

DAY ONE SUN, SAND, FOOD, DRINK, OH AND YES SOME GREAT BRIDGE TOO


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## PAIRS QUALIFYING - SESSION ONE

Barry Rigal
I sat down to watch two of the pre-tournament favourites, Apolinary Kowalski and Piotr Zatorski against Ishmael Del'Monte and Justin Howard, renewing a partnership that had been dormant for at least a year.

The Aussies survived an intricate Jacoby sequence to play game on the first deal where slam needed two finesses. That was $55 \%$ for them. The next deal saw problems in both the bidding, play and defence.

| Dealer: East Vul: N-S | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ↔ A Q } 1097 \\ & \bullet K \text { Q } 2 \end{aligned}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Brd 2 | -94 |  |
| Pairs Qual S1 | \& 593 |  |
| -K 6 |  | - J 52 |
| - ${ }^{\text {a }} 9$ |  | -10875 |
| -K107652 |  | - Q J 83 |
| -1064 |  | +87 |
|  | - 843 |  |
|  | - J 643 |  |
|  | - A |  |
|  | \& AK Q 52 |  |


| West <br> Del'Monte | North <br> Zatorski | East | South |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Howard | Kowalski |  |
|  |  | Pass | $2{ }^{1}$ |  |
| 2 | Double | 3 | 30 |  |
| Pass | 4 | All Pass |  |  |
| ${ }^{1} 5+$ Clubs and possibly 4 card major |  |  |  |  |
| Makeable Contracts |  |  |  |  |
| - | 2 | - | 2 | NT |
| - | 5 | - | 5 | ¢ |
| - | 4 | - | 4 | $\checkmark$ |
| 1 | - | 1 | - | $\checkmark$ |
| - | 5 | - | 5 | 4 |

Zatorski's decision to bid $4 \bullet$ looks strange - after all if he couldn't bid spades the first time because it wasn't forcing, he could surely do so the second time and have it forcing?

Del'Monte led a diamond. Kowalski won and led a heart to the king, a club to the king, and a heart up. Del'Monte won his ace perforce and tried to reconstruct the deal. If declarer had 6-4 he could give his partner a club ruff at once, and if everyone followed declarer could still not draw trumps, since the hearts were blocked. A diamond back might have worked just as well but Del'Monte was simply trying to beat the pairs in 4థ. After the club return declarer had to lose one further trump trick and a spade at the end. +620 was worth only a $15 \%$ score for him.
The third board saw Del'Monte at the helm in what looked like an easy contract, which suddenly turned interesting when the trumps went pear-shaped.

| Dealer: South | ¢K109642 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Vul: E-W | - -- |  |
| Brd 3 | -1084 |  |
| Pairs Qual S1 | ¢8754 |  |
| - A Q J 7 |  | - 3 |
| -KQJ4 |  | -10982 |
| - Q 3 |  | - AK952 |
| - A Q 10 |  | \& 962 |
|  | - 85 |  |
|  | - A 7653 |  |
|  | - J 76 |  |
|  | * K J 3 |  |


| Makeable Contracts |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 6 | - | 5 | - | NT |
| 3 | - | 2 | - | $\mathbf{4}$ |
| 6 | - | 6 | - |  |
| 6 | - | 5 | - |  |
| 4 | - | 4 | - | 4 |

He and Howard had a strong 2NT and Stayman auction to $4 \bullet$. He won the revealing 47 lead (2nd/4th) in hand and played the $\cup$ Q. Zatorski discarded a revealing $\boldsymbol{4} 2$, encouraging, and when Kowalski ducked Del'Monte took a ruffing finesse in spades, and with diamonds 3-3 and the $\boldsymbol{\rho} \mathrm{J}$ onside no matter what Kowalski discarded on the third spade, Del'Monte had an unlikely 12 tricks, and a $77 \%$ result.

For the second round I watched defenders Magnus Moren and Neville Francis take on Carmel Martin and Murray Perrin. On the first deal Martin had the problem of a rebid after 1\%-10 with:

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$ Q
-1064
-K Q 103
\& AJ 1085
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With 1NT showing 15-17 and a raise promising four trump, your options are severely limited. Martin chose an insouciant 1NT rebid ("what me worry"?). After all if nobody has bid spades partner surely has them... alas the opponents cashed the first five spades, and she ended down one. In a sense this was better than par, since the opponents can make $2 \Phi$ while you make two of either red suit. But the defenders scored $68 \%$ for +100 .

East/West got their revenge on the next deal when Moren's strong club with a balanced 17HCP allowed his opponents to compete painlessly to $2 \boldsymbol{4}$, which was going to make. He ended in $3 \%$ down one - but a strong notrump opening would have kept the opponents out and racked up at least +120 .

Moren/Francis edged the round on the third deal by bidding accurately to $5 \%$ rather than 3NT on a hand where their opponents stayed silent with 10 spades between them.

For the third round I saw Jane Dawson and Tony Nunn take on Annette Maluish and Hugh Grosvenor, and the former managed to pre-empt to the three-level on all three deals at their first turn - with varying degrees of success. The first board of the round saw them talk their opponents out of an excellent slam. What would you bid with:

- A Q 95 --- Q J 4 \& AKJ5 32

| West | North East | South |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  |  |  | 14 |
| 3 | Double Pass | ?? |  |

Maluish settled for 49 and made 680 for a $32 \%$ result. Partner had a 4-4-1-4 ten count so could not take a move unless you showed significant extras.
The next board saw Nunn/Dawson repeat the medicine, defending accurately after a slightly off-centre pre-empt from Nunn. Declarer was faced with a choice of minor-suit finesses and quite logically played the pre-empter not to have a side-honour, which turned out to be wrong today. That decision cost almost exactly half a top.

On to the third pre-empt.

| Dealer: North Vul: E-W | ¢ 10985 +105 |  | West | North <br> Pass | East Pass | South 18 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Brd 9 | - Q 63 |  | 3 | Pass | Pass | Dou | // |
| Pairs Qual S1 | \& A 753 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ¢ 42 |  | ¢ K J 76 |  |  |  |  |  |
| - K 8 |  | - Q 963 |  |  |  |  |  |
| - A J 87542 |  | -9 | Makeable Contracts |  |  |  |  |
| \& 64 |  | \& Q 1092 | - | 2 | - | 4 | NT |
|  | - A Q 3 |  | - | 3 | - | 3 | ¢ |
|  | - AJ742 |  | - | 3 | - | 3 | $\checkmark$ |
|  | - K 10 |  | - |  | 1 | 1 | $\checkmark$ |
|  | \& K J 8 |  | - | 3 | - | 4 | 4 |

Well done by Grosvenor to go for the throat here. Dummy put down a hand worth exactly zero HCP, and even though Dawson found a way to escape for 500 it was still only a $5 \%$ board.
For round four Nicoletta Giura and Nick Hughes took on Simon Hinge and Bill Haughie. The first board saw honours even when Hinge played part-score on a hand where the field was in game. With a favourable lead and the cards lying well he took the maximum but still scored a little below average.

The next deal saw our two pairs again avoid a delicate game. This time the lie of the cards was less favourable.

| Dealer: South Vul: None | ¢Q92 $\bullet$ J 97653 |  | West | North | East | South 1\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Brd 11 | - 7 |  | Pass | $1 \checkmark$ (*)s |  | Pass |  |
| Pairs Qual S1 | \% K 54 |  | $2 \checkmark$ | Pass | 2NT | All P |  |
| - A J 108 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| -102 |  | $\bullet A K 84$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| - A 65 |  | -Q J 1032 |  | Makeab | le Con | acts |  |
| \& J 963 |  | \& Q | 2 | - | 2 | - | NT |
|  |  |  | 2 | - | 2 | - | $\pm$ |
|  | ¢ K 53$\bullet$ Q |  | 1 | - | 1 | - | $\bullet$ |
|  | -K984 |  | 3 | - | 3 | - | $\checkmark$ |
|  | \& A 10872 |  | - | 1 | - | 1 | 4 |

Giura as West had doubtless seen enough of her partner's overcalls to know to stay out of game when her partner suggested a minimum. Hinge led a low club to the king, for a heart shift. Hughes won and led the $<Q$ then $\diamond J$, both ducked. Then he switched his attention to spades, taking three spades, three diamonds and two hearts. Had Hughes simply led a diamond to the ace and set up four tricks in the suit while he still had a heart entry, the defenders can still defeat the game - though South may need to go up with $\boldsymbol{\varphi} \mathrm{K}$ on the first round of the suit to disrupt declarer's entries. +120 was worth a $63 \%$ result to Hughes.

The last board of the round saw Hinge steal an overtrick in a vulnerable game when his opponents had a 100 save. That gave them a $90 \%$ result, and I moved on to my next victims.

Here Sartaj Hans and Avi Kanetkar were playing Phil Hale and Pam Schoen. The round finished up close to even Hans playing a game carefully for an overtrick that was worth about half a top, but then Kanetkar misguessed a queen on each of the next two deals as declarer, getting a near-bottom and an average instead of two good results.
Then I got to see two of the favoured pairs for the event playing one another. I'm guessing neither pair will be too happy to see the round analysed in detail...

| Dealer: West <br> Vul: E-W | $\begin{aligned} & \text { \$ } 1063 \\ & \bullet K Q 102 \end{aligned}$ |  | West Appleton | North Travis | East GeO | South Melbourne |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Brd 16 | - 3 |  | $2{ }^{\text {- }}$ (8-13) | Pass | 2NT | Pass |
| Pairs Qual S1 | \& K 10532 |  | 3\% | Pass | 4 | All Pass |
| -4 |  | - AKQJ97 |  |  |  |  |
| - A 98643 |  | - J 5 |  |  |  |  |
| - Q 108 |  | - A J 52 |  | Makea | Con | acts |
| \& Q 96 |  | - 4 | 2 | - | 2 | NT |
|  | - 852 |  | 4 | - | 4 | - |
|  | - 7 |  | 3 | - | 3 | $\checkmark$ |
|  | -K9764 |  | 2 | - | 3 | - |
|  | \& A J 87 |  | - | 2 | - | 2 \% |

Appleton was trying to show a minimum at his second turn but that did not dissuade GeO Tislevoll from reaching the best game. Melbourne accurately led a heart. What now for declarer?
Geo did what many would have done: he won $\Psi$ A and ran $\vee$ - yes there is a case for going up ace when North plays low, but that is somewhat insulting to North. Now the roof fell in. $\nabla$ K, diamond ruff top heart ruffed for a third diamond...at least North missed the suit reference cards and tried a third heart to lose her ruff. But +200 was still a $73 \%$ score instead of a near bottom.

Travis made up for her defence on the previous deal with a goal on opening lead on the next hand.

| Dealer: North Vul: None | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ↔ J } 9 \\ & \bullet \text { K J } 107 \end{aligned}$ |  | West Appleton | North Travis | East GeO | South Melbourne |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Brd 17 | - J 872 |  |  | Pass | Pass | Pass |
| Pairs Qual S1 | \& A 62 |  | 2NT | Pass | 3 | Pass |
| - AKQ 83 |  | - 62 | 3 | Pass | 3NT | Pass |
| - A 93 |  | - Q 8642 | 4 | Pass | Pass | Pass |
| $\begin{aligned} & * K Q \\ & \& Q 108 \end{aligned}$ |  | - A 1096 | Makeable Contracts |  |  |  |
|  |  | - 54 | 2 | - | 2 | NT |
|  | -10754 |  | 3 | - | 3 | - |
|  | $\bullet 5$ |  | 3 | - | 3 | $\bullet$ |
|  | -543 |  | 2 | - | 2 | - |
|  | \& KJ973 |  | 1 | - | - | 4 |

Travis picked out the \& as her opening salvo, necessary I believe at double-dummy to defeat the game. That got her a solid 66\% result.
But East/West got it all back on the final deal of the round

| Dealer: East | - Q 10964 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Vul: N-S | - A 52 |  |
| Brd 18 | - AKQ |  |
| Pairs Qual S1 | \& Q 4 |  |
| - K 2 |  | - A J 853 |
| -10964 |  | - J 3 |
| - J 108763 |  | -92 |
| -5 |  | +AJ102 |
|  | © 7 |  |
|  | - KQ 87 |  |
|  | - 54 |  |
|  | \&K98763 |  |


| West <br> Appleton | North <br> Travis | East <br> GeO <br> 14 | South <br> Melbourne |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| Pass | 1NT | Pass | $2 \&$ |  |
| 2 | 2NT | Pass | $3 \$$ |  |
| Pass | 3NT | Pass | Pass |  |
| Double | Pass | Pass | Pass |  |
| Makeable Contracts |  |  |  |  |
| - | 2 | - | 2 |  |
| - | 1 | - | 1 |  |
| - | 2 | - | 2 |  |
| - | - | - | - |  |
| - | 4 | - | 4 |  |

After a diamond lead Travis won in hand and led a club to the king rather than advancing the queen from hand. Now she was booked for -500 and a tie for a bottom. -200 would hardly have been better - but a depressing percentage of the field let through 3NT here, by not leading or shifting to a spade.

For the next round I saw Hugh McGann and Fiona Brown against Anne Small and Ron Smith. A third in hand fourcard major stole the first board for McGann. Even though he went down in a 1NT contract he might have made, he still got a $63 \%$ result, and it got even better for him on the next board:

| Dealer: West | ¢ 10 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Vul: Both | - Q 85 |  |
| Brd 20 | -AKJ9742 |  |
| Pairs Qual S1 | ¢ 72 |  |
| ¢ Q J 87 |  | ¢ 532 |
| - 3 |  | -107642 |
| -1085 |  | -63 |
| \& Q 9864 |  | \& J 103 |

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-AK 964
-AK J 9
- Q
\& A K 5
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| Makeable Contracts |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - | 7 | - | 7 | NT |
| - | 5 | - | 5 | $\mathbf{6}$ |
| - | 6 | - | 6 |  |
| - | 7 | - | 7 |  |
| - | 3 | - | 3 | $\&$ |

When Brown opened $1 \diamond$ and rebid the suit, McGann simply used keycard and drove to 7NT when Brown admitted to two keycards and somewhat riskily simulated possession of the trump queen. +2220 was worth an $88 \%$ score.

Brown had to cover her partner on the next deal.

| Dealer: North | ¢ K 9 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Vul: N-S | - A 98 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Brd 21 | - J 76 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Pairs Qual S1 | ¢ K J 1093 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ¢ J 6 |  | ¢ A Q 1085 |  |  |  |  |  |
| -KJ76432 10 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\begin{array}{r} 93 \\ \& Q 6 \end{array}$ |  | - Q 1085 | Makeable Contracts |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | \& A 74 | - | 2 | - | - | NT |
|  | ¢ 7432 |  | 1 | - | 1 | - | ¢ |
|  | - Q 5 |  | 2 | - | 2 | - | $\checkmark$ |
|  | - AK42 |  | - | 1 | - | - | $\checkmark$ |
|  | ¢ 852 |  | - | 2 | - | 2 | 9 |

After opening $1 \$$ she heard 14 to her left and opted to defend when this came back to her. McGann led $Q$ to the king, ace and ten. Believing the fall of the ten to be a singleton, she thoughtfully shifted to a trump, and the defenders pressed on with trumps when in with $\langle K$. that held declarer to 110, Even though an initial trump lead might have been at least a trick better, -110 was still above average for the defenders.

Maha Hoenig and Greer Tucker were next up, taking on Adam Edgtton and Max Henbest. The first board cost the ladies dearly when Hoenig did not have a take-out double available after 1NT (2ゅ). She passed and defended to that contract, and an unfortunate opening lead (low from *Q1096) let that contract through when her side could make at least ten tricks in all the other three suits. The second board of the round was more of the same, when E/W sold out to their opponents in $2 \boldsymbol{\omega}$ after a tangled auction, when they could make $2 \boldsymbol{p}$. Tucker made a nice decision in the bidding and play on the final deal of the round to get back close to par for the three deals.

| Dealer: West | ¢ K 65 |  | West | North | East | South <br> Henbest |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Vul: None | - 753 |  | Tucker | Edgtton | Hoenig |  |  |
| Brd 24 | - J 84 |  | Pass | Pass | 1¢ (2+) | 14 |  |
| Pairs Qual S1 | \& K 1072 |  | Double | 24 | Pass | Pass |  |
| ¢ J 1083 |  | - Q 92 | 3 | Pass | Pass | Pass |  |
| - Q J 4 |  | - A 10 |  |  |  |  |  |
| -Q7532 |  | - K 109 |  | Makea | le Contra | acts |  |
| \& A |  | \& Q J 653 | 1 | - | 1 | - | NT |
|  | ¢ A 74 |  | 2 | - | 2 | - | ¢ |
|  | -K9862 |  | - | 1 | - | 1 | $\checkmark$ |
|  | - A 6 |  | 3 | - | 3 | - | $\checkmark$ |
|  | ¢ 984 |  | - | - | - | - | 4 |

Tucker received the heart seven lead and ducked. When Henbest won the king and returned the suit after much thought, Tucker won in dummy, led a diamond to the queen, then carefully pitched a spade on the heart winner before finessing the $\$ 10$. Henbest won the $\geqslant A$ but there was no defence $-a$ heart for a ruff and discard is best, but declarer can still retain control.

In the final round Ron Cooper and Zolly Nagy took on Peter Gill and Tony Burke, and had the better of things. They stopped low on an awkward deal where the field was going down in game, then got a little lucky when their opponents found the best game of 5\%, while 3NT made overtricks with a blocked suit and a working finesse. The last deal saw the field performing embarrassingly poorly.

| Dealer: South | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ↔ } 964 \\ & \bullet \text { KQ9 } \end{aligned}$ |  | West | North | East | South |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Vul: None |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Brd 27 | - A <br> \& A Q J 98 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| - 82 |  | ¢ 753 |  |  |  |  |  |
| - J 7 |  | -632 |  |  |  |  |  |
| -KQ109843 |  | - J 765 |  | Makea | le Con |  |  |
| +104 |  | \& 765 | - | 7 | - | 7 | NT |
|  | - AK Q J 10 |  | - | 7 | - | 7 | - |
|  | - A 1054 |  | - | 7 | - | 7 | $\checkmark$ |
|  | -2 |  | - | 1 | - | 1 | - |
|  | \& K 32 |  | - | 7 | - | 7 | 4 |

After West overcalls 3 over 14 reaching the grand slam shouldn't be impossible should it? If you make a negative double or cuebid 4 to show a spade raise keycard Blackwood makes it easy - doesn't it?
When Burke produced the cuebid raise Gill hit him with keycard then asked for kings. Burke's poor trumps persuaded him to deny holding any. I would have thought he was closer to a 7NT bid myself. +1010 was worth a surprising $43 \%$ - few pairs bid the grand and a few missed slam altogether.

## STRENGTHEN YOUR GAME

Getting the most from your conventions - Part 2
Brent Manley
Overheard in an elevator at a tournament: "Why didn't you double?" "Because I wasn't sure we would beat them." "But we set them nine tricks!"

Yesterday's column focused on abuses of Blackwood, namely bidding 4NT with two or more quick losers in a side suit or when holding a void in a side suit.

Before moving to a better way to get to slam, there's another part of Blackwood worth discussing: the 5NT follow-up, asking about kings.

In the original version of Blackwood, a bid of 5NT asked for numbers of kings, just as 4NT asked for numbers of aces. A much better method is to use 5NT to ask for specific kings.

Here's how it works: Say you have agreed on spades as your trump suit and partner has bid 4NT, checking on key cards. Your response encourages partner to try for a grand slam. That's what 5NT is used for, after all, and it guarantees the partnership holds all the aces and the king and the queen of trumps. You must discuss this with partner to be sure you are on the same page.
Okay, so partner has bid 5NT, inquiring about kings. Instead of showing the number of kings, if you have any, bid them up the line - that is, lowest ranking first, etc. By agreeing to show your kings up the line, if you skip a suit you deny holding a king in that suit. For example, a response of $6 \leqslant$ to 5 NT denies holding the $\& K$. If the bid is $6 \downarrow$, it denies holding the $\$ \mathrm{~K}$ and $\nabla \mathrm{K}$. With no kings, you simply go back to the trump suit.
Say you hold:

## © AKQJ107 『 6 -K5 \& AQJ9

You open $2 \boldsymbol{\phi}$, partner bids 2 then raises your $2 \boldsymbol{*}$ to showing a better hand than if he had jumped to $4 \boldsymbol{\$}$. You try 4NT and partner shows two key cards without the trump queen.
If partner responds numbers of kings to 5 NT and shows one, you won't know if it's the $\mathbf{~ K}$ or $\boldsymbol{\mu} \mathrm{K}$. If it's the 9 K , you should stop in 64. You don't want to be in 7 needing the club finesse. If you have agreed to show specific kings and partner's response to 5 NT is $6 \boldsymbol{\alpha}$, you can count 13 tricks (six spades, one heart, two diamonds and four clubs). You can bid 7NT, planning to claim when the opening lead is made.

This sounds a bit complicated, but it's pretty simple. Over partner's 5 NT, simply start with your lowest-ranking king. Discuss this with partner and write out the responses to help you remember them.
Another tool for better slam bidding is the cuebid, something I rarely see from newer players. Say you are dealt:

## - A4 『KQJ987 K 109 \& 63.

You open 10 and partner bids $2 \%$ (forcing to game). You rebid your heart suit and partner raises to 30 . Partner must have a least mild slam interest or he would have jumped straight to game, so you cooperate by bidding 3 - the next suit "up the line." This is not an offer to play in spades - it shows first- or second-round control of the suit. A "control" means no more than one quick loser. It could be an ace, a guarded king, a singleton or a void. In the up-the-line scheme, if a suit is skipped, that means two or more quick losers in that suit. If, say, partner bids 4 over your 3 , you know you have a problem in clubs. If partner's hand is:

## - K 65 •A 106 - AQ \& Q J 107 6,

slam is out of the question.
Cuebidding in this fashion facilitates Blackwood because of the controls shown. Bear in mind, of course, that cuebids give information to alert opponents. It's worth it, of course, to get to good slams and avoid bad ones.
This concept is a bit more complicated than responses to 5NT, but a thorough discussion and using hand records for bidding practice will help you make it a part of your system. Just pick the deals where Deep Finesse says slam is makeable and discuss how you might get there using cuebids and, in many cases, Blackwood.

## MUSINGS

After yesterday reading Brent Manley's article about "Getting The Most From Your Conventions", John Brockwell drew to our attention the ancient proverb: "The road to hell is paved with good Conventions"!

After the first session of the pairs I jokingly asked Ron Klinger whether he was going to Paul Marston's lecture on "Double - How to make the most useful bid in bridge work for you". Quick as a flash he retorted "I wish I had gone before this session"!

And then there is my friend who shall remain nameless other than to say he may need new glasses. The bidding went as follows $14-2 \checkmark-2 N T-4 N T$. Well at least that's what he saw. But in fact the final bid was 6 NT. With some minor co-operation from his opponents he made all 13 tricks on a squeeze and when he put 520 into his scorebook he was corrected to 1020. As you can see in the hand diagram, North had thrown what seemed like two three insignificant hearts thereby leaving South with no good discard - a heart will allow declarer to score the $\backsim 7$ as his thirteenth trick whereas discarding the club ace allows declarer to score the \&Q.

| Dealer: West | The Complete - 1073 |  |  | The Ending |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Vul: N -S | -10932 |  |  | -10 |  |
| Brd 12 | -843 |  |  | - - |  |
| Swiss MP Prs S1 | \&954 |  |  | \% 9 |  |
| - Q 954 |  | - AK 6 | - - |  | -- |
| - Q J 6 |  | - A 7 | $\bullet$ Q |  | - A 7 |
| - K 105 |  | -AQJ 762 | - - |  | - |
| \& Q J 7 |  | \& K 3 | \% Q | South to Discard | 9- |
|  | - J 82 |  |  | ¢ - |  |
|  | -K854 |  |  | -K8 |  |
|  | -9 |  |  | - - |  |
|  | * A 10862 |  |  | \% A |  |

BUILDING A BETTER MOUSETRAP<br>Barry Rigal - When Blackwood is not enough

## After Jacoby Transfers

Following completion of the transfer, a jump in your own major at your second turn is a mild slam try, showing a six-card suit and at least a control-rich 13 HCP, For example, you hear partner open a 15-17 1NT and you hold:

- A Q 10985 - 106 -AQ5 \& 9 .

A jump to 4h shows mild slam interest. With game-going values but no slam interest, the Texas transfer gets you to game and no further.
With additional shape, the simplest way forward is to use jumps in new suits as self-agreeing splinters:

| West | East |
| :--- | :--- |
| $1 N T$ | $2 \boldsymbol{2}$ |
| $2 \oplus$ | $4 \oplus / 4 \diamond / 4 \odot$ |

A transfer to spades then a rebid of $3<$ would show $5-5$ in the majors. Hands with $5-4$ pattern in the majors go through Smolen.
Fans of complexity for its own sake will find that if they have a way to show $5-5$ in the majors - perhaps via Smolen sequences or by using $1 \mathrm{NT}-3 \mathbf{/ 3}$ - they can combine singleton- and void-showing calls after transfers. $1 \mathrm{NT}-2 \omega-2 \omega$ and $1 \mathrm{NT}-2 \vee-2 \vee-3$ would both show unspecified shortness. Four-level jumps would show voids. But let's keep it simple!

A jump to 4NT over a Jacoby transfer is quantitative with a five-card major. A jump to 5NT offers a choice of slams.

## Texas transfers

By contrast, a Texas transfer requires at least a six-card suit and is the way to reach game when you have no slam interest. Texas followed by 4NT becomes key card. And the Texas transfer followed by 5 NT is the grand slam force. New suits after the Texas transfer are Exclusion Blackwood, showing a void in that suit and asking partner to disregard that ace when responding to key card.

## Exclusion Blackwood

When you produce an extravagant jump or use Texas and then bid a new suit, you set the last naturally bid suit as trumps. Your new suit shows a void and asks partner for key cards excluding the ace in your void suit. Because the possibility of zero key cards is rather higher than usual, using 3041 responses in Exclusion Blackwood is preferable, as the zero-response should not take you past the trump suit.


After a two key-card response, East can bid the grand slam, and stop in six if partner has but one key card.
Here's Exclusion Blackwood following a Texas transfer:

| West | East |
| :--- | :---: |
| 1NT | 4 |
| 4 | 5 |
| -A 10 | A Q 109743 |

Again, the two key-card response lets us take a shot at $7 \bullet$, knowing partner's bits and pieces should cope with any slow black-suit losers. At matchpoints you might consider that seven of the exclusion suit is often used as 'bid 7NT with this ace or seven of our suit without.' The hand above would not be quite good enough for this treatment. But add the $\boldsymbol{\rho} \mathrm{J}$ and there could be 13 top tricks in no-trump.

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| DIr S E/W Vul | - AK 32 <br> - AJ 3 <br> - A 8 <br> \& K Q 86 <br> - Q 6 <br> - KQ4 <br> - KQ 6 <br> \&J5432 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| West | North | East | South 14 |
| Pass | 14 | Pass | 1NT |
| Pass | 6NT | All Pass |  |

West leads the $\mathbf{v 8}$. Plan the play.
Answer: You have nine tricks in top cards outside the clubs. The extra three tricks needed will have to come from the club suit. Most days there will be no problem. You will have four club tricks whenever the suit breaks 2-2 or 3-1. The only danger is a 4-0 club break. There is nothing you can do if East holds \&A-10-9-7, but you can cater for West holding all four clubs.
To do so, you win trick 1 and play the J on the first round of clubs. This cannot hurt you if clubs are 2-2 or 3-1 and it gains in this layout:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\text { K Q } 86 \tag{A 1097}
\end{equation*}
$$

J 5432

When you play the J , if West plays low, the jack wins. You continue with a club to the king. Return to hand via another suit and lead another low club, setting up the queen.
More likely, West will capture the $\mathbf{\& J}$. If East follows, claim twelve tricks. When East shows out, win any return in your hand and play a low club. If West plays the $\boldsymbol{\$} 7$, insert dummy's $\$ 8$. If West plays the 9 or 10, win it in dummy, return to hand via another suit and play another low club. If West plays low, win with dummy's $\$ 8$ and claim twelve tricks.

Note that if you start the clubs with a low club from hand, seven from West, king or queen from dummy, you can no longer collect three club tricks against best defence.

## WHEN TO BID STAYMAN, WHEN TO BID 3NT

The following article appeared in the August issue of our national bridge magazine. You can purchase an annual subscription to Australian Bridge at Paul Lavings' book stall right here at the Gold Coast Congress.
People falsely associate Matchpoint scoring with a need to play 3NT at almost every opportunity. In fact it is at Teams that $3 N T$ is more often preferable to $4 \boldsymbol{V} / 4 \oplus$. At Teams, playing in $3 N T$ is bad only if $4 \boldsymbol{M} / 4$ makes two more tricks (e.g. 4V makes ten tricks and 3NT makes eight). If you play in 3NT making nine, and then find out that $4 \checkmark$ would have made ten, that's not a tragedy at Teams.
At Pairs, $40 / 4$ will be better if it makes just one more trick than 3NT (eg. 620 in $4 \odot$ and 600 in $3 N T$ ). That extra 20 points really matters. You would want to be in $4 / 4$ if you think there's one extra trick to be had and there generally is with a 4-4 fit.
However you must beware of the information that a Stayman enquiry gives. Exercise: Would you bid $2 \boldsymbol{2}$ Stayman over partner's 1NT opener with these responding hands:

| Hand A | Hand B | Hand C | Hand D |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - A J 97 | - K 975 | - J 1094 | - Q 862 |
| $\bullet 74$ | - Q 104 | - A 1084 | - Q 8 |
| - Q J 103 | - Q J 3 | -K3 | -KJ 94 |
| \& Q J 2 | \& K 93 | +QJ3 | +K 83 |

Hand A: A clear Stayman bid. If partner holds four spades it will almost certainly be better to play 4 4 than 3NT. There is heart weakness for 3NT and even if partner is well-stopped in the suit, there will surely be an extra ruffing trick somewhere.

Hand B: A clear 3NT - with the 4-3-3-3 shape. There will be the odd hand opposite where 4 plays better than 3NT, but many more where 3NT will make the same number as $4 \uparrow$. Even if, facing four spades opposite, there were slightly more hands where 4 would play a trick better than 3 NT (and this I doubt), I would still not bid Stayman. This is because every time partner does not have four spades and you play in 3NT, you have given the defence information about partner's hand (ie. whether he has four hearts).

Hand C: 24 Stayman. The fact that you have both four-card majors does make a difference. In general, every time you end up in 3NT, you'd rather not have gone via Stayman (giving away information). With two four-card majors as here, you are twice as likely not to play 3NT than if you had just one four-card major.
Hand D: Closest yet. I would bid 3NT, although if partner held four spades I would probably on balance rather be in 4. Reason: I don't want to give away the information. What if my Stayman bid was doubled, tipping off the club lead? Or, more subtly, what if the Stayman bid wasn't doubled, so West found (say) the winning heart lead against 3NT rather than the losing club (from equivalent suits). Having said all that, if my heart doubleton was two small, that's too much risk -- l'd bid Stayman and hope for a spade fit. An against-the-field 3NT with a spade fit and the defence cashing all the hearts will score a big, round zero.
When to lean towards Stayman: Small doubletons, or both four-card majors. When to lean towards 3NT: 4333s, or honour doubletons. Look at our featured deal:

| Dealer: S | - K 10 |  | The B | ding as | happen |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Vul: E/W | - J 532 |  | West | North | East | South |
|  | -KJ 105 |  |  |  |  | 1NT |
|  | ¢K 98 |  | Pass | 24 | Double |  |
| - A 9763 |  | - 82 | Pass | 3NT | All Pas |  |
| -K1084 |  | - Q 6 |  |  |  |  |
| - 8 |  | -9762 | The B | ding as | SHOU | D have |
| -432 |  | - AJ 1075 | Happe |  |  |  |
|  | - Q J 54 |  | West | North | East | South |
|  | - A 97 |  |  |  |  | 1NT |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { A Q } 43 \\ & + \text { Q } 6 \end{aligned}$ |  | Pass | 3NT | All Pas |  |

North's decision to look for a 4-4 heart fit was hardly criminal, but once East had found the good lead-directing double of the $2 \boldsymbol{\$}$ Stayman, North- South could kiss a decent result goodbye. Against 3NT West led a club to the ten and queen and declarer led a spade, hoping East held $\boldsymbol{A}$. Not so; West rose with $\boldsymbol{4} \mathrm{A}$, whereupon a second club through $\$ \mathrm{~K}-9$ ensured four club tricks for East. Down one.
Recommended is a simple jump to 3NT by North, hoping that there isn't a 4-4 heart fit or that, even if there is, 3NT will play for as many tricks (North's good outside intermediates making that quite likely). Declarer wins West's spade lead, knocks out the ace of spades and, later, the ace of clubs. Nine tricks and game made.
Andrew's Tip: 4-4 major fits do usually play a trick better than notrumps. But with 4333 shapes and 4432s with good doubletons, it may be best to blast 3NT and give the opponents no information.

## COULDN'T STAY AWAY - WALK-IN PAIRS 1/1

## Brent Manley



Singapore players Raja and Savi Bawajee.

Savi and Raja Bawajee are attending the $55^{\text {th }}$ Gold Coast Congress for a second try at the tournament. The husband and wife from Singapore had such fun in 2015 that they decided to try to improve their results in the new year.
Savi describes the two as "babies" in the world of bridge, but they are professionals in their non-bridge life and eager students of the game.
In the Saturday Walk-In Pairs, first session, the Bawajees did not score as well as they would have liked, but they did have their moments.

Holding this hand
-98•A654 KQ4 \& J 653,
Savi had to decide what to do after three passes to her. When she put the "pass" slash on the bidding pad, she had earned her side $76 \%$. As it happened, the opponents owned the spade suit. Indeed,

East-West reached $2 \boldsymbol{1}$, making, in all but three of the 13 times the board was played. The other three were pass-outs.
Savi again used good judgment on this board to earn a fine score:
$\left.\begin{array}{lllllll}\text { Dealer: East } & \text { \$A872 } \\ \text { Vul: Both } & \text { A } 876\end{array}\right)$

North-South could have defeated 4ゅ, but they did better by bidding on after West bid $4 \uparrow$ over 4 . The $5 \checkmark$ contract can be defeated on a club lead. East wins the \&A, cashes the A and gives West a ruff. West can hardly be faulted, however, for leading a spade. There wasn't much to the play after Savi won the $\boldsymbol{\$ A}$ in dummy and played two rounds of hearts. All she had to do from there was knock out the A. The minor-suit aces were the only tricks for the defense. Plus 650 was worth $75 \%$ for the Bawajees.
Their best score of the day - 83\% - came when their opponents missed a game with 26 high-card points between the two hands.

Some of the Bawajees' less-than-stellar results were the result of being in the wrong place at the wrong time. This board is a good example:


East did well to make a move to slam. West agreed with East's optimistic assessment of the two hands by simply blasting into the slam. Raja could have saved a few matchpoints by cashing the MA, but North-South were booked for a poor result considering that 10 of the 13 East-West pairs missed the slam - and only one of them got past 4ゆ. North players who started with the VA against game contracts earned their side $92 \%$ of the matchpoints. Against the slam, leading the ace was good for a 17-point improvement in the matchpoints, from 8 MPs to 25.
Two Brisbane players - Mary Doneley and Jennie Tucker - added some misery by reaching game on this deal:

| Dealer: North Vul: N-S Brd 5 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { \& } 109632 \\ & \& Q 872 \\ & \& 972 \\ & \& K \end{aligned}$ |  | West | North | East | South |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{aligned} & \bullet \text { AQJ } 7 \\ & \bullet \text { A J } 65 \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \oplus K_{1} \\ & \ominus K 9 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| - Q 6 |  | - J 853 |  | Makea | le Con | acts |  |
| \& J 83 |  | \& Q 109752 | 2 | - | 2 | - | NT |
|  | - 854 |  | 1 | - | 1 | - | ¢ |
|  | -1043 |  | 1 | - | 1 | - | $\bullet$ |
|  | - AK 104 |  | 1 | - | 1 | - | - |
|  | \& A 64 |  | 3 | - |  | - | 4 |

West, Tucker, overcalled 1NT after Savi opened $1 \downarrow$. Gambling that her long club suit would be useful, Doneley drove it to 3NT. They were among the three East-West pairs who got to game on the deal. The contract can be defeated even after a spade lead by North if he switches to a diamond upon winning the $\$ \mathrm{~K}$. South can then play the $\downarrow \mathrm{A}$, K and a low diamond. North's $\$ 9$ knocks out dummy's jack and South can take the setting trick with the 10 when she comes in with the \&A. That's easy to see looking at all the cards. Not so easy otherwise. The Bawajees let declarer take 10 tricks, but they were booked for a poor score even if they got their four top tricks. Minus 430 was worth only $8 \%$. Minus 400 was worth only $17 \%$.

## DIRECTOR'S TIP: ALERTING STAYMAN BIDS

A response of $2 \boldsymbol{e}$ after a 1 NT opening bid is not alertable in an uncontested auction, no matter what the meaning.

However, normal alerting do rules apply if (a) if the opponents have entered the auction, or (b) Stayman or similar is used in any other sequence e.g. following a 2NT opening.
Normal alerting rules also apply to all responses to Stayman and other asking bids.


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|  |  |  | Sunday 21st February | Monday 22nd February | Tuesday 23rd February | Tuesday 25th February | Wednesday 24th February | Thursday 25th February | Friday 26th February |
| DAVID BEAUCHAMP | Why We Play 2 Over 1 |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 9:00am } \\ & \text { to } \\ & 9: 45 \mathrm{am} \end{aligned}$ | David is one of Australia's leading teachers. He has run workshops throughout Australia and has been a Celebrity Speaker at the Gold Coast Congress \& The National Open Teams on numerous occasions. Recent Achievements include: 2015: Winner Grand National Open Teams; Runner-up Spring National Open Teams 2014: Winner Spring National Open Teams; Winner Grand National Open Teams; Representative NSW Open Team. |  |  |  |  |  |
| NICK JACOB | Picture The Dummy <br> How to visualise the cards opposite you to get to the right contract |  | $\begin{aligned} & 4: 45 \mathrm{pm} \\ & \text { to } \\ & 5: 30 \mathrm{pm} \end{aligned}$ | Nick Jacob played in the New Zealand open team in 2015 after being a frequent representative in the youth team. He also represented Victoria in the Open Teams at the 2014 Australian National Championships. He has won the 2015 Spring National Open Teams and the 2016 National Open Swiss Pairs while finishing second in the 2016 National Open Teams. |  |  |  |  |  |
| ISHMAEL DELMONTE | The Inside Track come behind the scenes (or screens) with Ish as he candidly talks about the recent cheating scandals | Born in NZ, Ish started playing with his father at 16. He has represented NZ and Australia in Youth \& Open Bridge. |  | $\begin{aligned} & 4: 45 \mathrm{pm} \\ & \text { to } \\ & 5: 30 \mathrm{pm} \end{aligned}$ | He lived in Sydney for 25 years, although playing bridge around the world. Ish has won numerous titles in Australia, NZ and USA as well as five times winner of most Masterpoints title. He lives in Las Vegas with his wife Lisa and is now, with his current partner Zia Mahmood, trialling to represent the USA. Ish is Vice-Chairman of the WBF High Level Players Commission which is targeting cheating at bridge at the top level. He is also on the masterpoint committee and has just been added to the newly formed ACBL task force which is also attempting to stop cheating at bridge. |  |  |  |  |
| HUGH GROSVENOR | Ethics and Etiquette | Hugh is a professional bridge player and teacher, who has lived and played in Australia, USA and Europe. He represented Australia in the Open Team 5 times between 1992 and 2012. Two Bermuda Bowls, one Olympiad, four PABF championships. He has won numerous Australian National and State titles. |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 9: 30 \mathrm{am} \\ & \text { to } \\ & 10: 15 \mathrm{am} \end{aligned}$ |  |  | Hugh is President of the Tasmanian Bridge Association and an Australian Bridge Federation Councillor. <br> He is the main bridge teacher for the Tasmanian Bridge Association and is a State level bridge director. |  |
| JOAN BUTTS | When to Bid <br> Over the Opponent's 1NT Openings AND When Not To | Joan Butts has represented Australia in world championships. She was 2nd in the 2015 TBIB National Swiss Pairs Championship. Her passion is bridge education. In 2011, she was appointed the Australian Bridge Federation (ABF) National Teaching Coordinator. In this capacity she trains teachers and arranges professional development programmes. Joan is also involved with bridge online. |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 9: 30 \mathrm{am} \\ & \text { to } \\ & 10: 15 \mathrm{am} \end{aligned}$ |  |
| WILLIAM JENNERO'SHEA | Opening Leads and Planning the Defence | Will Jenner-O'Shea has been teaching bridge full time in Sydney for 10 years. For the last two years he and Vanessa Brown have been running the Sydney Bridge Centre in Sydney's Inner West. Sydney Bridge Centre merged with the New South Wales Bridge Association in April this year. Will and Vanessa are the Joint CEOs with Will being the club's teacher across its three venues. Vanessa and Will have won the Mixed Teams in Canberra and Gold Coast. When not playing with Vanessa, Will mostly plays with Mike Doecke from Adelaide, and they have won several Junior tournaments, represented Australia, and won last years Autumn National Open Teams. Will also won this years National Mixed Teams Championship in Canberra for the second time. |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 2: 15 p m \\ & \text { to } \\ & 2: 45 \mathrm{pm} \end{aligned}$ |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { PHIL } \\ & \text { GUE } \end{aligned}$ | Simple Ideas in Competitive Bidding |  | Phil Gue has taught bridge for 30 years. <br> For the past 25 years he has managed and taught at the Adelaide Bridge Centre. <br> Phil has played for Australia at all the major World and Regional Championships. |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 9: 15 \mathrm{am} \\ & \text { to } \\ & 9: 45 \mathrm{am} \end{aligned}$ |
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# WEEKEND MATCHPOINT SWISS PAIRS LEADING SCORES - AFTER ROUND 3 

| Rank | Pair | Names | Total | Rank | Pair | Names | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- | :---: |
| 1 | 15 | Dianne Marler - Linda Alexander | 54 | 9 | 40 | Brett Glass - Eric Glass | 46 |
| 2 | 98 | Susan Humphries - Stephanie Jacob | 53 | 12 | 122 | Lois Steinwedel - Kathy Johnson | 44 |
| 3 | 92 | Andrew Janisz - Trevor Robb | 49 | 12 | 27 | Felicity Gunner - Barbara Marrett | 4 |
| 3 | 21 | Julia Hoffman - Noelene Law | 49 | 12 | 11 | Dennis Zines - Tom Moss | 44 |
| 3 | 1 | Peter Buchen - Chris Hughes | 49 | 12 | 114 | Elli Urbach - Beverley Stacey | 44 |
| 3 | 104 | Sharon Mayo - Greg Mayo | 49 | 16 | 170 | Elizabeth Zeller - Patricia Larsen | 44 |
| 7 | 3 | Rochelle Pelkman - Murray Wood | 48 | 16 | 120 | Tony Berger - Eva Berger | 43 |
| 8 | 5 | Michael Johnson - Michael Simes | 47 | 16 | 83 | Tony Treloar - Peter Evans | 43 |
| 9 | 71 | Bijan Assaee - Linda Aubusson | 46 | 16 | 13 | Richard Grenside - Sue Grenside | 43 |
| 9 | 169 | Yuzhong Chen - Gary Foidl | 46 | 16 | 116 | Ivy Luck - John Luck | 43 |

## HOLIDAY PAIRS 1/1 LEADING SCORES

|  | N-S | Score |  | E-W | Score |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1 | Patricia Scott - Sharon Jackson | 62.47 | 1 | Dianne Mullin - Eddie Mullin | 65.73 |
| 2 | Terence O'Dempsey - Paul Thiem | 61.99 | 2 | Pam Sexton - Edwina Gundelach | 56.10 |
| 3 | Jenny Johnstone - Robin Macaulay | 60.56 | 3 | Helen Fitzpatrick - Patricia Hobson | 55.96 |
| 4 | Peter Ventura - Pang Ventura | 58.47 | 4 | Evol Cresswell - Margaret Darke | 54.99 |
| 5 | Dianne Hillman - Odette Hall | 53.02 | 5 | Geoffrey Lawson - Kathy Lawson | 54.35 |
| 6 | Phillip Morris - Gary Heyting | 51.56 | 6 | Kitty Biro - George Biro | 52.59 |
| 7 | Frank Kovacs - Steven White | 50.77 | 7 | Norma Cameron - Joan Anderson | 49.87 |

## EVERYDAY BRIDGE ADVENTURES <br> A New Book by Sydney Player Dennis Zines

Along the way in trying to win at Bridge there are always stories that are funny, tragic or at least worth retelling. In this collection Dennis Zines relates what happened on a number of deals that piqued his interest. No doubt you will recognise similar circumstances and outcomes and hopefully will enjoy the journey.

This is not an educational book but potentially one where you can pick it up at any time for a slight bridge diversion from whatever else that you were doing that you really didn't want to do.
This hand was very satisfying in the bidding and play, although not in the score up.

| Dealer: East Vul: Nil | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ↔ K Q } 7 \\ & \bullet K 83 \end{aligned}$ |  | West | North | East | South <br> 14 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | -KQ9 |  | Pass | $2{ }^{1}$ | Pass | 2 |
|  | 4J983 |  | Pass | $2{ }^{2}$ | Pass | 2 NT |
| - 65 |  | -932 | Pass | $3{ }^{3}$ | Pass | $4 \mathrm{NT}^{4}$ |
| -1095 |  | - 7642 | Pass | $5{ }^{5}{ }^{5}$ | Pass | $5{ }^{6}$ |
| - J 8642 |  | - 3 | Pass | $5{ }^{7}$ | Pass | $6{ }^{4} 1 /$ |
| \& A Q 4 |  | \& K 10762 | 1. natu | and forc | ng to 2NT |  |
|  | - A J 1084 |  | 2. 4th | it game-f |  |  |
|  | - AQJ |  | 3. Stro | support | spades |  |
|  | - A 1052 |  | 5. 1 or | Key Car |  |  |
|  | \% 5 |  | 6. Que | ask |  |  |
|  |  |  | 7. I've | the $Q$ | nd the K |  |

West promptly led the $\uparrow \mathrm{A}$ and another after getting encouragement from East. I ruffed and played $\boldsymbol{\bullet} \mathrm{A}$ and $\boldsymbol{\mathrm { C }}$ K confirming a 3-2 break and ending in dummy. I now ruffed the third club, entered dummy with a diamond and ruffed the fourth club high, then entered dummy with the OK to draw the last trump and claim twelve tricks.
Although a text-book dummy reversal, I was feeling pretty pleased with myself until score-up when I learned that the opposition had bid the slam and my team mate had led a diamond shortening the play considerably. Sigh, just another flat board.
Available from Paul Lavings at the GCCC or Nick Fahrer at the Bridge Shop http://bit.Iy/TBS-DZ and a link to a dozen or so preview pages (PDF format) - http://bit.Iy/DZ-sample that anyone can access.
Dennis has kindly donated two copies as prizes for the leading Datum Scorers in the Seniors Teams having played a minimum of six matches together.

| FRIDAY NIGHT NO FRILLS PAIRS ADING SCORES -TOTAL 41 TABLES |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| SECTION 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| North-South |  |  |  | East-West |  |  |  |
| Place | Pair |  | \% | Place | Pair |  | \% |
| 1 | 6 | Ashok Chotai - Barry Williams | 62.98 | 1 | 11 | Linda Aubusson - Bijan Assaee | 60.58 |
| 2 | 12 | Peer Bach - Setsuko Lichtnecke | 60.10 | 2 | 9 | Dorothy Gehrke - Errol Miller | 58.97 |
| 3 | 4 | Ian Beattie - Gwyneth Hopkins | 51.92 | 3 | 4 | Margaret Dickerson - Barry Koster | 57.53 |
| SECTION 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| North-South |  |  |  | East-West |  |  |  |
| Place | Pair |  | \% | Place | Pair |  | \% |
| 1 | 27 | Andrew Hirst - Bill Hirst | 61.7 | 1 | 29 | Wayne Burrows - Rebecca Wood | 64.58 |
| 2 | 23 | Naomi Hannah-Brown - Priscilla Bloy | 59.13 | 2 | 28 | Vanessa Brown - Will Jenner-O'Shea | 63.94 |
| 3 | 32 | Sharon Stretton - Pauline Mulligan | 56.41 | 3 | 31 | Bal Krishan - Phil Glover | 55.29 |
| SECTION 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| North-South |  |  |  | East-West |  |  |  |
| Place | Pair |  | \% | Place | Pair |  | \% |
| 1 | 51 | Peter Anstice - Deborah Cooper | 65.79 | 1 | 53 | Chris Ingham - Ron Cooper | 60.98 |
| 2 | 49 | Karen Dewar - Adrian Fontes | 61.24 | 2 | 43 | Bill Bishop - Sam Bishop | 58.64 |
| 3 | 47 | Sue Picus - Richard Wallis | 61.09 | 3 | 45 | Joan Campbell - Jenny Crawt | 56.25 |

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## BRIDGE BATTLE OF YOUTH V. EXPERIENCE! WEDNESDAY NIGHT, 24 FEBRUARY

During the Gold Coast Congress, the Gold Coast Bridge Club is hosting a short bridge competition against youth players. Some serious bridge and some fun.

- 7.00 pm Dinner - Pizzas, fruit and ice-cream. Note Congress bridge finishes at 6.30 pm that day.
- $\quad 7.30 \mathrm{pm}$ to 9.00 pm . "normal" bridge.
- Optional 9.00 pm to 9.30 pm (or later!) - Special fun bridge (with some drinks and nibbles provided). For example:
> Speedball where you must bid, play and score up hands in 2 minutes; or
$>$ Crazy Pairs after the auction, open an envelope to find special rules for that hand, e.g. 2s beat aces FREE for youth players or members of the Gold Coast Bridge Club. ONLY $\$ 10$ for others, which includes
- The standard 2 -hour session ( $11 / 2$ hours normal bridge and 30 -minutes of fun bridge).
- The pizza dinner
- Drinks and nibbles.

If you would like to attend, please contact us before the event, as places for non-youths are limited. The club (phone 5538 2905) is located 1.6 km north of the Convention Centre at 2883 Gold Coast Highway, Surfers Paradise.

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## The Oasis on Broadbeach Shopping Centre

The Oasis is delighted to continue its sponsorship of the Bobby Richman Open Pair's Championship and would like to extend a very warm welcome to all players attending the Gold Coast Congress.
The Oasis on Broadbeach is located a short 5 minute walk from the Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre
It offers a relaxing environment where you can find Woolworths, Restaurants, Newsagency, Chemist. Food outlets, Jewellers, Bookshops as well as many other shops who will be able to fulfil all of your needs

OPEN PAIRS QUALIFYING - Leading Scores
N/S 1-14 Final 15-28 Plate
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63.60
59.92

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Nick Jacob - Roger Lee
Chris Dibley - Pedro Saavedra

|  | Michael Pemberton - Graham Wakefield |
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| Julius George - Franky Karwur |  |


| Pauline Gumby - Warren Lazer | 56.94 |
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Barry Jones - Jenny Millington
56.87

Kim Morrison - Peter Fordham
57.81

Barbara Travis - Howard Melbourne
56.33
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Glen Coutts - Ella Pattison
Astrid Goncharoff - Michael Courtney

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| 56.12 | 14 |

Fraser Rew - Brad Coles
56.03
$56.03-15$
56.02

Sue Ingham - George Bilski
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55.96

Jill Magee - Terry Strong
55.96

Felicity Beale - Robbie Van Riel
Bill Haughie - Simon Hinge
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55.74

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Margaret Bourke - Neil Ewart
Brian Callaghan - Christine Duckworth
Attilio De Luca - Susan Emerson
Ado Hardy - Derek Tyms

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| 54.05 | 27 | Will Jenner-O'Shea - Mike Doecke |  |
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| Erikas Vainikonis - Andrei Arlovich | 57.11 |
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| Jodi Tutty - Stephen Fischer | 57.06 |

Judy Frazier - Adrian Pollock
cott
54.05

Gin Jenner-O Shea - Mike Doecke
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## SENIORS PAIRS QUALIFYING - Leading Scores

N/S 1-14 Final 15-26 Plate

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| N/S 1-14 Final 15-26 Plate | Avge |  |
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| Malcolm Carter - Tony Hutton | 58.54 | 1 |
| Jon Hunt - Peter Grant | 57.23 | 2 |
| Bill Hunt - Rosa Lachman | 55.69 | 3 |
| Richard Brightling - David Hoffman | 55.24 | 4 |
| Tom Kiss - Alasdair Beck | 55.01 | 5 |
| Richard Wallis - Sue Picus | 53.47 | 6 |
| Mardi Svensson - Deepak Pradhan | 53.35 | 7 |
| Patsy Walters - Lynne Geursen | 53.22 | 8 |
| Andrew Creet - Stephen Mendick | 52.10 | 9 |
| Ron Clark - Tony Jackman | 52.02 | 10 |
| Jan Davis - Tim Davis | 51.97 | 11 |
| Eric Hurley - Gary Lynn | 51.61 | 12 |
| Deborah Frankel - Hilary Yovich | 51.28 | 13 |
| Ann Woodhead - Bob Lawrence | 51.14 | 14 |
| Les Grewcock - Robert Milward | 50.17 | 15 |
| Pat Back - Pat Beattie | 49.94 | 16 |
| Steven Bock - Helen Milward | 49.86 | 17 |
| Peter Chan - Robert Sebesfi | 49.17 | 18 |
| Toni Sharp - Marilyn Chadwick | 46.29 | 19 |
| Franci Halmos - Jean Hall | 45.98 | 20 |
| Sally Moore - Sue Chapman | 45.28 | 21 |
| Ben Ridler - Roger Cael | 44.02 | 22 |
| Julie Farmer - Judy Banks | 43.34 | 23 |
| Lorraine Inglis - Judy Plimmer | 43.24 | 24 |
| Sharmini Hoole - Milton Hart | 41.05 | 25 |
| Neil Gibson - Elizabeth Gibson | 40.21 | 26 |

E/W 1-14 Final 15-26 Plate

| Martin Bloom - Nigel Rosendorff | 60.20 |
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| Roy Nixon - Bernard Waters | 59.12 |
| Barry Palmer - Neil Stuckey | 58.39 |
| Elizabeth Havas - Arjuna De Livera | 57.05 |
| Dennis Yovich - Deidre Greenfeld | 56.98 |
| Timothy Ridley - David Harris | 56.87 |
| Peter Kahler - Jeannette Collins | 53.78 |
| Roger Januszke - Chris Lorimer | 51.81 |
| Gordon Fallon - Alison Fallon | 51.69 |
| Pam Crichton - Ross Crichton | 50.25 |
| Robert Krochmalik - Brian Bedkober | 50.15 |
| Lester Kalmin - Mannie Ichilcik | 49.77 |
| Richard Waszyrowski - Jerzy Szyszkowski | 49.11 |
| Anne Clarke - Sandy Greenwood | 48.36 |
| Carolyn Miller - Kevin Steffensen | 48.01 |
| Kuldip Bedi - Richard Misior | 47.39 |
| Peter Andersson - Ashok Tulpule | 47.13 |
| Monica Ginsberg - Sybil Hurwitz | 46.37 |
| Barbara Daly - Lyn Mansfield | 45.90 |
| Glenis Palmer - Christine Wilson | 45.80 |
| Brian Ashwell - Wayne Gyde | 45.80 |
| Peter Langston - Marit Langston | 44.76 |
| John Adams - Andrew Slutzkin | 42.78 |
| Nev Harington - Adele Harington | 42.22 |
| Phil Glover - Bal Krishan | 34.95 |
| Pamela Collins - Janette Clark |  |

## INTERMEDIATE PAIRS QUALIFYING - Leading Scores <br> N/S 1-14 Final 15-28 Plate

Margaret Prentice - Rosemary Millar
Judith Anderson - Nick Ware
Jim Taylor - Cora Taylor
Ian Doland - Mandy Johnson
Alan Davies - Vivien Eldridge
Evelyn Stephenson - Linda Healy
George Campbell - Sandor Varga
Simon Begg - Geoffrey Schaller
Vince Cariola - Richard Massey
Gregory Gosney - Margaret Plunkett
Trevor Fletcher - Angeline Christie
Michael Ward - Chris Nettle
Marina Darling - Sue Read
Lou Tillotson - Sue Robinson
Ros Warnock - Valerie Isle

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E/W 1-14 Final 15-28 Plate
57.35
53.20

Chris Stead - Eric Baker

Jo Sklarz - Jane Henderson

| 17 | Larry Attwood - Kathryn Attwood | 52.99 | 17 | David Tucker - Sarah Strickland | 52.50 |
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| 18 | Tim Fenwicke - Jane Fenwicke | 52.90 | 18 | Wayne Carroll - Fran Carroll | 52.39 |
| 19 | Chris Fernando - Bert Romeijn | 52.69 | 19 | Megan Sutherland - Gerald Dawson | 52.32 |
| 20 | Helen Walker - Kevin Walker | 52.55 | 20 | Molly O'Donohue - Mary Tough | 52.06 |
| 21 | Greg Nicholson - Jean Barbour | 52.51 | 21 | Craig Francis - Tim Runting | 51.90 |
| 22 | Peter Nilsson - Deborah Nilsson | 52.36 | 22 | Katalin Bish - Barbara Boag | 51.89 |
| 23 | Peter Giles - James Collier | 52.16 | 23 | Gwenda Mealyea - Cecile Senior | 51.88 |
| 24 | Lynn Baker - Peter Robinson | 51.77 | 24 | Jenny Hoff - Kay Leeton | 51.68 |
| 25 | Gordon Broadley - Ian Broadley | 51.45 | 25 | Noreen Grant - Anne Morris | 51.56 |
| 26 | Jenny Williams - Katrina Hewings | 51.44 | 26 | Adrian Lohmann - Ken Cupples | 51.49 |
| 27 | Jillian Tuckey - Rozanne Thomas | 51.39 | 27 | Loraine King - Helen Standfast | 51.20 |
| 28 | Barry Koster - Margaret Dickerson | 51.27 | 28 | Hope Tomlinson - Barry Foster | 50.79 |

RESTRICTED PAIRS QUALIFYING - Leading Scores

| N/S 1-14 Final 15-28 Plate |  | Avge |  | E/W 1-14 Final 15-28 Plate | Avge |
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| 1 | Nanette Loxton - Brodie Loxton | 63.56 | 1 | Sarah Carradine - Michael Young | 64.27 |
| 2 | Tilley Thillainathan - Ross Currin | 61.71 | 2 | Kinga Hajmasi - Andrew Michl | 60.91 |
| 3 | Tassi Georgiadis - Joanne Bakas | 58.61 | 3 | Bill Forbes - Lance Coffey | 58.96 |
| 4 | Jan Plumb - Don Plumb | 58.24 | 4 | Les Wozniczka - Jenny Pulsford | 57.55 |
| 5 | Ian Beattie - Gwyneth Hopkins | 58.03 | 5 | Erica Tie - Lyn Mould | 57.47 |
| 6 | Gwyneira Brahma - Vicki Taylor | 57.73 | 6 | Trevor Haley - Lanny Chan | 57.26 |
| 7 | Jane Stearns - Di Emms | 57.35 | 7 | Tony Jiang - Julia Zhu | 56.27 |
| 8 | Bhavna Patel - Nilesh Patel | 56.90 | 8 | Denis Ward - Allan Mcintyre | 55.86 |
| 9 | Ian Hoschke - Sylvia Billingham | 56.37 | 9 | John Elich - Gabrielle Elich | 55.57 |
| 10 | Dennis Sullivan - Peter Moffat | 55.78 | 10 | Allison Simon - Geraldine Hare | 55.03 |
| 11 | Libby Tonkin - Liz Jacka | 55.55 | 11 | Anne Barry - Karen Elmes | 54.74 |
| 12 | Jackie Rossiter-Nuttall - Bill Rossiter-Nuttall | 55.41 | 12 | Mick Fawcett - Lyn Tracey | 54.74 |
| 13 | Clive Klugman - Fran Martin | 54.82 | 13 | Sandra Mulcahy - Doris Beaton | 54.25 |
| 14 | Max Holewa - Diane Holewa | 53.64 | 14 | Marie Irving - Jillian Griffith | 53.03 |
| 15 | Kevin Willcocks - Julie Willcocks | 53.09 | 15 | Kevin Balkin - Murray Wiggins | 53.00 |
| 16 | Mereana Cullen - Debbie Marcroft | 52.99 | 16 | Winny Chan - Catherine Ang | 52.97 |
| 17 | Deanna Stuart - John Stuart | 52.72 | 17 | Ian Pick - Graham Carson | 52.93 |
| 18 | Teresa Phillips - David Spencer | 52.65 | 18 | Frank Mcconvill - David Scott | 52.93 |
| 19 | Robert Stick - Colin Payne | 52.60 | 19 | Archie Fraser - Greta Davis | 52.79 |
| 20 | Siamak Parsanejad - Miro Bactashi | 52.15 | 20 | Diana Sher - Moya Turner | 52.48 |
| 21 | Bill Hanlon - Jo Neary | 52.07 | 21 | Austin Driscoll - Charles Fisher | 52.13 |
| 22 | Ard Kommeren - Gill Kommeren | 52.01 | 22 | Roy Cotton - Jeff Conroy | 52.13 |
| 23 | Lyn Mayer - Margaret Carlton | 51.85 | 23 | Barbara Wippell - Kim Nicoll | 51.63 |
| 24 | Barbara Mackay - Leigh Dominikovich | 51.78 | 24 | John Ham - Janet Ham | 51.59 |
| 25 | Susan Wright - Patricia Garner | 51.75 | 25 | Brian Wippell - Michael Doherty | 51.28 |
| 26 | Camilla Boyd - Annie Pilcher | 51.57 | 26 | Patrick Wallas - Brian Borrell | 51.21 |
| 27 | Meg Sharp - Keran Smith | 50.86 | 27 | Sam Zilber - Agi Herman | 51.06 |
| 28 | Frances Stuart - John Stuart | 50.73 | 28 | Gwen Wiles - Karen Wallwork | 50.87 |
| NOVICE PAIRS QUALIFYING - Leading Scores |  |  |  |  |  |
| N/S 1-14 Final 15-28 Plate |  | Avge | E/W 1-14 Final 15-28 Plate |  | Avge |
| 1 | Charles Mcmahon - John Mcmahon | 64.85 | 1 | Unis Suliman - Peter Taylor | 62.23 |
| 2 | Eduardo Besprosvan - Jack Luke-Paredi | 61.87 | 2 | Peter Mcnamee - Brian Goldberg | 59.01 |
| 3 | Allan Byrnes - Steven Parkes | 59.43 | 3 | Jim Stewart - David Owen | 58.13 |
| 4 | Jennifer Ardill - Suzanne Cole | 57.31 | 4 | Hans Van Weeren - Peter Clarke | 56.83 |
| 5 | Jane Gray - Teena Mckenzie | 56.52 | 5 | Simon Van Kruistum - Cobie Van Kruistum | 56.77 |
| 6 | Denise Merrin - Sheena Pollock | 56.12 | 6 | Janice Mckay - Bob Mckay | 55.86 |
| 7 | Madeleine Gray - Ellen Borda | 55.21 | 7 | Juliet Dunworth - Maria Page | 55.79 |
| 8 | Grahame Devrell - Glenn Davis | 55.10 | 8 | Alex Phillips - Lakshmi Sunderasan | 55.72 |
| 9 | David Freilich - Anne Sacco | 55.08 | 9 | Bernhard Boulton - Lindsay Williams | 55.07 |
| 10 | Lynda Atkin - Thi Pham | 55.06 | 10 | Jim Skeen - Lisa Yoffa | 54.51 |
| 11 | Graeme Dick - Margaret Dick | 54.65 | 11 | Joe Conde - Alan Hemmingway | 54.45 |
| 12 | John Stimpson - Cherylene Stimpson | 54.62 | 12 | Fay Jeppesen - Kenneth Griggs | 53.61 |
| 13 | Bev Northey - Dianne Thatcher | 54.06 | 13 | Colin Lewis - Philip Roberts | 53.16 |
| 14 | Christine Thomas - Bob Thomas | 53.38 | 14 | Grace Ireland - Ruth Sargent | 52.98 |
| 15 | Drew Campi - Moira Smith | 52.45 | 15 | Sally Shrimpton - Bev Johnson | 52.64 |
| 16 | Lynn Bain - Margaret Cummins | 52.13 | 16 | Anthony Phillips - Deidre Nixon | 52.33 |
| 17 | Wilma Coloper - Jennifer Simpson | 51.68 | 17 | Don Robertson - Warwick Newton | 51.95 |
| 18 | Ruth Greentree - Bevan Anderson | 51.60 | 18 | Peter Goldman - Michael Main | 51.36 |
| 19 | Charles Bowen-Thomas - Lesley Bowen-Thomas | 51.55 | 19 | Don Du Temple - Adrienne Du Temple | 50.35 |
| 20 | Annette Scott - Narelle Mciver | 50.44 | 20 | Tony Bowmaker - Kyle Gilchrist | 50.13 |
| 21 | Garry Smith - Marleen Smith | 50.34 | 21 | Dusk Care - Joan Hinsch | 50.09 |
| 22 | Beryl Mckay - Janice Clark | 49.33 | 22 | Alan Anderson - Greg Kerswell | 50.08 |
| 23 | Helen Cook - Debbie Chappell | 49.23 | 23 | Di Garside - Sam Bishop | 50.00 |
| 24 | Lynn Kelly - Robyn Brady | 49.20 | 24 | Margie Toogood - John Toogood | 49.40 |
| 25 | Lesley Heap - Sue Rohrig | 48.85 | 25 | Margaret Ziffer - Rob Ziffer | 48.83 |
| 26 | Georgia Cook - Pamela Hare | 48.58 | 26 | Colin Dempster - Norman Grech | 48.82 |
| 27 | Dianne Musgrave - Joan Cade | 48.47 | 27 | Sonia Brodman - Pauline Kingston | 48.10 |
| 28 | Ann Klibbe - Margaret Wyche | 48.37 | 28 | Jenny Mawson - Cherry Barnett | 48.08 |


| CALENDAR OF SOCIAL AND OTHER ACTIVITIES GOLD COAST CONGRESS 2016 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| novice And rookie Activities | Venue | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sunday } \\ & \text { 21st } \\ & \text { February } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Monday } \\ & \text { 22nd } \\ & \text { February } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Tuesday } \\ & \text { 23rd } \\ & \text { February } \end{aligned}$ | Wednesday 24th February | Thursday 25th February | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Friday } \\ & \text { 26th } \\ & \text { February } \end{aligned}$ |
| GCC Novice Pairs Welcome Assistance with System Cards and How it all Works etc <br> Maroon Tablecloths Main Playing Area |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| GCC Rookies Pairs Welcome Assistance with System Cards and How it all Works etc | Fuscia Tablecloths Main Playing Area | $\begin{aligned} & 12: 15 \mathrm{pm} \\ & \text { to } \\ & 12: 45 \mathrm{pm} \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| GCC 0-50 MP Welcome <br> Assistance with System Cards and How it all Works etc | Orange Tablecloths Main Playing Area | $\begin{gathered} 9: 45 \mathrm{am} \\ \text { to } \\ 10: 15 \mathrm{am} \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| GCC Novice Teams Welcome Assistance with System Cards and How it all Works etc | Maroon Tablecloths Main Playing Area | $\begin{gathered} 9: 45 \mathrm{am} \\ \text { to } \\ 10: 15 \mathrm{am} \end{gathered}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| GCC 0-50 MP Welcome Assistance with System Cards and How it all Works etc | Orange Tablecloths Main Playing Area | $\begin{gathered} 9: 45 \mathrm{am} \\ \text { to } \\ 10: 15 \mathrm{am} \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| GCC Rookies Pairs Welcome Assistance with System Cards and How it all Works etc | Fuscia Tablecloths Main Playing Area | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 9:45am } \\ & \text { to } \\ & 10: 15 \mathrm{am} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| GCC Novice Pairs Welcome Assistance with System Cards and How it all Works etc | Maroon Tablecloths Main Playing Area | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 9:45am } \\ & \text { to } \\ & 10: 15 \mathrm{am} \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| SOCIAL AND OTHER ACITVITIES |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bridge Widows <br> Gathering for Non-Bridge Playing Partners | Air on Broadbeach Apartment 3204 | Morning Tea 10:45am to 11:45am |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bridge Widows Mt Tamborine Trip \$5.00pp | Bus Leaves From Lobby Air on Broadbeach | 12:00pm to $4: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ <br> http://www.tamborinemtncc.org. au/things-to-do-on-tamborinemountain/ |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bridge Widows Springbrook Trip \$5.00pp | Bus Leaves From Lobby Air on Broadbeach | 11:00pm http://www.dancingw to 2:30pm aterscafe.com |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bridge Widows Tweed Regional Gallery and Margaret Olley House Trip \$5.00pp | Bus Leaves From Lobby Air on Broadbeach | http://www.artgallery.  <br> tweed.nsw.gov.au/th  <br> eGallery to 4:00 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Zephyr Foundation Charity <br> In Support of This Years Charity <br> Collections Before Play - All day at Admin | Doors Leading to Playing Venue | All Day $\quad$ All DayRaffle Draw <br> Under N Sign <br> After Morning <br> Session |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bridge Vid Demonstration with <br> Pete Hollands and <br> Laura Ginnan <br> See Bulletin for Details | Rooms 10, 11 and 12 Upstairs at the Convention Centre | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 12:15pm } \\ & \text { to } \\ & 12: 45 p m \end{aligned}$ | Bridge Vid features video lessons, commentated play, Triple Dummy podcast, online live course promotions and 1:15pm much more. |  |  |  |  |
| Pianola Demonstratuon | Rooms 10, 11 and 12 Upstairs at the Convention Centre | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 2:00pm } \\ & \text { to 2:30pm } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| Free Fashion Parade Meegs Boutique. Susie the Stylist discusses different bodyshapes styles - informative, educatuonal \& fun! | 1st Floor Oasis Shopping Centre | 10:30amto11:45am |  |  |  |  |  |
| Trivia Night Teams of up to 8 Players Non-Bridge Players Welcome Jac and Bill Rossiter-Nuttal your hosts | Alto Cucina and Bar Oasis Shopping Centre Grd Floor Beach End | \$10 Entry Closes Admin 2:00pm Monday Dinner from 5:30pm Monday Trivia Commences 7:00pm |  |  |  |  |  |
| Directors Get Together | With Jan Peach Rms 10/11/12 Upstairs | $\begin{gathered} \text { Starting } \\ \text { 8:30am } \\ \text { Finish 10:00 } \end{gathered}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dress Up Day - Emerald | Come Dressed in Something EMERALD Lobby Outside Area | $\begin{gathered} \text { Dress-Up } \\ \text { Parade } \\ \text { 2:30pm } \\ \text { to 3:00pm } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bridgemates Meet Ron Bouwland Developer and Owner of Bridgemates | Paul Lavings Bridge Books Stand | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 09:30am } \\ & \text { to } \\ & 10: 00 \mathrm{am} \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| Free Breakfast for Shoe Shoppers | "In Her Shoes Store" Ground Floor Oasis Shopping Centre |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |



DIFFICULT CALCUDOKU

| $96 \times$ | $19+$ | $8-$ | $42 \times$ |  | $2 \div$ |  | $15 \times$ |  |
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|  |  |  | $3-$ |  | $5-$ | $2-$ |  |  |
|  |  |  | $1-$ |  |  | $70 \times$ |  |  |
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|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $11+$ | 2 |
| $24+$ |  |  | $90 \times$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| $15+$ | $2 \div$ |  | $2-$ | $2 \div$ | $4-$ | $20+$ | $2-$ |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $3 \div$ |  |  | $3-$ |  |  |  |  |  |

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION
DIFFICULT CALCUDOKU

| $56 \times$ <br> 8 | $\begin{gathered} 189 x \\ 7 \end{gathered}$ | 3 | $1$ | 6 | $\Gamma^{7-}$ | $\sqrt{3-} 5$ | 2 | $\stackrel{24}{4}$ |
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| 7 | 9 | 1 | $\begin{array}{r} \text { 50x } \\ 5 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{\|r\|} \hline 22 x \\ 8 \end{array}$ | 2 | $\begin{array}{r} 21+ \\ 4 \end{array}$ | 3 | 6 |
| $\begin{array}{r} 16+ \\ \mathbf{3} \end{array}$ | 8 | $\begin{array}{r} 35+ \\ \mathbf{5} \end{array}$ | 2 | 9 | 1 | 6 | ${ }^{18+}$ | 7 |
| $\stackrel{2}{2}$ | 5 | 9 | 6 | ${ }^{6 \times}$ | 3 | 8 | 7 | 1 |
| 2 | $\begin{array}{\|r\|} \hline 8 x \\ \mathbf{3} \end{array}$ | 6 | ${ }^{2-} 9$ | $\begin{array}{r} 80 x \\ 5 \end{array}$ | 4 | ${ }^{8+}$ | 1 | 8 |
| 6 | 1 | 8 | 7 | 4 | $7^{7+} 5$ | 2 | $\begin{gathered} 216 x \\ \mathbf{9} \end{gathered}$ | 3 |
| $1$ | $\begin{array}{r} 12+ \\ 2 \end{array}$ | 7 | $\begin{array}{r} 36 x \\ \mathbf{4} \end{array}$ | 3 | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline 15+ \\ \mathbf{6} \end{array}$ | 9 | 8 | $\stackrel{\text { sox }}{5}$ |
| 9 | 6 | 4 | 3 | ${ }^{6-} 7$ | $8$ | 1 | 5 | 2 |
| $1-$ | 4 | $\frac{4 \div}{2}$ | 8 | 1 | $\begin{gathered} 126 x \\ 7 \end{gathered}$ | 3 | 6 | 9 |

DIFFICULT SUDOKU

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YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION DIFFICULT SUDOKU

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## SERVICES

If you are in need of a doctor or medical assistance you can contact Kim Ellaway through the Administration Desk or alternatively contact the Broadbeach Medical Centre on 07-5531-6344, Suite GO1, 2681 Gold Coast Highway Broadbeach. Their after-Hours is handled by Chevron After Hours Medical Service 07-5532-8666.

Please note that they do not Bulk Bill.

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