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President's Report

The ABF has tightened the eligibility conditions for players entering restricted events. The new policy states:

1. If a player wins a Gold Point Restricted event, they cannot subsequently enter the same event with the same masterpoint restriction again; and
2. If a player wins any two Gold Point Restricted events then they are no longer eligible to enter any such event with the same masterpoint restriction.

This change will apply to any ABF and ABF licensed event held from October 1, 2018.

BAWA intends to modify its regulations regarding restricted events to mirror the intent of the ABF changes. BAWA also reserves the right to promote experienced players, who may have newly arrived in Australia, to the level necessary to preclude eligibility to restricted events. This is in line with ABF policy. Such decisions will be made by the BAWA State Masterpoints Secretary in consultation with the Tournament Committee. All changes for WA will apply from January 1 2019.

It has come to my attention that occasionally players are not receiving confirmation emails when entering events on the BAWA site. After many frustrating phone calls I have discovered that our ISP and email service provider limits the number of emails that can be sent every hour. Congresses that fill within hours are the most problematic as every entry generates three emails. I have made enquiries regarding changing our ISP however, it seems they all have similar restrictions. It's all about restricting unsolicited spam. It's a work in progress. So, if your confirmation email fails to arrive and you are sure that you entered the correct email address you can contact me for your code should you need to edit or withdraw.

Sadly, after more than 40 years the West Australian has informed David and me that, in an effort to cut production cost, they would no longer be able to pay for the Bridge Column. We were informed that should we wish to continue on a

voluntary basis they would, and I quote, "endeavor to find the space." Both David and I declined.

Congratulations to Allison Stralow and her team for a most successful Golden West Congress held late last month. Two hundred players enjoyed a great weekend in Mandurah. I would like to make special mention of the Mandurah Bridge Club who looked after all of our players admirably; kudos also to TBIB Insurance Brokers who, once again, supported BAWA by contributing a generous \$1750.00 to the prize pool. TBIB can help players with any or all of their insurance needs; details are on the BAWA web site.

Starting in 2019, and for a trial period, Thursday evening state events will begin at 7.00pm. Furthermore, events will be structured, where ever possible, to have the evening finish around 10.30pm.



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VALE Derek Pocock 1931-2018



BAWA Office Bearer:

1978 -1979 Vice President

1980-1981 President

1982 Vice President

1994 Men's Pairs

1983 Summer Pairs

2011 Masters in Teams of Three

1999 Club Championship Pairs

BAWA League Teams - Roll of Honour 2004

"This Award is given in recognition of 30 years of unstinting service to the Bridge community of WA. Your creation of the Leagues Competition which you have supported since its inception in 1975, and which you have run for nearly 30 years of service and as an office bearer for BAWA has been an outstanding achievement and has contributed significantly to fostering Bridge in WA" - This was the citation on the BAWA Recognition of Outstanding Service Award presented to Derek Pocock in 2004. The award honours a very fine gentleman who has done, and continues to do much to foster bridge in WA".



BAWA Recorders

Message for Club Recorders

Following several requests, **BAWA Recorders David Matthews and Marnie Leybourne** are planning a session for current and aspiring club recorders early in 2019. There is very little guidance on the role of a recorder and they consider it may be useful for those involved in recording duties to get together and learn from shared experiences.

The Editor asks that anyone that is interested in participating in this session to please send their email contact details to either: marnieandnick2@gmail.com, or by text to 0477002259.





Around the Clubs

By Linda Bedford-Brown

Maylands Bridge Club

From Jean Martin

We held our Annual General Meeting on Monday 12 November 2018. All Committee positions were filled after our new President, Rosemary Cant, was elected. Ann Semaan stays on as Vice President.

We now look forward to another successful year.

A delicious lunch was provided to the members, followed by our usual bridge session. Our social reputation is excellent.

The highlight of the day was the awarding Life Membership to Murray Gatti, a particularly deserving member of our club. Among other achievements, he produces the Club's membership booklet, assisted with the alterations to our Constitution as required by the Dept. of Commerce and is a very regular assistant with the card dealing requirements. He has been the recipient of our Certificate of Appreciation in the past and the Club has now recognised his tireless work in the best way it can.



Murray receiving his award from past President Ann Semaan.

Bunbury Bridge Club

From Jan Morgan

I am so glad I joined the Bunbury Bridge Club.

It has afforded me many afternoon and evenings of inexpensive entertainment playing very competitive cards with all members happy and easy to get along with.

It's like a great big family really, with our library, social days and Christmas party which I'm looking forward to. All good fun!

Furthermore, on a fairly constant basis, great cartons of produce appear – last week it was rhubarb and the week before grapefruit from the Ferguson Valley – we've had pumpkins from Waterloo and tomato plants from Australind, not to mention leek seedlings from Carey Park and so it goes on! – Marvellous! – and I thought I was joining only to play bridge!

Could you call us a Commune?

This year's committee -



ANDY MALES – our debonair tennis playing president with a ready supply of amusing stories and jokes to entertain us.

DENNIS EVANS – our smiling Rotarian involved in all things charitable.

MARIANNE VIEBKE – Meticulous longest serving secretary of all time.

LIZ NORTON – Treasured Treasurer Extraordinaire for the last few years.

PATRICK SMITH - 'International traveller' from the Mining Industry.

BOB MCCARTNEY – Retired 'wandering stockman' of The Pilbara.



GARETH BRAID – Our mighty IT man – lecturer at local uni.



TONY ALBERTSEN – tall dark handsome farmer from Ferguson Valley.



Co-ordinator ESTHER SAUNDERS – busy teacher of all things including bridge.

COLIN SAUNDERS - Exuberant husband of Esther – able to 'fix' anything.

This year's Runaway winners of the Club Teams Championship were

Kate Boston, Murray Webber, Esther and Colin Saunders - Bridge famous – so no photo required.



2nd Colin Bell, Colleen Skipsey, Colleen Long and Graeme Bowman

Third were Monica and Jim offer – Jan and Peter Morgan – no photo – camera being repaired - always the bridesmaids.



Bunbury Bridge Club Members at Busselton's Zonta Charity Day.

Fremantle Bridge Club

From John Penman

The Fremantle Bridge Club's Melbourne Cup day officially started at 10.30 am. Needless to say well before that both at the Club and members homes preparations were afoot to make this yet again a very successful day. On arrival people received a drink, mostly bubbly, and finger food. Then, while waiting for the race to start, President Langridge led the members in "Heads and Tails" with Chris Wells tossing the coin.



Then, getting ready for lunch:



Following the Race we all had a magnificent lunch then a full game of bridge was included in the cost of attending.

Altogether it was a most enjoyable day; a lot of hard work was put in by a number of members so that this could happen.

On Saturday 10 November the Club held its Spring Pairs.



This was won by See-Moi Loh and Janet Singer.

Second were Marion Jefferson and Tom Wheatley and 3rd Phil Bapty and Rohan Bandarage.

In August the Club held it's AGM and the following is the current Committee:

President:	Jenny Langridge
Vice President:	Laurel Lander
Secretary:	Liz Reid
Treasurer:	Irene Percy
Committee Members:	Alexis Keynes, Jane Walters, Josie Wilson, Paula Prichard, Sue Moonen, Sue Simper.

In addition the following responsibilities have been taken on:

Tournament Director	Chris Wells
House Manager	Sue Moonen
Masterpoints Secretary	Malcolm Dick
Newsletter	Jane Walters
Partnership Coordinator	Paula Prichard

Mandurah Bridge Club

From Ian Jones

Mandurah Bridge Club is mourning the loss of Frances Darnborough, who died suddenly on 9th November.



Frances played regularly at the club, was a very experienced player and lived for bridge. She had a wonderful personality, a great and wicked sense of humour and an awesome laugh that resonated

around the room. She will be sorely missed by all at the club.

The Club's Special Teams event in November was won by the Hardman team, comprising Doug Hardman, Jenny Maley, Vera Hardman, and Jean McLarty. The team won all five of their matches.



The Thursday Best 3 out of 4 event was won by Kimberley Zhao and Roman Gdowski.

Clyde England and Kathy Power were second and Frances Darnborough and Jean McLarty were third.



The Restricted 0-300 Masterpoints Championship was won by Bill Webb and Lynda Ford.

Di Moorhouse and Clarice Smith were second and Sandra Hardie and Kimberley Zhao were third.

Melville Bridge Club

From Chris Eales



The club celebrated the 97 birthday of a great club member Viv Goldsmith. Only 97 and still beating the pants of the younger ones! During a playing session Players celebrated Viv's Birthday with cake and good cheers.

Events

What is coming up. You will all know we are moving in January 2019 but did you know we have a Congress planned (see the flyer in this FOCUS). The OAKWOO MELVILLE BC CONGRESS March 9th & 10th in our new clubrooms.

Some great results

Bridge for Brains - Helen Ardents and Liz Webb rolled out a very impressive result for a great cause. Helen and Liz came in second in the State and in the top 10 nationally with a creditable 69%.

Those players that passed the 70 % mark in their playing at the club included

70.24% BHAVNA PATEL - NILESH PATEL

72.69% ERICA AUGUSTSON - KEN HARRISON

71.30% BHAVNA PATEL - LISE BANK

The club held a very successful and fun afternoon Melbourne Cup event. There was plenty of food; players dressed up to the nines and of course the best hat in the field competition. Oh - a wee bit of bridge was played.



Mad Hatters



The Winners



Cup Day Winners - Peggy Stacy and Tom Stacy

2nd Sue Shadbolt and Jay Wongphasukhot

3rd Paula Pritchard and Miriam Winter

Men's and Women's Pairs

1st John Clarke and - Wes Rudnicki

2nd Laurel Lander and Se-Moi Loh

3rd Ajay Tandon and Philip Cunningham

The Clubs Xmas party is on Sunday the 2nd and by all accounts is almost full.

The club committer and all our players would like to wish all bridge players a safe and enjoyable Christmas.

West Coast Bridge Club

From Hilary Heptinstall

The results of our **Spring Teams** competition were



1st Ray Wood, Marlene Medhat, Shirley Bloch and Wence Vahala

2nd Pamela Hughes, Robin Rose, Chieh Goodlet, Colleen Stone, Joy Jones and Pat Scotford

3rd Chris Westergren, Sarah Westergren, Ivan Pummer and Max Rowan Robinson

The results of our Thursday Pairs Competition were



1st Elizabeth Bennett and Peach Partis

2nd Anthony Eardley and Wilhelmina Piller

3rd Margaret Tierney and Ray Purdy

Christmas Party

We look forward to welcoming members and visitors to our Christmas Party at 1.00 pm on Saturday December 8.

Northern Districts Bridge Club

From Anne Hooper

On 12th November we had an enjoyable afternoon at the final Red Point of the year - the Club Pairs. Those contributing toward afternoon tea deserve a special mention and thanks. We really appreciate your efforts. Our director was Lee Leach – thank you.





The winners N/S were John Sharland and Susan Sharland and E/W Jenny Liggins and Alan Green—congratulations.

We are all looking forward to our Christmas Lunch on 4 December. It will be held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Perth and transport by bus has been organised. This is very popular and well supported.

If you require further information or wish to visit our club our website is www.ndbc.bridgeaustralia.org

Nedlands Bridge Club

From Linda Bedford-Brown

Club Mixed Pairs Championship



- 1st Lily Lim and Charlie Lim
- 2nd Viv Wood and Ron Cooper
- 3rd May Schonwolf and Frank O'Connor

✓ Blennerhassett Pairs 22nd Dec

Normal session with the added bonus of Red Points.

✓ Australia Day Jan 26th

Come and celebrate what's great. This is a red point event with the added bonus of a lamington afternoon tea.

✓ Nedlands Birthday Congress Sunday Feb 3rd

Two sessions of Swiss pairs

✓ Beginners' course starts Feb 5th 2019

✓ Fabulous Gift Ideas

Our delicious, small, gift wrapped homemade Christmas Cakes available from Dec 1st. No need to order – pick them up at the club almond topped or without marzipan.

Gift wrapped marmalades – so very popular \$6

Bridgetown Bridge Club

From Jan Burgess

Our last two or three months have been very quiet with many of our players away travelling and escaping Bridgetown's cold, wet winter. On the positive side, however, we have acquired 3 new members who have become regular and enthusiastic participants at our sessions. And at the beginning of December we will be holding our famed Christmas party, followed the week after by one of our major competitions, the Mary Wheatley Trophy. This year the event will be run, for the first time, by a non-playing director, Brian Wade, who has generously offered to travel down to Bridgetown to keep us on the straight and narrow. Photos and results promised for the next issue of Focus!

We send our best wishes to all bridge players for a peaceful and happy Christmas followed by a New Year with lots of wonderful, interesting and challenging hands!

Joondalup Bridge Club

From Jeanette St Ledger

Joondalup Bridge Club is now finishing up their lessons to beginners given by President David Wheaton and Egon Mikolajczyk. All the newcomers are now invited to join the Club which will now increase the Clubs membership to close on 300 members. The Club is continuing to prosper and all sessions being very well attended!

The last red point event was held on Thursday 15th November. It was directed by David Byrne and all went very smoothly for the afternoon.

Prizes were presented by Committee Member Geoff Mauger.

The winners North/South were in fact President David Wheaton partnered by Harry Crosby.

Second prize went to Michael and Magda Lawes. North/South winners for under 10 master points were Rafaela Bowles and Pravin Kuma Aggarwal. East/West - First prize went to Pauline Coulter and David Coulter and in second place were Carol O'Grady and Lyn Fakira. Our final winners for <10 master points were Noreen Byrne and Cathy Broadbent. A great day was had by all.

In December, there will be one more Red Point Event to finish off the year. Also, the Clubs Christmas Party is to be held on the 11th December. This will complete a great year for JBC and will move forward into 2019 with great memories and successful events behind them. Early 2019 will see their second Congress take place in February, which will be a huge day to surely surpass the great success of 2018. A Happy New Year to all JBC members and the greater Bridge Community of WA.

Thank you to all the Committee Members who worked so hard to create a wonderful Club.



Winners: David Wheaton and Harry Crosby



2nd Magda Lawes and Michael Lawes



East/West 1st David Coulter and Pauline Coulter



East/West 2nd Lyn Fakira and Carol O'Grady

Kalamunda Bridge Club

From Julie Bechelli

KDBC'S NONAGENARIANS

The term nonagenarian is believed to have originated in the early 19th century. It came from the Latin word nonagenarius. Nonagenarian refers to people between 90 and 99 years old. We are honoured to have these 5 nonagenarian members still playing and enjoying their bridge.



IAN MEDLYCOTT turned 96 years old on 17th March. He is a valued member and still a very astute player.



RORY O'TOOLE - 96 years old. A Life Member, now living in Darwin with his daughter. An astute player with a clever wit – he is greatly missed.



JEAN PACKHAM and **GLADYS LOURVANIJ** turned 90 on 15th & 16th Nov respectively.

These ladies are a delight to have as Members.



JOAN ANDREWS turned 94 on 24th Dec and is a Life Member. She still plays a keen game and is much loved and respected.

Melbourne Cup



1st N/S Carole Daxter and Brian Daxter



1st E/W Peter Clarke and Michael Barker





Relaxing on the Canals after a weekend of bridge at the Mandurah Bridge Club Congress.

L - R Jean-Paul Tedeschi, Carole McMahon, Catherine Gabites, Mike Gabites, Jenny Tedeschi, Joanne Payne, Rob McMahon and Margaret McRobbie

VALE – Peter Hart

1st August 1931 – 3rd October 2018



South Perth Bridge Club

From Jan Howell

Our Mixed Pairs Championship was held this month and the winners were:



1st Carole Cleeve and Martin Cleeve



2nd Rez Karim and Liz McNeill



3rd Bob Prince and Joan Prince

Late in October, another of our long standing members, Fred Barnes, celebrated his 90th birthday.



A sumptuous spread with drinks was enjoyed by all after bridge and Fred was so happy that he is still part of our club. He plays a very competitive game and as many of our longer term members do, he looks forward to his bridge each week.

Programming for next year is underway and subject to the usual difficulties finding suitable dates for our championship and open events. First up, will be the popular South Perth Swiss Pairs on Monday evenings 7th, 14th and 21st January. Please enter early via the BAWA website.

West Australian Bridge Club

From Jan McNab

VALE Derek Pocock



It is with much regret that we announce the passing of highly regarded and esteemed member of our Club, Derek Pocock. He supported Club Bridge in Western Australia from its inception in 1968 (West Australian Bridge Association) leading to the creation of the West Australian Bridge Club in 1974. He was President 1979-81 and greatly assisted with all club activities over many years. Derek was made a Life Member in 2013. Until recently, Derek was playing bridge at the Club and also social bridge with friends. A true gentleman. He will be sadly missed.

Saturday, 15 November was a special day at WABC – Drought Relief Day. 40.5 tables participated on the day, 161 members and 1 visitor.

Apart from the Director's fee, all table money was donated to this worthy cause, together with a donation of \$462 from the players. Thanks to all those generous people and to David Burn the Director for successfully managing this large group.

Overall, an amazing total of \$1,321 was donated to Buy a Bale which was sufficient to provide 50 bales of hay, 42 litres of diesel fuel and 11,500 litres of water. These supplies were sent to Western NSW, which is an area that has been critically affected by the drought.

The Melbourne Cup Light Luncheon was attended by 40 guests who were joined by other members, after the race, for a Red Point event. A selection of sweeps was organized by Life Members, Mike George and Helen George. These proved popular and resulted in many happy winners.



The Best Hat was won by Sue Gammon for her novel floral headpiece.



Jenny Bosich

The Australia-Wide Restricted Pairs (less than 300 points) was introduced to the Club this year with 30 Pairs entering the competition.

The winners of the heat were John McMullan and Shelley Allen (58.22) with Meredith Goodlet and Jennifer Andrews (57.8), Runners Up and in third place, Deidre Doepel and Jenny Sharpe (55.7).

Congratulations to our members Fiske Warren and his partner Kaiping Chen for winning the highly contested Golden West 2018 pairs event held at the Mandurah Bridge Club. They achieved an amazing 21.96 Gold Points each!

Nine Jackpot finals have been contested during November and we congratulate the Winners of each one.

We have already announced that our very special long standing Club Professional and newly appointed Patron, Peter Smith will be handing over the coaching position at the end of 2018. We thank Peter for his outstanding commitment to the club. Not only did he train thousands of players new to Bridge encouraging them to reach a good standard but also provided advanced lessons for the more experienced players. He had a course for everyone! His outstanding efforts also contributed to the growing membership, helping to make it the large and friendly Club that we have today. We all wish Peter success, health and happiness in any new venture in which he may become involved. Although he will be missed by us all, his recent appointment as Patron will ensure he will be closely associated with WABC in the future.



On that note, WABC are pleased to announce Andy Hung will be taking over from Peter in January. Andy would be well known to some through his lectures at the Gold Coast and his representing Australia in various international competitions. In fact, Andy has just made the Australian Open Team for next year and will be playing in Wuhan, China in September. Details of lesson programmes will be announced early in 2019.

Thanks to all Club Members for their support over the past year. The Committee wish all members and their families a Happy Christmas and a Healthy and Safe New Year.

UPCOMING EVENTS 2019 WABC

- March – WABC Novice/Super Novice Congress
- April – Restricted Swiss Pairs



World Bridge Federation IBPA Awards



And the Winners are...

By WBF In News On 14th November 2018

The beautiful resort of Sanya, China, played host to the International Bridge Press Association's Annual Award Ceremony at the end of October. Screened live on National TV, the magnificent Oscar style ceremony was attended by a host of dignitaries, including the President of the World Bridge Federation, Gianarrigo Rona.

The legendary **BOB HAMMAN**, winner of 31 medals in World Championship play was there to receive the award as the 2018 Personality of the Year.

BOYE BROGELAND accepted the award for the Keri Klinger Memorial Declarer Play of the Year.

The Gidwani Family Trust Defence of the Year award went to **GEO TISLEVOLL**.

The Yeh Bros. Best Bid Deal of the Year was awarded to China's **WANG WENFEI** and **SHEN QI**.

The Richard Freeman Junior Deal of the Year award was won by **MATT SMITH**.



EDITING OF MATERIAL

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

Playing Bridge in London

By Chris Ingham



About 18 months ago Jonathan Free asked me if I would mind playing a session at WABC with a visitor from London. I agreed of course, and was introduced to Jules Davidoff. Jules and I got along fine and so we ended up playing also at Nedlands and South Perth before Jules returned home. Jules reciprocated by saying anytime you get to the UK please look me up and we will play. In September, I was in London for two weeks and so we again had three games in two famous but very friendly Bridge Clubs in West London.

The Young Chelsea BC in Shepherd's Bush and Andrew Robson's BC in Parson's Green - both worth a visit if you are in London. Both Clubs are well located on Classic London High Streets and very close to Underground train stations.

Getting There

YCBC.

This is located on Goldhawk Road in Shepherd's Bush close to the Goldhawk Road Tube Station (Circle Line). As any Londoner will tell you the only way to efficiently get around London is on the public transport and using an Oyster Card which you can buy at Heathrow Airport and top up at any Tube Station and it works on the Buses and the Overground (British Rail).

I was due to play at YCBC with Jules and happened to be in Central London so decided to catch the 94 Bus from its beginning in lower Regent Street, as I knew it ended up in Chiswick after going down

Goldhawk Road. The Big Red Double Decker buses are a lot of fun and London Transport has spent a lot of money on these as most are new or near new. So I jumped on the 94 at its start point and went up the top and front row. Its journey is along Regent Street into Oxford Street (now mostly Big Reds lining it) and then past Marble Arch (Park Lane), Hyde Park, Lancaster Gate, Paddington, Nottinghill Gate, Holland Park and on to Shepherd's Bush Green and then Goldhawk Road. I had plenty of time (and you need an hour - most of it spent clearing Oxford Street).



Andrew Robson's BC.

This is located in Parsons Green (or Fulham) and again across the road from the Parson's Green Tube Station (District Line). Ironically, it's much closer to Chelsea than YCBC.

Costs:

Now here is the rub.

Bridge is very expensive in London as the clubs are privately owned.

We are very lucky in Perth that most of our clubs premises are provided and usually maintained by the Local Council and we members do much of the heavy lifting such as manning the bar and kitchen etc. etc. So our overheads are not much in comparison.

Having said that the bar is fully manned throughout and whilst coffee is free you can buy the good stuff all whilst playing. They do food as well - so paid staff abound.

It's my humble opinion that Londoners are much better behaved at the bridge table than many of us. Some examples and quirks include:

The bidding (they use the boxes same as us) stays on the table until after the lead and is not fiddled with or touched such as removing passes and doubles or putting off to the side. The bidding stays overtly untouched.

There are no Alerts. As the bidding proceeds and say a transfer happens the artificial bidding is briefly explained as you go by either of the players. The Skip card is still used by some at YCBC but not compulsory

The Director is never called to the table like a policeman. Infractions are sorted out by the players. The only time the Director is called would be for something like missing cards or wrong boards (but he moves them anyway).

The Director is immaculately dressed and stays in the field of play at all times and will spend most of his energies moving broads.

The movements are not timed or called out by the Director. The players move when ready. Slow players soon get exposed. Very exposed.

You cannot write a bridge article without a hand.

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	♥	85					♥ 74
	♦	102			W		♦ A963
	♣	A9865				E	♣ J
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			♠	8			
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4		15	♦	QJ74			
	15		♣	KO2			

So, Jules and I sat down against two wily old English guys and this was the very first hand and my first bid of the set. Clearly the hand must be

played in spades so I just bid 4S immediately. The gentleman on my left thought for some time and Doubled which Jules of course passed, and the gentlemen on my right, who thought for even longer, eventually passed. Suffice to say neither knew what the Double was supposed to mean and were not pleased with the resulting 10 quick tricks (via two diamond ruffs). Those guys were last seen walking along Parson's Green Lane still discussing the Double.

The message in the hand of course is have a firm agreement with your partner of what a Double of a 4S opener means and stick to it. A normal treatment these days is, Double is penalty and 4NT is take out for two places to play. But remember you are asking partner to start his bidding at the 5 level so you need a very good hand, especially if partner has passed.



3-week event starts Thursday January 10

Event commences at 7.00pm



WA SuperVets 2018

By John Aquino

The Bridge Association in Western Australia recently ran a unique bridge tournament — a gold point event for players over 75 years of age! The event is sanctioned by the Australian Bridge Federation and is now in its seventh year.

The 'SuperVets' Tournament was designed to recognise and celebrate the extraordinary contribution that veteran bridge players have made to the game over a number of years.

In 2018 the number of entrants increased substantially from around 40 in recent years to 116.

The event was hosted at the wonderful club rooms of the WABC — a purpose-built venue for bridge. As competitors assembled for the match the excitement in the venue was palpable. By any estimate no one in the room could be regarded as a 'push over'. The field boasted at many Grand Masters and players who had reached Gold and Silver Life Master Status. It was truly awe inspiring to see a room full of veteran bridge players, horns locked in silent competition, cards held close to their chests, all vying for recognition of their bridge playing prowess.

For the first time the event was run as a 'swiss', with six rounds of seven board matches. Members from 14 Western Australian bridge clubs entered in the event. This included two non-metropolitan clubs where players had travelled to Perth from the country for the day long tournament. It is interesting to note that more than half the players were over the age of 80. (With four competitors over 90). The oldest player in the field was a few weeks shy of her 97th birthday!

Bridge is recognised as a sport by the International Olympic Committee. It is a game that engenders the following attributes and values common with other competitive sports — technique, competitive attitude, strategy, fair play, discipline, stamina, quick reflexes, rapport with your partner and concentration.

Contract bridge is an excellent gymnastic of the mind for men and women of all ages. Medical research in the United States has concluded that playing the game significantly lowers the risk of

developing Alzheimer's disease and is even said to boost the immune system.



The 2018 SuperVets Tournament Trophy was won by Jan Blight and Wendy Driscoll and presented by BAWA President Nigel Dutton and Tournament Organiser John Aquino.



Runners up were Penny Styles and Ann Ohlsen

Certificates of achievement were presented to:

Best non-medal performer over 90 years of age —
Wyn Nordstrand

Best non-medal performers 85-90 —
Charlie Lim / Lily Lim

Best non-medal performers 80-85 —
Deborah Frankel / Deidre Greenfeld

After a very successful 2018 tournament, planning for the 2019 event is already underway. The event will be held on Sunday 10 November 2019 during WA Seniors Week. If you are eligible consider entering this blue-ribbon tournament and you will be assured of being part of a very special bridge event.



City of Melville Bridge Club

OAKWOOD MELVILLE BC CONGRESS

MARCH 9th & 10th 2019

431 Canning Highway Corner of Stock Road Melville*

ENTRIES: Via BAWA Website – www.bawa.asn.au

PROGRAM

Saturday - 9th Open Pairs Two Sessions

Qualifying round – 9:30am

Final, Plate & Consolation 1:00pm

\$30.00 per player

Sunday – 10th Open Teams

\$30.00 per player

Maximum Capacity 60 Tables

Enter early to avoid disappointment!

Convenor: Laurel Lander 0421 135 845 laurmike@iinet.net.au

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Test Your Slam Play



By Bill Jacobs
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Dlr	E	♠	A5
Vul	NS	♥	76
		♦	A82
		♣	KQ9643
		♠	
		♥	
		♦	
		♣	
		♠	8632
13		♥	AK8543
		♦	7
11		♣	A10

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
		Pass	1♥
3♦	4♣	4♦	4♥
Pass	4NT	Pass	5♣
Pass	6♥	All Pass	

West leads ♠Q, ♠A, ♠7, ♠2. Plan the play.

SOLUTION on page xx



Job Vacancy



By Di Brooks

Job Vacancy - The position requires the following:

- ✓ Ability to get along with everyone
- ✓ Great concentration spans, especially when the going is quite boring
- ✓ Good skills in Mathematics and Percentages
- ✓ Able to think logically and to assess difficult situations quickly
- ✓ Can work well in a partnership
- ✓ Be supportive with partners and team members
- ✓ Achieve good standards and be able to accept losses with good grace

The above requirements make for a good grounding both as a Defending side or when acting as Declarer and Dummy.

Now if this sounds amicable to all concerned, it also helps when your bridge system and partnerships are all on the same page. Add patience, good temperament, sportsmanship and great table etiquette to the mix then we are all promised a terrific game of Bridge.

Happy Bridging, ☺



Early Morning Jitters

From Marnie Leybourne

Round one of this year's Hans Rosendorff Women's and Restricted Swiss Pairs events offered several complex hands where players struggled in both the bidding and play, leading to a wide range of results. Most players would prefer a couple of simple "warm up" hands at the start of the day, rather than having to calculate whether slam should be bid, a sacrifice taken, bidding one more or taking the money with a double.

The first board offered slams for North-South in diamonds, hearts or no trump, however slam was not bid at any table. North held Q, T942, KT8, AK873 opposite K4, AQJ3, AJ7632, J. Sixteen North-South pairs across the women's and restricted fields made 12 or 13 tricks while at four tables West, holding a seven card spade suit (AJT8652, 65, 9, Q64), bought the contract with a pre-empt of three or four spades doubled, going off only one or two tricks for a good score.

Board seven gave North an eight card heart suit (void, JT987532, Q8, K32) and South a seven card spade suit (AKT7654, 6, 5, 9765). The defence in the restricted field was superior to that of the women's field, with several scores of +800 (4Hx or 4Sx going three light) compared to +630 for the making 3NT by East/West. In the women's field, bidding hearts or spades tended to pay off, going light by only one, although deep finesse suggests the contracts should fail by at least three tricks.

However, today's deal looks at board 4 where there was a wild variety of scores across both fields. Clearly the early morning coffee had not yet kicked in for some pairs while giving a couple of players a bit too much energy.

Dlr	W		♠ 76	
Vul	All		♥ K654	
			♦ 95	
			♣ AKJ52	
	♠ AQT9			♠ K8432
	♥ 73			♥ AQJ98
	♦ A63			♦ 87
	♣ T983			♣ 7
			♠ J5	
	11		♥ T2	
10		10	♦ KQJT42	
	9		♣ Q64	

No-one bid the spade slam available to East-West. In fact, only 12 pairs across both fields (68 pairs/34 tables) bid game in spades, while 11 pairs played in spade partials, all making at least 10 tricks. At four tables in the restricted field the hand was passed out. It is difficult to imagine any North passing with that attractive club suit, or East passing in third position with the boss suit and a two heart rebid available. Both hands meet the rule of 20, which states that if the points you hold and the number of cards in your two longest suits come to at least 20, your hand should be opened at the one-level. Note to those sitting North and East that passed: be more aggressive in your bidding!

The opposite advice needs to be offered to a few North-South pairs that took an overly rosy view of their hands and went for large numbers. The largest gain on the board goes to the youth pairing of Kirstyn Fuller and Megan O'Reilly, who allowed North-South to take only two tricks in 3NTx for a positive score of 2000 and their first match win. After the lead of the 3S, declarer was squeezed on the run of the spades and played West for the heart Ace, so she lost five spades, five hearts and the diamond Ace.

Other notable scores were -1700 from 3Hx and -1400 from 5Cx, both contracts played by North. Those East-West pairs that, like Megan and Kirstyn, chose to double rather than bid their spade games judged their hands well. Those large numbers were as good as, or better than, the spade slam scores would have been.

Two South players in the restricted field played in diamond partials, in one case making 10 tricks for the only positive score for North-South. East-West should not be selling this hand out and it appears that the only logical (or illogical in this case) defence to allow 10 tricks to be made is a lead of the Ace of trumps and a trump continuation. Unfortunately, the results don't show what the actual lead was.

One North-South pair in the restricted field went too high, bidding to 5D and made only six tricks. However, they were not doubled. They must have been disappointed to lose six imps on the board with their -500 score, given so few East-West pairs

By David Schockman

I really have to hang my head in shame as there always seemed that there was something else to do rather than play in this event. Actually November is a busy bridge month and getting a Sunday off from bridge always stacks up brownie points for me with the better half! This year there was a commitment to play and the draw was not unkind to me. However, a player once said that we should call it the “DISASTER in a team of three” as the pressure is always on the master. You have about a minute to read your number one partner’s system card, ask them about signals and count, and off we go. Sometimes you get lucky and I really

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

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Dlr	S		♠ Q108632	
Vul	EW		♥ AJ1096	
			♦ -	
			♣ 84	
	♠ J975		N	♠ -
	♥ 752			♥ -
	♦ K965	W	E	♦ AQ108732
	♣ 75		S	♣ AQJ1093
			♠ AK4	
	8		♥ KQ843	
3		13	♦ J4	
	16		♣ K62	

What do you think that the correct bid should be? For a start if partner had a sound double she would have made it. Then we always talk about the five levels belonging to the opponents. In this case south (me) was probably at a disadvantage as east had not shown the freakish massive two-suited minor. However, there is no excuse for me not bidding 5H. Probably 6C by east? Now there is no doubt that my partner, Cheryl, would have bid 6H. How about west - surely west would now have realized that partner had this massive two-suited minor and bid 7D, particularly as there was no

defense against 6H? 7D is the par contract which means that both sides have bid to their optimal level and neither could improve on the contract by further bidding. The king of clubs has to be lost so E/W loses 200 against an unbeatable 6H or 6S. So four slams can be made as east can make 6D and west can make 6C or 6D. Both north and south cannot be defeated in 6H/6S.

So, what happened at the tables? I said cowardice earlier, but it looks like it was mostly boring with 14 pairs bidding to game in hearts, or 5D by E/W. Six pairs had gumption. Five of them were restricted pairs. Di Nelson/Barbara Sherriff: Kerry Barns/Ziggy Morawiec: Shelley Allen/Susan Evans bid to 6D and were doubled. Robert Steer/Anne Durack: Chris England Julie Crewe also bid to 6D but were not doubled. The only Master to bid to the slam in hearts was Jan Blight and her partner Johanna Pringle.

So remember that this is a great event so all restricted players should try and get a team together in 2019. It is such a pleasant day and a good time is had by all. All the masters who give of their time should be commended. Two names must be placed on record. The late John Ashworth and Terry Piper, who played in every event for the first 24 years. There are also some great supporters now who will have to remain unnamed in case anyone is missed out!



Bridgism

By Liz McNeill

Acceptable excuses for not leading the suit your partner had opened: having no cards in the suit and sudden death....*Alfred Sheinwold*

It is not the handling of difficult hands that makes the winning player. There aren't enough of them. It is the ability to avoid messing up the easy ones....*Alan Sontag*

Acceptable excuses for not leading the suit your partner had opened: having no cards in the suit and sudden death....*Alfred Sheinwold*

70% Results (Random search)

Bunbury BC

70.6 Colleen Long and Colleen Skipsey
WABC

74.4 Dorothy Cain and Mira Erskine
Melville BC

72.7 Erica Harrison and Ken Harrison

71.3 Lise Banks and Bhavna Patel

70.2 Nilesh Patel and Bhavna Patel

Rockingham BC

72.6 Di Brooks and Florence Maltby

71.4 Clyde England and Kimberley Zhao

Undercroft BC

72.2 Judy Havas and Luba Klein

71.8 Tad Bieganski and David Cowell

70.8 Satish Bedekar and Brian Kaye

West Coast BC

70.8 Max Havercroft and Brian Kaye

Mandurah BC

71.2 Clyde England and Kimberley Zhao

74.0 Di Brooks and Florence Maltby

Kalamunda BC

74.1 Joe Louis and Joseph Gaudet

72.2 Evonne Sarich and Frank Memeo

Swan Districts BC

72.4 Pamela Forsyth and Shirley Weaver

South Perth BC

74.7 Trevor Fuller and Nick Cantatore

72.3 Hugh Probert and Susan Szabo

71.1 Valerie Isle and Elizabeth McNeill

Joondalup BC

72.2 Ann Burr and Trevor Burr

70.5 Trevor Burr and Ann Burr

Maylands BC

72.0 Jill Keshavjee and Leon Randolph

WABC

71.3 Alison Brogan and Corinne Monteath



It's not enough to win the tricks that belong to you. Try also for some that belong to the opponents.... <i>Alfred Sheinwold</i>
The real test of a bridge player isn't in keeping out of trouble, but in escaping once he's in.... <i>Alfred Sheinwold</i>
The trouble with women is that they treat bridge as a game. They do not realize it is a war
If you have the slightest touch of masochism, you'll love this game
It's not the skill that drops off with age, it's the drive, the killer instinct...and when a man isn't primed to kill he makes mistakes.
Bridge is a great comfort in your old age. It also helps you get there faster. <i>Rueful Rabbi</i>
Since the average person's small supply of politeness must last him all his life, he can't afford to waste it on bridge partners .. <i>Alfred Sheinwold</i>
Bridge is essentially a social game, but unfortunately it attracts a substantial number of antisocial people.
One advantage of bad bidding is that you get practice at playing atrocious contracts... <i>Alfred Sheinwold</i>
"Where's the hand you held during the auction?" a comment Jan Janitsche has made when dummy hits.
South: Alert! East: Yes? South: I'm requested to further mis-describe my hand.
Most bridge players prefer consistency in their partners rather than brilliance... <i>Matthew Granovetter</i>
The sum of all technical knowledge cannot make a master contract player... <i>Ely Culbertson</i>
The difference between genius and stupidity is that genius has its limits.
time or really to do the wrong thing at the right time ... <i>Barry Crane</i>
I'm not sure whether glory or master points is first on the list, but I know learning to play better is definitely last... <i>Eddie Kantar</i>
I'd like a review of the bidding with all the original inflections.

The average defender operates in a fog of uncertainty... <i>H.W. Kelsey</i>
Regardless of what sadistic impulses we may harbor, winning bridge means helping partner avoid mistakes... <i>Frank Stewart</i>
A player who can't defend accurately should try to be declarer... <i>Alfred Sheinwold</i>
The real secret of the expert is to make logic seem like flair.... <i>Hugh Kelsey</i>
If you play bridge with your wife as partner, you need at least 20 points to open, and it wouldn't hurt to have 25... <i>Joe James</i>
Learn from the mistakes of others. You won't live long enough to make them all yourself... <i>Alfred Sheinwold</i>
I favor light opening bids. When you're my age, you're never sure they're going to get back to you in time.... <i>Oswald Jacoby at 77</i>
I think we're all a little masochistic. Otherwise, why would we continue to play bridge?
We had a partnership misunderstanding. My partner assumed I knew what I was doing.
Your play was much better tonight, and so were your excuses.
We play forcing hesitations.
A fellow had made a bad bid and gone down for 1400. "I'm sorry," he said to his partner, "I had a card misplaced." Asked his partner - innocently, "Only one card?" ... <i>Charles Goren</i>
If I did everything right, I wouldn't be playing with you!
When I take a 50-50 chance, I expect it to come off 8 or 9 times out of 10.... <i>Hideous Hog</i>
Card sense is when it's technically right to do something, the little man that sits on my shoulder or anyone else's shoulder says, "Don't do that." And you say to yourself, "Well, wait a minute, that's the right way to play." And he says, "Yeah, but you don't wanna play that way." That instinct is card sense. It's almost an ability to feel where the cards are. It's something that you can't buy, you can't find; you're born with it. The ability to do the right thing at the wrong.



Kendenup Restricted Congress

From Heather Fergie

Another very successful restricted congress was held at the Kendenup Bridge Club in early November.

Neville Walker kindly came down to direct for which we were grateful as it is a one day congress and he certainly won't get rich doing country days like this but it is a wonderful support to both country and restricted bridge.

Everyone enjoyed the day with the food and hospitality being a highlight once again.

There were many winners in different sections depending on the combined master points of each pair.



Winners were: Under 50pts: John McBeth and Jim White



2nd <50 Suzanne Bellanger and Dianna Menzies



Under 100 pts: Helen Hederwick and Raye Archer



2nd Under 100<Annette Depledge and Antonia Oudman



Under 200 pts: Connie Daly and Tom Burton



2nd under<200 Bill Sandilands and Malcolm Wornham



1st Qualifying - Claire James and John Elliott



1st Final: Bob Fergie (Director Neville Walker) and Heather Fergie



2nd Qualifying Colin Payne (Peter Hebson)



2nd Final Pam Goodman and Stan Goodman



2nd equal Alison Gunton and Vivienne Davis



1st Plate: Christine Storer and Graham Storer



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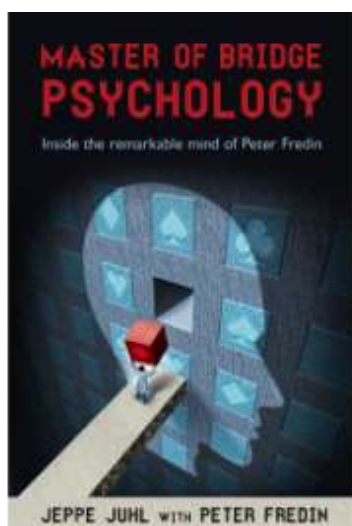
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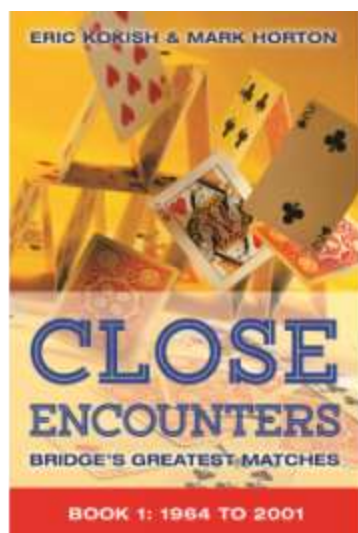


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TEAMS OF FOUR 2018

From John Beddow

OPEN

	PLAYED	WON	VPs
WABC A	5	5	84.80
WABC B	5	4	71.59
SPBC	5	2	43.78
NEDLANDS	5	2	43.08
MACCABI	5	1	37.91
MELVILLE	5	1	18.84

All matches have been completed.

1st: WABC A 2nd: WABC B 3rd: SPBC

INTERMEDIATE

	PLAYED	WON	VPs
SPBC B	10	9	140.47
WABC A	10	7	119.23
MAYLANDS	10	7	115.68
WEST COAST B	10	6	114.66
WEST COAST A	10	6	114.12
SPBC A	10	5	113.28
WABC B	10	3	101.87
NEDLANDS	10	5	98.13
KALAMUNDA	10	4	76.68
UNDERCROFT	10	2	70.11
SWAN DISTS	10	1	35.77

All Matches have been completed.

1st: SPBC B 2nd: WABC A 3rd: Maylands

NOVICE

	PLAYED	WON	VPs
SPBC B	7	6	101.96
SPBC A	7	6	94.46
WABC	7	5	93.97
KALAMUNDA A	7	4	82.66
MELVILLE	7	2	67.06
KALAMUNDA B	7	3	64.04
MAYLANDS	7	1	38.09
UNDERCROFT	7	-	7.76

All Matches have been completed.

1st: SPBC B 2nd: SPBC A 3rd: WABC

BAWA Grand Master Restricted (24)



1 st	Bridget Cooke and Rachel Shave
2 nd	Chris Ingham and Carla Sullivan
3 rd	Deana Wilson and Debbie Chappell
4 th	Bruce Fraser and Sue Thomas
5 th	Wendy Driscoll and Shelley Allen
6 th	Doreen Jones and Sarita Singh

BAWA Open Teams Final – (10)



Winners Ron Cooper, Viv Wood, Rhys Cooper, Jan Kochmanski and Karol Miller

Runners Up Paul Brayshaw, Chris Mulley, Simon Brayshaw and Tim Munro



Masters in Teams of 3

Tournament Organiser BAWA President Nigel Dutton.

20 Masters played on the day and their expertise and commitment to this yearly event is much appreciated –

Thank you

Nigel Dutton, David Matthews, Jan Blight, Wendy Driscoll, Marie-France Merven, Cynthia Belonogoff, John Beddow, Doreen Jones, Viv Wood, Marnie Leybourne, Stella Steer, David Schokman, David Burn, Deana Wilson, Nick Cantatore, Elizabeth McNeill, Ann Ohlsen, Bridget Cooke, Tad Bieganski and Lynne Milne.

1st	David Burn - Jennifer Sharpe, Gary Wood and Roslyn Varkevisser
2nd	Nigel Dutton - Sue Thomas, Margaret Baird and Deirdre Doepel
3rd	Deana Wilson - Phil Jacobsen, Jill Curnow and Elizabeth Black
4th	Stella Steer - Sylvia Bray, Kerry Barns and Ziggy Morawiec
5th	Tad Bieganski – Kate Nadebaum, Shelley Allen and Susan Evans



2nd Nigel Dutton and Marie-France Merven



3rd Nick Cantatore and Trevor Fuller



4th Gerry Daly and Viv Wood



5th Phil Tearne and Val Biltsoft

Golden West (100)



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6th Mitchell Garbutt and Jonathan Pynt



7th Elizabeth McNeill and Jeanne Hey



8th Deana Wilson and Cynthia Belonogoff



9th Chris Bagley and Lynne Milne

10th David Cowell and Ann Hopfmueller

11th James Steer and Stella Steer

12th Claire Woodhall and Noel Woodhall

13th Beata Bieganski and Tad Bieganski

14th Mimi Packer and Virginia Seward

15th Martin Broome and Valerie Broome

16th Simon Brayshaw and Ron Cooper

17th Jessica Chew and Rez Karim

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	2019		
	Jan	Mon 7 th /14 th /21 st	<i>South Perth Swiss Pairs 7.30pm</i>
		Sat 26 th – Sun 27 th	<i>Mandurah Summer Congress – enter on Mandurah Bridge Club website</i>
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