

# GOLD COAST

2018  
57<sup>TH</sup> INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE CONGRESS

YOUR DAILY  
BULLETIN

Bulletin Editor David Stern ♦ Co-Editors Barry Rigal and Brent Manley  
Contributions to [gcb@thesterns.com.au](mailto:gcb@thesterns.com.au) or phone 0411-111-655

## WINNERS WINNERS AND MORE WINNERS

### WINNERS SENIORS TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP



Zolly Nagy, David Middleton, Neil Ewart and David Smith

### RUNNERS-UP SENIORS TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP



Richard Brightling, David Hoffman, Robert Krochmalik and Paul Lavings

## WINNERS INTERMEDIATE TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP



Adrian Lohmann, Don Cameron, Jan and Peter Randall

## RUNNERS-UP INTERMEDIATE TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP



Kinga Hajmasi, Andrew Michl, Jody And Barry Whale

### Novice Teams Championship

Both teams involved in the Novice Teams Championship, Delorenzo (Anita Delorenzo - Liz Shonk - Elizabeth Voveris - Johanna Thomas) and McAuliffe (Diana McAuliffe - Paul Barnett - Martin Coote - James Harvey) conceded to each other due to travel and other commitments. They are therefore regarded as Joint Champions. Of course they were not there for their photo opportunity.

## WINNERS RESTRICTED TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP



Hans Van Weeren, Peter Clarke, Jeff Conroy and Jill Blenkey

## RUNNERS-UP RESTRICTED TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP



Nick Walsh, Derek Poulton, Lisa Yoffa and James Thomas

### EDITORS THANK YOU

The three editors of the Daily Bulletin, David Stern Brent Manley and Barry Rigal would like to thank the Organisers for inviting them to be a part of what is regarded by all three of us as one of the best organised tournaments anywhere in the world. We would also like to thank the players for their contributions, compliments and constructive criticisms because it is through those that we can deliver a quality product to you the players.

We look forward to seeing you back here next year and wish you safe travels and enjoy your bridge till next we meet. Ciao

## RESULTS FROM FRIDAY'S TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP:

### Open Teams Quarter Final

Bill Hirst, Phil Gue, Steve Eginton, Gary Hyett, David Weston and Julian Foster (WINNERS)	64.1
Vicki Bouton, Stephen Williams, Fraser Rew, Jessica Brake and Brad Johnston	44.0
Peter Buchen, Ian Thomson, Michael Yuen and Nick Stock (WINNERS)	80.0
Paul Hackett, Roger O'Shea, Derek Patterson, Jason Hackett, Justin Hackett and John Sansom	20.1

### Open Teams Semi-Finals

Frances Hinden, Graham Osborne, Renee Cooper and Kieran Dyke (WINNERS)	70.1
Bill Hirst, Phil Gue, Steve Eginton, Gary Hyett, David Weston and Julian Foster	25.0
Peter Buchen, Ian Thomson, Michael Yuen and Nick Stock (WINNERS)	88.0
John Carruthers, Joey Silver, Judith Gartaganis, Nick Gartaganis, Matt Mullamphy & Ron Klinger	60.1

### Open Teams Final – Saturday will be

Frances Hinden, Graham Osborne, Renee Cooper and Kieran Dyke  
Peter Buchen, Ian Thomson, Michael Yuen and Nick Stock

### Seniors Teams Final – 48 Boards

Zolly Nagy, David Middleton, Neil Ewart and David Smith (WINNERS)	113.0
Richard Brightling, David Hoffman, Robert Krochmalik and Paul Lavings	90.1

### Intermediate Teams Final – 48 Boards

Adrian Lohmann, Don Cameron, Jan Randall and Peter Randall (WINNERS)	110.0
Kinga Hajmasi, Andrew Michl, Jody Whale and Barry Whale	97.1

### Restricted Teams Final – 48 Boards

Hans Van Weeren, Peter Clarke, Jeff Conroy and Jill Blenkey (WINNERS)	138.0
Nick Walsh, Derek Poulton, Lisa Yoffa and James Thomas	112.1

## ZEPHYR FOUNDATION



*Helping children affected  
by domestic violence  
get back to school*

Zephyr Education Inc, the Charity for this year's Gold Coast Congress, would like to thank the many wonderful people who donated so generously, and our tireless volunteers who worked so hard to achieve a result of \$12,000 in donations and ticket sales.

As you may be aware ALL of the money that we raise will be used to fund to supply uniforms, shoes, text books, stationery, school bags, lunch boxes, water bottles, swim wear and other school items, as well as other fees for children whose families are affected by domestic violence.

Congratulations to our first prize winner - Alison Dawson and the other ten winners who shared in the prize pool. They are: Di Benvie, Margaret Reid, Fiona Law, Peter Allingham, Pat Pepper, Suzanne Stone, Carol Anne Verity, Sue Robinson, Eva Berger and Evelyn Mander.

We would also like to express our huge thanks to all the members of the Queensland Bridge Association, its President Richard Wallis, together with Therese, Tim and Kim, who tirelessly make this happen for Zephyr each year.

Therese, all the people associated with Zephyr wish you a stupendous retirement after making an indelible mark and contribution to making this congress the great congress that it is.

Thank you to the Daily Bulletin for promoting us too well. I hope you enjoy your well-earned retirement after next year.  
**Carmel Martin, Treasurer of Zephyr Education Inc – [www.zephyreducation.com.au](http://www.zephyreducation.com.au).**

## OPEN TEAMS QUARTER-FINAL 1

Barry Rigal

The reward for finishing first and second in the Open Swiss Teams was to have the morning off, while the teams in 3rd to 6th place would square off for the privilege of qualifying for the semi-finals and meeting a more rested team. It would be Hackett (Paul Hackett - Roger O'Shea - Derek Patterson - Justin Hackett - Jason Hackett - John Sansom) – Buchen (Peter Buchen - Ian Thomson - Michael Yuen - Nick Stock) and Bouton (Vicki Bouton - Stephen Williams - Fraser Rew - Jessica Brake - Brad Johnston) – Hirst (Bill Hirst - Phil Gue - Steve Eginton - Gary Hyett - David Weston - Julian Foster) over 24 deals.

The first deal saw just one of the four tables bid their cards accurately. Paul and Justin Hackett bid precisely to 4♠, while two of the four Souths had a chance for a swing.

Dealer: North      ♠ K 6  
 Vul: None        ♥ J 10 9 3  
 Brd 1             ♦ 7 4 3  
 Open Tms QF1/2 ♣ 9 6 4 3  
 ♠ A Q J 10 8 5 3 2  
 ♥ K 7  
 ♦ Q 9  
 ♣ A

♠ ---  
 ♥ Q 8 5 2  
 ♦ A 10 8 6 2  
 ♣ K Q 5 2

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

Two of the four tables stopped in 5♠ after keycard; in one room it was Jason Hackett who had a chance to double 5♠ in the pass out seat, having heard East use keycard, in the other match it was Julian Foster in the pass out seat, after West had used keycard and signed off. Both players passed and North led a heart, letting declarer unscramble his tricks. A diamond lead would have been fatal for declarer today, and surely worth a shot?

At the fourth table Eginton/Hyett had an auction that they probably wouldn't want to see repeated here which led to a contract of 6♠x, followed by a retreat to 6NTx. That persuaded North to lead a club, allowing declarer to escape for down one, but still 11 IMPs to Bouton.

♥ A 9	♥ 1 0 8 4 2	♥ J 5
	♥ K Q 7 6 3	

On the second deal all four tables bid to a game (either 5♦ or 3NT) that appeared to be hopeless on a heart lead. However, the layout of the heart suit was as shown here.

When Johnston led the two and at his final discard let go the four, it blocked the suit, letting declarer establish a ninth trick by removing South's entry. Well done Eginton for reading the position, and that made it 11-10 to Bouton.

After a quiet partscore E/W had another chance for a slam.

Dealer: West      ♠ A 8 2  
 Vul: Both        ♥ 10 8 3 2  
 Brd 4             ♦ 9 7 2  
 Open Tms QF1/2 ♣ K 10 6  
 ♠ Q J 10 7 6  
 ♥ A Q 4  
 ♦ K Q J 4  
 ♣ 7

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

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

The Hackett's loose opening bid style may have persuaded Justin to go low. Either that, or it was a keycard accident led to their stopping in 5♠ and Buchen went up 14-1. When Eginton/Hyett also missed slam (Williams/Brake declaring 6♦ in the other room – which is slightly worse than the spade slam but still obviously the level you want to play at) Bouton went up 24-10.

Dealer: North      ♠ Q 8 5 4 3  
 Vul: N-S          ♥ 9 5  
 Brd 5              ♦ A 10 8  
 Open Tms QF1/2   ♣ A 10 5

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

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

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

Three of the four tables played a heart partscore, but the Hacketts came to a stop in 2♥ after Paul's 1NT response, letting Stock, North, balance into 2♠. Justin led a top diamond and Stock won and played a trump to the king and ducked a trump. Now the defenders accurately shifted to hearts and played three rounds of the suit, then won the ♦Q to play a fourth heart. That allowed the defenders to take three red-suit winners and three trumps. That was still an IMP to Buchen, leading 15-1.

Dealer: East      ♠ 8 4 2  
 Vul: E-W          ♥ K Q J 10 6 2  
 Brd 6              ♦ K 10  
 Open Tms QF1/2   ♣ J 8

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

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

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

3NT is exceptionally fortunate to make here, but that didn't stop E/W attempting 3NT at no fewer than three of the four tables. The Hacketts played 2NT on a low club lead and wrapped up no fewer than 12 tricks for +240. That lost them just 2 IMPs since Sanson-Jason Hackett saved in 4♥x over 3NT for -300.

West	North	East	South
Williams	Weston	Brake	Foster
		1NT	3♣
3♦	3♥	3NT	4♥
Pass	Pass	5♦	Pass
Pass	Dbl.	All pass	

In the other match Eginton-Hyett bid to 3NT after a 3♣ preempt from Fraser Rew. This collected +660, but that was not enough:

5♦x goes down on a club lead, which promotes the ♦K, but Weston led a top heart, letting Williams draw trumps with the aid of the finesse, and run spades for +750, and 3 IMPs. That made it 27-0.

After a solo experiment by Sansom had cost 500, to give Buchen a 26-2 lead, Stock earned a further swing for the leaders.

Dealer: South      ♠ 7 6  
 Vul: None          ♥ Q J 9  
 Brd 11              ♦ Q J 8 6 2  
 Open Tms QF1/2   ♣ K 9 6

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

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

West	North	East	South	
-	2	-	2	NT
-	3	-	3	♠
-	2	-	2	♥
-	2	-	2	♦
-	2	-	2	♣

All four tables declared 3NT from North. In one match Peter Buchen led a heart and Ian Thomson won the ♠K to play the ♣Q! Now declarer had eight tricks but the defenders were ready to run clubs when they got in with ♦A. In the other room Stock played much more deceptively, winning the heart ace and playing the ♦K. Justin Hackett ducked this and now declarer turned his attention to spades with his ninth trick already in the bag.



In the Closed Room, declarer lost a trump, a club and two diamond tricks for one down, 13 IMPs to Hirst and now the deficit was 9.

A few overtrick swings back and forth on the next three boards saw the Bouton lead back to 11 IMPs until Hirst struck again.

Dealer: West  
 Vul: Both  
 Brd 20  
 Open Tms QF2/2

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

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

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

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

West	North	East	South	
Williams	Gue	Brake	Hirst	
Pass	2♥	Pass	3♦	
Pass	3NT	Pass	4♥ //	
Egington	Bouton	Hyett	Rew	
Pass	Pass	3♠	All Pass	
Makeable Contracts				
-	-	-	-	NT
2	-	2	-	♠
-	4	-	4	♥
-	3	-	3	♦
-	2	-	2	♣

My co-editor, Barry Rigal, after being consulted on the North hand commented that he would open 2♥ very much based on the jack high sequence in hearts and would like it far less if the heart suit were broken. "But it is Australia, and it is a six-card suit, making it almost compulsory" he added. The decision to open the hand 2♥ proved to be critical on the deal. By opening, Gue heard partner bid an 'encouraging 3♦' an excellent bid in case the opponents declared the hand so that partner could lead the right suit. After all, he did hold secondary support for partner. When Gue bid 3NT, Hirst, looking at a singleton spade knew this wasn't the place to be and chose to bid 4♥. This contract is a little lucky in as much as, had the defence's trumps not been tangled up, they could beat 4♥ by playing trumps, thereby denying declarer spade ruffs.

In the Closed Room where Bouton had elected not to open with 2♥, Hyett opened 3♠ on a hand that would likely get the majority of votes but certainly would not be a universal choice. Interestingly 3♠ can be beaten on VERY careful defence after the ♦K lead. North, on winning the ♠A must switch to the ♣K and another club won by South's ace. On the ♦Q North discards a club and then receives a club ruff. That defence was not found and Hirst scored +650 and +140 for 13 IMPs and 4 IMP lead.

Hirst's lead was 3IMPs with two board to go when.....

Dealer: South  
 Vul: Both  
 Brd 23  
 Open Tms QF2/2

♠ 4  
 ♥ A Q 9 8 3  
 ♦ A K Q 10 3  
 ♣ K 9

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

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

♠ Q 8 6 5  
 ♥ K 7 2  
 ♦ 9 4  
 ♣ 7 6 5 4

West	North	East	South	
Williams	Gue	Brake	Hirst	
Pass	1♥	Pass	1NT	
Pass	3♦	Pass	4♦	
Pass	5♦	All Pass		
Makeable Contracts				
-	1	-	1	NT
-	-	-	-	♠
-	2	-	2	♥
-	5	-	5	♦
-	4	-	4	♣

IN the early 1980's I had the pleasure of playing with Bobby Richman in the Butler Trials in Perth. After going down in 3NT when five of a minor was cold, Bobby turned to me and in his deep voice American drawl said "David, now listen here. If I bid a new suit at the three level, you can assume I'm less than enthusiastic about 3NT". Clearly Bill Hirst shares this view, not even considering the no-trump game it when six of his eight points were outside his partner's suit. Brake elected to lead a trump and Williams was wide awake when, after winning the ♣A he cashed the ace of spades to hold declarer to 11 tricks. In the Closed Room (bidding and play record unavailable), Boulton-Rew elected to play 3NT by South on the ♠J lead. The defence gathered their five black suit winners, Hirst picking up 12 IMPs and now leading by 15 with one board to go.

On that last board Bouton played 3♥ E/W going down one in the Open Room while Hirst played 2♥ making in the Closed room for 5 more IMPs, and a final margin of 20 IMPs.

Hirst would go on to meet Hinden in this afternoon's Semi-Finals.



# OPEN TEAMS SEMI FINALS 1

Barry Rigal

We shall distinguish the Gartaganises by referring to them by their first names, Judith and Nicholas.

Dealer: North ♠ 9  
 Vul: None ♥ K 9 8  
 Brd 1 ♦ J 8 7 6 5 4  
 Open Tms SF 1/4 ♣ 9 7 5  
 ♠ J 10 8 4  
 ♥ Q 10 5 2  
 ♦ K Q 9  
 ♣ 10 4

♠ K 5 3 2  
 ♥ J 7 6  
 ♦ A 2  
 ♣ J 8 6 3

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

West North East South

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

The first deal saw a delicate 4♠ game for E/W. Dyke/Cooper had bid to 3NT, which presented few problems today, but in 4♠ by West after a club lead, declarer has to take some good views.

It looks logical to play a diamond to hand and take a trump finesse, but when that loses and the defenders cash the ♦A and a spade comes back, what should you do? Klinger tried to cash the second top diamond, pitching a heart from dummy; down one. The play went very similarly where Hirst was declarer except that Hinden had ducked the first trump. Now when she ruffed the third diamond she was endplayed. She led a heart and declarer guessed the suit, so that meant declarer had no heart loser. Had Hinden exited in clubs then as the cards lie declarer would have gone down...but that would not be true if he had ♥Kxxx and the club ten. Been sure to go down...unless he had ♥Kxxx, when he would be cold anyway. Two discards from hand would not be enough to get the heart losers away.

Thomson for the Buchen team brought home 4♠ by resisting the temptation to try to cash the ♦K after Judith had won the first spade. He drew trumps ending in hand and then cashed off the diamond and clubs and endplayed South to lead hearts, which he then guessed. That gave Buchen a 10 IMP lead.

The second board did not generate much in the way of IMPs but did see one table flatten the board in 4♠x and 5♠x each down one, while both the other tables played 4♠ doubled making, one with overtricks. (Ten tricks is par, according to Deep Finesse).

The third board was similarly flat but again not without some drama; all four tables played 4♠, off three diamonds and two hearts...in theory.

Dealer: South ♠ 10 8  
 Vul: E-W ♥ J 10 8 6  
 Brd 3 ♦ A Q J 9  
 Open Tms SF 1/4 ♣ 6 4 2  
 ♠ K Q J 6 4 3 2  
 ♥ 5 3  
 ♦ 8 5 3  
 ♣ 10

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

♠ A 5  
 ♥ Q 9 7  
 ♦ 10 7 4  
 ♣ A K Q 7 3

West North East South

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

Buchen played it from the East seat and Judith cashed two hearts and shifted to diamonds, following her partner's suit preference signal. Stock as North led a heart and Yuen (who had heard his partner making a negative double) knew to shift to diamonds. Equally since Stock had heard his partner bid hearts, he knew what to do next.

In the other match Osborne led a trump, since he was facing a 14-17 no-trump and knew the opponents should not make except on a cross-ruff; wrong. In the other room Weston led a top heart, and when it held continued with the six. Foster knew to shift to diamonds, but when Weston won and reverted to hearts declarer had been let off the hook.

After a couple of relatively quiet deals three of the four tables pushed to an unappetizing game and found their luck was in:

Dealer: East ♠ 7 5 4  
 Vul: E-W ♥ Q 7 6 3  
 Brd 6 ♦ 7 6 5  
 Open Tms SF 1/4 ♣ J 5 3  
 ♠ J 2  
 ♥ 10  
 ♦ J 9 8 4 3 2  
 ♣ K Q 10 6

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

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

West North East South

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

Klinger/Mullamphy stopped in 2NT, but the fall of the diamond honours meant that game could not be beaten, and Thorpe had lost 10 when on a good day they might have gained a partscore pickup.

Hinden got on the board when they bid to a thin game that would only have been defeated had the man on lead kicked off with his singleton ♠J instead of his ♥KQJxx...but their opponents saved for -800 to make the matter moot. In the other room Weston/Foster stopped in 3♠ so Hinden had 12 IMPs.

That concluded the action for the set, with Hinden leading 12-0, Buchen leading 22-3.

### OPEN TEAMS SEMI FINALS 2

Barry Rigal

The second set started quietly, though Foster/Weston overbid to reach a no-play game when Foster jumped to 2♠ with a 4-3-3-3 eight-count after his partner doubled 1♥. That cost just 4 IMPs, but curiously on the second deal exactly the same theme recurred. This time it was Gartaganis, West, who jumped to 3♥ facing his partner's double, this time holding a 3-4-3-3 nine-count, and found himself uncomfortably high opposite a 3-4-3-3 14-count. For Buchen, Stock in the same position bid just 2♥ and both tables made eight tricks, so Buchen's lead had gone up to 28-3. In both the other rooms the East players passed 1♠ and collected 100 in defence to 2♠.

At this point the Internet went down, but in the interregnum Hirst got off the Schneider by making a no-trump partscore in both rooms. Hinden got most of that back by doubling a perfectly reasonable game for +500. Meanwhile, Buchen were picking up IMPs in dribs and drabs to lead 35-3 after five deals

Dealer: West ♠ A 10 4 3 2  
 Vul: E-W ♥ K 6 5 4  
 Brd 16 ♦ 10 7  
 Open Tms SF 2/4 ♣ K Q  
 ♠ 8 5  
 ♥ A 10 8 3 2  
 ♦ K 8 3  
 ♣ 5 4 2

♠ K J 7 6  
 ♥ J 9 7  
 ♦ A Q 6  
 ♣ J 7 3

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

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

West	North	East	South	West	North	East	South
Osborne	Weston	Hinden	Foster	Eginton	Cooper	Hyett	Dyke
Pass	1♠	Pass	3♦ <sup>1</sup>	Pass	1♠	Pass	3♦ <sup>1</sup>
Pass	3♠	All pass		Pass	3♥	Pass	4♠
				Pass	Pass	Pass	
<sup>1</sup> 4 card limit raise				<sup>1</sup> 4 card limit raise			
West	North	East	South	West	North	East	South
Nick. G	Buchen	Judith G.	Thomson	Stock	Silver	Yuen	Carruthers
Pass	1♠	Pass	3♦ <sup>1</sup>	Pass	1♠	Pass	3♠
Pass	4♠	All pass		Pass	Pass	Pass	
<sup>1</sup> 4 card limit raise							

All four Easts led the heart queen, and now it looks straightforward to win and give partner a ruff. Then a diamond back sets up the two winners for the defence and that will hold North to nine tricks. All four Wests ducked the first trick and the declarers drew trumps successfully and played a club to take 10 tricks. 6 rather random IMPs to both Buchen and Hinden.

Hinden added a further 4 IMPs when Eginton played for trumps to split badly in a spade partscore and was unlucky enough to run into a trump promotion when spades broke 3-3; always the worst sort of bad luck. That made it 33-7 to Hinden. Buchen also picked up a partscore when the Gartagnises did do much on this hand, and the lead was up to 45-3.

Dealer: West      ♠ A  
 Vul: Both        ♥ Q 4 2  
 Brd 20            ♦ A K Q 9 6 5 4  
 Open Tms SF 2/4 ♣ J 4  
 ♠ K 10 5 4  
 ♥ J 7 6 5 3  
 ♦ 3  
 ♣ 10 9 7

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

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

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

West	North	East	South	West	North	East	South
Osborne	Weston	Hinden	Foster	Eginton	Cooper	Hyett	Dyke
Pass	1♦	Pass	1♠	Pass	1♦	Pass	1♠
Pass	3♦	Pass	3♥	Pass	3♦ <sup>1</sup>	Pass	3NT
Pass	4♦	Pass	5♦	Pass	Pass	Pass	
Pass	Pass	Pass		<sup>1</sup> 4 card limit raise			
West	North	East	South	West	North	East	South
Nick. G	Buchen	Judith G.	Thomson	Stock	Silver	Yuen	Carruthers
Pass	1♦	Pass	1♠	Pass	1♦	Pass	1♠
Pass	3♦	All pass		Pass	3NT	Pass	4♣
				Pass	Pass	Pass	

The two 3NT contracts handled very well on a low club lead round to the jack in one case, and on a heart to the two, king and ace in the other. 5♦ wasn't an elegant spot – and when diamonds didn't break it seems to need the bare ♥K and the club ace onside. Today was Weston's lucky day. John Carruthers was not so lucky after the bidding accident in his room. The defenders led diamonds, and while one of their ruffs got away, +100 was still another 13 IMPs to Buchen, up 58-3 at the half.

After two sets, 24 deals, two teams still hadn't made it into double digits.

### OPEN TEAMS SEMI FINALS 3

Barry Rigal

Dealer: North      ♠ ---  
 Vul: None        ♥ 9 8 5 4  
 Brd 1            ♦ Q J 8 5  
 Open Tms SF 3/4 ♣ K 9 6 5 4  
 ♠ 8 6 5 3 2  
 ♥ 7 2  
 ♦ A 10 6 2  
 ♣ A 7

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

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

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

Everyone played hearts, three of the tables reaching game while Osborne settled for playing partscore.

West Eginton	North Osborne	East Hyett	South Hinden	West Dyke	North Gue	East Cooper	South Hirst
	Pass	Pass	1♠		Pass	Pass	1♠
Pass	1NT	Pass	2♥	Pass	1NT	Pass	2♥
All pass				Pass	3♥	Pass	4♥
				All pass			
West Thomson	North Klinger	East Buchen	South Mullamphy	West Carruthers	North Stock	East Silver	South Yuen
	Pass	Pass	1♠		Pass	Pass	1♠
Pass	1NT	Pass	2♥	Pass	1NT	Pass	2♥
Pass	3♥	Pass	4♥	Pass	3♥	Pass	4♥
All pass				All pass			

Two of the three tables brought home game easily enough, using a club or diamond entry and ruffing a spade to take two heart finesses and eventually giving up a trick in each side suit. Hirst had the opportunity for a swing after the lead of the club ace and a shift from Dyke to a low diamond. Hirst won in hand and played a club to dummy to ruff a club with the ♥Q. When he passed the ♠Q round to Cooper's king, the fourth round of clubs sank the game, and Hinden had a further 5 IMPs.

The trailing teams needed a break, and both of them got one here:

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

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

West    North    East    South

Makeable Contracts				
-	4	-	4	NT
-	3	-	3	♠
-	6	-	6	♥
-	1	-	2	♦
-	6	-	6	♣

West Eginton	North Osborne	East Hyett	South Hinden	West Dyke	North Gue	East Cooper	South Hirst
		Pass	1♠			Pass	1NT
Pass	2♥	Pass	2♠	Pass	2♦	Dbl.	2♥
Pass	3♣	Pass	3♦	3♦	4♣	Pass	4♦
Pass	3♥	Pass	4♦	Pass	4NT	Pass	5♣
Pass	4♥	All pass		Pass	6♥	All pass	
West Thomson	North Klinger	East Buchen	South Mullamphy	West Carruthers	North Stock	East Silver	South Yuen
		Pass	1NT			Pass	1♠
Pass	2♦	Pass	2♥	Pass	2♥	Pass	3♦
Pass	3♣	Pass	3NT	Pass	3♥	Pass	4♥
Pass	4♥	Pass	4♠ //	All pass			

The two pairs who opened a strong no-trump reached the respectable slam -- it seems to need both the trump break and to play clubs for no loser. But where diamonds had been doubled the possibility of taking a diamond finesse and generating a squeeze isn't entirely impossible. 13 IMPs to Thorpe and Hirst.

On the next deal three of the four Wests opened 2♥ or a Multi 2♦ on a 0-6-4-3 seven count with king-empty sixth of hearts. Only Buchen was prepared to stay out of game with a balanced 15-count opposite including ♥AQJ10. Carruthers was the disciplined exception; he passed the seven-count but drove to game facing a strong no-trump. The aggressive players were right; game was 75% or so and duly came home. Thorpe had suddenly scored 23 IMPs in two deals, and while they trailed 58-26, things were suddenly looking up.

However the run dried up as suddenly as it had started. Klinger-Mullamphy stayed out of a good game (maybe after a disagreement as to how strong a jump overcall of a preempt should be?) and a series of small swings made it 69-26.

In the other match there was similarly little scoring; with one deal to go Hinden led 38-23.

Dealer: East      ♠ K 10 6 2  
 Vul: Both        ♥ A K Q J 10 6 4  
 Brd 10            ♦ Q 10  
 Open Tms SF 3/4 ♣ ---  
 ♠ Q 9  
 ♥ 9 8 3  
 ♦ K J 8 6  
 ♣ 7 6 4 2

♠ J 5 4  
 ♥ 5 2  
 ♦ A 9 7 5 4  
 ♣ J 8 3

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

West    North    East    South

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

West Eginton	North Osborne	East Hyett	South Hinden	West Dyke	North Gue	East Cooper	South Hirst
		Pass	1♣			Pass	1♣
Pass	1♦ <sup>s</sup>	Pass	1♠	Pass	1♥	Pass	1♠
Pass	3♥	Pass	3♠	Pass	2♦	Pass	3♣
Pass	4♣	Pass	5♣	Pass	3♠	Pass	4NT
Pass	5♥	All pass		Pass	5♥	Pass	6♣
				Pass	7♠	All pass	
West Thomson	North Klinger	East Buchen	South Mullamphy	West Carruthers	North Stock	East Silver	South Yuen
		Pass	1♣			Pass	1♣
Pass	1♦ <sup>s</sup>	Pass	1♠	Pass	1♥	Pass	1♠
Pass	3♥	Pass	4♣	Pass	2♦	Pass	3♣
Pass	4♥	All pass		Pass	3♠	Pass	3NT
				Pass	4NT	Pass	5♥
				Pass	6♦	Pass	6NT

It is a good job that we don't have to comment on the merits with the North hand of setting spades as opposed to hearts as the trump suit. Two of our Norths set spades and regretted it later – not entirely a surprise. In one room when Hirst tried to get out of spades he found himself two levels higher a round later. In the other case when Stock used keycard he might have passed 5♥ but no doubt he assumed Yuen might have a diamond control for his 3NT call. In a way 6NT was more likely to make than 6♥, given the lie of the opponents' cards, but Carruthers led a diamond from West and the defenders cashed out for four down. That was a 15 IMP gain for Thorpe, back to a manageable deficit of 69-41 with ten deals to go.

### OPEN TEAMS SEMI FINALS 4

Barry Rigal

In both matches the trailing team needed a good start to close up an approximately 30 IMP gap.

Hinden lived dangerously on the first deal, balancing with 2NT over her LHO's 2♠ with a spade stopper of ♠98x and a trick-rich strong no-trump. Of course a stopper is in the eyes of the beholder, and while the defenders had six spades to cash, when nobody led spades she wrapped up the first eight tricks in her partscore.

On the second deal of the set E/W have a very playable 4♥ game. But a funny thing happened on the way to the forum:

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

♠ Q 3 2  
 ♥ A Q  
 ♦ Q 10 9 6

West    North    East    South

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

West Osborne	North Gue	East Hinden	South Hirst	West Eginton	North Cooper	East Hyett	South Dyke
Pass	Pass	1♥	Pass	Pass	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♦	Pass	3♦	Pass	1NT	All pass		
4♥	All pass						
West Thomson	North Silver	East Buchen	South Carruthers	West Klinger	North Stock	East Mullamphy	South Yuen
Pass	Pass	1♥	Pass	Pass	Pass	1♥	Pass
3♦	Pass	3♥	All pass	2NT	Pass	3♦	Pass
				4♥	All pass		

Where West showed a strong passed hand raise, East showed short diamonds and West bid game. With the hearts lying as well as could possibly be the case, there was no trouble in taking 10 tricks. That made it 69-47 for Buchen, and 62-23 for Hinden since 1NT had come home with +120.

When Eginton-Hyett misdefended a partscore Hinden had added a third successive decent swing, to make it 69-23.

There was still time for either of the trailing teams to make a charge, but it didn't work out that way.

While Yuen/Stock ran into a penalty after an indiscreet venture after a preempt, both of Buchen's pairs did the right thing on most of the rest of the deals.

This was a well-earned swing to Thorpe, though.

Dealer: South      ♠ K J 8 7 4  
 Vul: E-W          ♥ Q J 7  
 Brd 19             ♦ 9  
 Open Tms SF 4/4   ♣ 10 7 5 3

♠ Q 5 2  
 ♥ A 3 2  
 ♦ A Q 8 7 5  
 ♣ A 4

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

West      North      East      South

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

In Hirst-Hinden, Frances Hinden had a three-suited call available over 1NT to get to diamonds, while Renee Cooper came in over 1NT as North with remarkably little justification to warn her opponents about the danger of the spades. So both E/W pairs ended in 5♦ here. For Buchen, Buchen/Thomson did not have the mechanism to stay out of 3NT – which is after all at least a 50% contract, but went down on a spade lead today. Klinger-Mullamphy for Thorpe, also had a way to avoid 3NT. Alas for them, not only did they play 6♦, they had Yuen on lead as South and he selected a heart, certainly the easiest way to beat the slam, even if repeated club leads might achieve the same result.

In the end, neither match threatened to be close. While the numbers of IMPs scored and conceded in the two matches were remarkably different, Hinden and Buchen had shown themselves worthy winners.

## SENIORS TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL NAGY WINS SENIOR TEAMS WITH BIG SECOND SET

Brent Manley

The team captained by Zolly Nagy, trailing after the first of four sets against the Richard Brightling team, took the lead with an explosive second segment and never trailed on the way to winning the Senior Teams championship 113-90

The winners are Nagy, David Middleton, Neil Ewart and David Smith. The runners-up, the top-ranked team after the qualifying rounds, are Brightling, David Hoffman, Paul Lavings and Robert Krochmalik.

The final started well for the Brightling team as they led 24-12 at one point, thanks in part to this deal:



Smith started with the  $\heartsuit 7$ . Krochmalik won in hand and played the top two hearts. When the queen fell, he was able to discard dummy's  $\clubsuit K$  and claim, planning to ruff his  $\clubsuit Q$  in dummy. He lost only a spade for plus 680. At the other table:

West Hoffman	North Nagy	East Brightling	South Middleton
			1 $\heartsuit$
Pass	3 $\clubsuit$	Pass	4NT
Pass	5 $\heartsuit$	Pass	6 $\heartsuit$
Pass	Pass	Pass	

Hoffman could have assured defeat of the slam by leading the  $\clubsuit A$ , but he started with a low trump. Middleton won the trump ace and cashed the king and was soon claiming 12 tricks for plus 1430 and 13-IMP swing.

There were a few small swings for Nagy, and the score was 44-0 after nine boards of the 12-board set.

Brightling finally broke through with a 9-IMP vulnerable game swing, reason for optimism with 24 boards left to play.

After six boards in the third set, Nagy was leading 80-50, but things were about to change.

Dealer: South       $\spadesuit$  5 4 2  
 Vul: Both         $\heartsuit$  A J 10  
 Brd 7               $\diamondsuit$  A K Q 6  
 Sen Tms Fin 3/4    $\clubsuit$  A 8 7  
 $\spadesuit$  10 9 8 7 3  
 $\heartsuit$  9 5  
 $\diamondsuit$  7 4  
 $\clubsuit$  Q 10 5 3

$\spadesuit$  A J  
 $\heartsuit$  K Q 8 7 3 2  
 $\diamondsuit$  ---  
 $\clubsuit$  K J 9 4 2

$\spadesuit$  K Q 6  
 $\heartsuit$  6 4  
 $\diamondsuit$  J 10 9 8 5 3 2  
 $\clubsuit$  6

West Smith	North Lavings	East Ewart	South Krochmalik
			1 $\heartsuit$
Pass	2 $\clubsuit$	3 $\diamondsuit$	4 $\diamondsuit$
Pass	6 $\heartsuit$	All Pass	

Makeable Contracts				
-	6	-	6	NT
-	3	-	3	$\spadesuit$
-	6	-	6	$\heartsuit$
-	1	-	1	$\diamondsuit$
-	6	-	6	$\clubsuit$

Smith led the  $\diamondsuit 7$  and Krochmalik played low from dummy and ruffed. He played a heart to dummy's ace and cashed the  $\heartsuit J$ . He pitched the  $\spadesuit J$  on a high diamond, then played a club to the king, followed by a club to dummy's ace. He lost a club trick to West but could ruff his other loser for plus 1430. At the other table:

West Hoffman	North Nagy	East Brightling	South Middleton
			1 $\heartsuit$
Pass	2 $\spadesuit$	Pass	4 $\diamondsuit$
Pass	4 $\heartsuit$	Pass	4 $\spadesuit$
Pass	4NT	Pass	5 $\spadesuit$
Pass	5NT	Pass	6 $\clubsuit$
Pass	7 $\heartsuit$	All Pass	

Middleton took the opening heart lead with dummy's ace and played all his trumps before entering dummy with the  $\clubsuit A$  to cash three diamonds, pitching the  $\spadesuit J$  and two clubs. He conceded one down when he played a club from dummy and East showed out. Minus 100 meant 17 IMPs for Brightling, now back in the game at only 13 IMPs down with 17 boards to play.

Going in the final set, Nagy was ahead 84-72.1

Unfortunately for Brightling, the only significant swings in the final set went to the Nagy team, who won set four 29-18 to claim the championship.



## A FEW TIDBITS

So, with all of time pressures and contents needed to have the Bulletin in your hands when you wake up we ALWAYS miss some bits and pieces so here is a catch up for those ones we now have time to include. Apologies if some are a little past their use by dates.

**Cath Whiddon** reports: "Hi, I'm wondering which club has the most players at GCC? On Monday night, our club Peninsula Bridge Club on the Northern Beaches of Sydney, enjoyed around fifty players & partners dining at the surf club after a fun weekend



**Sue Brown** submitted the following: Hi, Just saw the photo of the youngest player at Congress and wondered who the oldest may be. A member of our team, Lloyd Purdie, is 92, playing in, guess what, the Seniors Teams in a team of just four players.

Also, our Club in New Zealand is small by most Clubs standards with around 100 members. This year we have 14 of our members here at the Gold Coast. Fourteen percent of a total membership must be a pretty good record.

**Our Photographer, Anne Russell** submitted the following photos



Standing Sue Lusk, Tony Jackman, Seated: Betty Lee, Mike Robson & Ely Spiro sharing a few memories of Sue's father, Warren Neil who passed away recently.

Celebrity Speaker  
William Jenner-O'Shea

### SESSION 2 HOLIDAY PAIRS 4 - LEADING SCORES

Plac	North-South	%	Plac	East West	%
1	Sonja Ramsund - Margaret Azar	61.2	1	Nigel Marlow - Terry O'Dempsey	60.61
2	Kerry Hiscocks - Delma Purcell	55.7	2	Ann Murray - Steve Murray	60.19
3	Judy Zollo - John Zollo	54.2	3	Jenny Reid - Donald Mather	54.18
4	Wendy Driscoll - Shizue Futaesaku	53.9	4	Mick McAuliffe - Wing Roberts	53.82
5	Dawn Simpson - Jeanette Chatterton	53.4	5	Jenny Iliescu - Leanne Nugent	50.85
6	Tony Allen - Susan Capp	52.5	6	Florence Gibbons - Joy Mantello	49.22
7	Richard Lawrie - Shannon Irwin	51.8	7	Dorothy Read - Geoff Read	48.34



Laurie Kelso Addressing a Forum of Bridge Directors



Celebrity Speaker Paul Marston

**Celebrity Speakers Program:** We are pleased to report that the Celebrity Speaker Program has raised around \$3,500. Some of this money will be used to provide subsidised accommodation to allow youth players with budget restrictions to attend the Gold Coast Congress, something that they may not otherwise be able to do without this. The balance will be contributed to the ABF Friends of Youth Bridge Fund which aims to increase the number of youth players participating in bridge.

### PLAY BRIDGE WITH BARRY

Barry Rigal

There is another side of the coin to the practice finesse; consider the following deal. In the World Championship held in Paris in the Autumn of 2001. The biggest sensation of the event was the way that Italy beat the USAI team. The result itself was not a huge surprise, but the denouement of the encounter was shocking. In the final 32 deals of a match that had been level till then, the Italians won by 124-9 IMPs, including keeping the Americans completely scoreless for one whole set of 16 deals. Here is a hand from early on in the match, showing Norberto Bocchi of the Italian team at work.

Dealer: North	♠ 10	West	North	East	South
Vul: Nil	♥ 10	Rodwell	Duboin	Meckstroth	Bocchi
	♦ A 10 6 5 4 2		2NT <sup>1</sup>	3♦ <sup>2</sup>	3NT
	♣ J 10 9 8 2		4♥	Pass	5♦
♠ 9 5 4 2		Pass	Pass	Pass	
♥ Q 9 7 5 4					
♦ K	♠ K J 8 7 3				
♣ Q 6 4	♥ A K 8 2				
	♦ Q 7				
	♣ 5 3				
	♠ A Q 6				
	♥ J 6 3				
	♦ J 9 8 3				
	♣ A K 7				

<sup>1</sup> Minors with 5-11 HCPs

<sup>2</sup> Both Majors

In the other room, for the USA Freeman and Nickell justified their reputation as amongst the most conservative bidders in the event. Nickell passed as North and Freeman did not overcall 1NT over Versace's opening bid of one spade. That let the Italians bid unopposed to four hearts, and Freeman might have doubled that (for an easy 500) but he did not, and in fact only collected 100 when Nickell failed to play for spade ruffs.

This might not seem such a big deal, since Bocchi reached five diamonds as South, on the auction shown above, and Rodwell found the killing heart lead. 'Killing' did I say? Bocchi had heard Meckstroth overcall three diamonds over Duboin's minor-suited 2NT opening to show the majors. So when Meckstroth shifted to a spade at Trick Two, Bocchi took what is often derogatorily referred to as a practice finesse. He put in the queen of spades, even though dummy had a singleton, and apparently no useful discard. But watch carefully. When the queen held the trick, he cashed the spade ace to pitch a club, and ruffed a spade, then played off the ace of trumps. Now he used the top clubs as entries to his hand to eliminate the hearts, rejecting the finesse in clubs.

This was the four-card ending he had reached, which it was necessary to envisage at trick two. That let him exit with the second diamond, endplaying Meckstroth to lead a major. And in turn that allowed Bocchi to pitch his club loser from hand and ruff in dummy, for eleven tricks and 7IMPs. Beautifully played -- and the point of the deal is that if Bocchi does not take the spade finesse, he is short of trumps and entries to make the winning play.

## WELCOME TO NEW PLAYERS AT THE GCC

Brent Manley

### Common Errors – How to Avoid Them - Failing to Count

Bridge can be a mysterious game, and sometimes it seems impossible to find the right path. In many cases, however, it doesn't have to be that way.

On virtually every deal, the bidding and play offer clues to the right line of play or defense. If you are paying attention, guesses can become certainties.

For example, say your contract depends on finding a queen when you have a two-way guess – with ♠A 10 5 opposite ♠K J 4. You can go either way, so you look for clues from the layout of the cards or from the high-card points the opponents have revealed.

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

Sometimes the opponents help you with their bidding. Say you are playing 6♥ after your left-hand opponent opens the bidding with 3♣, showing a seven-card suit. LHO takes the first trick with a high club and you ruff the second one. When you pull trumps, lefty shows out after two rounds. Now you know nine of his cards. You have to find the queen in a two-way guess, but you are lucky to be able to cash three winners in a third suit. When LHO follows to all three, you have a lock for the contract. You know that LHO has only one card – maybe none – in the key suit. With ♠A 10 5 in dummy and ♠K J 4 in your hand, all you have to do is cash dummy's ace. If LHO does not follow with the

queen, you can play low to your jack with complete confidence – all because you were counting the cards that the opponents played. Opener's pre-empt made it easy for you.

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

Sometimes your counting exercise is more focused on high-card points. You find yourself in a contract of 4♠ with these two hands on view

West leads the ♦A, on which East plays the 10. The ♦K is next, ♦3 from East. West continues with the ♦2, a clear suit preference for clubs, and after East ruffs, he plays back the ♣Q. You win the ace as West signals with the ♣10. Now what?

If you can pick up trumps, dummy's losing club can go on one of your high hearts. The normal play, in a vacuum, is

to finesse against West for the ♠K. If you are counting, however, you know that play cannot work.

West has shown up with the ♦A K and, based on the play, also has the ♣K. If West has the ♠K, that would give him 13 high-card points, enough to open the bidding – and he passed as dealer. You must hope that East started with a doubleton ♠K and that he is now down to a singleton. Your only hope, based on the count you have obtained, is to play a spade to dummy's ace. If the king falls, you will have found your reward for paying attention. Even if it doesn't, you will have the satisfaction of knowing you gave it your best shot.

## TABLE COUNT

### TO THE END OF PLAY FRIDAY NIGHT 8497

(Last Year 8588)

Note: this year we held a Friday Setup Pairs

## THE KLINGER QUIZ

Ron Klinger

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

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

Playing Teams  
Dealer: West  
Vul: N-S

West	North	East	South
Pass	1♥	Pass	2♦
Pass	4♦	Pass	4♠ <sup>1</sup>
Pass	4NT	Pass	5♦ <sup>2</sup>
Pass	6♦	All Pass	

<sup>1</sup> Cue-bid agreeing diamonds

<sup>2</sup> One Key Card in support of diamonds

West leads the ♣10. Plan the play.

**Solution:** 6♦ by South. Lead: ♣10.

One can fall back on the heart finesse, but that should be a last resort. When the ♦A is singleton with East, you might be available to dispense with the heart finesse.

Take the ♣A, play the ♠3 to the ♠A and ruff the ♣J. Continue with the ♠Q and overtake it with the ♠K, then ruff the ♠2. With the spades and the clubs eliminated, lead a diamond from dummy. When East wins, there is no successful return. A heart goes into the ♥A Q and a black suit allows South to discard a heart and ruff in dummy. If West wins or if either opponent takes the ♦A and returns a diamond, you fall back on the heart finesse.

Not quite as good is ♣A, ♠Q, ♠K, ♠A, club ruff. East might be able to ruff the third spade with the ♦3. That line would be

necessary if West had led a spade.

To defeat 6♦, West needed to lead a trump or a heart. East could have doubled (Lightner) for a heart lead. That could have backfired if South begun with a singleton heart and dummy had two clubs.

Playing Teams	♠ Q 3	
Dealer: West	♥ A Q 4 3 2	
Vul: N-S	♦ K J 8 7 6	
	♣ A	
♠ J 9 8 6		♠ 10 7 5 4
♥ J 9 5		♥ K 8 6
♦ 3		♦ A
♣ Q 10 9 8 7		♣ K 6 5 3 2
	♠ A K 2	
	♥ 10 7	
	♦ Q 10 9 5 4 2	
	♣ J 4	

**RonKlingerBridge.com**  
IMPROVE YOUR GAME



**Join over 35,000 members**  
**Money back guarantee**

Improve your game with hundreds of quality bridge articles. Access the best bridge resources available. Receive bridge problems emailed to you daily. And much more...



**The website will rapidly improve your game.**  
After joining, you have all of these available:  
Daily Problems, sent to you daily by email, for experienced players, Daily Problems, sent to you daily by email, for new players and novice players

**Unlimited access to the Online Library:** a broad range of bridge-related topics with a huge amount of content, including opening leads, declarer play, defence, constructive and competitive bidding, conventions and countermeasures. It's easy to search and find what you need quickly.  
New content every day



# Let's Carpool<sup>2+</sup>

**NEED TRANSPORT HOME FROM THE GOLD COAST CONGRESS?  
OR DO YOU WANT TO SHARE A TAXI TO THE AIRPORT**

If you are looking for a "ride" home after the tournament you really should visit the travel desk outside the Administration Office where players can exchange offers of a ride with people needing one.

## Seres McMahon Matchpoint Swiss Pairs - Final Results

Place	Pair	Score	Place	Pair	Score
1	Stephen Fischer - David Appleton	94.62	28	Lex Ranke - Jack Rohde	58.48
2	Tom Kiss - Alasdair Beck	83.93	29	Arianna Yusof - Audrey Stokes	58.19
3	John Brockwell - Kevin Tant	83.66	30	Sandy Young - Elaine Jonsberg	57.23
4	Kim Frazer - Jamie Ebery	82.51	31	Bruce Fraser - John Bamfield	57.02
5	Alan Bailey - Jette Bailey	81.45	32	Sherrell Cardinal - Neville Clatworthy	56.61
6	Phil Glover - Phil Timmins	78.03	33	Yvonne Kilvert - Neven Burica	56.16
7	Paul Hill - Janet Hill	76.29	34	Fay Stanton - Anne Young	55.53
8	Barry Jones - Jenny Millington	75.60	35	Bal Krishan - Chelliah Arul	55.44
9	Pam Crichton - Ross Crichton	75.52	36	Hugh McAlister - Freda Banner	53.73
10	Robert Simpson - Jo Simpson	71.61	37	Dita Hunt - Richard Prickett	52.66
11	David Beauchamp - Jodi Tutty	71.54	38	Lorraine Carr - Janine Budgeon	51.50
12	Stephen Hurley - Liz Hurley	70.72	39	Michael Francis - Terry Dold	50.94
13	Jacqui Morton - Jenny Date	69.86	40	Bill Redhead - Gaylene Brown	50.75
14	Peter Jeffery - Steven Bock	68.59	41	Jill Hutson - Gill Phillippo	49.56
15	Peter Grant - Tony Marinos	68.41	42	Dan Delcourt - Kerry Delcourt	48.31
16	Stephen Gray - Lindsey Guy	67.43	43	Jonathan Pynt - Alan Harrop	47.55
17	Michael Draper - Alex Kemeny	67.34	44	Bill Rossiter-Nuttall - Sarah Livingston	46.57
18	Greer Tucker - Liz Sylvester	67.05	45	Jackie Rossiter-Nuttall - Julie Farmer	46.03
19	Maha Hoenig - Martin Doran	66.19	46	Simon Van Kruistum - Klarika Tortely	45.97
20	Rosemary Matskows - Jane Morris	65.29	47	Peter Holloway - Anne Lamport	45.83
21	Wynne Webber - Meta Goodman	65.02	48	Carol Sheldrake - Kathie De Palo	45.37
22	Anna Kalma - Tim Rigter	63.52	49	Kay Dixon - Moira Smith	45.34
23	Ron Speiser - Patricia Mann	62.79	50	Kath Poole - Monica Darley	44.82
24	Ian Bailey - Peter Robinson	62.50	51	Julie Boyce - Christine Thomas	43.12
25	Dianne Marler - Pam Morgan-King	61.34	52	Marian Obenchain - Alison Talbot	42.43
26	Jane Dawies - Linda Alexander	58.80	53	Mike Robertson - Gavin Bow	39.06
27	Patricia Scott - Sharon Jackson	58.56	54	Colleen Kelly - John Martin	19.08

### Friday Novice Pairs

Place	Pair	Score	Place	Pair	Score
1	Wendy Crombie - Julie Stockley	97.54	30	Susie Bunting - Jane Brougham	60.22
2	Neville McDonnell - Laurelle Mcdonnell	89.93	31	Anne Moase - Penny Talley	58.30
3	David McEvoy - Ron Adam	85.83	32	Bev Northey - Dianne Thatcher	57.46
4	Carmel Caton - Trevor Henderson	82.81	33	Robert Hogarth - Gillian Hogarth	55.78
5	Lorraine Bryant - Geoffrey Davis	77.72	34	Arjen Draaisma - Margot Harris	55.23
6	Adam Roberts - Fiona Roberts	77.24	35	Jennifer Finigan - Mary Simon	54.34
7	Greg Ford - Nick Holmes	76.07	36	David Kerr - Kathryn Kerr	53.51
8	Robert Morton - Matthew Roberts	75.54	37	Chris Farr - Shelley Farr	53.37
9	Rena Indermaur - Annie Sinclair	75.25	38	Robyn Green - Ann Smith	52.26
10	Moira Smith - Drew Campi	73.73	39	Moira Daly - Julie Mannion	52.25
11	Fiona Ferwerda - Penny Robertson	73.10	40	Frances Hammond - Ian Hammond	50.52
12	Rita Fatseas - Kevin Hamilton-Reen	73.08	41	Gail Smith - John Williams	50.44
13	Gary Petterson - George Blacklock	72.07	42	Leon Lorensen - Sue Clarke	50.43
14	Frank Johnson - Patricia Johnson	71.21	43	Lesley Sutherland - Julie Heib	49.31
15	Michael Brassil - Louise Brassil	70.78	44	Paula Nigem - Dianne Stacey	49.26
16	Tertia Brink - Ian Manly	70.48	45	Carol Parker - Linda Smith	49.06
17	Robert Mischlewski - Fred Cole	70.36	46	Sue Clare - Lesley Henderson	48.95
18	Loretta Lovett - Kath Seefeld	70.01	47	Paul Elkington - Trevor Rayfield	48.85
19	David Whybird - Liz Milner	70.00	48	Karen Thompson - Jennifer Matheson	48.82
20	Robert Eldridge - Margaret Faulks	68.02	49	Mel Gilmour - Ruth Hoffensetz	47.89
21	Liz Moss - Pete Wyber	66.68	50	Suzi Ledger - Barbara Simpson	47.63
22	Warren Moore - Gary Jenkins	66.37	51	Maxim Wilson - Bruce Stephens	47.50
23	Cobie Van Kruistum - Michael Hewitt	65.76	52	Robyn Church - Ross Church	42.56
24	Paul Stark - Julie Stark	64.59	53	Selby Downing - Marie Downing	42.52
25	Cindy Macintosh - Sue Rohrig	64.15	54	Lesley Anderson - Karen Walsh	41.46
26	Aggie Bowyer - Wendy Ledgerwood	62.13	55	Hugh Robinson - Philip Atkinson	39.50
27	Pat Eather - Lyndel Hewitt	61.44	56	Carla Ferro - Cathy Mathieson	38.20
28	Richard Sheldrake - Lynne Richardson	61.25	57	Peter Allingham - John Doyle	34.96
29	Gwen Riordan - Kevin Riordan	60.27	58	Philip Kerr - Ange Kerr	6.02



**Winners of Seres McMahon Matchpoint Swiss Pairs  
Stephen Fischer and David Appleton**



**Winners of Friday Novice Pairs  
Wendy Crombie and Julie Stockley**

**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.

**ENTERTAINMENT**

**YESTERDAY'S DIFFICULT SUDOKU SOLUTION**

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

**TODAY'S DIFFICULT SUDOKU**

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

# PENLINE®

Suppliers of Quality promotional products

Please visit our websites [www.penline.com.au](http://www.penline.com.au) and  
[www.globalcatalogue.com](http://www.globalcatalogue.com)

Penline Is A Proud Sponsor Of The Queensland Bridge Association

**amazing**  
*Thailand Bridge Festival*

First week of April 2019  
Montien Hotel, Bangkok, Thailand  
Please come and enjoy good bridge,  
shopping, delicious food, culture  
and our wonderfully friendly  
"smiles"

Contact : Vallapa :  
email : [vallapa@xcon.co.th](mailto:vallapa@xcon.co.th)



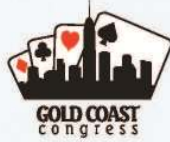
## POLOS FOR SALE

**Your Last Chance Today**

Gold Coast Congress polo shirts are available for sale during the congress or until stocks run out.

The cost is \$20 each available from the admin office.

**Grab yours now**



# 2019 GOLD COAST 58<sup>TH</sup> INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE CONGRESS

FRIDAY 15 - SATURDAY 23 FEBRUARY

Gold Coast Convention Centre Broadbeach



**OPEN TO ALL LEVELS &  
CASH PRIZES TO BE WON**

For more information contact **Kim Ellaway**  
manager@qldbridge.com · +61 7 3351 8602 · +61 412 064 903

[qldbridge.com/gcc](http://qldbridge.com/gcc)