

♠ North Shore Bridge Club ♣



August - September Newsletter 2017

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CUSTOMERS ARE REALLY EVERYTHING



NSW WONDERFUL RESULTS!

Congratulations

In the recent Interstate Finals all our NSW teams performed magnificently. Our open team fought valiantly to lose by only 1.V.P to South Australia. The Women, Seniors, and Juniors all had comfortable wins. Several NSBC members are in these winning teams....



Seniors' Team



Women's Team



Youth Team



Open Team



New Rookie Sessions Starting in September

We are starting two new rookie sessions at Club Willoughby.

Tuesday 5th September at 7.15pm for a free pre-game talk for a 7.30pm start and finishing close to 9.30pm.

This will be run by John Scotford he is fantastic at helping you improve your game and always gives a great talk for 15 minutes before you sit down to play, please come along you will not only enjoy your new session but get some useful tips on how to improve your game. No partner required just come along you will always get a game.

Thursday 7th September at Club Willoughby 1.45pm for a free pre-game talk for a 2.00pm start and finishing close to 4.00pm.

This will be run by one of the new stars in Australia Johnno Newman you will get new ideas and many tips on how to improve your game, getting this pre-game talk is week will be worth its weight in gold and your game will get stronger in leaps and bounds. No partner required just come along you will always get a game.

To make these new sessions successful we need your support so please join in make them fun and friendly and all players will enjoy themselves.

Hoping to see you then.

Kind regards

Mike Prescott

The NSBC Super congress – A great Success

Winners of major events:



Creghton Swiss Teams - 1st - Leo Goorevich, Steven Bock, Kevin Davies, Lester Kaimin



TBIB Swiss Teams - 1st - Warren Lazer, Pauline Gumby, Paul Lavings, David Hudson



Watermark Swiss Pairs - 1st NS - Matt SMITH - Jessica BRAKE



Watermark Swiss Pairs - 1st EW - Julian FOSTER - Warren LAZER

There once was a player from Beirut
 Who thought he would try to be so cute
 He overcalled ♠. And died as he played
 The post more term a four card suit.



AN INTERESTING DOUBLE

You and your partner Jim arrive 15 minutes before the session. You both want to clarify whether a double at a low level is for takeout or for penalties. You decide it is for takeout. On the 3rd board of the evening you pick up the following hand as South ♠ J86, ♥ Q, ♦ QJ109, ♣ KJ975. North is the dealer with nil vul. The bidding proceeds as follows :

N	E	S	W
!H	P	2C	X
2H	2S	P	P
X	P	?	



North Shore Bridge Club

East Lindfield

Would like to invite you to play in the –

New Event

2017 Swiss Teams Congress



The ABF has approved the issue of
Red Masterpoints at level B4

Sunday 27th August, 2017

10am start, 2 sessions



ENTRY FEE - \$30 per person

LUNCH – Pre-order or bring lunch, snacks and nibbles provided

To Enter:

- a) On-line - www.northshore.bridge-club.org
- b) Email - mikeprescott7@hotmail.com
- c) Phone – Mike: 0435 528 872

Conducted under the auspices of the NSWBA

The "Two Men & a Truck" Novice & Restricted Congress at EL in June was a great success! 38 pairs & 19 teams competed.



Novice SWISS PAIRS Winners:
David Factor
Kanchan Factor



Restricted SWISS PAIRS Winners:
Len Evershed
Sarah Young



Novice Swiss Teams Winners

Novice Congress Team Winners:
Michelle Levy
Fiona Fawcett
Kit Meyers
Kerry Rymer
With our manager: Mike Prescott



Restricted Swiss Teams Winners

Restricted Congress Team Winners:
Hans Van Weeren,
Peter Clarke
Heidi COLENBRANDER,
Ray HURST,
With our manager: Mike Prescott





North Shore Bridge Club Club Willoughby

Would like to invite you to play in the –

2017 GNOT Daytime Qualifier

A Gold Masterpoint Event

Tuesday afternoons at 1.00pm
22nd, 29th August, 5th & 12th September

ENTRY FEE

\$60 for members & \$80 for non-members

Must play all 4 sessions to qualify, substitutes allowed.

FORMAT

Depending On Entries

PRIZE

Entry fee covered for entry into the
Metro Final GNOT Event

To Enter

- a) Notice Board – full name and ABF
- b) On-line - www.northshore.bridge-club.org
- c) Email - mikeprescott7@hotmail.com
- d) Phone – Mike: 0435 528 872

Now this is interesting after your previous conversation.
 The question is : is this for takeout or penalties ?. By a
 process of elimination you decide to pass ready to accept
 the consequences. You lead the QH. The full hand was :

♠ Q1097 LEAD : QH
 ♥ AK9863
 ♦ A8
 ♣ 6

♠ A	♠ K5432
♥ J52	♥ 1074
♦ K52	♦ 7643
♣ AQ10842	♣ 3

♠ J86
 ♥ Q
 ♦ QJ109
 ♣ KJ975

Bloodbath would be a mild description of the result. E/W score -1100. As they are both well-mannered the post mortem is very polite. East states that he thought that West's double showed the majors. They agree to disagree. Meanwhile Jim is very pleased that you recognised his double as penalties.



COULD E/W PLEASE CHECK THE SCORES CAFEFULLY



DON'T WORRY SOMEONE WILL DO IT!

This is a story about four Bridge Players named everybody, somebody, anybody and nobody. There was an important job to be done and everybody was sure somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but nobody did it. Somebody got angry about that, because it was everybody's job. Everybody thought anybody could do it, but somebody forgot to ask anybody. It ended up that everybody blamed somebody when nobody did what anybody could have done.

A special thank you to Joan Stobo for providing the above.

SYDNEY SPRING NATIONALS

18 – 26 October 2017 *at* Canterbury Park Racecourse, Sydney

Teams Events

18 – 20 October (Wed – Fri)

Spring Nationals Open Teams Qualifying

18 – 19 October (Wed & Thu)

Two Men and a Truck Restricted Teams

All players fewer than 300 Masterpoints at 30/6/2017

23 – 25 October (Mon – Wed)

Bobby Evans Seniors' Teams Qualifying

All players born before 1/1/1960

23 – 25 October (Mon – Wed)

Linda Stern Women's Teams Qualifying

Pairs Events

21 – 22 October (Sat & Sun)

Dick Cummings Open Pairs

21 – 22 October (Sat & Sun)

Ted Chadwick Restricted Pairs

Both players fewer than 300 Masterpoints at 30/6/2017

21 – 22 October (Sat & Sun)

Spring Nationals Novice Pairs

Both players fewer than 100 Masterpoints at 30/6/2017

26 October (Thu)

Jacaranda Pairs

– all welcome, come in purple or green!

ABF
an ABF event



hosted by
NSW Bridge Association

Chief Tournament Director: Matthew McManus

Tournament Organiser: Mike Prescott 0435 528 872 / mikeprescott7@hotmail.com

Gold Masterpoints & Playoff Qualifying Points

Visit www.abfevents.com.au/events/spnot/2017

for full brochure, accommodation options and entry facilities

email sn@abf.com.au

Café. Free parking. Free tea and coffee.

Pre-Paid System

The new system has been in place for some eight months now and makes life much easier for all concerned . This saves players having to bring cash and saves the club endless hours of admin work.

If you are not on the pre-paid system please consider joining as it is so easy. You can fill in the joining form at the bottom of this page, cut it off and bring it to the club. You can make a deposit and then when you are running out of funds the directors will let you know you need to top up your account. This is just like an opal card without the automatic top up.

I am working on a new system that will automatically top up your account but this is going to take some time to put into action.

PP system monthly statements

Where we have an email address for a member of the PP System, monthly statements are sent out in the first week of the month for the previous month. The statement shows the opening balance, games played, any deposits made during the month and the closing balance.

Not Receiving a Monthly Statement

If you are not receiving a monthly statement and you filled out your email address details on the PP System Application form, then first check in the trash or spam folders in your emails. It may be that the statements are sitting there. If they cannot be found then please contact Margaret in Admin on (02) 9411 3527.

Players Conduct

We aim to make NSBC a fun and friendly place to attend and have a good game of bridge.

What we need from all players in all sessions is to treat others with respect including our staff.

If you have any issues at the table please call the director to solve them. That's why they are there you should never feel upset in anyway if someone ever calls for the director. They are there to help and to make sure the laws are always in place and everyone is dealt with fairly.

We never want players upset over any situation. It's a much better game if we stay calm and make it enjoyable for everyone.

I would very much appreciate all of your support in making NSBC not only the largest club but the most fun and friendly club in Australia.

IMPROVERS/ ADVANCED LESSONS



For details of forthcoming improvers/advanced lessons please contact Anita at lessons@bridgeclub.com.au.



SUNDAY AFTERNOON DUPLICATE 1.30 p.m.

An ideal session for you and your partner to practice all the complicated conventions you have just agreed to play. Please join us for a fun and friendly afternoon of bridge directed by the very amiable Malcolm . You are very welcome without a partner.



BIDDING IN 4TH SEAT

After the bidding goes 1C, 1D, 1H OR 1S and the bidding goes pass, pass, pass it is often difficult to know what to do. Have a look at the following situations.

W	N	E	S
1D	P	P	?

Here are 3 different hands you might hold in 3rd seat :

- 1) ♠ 4 ♥KQJ972, ♦ A85 ♣A65
- 2) ♠ 94 ♥ QJ1092, ♦ A85, ♣ 652
- 3) ♠ K4 ♥K92 ♦J985, ♣ A652

In each case N/S is not vulnerable. What would you bid with each of the above 3 hands over 1D ?

With hand 1) you should jump to 2H. This shows an intermediate hand with at least 5 hearts.

BRIDGE SEMINAR with ANDY HUNG

Bridge Workshop on:

THE ART OF COUNTING on DEFENCE



Improve your counting on defence to defeat more contracts!



Come along and learn some different and challenging techniques to help you count on defence!



- ♣ The format will be a combined mixture of problems and discussion, an interactive PowerPoint lecture, as well as boards to play (and discussion about the boards)
- ♣ Every player will also receive a set of well-presented notes of the seminar which goes into much more detail.
- ♣ An analysis of the played boards will also be provided for all.

Date:	Friday August 18 , 2017
Time:	2pm – 4pm
Where:	North Shore Bridge Club
Cost:	\$20 per person – <i>bookings essential</i>

♥ **Lecture** ♣ **Hands to play** ♦ **Discussion** ♠ **Notes**

Introduction to ANDY HUNG



Andy lives and teaches bridge in Queensland. He has represented Australia internationally on numerous occasions and has won Australian National tournaments (most recent the 2016 Spring National Open Teams and the 2017 Gold Coast Congress Open Teams Championships).

Andy has been teaching bridge for the past seven years and also takes bridge holidays domestically and overseas. He is a keen supporter of youth bridge and frequently coaches the Australian Youth Team.

For more information, visit his bridge website at www.andyhungbridge.com

To register, please register online at the North Shore Bridge Club website, or email Mike Prescott at manager@bridgeclub.com.au

With hand 2} you should simply overcall 1H.

With hand 3} you should bid 1NT showing 11-14 balanced and a heart stopper.



Underbidding and Overbidding

W	N	E	S	
2C	P	2D	?	<u>N/ S VULNERABLE</u>

You hold : ♠ 73 ♥ AK963 ♦ 932 ♣ 765

What's the problem? Pass of course. A good example of **underbidding**. Whatever contract they reach (and West is likely to be the declarer) you want a heart lead. if you think you might play in 2Hx you are dreaming! West will bid his suit or no trumps. If he doubles it is most unlikely that East will pass.

But if you overcall 2H with ♠ 73 ♥ KJ963 ♦ 932 ♣ 765 you are now overbidding!



There is no such thing as patenting a bid and collecting a royalty on it. If Blackwood had a cent for every time his convention was abused he would be a multi - millionaire.

Q. What is the fibula?

A. A small lie

Q. What does 'varicose' mean?

A. Nearby



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