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### **A SWISS BLITZ**

After 12 rounds of Swiss, the Ashton team (Sophie Ashton, Peter Gill, Marty Fleisher, Sartaj Hans, and Andy Hung) has blitzed their way through with all 12 wins to finish up with a GCC-record breaking total of 198.20 VPs. This feat was similarly achieved in this year's South-West Pacific Teams in Canberra just last month when the same team (with Nabil Edgtton instead of Marty Fleisher) chalked up 11 wins and 1 loss totalling 197.37 VPs.

Another great achievement comes from the second qualifier in the Open field, team Bach (Ashley Bach, Michael Whibley, Matthew Brown, Nabil Edgtton, Alex Antonios). Due to family illness, a frequent GCC visitor Michael Cornell from New Zealand had to give this tournament a miss. So Bach added Nabil Edgtton along with his friend Alex Antonios. Nabil had only taught Alex how to play bridge just a mere three months ago, and currently at 0.00 masterpoints (although there is a 0.18 red point pending), this is his first attendance in a National tournament!

In the Intermediate, the Aquino team (John Aquino - John McMullan - Belinda Taranto - Mark Doust) snatched the first spot after collecting a near-max in the last set putting them up to the top from fourth. Team Moffitt (Sue Moffitt - Ken Moffitt - Margaret Rogers - John Rogers), who had been leading from Round 5 onwards, suffered a defeat in their eleventh match, but held on to second place after the last match.

In the **Restricted**, the Gillies team (Nerida Gillies - Annegrete Kolding - Heidi Colenbrander - Ray Hurst) had a dominating performance with 11 wins and 1 loss, and they will face team Harrah (Douglas Harrah - Diana Saul - Anthea Gedge - Maria Campbell) in the finals.

In the **Novice**, team Young (Daphne Young - Sheila Parsons - Andrea Pappas - Speros Pappas) led from Round 5 all the way to the end. Tomorrow they face team Speller (Colin Speller - Jodie Gudaitis - Colin Kleinig - Jane Stephens) in the finals.

There will also be a Seniors' and a Women's Finals playoff.

Good luck to all finalists!

#### Top 2 finishers in the Teams Championships:

Open: 1<sup>st</sup> Ashton, 2<sup>nd</sup> Bach
Intermediate: 1<sup>st</sup> Aquino, 2<sup>nd</sup> Moffitt
Restricted: 1<sup>st</sup> Gillies, 2<sup>nd</sup> Harrah
Novice: 1<sup>st</sup> Young, 2<sup>nd</sup> Speller
Seniors: 1<sup>st</sup> Krochmalik 2<sup>nd</sup> D Lusk
Women's: 1<sup>st</sup> Biltoft, 2<sup>nd</sup> S Lusk

The top two team qualifiers in Intermediate, Restricted, and Novice play in the Final.

The two highest placed Seniors and Women's teams within the Open Field have a Finals playoff.

In the Open, the top two qualifiers advance to the Semi-Finals whilst 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> qualifiers play in the Quarter Finals first to determine the other two semi finalists.

## **TODAY'S SCHEDULE**

# Friday 28th Feb

9:00am Teams QF (O) 2x12 brds

10:00am Teams Final 4x12 (S, W, I, Re, N)

Ivy Dahler Pairs (O, I, Re) 1 of 3

Seres/McMahon Pairs 1 of 2

Novice Pairs 1 of 2

Walk-In Pairs

2:00pm Open Teams SF 3x12 brds

Ivy Dahler Pairs (O, I, Re) 2 of 3

Seres/McMahon Pairs 2 of 2

Novice Pairs 2 of 2

Walk-In Pairs

O=Open, S=Seniors, W=Women's, I=Intermediate, Re=Restricted, N=Novice

#### A Whole Lot of Thank Yous

# THANK YOU TO TREVOR STRICKLAND



Trevor Strickland is retiring from directing at the Gold Coast Congress. He has been directing there for almost 30 years. Long-time participants will know Trevor well. He is always full of vitality with a caring persona. He was always there to help in any way that he can, and has been an invaluable member of the GCC staff team as we will surely miss him. Thank you Trevor!

# Bridge on Channel 9

John Paul Langbroek, the Shadow Minister for the 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games' Candidature, had opened up the Gold Coast Congress Teams Championships on Tuesday.

Following him were the Channel Nine news, and the GCC was featured in a segment which was a great advertisement for the game that we all love! If you haven't yet seen the video, you can visit:

https://tinyurl.com/tpemjwy



Many thanks to John Paul Langbroek for visiting!

## **EXTRA TWO MILES**



Although some may call your editor insane to be playing in the Open Teams whilst managing the daily bulletin, I could not help but notice a caddy that has gone two extra miles as I played through my six matches.

Meet Trish, a very caring caddy who not only transports your boards to the next table, but she carefully sorts them in order for you so you can have more thinking time! At times she has offered some chocolates or candy for the players that are about to fall asleep – talk about a helping caddy and a coach to keep you in focus!!

### GCC PHOTOGRAPHER



You must be living under a rock if you haven't noticed Anne Russell. She is the main photographer for the GCC, and also helps with the Celebrity Speaker Program. Thank you very much Anne for all of the lovely photos you have taken!

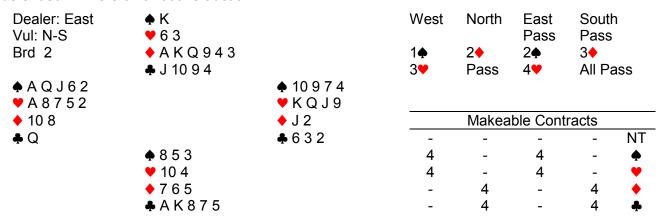
For anyone interested in learning more about photography, contact Anne as she runs photography workshops based in Brisbane. Her website is http://www.russellsynergies.com.au/

#### **OPEN TEAMS QUALIFYING MATCH NINE**

#### Missed Chances

Barry Rigal

"Father forgive me for I have sinned many times; I will produce a full confession." We defended 4♥ here on a routine auction:



I led a top diamond (the king for count) and found partner with three. Now I took my eye off the ball when I shifted to the \$\\_J\$. Partner won the king, but once he was implicitly marked with \$\\_AK\$, wasn't there a reasonable chance declarer might get spades right --- wouldn't you bid 2NT over 2\$\\_\$ if you had AKK and three diamonds?

Much better is to cash two diamonds and play a trump. If declarer has 6-4 or 5-5 there is no slow club winner. Partner either has the ace or he doesn't. If declarer is 5-4 the club from dummy is not going away. About 15% of the field did bring home a game – perhaps when North had bid more strongly than I did.

My next attempt to chuck IMPs didn't succeed either; I wonder what was the right way for me to get to grips with the North hand after the auction started:

Dealer: South	♠ A K 8 3		West	North	East	South	
Vul: Both	A 10 9 6					Pass	
Brd 7	♦ A K 10		1♥	Dbl	Pass	2♠	
	<b>4</b> 10 4		Pass	?			
<b>♠</b> J		♠ Q 10 9					
♥KQJ754		<b>9</b> 8 3 2					
♦ Q 4		<b>♦</b> J 7 2		Makea	ble Cont	racts	
♣Q632		J 9 8 5	-	3	-	3	NT
	↑ 76542		-	5	-	5	•
	<b>*</b>		-	1	-	1	•
	98653		-	5	-	5	•
	<b>♣</b> A K 7		-	1	-	1	*

I lazily jumped to 4♠ and found game was fine but slam certainly no worse than 50% with high cards marked in West. And if South had either the ♠J or more importantly the ♠J, slam could have been excellent. I was guilty of point-counting; a balanced 18-count facing a passed hand that was only worth an invitation = game only. Wrong, as we can see. A hand with shape facing a hand with controls and (in context) ruffing values is slammish.

I guess the best – maybe the only – start is to bid 3♥ and over 3♠ maybe to bid 4♦. South would bid 4♥ showing a club control and some interest. Over my 4♠ the bare spades and diamonds might persuade him to pass. With any queen he would be off to the races – even the ♣Q works as an extra trick today.

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Here I'm not sure if this was a difference in style or some poor valuation from each member of the partnership.

A ludicrous contract and one that deserved to lose more than it did, since 4♠ can be defeated but it wasn't always. -100 was a popular N/S result but quite a few pairs were allowed to make 4♠.

It is certainly possible that North does best to bid 2♠ over 2♣, planning to compete to 3♦ over 3♣ to suggest this sort of hand perhaps? That would have simplified matters. Equally South might double 4♣ – prepared to defend if North is balanced but here after 4♦-4♥-4♠ the best contract has been reached. After the ♣A lead East must shift to the diamond and get his ruff, leaving West with a natural trump trick thanks to his precious ♠108.

Dealer: East Vul: None Brd 14	<ul><li>♠ A 10 2</li><li>♥ A 8 6 4</li><li>♦ K 10 5</li><li>♣ 9 7 2</li></ul>		West	North	East	South	l
♠ K 9 5 ♥ 10 7 2		<b>♠</b> Q 7 <b>♥</b> 5					
◆ J 9 6 2		◆ A Q 8 7 4		Makea	ble Cont	racts	
♣ A 10 4		♣J8653		1	-	-	NT
	<b>♦</b> J 8 6 4 3		-	3	-	3	•
	KQJ93		-	4	-	4	•
	<b>♦</b> 3		4	-	4	-	•
	♣ K Q		4	-	4	-	*

A sizeable percentage of the field made 4♥ here, often when East had opened to show both minors. But is there any way to improve on the best technical line against silent opponents – which seems likely to go down. After e.g a trump lead you win in hand and lead a diamond up – after all, you never know. The king loses to the ace and East seems likely to shift to clubs – maybe a 3rd/5th ♣3. You win the second club – West probably returning the ♣10 and when a second trump reveals West has six cards in total in clubs and hearts, maybe you can consider trusting the count-card West might have given on the first diamond? If you do, you might work out to lead ♠J from hand and play East for shortage. Failing that, the natural and unsuccessful line is to lead first to the 10 which caters to West being short in spades with an honour.

I admire anyone who wins the trump lead and puts the  $\phi$ J on the table, arguing that West will never cover from Qx and might not do so from Kx. It may be hard to defend your play when your LHO has a singleton honour but you can use those eggs to make a splendid omelette...





Winners of the 0-50 Butler Swiss Pairs: Philip Young and Lynda Young



Winners of the Thurs Rookie Pairs for N/S: Helen Blake and Jenny Munro



Second in the Thurs Rookie Pairs for N/S: Kerry Cross and Michael Cross



Runners Up of the 0-50 Butler Swiss Pairs: Mary King & Lauren Sanford



Winners of the Thurs Rookie Pairs for E/W: Stephen Bennett and Louise Bennett

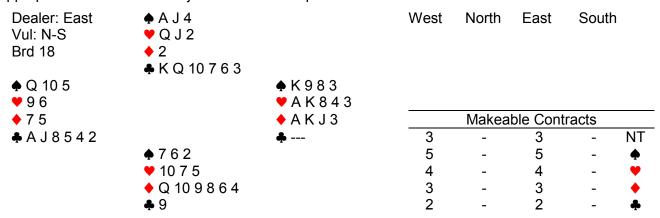


Second in the Thurs Rookie Pairs for E/W: Kerry Cross and Michael Cross

#### OPEN TEAMS QUALIFYING MATCH TEN

Barry Rigal

There are many people who believe that playing take-out doubles gives up on your ability to penalize the opponents. The counter to that argument is that there is nothing to stop you passing out the penalty double with the appropriate hands. Let's see just such an example:



No-one could blame North for coming in over 1♠-1NT...could they? When North bids 2♣ if you do not have a take-out double available you must cuebid or bid a suit and the danger is past. At roughly one third of the 235 tables in play North introduced his clubs and East was able to double for takeout. Thereafter a few lucky Souths ran to 2♠ and were not doubled. Rather more found they had just made matters worse, and quite a few N/S pairs ended up at the three level with the opponents running out of red cards.

Let's look at best play and defence against 2\*x. East cashes a top diamond and takes three rounds of hearts to give partner the ruff. West shifts to a spade; declarer plays low or puts in the jack; it doesn't matter. The defenders win the spade and play another. To hold the loss to 800 declarer must win and exit in spades. When the defenders play another diamond it lets declarer ruff and lead a club to the nine. West wins the \$\mathbf{J}\$ and returns a club. North covers, and loses just the \$\mathbf{A}\$ now.

You want to know the definition of good teammates? Charles and John McMahon played 1♦x down 800, and gained 12 IMPs when their teammates collected 1400 from 3♣x. two pairs who conceded 1100 (at a top table!) pushed the board in 2♣x down four and 3♣x down four when their opposite numbers matched them for futility.

Dealer: West Vul: Both Brd 20	<pre>♠ J 8 ♥ 9 7 3 ◆ Q 9 8 4 ♣ J 7 6 4</pre>		West	North	East	South	
♠ A Q 3 2 ♥ Q		♠ K 10 9 6 5 ♥ K 6 5					
◆ A K J 6 5 3		◆ K 0 5 ◆ 7		Makea	ble Cont	racts	
♣ K Q		♣ A 10 9 2	5	-	5	-	NT
	<b>♠</b> 7 4		6	-	6	-	<b>•</b>
	A J 10 8 4 2		2	-	2	-	•
	♦ 10 2		4	-	4	-	•
	<b>4</b> 8 5 3		5	-	5	-	*

These days 'the fancy' have added mini-splinters to their armoury. These can be used effectively in an auction like  $1 \checkmark -3 \spadesuit$  and  $1 \spadesuit -3$ NT to show unspecified shortage and a minimum game force. That lets  $1 \spadesuit -3$ NT/ $4 \clubsuit /4 \spadesuit$  be full value opening bids. But it is far less clear to me after  $1 \spadesuit -1 \spadesuit$  that  $3 \checkmark$  is best used as shortage and a raise to  $3 \spadesuit$  (or  $5 \spadesuit$ ). There are other awkward single suited diamond game forces one wants to allow for, and more to the point slam bidding facing a two-way call is hard.

This board threw up problems for the field on a mesh that one might have thought should have been easy to reach slam. No fewer than eight pairs went minus as E/W. Three played in the grand slam and South meanly cashed out, three pairs played in 4♥, and one pair went down in 5♦. I think I'd rather play a cuebid when cold for slam than go down in a 6-1 fit. Both are embarrassing -- but one result looks like poor judgment as opposed to pure carelessness.

Let's get back to the real issue: after 1♦-1♠-3♥, how does East advance? A simple way forward is to play 3♠ non-forcing, 4♠ as no slam interest even facing a good splinter but a few values, 3NT as slammish facing the good hand, cuebids as slammish facing the minimum hand. Thus here East would bid 3NT and West would use Key Card Blackwood and drive to slam. About a quarter of the field missed slam one way or another. Nobody bid and made the grand slam.

#### **OPEN TEAMS QUALIFYING MATCH ELEVEN**

Barry Rigal

Some hands are not susceptible of an easy answer, and sometimes the best line in theory fails in practice. Take a look at 6♦ here.

Dealer: South Vul: Both Brd 7	<ul><li>♠ A Q 6 4 3</li><li>♥ A 6 2</li><li>◆ Q J 9 3</li><li>♣ 6</li></ul>		West	North	East	South	1
♠ J 10 8 ♥ Q 9 8 3		♠ 9 5 2 ♥ K 10 7 5					
<b>♦</b> 8		<b>♦</b> 10 7 4 2		Makea	ble Cont	racts	
♣ K Q 9 8 4		<b>♣</b> 3 2		5	-	5	NT
	<b>♠</b> K 7		-	5	-	5	•
	<b>♥</b> J 4		-	1	-	2	•
	A K 6 5		-	6	-	6	•
	♣ A J 10 7 5		_	3	_	3	•

For the record five pairs achieved extremely underserving plus scores by making 6♠ or receiving a top club lead against 6NT – almost the only way to let it through. 12 pairs played partscores, not all of them in diamonds, and at least half the field missed slam altogether. Roughly 30 pairs made slam while twice that number went down.

Say, as was the case at the table I was watching, that you play 6♦ on a heart lead. What is the best line? With one club and one heart trick you can make if you take five diamonds and five spades. So simply ruffing a heart in one hand or a club in the other gets you to 12 – but only if spades break. A far better play on a heart lead is to duck and win the next, ruff a heart low, then play ♠K, ♠A and ruff a spade high. Now you draw trumps and claim if diamonds are 3-2 or the ♦10 falls singleton. This line requires no vicious break in the majors, and a 75% chance in diamonds, which comes in at about 60%, but it fails when diamonds are 4-1 as here. If you followed this line, as did my teammate Pablo Lambardi, you are entitled to consider yourself unlucky.



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#### **BRISBANE PAIR IGNORE FATIGUE TO SCORE WELL IN 0-50 PAIRS**

**Brent Manley** 

Going into Thursday's 0-50 Pairs game, Diana Hotchkis and Karyn Aaker were dragging a bit, having played most of the week. Despite being tired, they found the energy to bid aggressively and defend well, ending their bridge day in 19th place out of 64 pairs.

Hotchkis and Aaker are friends from their days working in IT in Brisbane at the same company. They now are members of the North Suburbs Bridge Club in Brisbane.

On this deal, Hotchkis made a nominally weak jump overcall, then bid game when Aaker raised, which turned out to be a good move.

This was the deal:



Diana Hotchkis and Karyn Aaker

Dealer: East	<b>♠</b> K Q J 3		West	North	East	Sout	
Vul: N-S	<b>♥</b> Q 3			Aaker		Hotch	nkis
Brd 2	KQ65				1♣	2 💙	
	♣ K 8 5		Pass	3♥	Pass	4 💙	
<b>♦</b> 762		<b>♠</b> A 9 8 5	All Pas	S			
<b>9</b> 10 4		<b>♥</b> K 8 6					
10 9 4 3		<b>♦</b> J 8 2		Makea	ble Cont	racts	
<b>4</b> 9742		♣ A Q 6	-	5	-	4	NT
	♠ 10 4		-	5	-	4	<b>•</b>
	A J 9 7 5 2		-	5	-	4	•
	<b>♦</b> A 7		-	3	-	3	•
	♣ J 10 3		-	4	-	3	*

West started with the ♣2. When Hotchkis played low, East won with the ♣Q, cashed the ace and exited with a low diamond. Hotchkis won with the ♦A and played the ♠10 from hand, letting it run to East's ace. East, hoping West could ruff, played a club: jack, 4, King. In dummy, Hotchkis successfully finessed in trumps and soon was claiming plus 620 for a 6-IMP gain. (Note: If East covers the ♥Q – cover an honour with an honour – declarer's percentage play is to repeat the finesse in hearts against the ♥10, and go down!)

Hotchkis and Aaker found a way to earn even more IMPs, on this deal later in the session:

Dealer: North Vul: None Brd 17	<ul><li>♠ Q J 10 6 5</li><li>♥ K J 9 6</li><li>♠ Q 7 6</li><li>♣ 5</li></ul>		West	North	East	South	1
♦ 9 4 2 ♥ Q 10 8 5	<b>4</b> 5	♠ K 8 ♥ 4 3 2					
♦ A J 9 8		<ul><li>10 4 2</li></ul>		Makea	ble Cont	racts	
<b>♣</b> 3 2		<b>4</b> 10 9 8 7 6	-	6	-	6	NT
	<b>♠</b> A 7 3		-	6	-	6	•
	<b>♥</b> A 7		-	6	-	6	•
	♦ K 5 3		-	4	-	4	•
	<b>♣</b> A K Q J 4		-	5	-	5	<b>♣</b>

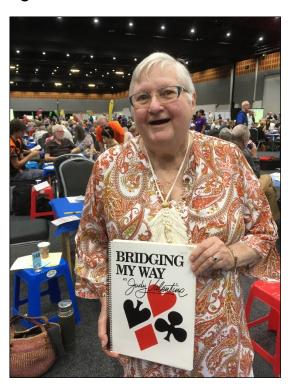
Hotchkis opened 2NT (20-21) and Aaker transferred to spades, making sure the final contract was at the six level.

Against 6♠, West led the ◆A and continued with the 8. Hotchkis played the ◆Q to put herself in position to take the trump finesse. She played the ♠Q, which held, then the jack, covered by the king and ace. Hotchkis continued with the ◆A, heart to the king and a heart ruff. A spade to dummy picked up the last trump and Hotchkis could enter her hand with a diamond to the king so that she could run the clubs and claim 12 tricks. Plus 980 was good for a 10-IMP gain.

## Judy Valentine - A Queensland Bridge Treasure

In the early 1960s, Judy was a young mother living with her husband in Mackay. She and some neighbours wanted to learn to play Bridge. In the absence of a Bridge club, or a Bridge teacher, Judy was nominated to learn Bridge from a book and teach the others. Driven by a desire to create a Bridge community near her, Judy rose to the challenge and began learning and teaching. She was an inaugural member of the Mackay Bridge Club when it was established over 50 years ago.

Judy's husband, David, was transferred to Maryborough where, again, she found there was no Bridge Club. Fortified by her experiences in Mackay, Judy set about making local contacts who wanted to play. Soon she was the driving force behind the establishment of the Maryborough Bridge Club. Judy's skills and abilities became known to the Queensland Bridge Association (QBA). The QBA recommended that towns wanting to set up a Bridge Club should contact Judy. She has been integral to the setting up and expansion of a number of Queensland clubs, particularly Bundaberg and Rockhampton Clubs. She visited these clubs to teach Bridge and support their efforts to become affiliated with QBA and ABF. Returning to Brisbane in 1970, Judy was asked to be the Secretary of the QBA.



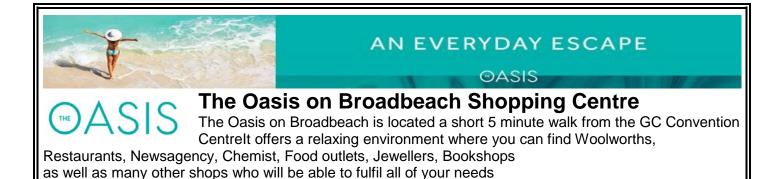
Judy came to my attention because I am the editor of Trump.It, the newsletter of the Arana Contract Bridge Club. Our long term member, Pam Horton, had been telling me I needed to write a story on Judy who led the establishment of our Bridge club. Judy, using her well-honed skills, began teaching in Ferny Hills. Her first teaching venue was her home. As learner numbers expanded, Judy moved the group to a local hall and, finally, we were able to buy our own Bridge Club. Our building is fittingly named after Judy Valentine.

Based on all her years of teaching, Judy's grateful students pushed her to publish her lessons and examples. The book, Teaching my Way, is still used to teach beginners the joys of Bridge. When I asked Judy had she received an OBE for her thousands of hours of volunteer work she said with a laugh "the only OBE I'll get is the one you get for being Over Bloody Eighty".

By the way, Judy has attended 54 of the 59 Gold Coast Congresses. That's a difficult achievement to beat!

Dr. Kathleen Le Voi

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# **PHOTOS: DAY SEVEN**

































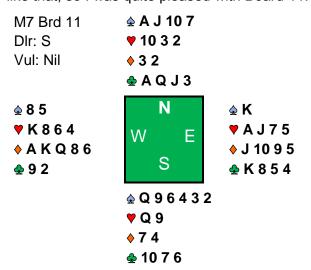




#### THE TWENTY SECOND ETERNITY

Fraser Rew

In Round 7, we played against a team of four current and former Australian representatives: Ron Klinger, Phil Markey, Peter Buchen and George Smolanko. You need to take all your chances against a team like that, so I was quite pleased with Board 11:



Our auction was:

West	North Rew	East	South
			2♠
3♦	3♠	Dbl	Pass
4♥	Pass	Pass	Pass

Maybe I should bid 4♠ at some point, but 1) when West overcalled 3♠ I thought perhaps they might not have a heart fit; 2) if they do have a heart fit, it might be possible to beat 4♥; and 3) I've seen my partner's preempts before. And I was kind of vindicated, as there's a good chance you'll go 3 off doubled in 4♠ for -500.

I was on lead vs 4 with the North hand. My points are all in the black suits, which declarer seems to be short in. I thought we were probably only getting one spade trick, and any diamond finesse is through my partner and the King of Clubs is probably sitting over me, so there's no way of getting a second Club trick...unless I can convice declarer not to win a trick with the King of Clubs.

With that, I put the Queen of Clubs on the table, and when I saw the King, I held my breath. The 20 seconds declarer took to survey dummy seemed like an eternity, but eventually he called for a card: "Small, please".

It got better: partner, thinking that I held ♠QJ9x or similar and that the ♠10 might be an important card, encouraged. From declarer's point of view, that encouragement must be from Ax(x). Probably unwisely, I played the ♠J next, which gave him a chance to make, but he was already committed to

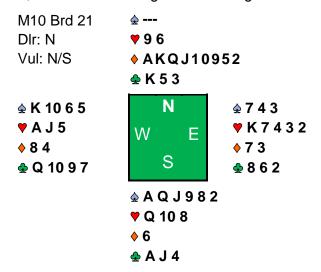
ducking. After that, I played  $\triangle A$ ,  $\triangle J$ , and waited for the losing heart finesse, for one off.

Obviously my poker face is improving, because it wasn't until he was discussing hands with his teammates that declarer realised what had happened.

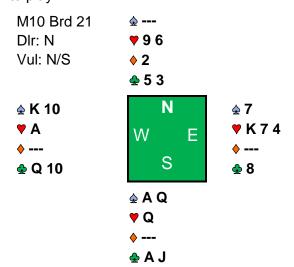
# A SLAM BEST REMEMBERED ...AND FORGOTTEN

Jon Hunt

My partner and I bid the following hand elegantly to 6, an auction that might be best forgotten.



East led the ♣6-♣4-♣9-♣K. I now ran all eight diamonds. This was the position with one final trump to play:



On the last diamond, I pitched the  $\P Q$  from dummy and West was finished. The  $\P A$  was discarded, but I simply played a club to the ace and exited a club to West's  $\P Q$  who now had to lead a spade into dummy's  $\P A Q$ !

It was certainly a great hand for a strip and endplay, but probably a hand best forgotten for our opponents (apologies to them) as a heart lead would take me down immediately!

#### **DON EVANS**

(August 31, 1933 – February 9, 2012)

Recently two medals and a tray were passed on to the bridge community from a backgammon friend of Don Evans. They are on show at Paul Lavings' Bridge stall in the foyer. They are:

A silver plated tray given to the players when NSW won the 1963 Interstate Teams in Adelaide. The team was Denis Howard (Playing Captain) – Tim Seres, Dick Cummings – Roelof Smilde, Jim Borin – Don Evans. This was no doubt the best team in Australia at the time. The first four players were known as the Big Four and won countless events from the 1950s onwards.

A medal awarded to Don on making the Australian Open team which was the same team as above but without Jim Borin. The team played at the Olympiad in New York, a very famous occasion.

Australia was coming 5th with two days to go.

What happened then is a sad story, quoting from Cathy Chua's 'The History of Australian Bridge', "Needing only to be fourth placed to reach the semi-finals, disaster struck the Australian camp with two days to go. Smilde was taken severely ill – indeed, he was moved to the home of the hostess appointed to look after the team so that he could be nursed constantly. There was no chance that he would recover before the end of the event. As Australia had drawn both USA and Great Britain on the second-to-last day, it was doubly disastrous. Seres, playing captain, had intended to make heavy use of the strongest line-up: Seres – Cummings and Evans – Smilde. With this no longer possible the team floundered, suffering a devastating loss on Bridgerama to USA, and then another maximum loss to Great Britain. Good results in the last two matches ensured that they finished a still impressive sixth."

A medal awarded to Don for winning the Gold Coast Pairs. Don was also in the winning team, Frank Theeman – Tony Ong, Don Evans – Paul Lavings.

In all, Don won the Gold Coast Pairs four times and the teams five times.

The three trophies will be permanently on display at the ABF library in Canberra.

Evans was a very funny man and a great showman as well as a great player. At the display you can also read a few humourous stories about Don written by Eddie Kantar. Ron Klinger played with Don in the late 70s and tells a few stories:

Don and I played together in the 1978 World Open Pairs. Our son, Ari, was less than a year old then. As we were checking in, a huge group of monks was also checking in at the same time and were ahead of us. Reluctant to wait, Don hoisted Ari on to his shoulders, went to the reception desk and said, 'We need our rooms and we need them urgently,' pointing to Ari. He got his way.

In the Pairs, Don and I had a bidding mishap in this auction:

#### N/S Vulnerable:

West	North	East	South
	Ron		Don
<b>4♥</b>	4NT	Pass	5♠
Pass	Pass	Dbl	All Pass

I thought 4NT would be minors. Don took it as a general takeout. The result was -2000. After the session, we bumped into George Havas and Alan Walsh. "We've just had an absolute bottom," I said. "What happened?" George asked. I recounted the story and the score of -2000. "An absolute bottom," I repeated. "Impossible," said Alan, "There are 186 pairs. You cannot get an absolute bottom." "Wanna bet? You can have 40-1." I said. "Done," said Alan, "Here's \$10." "You can have the same bet with me," said Don and George handed over \$10.

Well, sure enough our -2000 was a bottom, but alas, not an absolute bottom. Another pair had done the same thing and also went -2000, so away went \$400. Bobby Goldman - Paul Soloway similarly landed in 5S doubled, but they only went for -1700. They were World Champions after all

For a bit more on Don, visit https://www.abf.com.au/member-services/obituaries/don-evans/

#### **OPEN TEAMS QUALIFYING MATCH TWELVE**

#### Last chance saloon

Barry Rigal

As the last round started, teams Ashton, Bach, and Apteker seemed likely to occupy first through third, probably in that order. So for the last round I persuaded three of the teams in contention for the 4th-6th places to keep their bidding slips. Thanks all for your cooperation!

The Stream Team needed about a draw to qualify, but nothing could be certain when playing against the Bach team – albeit the latter had almost guaranteed themselves the morning off.

The van der Vlugt team needed to avoid a big loss to hold on to 4th place. They lost a game swing when a light overcall prepared the defence to a 3NT game, but from there on poured on the pressure and won their match by a near maximum.

The Ware team started well when what used to be known at Cambridge University as a Cope sacrifice (one that costs more than your opponents' game – had that game been making) gave them 14 IMPs in the bag.



Michael Ware, Anna St Clair, Nick Jacob, Dee Harley

Then a delicate play problem caused trouble all round the room.

Dealer: South Vul: E-W Brd 19	<ul><li>↑ 4</li><li>♥ A K Q 6</li><li>↑ 5 2</li><li>♠ K Q J 9 7 3</li></ul>		West	North	East	South	1
♠ A 9 5 ♥ J 10 5 3		<b>♠</b> K J 7 3 2 ♥ 9 7					
♦ J 9 4		♦ 10 8 7 6 3		Makea	ble Cont	racts	
<b>♣</b> 852		<b>♣</b> A	-	2	-	3	NT
	♠ Q 10 8 6		1	-	1	-	<b>•</b>
	<b>9</b> 8 4 2		-	3	-	3	•
	♦ A K Q		1	-	1	-	<b>•</b>
	<b>4</b> 10 6 4		_	5	-	5	*

You play 3NT as South after East has overcalled 1♠ over 1♣. West leads the ♠5 (low from any three-card holding. East wins the king and returns the three. Over to you!

If you believe that East would always win the king from ♠AK – by no means a given – and shift to a low card whatever he has, then let's count the three-card holdings where your play matters (everything works against AJ5).

A95 A75 J95 J75 975

In the fifth case you must play the ten but not the queen or eight. In case one you can play the ten (then duck the return of the nine) or eight nut not the queen. In case two you must play the eight, in case three and four you must play the queen if East has the A, likely but not certain from the overcall. Where does that leave us?

Aggravatingly each card works in two of the five scenarios and fails in three! I therefore find it slightly curious that only at 10 tables did a spade lead defeat 3NT. Assuming East wins the king and returns a low spade, playing the queen really isn't unreasonable. And if you play the ten, will you remember to duck the \$9\$ when it is returned?

Lewis for Van der Vlugt made 3NT on a heart lead while in the other room Hughes/Morrison led spades and declarer misguessed the suit.

Doecke/Jenner-O'Shea played 2•x down only 200, good for a 6 IMP pick up when 3NT came home in the other room on a heart lead.

Dealer: East Vul: E-W Brd 22	<ul><li>↑ 7</li><li>♥ 5 4 3 2</li><li>♦ K 8 3</li><li>♣ A Q 9 8 4</li></ul>		West	North	East	South	
♠ K Q 10 9 8 5 3 2		<b>♦</b> J 4					
<b>Y</b>		♥ A Q J 10 9 8 7 6					
♦ A J 10 6 2		<b>•</b>		Makea	ble Cont	racts	
<b>♣</b>		<b>4</b> 10 6 5	-	-	-	-	NT
	<b>♠</b> A 6		5	-	6	-	•
	<b>♥</b> K		2	-	2	-	•
	Q 9 7 5 4		-	2	-	3	•
	♣ KJ732		-	4	-	4	<b>.</b>

Board 22 was the freak board of the event so far. When East opened 4♥ and South stretched to bid 4NT for the minors, quite a few Wests never bid, and sold out to 5♣. Not a triumph when 6♠ by West can only be defeated by the truly elegant defence of having North lead his spade and South duck when dummy plays low! Anna St. Clair and Dee Harley bid to 5♠ while Henbest/Wilshire passed out 4♥, for an embarrassing -100 and 13 IMPs away.

That was better than Ewart/Smith managed; they played 6♥ down 400 while Morrison/Hughes made 650 in 5♠ for 14 IMPs to van der Vlugt. The unsuccessful auction was:

West	North	East	South
4♠	5♣	<b>4♥</b> 5 <b>♦</b>	Pass 6 <b>♣</b>
<b>6</b> ♦	Pass	<b>6♥</b>	All Pass

I'm fairly sure 6♠ would have made had it been bid so the final swung at least 27 IMPs.



David Smith, Marshall Lewis, Neil Ewart, Maurits van der Vlugt

Bach/Edgtton bid and made the slam, this was their auction:

West	North	East	South
DH	<b>5</b> •	<b>4♥</b>	4NT
Dbl	5♣	Pass	Pass
5♠	Pass	6♠	All Pass

That was only good for a 6 IMP pick up when in the other room after 4♥-Pass-4♠ South doubled for take-out in the balancing seat and North sat for it, for 1190.



Vanessa Brown, Nabil Edgtton, Peter Hollands, Ashley Bach

# TABLE COUNT TO THE END OF PLAY THURSDAY NIGHT 8200

(Last Year 2019: 8078, and in 2018: 8005)

Dealer: West Vul: None Brd 24	<ul><li>♠ Q 10 7 6 3 2</li><li>♥ A 9 7 3</li><li>♦ 8</li><li>♣ K 4</li></ul>		West	North	East	South	ı
♠ A 8 ♥ K 8		♠ K J ♥ 10 5 4					
◆ A J 9 5		◆ K Q 7 4		Makea	ble Cont	racts	
♣ A Q 10 9 5		\Lambda J 8 7 6	3	-	2	-	NT
	9 5 4		-	3	-	3	<b>•</b>
	🛡 Q J 6 2		-	1	-	1	•
	10 6 3 2		5	-	4	-	<b>•</b>
	<b>♣</b> 3 2		5	-	4	-	<b>♣</b>

It looks very easy to wrong-side 3NT here. After North overcalls 1♠ if East bids 1NT might South lead ♥Q against 3NT? North wins ♥A and shifts to ♥9 to pin the eight; Bob's your uncle. Brown/Hollands found this defence; nicely done, but to convert it to gain, Jenner O'Shea as West had to bring home 5♣x at the other table.

After the lead of ◆8 he won in hand and cashed off the spades, then played ace and a second diamond. Whether North ruffed in now or later he would be put on lead with the ♣K forced to open up hearts or concede a ruff and discard. That was 12 IMPs to The Stream Team which saw them on their way to a comfortable victory and a place at the table on Friday.

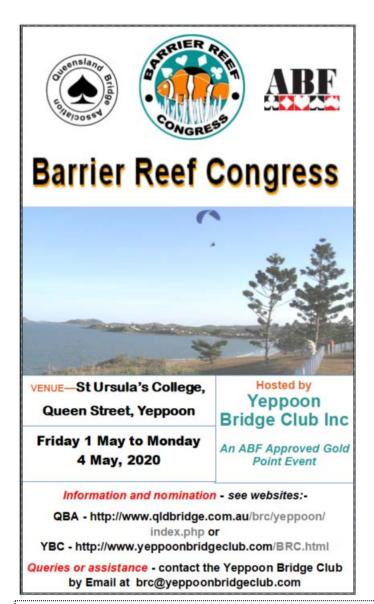
Dealer: North Vul: E-W Brd 25	<ul><li>◆ 4</li><li>♥ 5 4 3 2</li><li>◆ 10 8 7 4 3</li><li>◆ 9 5 4</li></ul>		West	North	East	South	ı
♠ Q 10 7 6 3 ♥ A J 10 8		♠ 9 8 5 2 ♥ Q					
◆ A 9 6		♦ Q 5 2		Makea	ble Cont	racts	
<b>4</b> 2		♣ J 10 8 7 3		-	1	-	NT
	♠ A K J		2	-	3	-	•
	♥ K 9 7 6		-	2	-	2	•
	♦ K J		-	1	-	1	•
	♣ A K Q 6		-	1	-	1	<b>♣</b>

If you picked up the South hand and heard your partner open the bidding with a pre-emptive 2♦, you'd be fairly happy to defend 3♠x at unfavourable vulnerability, wouldn't you? It looks logical to play three rounds of spades to cut down the cross-ruff, but you can't beat 3♠! Declarer wins the ♠Q and plays a club to the seven. You win and exit in hearts, declarer advances the ♣J and you cover. Then ◆A and another diamond endplays you again. Whatever you do declarer can use the ◆Q to ruff out clubs and ruff a heart to hand to cash the clubs and pitch the hearts. It didn't work that way, so Jacob/Ware recorded a sweaty +200, good for a 12 IMP gain when 4♥x went down 500 in the other room.

Those IMPs were enough to give Ware enough IMPs to sneak into the last qualifying place as the music stopped.











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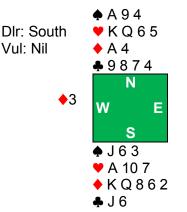
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#### **PLAY BRIDGE WITH BARRY**

Barry Rigal



Look at the following hand where you will have to justify your optimism.



West North East South
1NT¹2-14

Pass 2♣ Pass 2◆

Pass 3NT All Pass

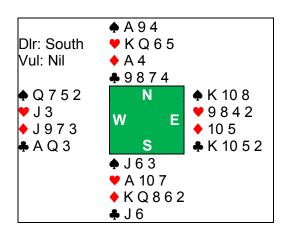
Contract: 3NT by South

**Lead**: **♦**3

Maybe it was a rush of blood to the head, or the flowers that bloom in the spring generating optimism, but something compelled you to open the South hand with a weak no trump. Your partner used Stayman to enquire for four card majors, and settled in 3NT.

West leads the diamond three, and it is up to you to try to make bricks out of the straw available to you.

#### Solution:



The solution is based to a certain extent on whether you think it is conceivable that West has led from a three-card suit on this auction; highly unlikely, I would say. If that is indeed so, then I think your best deceptive chances have to be to duck the first trick. But do remember that that in itself is not enough. You must also take care to follow with the six to encourage East to continue the suit in the belief that West has a five-card suit, or else he may find the club switch.

If he does continue with a diamond you will be able to exploit the fall off the heart jack to come to nine tricks (if you are careful) and will have been taken yet one more step down the primrose path to over-bidding.





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#### Have You Discussed? Part 7: More on Doubles

As you play more bridge, you will discover that the double is a versatile tool. Just be sure that you and your partner discuss the features of these conventional calls so that you are on the same page.

One of the most useful conventions is the "support," double. It's handy because chances to use it come up frequently and even when you don't use it, you are imparting more information than you might expect. Here's an example:

West	North	East	South
	Partner		You
			1♦
Pass	1♥	2♣	Dbl

South's double shows three-card heart support. Now consider the other actions South might take. A direct raise guarantees four-card support. Pass by South confirms that he has at most a doubleton heart. This information can be useful if North-South end up on defense.

It's not always necessary to double to show three-card support. Check out this auction:

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

South's redouble shows three-card heart support. A direct raise would show four-card support. Pass is the same as if East had bid instead of doubling.

It is important for you and your partner to discuss how high the bidding can go before the support double is no longer "on." I suggest that you use the support double through 2♥. If it is "on" through one more level (a 2♠ by an opponent), partner could find herself playing a three-level contract on a 4-3 fit, a potentially unhappy situation if your side is vulnerable.

#### Responsive doubles

Another useful convention is known as the responsive double, a takeout action when there has been an immediate raise to the two or three level over partner's takeout double. Here's a classic example:

West	North	East	South
	Partner		You
1 🌢	Dbl	2	?

South holds ♠J 6 5 2 ♥Q 10 9 5 ♦3 ♣Q 7 6 3

South isn't strong enough to bid a suit or to cuebid  $3 \spadesuit$ , but some action is definitely called for despite the missing high-card strength (the shape is perfect). The solution is to double, which is for takeout. South will almost never have a penalty double of  $2 \spadesuit$ . With the example hand, double would be appropriate even if East had bid  $3 \spadesuit$  instead of  $2 \spadesuit$ . With a more balanced hand, South would need more HCP (9-plus) if doubling would force his side to the three level, as when West opened  $1 \spadesuit$  and East raised to  $2 \spadesuit$ .

Note that the responsive double is on when the same suit has been bid and raised after the opening bid has been doubled.

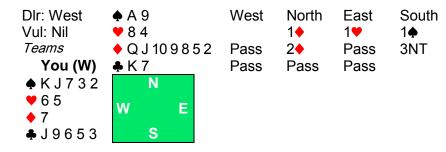
Discuss with your partner how high the bidding can go with responsive doubles still in effect. Many pairs put the limit at 4. The responsive double can also be used when partner doubles a weak opening bid of two or three and third hand raises.

#### THE KLINGER QUIZ

Ron Klinger



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



Contract: 3NT by South

Lead: ♥6

1. West leads the ♥6: four – king – two.

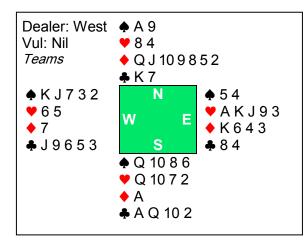
2. East cashes the ♥A: seven – five – eight.

3. East switches to the  $\clubsuit$ 5: six – jack – ace.

4. South continues with the ♠9: four – eight – king.

What would you play as West at trick 5?

#### Solution:



In one match in the Round of 16 in a National Open Teams, West switched to a low club at trick 5 and declarer had four clubs, three spades, one heart and one diamond, +400.

What was the rush for a club shift? If declarer is able to use dummy's diamonds, he would be tackling that suit, not spades.

West should exit passively with a spade. Declarer can still succeed double dummy (cash ♦A, ♣A, ♣K and exit with the ♦Q), but declarer has to find that line. Few declarers would be up to it.

At the other table, West opened 2♠, a five-card weak two. North overcalled 3♠, East passed and South bid 3NT, all pass.

With South advertising at least one stopper in spades, West tried a low club lead. Declarer won with the ♣10, cashed the ♠A, crossed to the ♣K and forced out the ♠K. Declarer was held to nine tricks, +400, no swing.

Safety play: A clever way to guard against a bad break in trumps which costs you the contract when trumps break normally.

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2	1	A Bach - M Brown - M Whibl			n		172.73	
3	5	A Apteker - S Bjerregard - N					169.70	
4	7	M Van Der Vlugt - M Lewis -			0.11:		168.16	
<u>5</u>	15 3	V Brown - P Hollands - M Do M Ware - N Jacob - G Tislevo					163.20 159.93	
7	17						156.61	
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9	42	S Henry - A Henry - A Grant -		<i>y</i>			156.15 153.81	
10	9	D Beauchamp - A Kanetkar		G Coutts			153.65	
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12	39	Vadas	150.45	125	196	Taylor	117.16	
13	24	D Lusk **Seniors' Final	150.11	126	93	Jackman	116.92	
14	29	Hoffman	149.53	127	155	C Bourke	116.88	
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23	66	Chadwick	144.48	136	140	Murray-White	115.70	
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52	49	S Lusk **Women's Final	136.53	165	231	Scott	109.28	
53	44	Simpson	136.45	166	169	Tuxworth	109.26	
54	129	S Carter	136.24	167	95	Gunner	109.24	
55	91	Lee	135.63	168	156	Longmire	108.73	
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72	177	McAlister	130.57	185	120	Alexander	104.01
73	72	Konig	130.30	186	190	Yarwood	103.54
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75	181	Ranke	129.90	188	228	Inglis	102.79
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88	124	Zulfiqar	125.77	201	184	Parkin	99.53
89	145	Moffat	125.48	202	222	Geare	99.51
90	67	Yoon	125.45	203	109	Anderson	99.46
91	94	Fox	125.43	204	179	Sullivan	98.88
92	75	Mayo	125.05	205	141	Abbenbroek	98.76
93	206	Hamilton	124.73	206	71	Weaver	98.30
94	131	Schargel	124.67	207	138	Thorp	98.13
95	86	Birss	124.39	208	229	Procel	98.05
96	105	J Martin	124.38	209	162	Pepper	97.57
97	27	Frazer	124.25	210	172	T Thatcher	97.51
98	151	Broome	123.95	211	213	Greenwood	97.34
99							
	81	M Johnson	123.79	212	197	Cordingley	97.33
100	102	C Martin	123.40	213	186	Houghton	95.79
101	85	Badley	123.32	214	198	L Bourke	94.91
102	157	Zeller	123.00	215	89	Dormer	94.54
103	117	Berger	122.47	216	201	Reynolds	94.46
104	14	Christie	122.45	217	167	Lorraway	93.54
105	224	Webb	121.95	218	84	Frazier	93.38
105	139	Fitz-Gerald	121.95	219	123	Fallet	93.17
107	232	Gonthier	121.16	220	217	P McDonald	93.04
108	230	Woodhall	121.14	221	149	Steele	92.31
109	92	Bedi	120.95	222	135	Harman	90.75
110	87	Parker	120.89	223	236	Cresswell	90.51
111	148	Jakes	120.42	224	164	Howes	88.92
112	69	Bolt	119.80	225	185	McPaul	87.80
113	165	Eldridge	119.78	226	203	Hart	86.94
114	161	Berry	119.66	227	219	Millet	85.15
115	61	Moore	119.40	228	204	Sadigh	84.11
116	205	D Johnson	119.23	229	189	K McDonald	83.81
117	73	Muir	119.23	230	77	Robb	83.19
	97						
117		S Brown	119.07	231	174	Boyce	82.57
119	134	Draper	118.93	232	136	Mitchell	82.49
120	233	Snelling	117.87	233	221	Prickett	81.60
		Mollestam	117.61	234	175	Leach	80.54
121	225						
	111 144	Kahler Crockett	117.57 117.43	235 236	223 214	Hollands Theodore	79.18 61.75

	Final	Qualifying Score	s After 1	2 Roun	ds –	INTERMEDIA	TE	
Place	No.			Members			Score	
1	49	J Aguino - J McMullan - B T	J Aquino - J McMullan - B Taranto - M Doust					
2	2	S Moffitt - K Moffitt - M Roge					161.01 158.92	
3	29	G Elich - D Christian - A Riep		man			152.65	
4	58	N Williams - P Fitzmaurice - F					152.31	
Place	No.	Team	Score	Place	No.	Team	Score	
5	14	Nettle	152.10	48	47	Routley	117.41	
6	25	Erskine	147.70	49	59	Wallwork	117.08	
7	12	Delaney	146.17	50	86	Walker	116.99	
8	41	Schwegler	145.59	51	65	Gooley	116.46	
9	17	McFall	145.28	52	10	Kent	116.22	
10	7	Coroneo	144.22	53	79	Trengove	115.24	
11	84	Deaker	141.73	54	42	Munro	113.70	
12	1	Barfoot	140.69	55	40	Hertelendy	113.27	
13	66	Chaffey	140.52	56	35	Sutherland	113.15	
14	45	Delorenzo	139.90	57	54	Armstrong	112.65	
15	39	Cleminson	139.30	58	21	Johnstone	112.62	
16	15	Robinson	138.67	59	72	Fookes	112.23	
17	83	Jacobs	137.38	60	55	Ramsund	112.22	
18	33	O'Regan	136.75	61	3	Kite	112.18	
19	20	Berry	135.80	62	48	Bingham	111.50	
20	78	Saunders	135.32	63	70	Morgan	111.15	
21	68	Riley	134.66	64	5	Carroll	110.07	
22	27	Pike	134.56	65	76	Driscoll	109.68	
23	8	Lowe	134.12	66	82	Baker	109.41	
23	30	Erlandson	134.12	67	89	Farley	109.20	
25	51	Koster	133.77	68	53	Burrie	108.88	
26	52	Kneebone	132.99	69	9	Keating	107.01	
27	56	Bakas	132.99	70	37	Williamson	106.70	
28	4	Cariola	130.54	71	18	Clift	105.75	
29	63	Coventry	129.79	72	87	Stanhope	105.75	
30	11	Norman	129.18	73	90	Daffurn	105.14	
31	44	Gibson	127.58	74	77	McMaster	104.64	
32	81	Gordon	126.87	75	26	Cooke	102.39	
33	71	Willcocks	126.06	76	38	Driver	101.38	
34	43	Bailey	124.34	77	36	Binsted	101.35	
35	32	Lahey	123.40	78	61	Winter	99.35	
36	80	Boyd	123.40	79	75	Opray	98.94	
37	6	Beckett	123.33	80	16	Raward	96.81	
38	50	Hartwig	123.19	81	62	Colling	96.70	
39	24	Rial	122.50	82	23	Webster	96.03	
40	85	Linden	122.32	83	67	Stick	95.20	
41	88	Woodbury	122.31	84	69	Hoschke	93.56	
41	31	Van Weeren	121.91	85	64	Anderson	91.02	
42	13		121.91	86	28	McNaughton	90.52	
43	60	Argent Balmanno	120.05	87	34	Williamson	90.52	
44 45	22	McLay	120.05	88	57	Wippell	89.57	
45 46	73	Cluff	119.52	89	74	Bardone	79.29	
46 47	19	Stuart	119.40	90	46	Rossiter-Nuttall	79.29	
71	13	Otuart	113.03	<u> </u>	1 -10	NOSSIGI-NULLAII	74.11	

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4	No.		Team	Members			Score
1	30	N Gillies - A Kolding - H Col	lenbrander - R	Hurst			178.27
2	24	D Harrah - D Saul - A Gedge	- M Campbell				162.87
3	22	D Williams - I Cameron - J St	ewart - D Owen	1			158.18
4	5	J Brady - B Brady - M Tiplady	- A Lowe				154.52
Place	No.	Team	Score	Place	No.	Team	Score
5	9	Stevens	152.89	54	82	Bunting	119.60
6	88	Tattersfield	150.18	55	15	Jenner	119.28
7	83	Innes	147.92	56	65	Edginton	118.83
8	92	S Hunt	147.19	57	78	Rauchberger	117.19
9	94	Gurney	145.50	58	63	Nicholson	114.54
10	81	Handa	145.16	59	14	Look	114.32
11	93	Imlach	144.66	60	21	Murray	114.05
12	32	Lipton	142.77	61	44	Main	113.50
13	7	Walsh	142.37	62	52	Fogarty	113.03
14	49	Gray	141.91	63	72	Deane	112.48
15	35	Henke	139.12	64	20	Hall	112.08
16	64	Hooper	138.40	65	71	B Hunt	111.68
17	42	Feyder	138.13	66	80	Moss	111.24
18	73	Fraser	137.52	67	56	Petterson	110.94
19	67	Gaylard	137.06	68	89	Paul	110.90
20	31	Jacobsen	136.68	69	43	Power	110.61
21	33	Brown	135.87	70	101	Hanbury-Webber	109.73
22	13	Bardos	134.99	71	99	McCondach	109.02
23	75	Clarke	134.74	72	45	Sharp	108.88
24	39	Adams	133.95	73	1	Cullen	108.54
25	26	Savage	133.92	74	68	Chapple	108.50
26	53	Crommelin	133.62	75	79	Irwin	108.08
27	97	Glyde	133.57	76	66	Burns	107.70
28	25	Teitzel	133.12	77	102	MacE	106.99
29	36	Biddlecombe	132.52	78	62	Houston	106.63
30	50	Stoney	130.66	79	41	Bowen-Thomas	106.37
31	23	Redman	128.78	80	100	Van Nooten	106.30
32	96	Grant	128.35	81	11	Van Kruistum	106.17
33	4	Yoffa	128.34	82	47	Marsland	104.55
34	98	J Joseph	128.07	83	54	Coloper	103.72
35	87	Mabin	127.80	84	10	Duncan	103.71
36	27	Hamilton-Reen	127.68	85	57	Hone	103.13
37	55	Ledger	127.44	86	58	Carter	102.30
38	69	Doyle	126.80	87	12	Webb	100.17
39	85	Hartley	126.63	88	17	Elliott	99.61
40	91	C Joseph	126.46	89	70	Yates	98.31
41	28	Argent	125.87	90	61	Wilson	97.41
42	2	Brassil	124.64	91	8	Bishop	95.88
43	34	Bain	124.36	92	48	Callan	95.69
44	40	B Williams	123.84	93	37	Angel	94.77
45	6	Gibbards	123.60	94	19	Yang	93.41
46	3	Horne	123.47	95	77	Greasley	91.99
47	95	Rigter	122.91	96	29	Brink	91.86
48	18	Jones	122.01	97	46	Muller	90.15
49	76	Singer	121.89	98	51	Reilly	87.56
50	90	Matthews	121.17	99	60	Gilmour	84.21
51	59	McAuliffe	121.13	100	74	Clark	82.52
52	84	Meakin	120.38	101	38	Waters	81.34
53	16	McClintock	120.20	102	86	Jackson	70.45

	Final Qualifying Scores After 12 Rounds – NOVICE								
Place	No.		Team	Members			Score		
1	10	D Young - S Parsons - A Pa	ppas - S Papp	as			173.27		
2	8	C Speller - J Gudaitis - C KI	einig - J Steph	ens			167.73		
3	18	V Markovic - V Markovic - L C	ergic - M Grgic				152.10		
4	4	M King - J Harris - D Ting - M	Ting				140.74		
Place	No.	Team	Score	Place	No.	Team	Score		
5	17	Duke	138.25	23	30	Reeve	118.05		
6	28	Kotros	136.90	24	9	Hume	116.72		
7	31	Bickford	134.91	25	6	Anderson	115.91		
8	25	Hall	132.63	26	19	Green	114.76		
9	14	Sheldrake	132.14	27	7	Murray	114.68		
10	2	Steele	132.06	28	38	Deague	113.91		
11	29	Lazar	131.72	29	21	Bright	113.18		
12	13	Howitt	131.03	30	32	Friedlaender	112.44		
13	12	Clifford	130.14	31	23	Gilmour	111.95		
14	3	Casey	130.03	32	27	Williams	109.69		
15	15	Pandya	129.44	33	24	Mathieson	109.50		
16	5	Doepel	124.42	34	26	Stenson	108.12		
17	22	Burley	124.21	35	33	Zigouras	107.81		
18	1	Sutherland	122.36	36	34	Hanlon	99.66		
19	36	Clarke	121.50	37	39	McKay	98.99		
20	16	Gilder	121.17	38	35	McKeough	77.15		
21	11	Moule	120.99	39	40	Richardson	68.51		
22	20	Richards	118.60	40	37	Martens	48.07		

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Rank	Names	Total	Rank	Names	Total
1	Philip Young - Lynda Young	86.37	33	Frances Hammond - Ian Hammond	59.79
2	Mary King - Lauren Sanford	86.09	34	Deanna Cruickshank - Janet Franklin	59.78
3	Jenny Reid - Dianne Dwyer	83.83	35	Julie Navruk - Peter Fagan	59.32
4	James Tulloch - Kerin Tulloch	80.15	36	Raja Bawajee - Savi Bawajee	59.27
5	Marg Lane - Jane Lennox	79.95	37	Sharon Winocur - Sally Jones	58.83
6	Yvonne Wang - Tomoko Nakamatsu	79.07	38	Melva Leal - Sue Lind	58.71
7	Lynda Bennion - Midge Spice	76.74	39	Marcelle Goslin - Anne Birt	58.08
8	Karen Cassar - Mark Cassar	76.70	40	Carmel Dwan - Heather Mckelvie-Morris	58.02
9	Peter Neil - Cia Adermann	73.02	41	Jenny Burchmore - Barbara Richardson	56.51
10	Althea Crowley - Persephone Lobb	72.54	42	Heather Todd - Clare Gleeson	55.25
11	Jan Flanigan - Judy Wallace	71.49	43	Jane Tagney - Robin Bishop	55.14
12	Christine Dunlop - Roseanne Humphreys	70.88	44	Peter Leggo - Daphne Leggo	55.04
13	Carol Wright - Teena Haslam	70.72	45	Tom Ferris - Lee Chenoweth	54.24
14	Doug Reinehr - William Han	69.96	46	John Burns - Judy Dwyer	53.35
15	Alison Bouris - Rosalie Roosenburg	69.74	47	Jenny Sanders - Keith Sanders	51.73
16	Terry Higgs - Judy Quick	68.37	48	Jenny Andrews - Julie Sheehan	51.35
17	Julie Stockley - Wendy Crombie	68.16	49	Sherrill Little - Faye Carter	49.36
18	June Drysdale - Phil Griffiths	66.66	50	Janet Warby - Ali Lamond	49.22
19	Diana Hotchkis - Karyn Aaker	66.24	51	Maxim Wilson - Bruce Stephens	48.28
20	Julia Benfield - Phil O'shea	66.15	52	Lynne Talmont - Margaret Wayland	47.91
21	John Aldersley - Beryl Lowry	64.68	53	Margy Roskam - Keith Roskam	47.17
22	Denyse Stephens - Wendy Sheehan	64.16	54	Pauline Greig - Alan Toohey	46.47
23	Thea Hobson - Desley Strik	63.29	55	Michael Hogan - Sandra Hendry	46.02
24	Vanessa Wells - Helen Baran	62.51	56	Derek Colenbrander - Jenny Paterson	45.48
25	Heather Douglas - David Douglas	62.13	57	Jamshid Vazirzadeh - Mike Martin	44.55
26	Neil Cawthorne - Annie Vaughan	61.85	58	Suellen Mansour - Jan Williams	43.97
27	Jann Small - Suzanne Harrison	61.76	59	Jayne Francis - Sydney Rowan	43.75
28	Marie Downing - Selby Downing	61.61	60	Kym Batt - Suzie Bucknell	43.36
29	Phillip Douglas - Deborah Nilsson	61.37	61	Jennifer Martin - Margaret Bills	42.92
30	Paddy Taylor - Emelia-Ros Taylor	60.87	62	Nina Doyle - Ian Leach	42.59
31	Kate Ward - Kerry Flanagan	60.78	63	Deryl Mcconaghy - Vandra Braga	40.06
32	Chris Green - Graham Killoran	60.39	64	Betty Markkanen - Collette Anderson	26.25

	Thursday Rookie Pairs – Final Results								
Place	North-South	%	Place	East-West	%				
1	Helen Blake - Jenny Munro	61.53	1	Stephen Bennett - Louise Bennett	62.08				
2	Kerry Cross - Michael Cross	58.89	2	Louise Purdie - Jenny Neuss	58.61				
3	Linda Neil - Merv Parmenter	58.19	3	Gale Jamieson - Jenny Nunn	58.06				
4	Annette Rutledge - Felicity Mckenzie	57.78	4	Joyanne Gough - Debbie Adams	57.78				
5	Ange Kerr - Philip Kerr	56.25	5	Peter Fredericks - Thais Morgan-Pertus	55.69				
6	Sue Green - Peter Green	55.42	6	Vivienne Polak - Frances Burns	53.75				
7	Greg Dobson - Linda Lee	54.17	7	Jeffrey Dolin - Mukti Sadeh	53.06				
8	Vivienne Van Rooyen - Jenny Thompson	53.75	8	Tibor Toth - David Saunders	52.64				
9	Thomas O'connor - Michelle O'connor	49.58	9	Maria Grunert - Peg Clydesdale	52.08				
10	Kim Rouse - Lesley Rouse	49.31	10	Ronnie Toohey - Maria Miller	50.28				
11	Frances Brown - Jan Thompson-Eycken	47.50	11	Sandy Spies - Judy Werner	49.86				
12	Chris Trimblett - Jo Keylar	46.39	12	Ann Green - Philip Rinder	49.17				
13	Catherine Thorburn - Rosie Spencer	46.11	13	Rosemary Muller - David Callan	48.61				
14	Sally Weedon - Janet Benstead	43.06	14	Muriel Baker - Suzan Haynes	43.33				
15	Carole Bloomer - Jill Cavanagh	42.36	15	Douglas Johnstone - Maureen McNamara	41.94				
16	Sue Fitzpatrick - Pat Watson	40.28	16	Jenni Hansen - Linda Gough	40.42				
17	Karin Power - Debbie Manche	40.14	17	Linda Darnell - Mary Gibberd	38.47				
18	Margaret Maidens - Marna Mallett	39.31	18	Susan Green - Lynne Henderson	34.17				

THURS AM Walk-in Pairs										
Place	North-South	Score	%	Place	East-West	Score	%			
1	Noelle Kebby - Tony Woolford	757	66.75	1	Pam Scarr - Carolyn Mcmurray	733	64.64			
2	Margaret Regan - Trish Arnold	672	59.26	2	Noreen Thompson - Janelle Crawley	689	60.76			
3	J Roose-Driver - Johan Roose	664	58.55	3	Suzanne Stone - Anne Alexander	676	59.61			
4	Bob Hart - Carolyn Hart	630	55.56	4	Marcia Cameron - Jane Gordon	614	54.14			
5	Peter Langston - Marit Langston	621	54.76	5	Diana Stewart - David Stewart	613	54.06			
6	Alison Graham - Annette Bury	618	54.50	6	Brian Craig - Susan Rowe	608	53.62			
6	Jenny Shore - Liz Duke	618	54.50	7	Howard Rees - Brenda Rees	603	53.17			
8	Dianne Brinkworth - Christine Young	611	53.88	8	Irene Campbell - Rhonda Innes	599	52.82			
9	Maria Page - Juliet Dunworth	597	52.65	9	Dick Gibberd - George Blacklock	595	52.47			
10	Ray Muld - Pat Leighton	580	51.15	10	Anne Moase - Penny Talley	587	51.76			
11	Sarah Acton - Fiona Trescowthick	572	50.44	11	Ray Ingielewicz - Pat Sleat	583	51.41			
12	Judith Milliner - Sandy Young	553	48.77	12	John Bamfield - Henrica Cary	567	50.00			
13	Ross Blakey - Gill Blakey	552	48.68	13	Veena Chotai - Raynor Loewenthal	559	49.29			
13	Roger Thomas - Paul Tyminski	552	48.68	14	Joy Wesslink - Anne Cummins	556	49.03			
15	Carol Parker - Linda Smith	529	46.65	15	Judith Rychter - Geraldine Adams	536	47.27			
16	Claudia Gibson - Jann Simmonds	526	46.38	16	Penny Baldwin - Patty Parkin	532	46.91			
17	Jenny Hoff - Kay Leeton	506	44.62	17	Sandra Mulcahy - Ian Pitts	528	46.56			
18	Kathy Lawson - Geoffrey Lawson	502	44.27	18	Kevin Balkin - Pauline Balkin	500	44.09			
19	Dawn Benes - Lorraine Pescatore	500	44.09	19	Mandie Draper - Marjory Harms	497	43.83			
20	Mathea Mccowage - Leone Nolan	488	43.03	20	Andrew Gordon - Barry Braithwaite	467	41.18			
21	Mike Le Voi - Kathleen Le Voi	420	37.04	21	Peter George - Jill Short	443	39.07			
22	Tony Thorne - Elizabeth Thorne	406	35.80	22	Maurice Naftal - Sandra Naftal	389	34.30			

THURS PM Walk-in Pairs										
Place	North-South	Score	Score % Place		East-West	Score	%			
1	Roger Thomas - Paul Tyminski	531	65.56	1	Janice Stroop - John Stroop	514	63.46			
2	Anne Moase - Penny Talley	501	61.85	2	Johan Roose - J Roose-Driver	510	62.92			
3	Eva Shand - Les Varadi	500	61.73	3	Brian Craig - Susan Rowe	455	56.17			
4	Leigh Carroll - Kerry Mills	466	57.53	4	Irene Campbell - Rhonda Innes	455	56.11			
5	Ralph Slick - Pamela Jessep	455	56.17	5	Robert Sutton - Lorraine Carr	445	54.94			
6	Margaret Regan - Trish Arnold	446	55.06	6	Judy Buckley - Aidan Buckley	403	49.75			
7	Peter Langston - Marit Langston	442	54.57	7	Shona Charters - Shirley Fitzgerald	390	48.19			
8	Jenny Hoff - Kay Leeton	435	53.70	8	Sandra Mulcahy - Ian Pitts	389	48.06			
9	Garry Campbell - Angela Morgan	396	48.89	9	Penny Baldwin - Patty Parkin	387	47.78			
10	Carol Parker - Linda Smith	380	46.91	10	Joy Wesslink - Anne Cummins	384	47.36			
11	Rosemary Porter - Graham Porter	356	43.95	11	Mike Le Voi - Kathleen Le Voi	382	47.16			
12	Maria Page - Juliet Dunworth	339	41.85	12	Kevin Balkin - Pauline Balkin	381	47.08			
13	Mathea Mccowage - Leone Nolan	318	39.26	13	Bernard Chidgey - Janet Keen	381	47.04			
14	J Thompson-Eycken - Frances Brown	313	38.64	14	Pat Leighton - Ray Muld	371	45.80			
15	Judith Milliner - Sandy Young	312	38.52	15	Margaret Munro - Margaret Baker	366	45.19			
16	Claudia Gibson - Jann Simmonds	290	35.80	16	Desley Hanrahan - Lyn Vary	345	42.64			
			17	Matthew Roberts - Robert Morton	317	39.17				

GOLD COAST CONGRESS 2020							
	Frio 28th Fe	•	Satu 29th Fe	rday ebruary			
OPEN EVENTS							
Open Pairs Championship	Q/F Teams	S/F Teams	Finals Teams				
Open Teams (**incl. Women's and Seniors')	9:00am 2x12 Brds	2:00pm 3x12 Brds	9:00am 4x12 Brds	Dinner Dance			
Ivy Dahler Open Butler Swiss Pairs	10:00am 1/3	2:00pm 2/3	10:00am 3/3	7:00pm			
Seres/McMahon Matchpoint Swiss Pairs	10:00am 1/2	2:00pm 2/2		for			
WOMEN'S and SENIORS EVENTS				Drinks			
** Seniors Teams Final (top 2 from Open after Match 12)	10:00ar 4x12 Bro			7:30pm			
** Women's Teams Final (top 2 from Open after Match 12)	10:00am Start 4x12 Brds Final			Start			
INTERMEDIATE EVENTS (Under 750MPs)				Bookings			
Intermediate Teams	10:00am Start 4x12 Brds Final			Essential			
Ivy Dahler Intermediate Butler Swiss Pairs	10:00am 1/3	2:00pm 2/3	10:00am 3/3	A popular			
RESTRICTED EVENTS (Under 300MPs)				climax to the week.			
Restricted Teams	10:00am Start 4x12 Brds Final			Attendees will be invited to			
Ivy Dahler Restricted Butler Swiss Pairs	10:00am 1/3	2:00pm 2/3	10:00am 3/3	register for this event during			
NOVICE EVENTS (Under 100MPs)				the week. The			
Novice Teams	10:00ar 4x12 Bro			cost will be \$20 to anyone who played in an			
Friday Novice Pairs	10:00am 1/2	2:00pm 2/2		event (walk-ins not included)			
WALK-IN PAIRS				and \$50			
Walk-in Pairs (No Frills only on Friday 21st Feb)	10:00am	2:00pm	10:00am	otherwise.			
	Friday	/ 28th	Saturday 29th				

CALENDAR OF SOCIAL AND OTHER							
NOVICE AND ROOF	Friday 28th February <b>S</b>						
Rookies Help Available	In the Playing Area Rookies Section						
Novices Help Available	In the Playing Area Novices Section	10:00am to 10:30am					
SOCIAL AND OTHI	ER ACTIVITIES	S					
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						
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	inherSHOES local & imported shees - bags - accessoriee					
Champagne Breakfast For Shoe Shoppers In Her Shoes	In Her Shoes Ground Floor Oasis Shopping Centre	8:15am					
BRIDGE 'WIDOWS	S' ACTIVITIES						
Get Together Non-Bridge Playing Partners	Apartment 3204 Air on Broadbeach	看加					
Sanctuary Cove Lunch	Depart Ground Floor Air on Broadbeach	Depart 11am return 4:30pm					
All Golf Enquiries to lan Wright 0417194347 • ian83@me.com		Friday 28th February					

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#### **SOLUTION TO YESTERDAY'S CHESS PROBLEM**

## **SOLUTION TO YESTERDAY'S SUDOKU [HARD]**

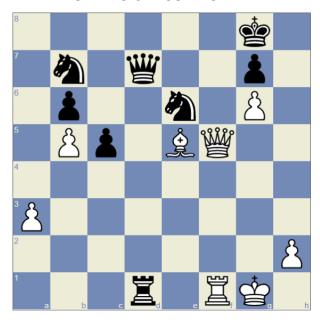


White to move and win

1. c2(black)	Qc8+
2. Kd6	Rh7
3. Qd2+	Kh3
4. c1=Q	Rxd7+
5. Ke5	Qe8+
6.Kf4	Rf7+
7.Kg5	Qe7+
8.Kh6	Rh7#

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#### **TODAY'S CHESS PROBLEM**



White to move and win

#### **TODAY'S SUDOKU [HARD]**

7					4	2		3
	9	2		1				
					8	4	9	
	2					9		6
6		1					5	
	5	7	6					
				5		1	7	
1		3	9					2

Solutions in the next bulletin issue