



Reducing Waste

We believe that businesses, clubs and individuals should all take on the responsibility of reducing waste, and NSBC is no exception. Therefore, over the next few weeks NSBC will be introducing a plan to reduce waste at Club Willoughby and at the East Lindfield Bowling Club. The plan is based largely on the phasing out of polystyrene coffee / tea cups and plastic water cups. In their place, members will be encouraged to bring their own water bottles/containers (many members already do this) and coffee / tea cups. The club currently has a recycling function involving black plastic containers. This will be extended as required, with improved labelling, and we hope that there will be considerably reduced recycling.

Here are the key points for the plan:

Members will be responsible for their own coffee cups and water containers. There will be large storage containers installed at both venues for abandoned items - the club will not be responsible for any cleaning. Periodically the storage containers will be cleared, and the contents disposed of. Members are advised to label their cups – a DYMO will be made available for this to be done at the club. In general, the only items which cannot be recycled are polystyrene cups. The plan will be monitored and operated by volunteers at both venues.

Wherever members forget to bring cups/bottles, a backup supply of the disposable cups will be available. There will be a charge of 20 cents, to be deposited in a cash box (honesty system).

It is hoped that we can start operating the plan by the middle of August and there will be further announcements as appropriate. Some differences of operation are anticipated between Club Willoughby and East Lindfield

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Mike Prescott is introducing two more free lessons

In addition to the current Friday morning lesson at East Lindfield, Mike will be giving two new lessons at Club Willoughby.

IMPROVE YOUR BRIDGE!
FREE SERIES OF LESSONS
WITH MIKE PRESCOTT

East Lindfield Friday 9.30am
Club Willoughby Sunday 12.30pm and
Monday 7.00pm

Different topic each week

- Suitable for all levels of players
- Each lesson covers a new topic
- Receive notes at each lesson

Stay and play: Duplicate session follows each free lesson

Do stay on after the lesson to enjoy the facilities and play in the Open games that follow.

From the Editors

A big thank you to those of you who contributed ideas to improve the look and feel of this issue. Further suggestions are always welcome!

Club Champion Progress

No change this month. For more detailed results see "Club Events" on our website or link below:

<http://www.northshore.bridge-club.org/cc-prog>

Congratulations:



Brisbane Waters Congress
Swiss Pairs NS Winners: Cevat & Steven

P	Brisbane Water Bridge Club - Open Swiss Pairs	VP	W-D-L
NS1	Cevat Emul & Steven Bock	81	4-0-2
NS2	Pauline Evans & Chris Williams	80	4-0-2
EW1	John McIlrath & Patrica Grigson	85	6-0-0
EW2	Ken Wilks & Rosalie Broughton	80	5-0-1



Brisbane Waters Congress
Swiss Pairs EW Winners: John & Patricia

P	Brisbane Water Bridge Club - Restricted Swiss Pairs	VP	W-D-L
1	Kit Meyers & Kerry Rymer	88	5-0-1

P	Peninsula - Restricted Swiss Pairs	VP	W-D-L
1	Kerry Rymer & Kit Meyers	92	5-1-1



Brisbane Waters & Peninsula Restricted Congress
2x Restricted Swiss Pairs Winners: Kerry & Kit

P	Brisbane Water Bridge Club - Swiss Teams	VP	W-D-L
1	Kevin Davies & Steven Bock, Wayne Zhu & Cevat Emul	82	5-0-1
2	Yumin Li & Witold Chylewski, Judy Osie & Giselle Mundell	81	5-0-1
3	Marilyn Chadwick & Toni Sharp, Ian Lisle & Vicky Lisle	80	4-0-2



Brisbane Waters Congress
Open Teams Winners: Cevat, Wayne, Steven, Kevin

	CW Daytime - State Open Teams Qualifying	VP	W-D-L
1	Elaine Dignan, Ian Maclaren, Janet Rowlatt, Shirley Lau	75	4-1-1
2	Christine Vinson, Bev Peters, Frances Garrick, Bruce Daglish	66	3-1-2
3	Toni Sharp, Frances Lyons, Julianne Rocks, Helen Lowry	59	3-0-3



NSBC - State Teams Open Qualifying
Elaine, Ian, Janet & Shirley

	ANC Swiss Pairs	VP	W-D-L
1	Edward Truscott & Gary Lane	87	5-0-1
2	Elaine Dignan & Ian Maclaren	77	4-0-2
3	Robert Case & Margaret Pussell	73	4-1-1



NSBC - ANC Swiss Pairs
Winners: Gary & Ed with Elaine & Ian

P	Peninsula - Open Swiss Pairs	VP	W-D-L
1	Mark Kolodziejczyk & Les Grewcock	114	6-0-1
2	Colin Clifford & Catherine Chaffey	93	5-1-1
3	Judy Osie & Witold Chylewski	92	6-0-1



Peninsula Open Swiss Pairs
Winners: Mark & Les

Congratulations to the NSW Teams (especially our members) who did well in the ANC Interstate championships:

ANC Interstate Teams (Round Robin Results)								
Pos	OPEN		Women		Seniors		Youth (<30)	
1 ->F	SA	638	ACT	610	NSW	678	NSW	795
2 ->F	NSW	570	WA	595	QLD	635	SA	579
3	QLD	517	NSW	592	ACT	612	QLD	531

In the interstate teams qualifying rounds, NSW made the Open, Seniors and Youth Grand Finals, but just missed out in the Women's:

ANC Interstate Open Teams Grand Final			Imp
ACT	David Anderson - Ian Hilditch - George Smolanko - Justin Williams - Attilio De Luca - David Lusk		93.8
NSW	Julian Foster, David Weston, Peter Buchen, Matthew Thomson, Lynn Kalmin, Lorna Ichilcik		93



NSW Interstate Open Teams Championship

The NSW Open Team: Mathew, Peter, David, Lorna, Lyn, Julian, John (NPC) who were pipped by just 0.8 IMPs in the Final.



NSW Interstate Women's Teams Championship

The NSW Women's Team: Sophie, Susan, Ruth, Marcia (NPC), Helene, Judy, Cathryn who just missed out on the final by only 3 IMPs!

ANC Interstate Seniors Teams Grand Final			Imp
NSW	George Bilski, Nicky Strasser, Warren Lazer, Pauline Gumby, Andrew Markovics, Peter Jeffery		121.3
QLD	Richard Ward, Therese Tully, Gheorghii Belonogov, Ewa Kowalczyk, Tony Hutton, Neville Francis		107



NSW Interstate Seniors Teams Championship

The NSW Seniors team Nicky, Warren, Pauline, Andrew, **George & Peter**, who **WON** the seniors Interstate championship

ANC Interstate Youth Teams Grand Final		Imp
NSW	Matt Smith, John McMahon, Lara Topper, Jacob Rose, Ailsa Peacock, Alex Phillips	200.6
SA	George Bartley, Lincoln Davey, Bertie Morgan, Jessica Curtis, David Gue, Fletcher Davey	138



NSW Interstate Youth Teams Championship

The NSW youth team: Jacob, Ailsa, Alex, Lara, Matt, John, Charles (NPC) who **WON** the Youth Interstate Championship.

ANC Butler – Club Member results

- **Giselle Mundell & Rena Kaplan** finished in 4th in the Women's.
- **Paulina Martin & Ming Li** finished a very respectable 10th in the Restricted event.
- **Ian & Vicky Lisle** ran 2nd in the ANC Swiss B

P	State Veterans Pairs (Bowral)	VP	W-D-L
1	Val Brockwell & Elizabeth Havas	127	7-0-2
2	John Brockwell & Richard Douglas	125	6-0-3



Richard & John ran second at the Bowral Veterans State championship.

July 2019 Monthly Winners

<http://www.northshore.bridge-club.org/month-win>

East Lindfield:

Mon	Open	am	Mary Harrington & Don Mullineux
Mon	Open	pm	Elfy Suchet & Selwyn Suchet
Tue	Open	am	Joyce Edwards & Bruce Edwards
Tue	Sup	pm	Marlene Strathdee & Narelle White
Tue	Rook	pm	Yvonne Buttenshaw & John Buttenshaw
Tue	Sup	eve	Jane Van-Roekel & Chris Berry
Wed	Open	am	Elfy Suchet & Selwyn Suchet
Thu	Open	pm	Lois Chambers & Rushi Sheth
Fri	Open	am	Janet Crocker & June Straw
Sat	Open	pm	John Bartrop & Barbara de Barkaz

Club Willoughby:

Mon	Open	am	Ingeborg Radonic-Errath & Rosemarie Rolston
Mon	Rest	am	Elana Sacks & Tina Osie
Mon	Sup	pm	Anne-Marie Gleeson & Caroline Needham
Mon	Rook	pm	Annie Perkes & Anthea Jenkins
Mon	Sup	eve	N/Q
Mon	Open	eve	John Stack & Bruce Daglish
Tue	Sup	am	Bess Worrall & Robyn Sexton
Tue	Rook	am	Sally Mitchell & Penelope Lanser
Tue	Open	pm	Peter Robinson & Esther Lee
Tue	Open	eve	Stacey Gardiner & Peter Boulton
Tue	Rook	eve	Peter Napier & Russell Spear
Wed	Open	am	Elli Urbach & Judy Osie
Wed	Rest	am	Leone Devine & Elizabeth Platt
Wed	Sup	pm	Caroline Needham & Christine Roberts
Wed	Rookie	pm	Ian Menzies & Candida Anstee
Wed	Open	eve	Hymie Osie & David Osie
Thu	Open	am	Neil Perry & John Mottram
Thu	Rook	pm	Robert Gray & Denis King
Fri	Open	am	William Westwood & Tom Goodyer
Fri	Rest	am	Lesley Collins & Pam Ranney
Sat	Open	pm	Les Varadi & Tom Goodyer
Sun	Open	pm	Pieter Kliffen & Marjorie Thomas

Bidding & Play Challenges

Our solutions are later in the newsletter.

Bidding challenge 1

North		East	
West		East	
♠ J		♠ 876543	
♥ KJ		♥ AQT3	
♦ AKQJ832		♦ 97	
♣ AK3		♣ J	
South (D)			

South opens with a Pass.
North will overcall 3♣ over 1♦, else Pass.
South will bid 2♠ on the next round, if room.

Bidding challenge 2

East		West	
North (D)		South	
♠ AKQ95		♠ J10643	
♥ 72		♥ AK865	
♦ AJ4		♦ QT3	
♣ 1076		♣ --	

North Opens 1♠.
East doubles for takeout.
If South redoubles, West bids 2♣, else is silent and East pre-empts to 3♣.

From the Club Library

Recent additions to the library for our more advanced players include:

1. **Géza Ottlik:** Adventures in card play
2. **Eddie Kantar:** Eddie Kantar Teaches Advanced Bridge Defense
3. **Matthew Thomson:** How to Be a Lucky Player
4. **David Bird & Larry Cohen:** On the Other Hand: Bridge Cardplay
5. **Julian Laderman:** A bridge to inspired declarer play
6. **Harry Lampert:** The Fun Way to Advanced Bridge

Beginners Courses last chance for 2019!



Learn to play bridge
at East Lindfield
with **Ed Barnes**,
starting on **27th August 2019**.

“Introduction to Bridge” is a 6-week course, run at both Club Willoughby and at East Lindfield, for new players. The 2019 2nd semester with Liz Wilkinson started at the end of July. Enrolments were strong at 33 during the day and 24 in the evening; the winter classes are always smaller than the summer starters..

The **2019 2nd semester** with **Ed Barnes** starts **27th August** and there are still some vacancies. To enrol, contact **Sue Crompton** on: Mobile: 0416 290 867 or

Email: scrompton67@hotmail.com

Learn To ♠ Play ♥ Bridge ♦ ♣

With
Ed Barnes

Tuesday 27th August at 2pm or 7pm
at East Lindfield 2B Carlyle Road

6 Lessons x 2 hrs
\$99

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Bookings

scrompton67@hotmail.com

www.learnbridgeinsydney.com.au

or Sue Crompton 0416 290 867

GNOT Metro Qualifier at CW

The last GNOT Teams qualifier event for the Metropolitan finals will be played at Club Willoughby as a 3-session event, from **Tuesday 20th August, starting at 1:00pm**. **Gold points** will be awarded for each match played.

The winners from 2018 were:

Alicia Mercer, Prue Siemsglues, Leo Goorevich & Colin Thomas



North Shore Bridge Club
Club Willoughby

Would like to invite you to play in

2019 GNOT Teams
Metro Qualifier

A Gold Masterpoint Event
Tuesday afternoons 1.00pm
20th 27th August and 3rd
September

ENTRY FEE
\$45 for members & \$60 for non-members
Must play all 3 sessions to qualify, substitutes allowed

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PRIZE
Entry fee covered for GNOT Metro Finals

TO ENTER, go to the Notice Board - full name and A&F
On-line - www.northshorebridgeclub.org
Email - mikeprescott7@hotmail.com
Phone - Mike: 0435 528 872

Interclub Pairs Challenge

Represent your club at the 2019 Interclub Pairs event, to be held at **Peninsula Bridge club on 29th September**.

The event is graded, with pairs allocated to 3 sections, to compete against players of equal Masterpoint standing Register your interest with our manager if you would like to represent us. Current holder: Peninsula Bridge Club.

Let's make it the NSBC in 2019!

Morgans Swiss Pairs

This is our **premier pairs event**. You will also earn **double CC points** for finishing in the top 7 outright positions.

Entries are restricted to **NSBC Members** (CW or EL) only. Any substitutes must also be members.

This event, sponsored by **Morgans**, has been changed from the previous Matchpoint format (with a Qualification and Final) to a new **Swiss Pairs format** this year.

It is a 4-session event on **Thursday nights**, starting **1st August**.

Club Champion Qualifying Event



**Morgan Swiss Pairs
Club Championship
Club Willoughby**
Thursday Nights 7:30pm
Four Sessions
1st August
8th August
22nd August
29th August
\$60 entry Members only Tournament
Red Point Event

The 2018 winners were:
Les Grewcock & Peter Jeffery

Note: Thursday night, the **15th August**, there will be no bridge as the ABF Coffs Harbour congress is in play



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Stratified Pairs

This open event is worth **CC points** for any members in the top 7 outright positions.

The Stratified Pairs is sponsored by **TBIB**, and played simultaneously at both our East Lindfield and Club Willoughby venues, using the same boards, on all the Saturdays in August. The first session is on **Saturday 3rd August** at 1:00pm.

This is a graded event where the sum of the Masterpoints for both players must meet defined criteria. The winners are determined from your **3 best scores added together**, so play in just 3 sessions, or in all 5 sessions, and your best 3 scores count. You can also switch between venues.



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Club Willoughby & East Lindfield
Saturdays: 1:00pm
3rd August
10th August
17th August
24th August
31st August
Red Point Event
Prizes: 5 Divisions
Entry: Usual Duplicate Table Money
Tony Bemrose Insurance Brokers (TBIB)

The 2018 winners were:
Open **Liz Wilkinson & Hymie Osie**
<750MPs **Judy Osie & David Osie**
<500MPs **Sandy & Sandra MacGregor**
<300MPs **Kathryn Stewart & Susan Feeny**
<100MPs **Janice Heath & Lynne Kerry**

Club Champion Qualifying Event

**Masterpoint Promotions,
as at the end of June 2019**

The following members were promoted to a new ABF Masterpoint ranking after the June 2019 green and red points earned had been tallied:

From Club Willoughby:

	New ranking
Leibowitz, Tony	Silver Grand
Case, Robert	Gold Life
Robinson, Peter	National
Wright, Elizabeth	*State
Lavery, Fiona	*State
Osie, David	State
Cranston, Vera	Regional
May, Trish	Regional
Hampson, Heather	Regional
Craven, Mary	**Local
Camilleri, Joe	**Local
Solomon, Robin	**Local
Xie, Ming	**Local
Cheung, Yeung	**Local
Anderson, Paul	**Local
Loveday, Jane	**Local
Fryirs, Cathy	**Local
Close, Yve	**Local
Liu, Wenjie	**Local
Gaskell, Chris	*Local
Spanswick, Duane	*Local
Morris, Michael	*Local
Sanayei, Mehdi	*Local
Ampherlaw, Jo	Local
Weerden, Glenda	Local
Rajagopal, Raja	Local
Coleman, Libby	Local
Menzies, Ian	Local
Perkowski, Anne	Local
Schnitzer, Danny	Local
Bradley, Lyn	Local
Bansal, Narinder	Club
Kelly, Margaret	Club
Winning, Judy	Club
Brodie, John	Club
Colman, Jenny	Club
Temby, Jane	Club

Satill, Ian	Club
Hallett, John	Club
McRae, Kate	Club
Gesling, Peter	Graduate
Lange, Don	Graduate

and from East Lindfield:

	New ranking
Way, Bob	*Regional
Bouvang, Jan	Regional
Elliot, Roslyn	**Local
Francis, Joan	*Local
Koroknay, Pam	*Local
Vinson, Simon	Local
McSwiggan, Bill	Local
Blake, Ivan	Club

The following table shows the hierarchy of Masterpoint rankings:

ABF MASTER RANKINGS				
Rank	Minimum Requirements			
	Total	Green	Red &	Gold
Graduate	2	2		
Club	5	5		
Local	15	15		
*Local	25	25		
**Local	35	35		
Regional	50	50		
*Regional	100	100		
State	50	25	25	
*State	100	50	50	
National	150	75	75	
*National	200	100	100	
**National	300	150	150	
Life	300	120	180	30
Bronze Life	400	160	240	40
Silver Life	500	200	300	50
Gold Life	750	300	450	75
Grand	1000	300	700	200
Silver Grand	2500	600	1900	600
Gold Grand	5000	1000	4000	1400
Emerald Grand	10000	1500	8500	3000
Diamond Grand	15000	2000	13000	5000

**Profile:
Kevin Davies**

**Editor of the
Newsletter**



I started my Bridge career at Birmingham university in the UK. I flatted with 3 bridge players and spent too many hours at the table! I graduated as an Engineer in 1972 and moved to Australia with a job within the APO (now Telstra) and was posted to Gosford. There I was the founding secretary for the **Central Coast Bridge Club**, directing bridge sessions and growing the club with beginner lessons. I initiated the CCBC congress events initially at the Florida Hotel in Terrigal which were immensely popular with Sydneysiders. These gave the club finances a significant boost, and they now own their own premises in Long Jetty.

Moving to Sydney in the 80s, I joined the **Lindfield Bridge Club**, and quickly joined the club committee. My prime role was in Tournaments, and I wrote several computer scoring programs linked to the membership database. I was Vice President for a few years. I represented LBC on the FABC (Federation of Affiliated Bridge Clubs), which eventually merged as a peace deal, with the NSWBA. I then became a long serving NSWBA committee member, primary role was House.

I took the NSWBA/ABF Convener role in the initial series of **Sydney Spring Nationals** held initially at Bondi. I then refocused on the NSBC, which had merged with Willoughby after the forced move. As normal, I was on the committee for a couple of years. I dropped out and I'm now the editor of the NSBC club bulletin. I have made the NSW seniors team twice and been successful in many club and congress events. I look forward to **playing more**, enjoying the editor role, and definitely with less bridge committee work.

**Profile:
Kay Moyes**

**Director &
Newsletter co-editor**



I grew up in London in a card-playing family, working my way through the kids' card games to cribbage and canasta. At high school a friend's granny taught four of us bridge. That was the end of studying – we played bridge before, during and after school! But then life took over, family, work and moves between the UK and South Africa and finally to Australia, and suddenly I was approaching retirement, having hardly touched a card since my school days!

I took up bridge again, but having learnt ACOL I needed some re-education - since when was opening 2H a weak bid?? I took some lessons, started to play regularly, and grew in confidence, until I was launched.

My life before retirement? When I was young, I wanted to be a teacher, and my real love was languages. I was, however, persuaded to study the sciences, and when offered a job by one of the early computer companies, I took it. I never regretted that decision. It was such a new industry with no glass ceiling, offering excellent career opportunities, but there was always that desire to teach. How lucky was I then, to have the chance at NSBC to help my good friend Liz with the newer players!

You may notice there's no talk of bridge achievements - mine are too modest to mention! When I can fit in a game between the teaching and my role as co-editor of this newsletter, my bridge priority is simply to enjoy the game. And outside bridge? I have now had time to work on my languages with French and Italian in good shape and German a work-in-progress. And I had a decade of dancing - Ballroom and Latin - until my knees and feet got the better of me!

EL Swiss TEAMS Congress

Link: www.northshore.bridge-club.org/bridge/lbc/upcoming-events

This open congress event is worth **CC points** for any members in the top 7 outright positions

Club Champion Qualifying Event

It is a Swiss Teams event that will be played on **Sunday 25th August** at our East Lindfield venue. The table capacity is limited to 34 teams, so book early via our website.

The winners from 2018 were:
Liam Milne, James Coutts, Jessica Brake, Susan Humphries



**East Lindfield
Swiss Teams Congress**

Sunday: 25th August
1 Day, 2 Sessions

Session 1: 10:00am Start
(Lunch orders taken before First Session)

\$35 Table Fees

Club Championship Event

NSBC Mixed Teams Championship

Link: www.northshore.bridge-club.org/bridge/lbc/upcoming-events

This is an open event, with **CC points** available for any members in the top 7 outright positions

Club Champion Qualifying Event

This Mixed Teams event will be played on 4 Thursday nights at Club Willoughby from 5th September @ 7:30pm.

The winners from 2018 were:
Linda King, Kim Neale, Michael Cartmell & Nick Fahrer



Mixed Teams Championship

Club Willoughby

4 Sessions on Thursday at 7:30pm
5th 12th 19th and 26th
September

Red Point Event
\$60 Members
\$80 Non Members

Please note: At least one member of the team must be of the opposite sex. Any substitute players must keep the team mixed



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Ruff losers in dummy

By Pat O'Connor

	North		
	♠ A53		
	♥ 7		
	♦ T972		
	♣ AJ843		
W			E
e	South (D)		a
s	♠ T842		s
t	♥ AKQ		t
	♦ KQJ653		
	♣ --		

Standard Bidding			
West	North	East	South (D)
			1 ♦
Pass	2 ♣	Pass	3 ♦
Pass	4 ♦	Pass	5 ♦
Pass	6 ♦	All Pass	

You have a hand with a lot of potential. You open 1♦ and partner bids 2♣. You jump to 3♦ with your strong suit and partner raises to 4♦. You happily bid game. Partner, with two Aces, a singleton heart and good diamond support decides to put you in slam. **Help!**

West leads the ♠Q. What is your plan?

Analysis

You have three losers in spades and the Ace of trumps is out. One spade can be discarded on the ♣A but that still leaves two more to be disposed of. You can't afford to draw trumps immediately because the spade losers are exposed. This means the opponents could take their ♦A and cash spades.

How will you proceed?

The Solution to Pat's Problem The Full Deal

	North		
	♠ A53		
	♥ 7		
	♦ T972		
	♣ AJ843		
West			East
♠ QJ976			♠ K
♥ 965432			♥ JT8
♦ -			♦ A84
♣ T5			♣ KQ9762
	South (D)		
	♠ T842		
	♥ AKQ		
	♦ KQJ653		
	♣ --		

You take the opening lead with the ♠A, East following with the ♠K which probably indicates a singleton.

The only way to dispose of the two spade losers is to ruff them in dummy. To prepare for this, play a heart from dummy to the ♥A in hand and then play the ♥K and ♥Q discarding two spades from dummy. Now there are no spades left in dummy.

Now lead a small spade from your hand and ruff it in dummy. Because East played the ♠K on the first trick it is important to ruff high with the ♦10 which can only be overruffed by the ♦A. It would be a mistake to ruff with the ♦2 or ♦7 because East may be able to overruff with the ♦8.

If East does not overruff the ♦10, play the ♣A discarding a spade from your hand and lead a small club ruffing it in your hand. Then play another small spade and ruff it with the ♦9 in dummy. That's the end of the spades and the opponents will win the ♦A and nothing else.

If East does overruff the ♦10 with the ♦A, nothing can prevent you from ruffing another spade in dummy and discarding one on the ♣A.

Key Point:

Delay drawing trumps if necessary, in order to ruff losers in dummy.

Keep learning with Anita Curtis

Build on the Basics continues to introduce new ideas, together with play analysis and techniques. The lessons are targeted at players who have completed the 6-week **“Introduction to Bridge”** and the **“Bridge Basics”** course that follows.

The lessons are at Club Willoughby on Wednesday evenings at 7:30pm, with a repeat on Thursday mornings at 10:30am.

The lessons for August are:

Wed Aug 7 Thu Aug 8	1NT and 2NT openings and ways to make the contract
Wed Aug 14 Thu Aug 15	When to take the 1NT opener out of NT, into a suit
Wed Aug 21 Thu Aug 22	Too weak or too strong for a 1NT opening? NT rebids
Wed Aug 28 Thu Aug 29	Focus on defence in NT with Liz Wilkinson

Develop Your Skills is for those players who have completed the **Build on the Basics** lessons. These lessons extend your knowledge of bidding and playing the cards and prepare you to move to the Rookie level.

The lessons are held at Club Willoughby on Thursday afternoons at 2pm.

The lessons for August are:

Thu Aug 8	Last lesson of semester 1, Hand Analysis
Thu Aug 15	What to do when they bid over our 1NT
Thu Aug 22	Getting to a slam! Blackwood.
Thu Aug 29	Bidding after the opponents pre-empt

Improver Hand Analysis

These hand analysis sessions are held at Club Willoughby on the last Friday of the month (afternoons at 2pm). All welcome!

Fri Aug 30	Everyone’s favourite! HAND ANALYSIS
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Broaden Your Skills is a set of lessons for intermediate players with typically 3 years of Bridge experience. It follows from **Develop Your Skills**.

The lessons are held at Club Willoughby on Friday afternoons at 2pm, on the first 3 Fridays of the month. The lessons for August are:

Fri Aug 9	Interfering over 1NT with Liz.
Fri Aug 16	We’re going to Slam!
Fri Aug 23	Don't steal this contract! With Liz again.

Want to keep learning?

Call Anita Curtis on 0405 449 767

or email ac210927@bigpond.net.au

Ready for even more challenges?

Playing in an all-day event is a great way to practice all that you have learnt. It sounds like a lot of bridge – and it is! But you will find that the day flies by, just as your regular sessions do. So, here are the upcoming restricted game opportunities for those of you who are looking for more of a challenge:

Central Coast (Long Jetty) is holding a **“Novice & Restricted Congress”** on **August 10th (Swiss Pairs)** and **August 11th (Swiss Teams)**.

Our Open Swiss Teams congress at **East Lindfield on August 25th** has category prizes for the restricted team.

From four friends

Our bridge journey began about four years ago. With our kids having finished the HSC and university and venturing out on their own, and now looking for something to keep our brains active and alert, we four old friends decided to venture into the hitherto uncharted territory of learning to play bridge. We arrived at Liz’s six-week beginners course on a Monday afternoon with absolutely no idea what we were getting into, but confident we could support each other through whatever lay ahead. After all, we had survived the trials of teenagehood (both ours and our children’s!).

We all enjoyed the course immensely, thinking that we probably knew all that we needed to know after six weeks. Of course, we were quite mistaken! However, confident in our ignorance, we would turn up at the supervised sessions on Wednesday afternoons, doggedly persisting with our play (and our mistakes), and then into the regular supervised sessions on Tuesday mornings. We even got together some Monday afternoons to revise our lessons, often a case of ‘the blind leading the blind!’

After the Tuesday morning supervised sessions, as we drove home together, we often wondered if we had really been listening to Liz, as our play consisted of far more errors than successes. How did the opponents in the supervised section know so much more than we did? Fortunately, we made new “bridge friends” in the course and during our play sessions. This certainly served to make up for any disappointments, and we usually left our sessions confident that the next session would show improvement.

Then we were faced with the challenge of attempting the Build on the Basics course. Did we really need to learn anymore? Of course, we did! Before long, we were totally immersed in the next stage of our bridge journey. So, we continued through Anita’s Develop Your Skills course, and then to the incredible challenge of the Rookie sessions on a Wednesday

afternoon. At first, we felt intimidated by the very experienced and more knowledgeable players, but continued play, the wonderful teaching of Liz, Kay and Kim before our sessions, and attendance at Anita’s Develop Your Skills classes combined to improve our bridge play.

Now, we four are far more confident players, sometimes surprising ourselves by our good results and other times disappointing ourselves by poor results, but understanding that we are striving for consistency. We have made some lovely new friends at bridge, and a phone book of people we can call to make up a 4th when one of us is away. We are looking forward to many more years of enjoying our “bridge journey” together.

Judy, Elaine, Noni and Loretta

Rookie/Supervised games:

Venue		Supervised Sessions (2 hours)
CW	Monday	afternoons at 2pm with Sue & Allan
CW	Monday	evenings at 7pm with Jenni
CW	Tuesday	mornings at 10am with Kim & Kay
EL	Tuesday	afternoons at 2pm with Sue
EL	Tuesday	evenings at 7pm with Sue
CW	Wednesday	afternoons at 2pm with Liz & Kay
Venue		Rookie Sessions (2 hours)
CW	Monday	afternoons at 2pm with Sue & Allan
CW	Tuesday	mornings at 10am with Kim & Kay
CW	Tuesday	evenings at 7:30pm with John S
EL	Tuesday	afternoons at 2pm with Sue & Janet
CW	Wednesday	afternoons at 2pm with Liz & Kay
CW	Thursday	afternoons at 2pm with Johnno

Note that there is a 15-minute talk on a bidding or play topic, before most of the Supervised and Rookie sessions. Just come along (with or without a partner) and enjoy the game.

Restricted games:

Venue		Restricted Sessions (3 hours)
CW	Monday	morning at 10am with Johnno
CW	Wednesday	mornings at 10am with Tony
CW	Friday	mornings at 10am with Brian



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Ethical Dilemmas (Part 3)

The “Nasty” Director

To wrap up “Ethical Dilemmas”, I will look at a hand from a recent Congress, where the various aspects I previously mentioned in the first two articles all came into play.

But first a bidding problem.... You are West, the dealer, and you open 1♥ with

West	Standard or 2/1 Bidding			
♠ 952	West (D)	North	East	South
♥ KQJ985	1♥	Pass	2♠	Pass
♦ Q8	3♠	Pass	4♥	Pass
♣ K2	???			

You have agreed with your partner that 2♠ is natural and strong (slam-going) and that 4♥ is a cue bid, showing first round heart control, but denying first round control in clubs and diamonds. What do you bid now?

Unlike in magazine bidding forums where panels of experts give their views on the best call, there is a definite right decision on this hand. It is to bid 4♠. Even though your hand will probably produce lots of side-suit tricks in hearts, and slam looks a real possibility, your partner’s 4♥ bid is very telling. You are missing the Aces in both clubs and diamonds, so there is no point in going past the safe contract of 4♠.

When this hand came up at the table the auction was as above.

After East bid 2♠, South asked West what it meant and was given the answer, “natural, strong – looking for slam”. South passed, West raised to 3♠, North passed.

Now, before bidding 4♥, without anyone asking, East said, “**My partner told you the wrong thing. 2♠ was a Bergen raise, showing a limit raise with 3 hearts.**” West said, “**Oh, that’s right.**”

NS called the director.



Those of you who remember the previous article (Part 1) will realise that East has done the wrong thing. When partner has given a wrong explanation, the correct time to inform the opponents is at the end of the auction if you are going to be declarer or dummy, or at the end of the play if you are a defender.

So, my first job as Director was to remind East that they should not have mentioned partner’s wrong explanation

Those of you who remember the previous article (Part 2) will realise that there is another problem with East’s comment. It passed information to West which West was not entitled to use in coming to a decision on what to bid next.

A little confused, West asked me what she had to do. I told her that she had to continue as if her partner had a good hand with spades – at the very least bid 4♠ if she had any support, which must be the case since she had raised to 3♠. This did not go down well.

West: “But he’s got hearts and they might not have any spades. Anyway, I had worked out that it was a Bergen raise

Me: “Under the Laws it is assumed that you were woken up by your partner’s comment

and so you must continue to bid as if they have got a good hand with spades.”

West: “*That’s just not fair*”, followed by a very reluctant and disgruntled 4♠ on the bidding pad and a disgusted look in my direction.

So, 4♠ became the final contract. It wasn’t such a disaster – East just happened to have four spades in his hand. So, instead of playing in a 6-3 heart fit, they played in a more challenging 4-3 spade fit.

The full hand:

	North	
	♠ Q743	
West (D)	♥ 76	East
♠ 952	♦ T432	♠ KJT8
♥ KQJ985	♣ QT7	♥ T43
♦ Q8		♦ KJ6
♣ K2	South	♣ AJ3
	♠ A6	
	♥ A2	
	♦ A975	
	♣ 98654	

You can play out the hand successfully in either 4♥ or 4♠ and Deep Finesse will confirm it. In hearts, EW make 10 tricks. In spades, EW can also make 10 tricks!

Apart from possibly imposing a penalty on East for his unwarranted and untimely comment, there was no further appropriate director’s adjustment to be made. Normally, the cards will be enough to penalise infractions such as this, but on this particular day, justice was “*out to lunch*”.

The ABF Daily Column

You can subscribe to the ABF newsletter for just \$52 per year, and for just \$1 per week you will receive a daily article by a well-known bridge figure.

The following article by Mike Lawrence is an example.

What’s going on in Spades? By Mike Lawrence



One of the beautiful moments in bridge comes when declarer is faced with a problem that they can solve. Take counting out a hand. When you learn that one player has five spades, three hearts, and four diamonds, then you know they have just one club. This is just one of the skills that players develop over time and each time one of these skills turns out to be helpful, it is a lovely moment.

Here is a hand that comes from the world of counting. Playing against a Two Over One pair, you have this auction.

Standard or 2/1 Bidding			
West (D)	North	East	South
1 ♠	Pass	2 ♠	3 ♦
Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass

You are South and you get to play the hand in 3♦. West leads the ♠5, the suit that they have bid. These are the spades you can see:

	♠ 84	
♠ 5		♠ A
	♠ 63	

Here are some questions that any counter will know to ask. If you routinely keep track of information, you should be able to answer these questions.

- Who has the ♠A?
- Who has the ♠K?
- Who has the ♠Q?
- Who has the ♠5?

- Who has the ♠2?
- How do the spades divide?
- Most importantly, how can you tell?

Let's start with the ♠A. East just played it so this question is a gimme!

Who has the ♠K?

The answer is that West has it. How can you tell? The answer is that if East had the Ace and King of spades, they would win the first trick with the King, not the Ace. This is a standard technique for defenders. When they are playing third hand to a trick, if they have an honor sequence, they play the lowest card in their sequence.

With AK52, it is correct to play the **King**.

With KQ53, it is correct to play the **Queen**.

With QJ1032, it is correct to play the **Ten**.

The idea is that you want your partner to have a good idea of what your holding is. If, with the AK52, you take the first trick with the Ace, your partner won't know that you have the King. Declarer might have it for all your partner knows. True, if you play the Ace and continue with the King, they will know, but if you win the Ace and shift to another suit, they will spend the rest of the hand wondering about that King of spades. West has the ♠K because East's play of the Ace denies having the King.

This is a very strong clue since a defender wants more than anything to have an informed partner. Playing phony cards is a good way to confuse your partner, and that is not what you want. So, you know East has the Ace because you saw it. You know West has the King because East's play at trick one denied it.

Who has the ♠Q?

Think about what West led. He led a little card. You know they have the King. What would they lead if they had the King and Queen? He would lead the King. West does not have the ♠Q. East has it.

Who has the ♠5?

You can work this out on the information given. Turns out that West has the ♠5. You know this because it was led.

Finally, I asked who has the ♠2?

This is a real question which you can figure out. Clue. Did you happen to notice the spade spots you started with in your hand and dummy? In case you do not remember them, here is what you saw at trick one.

	♠ 84	
♠ 5		♠ A
	♠ 63	

One more thing you need to remember is the bidding. West is known to have five spades. He led the five, which is his fourth best. This means they have three spades higher than the five and one spade lower. Your dummy has the four and you have the three. The only spade that West can have that is lower than the five is the two. West has something like KJ952, and East has something like AQ107.

West cannot have six spades for two reasons. First is that the spot cards tell you that West has five. The second reason is that if West had six spades, they would have bid over 3♦. This is human nature, almost as strong a clue as there is.

Believe it or not, there is another important point you can learn from what you see at trick one. East raised 1♠ to 2♠ with the AQ107 (or so) of spades. Then they passed when you bid 3♦, which was passed to them. East did not bid 3♠. They must have a really bad hand. Almost certainly they have something like this hand: AQ107, 543, 543, 543.

If East had a doubleton or if they had any extra values such as a Jack or a Queen, they might have bid 3♠. You should be able to use this information in the play. Amazing how much you can learn if you know which questions to ask and how to use the answers. Final test.

- What was the bidding?
- What spades did you see when dummy came down?

By now you should have the answers

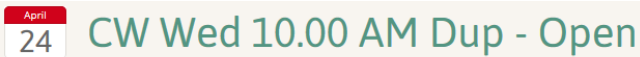
Solution to Bidding Challenge 1

North	
West	East
♠ J	♠ 876543
♥ KJ	♥ AQT3
♦ AKQJ832	♦ 97
♣ AK3	♣ J
South (D)	

South opens with a Pass.
 North will overcall 3♣ over 1♦, else Pass.
 South will bid 2♠ on the next round, if room.

Suggested bidding solution:

This hand was played at CW on 24th April



The full hand

West		North		Dummy East	
♠ J	♠ T	♠ T	♠ 876543	♠ 876543	♠ 876543
♥ KJ	♥ 972	♥ 972	♥ AQT3	♥ AQT3	♥ AQT3
♦ AKQJ832	♦ 5	♦ 5	♦ 97	♦ 97	♦ 97
♣ AK3	♣ QT976542	♣ QT976542	♣ J	♣ J	♣ J
		South (D)			
	♠ AKQ92	♠ AKQ92			
	♥ 8654	♥ 8654			
	♦ 1064	♦ 1064			
	♣ 8	♣ 8			

	♣	♦	♥	♠	NT			
N						2		
S						22	HCP	7
E		6	3	3	3		9	
W		6	3	3	3			

Standard or 2/1 Bidding			
West	North	East	South (D)
			Pass
2♣	Pass	2♦	2♠
3♦	Pass	3♥	Pass
3♠	Pass	4♦	Pass
4NT (♦)	Pass	5♦	Pass
6♦			
Standard or 2/1 Bidding Notes			
2♣	GF (3-loser hand, too good for 1♦)		
2♦	Waiting bid		
2♠	Lead directing		
3♦	GF in diamonds		
3♥	Either 5+ hearts or cue for a spade contract		
3♠	Either a cue or asking for a stopper		
4♦	Agree diamonds, long spades, no stopper		
4NT (♦)	Keycard in diamonds		
5♦	1 or 4 Keycards in diamonds (♥ A)		
6♦	To play		

This bidding should be common or similar at most tables, unless North gets really aggressive and overcalls 3♣.

Certainly, if you open 1♦, North will make a weak jump to 3♣.

Standard or 2/1 Bidding			
West	North	East	South (D)
			Pass
1♦	3♣	X	Pass
4NT (♦)	Pass	5♦	Pass
6NT	Pass	Pass	X
Standard or 2/1 Bidding Notes			
1♦ / W	Underbid , this is 3-loser diamond hand!		
3♣ / N	P Passed!, I've 2HCPs and 8 clubs .. Must bid Now!		
X / E	Negative double, min 4-4 in hearts/spades		
Pass / S	Cannot mention my 5 spades		
4NT (♦) W	Keycard in diamonds, catch-up bidding by West		
5♦ / E	1 or 4 Keycards in diamonds (♥ A)		
6NT / W	Hope its ♠ A, Looking for a top, 6♦ is more sensible		
X / S	Penalty double! What is your agreement?		

Here, the 3♣ bid by North gives EW a push to look for a 6NT top, hoping for a spade stop. But South's double is for penalties.

What is your lead agreement, if any, after a Slam contract is doubled by your partner?

My Suggestion: The **double** means "find an unusual lead partner" other than clubs. Typically, a double of a freely bid NT contract is asking for a spade lead. Here the spade lead puts declarer off 3 tricks, whilst a normal club lead presents declarer with 13 tricks.

Actual results on the board:

Contract / Tricks / Lead			Score			MPs			IMPS Calc	
			Freq	NS	EW	NS	EW	EW%	EW Diff	IMPS
4NTX	W	9 T♠	1	100		32	0	0%	-650	-12
5♦	W	10 T♠	1	50		29	3	9%	-600	-12
6♦	W	11 T♠	1	50		29	3	9%	-600	-12
5♦	E	11 A♠	1		400	26	6	19%	-150	-4
5♦	W	12 T♠	5x		420	20	12	38%	-130	-4
5♦	W	13 7♣	1		440	14	18	56%	-110	-3
3NT	W	12 6♣	1		490	12	20	63%	-60	-2
3NT	W	13 7♣	1		520	10	22	69%	-30	-1
6♦	E	12 A♠	1		920	8	24	75%	370	9
6♦	W	13 T♣	1		940	6	26	81%	390	9
6NT	W	13 6♣	1		1020	4	28	88%	470	10
6NTX	W	13 5♣	2x		1330	1	31	97%	780	13
17 Tables			Max MP = 16x2 = 32 (100%)						Avr Score EW = 550	

Matchpoint scored results:

The computer awards you 2 MPs for each pair that your score beats, and 1 MP for each pair that your score equals. The computer adds up your MPs and generally shows it as a **percentage** of the maximum MP score available on the board.

Comments:

- Going down costs, in both MP or IMP forms of scoring.
- 7 Pairs in 5♦
- Only 3 Pairs in 6♦
- 3 Pairs were in a risky 6NT. Here 2 were doubled for an unusual lead, but partner led a club anyway and they made it!.

IMP scored results:

The computer calculates the average score on the board and then compares that to your score. Any difference from the average score is converted into your board score of **PLUS** or **MINUS** IMPs via the standard international IMP conversion scale.

The full hand Repeated

	North	
	♠ T	Dummy
West	♥ 972	East
♠ J	♦ 5	♠ 876543
♥ KJ	♣ QT976542	♥ AQT3
♦ AKQJ832		♦ 97
♣ AK3	South (D)	♣ 98543
	♠ AKQ92	
	♥ 8654	
	♦ 1064	
	♣ J	

Assuming you play in 6♦ by West, on the first recommended bidding auction:

Best lead by North? Singleton ♠T. Hoping to score a ruff with singleton ♦5

Planning by West in 6♦:

Losers: 1x♠ (already lost)
 Top Winners 7x♦ +4x♥ +2x♣= >12 tricks!
 Play Problems?
 At trick 2, another spade will be returned. South overcalled 2♠ and should have 5, so North has a singleton and declarer must ruff high.

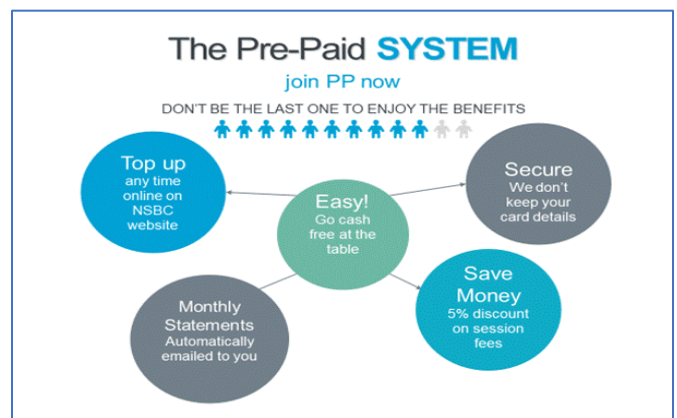
Winning line of Play:

- Ruff high
- Draw the trumps
- Pitch the losing ♣3 on the third ♥ in dummy

Card by Card – detailed play in 6♦:

- | | |
|----------------------|---------------------|
| T1 N: ♠T, ♠3, ♠Q, ♠J | Lost first Trick |
| T2 S: ♠K, ♦A, ♣2, ♠4 | Ruffed high! |
| T3 W: ♦K, ♦5, ♦7, ♦6 | Draw Trumps |
| T4 W: ♦Q, ♣4, ♦9, ♦4 | Draw Trumps |
| T5 W: ♦J, ♣5, ♠4, ♦T | All Trumps out |
| T6 W: ♥K, ♥2, ♥3, ♥4 | Unblocking ♥ |
| T7 W: ♥J, ♥7, ♥Q, ♥5 | Overtake ♥J. |
| T8 E: ♥A, ♥6, ♣3, ♥9 | Pitching west ♣3. |

Claim remaining 5 cards in the West hand are high (♣AK + 3 high ♦ trumps), making 12 tricks



Solution to Bidding Challenge 2

April 27 CW Sat 1:00 pm Dup - Open

East			
North (D)		South	
♠ AKQ95		♠ J10643	
♥ 72		♥ AK865	
♦ AJ4		♦ QT3	
♣ 1076		♣ --	
West			

North Opens 1♠.
 East doubles for takeout.
 If South redoubles, West bids 2♣, else is silent and East pre-empts to 3♣.

This hand shows the value of shape. The club void, with no wasted points in clubs, means that 6♠ can easily make on less than 25 well placed NS points.

Standard or 2/1 Bidding			
West	North (D)	East	South
	1♠	X	XX
2♣	Pass	3♣	4♣
Pass	4♦	Pass	4♥
Pass	4♠	Pass	4NT
Pass	5♦	Pass	5♠
Pass	6♠		

Bidding Notes	
1♠ /N	Standard Opening
X /E	Good shape, minimum takeout double
XX /S	Good hand partner, 10+... Our Hand
2♣ /W	Early weak run to best spot
Pass /N	Let partner take control, he may double
3♣ /E	Pre-emptive raise to 3♣
4♣ /S	Strong raise to game, slam?, asks for cue
4♦ /N	Cue
4♥ /S	Cue
4♠ /N	Nothing more to say
4NT /S	Aggressive push towards slam (♣ void)
5♦ /N	3 or 0 Keycards (♠ A+ ♠ K+ ♦ A)
5♠ /S	Pass if 0, already too high
6♠ /N	3 keycards and ♠ Q

The full hand:

	♣	♦	♥	♠	NT			
N		2	3	6	1		14	
S		2	3	6	1	3	HCP	13
E	2						10	
W	2							

West		North (D)		East	
♠ 87		♠ AKQ95		♠ 2	
♥ J9		♥ 72		♥ QT43	
♦ 987		♦ AJ4		♦ K652	
♣ Q98542		♣ 1076		♣ AKJ3	
		South			
		♠ J10643			
		♥ AK865			
		♦ QT3			
		♣ --			

NS Results on the board:

Contract / Tricks / Lead	NS Matchpoints				NS IMPS	
	Freq	Score	MP	% Score	Diff	IMPS
1♠ XX N 12 A♣	1	1520	25.9	100%	870	13
6♠ S 12 6♣	3x	980	21.6	83%	330	8
Director awarded average	1		13	50%	0	0
4♠ S 12 2♣	8x	480	9.8	38%	-170	-5
2♥ S 8 5♣	1	110	0.1	0%	-540	-11
14 Tables		Max MP = 13*2 = 26			Avr Score	NS = 650

An average board, two accidents, 3 slams and 8 games:

- One pair did not play the hand and the director awarded an **average board**
 - at Matchpoints: 13MP = 50%
 - at IMPS: a score of 0 IMPs.
- 1♠xx left in, for absolute **TOP** for NS.
- 2♥ left in, just making – **BOTTOM** for NS.
- 3 in 6♠ slam **83%** or **+8 IMPs**
- 8 in 4♠ game **38%** or **-5 IMPs**



The bidding after a **takeout double** should be very clear to all parties, otherwise the following accidents can happen - especially if the opponents **redouble**, showing strength!

Accident No 1

West	North (D)	East	South
	1 ♠	X	XX
Pass	Pass	??	

West's first Pass after the **redouble**, suggests that West has no clear preference, and East should bid their longest or best suit (2♣). So, if the bidding does come back to you in 1♣xx, you should bid (**not Pass**) as your partner's Pass was not a penalty Pass!

Note: Here West should run to 2♣ after the redouble and East may pre-empt to 3♣.

Accident No 2

West	North (D)	East	South
	1 ♠	X	2 ♥
Pass	??		

Here South did not **redouble** with their 10 HCPs and bid just 2♥.

If your agreement is to redouble with strong 10+ HCPs hands (telling partner we have the most points), then a simple bid of a **new suit is usually non-forcing, showing a long weak suit**. Here North Passed with 2 small hearts and was rewarded with a stone-cold bottom.

The Play in 6♠ by North

Best lead by East? K♣, asking for count.

Planning by North in 6♠:

If the spades break 2/1, ruff the ♣K lead, draw trumps and take the losing finesse for the ♦K. Thus make 12 tricks

2♦+2♥+2♠ +6 x cross ruffs, for 12 tricks.

EL Labour Day Matchpoint Congress

This open congress event is worth **CC points** for any members in the top 7 outright positions



It is a two session Matchpoint event that will be played on **Monday 7th October (Labour Day Public holiday)** at our East Lindfield venue starting at 10am. The table capacity is limited to 34 tables, so book early via our website.

Format Details:

- Match Point Pairs
- In 2018 ran as two separate seeded fields (NS & EW), but 2019 will depend on the number of entries
- Lunch orders taken before 10am

Link: www.northshore.bridge-club.org/bridge/lbc/upcoming-events

Labour Day Congress
Matchpoint Pairs
East Lindfield
Monday: 7th October
2 session event
Session 1 at 10.00am
Lunch orders taken Before 1st session
Red Point Event
Entry \$35.00

The winners from 2018 were:
 NS: **Witold Chylewski & Marek Kolodziejczyk**
 EW: **Kim Morrison & Fraser Rew**

Upcoming NSBC Club Events

CW - Tournament Events (AUG-OCT)			
Thursday Championship nights @ 7:30pm			
Date		Event Details	Status
1/Aug	1/4	"Morgans" SWISS PAIRS	CC event bookings Required
8/Aug	2/4		
15/Aug		No Night Session - ABF Coffs Harbour	
22/Aug	3/4	"Morgans" SWISS PAIRS	CC event bookings Required
29/Aug	4/4		
5/Sep	1/4	NSBC Mixed Teams Club Championship	CC event bookings Required
12/Sep	2/4		
19/Sep	3/4		
26/Sep	4/4		
3/Oct	1/2	NSBC Swiss Pairs	bookings Required
10/Oct	2/2		
17/Oct		No night sessions - ABF Spring Nationals	
24/Oct			
31/Oct	1/5	NSBC Club Teams Championship	CC event

CW Tuesday Daytime @ 1pm (AUG-OCT)			
Date		Event Details	Status
20-Aug	1/3	CW Daytime GNOT Metro Qualifier Gold Point Tournament	Bookings Required website
27-Aug	2/3		
3-Sep	3/3		

CW & EL All Saturday's Daytime @ 1pm			
Date		Event Details	Status
3/Aug	1/5	TBIB Stratified Matchpoint Pairs Joint CW/EL Saturday fields (CC) Red Point Tournament	CC event Walk-in Best 3 Scores count
10/Aug	2/5		
17/Aug	3/5		
23/Aug	4/5		
31/Aug	5/5		

NSWBA State events with NSBC Club representation			
Date		Event Details	Status
15/Sep	1/1	State Open Teams (Metropolitan Final)	NSBC Reps + bookings
21/Sep	1/2	GNOT (Metropolitan Final)	NSBC Reps + bookings
22/Sep	2/2		
27/Oct	1/1	STATE Teams (Metropolitan Final)	NSBC Reps + bookings

EL - Special Events (AUG-OCT)			
Date		Event Details	Status
25-Aug	34T	EL Swiss Teams Congress	CC event bookings Required website
7-Oct	34T	EL Labour Day Matchpoint Pairs Congress	CC event bookings Required website

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ABF News & Coming Events

<https://www.abf.con.au/yearly-calendar>

Swan River Swiss Open Pairs – Perth	August 10-11
Coffs Coast Gold Congress – Coffs Harbour	August 13-18
6th World Youth Open Championships – Opatija	August 20-29
Territory Gold Bridge Festival – Alice Springs	September 4-8
HGR Memorial Congress – Perth	September 14-15

Upcoming NSW Congress events

August, 2019	
State Individual @ NSWBA Clubrooms	Aug 3 (Sat) @ 10am
Orange Bridge Club - Swiss Pairs, Swiss teams	Aug 3 (Sat), Aug 4 (Sun)
Nowra Bridge Club - Swiss teams	Aug 4 (Sun)
Trumps Bridge Centre - Winter Swiss teams	
ABF: Swan River Open Swiss Pairs	Aug 10 (Sat) - 11 (Sun)
Central Coast Bridge Club Novice and Restricted Congress - Swiss Pairs, Swiss teams	
Moree Bridge Club - Swiss Pairs	
Wagga Wagga Bridge Club 41st Annual Congress - Swiss Pairs, Swiss teams	
Ingleburn RSL Bridge Club - Swiss Teams	Aug 11 (Sun)
ABF: Coffs Coast Gold Congress	Aug 13 (Tue) - 18 (Sun)
Tamworth Bridge Club - Swiss Pairs	Aug 24 (Sat) - 25 (Sun)
NSBC at East Lindfield - Swiss teams	Aug 25 (Sun)
Toronto Bridge Club - Swiss Teams	Aug 31 (Sat), Sep 1 (Sun)
Tweed Bridge Club Birthday Congress - Swiss	
Blue Mountains Bridge Club Inc Bygone Beautys Swiss Pairs, Swiss teams	

September, 2019	
ABF: Territory Gold Bridge Festival	Sep 4 (Wed) - 8 (Sun)
Cowra and District Bridge Club - Swiss Pairs, Swiss Teams	Sep 7 (Sat) - 8 (Sun)
Port Macquarie-Hastings Bridge Assoc - Swiss Teams	
Hunters Hill Bridge Club - Swiss Teams	Sep 8 (Sun)
Lismore Bridge Club - Swiss Teams	Sep 15 (Sun)
Trumps Bridge Centre Spring Teams	
ABF: Hans Rosendorff Memorial Congress	Sep 14 (Sat) - 15 (Sun)
Great Lakes Bridge Club - Swiss Pairs, Swiss teams	
Camden Haven (Lusc) Bridge Club - Pairs & Swiss Teams	Sep 21 (Sat) - 22 (Sun)
Central Coast Leagues Bridge Club - Pairs & Swiss Teams	
Mollymook Bridge Club - Swiss Pairs, Swiss teams	
NSWBA GNOT Metropolitan Final	Sep 29 (Sun)
Illawarra Bridge Association - Swiss Pairs	
Peninsula Bridge Club - Interclub Pairs (play for NSBC)	
October, 2019	
Wollstonecraft Bridge Club - Matchpoint Pairs	Oct 6 (Sun)
NSBC @ East Lindfield - Labour day Matchpoint Pairs	Oct 7 (Mon)