

# ADVANCING BRIDGE EDUCATION

Over the past 2 years Sue Kennard has been doing an amazing job conducting the Club's lessons for beginners followed by a period of supervised play. She has now liaised with several senior club players to conduct additional lessons for advancing players.

In response to the questionnaire that was recently circulated, a series of lectures have been organised on the subjects that were requested. These talks will be given by some of our most experienced players and teachers who will give you every help that you need to improve your bridge game.

SUBJECT	LECTURER	DATE & TIME
Making the most of doubles	Fay Jeppesen	Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> May (after bridge)
Weak two openings	Fay Jeppesen	Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> May (after bridge)
Competitive bidding & sacrificing	Helen Chapman	Saturday 1 <sup>st</sup> June (before bridge)
Stayman & transfers	Annette Hyland	Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> June (after bridge)
Hand valuation & card play	Ted Morriss	Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> June (after bridge)
Defensive play & signals	Ted Morriss	Thursday July 11 <sup>th</sup> (after bridge)
Ace asking & finding that slam!	Sandra Routley	Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> July (after bridge)
Role of the Director	Steve Woodrow	Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> August (after bridge)

## CATCHING UP WITH GAYLENE IN NZ – from Janet Franklin, Deanna Cruickshank and Desley Strik

In March we flew to New Zealand to have a 10 day holiday with friend and Bridge mentor Gaylene Masters. Gaylene relocated back to NZ in November after spending 20 years in Australia and has bought a cottage in Kaikoura, 180 km north of Christchurch, and yes it has a Bridge Club!

We all met at Queenstown airport where we picked up a hire car and set off to Arrowtown, 19 km away. This village was discovered for its gold content in 1862 which gave the whole town a unique architecture. We had a week in Arrowtown from where we had two trips to Queenstown for a lovely cruise on Lake Wakatipu, a walk through the Botanical gardens and a trip on the Gondola to watch the "Dare Devils" leaping off the side of the cliff, luge riding and para-gliding etc.

Needless to say there were many games of Bridge played. Deanna even managed to play 18 holes of golf at Millbrook Golf course.

We then had 4 nights at Wanaka, in a very comfortable house but lacking the charm we enjoyed at Arrowtown. We played Bridge at Wanaka Bridge club where the members made us very welcome however it made us realize how professional our Club was compared to theirs.

It was lovely to catch up with Gaylene and she asked us to pass on her love and best wishes to all Redcliffe Bridge Club members.



Queenstown NZ



Arrowtown NZ



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## BRIDGE BUZZ—May 2019

### FROM THE PRESIDENT

Firstly, I want to mention the very successful President's day. Terrific! Members made wonderful contributions which were supplemented with \$500 from Tony Bemrose Insurance Brokers, \$200 from Councillor Koliana Winchester and \$200 from the Club.

A total of \$3000 to a very worthwhile cause—Riding for the Disabled Association Qld Inc.—Pender Centre, Redcliffe. Most importantly, a big thank you to those members who donated prizes, and to those who contributed to a lovely morning tea. Well done!

The other item I wanted to mention was the Annual General Meeting in June. You may recall that there were some major disagreements prior to and following last year's AGM. That was in regard to different interpretations of (Incorporations to) the Club Rules. Hopefully that will not be the case this year.

As members are aware, all Committee positions will become vacant at the AGM. A new Committee is then put in place. While I am sure that some of the present Committee are interested in doing another year, some are leaving so it would be nice to see some new faces. I think it's important that we have one or two fresh nominees with fresh ideas.

Even though I have been on the Committee for the past five years, taking the role of President was still a big learning curve. The role came with quite a few challenges and thanks to a very supportive and solid Committee, we managed to have what I feel was a successful year.

The position of Tournament Organiser will also become vacant at the AGM as Herold has advised that due to other commitments, he will not be available.

With this in mind, members who are at all interested should take the opportunity to nominate. Thanks Herold for all your assistance this past year – much appreciated.

*Ken Griggs*

President

### BRIDGE FOR BRAIN—Neuroscience Research Australia

Their motto is to *Discover, Conquer, Cure* ... while their vision is to prevent and cure disease and disability of the brain and the nervous system.

The annual Bridge for Brain Research Challenge was recently held on Thursday the 2nd of May with a cheque for \$310 being forwarded for this very worthy cause.

#### Winners at Redcliffe on the day were: –

Section A: Elizabeth Gibson & John Scrivens N/S  
Jenny Bishop & Carol Bailey E/W

Section B: Maurice Sanders & Duncan Cape N/S  
Brian Hallam & Maya Widomski E/W

National results will be available soon on [www.abfevents.com.au/b4brc/2019/](http://www.abfevents.com.au/b4brc/2019/)

### CONGRATULATIONS TO:



1. Annette Hyland for winning the James O'Sullivan Award
2. Wayne Parker, Ross Shardlow, Sandra Routley and Paul Hendry who, in a closely contested competition, won the 2019 Teams Championship In March.
3. Bert Luchjenbroers and Dorothy Gehrke who did very well at the Hervey Bay Congress recently ... 1<sup>st</sup> in the Pairs and 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Teams! Well done!

### MASTERPOINT PROMOTIONS

Graduate	Jenny Dunlop
Club	Helen Holland Colin Morrison
Local	Helen Stewart Arthur Edmonds
State	Patricia Gower
National *	Ross Shardlow
National **	Melissa Weber

### 70% Club:

Terry Davies and Annette Hyland—72%  
Andrew Gosney and  
Abigail Wanigaratne—75%



## MATCHPOINT SCORING - from Herold Rienstra

Our regular Club bridge sessions are scored using Matchpoints (MPs). The following explains how the scoring is done and how your placing and percentage is calculated. The data below is an example of the scoring for one board in a Mitchell movement.

### Board 5 — Dealer North — NS Vulnerable

NS Pair	EW Pair	CONTRACT	TRICKS	SCORE		MATCHPOINTS	
				NS	EW	NS	EW
1	7	3NT E	9		400		12
2	2	3NT W	8	50		11	1
3	4	2C W	11		150	3	9
4	6	3C W	11		150	3	9
5	1	1NT E	7		90	8	4
6	3	1NT W	8		120	6	6
7	5	5C W	10	50		11	1

In this example there are 7 full tables and so each NS and EW pair play 7 other pairs. Each pair, however, is scored against the 6 other pairs sitting in the same direction.

Take pair 4 sitting EW, on this board they played against NS pair 3 and bid 2C and made 11 tricks. The EW score is 150. Calculating the MP's for this; They beat 4 other EW's and drew with 1 other EW, for each win 2 MP's are awarded and for each draw 1 MP is awarded. Therefore 9 MP's (4x2+1x1) are awarded to EW4 for this board.

**(Note that there are 12 MP's available for each board (6x2) so the NS 3 pair got the other 3 MP's).**

As a second example let's now look at NS pair 7. On this board they played against EW pair 5 and defeated their contract of 5C by 1 trick. Hence they scored 50. In terms of MP's they beat 5 other pairs and tied with one pair. Hence they got 11 MP's (5x2+1x1).

In total for the day, lets say 28 boards were played, Matchpoints from 0 to 12 are allotted for each board, therefore there are a possible 28x12 = 336 MP's.

You add up MP's for the 28 boards your partnership played. If your total MP's is say 204, your percentage for the day is (204/336)x100 = 61%. The highest percentages in each direction are obviously the winners.

With a Howell movement matchpoint scoring is also used. In teams events a different method of scoring is used.

Further details on the scoring methods can be found on the QBA website.



## PRESIDENT'S TROPHY DAY - from Sue Kennard

This year our Committee selected Pender (Riding for the Disabled organization) as its recipient of our charity event held on President's Trophy day. With a lot of hay going northwards to the drought stricken farmers, it was becoming more difficult for them to feed their horses, as the remaining fodder was becoming very expensive.



The Pender organization not only provides valuable therapy for the disabled (especially children) it also offers a therapeutic service for returned soldiers suffering from PTSD and it is an excellent community organization.

As well as increased table fees for the day, all of which are donated to the chosen charity, there was a huge raffle held after a lunch that was provided by the Club.

Many businesses had acceded to the wishes of Fay, Robyn and myself, donating meal vouchers, gym memberships, movie tickets, alcohol and a host of other goodies. Our politicians also provided us with large hampers and the council chipped in with a monetary donation as did Tony Bemrose Insurance, whose representatives came and addressed us.



As well as all this, our own members very generously contributed gifts to be raffled and the result of all this meant that there were two extremely large tables full of prizes to be won.

The competition was played in two sections, Novice and Open. The winners of the Novice section were Pat Scott-White and Leanne Paddison and in the Open section Robyn Church and Jill Hanley were the winners, so all those names will be going up in lights on our trophy board. Congratulations to all of you - well done to win in such a large field!!

Once our hard working Treasurer Melissa Weber had added up all the sums, we had raised **three thousand dollars** for this worthy organization and a cheque for this amount was then presented to a delighted Jane Sayer, the President of Pender, who gave a brief talk about the work that they do there. On the whole it was a very enjoyable day for all and I am sure that we will all be looking forward to the event next year!



## THE WORLD'S GREATEST SHAVE

One of our club members, Wayne Freeleagus, joined in the World's Greatest Shave this year which raises money for the Leukaemia Foundation for vital research, and supports families to give them the emotional and practical support they need.

His niece Kristy had breast cancer and lost her hair after chemo, so Wayne decided to join her and lose his hair as well and raise some money for the Foundation.



The majority of the donations received (\$1005) came from our Club members for which Wayne was very grateful and sends his thanks.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday/Sunday  
25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> May **GNOT Club Heats** BYO Lunch

Thursday  
30<sup>th</sup> May

### Australia Wide Novice Pairs

- For players under 100 masterpoints
- If you score above 57% after national matchpointing you will earn RED points
- Prizes will be awarded to the top 50 pairs

Thursday  
6/13/20<sup>th</sup> June

### Joan Dark Individual Club Championship

- ◆ Players must play ALL 3 weeks to be eligible
- ◆ Should you be unavailable for one week you can still partner someone in the competition for the weeks you will be here. You will not be included in the overall calculations
- ◆ Any player who partners the same player twice will be disqualified in the Championship
- ◆ You must nominate for this seeded event

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June **AGM - 10.00 a.m.**

## Thanks to the following LOCAL Business Houses who supported the President's Raffle

### Major Sponsor of the Day

Tony Bemrose Insurance Brokers

### Gift Vouchers

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Belvedere Hotel  
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Terry White Kippa Ring  
K-Mart Kippa Ring  
Shield Street Eats  
Hoyts Kippa Ring  
Coles Kippa Ring  
Lowes Kippa Ring

### Donations

Councillor Koliana Winchester  
Redcliffe Bridge Club

### Other Prizes

The Golden Ox  
North Lakes Sports Club  
Healthworks Fitness Centre

### Gift Baskets

Luke Howarth MP, Yvette D'ath MP  
Price Line Kippa Ring  
Redcliffe Dolphins Leagues Club