



Caboolture Bridge Club Newsletter

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September President's Report

Hi everyone! We have had a couple of competitions lately.

The first one was in Redcliffe. All that attended were very excited at the time when we "won" the shield only to have to return it 2 days later!

The scoring had been done improperly and Redcliffe were the true winners. Next year the Challenge will be in Caboolture and Jenny and I will do the scoring .. we'll see if we can come up with a better result.

In August we had the Australian Wide Pairs. Results can be seen on our website.

In September we held the Gardner Memorial Pairs competition.

The committee has a couple of projects on the go. Roy Bone is in charge of repairs to the outside ramp and railing (Peter G. has already done some repairs to the railings).

Jenny Hays is in contact with the council with the possibility of extending the club house. Hugh Gehrman has already provided us with tentative plans .

Jenny is also organizing a security camera for inside the club house. We will then be able to monitor any alarm issues off site rather than having to physically go to the club house.

Charlene Frederiksen is investigating the possible renovation of the men's urinal as it is proving to be too difficult to use by some of our male members. Charlene has expertise in this area ... not because of extensive knowledge of men's toilets BUT because she is married to a plumber.

Now for the more serious part of my report.

It has been brought to my attention that a few of our experienced players have been far too harsh and critical when partnering a beginner. In a partnership, the more experienced player is to play at the beginner's level using their system. Yes, the beginner will learn and benefit from the experienced player BUT only if they go slowly and are NICE when giving advice. Compliment their good play but don't constantly tell them what they should have done. I am sure that they know when they make a mistake ... it doesn't have to be mentioned every time.

Remember, if you are constantly critical, it won't matter how good a player you are because soon people will not want to play with you AND it's no fun having no one to play with!

Remember to have FUN when playing bridge

President Mitch



Masterpoint Notes

Congratulations to the following players on their promotion.

Gary Gibbards	Club	to	Local
Margaret Sinclair	*Local	to	**Local
Shirley Ward	*Local	to	**Local
Debbie Gibbards	Local	to	*Local
Margie Jennings	State	to	*State

Welcome to new members

Alan Thomson (Ann's husband)

Mathilde Noending (who has recently moved to the area)

Ray Ferguson (who has been learning on a Thursday, thanks to Dawn Knight)

Lessons

By the time this newsletter is printed new lessons will have begun on Monday mornings from 9 to 11.

Should you know of anyone who is interested please have them contact me on 38881165. 0412136814 or jcfred@bigpond.com and we will try to accommodate them.

Older and bolder

We had 7 people try bridge through this council program on Thursday 8th September.

Some of them are starting lessons in this round with others opting for a round of lessons early next year.

Outside the club

Bribie Congress

Congratulations to those who took part in the Bribie congress and have added to their red points.

It is worth noting that all who took part finished either at or better than their seeded position.

Redcliffe Congress

Also congratulations to those who made the trip to Redcliffe for their congress. Congratulations to Margie Jennings and Peter Gruythuysen who came in 2nd in the B grade and Charlene Frederiksen and Anita Crestanelli who came in 3rd in the same division. Again all participants have earned red points for themselves.

Australia Wide Pairs

Our club appears to have acquitted themselves well in the Australia Wide Pairs this year with more than half the field managing a result over 50%.

Noosa Novice Pairs

A huge congratulations to Debbie and Gary Gibbards who took part in the Noosa Novice Pairs at the end of August.

They were seeded in the B section but managed to finish 2nd overall in both A and B grades.

Thank you Charlene

As Mitch mentioned in his report Roy will be in charge of the repair to the outside ramp and railing.

Main features are:

Remove bottom rail where cut short, near top section of ramp. Fix 100mm x 45mm treated timber softwood rail., (approximately 2.4 m)

Fix 100mm x 45mm treated timber softwood rail (approximately 1.5 m) to lower section of ramp.

Cut and fit stainless steel wire (with all necessary fittings)

All rails will be prepared for sanding and painting according to the specified quote.

Following discussion, your committee voted in favour to accept the given quote. It is expected that work will commence in September.

There will be no disruption to regular bridge sessions while the work is in progress.

Roy Bone

"Of the most common addictions - tobacco, alcohol, drugs, etc.-
bridge is clearly the most socially acceptable"

KEN'S KORNER

Ken Dawson

♠ J76

♠ A9843

West leads S2 against your 4S contract. Your goal is to have just one trump loser! What card do you play from dummy? You should play S6. The SJ only works if West started with KQ2 in which case S2 would be a crazy lead. Having played S6, East produces SQ which you grab with the SA. What is your next play?

♠ J7

♠ 9843

You should play small towards S7 or run the S9. Why?

Because there is one trump that you can be sure East doesn't hold. That is ST. Holding that card, East would have played it rather than the SQ because he can see SJ in dummy. You will still be in the soup if West started with KT52, giving him two trump tricks no matter what you do.

However, your play is rewarded when the layout is

♠ J76
♠ T52 ♠ KQ
♠ A9843

Notice how much tougher it is if East plays SK at trick one. You should still take the same line as a tough East holding KT will not part with his SK.

If West hadn't started trumps for you, SA should be your first play. Note that East drops an honour and then play the same way. If he has the other top honour, it will "beat the air". If he shows out, you are no worse off.

One of Britain's leading bridge players died immediately after being dealt a 'once in a lifetime' hand because she 'couldn't take the excitement'.

Wendy Brown, 80, collapsed in front of friends while playing a remarkable 29-point game but even her heartbroken son admitted today:

'It was a lovely way for her to go'.

The grandmother of 12 suffered heart failure at the John Betjeman Centre in Wadebridge, Cornwall, during her regular Tuesday night bridge night.

Bereft friends said today they were in shock, but admitted it is the 'perfect bridge player's death'. In the panic nobody checked her cards but she may have had four aces, four kings, and a jack - almost unheard of in bridge circles.

She had played the game for five decades and achieved the hallowed status of Premier Life Master, but experts said today a 29-point game is so rare it is unlikely she ever had one.

Her son Charlie said: 'I can imagine the smile on her face when she looked at her cards and she knew she had a winning hand. She died doing what she loved to do.'

'The other members of the bridge club responded magnificently and tried everything to revive her.'

'But when all is said and done, it was a lovely way to go.'



No complaining when you hardly get any points.
You might not survive a hand like this.

When I take a 50-50 chance I expect it to come off 8 or 9 times out of 10.

The Magic Bank Account

Imagine that you had won the following *prize* in a contest:

Each morning your bank would deposit \$86,400 in your private account for your use.

However, this prize has rules:

The set of rules:

1. Everything that you didn't spend during each day would be taken away from you.
2. You may not simply transfer money into some other account.
3. You may only spend it.
4. Each morning upon awakening, the bank opens your account with another \$86,400 for that day
5. The bank can end the game without warning; at any time it can say, "Game Over!". It can close the account and you will not receive a new one.

What would you personally do?

You would buy anything and everything you wanted right? Not only for yourself, but for all the people you love and care for. Even for people you don't know, because you couldn't possibly spend it all on yourself, right?

You would try to spend every penny, and use it all, because you knew it would be replenished in the morning, right?

Actually This game is real... Shocked ???? YES!

Each of us is already a winner of this *prize*. We just can't seem to see it.

The prize is *time*

1. Each morning we awaken to receive 86,400 seconds as a gift of life.
2. And when we go to sleep at night, any remaining time is not credited to us.
3. What we haven't used up that day is forever lost.
4. Yesterday is forever gone.
5. Each morning the account is refilled, but the bank can dissolve your account at any time without warning...

So, what will YOU do with your 86,400 seconds?

Those seconds are worth so much more than the same amount in dollars.

Think about it and remember to enjoy every second of your life, because time races by so much quicker than you think.

So take care of yourself, be happy, love deeply and enjoy life!

Here's wishing you a wonderful and beautiful day. Start "spending"....

**"Don't complain about growing old....!
Some people don't get the privilege!"**

Source: This was found in the billfold of Coach Paul Bear Bryant of the University of Alabama after he died in 1982

Thank you Geraldine (so true)

This is a candidate for not only for, the hand of the year, but hand of the century.

N.
 ♠ A9743
 ♥ K8763
 ♦ A6
 ♣ 7

♠ none ♠ Q82
 ♥ QJ952 ♥ 104
 ♦ 109 ♦ QJ85432
 ♣ KQ10982 ♣ J

♠ KJ1065
 ♥ A
 ♦ K7
 ♣ A6543

This was the bidding: Dlr. South

West	North	East	South
			1 S
2 S (1)	2 NT (2)	Pass	3 C
Pass	4 C (3)	Pass	4 NT (4)
Pass	5 S (5)	Pass	7 S
Pass	Pass	Pass	

(1) Hearts and a minor (2) Spade support, forcing to game
 (3) Short Clubs (4) Key card Blackwood (5) Two Key cards and the Queen of Spades, treating his fifth card as the equivalent of the queen.

West led the king of clubs and East played the jack, won by Helgemo with the ace. He cashed the ace of hearts and the king and ace of diamonds, then cashed the king of hearts, then led the nine of spades from dummy ... and ran it! This astonishing first-round finesse was required, as you will see, from the end position that arose.

A spade to the jack came next, and with six cards remaining Helgemo led the king of spades from his hand. West had three master cards in hearts and three in clubs, and had to find a discard on this round of trumps. Since North had three low hearts and South had three low clubs, whatever West did would prove fatal. If he discarded a heart, Helgemo would overtake the king of spades with dummy's ace. Then he would ruff a heart, ruff a club, ruff a heart, ruff a club and dummy's last heart would be a winner at trick 13. If instead West threw a club, Helgemo would allow the king of spades to hold in his own hand. He would ruff a club, ruff a heart, ruff a club, ruff a heart, and his last club would be a winner at trick 13. An entry-shifting trump squeeze involving a seemingly unnecessary finesse in trumps - but if you follow the play of this incredible deal closely, you will see that the contract would have had no chance if declarer had cashed the ace of spades before leading through East's Queen.

Some puzzles for you! (from Nigel) Decipher the hidden meaning of each set of words

**EXIT
LEG**

GIVE GET
 GIVE GET
 GIVE GET
 GIVE GET

ACCIDENT

often not
 often not
 often

I love the "Loesje" quotes. Not only because it is my sister's name.

**YOU KNOW IT'S
WORTH READING**

**IF THE
GOVERNMENT
WANTS TO
CENSOR IT**

Loesje

**DO YOU NEED A
WRITTEN
RECOMMENDATION
FROM WHOMEVER
YOU ARE
RUNNING FROM
TO GET ACCEPTED
AS A REFUGEE**

Loesje

**NOT EVERYTHING
IS
BLACK AND WHITE**

**EXCEPT
PENGUINS**

Loesje

- ☺ HOW DIFFERENT WOULD POLITICS BE IF EVERYONE HAD A NOSE LIKE PINOCCHIO'S
- ☺ DON'T BE SHYYOUR WHOLE LIFE IS ALREADY ONLINE
- ☺ AFTER ELECTIONS PROMISES DISAPPEARLIKE SOCKS IN THE WASHING MACHINE
- ☺ TRUMP DOESN'T MIND BEING CALLED A LIARAS LONG AS HE'S THE BIGGEST
- ☺ MY DOG ALSO CHASES BALLSAND IT DOES NOT EARN MILLIONS
- ☺ SMART PHONEIS IT A BODY PART OR A TOOL

Loesje

As mentioned in the President's Report.

Charlene Frederiksen is investigating the possible renovation of the men's urinal as it is proving to be too difficult to use by some of our male members. Charlene has expertise in this area ... not because of extensive knowledge of men's toilets BUT because she is married to a plumber.

Maybe some advice is helpful.

1. Back straight, knees bent, feet shoulder-width apart.
2. Form a loose grip.
3. Keep your head down!
4. Avoid a quick backswing.
5. Stay out of the water.
6. Try not to hit anyone.
7. If you are taking too long, let others go ahead of you.
8. Don't stand directly in front of others.
9. Quiet, please ... while others are preparing.
10. Don't take extra strokes.

Well done. Now, flush the urinal, wash your hands, go outside and tee off. Martine Goedhart

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recognition and entertainment to its members.*

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Dear Members

*I Love to hear from you
If there is anything you would like me to print in
our newsletter, please drop me a line.*

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