



# NSBC Newsletter



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Have any of your friends or family been curious about your Bridge? Satisfy their curiosity and get them in to the wonderful game that is bridge, with new lessons starting **19<sup>th</sup> July at EL and NR Venues.**

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## Challenge (Play) Hand 1 (Bid and Play)

North	Matchpoints Dealer West NS Vul West opens 1♣ (+2♣ Opening hand)
♠ AJT84	
♥ AJ5	
♦ A763	
♣ Q4	
South	How do you bid this to the best spot?
♠ KQ	
♥ Q8632	Assuming you got to a 4♥ contract, West starts the defence with ♠9 lead. What Now?
♦ Q4	
♣ K932	



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**Liam Milne**

## Serious Covid Lock down Impact

The NSW Government has imposed a city-wide lockdown on Saturday 26 June for at least two weeks. With this lockdown, **all face-to-face bridge at North Shore Bridge Club will be temporarily suspended** until the situation improves.

If you have not already tried RealBridge, now is the time to do so. We are very well placed for these situations with the largest online player base of any club in Australia. Have a look at our [RealBridge schedule](#) - there are sure to be sessions on at a time that suits you. A reminder that you must ensure you have a positive prepaid (PP) balance to play in our online sessions; you can top up using our [payments portal](#). Monthly statements will be sent out this week with your current PP balance.

I will communicate further with you when we are able to open our doors and resume face-to-face bridge once again. Once again, thank you for bearing with us during this time. Stay home, stay safe and look after yourselves and others.

Kind regards, **Liam Milne** 0478 626 393

## Challenge Hand 2 (Bid and Play)

North	Matchpoints Dealer South NS Vul
♠ KQ6	
♥ K752	
♦ J973	
♣ AK	
South (D)	West interposed 2NT (minors). How do you bid to the best spot?
♠ AJT94	
♥ AQ8	Assuming you get to the 6♠ Contract. West starts with the ♣Q lead. How do you play the hand?
♦ AT6	
♣ 42	





## Update from the President

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**David Fryda**

Dear Members,

Well, we find ourselves back in an unfortunately familiar lockdown situation once again! This time around though we have the benefit of a well-established online bridge club. Gary and his team are already doing a great job of providing us all with the capacity to play bridge online. For those of you who were back into the groove of playing face-to-face but would like a bridge “fix” during lockdown, we have a wide range of supervised, rookie, restricted and open sessions throughout the week on RealBridge. If you would like some help with learning how to use the system please reach out to Gary, he is amazing at being able to help get you set up and going. The same applies for some of the lessons we were giving or planning to give face-to-face, we will offer these online for the moment until we know what is happening with the current set of restrictions.

In the meantime, we are not letting COVID restrictions get in the way of our development application (DA) for the Chatswood premises. We continue to progress through multiple steps in the process. We are close, I hope, and I expect the DA to be lodged in July. It is not clear how long the review process will take and of course there may be more questions to be addressed before final approval is granted. Following approval we will do the fit-out and then after final approvals we will be ready to occupy! At this stage I would estimate that if all goes well, we will be able to start operations in the last quarter of 2021.

Everyone that has seen the location and proposed clubrooms are extremely positive. We have a fantastic opportunity here to establish a fabulous new home for North Shore Bridge Club. Our goal is to provide you with the best clubrooms in Sydney.

Clearly the biggest concern most members have is with the availability of parking. Ideally, we

would all love to have unlimited free parking but on the north shore of Sydney this is clearly a challenge. Venues like Willoughby are disappearing fast as developers realise the value of their land is far greater when used as occupiable space versus a car park. Those venues that do have car parks, like North Ryde RSL and East Lindfield Bowling Club are in less central locations.

However, the location we have selected is:

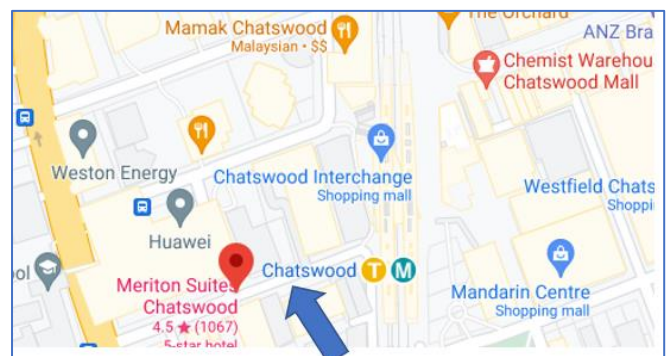
- Five minutes' walk from the exit of the Chatswood Westfield car park which offers 4 hours of free parking per day (to get 4 hours free you need to download their app to your phone and register your vehicle).
- Next door to a building with a public car park which charges \$11 for all day parking.
- Two minutes' walk from the Chatswood Interchange for those who come by train or bus.
- In the centre of the North Shore geographically closer to our member base than either of our current venues.
- A fabulous space which is perfect for a bridge club, being well-lit and available for us to fit out however we like to be a premium Sydney bridge club.

I can assure you that the feedback many of you have provided is being taken seriously. Your feedback has resulted in the committee committing to explore the feasibility of a ride share scheme for members as well as a courtesy bus with some convenient pick-up points.

I will endeavour to keep all members informed as the situation progresses and as always, I encourage you to provide me and the other committee members with your feedback.

Happy bridging!

David





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## New Sponsorship

I am happy to announce a new club sponsor "HYEGROVE Willoughby", who are initially sponsoring our **HYEGROVE Willoughby Stratified Pairs Championship** in July/Aug.



**Our Sponsor:** Hyegrove Willoughby is the new luxury retirement living community at the upcoming Heart of Willoughby precinct at the Club Willoughby location on the corner of Penshurst Street and Crabbes Avenue, Willoughby. To find out more visit [Hyegrove.com.au](http://Hyegrove.com.au)

## CC - Club Championship (Brownie Cup)

The Hybrid Pairs and the 4 Open Congress events (moved to RealBridge) all completed this month. This changes the state of play in the Club Championship with now 13 events completed so far this year.

The CC leader currently is **Wayne Zhu**



The CC Leaders Table after 13/22 events:

Pos	Player	CC Points	Events Played
1	Wayne Zhu	67	11
2	David Fryda	58	13
3	Peter Jeffery	50	10
4	Michael Cartmell	48	10
5	David Weston	43	9
6=	David Beauchamp	42	5
6=	Yumin Li	42	9

## ANC 2021 Postponed.

The 2021 ANC and Joan Prince Memorial Swan River Swiss Pairs scheduled for 10-22 July have been postponed to **6-18 November 2021**.

## The Club 2021 Tournament Programme

The ANC cancellation & new dates in November have caused a major re-jig of the clubs remaining Thursday night programme.

The First Major change

1. **Club Open Pairs Championship** will commence on **8/July**. A 3-week club championship event, also counting towards the Club Championship.
2. The mini-Swiss & Goulash events have been **cancelled**.

The next 3 months key events are detailed below.

CC	Sess	Date	When	Venue	NSBC 2021 CC Events List
15	1/3	8-Jul	Thursday Night	RB	Club Open Pairs Championship + (SOP Qual)
	2/3	15-Jul	Thursday Night		
	3/3	22-Jul	Thursday Night		
17	1/4	29-Jul	Thursday Night	RB	NSBC Club Teams Championship + (SOT Qual)
	2/4	5-Aug	Thursday Night		
	3/4	12-Aug	Thursday Night		
	4/4	19-Aug	Thursday Night		
16	2x	22-Aug	Sun Daytime	EL	EL Swiss Teams Congress
	1x	26-Aug	Thursday Night	RB	VCC Duplicate
18	1/3	2-Sep	Thursday Night	RB	BAM Teams
	2/3	9-Sep	Thursday Night		
	3/3	16-Sep	Thursday Night		
20	1/3	23-Sep	Thursday Night	RB	Club Matchpointed Swiss Pairs Championship
	2/3	30-Sep	Thursday Night		
	3/3	7-Oct	Thursday Night		
19	2x	4-Oct	Mon PH Daytime	EL	EL Labour Day Matchpoint Congress Pairs
	2x	Oct 14,21	Thursday Night	RB	Spring Nats Duplicates

## Some Club Statistics

Venue use	Active Sessions	Active Tables	Tables / Session	Month	Comment
104	103	1140	11.07	January	94% RB, 70% Open, EL Just opening
117	115	1188	9.00	February	84% RB, 73% Open,
153	148	1455	9.50	March	67% RB, 72% Open, NR opens
142	139	1267	9.12	April	64% RB, 74% Open, Easter (No Bridge)
159	163	1387	8.51	May	59% RB, 73% Open
152	155	1658	10.70	June	68% RB, 71% Open, RB Festival Events, F2F Lock down



## Stratified Pairs - Saturdays in July/Aug

### Hyegrove Willoughby Stratified Pairs Championships



The big event starting at the end of July is the **Hyegrove Willoughby Stratified Pairs Championships**.

This event will be played at all venues (RB, EL and NR) on **Saturday afternoons** over 4 weeks in July-Aug. Starting on the 31st of July. No pre-entry required, all sessions get **Red Points** and good cash prizes for all category winners at the end of the event.

This event has been moved because of the Covid lock down.



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**Gary Barwick**

## Club Open Pairs Championship

The next event will be the 3-week **57<sup>th</sup> Club Open Pairs Championship** starting on 8<sup>th</sup> July for 3 Thursday nights. Bookings are a must via the club website: <https://www.northshore.bridge-club.org/node/1546>

### Hyegrove Willoughby Stratified Pairs Championships

**Graded Prizes: 1<sup>st</sup> \$100, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$50** In each of the 5 Categories (<100MP, <300MP, <500MP, <750MP, and Open) of Stratified Pairs awarded over the 4 Saturday sessions.

**4 Saturday afternoon Sessions in July: 1pm or 1:30pm 31<sup>st</sup> July, 7<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> Aug at EL, NR & RB**

This match pointed event will be run over 4 Saturdays in July/Aug (break for Coffs Super Congress Online), to decide the Clubs 2021 Stratified Pairs Club Championship titles. The results will also count for 2021 NSBC Club Champion (Brownie Cup).

You can play in 1 or all 4 sessions, at any venue (EL, NR, RB) on these Saturday afternoons will be included in the competition. All will play the same hands.

Your category is defined by averaging your partnership Masterpoints (Your MPs + Partner MPs / 2). Your best 3 session percentage scores with the same partner, (Re-scored across the combined 50+ table field) will be counted towards the category awards & prizes.

**Directors:**  
Open **NR Ronnie Ng**  
Open + Restricted **RB Brian Soutter**  
Open **EL Sue Crompton**  
Convenors: **Gary Barwick & Liam Milne**

We welcome visitors who are financial members of the ABF to play in this event. Yellow complex Systems are not permitted.

**Red Points at all sessions**

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**2019 Winners:**  
Open Pieter Kliffen & Marjorie Thomas  
<750mp Kay Moyes & Marlaiane Gahan  
<500mp Racheal & Maurice Loomes  
<300mp David Hagley & Bruce Edwards  
<100mp Kathryn Steward & Susan Feeney

**Normal Table Fees apply**  
**\$8/\$10 / RB Sessions**  
**\$12/\$15 / NR, EL Sessions**

## 57<sup>th</sup> Club Open Pairs Championship

Now on RealBridge in 2021

**Prizes 1<sup>st</sup> \$400, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$200, 3<sup>rd</sup> \$100**

**3 Thursday Night Sessions: 7:00pm**  
**8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> July**

You must enter for all 3 nights (subs are allowed) via club website by 10pm Wednesday 7th. Late entries may be allowed by Convenor at his discretion.

This is a match pointed event, structure dependant on entries

This is also a qualifying Event to represent NSBC in the State Open Pairs (SOP) at the NSWBA clubrooms on 20/21 November.

A qualifying event for 2021 Club Championship (Brownie Cup)

**Red Points**

We welcome **all players** who are financial members of the ABF to play in this event. Yellow Complex Systems are not permitted

Director: **Ronnie Ng**  
Convenor: **Gary Barwick 0413 884 805**  
56<sup>th</sup> Winners CW 2019: **Les Grewcock & Peter Jeffery**

**\$30 / 3 nights Members (\$10 PP)**

**\$39 / 3 nights Non Members (\$13 pp)**

New & Special Daytime Events on RealBridge	
Thursday Open Competition Nights - Booking required via website	
July 1st Thursday Night - "RB Mini Swiss Pairs" red points & Good cash prizes \$350 each night).	
July 8th, 15th & 22nd Thursday Night - " <u>Club Open Pairs Championship</u> " 3 Nights red points & Good cash prizes).	
<div style="display: flex;"> <div style="flex: 1;"> <p><b>HYEGROVE Willoughby</b></p> </div> <div style="flex: 2;"> <p><b>Hyegrove Willoughby Stratified Pairs Championships</b> - 4 Saturday played in both the RB OPEN &amp; RB Restricted sessions starting at the end of in July on RB. Normal Pairs scoring with red points. Same hands played at all venues and sessions. All results are then merged and rescored accross whole field (EL, NR &amp; RB) which leads to NSBC championship titles.</p> </div> </div>	

Standard Daily "NSBC Online" RealBridge Sessions				
Day	Session	Play Start	Session Size	Director
Mon	Open	10.00 AM	10-15 Tables	Sue Crompton
	Open	1.30 PM	20 Tables	Malcolm Martin
	Rookie	2:00 PM	15-20 Tables	Alan Pike
	Supervised	7:00 PM	Temp	Kay Moyes
	Open (Mini Duplicate)	7:30 PM	New Trial	Sue Crompton
Tue	Open	10.00 AM	7-15 Tables	Sue Crompton
	Supervised	10:30 AM	temp	Kay Moyes
	Open	1.30 PM	15-20 Tables	Sue Crompton
	Rookie	2:00 PM	12-15 Tables	Kim Neale
	Rookie	7:00 PM	5-10 Tables	Kim Neale
Wed	Open	10.00 AM	12-18 Tables	Ronnie Ng
	Open	1.30 PM	15-21 Tables	Ronnie Ng
	Rookie	2:00 PM	10-20 Tables	Ronnie Ng
	Open	7:00 PM	8-15 Tables	Craig Mietzke
	Open	10.00 AM	7-15 Tables	Brian Soutter
Thur	Open	1.30 PM	10-20 Tables	Angie Boulton
	Restricted+Rookie	1:30 PM	8-15 Tables	Angie Boulton
	Open Competition Night	7:00 PM	20-30 Tables	Ronnie Ng
	Open	10.00 AM	10-20 Tables	Brian Soutter
	Open	1.30 PM	8-15 Tables	Sue Crompton
Fri	Restricted+Rookie	1:30 PM	8-12 Tables	Sue Crompton
	Open	1:30 PM	20-30 Tables	Brian Soutter
Sat	Restricted+Rookie	1:30 PM	6-10 Tables	Brian Soutter
	Open	1:30 PM	6-10 Tables	Brian Soutter
Sun	Closed			

## Thursday Hybrid Pairs Results

Club Hybrid Pairs Championships (Best 2/3 scores)				%	CC
1	Men's Champion - \$200	Bill Nash & James Wallis		59.77	
2	Runner-up - \$100	Kevin Davies & Leo Goorevich		57.88	10
3		Tony Hutton - Malcolm Carter		57.65	7
1	Women's Champion - \$200	Judy Marks & Julianne Rocks		59.77	10
2	Runner Up - \$100	Helene Pitt & Ruth Tobin		56.83	7
1	Mixed Champion - \$200	David Beauchamp & Pele Rankin		58.42	10
2	Runner-up - \$100	Liz Wilkinson & Patrick Neary		57.36	7
Non Major Prize winners (Best 2/3 Scores)				%	CC
		Helena Dawson - David Weston		56.83	5
		Julian Abel - Colin Clifford		56.72	4
		Wayne Zhu - Wei Zhang		56.35	3
		Patricia Lacey - Tim Mountjoy		56.32	2
		Martin Bloom & Les Grewcock		56.32	1
Outright Session Winners				%	
1	Outright Winner \$100	Derek Maltz & Jeanette Abrams		62%	
2		Judy Marks & Julianne Rocks		60%	
1	Outright Winner \$100	Kevin Davies & Leo Goorevich		60%	
2		Wayne Zhu & Wei Zhang		60%	
1	Outright Winner \$100	David Beauchamp & Pele Rankin		64%	
2		William Nash & Peter Wallis		62%	

## Club Open Results

## Club Session Results: Open –June Monthly Winner

Link [to Full June Session Winners](#) list

## June Open Winners

Pos	June Open Monthly Winners	MP Rank	Sess	Master Pts
1	Mischa Solar	Silver Grand	20	4.64
2	John Mottram	Gold Grand	24	4.04
3	Marlaine Gahan	Gold Life	23	3.65
4	Margaret Foster	Silver Grand	13	3.42
5	Ian MacLaren	Silver Life	12	3.34
6	Barbara Abraham	Silver National	13	3.07
7	Alicia Mercer	Grand	19	2.99

Note): Process is to count Masterpoint accumulation awards in Open sessions during the month.

## 2021 NSBC Men's Pairs Champions

[Men's Pairs  
Honour Board](#)



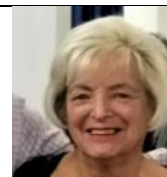
Bill



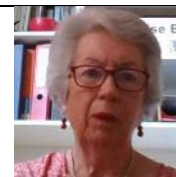
James

## 2021 NSBC Women's Pairs Champions

[Women's Pairs  
Honour Board](#)



Judy



Julianne

## 2021 NSBC Mixed Pairs Champions

[Mixed Pairs  
Honour Board](#)



Pele



David



Mischa



John



## Festival Open Congress Events

### Thursday Open Matchpoint Swiss Pairs

Thursday - Open Matchpointed Swiss Pairs		%	CC
1 - \$200	Leo Goorevich & Kevin Davies	339	10
2 - \$120	Bruce Neill & Ron Cooper	338	
3 - \$80	Chris Panagiotaros & Matt Smith	329	
	Vanessa Brown & Will Jenner-O'Shea	328	
	David Weston & Kim Morrison	325	7
	Peter Jeffery & Yumin Lee	320	5
	Wenjie Liu & Ming Xie	318	4
	Margaret Owen & Sunny Pang	315	3
	Heath Henn & Julian Abel	312	2
	Judy Marks & Julianne Rocks	302	1
Best Restricted Swiss Pair			
Wine	Michael Bishop & Mary Carter	301	

### 2021 NSBC MP Swiss Pairs Champions

#### [Honour Board](#)



Leo



Kevin



Bruce



Ron

### Thursday Night – Mini Swiss Pairs

Festival Online Open Mini Swiss		VPS	WLD
1 - \$200	Malcolm Carter & Tony Hutton	47	6-0-0
2 - \$100	Linda King & Kim Neale	26	4-0-2
3 - \$50	James Wallis & Bill Nash	17	4-0-2

### 2021 Festival Mini Swiss Champions

#### [Honour Board](#)



Malcolm



Tony



Runners up: Linda and Kim

## Friday Swiss Teams

Open Friday Swiss Teams		VPS	WDL	CC
1 - \$400	Peter Jeffery, Les Grewcock, Bob Sebesfi, Wayne Zhu	87	6-0-0	10
2 - \$240	David Weston, Julian Foster, Kim Morrison, Marilyn Chadwick	79	4-0-2	7
3 - \$160	Bruce Neill, Mike Hughes, Terry Brown, Peter Buchen	78	4-0-2	5
4	Steven Bock, Cevat Emul, Catherine Zhang, Wei Zhang	71	4-0-2	4
5	Helene Pitt, Ruth Tobin, Lorna Ichilcik, Judy Osie	70	4-0-2	3
6	Garry & Sally Clarke, Anita Curtis & David Beauchamp	67	3-0-3	2
7	Martin Bloom, Shane Harrison, Liz Adams, Andrew Peake	66	3-0-3	1



Peter, Les, Bob, Wayne

Link to the Friday Teams [Honour Board](#)



Runners up: Marilyn, Kim, David, and Julian

## Saturday – Open Swiss Pairs

Saturday Open Swiss Pairs		VPS	WDL	CC
1 - \$300	Marilyn Chadwick & Kim Morrison	89	5-1-0	
2 - \$200	David Fryda & Michael Cartmell	87	5-0-1	10
3 - \$150	Stephen Guo & Alan Stoneham	83	4-1-1	
4 - \$100	Peter Jeffery & Julian Abel	80	4-0-2	7
	Henry Chu & Dennis Wan	79	4-0-2	5
	Yumin Li & Liz Sylvester	78	4-1-1	4
	Nick Hughes & Nicoleta Giura	77	4-0-2	
	Steven Bock & Kevin Davies	77	4-0-2	3
	Mark & Julie Guthrie	76	4-0-2	2
	William Zhang & Wei Zhang	75	4-1-1	1
Best Restricted Swiss Pair				
Wine	Jake Andrew & Mitch Dowling			

### 2021 NSBC OPEN Swiss Pairs Champions

#### [Honour Board](#)







Runners up: Michael and David

## TBIB – Sunday Swiss teams

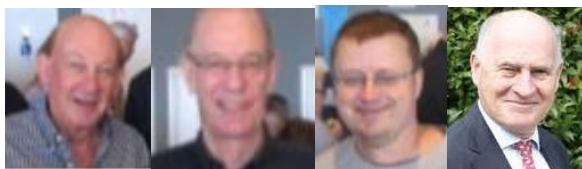


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INSURANCE BROKERS**

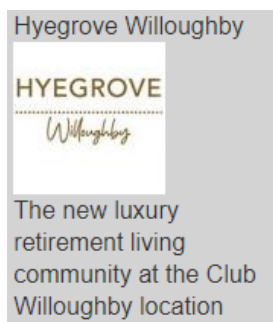
TBIB Open Swiss Teams		VPS	WLD	CC
1 - \$500	Peter Jeffery - Yumin Li - Bob Sebesfi - Wayne Zhu	88	5-0-1	20
2 - \$300	Elliott Kaplan - Nigel Rosendorff - Tony Nunn - Mathew Vadas	87	6-0-0	14
3 - \$200	Bruce Neill - Mike Hughes - Tania Lloyd - Hugh Grosvenor	82	3-0-3	10
	David Fryda - Michael Cartmell - Giselle Mundell - Rena Kaplan	81	4-0-2	8
	Liz Fanos - George Finikiotis - Jenny Michael - Rakesh Kumar	80	4-0-2	6
	Peter Buchen - Terry Brown - Pauline Gumbay - Warren Lazer	75	4-0-2	4
	Kate McCallum - Catherine Zhang - Axel Johannsson - Cevat Emul	75	4-0-2	2
TBIB Best Restricted Team				
Wine	Jake Andrew - Mitch Dowling - Tony White - Mary Poynten			



Link to the Sunday Teams [Honour Board](#)



Runners up: Elliott, Nigel, Tony, Mathew



## Invitation to Hyegrove Willoughby – luxury retirement living - Morning Tea.

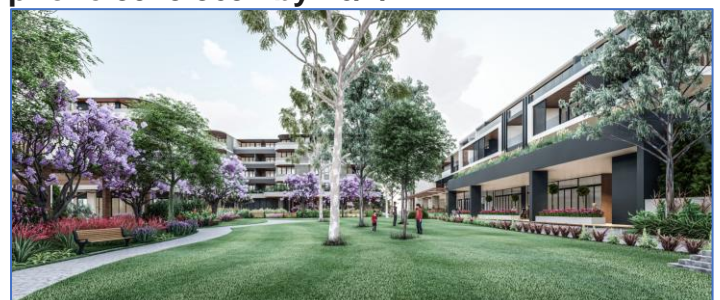


As a sponsor of our Stratified Pairs Championships Hyegrove Willoughby, the new luxury retirement living community at the upcoming Heart of Willoughby precinct would like to invite you to a morning tea on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> August.

The transformation of the Willoughby Legion Ex-Services Club (trading as Club Willoughby) on Crabbes Avenue in Willoughby into Heart of Willoughby will create a special place where the community can come together. The Heart of Willoughby development is being undertaken by Hyecorp in partnership with Club Willoughby and received approval in February this year after nearly 10 years of planning and community consultation.

Heart of Willoughby will offer a new state-of-the-art Club Willoughby, Hyegrove Willoughby – a luxury Retirement Living Community, aged care, and retail.

Hyegrove, the retirement living division of Hyecorp, is now conducting community consultation sessions to understand what services, amenity and product people would like to see included at Hyegrove Willoughby. If you would like to have your say please come along to **Club Willoughby at 10.00am for 10:30am-12.00pm on Thursday 26th August 2021.** RSVP through [info@hyegrove.com.au](mailto:info@hyegrove.com.au) or phone 8045 8694 by 26/7/21





## Breaking Odds

By Pat O'Connor

North (D)	Standard Bidding			
♠ A	West	North (D)	East	South
♥ AK83		1♦	Pass	1♠
♦ AK97	Pass	2♥	Pass	2♠
♣ K832	Pass	3NT	Pass	4♠
	All Pass			
South	Bidding Notes			
♠ JT5432	1♦	4+♦, Opening hand		
♥ 652	1♠	4+♠ 6+hcp		
♦ 42	2♥	Strong reverse 4♥		
♣ A6	2♠	5+♠ Longer Spades		
	3NT	to play		
	4♠	corrected, as plays better in ♠		

West leads the ♥Q.

How will you play this?

### Analysis

There is a heart loser, so you need to restrict the spade losers to just two. This is a sad-looking spade suit. Not only are you missing the ♠K and ♠Q, but also all the intermediates.

You win the ♥A in dummy and cash the ♠A, both defenders following small.

If spades are split 3-3 there are no problems. It is more likely that they are 4-2. If one hand has four to the ♠KQ, that hand must take three tricks because their spots are bigger than yours.

Which is the best way to proceed?

		North (D)		
		♠ A		
West		♥ AK83	East	
♠ K876		♦ AK97	♠ Q9	
♥ QJT9		♣ K832	♥ 74	
♦ 85			♦ QJT63	
♣ QT7		South	♣ J954	
4♠/S Lead ♥Q		♠ JT5432	Vul Nil Dir: N	
		♥ 652		
		♦ 42		
		♣ A6		

You must hope that the spades are split no worse than 4-2 and that there is an honour in each hand.

Come to hand with the ♠A and lead the ♠2, not the ♠J or ♠T. If things are as you hope, the ♠2 will lose to a spade honour. The remaining ♠JT will then look after the other honour. This approach will also work if the spades are 3-3.

If instead you lead the ♠J or ♠T instead of a low spade, it will lose to the ♠Q and West will still have the ♠K8 left. Ouch!

The odds of various splits of six enemy cards are.

3 – 3	36%
4 – 2	48%
5 – 1	15%
6 – 0	We don't want to know! OK, it's 1%

### Key Point

Missing six cards in a suit, a 4-2 split is more likely than a 3-3 split.



## Our Newer Player Team



## Beginners' Lessons

The next set of lessons is coming closer, with a start date of 19<sup>th</sup> July. The daytime session has moved to Monday mornings at East Lindfield, while the evening sessions remains Mondays at 7pm, but has moved to North Ryde. Of course this is all subject to Covid restrictions, but we would encourage potential students to sign up, and should the lessons need to be deferred or moved online, all students will have the option to change or be reimbursed.

If you know anyone who would like to learn, please do encourage them to contact Kay Moyes on [moyes\\_kay@hotmail.com](mailto:moyes_kay@hotmail.com). A personal referral is our best source of new students.

North Shore Bridge Club Inc

## Learn To Play Bridge

With Emma Barnes

6 weeks beginning Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2021

**10am** at Lindfield Rollers Bowling Club  
Or  
**7pm** at North Ryde RSL

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## Festival Championships at EL



2Men & Truck - Restricted Teams		VPS	WDL
1 - \$280	Winston Horne, Peter Cloke, Virginia Cohen, Gail Armstong	111	7-0-1
2 - \$140	John Pick - Alison Pick - Peter Whitford - Diana Neale	101	4-1-3
3	Felix Shteyman, Janice Olevson, Brian Osbourne, Stuart Ball	92	6-0-2
2Men & Truck - Best Novice Team		VPS	WDL
Wine	Sandra Belcher, Joe Camilleri, Russell Spear, Peter Napier	83	5-0-3

### 2021 NSBC Restricted Teams Champions

[Honour Board](#)



John, Gail, Virginia, Winston, Peter

### 2021 NSBC Novice Teams Champions

[Honour Board](#)



John, Russel, Sandra, Peter, Joe

2Men & Truck - Restricted Swiss Pairs		VPS	WDL
1 - \$300	Clare Ainsworth & Mary Poynten	87	4-1-1
2 - \$180	Kathryn Stewart & Susan Feeney	86	4-2-0
3 - \$120	Mitch Dowling & Heath Henn	84	4-0-2
2Men & Truck - Best Novice Swiss Pairs		VPS	WDL
1 - \$170	Paula Nigem & Richard Sheldrake	69	4-0-2
2 - \$100	Kwi Tan & Dale Griffin	66	3-2-1

### 2021 NSBC Restricted Swiss Pairs Champions

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John, Richard, Clare, and Mary

### 2021 NSBC Novice Swiss Pairs Champions

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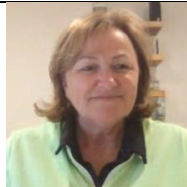
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## Festival Online Championships at RB

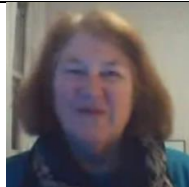
Festival RB Rookie Pairs Championship		%
1 - \$100	<b>Lorna Davies - Sharon Thompson</b>	69.70%
2 - \$50	<b>Noni Glew - Judy Chapple</b>	59.85%
3	<b>Russell Spear - Peter Napier</b>	58.27%

### 2021 NSBC RB Rookie Pairs Champions

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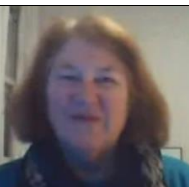
Festival RB Restricted Pairs Championship		%
1 - \$100	<b>Lorna Davies - Sharon Thompson</b>	63.65
2 - \$50	<b>Brian Emanuel &amp; Deborah Burt</b>	55.61
3	<b>Denise Reilly &amp; Sylvia Enklarr</b>	55.15

### 2021 NSBC RB Restricted Pairs Champions

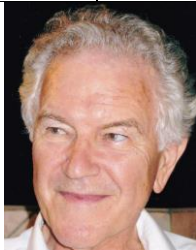
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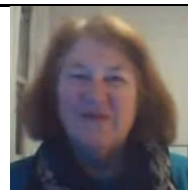


## June Monthly Results:

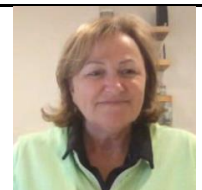
Link [to Full June Session Winners](#)

### Restricted (<300 MPs)

Pos	June Winners Restricted <300 MP < National	MP Rank	Ses	Master Pts
1	<b>Lorna Davies</b>	Local	6	1.58
2	<b>Sharon Thompson</b>	Bronze Local	6	1.53
3	<b>Felix Shteyman</b>	Bronze Regional	9	1.32
4	<b>Deborah Burt</b>	Local	9	1.13
5	<b>Sandra Belcher</b>	Silver local	9	1.09
6	<b>Tien Chey</b>	Regional	10	0.99
7	<b>Brian Osborne</b>	State	6	0.98



Lorna

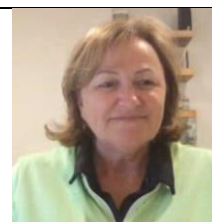


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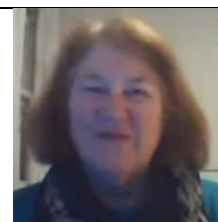
### Rookie (<100 MPs):

Link [to Full June Session Winners](#)

Pos	Winner June Rookie (<100 MP < Bronze Regional)	MP Rank	No Sess	Master Pts
1	<b>Sharon Thompson</b>	Bronze Local	11	2.92
2	<b>Lorna Davies</b>	Local	7	2.16
3	<b>Peter Napier</b>	Bronze Local	12	2.03
4	<b>Russell Spear</b>	Bronze Local	12	2.03
5	<b>Debbie Irwin</b>	Bronze Local	9	1.77
6	<b>James McDonnell</b>	Silver local	11	1.43
7	<b>Judy Chapple</b>	Silver local	10	1.42



Sharon



Lorna



Peter



## June Supervised Session Results:

Date	NSBC Event	Tables	Pos	East Lindfield June Supervised Winners	Score
1-Jun	Tu 10:30am Supervised	7	NS	Les Owen & Nadine Fursman	78%
			EW	Shyam Malhotra & Greg Cooper	67%
7-Jun	M 7pm Supervised	7	NS	Rosemary Christie & Jennifer Calo	67%
			EW	Julie Carroll & Allan Goldin	72%
8-Jun	Tu 10:30am Supervised	8	NS	Joan Wilcox & Jillian Kelley	61%
			EW	Kathy Cocks & Marion Nicklin	64%
14-Jun	M 7pm Supervised			Closed Queens Birthday Public holiday	
15-Jun	Tu 10:30am Supervised	5	NS	Jillian Kelley & Director	69%
			EW	Dean Morel & Les Owen	66%
21-Jun	M 7pm Supervised	6	NS	Rosemary Christie & Jennifer Calo	59%
			EW	Andrea Frankel & Anthony Frankel	61%
22-Jun	Tu 10:30am Supervised	7	NS	Sarah King & Garry King	70%
			EW	Belinda Clark & Cathy Widdup	59%
28-Jun	M 7pm Supervised	4	1=	Eamonn Roles & Oonagh Roles	65%
			1=	Andrea Frankel & Anthony Frankel	65%
29-Jun	Tu 10:30am Supervised	5	NS	Alan Kaye & Cath Ahern	68%
			EW	Sandra Nori & Alan Pike (TD)	69%

Link [to Full June Session Winners](#) list

## Supervised Play Opportunities:

With the Covid lockdown in place, we have been able to transition immediately from F2F at East Lindfield, to playing online with RealBridge, so that Supervised play has continued uninterrupted. Mondays remain at 7pm, while the Tuesday morning game has moved to the original start time of 10:30am. The links to the RealBridge Supervised games can be found at: <https://www.northshore.bridge-club.org/node/1509>

## Rookie Play Opportunities:

### RealBridge:

- Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays at 2pm.
- Tuesdays at 7pm.

### East Lindfield (**suspended due to lockdown**):

- Thursdays at 10am

### North Ryde (**suspended due to lockdown**):

- Mondays and Wednesdays at 2pm

## Restricted Play Opportunities

### RealBridge:

- Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays at 1:30

### North Ryde (**suspended due to lockdown**):

- Fridays at 10am.

New sessions are being added all the time, so for the latest, check the website or follow the link:

<https://www.northshore.bridge-club.org/node/1546>



## Opening Leads

Adapted from an **Andrew Robson** article from his ARBC website

## Opening Lead Line

When leading a suit for the first time as a defender (the opening lead and subsequent leads), the correct card in the suit is given by the Lead Line:

Ace through Ten. These are the honour leads, showing the card immediately below and denying the card immediately above (although not necessarily higher cards than that) E.g.:

- AK5
- QJ62
- KJT4
- QT94

Nine through Six/Five(ish). These are the "high for hate leads", saying that you do not want the suit led back to you. E.g.:

- 94 3 2
- 85 4 2
- 93\*\* Always lead top of a doubleton
- 832

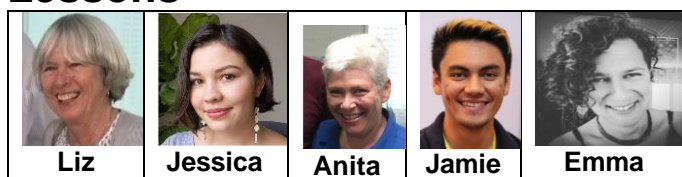
Six/Five(ish) through two. These are the "low for like leads", showing picture cards at the head of the suit (non-sequential ones, though, or you would have led top of the sequence), E.g.:

- KJ52
- QT53
- K965
- KT4

It should also be said that leading from such broken/lone honour holdings is quite dangerous, so you would not necessarily choose such a suit (unless dummy was already tabled).



## Lessons



In 2021, our teachers are **Liz Wilkinson, Jessica Brake, Anita Curtis, Jamie Thompson, and Emma Barnes.**

### Beginners with Emma Barnes - F2F July 2021 Program

New 6 week Beginners course at both East Lindfield @ 10am or North Ryde RSL @ 7pm

For more information, - Email

	Date	Lesson Topic
1	Mon 19th July 10am @ EL	Week 1 / 6
	Mon 19th July 7pm @ NR	
2	Mon 26th July 10am @ EL	Week 2 / 6
	Mon 26th July 7pm @ NR	

Costs \$99 - 6 Lessons & Materials

### Improvers - Develop Your Skills

#### June/July 2021 Program Wednesdays 2pm at EL

**Develop Your Skills (DYS)** follows on from the Build on the Basics course. It is aimed at players with at least 1 years' experience. It deals with a variety of bidding, declarer play & defensive topics that will extend knowledge. Each lesson is self-contained but participants will gain the most from regular attendance. The course continues through until January 2022 with a break for Xmas/New Year. It is available as a recording or you can **attend face to face lessons at East Lindfield on Wednesdays at 2pm.**

For more information or to register: email [ac210927@bigpond.net.au](mailto:ac210927@bigpond.net.au)

Date	Lesson Topic
<b>Start date at East Lindfield to be determined (at end of Lockdown)</b>	
TBA	Develop Your Skills lessons restart face to face at East Lindfield. Interfering over 1NT – what do I need to know?
TBA	Going to Slam with Blackwood
TBA	"They aren't going to steal this contract" – bidding over pre-empt
TBA	I can support you but not now! Delayed raise – the Canberra convention

Costs NSBC Members \$17, Visitors \$20 Per Lesson

### Intermediate/Broaden Your Game

#### June/July 2021 Program (Fridays at 10am - on ZOOM (or watch the recording))

**Hand Analysis** - the best way to improve ALL your skills at bridge. We bid & play 8 different intermediate hands, focusing on bidding, declarer play & defensive techniques.  
**Gentle Hand Analysis & Broaden Your Game (BYG)** lessons are for aspiring intermediate players (Rookies/Restricted). **Hand Analysis & Intermediate lessons** is for Restricted & Open players with considerable experience.

For more information, or to register - Email [ac210927@bigpond.net.au](mailto:ac210927@bigpond.net.au)

Date	Lesson Topic
<b>All lessons will be on zoom (and recorded) until restrictions are lifted at East Lindfield. TBA</b>	
Fri July 2	Make more contracts - BYG/Intermediate
Fri July 9	Develop the Auction with a misfit - all
Fri July 16	Hand Analysis 27 for advanced players
Fri July 23	Covering Honours: when to cover - BYG
Fri July 30	Gentle Hand Analysis 9

Costs NSBC Members \$17, Visitors \$20 Per Lesson

### Build on the Basics - Semester 2 Program

This course will suit those who have been playing bridge for around 3-6 months, or have come back after a long break. The two 1-Hour lessons are held on **ZOOM at 10am Sydney time** on Wednesdays (Part 1) and Thursdays (Part 2). The cost covers both hour sessions. Each lesson is recorded, so you do not have to come to the "live" zoom session. You can watch the recording at a time that suits you. Each week we tackle a new topic. You may come to any single lesson, but you will gain most from regular attendance. There are 20 Topics overall - the **July Lessons** are listed below.

For more information, or to Register - Email [jessicabrakebridge@gmail.com](mailto:jessicabrakebridge@gmail.com)

	Date	Lesson topic
1	July 14-15	1NT & 2NT Opening
2	July 21-22	Opener's NT Rebids
3	July 28-29	Supporting Opener's Major

Costs NSBC Members \$17, Visitors \$20 Per Lesson



Brent Manley

**Brent** was a guest co-editor of the Gold Coast daily bulletin. IPBA executive member and WBF bulletin editor. 3 Challenge hands were adapted from a **Brent Manley** articles "**No worries if you play right**", and "**Thanks for the hints**" from the ACBL Bridge feed website

## Challenge Hand 1 Solution

### No Worries if You Play Right

North	Standard Bidding			
♠ AJT84	West (D)	North	East	South
♥ AJ5	1♣	1♠	Pass	2♥
♦ A763	Pass	4♥	All Pass	
♣ Q4	Bidding Notes			
South	1♣	Normal opening 2+♠		
♠ KQ	1♠	Good Vul Overcall 5+♠		
♥ Q8632	Pass			
♦ Q4	2♥	Forcing 5+♥		
♣ K932	4♥	Normal Game		

### The Bidding

West opens the bidding with 1♣ (+2♣) and your partner makes a Vulnerable 1♠ overcall. You have 12hcp, but a poor heart suit but good spade tolerance, so you try a 2♥ (5+♥ and a one round forcing). West passes and partner leaps to game in 4♥

Against your heart game, West starts the defence with a lead of the ♠9.

### Preliminary analysis

Winners 5♠+3♥+1♦+1♣= 10 tricks

Top Losers: ♣A, maybe deep ♦ and ♥

Strategies for 10 tricks

- West was certain to have the ♣A and the ♦K for his opening bid and likely the ♥K.
- Should be an easy contract.

T1 West leads ♠9, ♠4, ♠2 to your ♠K.  
T2 You now play a low heart ♥2, ♥7 to the ♥J which, which holds as East plays ♥4.  
T3 But when you cash the ♥A, East discards, leaving West with 2 trump winners!  
Now what?

### Solution

You as declarer are not too bothered about the trump split. As, declarer's thoughts turned

to endplaying West in the minors with his high trumps.

T4 So, with that in mind, declarer cashed the ♠A, ♠3, ♠Q, ♠7 unblocking the spades whilst still have side entries to table. He held good spade pips!  
T5 You then continued with the ♠J, ♠5, throwing a club ♣2 from hand. West also parted with a low club ♣7 instead of ruffing.  
T6 So you continued with the ♠T, ♠6, throwing a second club ♣3 from hand. West again postponed the inevitable by again not ruffing, instead discarding the ♦8.  
T7 It was to no avail, however, as you next played the small trump from dummy ♥5 to your ♥6 and West's higher ♥T.  
T8 West cashed the high ♥K, as he did not want to get endplayed again in trumps. You pitched dummy's ♦3 and followed with the ♥8 from hand.  
T9 But then West had to broach a minor suit. In the end, he chose to lead the ♦K because his partner had not signalled encouragingly in clubs.

But it really did not matter which minor West played. It would just swap the ♦Q 10<sup>th</sup> trick for the ♠K 10<sup>th</sup> trick. As you had the high trump and 5<sup>th</sup> Spade winner still on table. You (Declarer) claimed the 10-trick contract with: (5x♠+3x♥+2x♦).

The full deal:

	North	
West (D)	♠ AJT84	East
♠ 97	♥ AJ5	♠ 6532
♥ KT97	♦ A763	♥ 4
♦ KJ8	♣ Q4	♦ T952
♣ AQ87	South	♣ JT65
4♥/S	♠ KQ	Vul ALL Dir: West
Lead ♠9	♥ Q8632	
	♦ Q4	
	♣ K932	

## Challenge Hand 2 Solution

Thanks for the Hints.

North	Standard Bidding			
	West	North	East	South (D)
♠ KQ6				1♠
♥ K752	2NT	3♦	Pass	3♥
♦ J973	Pass	4♣	Pass	4♦
♣ AK	Pass	4NT	Pass	5♦
	Pass	6♠	All Pass	
South (D)	Bidding Notes			
♠ AJT94	1♠	5+♠ Opening hand		
♥ AQ8	2NT	55 minors (Weak or Strong)		
♦ AT6	3♦	Limit or better raise in Spades		
♣ 42	3♥	Cue		
	4♣	Cue		
	4♦	Cue		
	4NT	Keycard (♠)		
	5♦	0-3 keycards		
	6♠	To play		

### The Bidding:

You (South) opened the bidding with 1♠ (5+♠ Opening hand), West entered the auction with an Unusual 2NT, thereby giving away too much information about his hand! North countered this with a cue-bid of 3♦, (see bidding hints below) the higher suit, to promise a limit raise or better in spades. South showed extras with control bids of 3♥ and 4♦. North concluded the auction in 6♠ after checking for key cards (Spades) with 4NT.

Against your slam, West starts the defence with the lead of the ♣Q. What is your plan for bringing this contract home?

### Preliminary Analysis

Winners; 5S+3♥+1D+2C=11 tricks

Losers: no tops, but deep 2 C and 1 ♥

Strategies for 12 tricks?

- You as declarer counted the usual 11 winners! The saving grace was that he knew that West would not enjoy the run of the major suits. The only major hope is to squeeze West down to just ♦KQx diamonds then end play him!

### Solution

- T1 West starts the defence with the lead of the ♣Q, you win the opening lead in dummy with the ♠A

T25 You drew all trumps in four rounds, ♠KQAJ throwing a low diamond from dummy on the last spade. West discarded two diamonds and a club.

T6 When you played your last trump ♠T, West threw another club, reducing to two hearts, three diamonds and two clubs.

T78 You now cashed the ♥AQ, revealing that West began with exactly 1-2-5-5 shape and was now left with just 3-2 in the minors.

T9 A heart continuation to dummy's ♥K squeezed west, drew a third club discard from West, as he had to keep this diamond honours protected.

T10 You reacted to this good news by cashing dummy's ♠K (removing his last club exit card), now reduced to just three diamonds only.

T11 You called for dummy's ♦J and ran it to West's ♦Q.

T12+You made the last two tricks on West's forced diamond return gave you the contract in your ♦AT:

You made eight tricks in the majors and four in the minors.

West could not have done any better by discarding a diamond on the ♥K. Declarer would simply play the ♦A and another diamond felling both diamond honours. West would win a diamond trick, but dummy would take the last two tricks with the ♠K entry and the good ♦J.

The full deal:

		North	
		♠ KQ6	
		♥ K752	
		♦ J973	
		♣ AK	
		South (D)	
		♠ AJT94	
		♥ AQ8	
		♦ AT6	
		♣ 42	



## Bidding Hint:

1H opening, over a 2NTOvercall (showing minor suits).  
The following bidding structure is suggested.

- X is penalty, promising a penalty of at least 1 of their suits if they run.
- 3♣ bid shows a 5+♥ strong forcing bid.
- 3♦ shows Limit or better raise in Spades.
- 3♥ shows 6+H, drop dead bid to play.
- 3♠ shows just a 1♠-2♠ raise only.
- 3NT to play.

## Members Congress results

State Seniors Championships @ Central Coast Leagues BC			
Swiss MP Pairs (36 Pairs)		VPS	W-L-D
1	Wendy Mitchell & Eunice De Vries	130	7-0-2
2	Vicky & Ian Lisle	126	6-0-3
3	Julianne Rocks & Kevin Davies	114	7-0-2

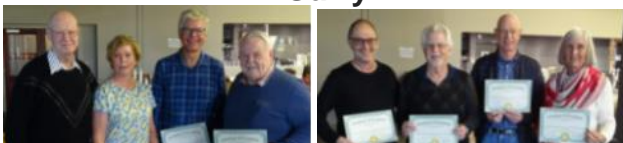


Winners: Eunice and Wendy 3<sup>rd</sup>: Kevin and Julianne

State Seniors Championships @ Central Coast Leagues BC			
Swiss Teams (18 Teams)		VPS	W-L-D
1	Wendy Mitchell - Eunice De Vries - Sally Clarke - Garry Clarke	85	5-0-1
2	Liz Sylvester - Robbie Feyder - Chris Dibley - Steven Bock	79	4-1-1
3	Martin Bloom - Nigel Rosendorff - Peter Gill - Liz Adams	76	3-0-3



Winners: Wendy and Eunice, Sally and Garry



Steven, Liz, Bobby, Chris Peter, Martin, Nigel, Liz

## Congress Calendars

### Coming ABF National Events

Coffs Coast Gold Congress – Coffs Harbour – CANCELLED	August 10-15
Australia Wide Open Pairs	August 25-31
Victor Champion Cup – Melbourne	August 26-29
Territory Gold Bridge Festival – Alice Springs	September 8-12
HGR Memorial Congress – Perth	September 18-19
NZ National Congress – Mt Maunganui	September 25 – October 2
Canberra in Bloom Bridge Festival	October 1-4 (TBC)
Spring Nationals – Sydney	October 13-22
Swan River Swiss Pairs – Perth	November 6-7
Australian National Championships – Perth	November 7-18
ANC Interstate Teams – Perth	November 8-12

### NSWBA Congress Calendar

JULY 2021	
MasterBridge Online July Swiss Pairs	Jul 3 (Sat)
Trumps Bridge Centre Winter Teams (Online)	Jul 4 (Sun)
Finesse Murder Mystery Pairs	Jul 12 (Mon) - 16 (Fri)
NSWBA State Open Pairs Qualifying (Online)	Jul 12 (Mon) - 19 (Mon)
Sydney Bridge Centre Christmas in July Congress	
Pairs	Jul 17 (Sat)
Teams	Jul 18 (Sun)
Finesse Murder Mystery Pairs	Jul 19 (Mon) - 23 (Fri)
State Online Veterans Pairs	Jul 23 (Fri) - 25 (Sun)
Peninsula Bridge Club Swiss Pairs	Jul 25 (Sun)
NSWBA State Open Teams Qualifying	Jul 26 (Mon) - Aug 16 (Mon)
Individual	Jul 31 (Sat)
Tamworth Bridge Club Pairs	Jul 31 (Sat) - Aug 1 (Sun)

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