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WINNERS OF FEATHERS TO FAUNA PARADE

The first prize for the 'Feathers to Fauna' theme day goes to Waikato Mooloos! Hailed from Waikato New Zealand, they dressed themselves as cows with feathers and a cowbell – apparently the grass had already been eaten before the photo shot was taken! Congratulations!



Winners: "Waikato Mooloos" Victor Kooter, Laurie Belfield, Judith Howard, Peter Daffurn



Runners Up: "The Redcliffe Jungle Queens" Desley Strik, Janet Franklin, Thea Hobson, Deanna Cruickshank

Current leaders in the Teams Championships:

Open: Ashton (2), Bach (1), Ware (3)

Intermediate: Moffit (2), Nettle (14), Aquino (49)

Restricted: Gillies (30), D Williams (22), Gurney (94)

Novice: Young (10), Pandya (15), Kotros (28)

Two Celebrity Speaker Talks Today:

1) 9:30am – 10:15am

William Jenner-O'Shea on "Handling Interference After our 1NT (and Interfering with Theirs)"

2) 2:00pm – 2:45pm

Kim Frazer on "Gaining the mental edge at Bridge"

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

Thursday 27th Feb

10:30am	Teams (O, I, Re, N) Rounds 9-10/12 Pairs 0-50MP Session 1 of 2 Rookie Pairs Walk-In Pairs
3:00pm	Teams (O, I, Re, N) Rounds 11-12/12 Pairs 0-50MP Session 2 of 2 Walk-In Pairs

O=Open, I=Intermediate, Re=Restricted, N=Novice



Winners of the 0-50 Wednesday Pairs:
Jenny Reid - Dianne Dwyer



Runners Up of the 0-50 Wednesday Pairs:
Deanna Cruickshank - Janet Franklin

Bridge Widows



Fiona Driver calls herself an orphan as she joins the 'Bridge Widows' group travelling to Mount Tamborine for the day.

Living in England, she flew to Adelaide to visit her father, Terry Driver. Now she finds herself in sunshine (and rain) at the Gold Coast, 'abandoned' by her bridge playing father. What a joy to discover the opportunities Sue Ziegenfuss has created for non-bridge players to enable them to socialise and visit numerous Gold Coast tourist facilities.

Twenty spouses, orphans and friends of dedicated bridge players hosted by Sue and Lana, the Congress Hospitality team, enjoyed the day. Further adventures for interested non-players (and players) are listed in the daily GCC Bulletin.

Talk for Thursday Under 50 Butler Imps

New to Imps?



Jessica Brake (Member of the 2020 Australian Women's team and qualified teacher) will help you understand the differences between Matchpoint and Imp scoring. Learn how IMP scoring should affect your tactics, and how to maximise your results!

Time: 10:10am Thursday

Place: In front of the Under 50 Butler IMP Tables

New Medallion



For the first time, there is a medal for the best modified datum pair for the Open Teams! In order to win, the pair will have to play all 12 matches.

The medals have been provided courtesy of New Zealand Bridge. The medallions will be presented at the Dinner Dance.

Editor's Apology

I would like to sincerely apologise about some of the mistakes in yesterday's bulletin, along with many other mistakes in the past bulletins (plus the remaining few days to come)! Due to stressful time constraints, your bulletin team are trying their best to make the GCC Bulletins of a high standard. We are human beings after all, so we are *far* from perfect. I hope Tim won't replace us with robots...

OPEN TEAMS QUALIFYING MATCH FIVE

Barry Rigal

Here were some interesting deals from Match 5.

Dealer: East
Vul: N-S
Brd 2

♠ 10 9 2
♥ Q 5 2
♦ J 10 7
♣ K 10 9 5

♠ A J 8 6
♥ 10 4 3
♦ 9 6 3
♣ A 8 2

♠ Q 5
♥ A K J 8 7 6
♦ K 5 4 2
♣ 7

♠ K 7 4 3
♥ 9
♦ A Q 8
♣ Q J 6 4 3

West	North Rigal	East	South Lambardi
Pass	2♥	1♣	1♥
All Pass		Dbl	4♥

Makeable Contracts				
-	1	-	1	NT
-	1	-	1	♠
-	3	-	3	♥
-	2	-	2	♦
2	-	2	-	♣

I got to put my dummy down in 4♥ on a club lead. Declarer won the opening lead in dummy, tested one round of hearts then ran the ♠Q. East won his ♠K and tried to cash out the clubs. Lambardi ruffed, drew a second round of trumps, and eventually could exploit the highly favourable lie of the spades and diamonds to bring home 10 tricks. That was worth 9 IMPs against the datum.

What could the defence have done different, or better? An opening diamond lead would have set the game, of course but why would West ever find that? Maybe a slim chance to set the game would have come if East had ducked the ♠Q. Declarer must not repeat the finesse, of course. A better line is to cross to the ♠A; South can then take the diamond finesse and play a second diamond, and arrange to ruff the fourth diamond in dummy if necessary.

Declarer can survive if he draws the second round of trumps at once. East can then duck the spade lead but declarer can lead to the ♠A and set up diamonds thanks to the 3-3 break. If West had a 3-3-2-5 pattern with ♠109x and a doubleton diamond honour you have to play on spades before drawing a second trump. And if East wins the first spade and returns the suit declarer must ruff a club then lead to the ♥10 without cashing the second high trump. That lets you go over to dummy and cash the spades then lead a diamond to your king.

Dealer: North
Vul: N-S
Brd 5

♠ K 6 5
♥ J 9 6 3 2
♦ 10 9 2
♣ K 7

♠ 9 7 4 2
♥ A
♦ A J 8 7 3
♣ Q 5 3

♠ J 8
♥ K 8 5
♦ K 6 4
♣ A J 10 9 6

♠ A Q 10 3
♥ Q 10 7 4
♦ Q 5
♣ 8 4 2

West	North	East	South
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Makeable Contracts				
-	2	-	2	NT
-	-	-	-	♠
1	-	1	-	♥
-	4	-	4	♦
-	4	-	4	♣

As our teammates discovered the hard way, defeating 3NT is far from easy. Say you play 3NT from the South seat on a heart lead. East encourages the lead and you pass the ♣Q. West wins and surely cannot find the spade shift. He leads a heart to the queen and king. Now declarer runs the clubs and pitches spades from dummy. West pitches an encouraging spade but then has to find a second pitch before East can do anything but give suit preference on the clubs. West must unguard the spades, then when East pitches the most encouraging spade he can afford, West must discard his ♠K at the next turn. Now declarer will surely misguess diamonds. I believe there were only 13 tables where 3NT by South was attempted on a heart lead where game was defeated. By contrast, at 61 tables 3NT made with overtricks after the heart lead.

Dealer: North
 Vul: Both
 Brd 13

♠ K 5 3 2
 ♥ 6
 ♦ A Q J 7 5 2
 ♣ 7 5

♠ 8
 ♥ A Q 10 7 4
 ♦ 9 6
 ♣ K Q 9 4 2

♠ A J 7
 ♥ K J 8 5
 ♦ ---
 ♣ A J 10 8 6 3

♠ Q 10 9 6 4
 ♥ 9 3 2
 ♦ K 10 8 4 3
 ♣ ---

West North East South

Makeable Contracts

-	1	-	1	NT
3	-	4	-	♠
-	7	-	6	♥
3	-	3	-	♦
-	7	-	7	♣

A great deal on which to test an inexperienced partnership, or a funny story if you prefer. In almost a first-time partnership you have agreed that your Jacoby responses feature three level actions to show all minimums via 3♣, with the next four calls showing no singleton and specific singletons respectively, with extras. So you can sympathise with South when he bid 2NT and heard an undiscussed 4♣ call. Could that really be a good suit when he was looking at this club holding? A void seemed much more likely. After a 4♦ cuebid was doubled he made one more grand slam try and gave up in six. It turned out that +1460 not only exceeds par on the N/S cards, but gained IMPs on the datum. E/W have a paying save in 7♠ though only one pair found it. Step forward Michael Wilkinson and Jane Beeby whose sacrifice over 7♥ turned a 13 IMP loss into an 8 IMP gain when the other room collected 1460. Of course there were many pairs allowed to play spades lower – not to mention the N/S pair in 4♠ themselves...

One pair who did have the methods to get there were Kevin Rosenberg and Shane Harrison. They bid 1♥-2NT-3♣(min)-3♦-(Dbl)-4♥-(♥+♣)-5♦-6♦-7♥. Rosenberg argued that he could hardly have more controls and not have shown extras at his first turn, so if his partner was looking for a grand slam he would be happy to oblige.

OPEN TEAMS QUALIFYING MATCH SIX

Barry Rigal

Board 17 produced a fine exercise in the art of the possible.

Dealer: North
 Vul: None
 Brd 17

♠ J 10 3
 ♥ A K Q 6 5
 ♦ J 10
 ♣ A 6 3

♠ A Q 8 6 4
 ♥ 2
 ♦ Q 6 3
 ♣ K Q J 4

♠ K 7 2
 ♥ 9 8 7 4 3
 ♦ A 9
 ♣ 10 9 7

♠ 9 5
 ♥ J 10
 ♦ K 8 7 5 4 2
 ♣ 8 5 2

West North East South
 3♥ 1♠ Pass 2♠
 4♣ All Pass

Makeable Contracts

-	1	-	-	NT
-	3	-	3	♠
1	-	1	-	♥
1	-	1	-	♦
-	3	-	3	♣

4♣ may not be a great spot, but on the auction at your table your challenge will be to find a lie of the cards that lets you make it.

You receive a defence of two rounds of hearts and ruff in hand. With an overruff looming, you seem to have almost no chance to get the minors going. Can you see any hope? One possibility is simply to draw three rounds of trumps and play for the ♣A to be with East, the ♦K to be with West. The defenders can only tap you one more time since East has no more hearts to lead. That would fail since East has the wrong minor-suit honour, but it is a valid chance.

Another possibility is to play two rounds of spades and hope West is 3-5 in the majors. If you do that, then on the actual lie of the cards you require the defence not to play on autopilot. You cash the ♠AQ and then advance the ♣K from hand. We have all seen Wests make worse plays than taking this trick to lead a heart – East/West (OK West) bid optimistically to game facing a strong no-trump. But that would be the only way to let the game through! Ruff, cross to the ♣10 to ruff another heart, then go to the ♦A to draw the last trump; a perfect dummy reversal.

Dealer: South
Vul: Both
Brd 23

♠ 10 8 5
♥ 3 2
♦ A Q 7 2
♣ Q 9 8 7

♠ K 7 3 2
♥ 8 7 5
♦ K J 10 8 6
♣ 4

♠ A 9
♥ Q 10 9 6
♦ 9 3
♣ K 10 6 5 2

♠ Q J 6 4
♥ A K J 4
♦ 5 4
♣ A J 3

West North East South

Makeable Contracts

1	-	2	-	NT
1	-	1	-	♠
-	1	-	1	♥
-	1	-	1	♦
1	-	1	-	♣

It is popular to complain about pairs who play odd/even signals giving away their problem when they don't have the right spots. I play odd/even myself and respond to that accusation by saying I've never seen a hand where that applied – and anyway standard will have the same problem just as often. I may have to go back on the first half of that argument.

On this deal, the advantage of using 2♠ as a range enquiry lets you reach 3NT without East disclosing his shape. When West took a pushy view to invite game, East had his hands full! But South quite reasonably led a club. The seven held and declarer led a spade to the two, queen and ace, and now South got unlucky again with a heart shift into the tenace. Declarer now played ♣A and ♣J and North had to find two discards, using odd cards as encouraging, even as suit preference. He pitched the ♦86, hoping to cancel the initial message, but South returned a top heart to cut declarer off from hand. In this ending:

Dealer: South ♠ K 7 3
Vul: Both ♥ 8
Brd 23 ♦ K J 10
♣ ---

♠ 10 8
♥ ---
♦ A Q 7 2
♣ Q

♠ 9
♥ Q 10
♦ 9 3
♣ 10 6

♠ J 6 4
♥ A 4
♦ 5 4
♣ ---

East cashed the ♥A to pitch a diamond from dummy, then led a spade to the 10 and king. With the spades blocked North could return that suit. East put up his ♠J and endplayed North with a spade to lead diamonds into the tenace.

Of course once South as a passed hand turns up with an ace, king and queen together with shape, the ♦K must be wrong.



Could you imagine a "tv show" about bridge?

It's happening every lunchtime. You might like to check out [twitch.tv/v8mama](https://www.twitch.tv/v8mama) to watch her play bridge with viewers who drop in to play. Many viewers from around the world drop in to just say hi, ask questions or give advice in a very relaxed sociable friendly afternoon of bridge. v8mama is an experienced Sydney based player, who loves to encourage people of all levels to share their passion for the game and help each other with bidding and play advice. In fact, she is the main sponsor of the GCC restricted pairs!

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OUR AUSTRALIAN REPRESENTATIVES FOR 2020

Some players may have heard in passing of the names of our Australian representatives, but now we can put a face to them. These teams will be participating in the 9th Asia Pacific Bridge Federation Open Congress (APBF) in April held in Perth, followed by the 2020 World Bridge Games in August held in Italy. We wish them all the best!



Open Team: Peter Gill, Michael Courtney, Nabil Edgton, Sartaj Hans, Dave Wiltshire (npc), Andy Hung (absent: Paul Wyer)



Women's Team: Marianne Bookallil, Sophie Ashton, Jodi Tutty, Mike Doecke (npc), Jessica Brake, Susan Humphries (absent: Lauren Travis)



Senior's Team: Peter Buchen (npc), George Kozakos, Robert Krochmalik, Paul Lavings, George Smolanko, Stephen Burgess (absent: Gabi Lorentz)



Mixed Team: Julian Foster (npc), Pele Rankin, Trevor Fuller, Stephen Fischer (absent: Leone Fuller, Hugh Grosvenor, Tania Lloyd)

Australian Youth Teams

There will be three youth teams participating in the APBF Congress in Perth. They consist of:

Under-26: Andrew Spooner, Renee Cooper, Alex Phillips, James Palmer.

Under-21: Tomer Libman, Lara Topper, George Bartley, Jack Luke-Paredi.

Under-16: Jade Wilkinson, Lincoln Davey, Fletcher Davey, Dev Shah, Diya Shah, Taydon Gold.



U26 team for APBF: Phil Markey (npc), Renee Cooper, Andrew Spooner, Jamie Thompson (absent: Alex Phillips)

For the World Youth Teams Championships, the U26 team consists of: Renee Cooper – Andrew Spooner – Jamie Thompson – David Gue – Bertie Morgan – George Bartley. They will be held in Italy also in early August.

NECESSITY IS THE INVENTION OF SMOTHERS

Kieran Dyke was dummy on this deal and watched his partner Paul Dalley declare this hand in 1♥:

M1 Brd 2	♠ 9 2	
Dlr: E	♥ A 8 6 5	
Vul: NS	♦ Q 8	
	♣ K 7 5 4 2	
♠ A K		♠ J 10 5 4
♥ K J 7		♥ 10 4 3
♦ 10 9 6 5 2		♦ A 7 4
♣ Q 8 3		♣ J 9 6
	♠ Q 8 7 6 3	
	♥ Q 9 2	
	♦ K J 3	
	♣ A 10	

Kieran reports: We managed to align in 1♥:

West	North <i>Dyke</i>	East	South <i>Dalley</i>
		Pass	1♣*
1♦	Dbl*	Pass	1♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	

1♣ can be opened with any weak notrump (containing a five-card major, like here, is optional), the double showed 4+♥s, and 1♥ showed 3 in a minimum.

This is apt to make. But the play's the thing.

West led off the spade AK, and switched to a diamond to the ace. Another diamond was won by the king, and the third round cashed, pitching a club.

Now ♣A, ♣K and a third club, ruffing with the ♥9. The spade queen was ruffed with the ♥7 and overruffed with dummy's ♥8. Paul cashed the ♥A and led dummy's last club in this position:

M1 Brd 2	♠ ---		♠ J
Dlr: E	♥ 6 5		♥ 10 3
Vul: NS	♦ ---		♦ ---
	♣ 7		♣ ---
		<div>♠ N ♥ W ♦ E ♣ S</div>	
	♠ Q 8		
	♥ Q		
	♦ ---		
	♣ ---		

East and South pitched spades, and West ruffed with the king and was forced to lead a diamond. When dummy ruffed, then whether East overruffed or discarded his sure trump trick had vanished. West could have saved a trick by pitching (dummy has to lead a trump next, so East scores the ♥10) but who sees a smother play coming at the table?

FIRST TIME'S THE CHARM

Brent Manley

Four women from Toowong Bridge Club showed up at the Gold Coast Congress on Wednesday in the spirit of dress-up day. Wendy Casey, Barbara Moni, Karen Sweep and Rhonda Henry – ready to play as a team for the first time – were wearing beautiful, bright-coloured blouses that surely attracted a lot of attention from admirers of their taste in clothing.

They also put on a fair display of their budding talent for bridge. With a round to go on Wednesday in the Novice Teams qualifying, the team captained by Casey found themselves in seventh place (out of 40), thanks in part to a 46-4 victory in round seven.

The following was one of their good boards, played against the Andrew Lazar team. Sweep and Henry played against Vivienne Dacey and Linda Shelton.



Wendy Casey, Barbara Moni,
Karen Sweep, Rhonda Henry

Dealer: West
Vul: E-W
Brd 16

♠ K J 6 5
♥ Q 9
♦ 5
♣ A J 10 7 5 4

♠ Q 10 2
♥ 10 7 2
♦ 9 8 6 2
♣ 8 6 2

♠ 7 3
♥ K J 8 3
♦ K Q J 7 3
♣ Q 9

♠ A 9 8 4
♥ A 6 5 4
♦ A 10 4
♣ K 3

West	North	East	South
Dacey	Sweep	Shelton	Henry
Pass	1♣	Dbl	1♥
Pass	1♠	Pass	2♦
Pass	3♣	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

Makeable Contracts				
-	2	-	1	NT
-	1	-	1	♠
-	2	-	1	♥
-	2	-	2	♦
-	3	-	3	♣

Dacey led the ♦9. Shelton won the ♦A and played the ♦10. Henry won the ♦J and ran the ♣Q to Shelton's king. Shelton played another diamond, taken by Henry with the queen. She continued with a low heart to dummy's queen. Shelton took the ♥A and returned the suit. Henry won the ♥J and played the ♣9 to dummy to take her five tricks in that suit. She finished with 10 tricks for plus 430 and a useful swing for Casey and company because the contract was defeated at the other table.

An interesting point here is if East had the nerve to play low when the ♣Q was played, declarer almost certainly would have tried again with a club to the jack or 10. East could win the king then, leaving declarer with no clubs and no sure entry to dummy. If West had the ♥A, low to the queen would work, but if East had the ♥A, declarer would be left with a guess in the spade suit: low to the king or low to the jack. Not a comfortable situation.

Yes, it is dangerous for East to play low when South runs the ♣Q, but it gives the defense a better chance to defeat the contract. From West's opening lead (top of nothing), it should be clear that South has strength in diamonds, so if East wins the ♣K and plays another diamond, declarer will win and get to dummy with the ♣9 to make the contract with ease. Exiting in a major would immediately give declarer the needed entry to the good clubs.

In Match 7, Casey had a comfortable win against team Bright, and this board certainly helped them:

Dealer: North
Vul: None
Brd 1

♠ 10 8 7
♥ Q J
♦ J 8 7 5 2
♣ Q J 6

♠ A K Q J 6 3
♥ 8 6 3
♦ Q 6
♣ 4 3

♠ 5
♥ A 10 7 4 2
♦ A 10 4 3
♣ 9 8 2

♠ 9 4 2
♥ K 9 5
♦ K 9
♣ A K 10 7 5

West	North	East	South
Brazier	Sweep	Hefferan	Henry
1♠	Pass	1♣	1♥
4♠	Pass	2♠	Pass
	All Pass		

Makeable Contracts				
1	-	5	-	NT
3	-	5	-	♠
-	-	-	-	♥
-	1	-	1	♦
2	-	3	-	♣

Sweep started with the ♥Q. Brazier played low, then covered Sweep's ♥J with the king. Henry took the ♥A and cashed the ♥10 and continued with the ♥4. Brazier ruffed with a spade honour and played the ♠K and ♠Q, then tried a low diamond, hoping Sweep had the ace and might play low. It was Henry with the ♦A, however, and the contract was one down.

At the other table, 4♠ was made. Details of the play were not available, but plus 50 meant 10 IMPs for the Casey team.

Trivia Results

	Team	Rd 1	Rd 2	Task 1	Rd 3	Task 2	Rd 4	Total
1.	Super Six	7	9	7	8	7	12	50
2.	Te Aroha Guns	10	10	10	9	11	12	62
3.	Six Ladies and a Guy	10	9	8	13	8	14	62
4.	Catapult	12	14	11	14	9	14	74
5.	Sharp As	9	8	7	11.5	7	10	52.5
6.	ANZUSA	11	10	8	11	7	13	60
7.	Crystal Methodists	7	9	9	7	14	11	57
8.	No (1 st)	11	15	12	15	15	15	83
9.	Kiwis Can Fly	10	10	12	13	15	15	75
10.	Dromedary	10	10	8	10.5	9	10	57.5
11.	The Yoffettes	11	9	12	13	7	14	66
12.	The Easybeats (2 nd)	14	13	12	14	12	15	80
13.	The Gong	7	11	8	14	7	11	58
14.	Newcastle 14	10	10	10	12	8	11	61
15.	Flower Power	7	11	9	14	7	12	60
16.	Never Gonna Quiz You Up	11	13	9	12	15	15	75
17.	Bubbles	7	10	8	11	7	13	56



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The cut-off times for the Teams Championships:

Matches 1, 3, 5, 7, 9

One hour after the end of the next even numbered match

Matches 2, 4, 6, 8, 10

At the start of the next even numbered match

Matches 11, 12

8:30pm Thursday for corrections affecting Final series qualification. Midnight, Thursday, for all other corrections





AN EVERYDAY ESCAPE

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TABLE COUNT
TO THE END OF PLAY TUESDAY NIGHT 6207
 (Last Year 2019: 6124, and in 2018: 6040)

PHOTOS: DAY SIX



Third Place Theme Day: Jane Reynolds



Highly Commended Theme Day: Abby Wanigaratne



Highly Commended Theme Day: Ian Hoschke, Sylvia Billingham, Alison Pratten, Margaret Tittley



Highly Commended Theme Day: Lyn O'Shaughnessy, David O'Shaughnessy, Reeve Pring, Gillian Gonthier



OPEN TEAMS QUALIFYING MATCH EIGHT

Beware a wary Ware

Barry Rigal

The most interesting double-dummy problem of the event (as far as I'm concerned) came up in round eight, when Michael Ware had to find the best line in his delicate 4♣. He started well but departed slightly from double-dummy before being given a helpful shove over the finishing line.

Dealer: North ♠ K 6 4 2
Vul: E-W ♥ 6 4 2
Brd 25 ♦ K 10
♣ Q 9 8 4

♠ Q 9 7 3
♥ A J 9 8 3
♦ J 2
♣ 10 6

♠ A J 10 8
♥ K Q 10 5
♦ A Q 7
♣ K 5

♠ 5
♥ 7
♦ 9 8 6 5 4 3
♣ A J 7 3 2

West	North	East	South
Smolanko	N. Jacob	Buchen	Ware
	Pass	Pass	1♣
1♥	Dbl	Pass	4♣
All Pass			

Makeable Contracts				
-	3	-	3	NT
-	3	-	3	♠
-	3	-	3	♥
-	-	-	-	♦
-	1	-	1	♣

Smolanko led the ♦J, far from unreasonable but missing the ruff that would have defeated the contract at once. Ware now did well to my mind to put up the ♦K and guess spades, but perhaps the implicit diamond count made the overcaller favourite to hold spade length.

After ♠A, ♠J Ware cashed the ♦A and now had a complete count of the deal -- assuming West would have led a singleton club. West has to be 4-5-2-2 and the winning play is to lead the ♣K. East does best to duck to prevent you establishing clubs. You take a second diamond and play a second club to the ten, queen and ace, and East gets out with a heart to the king, ducked by West to avoid the immediate endplay. However when West ruffs the third diamond, you discard a heart from dummy, win the trump shift and ruff out clubs. If West doesn't ruff the third diamond you play a second heart, endplaying West to lead a major-suit for you and concede the 10th trick.

Back to the table action: at trick four and five Ware played winning diamonds and West correctly ruffed in; Ware pitched a heart from dummy, and West could now either play the fourth spade or the ♣10. (If he plays a trump, declarer wins, crosses to the ♣K and leads a club, ducking West's 10. East must overtake and lead a diamond to defeat the contract!)

Back to the table action: Ware won the shift to the ♣10 in hand and drew the last trump to reach this ending:

Dealer: South ♠ K 6
Vul: Both ♥ 6 4
Brd 23 ♦ ---
♣ Q 9 8

♠ Q
♥ A J 9 8 3
♦ ---
♣ 6

♠ 10 8
♥ K Q 10 5
♦ ---
♣ 5

♠ ---
♥ 7
♦ 9 8
♣ A J 7 3

When the third spade is played East must be careful to pitch a club (throw losers keep winners!). If he doesn't, declarer plays a club from the board. East does best to win and give a ruff and discard. Declarer ruffs in hand and leads the ♥K, which West must duck; but then South ruffs a heart to dummy and leads a club, and in the two-card ending East must concede a trick to a club in dummy.

Again, back to the table action, where East did pitch a club in the diagrammed ending. Ware led a heart to the king, West won and played the second club, and East won. But now instead of giving a ruff and discard East led a low club. Declarer let it run to the board and claimed. Ware might have done better not to play a heart at trick eight; if instead he leads a club from dummy,

East might well win and play a heart. That looks natural but it endplays West in hearts either at this trick or on the next. Again, the ruff and discard is the necessary defence.



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PLAY BRIDGE WITH BARRY

Barry Rigal



Sometimes your deceptive play can come from the idea of saving your honours for later, when you can get the maximum use out of them.

Dir: East
Vul: E/W

♠ Q 10 9 2
♥ Q 6 5
♦ 9 8 5
♣ Q 8 4

♠ 7

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ A
♥ A K J 10 9 7
♦ A 10 6
♣ K 7 2

West	North	East	South
		2♠	4♥
All Pass			

Contract: 4♥ by South

Lead: ♠ 7

When East pre-empts to two spades you close the auction by bidding Four Hearts. Yes there were more sophisticated actions, but now is not the time for retrospection. Can you see how to hold your losers in the minors to just three tricks on the lead of the spade seven?

Solution:

Dir: East
Vul: E/W

♠ 7 3
♥ 4 3
♦ K J 3 2
♣ A J 10 6 3

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ K J 8 6 5 4
♥ 8 2
♦ Q 7 4
♣ 9 5

♠ A
♥ A K J 10 9 7
♦ A 10 6
♣ K 7 2

When West leads the spade seven against four hearts, your only chance is to put up the spade ten or queen at trick one looking like a man with the doubleton spade ace.

If East understandably covers this, you can draw trumps ending in dummy, and play the spade nine, to establish a discard for one of your minor suit losers. Then you will lead up to the club queen and discard a loser in the fulness of time.

Sage

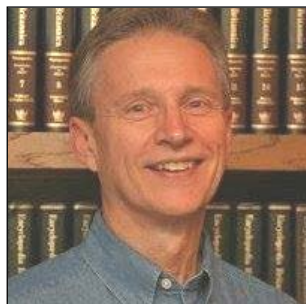
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Brent Manley



Have You Discussed? Part 6: Takeout Doubles Part 3

Check out this auction (you are South)

West	North <i>Partner</i>	East	South You
1♣	Dbl	Pass	1♠
Pass	2♠	Pass	?

What is going on?

North is showing four-card spades support and about 17 HCP. Really? Yes, it's true. Think about it: You have shown 0-8 HCP and four or more spades. Partner's bid of 2♠ is clearly forward going, looking for game. Partner wants to know if you are at the top of the HCP range you described with your bid of 1♠. If partner wants to be in game when you have 8 HCP, he must have at least 17 HCP to even think of such a move.

With a hand such as ♠Q J 9 6 4 ♥A 10 7 6 ♦9 4 ♣10 8,

Bid 4♠. You have only 7 HCP but you should give yourself an extra point for the fifth spade and accept the invitation. You should have a good chance to come up with 10 tricks.

Now let's look at what seems to be a similar situation, but really isn't. Consider this auction:

West	North <i>Partner</i>	East	South You
1♣	Dbl	Pass	1♠
2♣	2♠	Pass	?

Is partner still showing extras? You could play it that way, but many players prefer to use the 2♠ bid in this sequence to confirm four-card support. That will make it easier for you to decide whether to compete if the opponents keep on bidding. If you have only four spades and partner passes West's 2♣, you know you're almost certainly working with a 4-3 spade fit so you will probably go quietly.

On the other hand, if you have a five-card suit and partner shows four, you would feel comfortable going to the three level in many cases, making what is known as a "law bid," a reference to the famous law of total tricks, which says that you can safely bid to take the same number of tricks as you have trumps between your hand and partner's.

Here's another scenario to discuss (you are South):

West	North <i>Partner</i>	East	South You
		1♦	Dbl
Rdbl	2♥	Pass	?

What is partner doing? If you think this is a strong bid, think again. Opener has at least 12 HCP, you are showing about the same strength and the redouble expresses a hand of 10 or more HCP. That's 34 HCP accounted for. Partner can't have a "normal" jump response to your double. He has a maximum of about 6 HCP. His 2♥ bid is a weak jump, showing a long suit with the intention of taking up the opponents' bidding space and suggesting a possible save if the vulnerability is right.

These are logical actions when you consider them in context. You can improve your results if you and partner discuss these concepts and put them into practice.

Above all, practice discipline so that your partner can always count on you to have what your bidding says you have.

Tomorrow: Other doubles

THE KLINGER QUIZ

Ron Klinger



This series of quizzes consist of defensive problems, with some deals from actual tournaments. Here is the sixth problem:

Dlr: North	♠ K 8 6	West	North	East	South
Vul: E/W	♥ 10 8 5 4		Pass	Pass	1♠
Teams	♦ J 4 3	Pass	2♠	Pass	3♣ ¹
You (W)	♣ A 5 3	Pass	4♠	Pass	3NT
♠ A 4 2		Pass	Pass	Pass	
♥ A 9 7 2					
♦ 8 7					
♣ K 9 7 4					



¹ 3+ clubs, seeking help in clubs

Contract: 4♠ by South

Lead: ♦8

1. West leads the ♦8: three – two (discouraging) – king.
2. South plays the ♠J: two – six – queen.
3. East returns the ♦10: six – seven – jack.
4. Declarer plays dummy's ♠K: nine – three – ace.

What should West play at trick 5.

Solution:

Dealer: North	♠ K 8 6	
Vul: E/W	♥ 10 8 5 4	
Teams	♦ J 4 3	
	♣ A 5 3	
♠ A 4 2		♠ Q 9
♥ A 9 7 2		♥ K Q J 3
♦ 8 7		♦ 10 9 5 2
♣ K 9 7 4		♣ 8 6 2
	♠ J 10 7 5 3	
	♥ 6	
	♦ A K Q 6	
	♣ Q J 10	

Despite the limited N-S assets, 4♠ is a respectable game, thanks to North having no high card values opposite South's singleton. After winning the ♦K, South led the ♠J to East's queen. East's ♦10 return was taken in dummy with the jack. The ♠K lost to the ace and the spotlight was on West. When he continued with a third trump, the club finesse saw declarer home for ten tricks and +420.

Should West have found the low heart switch at trick 5? East would be able to win and return a diamond for West to ruff. West could tell that South had started with ♦A-K-Q-x. With diamonds headed by ♦Q-10-9, East would not be returning a diamond. As South's 3♣ long suit trial would be a 3-card or 4-card suit, South would have one heart at most. The risk of a finding South with the ♥K singleton was worth taking.

The tip-off for West should have been the ♦10 from East at trick 3. East could tell that West had led a singleton or a doubleton and so the ♦10 would be a suit-preference card, suggesting a liking for hearts, high card for the high suit.

How come Lady Luck always favours the opponents when they are bold?

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Place	No.	Team Members					Score
1	2	S Ashton - P Gill - S Hans - M Fleisher - A Hung					127.06
2	1	A Bach - M Brown - M Whibley - A Antonios - N Edgtton					124.06
3	3	M Ware - N Jacob - G Tislevoll - T Lie - M Henbest - D Wiltshire					115.70
4	7	M Van Der Vlugt - M Lewis - C Hughes - K Morrison					114.73
5	4	L Milne - J Coutts - S Humphries - J Brake - S Harrison - K Rosenberg					114.05
6	16	G McMullin - J Mill - R Cooper - A Spooner					113.76
7	5	A Apteker - S Bjerregard - N Apteker - R Stephens					111.90
8	8	K McCallum - A Johannsson - E Otvosi - J Smederevac - S Wernle					111.43
9	73	I Muir - R Muir - T Ranasinghe - D Senaweera					111.38
10	19	J Skipper - J Skipper - R Solomon - L Geursen					109.78
Place	No.	Team	Score	Place	No.	Team	Score
11	12	Haffer	109.05	124	72	Konig	78.68
12	39	Vadas	107.78	125	104	Palmer	78.59
13	13	Nagy	107.29	126	151	Broome	78.19
14	66	Chadwick	107.28	127	51	Janisz	77.89
15	9	Beauchamp	106.64	128	196	Taylor	77.70
16	20	Yuen	106.34	129	182	Warnock	77.13
17	105	J Martin	105.84	130	124	Zulfiqar	76.80
18	31	Waters	105.74	131	143	Forsyth	76.45
19	10	Buchen	105.33	132	83	Afflick	76.44
20	25	St Clair	104.62	133	144	Crockett	76.37
21	43	Fisher	103.45	134	122	Mangos	76.32
22	29	Hoffman	101.76	135	208	Dean	75.98
23	81	M Johnson	101.20	136	101	Kalma	75.63
24	49	S Lusk	101.09	137	206	Hamilton	75.57
25	17	Krochmalik	100.52	138	102	C Martin	75.32
26	15	The Stream Team	100.42	139	115	Finikiotis	75.25
27	34	Watts	100.39	140	158	Stralow	74.93
28	28	E Havas	99.79	141	168	Grant	74.91
29	63	Adler	99.66	142	103	Arul	74.53
30	22	Stern	99.44	143	137	Bugeia	74.50
31	6	Dalley	99.33	144	129	S Carter	74.45
32	44	Simpson	98.92	145	225	Mollestam	74.39
33	14	Christie	98.88	146	86	Birss	74.34
34	41	Weston	98.73	147	149	Steele	74.33
35	33	M Carter	98.31	148	232	Gonthier	73.99
36	91	Lee	97.86	149	160	Pisko	73.23
37	32	Ward	97.42	150	178	Owen	73.21
38	24	D Lusk	97.05	151	229	Procel	73.06
39	58	McGrath	96.78	152	120	Alexander	72.92
40	68	Creet	95.64	153	194	Campbell	72.91
41	46	P Carter	95.53	154	220	Ajzner	72.84
42	67	Yoon	95.47	155	155	C Bourke	72.77
43	166	Hymus	95.39	156	173	Young	72.57
44	127	Lindner	94.75	157	92	Bedi	72.49
45	112	Mottram	94.73	158	141	Abbenbroek	72.28
46	153	Bugler	94.58	159	142	Foreman	72.05
47	42	Henry	94.26	160	110	Hannah-Brown	71.83
48	128	Morgan-King	94.12	161	234	Flicker	71.81
49	64	Mundell	93.87	162	70	Driscoll	71.62
50	11	Gumby	93.27	163	197	Cordingley	71.51
50	90	Dreyer	93.27	164	150	Valentine	71.25
52	23	Perley	93.08	165	205	D Johnson	71.22
52	99	Watt	93.08	166	193	Bell	71.20
54	59	Zhou	92.93	167	111	Kahler	70.90
55	56	Askew	92.47	168	108	Delany	70.71
56	35	Ding	92.38	169	79	Shami	70.66
57	224	Webb	92.28	170	87	Parker	70.36
58	18	T Brown	92.26	171	164	Howes	70.15
59	21	Wen	92.14	172	169	Tuxworth	69.89
60	85	Badley	92.00	173	230	Woodhall	69.83

61	218	Spencer	91.83	174	212	C Cooke	69.75
62	38	Gallasch	91.34	175	209	Sharp	69.57
63	69	Bolt	91.08	176	156	Longmire	69.40
64	75	Mayo	90.81	177	235	Fitzsimons	69.34
65	88	Johnstone	90.72	178	195	J Havas	69.12
66	65	McKinnon	89.15	179	200	Rose	69.11
67	27	Frazer	89.13	180	184	Parkin	69.07
68	30	Bloom	88.82	181	190	Yarwood	68.96
68	132	Scrivens	88.82	182	181	Ranke	68.95
70	233	Snelling	88.41	183	119	Jeffery	68.77
71	165	Eldridge	88.26	184	202	Blankfield	68.49
72	177	McAlister	88.16	185	71	Weaver	68.09
73	26	Pemberton	87.84	186	138	Thorp	68.06
74	61	Moore	87.57	187	162	Pepper	67.05
75	62	Brockwell	87.53	188	211	J Thatcher	65.88
76	106	Free	87.49	189	113	Weathered	65.55
77	74	Mott	87.28	190	154	Dawes	65.02
78	76	Biltoft	87.25	191	134	Draper	64.64
79	78	Fleet	87.13	192	89	Dormer	64.51
80	50	De Luca	86.63	193	80	Martelletti	63.97
81	57	Lamport	86.41	194	204	Sadigh	63.23
82	53	Nash	86.12	195	236	Cresswell	63.06
83	47	Burrows	85.56	196	189	K McDonald	62.99
84	96	Steffensen	85.45	197	186	Houghton	62.98
85	145	Moffat	85.37	198	125	Rhodes	62.92
86	40	Ridgway	85.23	199	179	Sullivan	62.87
87	118	Kalmin	85.09	199	146	Tredrea	62.87
88	36	Richman	85.04	201	100	Callander	62.54
89	163	Nilsson	84.80	202	77	Robb	62.33
90	37	Wilkinson	84.03	203	191	Mathews	62.03
91	107	Gariepy	84.01	204	203	Hart	61.54
92	126	Abrams	83.89	205	216	Orsborn	61.00
93	93	Jackman	83.84	206	152	T Allen	60.92
94	116	Steinwedel	83.71	207	201	Reynolds	60.88
95	94	Fox	83.69	208	167	Lorraway	60.87
96	192	Fletcher	83.47	209	183	Tomlinson	60.51
97	133	Bogatie	83.46	210	84	Frazier	60.22
98	117	Berger	83.41	210	222	Geare	60.22
99	171	Rudzyn	82.97	212	210	De Palo	59.96
100	131	Schargel	82.90	213	231	Scott	59.41
101	215	Baldwin	82.73	214	109	Anderson	59.40
102	55	Dawson	81.97	215	187	Holewa	58.78
103	148	Jakes	81.91	216	123	Fallet	58.65
104	54	Fleischer	81.71	217	198	L Bourke	58.16
105	121	Clarke	81.65	218	139	Fitz-Gerald	57.72
106	60	Chen	81.56	219	217	P McDonald	57.33
107	98	Glyn	81.54	220	172	T Thatcher	56.72
107	95	Gunner	81.54	221	136	Mitchell	55.77
109	140	Murray-White	81.45	222	159	Purkiss	55.23
110	130	G Allen	81.19	223	147	I Cooke	54.71
111	227	Brucker	81.16	224	180	Sykes	54.61
112	226	Sweetman	80.86	225	228	Inglis	54.18
113	45	Page	80.83	226	175	Leach	53.32
114	170	Stewart	80.81	227	185	McPaul	53.11
115	161	Berry	80.54	228	199	Jenkins	52.06
116	207	Tucker	80.47	229	213	Greenwood	51.08
117	157	Zeller	80.40	230	135	Harman	50.94
118	188	Garrick	79.88	231	219	Millet	49.69
119	97	S Brown	79.77	232	176	Radcliffe	47.75
120	82	Luck	79.66	233	223	Hollands	44.70
121	114	Bailey	79.45	234	174	Boyce	43.91
122	48	Vasandakumar	79.03	235	221	Prickett	43.03
123	52	Crichton	78.85	236	214	Theodore	41.81

QUALIFYING SCORES AFTER 8 OF 12 ROUNDS – INTERMEDIATE

Place	No.	Team Members					Score
1	2	S Moffitt - K Moffitt - M Rogers - J Rogers					120.41
2	14	C Nettle - M Ward - G Brahma - V Taylor					107.17
3	49	J Aquino - J McMullan - B Taranto - M Doust					106.02
4	29	G Elich - D Christian - A Riepsamen - J Lassman					105.09
Place	No.	Team	Score	Place	No.	Team	Score
5	78	Saunders	102.65	48	35	Sutherland	80.27
6	51	Koster	102.64	49	70	Morgan	79.70
7	58	Williams	102.02	50	42	Munro	79.29
8	25	Erskine	101.42	51	88	Woodbury	78.89
9	83	Jacobs	101.27	52	55	Ramsund	78.77
10	17	McFall	100.40	53	50	Hartwig	78.22
11	39	Cleminson	99.69	54	56	Bakas	77.29
12	52	Kneebone	98.71	55	15	Robinson	77.13
13	43	Bailey	97.36	56	26	Cooke	77.06
14	12	Delaney	97.35	57	40	Hertelendy	76.72
15	24	Rial	95.93	58	54	Armstrong	76.26
16	45	Delorenzo	95.54	59	72	Fookes	75.09
17	33	O'Regan	95.02	60	18	Clift	74.75
18	84	Deaker	94.38	61	11	Norman	73.12
19	7	Coroneo	93.55	62	48	Bingham	72.78
20	4	Cariola	93.34	63	21	Johnstone	72.13
21	32	Lahey	90.22	64	60	Balmano	71.75
22	41	Schwegler	89.96	65	59	Wallwork	71.38
23	6	Beckett	88.56	66	77	McMaster	71.37
24	5	Carroll	87.42	67	90	Daffurn	69.48
25	30	Erlandson	87.35	68	53	Burrie	69.39
26	20	Berry	86.89	69	62	Colling	68.55
27	31	Van Weeren	86.60	70	85	Linden	68.26
28	8	Lowe	85.81	71	37	Williamson	68.24
29	44	Gibson	85.41	72	38	Driver	66.58
30	1	Barfoot	85.21	73	9	Keating	65.66
31	89	Farley	85.16	74	3	Kite	64.99
32	80	Boyd	85.03	75	36	Binsted	64.16
33	19	Stuart	84.70	76	16	Raward	64.05
34	81	Gordon	84.57	77	23	Webster	63.77
35	13	Argent	84.55	78	47	Routley	63.50
36	65	Gooley	84.22	79	82	Baker	62.84
37	63	Coventry	84.09	80	74	Bardone	62.22
38	66	Chaffey	83.20	81	75	Opray	60.78
39	27	Pike	82.95	82	57	Wippell	60.02
40	87	Stanhope	82.74	83	64	Anderson	59.43
41	10	Kent	82.31	84	69	Hoschke	58.56
42	76	Driscoll	82.20	85	79	Trengove	56.68
43	22	McLay	81.88	86	28	McNaughton	56.55
44	71	Willcocks	81.47	87	67	Stick	56.15
45	86	Walker	81.01	88	34	Williamson	55.21
46	68	Riley	80.71	89	61	Winter	49.23
47	73	Cluff	80.41	90	46	Rossiter-Nuttall	34.62

QUALIFYING SCORES AFTER 8 OF 12 ROUNDS – RESTRICTED

Place	No.	Team Members					Score
1	30	N Gillies - A Kolding - H Colenbrander - R Hurst					130.74
2	22	D Williams - I Cameron - J Stewart - D Owen					114.06
3	94	S Gurney - C Caseley - L White - V Hurst					111.15
4	24	D Harrah - D Saul - A Gedge - M Campbell					110.61
Place	No.	Team	Score	Place	No.	Team	Score
5	81	Handa	107.62	54	71	B Hunt	78.84
6	35	Henke	101.56	55	15	Jenner	78.24
7	76	Singer	101.53	56	85	Hartley	78.17
8	5	Brady	101.51	57	100	Van Nooten	78.05
9	75	Clarke	101.49	58	27	Hamilton-Reen	77.83
10	92	S Hunt	100.69	59	80	Moss	77.76
11	9	Stevens	99.30	60	20	Hall	77.52
12	7	Walsh	98.99	61	6	Gibbards	76.05
13	25	Teitzel	97.70	61	91	C Joseph	76.05
14	64	Hooper	97.33	63	47	Marsland	75.42
15	31	Jacobsen	97.12	63	63	Nicholson	75.42
16	2	Brassil	97.04	65	90	Matthews	75.36
17	73	Fraser	96.75	66	29	Brink	74.36
18	42	Feyder	95.93	67	55	Ledger	74.20
19	88	Tattersfield	95.72	68	84	Meakin	72.53
20	13	Bardos	95.68	69	17	Elliott	72.17
21	33	Brown	95.35	70	12	Webb	71.25
22	93	Imlach	95.08	71	50	Stoney	71.09
23	53	Crommelin	93.35	72	34	Bain	70.58
24	26	Savage	92.74	73	57	Hone	70.28
25	49	Gray	92.11	74	66	Burns	68.44
26	44	Main	91.33	75	21	Murray	68.41
27	18	Jones	91.04	76	11	Van Kruistum	68.02
28	96	Grant	90.76	77	62	Houston	67.44
29	23	Redman	90.30	78	48	Callan	67.26
30	32	Lipton	90.05	79	37	Angel	66.96
31	97	Glyde	87.34	80	74	Clark	66.87
32	40	B Williams	86.80	81	78	Rauchberger	66.61
33	36	Biddlecombe	86.50	82	68	Chapple	66.52
34	14	Look	85.88	83	45	Sharp	65.83
35	67	Gaylard	85.66	84	52	Fogarty	65.78
36	82	Bunting	85.53	85	38	Waters	65.24
37	87	Mabin	85.34	86	102	MacE	65.20
38	98	J Joseph	84.91	87	19	Yang	64.06
39	83	Innes	84.75	88	41	Bowen-Thomas	63.07
40	95	Rigter	84.10	89	79	Irwin	62.56
41	4	Yoffa	83.29	90	10	Duncan	62.37
42	56	Petterson	83.14	91	70	Yates	61.03
43	16	McClintock	82.89	92	46	Muller	59.51
44	99	McCondach	82.01	93	54	Coloper	58.52
45	65	Edginton	81.33	94	101	Hanbury-Webber	57.56
46	3	Horne	81.19	95	58	Carter	55.90
47	28	Argent	80.72	96	51	Reilly	54.89
48	59	McAuliffe	80.62	97	72	Deane	54.14
49	89	Paul	80.18	98	8	Bishop	53.70
50	69	Doyle	79.82	99	61	Wilson	52.64
51	1	Cullen	79.43	100	77	Greasley	51.16
52	43	Power	79.17	101	60	Gilmour	49.60
53	39	Adams	79.16	102	86	Jackson	45.15

QUALIFYING SCORES AFTER 8 OF 12 ROUNDS – NOVICE

Place	No.	Team Members					Score
1	10	D Young - S Parsons - A Pappas - S Pappas					119.25
2	15	S Pandya - W Cuthbert - L Laffan - U Shanti					102.52
3	28	N Kotros - M Righetti - F Norton-Old - B Carter					102.43
4	8	C Speller - J Gudaitis - C Kleinig - J Stephens					101.79
Place	No.	Team	Score	Place	No.	Team	Score
5	17	Duke	100.87	23	4	King	78.44
6	1	Sutherland	99.49	24	2	Steele	78.41
7	12	Clifford	97.75	25	21	Bright	76.87
8	18	Markovic	93.63	26	22	Burley	76.59
9	30	Reeve	92.29	27	7	Murray	69.02
10	11	Moule	91.52	28	26	Stenson	68.93
11	9	Hume	89.58	29	38	Deague	68.50
12	3	Casey	89.44	30	16	Gilder	68.34
13	5	Doepel	86.23	31	35	McKeough	67.73
14	20	Richards	85.51	32	39	McKay	67.40
15	32	Friedlaender	84.69	33	33	Zigouras	66.62
16	14	Sheldrake	84.43	34	31	Bickford	66.51
17	25	Hall	83.72	35	19	Green	66.40
18	6	Anderson	83.71	36	23	Gilmour	61.96
19	29	Lazar	80.24	37	27	Williams	60.82
20	13	Howitt	80.11	38	34	Hanlon	60.03
21	36	Clarke	79.75	39	40	Richardson	49.91
22	24	Mathieson	79.50	40	37	Martens	39.07

0-50 MP Pairs – Wednesday FINAL RESULT

Place	Pair	Avg	Place	Pair	Avg
1	Jenny Reid - Dianne Dwyer	66.81	41	Sharon Winocur - Sally Jones	50.14
2	Deanna Cruickshank - Janet Franklin	61.92	42	Neil Cawthorne - Annie Vaughan	49.96
3	Terry Higgs - Judy Quick	60.31	43	Heather Douglas - David Douglas	49.39
4	Philip Young - Lynda Young	59.33	44	Suellen Mansour - Jan Williams	49.20
5	James Tulloch - Kerin Tulloch	59.29	45	Thea Hobson - Desley Strik	48.86
6	Pauline Greig - Alan Toohey	59.17	46	Lynda Bennion - Midge Spice	48.58
7	Mark Cassar - Karen Cassar	58.36	47	Julie Stockley - Wendy Crombie	48.53
8	Mary King - Lauren Sanford	57.55	48	Elizabeth Handley - Cia Adermann	48.46
9	Philip Argyris - Rob Swann	57.48	49	Kerry Cross - Michael Cross	48.06
10	Alison Bouris - Rosalie Roosenburg	57.46	50	Peter Leggo - Daphne Leggo	47.58
11	Jane Tagney - Robin Bishop	56.41	51	Kathryn Kelly - Jan Ford	47.46
12	Joyanne Gough - Debbie Adams	56.01	52	Paddy Taylor - Emelia-Ros Taylor	47.44
12	June Drysdale - Phil Griffiths	56.01	52	Michael Hogan - Sandra Hendry	47.44
14	Gerry Orrin - Joy Orrin	55.65	54	Jenny Andrews - Julie Sheehan	47.34
15	Vanessa Wells - Helen Baran	55.27	55	Kirsty Hutton - Cindy Christian	46.77
16	Jeffrey Dolin - Mukti Sadeh	54.42	56	Jenny Burchmore - Barbara Richardson	46.70
17	Jan Flanigan - Judy Wallace	54.06	57	Jayne Francis - Sydney Rowan	46.63
18	Peter Neil - Linda Neil	53.94	58	Hans Limacher - Claire Williams	46.16
19	Christine Dunlop - Roseanne Humphreys	53.90	59	Michelle Wise - Kathie Smorgon	45.85
20	Sandy Carter - Susan Eason	53.82	60	Maxim Wilson - Bruce Stephens	45.37
21	Yvonne Wang - Tomoko Nakamatsu	53.63	61	Jane Westaway - Deryl Mcconaghy	45.02
22	Tom Ferris - Lee Chenoweth	53.61	62	Carmel Dwan - Heather Mckelvie-Morris	45.02
23	Marie Downing - Selby Downing	53.11	63	Frances Brown - Jan Thompson-Eycken	44.97
24	Leith Cameron - Ros Clark	52.99	64	Chris Trimblett - Jo Keylar	44.61
25	Ken Jones - Aida Kennedy	52.97	65	Alison Mighell - Tootie Wilkinson	44.57
26	Peter Gavin - Debbie Gavin	52.88	66	Kym Batt - Suzie Bucknell	44.14
27	Marcelle Goslin - Anne Birt	52.80	67	Peter Fredericks - Thais Morgan-Pertus	43.92
28	Denyse Stephens - Wendy Sheehan	52.54	68	Heather Todd - Clare Gleeson	43.83
29	Phillip Douglas - Deborah Nilsson	52.47	69	Lynne Talmont - Margaret Wayland	43.73
30	Nina Doyle - Ian Leach	52.28	70	Ange Kerr - Philip Kerr	42.88
31	Jenny Sanders - Keith Sanders	51.93	71	Tibor Toth - David Saunders	42.29
32	Cheryl Bell - David Phillips	51.81	72	Derek Colenbrander - Anthony Colenbrander	42.14
33	Althea Crowley - Persephone Lobb	51.57	73	Kim Rouse - Lesley Rouse	42.12
34	Kate Ward - Kerry Flanagan	51.45	74	Janet Warby - Ali Lamond	41.98
35	Jamshid Vazirzadeh - Mike Martin	51.38	75	Melva Leal - Sue Lind	41.93
36	John Aldersley - Beryl Lowry	51.02	76	Jann Small - Suzanne Harrison	41.91

37	Marina Green - Brenda Hall	50.88	77	Julia Benfield - Phil O'shea	41.62
38	Frances Hammond - Ian Hammond	50.60	78	Diana Hotchkis - Karyn Aaker	40.27
38	Carol Wright - Teena Haslam	50.60	79	Helen Blake - Jenny Munro	39.86
40	Stephen Bennett - Louise Bennett	50.48	80	Betty Markkanen - Collette Anderson	39.29

WED AM Walk-in Pairs

Place	North-South	Score	%	Place	East-West	Score	%
1	J Roose-Driver - Johan Roose	833	64.27	1	Vivien Solo - Shirley King	835	64.43
2	Kathy Lawson - Geoffrey Lawson	824	63.58	2	Ray Ingielewicz - Pat Sleat	828	63.89
3	Bob Hart - Carolyn Hart	783	60.42	3	Alan Corkhill - Anne Alexander	816	62.96
4	Bevley D'aquino - Lisa Mcconkey	747	57.64	4	Bernard Chidgey - Janet Keen	771	59.49
5	Dianne Brinkworth - Christine Young	727	56.10	5	Brian Craig - Susan Rowe	759	58.56
6	Ted Hobson - Patricia Hobson	718	55.40	6	Graham Ardern - Lourie Stewart	730	56.33
7	Dawn Benes - Lorraine Pescatore	685	52.85	7	Cheryl Stone - Dennis Watkinson	727	56.10
8	Jenny Hoff - Kay Leeton	675	52.08	8	Betty English - Irma Mccrossin	719	55.48
9	Rozalyn Wright - Lesley-Ann Parry	658	50.77	9	Irene Campbell - Margaret Regan	712	54.94
10	Pattye Laing - Jack Carson	654	50.46	10	Trish Waters - Anna Green	708	54.63
11	Janice Whiteside - Margaret Hunt	650	50.15	11	Pat Leighton - Ray Muld	705	54.40
12	Paula Pettersson - Peter Allingham	647	49.92	12	Paulette Bourke - Georgina Blum	688	53.09
13	Ron Adam - Michael Cohn	645	49.77	13	Pat-Irene Byrne - Louise Greenfield	681	52.55
14	Peter Langston - Marit Langston	641	49.46	14	Janice Stroop - John Stroop	634	48.92
15	Peter George - Jill Short	638	49.23	15	Max Latimer - Jene Jones	631	48.69
16	Tony Thorne - Elizabeth Thorne	619	47.76	16	Dick Gibberd - George Blacklock	623	48.07
17	Noelle Kebby - Tony Woolford	618	47.69	17	Deirdre James - Graham James	590	45.52
18	Trish Arnold - David Callan	612	47.22	18	Norma Cameron - Robin Williams	586	45.22
19	Mathea Mccowage - Leone Nolan	607	46.84	19	Virginia O'Rourke - Michael O'rourke	572	44.14
20	Sarah Acton - Fiona Trescowthick	577	44.52	20	Garry Campbell - Angela Morgan	568	43.83
21	Vanda Cassim - Robina Cooper	542	41.82	21	Ethel Lavin - Pam Schiller	522	40.28
22	Judith Rychter - Geraldine Adams	539	41.59	22	Vicki Lloyd - Jo-Anne Bauer	506	39.04
23	Maureen Pears - Kelvin Wheeler	533	41.13	23	Penny Baldwin - Patty Parkin	482	37.19
24	Claudia Gibson - Jann Simmonds	519	40.05	24	Kevin Balkin - Pauline Balkin	475	36.65
25	Mike Le Voi - Kathleen Le Voi	509	39.27	25	Joy Wesslink - Anne Cummins	332	25.62

WED PM Walk-in Pairs

Place	North-South	Score	%	Place	East-West	Score	%
1	Peter Langston - Marit Langston	384	61.54	1	J Roose-Driver - Johan Roose	415	66.51
2	Liz Duke - Jenny Shore	380	60.90	2	Noreen Thompson - Janelle Crawley	366	58.65
3	Louise Greenfield - Pat-Irene Byrne	363	58.17	3	Trish Waters - Anna Green	345	55.29
4	Eva Shand - Les Varadi	341	54.65	4	Tom Lyons - Peter Lyons	340	54.49
5	Tony Thorne - Elizabeth Thorne	332	53.21	5	Robert Sutton - Lorraine Carr	333	53.37
6	Mike Le Voi - Kathleen Le Voi	326	52.24	6	Cheryl Stone - Dennis Watkinson	332	53.21
7	Gill Blakey - Ross Blakey	322	51.60	7	Joy Wesslink - Anne Cummins	327	52.40
8	Bob Hart - Carolyn Hart	319	51.12	8	Janet Cook - Helen Edgar	310	49.68
9	Ashok Chotai - Veena Chotai	318	50.96	9	Sarah Acton - Fiona Trescowthick	299	47.92
10	Susan Rowe - Brian Craig	274	43.91	10	Deirdre James - Graham James	291	46.63
11	Alison Graham - Annette Bury	266	42.63	11	Alan Corkhill - Leif Michelsson	259	41.51
12	Pattye Laing - Jack Carson	250	40.06	12	Ann Green - Philip Rinder	223	35.74
13	Claudia Gibson - Jann Simmonds	181	29.01	13	Penny Baldwin - Patty Parkin	216	34.62



Gold Coast Congress 2020 Celebrity Speakers



Located upstairs opposite Administration office
Min \$5 contribution to ABF Youth Bridge (free for Youth)

Thursday
9.30 – 10.15
William Jenner-O'Shea
Handling Interference After Our 1NT (And Interfering with Theirs)



How to compete to the best contract and bid your games after your 1NT gets overcalled. Will also discusses the most effective ways to interfere with their 1NT and some additional NT responses that you may not already play.
Will Jenner-O'Shea has represented Australia in several bridge events, including the World Mind Sports Games in Beijing in 2008. Will has also built a successful career teaching.

Thursday
2.00-2.45
Kim Frazer
Gaining the mental edge at Bridge



Kim will discuss one of the themes from her newly published book, **Match Pressure**, together with some real-life situations and hands which are featured in the book.
Kim Frazer represented Australia on numerous occasions in target shooting winning numerous Australian titles and other awards. She first represented Australia in Bridge in 2018 as a member of the Australian Women's Team.

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What's your first discard?
"We discard what we can afford to throw away."
Oh I see, and he played high low in that suit, does that mean anything?
"No, we don't play carding."



Be mindful of Hygiene

The QBA and GCC are taking every effort to minimise the risk of the spread of viruses. The GCC have plentiful supply of hand sanitisers around the playing area.

Please remember to wash your hands, and do not cough on your hands or on your cards!

CALENDAR OF SOCIAL AND OTHER ACTIVITIES			
Venue		Thursday 27th February	Friday 28th February
NOVICE AND ROOKIE ACTIVITIES			
Rookies Help Available	In the Playing Area Rookies Section	9:30am to 10:30am	
Under 50MPs Help Available	In the Playing Area Under 50s Section	10am to 10:30am	
Novices Help Available	In the Playing Area Novices Section	10:00am to 10:30am	
SOCIAL AND OTHER ACTIVITIES			
Collection for Zephyr Education Inc. The GCC Official Charity Helping Children affected by Domestic Violence Getting Back to School	Foyer GCCEC Collection boxes and donation slips available		
Fashion Parade With our Guest Models Jill Dunning & Lana Politi	Change Alley Oasis Level 1 Outside Barcode Café		
TBIB Daily Prize Wheel You Must be Present to Win. A TBIB lucky star under a chair in main playing area for a spin opportunity	Foyer GCCEC		
Champagne Breakfast For Shoe Shoppers In Her Shoes	In Her Shoes Ground Floor Oasis Shopping Centre		
BRIDGE 'WIDOWS' ACTIVITIES			
Get Together Non-Bridge Playing Partners	Apartment 3204 Air on Broadbeach		
Hosted Bridge Widows Expedition Byron Bay Cost \$20.00 p.p. for return bus	Depart Ground Floor Air on Broadbeach	Depart 10:45am return 4:30pm	
Sanctuary Cove Lunch	Depart Ground Floor Air on Broadbeach		Depart 11am return 4:30pm
All Golf Enquiries to Ian Wright 0417194347 • ian83@me.com		Thursday 27th February	Friday 28th February



GOLD COAST CONGRESS 2020

	Thursday 27th February	Friday 28th February	Saturday 29th February
OPEN EVENTS			
Open Pairs Championship		Q/F Teams S/F Teams	Finals Teams
Open Teams (**incl. Women's and Seniors')	10:30am Start 4 x 14 Brds R9-R12	9:00am 2:00pm 2x12 Brds 3x12 Brds	9:00am 4x12 Brds
Weekend Matchpoint Swiss Pairs			
Monday Butler Swiss Pairs			
Ivy Dahler Open Butler Swiss Pairs		10:00am 1/3 2:00pm 2/3	10:00am 3/3
Seres/McMahon Matchpoint Swiss Pairs		10:00am 1/2 2:00pm 2/2	
WOMEN'S and SENIORS EVENTS			
** Seniors Teams Final (top 2 from Open after Match 12)		10:00am Start 4x12 Brds Final	
** Women's Teams Final (top 2 from Open after Match 12)		10:00am Start 4x12 Brds Final	
INTERMEDIATE EVENTS (Under 750MPs)			
Intermediate Pairs Championship			
Intermediate Teams	10:30am Start 4 x 14 Brds R9-R12	10:00am Start 4x12 Brds Final	
Ivy Dahler Intermediate Butler Swiss Pairs		10:00am 1/3 2:00pm 2/3	10:00am 3/3
RESTRICTED EVENTS (Under 300MPs)			
Restricted Pairs Championship			
Restricted Teams	10:30am Start 4 x 14 Brds R9-R12	10:00am Start 4x12 Brds Final	
Ivy Dahler Restricted Butler Swiss Pairs		10:00am 1/3 2:00pm 2/3	10:00am 3/3
NOVICE EVENTS (Under 100MPs)			
Novice Pairs Championship			
Novice Teams	10:30am Start 4 x 14 Brds R9-R12	10:00am Start 4x12 Brds Final	
Friday Novice Pairs		10:00am 1/2 2:00pm 2/2	
0-500MP EVENTS			
Weekend Matchpoint Swiss Pairs U500			
Monday Butler Swiss Pairs U500			
ROOKIE PAIRS (Under 10MPs)			
Rookie Pairs - Single Session Events	10:30am 1/1		
0-50MP PAIRS			
0-50 Masterpoint Pairs	10:30am 1/2 3:00pm 2/2		
WALK-IN PAIRS			
Walk-in Pairs (No Frills only on Friday 21st Feb)	10:30am 3:00pm	10:00am 2:00pm	10:00am
	Thursday 27th	Friday 28th	Saturday 29th

**Dinner
Dance
7:00pm
for
Drinks**

**7:30pm
Start**

**Bookings
Essential**

A popular climax to the week. Attendees will be invited to register for this event during the week. The cost will be \$20 to anyone who played in an event (walk-ins not included) and \$50 otherwise.

Strong support from the bridge community has assisted 2800 children get back to school in the last financial year. These children have come to Zephyr Education Inc through the 104 shelters and associated organisations Zephyr supports.

At the time of writing this, we are very much aware that Australia is being devastated by terrible fires and there are many, many Australians in dire need. Any help you can provide to assist children affected by domestic violence to get on with their education is greatly appreciated. This wholly volunteer charity receives no government funding and has been operating for almost 7 years.

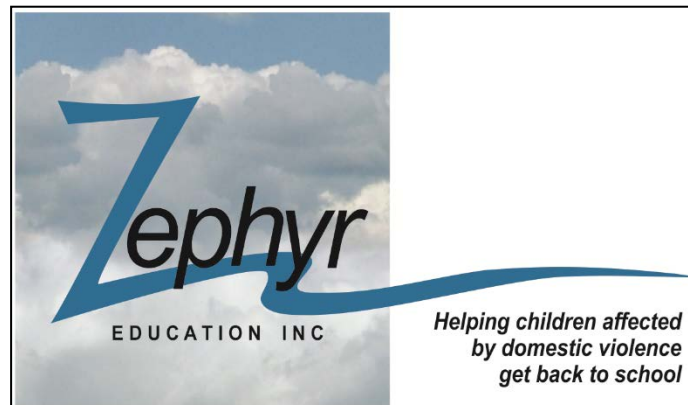
All donations over \$2 are tax deductible. Details for donations are as follows:

Zephyr Education Inc BSB: 084-004 Account number: 15-629-0526

Ref: Your name and please email your contact details to admin@zephyreducation.com.au so we can send you a receipt. You can find out more about Zephyr Education at www.zephyreducation.com.au

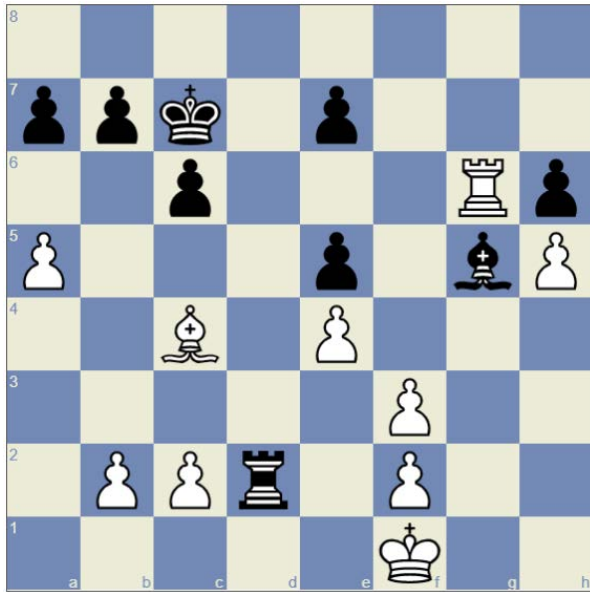
In past years collection boxes have been passed about and volunteers have stood at the doors while you're trying to find your seats to start play. Zephyr is massively appreciative of your support but also concerned not to interfere too much with your enjoyment of this wonderful congress.

To that end, this year there will be donation flyers available at the reception desk and on the table near our banner, with collection boxes in fixed locations. In this way you can make donations at a time most suitable to you. Carmel Martin has an eftpos machine available for the many supporters who make their yearly donation at this congress.



SOLUTION TO YESTERDAY'S CHESS PROBLEM

SOLUTION TO YESTERDAY'S SUDOKU [MEDIUM]

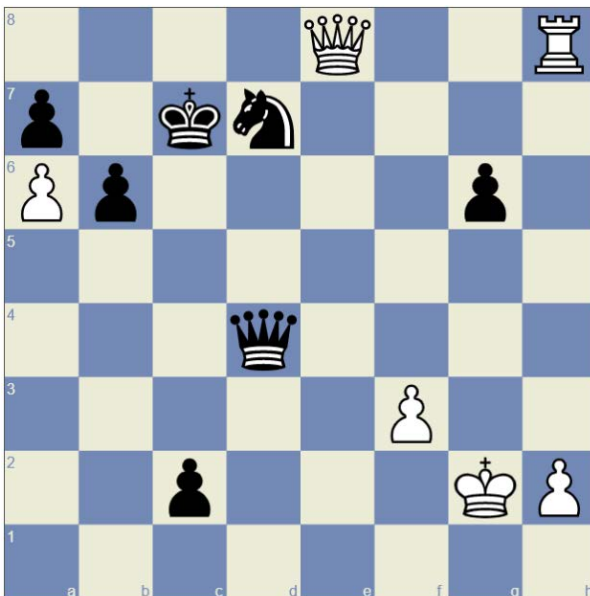


White to move and win

1. Rd2 (black) Rxc5
2. hxg5 Bd3
3. Rd1+ Kg2
4. c5 h6
5. c4 h7
6. cxd3 cxd3
7. Rc1 h8=Q

6	3	4	5	7	9	8	1	2
7	5	9	8	2	1	4	6	3
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TODAY'S CHESS PROBLEM



White to move and win

TODAY'S SUDOKU [HARD]

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Solutions in the next bulletin issue