

# ♠ North Shore Bridge Club ♣



## November Newsletter

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**CUSTOMERS ARE REALLY EVERYTHING**



## IT'S NEARLY 2017!

Amazing how the year has flown! Melbourne Cup day seems to come around so quickly.

This year it is on Tuesday Nov 1 and will be held at both venues. Please enter on the noticeboard at either club where you will see all details.

It's wonderful how numbers have increased due to the new players joining the club after the beginners lessons. Full credit to all who are involved in making sure that new players enjoy their sessions.

Sadly no emails have been received with interesting or amusing hands. Please share an interesting or humorous hand with us.

Congrats to Johnno Newman, our Monday morning director who with his teammates made it to the semi-finals of the Spring Nationals out of 128 teams.

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A bridge player comes home after a session and finds his wife washing dishes in the kitchen. He says to her "Do you want a hand ? " to which she replies "That would be nice" The husband says " You hold

♠ AK64 ♥ J942 ♦ ..... She who must be obeyed is not amused.

2 supervised players build up enough courage to try the open.  
They are very nervous. On the very first hand one of them sitting East  
opens 1C. The left hand opponent turns to his partner and says  
" And what do you understand by your partner's bid?" Quick as  
a flash West replies "Mind your own business."

(This is a true story which occurred at Rose Bay Bridge Centre on a  
cold Tuesday night in 1990)

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Pooch : " We are going to have to compromise on our  
system. I'll only agree to play baby food (Gerber) if  
you agree to play Multi Twos. I know there's a lot of  
memory work involved but I'm sure you're up to it. "  
Bubs : "Ok, Can we also play baby Blackwood e.g.  
1S -3S -3NT asks for Aces at a lower level.

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### A VERY IMPORTANT ISSUE



Slow play, as opposed to careful or thoughtful play, is discourteous  
to your opponents – and to all other competitors as well. Players and  
pairs who take more than their allotted time are subject to penalty.  
In general, pairs who are rarely late will be warned while pairs who are  
habitually tardy and/or pay no attention to time limits will be penalized

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### IMPROVERS LESSONS

For details of forthcoming improvers/advanced lessons please contact  
Anita at [lessons@bridgeclub.com.au](mailto:lessons@bridgeclub.com.au).

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After a win you enjoy a glass of wine.



After coming last you need it!



## November Madness

**Red Points for these sessions for the month of November.**

Club Willoughby.

Sunday 1.30pm this is a fun and friendly session so come join in and earn **Red points** in November. No Partner just come along.

East Lindfield

Tuesday 10.00 this is a fun and friendly session earn **Red points** for all November. No Partner just come along we would love to see you.

Friday 10.00am also just turn up partner or not we would love to see you come along **Red points** for all of November.

## December 26<sup>th</sup> Boxing Day

**Red Points at both venues on Boxing Day.**

Club Willoughby 1.00pm Open Duplicate with **Red Masterpoints**.

East Lindfield 9.30am and 1.00pm Open Duplicates with **Red Masterpoints**.



# Session Times over Christmas New Year

Week 18-25 Dec 2016		Willoughby				East Lindfield	
		Open	Restricted	Supervised	Rookie	Open	Supervised
Monday	9:30am					Open	
19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	10:00am	Open	Open				
	1:00pm					Open	
	2:00pm			Open	Open		
	7:30pm	Open					
Tuesday	10:00am			Open	Open	Open	
20 <sup>th</sup> Dec	1:00pm	Open					
	2:00pm						Open
	7:00pm						Open
	7:30pm	Open		Open		Open	
Wednesday	10:00am	Open	Open			Open	
21 <sup>st</sup> Dec	2:00pm			Open	Open		
	7:30pm	Open					
Thursday	10:00am	Open					
22 <sup>nd</sup> Dec	1:00pm					Open	
	7:30pm	Xmas teams					
Friday	10:00am	Open			Open	Open	
23 <sup>rd</sup> Dec							
Saturday	1:00pm	Open				Open	
24 <sup>th</sup> Dec							
Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup>	1:30pm	Closed					



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Week 26 Dec 2016 – 1 Jan 2017		Willoughby				East Lindfield	
		Open	Restricted	Supervised	Rookie	Open	Supervised
Monday	9:30am	Closed				Open	Red Pts.
26 <sup>th</sup> Dec	10:00am			Closed	Closed		
	1:00pm	Open	Red Pts.			Open	Red Pts.
	2:00pm						
	7:30pm	Closed					
Tuesday	10:00am			Closed		Open	
27 <sup>th</sup> Dec	1:00pm	Open					
	2:00pm						Closed
	7:00pm						Closed
	7:30pm	Closed		Closed		Closed	
Wednesday	10:00am	Open	Open			Open	
28 <sup>st</sup> Dec	2:00pm						
	7:30pm	Open					
Thursday	10:00am	Open					
29 <sup>nd</sup> Dec	1:00pm					Open	
	7:30pm						
Friday	10:00am	Open			Open	Open	
30 <sup>th</sup> Dec							
Sat 31 <sup>st</sup> Dec	1.00pm	Open				Open	
Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> Jan		Closed					
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> Jan	1.00pm	Open				9.30am	1.00pm

# THE GREATEST CONQUEST IS SELFCONTROL

You are running late and arrive 5 minutes before the session to play with a new partner . You quickly discuss the standard bidding and defence agreeing that you are just going to "wing it".

The first round goes quite well and you are probably slightly ahead. The fun begins with the first board of round 2. With all vulnerable East your right hand opponent opens 1NT. You hold ♠ KQ6 ♥KQ9 ♦AK32 ♣ A74 What on earth are you going to do with 21 points? It would be so much easier if you were East's partner! You are deep in thought wondering whether you should double. If you do partner will surely bid. Suddenly a light dawns. Your bridge teacher kept telling the class to count up to 40 on every hand. You now realise that West and North have a total of 4 points or less between them. Assuming partner has 2 points the only thing you can do is pass which you do. West and North also pass. You have a difficult lead problem but finally settle for the 2D. The full hand is :

♠ 763 LEAD : 2C  
♥ J54  
♦ J95  
♣ J832

♠ J1096 ♠ A542  
♥ 8732 ♥ A106  
♦ 64 ♦ Q1087  
♣ 10965 ♣ KQ

♠ KQ5  
♥ KQ9  
♦ AK32  
♣ A74

E	S	W	N
1NT	P	P	P

" The greatest conquest is  
self control " - Ralph Habas

(An American writer who wrote :  
How to live without Alcohol)

East manages to scramble 5 tricks for -200. He can't help giving you these funny looks as you keep on winning tricks. The bridgemate reveals that most Souths went down in no trumps. Your partner is absolutely delighted and says to you "This could be the start of a beautiful partnership " As you start the next board you are thinking to yourself " I hope I can restrain myself for the rest of the session so I won't blot my copybook."

(The hand is taken from a recent Friday morning session at E.Lindfield)



# Learn T♠ Play Br♦dg♣

With leading teachers;  
Liz Wilkinson & Ed Barnes

Monday February 6th 2017 2.00pm or 7.00pm  
at Club Willoughby 20-26 Crabbes avenue  
With Liz Wilkinson

or

Tuesday February 28th 2.00pm or 7.00pm  
at East Lindfield 2B Carlyle Road  
With Ed Barnes

*Whether you're looking for a positive outlet for your competitive spirit, or you're simply looking for a great way to make new friends and keep your mind active, bridge is your game. Ed and Liz have decades of experience with new players and a gentle touch that makes learning the game fun and easy*

## **Bookings**

[manager@bridgeclub.com.au](mailto:manager@bridgeclub.com.au)

[www.learnbridgeinsydney.com.au](http://www.learnbridgeinsydney.com.au)

or Sue Crompton 0416 290 867





# You are invited to play in the **UNDER 100 MASTERPOINTS PAIRS**

Divisions for



## Sunday 27 November 2016

Two sessions starting 10:00am

\$25 per person (includes lunch)

**Each player must be below the threshold  
for that category**

*Direct Entry* to the Finals at one of the following clubs via  
[www.nswba.com.au/tourn/calendar.asp](http://www.nswba.com.au/tourn/calendar.asp)

### **NSWBA**

Level 1 162 Goulburn Street EAST SYDNEY 2010

TEL 9264 8111 ♦ EMAIL [office@nswba.com.au](mailto:office@nswba.com.au)

### **NORTH SHORE BRIDGE CLUB**

Lindfield Bowling Club 2b Carlyle Road EAST LINDFIELD 2070

TEL 9411 3527 ♦ EMAIL [office@bridgeclub.com.au](mailto:office@bridgeclub.com.au)

### **PENINSULA BRIDGE CLUB**

Nelson Heather Centre 4 Jacksons Road WARRIEWOOD 2102

TEL 9970 6527 ♦ EMAIL [bridgeinc@optusnet.com.au](mailto:bridgeinc@optusnet.com.au)

### **SOUTHSIDE BRIDGE CENTRE**

Shop C4 Level 1 47-67 Mulga Road OATLEY WEST 2223

TEL 8068 4646 ♦ EMAIL [sside.bridge@optusnet.com.au](mailto:sside.bridge@optusnet.com.au)

### **TRUMPS BRIDGE CENTRE**

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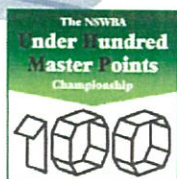
TEL 9969 5959 ♦ EMAIL [trumps@trumps.net.au](mailto:trumps@trumps.net.au)

**PRIZES & MASTERPOINTS** are awarded within each division

**RED Masterpoints** at B4s Level

Pre-dealt boards with hand records

**Conducted under the auspices of the New South Wales Bridge Association**





## SUNDAY AFTERNOON DUPLICATE 1.30 p.m.

Please join us for a fun and friendly afternoon of bridge. You are very welcome without a partner. An ideal session for you and your partner to practice the new conventions you have just agreed to play. See you there. **RED POINTS IN NOVEMBER**

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### GARBAGE STAYMAN

You'd better believe it! It's a convention which works well when it comes up. You can only use it over 1NT or 2NT(20-21). Responder must have a void or singleton club. It can only be used with simple Stayman, Here are some examples : Partner opens 1NT and you hold : ♠ 8643 ♥9873 ♦K632 ♣ 4 You respond 2C and now pass whatever partner bids( 2D,2H or 2S). you pass.

Exactly the same would occur if partner opens 2NT. In both examples you know that no trumps would be a disaster. There's a story about a husband thinking they were playing Extended Stayman and bid 3C over his wife's 2C.

At the end of the hand after he went down 3 in 3NT his wife said to him " Okay, you can take out the garbage for the next 2 weeks"

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The Club Mixed Teams championship starts on Thursday Nov. 10 at 7.30 p.m and runs for 4 weeks : Nov 17, 24 and Dec 1. Please enter on the noticeboard.

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**Please contact Greg with any suggestions**



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