



My brother-in-law, Gerry, is Irish. It's not relevant to this story, but I mention it anyway. He used to run a big pub in London that was on a corner site. It had two doors on the main street and a third door on the side street.

One day a man came in through the first of the doors on the main street and stumbled towards the bar. Clearly having had a very long lunch, Gerry told him he couldn't be served.

The man left through the same door he had entered and a few seconds later appeared back in the pub through the next door.

"I've told you already. I can't serve you. I'll lose my licence."
Visibly annoyed, the man turned around and left.

A few minutes passed and a shadow appeared at the third door, the one on the side street. Gerry walked over to the door and as it opened, he was there facing our determined hero.

The man looked at Gerry and said "Heaven help me. Do you own every pub in London?"

(Actually, he didn't say Heaven help me, but I bet he wishes he had.)

Now the point of this story is that while we have again managed to get a great committee together this year, and everyone is doing a wonderful job, once again there is one person, who although she hates me mentioning it, seems to do the work of a thousand people. I am of course talking about Shaz.

I haven't got much to do, so I like to go around opening doors. I open the door marked "Technology" and there she is building tonnes

of automation to streamline how we handle our finances. Next, I go to the door marked "Teaching" and she is in there with our wonderful teachers, working on some secret project she won't tell me about ("You wouldn't understand it, even if I did."). Then I look in the "Social Media" room and there she is. The "Marketing" room, Shaz again. Baking cakes, yup, she's there too.

"Heaven help me. Do you do everything here?"

The Wonderful Willis Refurbishment

Now if you haven't read the Menagerie series of books by Victor Mollo then you really should. And if you have read them, they are worth reading again.

If you recall, the Hideous Hog, and his group of misfits played at the Griffins Club, however they were occasionally forced to play at the Unicorn Club when the staff at the Griffins took their summer holiday or when it was being renovated. The Hog of course played rubber bridge for money and considered duplicate bridge to be a waste of time, so playing at the Unicorn was extremely annoying for him. We play duplicate everywhere so aren't as inconvenienced as the Hideous Hog by having to move.

As you hopefully know by now, our very own Willis club will shortly be closing for renovations, so round up the friends you play there with, decide who is going to be the Secretary Bird, the Rueful Rabbit, and Molly the Mule, and head on over to East Lindfield or into Real Bridge while the Willis gets a much-needed facelift. Don't go to the Unicorn Club though, I hear it's not very good, better to stick with us.

We have been talking about the renovations since we went back to The Willis for our second stint there, so it is really wonderful that they are finally happening. The whole reception as well as the bridge area are getting refitted, and we will also get access to the bathrooms within the bridge room. Mike's dingy office also gets a makeover. When we return the whole place should be greatly improved.

The budget for the renovations is something like \$400,000 so it should be worth seeing. About half of the money is going on glass though, so if that goes well, we won't be able to see it at all. When I first heard this, I thought they were spending \$200k on grass, so I wasn't sure if this was an overdue bill from the 60s or a lot of horses. Anyway, it is glass, so don't worry.

General Stuff

I started to write about how the club was doing well but given the delay between me writing this and you reading it, I thought better of it. Only a fool would tempt fate in such a brazen manner. And while I may be a fool, even I have limits. Instead, I'll just update you on the one area that was giving us some grief which is the finances.

I'm pleased to report that things are much better in that area, and we are back to roughly breaking even again. It is impossible to say if that will be sustained for the rest of the year, but I'd be happy to use the word "healthy" to describe things currently.

At this very moment someone will be writing me a letter...

Dear Mark,

I understand the club is awash with money and you don't know what to do with it. Might I suggest you reduce the table fees back to the 1963 rates of 2/6.

Signed Everyone

Unfortunately, like everyone else, our outgoings are due to increase at least in line with inflation and we are already aware of some increases which are coming our way shortly. Inflation is a fact of life for us all, but with our slightly improved piggybank we will try to keep the annual fee increases to a minimum this year.

Of course, closing the Willis for a couple of months won't help, but as Mike has pointed out we have plenty of other sessions that you can play in until we re-open.

Finally, a bridge tip for you. Experts are always going on about finesses. If you have the Ace and the Queen in dummy, you should lead up to the Queen. Apparently, it works about 50% of the time. The time it doesn't work is when your right-hand opponent has the singleton King.

Here is my tip. Try playing the Ace instead of the Queen. Sure, it won't work all the time, but 50% isn't all that great odds anyway, and the elation you will feel when it does eventually work is absolutely worth it.

Mark

LABOUR DAY



Pairs

Monday 2nd October
Starts @ 10am



East Lindfield
Club Champion

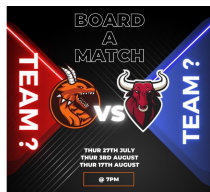
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♦ 2023 Club Champion Race

The 2023 club champion (Brownie Cup) is determined from results in 29 major club events.

3 CC qualification events Completed in August



The leaders board scores at end of August. The race tightening up with half a dozen contenders.

2023 Aug Club Championship Leader Board			
Rank	Member	CC Points	Events Played
1	David Weston	68	9
2	Peter Jeffery	67	14
3	Michael Courtney	60	10
4	Yumin Li	51	10
5=	Andrew Peake	50	11
5=	David Hudson	50	8
7	Wayne Zhu	46	8
8=	Liz Adams	44	9
8=	Tony Nunn	44	10
10	Giselle Mundell	42	7
11	Dagmar Neumann	41	6
12=	Kevin Davies	40	16
12=	Peter Gill	40	15



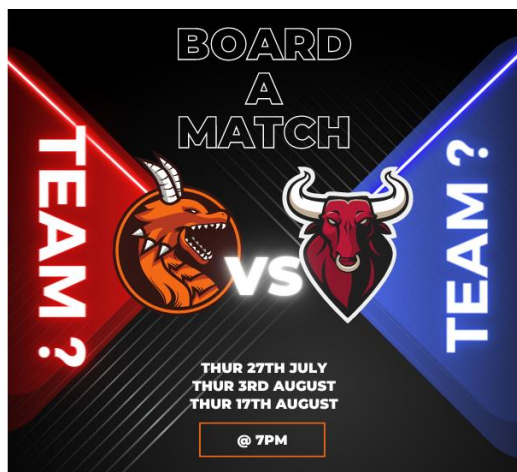
In September, only 1 CC event completing, but this the major sponsored event with a double weighting of CC points

Comp Night – Watermark Club Teams



◆ Comp Night - BAM Results

The BAM Teams attracted a small entry of 10 teams, and a full round robin was played with 9 boards per match. BAM scoring is that each board scores 2 VP win, 1 VP draw or a 0 VP for a loss. The event was well directed by Ronnie Ng



The winning team – Urbach Team



Pos	2023 Comp night - Board a Match Teams Championship	Score VPs	CC
1	Elli Urbach, Kevin Davies, Peter Jeffery, Yumin Li	111	10
2	Giselle Mundell, Andrew Peake, Tania Lloyd, Hugh Grovsenor	100	7
3	David Beauchamp, Sophie Ashton, Maurits Van der Vlugt, Dagmar Neumann	96	5
4	Martin Bloom, Peter Gill, Tony Nunn, Liz Adams	86	4
5	Heath Henn, Alex Kemeny, Nick hughes, Nicoleta Giura	82	3

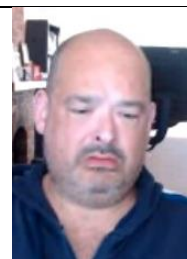
Honour Board –[Board a Match Teams](#)
[Link to Full results](#)

◆ Congress - RB Winter Swiss Pairs Results

The Online (RB) Congress attracted 17 Open & 4 Restricted tables. 7 x 8B rounds with IMPS converted to VP. Well won my our Victorian remote Members. The event was well directed by Ronnie Ng



Alex Jones



Tim Legge

T	Pos	NSBC Congress - Winter Open Swiss Pairs	Score	CC
17	1	Alex Jones & Tim Legge	95 VP	10
	2	Ron Speiser & Shane Harrison	93 VP	7
	3	Lorna & Mannie Ichilcik	86 VP	5
	4	Wieslaw Przewozniak & Patrick Jiang	84 VP	
		William Zhang & Wayne Zhu	83 VP	4
	5	Yumin Li & Peter Jeffery	82 VP	3
	6	Jane Dawson & Peter Gill	79 VP	2
	7	Fiona Fawcett & David Hudson	78 VP	1
	Pos	NSBC Congress - Winter Restrcted Swiss Pairs	Score	
4	1	Shan Lawson & Stephen Calcroft	97 VP	
	2	Susan Feeney & Kathryn Stewart	84 VP	
	3	Tien Chey & Sandra Belcher	81 VP	



Shan Lawson



Stephen Calcroft

Honour Board –[RB Winter Swiss Teams](#)
[Link to Full Open results](#)
[Link to Full Restricted Results](#)

◆ Congress Greg Quittner Swiss Pairs – results

The “Greg Quittner” Swiss Pairs, held at East Lindfield Venue attracted 15T. 6 x 9B rounds with IMPS converted to VP Well won by the NSWBA players. The event was well directed by Ronnie Ng



Honour Board – [EL Greg Quittner Swiss Pairs Link to Full results](#)

◆ EL Championship Pairs – results



Held over 3 Monday sessions, cumulative scores were added.



Neil Williams



Peter Fitzmaurice

T	Pos	EL East Lindfield Open Pairs Champion	3 Sess Score
18	1	Neil Williams & Peter Fitzmaurice	180%
19	2	Fiona Russell & Sue Morgan	171%
19	3	Marlaine Gahan & Janet Crocker	170%

Honour Board – [EL Championship Open Pair Link to Full results](#)



Maurits Van der Vlugt

Warren Lazer

Pos	NSBC Congress - EL Greg Quittner Swiss Pairs Congress	Score VPs	CC
1	Maurits Van Der Vlugt & Warren Lazer	90 VP	
2	Michael Cartmell & David Hudson	76 VP	10
3	Steven Bock & Rakesh Kumar	75 VP	7
4	Michael Prescott & Anthony Burke	75 VP	5
5	William Zhang & Wayne Zhu	74 VP	4
6	Liam Milne & James Coutts	73 VP	3
7	Elliot Kaplan & Peter Gill	71 VP	2
8	Tomer Libman & Lavy Libman	70 VP	
Best Inter	Jenny Barnes & Fiona Fawcett	70 VP	1



Jenny Barnes



Fiona Fawcett



◆ WS Championship Pairs – results



Held over 3 Tuesday sessions, cumulative scores were tallied.



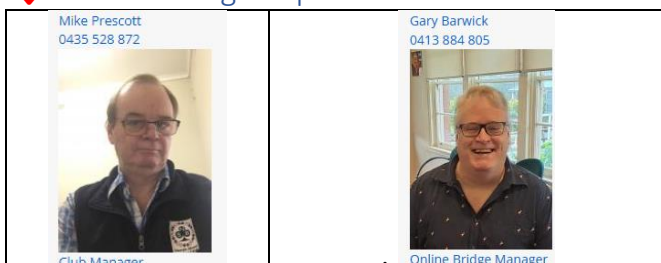
Natalie Chupin & Malcolm Martin

T	Pos	WS Willis Open Pairs Champion	3 Sess Score
11	1	Malcolm Martin & Natalie Chupin	171%
8	2	Robin Devries & David Burton	171%
10	3	Marlaine Gahan & Carol McMurray	166%

Honour Board – [WS Open Championship Pair](#)
Link to [Full results](#)

Club Admin

◆ MP – Manager Update



The Willis Renovations

We are very excited to announce that The Willis renovations will be commencing on September 11th. These renovations have been in the planning since we 1st moved in, and we are very happy they will go ahead. We

expected to relocate to another venue during the renovations. But we have had great support from both the Tennis Club and their builder to work with us to be only out for 4-6 weeks and this could be even shorter. We will keep you updating with any changes and will give you an exact date to return as soon as we have one.

What does this mean for you the players.

1. We will be closing The Willis for 4 to 6 weeks while the renovations take place.
2. The exciting part is we will have new flooring and new toilets in the playing area no more having to walk to café.
3. There will be a new divider which separates the end part of our playing room this will cut down on any noise when we are using this area.

Monday 1.30pm Rookie “The Willis” last game will be on September the 11th.

- We have two Face to Face Rookie sessions at East Lindfield Tuesday 1.30pm with a 30-minute Pre-Game talk with John Newman.
- Thursday 10.00am East Lindfield this has no Pre-Game talk, but you do play 21 boards
- Plus, we have Rookie games Online on Real Bridge click [here](#) to see all Online Sessions.

Tuesday 12.45pm “The Willis” last game will be September 12th.

- There are many open sessions at East Lindfield click [here](#) to check them out.
- Plus we have many Online sessions you can join while we are closed click [here](#) to check them out.

Wednesday 12.45pm “The Willis” last game will be September 13th.

- There are many open sessions at East Lindfield click [here](#) to check them out.
- Plus we have many Online sessions you can join while we are closed click [here](#) to check them out.

We are sad to say that the **RB Tue 10.00am Open session** on RealBridge has been **closed** for now. We did not make this decision lightly and have been observing this session for several months.

The Monday, Wednesday, and Friday RB 10.00am Open sessions have all been doing well and will continue as usual.

The RB 10.00am Thursday session has also been under observation for a while and will remain open for now. Please support this session to help ensure that it will remain open in the future.

Despite this morning session closure RealBridge at NSBC is still going very well. We do have dips in table numbers from time to time, especially in winter when members take long overseas holidays, also when national congresses are on, but they bounce back quickly. We also have a healthy face-to-face community as well, many of which also play on RealBridge. Our membership is also growing, with new members joining ever week to play on RealBridge.

Gary

We pay both ABF & NSWBA affiliation fees per **"Home Club"** Members only.



Kevin

I am looking for another Member to take over the Club Newsletter editorship role. Give it some new directions & vigour!
I intend to retire from this role at the end of this year after my 6-year stint at the helm.
I will of course be available to help the new editor. Kevin



◆ Club Committee Minutes

The club publishes regular committee minutes
<https://www.northshore.bridge-club.org/meeting-minutes>

◆ History Club Newsletters

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

◆ LG – Website Changes

Website news

We hope you like the new look and feel and should you have any feedback - please let us know by using our feedback form by [clicking here](#).

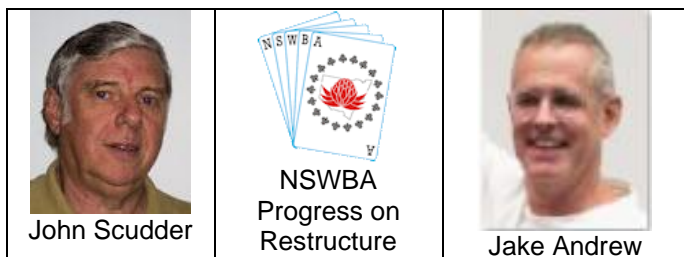




+ magnetic fastener. \$15 each

We are placing the final Name Badge order tomorrow Saturday. If you have not done so already and want to get an NSBC Name Badge, they are \$15 and you will need to complete an order form by [clicking here](#).

NSBC Membership Numbers	Home Club Members	Non Home Club Members
2-074 NSBC East Lindfield	343	18
2-120 NSBC - Willis	1122	166
RealBridge (remote members)		139
Total Aug	1465	323
Grand Total Memberships end of Aug	1788	
End Previous Month (July)	1776	



Update: No 6

What's New - Purpose & Objectives

Hello,

In our last update we introduced you to the newly established volunteer groups that the Council has tasked with shaping a successful future for our bridge community – the Transition Committee and two Proxy Boards: one for Club and one for State. These teams are progressing with their work, and it's pleasing to see that everyone is committed to working with integrity in a way that is amicable, fair and transparent.

For this update, we invited Mary Anne Loveridge, Acting Chair of the Club Proxy Board and Glenda Parmenter, Chair of the State Proxy Board to share the purpose and objectives as defined by the groups they lead.



The Club Proxy Board is deeply grateful to John Scudder and many others who have given their time and expertise to build the club up to what it is today and have provided us with the foundation to continue to grow the club into the future.

The transition presents us with the opportunity to reimagine the future of our club. We aim to be the premier **Sydney city bridge club**, a club where members feel that they belong, and visitors feel truly

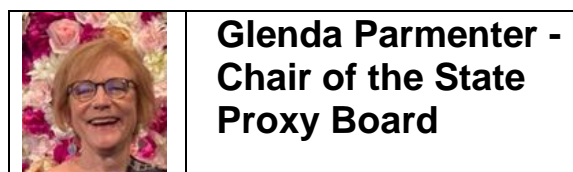
welcome. We want the club to be a great place to come and learn how to play bridge and to develop your bridge skills, with pathways to representative play. Of course, we also want it to be a place to meet friends and make new ones, and to have a great time. We look forward to working with Glenda and her team for the benefit of the NSW bridge community.

I am excited to share our purpose and objectives that the Club Proxy Board has developed and approved.

Purpose: Be a thriving bridge club providing social, educational and competitive bridge playing opportunities.

Club Objectives

- Facilitate an inclusive, accessible and friendly bridge club and community
- Provide opportunities for participation in bridge playing at all skills levels
- Foster the development of bridge playing skills
- Work to ensure the overall success and sustainability of the club



The State Proxy Board would like to thank John Scudder and the Council for their support as we work through a truly transformational process to develop and promote bridge, and to raise the profile of the game across NSW.

We seek to foster inclusiveness by supporting players of all ages and playing abilities throughout the state. We will support bridge clubs to build their capabilities, strengthen the connection with and between clubs, and develop a stronger sense of bridge community.

We look forward to revitalising and developing a range of enjoyable events, including state and national competitions. We will also collaborate with the ABF to promote the development of bridge and embrace a new future in which bridge is a premier mind sport.

I too am excited to share the purpose and objectives that the State Proxy Board has developed and approved.

Purpose

Foster a vibrant and inclusive bridge playing community across NSW through leadership, advocacy and support.

State Objectives

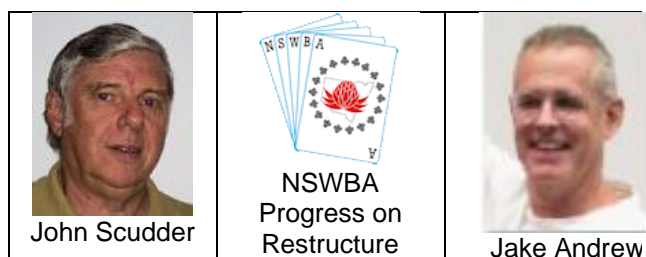
- Advance the playing and enjoyment of bridge
- Drive the development of bridge skills,
- Support bridge clubs to be successful.

We look forward to sharing more information as it becomes available. Thank you for your continued help and support.

Kind regards,

Jake Andrew
NSWBA Transition Program Manager

What's New - We're on Track!



Update: No 7

Hello,
In our last update we shared the Purpose and Objectives the future organisations are committed to. This is only one of the many

areas the two proxy boards have been working on. Importantly, they have now also developed “sustainable budgets”, which show the likely financial position of both entities after separation. Both groups find their finances tight - they will have to choose between competing priorities.

This has been done in parallel with a financial review of the NSWBA, which will be presented at the next NSWBA Council meeting on Wednesday, 13 September. The financial review has been led by Victor Clarke, a retired PwC partner. We are fortunate to have had access to Victor's expertise – he has generously contributed to the NSWBA's transition by performing this substantial piece of work.

We would like to take this opportunity to say a very big thank you to all the volunteers in both groups who have already given much time and effort to get us this far. Of course, a great deal of work is still needed to implement whatever changes are agreed – we look forward to their continued support.

For clarity – please note no decisions about the transition have yet been made by Council, nor are any planned to be made at the 13 September meeting. Until these decisions are made, please don't forget that the goal of this transition is to create two successful and sustainable organisations – a club with venues in inner metro Sydney and a NSW peak body – and please ignore the rumours!

So, what does success look like from both a Club and a State peak body perspective?

We envisage a revitalised Sydney Bridge Club that is financially sustainable, with comfortable playing spaces in the City and Inner West and more sessions throughout the day and evening, that attracts and retains new players. Ongoing education is a priority to support the development of players at all levels from beginner to advanced, with the opportunity for additional

events so that our members can hone their skills.

Bridge NSW, the new state peak body, will be focused on supporting the 150+ affiliated clubs across NSW – it will be an advocacy organisation for bridge. It will aim to raise the profile of bridge across the state and position the game as an engaging mind-sport – a desirable activity for the wider community. It will retain responsibility for managing a calendar of successful state-wide events, as well as selecting and supporting NSW representative teams. Bridge NSW will engage with and support its members, the community of affiliated bridge clubs across NSW, by providing training and continuous development opportunities to teachers and directors. In addition, it will represent club and player needs to the Australian Bridge Federation (ABF), and provide input to the ABF for strategy and policy development.

A volunteer group is reviewing Bridge NSW's responsibility to manage events. We are seeking input from anyone that knows of a thriving bridge community that is successfully running numerous tournaments/events. Do you know of anywhere in the world where they really get that right?

Thank you for your continued help and support.

Kind regards,

Jake Andrew
NSWBA Transition Program Manager



RealBridge & BAMSA: Teacher and Coach Conference

RealBridge and BAMSA (Bridge: A MindSport for All) have arranged a short online conference on 7/8 October 2023 for bridge teachers, coaches, and mentors.

The speakers are from around the world. Some material will be pre-recorded and subtitled. The entire conference will be recorded and made available subsequently.

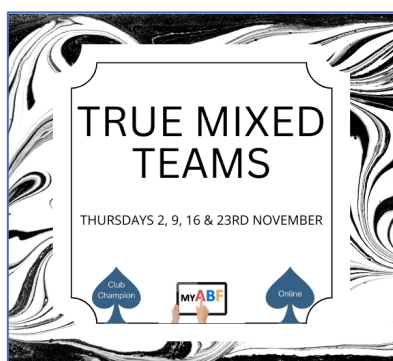
Bridge teachers, coaches and mentors are very welcome to join one of the free events on Zoom. The details of the dates and times are on the website.

[Teacher and Coach Conference Website](#)

Change to Australian Women's Team for the Venice Cup in Morocco

The ABF Board sends our best wishes to **Wei Zhang** and her husband as he recovers from a major medical emergency. Wei withdrew from the Australian Women's team on August 3rd to care for her husband.

Due to the time constraints, and after wide consultation, the Board agreed to the team's request that Jenny Thompson join the team to partner Catherine Zhang. We wish them and the Open, Seniors' and Mixed teams every success,



♦ Bridge Lessons.



Liz Wilkinson

Liz Wilkinson is currently teaching Introduction to Bridge on **Wednesdays at East Lindfield**. She will be teaching "Bridge Basics" from Sept 27

Bridge Basics will be running on Wednesday afternoons from **Sept 27**. This course expands on basic ideas, introduces some new concepts, and focuses on card playing skills. If you know someone who hasn't played for a while and can't remember much more than the basics, this course would be great to get them back into the game. Please contact Fiona for more details

info@learnbridgeinsydney.com.au

BRIDGE BASICS
WITH **LIZ WILKINSON**
STARTS **SEPTEMBER 27**
WEDNESDAYS 2PM
GREAT FOR RETURNEES TO BRIDGE
DETAILS ON OUR WEBSITE

Five Essential Conventions
with **Liz Wilkinson**
Tuesdays 10am at East Lindfield from Oct 10
We have 5 great lessons planned for October.
These lessons will cover five essential conventions that will help players move from Supervised into Rookies - Stayman, Transfers, Strong 2 Clubs, Blackwood and Preempts. Rookie players may also like to refresh these conventions. The lessons will run Tuesday mornings 10am at East Lindfield from October 10 for 5 weeks. Come to one or come to all of them. No need to book.
\$20 for Members, \$25 for Visitors
Any questions, please contact Fiona on 0407 698 786 or email her at info@learnbridgeinsydney.com.au

Bridge Basics - Face-to-Face

Responding to partner's opening of 1NT

How to count your tricks and develop your playing skills

Finding a fit in a Major suit, and focus on Responder

Developing a long suit for extra tricks and planning the play in a No Trump contract

Overcalling and the Takeout Double

Counting losers, playing and defending a suit contract

Play in your Major when you have a fit, more bidding when partner opens 1NT

Making the best of your high cards, the fine art of Finessing

Being Competitive, getting into the bidding after an opponent has opened

Defending well, the hardest part of the game.

Link to [Website Teaching Basics](#)



Jamie Thompson

Jamie is a professional bridge player and teacher who has represented Australia multiple times. His passion for bridge is on par with his passion for teaching which he has done successfully since 2016 in Melbourne and Sydney.

Jamie will be presenting 3 great lessons via Zoom. Make sure you book your place on the website. If you can't make that time you can buy a recording and watch it later.

JAMIE THOMPSON
Plan the play as declarer Series
BOOK NOW
Friday 15th Sep
Friday 22nd Sep
Friday 29th Sep
at 10am

15th Sep - How to effectively plan the play as declarer

WHEN & HOW TO USE COUNT
As Defender and Declarer
Friday 22nd Sept @ 10 am
Attend online or listen to recording [Click here to register](#)

22nd Sep - When and how to use count. Both as a defender and declarer.

TO BID OR NOT TO BID?
That is the question
Friday 29th Sept @ 10 am
Attend online or listen to recording [Click here to register](#)

29th Sep - Overcalls. To bid or not to bid. Overcalls vs Doubles.

HOW TO EFFECTIVELY PLAN THE PLAY
Friday 15th Sep @ 10am

When and how to use
COUNT
Both as a defender and declarer
Friday 22nd Sep @ 10am

OVERCALLS
VS
DOUBLES
To bid or not to bid?
Friday 29th Sep @ 10am

[Link to register for Jamie's Zoom sessions](#)

◆ Comp Night Coming Events

The current event (Watermark sponsored Club Teams) is running, no further entries allowed.

WATERMARK CLUB TEAMS
Click here to enter

WATERMARK RESIDENCES

This is followed by the Club MP Pairs championship in late Sep

Thursday Night
28th Sept, 5th, 12th & 26th Oct

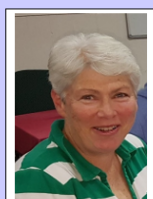
CLUB MP PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Enter via MyABF

Anita Curtis

Anita Curtis is taking a break but is restarting on 28th September.
Gentle hand Analysis

NSBC Thursday mornings online at 9.30am
September - November 2023 Program
with Anita Curtis



Thursday mornings for the rest of the year will be consolidation through hand analysis of the DYS course and also a few lessons at lower intermediate level - Broaden Your Game (BYG). These lessons will be held **on-line**. You can watch the video at any time or participate in the zoom session (9.30-11.30am). You can also play the hands on Realbridge after the lesson at your convenience.

Date	Lesson Topic
Sept 28	End of course Hand Analysis 3 (Gentle Hand Analysis)
Oct 5	End of course Hand Analysis 4 (Gentle Hand Analysis)
Oct 12	I hate No Trumps!
Oct 19	NO LESSON
Oct 26	End of course Hand Analysis 5 (Gentle Hand Analysis)
Nov 2	NO LESSON
Nov 9	Covering honours in defence
Nov 16	Gentle Hand Analysis 6
Nov 23	Card combinations part 2 (missing 2 honours)
Nov 30	Gentle Hand Analysis 7

Visitors \$20; Members \$17

Jessica Brake

Jessica Brake will be returning to the club to teach soon.

59th Online Club Matchpoint Pairs (State) Comp Night – Club Pairs Championship

Thursday's 28 Sep, 5, 12 Oct & 26 Oct

7pm Start– Club Matchpoint Pairs Championships

Prize Pool: **Generous** Prize Pool + 3 Entries NSWBA State Open Pairs

Convenor, queries & partnership advice: Gary Barwick 0413 884 805

Director: Ronnie Ng

Entry Management: Enter by MyABF

Pre-payments: Visitors "ABF Credits", Members via "Club PP System"

58th 2022 Winners: **Sophie Ashton & David Beauchamp**

Notes: 17 Oct is Spring Nationals, NSW State Open Pairs Finals : Nov 18/19

Player Fees **per Pair** (152 ABF Credits) Members (via Club PP System only \$128)

NORTH SHORE BRIDGE CLUB
Online Venue with RealBridge
Tel: 0413 884 805

RealBridge

Club Champion

Why not join? Remote Members just \$25/year

Then the Mixed Teams



40th Online Club True Mixed Teams Comp Night – Club True Mixed Teams

Thursday's 2,9,16,23 Nov

7pm Start– Club Mixed Teams Championships (Imp/VP)

Prize Pool: Generous Prize Pool

Convenor, queries & partnership advice: Gary Barwick 0413 884 805

Director: Ronnie Ng

Entry Management: Enter by MyABF

Pre-payments: Visitors "ABF Credits", Members via "Club PP System"

39th 2022 Winners: Joan Butts, Michael Courtney, Avril Zets, Craig Gower

NORTH SHORE BRIDGE CLUB
Online Venue with RealBridge
Tel: 0413 884 805

Player Fees per Team (304 ABF Credits) Members (via Club PP System only \$256)

Why not join? Remote Members just \$25/year

A 1-week break for the GNOT National finals & then the XMAS Teams



14th Online XMAS Teams Comp Night – XMAS Teams

Thursday's 7,14,21 Dec

7pm Start– Club XMAS Teams Championships (Imp/VP)

Prize Pool: Generous Prize Pool

Convenor, queries & partnership advice: Gary Barwick 0413 884 805

Director: Ronnie Ng

Entry Management: Enter by MyABF

Pre-payments: Visitors "ABF Credits", Members via "Club PP System"

13th 2022 Winners: Martin Bloom, Mathew Vadas, Shane Harrison, George Fleischer

NORTH SHORE BRIDGE CLUB
Online Venue with RealBridge
Tel: 0413 884 805

Player Fees per Team (228 ABF Credits) Members (via Club PP System only \$192)

Why not join? Remote Members just \$25/year

♦ 2nd Oct EL Matchpoint Pairs Congress



7th Labour Day Pairs Congress EL Open Pairs (Matchpoints)

Monday 2nd Oct 2023 @ our East Lindfield Venue

10:00am Start 2 Sessions – Matchpoint Pairs Event

Prize Pool: Generous but dependent on entries, + Best Intermediate Team

Convenor, queries & partnership advice: Mike Prescott 0435 528 872

Director: Ronnie Ng

Entry Management: Enter by MyABF

Pre-Payments: Visitors pay MyABF Credits & NSBC Members select "Club PP System"

2022 6th Winners: NS: Kevin Davies - Elli Urbach & EW: Margaret Foster - Colin Clifford

NORTH SHORE BRIDGE CLUB
East Lindfield
Lindfield Rollers Bowling Club
2b Carlyle Road, East Lindfield
Tel: 02 9415 8344

Conducted under the auspices of the NSWBA. The ABF has approved the issue of red masterpoints at level B4. All players are subject to the NSWBA's Disciplinary Regulations. Yellow systems Restricted.

Player Fees (pp) \$45pp includes Refreshments & a Light Lunch

♦ 16 Dec RB Festive Congress Swiss Pairs

♦ 17 Dec RB Festive Congress Swiss Teams



♦ 2023 Club Championship events remaining

2023 Club Champion - Agreed Qualification Events					
CC Number	CC Max	Event Style	Dates	Venue	CC Event Name
24	10	4x Comp Nights Sep/Oct	Thu-28-Sep	RB	Club Open Pairs Championship (State)
25	10	1x Mon Congress Oct	Mon-02-Oct	EL	Labour Day MP Pairs Congress
26	10	4x Comp Nights Nov	Thu-02-Nov	RB	Club True Mixed Teams Championships
27	10	3x Comp Nights in Dec	Thu-07-Dec	RB	Club XMAS Teams
28	10	1x Sat Congress Dec	Sat-16-Dec	RB	Festive Season Swiss Pairs
29	10	1x Sun Congress Dec	Sun-17-Dec	RB	Festive Season Swiss Teams
	10	2x Comp Nights Dec/Jan	Thu-28-Dec	RB	2024 Summer Imp Pairs
	10	1x Sun Congress Jan	Sun-7-Jan	RB	2024 Summer Teams
	10	1x Sun Congress Jan	Sun-29-Jan	RB	2024 Aust Day Weekend Swiss Pairs

♦ 2023 Club July Table Numbers

2023 Session Table Statistics										2023 Totals		History			
2023	No Sess Played	Avr Tables / Session	Congress Tables	RB Session Tables	EL Session Tables	Willis Session Tables	Ven Note	Total Tables	Comments	2022	2021	2020	2022	2021	2020
YTD	1331	7.98	712	5,838	3,025	1,047	YTD=	10,620					17,685	18,852	15,533
Jan-23	217	5.93	124	719	330	115	RB EL WS	1,287	Congress RB Teams & Pairs events, Comp Pairs & Teams. ABF F2F Summer Festival , Tables RB=65% F2F=35% Open =68%	RB EL WS	1,328	RB	1,140	CW EL	631
Feb-23	205	6.04	68	696	353	123	RB EL WS	1,239	Congress RB Pairs event, Comp Night - Teams, ABF F2F Surfers , Tables RB=63% F2F=37% Open =65%	RB EL WS	1,317	RB EL	1,188	CW EL	1,648
Mar-23	160	8.90	88	818	386	133	RB EL WS	1,424	Congress RB Teams, EL Swiss Pairs, Comp Night - Mixed Pairs, ABF F2F Tassie , Tables RB=61% F2F=39% Open =68%	RB EL WS	1,543	RB EL NR	1,455	CW EL	826
Apr-23	139	9.04	100	690	351	117	RB EL WS	1,257	Congress RB Swiss Pairs, Comp Night - Morgan Swiss Pairs, Easter, ANZAC, ABF F2F Barrier Reef , Tables RB=54% F2F=46% Open =69%	RB EL WS	1,242	RB EL NR	1,267	BBO	1,365
May-23	155	8.75	38	769	401	149	RB EL WS	1,356	Congress Almost winter Teams, Comp Night - GNOT, ABF F2F Adelaide , Tables RB=60% F2F=40% Open =66%	RB EL WS	1,404	RB EL NR	1,387	BBO	1,529
Jun-23	148	9.18	182	692	377	110	RB EL WS	1,359	6 NSBC Festival Congress Events, Comp Night - GNOT & MP Swiss, ABF F2F VCC Melbourne, King Charles W/E , Tables RB=56% F2F=44% Open =70%	RB EL WS	1,573	RB EL NR	1,658	BBO	1,438
Jul-23	148	8.89	40	720	413	142	RB EL WS	1,315	Congress Winter Teams, Up Over vs Down under, Comp Night - MP Pairs, BAM teams, ABF F2F Perth ANC , Tables RB=58% F2F=42% Open =67%	RB EL WS	1,478	RB EL NR	1,942	BBO	1,495
Aug-23	159	8.70	72	736	417	159	RB EL WS	1,383	Congress RB Swiss Pairs + EL greg Quittner Swiss Pairs, Comp Night BAM & Club Teams, ABF Coffs , Tables RB= 56% F2F= 44% Open = 60%	RB EL WS	1,452	RB EL NR	2,418	BBO	1,458



Five Essential Conventions with Liz Wilkinson

Tuesdays 10am
at East Lindfield
from Oct 10



We have 5 great lessons planned for October.

These lessons will cover five essential conventions that will help players move from Supervised into Rookies - Stayman, Transfers, Strong 2 Clubs, Blackwood and Preempts. Rookie players may also like to refresh these conventions. The lessons will run Tuesday mornings 10am at East Lindfield from October 10 for 5 weeks. Come to one or come to all of them. No need to book.

\$20 for Members, \$25 for Visitors

Any questions, please contact Fiona on 0407 698 786 or email her at info@learnbridgeinsydney.com.au



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Spring Nationals Flyer & Event Table (Oct)

Sydney Spring Nationals



18 - 25 OCTOBER 2023

TBIB OPEN TEAMS
BRIDGEGEAR INTERMEDIATE TEAMS

DICK CUMMINGS OPEN PAIRS
TED CHADWICK RESTRICTED PAIRS
SPRING NATIONAL NOVICE PAIRS

SPRING NATIONAL MIXED TEAMS
BOBBY EVANS SENIORS' TEAMS
TWO MEN AND A TRUCK RESTRICTED, NOVICE & ROOKIE TEAMS
PENLINE SWISS PAIRS

RAINBOW SWISS PAIRS CONGRESS

Gold Masterpoints & Playoff Qualifying Points

Venue: Level 2, Canterbury Park Racecourse
96 King St, Ashbury

Chief Tournament Director: Matthew McManus
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Wed 18	Thu 19	Fri 20	Sat 21	Sun 22	Mon 23	Tue 24	Wed 25
Open events							
TBIB Open Teams Qualifying			Open Teams Semi-finals	Open Teams Final	Spring Nationals Mixed Teams Qualifying		Mixed Teams Final
Women's Teams Qualifying Incorporated in the Open Field			Women's Teams Final		Spring Nationals Seniors' Teams Qualifying		Seniors' Teams Final
			Dick Cummings Open Pairs		Penline Swiss Pairs		Rainbow Swiss Pairs
Masterpoint restricted events							
Bridgegear Intermediate Teams	Bridgegear Teams Finals	Ted Chadwick Restricted Pairs			Two Men and a Truck Teams Restricted, Novice & Rookie		
			Spring Nationals Novice Pairs				

Canberra Summer Festival Event Table (Jan)

Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat	Sun
9th	10th	11th	12th	13th	14th	15th	16th	17th	18th	19th	20th	21st
Women's Teams			One day Novice teams	TBIB Open Swiss Pairs		South West Pacific Teams				NOT finals		
Senior Teams			One Day Swiss Pairs	Under 750 Swiss Pairs		Under 750/300 Teams				Mixed MP Pairs Qual		Mixed Final
Life and Non Life Teams				Novice Swiss Pairs					2 Day Swiss Pairs			
	Chris Diment Swiss Pairs	Women's Playoff										
	Novice MP Swiss Pairs	Senior Playoff										