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STARS & STRIPES – THIS YEAR'S THEME SPONSORED BY THE GOLD COAST BRIDGE CLUB



Stars and Stripes Theme Winners (Above & Right)
Jenny Simpson, Nola Anderson, Diane Smith, Wilma Coloper





Winners Pairs Prize
Sue Cohen and Karen Smith



2nd Prize Peter Randall, Jan Randall, Ken Cupples and Adrian Lohmann



HOW IT BECAME KNOWN AS.....

'A SHOT OF WHISKEY'

In the old west a .45 cartridge for a six-gun cost 12 cents, so did a glass of whiskey. If a cowhand was low on cash he would often give the bartender a cartridge in exchange for a drink. This became known as a "shot" of whiskey.

THE WHOLE NINE YARDS

American fighter planes in WW2 had machine guns that were fed by a belt of cartridges. The average plane held belts that were 27 feet (9 yards) long. If the pilot used up all his ammo he was said to have given it the whole nine yards.

OPEN TEAMS QUALIFYING ROUND 5

Barry Rigal

The match started with a bang, as three of the first four deals featured slam zone decisions.

I'm not sure Middleton-Gue had that much of a chance when South's first natural call discouraged North from exploring further, but in the other room, there was certainly a chance to play slam.

Dealer: North ♠ J 9 8 5
 Vul: None ♥ ---
 Brd 1 ♦ K 10 7 6
 Open Tms Qual 5 ♣ 9 8 7 4 3

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

♠ A K
 ♥ A 9 7 6 5
 ♦ A 3
 ♣ A K Q 2

♠ Q 6 4 3 2
 ♥ J 4
 ♦ Q J 9 8 5
 ♣ J

West Lilley	North Milne	East Nagy	South Griffiths
	Pass	Pass	1♣(16+)
2♥	Pass	Pass	2NT
Pass	3♣	Pass	3♥
Pass	4♥	Pass	5♣ //

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

Some would use a transfer into hearts by North as a three-suiter or both minors and short hearts. Here Milne got his three-suiter across, but the fifth trump was vital. After a top heart lead both declarers ruffed four hearts in dummy and had just enough entries back to hand to avoid the trump promotion and made 13 tricks. Any lead but a heart holds South to 12 tricks, I believe. And yes, some pairs did go down in 6♣ by drawing trumps...or running into an over-ruff in hearts.

On board two both E/W pairs manoeuvred their way to 2♥ on a 6-1 fit. The real action then started on the next deal.

Dealer: South ♠ A 9 4 2
 Vul: E-W ♥ 6 5
 Brd 3 ♦ A K J
 Open Tms Qual 5 ♣ A Q J 2

♠ J 6
 ♥ J 9 8 2
 ♦ Q 4 2
 ♣ 10 6 5 3

♠ K Q 8
 ♥ A K Q 7 3
 ♦ 9 7 6 3
 ♣ K

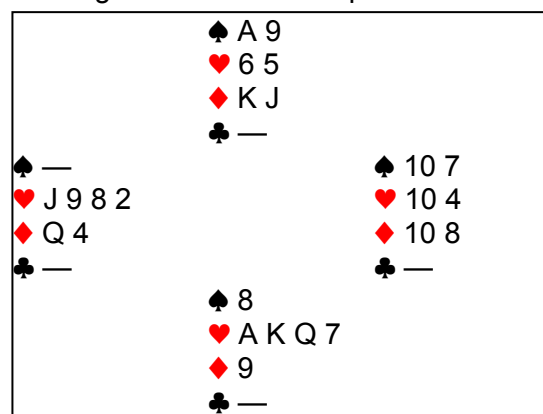
♠ 10 7 5 3
 ♥ 10 4
 ♦ 10 8 5
 ♣ 9 8 7 4

West	North	East	South
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Makeable Contracts				
-	7	-	7	NT
-	6	-	6	♠
-	6	-	6	♥
-	7	-	7	♦
-	7	-	7	♣

I would normally print a full auction but there is not enough room in the space provided. Suffice it to say Griffiths, South, opened a strong club then showed hearts and a minimum. North used keycard, South showing two and the trump queen (whether trumps were spades or hearts) and three grand slam tries later they were in 7NT. The auction and play took 25 minutes, after a club lead. Griffiths won the ♣K, cashed two high spades, crossed to the ♦A to run clubs and in this ending:

The last top spade produced a pop-up squeeze on West, who chose to unguard hearts. The alternative here of cashing ♦K then ♥AKQ squeezes East if he has ♦Q10 and the spades – clearly inferior.



That was all worth 11 IMPs when they played 6NT in the other room (after a natural auction such as 1♥-2♣-2♦-2♠-3NT to show 15-17, you might just bid 6NT as North. But does 5NT pick a slam then 6NT allow partner to bid more)?

About 25 pairs bid the grand slam, and almost as many went down in the wrong grand slam or by misjudging the play in 7NT – the odds of making are something like 75% maybe (one of any of the diamond finesse or either major breaking 3-3, plus maybe a double squeeze around diamonds when the major suit menaces are split with spades onside? Please feel free to argue with my mathematics.

The next board was even more lucrative for Hung:

Dealer: West	♠ K 8 5 4 2	West	North	East	South
Vul: Both	♥ K 7 4	Lilley	Milne	Nagy	Griffiths
Brd 4	♦ ---	2♠	Pass	Pass	Pass
Open Tms Qual 5	♣ K 10 8 4 3	Hung	Gue	Lazar	Middleton
♠ A Q 10 7 6 3		1♠	Pass	2♦	Pass
♥ 10 6	♠ 9	3♦	Pass	3♥	Pass
♦ K 8 6 2	♥ A Q 2	3♠	Pass	4♦	Pass
♣ 5	♦ A Q 9 5 4 3	4NT	Pass	5♥	Pass
	♣ A 9 2	6♦	All Pass		
	♠ J	Makeable Contracts			
	♥ J 9 8 5 3	4	-	4	-
	♦ J 10 7	4	-	4	-
	♣ Q J 7 6	6	-	6	-
					NT
					♠
					♦

I have no idea how you should play 7♦ on a top club lead; maybe ruff a club in dummy and take the heart finesse? After the ♠J lead Lazar wisely left spades alone and took three ruffs in dummy, but the bad trump break held him to 1370. They were wise not to try for the grand slam, given the result in the other room, where wide-ranging Australian pre-empts came back to bite Nagy. Had he stretched to bid 3♦ over 2♠ he would have saved the day, but it all depends what a typical pre-empt from Lilley looks like. The datum here was 530 so E/W in the other room certainly deserve the credit for that light opener.

As many pairs went negative with E/W as made slam, and game was frequently missed.

Of course light openers don't always work – as witness the next deal, where Lazar opened 1♠ and played 4♠ down 200.

Dealer: East	♠ K 9 7 3	West	North	East	South
Vul: E-W	♥ Q 10 3	Lilley	Milne	Nagy	Griffiths
Brd 6	♦ A 10 8			2♥(♥+♠)	Pass
Open Tms Qual 5	♣ 4 3 2	2♠	Pass	Pass	Double
♠ 6 4 2		Pass	3♣	Pass	Pass
♥ 5	♠ Q J 10 8 5	3♠	Pass	Pass	Pass
♦ K Q 9 2	♥ K 9 8 6 2	Makeable Contracts			
♣ K Q J 8 7	♦ 4 3	-	1	-	1
	♣ A	1	-	1	-
	♠ A	-	1	-	1
	♥ A J 7 4	-	1	-	1
	♦ J 7 6 5	-	-	-	-
	♣ 10 9 6 5	-	-	-	-
					NT
					♠
					♥
					♦
					♣

In the post mortem Nagy apologized for not doubling 3♣; yes, North might have run to 3♦ I suppose. In 3♠ Lilley won the club lead and led a diamond to the king and ace, then won the club return to lead a spade to the queen and ace. Back came a third club and he won the queen and played a second spade to the jack. A diamond to the queen let him cash the club jack. A diamond ruff in dummy and the ♥K to South left dummy with 10-8, worth one more trick in the two-card ending for +140 and 8 IMPs. I suppose the defenders do best to win the first diamond and play trumps? But declarer is still well placed to ruff hearts to hand at some points, since North can never regain the lead.

That made it 26-8 for Hung, but they immediately added 10 more IMPs when partner opened 1NT and Lazar invited game with the following hand:

♠ 3
 ♥ A 10 4 3 2
 ♦ J 10 8
 ♣ K 9 8 4

Nagy passed out partner's acceptance of his transfer to 2♥ while Lazar hit his partner with a 17-count and ♥KQ. When the ♥J falls - life is easy today.

David Beauchamp will be replacing Joan Butts for this morning's Celebrity Speaker
Learning All About Pre-Empting. [Ed: Wish Joan the best for a speedy recovery]

On the next board both pairs for Hung went overboard; but the result was more than satisfactory.

Dealer: West ♠ K Q 6 4 2
 Vul: None ♥ 6
 Brd 8 ♦ J 6 2
 Open Tms Qual 5 ♣ 10 6 5 4
 ♠ 9 5 3
 ♥ J 7 4
 ♦ K 9 8 3
 ♣ Q 7 2

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

♠ 8 7
 ♥ A K 10 9 5 3 2
 ♦ A Q
 ♣ J 3

West	North	East	South
Lilley	Milne	Nagy	Griffiths
Pass	Pass	1♥	Double
1NT	2♠	4♥	Pass
Pass	4♠	All Pass	

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

(Digressing, if you want to save with the North hand, bid 3♠ the first time; you can always cuebid 2♥ or double 1NT (or bid 2NT unless that shows minors) with real values and spades. Milne escaped undoubled for -100, while in the other room Lazar opened 4♥ and bought it there – a 1♥ opener would surely have let the defenders take their spades and clubs against 4♥. Now to the meat of the problem: how to signal playing either standard or reverse when partner leads the ♣K against 4♠? (Yes, lead king from ace king against pre-empts – the ace asks for attitude about the king) and dummy has queen-third or queen-fourth.

Here's my answer – you don't have to like it, but it covers more bases than anything else, and it will let you signal in tempo perfectly.

- Using upside down count: With five cards, play high, with four play the second highest, with three play top with two play the bottom and with one signal by playing it with your left hand. (This last is optional).
- Using regular signals, follow top from two, bottom from three, third from four, bottom from five.

So how would that work here?

On the lead of the king if playing regular signals the first trick will go K75 3(or J). South now knows his partner has e.g. 54 when he will follow with the four at trick two and be given a ruff, or four (though South does not know which) and North will give suit preference with the 10 or 6 as declarer follows suit with the missing spot. On seeing the ten, South can confidently play ♠A then another spade. If North followed with a small club but not an echo at trick two then South would shift to ♦10 and hope partner would win ♦A and play a spade through declarer.

Be that as it may, when the defenders did not find the spade shift to set the game, Lazar had +420, and Hung led 44-8

Back came Lilley, when a disaster for Hung/Lazar (what does the sequence 1♠-(2♦)-4NT mean? Answer: Keycard, not to play.) this cost 16 IMPs, and the next deal saw 11 IMPs go in the same direction:

Dealer: South ♠ Q 7 6 3 2
 Vul: None ♥ 10 9 5
 Brd 11 ♦ K 3 2
 Open Tms Qual 5 ♣ 4 3
 ♠ A K
 ♥ J 4
 ♦ A Q 8 6 5 4
 ♣ K 6 5

♠ J 10 9 8 5
 ♥ Q 3
 ♦ 9 7
 ♣ A 8 7 2

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

West	North	East	South
Lilley	Milne	Nagy	Griffiths
			Pass
1♦	Pass	1♥	1♠
2NT*	Pass	3♣	Pass
3♦	Pass	3♥	Pass
3NT	Pass	Pass	Pass

Makeable Contracts				
3	-	3	-	NT
-	1	-	1	♠
5	-	5	-	♥
4	-	4	-	♦
4	-	4	-	♣

Lilley's 2NT call was a strong no-trump with 6+ diamonds or 17-19 balanced. After a spade lead declarer could knock out ♦K and take nine winners. In the other room West made the same rebid but E/W could not diagnose they were missing a keycard and the trump queen and played an ignominious 6♥. Yes at least 6♦ has respectable play, even if it does not make. That meant the match had tightened up to 45-35, but Hung had one more swing left when a difference in pre-empting styles left the two E/W pairs at different levels.

Dealer: West ♠ Q 10 4
 Vul: N-S ♥ K 9 6
 Brd 12 ♦ A Q J 10 5
 Open Tms Qual 5 ♣ K 4
 ♠ 8 5
 ♥ Q J 10 7 5 3
 ♦ 6
 ♣ Q 10 8 2

♠ J 6 3 2
 ♥ 2
 ♦ 9 8 4 3 2
 ♣ A J 9

♠ A K 9 7
 ♥ A 8 4
 ♦ K 7
 ♣ 7 6 5 3

West	North	East	South
Lilley	Milne	Nagy	Griffiths
2♦ ¹	2NT	3♥	All Pass

1 Weak with one major.

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

Griffith led a diamond and Milne won his ace and shifted to spades. Declarer ruffed a spade to dummy and finessed in hearts, making nine tricks peacefully enough. Hung opened 2♥ as West and played 4♥ on a trump lead, and now he had enough entries to the East hand to take six hearts, one diamond, two spades and a club. On the defence of two rounds of diamonds you do best to ruff your winner to play trumps and clubs to best effect. The 6 IMPs to Hung made it 51-35, and 14.42 VPs.

SENIORS TEAMS QUALIFYING ROUND 6 - A TOE IN THE WATER

Brent Manley



Priscilla Bloy, Pam Tibble, Peter Van Leeuwen and Naomi Hannah-Brown



Penny Sykes, Di Quigley, Lizi French and Ross Gyde

Four players from Christchurch, New Zealand, showed up at the Gold Coast Congress with a desire to play in the Open Teams. For some reason, that plan did not work out, so the foursome landed in the Senior Teams, their first time to play in that event. After the sixth session, they stood 31st out of 40 teams and were feeling pretty good about their debut.

"We're holding our own," said Peter Van Leeuwen, proudly wearing a gaudy headdress matching that of his teammates: Pam Tibble (captain), Priscilla Bloy and Naomi Hannah-Brown.

Against the Penny Sykes team, the Tibble team came through with a 59-25 win. This was one of their big gains.

Dealer: East ♠ 9 8
 Vul: N-S ♥ 9
 Brd 18 ♦ Q J 9 8 6 4
 Sen Tms Qual 6 ♣ J 9 7 4
 ♠ A 3
 ♥ Q 7 4 3 2
 ♦ K 10 2
 ♣ A K 10

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

♠ J 7 2
 ♥ A K 8
 ♦ A 7 5
 ♣ Q 6 5 2

West	North	East	South
French	Tibble	Sykes	V Leeuwen
2♦	Pass	1NT	Pass
4NT	Pass	5♣	Pass
6NT	Pass	Pass	Pass

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

East-West were Penny Sykes and Lizi French. The final contract of 6NT was not terrible, but the two hands were slightly short in high-card points for that level. Even worse, no suit split for declarer.

Van Leeuwen led the ♠K, taken by the ace. Declarer tried hearts: no luck. The club suit was next. The 4-2 split in that suit limited declarer to three club tricks. There was no way avoid three down for minus 150, a 12-IMP loss when Bloy and Hannah-Brown at the other table stopped in 3NT and emerged with 11 tricks.

On this deal, Van Leeuwen and Tibble did well to get to game in the face of a strong 1NT opener.

Dealer: North
 Vul: N-S
 Brd 21
 Sen Tms Qual 6
 ♠ 6 3
 ♥ Q J 10 7 4
 ♦ J 9 6 4
 ♣ 7 2

♠ 10 7 4
 ♥ A K 5
 ♦ A 8 5 3 2
 ♣ 9 3

♠ A K
 ♥ 9 3 2
 ♦ K 10 7
 ♣ A 8 6 5 4

♠ Q J 9 8 5 2
 ♥ 8 6
 ♦ Q
 ♣ K Q J 10

West	North	East	South
		1NT	Double
2♦	Pass	2♥	2♠
Pass	3♠	Pass	4♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	

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

1NT showed 14-16. South's double indicated a one-suited hand. When Van Leeuwen showed his long suit, Tibble gave him a raise and the vulnerable game was bid. The ♥Q went to dummy's ace, and declarer followed with a low spade from dummy. East won the ♠K and cashed the ♣A, followed by a club to declarer's jack. There was nothing left for declarer to do but knock out the trump ace and claim for plus 620. It was a 10-IMP gain because the contract at the other table was 3♠ by South, making 10 tricks for plus 170.

This board helped the Sykes team to a gain of 11 IMPs.

Dealer: West
 Vul: None
 Brd 24

♠ 10 6 5
 ♥ A K J 10 6 4
 ♦ K 10 5
 ♣ 4

♠ K 9 4
 ♥ 9 8 7
 ♦ Q 4
 ♣ A 8 7 6 2

♠ A Q 8 2
 ♥ 3 2
 ♦ A J 9 8 6
 ♣ 5 3

♠ J 7 3
 ♥ Q 5
 ♦ 7 3 2
 ♣ K Q J 10 9

West	North	East	South
1♥	Pass	2♦	Pass
2♥	Pass	4♥	All Pass

Makeable Contracts				
2	-	2	-	NT
5	-	5	-	♠
6	-	6	-	♥
6	-	6	-	♦
-	1	-	1	♣

On the low heart lead, declarer took South's queen with the ace, pulled two more rounds of trumps, then followed with the ♦K and the ♦10. When North played the ♦Q, declarer could run the diamond suit, pitching a club and a spade, then take the spades finesse for all the tricks and plus 510. At the other table, Bloy and Hannah-Brown played in 4♠, a more difficult contract, and came up a trick short for minus 50.

The win for the Christchurch team helped them move up four places in the standings.



Let's Carpool²⁺

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OPEN TEAMS QUALIFYING ROUND 7

Barry Rigal

I watched Ziggy against Wyer, sitting at the table where Nunn-Howard (playing short club and transfer responses), coming off their Open Pairs win were playing Moren-Francis (transfer openings in 1/2nd and strong club).

The match featured a number of challenging declarer play problems, but the first few deals went fairly quietly. Ziggy picked up 5 for declaring at the two-level successfully in both rooms, then got nipped for 200 in a doubled part-score.

Board 5 saw a lucky escape – for both teams?

Dealer: North ♠ J 10 2
 Vul: N-S ♥ 10 9 8
 Brd 5 ♦ A K Q J 5
 Open Tms Qual 7 ♣ 10 2
 ♠ Q 9 8
 ♥ A Q 5
 ♦ 9
 ♣ A J 9 8 4 3

♠ K 7 4 3
 ♥ K J 6
 ♦ 10 7 6 4 3 2
 ♣ ---

♠ A 6 5
 ♥ 7 4 3 2
 ♦ 8
 ♣ K Q 7 6 5

West Nunn	North Moren	East Howard	South Francis
	1♠ ¹	Pass	2NT ²
3♣	3♦	5♣	All Pass
1 11-14 Balanced			
2 Diamonds			

Makeable Contracts				
1	-	1	-	NT
-	-	-	-	♠
2	-	3	-	♥
-	3	-	3	♦
4	-	4	-	♣

In the other room Jimmi Wallis and Ziggy Konig had overbid to 5♦, doubled and down 500. So to hold the loss to 3 IMPs Tony Nunn had to make 5♣. Moren led a top diamond and should surely have shifted to spades – how could this be doing anything for declarer he could not do himself?

On his actual trump shift, declarer has a chance, albeit a slim one. Win the trump in dummy and lead a heart to the queen, go back to a club honour and play a second heart to the ace, then exit in hearts and hope South is end-played to lead spades. I wish I could tell you that Tony Nunn had found this line. I will say he end-played Francis in hearts to lead spades and make his game – but the defenders had missed a far easier chance to avoid the endplay. As Dr Watson said, in a slightly different context “Maybe the world is not yet ready for the story.”

Moving on from the Giant Rat of Sumatra, and a couple of undertrick IMPs for Wyer that put them up 7-5, we come to the first big swing deal

Dealer: South ♠ K 10 7 5
 Vul: Both ♥ Q 9 2
 Brd 7 ♦ 8 4
 ♣ K 7 5 3
 ♠ J 9 8 4
 ♥ K 10 6
 ♦ K 10 3
 ♣ Q J 2

♠ A 6 3
 ♥ J 8 7 3
 ♦ J
 ♣ A 10 9 6 4

♠ Q 2
 ♥ A 5 4
 ♦ A Q 9 7 6 5 2
 ♣ 8

West Nunn	North Moren	East Howard	South Francis
			Pass
Pass	Pass	3♦	Pass
3NT	Pass	Pass	Pass

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

I thought Nunn did extremely well here. It is all very well to say that this is what you are supposed to do facing a fourth-in-hand pre-empt. Doing what you are supposed to do is what wins matches, and they did not find this action in the other room, playing 2♦ for 130.

Then both N/S pairs missed the boat entirely.

Dealer: West ♠ 10 7 5 3 2
 Vul: None ♥ A Q 4
 Brd 8 ♦ 9 3
 Open Tms Qual 7 ♣ Q 10 5

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

♠ 9 6
 ♥ K J 10 7 6
 ♦ A
 ♣ A J 9 8 3

West	North	East	South
Nunn	Moren	Howard	Francis
Pass	Pass	1♦	2♦ ¹
3♣	3♥	Pass	Pass
4♦	Pass	Pass	Pass

1 clubs and a major

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

Francis gave this quite a look in pass out seat, but couldn't find another call. To my mind the issue is whether North should bid 4♥ or 3♥ – and it seems to me that it doesn't matter which major partner has, you want to be in game here. +50 against 4♦ on a heart lead was a poor return with 5♥ a spread when the club finesse worked. There was no swing here, since 4♦ minus one was the contract in the other room, but I'm sure both N/S pairs felt this was an opportunity missed (and again, perhaps a function of not trusting partner to have the values they had implied – based on years of them not delivering, no doubt...)

Dealer: North ♠ ---
 Vul: E-W ♥ K 8 7 5 3 2
 Brd 9 ♦ 10 7 4
 ♣ K 10 8 6

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

♠ A J 9 6
 ♥ 6
 ♦ A J 3 2
 ♣ Q 4 3 2

West	North	East	South
Nunn	Moren	Howard	Francis
	2♥	Double	Pass
4♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

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

Nunn played 4♠ from the West seat here, as indeed the majority of the field did. And most Norths led a small diamond, but not Moren. He put the ♦10 on the table – perhaps trying to simulate shortage to mislead declarer about the trump position? It worked well – but not for his side. When Francis won the first trick he exited with a heart, and who would not?

Nunn won the ace and led a spade to the king. When Francis took his ♠A he had only one defence – and not one any mortal could find...to exit with a diamond into the tenace in dummy. Instead he played the ♠9. Declarer won the ten, unblocking dummy's ace, crossed to dummy's diamond to pitch his small heart on ♣A, then finessed spades, drew trump and conceded a heart for ten tricks. That was worth 13 IMPs when 4♠ went two down in the other room.

About a quarter of the field made game on the West cards, but numbers, as you would expect, were all over the place.

The transfer opening bids give, and the transfer opening bids taketh away... cui culpa, would you say?

Dealer: South ♠ Q 4 2
 Vul: None ♥ K 9 7 2
 Brd 11 ♦ A J 8 4
 Open Tms Qual 7 ♣ 10 8

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

♠ 10 5
 ♥ A 8 6 5
 ♦ K 5 3 2
 ♣ A 5 3

West	North	East	South
Nunn	Moren	Howard	Francis
			1♠ ^{11-14 Bal}
Double	Redble ¹	Pass	1NT
Pass	Pass	Double	All Pass

1 TFR to 1NT

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

Howard did not know about spade length opposite and elected to try to defend. Was he just unlucky? When the diamond finesse worked Francis went +180 instead of -500, at least. That gained him only 4 IMPs since teammates were down in 3♠. The other side of the same coin:

Dealer: West ♠ A 6
 Vul: N-S ♥ Q 8 5 2
 Brd 12 ♦ 8 5 4
 Open Tms Qual 7 ♣ A J 10 3

♠ 10 4 3
 ♥ K J 3
 ♦ 10 7 3
 ♣ 8 7 5 2

♠ 9 7 5
 ♥ 7 6 4
 ♦ K Q J 2
 ♣ K 9 6

♠ K Q J 8 2
 ♥ A 10 9
 ♦ A 9 6
 ♣ Q 4

West	North	East	South
Nunn	Moren	Howard	Francis
	1♠ ¹	Pass	1NT
Pass	Pass	Double	All Pass

1 11-14 balanced

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

This time Howard could show a penalty double with spades, and when Nunn led a spade declarer won the second spade, led a diamond to the queen, and played a second diamond. Howard won and cashed out spades, then obediently shifted to hearts to let the defenders cash three tricks there for +500 against nothing.

That pretty much ended the scoring in the match, Ziggy winning by 38-11.



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I happen to be chatting to the Floor Managers when Trevor Strickland comes up and hands board 24 to Kim McCusker saying "I've found the board from the previous session".

Kim replies "great, where did you find it".

"In my pocket", comes the sheepish reply.

I believe Trevor will now be frisked after every session.



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THE KLINGER QUIZ

Ron Klinger

Dir S	♠ J 5 2		
All Vul	♥ 5 3		
	♦ Q J 9 4		
	♣ K 7 5 4		
		♠ Q 9 3	
		♥ 9	
		♦ A 8 7 6	
		♣ A J 10 6 3	
West	North	East	South
Pass	1NT	Pass	1♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	3♥

West leads the ♠6: two from dummy . . . Which card should East play?

Solution: From a National Open Teams Event

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

After the auction given, West led the ♠6: two – queen – ace. Now declarer lost only one trick in each suit for +140.

If East plays the ♠Q, South can make two spade tricks with A-x-x and three if South has A-K bare. You may as well hope that partner has the ♠10 and then the ♠9 gives declarer nothing extra. At the other table South was in 4♥ doubled on a low spade lead: two – nine – ace and now East-West collected 500.

BRIDGE WITH BARRY

Barry Rigal

Sometimes the strategy that Deep Finesse inspires us to follow is one that is only just out of our reach.

“Of course” we say, when shown the result. “I could have done that...I just didn’t”.

I’m not going to give the game away; plan the fortunes of 4♥ by South, on whatever lead you care to make.

Dir East	♠ Q 4 2	
Vul All	♥ K J 4 3	
	♦ 8 7 4	
	♣ Q 8 5	
♠ J		♠ K 9 8 7 5
♥ 9 7 2		♥ A
♦ 10 9 5 2		♦ Q J 6
♣ 10 9 6 4 2		♣ K J 7 3
	♠ A 1 0 6 3	
	♥ Q 10 8 6 5	
	♦ A K 3	
	♣ A	

Does 4♥ look easy to make? Count your tricks; after drawing trump in three rounds you have a total of five trump winners, two spades, two diamonds and a club trick. Contract made, on to the next...’Not so fast’ says West. “I lead the spade jack.”

“Even better!” you say? “I play the queen covered all round, knock out the heart ace...” But now East returns a top spade and whether you cover this one or the next you have a ruff, a spade and a diamond to lose.

Well defended. But was there anything you could do? Yes there was: duck the first spade in both hands! You can win the return to knock out the heart ace and now if the defenders take their ruff you are left with all the high spades still. You can finesse in spades and pitch dummy’s diamond on the last, ruffing the spade in dummy for the 10th trick.

BE GUIDED BY BRENT

What you need to know Part 6 – Brent Manley

There are many stories about the late Ron Andersen, one of the most colourful and successful players in ACBL history. At a tournament in Ottawa Canada, in the days when negative doubles were Alertable, Andersen’s partner made a jump overcall of 2♠ which was doubled. Andersen stewed for a long time before saying, “At the clubs where I play, we Alert our negative doubles”. Andersen’s left-hand opponent turned to him and said, “At the club where I play, we don’t play negative doubles”. The result for Andersen and partner was minus 800.

New players often wonder about the differences in strategy between pairs and teams – and there are some.

In both games, vulnerability is a key element, but for different reasons.

In pairs, you are more cautious when competing because of the danger of going minus 200, known as “the kiss of death.” If the high-card points are distributed roughly evenly between the two sides, plus 200 for one side will almost always beat whatever part-score that side might be able to achieve. In pairs, players are more likely to make close penalty doubles because the payoff is so good and a zero (if the contract makes) does not ruin your game. In teams, doubling the opponents into game could cost you a match.

At both forms of scoring, your vulnerable overcalls will be much more substantial than when you are not vulnerable. In pairs, you’re always concerned about minus 200 or more. In teams, a frisky vulnerable overcall that results in minus 800 or 1100 for your side can be devastating.

For example, if you are vulnerable and your right-hand opponent opens 1♠, it would be courting disaster to overcall with this hand:

♠ J 4 3 ♥ A J 6 4 3 ♦ Q J ♣ K J 2

It’s 13 high-card points, but your long suit is thin and your shape is poor. If opener’s partner has a hand such as

♠ 8 2 ♥ Q 10 9 8 7 ♦ K 8 ♣ Q 7 6 3,

your minus score might reach four digits (there’s a good chance you will be doubled).

A vulnerable 2♥ should look more like this:

♠ 4 2 ♥ A K J 10 9 4 ♦ A 10 9 7 ♣ 6

There is another way that vulnerability factors into your strategy at teams, and it might surprise you: When you are vulnerable, it pays to stretch to bid vulnerable games.

At pairs, overbidding usually leads to tops or bottoms. Going minus 50 on a board can be a big fat zero if all the other pairs have plus scores. At teams, minus 50 might be a small loss or even a tie (usually called a “push”).

The reason vulnerability makes a difference in bidding game is that the payoff for success is much higher.

Say you are not vulnerable and you bid 4♠ and make it. If the opponents stop in 3♠ at the other table and take 10 tricks, your plus 420 and their plus 170 gives you a net of plus 250 – good for 6 IMPs. If both of you take nine tricks in spades, you are minus 50 while they are plus 140, a difference of 190, which costs you 5 IMPs. It’s 6-5 in favour of bidding the close game, more or less even odds.

When you are vulnerable, if you bid game and make it and they don’t bid it at the other table, you have 620 versus their 170. The difference of 450 gives you 10 IMPs. If you bid game and only nine tricks are available, you are minus 100. If they stop at 3♠ and have plus 140, you lose 6 IMPs. That makes the odds 10-6 in favour of bidding close vulnerable games.

Regarding penalty doubles, in a team game you generally avoid making close penalty doubles of part-scores, particularly 2♥ and higher. If they make the contract, it’s game, which could cost you the match. When you

double a part-score, it should almost always be based on a substantial holding in their trump suit in addition to high-card strength.

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- In any event, it is a good policy for the player on lead to request a full explanation of the auction before choosing their opening lead.

MAGDA KIRALY UNFORGETTABLE EXPERIENCE

Brent Manley



Bridge is a game that can leave you heartbroken, but it can also provide lasting memories. Just ask Magda Kiraly. The Coffs Harbour player, a member of a foursome in the Open Teams at the 2017 Gold Coast Congress, recalled playing in a tournament about 25 years ago in Sydney, where she made a play that earned a compliment from none other than the legendary Dick Cummings.

Kiraly, a Hungarian who arrived in Australia about 60 years ago, was playing in a pairs game with a girlfriend when they chanced to play against Cummings.

The expert was in 3NT and needed two tricks to make his contract. Kiraly was sitting behind Cummings with the guarded ♠K and the good ♣K. Kiraly recalls thinking that to keep her ♠K guarded, she would have to discard the ♣K. If she had only the guarded ♠K, she would get just one trick – and she wanted more.

Without indicating any distress in the play, Kiraly bared her ♠K. "I thought he would finesse," she recalls. "He probably thought I wouldn't bare the king, but I did."

Sure enough, Cummings took the spade finesse. Kiraly won and cashed the ♣K for a one-trick set.

"Very well done," said Cummings, a good sport to the end.

In addition to praising his opponent for her astute defence, Cummings wrote about her good play in his newspaper bridge column. "I will always remember that," Kiraly says. "He was such a gentleman."

Paul Lavings

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CALENDAR OF SOCIAL AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

		Thursday 23rd February	Friday 24th February
Venue			
NOVICE AND ROOKIE ACTIVITIES			
Rookies Help Available	In the Playing Area Rookies Section	09:30am to 10:30am	
Novices Help Available	In the Playing Area Novices Section		09:30am to 10:30am
SOCIAL AND OTHER ACTIVITIES			
Zephyr Raffle Draw Prizes to be Collected At the End of Play	Foyer GCCEC	1030am Announced 3:00pm	
TBIB Lucky Draw	Foyer GCCEC	3:00pm	
Champagne Breakfast For Shoe Shoppers In Her Shoes	In Her Shoes Ground Floor Oasis Shopping Centre	8:00am	
BRIDGE WIDOWS ACTIVITIES			
Bridge Widows Expedition Tweed Regional Gallery Margaret Olley Cost \$10.00	Depart from Grd Flr Air on Broadbeach.	11:00am to 4:00pm	
		Thursday 23rd February	Friday 24th February

IMPROVE YOUR DEFENSIVE PLAY – PROBLEM 4

Ron Klinger

During Sunday's Celebrity Lecture series, Ron Klinger presented a number of problems. We present them here, together with the solutions for those who may not have been able to attend.

Dealer: South	North	West	North	East	South
Vul: All	♠ 7 6				1♠
	♥ A Q J 7 4 3	Pass	2♥	Pass	2♠
	♦ A 8 4	Pass	3♥	Pass	3♠
West	♣ J 3	Pass	4♠	All Pass	
♠ J 8 2					
♥ 10 9					
♦ K J 10 7					
♣ K 8 6 2					

West leads the ♦J-♦4-♦6-♦Q
South plays ♣4, what should West do?
Solution Page 18.

If you would like a copy of Ron's Notes
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GOLD COAST CONGRESS 2017 - CALENDAR OF CELEBRITY SPEAKERS

JOAN BUTTS	Tips on Pre-Empting Upstairs Rooms 10, 11,12 Opposite Bridge Admin	THURSDAY	9:30am to 10:15am		David Beauchamp has kindly stepped in to replace Joan Butts who is unwell. David is one of Australia's leading teachers. He has run workshops throughout Australia and has been a Celebrity Speaker at the Gold Coast Congress & The National Open Teams on numerous occasions. Recent Achievements include: 2015: Winner Grand National Open Teams; Runner-up Spring National Open Teams 2014: Winner Spring National Open Teams; Winner Grand National Open Teams; Representative NSW Open Team.
KIM FRAZER	The Way Forward ABF Initiatives for Aspiring International & State Players Upstairs Rooms 10, 11,12 Opposite Bridge Admin	THURSDAY	2:15pm to 2:45pm		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.
PETER HOLLANDS AND LAURA GINNAN	Master Manipulation Upstairs Rooms 10, 11,12 Opposite Bridge Admin	FRIDAY	9:00am to 9:45am		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/

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IMPROVE YOUR DEFENSIVE PLAY – SOLUTION 4

Ron Klinger

Dealer: ♠ 7 6
 Vul: ♥ A Q J 7 4 3
 ♦ A 8 4
 ♣ J 3

♠ J 8 2
 ♥ 10 9
 ♦ K J 10 7
 ♣ K 8 6 2

♠ A K Q 10 5 4
 ♥ —
 ♦ Q 9 2
 ♣ 10 7 5 4

♠ 9 3
 ♥ K 8 6 5 2
 ♦ 6 5 3
 ♣ A Q 9

West	North	East	South
			1♠
Pass	2♥	Pass	2♠
Pass	3♥	Pass	3♠
Pass	4♠	All Pass	

West leads the ♦J-♦4-♦6-♦Q
 South plays ♣4, what should West do?

South has six spade tricks, two diamond tricks and a heart trick and will make 10 tricks if he can ruff a club. Duck the club for partner to play trumps.

TABLE COUNT

TO THE END OF PLAY WEDNESDAY NIGHT 6039

(Last Year 5763)

Note: this year there was no Friday Setup Pairs

GOLD COAST CONGRESS 2017

	Thursday 23rd February	Friday 24th February	Saturday 25th February	
OPEN EVENTS				Dinner Dance 7:30pm for Drinks 8:00pm Start Bookings Essential From \$10 Depending Number Sessions Played
Open Teams	10:30am Start 4 x 14 Brds R9-R12	Q/F Teams S/F Teams 9:00am 2x12 Brds 2:00pm 4x10 Brds	Finals Teams 9:00am Start 4x12 Brds Final	
Ivy Dahler Open Butler Swiss Pairs		10:00am 1/3 2:00pm 2/3	10:00am 3/3	
SENIORS EVENTS				
Seniors Teams	10:30am Start 4 x 14 Brds R9-R12	10:00am Start 4x12 Brds Final		
INTERMEDIATE EVENTS (Under 750MPs)				
Intermediate Pairs Championship	10:30am Start 4 x 14 Brds R9-R12	10:00am Start 4x12 Brds Final		
Ivy Dahler Intermediate Butler Swiss Pairs		10:00am 1/3 2:00pm 2/3	10:00am 3/3	
RESTRICTED EVENTS (Under 300MPs)				
Restricted Teams	10:30am Start 4 x 14 Brds R9-R12	10:00am Start 4x12 Brds Final		
Ivy Dahler Restricted Butler Swiss Pairs		10:00am 1/3 2:00pm 2/3	10:00am 3/3	
NOVICE EVENTS (Under 100MPs)				
Novice Teams	10:30am Start 4 x 14 Brds R9-R12	10:00am Start 4x12 Brds Final		
Friday Novice Pairs		10:00am 1/2 2:00pm 2/2		
ROOKIE PAIRS (Under 10MPs)				
Rookie Pairs - Single Session Events	10:30am 1/1			
MATCHPOINT SWISS PAIRS				
Seres/McMahon Matchpoint Swiss Pairs		10:00am 1/2 2:00pm 2/2		
WALK-IN PAIRS - BEST 3 SCORES COUNT				
Holiday Walk-In Pairs 2 - Play from 1 to 5 Sess	3:00pm S2	10:00am S3 2:00pm S4	10:00am S5	
	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	

Open							
Place	No.	Team Members				Score	
1	2	A Hung - N Griffiths - L Milne - K Lazar - M Whibley - R Lee				137.83	
2	6	V Vainikonis - W Olanski - M Krasnoselskiy - E Vainikonis - J Rotomskyte				122.85	
3	12	S Konig - J Wallis - T Nunn - J Howard				119.24	
4	16	E Otvosi - K Christiansen - A Bach - M Green				111.53	
5	21	K Morrison - K Crowe-Mai - P Brayshaw - C Mulley				110.14	
6	29	B Hirst - T Hutton - J Foster - D Weston				110.01	
7	9	V Brown - L Gold - W Jenner-O'Shea - M Doecke - J Haffer - M Smith				109.20	
8	18	D Lilley - Z Nagy - D Middleton - P Gue				109.05	
9	3	A Kanetkar - B Neill - P Gumby - W Lazer				108.85	
10	85	T Ridley - D Harris - R Green - P Barnett				108.50	
11	17	P Wyer - T Ong - N Francis - M Moren				106.98	
12	5	B Travis - H Melbourne - S Brock - B Myers				106.02	
13	37	J Patterson - K Davies - E Zeller - M Genc				105.68	
14	13	N Giura - N Hughes - P Lavings - R Krochmalik				105.37	
15	1	F Brown - H McGann - M Thomson - M Ware - G Tislevoll - D Beauchamp				104.40	
16	8	B Haughie - S Hinge - M Mullanphy - R Klinger				103.81	
17	10	E Adams - A Peake - P Gill - K Boardman				102.90	
18	33	M Van Der Vlugt - M Lewis - S Henry - A Henry				102.67	
19	28	G Daly - T Fuller - V Wood - D Debbage				102.57	
20	168	B Edelstein - E Kaplan - A Dorrell - P Cox				102.39	
Place	No.	Team	Score	Place	No.	Team	Score
21	15	Harrison	101.87	118	35	Richardson	78.20
22	24	Coles	101.09	119	140	Hollands	77.97
23	11	Zhang	100.59	120	82	Slater	77.67
24	4	Sprung	100.53	121	56	Grosvenor	77.57
25	43	Bilski	100.22	122	64	De Luca	77.52

Open

Place	No.						Score
26	52	Bouton	99.78	123	121	Power	77.20
27	141	Evans	99.05	124	206	Spencer	76.84
28	45	Mundell	98.53	125	163	McAlister	76.57
29	25	Parker	98.38	126	169	Brahma	76.45
30	93	Morgan-King	98.28	127	205	Pradhan	75.89
31	145	Treloar	97.83	127	87	Abbenbroek	75.89
32	36	Hpn+	97.47	129	61	St Clair	75.60
33	7	Zhou	97.33	130	95	Fleiszig	75.47
34	39	Whitaker	96.97	131	80	Chu	75.38
35	135	Morris	96.31	132	201	Green	75.14
36	23	Callaghan	96.14	133	176	Bach	74.92
37	77	Milward	94.95	134	65	Li	74.76
38	147	Wanigaratne	94.91	135	174	Drwecka	74.70
39	111	Birss	94.84	136	178	Athea	74.67
40	54	Mott	94.57	137	185	Thatcher	74.63
41	71	Bougey	94.49	138	184	Whiddon	74.31
42	22	Wylie	94.03	139	180	Kenny	74.22
43	58	Meyer	93.98	139	117	Valentine	74.22
44	72	Bodycote	93.19	141	198	Labuschagne	73.95
45	68	Barda	93.17	142	89	Mangos	73.10
46	40	Kaplan	92.60	143	103	Lorraway	72.94
47	119	Moore	92.46	144	78	Finikiotis	72.91
48	202	Matskows	91.90	145	212	Davis	72.70
49	42	Webber	91.63	146	153	McDonald	72.64
50	70	Potts	91.39	147	41	Tant	72.49
51	110	Munro	91.24	148	208	De Luca	71.74
52	59	Wilson	91.08	149	98	Kahn	71.50
53	30	Watts	90.74	150	181	Cooper	71.06
54	34	Berrington	90.68	151	84	Strong	71.03
55	53	Krolikowski	90.49	152	146	Lisle	70.96
56	55	Sharp	90.37	152	109	Bloom	70.96
57	19	Ashton	90.30	154	204	Roose-Driver	70.80
58	105	Bugeia	90.15	155	142	Kiraly	70.56
59	60	Hurley	90.14	156	123	Morrison	70.42
60	115	Fleischer	89.80	157	197	Lazar	70.36
61	48	A'Beckett	89.73	157	120	Rothwell	70.36
62	47	Ward	89.23	159	213	Webb	70.06
63	31	Carter	88.11	160	172	Pepper	69.30
64	27	Ingham	88.10	161	86	Kefford	69.14
65	214	Pisko	87.86	162	50	Malinas	69.11
66	26	Morgan	87.83	163	188	Evans	69.02
67	51	Lockwood	87.51	164	99	Miller	68.49
68	57	Adler	87.45	165	97	Stacey	68.34
69	20	Cheval	86.51	166	192	Kennedy	68.14
70	32	Hoffman	86.38	167	113	O'Connor	68.11
70	44	Pellegrini	86.38	168	136	Holbrook	67.93
72	69	Smee	86.36	169	102	Frazier	67.42
73	101	Tyms	86.00	170	157	Manser	67.22
74	96	Grigg	85.97	171	143	Tuxworth	67.16
75	167	Bennett	85.27	172	200	Hoare	67.09
76	75	Bolt	85.26	173	166	Alexander	66.84
77	130	Watt	85.02	174	154	Vearing	66.51
78	66	Weathered	84.79	175	183	Campbell	65.91
79	159	Wagstaff	84.49	176	151	Wood	65.63
80	63	Jeffery	84.48	177	144	Darke	65.62
81	186	Cooper	84.40	178	94	Vaughan	65.35
82	38	Lewis	83.93	179	203	Doddridge	64.89

Open

Place	No.						Score
83	46	Powell	83.82	180	107	Linton	64.80
84	108	Crockett	83.74	181	126	Welch	64.78
85	112	Barfoot	83.71	182	138	Kable	64.25
86	125	Rusher	83.60	183	164	Watson	64.21
87	83	Wilks	83.21	184	160	Kemp	63.81
88	195	Ajzner	82.95	185	190	Anderson	63.53
89	104	Schoen	82.68	186	177	Sher	63.43
90	158	Stewart	82.60	187	161	Mills	63.16
91	156	Codognotto	82.45	188	118	Dyer	63.09
92	14	Cheong	81.83	189	133	Pike	61.92
93	162	Leighton	81.65	190	191	Oyston	61.44
94	171	Procel	81.57	191	194	Abdelhamid	61.02
95	79	Alexander	81.36	192	132	Fry	60.92
96	116	Tredrea	81.25	193	175	Stuart	59.57
97	127	Demarco	80.88	194	149	Correy	59.42
98	114	Stephens	80.80	195	152	Leach	59.35
99	131	Glasson	80.68	196	179	Fookes	59.20
100	90	Maltz	80.67	197	173	Rose	59.19
101	91	O'Dempsey	80.44	198	193	Jackson	58.93
102	73	Mottram	80.23	199	106	Norris	58.51
103	155	Bonnick	80.20	200	207	May	57.83
104	92	Andersson	80.19	201	137	Gassmann	56.83
105	128	Rose	79.71	202	182	Van Wyck	55.04
106	62	Smith	79.62	203	187	Coats	54.75
107	122	Gunner	79.56	204	134	Purkiss	54.50
108	76	Tucker	79.55	205	165	Roughley	54.37
109	74	Terry	79.52	206	150	Grant	54.34
110	88	Mellings	79.45	207	170	Chesser	51.85
111	148	Coats	79.42	208	211	Woodbury	49.16
112	67	Mayo	79.40	209	139	Bourke	48.05
113	49	Chen	79.36	210	199	Jagelman	45.06
114	100	Davis	79.15	211	189	Hutton	42.93
115	81	Steinwedel	78.69	212	210	Gray	42.35
116	124	Free	78.34	213	196	Carroll	29.40
117	129	Gilfoyle	78.29	214	209	Gue	25.88

Seniors

Place	No.	Team Members					Score
1	6	P Chan - R Januszke - R Sebesfi - J Zollo					114.73
2	5	A Walsh - B McDonald - A De Livera - E Havas					103.93
3	10	T Antoff - M McAuliffe - W Malaczynski - M Milaszewski					103.43
4	19	A Beck - T Kiss - B Hurley - E Hurley					102.27
5	8	A Robbins - D Happell - D Harley - D Newland - D Newlands - G Ridgway					101.59
6	3	M Bloom - N Rosendorff - S Bock - L Grewcock					100.91
7	1	R Brightling - P Buchen - D Hoffman - C Hughes					100.75
8	12	I McKinnon - V Dressler - P Johnman - K Johnman					99.69
9	7	S Klofa - M Gurfinkiel - R Gallus - S Weisz					92.62
10	4	T Robb - L Geursen - V Hall - P Walters - A Geursen					91.10
Place	No.	Team	Score	Place	No.	Team	Score
11	2	Stern	90.09	26	21	Luck	73.22
12	14	Johannsson	89.96	27	40	Tibble	71.61
13	9	Mendick	89.91	28	13	Budai	70.55
14	18	Palmer	88.98	29	34	Rogers	69.69
15	17	Van Vucht	88.75	30	24	Wilkinson	69.16
16	11	Arber	86.77	31	29	Cariola	67.29
17	15	Ingham	86.20	32	39	Brown	64.17
18	16	Boulton	85.63	33	35	Davidson	63.10
19	22	Lane	84.39	34	30	Rooney	62.40

Seniors

Place	No.	Team	Score	Place	No.	Team	Score
20	26	Dudley	82.40	35	27	Allan	59.44
21	37	Waldvogel	80.32	36	38	Lawrence	57.35
22	36	Frost	77.40	37	28	Sykes	55.76
23	31	Hoole	76.03	38	33	Moffat	52.71
24	20	Moses	75.31	39	32	Jeffery	52.11
25	23	Havas	73.69	40	25	Berzins	48.11

Intermediate

Place	No.	Team Members	Score
1	6	K Dean - B Hunt - V Eldridge - A Davies	117.70
2	15	M Rogers - J Rogers - S Moffitt - K Moffitt	112.34
3	20	K Blinco - T Sheedy - C Stead - E Baker	110.01
4	44	I Bailey - G Markey - L Baker - P Robinson	107.75
5	3	D Johnson - M Johnson - I Doland - J Watson	105.49
6	8	A Lohmann - K Cupples - J Randall - P Randall	104.41
7	37	J Sherlock - D Featherstone - P Cockbill - G Richmond	104.21
8	7	L Ranke - J Rohde - A Hewat - J Donovan	103.92
9	53	S Read - M Darling - P Blankfield - C Leach	103.40
10	86	C Greenwich - R Langley - S Luby - M Stevens	103.30

Place	No.	Team	Score	Place	No.	Team	Score
11	65	Erskine	103.03	53	90	Black	77.50
12	46	Giles	100.51	54	33	Holmes	77.10
13	11	Hughes	100.40	55	89	Edwards	76.50
14	14	Bandy	98.53	56	76	Binsted	75.61
15	9	Sutherland	95.73	57	41	Boyce	75.59
16	21	Breakwell	95.59	58	17	Styles	75.56
17	60	Cooke	92.90	59	54	Skeate	75.47
18	25	Sheldrake	91.51	60	40	Jonsberg	74.69
19	42	Clifford	90.99	61	85	McBain	74.36
20	72	Stacey	90.83	62	24	Morgan	74.05
21	77	Stick	90.55	63	67	Fenwicke	72.56
22	93	Barnett	90.41	64	47	Fleet	71.79
23	92	Sim	90.04	65	88	Kaplan	71.73
24	75	McGaffin	89.93	66	81	Hart	70.91
25	73	Anderson	89.79	67	36	Wells	68.37
26	2	Reynolds	89.70	68	39	Carson	68.08
27	22	Tomlinson	89.54	69	48	Kirton	67.76
28	62	Delaney	88.82	70	83	Davis	67.17
29	59	Bell	88.09	71	55	Oxley	66.96
30	4	Wilson	88.02	72	70	Howard	66.82
31	1	Roberts	87.57	73	34	Leckie	66.79
32	18	Nilsson	87.46	74	79	Irving	66.78
33	28	Corney	86.76	75	50	Stephenson	66.36
34	57	Hartwig	86.53	76	10	Steinhardt	65.86
35	69	Beech	86.33	77	51	Yarwood	65.80
36	45	Schmalkuche	86.11	78	91	Peak	65.25
37	49	Boyce	85.74	79	61	Weber	64.61
38	78	Page	85.29	80	82	Beaton	64.58
39	5	Wylie	84.48	81	66	Savage	63.93
40	38	Gavel	82.41	82	29	Webber	62.74
41	43	Cooper	82.37	83	87	Lynch	62.43
42	12	Begg	82.13	84	68	Wippell	61.31
43	84	McMaster	81.59	85	71	Bristow	61.08
44	19	Symons	81.19	86	56	Clift	59.66
45	35	Murray	79.53	87	30	Attwood	59.03
46	26	Ward	79.26	88	52	Staley	58.72
47	13	Keating	79.07	89	80	Bish	58.32
48	31	Berry	79.01	90	23	Trigg	52.92

Intermediate							
Place	No.	Team	Score	Place	No.	Team	Score
48	64	Holewa	79.01	91	32	Johnstone	52.67
50	63	Cowley	78.69	92	94	Driesbock	52.05
51	16	Ferguson	78.37	93	74	Ward	48.88
52	27	Kite	77.84	94	58	Robertson	48.71
Restricted							
Place	No.	Team Members					Score
1	80	K Hajmasi - A Michl - B Whale - J Whale					123.72
2	89	Y Whittle - F Rolls - N Bowers - J Watkinson					112.83
3	64	J Chew - R Karim - Y Zheng - Z Xiao					110.32
4	2	W Cousins - D Macneil - L Chan - T Haley					106.29
5	38	C Trengove - M Rex - S Hunt - J Grieve					104.93
6	83	G Tippett - P Maxwell - D Upchurch - N Djorovic					104.81
7	61	F Zulfiqar - R Bentley - T Jiang - J Zhu					104.01
8	29	A Gosney - J Luke-Paredi - C Larter - W Brazier - A Gillespie					102.34
9	78	M Adamson - S Detmold - S Macdonald - H McBride					100.25
10	36	D Williams - J Sawyer - C Dempster - M Paterson					99.99
Place	No.	Team	Score	Place	No.	Team	Score
11	17	Ham	99.88	51	74	Franks	77.90
12	22	Carradine	99.24	52	84	Tattersfield	77.71
13	25	Fisher	98.18	53	73	Cook	77.12
14	21	Pratten	93.64	54	59	Thillainathan	76.97
15	1	Britton	93.27	55	76	Linden	76.75
16	4	Rossiter-Nuttall	92.30	56	82	Gordon	76.24
17	45	Greenway	92.16	57	24	Wippell	75.81
18	42	Pilcher	91.91	58	50	Rosetta	75.66
19	30	Morahan	91.59	59	65	Beattie	75.64
20	70	Renton	91.26	60	75	Short	75.58
21	39	Stewart	90.80	61	33	Van Weeren	74.88
22	41	Hertelendy	90.14	62	12	Treloar	72.50
23	28	Jeppesen	89.25	62	54	Hodges	72.50
24	51	Gibney	89.15	64	43	Love	71.70
25	40	Willcocks	88.53	65	32	Look	71.51
26	87	Haslett	87.94	66	48	Sullivan	71.15
27	5	Elich	87.64	67	37	Munro	70.91
28	88	Stuart	87.56	68	19	Butcher	69.70
29	6	Boocock	86.61	69	66	Macintosh	69.15
30	23	Sharwood	85.94	70	55	Barwick	68.34
31	11	Rydon	85.39	71	62	Scott	67.43
32	35	Robins	85.31	72	9	Earnshaw	66.89
33	34	Barry	85.18	73	44	Merrin	66.16
34	63	Meakin	82.54	74	16	Wood	65.76
35	8	Heck	82.52	75	7	Prentice	65.70
36	71	Jacobs	82.39	76	53	Egan	65.45
37	18	Smith	82.34	77	72	Turner	64.59
38	20	Robertson	82.00	78	31	Balkin	63.70
39	14	Parmenter	81.84	79	67	Stratford	63.12
40	46	Chaffey	81.50	80	86	Quilty	61.87
41	85	Shannahan	80.90	81	81	Cukierman	61.71
42	77	Singer	80.69	82	49	Gault	60.97
43	56	Hall	80.59	83	68	Hooper	59.93
44	57	Wlodarczyk	80.58	84	27	Kirkpatrick	59.64
45	26	Burke	79.83	85	3	Cullen	58.92
46	79	Hartley	79.51	86	47	Opray	54.58
47	58	Cox	79.12	87	13	Allen	52.16
48	10	Wills	78.83	88	52	Wilson	51.13
49	15	Brodie	78.69	89	69	Gilder	50.48
50	60	Smith	78.34	90	90	Haslett	39.64

Novice

Place	No.	Team Members	Score
1	8	J Skeen - L Yoffa - D Poulton - N Walsh	107.68
2	36	J Russell - J Parsons - D Hiles - R Booth	107.51
3	14	A Byrnes - S Parkes - U Suliman - P Taylor	105.77
4	18	W Coloper - J Simpson - N Anderson - D Smith	105.71
5	17	B Koster - K Mukai - L Lovett - P Heard	105.53
6	26	S Bunting - J Brougham - M Stoney - A Kelly	100.66
7	23	T Brink - L Wilson - R Organ - B Brink	97.17
8	3	L Spence - J Laker - L Sylvester - J Novak	96.48
9	41	P Bailey - L Stafford - J Reeve - S Simmons	93.86
10	6	K Tortely - J Gilbert - C Van Kruistum - S Van Kruistum	93.13

Place	No.	Team	Score	Place	No.	Team	Score
11	39	Hunt	91.54	28	9	Lingard	76.41
12	40	King	90.04	29	34	Anderson	76.23
13	42	Dunworth	89.91	30	4	Hale	73.76
14	38	Stevens	89.15	31	20	Little	73.62
15	13	Nilsson	88.71	32	5	Rydon	73.46
16	15	Clark	88.66	33	1	Marsland	71.37
17	2	Bowen-Thomas	87.15	34	33	Allingham	66.38
18	24	Sheldrake	85.36	35	19	Martin	65.89
19	12	Northey	84.04	36	10	Minchin	65.49
20	25	Nugent	82.98	37	28	Reilly	64.92
21	29	Ackman	80.96	38	11	Gibbens	63.45
22	16	Mayne	80.38	39	7	Large	63.23
23	21	Officer	80.31	40	43	Versteeg	62.47
24	27	Cameron	79.82	41	30	Lawson	60.37
25	31	Heap	79.65	42	32	Ryan	50.40
26	37	Carter	77.38	43	35	Lloyd	39.11
27	22	Bellis	77.14	44	44	Sykes	36.21

Leading Scores Wednesday Two Session 0-50 Pairs

		%			%
1	Rick Webster - Robert Olander	62.22	16	Kath Seefeld - Kay Mukai	53.27
2	Gordon Plant - Chris Williams	62.13	17	Jan Deaville - Pauline Curtis	53.00
3	Jenny Musgrave - Vanessa Mylne	58.27	18	Anna Jadach - Peter Klarie	52.69
4	Jennifer Finigan - Mary Simon	58.06	19	Bruce Brown - Tony Roberts	52.50
5	Gary Gibbards - Debbie Gibbards	57.81	20	Pat Eather - Lyndel Hewitt	52.44
6	Frank Johnson - Patricia Johnson	57.69	21	Ian Fraser - Richard Farquhar	52.38
7	Shelley Farr - Chris Farr	57.13	22	Wendy Crombie - Julie Stockley	52.13
8	David Le Good - Keith Cohen	56.73	23	Neville McDonnell - Laurelle McDonnell	51.82
9	Bob Jones - Sue Jones	55.93	24	Claudia Gibson - Graham White	51.76
10	Stephen Miller - Jonathan Silberberg	55.90	25	Ian Cameron - Helen Bougoure	51.18
11	Robyn Church - Jill Lukin	55.53	26	Magdeline Wong - Janet Franklin	51.08
12	Aggie Bowyer - Wendy Ledgerwood	55.16	27	Diana McAuliffe - Jenny Antoff	50.93
13	Lindell Day - Lisa Basile	54.51	28	Liz Moss - Pete Wyber	50.68
14	Wendy Casey - Barbara Moni	54.42	29	Kerry Barns - Sylvia Bray	50.59
15	Tiffany Mair - Raelene Kell	54.39	30	Georgina Blum - Paulette Bourke	50.34

Leading Scores Wednesday Holiday Pairs

Place		%			Place
1	Eddie Mullin - Dianne Mullin	58.40	1	Margaret Glover - Janice Coventry	59.47
2	Janice Gladders - Robynne Owen	57.02	2	Daniel Hatcher - Michael Aikin	59.06
3	Lorraine Carr - Janine Budgeon	54.75	3	Glenda Barter - Bernadette Campbell	58.21
4	Keith Van Klink - Karen Stasukaitis	54.59	4	Christine Leivers - Tom Lyons	57.55
5	Patricia Burton - Pamela Tranberg	54.30	5	Christine Houghton - Wayne Houghton	56.94
6	Kathy Hamilton - John Hamilton	53.75	6	Graham Dickens - Sue Dickens	55.98
7	Kelela Allen - Susan Capp	51.43	7	John Manton - Mary Lynch	53.89
8	John Dennis - Jonathon Dennis	51.37	8	Sue Chapman - Sally Moore	53.78
9	Sharon Ivany - Nadine Levin	51.20	9	Glenda Lock - Darryl Lock	52.26
10	Birgitt Bingham - Brenda Butcher	49.78	10	Phillip Halloran - Sylvia Halloran	50.05

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Please hail the bus. They will have a sign Gold Coast Congress Bus in front left hand windscreen.

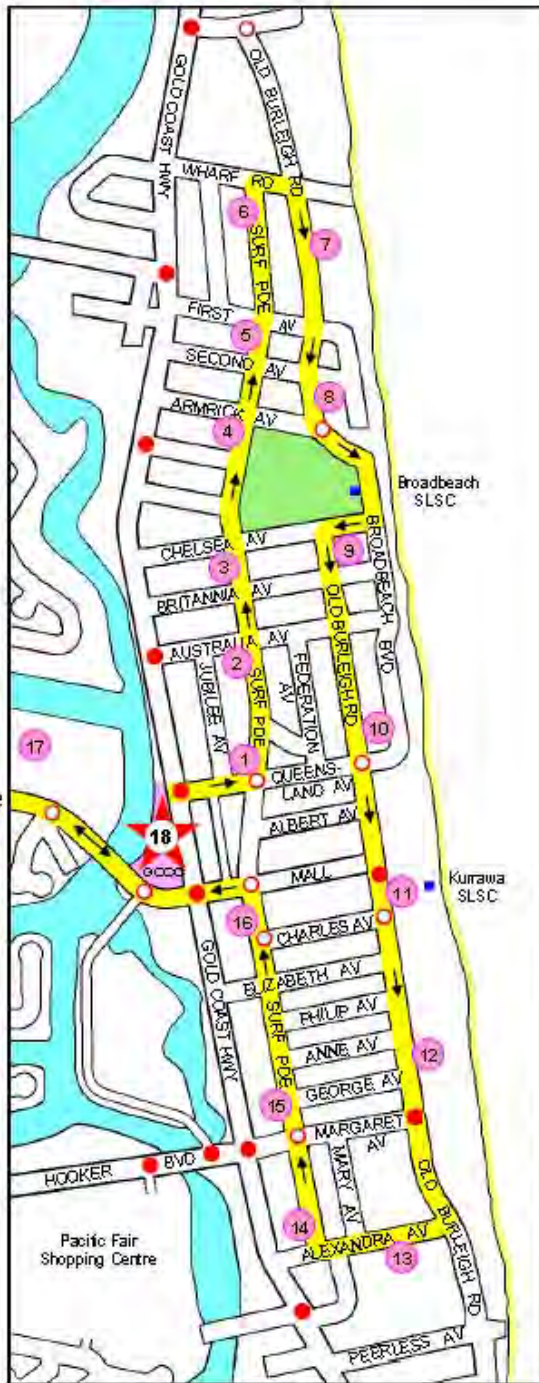
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Buses will also be available at the end of each playing session, stopping again at indicated stops. Regrettably buses will not be available to take people to the dinner dance.

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- 3 140 Surf Pde - Leawarra
- 4 166 Surf Pde - Linden Court
- 5 176 Surf Pde - Rua Apartments
- 6 210 Surf Pde - Surf Parade Resort
- 7 60 Old Burleigh Rd - The Breakers
- 8 100 Old Burleigh Rd - Oceana
- 9 106 Old Burleigh Rd - Ocean Royale
- 10 136 Old Burleigh Rd - King Tide
- 11 Old Burleigh Rd - Kurrawa SLSC
- 12 177 Old Burleigh Rd
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- 13 10-16 Alexandra Ave
- Breakfree Diamond Beach
- 14 1-10 Surf Pde - Bel Air
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- Broadbeach Travel Inn
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- Markham Court**
- Starbucks**
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PUZZLE

The Warden: The warden meets with 23 new prisoners when they arrive. He tells them, "You may meet today and plan a strategy. But after today, you will be in isolated cells and will have no communication with one another.

"In the prison is a switch room, which contains two light switches labelled 1 and 2, each of which can be in either up or the down position. I am not telling you their present positions. The switches are not connected to anything.

"After today, from time to time whenever I feel so inclined, I will select one prisoner at random and escort him to the switch room. This prisoner will select one of the two switches and reverse its position. He must flip one switch when he visits the switch room, and may only flip one of the switches. Then he'll be led back to his cell.

"No one else will be allowed to alter the switches until I lead the next prisoner into the switch room. I'm going to choose prisoners at random. I may choose the same guy three times in a row, or I may jump around and come back. I will not touch the switches, if I wanted you dead you would already be dead.

"Given enough time, everyone will eventually visit the switch room the same number of times as everyone else. At any time, anyone may declare to me, 'We have all visited the switch room.'

"If it is true, then you will all be set free. If it is false, and somebody has not yet visited the switch room, you will all die horribly. You will be carefully monitored, and any attempt to break any of these rules will result in instant death to all of you"

What is the strategy they come up with so that they can be free?

YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE

The Card Trick: Pick out two cards of the same suit. Select a card for Alex where adding a number no greater than six will result in the number of the other card of the same suit.

Adding one to the Ace would cycle to the beginning again and result in a Two. E.g. if you have a King and a Six of Diamonds, hand the King to Alex.

The other three cards will be used to encode a number from 1 through 6. Devise a system with Peter to rank all cards uniquely from 1 to 52 (e.g. the two of hearts is 1, the two of diamonds is fourteen etc...).

That will allow you to choose from six combinations, depending on where you put the lowest and highest cards.

DIFFICULT SUDOKU

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

**YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION
DIFFICULT SUDOKU**

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

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.



AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS CANBERRA 2017

SATURDAY 15 JULY to THURSDAY 27 JULY 2017



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Australian Butler Pairs Championship (22-27 July)
(Open, Women's, Seniors, Restricted, Country)
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