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#### **SOUTH AUSTRALIA VICTORIOUS**

#### **ANC OPEN TEAMS**



SOUTH AUSTRALIA Winners: David Parrott, George Smolanko, Arjuna de Livera, Nicholas Croft, Lauren Travis, Phil Markey

#### **ANC SENIORS TEAMS**



SOUTH AUSTRALIA Winners: David Cherry, Lori Smith, Russel Harms, Andrew Eddy, Kevin Lange, Zolly Nagy (PC)

#### **ANC WOMEN'S TEAMS**



SOUTH AUSTRALIA Winners: Alison Fallon, Therese Demarco, Ingrid Cooke, Felicity Smyth (PC), Anne Harris, Pam Morgan- King

#### **YOUTH TEAMS**



**VICTORIA** Winners: - Alex Goss, Matthew Sieredzinski, Taydon Gold, Leigh Gold (NPC), Simon Pui, Damon Flicker, Seb Wright

#### **ANC OPEN TEAMS**



**ACT** 

Runners Up: Bernard Waters, Malcolm Carter, David Appleton, Stephen Fischer (NPC), Sebastian Yuen, Christy Geromboux, Brad Coles

#### **ANC WOMEN'S TEAMS**



**VICTORIA** 

Runners Up: Laura Ginnan, Eva Samuel, Kim Frazer, Sue Read, Laurie Kelso (NPC), Penny Blankfield, Kitty Muntz

#### **ANC SENIORS TEAMS**



**NSW** 

Runners Up: Matthew Thomson (NPC), Nigel Rosendorff, Nazife Bashar, Kinga Moses, Peter Buchen, Avril Zets, Paul Lavings

#### **YOUTH TEAMS**



SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Runners Up: Bertie Morgan, Lincon Davey, Ann Davey, Jamie Simpson, Anton Foster Rohal, George Bartley

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#### **OPEN BUTLER**



1st Chris Depasquale - Michael Courtney

#### **MIXED BUTLER**



1st Jonathan Free - Mimi Packer

#### **OPEN BUTLER**



2<sup>nd</sup> Philip Markey - Lauren Travis



3rd James Coutts - Liam Milne

#### **MIXED BUTLER**



2<sup>nd</sup> Marianne Bookallil - Stephen Fischer



3<sup>rd</sup> George Kozakos - Elizabeth Havas

#### RESTRICTED BUTLER



1st Jackin Clare and Eamonn McCabe



3<sup>rd</sup> Robert Kirberger and Ian Clark



2<sup>nd</sup> Lilly Jia and Davis Zhang



**OPEN BUTLE STAGE ONE WINNERS:** 1<sup>st</sup> (N/S) Tom Lemann and Gerry Daly

 $1^{\text{st}}$  (E/W) Tony Nunn and Paul Dalley

#### **ANC Congress Results**

#### Best 3 of 4 - Overall winners



1st Angeline Christie and Jeanette Abrams 2nd James Wallis and Bill Nash



3rd Mark Goddard and Bob Prince Best Restricted Aruni Bandarage and Rohan Bandarage

# Best 3 of 4 - Part 1 (28) Sponsors - Wendy Driscoll/Charlie and Lily Lim



1st David Matthews and Don Allen 2nd Mark Goddard and Bob Prince 3rd James Wallis and Bill Nash









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#### Best 3 of 4 Part 2 (30)

1st Angeline Christie and Jeanette Abrams 2nd Rez Karim and Hasan Hazra 3rd Tuya Cooke and Christine Jenkins

#### Part 3 Best 3 of 4 (27) Sponsor - Heartwood



1st Dave Munro and Cassie Morin



2nd Kaiping Chen and Yvonne Wang 3rd Yulia Koh and M Steinbrecher

#### Best 3 of 4 Part 4 (33)



1st Alison Orr and D Crossan -Peacock 2nd Deb Frankel and Dadie Greenfeld 3rd Katrina Will and Jane Adams

# Volunteer Power - Stralow Butler Pairs (26)



1st Tracy Kuelka and Jane Henderson with ABF President Allison Stralow



2nd Jonathan Pynt and Terri Garbutt
3rd Sue Grenside and Richard Grenside



4th Meredith Goodlet and Marcey Spilsbury Best Restricted Derry Houston and Elizabeth Milne

# Penline & Paul Lavings Bridgegear Welcome Pairs (12)

1st Nazife Bashar and Kinga Moses



2nd Rohan Bandarage and Sam Zurub 3rd Ruth Tobin and Anita Curtis

#### Nedlands BC Congress Pairs (32) 1st Joscelyn Charters and Sandra Hoffman



2nd Geoff Holman and David Matthews 3rd James Wallis and Bill Nash

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#### WABC Monday Congress Pairs (39)



1st Veronica Ntoumenopoulos and Angie Somic

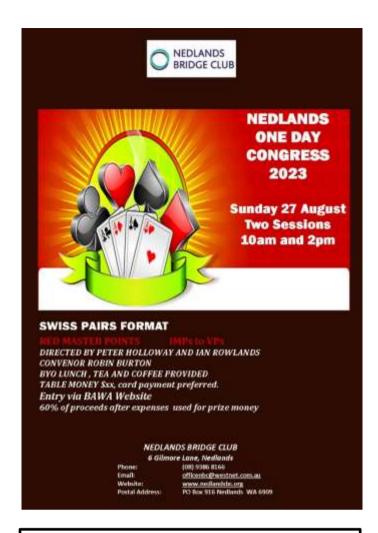


2nd Simon Hinge and Mimi Packer
3rd David Matthews and Geoff Holman
South Perth BC Congress Pairs (34)
st Bronwyn Macleod and Connie Schoutrop
2nd David Ting and Ming Ting
3rd John Finlay-Jones and Phil Jacobsen
WABC Thursday Congress Pairs Results
(52)

1st Mardi Grosvenor and John Grosvenor



2nd Dave Munro and Gwyneira Brahma also winners of TBIB Interstate Pairs 3rd Sylvia Bray and Ian Ferguson



#### **Maylands Bridge Club Inc.**

**One Day Novice Pairs Congress** 

RED POINT EVENT
Restricted to 150 Masterpoints as at 30
June 2023
FRIDAY 27 OCTOBER 2023

Seated by 9:20 for a 9:30am start
R A Cook Pavilion
55 Gummery St, Bedford

**Director: David Burn** 

**Convenor: Rosemary Cant** 

**BYO LUNCH** 

Tea and coffee provided

Table Money \$30.00

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Linley 0424 780 012



## Around the Clubs

By Linda Bedford-Brown

#### **Maylands Bridge Club**

From Ilana Mereyi

#### Jean Lilleyman Memorial Trophy

Congratulations to:



| 1st | Graeme Wright & Murray Gatti |
|-----|------------------------------|
| 2nd | Avril Pears & David Croft    |
| 3rd | Luba Klein & Louis Klein     |

#### Alan Baldock Memorial Trophy

Congratulations to:



| 1st | Linley Le Page & Richard Maker |
|-----|--------------------------------|
| 2nd | Joanna Ellison & Peter Bekink  |
| 3rd | Marilyn Maserow & Linda Miller |

#### West Coast Bridge Club

From Hilary Heptinstall

The results of our **Club Championship Pairs** competition were



| 1st | Ray Wood and Marleen Medhat          |
|-----|--------------------------------------|
| 2nd | Anton Pol and Wence Vahala           |
| 3rd | Maureen Phillips and Cathy Slaughter |

West Coast Congress

A reminder that this will be held on Sunday September 10 commencing at 10.00 am.

Entries open on May 1 via MyABF

https://www.myabf.com.au/

Payment may be made in cash on the day,

#### Mandurah Bridge Club

From Diana Schupp



Winners of the best three of four for June were Alan Rattenbury and Jan Ovens.

Mandurah Club members are becoming very well educated. During June, Nigel Dutton ran a series of four workshops which were very well attended. In early July David Beauchamp presented a workshop on "Good Hands, Bad Hands" at the Club to demonstrate how hand evaluation alters as the auction develops. This was also very well attended.

A number of Mandurah players entered into various events at the ANC Congress held in Perth and on checking results were acquitting themselves vary credibly.



Packer & Co Swiss Teams, ANC Congress winning team - from left Craig Hardman, Roz Trend, Sandra Hardie and Doug Hardman.

#### Joondalup Bridge Club

From Dirk Lapere

In March, the club successfully applied for a City of Joondalup Community Grant for the purchase of soft and ergonomic chairs to replace the plastic, outdoor chairs we have been using since 2014. The first ones have arrived and are now in use. Once all are received, we will be able to accommodate up to 20 tables. In a recent survey of members, 97% indicated the chairs are great deal more comfortable. The club thanks the City of Joondalup for their significant contribution to the realisation of this important project.

When our Tuesday and Thursday evening sessions started to average 14-15 tables each (with peaks of up to 19 tables) the committee decided to add a new evening session on Wednesdays. This new session is aimed specifically at beginners and leisure players, with 15 – 18 boards played in the 3 hours. Tuesday evenings now start 15 minutes earlier (6:45-10pm) and has become a full MP session with 24 boards played. Finally, the Beginners' session on Thursday is being mutated

to a Social session where we aim to play 20-22 boards. Members have embraced the changes with the Wednesday Evening session off to a solid start, with the Tuesday session growing further.

In June, the GNOT heats were held over 3 weeks with 10 teams. As usual, there were a few surprise upsets along the way, but by the time the last match started, the defending champions of Harry Crosby, Ed Roscoe, Trevor Burr and Ann Burr had taken a commanding lead. As luck would have it, their last match was against the only team that could still spoil their day. It was close! Team Ann Hopfmueller, David Cowell, Dirk Lapere and Claudine Lapere would strand on a mere 0.04 VPs from stopping the defending champions of extending their reign. Honourable mentions go to Team David Coulter and Pauline Coulter, Mike Lawes and Magda Lawes who orchestrated a strong comeback to finish 3rd. First-timers John Nel, Gideon Rossow, Noreen Byrne and Doreen McPherson finished an honourable 4th whilst Team David Wheaton, Carol Thomas, Jeanette St Ledger and Karen Hassan posted an equal-best 7-2 record to finish in 5th.

#### Kalamunda Bridge Club

From Di van Santen

As we approach our 50th Anniversary celebrations, we are reminded of our club's amazing journey, made possible by the generosity and commitment of our members over the years. There are 35 Bridge Clubs in Western Australia affiliated to BAWA and Kalamunda is one of a very few of these that has their own Clubhouse.

The advantages we enjoy are:

- 1. The freedom to schedule bridge sessions, congresses and functions on any day and at any time;
- 2. The opportunity to hold teaching sessions and beginners' lessons at any time and make changes when required.
- 3. To permanently have everything in place with all the right equipment at our fingertips;
- 4. To put up notice boards and organise and decorate our clubhouse as we wish;
- 5. To access the premises at any time as required by directors, committee members, catering committee, members assisting with maintenance

items to building and garden, card dealing, organizing trophies and updating boards, etc;

The provision of a fully equipped outside venue which is available at any time for barbeques, bridge session intervals and other functions.

Whilst taking pride in this unique position we must also recognise the responsibilities involved. Having our own premises requires upholding the building structure and associated fixtures and fittings to maintain the growth and culture of the club.

This facility is originally due to the foresight, hard work and diligence of the Club Members from the 1970s and early 1980s. Over the years members have contributed their time, expertise and their money to retain this legacy in the preservation and enhancement of the Clubhouse for the enjoyment and convenience of all members.

After 40 years of the club house construction and fitting out, we are now needing to replace the chairs in the Playing Hall and the Clubhouse itself is in desperate need of a new roof as continually fixing leaks is counter-productive. Both of these items are large capital outlays and any contributions to assist in this would be very much appreciated.

We're looking for the following:

- Copies of Bridging the Gap Newsletters from 2004 to 2018.
- Any 'historical paraphernalia' that we could display at our 50th celebration party.

Please advise if you have any of those newsletters or other objects of interest that you could lend to us for the day.

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#### **EDITING OF MATERIAL**

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#### KALAMUNDA OPEN PAIRS

Much competitive fun was had by all on our home ground. 18 pairs played on the two days.

Winners:



Tom Lemann and Kit Lemann

Runners up:



Gordon Brown and Sheila Pryce

#### KALAMUNDA RESTRICTED CONGRESS

27 May 2023

This second congress was to encourage all players with less than 300 masterpoints to gain experience playing in a Red Point event with some chance of doing reasonably well.

In case you're wondering, if you do not know how many masterpoints you have then it's mostly likely that you have less than 300!

20 pairs played on the day.

Winners



1st Sandra Hardie and Gudrun Kemmer



2nd Sue Mauger and Geoff Mauger

#### West Australian Bridge Club

From Penni Fletcher Hughes

The big news of the month is of course the 84th Australian Bridge Federation National Championships that was held in Perth from 8th to 20th July.

The Interstate teams saw a number of our club members representing Western Australia. In the Open Team: Pim Birss, Deana Wilson and Martin Doran (NPC). In the Womens Team: Gwyneira Brahma, Stella Steer and Kate Smith (NPC). In the Seniors: John Beddow and Geoff Yeo. Well done to all.

The Open Team were running third for most of the tournament and had a chance to make the final going into the last match but it was not to be as a big loss to the ACT saw the ACT leapfrogging both WA and VIC to sneak into second place. South Australia had a remarkably successful tournament winning the Open, Women's and Seniors events, as well as being runners up in the Youth.



**Interstate Teams Match** 

There were lots of Congress side events including two sponsored by WABC. Pairs with at least one WABC player who did well included the following: The Monday WABC Pairs was won by Veronica Ntoumenopoulos and Angie Somic. In the Thursday WABC Pairs Sylvia Bray and Ian Ferguson were third. Joscelyn Charters and Sandra Hoffman won the Nedlands Pairs. In the Best 3 of 4 Pairs, Don Allen and David Matthews; Angeline Christie and Jeanette Abrams; Dave Munro and Cassie Morin; and Jan Blight and Wendy Driscoll all won a session. In the South Perth Pairs, John Finlay-Jones and Phil Jacobsen came third. The Mandurah Pairs was won by John Beddow and Egmont Melton. The Joondalup Pairs was won by Ping Robson and Mei Zhao.



Ziggy Morewiec and Phil Jacobsen playing Arianna Yusof and Rez Karim



Geoff Holman (playing with David Matthews) wondering what Prue Hart and John Finlay-Jones are up to.

On Saturday, the two session Volunteer Power Stralow Swiss was won by Jane Henderson and Tracey Kudelka.



Well done to everyone who played at the ANC; lots of club members made the trek into the city to play in the Congress Events and we look forward to seeing you all back at WABC.

Back at WABC, Jan Malcolm and Maurice Ford won the Novice Pairs Championship from Shirley Lavarack and Liz Jacoby, and Veronica Ntoumenopoulos and Robin Challenor.



Jan Malcolm and Maurice Ford

Winter continues to be a busy time at the Club and Red Point Week is fast approaching. From Manic Monday (24-July) through to When Saturday Comes (29-July) every session, every day is Red Points including the monthly Swiss Pairs session. An excellent excuse to be at the club.









#### October Deadline

September 20<sup>th</sup> is the deadline for inclusion in the October Focus.



# West Coast Bridge Club 2023 CONGRESS

CIVIC CENTRE,
33 TEMPLETONIA CRESCENT, CITY
BEACH

SUNDAY 10th SEPTEMBER 10.00 A.M.
DIRECTOR – NEVILLE WALKER

ENTRIES via My ABF
(https://www.myabf.com.au/)

ENTRY FEE \$45 PER PLAYER

RED MASTER POINTS
Entries open 1st May 2023 on My ABF
Entries close 3rd SEPTEMBER 2023

Movement type and scoring

Morning session: Qualifying, match point pairs

Afternoon session: Finals, match point pairs

Convenor – Sue Vincent (0497 085 277)

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#### **BAWA Meritorious Service Award**

This award honours members who have devoted a considerable amount of time and expertise in promoting, fostering and supporting Bridge in WA.

This year, two members are added to the Honour Roll Nigel Dutton and Linda Bedford-Brown.

Hans G Rosendorff Michael Hopper Gwen D Johnson Derek Pocock Hilary Yovich John Beddow

# Thanks Speech ANC 2023

From Robina McConnell - Tournament Organizer

When I was much younger BAWA was approached by the ABF (Allison Stralow) to hold the APBF Championship event in Perth in 2020. We readily agreed – we're team players and we in fact went off in 2019 to Wuhan to check out the World Teams event and get a feel for what we had in store. That was ominous as we all know what happened and the subsequent fallout to the world and to ultimately our great game.

What to do when we returned to semi normal in 2021? We collectively agreed we'll use the knowledge gained and hold the ANC 2021 in Perth – we have the venue, we have the processes in place and the PCEC has a watertight contract worth thousands of dollars.

And we all know what happened.

Ok we'll hold the ANC later in the year when Covid abates – we all know what happened again.

So finally in 2023 it happened – the ANC came to Western Australia.

The team that gave you ANC 2023 went above and beyond – can you imagine the logistics involved in getting gear here on not one but two occasions – to Derek and Bob Prince and Daisy Pool Covers your efforts were magnificent – from three states and local suppliers you landed the gear here, there was more than one miserable wet morning Bob and I met in car parks tying down tables, white boards etc and we said how much we were enjoying the experience and we'd love to do it again.

Bob and Derek Prince, and Mark Goddard thank you very much.

Events such as this need sponsors – the generosity of ours is noted. The Greenfeld family for the Butler, Packer and Co the Sunday Teams and the Stralow Family for Volunteer Day.

TBIB, Matchpoint Interstate Pairs, Steve Weil continues to support bridge.

Paul Lavings Bridge Gear so appreciated Paul. What a generous man with a ready supply of vouchers for our events.

Heartwood – Deana - thank you and your family, Brahma Wealth – Gwyniera greatly appreciated your support. To our local stars in Lily and Charlie Lim, Wendy Driscoll, Chris Ingham your support is noted and many thanks.

To our local clubs, WABC, Mandurah, Nedlands, City of Melville, Joondalup and Undercroft many thanks for supporting this event your generosity allowed us to hold Congress Events every day to which our local players came and enjoyed the bridge.

To the directing Staff of Matt, Neville, Brian and Ian – big effort in sometimes difficult circumstances, you all maintained a composed demeanour and delivered well.

To Allison our secretary and general sounding board – I thank you for your wisdom and your readiness to jump in and help. As to my good friend Sheenagh Young who came in to help out board dealing – some 8000+ were needed for the event, and she and Eugene Wichems delivered.

Lynne Milne and Cassie Morin formed a hospitality committee and did a great job.

James Reynolds has been fantastic, not only with the caddying but also teaching an old dog new tricks with publisher! Thanks James.

To my mate Eugene – he's been a rock throughout – his favourite line has been "yes dear' and just got on with it.

To the Floor and Entries Manager Jane Reynolds - it has been a long journey but we persevered, we got there. What a great team effort. Many thanks Jane for the work you have done to make this a success over the years.

To those who braved the PCEC and showed up to play bridge and meet the best in the country my appreciation I hope you enjoyed the experience, see you at the next one in Orange NSW. ●







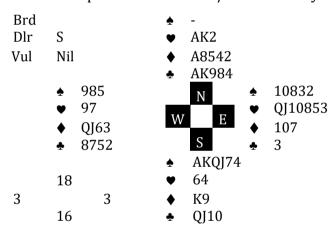




## **Grand Slam**

By David Schokman

I often weep for our slam biding capabilities in Western Australia, when the partnerships are given a combined holding of 34 points, and all the aces and kings only to find that one pair bid the grand – 7C - which could have been a bottom in good match point competition. Now when Kimberley Zhao and Alan Cransberg read this they will say, "Why are you being so critical David, as we are the only pair that reached 7C"? The fact we were not playing match points, so at most they would have lost a few imps if the room had reached 7S or 7NT. But 7S and 7NT need you to have the knave of spades so speak to your favourite expert to see what he/she has to say.



There is no problem with the opening bid as everyone would open the bidding with 1S. 2D by my partner. Being of the old school I bid 3S, showing a very sound six card suit and almost certainly about 15-16 points. 3NT by my partner. 4S by me, and there, very surprisingly, the bidding ended.

If you think that I hit the roof when I saw dummy you would be right, but at that moment I did not realize that I was part of a very silly bidding group!

The hand was the subject of much discussion at the Ranjit Gauba Swiss pairs at the Nedlands club and no one could come up with a rational sequence as to why the Grand Slam was missed. So, I decided to ask some of my more expert bridge friends about the bidding and they were of the same opinion. No Grand slam.

Fiske Warren was concerned that in a relatively strong field that only 50 pc of the pairs were able to even reach the level of six but was not able to offer me a sequence to reach the Grand Slam with confidence. Ron Klinger was the same. He suggested a very simple sequence of 1S – 2D: 3S: 6NT and the 1S -2D: 3S -4C -4S - 6NT.

Unfortunately, I have caught a tiger by the tail and cannot let go but have decided to put my neck on the line by not agreeing with such erudite gentlemen whose bridge knowledge is so vastly greater than my kindy stuff.

I would have suggested 1S -2D: 3S -4C: Now I am interested. As we have passed the stage to use 4C as MSKC, I would bid 4NT, asking for keycards in the last bid suit. Would you all agree or not? Once I hear that partner has four keycards, with clubs as trumps, my queen, knave and ten of clubs become gold. Then over 5NT my partner tells me that he/she has the king of hearts too, and as I know about the knave of spades will bid 7NT with a great degree of confidence and certainty. Do I have any of you in my corner?

The results painted a dismal picture. One pair in 7C. 13 in 6NT. Two in 6C and one even in 6D. One pair in 6S; seven in 4S and seven in 3NT.

So how did the pair of the moment, Kimberley and Alan bid to 7C? Playing Precision it was quite easy. 1C by Alan. 2D by Kimberley, showing at least five diamonds ad 12+ points. 2S- 3C: 3S by Alan. 4NT (MSKC) – 5S showing two key cards and the queen of spades. 5NT – Alan now showed one king. With all the aces and kings, and with a combined holding of at least 34 points, Kimberley bid 7C, which said "Choose the Grand slam that you want to play in". Bidding 7C was easy. If the cub queen happened to be the queen of hearts, he would probably have bid 7NT. This was their moment of glory on the day, and their unfortunate opponents were Marie France Merven and Nigel Dutton. ●

# Bayswater Bridge.. Club



The Bayswater Bridge may be gone but we are holding our

# Restricted Congress

(0-300mps as at July 1, 2023)

on

# Saturday, September 2

Morning Session, Qualifying Afternoon Session, Final and Plate

Director: David Burn, 0409661010

Convenor: Pat Allen, 0408140754

Table money \$35

BYO Lunch. Morning and afternoon tea provided.

Entry via BAWA Website www.bawa.asn.au

Located at Bayswater Tennis Club, 80 Murray Street, Bayswater. (entry off Garratt Rd)

# Showing Partner the Way



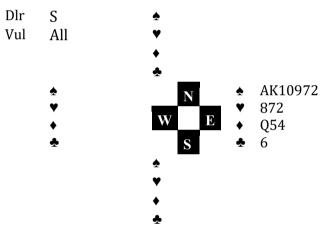
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| WEST      | NORTH | EAST | SOUTH   |
|-----------|-------|------|---------|
|           |       |      | 1NT (1) |
| Pass      | 3NT   | ?    |         |
| (1) 11-14 | 4     |      |         |

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What would you do as East with:



#### Solution on page 17

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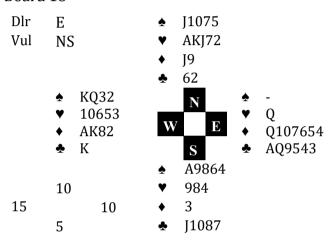


### **Shape vs Points**

By Di Brooks

Since the advent of computer dealt hands, there are more mis-shaped hands given the wild suit breaks. Take this board, (please) from the Joan Prince Memorial Swiss pairs event, round 4.

#### Board 18



Whatever the system in play, East should open this hand. It definitely comes under the Rule of 20. (Count the high card points plus the two longest suits added together. 10 H.C.P. + (6 cards in both minors) 12 = 22.

If you count your losers, you have 5.5 losers for a 10 count, proving that Shape distorts.

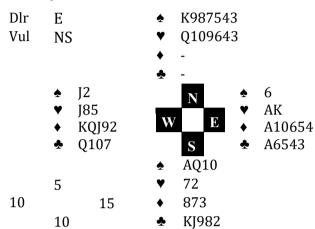
The opponents ended up in the contract of 4D, making 12 tricks. Somewhere there had been a glitch in the bidding, so the small slam hadn't been reached. The datum for the board was 410 so others must have stopped in game or didn't look for slam.

Another such hand came up in the Monday session in Rockingham.

# SATURDAY BRIDGE West Australian Newspaper

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!

Would you believe Board 18!



East opened with 1D, South 2C, West 3D, North 3S, East 5D, South \*\*/ All Pass.

South hesitated quite a while before passing. Ethically, as North, I couldn't bid. This hesitation denied us a contract of 5S. Now some players who focus on points would be horrified by North's actions, but please note the losers in North's hand .... A five-loser hand which has 5 points.

Again, Shape is everything.

Next time you get the Hand record of the session, take a look at the distribution within the boards.

During Session 4, J.P Memorial event, 7 out of the 12 boards had singletons. Most were semibalanced. Take note of this for future sessions. If there is a hand with a singleton, then distribution will be compensatory.

Happy bridging <sup>⊙</sup>

#### Seen at the ANC



#### **Showing Partner the Way**

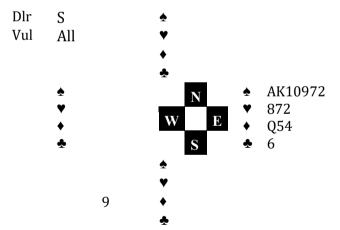
By Ron Klinger

#### SOLUTION

When the opponents have bid to 3NT and the defender not on lead doubles, that is usually intended as a lead-directing double. Each partnership will have their own rules as to the priority of leads requested by the double. The most popular agreements in order of priority are:

- (a) If the defenders have bid one suit only, lead that suit.
- (b) If each defender has bid a different suit, the double asks for the suit of the defender on lead.
- (c) If neither defender has bid a suit, the double asks for the first suit bid by dummy. Some pairs make this the top priority even when the defenders have bid one suit or two. This is the type of situation that calls for this double:

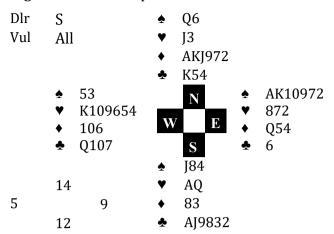
| WEST        | NORTH | EAST     | SOUTH   |
|-------------|-------|----------|---------|
|             |       |          | 1NT (1) |
| Pass        | 3NT   | All Pass |         |
| East holds: |       |          |         |



East should double to ask for a spade lead. Even with no more than A-K-Q-10-2 in dummy's suit it would be reasonable to double.

(d) If no suit has been bid, the double asks for a spade lead. Some play that it asks for partner's shorter major. My preference is to have the double ask for a spade lead, with say A-K-Q-J-x-x in spades. The 'shorter-major' approach can work and expands the use of the double, but what if partner has two cards in each major or three in each?

Sometimes you might want to point partner in the right direction, even though the double does not guarantee a successful outcome. This arose in Stage 1 of a Butler Open Trials:



South opened 1NT (11-14) and North raised to 3NT, passed out. West made the normal lead of the H10. South won and gave up a diamond trick. He had five diamonds, two hearts and two clubs. When East cashed the SA, SK, hoping for three spades with West, declarer had ten tricks and +11 Imps. Open datum: N-S 40.

I was East and missed my chance. I should have doubled 3NT to ask for a spade lead. Why is that the right action even though the spades are not solid? Because at other tables South would open 1C, North 1D and East can introduce the spades. Now West knows what to lead against 3NT.

If East doubles 1NT and North-South run to 4C or 4D, that can be defeated. If they stay in 3NT doubled, West leads the S5: six - nine - jack. In theory East can take the SK and switch to a heart to take 3NT four off, but in practice, East will insert the S9 at trick 1 and that will take 3NT two down.

No one pays any attention to your bidding or play until you make a mistake.

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# BAWA 2023 COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS at BRIDGETOWN

#### **Red Point Event**

September 9 & 10

Saturday - 9:30 am Matchpoint Pairs, Qualifying & Final. Sunday - 9:00 am Swiss Teams

VENUE: Bridgetown Gardens Function Centre

Robinia Way, Kangaroo Gully, Bridgetown

ENTRIES - Myabf

COST - \$50 per person per day

#### NOTE: LUNCH NOT PROVIDED (PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN)

(Morning and afternoon teas provided both days.)

DIRECTOR: BRIAN WADE - Ph: 0427133747. hwade@bigpond.com

CONVENOR: Josephine Dundas - Ph: 0411477194. (Phone available after 24/08/23)

josephinedundas607@gmail.com

#### **ELIGIBILTY CRITERIA TO BE A COUNTRY PLAYER:**

All members of the following 12 clubs who declare they are permanent residents of the said region are eligible: Albany, Avon Valley, Bridgetown, Bunbury, Busselton, Denmark, Esperance, Geraldton, Kalgoorlie, Kendenup, Kojonup, Mandurah. The Metropolitan Area is defined as: the area bounded by Rockingham to the south, Mundaring to the East, and Yanchep to the North, or as determined from time to time by Council.

By entering the event entrants are affirming their eligibility to play as a Country player.



## Results

#### TEAMS OF 4 - August 2023

From John Beddow

#### OPEN

|              | PLAYED | WON | VPs   |
|--------------|--------|-----|-------|
| SPBC         | 3      | 2   | 32.15 |
| WABC-B       | 3      | -   | 24.63 |
| NEDLANDS     | 2      | 2   | 23.83 |
| UNDERCROFT-A | 1      | 1   | 17.82 |
| WABC-A       | 1      | 1   | 11.77 |
| MELVILLE     | 1      | -   | 7.62  |
| UNDERCROFT-B | 1      | -   | 2.18  |

#### INTERMEDIATE

|              | PLAYED | WON | VPs   |
|--------------|--------|-----|-------|
| WABC         | 6      | 3   | 49.96 |
| NEDLANDS     | 4      | 2   | 49.08 |
| UNDERCROFT   | 4      | 2   | 44.48 |
| WEST COAST B | 4      | 2   | 39.87 |
| WEST COAST A | 5      | 1   | 33.46 |
| MELVILLE     | 3      | 2   | 32.89 |
| SPBC         | 2      | 2   | 30.26 |

#### NOVICE

|              | PLAYED | WON | VPs   |
|--------------|--------|-----|-------|
| WABC         | 7      | 5   | 95.64 |
| JOONDALUP B  | 4      | 4   | 60.36 |
| UNDERCROFT A | 6      | 2   | 60.11 |
| JOONDALUP A  | 5      | 2   | 54.26 |
| MELVILLE B   | 5      | 2   | 47.85 |
| SPBC         | 4      | 3   | 42.71 |
| MELVILLE A   | 6      | 2   | 36.11 |
| WEST COAST   | 4      | -   | 22.26 |
| UNDERCROFT B | 3      | 1   | 20.70 |

#### BAWA Evening Online Pairs

| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Cynthia Belonogoff and Kimberley Zhao |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------|
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Jonathan Free and Mimi Packer         |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Pim Birss and Deana Wilson            |

#### **BAWA Open Pairs**

| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Terry Collins and Louise Collins |
|-----------------|----------------------------------|
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Tom Lemann and Gerry Daly        |
| 3rd             | David Schokman and Dave Munro    |









#### 70% Results (Random search)

#### **Albany**

72.6 Anne-Marie Horwitz and Pam Goodman

#### **Bayswater**

72.0 Rob Breen and Laura Breen

#### **Bunbury**

75.7 Colin Saunders and Jonathan Silverberg

#### **Denmark**

70.0 Kay Thompson and Ken Else

#### **Fremantle**

71.8 Janet Signer and Alexis Keynes

#### **Joondalup**

85.0 Alan Tollev and Christine Smitham 73.5 Cameron Buzzard and Rita Buzzard

#### Kalamunda

74.0 Tom Lemann and Kit Lemann 70.0 Joseph Gaudet and Stephen Thyer

#### Kalgoorlie

72.9 Barry Aslett and Val Norman 70.8 Irina Cuomo and Mary Williams

#### Mandurah

76.0 Ann Kelley and Colleen Webb 74.8 Criag Hardman and Doug Hardman 71.0 Roz Trend and Patricia Anderson 70.9 Kimberely Zhao and Alan Cransberg 70.0 Alan Cransberg and Kimberley Zhao

#### Melville

73.7 Helen Arendts and Abe Rosenstrich 70.8 Merwyn Menezes and Bill Symons

#### **Northern Districts**

70.6 Eddie Pozarowszcyk and Carol Thomas

#### **Rockingham**

75.0 David Clark and Kerrie Kingston 72.9 Alan Cransberg and Kimberley Zhao 71.0 Janice Hawker and Rita Hood

#### **South Perth**

70.0 Pat Allen and Merwyn Menezes 70.0 Ron D'Souza and David Gallagher

#### West Coast

71.5 Marleen Medhat and Ray Wood 70.8 Betty Pervan and Betty Anderson Willetton

72.0 Ameer Ali and Leon Ref



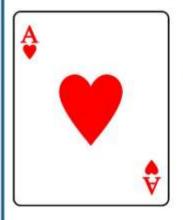
## **Red Point Event**

# **Spring Swiss Pairs**

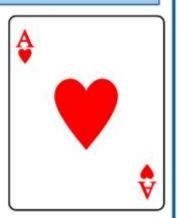
# Weds 30 August, 6, 13 September

Start: 7.15 pm - Entry Fee: \$40 per player

Western Australian Bridge Club
7 Odern Crescent, Swanbourne







ALL players of ALL standards are welcome

**Enter via MyABF** 

https://www.myabf.com.au/events/

If you are keen to improve your standard of play then playing in BAWA events is a must.

#### Director:

David Burn

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#### Organiser:

BAWA Tournament Committee
L.Milne@curtin.edu.au

| Diarize  | Now                         |   |  |  |  |
|----------|-----------------------------|---|--|--|--|
|          | Upcoming BAWA & Club Events |   |  |  |  |
|          | Aug                         | Sat 12 <sup>th</sup> -Sun 13 <sup>th</sup>            | GNOT Metro Final   |  |  |
|          |                             | Fri 18 <sup>th</sup> – Sun 19 <sup>th</sup>           | Mandurah Winter Congress   |  |  |
|          |                             | Sat 26 <sup>th</sup>                                  | GNOT Provincial/Restricted Final   |  |  |
|          |                             | Sun 27 <sup>th</sup>                                  | Nedlands Congress  |  |  |
|          |                             | Wed 30 <sup>th</sup>                                  | BAWA Spring Pairs 1/3 WABC pm  |  |  |
|          | Sep                         | Sat 2nd   | Bayswater Restricted Swiss Pairs (<300)                                      |  |  |
|          |                             | Sat 9th - 10th  | WA Country Championships   |  |  |
|          |                             | Sun 10th  | West Coast Congress  |  |  |
|          |                             | Wed 13th  | South Perth Pharmacy 777 Open Pairs  |  |  |
|          |                             | Sat 16th - Sun 17th                                   | HGR Memorial Congress  |  |  |
|          |                             | Fri 22nd – Sun 24th                                   | Kalgoorlie Congress  |  |  |
|          | Oct                         | Sun 1st   | Rosendorff Women's Swiss Pairs   |  |  |
|          |                             | Wed 4th   | BAWA Daytime Open Teams 10.30am (1 of 3)                                     |  |  |
|          |                             | Fri 6- Sun 8th  | Nedlands Congress  |  |  |
|          |                             | Fri 13th – Sun 15th                                   | Denmark Congress   |  |  |
|          |                             | Sat 21st – Sun 22nd                                   | Undercroft Congress  |  |  |
|          |                             | Friday 27th   | Maylands Novice Congress   |  |  |
|          |                             | Sun 29th  | Super Vets Congress  |  |  |
|          | Nov                         | Wed 1st   | WABC Open Red Point 1 of 2   |  |  |
|          |                             | Sun 5 <sup>th</sup>                                   | BAWA Grandmaster Restricted Pairs  |  |  |
|          |                             | Fri 10 <sup>th</sup>                                  | Mandurah Bridge Club Golden West Welcome Pairs                               |  |  |
|          |                             | Sat 11 <sup>th</sup> – Sun 12 <sup>th</sup>           | Golden West  |  |  |
|          |                             | Sun 19 <sup>th</sup>                                  | Undercroft Open Swiss Pairs  |  |  |
|          |                             | Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> – Sun 26 <sup>th</sup>           | WABC Christmas Congress  |  |  |
|          |                             | 1   | ,  |  |  |
| **NOTE** |                             | venues are subject to che of entry for the event on t | nange: substitutes must be confirmed by the director: read the BAWA website. |  |  |

#### **KALGOORLIE BRIDGE CLUB CONGRESS 2023**

**Director: David Burn** 

22, 23 and 24 September 2023(long weekend)

At the Railway Motel Kalgoorlie (ph - 90880000)

Recommended Accommodation - Railway Motel - mention Bridge Congress for a great deal

Fri 22 September - 5.30pm Registration

Finger food and Bar open during registration time.

7pm – Welcome Pairs - \$20pp

Saturday 23 September - 9.30am Open Pairs \$40pp— Qualifying Round

1pm approx. **Open Pairs** – Final, Plate and Consolation

Sunday 24 September - 9.30am Teams Competition - \$40pp

1pm approx. **Teams Competition** 

Followed by Presentations, Finger Food and Farewells – Bar Open

Red Points - \$\$\$\$\$ and prizes

Free tea, coffee and water available throughout Congress

Convener – Sue Lia 0418215308 or for any enquiries ph Mary 0400681608



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# **GOLDEN WEST 2023**

Gold Point Event Swiss Pairs

Saturday 11 November 10am and 1.45pm

Sunday 12 November 9.30am and 1.15pm

#### Entry Fee \$90 per player

No play Saturday Night Prize Giving at approximately 5.00pm Sunday Venue: Mandurah Bridge Club Corner Murdoch & Bortolo Drives, Mandurah



#### Generous Cash Prizes 🎳



Friday Afternoon 11th November Welcome Pairs Red Point Event

1.00pm

Run by Mandurah Bridge Club

Tournament Organiser: Allison Stralow (0403153823)

Allison Stralow@yahoo.com

Tournament Unit: Neville Walker, Brian Wade Contact Allison or Neville 0418944077

- Entries: https://myabf.com.au/events/ No cash payments accepted, contact the Tournament Organiser for assistance if necessary.
- Players and officials are asked not to attend the event if they are not well, or if they are supposed to be isolating or quarantining. If you come to play but are not well, you will be asked to leave the

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