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From the President



Keith McDonald

IT is not too late to enter one or more of the State Competitions scheduled for September and October. Entry forms are available on the web.

The entries for the recent novice teams events at Toowong and Toowoomba attracted 12 and 14 teams respectively. We should be encouraging our new players to enter the novice events. It is a chance to enjoy the game with one's peers. If the congress scene is to survive we need to get the new players involved and what better way than a start in a novice event. Such events need to provide an atmosphere that encourages the novice players to promote the events within their own club to build a base for the future.

I like the slogan of the Bridge Association of Western Australia "Fostering Bridge in WA". We need to modify this slogan to a Queensland perspective "Fostering Novice Bridge in Queensland". Linked to this effort should be a policy of encouraging attendance at bridge lessons. Every club has a program of lessons, and markets their lessons to their community. The best recruiters are current players, many of whom will provide warm support to the benefits of playing the game. ■

ANC Senior Pairs



Richard Wallis

THE ANC Open Pairs used to be a prestigious event, played over 4 sessions at the beginning of the ANC, and restricted to 28 pairs, but the Mixed Pairs was played at the end of the ANC over 2 sessions, but sadly that is no longer the case. As participation declined, the events were combined and shortened, almost to the point at times of being farcical! In a combined event, a recent winner of the Open Pairs apparently did not play any of the top contenders.

This year, at least, the events were not farcical, but they were combined and shortened to just 3 sessions, with the Open and Womens Pairs in one group of 12 tables, and the Mixed and Seniors in a second group of 11 tables. Whilst it would obviously be preferable to have all 4 events as separate competitions, entry numbers and timing did not permit this, and the combined events were at least complete Howells, and from my point of view, very enjoyable.

Tony Jackman and I used the Pairs as a warm-up to the ANC Teams that were due to start on the Monday, and we were a little up and down at times. Generally, we very close to the pace all the way, and in spite

of having our worst round of around 54% in the 3rd session on Sunday afternoon, managed to be in front at the end. Eva and Tony Berger also started off the week in good style, coming in 4th overall and 2nd in the Seniors Pairs.

The ANC dinner/dance was a little disappointing for both pairs, when, during the presentations, the Seniors Pairs was somehow forgotten! Later the presenter came to our table to apologize but apparently when the omission was mentioned after the presenter returned to his table, he felt it was too late to make the presentation as the dancing had started.

M 1	♠ 8
Bd 2	♥ A1087
Dir E	♦ A8752
Vul NS	♣ AQ8
♠ QJ76	♠ K109432
♥ 65	♥ 932
♦ 1096	♦ KQ3
♣ 10542	♣ 7
	♠ A5
	♥ KQJ4
	♦ J4
	♣ KJ963

W	N	E	S
4S	4NT	2S	3C
P	6C	All pass	5H

On board 2 in the first match East started the bidding with a 5-card suit weak-two, and without at least 3 diamonds, I preferred 3C to a take-out double. I did not want to overcall 2NT with only a doubleton spades, as the ability to hold up is compromised.

The take-out double may have succeeded here, since Tony had 4 hearts, but with good club support and good controls, he had no hesitation in asking for Key-Cards, and when I showed 2, he bid the cold slam.

South led the ♠Q, and I was able to claim 12 tricks after testing trumps, all the while concerned that we had missed the best slam, but 6C was worth 80% because, while other NS pairs played in hearts, not many pairs bid the slam.

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While double would have worked well here, it would not have been easy for Tony to instigate a slam, and he would not have known the true value of his club holding.

M 2	♠ KJ106		
Bd 6	♥ 987		
Dlr E	♦ 10953		
Vul EW	♣ A7		
♠ Q432		♠ 985	
♥ Q6		♥ AJ1054	
♦ Q8		♦ J764	
♣ J10543		♣ 8	
	♠ A7		
	♥ K32		
	♦ AK2		
	♣ KQ962		

	W	N	E	S
			P	1C
	P	2NT	P	3C
	P	3S	P	3NT
	All pass			

On board 6 in match 2 Tony was not put to the test when East led the ♥10, promising the ♥J and maybe a higher honour except the ♥Q.

This is a classic dilemma for declarer, does he play East for the ♥A and put up the ♥K, or does he play West for the ♥A and duck, hoping for doubleton ace or at least blocking the suit.

In any event, it is right to duck the first round, but West overtook and returned the suit, enabling East to set up their suit and making it imperative that East be kept off lead.

Perhaps trying to bluff Tony out of taking the spade finesse, West discarded a spade on the 3rd heart!

Tony had 8 tricks and a 9th looked promising in clubs, but that hope was dashed on the 2nd round of clubs, so he had no choice but to take the spade finesse.

The early discard of a spade was West's undoing, as Tony had 10 tricks for an above average score. ■

The full article is available on the QBA website.

25 Years Ago

The October Congress

THE Duplicate Club, operating out of the Brisbane Bridge Centre at Milton, has held a major congress in October for the last nine years. For the first few occasions the centre founders, Jill Broad and Jill Roe (the 'Jills') with BATC chairman Judge Eddie Broad's co-operation, held the event at the Doomben racetrack - it was then known as the 'Dunhill' after the principal sponsor. That site - unique for a bridge congress - has not been available for the last couple of years and since 1982 it has been held in the most excellent facilities of the QIT Campus Club, a spacious building located on a scenic bend of the Brisbane River at the bottom of George Street.

Unluckily in '82 and '83 the event - now known as the October Congress - had a trifle more than its share of organisational gremlins. Not so this year. Meticulously organised by the Bridge Centre's new owner, ex-ACT and Australian champion Bill Hunt with whom I've jostled most years of the last 20 ANCs, everything went like clockwork. The field of 36 tables wasn't quite as big as hoped and there was not the usual influx of top Sydney-ites but I am sure the success of this year's event will guarantee a much bigger field next year and the return of some of the nation's top players. Dr Reg Busch, aided by Joan McPheat and the computer, did a faultless and very prompt scoring job.

Over the years I've acquired perhaps a small reputation as a male chauvinist by suggesting occasionally that women bridge players perhaps were not as good as men. On this occasion humble pie and a low profile are demanded. The major event - the TAA Pairs Championship - was won in tear-a-way style by Jenny Ling and Greer Tucker. There was a close struggle for the minor placings but second went to the winners' Queensland Women team-mates, Joan Butts and Therese Tully ahead of Lorna Cameron and Bill Versteegen.

The Adidas Plate went to Ray Plasmeyer and Jim Wallis - at 19 our most promising youngster. As a bonus they took out the TAA special prize (return trip for both to Sydney) which was decided by draw between the four section winners.

Jim gave me this excellent 16-point game from the congress.

♠ AQ65	
♥ 73	
♦ Q986532	
♣ —	
♠ J8742	
♥ QJ1095	
♦ —	
♣ A72	

Ray, North, passed as did East. Jim had 7 losers (an opening under that valuation method) so bid 1S, West doubled and Ray went directly to 4S which was doubled. A club lead saw one heart loser go.

A club ruff and a low heart saw East in error rise with his ace. Now the other club and West's ♥K was ruffed out, the trumps broke and a doubled game with an overtrick made for a spectacular top.

Veteran Harold Hiley and myself enjoyed mixed fortunes, being tipped out of second place to fourth on the last hand, but we were lucky on another - board 18 from the final round.

Dlr E	♠ —		
Vul NS	♥ AKQ1098754		
	♦ K		
	♣ K97		
♠ KQ87642		♠ AJ109	
♥ 6		♥ J3	
♦ Q9		♦ AJ76	
♣ 1064		♣ Q52	
	♠ 53		
	♥ 2		
	♦ 1085432		
	♣ AJ63		

Not vul against vul. East (Brian Blyth) opened 1S, Harold passed and West (Richard Ward) bid 4S. Various possibilities presented, but I chose 5H expecting to get the push to 5S which happened, and then 6H. Brian doubled and led the spade ace. Unlucky - I ruffed, ran lots of trumps and the club finesse and break presented all thirteen tricks for +1860.

As a novelty, there was a prize across the whole field for the best single board score in the final round. Four pairs had the same good fortune, but for once the draw for the prize went to us.

■ Tony Jackman

Good judgement comes from experience. Experience comes from bad judgement.

QBA
Open Pairs & Novice Pairs
October 17-18
Senior Pairs
November 14-15

Sunnybank Teams

A FULL house of 32 teams competed in the Sunnybank Teams Congress on Aug 2 with Jan Peach and Geoff Slack-Smith once again directing the event in a pleasant and efficient manner.

Last year's winning team of Larry & Suzie Moses and Gary & Jan Malinas competed with the intent of defending their title, but this was not to be.

Good fellowship prevailed throughout the day, fuelled no doubt by delectable food that was supplied all day long.

A high tea in the garden was enjoyed at the end of play.

Tony Jackman contributed this hand.

XXXX Forever

I WAS really pleased when, a couple of weeks before the event, Agnes and Barry Kempthorne asked me to find a partner and play with them in the upcoming Sunnybank teams. It's always a pleasure to visit the club. The welcome is great, as is the tucker!

Next - a partner. Ron Clark looked a chance. 'Dr. Ron', as many of us know him, is a very senior medico at Royal Children's Hospital and seldom can find time for tournament bridge which he loves, and he's very good at it. This time he could so off we went. Strangely we were top seeds - the club is extremely polite to visitors!

That even looked right at the lunch break. 'Keep it up' I instructed. Not to be; we are, after all, seniors. Granny naps certainly took place mid-afternoon and, with one match to go, we'd slipped to fifth. 'Have a go', I told Ron. So he did!

News from the Manager's Desk

Plastic card holders for those playing with a disability are now available. These have been designed by a disabled bridge player who swears by them. Enquires to the Manager, QBA.

The QBA is now selling sets of wallets for reasonable prices if any bridge player is interested.

Queensland has had an opportunity to review the ANC Paper written by Peter Kahler - I will update you on the results of this.

Queensland Wide Pairs letters have been sent - the event is to be held at the end of November.

Dir E	♠ A103
Vul Both	♥ J98
	♦ A2
	♣ KQ432
♠ Q74	♠ K9852
♥ 6543	♥ 1072
♦ K653	♦ J94
♣ 105	♣ J6
	♠ J6
	♥ AKQ
	♦ Q1087
	♣ A987

W	N	E	S
P	2NT	P	1NT
P	3H	P	3C
P	6C	All pass	4C

Over my 1NT he bid 2NT. In our system that's a relay to 3C. It's minor related, either weak or strong. His 3H showed an interest in a club slam. My 4C said, 'Well, maybe'. Suddenly I was in 6C, not too pleased when a balanced 14 went

down opposite my 15-17 NT, and I could see two apparently inescapable losers, a spade and a diamond.

West led a trump. Would you have found a spade? That does beat the contract. Was there now a chance? Perhaps if East had the ♦K - he'd have to rise when I played from the table - and the ♦J was short. OK, four trump rounds, West threw the ♦3 and the ♥3, East the ♠2 and ♠5. Now the moment of truth and thought of the 'beer card' the ♦7 crossed my mind. I played the ♦8 to the ♦A, then the ♦2 with the ♦9 from East. What, no ♦K! Perhaps it's with West, so - ♦10. Lovely - West had to win with the ♦K. Later the ♦Q dropped the ♦J so I could throw my losing spade on dummy's last trump, cross back to hand in hearts and win the last trick with the ♦7.

This manoeuvre is, around the world, supposed to have beers shouted for the player and so it was. We did win the match well and climbed up the ladder to second and, better still, our good Sunnybank hosts had a stock of XXXX Gold to share with me.

■ Anne Lovett & Tony Jackman



Sunnybank President, Ken Robinson (left) with the winners Ian Afflick, Kevin Steffensen, Carolyn Miller & Paul Collins



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Cuppaidge's Column



George Cuppaidge

There is no Better Way to Bid than This

HERE I refer to the rather specific, but very important part of bidding, making a reverse after a one-over-one suit response and the auctions which follow on from it. This claim is not made lightly, I have thoroughly investigated other methods. This is a natural, not a conventional, approach. Its greatest virtue is simplicity. There is no better way!

"Reverse" here means that opener re-bids in a suit higher ranking than his own, and lower ranking than responder's. If responder wants only to sign-off in opener's first suit, he must do so at the three-level. It is self-evident that opener should not raise the level of the auction this high with minimum values. Holding 4-5 in his suits, and minimum high-card strength for an opening bid, 14 points or fewer, opener must choose which mis-description he must make with his re-bid. Holding three cards in partner's suit, the raise is clearly the best choice, with 2-2 or 1-3 in the other suits, the re-bid of 1NT is best. Opening 1D and re-bidding 2C, for a whole variety of reasons, is not an option. Holding six cards in the suit opened makes the suit re-bid automatic. Bridge players are all familiar in dealing with off-shape 1NT re-bids, the strength is limited and the level is low, responder has room to explore if he has higher aspirations.

These are the only auctions which are under consideration.

1C 1H
2D

1C 1S
2D/H

1D 1S
2H

There are two schools of reversers, those who say that when you reverse you promise another bid and those who say you can pass (some) minimum re-bids by responder.

If you promise a re-bid, it follows that you are creating a virtual game force. Thus you cannot afford to reverse on any but a very strong hand indeed. Early Goren made the requirement 19 points, even

today the members of this school insist on at least 17 points. One consequence is that if you do not qualify for a reverse, you have no accurate re-bid on some very good hands, you will find yourself obliged to re-bid 2C with a five-card suit and up to 16 points or 1NT on a hands which are neither minimum nor balanced. Another is that if you choose to rescue 1C with a club shortage and a weak hand and partner reverses, you are in more trouble!

If you do not promise a re-bid, you must have clear understandings which actions from partner are weak and which are not. You are in a situation where, if both partners are minimum, you want to escape with a plus score; if both partners are good, a slam is likely. It is vital to have the methods to deal with both cases.

Logic decrees that you should be "allowed" to reverse on any hand where a minimum re-bid will not do the hand justice and the consequence of that is that most often you will simply want to "get out." Players of better minor or short club systems, which means just about everyone, will often, correctly, choose to rescue partner from 1C, holding two cards or fewer in his suit and 4 or 5 points. Both opponents may hold too many clubs to justify a bid and your 1C contract will often go several down, with alternative, making, contracts. It follows that when responder makes a minimum reply to a reverse, opener should be free to pass it.

2NT played as a strong and forcing continuation, here, as in so many other bidding situations, is the answer.

Opener is free to reverse on any hand that would be inadequately described by a re-bid of 1NT or simple re-bid of the suit opened. Any hand containing 15 points, control-rich hands of slightly lesser high-card strength, hands with 6 controls or 5 controls and a queen or a hand with three-card support are examples. A reverse is forcing, but see the first example hand below, it does not promise another bid. With a 3-suiter short in spades, 1C is the recommended opening bid. If responder bids 1S, to reverse into either diamonds or hearts is an option but take care, the singleton in partner's suit is a danger sign and often a top-weight 1NT re-bid is a better choice. Other 3-suiters present no problem at all, holding four clubs, the opening bid is 1C and you either raise, even make a splinter raise if your system permits, or show a new suit at the one level. When you hold minimum responding values, 5-8, and a stopper in the fourth suit, choose the best of the minimum, non-forcing, bids and be sure that partner, with values to go on to game, will do the rest.

Following a reverse most minimum actions by responder are non-forcing.

A return to opener's first suit.

A raise of 2D to 3D, although a raise of 2H to 3H is better played as forcing. Partner who began with 1S, likely, will be 5-4 in the majors and to know when to stop on the head of a pin is impossible.

A re-bid of responder's suit which will show six of them.

If responder first shows spades, then bids 2H over 2D, this is natural and not forcing. We do not need two strong bids. Responder can show a game going 2-suiter, either through 2NT or by bidding 3H which will show 5-5. (But beware, opener has shown at least nine cards in two suits, that does not leave room for many in yours.)

Blackout.

There are a number of conventional treatments and Blackout is the best known. In its simplest form, when responder's second bid is the cheaper of 2NT or the fourth suit it is "Blackout" advising partner that the bidder is minimum, all other continuations are game forcing. There are several variations on this theme, reverse Blackout for example.

These are my criticisms.

So much more commonly will the partnership be at the limit of its resources, simple bids like a return to opener's first suit or a repeat of responder's are better played as natural and non-forcing. The opener has begun to describe his hand, in fact he has, generally, placed nine or more of his cards in two suits. A strong responder should be able, through 2NT, to allow opener to continue to describe, to find the perfect fit whenever it exists, search out the best game or make a slam investigation. Using 2NT as the prime means of continuing with strong hands is simple, and it frees up other bids, even in the fourth suit, as natural and limited. Mis-fit hands can be diagnosed quickly and the level kept low. To use a new suit bid for no other purpose than to announce a bad hand is self-evidently wasteful. Having at your disposal, means of getting out cheaply and accurately, permits opener to reverse, and thereby not conceal his actual shape, on any hand above the minimum re-bid range.

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Examples.

This hand from an internationally syndicated bridge column prompted this article.

8743
QJ1052
K95
6

The reader was asked what to bid after 1C-1H; 2D

To the writer, 2H was clear. It is simply "wrong" for two reasons.

One of the fundamental tenets of effective bidding is to follow the rule, a re-bid of any suit shows six. It is a rule which the exigencies of bidding will sometimes force you to break but a good one to follow whenever you can. Partner should feel confident passing, or raising, a re-bid major with a singleton. There is only a very slim likelihood that partner holds three of your suit.

The other factor is this. You have an ill-fitting 6 points, game is likely to be marginal even if partner is absolute maximum for his bidding. Far more often he will be at the other end of his range. To give partner another chance, particularly if he is obliged to make another bid, is courting disaster. Take the plus score and pass!

54	KQ63
75	J43
AK96	8532
AKQ62	43
1C	1S ¹
2D	3D ²
Pass ³	

¹ Only with such disparity in quality should you by-pass your diamond suit.

² With a clear cut bid, make it. Pass is not an option that should be exercised lightly. On many hands it is a fit which is all partner needs for an eleven trick game.

³ Why shouldn't our system allow us to play in the best spot? If the system required us to bid, what would it be?

Q3	AKJ54
42	76
A984	K65
AK932	1074
1C	1S
2D ¹	2NT ²
3H ³	4C ⁴
4S ⁵	Pass

¹ No other bid does this hand justice, the queen in spades, not hearts, tips the balance.

² Too strong to give simple, non-forcing, preference to clubs.

³ I don't have three spades and am a little worried about hearts. With a third heart, West would rely on the length factor and simply raise to 3NT.

⁴ Strong preference, nothing in hearts.

⁵ Maybe the ten-trick game will be better.

4	K7632
765	Q9832
AQJ4	65
AKQ53	7
1C	1S
2D	2H ¹
Pass	

¹ With game forcing values, East would bid 2NT here.

4	KJ10753
765	84
AQJ4	765
AKQ53	92
1C	1S
2D	2S
Pass	

AK6	QJ843
4	Q53
AK73	Q54
KJ975	A4

1C	1S
2D	2NT
3S	4C ¹
4NT ²	5D
6S ³	

¹ East is minimum, pointwise and shapewise for 2NT but he holds two magnificent cards, the ♠Q and the ♣A. On this bidding he is confident of finding a 3-1-4-5 or similar opposite so he makes a below game slam try.

² West needs no further encouragement. If East made the 5S reply, two key cards and the trump queen, he would bid the grand slam with some confidence.

³ East would not be making a slam try with Jxxxx opposite a maximum of three cards.

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Even if you believe the situation is as bad as it can get, don't bet on it.

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Klinger's Column



Ron Klinger

THIS deal arose in the qualifying rounds of a national teams event.

♠ AK87
♥ 10754
♦ AQ2
♣ AJ

♠ 1063
♥ AQ963
♦ 86
♣ 742

South is in 4H with no opposition bidding. West leads the ♦J and the ♦Q wins. Plan the play at teams after winning the ♦Q in dummy.

Dir N	♠ AK87		
Vul None	♥ 10754		
	♦ AQ2		
	♣ AJ		
♠ J2		♠ Q954	
♥ KJ		♥ 82	
♦ KJ10754		♦ 93	
♣ 986		♣ KQ1053	
	♠ 1063		
	♥ AQ963		
	♦ 86		
	♣ 742		

W	N	E	S
	1D ¹	P	1H
P	2NT ²	P	3H
P	4H	All pass	

¹ Playing 5-card majors
²18-19 balanced

With no diamond loser, you can afford to lose one heart trick, but not two. The safety play in this case is to cash the ♥A first. If no honour falls, return to dummy and lead a low heart to your queen. Cashing the ace first gains when West has a singleton king or KJ doubleton. It will also succeed whenever hearts are 2-2 or West has the bare jack.

If you finesse the ♥Q at trick 2 and it loses, you have to guess whether to play the ♥A next time or finesse against East for the ♥J. A diamond lead gives you the opportunity for the safety play. If

you receive a black suit lead, you win in dummy, but there is no convenient entry to hand to try the diamond finesse first. Best chance then is to finesse the ♥Q and if that loses, play the ♥A next time. ■

Courtesy of www.ronklingerbridge.com

ANC Senior Teams



Richard Wallis

TONY Jackman and I teamed up with John Gough & Mike Pemberton and Eva & Tony Berger for the ANC Seniors Teams in Canberra this year, and we went to Canberra in eager anticipation of a good result. However, we performed hot and cold over the whole event, and while we had very few large losses, never looked like qualifying, as we had very few large wins, and finished in 5th place (out of 7).

We were also 5th after the first round-robin and the second round-robin started well for us with a 20 IMP win over the highly-fancied NSW, but it quickly faltered.

The only bright spot in the ANC Teams as far as Qld was concerned was when the Qld Womens Team won the final in convincing fashion over surprise finalists - Northern Territory. While NT were surprise finalists before the event, they performed consistently well during the qualifying and were always up near the top, and finished a clear second.

In spite of our average results in the

round-robin, we all had a great time, enjoyed the event, and got on well together. There is always next year!

Board 10 against WA in the 1st match was a peculiar way to start the event, and I present the bidding as it occurred at our table.

M 1	♠ KQ5		
Bd 10	♥ 8643		
Dir E	♦ J52		
Vul Both	♣ 653		
♠ 643		♠ 108	
♥ QJ92		♥ K	
♦ 7		♦ Q9864	
♣ K10842		♣ AQJ97	
	♠ AJ972		
	♥ A1075		
	♦ AK103		
	♣ —		

W	N	E	S
1H	P	1C	X
All pass		2H!	2S

When my senses recovered, I looked closely at the bidding again to see if I had missed something, but no, West had bid a natural and non-forcing 1H, and East had raised to the 2-level, but we had the 4-4 fit!

2S was a very comfortable contract when trumps were 3-2, so I drew trumps and cashed the top diamonds, intending to give up a trick in diamonds to make my 9th trick with the ♦10.

However, when I cashed the ♦A and ♦K, West showed out and East played the ♦Q! This looked odd, but now I had 10 tricks so I went to the ♦J in dummy and both opponents discarded again.

When I pulled a heart off the table, East played the ♦9, and on being reminded that a heart was led, put it back in her hand and played the ♦8! Her heart turned out to be the king, and I cashed my ♦10 and exited with a heart, making 11 tricks with the ♥10, and the revoke made it up to 12; +230 against +130 for 3C at the other table. ■

The complete article is available on the QBA website.

QBA/ABDA DIRECTORS' WEEKEND - BRISBANE

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Director Training

THE requirements of system classification are no different for 3rd seat openings than for those in 1st and 2nd seat.

A partnership understanding whereby a player may occasionally open in 3rd seat with fewer than 8 hcp at the 1-level quickly becomes "the system". It doesn't matter that partner would never ever use this knowledge improperly.

If only one player of a partnership would open light in 3rd then the pair is not playing the same system as required by the QBA Regulations.

If a player is aware that partner may have fewer than 8 hcp for a 1-level opening then a Yellow System is being played.

If partner is aware then the opponents are entitled to be told.

If the system isn't properly detailed on the system card then a secret partnership understanding exists.

If Yellow Systems are not permitted in the event then an illegal system is being used.

If partner is aware that passing in third seat suggests holding 8-10 hcp (because with <8 and >10 he would bid) then a Yellow System is being played.

Jan Peach
Chairman Accreditation

Club News

If you want items about your club in this section, please send your newsletter or items to Kim Ellaway.

Bundaberg

On July 18th and 19th, under director Les Bonnick, Bundaberg staged a highly successful two-day congress.

There were Butler pairs on the 18th and Swiss teams on the 19th of July.

Magnificent support from players who attended from Rockhampton, Wide Bay, Hervey Bay, Maryborough, Gympie, Caloundra, Noosa Sunshine Coast, Brisbane, Gold Coast, New Zealand, Victoria, and New South Wales as well as a large contingent of local players from Bundaberg, ensured the success of a full complement of tables. The field was strong, the food excellent and friendships were renewed.

Congratulations to all successful participants who enjoyed increased prize money. Hope to see you all again in 2010.

QCBC

The Bridgemates are up and running.

Surfers

Elvie Kemp has turned 80.

Redcliffe Congress



Winners: Robert Ansell, Gordon Gemmell, Robert Wilkinson & Jan Hoffman

THE first congress of the Redcliffe Bridge Club was held on August 23. Although the event clashed with the Coffs Gold Point Super Congress there were still 16 teams at the event. I think the organisers were disappointed with the lack of Redcliffe players in the field but there were plenty of members in the kitchen to look after everyone's needs superbly. Maybe they were nervous of meeting all the heavies from south of the bridge. No need - the winners were home-grown and deservedly so.

There were plenty of arguments being had by the bridge players and they were all over whether the fresh cream cake

with strawberries or the cup cakes were the nicest.

The event was run very smoothly by Peter Busch and it was an extremely pleasant day especially with the hot winter day outside and we were all in air-conditioned comfort. Redcliffe should be proud of their excellent efforts.

Our team came third having only lost one match but our 6 wins were 1, 2, 3, 8, 12 and 15 IMPs which was not good enough to win. This event will be run every year so if you want a pleasant day of bridge, mark this event on your calendar.

■ Kim Ellaway

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Fri 9.30 am



2010 Gold Coast Congress

February 27 - March 6

Those on the Gold Coast Mailing Address List will automatically get sent an entry form via email

Results

Bundaberg Congress July 18-19

Pairs

- 1 K Feeney D Harris
- 2 M Derepas C Ang
- 3 M Saunders S Dwarshuis

Plate

- 1 K Ward J Ward
- 2 P Wang A McLean
- 3 P Gordon B Tetzlaff

Consolation

- 1 H O'Malley E Eaglesham
- 2 K Jeffery G Holland
- 3 M Mayes S Strange

Teams

- 1 K Feeney D Harris
L Norden K Early
- 2 R Trollope S Regan
- I Dawes T Townend

- 3 R Carleton J Tucker
- R Goerg A Lohmann

Plate

- 1 A Sheehy F Sheehy
A Johnson P Roberts

Consolation

- 1 N Cotter E Vanini
J Ronning T Galletly

Sunnybank Teams August 2

- 1 I Afflick P Collins
C Miller K Steffensen
- 2 T Jackman R Clark
A & B Kempthorne
- 3 S Kamalarasa R Morawiecki
N Francis J Solomon

Plate

- 1 M & J Worthington
J Parker B Rodger
- 2 N Close M Moffat
K McDonald B O'Connell

Best Novice

- J Parker J Robbins
- J Frewin D Utting

Toowong Novice Teams August 9

- 1 J Jeffries P Newnham
J Leathley E Zeller
- 2 S Clifford K Goodwin
M Airey K Collins
- 3 M Hogarth T Hogarth
B Hankinson J Hankinson

Mackay Novice Pairs August 8

- 1 E & D Goodchild
- 2 J Hansen D Morgan
- 3 J Allen B Bayliss

Redcliffe Teams August 23

- 1 R Ansell J Hoffman
G Gemmell R Wilkinson
- 2 I Luck J Luck
R Clayton A Smith

B Section

- 1 R Casey K Long
J Farquhar Y Coroneo
- 2 R Olsen J Halliday
L Carr J Kennedy

QBA Open Teams August 29-30

- 1 I Afflick T Strickland
C Howard K Wood
- 2 A Pryde R Parker
J Summerhayes P Hainsworth
- 3 L Moses S Moses
C Miller R Morawiecki

Plate

- 1 Y Carter M Fox
T Runting M Perrin
- 2 E Campbell M Thompson
M Kendall P Han

Coming Events

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| Sep 27 | Sunshine Coast Graded Butler Pairs |
| Sep 27 | Redlands Graded Pairs |
| Sep 27 | Darling Downs Graded Pairs |
| Oct 3 | Caloundra Novice Pairs |
| Oct 3- 4 | Cleveland Bay Teams |
| Oct 3- 4 | Gold Coast Butler Pairs and Teams |
| Oct 4 | Gympie Teams |
| Oct 9-11 | Cairns October Pairs |
| Oct 10 | Mackay Teams |
| Oct 10-11 | Dalby Swiss Pairs and Teams |
| Oct 11 | QBA Qld Graded Teams - QCBC |
| Oct 17-18 | QBA Open and Novice Pairs |
| Oct 23 | QBA Mixed Teams - QCBC - Round 2 |
| Oct 23-25 | Townsville Magnetic Teams |
| Oct 24 | Surfers Paradise Graded Teams |
| Oct 25 | Toowoomba Swiss Teams |
| Oct 25 | Arana Novice Teams |
| Oct 31-Nov 1 | Hervey Bay Butler Pairs and Swiss Teams |
| Oct 31-Nov 1 | Cleveland Bay Anniversary Pairs |
| Nov 1 | Warwick Spring Pairs |
| Nov 7- 8 | Northern Suburbs Butler Pairs |
| Nov 7- 8 | Bowen Pairs |
| Nov 8 | Caloundra Swiss Teams |
| Nov 14-15 | Central Qld Teams - Mackay |
| Nov 14 | Townsville Novice Teams |
| Nov 14-15 | QBA Senior Pairs and Youth Pairs |
| Nov 20 | QBA Mixed Teams - QCBC Round 3 |
| Nov 21-22 | Noosa Butler Pairs |
| Nov 21-29 | Qld Wide Pairs |
| Nov 21 | QBA Congress Directors Exam |
| Nov 22 | QCBC Novice Teams |
| Nov 27-30 | GNOT Final - Banora Point |
| Nov 29 | Toowong Swiss Teams |
| Dec 3 | QBA Council Meeting |
| Dec 5 | Mackay Novice Teams |
| Dec 6 | Redlands Graded Teams |
| Dec 11 | QBA Mixed Teams - QCBC - Round 4 |
| Dec 13 | QBA Individual |

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