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YOUNG TD MAKES AN IMPRESSION

Brent Manley



One day when he was nine years old, Sebastian Yuen found himself in a second-hand bookstore in his home town of Wollongong. As he looked around, he spotted *The First Bridge Book*, an out-of-print work by Jeremy Flint and John Gullick.

He read the book and was interested in the game but had little chance to play, so he concentrated on chess, the other game that he favoured.

It wasn't until he started college, at Australian National University in Canberra, that Yuen rediscovered bridge and is now fully invested. Besides playing pretty well – he competed in the ACT Open Teams recently in Adelaide – Yuen is working at the 53rd Gold Coast Congress as a tournament director.

Yuen started out in directing about three years ago at the Canberra Bridge Club, where Australian National Director, Sean Mullamphy runs the games. After Yuen started asking questions, Mullamphy encouraged him to try it out.

At the GCC, Yuen credits the other, more experienced TDs with helping him improve his directing skills. Chief Tournament Director Laurie Kelso can see Yuen's potential. "He does a good job – and he's young," Kelso says.

Notes Yuen: "It's very good working in a team environment."

In addition to working the floor at the tournament, Yuen also acts as scribe for appeals at the tournament. He writes up what happens and the notes are made public so players can better understand how the process works. "Transparency," he says, "is important in building confidence in the system."

Yuen says the tournament has been enjoyable, in no small measure because of the expert organization. "It's very well run," he says, "so things tend to go smoothly."

These days, Yuen is working to find the balance between directing and playing. He likes working at the larger tournaments because "you get to see more interesting calls and decisions."

When he's not directing at a tournament or playing, Yuen works for the Australian Government, helping formulate tertiary education policy. In college, he studied math and physics.

He also enjoys reading as well as playing the violin, which he took up at age 5. He plays mostly for himself but has played in a couple of orchestras.

Yuen hasn't decided whether he will make directing a career, but he's considering it. Right now, it appears to be a toss-up for him. "though I do like playing" he says.

THE CASE OF THE MISSING CIDER OR THE MISSING CASE OF CIDER

Margaret Morgan Rye Beach Bridge Club

(Ed: We all know where the Rye is Used)

Four friends decide to visit the GCC and play a little bridge. All goes well and they arrive safely and on time despite travelling on an airline named after an extinct Tasmanian marsupial.

For economic reasons they decided to share an apartment. Before settling down to relax they visit Woolworths for a few essentials like food, toilet paper, a dish cloth etc. all of which were in almost non-existent supply in their 'luxury' apartment.

Unfortunately the management were only able to supply them with 2 keys. One lady decided that she might indulge in some cider and went off to the bottle shop sans key. On arrival back at the high rise she got in the lift but did not have the 'swipe thingie' and was surprised it wouldn't stop at Level Six and continued on to Level Eleven. So out she gets at Level Eleven and decides to walk down the stairs to Level Six but she cannot open the door because the key is with the 'swipe thingie' which she doesn't have.

The 4 bottles of cider are getting heavy so she leaves them in the stairwell to be retrieved later. We eventually let a hot and bothered lady into the apartment and she sits down to recover from her ordeal. Five minutes later

she goes to retrieve the cider but it is gone! Someone in the space of 15 minutes had 'nicked' the cider from the deserted stairwell!

Two days later another bridge player, on Level Four was sent to dispose of the rubbish. He was told there was a rubbish chute next to the stairwell. He found the stairwell but no chute. He went looking for the chute and found it by another door, which he opened and found a second stairwell. Using his investigating skills he went looking for the missing cider and, lo and behold, there was the cider sitting by the door to Level six. There were two stairwells. She had come down one and went looking in the other.

The moral of this story is "It pays to look both ways when crossing your stairwells, particularly in foreign places."

BRITISH TAXMAN DECLARES CONTRACT BRIDGE NOT A SPORT

Patrick Kidd - The Times February 25

It's a game that requires stamina, concentration, teamwork and ruthlessness - as well as years of practice - to acquire any real proficiency. As far as the taxman is concerned, however, letting a mere card game be considered as a sport would be a bridge too far. How can something be a sport when you can hold a glass of whisky while playing it?

A tax tribunal yesterday dealt a losing hand to the English Bridge Union, which had wanted to be recognised as a sport so that members would not have to pay VAT on their competition entry fees, which amounted to £631,000 in 2012-13.

A BLOOMING GOOD DUCK

Nigel Rosendorff

In the last round of the Seniors Finals Martin Bloom found a great duck.

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|--------------|--------------|------------------|--------------------|------------|-----------|----------|----|
| Dealer: East | ♠ J 4 | Sen Pairs Fin S3 | West | North | East | South | |
| Vul: Both | ♥ A K 7 4 | | Ramshaw | Rosendorff | Brockwell | Bloom | |
| Brd 26 | ♦ 10 9 | | | | Pass | Pass | |
| | ♣ A J 10 9 3 | | Pass | 1♣ | Pass | Pass | |
| ♠ A 10 7 | | ♠ Q 8 3 2 | Double | Pass | 1♠ | All Pass | |
| ♥ 10 9 8 2 | | ♥ Q 6 | Makeable Contracts | | | | |
| ♦ A 7 6 5 | | ♦ K Q 8 4 3 | 1 | - | 1 | - | NT |
| ♣ K 2 | | ♣ Q 5 | 2 | - | 2 | - | ♠ |
| | ♠ K 9 6 5 | | - | 1 | - | 1 | ♥ |
| | ♥ J 5 3 | | 3 | - | 3 | - | ♦ |
| | ♦ J 2 | | - | 2 | - | 2 | ♣ |
| | ♣ 8 7 6 4 | | | | | | |

Opening Lead: ♣7

It looks as though declarer should have an easy time for 8 tricks but look what happened. Bloom led a club to the king and North's ace. A diamond came back and declarer won in dummy with the ♦A.

Next a low spade to the queen and Bloom ducked. Declarer continued with a spade to the ace and North's jack. Thinking that spades were 3-3 with North holding the king Brockwell led another spade. This allowed Bloom to draw trumps then exit a low heart after Rosendorff had pitched the ♥7, allowing the defence to cash 3 heart tricks and keeping declarer to seven tricks.

If Bloom wins the spade king and switches to hearts, West ruffs the third round, plays a spade to the ace, cashes the ten then runs diamonds. South can ruff but that is the last trick for the defence declarer losing two spade tricks, a club and two heart tricks, making eight tricks.

Well done by Martin Bloom.

While on the subject of Martin Bloom, he reports the following exchange at the table:

Husband having just gone one down in a contract: "There were a lot of ways I could have made that contract"

Wife: "Why didn't you choose one of them"!

More of Those Puns

Dancing cheek-to-cheek is really a form of floor play.

Does the name Pavlov ring a bell?

Condoms should be used on every conceivable occasion.

Reading while sunbathing makes you well red.

UPS AND DOWNS – INTERMEDIATE TEAMS QUALIFYING ROUND 1

Brent Manley

Steve Hughes and Drew Dunlop, who came up with a monster final session to win the Intermediate Pairs on Monday, could have used a bit of that magic on Tuesday in the first match of the Intermediate Teams qualifying.

The two, playing with George Kruz and Randall Rusk, opposed the six-member team captained by Andrew Webb. Hughes and Dunlop faced Sid Reynolds and Antoinette Rees, with Anne Morris and Noreen Grant at the other table against Kruz and Rusk.

At the table where Hughes and Dunlop opposed Reynolds and Rees, play started with board 8, which was uneventful. The next board was anything but. Hughes inadvertently pulled the East hand out of the wallet and looked at it. Fortunately, Hughes did not look at his own hand, so when the director was called, he had a ready solution. He took the board to the other table and directed the players to rotate it so that North played the East hand, etc.

This was the bidding with the board rotated to make Hughes East. Reynolds held the North cards for one round.

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|---------------|-------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| Dealer: North | ♠ 7 | Int. Teams Qual R1 | <u>West</u> | <u>North</u> | <u>East</u> | <u>South</u> |
| Vul: E-W | ♥ A K J 7 5 | | Dunlop | Reynolds | Hughes | Rees |
| Brd 9 | ♦ J 7 6 5 | | | 1♥ | Pass | 1♠ |
| | ♣ K Q 4 | | Pass | 1NT | Pass | 3NT |
| | | | Pass | Pass | Pass | |
| ♠ A K 8 6 | | ♠ J 10 9 | Makeable Contracts | | | |
| ♥ 8 6 4 | | ♥ 9 3 2 | - | 2 | - | 3 NT |
| ♦ 9 3 | | ♦ Q 10 8 4 | - | 2 | - | 2 ♠ |
| ♣ A 10 7 3 | | ♣ 9 8 2 | - | 4 | - | 4 ♥ |
| | ♠ Q 5 4 3 2 | | - | 3 | - | 3 ♦ |
| | ♥ Q 10 | | - | 2 | - | 2 ♣ |
| | ♦ A K 2 | | | | | |
| | ♣ J 6 5 | | | | | |

Rees's raise to game paid off when Dunlop led a club. Hughes won the ace and returned the suit, but Reynolds had his nine tricks: five hearts, two clubs and two diamonds. At the other table, North played in 4♥ and went one down for a 10-IMP loss.

Four boards later, there was another big swing against the Hughes squad.

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|---------------|---------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| Dealer: North | ♠ 7 | Int. Teams Qual R1 | <u>West</u> | <u>North</u> | <u>East</u> | <u>South</u> |
| Vul: Both | ♥ A Q 8 | | Rees | Hughes | Reynolds | Dunlop |
| Brd 13 | ♦ A Q 10 7 4 | | | 1♦ | Pass | 1♠ |
| | ♣ K Q J 7 | | Pass | 2NT | Pass | 3♠ |
| | | | Pass | 3NT | All Pass | |
| ♠ Q 8 | | ♠ J 10 9 3 | Makeable Contracts | | | |
| ♥ K J 10 9 6 | | ♥ 5 3 2 | - | 5 | - | 5 NT |
| ♦ J 9 8 3 2 | | ♦ K 5 | - | 5 | - | 5 ♠ |
| ♣ 5 | | ♣ 8 4 3 2 | - | 3 | - | 3 ♥ |
| | ♠ A K 6 5 4 2 | | - | 4 | - | 4 ♦ |
| | ♥ 7 4 | | - | 7 | - | 7 ♣ |
| | ♦ 6 | | | | | |
| | ♣ A 10 9 6 | | | | | |

North-South would have had a chance for the cold club slam had Hughes rebid 3♣ instead of 2NT. Hughes won the opening club lead with his king and played a spade to dummy's ace. He cashed the ♠K and played a third round. Reynolds exited with a club, taken in dummy. Declarer played a fourth round of spades, establishing two more winners in the suit. A heart went to the king and ace and Hughes was able to claim plus 660. At the other table, Morris and Grant found a better contract.

| | | | |
|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| <u>West</u> | <u>North</u> | <u>East</u> | <u>South</u> |
| | Morris | | Grant |
| | 1♦ | Pass | 1♠ |
| Pass | 3♣ | Pass | 3♥ |
| Pass | 3NT | Pass | 4NT |
| Pass | 5♥ | Pass | 6♣ |

The 3♥ bid was fourth suit according to the pair's agreements, and the 3NT bid showed a hand with 1-3-5-4 shape. When Blackwood established that there were no missing aces, the slam was bid.

East led the ♠J, taken in dummy. Morris played a diamond to the queen and East's king. A second spade went to dummy's king. Morris then played a heart to the ace, discarding dummy's losing heart on the ♦A. She then crossruffed for 12 tricks. Plus 1370 was good for 12 IMPs to the Webb team.

The score was 26-2 for Webb when another aggressive action by Rees paid off.

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|--------------|--------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------|----------|--------|----|
| Dealer: East | ♠ J 9 5 | Int. Teams Qual R1 | West | North | East | South | |
| Vul: N-S | ♥ A J 9 | | Rees | Hughes | Reynolds | Dunlop | |
| Brd 2 | ♦ K Q 10 9 3 | | | | 2♥ | Pass | |
| | ♣ J 10 | | 4♥ | Pass | Pass | Pass | |
| ♠ K 8 4 | | ♠ A 10 | Makeable Contracts | | | | |
| ♥ 10 8 7 | | ♥ K Q 6 5 2 | 4 | - | 2 | - | NT |
| ♦ A J 5 | | ♦ 7 2 | - | - | - | - | ♠ |
| ♣ A Q 6 3 | | ♣ 9 8 7 2 | 4 | - | 4 | - | ♥ |
| | ♠ Q 7 6 3 2 | | 1 | - | 1 | - | ♦ |
| | ♥ 4 3 | | 4 | - | 4 | - | ♣ |
| | ♦ 8 6 4 | | | | | | |
| | ♣ K 5 4 | | | | | | |

Reynolds's 2♥ showed a five-card suit and 9-12 high-card points, making the leap to game a bit optimistic. As you can see, however, Reynolds was minimum for his opening, so he would have declined any invitation. He justified his partner's confidence by playing the contract well.

Dunlop led a trump, Hughes inserting the 9. Reynolds won with the ♥Q and played a spade to dummy's king. Hughes went up with the ace when Reynolds played a heart from dummy, exiting with the ♥J to declarer's queen.

Reynolds went to dummy with the ♦A and called for a low club, Hughes winning with the ♣10. A spade went to declarer's ace and a club finesse brought in the suit. Reynolds took four hearts, three clubs, a diamond and two spades for plus 420. At the other table, East-West played 2♥ for plus 170 and 6 more IMPs to the Webb team.

Hughes fought back late in the match, but it was too little, too late. The following board did give Dunlop a chance to shine.

| | | | | | | | |
|--------------|-----------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------|----------|--------|----|
| Dealer: East | ♠ J | Int. Teams Qual R1 | West | North | East | South | |
| Vul: E-W | ♥ K J 9 2 | | Rees | Hughes | Reynolds | Dunlop | |
| Brd 6 | ♦ 7 | | | | Pass | 1♣ | |
| | ♣ A K 9 7 5 3 2 | | 1♠ | Double | 3♠ | 4♥ | |
| ♠ K Q 9 4 3 | | ♠ 10 6 5 2 | Pass | 4NT | Pass | 5♥ | |
| ♥ Q 4 3 | | ♥ 7 6 | Pass | 6♥ | All Pass | | |
| ♦ 9 6 5 3 | | ♦ A Q J 8 4 | Makeable Contracts | | | | |
| ♣ J | | ♣ 10 6 | - | 6 | - | 6 | NT |
| | ♠ A 8 7 | | 2 | - | 2 | - | ♠ |
| | ♥ A 10 8 5 | | - | 6 | - | 6 | ♥ |
| | ♦ K 10 2 | | 1 | - | 1 | - | ♦ |
| | ♣ Q 8 4 | | - | 6 | - | 6 | ♣ |

Rees led the ♠K to Dunlop's ace and he considered his next play for a time before making up his mind about the heart suit. He had to find the queen or the slam would fail. After thinking it over, he played the ♥A followed by the ♥10, which held when Rees did not cover. When East followed, Dunlop could claim all the tricks with the club suit running. Plus 1010 was worth an 11-IMP swing to Hughes in a losing cause. The final score was 40-13.

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| More of Those Puns | <p>When two egotists meet, it's an I for an I. A bicycle can't stand on its own because it is two tired. Time flies like an arrow. Fruit flies like a banana. In democracy your vote counts. In feudalism your count votes. She was engaged to a boyfriend with a wooden leg but broke it off. A chicken crossing the road is poultry in motion. If you don't pay your exorcist, You get repossessed</p> |
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OPEN TEAMS QUALIFYING ROUND ONE

Barry Rigal

What might have been?

The Burke team scored a blitz in its first match but David Beauchamp was regretting the one that got away.

Dealer: North ♠ 7 Teams Qual R1
 Vul: Both ♥ A Q 8
 Brd 13 ♦ A Q 10 7 4
 ♣ K Q J 7

♠ Q 8 ♠ J 10 9 3
 ♥ K J 10 9 6 ♥ 5 3 2
 ♦ J 9 8 3 2 ♦ K 5
 ♣ 5 ♣ 8 4 3 2

♠ A K 6 5 4 2
 ♥ 7 4
 ♦ 6
 ♣ A 10 9 6

| Makeable Contracts | | | | |
|--------------------|---|---|---|----|
| - | 5 | - | 5 | NT |
| - | 5 | - | 5 | ♠ |
| - | 3 | - | 3 | ♥ |
| - | 4 | - | 4 | ♦ |
| - | 7 | - | 7 | ♣ |

He had done well to get to 6♣ by North, and on any lead but a trump he would have had 12 tricks on a cross-ruff. But how should one play the deal on a trump lead, won in hand by the jack?

The natural line looks to me to play ♠A and ruff a spade high, come back to hand with a trump to find the bad news there, then lead a third spade. When West discards, you pitch a diamond from dummy, keeping dummy's trump as the re-entry to hand. East wins and must exit in trumps; you run the trumps then spades, and guess which finesse to take at the end.

And for extra credit, how do you make 7♣ as North, again after a trump lead? You have no trouble at double-dummy. win the club lead with the seven, ruff out the diamonds, come back to hand with a heart finesse, ruff another diamond with ♣A, and run the trumps. This is the ending:

| | | |
|----------|-------------|----------|
| | ♠ 7 | |
| | ♥ A 8 | |
| | ♦ Q 10 | |
| | ♣ J | |
| ♠ Q | | ♠ J 10 9 |
| ♥ K J 10 | | ♥ 5 3 |
| ♦ J 9 | | ♦ --- |
| ♣ --- | | ♣ 8 |
| | ♠ A K 6 5 4 | |
| | ♥ 4 | |
| | ♦ --- | |
| | ♣ --- | |

The last trump followed by the ♦Q forces East to unguard hearts (even if they had started life with a heart bigger than the eight and had let go of a trump earlier on the diamond ruff to dummy, to avoid unguarding hearts). Dummy pitches a spade, and now declarer cashes the ♠AK to execute a non-simultaneous double-squeeze on West.

Top score on the deal went to Jane and John Skipper - who missed the grand slam. To compensate they were playing 6♣XX on the lead of ♥5 for a cool 2230 (is there any other kind of +2230?). Their auction was

| West | North | East | South |
|--------|-------|--------|----------|
| | 1♦ | Pass | 1♠ |
| Pass | 3♣ | Pass | 3♥ |
| Double | 3NT | Pass | 4♣ |
| Pass | 4NT | Pass | 5♥ |
| Double | 5♠ | Double | Pass |
| Pass | 6♣ | Double | Redouble |
| Pass | Pass | Pass | |

Jane opened one diamond and forced to game at her second turn, found the club fit and asked for aces, then over the double of 5♥ showed interest in a grand slam. The pass of 5♠ doubled showed one side king and John might have bid the grand slam at his last turn until a more lucrative possibility presented itself.

LOCATION, LOCATION, LOCATION

Barry Rigal

When you win an event by two tops you've probably been a little lucky, but you've also played well and exploited your good fortune. It never hurts for your good views to work - and that was never truer than on this board where the field played 4♠ by East, going down on a club lead.

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|--------------|--------------|----------------|--------------------|-------|-----------------|----------|
| Dealer: West | ♠ A K 4 | Pairs Final S2 | West | North | East | South |
| Vul: Both | ♥ 10 9 5 | | 1♣ | Pass | 1♥ ¹ | Pass |
| Brd 20 | ♦ 10 2 | | 2NT | Pass | 3♥ | Pass |
| | ♣ A Q 10 3 2 | | 3♠ | Pass | 4♠ | All Pass |
| ♠ 8 6 2 | | ♠ Q J 10 9 7 3 | | | | |
| ♥ A Q J 3 2 | | ♥ K | 1 Showing spades | | | |
| ♦ A K 7 | | ♦ Q 9 5 4 | Makeable Contracts | | | |
| ♣ K 9 | | ♣ 8 5 | 3 | - | - | - |
| | ♠ 5 | | 4 | - | 3 | - |
| | ♥ 8 7 6 4 | | 2 | - | 2 | - |
| | ♦ J 8 6 3 | | 2 | - | 2 | - |
| | ♣ J 7 6 4 | | - | 2 | - | 2 |
| | | | | | | NT |
| | | | | | | ♠ |
| | | | | | | ♥ |
| | | | | | | ♦ |
| | | | | | | ♣ |

Del'Monte sat West and decided his hand was far too strong for a 15-17 no-trump. But he wasn't thrilled about opening 1♥ and raising 1NT to 2NT, so he experimented with a 1♣ opening - two+ clubs. Now the opponents were stymied after the three heart bid being a re-transfer to spades. They had reached game the right way up, and after a diamond lead declarer cashed hearts from the top to pitch the club losers, then drew trumps and ruffed out the hearts for +650 and all the matchpoints.

CHOCOLATE FROG UPDATE

Chocolate Frogs aplenty are being given out for acts of good sportsmanship. Here are a few fine examples:

- Sandra Calvert who alerted the opponents to a scoring error in their favour. Their opponents thought this worthy of a chocolate frog on the basis of honesty and excellent score checking.
- Vivien Eldridge and Alan Davies who, after being told by the opponent that they had made their contract corrected him stating that in fact they had gone down.
- Coral Williamson for being very helpful and cooperative towards their opponents in the restricted pairs.
- Sue Emerson for her helpfulness in assisting Joan Stobo, who has ankle problems, to get out of her chair.

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OPEN TEAMS QUALIFYING ROUND TWO

Barry Rigal

I sat down to watch Sartaj Hans and David Beauchamp take on Ann and Arthur Porter, two of the teams who had achieved 20-0 in the first match.

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| Dealer: West | ♠ K Q J 7 | Teams Qual R2 | West | North | East | South |
| Vul: E-W | ♥ J 10 6 5 3 | | Arthur | B'champ ¹ | Ann | Hans |
| Brd 16 | ♦ K Q | | 1♦ | Double | 1♠ | Pass |
| | ♣ A 6 | | 2♥ | Pass | 3♦ | Pass |
| ♠ A 10 | | ♠ 9 6 5 3 2 | 5♦ | Pass | Pass | Pass |
| ♥ A K Q 2 | | ♥ 9 4 | | | | |
| ♦ A J 10 9 4 3 | | ♦ 6 5 | Makeable Contracts | | | |
| ♣ 9 | | ♣ K Q J 2 | 3 | - | 2 | - |
| | ♠ 8 4 | | 2 | - | 2 | - |
| | ♥ 8 7 | | 1 | - | 1 | - |
| | ♦ 8 7 2 | | 3 | - | 3 | - |
| | ♣ 10 8 7 5 4 3 | | 1 | - | 1 | - |
| | | | | | | NT |
| | | | | | | ♠ |
| | | | | | | ♥ |
| | | | | | | ♦ |
| | | | | | | ♣ |

¹ When thinking how to abbreviate Beauchamp I figured the word champ should appear

Board 16 offered a choice of approaches with the West cards, much depending on how the partnership continues after a reverse. At the table I was watching there was some divergence of style.

Arthur Porter was hoping for a little more shape suitability for playing diamonds. After a top spade lead he played to ruff hearts in dummy and ran into the cross ruff that doomed the contract. Gill/Burke bid to 3NT after 1♦:[Dbl]:1♠-2♥:2NT:3♦:3NT, and after a club lead and spade shift declarer really did not have any entries to hand to finesse diamonds twice. But the doubleton king-queen of diamonds meant he could not be prevented from taking nine tricks.

Dealer: West ♠ 10 7
 Vul: Both ♥ K Q J 6 5 4 3
 Brd 20 ♦ ---
 ♣ K 10 5 3

♠ Q 2
 ♥ 9 8 7
 ♦ K Q 9 7 5 4
 ♣ 7 4

♠ A K 9 8 6 5
 ♥ A 10
 ♦ A J
 ♣ A J 8

♠ J 4 3
 ♥ 2
 ♦ 10 8 6 3 2
 ♣ Q 9 6 2

| Makeable Contracts | | | | |
|--------------------|---|---|---|----|
| 6 | - | 6 | - | NT |
| 5 | - | 5 | - | ♠ |
| - | 2 | - | 2 | ♥ |
| 7 | - | 7 | - | ♦ |
| - | - | - | - | ♣ |

Board 20 saw the imps go in the opposite direction - but it was another case of what might have been. When Beauchamp opened 4♥ Ann Porter closed the auction with a 4♠ call, and wrapped up 10 tricks easily enough. After a lower level preempt at the other table Tony Burke played 6♦ as West on the lead of ♥K. He won the ace and tested diamonds, finding the bad news.

Curiously, after that start the hand plays itself. Unblock diamonds and run the spades, and if South ruffs in you overruff and draw trumps, taking no fewer than 13 tricks. The play diverged from double-dummy and the slam went down; as to the details, I believe Sherlock Holmes got it right when he indicated that 'We must ask for an amnesty in that direction.'

(By the way, readers with a penchant for double-dummy problems might care to speculate on how to make the grand slam if South started life with two hearts and three clubs, instead of his actual holdings. His planned defence would be to pitch all his clubs on the run of the spades. Declarer can counter this defence but he needs to be quite precise in the order of play!)

Two tables recorded 1390 by the way. Keith Ogborn and Robert Davis did it the hard way, Ruth Chapman and Lucy Barua the 'easy' way in 4♠ doubled plus three!

Another supremely elegant play or defend came along a couple of deals later.

Dealer: South ♠ A J 2
 Vul: Both ♥ 10 9 7 2
 Brd 23 ♦ Q J 8 4
 ♣ 10 2

♠ ---
 ♥ K Q 8 6 5 4
 ♦ 9 3
 ♣ A Q 7 6 3

Teams Qual R2 ♠ Q 8 7 6 5 3
 ♥ A 3
 ♦ A 10 7 5
 ♣ 8

♠ K 10 9 4
 ♥ J
 ♦ K 6 2
 ♣ K J 9 5 4

| West | North | East | South | |
|--------------------|-------|------|-------|----|
| Makeable Contracts | | | | |
| - | - | - | - | NT |
| - | - | - | 1 | ♠ |
| 3 | - | 3 | - | ♥ |
| - | - | 1 | - | ♦ |
| 1 | - | 1 | - | ♣ |

Again you may put your money where your double-dummy mouth is, so to speak. Given that the limit of the hand in 4♥ is nine tricks on a top diamond lead, how do you make 4♥ on a top club lead by North.

Answer, win the club queen and ace and ruff a club. On this trick North can pitch either a spade or a diamond - if he pitches a diamond you ruff in dummy, ruff a spade to hand, cross to the ♦A, and ruff another spade. CAREFUL! You must not ruff a club at your previous turn, nor must you now ruff a club with the ♥A. Instead in this position:

| | | |
|------------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| ♠ --- ♥ K Q 8 6 ♦ 9 ♣ 7 6 | ♠ A ♥ 10 9 7 2 ♦ Q J ♣ --- ♠ K 4 ♥ J ♦ K 6 ♣ K J | ♠ Q 8 7 ♥ A ♦ 10 7 5 ♣ --- |
|------------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|

You lead a diamond from hand. When North lets South take this trick he has four suits that he can play. The most elegant is a club. As you ruff the trick in dummy North is decompressed (the reverse of a squeeze and by coincidence the subject of two overly long articles by myself and Stefan Ralescu in Bridge World). North wants to discard both a spade and a diamond and can't do both. Whichever card he keeps you ruff that suit low to hand for your tenth trick!

At the table Beauchamp led a top diamond and declarer gave it the old college try by finessing clubs but ran out of tricks when both rounded suits failed to behave. Burke received a club lead and managed to single in enough trumps to bring home his game.

Most of the small boards had gone Burke's way, the match score being 54-27, but the Porters landed one more heavy blow on deal 26. Again, the swing could easily have gone the other way.

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| | | | 1♦ | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 2♣ | | 2NT | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 3♠ | | 5NT | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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While Leonie and Bob Clarke stayed in 3NT when no eight-card fit came to light, Hans-Beauchamp bid as above with the 5NT call suggesting 3-4-4-2 or 3-3-5-2 and offering a choice of slams.

From my perspective behind David Beauchamp, with the North cards, 6NT looked like the right slam, protecting partner's red-suit aces. David tried 6♣ which really doesn't feel right, since your clubs could hardly be weaker, and was punished by a truly hostile lie of the cards.

Of course the best slam by far is 6♠ - ideally played by the strong hand. Andy Hung/Adam Edgton did very well to get to spades, even if it was played by the wrong hand after 2NT:3♣:3♥:4♣-6♠, suggesting the 4-5 black-suit pattern and making it easy for Hung to pass, since he could see that partner would not have suggested spades if the clubs did not need ruffing out.

After a diamond lead declarer could put up the queen then try to ruff out the club suit. That was down one - a result flattened by Haffer/Jenner-O'Shea, who DID reach 6♠ from the strong hand and received a diamond lead.

After that start it was truly unlucky to go down (and indeed if you could predict the bad club break you could make the slam by leading towards the heart queen early - but unless you can see the opponent's hands that may not be best.)

The datum on the board was only +220 -- two pairs bid and made 6NT by South on red-suit leads.

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| More of Those Puns | With her marriage, She got a new name and a dress. The man who fell into an upholstery machine is fully recovered. You feel stuck with your debt if you can't budge it. Local Area Network in Australia - the LAN down under. |
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ROUND THREE OF THE TEAMS.

Barry Rigal

A grand time at the conference centre.

It is relatively unusual for a pair to have two laydown grand slams in the same suit in a set of 14 boards. But that was the case in round three. Let's see how the field did here.

When East-West gets the auction to themselves you'd expect a sequence like the following:

| | | | | | | |
|------------------|-------------|---------------|--------------------|-------|------|----------|
| Dealer: West | ♠ Q 10 7 4 | Teams Qual R3 | West | North | East | South |
| Vul: Both | ♥ Q 6 | | 1♣ | Pass | 1♥ | Pass |
| Brd 4 | ♦ Q 7 6 5 4 | | 3♣ | Pass | 4♣ | Pass |
| | ♣ 7 4 | | 4♦ | Pass | 4♥ | Pass |
| ♠ K 8 | | ♠ A 9 3 2 | 4♠ | Pass | 5♦ | Pass |
| ♥ 2 | | ♥ A 10 9 5 4 | 5♥ | Pass | 7♣ | All Pass |
| ♦ A K 3 | | ♦ 9 | Makeable Contracts | | | |
| ♣ K Q 10 8 6 5 3 | | ♣ A J 2 | 6 | - | 6 | - NT |
| | ♠ J 6 5 | | 3 | - | 3 | - ♠ |
| | ♥ K J 8 7 3 | | 2 | - | 2 | - ♥ |
| | ♦ J 10 8 2 | | 1 | - | 1 | - ♦ |
| | ♣ 9 | | 7 | - | 7 | - ♣ |

The key is that West has to be able to show the second-round heart control. Facing a 'stronger' West hand with the ♥Q instead of the seventh club there is no thirteenth trick. How many pairs bid the grand slam here? I'm not sure if you will be more hurt than surprised to discover that only 18 pairs achieved that feat, two of them (Norman Maclaurin/Ken Berry and Alan Dormer/Anthony Hopkins getting a gold star for making 7NT Don't ask how). The second deal proved even more troublesome.

| | | | | | | |
|----------------|-------------|---------------|--------------------|-------|------|-------|
| Dealer: East | ♠ 10 8 2 | Teams Qual R3 | West | North | East | South |
| Vul: None | ♥ K Q 10 8 | | | | | |
| Brd 14 | ♦ Q 5 4 | | | | | |
| | ♣ 7 6 2 | | | | | |
| ♠ Q 5 | | ♠ A K 9 | Makeable Contracts | | | |
| ♥ A 6 2 | | ♥ 9 5 | 6 | - | 6 | - NT |
| ♦ A J | | ♦ K 9 8 6 3 | 3 | - | 3 | - ♠ |
| ♣ A Q J 10 8 5 | | ♣ K 9 3 | 2 | - | 2 | - ♥ |
| | ♠ J 7 6 4 3 | | 5 | - | 5 | - ♦ |
| | ♥ J 7 4 3 | | 7 | - | 7 | - ♣ |
| | ♦ 10 7 2 | | | | | |
| | ♣ 4 | | | | | |

In 7♣ you have only 12 top winners, so you need to ruff out the diamonds (basically any 4-2 or 3-3 split plus four of the ten 5-1 splits allow you to claim the grand slam against most lies of the cards, making it about a 90% contract). The field was all over the place here, in games going down, partscore and a third of the field played game. Precisely four pairs bid the grand slam - Peter Evans/David Harris, Tom Kiss/Alasdair Beck, Peter Hainsworth/Sanmugaras Kamalarasa and Tony Burke/Peter Gill. Drumroll for the last named pair, who also bid the first grand slam and thus win today's star prize (to be named later).

The other deal that presented some interest to me was Board 8.

| | | | | | | |
|--------------|--------------|---------------|--------------------|-------|------|-------|
| Dealer: West | ♠ J 10 5 | Teams Qual R3 | West | North | East | South |
| Vul: None | ♥ A Q 9 3 | | | | | |
| Brd 8 | ♦ 10 8 6 4 | | | | | |
| | ♣ 7 6 | | | | | |
| ♠ 9 6 2 | | ♠ K Q 7 3 | Makeable Contracts | | | |
| ♥ 10 8 7 2 | | ♥ 6 5 4 | 3 | - | 3 | - NT |
| ♦ A K 9 2 | | ♦ Q J | 1 | - | 1 | - ♠ |
| ♣ Q J | | ♣ A K 3 2 | 2 | - | 2 | - ♥ |
| | ♠ A 8 4 | | 2 | - | 2 | - ♦ |
| | ♥ K J | | 1 | - | 1 | - ♣ |
| | ♦ 7 5 3 | | | | | |
| | ♣ 10 9 8 5 4 | | | | | |

3NT was the almost universal contract here; with 25HCP between the two hands one could see how game could be missed facing a 13-15 no-trump from East but almost all other ranges will get you there. With East declarer on a top club lead from South, how challenging a deal do you think this is?

I was surprised to see that no fewer than a quarter of the field went down in 3NT after a club or diamond lead. If that doesn't tickle your curiosity, it should, since this is almost a sure trick problem (you can't guarantee the contract since the opponents might have four hearts and a spade to cash, and 5-2 diamonds might embarrass you). After a club lead by South, the hand with the entry problems is clearly West not East - the spade honours always allow you to reach East late on in the day. So win the club lead, unblock diamonds, then cross to the club honour in dummy, and cash your two remaining diamond honors. When you lead a spade towards East the defenders can win but they cannot cash their four heart tricks because of the blockage.

Just for the record, on an initial spade lead by North, life is far harder. East covers, South ducks, and now the only way to make the game is for declarer to play on hearts at every turn to cut the defender's communications. That way, the defenders will eventually have to allow declarer into one hand or the other.

HAVE YOU DISCUSSED

Brent Manley

This happened at a newcomer game at a club in Florida. Two players were bidding it up when one of them bid 4NT (asking for aces). The other was stumped by the bid, so she called the director. When he arrived she had a question: "If I say 'Alert,' can I ask my partner what her bid means?"

You know the answer: You can't do that, but you can take out insurance by discussing all aspects of your bidding system with your partner. You communicate with your partner through the bids that you make, so it's vital that the two of you have the same understanding of all the calls that might come up.

Note that I used the word "call" just now. A *call* is any action you take during the auction: pass, double, redouble and any bid. A bid is a call but a call is not necessarily a bid. Repeat after me: "Every call I make conveys information to my partner."

Say, for example, partner opens the bidding and the next player passes. If you pass as well, you have told partner – and, alas, the opponents – that you have a bad hand, usually fewer than 6 high-card points, and probably poor or no trump support.

As with all rules, there are exceptions. You would, for example, bid with fewer than 6 HCP with this hand after partner opened 1♠:

♠ K 8 7 6 5
♥ 6
♦ J 10 9 4 3
♣ 7 5.

This is a classic hand for a jump to 4♠, which usually shows that kind of shapely hand with really good trump support.

But I digress. We are here to discuss takeout doubles, responses and continuations. Check out the following two auctions:

| West | North | East | South |
|------|-------|------|-------|
| | | 1♦ | Dbl |
| Pass | 1♥ | Pass | 2♥ |

OR

| | | | |
|------|----|----|-----|
| | | 1♦ | Dbl |
| Pass | 1♥ | 2♣ | 2♥ |

Do you know what South is doing in the first auction? Does the 2♥ bid have a different meaning in the second auction? The answer to the second question is that there is a vast difference.

First, consider what North's response of 1♥ tells South. North is saying his hand is in the range of 0-8 points. North might have zero points, but South raises to 2♥ anyway. This must be a game try. Why else would South bid freely in this situation?

South is making a try for game by asking North how close he is to the top of the range for his bid. If South is telling North to bid game with 7 or 8 points, South must have at least 17 or 18 points, perhaps

♠ A K 10
 ♥ K Q J 7
 ♦ A 5
 ♣ J 10 9 8.

In the second auction, East has bid again and South raises to indicate four-card trump support. This is important information for North because if West passes 2♣ or takes a preference to 2♦, North might want to compete if he's at the top of his range but would be leery of rebidding a four-card suit for fear that South has only three hearts, which is a possibility.

If South passes 2♥, North can be certain that his partner does not have four-card heart support unless he has a real dog. So if North competes further, he will surely have either at least five-card in his suit or be happy to play his four-carder facing three trumps.

IMPROVING YOUR GAME

Barry Rigal

Dealer: East ♠ 10 6 5 4
 Vul: All ♥ Q
 ♦ A 3 2
 ♣ K 8 7 4 3

♠ Q 9 7
 ♥ 10 4 2
 ♦ Q 8 7 5
 ♣ J 6 5

♠ K 8 3
 ♥ J 8 7 6 5
 ♦ K J 6
 ♣ Q 9

♠ A J 2
 ♥ A K 9 3
 ♦ 10 9 4
 ♣ A 10 2

| West | North | East | South |
|------|-------|------|-------|
| | | Pass | 1NT |
| Pass | 2♣ | Pass | 2♥ |
| Pass | 2NT | Pass | 3NT |
| Pass | Pass | Pass | |

Although North-South have a reasonable game here, it would be no disgrace to miss it; however once South opens a 15-17 notrump, it seems logical for North to make one effort. He uses the Stayman 2♣ enquiry initially, and then invites to game with 2NT at his next turn. Now South should accept the invitation both on the basis of his good controls (aces and kings), and especially because of his intermediates - nines and tens. While the 4-3-3-3 shape is a disadvantage, the hand is a clear maximum.

Defending to 3NT, West has a natural diamond lead, and South should hold up the ace for two rounds, winning the third diamond. When the diamond suit splits 4-3 he is home, assuming that the clubs split, just so long as he is careful. That is a big if! See what happens if South plays off three rounds of clubs; West wins, and cashes the thirteenth diamond, on which East throws away a discouraging baby heart. Now if West can bring himself to lead a spade, it will cut declarer off from his hearts in hand, as the ♥Q blocks the suit.

Once you see the problem, the solution is disarmingly simple; win the ♦A and then take the ♥Q; now duck a club (you can't afford to take the top clubs at once or you cut yourself off from the suit in dummy) and the defenders are helpless. West can take his long diamond, for the defence's fourth trick, but declarer throws a spade from dummy and has the clubs to cross back and forth as he wants to get to all of his nine tricks.

Holiday Pairs Event 2 - Session 1

| | N-S | Score | | E-W | Score |
|---|-----------------------------------|-------|---|----------------------------------|-------|
| 1 | Dianne MULLIN - Eddie MULLIN | 59.26 | 1 | Paul THIEM - Ming Shu YANG | 58.56 |
| 2 | Gail PERRY - Tom LYONS | 55.09 | 2 | Jane HILLS - Jennifer A MONTAGUE | 56.71 |
| 3 | Maureen TREACEY - Kath PEEVER | 53.70 | 3 | Howard REES - Brenda REES | 52.31 |
| 4 | Rodney CURTIN - Heather ENGLAND | 49.77 | 4 | Minnie BRAGG - Chris BRAGG | 49.54 |
| 5 | Norma CAMERON - Patrick EATHER | 49.31 | 5 | Michelle BEHRENS - Jim SKEEN | 48.15 |
| 6 | Ruth KROCHMALIK - Shirley LEMBERG | 48.84 | 6 | Helen SHARWOOD - Kathy HART | 47.92 |
| 7 | Lesley MARTIN - Renate HAMID | 46.76 | 7 | Chris CULLEN - Sally CULLEN | 47.69 |
| 8 | Rosalyn STEVENS - Toni LARGE | 43.98 | 8 | Stephen PRICE - Kerrie HAYES | 46.30 |
| 9 | Sally EVERETT - Arie GUERSON | 43.29 | 9 | Evol CRESSWELL - Margaret DARKE | 42.82 |



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BRIDGE FOR THE IMPROVER
Ron Klinger

North (Dummy)
♣ Q 5

West
♣ J 9 8 3 2

South opened 1NT and North raised to 3NT. West leads the three

Problem 1: Declarer plays the queen from dummy. East covers with the king and South wins with the ace. Who has the ten?

Problem 2: Declarer plays the 5 from dummy, ten from East and South wins with the ace. Who has the king?

Solution 1: If the situation is like this:

| | | |
|---------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| | North ♣ Q 5 | |
| West ♣ J 9 8 3 2 | | East ♣ K 7 4 |
| | South ♣ A 10 6 | |

or similar, declarer would have played low from dummy to make guarantee two tricks. The ten is very likely to be with East. Only if South began with ♣A-10 doubleton might South play the queen from dummy and even then playing low from dummy is just as probable.

Solution 2: If the situation were like this:


| | | |
|---------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | North ♣ Q 5 | |
| West ♣ J 9 8 3 2 | | East ♣ K 10 4 |
| | South ♣ A 7 6 | |

Declarer would have played the queen from dummy. South has the king and the position is something like this:

| | | |
|---------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | North ♣ Q 5 | |
| West ♣ J 9 8 3 2 | | East ♣ 10 7 4 |
| | South ♣ A K 6 | |

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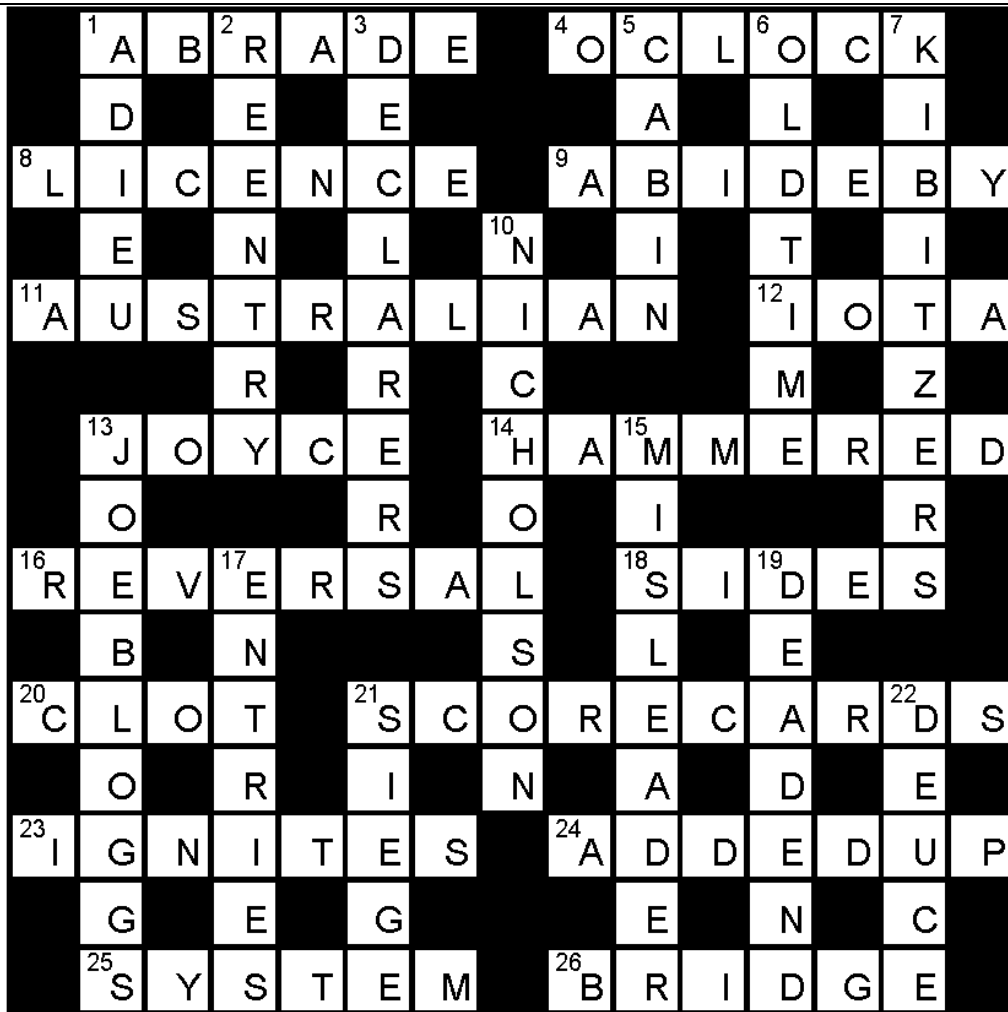
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| 6 | 37 | John Newman - Dominic Kwok - Nick Jacob - Glen Coutts | | | | | 62.13 |
| 7 | 41 | Marilyn Chadwick - Toni Sharp - Andrew Richman - Sandra Richman | | | | | 62.02 |
| 8 | 3 | Liam Milne - Nye Griffiths - Michael Whibley - Ashley Bach - Andy Hung - Adam Edgton | | | | | 61.36 |
| 9 | 48 | Andre Korenhof - Carola Hoogervorst - Niels Van Der Gaast - Agnes Wesseling | | | | | 61.13 |
| 10 | 25 | Henry Sawicki - Rachel Frenkel - Eva Caplan - Rena Kaplan | | | | | 60.19 |
| 11 | 30 | Barry Jones - Jenny Millington - Steve Boughey - Carol Richardson | | | | | 59.14 |
| 12 | 64 | Denise McKinnon - Judith Tobin - Tony Ong - Tony Bond | | | | | 59.07 |
| 13 | 28 | Ralph Parker - Arran Hodgkinson - Peter Hainsworth - Sanmugaras Kamalarasa | | | | | 58.97 |
| 14 | 6 | Arjuna De Livera - Bruce Neill - Zolly Nagy - David Lilley | | | | | 58.64 |
| 15 | 53 | Debbie McLeod - Mark Siegrist - Will Adler - Brian Cleaver | | | | | 57.86 |
| 16 | 65 | Stephen Gray - Lindsey Guy - Anne Somerville - Geoff Eyles | | | | | 57.85 |
| 17 | 21 | Stephen Fischer - David Morgan - Marianne Bookallil - Jodi Tutty | | | | | 57.77 |
| 18 | 1 | Ishmael Del'Monte - Ron Klinger - Matthew Mullanphy - Tom Jacob - Justin Howard | | | | | 57.12 |
| 19 | 2 | Hugh McGann - Matthew Thomson - Fiona Brown - Tony Nunn - Michael Ware - Geo Tislevoll | | | | | 57.07 |
| 20 | 55 | Giselle Mundell - Nevena Djurovic - Simon Stancu - Alex Dumitrescu | | | | | 55.93 |
| Place | No. | Team | Score | Place | No. | Team | Score |
| 21 | 46 | Brumer | 55.72 | 109 | 63 | Afflick | 38.82 |
| 22 | 12 | Brown | 55.41 | 109 | 120 | Grahame | 38.82 |
| 23 | 22 | Giura | 54.76 | 109 | 92 | Schoen | 38.82 |
| 24 | 32 | Askew | 54.54 | 112 | 161 | Sharp | 38.79 |
| 25 | 50 | Mayo | 54.36 | 113 | 148 | Redlich | 38.78 |
| 26 | 51 | Ferguson | 54.26 | 114 | 75 | Ashwell | 38.73 |
| 27 | 96 | Martin | 54.14 | 115 | 152 | Scerri | 38.64 |
| 28 | 11 | Brayshaw | 53.52 | 116 | 162 | Hill | 38.39 |
| 29 | 36 | Butts | 53.23 | 117 | 132 | Osmund | 38.34 |
| 30 | 142 | Goodwin | 53.14 | 118 | 72 | Spiro | 37.71 |
| 31 | 33 | Kalmin | 53.03 | 119 | 102 | Williams | 37.16 |
| 32 | 26 | Harley | 52.87 | 120 | 87 | Morris | 37.05 |
| 33 | 47 | Scott | 51.37 | 121 | 159 | Krosch | 36.85 |
| 34 | 97 | Maltz | 51.14 | 122 | 143 | Rutter | 36.41 |
| 35 | 31 | Livesey | 50.99 | 123 | 101 | Allen | 36.40 |
| 36 | 27 | Arber | 50.66 | 124 | 137 | White | 36.30 |
| 36 | 40 | Mott | 50.66 | 125 | 181 | Leach | 36.26 |
| 38 | 16 | Haffer | 50.43 | 126 | 151 | Shaw | 35.93 |
| 39 | 54 | Finikiotis | 50.22 | 127 | 108 | Kahn | 35.53 |
| 40 | 13 | Skipper | 49.94 | 128 | 176 | Allan | 35.44 |
| 41 | 19 | Gosney | 49.91 | 129 | 174 | Perl | 34.87 |
| 42 | 89 | Fleischer | 49.74 | 130 | 73 | Bedi | 34.66 |
| 43 | 24 | Li | 49.56 | 131 | 98 | Bourke | 34.29 |
| 44 | 138 | Jeffery | 49.51 | 132 | 121 | Anlezark | 33.68 |
| 45 | 68 | Sheridan | 49.50 | 133 | 88 | Walters | 33.66 |
| 46 | 189 | Brown | 49.49 | 134 | 104 | Howard | 33.54 |
| 47 | 34 | Jacob | 49.46 | 135 | 118 | Meldrum | 33.41 |
| 48 | 20 | Wilkinson | 49.26 | 136 | 18 | Konig | 33.29 |
| 49 | 10 | Bourke | 49.11 | 137 | 172 | Ashman | 33.08 |
| 50 | 66 | Simes | 48.91 | 138 | 111 | Valentine | 33.03 |
| 51 | 76 | Lowry | 47.97 | 139 | 186 | Anagnostou | 32.92 |
| 52 | 59 | Woodhall | 47.60 | 140 | 167 | Brandt | 32.83 |
| 53 | 60 | Smith | 47.55 | 141 | 128 | Trend | 32.43 |
| 54 | 62 | Van Vucht | 47.23 | 142 | 71 | Steinwedel | 32.37 |
| 55 | 194 | Healy | 46.66 | 143 | 173 | Irvine | 32.31 |
| 56 | 86 | Treloar | 46.53 | 144 | 156 | Eastman | 32.09 |
| 57 | 70 | Porter | 46.35 | 145 | 123 | Andrew | 31.95 |
| 58 | 39 | Kiss | 46.19 | 146 | 195 | Spencer | 31.92 |
| 59 | 74 | Schokman | 46.15 | 147 | 192 | Matskows | 31.85 |
| 60 | 85 | Lachman | 45.69 | 148 | 193 | Muller | 31.84 |
| 61 | 49 | Sykes | 45.42 | 149 | 115 | Banks | 31.71 |
| 62 | 44 | Clarke | 45.38 | 150 | 170 | Fraser | 31.22 |
| 63 | 7 | Krochmalik | 45.26 | 151 | 125 | Reid | 30.78 |
| 64 | 57 | Curry | 45.25 | 152 | 91 | Obenchain | 30.65 |

| Place | No. | Team | Score | Place | No. | Team | Score |
|-------|-----|-------------|-------|-------|-----|------------|-------|
| 65 | 95 | Kefford | 45.06 | 153 | 166 | Barrett | 30.42 |
| 66 | 144 | Crisp | 44.79 | 154 | 103 | Hadfield | 30.41 |
| 67 | 175 | Mills | 44.60 | 155 | 154 | Senior | 29.88 |
| 68 | 131 | Bugeia | 44.31 | 156 | 114 | Motteram | 29.84 |
| 69 | 23 | Grosvenor | 44.21 | 157 | 169 | Andrews | 29.80 |
| 70 | 84 | Green | 44.18 | 158 | 94 | Kudelka | 29.60 |
| 71 | 58 | Palmer | 44.16 | 159 | 130 | Tunks | 29.19 |
| 72 | 81 | Daly | 44.09 | 161 | 163 | Leach | 29.15 |
| 73 | 56 | Hall | 44.02 | 160 | 164 | Carroll | 29.19 |
| 74 | 52 | Moritz | 43.91 | 162 | 196 | Inglis | 28.85 |
| 74 | 184 | McAlister | 43.91 | 163 | 171 | Gold | 28.55 |
| 76 | 5 | Travis | 43.85 | 164 | 133 | Rusher | 28.25 |
| 77 | 77 | Frazer | 43.68 | 165 | 93 | Luck | 28.15 |
| 78 | 157 | Cliff | 43.38 | 166 | 140 | Blackham | 27.41 |
| 79 | 127 | Gilfoyle | 43.36 | 167 | 158 | Fraser | 27.33 |
| 80 | 191 | Diamond | 43.18 | 168 | 35 | Boughey | 26.99 |
| 81 | 135 | Andersson | 43.13 | 169 | 183 | Herbert | 26.19 |
| 82 | 15 | Carter | 42.92 | 170 | 107 | Swanson | 25.35 |
| 83 | 29 | Hoffman | 42.91 | 171 | 165 | Rose | 25.29 |
| 84 | 134 | Mickevics | 42.83 | 172 | 105 | Jeffery | 25.18 |
| 85 | 147 | Waterhouse | 42.73 | 173 | 178 | Littler | 25.13 |
| 86 | 78 | Lindsay | 42.22 | 174 | 185 | McMahon | 24.97 |
| 87 | 177 | Smith | 41.95 | 175 | 129 | Rooney | 24.95 |
| 88 | 139 | Taylor | 41.44 | 176 | 45 | Randhawa | 24.84 |
| 89 | 82 | Rhodes | 41.03 | 177 | 190 | Christian | 24.60 |
| 90 | 67 | Grenside | 40.90 | 178 | 141 | Johnson | 24.29 |
| 91 | 116 | Darley | 40.79 | 179 | 117 | Priestley | 23.01 |
| 92 | 83 | Waldvogel | 40.41 | 180 | 179 | Hutton | 22.74 |
| 93 | 119 | Moffat | 40.31 | 181 | 124 | Eastment | 22.11 |
| 94 | 61 | Tant | 40.28 | 182 | 145 | Neels | 22.09 |
| 95 | 80 | Weaver | 40.13 | 183 | 109 | Allgood | 22.01 |
| 96 | 43 | Badley | 40.02 | 184 | 126 | Lewis | 21.95 |
| 97 | 136 | Foster | 39.97 | 185 | 110 | Halford | 21.02 |
| 98 | 113 | Jewell | 39.91 | 186 | 188 | Barda | 20.26 |
| 99 | 122 | Flanders | 39.84 | 187 | 150 | Whiddon | 19.83 |
| 100 | 100 | Norden | 39.42 | 188 | 90 | Fitzgerald | 19.64 |
| 101 | 38 | Faranda | 39.29 | 189 | 155 | Roughley | 19.61 |
| 102 | 180 | Bennett | 39.26 | 190 | 187 | Orsborn | 18.23 |
| 103 | 79 | Doddridge | 39.17 | 191 | 112 | Nash | 16.49 |
| 104 | 69 | Morgan-King | 39.12 | 192 | 168 | Kelly | 16.41 |
| 105 | 153 | Kenyon | 39.06 | 193 | 106 | McDonald | 16.12 |
| 106 | 182 | Lawson | 38.86 | 194 | 160 | Dawson | 15.87 |
| 107 | 17 | Moren | 38.85 | 195 | 149 | Marker | 13.54 |
| 108 | 99 | Mangos | 38.83 | 196 | 146 | Watson | 11.70 |

Seniors Teams Championship Scores After Round 4 of 12 Qualifying Rounds

| Place | No. | Team Members | Score |
|-------|-----|--|-------|
| 1 | 22 | Derek Evennett - Lynne Geursen - Trevor Robb - Andrew Janisz | 66.28 |
| 2 | 5 | Martin Bloom - Nigel Rosendorff - Steven Bock - Les Grewcock | 65.02 |
| 3 | 1 | Richard Brightling - David Hoffman - Peter Chan - Roger Januszke | 58.66 |
| 4 | 11 | Elly Urbach - John Scudder - Marcia Scudder - Inez Glanger | 57.62 |
| 5 | 2 | Arthur Robbins - Gary Ridgway - David Happell - Douglas Newlands | 56.30 |
| 6 | 6 | Stephen Mendick - Andrew Creet - Peter Grant - Tony Marinos | 55.55 |
| 7 | 3 | Elizabeth Havas - Gordon Schmidt - Alan Walsh - Barbara McDonald | 50.03 |
| 8 | 9 | Robyn Freeman-Greene - Tony Lenart - Helen Thomson - Tony Thomson | 49.68 |
| 9 | 15 | Helen Milward - Robert Milward - Berenice Folkard - Ross Folkard | 49.63 |
| 10 | 7 | Brent Manley - Sue Picus - David Stern - Peter Buchen - Tom Moss - Robert Grynberg | 47.93 |

| Place | No. | Team | Score | Place | No. | Team | Score |
|-------|-----|-------------|-------|-------|-----|-------------|-------|
| 11 | 4 | Klofa | 47.81 | 29 | 17 | Smee | 35.69 |
| 12 | 10 | Kahler | 47.65 | 30 | 31 | Currie | 34.93 |
| 13 | 12 | De Luca | 47.56 | 31 | 46 | Lee | 34.81 |
| 14 | 40 | Young | 47.50 | 32 | 35 | Kovacs | 34.44 |
| 15 | 41 | Glasson | 46.47 | 33 | 30 | Nightingale | 33.70 |
| 16 | 13 | Marr | 45.99 | 34 | 42 | Schoutrop | 33.06 |
| 17 | 43 | Knaggs | 43.38 | 35 | 45 | Long | 32.15 |
| 18 | 8 | Malaczynski | 41.60 | 36 | 29 | Lawrence | 32.02 |
| 19 | 18 | Robson | 41.53 | 37 | 44 | Lockwood | 31.72 |

| Place | No. | Team | Score | Place | No. | Team | Score |
|-------|-----|-------------|-------|-------|-----|-----------|-------|
| 20 | 34 | Hurwitz | 41.51 | 38 | 32 | Coats | 30.16 |
| 21 | 25 | Lynn | 41.32 | 39 | 26 | Harman | 27.96 |
| 22 | 16 | Strasser | 41.05 | 40 | 36 | Biro | 26.89 |
| 23 | 20 | Braithwaite | 40.61 | 41 | 38 | Thompson | 26.60 |
| 24 | 39 | Mill | 40.60 | 42 | 37 | Boyd | 26.51 |
| 25 | 14 | Goodman | 40.24 | 43 | 19 | Brockwell | 26.04 |
| 26 | 21 | Lyons | 39.01 | 44 | 33 | Anderson | 20.56 |
| 27 | 27 | Mottram | 37.03 | 45 | 23 | Ascione | 19.09 |
| 28 | 28 | Reid | 36.01 | 46 | 24 | Knight | 10.10 |

Intermediate Teams Championship Scores After Round 4 of 12 Qualifying Rounds

| Place | No. | Team Members | Score |
|-------|-----|--|-------|
| 1 | 6 | Ian Lisle - Vicky Lisle - Lee Weldon - Biljana Novakovic | 64.57 |
| 2 | 22 | Paul Roberts - Bruce Carroll - David Lehmann - John Nibbs | 64.14 |
| 3 | 8 | John Kelly - Mike Fox - Alison Dawson - Elizabeth Zeller | 61.43 |
| 4 | 4 | Penny Sykes - Elizabeth French - Ross Gyde - Diane Quigley | 59.60 |
| 5 | 13 | Bastian Bolt - Geoffrey Roberts - Kevin Dean - Bob Hunt | 58.94 |
| 6 | 81 | Barbara Starr-Nolan - Jocelyn Lawrence - Catherine Ang - Lilio Ho | 58.13 |
| 7 | 35 | David Pincus - Joan Pincus - Kev Ward - Jan Ward | 55.03 |
| 8 | 77 | Chris Stead - Eric Baker - Terrence Sheedy - Keith Blinco | 53.89 |
| 9 | 75 | Raymond Jones - Rita Jones - Robert Fleet - Helen Fleet | 52.37 |
| 10 | 5 | Andrew Webb - Nola McMillan - Sidney Reynolds - Antoinette Rees - Anne Morris - Noreen Grant | 52.33 |

| Place | No. | Team | Score | Place | No. | Team | Score |
|-------|-----|-----------|-------|-------|-----|--------------|-------|
| 11 | 84 | Kennealy | 52.28 | 48 | 19 | Collins | 38.66 |
| 12 | 23 | Attwood | 52.26 | 49 | 31 | Chesser | 37.81 |
| 13 | 48 | Edwards | 51.98 | 50 | 52 | Bright | 37.69 |
| 14 | 69 | Coroneo | 51.68 | 51 | 17 | Brown | 37.38 |
| 15 | 55 | Heywood | 50.72 | 52 | 45 | Lloyd | 37.07 |
| 16 | 2 | Francis | 50.63 | 53 | 38 | Rozier | 36.90 |
| 17 | 79 | Armstrong | 50.50 | 54 | 46 | Hughes | 36.83 |
| 18 | 16 | Thompson | 50.45 | 55 | 12 | Gray | 36.25 |
| 19 | 56 | Dellaca | 50.42 | 56 | 26 | Potts | 36.21 |
| 20 | 54 | Hurst | 50.26 | 57 | 21 | Isle | 35.64 |
| 21 | 70 | Farrall | 48.86 | 58 | 10 | Thatcher | 35.20 |
| 22 | 36 | Cockbill | 47.61 | 59 | 60 | Argent | 35.03 |
| 23 | 42 | Leckie | 46.23 | 60 | 64 | Land | 34.64 |
| 24 | 11 | Knox | 46.06 | 61 | 29 | Boyce | 33.35 |
| 25 | 3 | Garrick | 46.02 | 62 | 40 | Mitchell | 33.17 |
| 26 | 18 | Grant | 45.14 | 63 | 47 | Jury | 31.87 |
| 27 | 14 | Keating | 44.90 | 64 | 9 | Wylie | 31.80 |
| 28 | 34 | Collier | 44.72 | 65 | 32 | Beckett | 31.55 |
| 29 | 39 | Sharp | 44.45 | 66 | 7 | Allen | 31.49 |
| 30 | 25 | De Mestre | 44.30 | 67 | 53 | Tuckey | 31.08 |
| 31 | 62 | Mander | 44.08 | 68 | 58 | Kite | 30.86 |
| 32 | 1 | Stoneman | 43.49 | 69 | 50 | Schmalkuche | 30.54 |
| 33 | 28 | Bailey | 42.86 | 70 | 65 | McNee | 29.80 |
| 34 | 61 | Eldridge | 42.79 | 71 | 15 | Francis | 29.00 |
| 35 | 76 | Gardiner | 42.48 | 72 | 49 | Binsted | 28.97 |
| 36 | 30 | Rohde | 42.45 | 73 | 66 | Scott | 28.94 |
| 37 | 72 | Look | 41.61 | 74 | 78 | Warner | 27.94 |
| 38 | 63 | Hoole | 41.29 | 75 | 71 | Wilson | 26.03 |
| 39 | 20 | Nilsson | 41.07 | 76 | 83 | Slutzkin | 25.91 |
| 39 | 80 | Black | 41.07 | 77 | 82 | White | 25.35 |
| 41 | 73 | Whittle | 40.25 | 78 | 74 | O'Neill | 24.70 |
| 42 | 41 | De Palo | 40.20 | 79 | 44 | Peak | 22.02 |
| 43 | 37 | Britten | 40.00 | 80 | 24 | Hollingworth | 21.31 |
| 44 | 33 | Sear | 39.69 | 81 | 27 | Moschner | 17.91 |
| 45 | 67 | Bayliss | 39.61 | 82 | 57 | Quigley | 15.98 |
| 46 | 68 | Barnes | 39.55 | 83 | 59 | Reilly | 15.79 |
| 47 | 43 | Brewer | 38.76 | 84 | 51 | Eastman | 13.83 |

Restricted Teams Championship Scores After Round 4 of 12 Qualifying Rounds

| Place | No. | Team Members | Score |
|-------|-----|--|-------|
| 1 | 58 | Julia England - Pam Hancox - Jennette Rosetta - Margaret Carr | 61.06 |
| 2 | 34 | David Earnshaw - Trevor White - Chris Mayfield - Daniel Chua | 59.54 |
| 3 | 15 | Sally Cullen - Chris Cullen - John Dunlop - Jill Dunlop - John Ham - Janet Ham | 58.89 |
| 4 | 43 | Peter Hooper - Susie Herring - Charles Page - Tilley Thillainathan | 58.64 |
| 5 | 42 | Paul Brake - Jessica Brake - Malcolm Moore - Fran Martin | 56.56 |

| Restricted Teams Championship Scores After Round 4 of 12 Qualifying Rounds | | | | | | | |
|---|-----|---|-------|-------|-----|------------------|-------|
| 6 | 3 | Robert Fulton - Lorraine Sutton - Mearon Geldard - Rhondda Dean | | | | | 54.95 |
| 7 | 19 | Sharon Clifford - Kay Goodwin - Ashok Chotai - Veena Chotai | | | | | 54.63 |
| 8 | 5 | Genevieve Page - Sally Luke - Diana McKenzie - Heather Reynolds | | | | | 54.24 |
| 9 | 31 | Camilla Boyd - Cherry McWilliam - Sudi Horsfield - Annie Pilcher | | | | | 53.03 |
| 10 | 64 | Sue Finger - Roz Levin - Karen Kosmin - Rosie Linden | | | | | 51.95 |
| Place | No. | Team | Score | Place | No. | Team | Score |
| 11 | 40 | Paul | 49.04 | 40 | 23 | Treloar | 38.39 |
| 12 | 25 | Graham | 48.73 | 41 | 60 | Morris | 38.08 |
| 13 | 4 | Ward | 48.21 | 42 | 17 | Rossiter-Nuttall | 37.99 |
| 14 | 62 | Macintosh | 48.07 | 43 | 56 | Kommeren | 37.75 |
| 15 | 52 | Nice | 47.26 | 44 | 45 | Jenkins | 37.26 |
| 16 | 12 | Bristow | 46.99 | 45 | 11 | Griffith | 37.20 |
| 17 | 54 | Howard | 46.69 | 46 | 47 | Jones | 37.02 |
| 18 | 13 | McNaughton | 46.47 | 47 | 21 | Benes | 36.64 |
| 19 | 6 | Webber | 46.29 | 48 | 30 | Sinclair | 36.12 |
| 20 | 2 | Rogers | 45.63 | 49 | 67 | Crommelin | 35.70 |
| 21 | 26 | Wippell | 45.40 | 50 | 63 | Jacobs | 33.69 |
| 22 | 29 | Anderson | 44.71 | 51 | 22 | McMaster | 32.99 |
| 23 | 59 | Lenton | 44.16 | 52 | 49 | Chapman | 32.39 |
| 24 | 10 | Duggin | 44.14 | 53 | 51 | Devlin | 32.18 |
| 25 | 7 | Morgan | 43.72 | 54 | 20 | Ward | 31.95 |
| 26 | 32 | Tyler | 43.25 | 55 | 37 | Fraser | 30.69 |
| 27 | 14 | Rosengren | 43.09 | 56 | 38 | Steward | 30.13 |
| 28 | 28 | Williams | 42.98 | 57 | 18 | Balkin | 30.05 |
| 29 | 48 | Simmons | 42.70 | 58 | 55 | Corney | 29.54 |
| 30 | 65 | Mabin | 42.47 | 59 | 39 | Howe | 29.19 |
| 31 | 8 | Strutton | 42.34 | 60 | 33 | Erlandson | 28.21 |
| 32 | 44 | Trengove | 42.30 | 61 | 9 | Clift | 27.12 |
| 33 | 1 | Tomlinson | 42.09 | 62 | 57 | Gault | 24.46 |
| 34 | 61 | Crowe | 41.83 | 63 | 16 | Pike | 22.67 |
| 35 | 66 | Ryan | 40.95 | 64 | 46 | Pearce | 21.75 |
| 36 | 41 | McConvill | 39.87 | 65 | 24 | Crothers | 21.02 |
| 37 | 36 | Perry | 39.75 | 66 | 53 | Knight | 20.31 |
| 38 | 27 | Cook | 39.65 | 67 | 35 | Gladders | 19.56 |
| 39 | 50 | Meakin | 39.42 | 68 | 68 | Frost | 8.26 |
| Novice Teams Championship Scores After Round 4 of 12 Qualifying Rounds | | | | | | | |
| Place | No. | Team Members | Score | Place | No. | Team | Score |
| 1 | 2 | Linda Norman - Kay Roberts - Joan Jenkins - Carmel Wikman | 66.12 | | | | |
| 2 | 16 | Maureen Gibney - Susan Lipton - Godfrey Baillon-Bending - Michael McAuliffe | 57.66 | | | | |
| 3 | 13 | Adrienne Du Temple - Don Du Temple - Roslyn Hunyor - Alex Hunyor | 52.39 | | | | |
| 4 | 17 | Ian Hoschke - Sylvia Billingham - Sue Falkingham - Dot Saxon-Williams | 51.90 | | | | |
| 5 | 11 | Jo Neary - Dennis Sullivan - Val Curtis - Louise Tucker | 51.33 | | | | |
| 6 | 3 | Barbara Lane - Gail Thompson - Pauline Webb - Philippa Catley | 51.22 | | | | |
| 7 | 6 | Raymond Powley - Susan Powley - Walter Hugentobler - Annemarie Hugentobler | 49.12 | | | | |
| 8 | 4 | Nannette Jones - Renate Pettit - Maria Moryto - Dell Macneil | 47.38 | | | | |
| 9 | 23 | Jenny Bryant - Gay Thompson - Vivienne Renton - Sandra Chapple | 46.62 | | | | |
| 10 | 5 | George Gibson - Lynne Layton - Neil Casey - James Williamson | 46.56 | | | | |
| Place | No. | Team | Score | Place | No. | Team | Score |
| 11 | 29 | Young | 46.41 | 22 | 21 | Ledger | 34.29 |
| 12 | 30 | Hughes | 46.20 | 23 | 10 | Egan | 33.99 |
| 13 | 9 | Shardlow | 45.64 | 24 | 14 | Elich | 33.05 |
| 14 | 15 | Parker | 44.49 | 25 | 25 | Newman | 32.27 |
| 15 | 1 | Brayshaw | 44.22 | 26 | 20 | Howitt | 31.75 |
| 16 | 8 | Wilson | 43.08 | 27 | 27 | Yap-Giles | 31.69 |
| 17 | 7 | Adams | 40.16 | 28 | 22 | Clark | 28.01 |
| 18 | 19 | Brodman | 36.26 | 29 | 32 | Wang | 26.69 |
| 19 | 28 | Gillilan | 36.11 | 30 | 12 | Trevisanello | 24.61 |
| 20 | 31 | Kempe | 35.82 | 31 | 26 | Bowen | 15.72 |
| 21 | 18 | Webb | 34.39 | 32 | 24 | Mathews | 14.85 |

GOLD COAST CONGRESS 2014

| | Wednesday 26th February | Thursday 27th February | Friday 28th February | Saturday 1st March |
|---|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|--|
| OPEN EVENTS | | | | |
| Open Teams Weekend Matchpoint Swiss Pairs Monday Butler Swiss Pairs Ivy Dahler Open Butler Swiss Pairs Friday Teams | 10:00am Start 4 x 14 Brds R5-R8 | 10:00am Start 4 x 14 Brds R9-R12 | O/F Teams S/F Teams 9:00am 2x12 Brds 2:00pm 4x10 Brds 09:30am 1/3 2:00pm 2/3 09:30am 1/3 2:00pm 2/3 | 9:00am Start 4x12 Brds Final 10:30am 3/3 |
| SENIORS EVENTS | | | | |
| Seniors Teams | 10:00am Start 4 x 14 Brds R5-R8 | 10:00am Start 4 x 14 Brds R9-R12 | 10:00am Start 4x12 Brds Final | All Are Invited Dinner Dance |
| INTERMEDIATE EVENTS | | | | |
| Intermediate Teams | 10:00am Start 4 x 14 Brds R5-R8 | 10:00am Start 4 x 14 Brds R9-R12 | 10:00am Start 4x12 Brds Final | 7:30pm for 8:00pm Bookings are Essential |
| RESTRICTED EVENTS | | | | |
| Restricted Teams Ivy Dahler Restricted Butler Swiss Pairs | 10:00am Start 4 x 14 Brds R5-R8 | 10:00am Start 4 x 14 Brds R9-R12 | 10:00am Start 4x12 Brds Final 09:30am 1/3 2:00pm 2/3 | 10:30am 3/3 |
| NOVICE EVENTS | | | | |
| Novice Teams Friday Novice Pairs | 10:00am Start 4 x 14 Brds R5-R8 | 10:00am Start 4 x 14 Brds R9-R12 | 10:00am Start 4x12 Brds Final 9:30am 1/2 2:00pm 2/2 | |
| ROOKIE PAIRS | | | | |
| Rookie Pairs - Single Session Events | | 10:00am 1/1 | | |
| UNDER 50MP PAIRS | | | | |
| Under 50 Masterpoint Pairs | 10:00am 1/1 | | | |
| MIXED TEAMS | | | | |
| Seres/McMahon Mixed Teams | | | 09:30am 1/2 2:00pm 2/2 | |
| WALK-IN PAIRS | | | | |
| Holiday Walk-In Pairs - Play 1, 2 or 3 Sessions | 3:00pm 2/3 | 3:00pm 3/3 | 09:30am 1/3 2:00pm 2/3 | 10:30am 3/3 |
| | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |

CALENDAR OF SOCIAL AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

| | Venue | Wednesday 26th February | Thursday 27th February | Friday 28th February |
|---|--------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|
| NOVICE AND ROOKIE ACTIVITIES | | | | |
| Under 50's Assistance with System Cards, How it all Works etc | Main Playing Area | 9:00am - 10:00am | | |
| Rookies Welcome Assistance with System Cards, How it all Works etc | Main Playing Area | 9:00am - 10:00am | | |
| GCC Novice Welcome Assistance with System Cards, How it all Works etc | Main Playing Area | 8:45am - 9:30am | | |
| OTHER ACTIVITIES | | | | |
| Queensland Directors Breakfast Meeting 1st FI Above Bridge Office - Stairs LHS main door as leaving | Jan Peach | Starting 8:00am Finish 09:30 | | |
| Dealing Machine Demonstration | Paul Lavings Bookstand | 9:30am - 10:30am | | |
| Make-a-Wish Foundation Charity Collection | Entrance to Main Playing | All Day in Foyer | | |
| | | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |



DIFFICULT CALCUDOKU

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DIFFICULT SUDOKU

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YESTERDAY'S DIFFICULT CALCUDOKU

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| 5 | 2 | 1 | 7 | 3 | 4 | 6 |
| 6 | 3 | 1- | 5 | 4- | 1 | 7 |
| 3- | 4 | 2- | 3 | 6 | 1- | 1 |
| 7 | 5 | | | | 2 | |
| 1- | 1- | 2 | 6 | 4- | 1- | 1- |
| 3 | 1 | | 6 | 5 | 7 | 4 |
| 2 | 1- | 4- | 4 | 1 | 6 | 5 |
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