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HERE GOES.....THE 2017 GOLD COAST CONGRESS

In gorgeous Australian summer weather on the Gold Coast – Australia's holiday playground – The 56th Annual Gold Coast Bridge Congress started with Pairs, Pairs and more Pairs.



OPEN PAIRS QUALIFYING ROUND 1

Barry Rigal

For the first round I sat down to watch how two pairs of top pairs would tackle the first three boards. At one table Tony Nunn/Justin Howard were taking on Michael Whibley-Roger Lee, at the other table David Lilley-Zolly Nagy were playing Mikhail Krasnoselskiy -Erikas Vainikonis.

On the first of these three deals one pair won the deal in the play but had lost their chance for a good result in the auction.

Dealer: North	♠ Q 3		West	North	East	South
Vul: None	♥ A K 10 4			Lilley		Nagy
Brd 1	♦ A J 7 6			1♦	Pass	1NT
Open Prs Q1	♣ 5 3 2		Pass	Pass	Pass	
♠ A 8 6 2		♠ K 10 9 4	Makeable Contracts			
♥ 9 8 6		♥ Q 7 3 2	-	3	-	3
♦ K 8 4		♦ 10 9 5	-	1	-	1
♣ J 8 6		♣ Q 4	-	2	-	2
	♠ J 7 5		-	3	-	3
	♥ J 5		-	3	-	3
	♦ Q 3 2		-	3	-	3
	♣ A K 10 9 7					♣

Krasnoselskiy, West, led a Polish ♥8. Declarer finessed, and Vainikonis won to shift to a deceptive low club, to the ♣10 and ♣J. Now Krasnoselskiy innocently shifted to a low spade to the ten. Nagy won the jack, cashed out the hearts then clubs, and the defenders had to be careful to keep diamonds to hold 1NT to 180. Declarer finished with one spade, three hearts, two diamonds and four clubs. That got N/S back to a 54% result – +150 would have been 46%.

By contrast Nunn-Howard bid 1♣-1NT⁽¹⁰⁻¹¹⁾-3NT. 1♣ was 2+ cards and Nunn had an absolute maximum given that his no-trump opener might include 14. Lee led a heart and declarer took the ace and continued the suit when on lead with a club. Declarer now needed the diamond finesse for his contract, but when the cards cooperated he had +400 and a 73% result.

Curiously, Vainikonis- Krasnoselskiy returned the favour on the second deal, with 17 facing a balanced 8.

Dealer: East	♠ 6 5 3			North	East	South
Vul: N-S	♥ A J 2					
Brd 2	♦ Q 10 5 4					
Open Prs Q1	♣ Q 6 4					
♠ K 9 7		♠ A Q 4	Makeable Contracts			
♥ K Q 9 6		♥ 8 7	3	-	3	-
♦ 8 7 6		♦ A K 2	2	-	2	-
♣ 8 3 2		♣ K J 10 7 5	2	-	2	-
	♠ J 10 8 2		2	-	2	-
	♥ 10 5 4 3		4	-	4	-
	♦ J 9 3					♣
	♣ A 9					

Their strong no-trump got them to 1NT making 180, while Whibley-Lee could bid 1♣-1♥-2NT-3NT and make the same ten tricks. You'd think that would happen to fair number of pairs in the field but +180 represented only a 14% result for E/W. Perhaps more pairs upgraded the East cards (or play 14-16 or even 12-14 no-trump) than I realised. The same ten tricks playing in no-trumps, +430, was only a 59% score for E/W.

Of the four pairs I was watching here, three of the four were in qualifying position or close to it at the end of the first session, the exceptions being the Lithuanians.

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On the likely heart lead 1NT would stroll home with eight or nine tricks, while 2♦ should get out for down one by establishing hearts. But 2♦x is the magic +200.....however Foster's double was cards not penalty. Had he been able to show values by redoubling 1NT maybe he could have defended here, but as it was the defenders cashed their spade and diamond winners against 3♣ then sat back for a trump trick and a well above average result.

On the next board the New Zealanders did even better.

Dealer: South
 Vul: None
 Brd 11
 Open Prs Q1

♠ 10 6 4
 ♥ Q 10 6 2
 ♦ K 10 7 6 3
 ♣ Q

♠ 7 3 2
 ♥ A K J
 ♦ A Q J 9 8
 ♣ 8 6

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

West	North	East	South
Carter	Weston	Atkinson	Foster
Pass	1♥	5♣	1♦
Pass			??

Makeable Contracts				
-	-	-	-	NT
5	-	5	-	♠
-	1	-	-	♥
-	3	-	3	♦
5	-	5	-	♣

After 5♣ Foster, South, was on the spot. If you had told him two heart tricks would stand up his double would have been more enthusiastic than it actually was – but there was only bad news in every other regard. Weston might have saved in 5♦ had he passed 5♣ (down 300) but even that result or 5♣ undoubled for -400 would have been terrible. The pre-emptive effect of a strong no-trump kept the field out of 5♣. Remember that next time all you people who believe it is the weak no-trump that steals the contract...

The next stanza saw Carlos Pellegrini and Joe Rich take on Max Henbest and Shane Harrison

Dealer: North
 Vul: Both
 Brd 13
 Open Prs Q1

♠ 7
 ♥ 8
 ♦ A 10 7 5 4
 ♣ K 10 8 6 5 3

♠ K J 10 8 3
 ♥ A K Q J 6
 ♦ Q 8
 ♣ 7

♠ ---
 ♥ 10 9 5 4 3
 ♦ J 9 6 3 2
 ♣ A 9 2

West	North	East	South
Henbest	Pellegrini	Harrison	Rich
Pass	Pass	Pass	1♠
Pass	1NT	Pass	3♥
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

Makeable Contracts				
-	2	-	2	NT
-	1	-	1	♠
-	2	-	2	♥
-	2	-	2	♦
-	2	-	1	♣

Pellegrini had reached a playable spot, where even one down would have scored above average. However he took full advantage of a defensive slip. Pellegrini guessed well on the low diamond lead to duck in dummy. A spade to the jack brought the ridiculous spade split to light. Harrison threw a discouraging club nine, Henbest won the ♠Q and shifted to the ♣J to the king and ace, since he had no diamond to play. Now a diamond came back and when Pellegrini led a second top spade from dummy Harrison's second club discard was fatal. Declarer cashed all the diamond heart and spade winners then threw him in with a heart to lead a diamond into the tenace at trick 12. That was +600 and an 84% result.

Henbest almost got it all back on the next deal.

Dealer: East
 Vul: None
 Brd 14
 Open Prs Q1

♠ 8
 ♥ Q 10 8 4 3 2
 ♦ 8 5 4 3
 ♣ Q 7

♠ Q J 6 4
 ♥ 9 5
 ♦ J 10 2
 ♣ A K 9 6

♠ A 7 5
 ♥ K J 6
 ♦ Q 9 6
 ♣ 10 5 4 2

West	North	East	South
		Pass	Pass
1NT	2♦ ¹	3NT	All Pass

1 Single Suited Major

Makeable Contracts				
3	-	3	-	NT
3	-	3	-	♠
-	-	-	-	♥
2	-	2	-	♦
3	-	3	-	♣

Reaching 3NT not 4♠ was an excellent start. Henbest won the heart lead in hand and played three rounds of spades. Pellegrini could pitch ♠2 then ♠3, perhaps suggesting a club honour to let Rich underlead his clubs? When he exited passively in hearts, declarer claimed 10 tricks and an 82% board. 3NT for 400 would have been 59% for E/W.

Pellegrini cemented 'declarer's advantage' on the third deal when after 1♦-1♥-2NT he followed an exploratory sequence to reach 3NT having shown 4-4 in the majors. That put Henbest off his natural spade lead. Alas for him a passive defence let declarer take 11 tricks not 10 with spades being declarer's weak suit. This time the overtrick really cost – the difference between a 41% result for N/S and an 82% score.

For the next round I saw two of the pairs who ended the first session in great shape. But there was no doubt as to who had the better of the round.

Dealer: West
 Vul: E-W
 Brd 16
 Open Prs Q1

♠ 8 7 3
 ♥ A K Q J 9 7
 ♦ K 10
 ♣ 10 5

♠ J 4
 ♥ 10 8 5 3
 ♦ A 8 7 5 3
 ♣ A Q

♠ K 10 9 6 5
 ♥ 6
 ♦ 4 2
 ♣ J 9 8 6 3

♠ A Q 2
 ♥ 4 2
 ♦ Q J 9 6
 ♣ K 7 4 2

West Olanski	North Doecke	East V. Vainikonis	South Jenner-O'Shea
1♦	1♥	2♥	Pass
2NT	Pass	3NT	All Pass

Makeable Contracts				
-	1	-	1	NT
-	2	-	2	♠
-	2	-	2	♥
3	-	3	-	♦
-	-	-	-	♣

With the West cards Wojcech Olanski, after opening an unbalanced 1♦ had to find a rebid. Since 2♥ was a diamond raise he can hardly be blamed for bidding 2NT – was it too much to ask partner to produce one of the top four hearts or for the suit to be blocked? Yes apparently it was much too much to ask. Doecke ran six hearts and Olanski erred by pitching a spade from dummy. Now a spade shift and losing diamond finesse saw -500 inscribed on the card. That was a 91% result for N/S.

The next board saw Vitas Vainikonis in 3NT after a revealing auction.

Dealer: North
 Vul: None
 Brd 17
 Open Prs Q1

♠ K Q
 ♥ 10 8 7 6 5 3
 ♦ ---
 ♣ 10 6 5 4 3

♠ J 9 7 4 2
 ♥ 2
 ♦ K 5 4
 ♣ A K Q 9

♠ 10 8 6 5
 ♥ Q J
 ♦ Q J 7 2
 ♣ 8 7 2

♠ A 3
 ♥ A K 9 4
 ♦ A 10 9 8 6 3
 ♣ J

West Olanski	North Doecke	East V. Vainikonis	South Jenner-O'Shea
	Pass	1♦	Pass
1♠	2♦	Double	Pass
Pass	2♥	Double	Pass
3♥	Pass	3NT	All Pass

Makeable Contracts				
5	-	5	-	NT
5	-	5	-	♠
3	-	3	-	♥
6	-	6	-	♦
3	-	3	-	♣

Olanski was interested in 6♦ – which could be brought home on careful play – but 3NT looked safe enough. Olanski won the top heart lead as North discouraged, and surely ought to have passed the ♦8 with his communications still in place but he did not see the danger. He unblocked clubs then carefully selected the ♦6...and South played low...and declarer went up with ♦K. After everyone digested the enormity of their malfeasances, Vainikonis cashed a club to pitch a spade, then ducked a diamond. Jenner-O'Shea alertly shifted to the spade six – nine, queen ace. Vainikonis knocked out the remaining diamond honour and back came the ♠10. By this stage declarer (to quote Gerard Hoffnung) 'must have lost his presence of mind'. He covered with the jack and North won to return a club, locking the lead in dummy to force a lead from ♠ 7 4 into South's ♠ 8 5 at trick 12. Down one and a second consecutive 91% result for N/S.

On the final deal of the set Olanski did well in the auction, his opponents even better on defence – but still for a below average result.

TABLE COUNT TO THE END OF PLAY SATURDAY NIGHT 695

Dealer: East
 Vul: N-S
 Brd 18
 Open Prs Q1

♠ 7	♠ K Q 6 2	♠ 10 9 8 4
♥ A 3	♥ 10 2	♥ K Q J 4
♦ A K 7 5 4 3 2	♦ Q	♦ J
♣ 7 3 2	♣ K Q J 9 8 4	♣ A 10 6 5

♠ A J 5 3	
♥ 9 8 7 6 5	
♦ 10 9 8 6	
♣ ---	

West	North	East	South
Olanski	Doecke	V. Vainikonis	Jenner-O'Shea
		1♣(2+)	Pass
3♦	All Pass		

Makeable Contracts				
1	-	1	-	NT
-	2	-	2	♠
-	1	-	1	♥
2	-	4	-	♦
-	-	1	-	♣

The 3♦ bid was described as 9-11; some might treat it as a strong jump shift. Well done to stay out of game? Yes but after a top club lead ruffed and a spade underlead by South (bien joue!) the defenders cashed a spade and two clubs and still had a trump to come for down one. A sparkling +100 but still only 45% for N/S.

As usual Magnus Moren and Neville Francis seem to have a system bid to suit every opportunity.

Dealer: South
 Vul: E-W
 Brd 19
 Open Prs Q1

♠ A 10 7 6	♠ 2	♠ 8 4 3
♥ Q J 7	♥ K 10 8	♥ 6 5 4 3 2
♦ J 4 2	♦ 9 8 5 3	♦ A Q
♣ K 6 4	♣ Q J 8 7 3	♣ 10 9 2

♠ K Q J 9 5	
♥ A 9	
♦ K 10 7 6	
♣ A 5	

West	North	East	South
Lowry	Moren	Beeby	Francis
Pass	1♦	Pass	1♣(16+)
Pass	Pass	Pass	1NT

Makeable Contracts				
-	2	-	2	NT
-	2	-	2	♠
-	1	-	1	♥
-	3	-	3	♦
-	3	-	3	♣

Moren's 1♦ response was a positive in hearts or any 0-6. Francis' concealing the spades got him a spade lead into the tenace and when he set up club and the defenders refused to lead diamonds he emerged with three hearts, and four tricks in each black suit for a sparkling +210 and a 91% result.

However, Beeby and Lowry hit back on the next deal:

Dealer: West
 Vul: Both
 Brd 20
 Open Prs Q1

♠ 10	♠ 6 4 2	♠ K Q 8 7
♥ A Q 9 6	♥ J 10 4 2	♥ 5 3
♦ K 10 8 6 5	♦ Q 2	♦ J 9 7 4
♣ K Q 3	♣ J 10 9 5	♣ A 7 6

♠ A J 9 5 3	
♥ K 8 7	
♦ A 3	
♣ 8 4 2	

West	North	East	South
Lowry	Moren	Beeby	Francis
1♦	Pass	1♠	Pass
1NT	Pass	2♣	Pass
2♦ ^{Relay}	Pass	2NT	Pass
3NT	Pass	Pass	Pass

Makeable Contracts				
4	-	4	-	NT
2	-	2	-	♠
3	-	3	-	♥
5	-	5	-	♦
2	-	2	-	♣

When Beeby heard her partner open 1♦ and rebid 1NT a more cautious soul might have passed. Beeby invited game and was raised to three. On a top club lead declarer misguessed diamonds but still came to nine tricks when she could take the heart finesse and score three tricks in the majors and three in each minor. That was a 90% result.

The third consecutive 91% score for declarer came when Francis showed hearts and clubs and bought the contract in 3♣. Lowry (looking at ♥ J 10 6 5 in hearts) facing a strong no-trump led an intellectual club from ♣ J 6. Alas for her, this was the only way to let 3♣ through.

Watching Michael Ware and Nick Jacob rated to be exciting – with a round or two to go they had already scored or recorded six large penalties one way or the other.

On the second deal of the set they bid unopposed 2♥-2♠-All pass. That was down four for -400; not a great save against the opponents' partscore. On the next deal they got most of that back.

Dealer: West
 Vul: None
 Brd 24
 Open Prs Q1

♠ 9 8 4 3
 ♥ A J 10 5
 ♦ 4
 ♣ J 6 4 2

♠ A Q J 10
 ♥ 7
 ♦ K J 10
 ♣ K 10 8 7 3

♠ K 6 5
 ♥ 8 6 2
 ♦ A 7 6 3
 ♣ Q 9 5

West Driscoll	North Jacob	East Futaesaku	South Ware
1♥	Pass	2♥	Double
3♥	Double	All Pass	

Makeable Contracts				
-	1	-	1	NT
-	4	-	4	♠
1	-	1	-	♥
1	-	2	-	♦
-	5	-	5	♣

Jacob led a spade against 3♥x and the defenders won cheaply to shift to trumps, Ware was allowed to win cheaply and played a second spade. Ware played a third, and declarer ruffed and led a top trump. Now Jacob needed to win and shift to the club jack – far easier said than done. Instead he ducked the second trump. Declarer went after diamonds now and got out for 300, still a fine result for N/S who were going to settle in a spade partscore if left to their own devices.

Dealer: East
 Vul: Both
 Brd 26
 Open Prs Q1

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

♠ A 10 8 5
 ♥ 9 7 4
 ♦ 9 8 5 3
 ♣ J 4

♠ 6 3
 ♥ A K Q J 8
 ♦ K J 6 4
 ♣ 8 7

West	North	East	South
		1♥	Pass
1♠	Pass	2♦	Pass
3♣	Pass	3♥	Pass
3NT			

Makeable Contracts				
4	-	4	-	NT
3	-	3	-	♠
4	-	4	-	♥
2	-	2	-	♦
3	-	3	-	♣

Board 26 saw Jimmy Wallis and Ziggy Koenig defend 3NT after dummy had shown the red suits. Wallis found a low heart lead. What would you do as declarer after winning that? My best guess would be to take a club finesse at once while your communications are still in place in diamonds. If the club loses to the jack and a diamond comes back, win in dummy pitch a spade on the hearts, and play a second club up. on any other defence you should be safe for nine tricks. At the table declarer led a club to the king and Wallis ducked. Now declarer tried to cash out his red-suit winners, rejecting the diamond finesse. The defenders had two spades, and one trick in each side suit for down one.



RESTRICTED PAIRS QUALIFYING ROUND 1

Brent Manley

Because of the outstanding organization, friendly staff and a comfortable venue, the Gold Coast Congress attracts players from a wide variety of places. Among the participants at the 2017 Congress is William van Bakel, President of the Cairns Bridge Club. On Saturday afternoon, van Bakel(L) and his partner, Michael Byrne(R), played in the Restricted Pairs, finishing the first qualifying session in fourth place with a 59.62% game.

The partnership is a bit unfamiliar, so they had to overcome a couple of hiccups in the bidding, but they acquitted themselves well in dummy play and defence while taking advantage of opportunities presented to them by the opponents.

On this deal from the fourth round, van Bakel and Byrne did well to stop in 1NT with 24 high-card points between them. Van Bakel, North, ended up with nine tricks and nearly all of the matchpoints when the defenders got too busy.

Dealer: East
 Vul: Both
 Brd 10
 Rest Prs Qual 1

♠ Q 6 4
 ♥ A Q 8 4
 ♦ J 10
 ♣ A 7 5 4

♠ A 10 7
 ♥ 9 7 6 5 3
 ♦ K 9 6 4
 ♣ 6

♠ J 8 3 2
 ♥ K J
 ♦ Q 7 5
 ♣ K J 10 3

West North East South
 Pass 1♣ Pass Pass
 Pass 1NT All Pass

Makeable Contracts				
-	2	-	2	NT
-	1	-	1	♠
-	1	-	1	♥
1	-	1	-	♦
-	1	-	1	♣

East started with a low heart, taken in dummy. Van Bakel played a club to his ace and another club, East showing out. Van Bakel called for the ♣10, taken by West with the queen. West got out with a low diamond to partner's king, and back came a spade to West's king. When that held, West played a spade to the queen and East's ace. A diamond return was ducked by West. Van Bakel won the ♦J, cashed the ♠Q and played a club to dummy's jack. He followed with the ♣K and the ♠J, discarding a low heart from hand. He was then able to overtake dummy's singleton ♥K and claim. Plus 150 was worth 94%.

On this deal from the fourth round, Byrne judged well in the bidding and van Bakel brought home the modest contract for another good result.

Dealer: West
 Vul: N-S
 Brd 12
 Rest Prs Qual 1

♠ Q 9 3
 ♥ K J 8 3
 ♦ J
 ♣ Q J 10 7 5

♠ 8 6 4
 ♥ A Q 10 7
 ♦ K 6 5 4
 ♣ 8 4

♠ 10 5
 ♥ 6 5 4 2
 ♦ A Q 7 2
 ♣ A K 3

West North East South
 Pass Pass Pass 1♦
 1♠ 2♣ All Pass

Makeable Contracts				
-	2	-	2	NT
1	-	1	-	♠
-	1	-	1	♥
1	-	1	-	♦
-	2	-	2	♣

East led a spade to West's king. West cashed the ♠A and exited with the singleton heart. Van Bakel played the ♥J, East won the queen, cashed the ♥A and gave her partner a heart ruff. That was it for the defenders, however, and van Bakel scored up plus 90 for an 85% score.

They got another good score on board 25 even though their opponent played very well to land a heart game on a 4-3 fit.

Dealer: North
 Vul: E-W
 Brd 25
 Rest Prs Qual 1

♠ Q 7 6 5 4
 ♥ A Q 10 6
 ♦ 9 5
 ♣ 10 4

♠ A K 9 8 2
 ♥ K J 7 2
 ♦ K J
 ♣ A Q

♠ J 3
 ♥ 9 3
 ♦ 10 4 3
 ♣ K 7 6 5 3 2

West North East South
 Pass Pass 1♠ Pass
 1NT Pass 3♥ Pass
 4♥ All Pass

Makeable Contracts				
5	-	5	-	NT
3	-	3	-	♠
3	-	4	-	♥
5	-	6	-	♦
2	-	2	-	♣

TIPS FROM BRIDGE VID YOUR ONLINE BRIDGE COACH

Peter Hollands and Laura Ginnan

Dummy
 ♥ K Q 10

East – You
 ♥ A J 3

PROBLEM 2: You are the East defender. North has just won trick ten of the hand in no trumps. These are the last three cards and North plays the ♥K. How do you play to make sure that you win two of the three remaining tricks? Solution on page 25



Declarer was Diana Perry (pictured Left) of the Armidale Bridge Club (New South Wales). South led a low club. When dummy hit, Perry could see that 3NT was a superior contract, but she soldiered on.

She took the lead in hand with the ♣Q, cashed the ♠A and ruffed a spade in dummy. A heart went to van Bakel's 6 and Perry's jack. When that held, Perry cashed the ♦K and played the ♦J to dummy's ace to continue with a second heart from dummy. She took North's ♥10 with her king, cashed the ♣A and ♠K and played the ♠9 to van Bakel's jack. He cashed his two heart winners but then had to play a spade to Perry's 8.

Plus 620 was not a good score, but a minus on the board would have left her with a single-digit score.

A MOST UNUSUAL DEFENSIVE HAND

Arthur Robbins

The following article by Arthur Robbins appeared in the December 2016 issue of Australian Bridge Magazine. You can purchase an annual subscription to Australian Bridge at Paul Lavings' book stall right here at the Gold Coast Congress.

Bridge is a great, but unpredictable game. Here is a hand from match seven at the recent GNOT finals in Tweed Heads. You hold

♠ Q ♥ 10 7 ♦ Q J 6 5 4 3 2 ♣ 10 7 4.

You are vulnerable and the opponents not. Sitting East, RHO opened 1NT (15-17). Do you bid? (You have a convention to show a long minor). I took the safe path, and 1NT became the final contract. What to lead? A pedestrian 4th highest diamond was my choice.

How many tricks do you think this hand took, when partner held a small doubleton diamond? Not six, not seven, but eight tricks! I won the ♥10, ♠Q, ♣10 and five diamonds, against an experienced declarer.

Board 9	♠ K 10 9 2	
Dealer North	♥ A J 9 3 2	
Vul E/W	♦ A 9	
	♣ K 6	
		♠ Q
♠ A J 8 3		♥ 10 7
♥ K Q 5		♦ Q J 6 5 4 3 2
♦ 8 7		♠ 10 7 4
♣ Q J 9 8		
	♠ 7 6 5 4	
	♥ 8 6 4	
	♦ K 10	
	♣ A 5 3 2	

Declarer won the ♦5 lead in dummy, and finessed ♥9 to my ten (this is the correct play, gaining against ♥ K 10 x or ♥ Q 10 x with West – my partner did well to play low on the heart).

I led ♦Q to clear diamonds. Declarer won and played ace and a small heart to partner's king. Partner led ♠3, and declarer ducked to my queen (this was an error, because partner did not lead a diamond, so the only chance to prevent East from gaining an entry is by going up with the king). I won the queen, and five rounds of diamonds put pressure on partner and declarer. Dummy came down to ♣ A 5, partner to ♠ A J, declarer ♠ K 10. When I led ♣7, dummy won, but had to give me my ♣10. Eight tricks from this motley lot, surely a record. Oh, what a game!

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SOME HUMOUR FOR YOU

Lady Nancy Astor: "Winston, if you were my husband, I'd put poison in your coffee".

Winston Churchill: "Nancy, if you were my wife, I'd drink it".

Reporter: "What do you think of Western Civilisation"?

Mahatma Gandhi: "I think it would be a good idea".

Member of British Parliament: "Mr Churchill, must you fall asleep while I'm speaking"?

Winston Churchill: "No its purely voluntary".

BRIDGE WITH BARRY

Barry Rigal

By this time, everyone knows about Deep Finesse, the computer program that can tell you how to make or defeat any contract that can be made or defeated, although DF has the advantage of being able to see all the cards. All the deals this week will explore some aspect of the infernal machine.

It is always worth noting when a human picks the one and only card identified by DF as the killing defence. The deal was played in the World Transnational Open Teams in Sao Paulo, Brazil, in 2009. The hero was Peter Boyd of USA1.

Dir South All E/W	♠ 6 ♥ K Q 7 5 ♦ J 8 6 4 2 ♣ K 10 4		West	North Robinson	East	South Boyd
♠ J 9 ♥ A J 8 3 ♦ 9 ♣ Q 9 8 6 3 2		♠ A K 10 5 4 ♥ 10 ♦ K 10 7 5 3 ♣ A J	Pass 1NT 2♠	Pass Double 3♥	1♠ 2♦ 3♠	Pass Pass 2♥ All Pass
	♠ Q 8 7 3 2 ♥ 9 6 4 2 ♦ A Q ♣ 7 5					

Boyd led the ♥9, taken in dummy with the ace. Declarer could have made his contract by simply taking the club finesse, cashing the ♣A and exiting with a low diamond. It's not as easy when you can't see all the cards, however, so declarer played on diamonds at trick two, leading the nine to his king and Boyd's ace.

At this point, there was only one card in Boyd's hand that he could play to defeat 3♠ – and found it: the ♠Q.

Say Boyd exited with a heart. Declarer ruffs, ruffs a diamond, ruffs a heart and ruffs a diamond, noting Boyd's discard. If Boyd discards a club, declarer ruffs a heart, plays the ♣A and exits with a club or a diamond. Boyd would be down to all trumps and forced to ruff and then lead into the ♠ A K 10.

A low spade does not do the job because declarer can take the trick in dummy, take the club finesse, cash the ♣A, ruff a diamond and eventually get South down to the point where he would have to ruff one of his partner's winners and lead into the spade tenace.

After the play of the ♠Q, declarer can win in hand, ruff a diamond, take the club finesse, cash the ♣A and exit with a diamond, but North can win a diamond, cash another and give South a ruff while he still has an out card in hearts. Boyd would still have a trump trick with ♠ 8 7 3 against declarer's ♠ K 10 5. Plus 100 was a 5 IMP pickup because at the other table, North-South played in 4♥ off two.

BE GUIDED BY BRENT

What you need to know Part 2 – Brent Manley

This is an old one from the legendary TD Jerry Machlin.

At a tournament in Atlanta before the advent of bidding boxes, a man was chewing on a big cigar and trying to bid at the same time.

Thanks to the cigar, when the man tried to bid "one diamond," it was heard by his left-hand opponent as, "What time is it" ?

LHO looked at her watch and said, "Three fifteen".

Opener repeated his 1♦ bid, which came out the same way it did the first time.

"I told you," said LHO. "It's three fifteen".

"Oh," barked the man, "to heck with it. One heart"!

When you are in a playing pairs game, decisions that you make are often determined by what you think "the field" will do. That is, what most other players in your game will do with the hand you are holding.

In a team game, there is only one consideration – the other table.

The team games you will play in starting out are basically in two formats: Swiss teams and knockout teams.

The scoring is the same but the movements are different. Your team can be up to six players, but only four of you play at a time. If you and your partner play East-West, your teammates will be North-South. The difference between the two teams events is how they are played.

In Swiss teams, to start things off, you and your teammates will be sitting at the “home” table. When the game starts, your North-South pair stay where they are and the East-West pair go to the opponents’ home table and play the boards as they arrive at your table.

When both tables have completed play, the East-West and North-South pairs reunite at their respective home tables to make comparisons. Both pairs have recorded what happened on the boards just played.

Instead of scoring in matchpoints, as you do with pairs, you are scoring using International Matchpoints, more commonly known as IMPs. The IMP scale is in your scorebook.

You gain or lose IMPs based on comparing the boards you and your teammates just played. For example, if you and your partner bid and made 4♠ on board 1, your score would be plus 420. If your teammates defeated the same contract when the board was played against them, your total plus on the board would be 470 – your plus 420 plus your teammates’ plus 50. Looking at the IMP scale, the difference would get you 10 IMPs.

You go through all the boards making these comparisons, then total up the IMPs when you are through. If you end up with more IMPs than your opponents, you win the match.

In most Swiss teams these days, your IMPs will be converted to what is called Victory Points. In your second match, your opponents will have the same or close to the same number of VPs. This will continue throughout the event. The team with the most VPs at the end will be the winners.

In knockouts, you will play as in Swiss teams – East-West for both teams go to where the opponents’ North-South pair are sitting. A big difference between knockouts and Swiss teams is that your KO session will be played against just one team. In Swiss teams, you might have four or five opponents in the session. In the KO, you may play 12 boards, take a break to compare using the IMP scale, then exchange places again for the second half of your match – against the same team.

If you win, you go on to the next round. If you lose, you are “knocked out” of the event, hence the name.



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THE KLINGER QUIZ

Ron Klinger

Dir S	♠ 8 7 5 4
N/S Vul	♥ Q 7 3
	♦ A 10 5 4
	♣ Q 6
	♠ A K 10 9 3
	♥ A K 8
	♦ K Q 2
	♣ A 2

South is in 6♠ with no E-W bidding. West leads the ♥4. Plan the play. West holds three spades.

Solution:

♠ 8 7 5 4	♠ J
♥ Q 7 3	♥ 10 6 2
♦ A 10 5 4	♦ J 9 6 3
♣ Q 6	♠ 10 9 8 7 3
♠ Q 6 2	♠ A K 10 9 3
♥ J 9 5 4	♥ A K 8
♦ 8 7	♦ K Q 2
♣ K J 5 4	♣ A 2

Declarer took the ♥A, cashed ♠A, ♠K and then eliminated the hearts. Next came ♦K, ♦Q and a third diamond to the ace. Had the diamonds behaved declarer could ditch the club loser on the extra diamond winner. When the diamonds provided no joy, declarer exited with the third trump. West won and had the choice of leading away from the ♣K or giving declarer a ruff-and-discard. Either way the slam was home. Datum: N-S +1430.

If West had turned up with four diamonds, South would ruff the fourth diamond and then exit with a trump.

SOME MORE HUMOUR FOR YOU

Q: What's the difference between the Pommies and a funeral director?

A: A funeral director isn't going to lose the ashes.

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The first prize will be one entry (two players) to the 2018 GCC Pairs Championship. The next ten tickets drawn will be to "win a club game with an expert". At the discretion of the winning ticket holder, another prize as listed at the ticket sales desk may be substituted for the club game.

At the same time we will be running a separate raffle to win an exquisite Scrumble Throw Rug which has been handmade and generously donated by bridge player/artist, Leonie Spence. There is 1000 hours work in this throw which can only be fully appreciated by a viewing of it at Faye Wyer's table.


At the discretion of the winning ticket holder, another prize from a list on display, may be substituted for the game with an expert – among these

prizes is a \$500 discount voucher donated by Andy Hung for his forthcoming Noosa Bridge Holiday 7th to 12th May 2017.

In relation to the game with an expert: There will be 10 winners drawn, with each winner, (in order of being drawn), being given the option of choosing from the remaining pool of experts to play one club session of bridge with the expert at a mutually agreed time and place. Entry fees for both player and expert to be paid by the winning ticket holder. Raffle will be drawn following the 10:30 Teams session on Thursday 23 February.

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After hearing Jan Malinas speak at the 2016 GCC dinner, it became my mission to arrange an appointment with Sounds of Life for my father. For over 10 years family members have observed a considerable decline in Dad's hearing and his ability to communicate effectively with others. We blamed the cause of the significant hearing loss upon Dad's initial reluctance to get hearing aids for many years.

Dad felt intense loyalty to his audiologist of 10 years, who he had visited at least monthly with various problems with his hearing aids. We convinced Dad there was nothing to lose from a free test and a free quote to "compare the market".

Dad (and mum's) experience at Sounds of Life was life changing. Firstly, Tracy Ong, (Sound of Life's Audiologist in Brisbane) identified that one of Dad's current hearing aids (3 years old) had not been properly set up. Immediately Dad could hear much more from his existing aids. Secondly, Dad trialled 3 different hearing aids over a period of 3 weeks to determine his preferred choice.

Dad now has a list of over 50 items he can now hear, from the indicators in the car to birds singing. He now asks us to speak more quietly and to turn the TV down. This not only benefits him, but it saves us the frustration of listening to a TV bellowing or listening to Dad talk over sounds from a TV which he can't hear, but is far too loud for us.

Following his health insurance rebate, Dad's new hearing aids (Unitron) cost him \$700. This was less than half the cost of the same model quoted by his previous audiologist. Many of his friends who have noticed the incredible improvement in his hearing have themselves visited Tracy Ong for a check-up. The service provided by Sounds of Life, particularly Tracy Ong, to my father was very efficient, very effective and has really improved the quality of life for Dad and our family. – Dominique Treloar

OPEN - Leading Scores

	N/S 1-14 Final 15-28 Plate	Avg		E/W 1-14 Final 15-28 Plate	Avg
1	Carlos Pellegrini - Joseph Rich	60.92	1	Michael Whibley - Roger Lee	58.71
2	Kim Morrison - Keiran Crowe-Mai	60.30	2	Peter Gill - Kathy Boardman	58.26
3	Andrew Peake - Elizabeth Adams	59.49	3	Vicki Bouton - Stephen Williams	57.83
4	Matthew Brown - Ella Pattison	59.28	4	Maxim Henbest - Shane Harrison	57.72
5	Maurits Van Der Vlugt - Andre Korenhof	59.18	5	Vytautas Vainikonis - Wojtek Olanski	57.42
6	Matthew Mullanphy - Ron Klinger	58.67	6	Barry Jones - Jenny Millington	57.28
7	Neville Francis - Magnus Moren	58.56	7	Barbara Travis - Howard Melbourne	57.16
8	Justin Howard - Tony Nunn	57.72	8	Marjorie Askew - William Powell	56.83
9	Helen Milward - Kuldip Bedi	57.03	9	Mikhail Krasnoselskiy - Erikas Vainikonis	55.76
10	Eva Samuel - Serhat Ozenir	56.90	10	Nicky Strasser - George Bilski	55.64
11	David Lilley - Zolly Nagy	56.61	11	Joann Sprung - Danny Sprung	55.18
12	Phil Gue - David Middleton	56.43	12	Leslie Watt - Russell Watt	55.11
13	Paula Boughey - Duncan Badley	55.97	13	Sue Ingham - Michael Courtney	54.96
14	Tao Zhou - Hua Chen	55.91	14	Mathew Vadas - George Fleischer	54.86
15	Brian Callaghan - Christine Duckworth	55.58	15	Ian Berrington - Fuxia Wen	54.78
16	Zhuqiang Tian - Charlie Lu	55.23	16	Carol Richardson - Andi Boughey	54.31
17	Glen Coutts - Kornel Lazar	55.17	17	Alasdair Beck - Tom Kiss	54.07
18	Julian Abel - Peter Jeffery	55.12	18	Aidan Dorrell - Peter Cox	53.91
19	Marshall Lewis - Roman Morawiecki	54.43	19	Wayne Smith - Chris Dibley	53.71
20	Siegfried Konig - James Wallis	54.25	20	David Morgan - Stephen Fischer	53.65
21	Margaret Bourke - George Kozakos	54.24	21	Carolyn Miller - Paul Wyer	53.37
22	Allan Morris - Beverley Morris	54.23	22	Vanessa Brown - Leigh Gold	53.31

OPEN - Leading Scores

	N/S 1-14 Final 15-28 Plate	Avge		E/W 1-14 Final 15-28 Plate	Avge
23	Wallace Ashton - Michael Wilkinson	53.49	23	Hugh McAlister - Diana McAlister	53.30
24	Ado Hardy - Derek Tyms	53.39	24	Joachim Haffer - Matt Smith	53.22
25	Watson Zhou - Shaolin Sun	53.19	25	Tony Ong - Sophie Ashton	53.17
26	Cynthia Belonogoff - Susanne Gammon	52.90	26	Bruce Neill - Avinash Kanetkar	53.05
27	Mike Doecke - Will Jenner-O'Shea	52.78	27	Brad Coles - Fraser Rew	52.73
28	Nick Jacob - Michael Ware	52.59	28	Attilio De Luca - Susan Emerson	52.72

SENIORS - Leading Scores

	N/S 1-14 Final 15-28 Plate	Avge		E/W 1-14 Final 15-28 Plate	Avge
1	Martin Bloom - Nigel Rosendorff	58.94	1	Stephen Mendick - Bernard Waters	63.56
2	Liz Quittner - Joe Quittner	57.59	2	Robert Krochmalik - Paul Lavings	58.12
3	Peter Grant - Tony Marinos	57.32	3	Theo Antoff - Michael McAuliffe	56.71
4	Toni Sharp - Marilyn Chadwick	56.18	4	Peter Chan - Robert Sebesfi	56.53
5	Stan Klofa - Michael Gurfinkiel	55.94	5	Arjuna De Livera - Elizabeth Havas	56.10
6	Richard Brightling - David Hoffman	55.90	6	Lester Kalmin - Lynn Kalmin	54.45
7	Paul Lewis - Linda Lewis	54.90	7	Evan Allanson - Michael Fernon	54.43
8	Peter Boulton - Angela Boulton	54.77	8	Alison Fallon - Gordon Fallon	52.02
9	Wally Malaczynski - Miroslaw Milaszewski	52.93	9	Axel Johannsson - Arthur Ramer	51.39
10	Ivy Luck - John Luck	52.64	10	Lorraine Inglis - Judy Plimmer	50.95
11	Sybil Hurwitz - Monica Ginsberg	51.70	11	Kathy Palmer - Meg Sharp	49.18
12	Timothy Ridley - David Harris	50.34	12	Judy Havas - Ken Smith	48.72
13	Eva Shand - Les Varadi	49.33	13	Rex Hanson - Judy Herring	47.51
14	Les Grewcock - Steven Bock	48.94	14	Maureen Dennison - John Balson	47.41
15	Robyn Freeman-Greene - Dale Lacey	48.43	15	Jan Davis - Tim Davis	47.31
16	Judith Roose-Driver - Johan Roose	47.88	16	Angela Norris - Jill Allanson	47.17
17	Bob Lawrence - Ann Woodhead	47.25	17	Glenda Barter - Bernadette Campbell	47.09
18	Malcolm Allan - Cristel Philp	46.25	18	Ross Gyde - Diane Quigley	46.77
19	Sandy Greenwood - Anne Clarke	46.07	19	Chris Ingham - Val Biltoft	46.69
20	Lesleigh Rooney - Helen Clayton	44.47	20	Larry Moses - John Gough	45.97
21	Penny Sykes - Elizabeth French	43.02	21	Birgitt Bingham - Brenda Butcher	45.25
22	Vince Cariola - Glenys Fitzpatrick	39.37	22	Helen Jeffery - Trish Harrison	44.58
23	Ken Moschner - Saftica Popa	31.19	23	Maggie Callander - Kerrin Daws	42.08
24	Shirley Fleischer - Thelma Sher	23.70	24	Anita Kite - Patricia Giles	41.46

INTERMEDIATE - Leading Scores

	N/S 1-14 Final 15-28 Plate	Avge		E/W 1-14 Final 15-28 Plate	Avge
1	Max Robb - Gwyneth Hopkins	59.05	1	Sarah Strickland - David Tucker	59.79
2	Paul Roberts - Bruce Carroll	57.42	2	Stephen Hughes - Andrew Dunlop	59.36
3	David Yarwood - Derek Richards	57.13	3	John Donovan - Alexander Hewat	58.92
4	Rebecca Rooke - Vivien Fuglsang	56.80	4	David Featherstone - John Sherlock	56.01
5	Deanna Stuart - John Stuart	55.62	5	Brenda Kaplan - Sue Lipman	55.42
6	Kay Leeton - Jenny Hoff	55.04	6	Barbara Wippell - Kim Nicoll	55.12
7	Eric Baker - Chris Stead	54.80	7	Katrina Hewings - Jenny Williams	54.94
8	Jenifer Codognotto - Annette Rose	54.74	8	Robert Hurst - Rowan Corbett	54.33
9	Jenny Carr - Kees De Vocht	54.16	9	Darrell Williams - Jackie Williams	54.27
10	Lynn Baker - Peter Robinson	54.10	10	Tony Jiang - Julia Zhu	53.83
11	Caroline Richards - Peter Campbell	54.06	11	Max Gilbert - Kathy Gilbert	53.61
12	Jan Randall - Peter Randall	53.74	12	Jill Hutson - Gill Phillippo	53.55
13	Lea Woolf - Sue Small	53.67	13	Bob Hunt - Kevin Dean	52.80
14	Jennifer Bandy - Christine Jenkins	53.34	14	Gregory Gosney - Margaret Plunkett	52.67
15	Edgar Beckett - Janice Beckett	53.28	15	Horst Utzen - Barry Wilson	52.66
16	Ian Doland - Mandy Johnson	52.95	16	David Sarten - Susanne Sarten	52.56
17	Andrew Webb - Nola McMillan	52.60	17	Michael Ward - Chris Nettle	52.30
18	Helen Kite - Helen Rollond	52.22	18	Virginia Gavel - Cherie Morgan-Jones	52.05
19	Anne Sim - Leo Sim	52.11	19	Craig Francis - Tim Runting	51.88
20	Adrian Lohmann - Ken Cupples	51.71	20	Faye Symons - Denis Upsall	50.83
21	Diana Ellis - Chris Hannan	51.47	21	David Johnson - John Watson	50.71
22	Jane Swanson - John Sear	51.28	22	Sidney Reynolds - Antoinette Rees	50.53
23	Lyn Mould - Erica Tie	51.26	23	Susie Stevens - Peter Gordon	50.41
24	Jean Barbour - Greg Nicholson	50.98	24	Randall Rusk - George Kruz	50.31
25	Mary Tough - Chris Tough	50.91	25	Peter Nilsson - Deborah Nilsson	50.10
26	Des McGlashan - Megan MGlashan	50.83	26	Ian Barfoot - Alan Boyce	49.91
27	Mimi Packer - Virginia Seward	50.77	27	David O'Gorman - Julie Jeffries	49.88

INTERMEDIATE - Leading Scores

	N/S 1-14 Final 15-28 Plate	Avge		E/W 1-14 Final 15-28 Plate	Avge
28	Vivien Eldridge - Alan Davies	50.64	28	Gwendolyn Gray Jamieson - Trish Arnold	49.72

RESTRICTED - Leading Scores

0	N/S 1-14 Final 15-28 Plate	Avge	0	E/W 1-14 Final 15-28 Plate	Avge
1	Alex Penklis - Phillip Halloran	61.50	1	Gwen Wiles - Kate Pinniger	59.69
2	Hans Van Weeren - Peter Clarke	61.05	2	Kinga Hajmasi - Andrew Michl	58.95
3	Freddie Zulfiqar - Roy Bentley	59.98	3	Julie Haslett - Trish Patterson	57.11
4	Yvonne Whittle - Francey Rolls	59.23	4	Diana Perry - Heather Broatch	56.94
5	Jessica Chew - Rez Karim	59.10	5	Colin Dempster - Max Paterson	56.34
6	Patrick Wallas - Brian Borrell	57.28	6	Andrew Slutzkin - Fraser Thorpe	55.80
7	Andrew Gosney - Jack Luke-Paredi	56.91	7	Rhonda Wieckhorst - Trish Lye	55.57
8	Gail Tippett - Paul Maxwell	56.23	8	Maggie Stratford - Sherril Harries	55.47
9	Michael Byrne - William Van Bakel	56.18	9	Maureen Wright - Roberta Macnee	55.42
10	Richard Stuart - Carol Joseph	55.34	10	Cameron Kirton - Nancy De Ville	55.01
11	Roy Cotton - Jeff Conroy	54.56	11	Dave Garret - Denise Mayhew	54.99
12	Alan Walpole - Terri-Ann Scorer	54.54	12	Deborah Greenway - Gilda Rowland	54.93
13	Ngairie Crow - Janice Willoughby	53.73	13	Diane Holewa - Max Holewa	54.91
14	Geoff Saxby - Neil Smith	53.52	14	Tilley Thillainathan - Ross Currin	54.71
15	Kelly Barber - Janice Steward	53.44	15	Annie Pilcher - Sudi Horsfield	54.31
16	Janice Coventry - Margaret Glover	53.20	16	Allan McIntyre - Terry Nowitzki	54.28
17	Mitch Dowling - Austin Driscoll	53.15	17	Darryl Dowthwaite - Jan Stupples	54.19
18	Turei Haronga - Christine Haronga	53.14	18	Valerie Robbins - Peter Robbins	53.93
19	Jerzy Szyszkowski - Halina Drwecka	52.94	19	David Scott - Frank McConvill	53.90
20	Daria Williams - Jennifer Sawyer	52.52	20	Julia Howe - Barbara Rydon	53.81
21	Rebecca Knight - Naureen Gearon	52.30	21	Jamal Rayani - Parveen Rayani	53.45
22	Donna Upchurch - Nebojsa Djorovic	52.21	22	Julie Short - Yvonne Burns	53.00
23	Keith Mabin - Fiona Smith	52.11	23	Liz Robertson - Penny Bowen	52.88
24	Fay Jeppesen - Tony Bowmaker	51.77	24	Johanna Thomas - Elizabeth Voveris	52.84
25	Don Du Temple - Adrienne Du Temple	51.40	25	Julie Quilty - Julia Barnett	52.46
26	Robyn Lichter - Judy Leiba	51.34	26	Susan Wright - Patricia Garner	52.34
27	Glenda Parmenter - Barbara O'Shea	51.20	27	David Munro - Peter Rollond	52.20
28	Marlise Jones - Kerry Watson	50.78	28	Mick Fawcett - Lyn Tracey	51.31

NOVICE - Leading Scores

0	N/S 1-14 Final 15-28 Plate	Avge	0	E/W 1-14 Final 15-28 Plate	Avge
1	Anita Delorenzo - Robyn Stanhope	60.21	1	Andrew Sharp - Susan Sharp	61.47
2	Ray Hurst - Heidi Colenbrander	60.09	2	Derek Poulton - Nick Walsh	59.97
3	Allan Byrnes - Unis Suliman	58.95	3	Martin Coote - James Harvey	59.24
4	Simon Van Kruistum - Cobie Van Kruistum	58.67	4	Steven Parkes - Peter Taylor	58.43
5	Gary Kembrey - Andrew Grace	57.10	5	Bruce King - Alan Hemmingway	57.39
6	Gary Gibbards - Debbie Gibbards	55.87	6	Ron Szancer - Sarah Edelman	56.06
7	Cindy Mackintosh - Els Paddenburg	55.84	7	Sam York - Line Davidson	55.63
8	Sandie Rooke - Susan Jensen	55.75	8	Maida Beale - Helen Crampton	55.32
9	Giles Martin - Vincia Martin	55.39	9	Peter Goldman - Michael Main	55.15
10	Odette Mayne - Caroline Dawson	55.37	10	Gary Barwick - Ellen Williams	54.30
11	Jim Skeen - Lisa Yoffa	54.16	11	Brian Hocknell - Murray Harper	53.63
12	Geoff Rydon - George Till	52.83	12	Pamela Hare - Lance Workman	52.42
13	Sue Smith - Penny Van Der Riet	52.12	13	Bev Northey - Dianne Thatcher	52.31
14	Stephen Miller - Jonathan Silberberg	51.97	14	John Russell - Judith Parsons	52.28
15	Marieta Borthwick - Annegrete Kolding	51.55	15	Sue Reilly - Jo Gillis	51.66
16	Janet Jefferies - Kim Reeder	50.76	16	Leanne Nugent - Jenny Iliescu	51.36
17	Jenny Mawson - Michelle Behrens	50.29	17	Alan Anderson - Greg Kerswell	51.28
18	Carol Jeffs - Carolyn Githens	50.03	18	Frances Limmagine - Julie O'Neill	51.24
19	Barry Koster - Kiku Mukai	49.46	19	Diane Smith - Nola Anderson	49.74
20	Klarika Tortely - Jim Gilbert	49.34	20	Charles Bowen-Thomas - Lesley Bowen-Thomas	49.53
21	Wilma Coloper - Jennifer Simpson	49.08	21	Anthony Marsland - Helen Blair	49.31
22	Sandra Goodworth - Valmai McPherson	48.63	22	Dita Hunt - Suzanne Samarcq	49.22
23	John Toogood - Margie Toogood	48.60	23	Brian Goldberg - Warwick Newton	49.03
24	Lynn Kelly - Robyn Brady	48.22	24	Grahame Devrell - Glenn Davis	48.55
25	Toni Large - Penny Johnson	47.98	25	Mary Poynten - Clare Ainsworth	47.96
26	Lesley Anderson - Karen Walsh	47.94	26	Ann Elliott - Marlene Venn	47.94
27	Julie Heib - Jan Jennings	47.72	27	Ryan Stevens - Rachel Langdon	47.44
28	Patrick Rasmussen - Peter Morris	47.70	28	Maureen Neubauer - Kate Forrester	47.27

Weekend Matchpoint Swiss Pairs - After Round 3

Rank	Pair	Total	Rank	Pair	Total		
1	92	Linda Cartner - Jonathan Westoby	49.94	80	83	Herschel Baker - Patrick Bugler	29.44
2	1	Peter Buchen - Chris Hughes	47.41	81	65	Janet Clarke - Di Coats	29.23
3	23	Pam Morgan-King - Leigh Thompson	47.18	82	111	Phil Pollett - Annette Corkhill	29.15
4	11	Richard Ward - Lynette Vincent	46.91	83	55	Kaye Hart - Jeff Carberry	28.85
5	66	Pam Moore - Ian Moore	46.71	84	70	Sue Brown - Robert Brown	28.38
6	21	Moss Wylie - Brad Johnston	46.31	85	148	Tony Treloar - Peter Evans	28.25
7	120	Peter Strasser - Andy Hung	45.47	86	30	Ken Moffitt - Sue Moffitt	28.19
8	59	Simon Andrew - Gwen King	45.30	87	154	Christine Houghton - Wayne Houghton	28.08
9	79	Ann Baker - Colin Baker	44.65	88	119	Biljana Novakovic - Lee Weldon	27.94
10	126	Dagmar Neumann - Carola Hoogervorst	44.37	89	46	Desley Mundell - Rosemary Kelley	27.88
11	149	Deborah Cooper - Alan Geare	44.13	90	97	Raji Muir - Ian Muir	27.83
12	84	Pam Crichton - Ross Crichton	44.10	91	103	Philip Thompson - Bill Morgan	27.81
13	27	Peter Tootell - Helen Tootell	43.76	92	153	Tracey Lewis - Jeremy Fraser-Hoskin	27.68
14	9	Sharon Mayo - Greg Mayo	43.66	93	2	Barbara Grant - Louis Koolen	27.46
15	118	Kathy Johnson - Lois Steinwedel	42.92	94	6	Helen Kemp - Helene Kolozs	26.86
16	90	Andrew Richman - Sandra Richman	42.84	95	107	Jan Rothlisberger - Maggie Kelly	26.78
17	102	Charles Page - Paul Gosney	42.58	96	138	Helen Healy - Tim Healy	26.75
18	142	Leone Moffat - Elaine Leach	41.86	97	48	Molly O'Donohue - Gill Ross	26.72
19	49	Errol Miller - Dorothy Gehrke	41.45	98	45	Val Holbrook - Neven Burica	26.48
20	7	Eric Hurley - Gary Lynn	41.35	99	139	Kirstyn Fuller - Zachary Neulinger	26.40
21	86	Tom Moss - Dennis Zines	41.11	100	146	Anthony Tuxworth - Janice Pearson	26.12
22	100	Greer Tucker - Liz Sylvester	40.91	101	57	Ken Colbert - Perelle Scales	26.09
23	96	George Finikiotis - Margaret Klassen	40.51	102	105	Carolyn Dowling - Leslie Treasure	25.83
24	25	Theo Mangos - Leigh Foran	40.35	103	42	Linda Wild - Beatrice McCarthy	25.51
25	108	Judy Marks - Adam Rutkowski	40.15	104	152	Patricia Larsen - Elizabeth Zeller	25.50
26	112	Ann Mellings - Marion Spurrier	40.14	105	85	Lyn Smith - Catherine Whiddon	25.48
27	35	Brian Thorp - Jenny Michael	39.99	106	156	Patsy Walters - Virginia Hall	25.48
28	98	Jane Rasmussen - Roy Nixon	39.83	107	64	Pat Oyston - Martin Oyston	25.41
29	104	Kerry Wood - Charles Howard	39.29	108	12	Kaye Donaldson - Janice Palm	25.22
30	134	Ian Lisle - Vicky Lisle	39.27	109	117	Stephanie Mathews - Gary Heyting	25.15
31	74	Mairi Fitzsimons - Brian Fitzsimons	39.18	110	37	Lynne Geursen - Trevor Robb	24.89
32	39	Andrew Slater - Geoffrey Hart	39.06	111	124	Tom Strong - Edda Strong	24.84
33	17	Liz Fanos - Margaret Foster	38.54	112	77	John Rolph - Sue Rolph	24.72
34	31	John Kelly - Rosa Lachman	38.21	113	18	Judy Wulff - Marilyn Whigham	24.46
35	29	Helen McLauchlan - Richard McLauchlan	38.21	114	52	Lee Andrews - Susan Fookes	24.34
36	73	Lex Bourke - Pepe Schwegler	37.81	115	75	Michael Stoneman - Val Roland	24.32
37	122	Margaret Dyer - Michele Tredinnick	37.44	116	5	Elli Urbach - Ferenc Budai	24.23
38	130	Cecily Critchley - Lynley Jenkins	37.41	117	127	Lorraine Carr - Janine Budgeon	24.16
39	150	Neil Stuckey - Barry Palmer	37.31	118	19	Alison Farthing - Dorothy Jesner	24.09
40	63	Judy Bills - Ann Paton	37.08	119	115	Lynne Veenstra - Louis Veenstra	23.69
41	71	Gizella Mickevics - Mary Waterhouse	36.93	120	58	Joan McCarthy - Joan Waldvogel	23.54
42	145	Bev Guilford - Sue Spencer	36.80	121	10	Yuzhong Chen - Gary Foidl	23.50
43	36	Brian Jacobson - Bill Webster	36.44	122	87	Maha Hoenig - Anne Lamport	23.45
44	62	Lyn Muller - Sarah Green	36.19	122	101	Simon Begg - Geoffrey Schaller	23.45
45	43	Wynne Webber - Meta Goodman	36.07	124	95	Jim Wood - Jenni Buckley	23.41
46	13	Agnes Kempthorne - Barry Kempthorne	36.03	125	4	Les Bonnick - Audrey Bonnick	22.38
47	133	Jamie McFall - Frances Gaunt	35.64	126	68	Dianne Benvie - Christina Mander	22.06
48	128	Terry Bodycote - Paul Weaver	35.30	127	51	Alan Glasson - Kathie Radcliffe	22.02
49	33	Mike Ferguson - Pat Ferguson	35.08	128	44	Emily Coats - Wendy Webster	21.99
50	47	Sue O'Brien - Bronwyn Macleod	34.66	129	54	Noel Athea - Annemarie Athea	21.96
51	110	Lisa Csima - Murat Genc	34.60	130	99	Colin Shugg - Chris Scott	21.94
52	114	Michael Johnson - Michael Simes	34.46	131	144	Janette Bates - Carmel Bourke	21.70
53	131	Amanda Harburg - Caroline Collie	34.44	132	157	Becky Vidler - Hanna Majewski	21.66
54	53	Magda Kiraly - Pauly Griffin	33.70	133	26	Fifine Hutton - Wendy Hutton	21.41
55	132	Glenis Palmer - Christine Wilson	33.66	134	140	Andrew Struik - Nikki Riszko	21.39
56	88	John Zollo - Judy Zollo	33.61	135	155	Colin Webb - Gayle Webb	21.37
57	16	Sylvia Foster - Jaan Oitmaa	33.51	136	129	Julie Rose - Harry Procel	21.17
58	40	Megan Sutherland - Gerald Dawson	33.31	137	24	Bruce Crossman - Bev Crossman	20.39
59	72	Arthur Bennett - Gillian Bennett	33.16	138	67	Phil Power - Kathy Power	20.30
60	60	Rob Ward - Giorgia Botta	32.79	139	123	Peter Teubner - Neil Welch	19.69
61	15	Ian Afflick - Paul Collins	32.50	140	151	Eileen Gray - Patricia Knight	19.37
62	14	Penny Styles - Marion Bucens	32.30	141	109	Sharmini Hoole - Milton Hart	19.00

Weekend Matchpoint Swiss Pairs - After Round 3

Rank	Pair	Total	Rank	Pair	Total		
63	78	John Ruddell - Alison Ruddell	32.25	142	56	Lita Singh - Margaret Reid	18.27
64	121	Pat Beattie - Allayne Kennedy	32.24	143	80	Linda Fleet - Mary Homer	17.42
65	106	Len Meyer - Phyllis Moritz	31.51	144	93	Richard Fox - Robyn Clark	17.40
66	3	Julia Hoffman - Noelene Law	31.47	145	76	George Sun - Alice Young	17.33
67	38	Susan McMahon - Sheela Sahasrabudde	31.24	146	82	Anne Bates - Sue Allen	17.31
68	135	Yong White - David Grout	30.98	147	81	Val Churchill - Helga Corbett	17.02
69	22	Noel Grigg - Dianna Middleton	30.94	148	89	Frank Vearing - Jo-Anne Heywood	16.48
70	141	Rosemary Matskows - Wayne Gyde	30.64	149	94	Dianne Marler - Linda Alexander	16.47
71	136	Rita Kahn - Merle Bogatie	30.63	150	50	Ian Bailey - Graham Markey	16.15
72	125	Keith Blinco - Terrence Sheedy	30.57	151	116	Jan Hackett - Tom Hackett	14.95
73	143	Pat Kennedy - Geoffrey Norris	30.51	152	32	Margaret Chesser - Trevor Dwerryhouse	13.70
74	147	Carol De Luca - Bev Henton	30.47	153	8	John Tredrea - Bill Redhead	13.48
75	158	Carole McDonald - Sonia Young	30.42	154	91	Barbara Gassmann - Krystyna Homik	13.41
76	137	Donald Cartwright - Liz Cartwright	30.24	155	41	Ross Steinwedel - Erin Waterhouse	12.87
77	113	Chris Bayliss - Catherine Chown	30.06	156	28	Fay Stanton - Anne Young	10.98
78	69	Jocelyn Steele - John Steele	30.01	157	34	Robyn Hewson - Laura Ginnan	7.33
79	20	Jenny Date - Jacqui Morton	29.48	158	61	Claire Green - Lynne Gray	6.99

Weekend Matchpoint Swiss Pairs - 0-500 After Round 3

Rank	Pair	Total	Rank	Pair	Total		
1	23	Loraine King - Helen Standfast	52.11	45	13	Jenny Johnstone - Dot Peacock	29.55
2	39	Bob Hart - Carolyn Hart	50.32	46	50	Helen Gault - Rob Gault	29.51
3	25	Margot Moylan - Anne McNaughton	50.28	47	17	Henry Hirschhorn - Jill Theakstone	29.00
4	79	Sherrell Cardinal - Neville Clatworthy	49.05	48	70	Carol Thomson - Kate Jarrett	28.78
5	64	Dov Berns - Sandra Berns	47.61	49	55	Jim Taylor - Cora Taylor	28.69
6	32	Nicky Franks - Nina Moss	45.30	50	36	Juliet Dunworth - Maria Page	28.58
7	69	Gwyneira Brahma - Vicki Taylor	43.79	51	74	Gayle Bagg - Louis Cukierman	28.07
8	71	Brian Glover - Eric Baker	43.30	52	51	Evelyne Mander - Sheila Wills	28.06
9	73	Linda Norman - Wendy Gibson	43.09	53	27	Gabrielle Elich - Denise Hartwig	27.49
10	76	Pamela Glyn - Julian Glyn	41.47	54	37	Richard Levy - Gayle Keenan	26.66
11	67	Graham Carson - Ian Pick	41.43	55	4	Greta Davis - Archie Fraser	26.01
12	57	Faye Bell - Heather Scott	40.70	56	48	Loraine Neville - Murray Wiggins	26.00
13	15	Jane Kavanagh - Joan Campbell	40.06	57	54	James Williamson - Janelle Williamson	25.59
14	26	Suzi Ledger - Barbara Simpson	39.48	58	62	Steven Verity - Carolann Verity	25.42
15	6	Robert Stick - Colin Payne	39.03	59	1	Dorothy Read - Geoff Read	24.83
16	19	Hamid Sadigh - Siamak Parsanejad	38.97	60	22	Jo Neary - Bill Hanlon	24.46
17	77	John Ham - Janet Ham	38.80	61	66	David Freilich - Anne Sacco	23.80
18	35	Lalita Kanetkar - Sheryl Gardner	38.61	62	80	Eric Harrison - Robyn Harrison	23.74
19	85	Helen Sharwood - John Moen	38.49	63	29	Susan O'Neill - Carole Robinson	23.65
20	41	Jenny Swanson - Andrew Swanson	38.45	64	88	Narelle McIver - Audrey Gross	23.02
21	42	Sue Skarupsky - Sue Hunt	38.30	65	58	Lesleigh Egan - Lynne Henley	22.87
22	5	Mike Edwards - Robin Devries	37.44	66	68	Leonie Spence - John Laker	22.83
23	45	Ruth Goerg - Pam Brewer	37.28	67	24	Rob Ziffer - Margaret Ziffer	22.56
24	86	Anna Chappell - Marilyn Kennedy	37.19	68	72	Darryl Lock - Glenda Lock	22.33
25	20	Maureen Gibney - Susan Lipton	36.93	69	44	Sally Cullen - Chris Cullen	22.13
26	10	Margaret Stevens - Sue Luby	36.47	70	7	Arne Jonsberg - John Lahey	21.51
27	59	Eric Leivesley - Janelle Conroy	36.26	71	49	Genevieve Page - Sally Luke	21.10
28	8	Libby Tonkin - Liz Jacka	36.01	72	11	Sandy Long - Rozanne Thomas	20.47
29	3	George Powis - Patricia Powis	35.38	73	82	Haley Fenwick - Godfrey Baillon-Bending	20.09
30	83	Patrick Redlich - Tom Graham	35.00	74	56	Misako James - Sue Kleeman	19.97
31	34	Naomi Hannah-Brown - Priscilla Bloy	34.75	75	52	Heather Smith - Sally Foster	19.89
32	12	Raymond Powley - Susan Powley	34.65	76	75	Dot Piddington - Royala Rooney	19.71
33	47	Eddie Mullin - Dianne Mullin	34.62	77	40	Mary Driesbock - Vivienne Sexton	19.22
34	18	Anita Moen - David Pearce	33.86	78	38	Bob Jones - Sue Jones	18.75
35	9	Rod Binsted - Judy Scholfield	33.35	79	78	Carla Ferro - Cathy Mathieson	18.31
36	31	Deborah McLay - Sylvia Cryer	33.20	80	28	Alan Bustany - Pauline Caust	18.22
37	65	Chris Duggin - Faye Carnovale	33.17	81	43	Anne Rosengren - Lyn Mayer	16.51
38	33	Diane Connors - Sally Graham	33.05	82	63	Philip Houlton - Bambi Houlton	16.37
39	46	Peter Karol - Joanne Crockford	32.59	83	53	Jennifer Hollingworth - Peter Coppin	14.98
40	61	Joan Leckie - Margaret Williamson	32.50	84	2	Pat Leavy - Judith Wilson	12.99
41	60	Leif Michelsson - Maria Michelsson	31.58	85	14	Mary Ditton - Jennifer Kozman	10.31
42	81	Jill Dunlop - John Dunlop	31.20	86	84	Vivienne Polak - Frances Burns	9.01
43	21	Helen Chamberlin - Winny Chan	30.31	87	30	Tiffany Mair - Raelene Kell	7.62

Holiday Pairs 1 - Session 1 Leading Scores

North/South				East/West			
Rank	Pair	Names	Total	Rank	Pair	Names	Total
1		John BRADY - Beverley BRADY	62.12	1		EvoI CRESSWELL - Margaret DARKE	57.07
2		Beverley WELCH - Jeanne ADAMS	58.92	2		Christine LEIVERS - Tom LYONS	54.04
3		Bernard YATES - Nick HULLAH	58.25	3		Christine YOUNG - Dianne BRINKWORTH	53.87
4		Sue WITHAM - Michael WITHAM	55.89	4		Jane LAWSON - Vona HADFIELD	53.20
5		Allan JOHNSON - Pamela ROBERTS	50.00	5		Marylou SHAW - Michelle JAMES	52.02
6		Cathy HOCKING - Philip HOCKING	49.66	6		Michael CONGREVE - Merle GOLTZ	51.18
6		Pam RUPPIN - Diane ELIOTT	49.66	7		Andrea PAPPAS - Speros PAPPAS	50.67

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GOLD COAST CONGRESS 2017 - CALENDAR OF CELEBRITY SPEAKERS

RON KLINGER	Improve Your Defensive Play Upstairs Rooms 10, 11,12 Opposite Bridge Admin	SUNDAY		Ron Klinger represented Australia in world championships in 1976, 1978, 1980, 1984, 1986, 1988, 1993, 2000 and 2002-2016. He has published books and regularly contributes to newspapers and bridge magazines. His bridge holidays and teaching classes are legendary.
		9:00am to 9:45am		
LIAM MILNE	How to Improve as a Bridge Player Upstairs Rooms 10, 11,12 Opposite Bridge Admin	SUNDAY		Liam Milne is a professional bridge player and teacher who finished 9th in the 2014 World Open Pairs. Since then he has represented Australia in the Bermuda Bowl, and in 2016 finished 1st or 2nd in 7 national events. Liam is a member of the ABF's International Player Performance Task Force.
		4:45pm to 5:30pm		
ANDY HUNG	Which Conventions? Upstairs Rooms 10, 11,12 Opposite Bridge Admin	MONDAY		Andy Hung is a professional bridge player and teacher who has represented Australia at both Youth and Open competitions. Although he has won Australian National and State titles, he thoroughly enjoys teaching and coaching bridge (at all levels) and plans to be the next world's best bridge coach!
		9:00am to 9:45am		
SARTAJ HANS	Almost Famous! Story of My Favourite Hand Upstairs Rooms 10, 11,12 Opposite Bridge Admin	TUESDAY		Sartaj Hans is a professional bridge player, a frequent Australian Open team representative and winner of many national and international tournaments. Sartaj recently authored a highly acclaimed book, <i>Battling the Best</i> .
		9:30am to 10:15am		
JOAN BUTTS	Declarer Play: Entries Five Steps to Overcome Entry Problems Upstairs Rooms 10, 11,12 Opposite Bridge Admin	THURSDAY		Joan Butts has represented Australia in world championships. Her passion is bridge education. She is the Australian Bridge Federation's (ABF) National Teaching Coordinator. In this capacity she trains teachers and arranges professional development programmes. Joan is also involved with bridge online.
		9:30am to 10:15am		
KIM FRAZER	The Way Forward ABF Initiatives for Aspiring International & State Players Upstairs Rooms 10, 11,12 Opposite Bridge Admin	THURSDAY		Kim Frazer is an Olympian and Commonwealth Games champion in shooting. In bridge, Kim has represented Victoria and written articles on the mental side of bridge. She is secretary of the VBA, a member of the ABF Management Committee and chairs the ABF's International Player Performance Task Force.
		2:15pm to 2:45pm		
PETER HOLLANDS AND LAURA GINNAN	Master Manipulation Upstairs Rooms 10, 11,12 Opposite Bridge Admin	FRIDAY		Peter Hollands and Laura Ginnan are Melbourne based professional bridge players. Pete is on the 2017 Australian Open team and will represent Australia in the Bermuda Bowl in Lyon. They are revolutionising the way bridge is taught through online video teaching from their website Bridge Vid. bridgevid.com/
		9:00am to 9:45am		

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CALENDAR OF SOCIAL AND OTHER ACTIVITIES GOLD COAST CONGRESS 2017

	Venue	Sunday 19th February	Monday 20th February	Tuesday 21st February	Wednesday 22nd February	Thursday 23rd February	Friday 24th February	
NOVICE AND ROOKIE ACTIVITIES								
Rookies Help Available	In the Playing Area Rookies Section	12:00pm to 1:00pm				09:30am to 10:30am		
Under 50MPs Help Available	In the Playing Area Under 50s Section			09:30am to 10:30am	09:30am to 10:30am			
Novices Help Available	In the Playing Area Novices Section			10:00am to 10:30am			09:30am to 10:30am	
SOCIAL AND OTHER ACITVITIES								
Collection for Zephyr Education Inc. The GCC Official Charity Helping Children affected by Domestic Violence Getting Back to School	Foyer GCCEC	From 10:00am				From 10:30am		
Zephyr Raffle Draw Prizes to be Collected At the End of Play	Foyer GCCEC					1030am Announced 3:00pm		
TBIB Lucky Draw	Foyer GCCEC	1:00pm	1:00pm		3:00pm	3:00pm		
Trivia Night Hosted by Jac & Bill Rossiter-Nuttal Teams to a Maximum of 8 Participants	Hatch & Co Oasis Shopping Centre Sofitel Corner			Entries Close 2:30pm Trivia From 6:00pm				
Pianola Hosted by James Ward	Upstairs Rooms 10, 11 and 12			2:15pm				
Hospitality for Bridge Teachers Hosted by Joan Butts	Apartment 3205 Air on Broadbeach			4:45pm to 6:00pm				
National Directors Development Meeting Hosted by John McIlrath	Upstairs Rooms 10, 11 and 12			From 6:30pm				
Directors Get Together Hosted by Jan Peach	Upstairs Rooms 10, 11 and 12				8:30am			
Parade Entrants Stars and Stripes Theme	Foyer GCCEC				2:30pm			
Champagne Breakfast For Shoe Shoppers In Her Shoes	In Her Shoes Ground Floor Oasis Shopping Centre	 local & imported shoes · bags · accessories				8:00am		
BRIDGE WIDOWS ACTIVITIES								
Get Together Non-Bridge Playing Partners	Apartment 3205 Air on Broadbeach			10:45 to 11:45				
Bridge Widows Expedition Mt Tamborine Cost \$10.00	Depart from Grd Flr Air on Broadbeach.			12:00pm to 4:00pm				
Bridge Widows Expedition Springbrook Cost \$10.00	Depart from Grd Flr Air on Broadbeach.				11:00am to 2:30pm			
Bridge Widows Expedition Tweed Regional Gallery Margaret Olley Cost \$10.00	Depart from Grd Flr Air on Broadbeach.					11:00am to 4:00pm		
		Sunday 19th February	Monday 20th February	Tuesday 21st February	Wednesday 22nd February	Thursday 23rd February	Friday 24th February	

GOLD COAST CONGRESS 2017

	Sunday 19th February	Monday 20th February	Tuesday 21st February	Wednesday 22nd February	Thursday 23rd February	Friday 24th February	Saturday 25th February
OPEN EVENTS							
Open Pairs Championship	1:00pm F/1/3 7:30pm F/2/3	1:00pm F/3/3	10:30am Start 4 x 14 Brds R1-R4	10:30am Start 4 x 14 Brds R5-R8	10:30am Start 4 x 14 Brds R9-R12	O/F Teams 9:00am 2x12 Brds 2:00pm 4x10 Brds	Finals Teams 9:00am Start 4x12 Brds Final
Open Teams	10:00am 2/3 1:00pm 3/3	10:00am 1/2 1:00pm 2/2					
Weekend Matchpoint Swiss Pairs							
Monday Butler Swiss Pairs							
Ivy Dahler Open Butler Swiss Pairs							
SENIORS EVENTS							
Seniors Pairs Championship	1:00pm F/1/3 7:30pm F/2/3	1:00pm F/3/3	10:30am Start 4 x 14 Brds R1-R4	10:30am Start 4 x 14 Brds R5-R8	10:30am Start 4 x 14 Brds R9-R12	10:00am Start 4x12 Brds Final	
Seniors Teams							
INTERMEDIATE EVENTS (Under 750MPs)							
Intermediate Pairs Championship	1:00pm F/1/3 7:30pm F/2/3	1:00pm F/3/3	10:30am Start 4 x 14 Brds R1-R4	10:30am Start 4 x 14 Brds R5-R8	10:30am Start 4 x 14 Brds R9-R12	10:00am Start 4x12 Brds Final	
Intermediate Teams							
Ivy Dahler Intermediate Butler Swiss Pairs							
RESTRICTED EVENTS (Under 300MPs)							
Restricted Pairs Championship	1:00pm F/1/3 7:30pm F/2/3	1:00pm F/3/3	10:30am Start 4 x 14 Brds R1-R4	10:30am Start 4 x 14 Brds R5-R8	10:30am Start 4 x 14 Brds R9-R12	10:00am Start 4x12 Brds Final	
Restricted Teams							
Ivy Dahler Restricted Butler Swiss Pairs							
NOVICE EVENTS (Under 100MPs)							
Novice Pairs Championship	1:00pm F/1/3 7:30pm F/2/3	1:00pm F/3/3	10:30am Start 4 x 14 Brds R1-R4	10:30am Start 4 x 14 Brds R5-R8	10:30am Start 4 x 14 Brds R9-R12	10:00am Start 4x12 Brds Final	
Novice Teams							
Friday Novice Pairs							
UNDER 500MP EVENTS							
Weekend Matchpoint Swiss Pairs U500	10:00am 2/3 1:00pm 3/3	10:00am 1/2 1:00pm 2/2					
Monday Butler Swiss Pairs U500							
ROOKIE PAIRS (Under 10MPs)							
Rookie Pairs - Single Session Events	1:00pm 1/1				10:30am 1/1		
UNDER 50MP PAIRS							
Under 50 Masterpoint Pairs			10:30am 1/1				
MATCHPOINT SWISS PAIRS							
Seres/McMahon Matchpoint Swiss Pairs				10:30am 1/2 3:00pm 2/2		10:00am 1/2 2:00pm 2/2	
WALK-IN PAIRS - BEST 3 SCORES COUNT							
Holiday Walk-In Pairs 1 - Play from 1 to 4 Sess	1:00pm S2	1:00pm S3	10:30am S4				
Holiday Walk-In Pairs 2 - Play from 1 to 5 Sess				3:00pm S1	3:00pm S2	10:00am S3 2:00pm S4	10:00am S5

**Dinner
Dance
7:30pm
for
Drinks
8:00pm
Start
Bookings
Essential**

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Number
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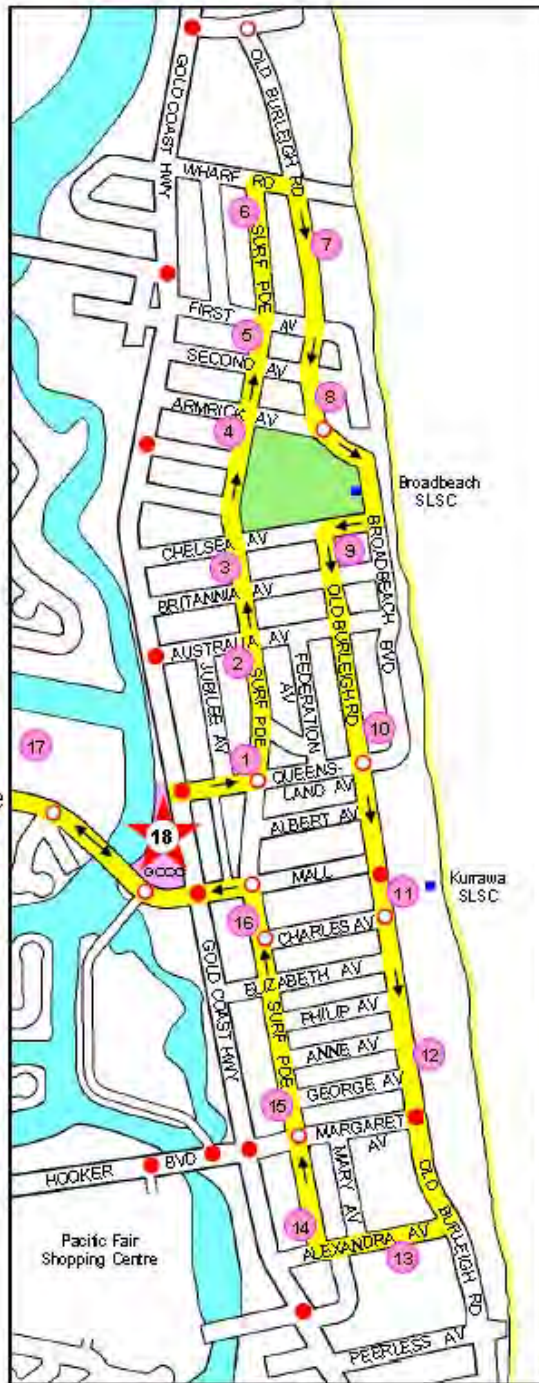
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- Starbucks**

PUZZLE

The Stark Raving Mad King: A stark raving mad king tells his 100 wisest men he is about to line them up and that he will place either a red or blue hat on each of their heads. Once lined up, they must not communicate amongst themselves. Nor may they attempt to look behind them or remove their own hat.

The king tells the wise men that they will be able to see all the hats in front of them. They will not be able to see the colour of their own hat or the hats behind them, although they will be able to hear the answers from all those behind them.

The king will then start with the wise man in the back and ask "what colour is your hat?" The wise man will only be allowed to answer "red" or "blue," nothing more. If the answer is incorrect then the wise man will be silently killed. If the answer is correct then the wise man may live but must remain absolutely silent.

The king will then move on to the next wise man and repeat the question.

The king makes it clear that if anyone breaks the rules then all the wise men will die, then allows the wise men to consult before lining them up. The king listens in while the wise men consult each other to make sure they don't devise a plan to cheat. For example to communicate anything more than their guess of red or blue by coughing or shuffling would be breaking the rules.

What is the maximum number of men they can be guaranteed to save?

YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE

The Emperor: 10 prisoners must sample the wine. Bonus points if you worked out a way to ensure than no more than 8 prisoners die. Number all bottles using binary digits. Assign each prisoner to one of the binary flags. Prisoners must take a sip from each bottle where their binary flag is set.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Prisoner A		X		X		X		X
Prisoner B			X	X			X	X
Prisoner C					X	X	X	X

In the above example, if all prisoners die, bottle 8 is bad. If none die, bottle 1 is bad. If A & B dies, bottle 4 is bad. With ten people there are 1024 unique combinations so you could test up to 1024 bottles of wine.

Each of the ten prisoners will take a small sip from about 500 bottles. Each sip should take no longer than 15 seconds and should be a very small amount. Small sips not only leave more wine for guests. Small sips also avoid death by alcohol poisoning. As long as each prisoner is administered about a millilitre from each bottle, they will only consume the equivalent of about one bottle of wine each.

Each prisoner will have at least a fifty percent chance of living. There is only one binary combination where all prisoners must sip from the wine. If there are ten prisoners then there are ten more combinations where all but one prisoner must sip from the wine. By avoiding these two types of combinations you can ensure no more than 8 prisoners die. →

DIFFICULT SUDOKU

			6					7
		8		4			6	
	2				8	5		
1					2	9		
	8			9			1	
		7	8					3
		2	5				3	
	7			2		4		
9					7			

**YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION
DIFFICULT SUDOKU**

9	8	6	1	5	2	3	7	4
2	7	3	6	4	8	1	5	9
5	4	1	3	9	7	8	6	2
4	5	7	9	6	3	2	1	8
1	9	2	4	8	5	6	3	7
6	3	8	2	7	1	4	9	5
7	6	9	8	3	4	5	2	1
8	1	5	7	2	6	9	4	3
3	2	4	5	1	9	7	8	6

One viewer felt that this solution was in flagrant contempt of restaurant etiquette. The emperor paid for this wine, so there should be no need to prove to the guests that wine is the same as the label. I am not even sure if ancient wine even came with labels affixed. However, it is true that after leaving the wine open for a day, that this medieval wine will taste more like vinegar than it ever did. C'est la vie.

SERVICES

If you are in need of a doctor or medical assistance you can contact Kim Ellaway through the Administration Desk or alternatively contact the Broadbeach Medical Centre on 07-5531-6344, Suite GO1, 2681 Gold Coast Highway Broadbeach. Please note that they do not bulk bill. Their after-Hours is handled by National Home Doctors Service on 137425 who do bulk bill.

The Oasis Shopping Centre

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And would like to extend a very warm welcome to all players
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Newsagency, Chemist, Food outlets, Jewellers, Bookshops as well as
many other shops are still open throughout the renovation works. We are
working hard to bring a new look Oasis. Thank you for your support

ANC SURVEY

The Australian National Championship (ANC) has been running since 1933, and has a long proud history.

The ABF is conducting a review of the ANC, focused on the timing, duration, format and location of the current PQP events – the Interstate Teams Championships and the Australian Butler Pairs Championships. There are no preconceived notions about what, if anything, should happen; it is simply time for a review.

Ben Thompson, an experienced management consultant, is conducting the review on behalf of the ABF.

We invite all ABF members to respond to a survey (by March 31 please). The survey should take you about 5-10 minutes. We even have a small prize on offer!

Go to <http://www.abf.com.au/anc-survey/> to complete the ANC Survey

Please help us ensure the future of this great event.

SOLUTION - TIPS FROM BRIDGE VID YOUR ONLINE BRIDGE COACH

Peter Hollands and Laura Ginnan

Dummy

♥ K Q 10

East – You

♥ A J 3

PROBLEM 2: You are the East defender. North has just won trick ten of the hand in no trumps. These are the last three cards in a hand and North plays the ♥K. How do you play to make sure that you win two of the three remaining tricks?

SOLUTION: If you win the ♥A you will have to lead away from your ♥ J 3 into dummy's ♥ Q 10 and you will only score one trick. Take a look at what happens if you let North win the ♥K. You will then have the ♥ A J sitting over their ♥ Q 10 and be able to guarantee two tricks when they lead.



Hatch & Co



MONDAY NIGHT 20TH FEBRUARY FROM 6:00PM THIS YEAR THE TRIVIA NIGHT WILL BE HELD AT **HATCH & CO BROADBEACH**

THE OASIS SHOPPING CENTRE, VICTORIA AVE BROADBEACH COMMENCING 5:30PM FOR A 7.00PM START

Once again our hosts will be Jac & Bill Rossiter-Nuttall who did such a good job last year.

The bridge menu is below and we hope all players will avail themselves of these specials and arrive at 5:30pm to give time to order their meal and drinks ready to start play at 7:00pm.

There will be a fee of \$10.00 per player with all proceeds going to Friends of Youth Bridge Fund but to be specifically used to facilitate youth attendance at the Gold Coast Congress with the objective of having apartments for the week where youth players can stay for free or minimal (+/- \$10) charge.

You can enter as teams of 6 to 8 people and may include friends who may not be bridge players. Numbers are limited so please register **AND PAY** at the Bridge Administration desk at the GCCC before 2:00pm Monday or sold out. If you do not have a full table there is no problem, simply write down your names and we will "marry" players to make up teams.

The members of the winning team will receive prizes including wine or chocolates

\$20 Trivia Menu Selection

Lemon and Pepper Calamari — GFO Served with shoestring chips, herb salad, lemon aioli

Herb Crusted Baby Barramundi Fillets — Tartare sauce, herb salad & chilli salted chips

Chicken Schnitzel — Lightly crumbed chicken breast served with chips & herb salad

Lasagna — Cape Grim ground beef with house-made Napoli and Béchamel sauce w parmesan

Spinach Risotto — Creamy spinach risotto, maple syrup glazed pumpkin & manchego shavings

Cured Salmon — GFO Tequila cured salmon, fennel salad and water crackers

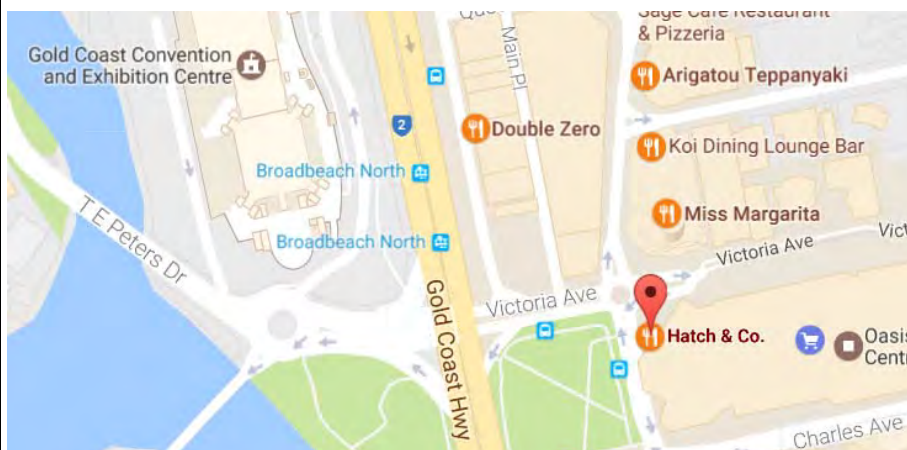
Caesar — GFO Fresh baby cos lettuce, crispy pancetta, croutons, soft egg & grated parmesan cheese and Caesar dressing

Pizza Menu

Margarita Margarita — Crushed tomato, torn basil, fior de latte

Mushroom — Marinated mushrooms, roast garlic, chilli and smoked mozzarella

Prosciutto — Sliced Prosciutto ham, olives, rocket salad and parmesan shavings



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