA Management Committee. The Secretary responsibilities are largely administrative, such as correspondence and minutes. These responsibilities generally take about 20 hours per week, but can be more when there are special projects to be managed.

A complete job statement and details of remuneration can be obtained from John Beddow.

Applicants are invited to send their CV, marked 'In Confidence' to the President, Nigel Dutton at:

P.O. Box 503 Nedlands 6909, or via email to: [nigeldutton@westnet.com.au](mailto:nigeldutton@westnet.com.au)

## **BAWA PROMOTIONS OFFICER POSITION**

After nearly 5 years as the BAWA Promotions Officer, Di Brooks has reluctantly had to step down as she has relocated to the Bunbury Area.

Consequently BAWA is seeking to fill this role.

The Promotion Officer responsibilities are, as implied by the title, 'To Promote and Foster Bridge in WA.'

The Promotions Officer is given wide latitude to achieve this role and the position attracts an Honorarium.

Applications for this position should be sent to the Management Committee at P.O. Box 503 Nedlands 6909, or by email: [bawaxo@q-net.net.au](mailto:bawaxo@q-net.net.au)



## **Congress**

**CIVIC CENTRE, TEMPLETONIA  
CRESCENT, CITY BEACH**

**SUNDAY 11 SEPTEMBER 10.00AM**

**DIRECTOR – BILL KEMP**

### **ENTRIES via WEBSITE**

[www.bawa.asn.au](http://www.bawa.asn.au) or  
<http://www.westcoast.bridge-club.org/>

Or post to: The Congress Convenor WCBC  
The Civic Centre  
Templetonia Crescent  
CITY BEACH WA 6015

### **PRIZES:**

<b>FINAL</b>		<b>PLATE</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup>	\$150 each	1 <sup>st</sup>	\$75 each
2 <sup>nd</sup>	\$75 each	2 <sup>nd</sup>	\$50 each
3 <sup>rd</sup>	\$50 each	3 <sup>rd</sup>	\$30 each

Prizes for Consolation Section according to numbers

<b>Arrive</b>	<b>9.30</b>
<b>Qualifying round (Plate)</b>	<b>10.00</b>
<b>Lunch (bring your own)</b>	<b>13.00 to 14.00</b>
<b>Final round</b>	<b>14.15</b>
<b>Refreshments</b>	<b>17.30</b>

**ENTRY FEE \$25 PER PLAYER**

**RED MASTER POINTS**

**ENTRIES CLOSE 8 SEPTEMBER 2011**

**Each player must have a system card**



# THE ROVING RHODES

## At the Swan River Swiss Pairs



by Maura Rhodes  
[rhodesfamily@westnet.com.au](mailto:rhodesfamily@westnet.com.au)

The Swan River Swiss Pairs is an event we really look forward to. It takes place at WABC which is a wonderful venue for such a huge competition. This year, 96 Pairs participated, some of whom had come from the Eastern States.

As always, there were highs and lows. Here is a hand which players who play a Strong 1NT opening will have benefited, whereas the contract will have been played by South with Acol players.

Brd 9	♠ 94		
Dlr N	♥ AQ53		
Vul EW	♦ AK94		
	♣ K52		
		N	
♠ 6		W	E
♥ J9864		S	
♦ J86			
♣ JT94			
	♠ 83		
	♥ KT2		
	♦ T7532		
	♣ AQ3		
	♠ AKQJT752		
	♥ 7		
	♦ Q		
	♣ 876		

16	
3	9
12	

The bidding at our table proceeded as follows:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
	<i>Maura</i>		<i>Rick</i>
Pass	1NT (1)	Pass	4H (2)
Pass	4S	Pass	4NT(3)
Pass	5H (4)	Pass	6S
All pass			

- (1) 15-17
- (2) Texas Transfer
- (3) RKCB
- (4) 2Keycards, no Q

You will notice that played by North, twelve tricks are always available whereas if South plays the contract, he is likely to lose the first three Club tricks on the normal lead of the Jack of Clubs, although in fact, two South's made the contract on a Heart lead. 20 Pairs played the slam

from the North hand, whereas 14 Pairs went off played by the South hand.

As always, the event was impeccably organised by Hilary Yovich and directed by Matthew Mc Manus whom Nigel referred to as "the best Bridge director in Australia" with assistance from Bill Kemp.

Gerry Daly and Karol Miller were convincing winners, with Sue and Richard Grenside making a very strong late run to finish second. Third were Fiske Warren and John Ashworth.

### Rename the PQP Selection Events Competition

The PQP Selection Events (Open and Women) previously known as the Summer Festival Selection and prior to that, the NOT/NWT, suffers from an image problem possibly brought about by its name. The name may discourage some players from entering because of the "selection" connotations.

Consequently, BAWA is offering free entry to the 2912 event for the winner of the completion to rename the PQP Selection.

Don't forget each event carries a total of \$1000 prize money.

Entries should be emailed to Nigel Dutton by 6.00pm 30 September 2011.

Note: The name should not include the word SWISS

**BAWA**



# Around the Clubs

by Linda Bedford-Brown



## Nedlands Bridge Club

from Ann Ashman

Congratulations to our July Sunday Congress winners.



**Michael Courtney**, (Vice President Ann Ashman) and **Jill Courtney**, with second place to Laurel Landers and Sei-Moi Loh and third to Ross Harper and Ursula Harper.



Winning the Plate **Maura Rhodes** and **Rick Rhodes** with second place to David Kininmonth and John Ewing and third to Linda Watson and Pat King.

The monthly Mentor nights, held at 7pm on the first Wednesday of each month are extremely popular and this is a wonderful opportunity to play with an experienced player.

Tuesday morning supervised session is a day that you can come along without a partner if you wish – we shall have one for you!

Ring the club for more details 93868166

For the connoisseurs the club has available at all times delicious Cumquat, Grapefruit, Lime and Orange preserves.

## Fremantle Bridge Club

from John Penman

Two red-point events have been held in the past month at Fremantle Bridge Club. July 30<sup>th</sup> event was won by **Richard Cooke and David George**, with Audrey Patterson and Doreen Sinclair-Seats second, and Laurel Lander and Se-Moi Loh third. Then on August 15<sup>th</sup> the Club held its episode of the Simultaneous Pairs that was won by **Janice Winsor and Cliff Collinson**, with John van Der Voorden and Mary Neil second and Christine Leather and Odelle Davidson third. Congratulations to these members.

Fremantle Bridge Club holds its regular sessions on Mondays, Fridays and Saturdays at 1.00 pm, on Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 12.30 pm and in the evening Thursdays at 7.30 pm. A partner is available on the Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday sessions.

## Mandurah Bridge Club

from Ian Jones

The club is running an Introduction to Bridge course, starting on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2011. The lessons will start at 09.30 and finish at 11.30 each Wednesday, and last for 8 weeks (finishing on 2<sup>nd</sup> November).

The course costs \$75 and includes:

- text and work books
- 6 months temporary membership of the Mandurah Bridge Club
- free admission to 2 supervised play sessions on Thursday afternoons
- free admission to one normal bridge session

The venue is:

Mandurah Bridge Club  
Bortolo Pavilion  
76 Bortolo Drive



Greenfields, Mandurah  
Telephone: 9583 5448

The Clubhouse is a 5 minute walk from Mandurah train station.

Club Director Ian Wake will run the course. Anyone wishing to learn bridge and join the course can contact Ian on 9534 3963 or via email: [iwake@bigpond.net.au](mailto:iwake@bigpond.net.au)

Mandurah Bridge Club will hold its **2012** Congress early in the New Year – **Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> January**. Full details to follow

## South Perth Bridge Club

from Darrell Williams

The **Club Mixed Pairs** was played over two Saturdays and attracted a field of 20 pairs.

The winners were **Joan Barnett** and **Jim Talley**. Wendy Kappelle and Graeme Cronin were second with Carol & Martin Cleeve third.



*1st Joan Barnett and Jim Talley*



*2nd Wendy Kappelle and Graeme Cronin*

The **Presidents Pairs** played after the AGM on 31 July was won by **Joan Barnett** and **John Bamfield**. Jessie Lim and Liz McNeil were second with Sue McDermott and Elizabeth McMillan third.



*1st Joan Barnett and John Bamfield*

The **City of South Perth Congress** was a wonderful success with many challenging bridge hands played over the two days under the smooth directorship of Bill Kemp.

On Saturday, **Carol Cleeve** and **Martin Cleeve** were the top qualifiers in the Open Pairs.

The Final was won by **Jill Courtney** and **Michael Courtney**. Laurel Landers and Se-Moi Loh were second with Maura Rhodes and John Nicolas third.

The Plate was won by **Rica King** and **David Burn**. Wendy Kappelle and Graeme Cronin were second with Steven Rogoysky and Hugh Probert third.



*Carol and Martin Cleeve*



*1st Plate Rica King and David Burn*

The Congress Teams Event play on Sunday was won by David Schokman Pauline Hammond, Cynthia Belonogoff and Jonathan Free.

Second were Elizabeth McNeil, Doreen Jones, Maura Rhodes and Rick Rhodes.



Third were John Beddow, Egmont Melton, Beata and Tad Bieganski.



*1<sup>st</sup> Pauline Hammond, David Schokman, Cynthia Belonogoff and Jonathan Free.*



*2<sup>nd</sup> Liz McNeil, Maura Rhodes, Doreen Jones, Councillor Peter Howat and Rick Rhodes*



*3<sup>rd</sup> John Beddow, Councillor Peter Howat, Egmont Melton, Beata and Tad Bieganski*



**Life member Pat Boys' 90th Birthday** was celebrated by Club members after play on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> August. A very pleasant surprise for Pat was the presence of her children and grandchildren including her daughter from Queensland. The Deputy Mayor of South Perth, Sue Doherty kindly attended and read out many letters of congratulations received from the Prime

Minister, the Leader of the Opposition and other local dignities. Pat is a staunch supporter of the Club. She has served as President and on the Committee for a number of terms. She is currently Bar Manager and a member of the dealing team.



*Pat with the wonderful birthday cake arranged by daughter Sara-Jane Laurenson*



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*Pat with long term friends Lilla Lawrance and Sue Lissiman*

## Undercroft Bridge Club

from Ann Hopfmueller

This is my first report for the "WA BRIDGE FOCUS" as the new President for our club. At the AGM in August a wonderful committee was elected and I look forward to working with them. They are:

**Vice President:** Connie Coltrona

**Treasurer:** Lorraine Rea

**Secretary:** Shiela Parker

**Ass Secretary:** Julia Corr

**Committee Members:** Jennifer Bandy, Pauline Coulter, David Cowell, Alan Tolley and Armanda Torre.

The "Ossie Trigwell Open Pairs" was run over three weeks recently. Congratulations to the winners **John Beyfus** and **Tony Martin!** Second place went to Christine Smitham and Gloria James, with Ken Smith and Winsome Norstrand coming third.

Our Congress is on October 1 and 2 and we are busy planning for this. For details please refer to the notice in this magazine. We look forward to seeing many of you there.

Saturday lessons, with Allan Doig and crew continue to thrive with 80 to 100 students attending each week. Keep up the great work "fostering bridge in WA"!

Fiske Warren's lessons, for more advanced players, have been enthusiastically received and will continue.

Of course Ron Klinger's visit on September 5 and 8 is eagerly anticipated!!! All welcome.

HAPPY BRIDGING

## Kalgoorlie Bridge Club

from Sue Lia

### Inaugural Life Membership

In June 2011 the Kalgoorlie Bridge Club was pleased and proud to present to Pam Moore the first ever Life Membership of the Club.



*Chris Shooter - President of Kalgoorlie Bridge Club during the presentation to Pam Moore watched by Carol Shotter and Fae Hughes.*

Joining the Kalgoorlie Bridge Club in 1996 Pam was the Secretary for 6 years and also Vice president, Acting Treasurer whilst Secretary and served on the committee until 2008.

For many years Pam co-ordinated the Kalgoorlie Congress', kept and recorded all master points, recorded and scored all games, set the yearly programmes for the club and with the help of her husband Ralph set the Pennants boards. Pam also acts in the position of Club Director

Since 2000, Pam has, and still is giving bridge lessons and has always shown outstanding leadership qualities working within all areas promoting the game of bridge.

Additionally Pam has won Club Championship Pairs in 2000 and 2001.

Individual Club Championship in 2005, 2008 and 2009.

Thanks to Pam's dedication, hard work and promotion of the game, the Kalgoorlie Bridge Club now enjoys strong and effective membership.



*Pam Moore with Fay Taylor who is the longest playing member of the Kalgoorlie Bridge Club.*

The membership was presented to Pam as a surprise at a social event organised by the club. Pam surely was surprised and emotionally overwhelmed that her efforts had been acknowledged with Life membership.

Pam received many cards and emails of congratulations from former members.

Cheryl Harding travelled from Perth and John Williams from Kellerberrin to make the occasion even more memorable.



# Results



## South Perth Congress

### SATURDAY

#### Qualifying

1 <sup>st</sup>	Carol Cleeve and Martin Cleeve
2 <sup>nd</sup>	John Nicholas and Maura Rhodes
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Jill Courtney and Michael Courtney

#### Final

1 <sup>st</sup>	Jill Courtney and Michael Courtney
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Laurel Lander and Se-Moi Loh
3 <sup>rd</sup>	John Nicholas and Maura Rhodes

#### Plate

1 <sup>st</sup>	David Burn and Rica King
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Wendy Kappelle and Graeme Cronin
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Steven Rogoysky and Hugh Probert

### SUNDAY TEAMS

1 <sup>st</sup>	David Schokman, Cynthia Belonogoff, Jonathan Free and Pauline Hammond
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Elizabeth McNeill, Doreen Jones, Rick Rhodes and Maura Rhodes
3 <sup>rd</sup>	John Beddow, Egmont Melton, Tad Bieganski and Beata Bieganski

## Swan River Swiss Pairs

1 <sup>st</sup>	Gerry Daly and Karol Miller
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Richard Grenside and Sue Grenside
3 <sup>rd</sup>	John Ashworth and Fiske Warren

## BAWA State Handicap Pairs

1 <sup>st</sup>	Eileen Reilly and Jean Wilson
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Penny Styles and Gillian Johnson
3 <sup>rd</sup>	John Hughes and Kristin Hughes

## Nedlands Sunday Congress

#### Qualifying

N/S	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Peter Gill and Christine Ross

2<sup>nd</sup> Linda Wild and Anthony Wild

3<sup>rd</sup> Lily Lim and Charlie Lim

E/W

1<sup>st</sup> Jan Blight and Pattie McNamara

2<sup>nd</sup> Michael Courtney and Jill Courtney

3<sup>rd</sup> Mal Clark and Tony Hoey

#### Final

1<sup>st</sup> Michael Courtney and Jill Courtney

2<sup>nd</sup> Laurel Lander and Se-Moi Loh

3<sup>rd</sup> Ross Harper and Ursula Harper

#### Plate

1<sup>st</sup> Rick Rhodes and Maura Rhodes

2<sup>nd</sup> David Kininmonth and John Ewing

3<sup>rd</sup> Pat King and Linda Watson

## BAWA Daytime Open Pairs

1<sup>st</sup> Christine Ross and Peter Gill

2<sup>nd</sup> Deb Frankel and Maurice Frankel

3<sup>rd</sup> Deidre Greenfeld and Denise Sharbanee



*Peter Gill and Christine Ross*



*Maurice Frankel and Deb Frankel*



## GNOT Metro Finals

1 <sup>st</sup>	Viv Wood, Gerry Daly, Shizue Futaesaku and Nick Cantatore
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Sue Pynt, Doreen Jones, Catherine Hood and Heather Williams
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Anton Pol, Karol Miller, Eddy Mandavy, Jan Kochmanski and Andrew Swider



1<sup>st</sup> Viv Wood, Gerry Daly, Shizue Futaesaku and Nick Cantatore



2<sup>nd</sup> Sue Pynt, Doreen Jones, Catherine Hood and Heather Williams



3<sup>rd</sup> Anton Pol, Karol Miller (Eddy Mandavy, Jan Kochmanski and Andrew Swider)

## GNOT Restricted

1 <sup>st</sup>	Michael Bausor, Renee Cooper, Tim Knowles and Rhys Cooper
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Aquino, Pynt, I.Hunt, C. Hunt, Edwards and Woodliff
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Scwegler, Rallier, Gammon and Keshavjee



Michael Bausor, Renee Cooper, Tim Knowles and Rhys Cooper

## 2011 PENNANTS ROUND SEVEN

ALBANY	62.70	53.90	53.70	49.70			<b>55.00</b>	
BRIDGETOWN	58.10	50.50	48.30				<b>52.30</b>	
BUNBURY	55.40	52.90	50.90	48.60			<b>51.95</b>	
BUSSELTON	63.50	55.60	54.00	50.00			<b>55.78</b>	
ESPERANCE	55.10	53.60	49.60	48.40			<b>51.68</b>	
GERALDTON	62.10	58.90	53.40	50.20	50.00		<b>54.92</b>	
KALAMUNDA	57.10	56.10	54.10	53.50			<b>55.20</b>	
KALGOORLIE	58.00	54.00	52.00				<b>54.67</b>	
MACCABI	50.00						<b>50.00</b>	
MELVILLE	69.00	58.60	53.50	52.60	52.30	48.80	<b>55.80</b>	2 VPs
NEDLANDS	60.30	54.70	50.50	48.70			<b>53.55</b>	
ROCKINGAM	57.70	53.70	53.70	54.50	52.50		<b>54.42</b>	
SOUTH PERTH	64.70	62.50	57.10	54.60	50.40		<b>57.86</b>	6 VPs
UNDERCROFT	61.50	59.70	59.20	56.30	55.60	49.40	<b>56.95</b>	4 VPs

## 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 **20<sup>th</sup>** of each month to be included in the following month's issue.

## TEAMS OF FOUR

### OPEN

Club	Played	Won	VPs
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#### RED TABLE POSITIONS

Taipans	6	5	125
Kalamunda	8	3	113
Malville	5	3	71
Maccabi	6	1	76
Undercroft Dom-In-Ators	3	0	31

#### GREEN TABLE POSITIONS

WABC	6	4	118
Nedlands	6	2	97
SPBC Cobras	6	1	77
JayBees	5	2	66
West Coast	4	1	47

### INTERMEDIATE

Club	Played	Won	VPs
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#### RED TABLE POSITIONS

South Perth Copperheads	10	6	170
WABC Red	9	5	148
Nedlands	9	5	146
West Coast	7	5	124
Undercroft Slammers	8	2	90
Maccabi	6	1	65

#### GREEN TABLE POSITIONS

WABC Greenbacks	8	5	133
Melville	8	4	123
Undercroft Aces	8	4	121
South Perth Bushmasters	7	3	109
Undercroft Jacks	7	1	70

### RESTRICTED

Club	Played	Won	VPs
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#### RED TABLE POSITIONS

WABC Reds	7	3	104
Undercroft 'Up n Comers'	7	2	108
South Perth 'Mulgas'	7	4	115
Nedlands	6	2	89
Kalamunda	3	2	44

#### GREEN TABLE POSITIONS

Undercroft Newbies	7	6	144
Melville	7	3	101
WABC Green	7	3	97
South Perth Gwardars	5	2	59
Swan Dists	4	1	45

## WAP Standings as at 14 Aug

Eligible players with a minimum of 6 WAPs will be invited to form a team to enter the WAP playoffs to select the 2012 State Open Team (see format for details).

Player	Total WAPs	Player	Total WAPs
Nigel Dutton	26	Leone Fuller	5
MF Merven	26	Jan Kochmanski	5
Gerry Daly	20	Michael Berk	4
Karol Miller	20	John Beddow	4
T Ranasinghe	18	P.Anderson	4
David Schokman	18	Di Brooks	4
Peter Rogers	17	Egmont Melton	4
Nick Cantatore	17	Tony Stevens	4
Michael Bausor	12	Jill Del Picollo	3
Jonathon Free	12	Annabel Booth	3
Kay Thompson	12	Lauren Shiels	3
Rita Leeming	12	Joan Touyz	3
Richard Grenside	12	Dennis Yovich	2
Sue Grenside	12	Hilary Yovich	2
Pauline Collett	10	Ros Trend	2
Joan Prince	10	Murray Webber	2
John Ashworth	8	Gill Dolling	2
Fiske Warren	8	Ann Bate	2
M Leybourne	7	Kate Boston	2
Alida Clark	7	Jean McLarty	2
Val Biltoft	7	Alan Harrop	2
Andrew Swider	6	Mark Dolling	2
Eddy Mandavy	6	Kathy Power	2
James Offer	6	Phillip Power	2
Monica Offer	6	Tony Menezes	2
Viv Wood	6	Bob Prince	1
Anton Pol	5	Morrie Herman	1

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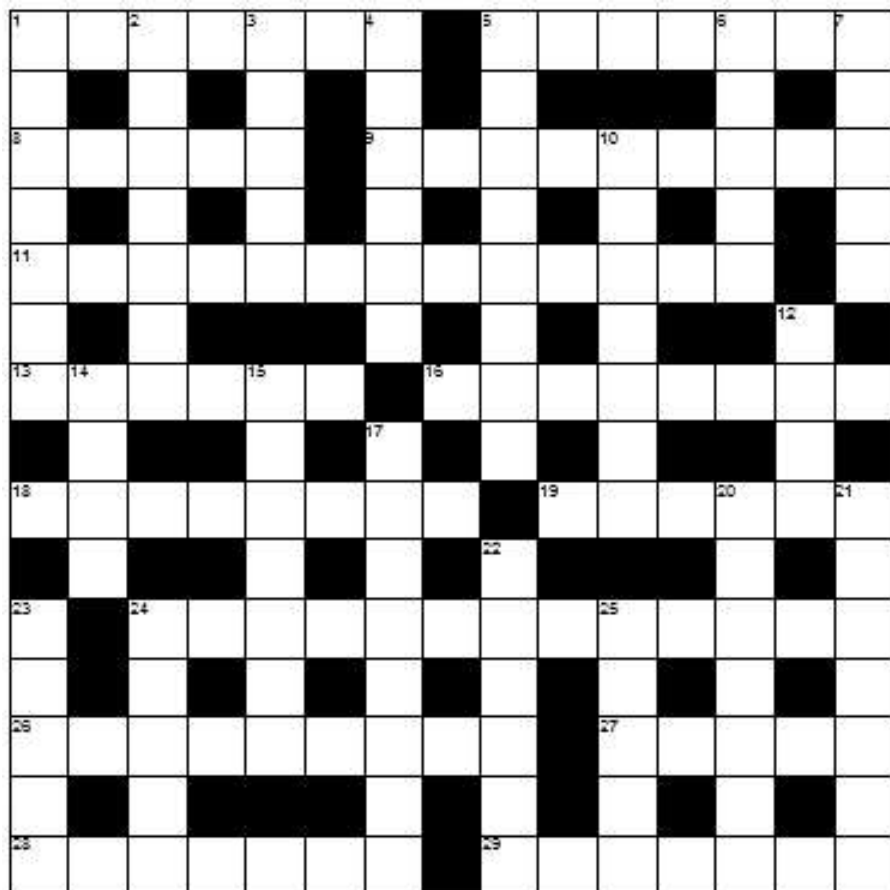
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**PUZZLE 1110**

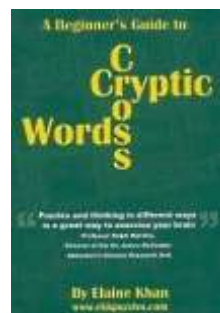


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communication.(5)

**DOWN**

- 1 Motor I would return to account for something relating to the heart.(7)
- 2 Note, bend with cloaks, gets away. (7)
- 3 Ray is from Middle Eastern country.(5)
- 4 Numbers of fingers?(6)
- 5 Sailor with narrow tube otherwise being one to snatch.(8)
- 6 Feudal superior is like a fib surrounding for example.(5)
- 7 Ancient Indian first and last model returns to church.(5)
- 10 Province in Western Canada dedicated to Queen Victoria's man with one.(7)
- 12 Top army guy with grand note, Morse for example.(4)
- 14 Mine entrance leads to it.(4)
- 15 Actor, Alec has no hair to come first.(7)
- 17 Argumentative with Latin artist joining empty rally.(8)
- 20 Student in brutal native may save.(7)
- 21 Soft leather intimidates family member.(7)
- 22 Affirm a model exam.(6)
- 23 Quiet, the French take final article for shopping mall.(5)
- 24 Presenter may donate to redhead.(5)
- 25 Half of them get sick for electronic



**ACROSS**

- 1 Local rep was at leisure before being folded.(7)
- 5 Two alien creatures with article make good food crop.(7)
- 8 Speed. Right! is a competitor.(5)
- 9 Deity with guardian makes one responsible for child's faith.(9)
- 11 Unable to use it, I am perhaps initially an auto club, returning it to electric wire.(13)
- 13 Yellow melon about state gets to bachelor.(6)
- 16 Handle bonk on return to do otherwise beforehand.(4, 4)
- 18 I would return pal- skinned to ban.(8)
- 19 3.26 light-years with exercise cars arranged badly.(6)
- 24 Crazy 'If thow get howl.' then just allow it to unfold.(2, 4, 3, 4)
- 26 A more favorable position at the edge?(9)
- 27 A graduate can kidnap starting by being surprised.(5)
- 28 A winning prize can reveal a wasting disease.(7)
- 29 Famous author has a lone kit misaligned.(7)

**Solution to Puzzle 1109**

**ACROSS:** (1)ASTONISH, (5)UPPING, (10)ELECT, (11)CALCULATE, (12)TABLEAU, (13)SEDUCER, (14)ADIT, (15)ABORIGINAL,(19)REGIMENTAL, (22)ABBA, (24)ABAXIAL, (26)CLAMANT, (28)INGENUOUS, (29)ANKLE, 30TROWEL, (31)ADJOINED;

**DOWN:** (1)ADEPT, (2)TREMBLING,( 3)NUTMEG, (4)SUCCUMB, (6)POUNDAGE, (7)ISAAC, (8)GUERRILLA, (9)CLOSER, (14)AERIALIST, (16)OFT, (17)NEBRASKAN, (18)AMBIANCE, (20)NELSON, (21)ACCUSED, (23)BAMAKO, (25)AGGRO, (27)TREAD

# Bunbury **30**th Birthday Celebrations

from Di Brooks

94 members attended the well catered for evening and speeches were given by Founding Members, Nils Anderssen and Peter Morgan.

The announcement of a new Life Member award to **Peter Morgan** was given by Murray Webber, with President Judy Clarke presenting the award. Peter was a foundation member and has worked tirelessly for the club. Congratulations to Peter and to all who made the evening so special.



Peter Morgan



BAWA South West Promotions Officer Di Brooks with James Offer, incoming President



Edith Piper (Centre) Life Member and foundation member with daughters, Patricia and Gillian



Fred Clarke and 2011 President Judy Clarke also table decorator extraordinaire


Enjoying the evening



*"Fostering Bridge in WA"*

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## Upcoming BAWA & Club Events - 2011

<b>Sep</b>	Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup> – Sun 4 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Bunbury Bridge Club Congress</b>
	Sat 10 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Great Southern GNRP Regional Final</b>
	Sun 11 <sup>th</sup>	<b>West Coast Bridge Club One day congress</b>
	Sat 17 <sup>th</sup> – Sun 18 <sup>th</sup>	<b>HGR Memorial Congress-see flyer</b>
	Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup> – Mon 26 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Kalgoorlie Congress-see flyer</b>
	Thu 29 <sup>th</sup>	<b>BAWA State Open Teams 1<sup>st</sup> of 8</b> Venue: South Perth Bridge Club 7.30pm
<b>Oct</b>	Sat 1 <sup>st</sup> – Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>Undercroft Weekend Congress</b>
	Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>BAWA State Mixed Pairs 1<sup>st</sup> of 6</b> Venue: Nedlands Bridge Club 7.30pm
	Sat 8 <sup>th</sup>	<b>BAWA Annual General Meeting 10.00am</b> Held at Nedlands Bridge Club
	Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> – Sun 16 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Nedlands Bridge Club Weekend Congress</b>
	Fri 21 <sup>st</sup> - Sun 23 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>Margaret River Congress</b>
<b>Nov</b>	Mon 14 <sup>th</sup>	<b>BAWA Xmas MP Swiss Pairs 1<sup>st</sup> of 4</b>
	Sat 12 <sup>th</sup> –Sun 13 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Weekend Seminar for Bridge Teachers</b>
	Fri 18 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Golden West Welcome Pairs</b> being held at Mandurah Bridge Club
	Sat 19 <sup>th</sup> –Sun 20 <sup>th</sup>	<b>BAWA Golden West Congress – see flyer</b>
	Fri 25 <sup>th</sup> Sun 27 <sup>th</sup>	<b>GNOT National Finals Tweed Heads</b>
<b>Dec</b>	Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup> –Sun 4 <sup>th</sup>	<b>WABC Xmas Congress</b>
	Thu 15 <sup>th</sup>	<b>BAWA Christmas Party and Awards night 6.30pm</b> Venue: Nedlands Bridge Club
<b>**NOTE**</b>	<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>	
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## 16th to 29th January 2012



We're turning **40!** Our 40<sup>th</sup> birthday should be one of the best Summer Festivals yet! We always listen to our players and there will be some changes in January 2012.

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