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Fostering Bridge in Western Australia

ANC Seniors

Players in the recent **Seniors** were given another reason to celebrate.

Sheelagh and **Alfred Dupont** treated everyone to a slice of fine celebratory cake for their 45th wedding anniversary.

Happy **45** *Anniversary*



Congratulations!

ANC Seniors Team

Eddy Mandavy
Andrew Swider
Nigel Dutton
Marie France Merven
David Schokman
Dave Munro

ANC Women's Team

Annabel Booth
Lauren Shiels
Leone Fuller
Val Biltoft
Heather Williams
Sue Pynt

WABC Restricted and Novice Congress Results

Restricted Swiss Pairs:



1st **Bhavna and Nilesch Patel**

Novice Pairs: Final



1st **Sam Craig and Mark Doust**



2nd **David Collis and Dave Sloan**



2nd **Jenny Ford and Sue Wyche**



3rd **Pat Ferguson and Louise Dickson**



=3rd **Maria Ikier and De'Arn Alexander (pictured)**
=3rd **Kathleen Negus and John Nelson**

Novice Pairs Plate:

1st N/S Wilma Coloper and Jennifer Simpson
1st E/W Tony Bolt and Kay Higginson

Novice Pairs Qualifying

1st N/S Louise Dickson and Pat Ferguson
1st E/W Vanessa Starcevich and Ursula Maitland



President's Report

By Nigel Dutton

Thank you to the more than 270 players who completed and returned the BAWA Survey form that was organized and distributed by the BAWA Tournament Committee. Particular thanks to Noelene Law who spent many hours collating and analyzing the results and reporting back to the committee. I understand Noelene has written an article for this edition of Focus giving some feedback to the survey participants.

One thing that was clear from the survey was that night time play was becoming less and less popular with our players. Survey responses indicated players would be willing to participate in daytime and weekend events. Some of these ideas have led to some serious discussion as to the role of BAWA in the provision of bridge events. One argument would suggest that the majority of bridge events should be offered by our affiliate clubs whether they are club sessions or congresses. The other, equally valid, argument is that only the State Association offers the type of open event which attracts the best players from all clubs thus providing a higher standard competition. There is no doubt that playing in higher standard; longer events against better players will improve your bridge faster than anything else.


Don't we all want to improve? I think the answer to that question must be yes because our 4 major Gold Point events The Western Seniors, The Swan River Swiss, The HGR and the Golden West attract outstanding numbers each year. So what to do? We are conscious that a large percentage of state

players are still working so night time events are best for them and we are conscious of the need not to encroach on our affiliates club sessions. So nothing drastic, we'll keep you all posted.

At the recent AGM I was pleased to able to report that budget measures introduced at the end of last year and the start of this year have resulted in significant turnaround in BAWA finances and we should be back in the black sooner rather than later this year.

Congratulations to Kalamunda Bridge whose recent congress Saturday event was a Swiss Pairs, it made a nice change from the usual Qualifying / Final format. It was certainly a good day with generous prizes. Well done Kalamunda.

Finally, the first big Gold Point event for the year **The Western Senior Pairs** is approaching fast. The first time Tournament Organizer, Kitty George is hoping for a full house so entries in soon. To be eligible to play you need to be born before January 1 1955. Apart from the Gold Points and the glory BAWA offers a significant cash prize to enable the winners and runners up to participate in an interstate PQP event in the following 12 months.



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Linda Bedford-Brown TO You

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Articles always welcome



Around the Clubs

By Linda Bedford-Brown



Bunbury Bridge Club

From Di Brooks

Bunbury Bridge Club held its Championship Teams event on Sunday 14th April with Neville Walker directing. Eight teams competed for the Championship.

With a healthy lead after the second round, the Stevens Team had a very successful day, winning five out of their six matches. In fact, going into Round 5, they couldn't be caught.



Congratulations to Bob Stevens, Captain, Brian Wade, Joy Gibson and Phyllis Barnes for a terrific performance.

In conjunction with the Championship Teams was a Handicap event. Winners were the Davidson Team: Captain, Kathleen Davidson, with Jenny Jacobs, Pat Marks and Maureen Trinder.

President, Jim Offer, gave thanks to all participants, with a special mention of the work done by Director, Neville Walker, Club Coordinator Kate Boston and Treasurer Rob Houlding.

A great competition, with a friendly atmosphere made for an enjoyable day for all.

Fremantle Bridge Club

From John Penman

This is a good opportunity to remind bridge players that Fremantle Bridge Club continues to meet at the Freemasons Hall at the corner of Chalmers Street and High Street in Fremantle. We meet on Mondays, Fridays and Saturdays at 1.00 pm and on Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 12.30. On Tuesdays and Wednesdays a partner is available so you can come without one and get a game.

Our June Congress is for one day on Sunday, 9th starting at 10.00 am and consisting of two session pairs. The director is Peter Holloway. The entry fee is \$30.00 and lunch will be provided with nibbles and a drink prior to prize giving; there will be complimentary tea, coffee and biscuits all day.

Broome Bridge Club

From Pam Wadsworth

B n B = BRIDGE IN BROOME

The Broome Bridge Club will commence its 2013 season on Tuesday 25th June this year.

The club operates on a social basis to accommodate bridge players of all levels who visit Broome during the holiday (dry) season.

Sessions are held every Tuesday at Broome Lotteries House, located on Cable Beach Road and commencing with players being seated by 12.45pm. The weekly session provides the basis for further informal sessions to be played with old and new friends at various private locations like cabins or caravan awnings, depending where the players are accommodated.

During 2012 our sessions had not less than five and as many as nine tables. Players came from all over Australia and some from overseas. Some could only attend for one session while the "regulars" made all nine sessions.

Table fees of just \$5.00 covers the cost of afternoon tea, room rental at Lotteries House plus their storage of our tables, cards, boards, travelers etc. The fees also assist in the funding of our end of season celebration which this year will probably be held after bridge on Tuesday 27th August, the last day that the club will function for the year.



(2012 windown)

The club co-coordinator is Pam Wadsworth. She can be contacted for further details on:

(08) 9581 3265 up until 14th June and on **1012 019 775** while in Broome from 21st June until 27th August.

B n B = Bridge in Broome – from Tuesday 25th June to Tuesday 27th August 2013.

WA Italian Bridge Club

From Marie Musitano



Winners of The WA Italian Bridge Club Easter Red Point Event **Dominic DeGasperis** and **Christine Jenkins** with director Peter Holloway and Secretary Marie Musitano.

Geraldton Bridge Club

From Heather Cupitt

The Individual Championship, held in March, was the first for the year.

It was a single session rainbow movement of seven tables.



From left: **Judy Brown** was a convincing winner, with Pat McLean second and Jeanette Day third.

Players enjoyed the day as they faced the challenge of a new partner on every board.

The Club is looking forward to welcoming players to our June Congress.



Mandurah Bridge Club

From Ian Jones

Competition Winners

Congratulations to the winners of the inaugural annual Red point competition for members with 100 Masterpoints or less, **Denise Sampson** and **Graeme Perry**. Jean Mansey and John Garrett were runners up. Joe and Valerie Taylor were third.

The Club Teams championship was won by **Eugene Wichems, Robina McConnell, Roman Gdowski** and **Andrew Marsh**. Runners up were Phil and Kathy Power, Jean McLarty and Tom Stack.

Tom Stack and **John Willemsen** won the Wednesday "best three out of four" event. Doug and Vera Hardman were runners up. Jean McLarty and Jenny Maley came third.

Upcoming Events

May 2013

- Special Teams Event - Wednesday 15th May
- Annual general Meeting - 12.00pm
Wednesday 22nd May

June 2013

- Handicap Pairs Championship - Tuesday 4th,
11th & 18th June (financial members only)
- Friday best 'Three out of Four' event - 7th,
14th, 21st & 28th June

July 2013

- Monday best 'Three out of Four' event - 1st,
8th, 15th & 22nd July
- Winter Swiss Pairs Congress - Saturday 13th &
Sunday 14th July. Entry fee \$60 per person,
entries via BAWA website
- Special Teams Event - Wednesday 24th July



Nedlands Bridge Club

From Linda Bedford-Brown

We congratulate our members representing WA in the ANC to be held July in Adelaide:

ANC Open Team

Matthew Raisin, Simon Brayshaw, James Steer, Stella Steer, Wendy Driscoll Shizue Futaesaku

ANC Women's Team

Val Biltoft Heather Williams Sue Pynt

ANC Seniors Team

Eddy Mandavy, Nigel Dutton, Marie France Merven, Dave Munro and David Schokman.

Congratulations!

The Fiske Warren 8 week beginners course commences May 7th 10.00am to noon and further details are available from Fiske:
fiskebridge@bigpond.com

May 8th and 22nd Two Sessions on the Two Over One system. 10.00 - noon with Fiske Warren.

Vale **Sally Whittaker** April 7th 1918 - April 7th 2013.

Rockingham Bridge Club

From Ian Oldham



Autumn Pairs Winners
Joan Rickers and Jane Ophorst



Aries Pairs Winners:
Janice Hawker and Robin Aplin
With President Jill Dawson

Events to Diarise:

- Wed 24th April Random Teams
- Mon 13th May Taurus Pairs
- Fri 24th May Individual Champ.
- Mon 17th June Winter Pairs
- Fri 19th July Anniversary Pairs
- Mon 29th July Teams Event

Northern Districts Bridge Club

From Maureen Heslop

The Red Point Event held on Thursday 4th April 2013 at Northern Districts Bridge Club was won by **Janet Neil and Eleanor Davidson** with 58.50%.

2nd Basil Weren and Anne Hooper with 56.30%.

3rd Dino Pardini and Sue Richards.

Afternoon tea was provided by members.

Northern Districts Bridge Club play on Monday and Thursday afternoons at Seacrest Community Hall, Seacrest Drive, Sorrento. Players are asked to arrive by 12.15 for a 12.30 start. It is just \$4 per session for visitors and a cuppa tea or coffee and biscuits half way through the session.

Please contact:

Maureen on **9039 4963**

Reg on **9409 4534**



Kalgoorlie Bridge Club

from Sue Lia

2012 Awards

Tuesday Awards

Champion for Tuesdays: **Barry Aslet**



First Grand Slam for Tuesday: **Lorna Sharp** with **Lyn Roberts** (seated in photo)

Most Slams Bid and made for Tuesday: **Lyn Roberts** (standing in photo)



Highest Score for Tuesday award to **Di Alabach** – presented by Vice President Mary Williams 72.3%

Thursday Awards

Club Pairs Champions: **Barry Aslett** and **Chris Shotter**

First Grand Slam on Thursday: **Val Norman** with **Ronnie Rogers** and **Barry Aslett** with **Chris Shotter** - both pairs made a grand slam on the same night.

Most Slams Bid and Made for Thursdays **Sue Lia** and **Barry Aslett** - 7

Highest Score for Thursdays **Val Norman** and **Ronnie Rogers** - 75%

Improving Awards for 2012

Most Promising Learner: **Gwyneria Brahma**

Most Improved Player: **Kim Zafer**



Gwyneria Brahma and Kim Zafer - congratulated by our youngest member Abijeet Brahma.

Awards were presented at a Club dinner mid March – partners, friends and family joined in the celebrations and a great night was had by all.



Michael Chering - Fae Hughes (standing) and Kim Zafer.



South Perth Bridge Club

From Darrell Williams
and Cassie Morin

Dora Wilson Trophy 24th March



Congratulations to the winners, **Nick Cantatore** and **Mark Dolling**, pictured here with their trophy and President Cassie Morin.



Cassie Morin and Jim Tally cut the Club's Birthday Cake on Sunday 24th March

Easter Congress 29th March – 2nd April 2013

By Cassie Morin

Over the Easter Weekend there were some 400 players enjoying their bridge and the Club's hospitality during the Congress. Congresses don't just 'happen', so I want to thank and acknowledge all those who did such a sterling job for us all:

Bill Kemp for his professional directing, everyone who donated food and *especially* the ladies that helped in the kitchen, Anne Torlach, Jan Annear, Judy Varley, Jennifer and Norman Robertson, Alice Johnson, Maureen Hughes, Wendy Howlett and new helpers, Rose Ford, Yoka Thwaites and

Patsy Shadbolt. The weekend finished with the Swiss Teams on Easter Monday, followed afterwards with presentations of prizes and delicious pizzas.

Welcome Pairs



- 1st Ian Lisle (pictured) & Jonathan Free
 - 2nd Phil Power & Ravi Soin
 - 3rd Cynthia Bleongogoff & Vicki Wiley
- Best SPBC Pair: Cassie Morin & Liz McNeill

Swiss Pairs



- 1st Sandy Sutton-Mattocks & Alexandra Russell



- 2nd Cassie Morin & Liz McNeill



- 3rd Viv Wood & Gerry Daly



Best SPBC Pair: Jackie & Darrell Williams

Best Women's Pair: Linda Bedford-Brown & Heather Williams

Best Men's: Jonathan Pynt & Peter Gill

Best Mixed: Patricia Anderson & Gerald Merven

Open Pairs (Easter Sunday)

1st Richard & Sue Grenside



2nd Nick Cantatore & Mark Dolling, who were also Best Qualifiers



3rd Joan Valentine & Barbara Frost

Plate

1st Luba Klein & Judy Havas

2nd Gill Dolling & Therese Garbutt

3rd Judith Selleck & Jean Muller

Monday Open Teams (Terry Glover Memorial)



1st Nick Cantatore, Mark Dolling, Annabel Booth & Lauren Shiels

2nd Leon Randolph, Tony Stevens, Dave Parham & Alexandra Russell



3rd Dave Munro, David Schokman, Nigel Dutton & Marie France Merven (pictured Dave Munro with Cassie Morin)

Best SPBC Team: Liz McNeill, Cassie Morin, Peter Gill & Michael Berk

View detailed results and details of events on our web site:

<http://www.south-perth.bridge-club.org>

Kalamunda Bridge Club

From Garth Scotford

Clean sweep for Gerry and Viv At Kalamunda's St. Patricks Day Congress

Bolstered by its recently revamped kitchen, courtesy of Lotterywest and a lot of member effort, Kalamunda DBC ran its annual congress over the 16/17th of March. The summer heat had died down and it was one of those lovely autumn weekends allowing everyone to spread outside in the breaks



Home grown **Gerry Daly**, together with his partner **Viv Wood**, narrowly pipped Nigel Dutton and Marie Merven in the Saturday Pairs. David and Pauline Coulter came third. (President Garth Scotford and Denise Borger, Convenor)

Top Kalamunda Pair went jointly to **Jan Stirling and Murray Stirling** and **Doug Hegarty and Andy Leal** in Joint 10th position.



2nd Nigel Dutton and Marie Merven



3rd David Coulter and Pauline Coulter

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In the Teams on the Sunday, **Gerry and Viv** did it again, this time with the help of **Dave Munro and Pim Birss**.



Runners up were Leon Randolph, Sandra Russell, Tony Stevens and Mike Turner. Dave Sloan, Lyn Errington, Bruce Fraser and Alison Orr came third.

The best Kalamunda Team was that of **Peter Clarke, Ruth Ledger and Sheelagh** and **Alf Dupont**, who were a creditable 5th.

The Club members really enjoyed this opportunity to welcome players from all over Perth up into the Hills and to repay some of the hospitality afforded to them over the past year.



West Australian Bridge Club

From Kitty George

It has been another busy month of bridge at WABC with several championships and Congresses.

*For WABC Restricted and Novice Congress results and photos see **page 2**.*



The 2013 Women's Pairs Championship was held over 3 weeks in March and April and the winners were **Kate Pinniger** and **Carla Sullivan**. They just edged out Sheenagh Young and Lynne Milne.



Kate and **Carla** are having a purple patch and were also part of the winning team in the club heats of the GNOT. They were joined with **Sue Evans** and **Marcey Spilsbury**.



Our Handicap Pairs Champions this year are **David Hughes** and **Marie Musitano**



Letter to the Editor

Re: Tempo

From Michael Stewart

When I first started playing bridge, I couldn't understand why some very experienced players took such a long time to bid - or play a card - when it became obvious later that there had not been any real decision to make.

Like many new players, it became increasingly irritating to me - especially at congresses - and many of us concluded that it was done deliberately, with the express intent of unsettling their opponents.

A few years ago, when I voiced these concerns to a friend of mine - who had been a well respected State Representative player - he explained to me the concept of 'Tempo'.

What I learned from him was that, to avoid giving too much information to your opponents (and/or partner), that it was necessary to play in tempo; i.e. you take the same amount of time to play a card (or make a bid), regardless of whether there was a choice or not.

If you slap out a pass card immediately - with or without a grimace! - it gives everyone at the table the impression that you have a very poor hand. If, on the other hand, you take 4 or 5 seconds, and then pass, it gives you some leeway in a later hand, when you have a more difficult decision to make in the bidding; if you maintain your tempo when you play your cards (even after an ace is lead, for instance), it gives you the space to decide whether to go up with a king or not when you are placed in a finesse situation.

When you have been bidding quite quickly all session and suddenly hesitate when deciding whether to make an overcall or not it can sometimes be a disadvantage your partner who is then in a moral dilemma of whether to bid or not.

I now always try to bid and play in tempo - although this does occasionally irritate some people.



Director Beware

From Bill Kemp

Brd 3
Dlr S
Vul EW

♠ QJ52
♥ T4
♦ JT52
♣ Q65

♠ T983
♥ 986
♦ 74
♣ J842

♠ A7
♥ AJ7532
♦ 6
♣ AKT9

♠ K64
♥ KQ
♦ AKQ983
♣ 73

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WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
			1C (1)
Pass	1H (2)	X	3D
Pass	P	3H	Pass
Pass	4D	All Pass	

- (1) 15-18HCP any distribution (alerted)
- (2) 5-8 HCP any distribution (not alerted)

This board was played recently in a red point event at a club in WA. At the end of the hand EW called the Director (TD) and requested that she consider whether the misinformation (MI) had damaged them (3). At the end of play the TD took a poll of players of about equal playing strength to EW (4). When given the correct information about the auction, none of them would bid to 4H. The TD told EW that there had been no damage from the MI.

(3) EW thought that they were appealing a decision at this stage. They were not, they were asking for a ruling from the TD. This is a common error, a request for an appeal means an appeal of the TD's ruling.

(4) This is recommended practice where the direction of the auction may not be obvious after an infraction.

At home, with the benefit of deep finesse, West's other half sent out emails to TDs for a second

opinion (I was lucky enough not to be included). Unfortunately the details in the email were somewhat different from what happened at the table. The new auction was

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
			1D
Pass	1H (2)	X	3D
Pass	P	3H	Pass
Pass	4D	All Pass	

To help the unsuspecting TDs the email also stated that "the majority of the field is in 5D..... probably because East bid to 4H as every other N in the room would not have bid 1H to start with." This quote has 2 problems. It is incorrect, 5D was bid only at 4 tables out of 11, and, the auctions at other tables are irrelevant to that which would have happened with correct information at the problem table. Without the 15 to 18 1C bid this new auction is much more likely to finish in 4H.

So what now.

For TDs:

If you're running the event then do the right thing as this TD did. Well done director!!

If a player wants a second opinion from you, then, if it is a chat, remind the player that you weren't at the table and that you only have his side of the story. If it's written, ensure that you put in a similar written disclaimer and make an effort to verify the facts, perhaps even from the original TD. Do not write anything that you wouldn't like to see on the web or in a newspaper.

Develop a thicker skin. This is unfortunate but necessary. Eventually you will rule against everyone.

For players:

Life is simple, thank the TD for their ruling and ask for an appeal form.

Bridge does not need this or any type of nastiness. It can only lose players.

... and how would I rule? Well I was not at the table and have only heard one side of the story, but if and only if the facts are as you say then.....



Stuck with a Directing problem?

Matt McManus is coming to help solve it

How : At a Directors' Seminar

When: Fri 9th August 9.00 am – 3.00 pm

Where: Nedlands Bridge Club

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or phone **9341 8116**



State Graded Pairs

3-weeks event starts Monday, 8th of July



Based on masterpoints as at
1st of January 2013

3 Grades:

0 – 99

100 – 499

500 and over masterpoints



WABC 2013

WESTERN AUSTRALIA DAY CONGRESS

To be held at the WABC CLUB ROOMS
7 Odern Crescent SWANBOURNE

FRIDAY MAY 31st to MONDAY JUNE 3rd

Organizer	Kitty George - 9447 5303
Chief Director	Bill Kemp – 9447 0534
Entries	via BAWA WEBSITE www.bawa.asn.au
Email	bridge@wabridgeclub.com.au
Phone	9284 4144
Entry Fee	\$14 per person Pairs session \$28 per person Teams/Swiss Pairs

½ price entry for Youth players

RED POINTS & CASH PRIZES ALL EVENTS

FRI 31st 1.00pm - CONGRESS PAIRS

SAT 1st 1.30pm - CONGRESS PAIRS

SUN 2nd 10.00am & 2.00pm - CONGRESS TEAMS

SUN 2nd 1.30pm - PRESIDENT'S PAIRS - walk in

MON 3rd 10.00am & 2.00pm - SWISS PAIRS

Lunches may be ordered before start of play
Sunday and Monday



Capel Life

Community Capers



By Di Brooks

This article is not for the faint hearted. Those of you who don't believe in Santa, the Loch Ness Monster or the Yeti, stop reading this NOW. I have photographic proof that the Easter Bunny is alive and well and living in Capel!

Alan and I had decided we would have a quiet Easter weekend at home. No facing the mad drivers on the Bussell Highway, we would just sit back and enjoy the solitude. Sunday morning, at 8am, I heard the thud of heavy footsteps on our driveway. By the time I found the keys to open the security door and looked outside, like the Scarlet Pimpernel, whatever/whoever, had been on our pathway, had vanished. On further inspection, there were two parcels; - A bag of Easter eggs and a Chocolate Bunny, all of the highest quality chocolate..... Who was the mystery caller? What evidence would prove "Who DUNNIT"? Well, there just outside the front door, for the entire World to see, was the proof. Two sandy footprints left by the Easter Bunny.



So, my friends, don't snigger when anyone says there is no such animal. You have my word..... I have seen the signs. There really is an Easter Bunny and it lives in Capel.

Back to reality. I am back to my knitting again, fundraising for Riding for the Disabled. I also

volunteer with the Youth group, in Capel and I teach the young ones how to make "Bling". Members of the Community donate wool and old necklaces. Wherever I go, someone says "I have a present for you". How nice.

Thursday afternoons are now allocated to the Capel Library, where a small group of bridge players gather for a social game. Organised by two of my students, we now have a community base, to encourage others to come and have a go. Who knows, we may even have a Capel Bridge Club in the future.

What with different activities plus attending Committee meetings and A.G.M's, I am kept busy... almost keeping out of trouble. Another of my favourite activities is letter writing so when I have an unsettled night's sleep, I sit in my recliner, a cup of chamomile tea, at my elbow, and I write to friends and family. Hand written, not always neatly, spelling somewhat doubtful, but who cares. I love the old way of communication. What with the introduction of mobile phones and internet access, the art of handwriting will be lost for all eternity with the next generation. Give me Snail Mail every time. (My daughter tells everyone... "Never Upset Mother as you will get a LETTER"). In the near future, Alan and I will be off to the Movies, tickets for two at the local cinema courtesy of "My Letter of the Week" published in the Bunbury Mail. More power to the written word...back to Bridge:

Join Dad's Army

The reason for the title, "Join Dad's Army" refers to the regular maxim shouted by actor, Clive Dunn, (Corporal Jones)... "Don't Panic, Mr Mannering". How true is this, whether you are playing in Teams or Pairs, but more so in Teams.

When you have had a glitch in the bidding, (we have all had those), the best advice going is: - "DON'T PANIC". In Teams, you only have to be concerned about the result at the other table,

whereas in a Pairs session, you are competing against the room.

One recommendation in Teams: "Never Bid a Grand Slam... unless you can count 13 tricks". Bidding the '7' and going one down is a horrendous score, especially vulnerable; makes it very difficult to recover in an 8 board set.

My old mentor, Milton Miller gave very good advice. "Always concentrate on the job in hand", which aptly goes with another adage..."Don't Worry, It May Never Happen". All very true.

Recently Bunbury Bridge Club held their Championship Teams.

Round 1 for the Brooks Team, was a very tight match. Of the 8 boards, 3 were flat, 3 gave away 1 IMP each. The one board that lost the match for the opponents was staying in a part score, when game was cold, giving a much needed 7 IMPS to us. Otherwise the match would have been a draw.

Round 2 started badly for us. Board 9, we were in a 4-2 heart fit, when 3NT was cold. -50 for us, -400 for our team mates 10 IMPs out. Board 10 wasn't pretty either. We stayed in 4S after a bidding glitch, with the opponents rightly bidding their small slam. We recorded -750 and another 13 IMPS out. Not good. On two boards, we had given away 23 IMPS and had 6 boards to recoup our losses. You wouldn't think that was possible, would you?

But like Corporal Jones, we didn't panic. We regained our equilibrium and concentrated on the job in hand. Board 11, our side bid their game, giving us 6 IMPS. Board 12, Nils and Val bid 6NT and we scored a vital 11 IMPS.

Talk about a seesaw of scores. We teetered on the edge of oblivion, but we regained our balance and came home with a small victory.... thanks to good advice from Uncle Miltie and Corporal Jones. So when the battle at the bridge table looks lost... DON'T PANIC!

Happy Bridging



What are the Odds?

From Di Brooks

Through a regular bridge session you can be lucky enough to be able to bid a slam. Then again, you might be the poor souls who have the slam bid against you and you score zero through no fault of your own. At Saturday's afternoon session in Bunbury recently Deep Finesse recorded 6 Small slams and 2 Grand Slams. 26 boards in play, in a Howell movement, you just might be sat in the right place at the right time.... or not... depending whether the black cat crossed your path!

More experienced players recognise that shape is everything, whereas people who focus on points alone are usually disappointed with their results.

Board 2; Dealer: East; Vul: N/S

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
		1C *	Pass
2C *	Pass	2S *	Pass
6C	All Pass		

AH lead and 12 tricks recorded.

1C* = 5 losers

2C* = 8+ points, 5 clubs or more

2S* = 4C, 5 controls and support for spades, four small or A, K or Q to three: the full hand

Brd 2	♠ J54		
Dlr E	♥ 753		
Vul NS	♦ QT543		
	♣ 82		
	♠ Q86		♠ AKT2
	♥ Q9		♥ K842
	♦ AK6		♦ 7
	♣ AJT96		♣ KQ43
			♠ 973
			♥ AJT6
			♦ J982
			♣ 75

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	6	

Forum-online

If you have an interesting comment or observation to make Forum is the place to have your say.

You will find Forum on the Focus Online under Regular Features.

(All Forum discussions are deleted each month as and when the new Focus is uploaded)

Letters to the Editor are always welcomed.

Two pairs saw the hand potential, two pairs didn't bid game.

Board 25; Dealer: North; Vul: E/W

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
	Pass	1NT*	Pass
6NT	All Pass		

1NT*=13-15

With 6 tables in play, two stayed in game. One pair bid 6D, whilst three pairs bid 6NT, with two making 13 tricks. Safest Grand Slam 7D, as there is no need to take a finesse-the full hand

Brd 25	♠ T8762		
Dlr N	♥ Q4		
Vul EW	♦ 73		
	♣ K982		
♠ AQ		♠ KJ43	
♥ AK6		♥ 73	
♦ A8542		♦ KQT9	
♣ 743		♣ AQ5	
	♠ 95		
	♥ JT9852		
	♦ J6		
	♣ JT6		

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So if you hold West's hand and East opens the bidding..... you need to see the flashing lights... SLAM -SLAM - SLAM.

If partner open's the bidding showing minimum of a 12 count and you have 13 points..... you MUSTN'T stop short of game.

Happy bridging



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Routine Defence

From Gerry Daly

<i>Brd</i>	7	♠	873
<i>Dlr</i>	S	♥	J62
<i>Vul</i>	All	♦	AK8542
		♣	7

In today's hand you have the job of defending 4S and as you are playing teams your mission is to beat it without concern for overtricks.

Your RHO opened 2S showing a hand in the 11-14HCP range with 5 spades and 4+ in a minor. At this vulnerability and format you chose not to intervene and LHO raised to 4S. You are given the additional information that with stronger 5/5's their style is to open 1S i.e. they will be 5/4 more often than 5/5 after they open the bidding 2S.

What do you lead?

If you are automatically going for the singleton you need to reconsider. Leading singletons into the opponent's long suits is not good business. You may get lucky occasionally and find partner with the Ace but more often you will destroy his minor honour holdings in the suit.

You have a comfortable lead of a high diamond. From this holding I lead King asking partner for count in the suit. He plays 7 (low =even) and declarer follows with 6. Partner has a singleton or doubleton as with QJ7 we play the queen to show possession of the jack.

You are now looking at this hand in dummy.

♠	Q96
♥	AQ93
♦	T93
♣	AJ8

You continue with the A in the hope of a ruff but both the Q (partner) and J (declarer) appear on this trick. Dummy's 10 is now established for a discard. You can see that if declarer has to take a heart finesse it is failing, so you now make the "routine" play of another diamond to kill the potential discard. You know that partner has only two trumps and the ruff and expected over ruff cannot cost your side a natural trump trick. Note partner must ruff high with Kx, Qx or 10x in an attempt promote a possible Jxx in your hand.

Some may have already guessed that this is another article with a misleading title. Defence should never be routine although most bridge players are guilty of falling into the trap of failing to think the hand through at critical times.

After cashing the second diamond we should again take stock. Where are two more tricks coming from?

If opener is 5224 and partner has K of hearts and King of clubs we could beat the contract provided we prevent a heart discard on the diamond 10. Is this possibility consistent with declarer's opening bid? Yes, he would hold AKJxx, xx, Jx Q10xx which qualifies.

What about the same hand when partner has the club queen, not the king? Declarer may finesse the wrong way..... No, I don't think so. This declarer will recognise that you have 9 cards between diamonds and trumps, leaving only 4 "empty spaces". Your partner has 9 empty spaces so he will play partner for the club length including the queen. If declarer is 5/5 in the blacks, therefore having no heart loser, we need a trump and a club trick to beat the contract. We specifically need Ax or KQ doubleton of trumps in partner's hand. Can you see where this is going? If partner has a trump trick we don't actually need him to have the club King, a club ruff will work just as well. In this case we need to switch to our singleton club at trick three.

So do we know which continuation is the successful one? No, not for definite. However the point of the article is that we shouldn't defend by rote. By analysing the situation to whatever is the best of your ability you will greatly improve your chances of finding the correct play. In round two of the State Men's and Women's teams the contract made at 10 out of 12 tables. In fairness not all will have had the additional information about the club suit.

I said we couldn't be sure which line would be successful. It's normal in these cases to go with the line that requires less in the way of miracles to succeed. One line needs declarer to be 5224 and for partner to hold two specific cards while

the other line can beat 5125 and 5224 shapes provided partner has a trump trick. Clearly the second case will occur with greater frequency.

The full hand was as below. Cashing two diamonds and then going for the club ruff was the winning line. An opening club lead appears to be not good enough as declarer could discard a diamond on a heart before touching trumps. He would expect to lose three tricks, a trump, a ruff and a diamond. However if south played the Club 2 (suit preference) after winning the spade ace, and North was brave enough to under lead from his AK of diamonds, the contract could still be beaten with a second ruff.

Brd 7 ♠ 873
 Dlr S ♥ J62
 Vul All ♦ AK8542
 ♣ 7

♠ KJT52	N	♠ Q96
♥ K	W	♥ AQ93
♦ J6	E	♦ T93
♣ KQT43	S	♣ AJ8

♠ A4
 ♥ T8754
 ♦ Q7
 ♣ 9652

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Agony at the 5 Level

By Bill Jacobs



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A Focus reader asks if I could write about bidding or sacrificing at the 5-level: when you should do it and when you should not.

Sorry, I don't know! But if I knew when to bid or sacrifice at the 5-level, I wouldn't be telling you: I'd keep it my little secret and amuse myself winning session after session.

Here are two popular and worthwhile rules-of-thumb of bridge bidding:

*When in doubt, bid one more
The 5-level belongs to the opponents*

There's a problem with these nuggets. They advise the opposite – they can't both be right, can they? This area of high-level competitive bidding is one of the most puzzling aspects of the game – no one gets these decisions right all the time. Give such problems to Meckstroth and Rodwell, let them phone a friend in Zia, and they still won't get them all right. They will do well to bat at 60%.

What's more, there is usually a large pile of points at stake.

But despite being contradictory, these rules have considerable merit. Bidding one more turns the screws on your opponents: it forces them to look for helpful rules. They might bid one more themselves, and that one more might be one too much.

As for leaving the opponents at the 5-level, that often feels right, particularly when your opponents are pushed to 5 of a major. That's a small target for them: if they go down one, your operation has succeeded, and if they make an overtrick, a slam is missed.

There are various more numerical approaches to solving this problem of the 5-level.

1. The Law of Total Tricks (LoTT).

With LoTT, you estimate the length of both sides' primary fit, add them, and that's the total tricks

available on the deal. For example, if the total length is 19 (say you reckon your side has a 9 card fit, they have a 10 card fit), then if one side can make 10 tricks with their trump contract, then the other side can only make 9. Or if one side can make 11 tricks, the other side can only make 8. You can use the law to estimate the various possible results, and bid accordingly.

But there are many problems with the LoTT: problems of estimation of the trump length, problems of adjustments required for factors like a double-fit, and the sheer arithmetical challenge of working out all the permutations without having the director called on you for slow play.

So how about ...

2. The Law of Total Trumps.

In this simplification of the LoTT, you forget about your opponents' fit and simply bid to the level of *your* combined trump length. For example, with an 8-card fit, compete to the 2-level (8 trick contract), with a 9-card fit, compete to the 3-level and so on. At least you can work that one out without resorting to fingers and toes.

The Law of Total Trumps is a really excellent tool at the 2, 3 and 4 levels, but it breaks down at the 5-level. Requiring an 11-card trump fit for progression to the 5-level isn't going to get you there often enough: 11 card trump fits are quite rare. It is often correct to compete to the 5-level with a 10 card fit, occasionally even with a 9-card fit.

So here is my simplified rule-of-thumb:

3. Bid 5 over 4 with a 10 card fit. Bid 5 over 5 with an 11 card fit.

You still have to estimate what your own combined trump length is. You will not always be able to get that right, but you will more often than not. For example, in this auction:

LHO	Partner	RHO	You
		1S	2D
2H	4D	4H	??

You should estimate that partner has 4 diamonds for his jump bid to the 4-level. So with a 6-card diamond suit, you should strongly consider bidding on to 5D, given the likely 10 card fit.

But on this auction:

LHO	Partner	RHO	You
		1S	2D
3C	4D	5C	??

You are in a 5-over-5 situation. You are more likely to defeat 5C than you are to defeat the 4H contract of the first auction, so you would be more reluctant to try 5D here.

You'll notice I haven't talked about points in this discussion. Issues of high-card points can be relevant to your decision, in particular in what suits they reside. But points are not the primary factor here. If you have lots of points, you might be bidding to make; if you have fewer points, you might be sacrificing ... it all balances out in the wash.

Like any product you have acquired for free, my advice comes with no warranty and no returns. If it explodes the first time you use it, don't complain to the vendor (you'll get my sympathy, nothing more), but persevere.



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- **State Open Pairs**

6-weeks event starts Thursday, 23rd of May

- **State Swiss Pairs**

4-weeks event starts Monday, 10th of June



Going for Gold

By Ross Harper

I was playing at West Australian Bridge club with Vivienne Goldberg. Perhaps to take my mind off a wrong line I had taken in a contract she asked me for my favourite hand which I had played. I do not keep any records of my hands...I vaguely remember a stepping stone squeeze I had executed in European tournament...which lifted us to second bottom! Priday wrote it up but it is now lost.

There is one hand which stands out...in the world Bridge championships in San Paolo Brazil - first the background.

Our good Seniors English team (yes I am a Scotsman) were playing in a European championship where the top six qualified to play in the world championships. We were sixth equal and out on a split tie. You lose some you win some. Tough. But Dame Fortune smiled. One of the six withdrew and lo and behold we were off to Brazil. We sailed through the qualifying section and won the semi final. And from non qualifiers we were in the final. A world silver medal guaranteed. But who wants silver when gold is in sight.

Our opponents were a strong Polish team, and after the first set we were 60 imps down! Not electric play by Hackett and self or team mates. I believe, as the weakest player in the team, that I should play the first two sets and let the experts take over. So we played in the second set with Gunnar Hallberg and John Holland.

We were having a reasonable set when this hand came up.

I was South. My partner opened one spade. The next hand overcalled 3 diamonds (announced as weak) and in the final of a world championship with full coverage on BBO (which meant the wife was watching in London) it is you to bid.

♠ 8
♥ 10865
♦ K4
♣ K98752

What would you do?pass? Double? Four clubs? Three no trumps?..... I doubled causing great

debate amongst the experts ...majority passing but a few supporting my bid. I hoped to hear four hearts from my partner.....or even three. I dreaded the prospect of four spades. Well my partner gave what was for me the worst possible replyfour diamonds.

I did not fancy bidding four hearts. If my partner had held four hearts surely he would have bid them - So nothing for it but five clubs; dreading having to play the hand. At that level I prefer being dummy!

Well there we were ...I would try my best. But wait.....my partner bid six clubs. Not doubled!

Lead of a small diamond to Ace and diamond back to King scoring.

♠ AQ10953
♥ A43
♦ 6
♣ AJ6

♠ 72
♥ KJ2
♦ AJQ9752
♣ 3

Ursula the wife saw all the hands on the internet. Sighed and turned off to play with the grandchildren.

Not great news. Goodbye Gold? Still we have to try. After winning diamond return, finesse the Queen of spades. Yes you have a singleton but remember East's weak jump. Phew it holds! Ruff a spade, both following.

Now K clubs and finesse the jack of clubs. Phew it held! Someone is rooting for me. Cash Ace of clubs. Spade ruff and you still have Ace of hearts as an entry to cash the winning spades. This took me a long time. I could not remember if East had two spades or one. Nerves had taken over. But I was lucky...the slam came bouncing home. Ursula's friend Nicola Smith many times world champion phoned to express amazement and congratulations that I had made it. Ursula could not Adam and Eve it.

The Polish pair bid and made five clubs. Plus eleven imps. If I had gone down then - minus as

much , a swing of over twenty imps. And we were embarked on the road to recovery.

The full hand:

Brd	♠ AQ10953				
Dlr	♥ A43				
Vul	♦ 6				
	♣ AJ6				
♠ KJ64		♠ 72			
♥ Q97		♥ KJ2			
♦ T83		♦ AJQ9752			
♣ QT4		♣ 3			
		♠ 8			
		♥ 10865			
		♦ K4			
		♣ K98752			

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The only other pair to bid six clubs was members of the American open team and they went down. Even better! Although - they too won Gold.

The rest of the team played the final sets and continued the come back since we were still behind. They played well. I was lucky beyond belief. But Gold is Gold.



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BAWA Survey Results

From Noelene Law
Tournament Committee

A big thank you to all those who completed the survey form between November and February.

It was unfortunate that some surveys were completed in the draft copy and not the final copy so that age, sex, ranking and club details were omitted.

It was also unfortunate that some surveys were incomplete with several questions unanswered.

However, for those interested there were 180 respondents and the following statistics were produced:

- 40% were aged 60-69 and 32% were over 70
- 54% of respondents were female, 35% male & the balance did not reply
- 35% disliked playing at night but an equal number did not respond
- 42% would play in daytime teams
- 34% were regular BAWA participants
- 51% were retired and 33% worked full/part-time/casual
- 59% either did not play BAWA events or did not answer
- 0.05% thought events too long or too expensive or disliked playing against better players
- Many commented that they prefer weekend events
- 39% were from South Perth & WABC bridge clubs
- 36% had a ranking from Local Master to Life Master
- 17% had a ranking from Bronze Life to Gold Life Master
- 17% were Grand and Silver Grand Masters

The results show that we had a good cross section of rankings in replies and as we all know, the bridge population is aging.

The ABF sanctioned events run by BAWA i.e. Western Seniors, Swan River Swiss and Golden West Swiss Pairs were extremely popular and well attended by respondents - 46%.

BAWA will endeavour to address your queries and comments and we thank you for your participation in this survey.



Some of your questions and comments from the BAWA survey answered

1. The event that Peter Hart initiated in the 1980's with inter-club pennants continues with country clubs still participating.
2. The GNRP was discontinued by the ABF despite WA and two other states voting for its continuation.
3. Due to several requests for more daytime events the Tournament Committee will look at this when composing the calendar for 2014 with a view to holding a daytime teams event.
4. BAWA is constantly trying to promote youth bridge and bring younger people into the game. Two bridge players have recently run a series of free youth lessons.
5. Lunch breaks at weekend events will be looked at, however, it should be noted that if you are a fast player your lunch break will be longer.
Please note that the Director must finalise the session immediately before the break, set up for the session after lunch, have lunch and a break as well.
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Take the Tip

By Ron Klinger



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PROBLEM

Partner has bid and shown a good suit.
Should you lead partner's suit or try something else?

Teams, Dealer South: E-W vulnerable

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
			1C (1)
Pass	1D (2)	1S	4H
Pass	5H	Pass	6H
All Pass			

- (1) Artificial, strong
- (2) Artificial, negative

West to lead from:

- ♠ 863
- ♥ -
- ♦ 987643
- ♣ Q1054

Partner is expecting you to lead a spade. With a powerful desire for something other than a spade, partner would double 6H. As partner has not doubled 6H, do not expect a diamond void opposite.

On the other hand, you can be sure that your side will not score two spade tricks. Their bidding has tipped you off to that. You might score one spade trick, but where will you find another trick?

You need less from partner in clubs than you would in diamonds. In addition, your length in diamonds suggests that one of the opponents is more likely to be short in diamonds than in clubs.

No one will criticize you if you lead partner's suit, but what would you prefer: no criticism or to beat the slam?

When trying to set up a trick against a slam, a suit headed by the king or queen offers a better chance than a suit with no high card.

This deal comes from a National Selection Playoff:

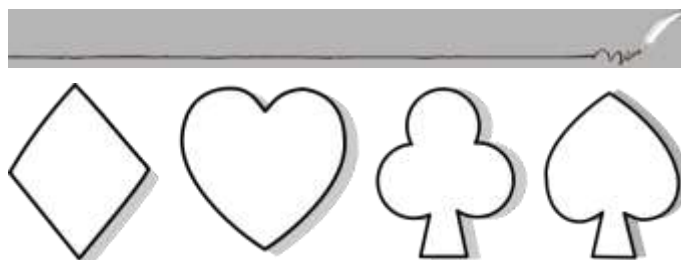
Brd		♠ Q975	
Dlr	S	♥ A85	
Vul	EW	♦ 2	
		♣ J9862	
			♠ AKJ42
			♥ 973
			♦ QT5
			♣ K3
			♠ T
			♥ KQJT642
			♦ AKJ
			♣ A7

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Three North-South's played in 4H after a strong opening by South and no interference. After the given auction a t the other table West led the S6, S5 from dummy and East won with the jack. East tried to cash the SA. Curtains! Declarer ruffed with the HK, cashed the HQ and played a heart to dummy's ace. The SQ was covered by the SK and ruffed, leaving the S9 high in dummy for a club discard after DA and DJ ruffed.

Playing the SA at trick 2 was naive. East knew South was missing the HA, the DQ and CK. Would South have continued to 6H over 5H if holding two or three low spades as well. East should try a diamond or a club at trick 2.

Even so, declarer can succeed. Suppose East plays a club at trick 2. South takes the ace, plays off the DA and ruffs the DJ. Next came SQ, SK, ruffed. The DK is ruffed, followed by S9, SA, ruffed. The S7 is now high. After a heart to the HA, declarer cashes the S7 and discards the club loser. To beat 6H, West has to lead a club. Not so easy.





ROVING RHODES

Roving Rhodes are on holiday -
no article this month



By Maura Rhodes
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Swiss Pairs CONGRESS

Tuesday 11th & Wednesday 12th June

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Lunch provided

Entry fee \$50 per player
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Entries: Through the BAWA web site please



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Results

TEAMS OF 4

OPEN

Club	Played	Won	VPs
RED TABLE POSITIONS			
Melville Spades	1	1	16
South Perth Red	1	0	14
Kalamunda			
Maccabi			
GREEN TABLE POSITIONS			
Melville			
Nedlands			
South Perth Green			
Undercroft Green			
WABC Green			

INTERMEDIATE

Club	Played	Won	VPs
RED TABLE POSITIONS			
Maccabi	3	2	56
Melville Hearts	3	1	28
WABC Red	1	1	19
WABC Blue	1	1	17
South Perth Red	1	0	13
Undercroft Red	1	0	10
Maylands	1	0	5

GREEN TABLE POSITIONS

Melville Diamonds	2	1	34
Nedlands	2	1	21
South Perth Green	1	0	13
Undercroft Green			
WABC Green	1	1	17

RESTRICTED

Club	Played	Won	VPs
RED TABLE POSITIONS			
Undercroft Red	4	2	65
South Perth Red	3	3	64
WABC Red	1	0	20
WABC Blue	1	0	14
Swan Dists	1	0	12
Kalamunda	1	0	3
GREEN TABLE POSITIONS			
Kalamunda			
Nedlands	2	2	44
South Perth Green	1	0	8
WABC Green	1	0	8
WABC Gold			

Pennants

ALBANY	47.8	46.4	56.5	73.7				224.4	56.1	
BRIDGETOWN	59.6	56.8	56.1	58.8				231.3	57.83	2PTS
BUNBURY	60.8	55	54.4	61.3				231.5	57.88	6PTS
BUSSELTON	53.8	53.2	62.2	52.3	49.7			271.2	54.24	
ESPERENCE	53.1	57.1	62.8	58.4				231.4	57.85	4PTS
GERALDTON	60.7	45.5	63.2	46.8	40.8			257	51.4	
KALGOORLIE	50							50	50	
MELVILLE	50.1	49.7	52.7	54	51.5	41.9		299.9	49.98	
NEDLANDS	56	51.7	51.8	46.4				205.9	51.48	
ROCKINGHAM	61.2	49.5	52.7	48.4	48.4			260.2	52.04	
UNDERCROFT	61.2	53.1	60.3	53.3	59.1	51		338	56.33	

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Upcoming BAWA & Club Events 2013

	May	Sun 23 rd	BAWA – State Open Pairs 1 st of 6 Venue: Nedlands Bridge Club 7.30pm
		Sat 25 th –Sun 26 th	Western Seniors Pairs PQP & Gold Points
	June	May 31 st –June 3 rd	WABC Congress/Country GNOT
		Sun 9 th	Fremantle Bridge Club Congress
		Mon 10 th	BAWA – State Swiss Pairs 1 st of 4 Venue: Nedlands Bridge Club 7.30pm
		Tue 11 th -Wed12 th	South Perth Bridge Club Mid-week Congress
		Fri 14 th –Sun 16 th	Geraldton Bridge Club Congress
		Sun 23 rd	South Perth Bridge Club Winter Open Swiss Teams 1st of 2
		Sat 29 th	Zonta Dunsborough 9.30am –see flyer
	July	Sat 6 th	Ranjit Gauba Memorial Swiss Pairs Nedlands Bridge Club 10.00am
ANC 7 th -18 th Adelaide		Mon 8 th	BAWA Graded Pairs 1 st Of 3 Venue: Nedlands Bridge Club 7.30pm
		Wed 10 th	BAWA Daytime Open Pairs 1 st of 3 Venue Nedlands Bridge Club 12.30pm
		Sat 13 th – Sun 14 th	Mandurah Bridge Club Winter Swiss Pairs-see flyer
		Sun 21 st	Nedlands Bridge Club Congress 10.00am
		Fri 26 th –Sun 28 th	Bunbury Bridge Club Congress-see flyer
		Mon 29 th	BAWA State Mixed Pairs 1 st of 6 Venue: Nedlands Bridge Club 7.30pm
	August	Thu 1 st	BAWA Open Spring Pairs Championship AND Women’s Spring Pairs Championship 1 st of 6 Venue: South Perth Bridge Club 7.30pm
		Sat 3 rd -4 th	South Perth Congress- see flyer
Simultaneous Pairs Week		Sat 10 th –Sun 11 th	Swan River Swiss Open Pairs (PQP & Gold Points)see flyer
		Sat 17 th –Sun 18 th	GNOT City and Restricted Heat Final Venue: Nedlands Bridge Club 10 am
NOTE	Times and venues are subject to change: substitutes must be confirmed by the director: read conditions of entry for the event on the BAWA website.		
NOTE	BAWA/Congress Events	Entries www.bawa.asn.au unless other specified.	

Geraldton Bridge Club Inc

Weekend Congress

Friday 14th to Sunday 16th June

Catholic Centre, Cathedral Ave.
Crn Maitland St

Director: **Peter Holloway**

Entries to **Heather Cupitt**

Email: bringo@midwest.com.au

Phone: 9924 3234 Fax: 9924 3241

Friday

- Registration/Supper – 6.30pm
- Welcome Pairs – 7.00pm - \$15.00pp

Saturday

- Open Pairs – 9.30am - \$15.00pp
- Swiss Teams – 1st session – 1.30pm - \$30.00pp

Sunday

- Swiss Teams – 2nd session – tba am

See flyer for accommodation sites



WESTERN SENIORS PAIRS

25th & 26th May 2013

10 am start each day

For ABF Seniors Events players must be born before 1 January 1955

This is a Gold Point and PQP Selection Event

Venue:

**West Australian Bridge Club
7 Odern Crescent, Swanbourne**

Entries:

Via the BAWA Website:

www.bawa.asn.au

Entry Fee: \$80 Per Player

(Collected at the table or Payable on Line:
BAWA BSB 016464 Acc No 255674541
Description: Your name + WSP)

Tournament Unit:

Bill Kemp & Dave Parham

Tournament Organiser:

Kitty George

kitty.george@bigpond.com

0408097881



Winter Open Teams

Sunday 23rd and 30th June

2 sessions each day starting at 10.00 am

Light supper on 30th

Entry fee \$50 per player
for the 4 sessions over 2 days

Entries:

Through the BAWA web site please



**Cash Prizes
40% of entry**

Director: Bill Kemp

Convenor: Cassie Morin

