

# REDLAND BRIDGE CLUB

# TRUMPIT



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Hi Everyone,

*Remember how you felt when you were a kid and you weren't allowed out to play because it was raining, and the rain lasted for a week?*

*That's how I felt last week, stuck at home, and couldn't play bridge because I had a head cold! Looking forward to returning to the Club this week.*

*Hope you are all keeping safe and well and those who have spread their wings are enjoying their holidays.*

*For those who are not aware, the second week of the Teams Competition will be played this Friday, having been deferred from the previous week when there was a small computer glitz, and so it could not proceed. Accordingly, there will be no walk-ins this Friday.*

*Happy bridging and keep smiling!*



**Robina Cooper**

*Don't be mad at lazy people ...  
they didn't do anything!*

## FROM YOUR COMMITTEE

- I want to thank everyone that helped move the furniture for the recent cleaning of the carpets. So many folks pitched that it took no time at all. That is what is so great about this club—how everyone is willing to help when called upon.
- The Committee has decided to do away with recycling; therefore, all the trash will go into one bin. It was a decision made since we weren't doing a very good job separating the recyclable items from the non-recyclable items.
- Since the pandemic started, we have followed the advice of the QBA and ABF on dealing with Covid. In keeping with the changes recently made by both organizations we will no longer require proof of double vaccination. However, anyone who is not vaccinated must wear a mask in the club. If you have with any upper respiratory complaints, please stay away until you are clear of symptoms. Anyone who is coughing will be sent home. Having said that, I know that our members will continue to be diligent in their efforts to keep us all safe.
- The bathroom renovation has come to a standstill. The contractor, like a lot of businesses, is having trouble finding people who can work due to Covid. *Hopefully by the time this is printed in the Trumpit the contractor will have resolved this problem and the renovations have proceeded.*
- Due to the high electrical bills the committee is considering replacing the solar panels on the roof. We will keep you informed on the committee's deliberations.
- Have a great month.

## BRIDGE TOPIC OF THE MONTH

### ASKING ABOUT A REVOKE

Dummy may ask Declarer about a possible revoke.

Either Defender may ask their partner about a possible revoke.

The usual form is “No spades, partner?”

It is not necessary for a player, when showing out, to state “having none”, and this can indeed be irksome to the opponents.

### REVOKE

When attention is drawn to a revoke, the Director should be called. The Director will determine whether it is established or not.

If the revoke is established, the Director will determine rectification after the play of the hand is completed. There are statutory trick adjustments laid down in the laws that cannot be reduced, but the Director can award more tricks to the non-offenders if more damage has been caused by the revoke.

*From ABF Rules and Ethics*

## IMPROVE YOUR BRIDGE

by Patricia Back



### Unassuming Cue-Bids

During the bidding auction, a player sometimes bids a suit that has been bid by an opponent; this is known as a cue-bid. There are several sequences where a cue-bid is useful, one of them being designated the ‘unassuming cue’ or a ‘cue-raise’.

This bid is used after partner overcalls, usually at the one level, and you have support for their suit, at least 3 cards. Because an overcall is a wide-ranging bid, from 7-15 points at the one level, you may wish to discover the strength of partner’s hand when you hold opening points. For example, your left-hand opponent opens 1♦, and partner overcalls 1♥, and you hold:

♠ A2  
♥ KQ10  
♦ Q42  
♣ K10987

If partner’s hand is in the range of an opening bid, you should make game in hearts. Assuming the next hand passes, you now cue-bid by bidding 2♦ (partner should not alert). If there is no further interference, the overcaller has several options:

- Rebid their own suit at the lowest level with fewer than 12 points.
- With 13-15 points, bid No Trump with stoppers in opponent’s suit; bid a second suit; or Jump in their own suit.

Partner then is able to set the contract. If the overcaller does anything except rebid their suit at the minimum level, the partner should be interested in bidding game.

On the other hand, if you have 10+ points and a stopper in opponent’s suit, but no support for partner’s suit, you should bid No Trumps.

## WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH

Friday, 5 August 2/2 – Winter Teams – **Red Points**

Saturday, 13 Sept – Eddie Santagiuliana Trophy 1/2

Saturday, 20 Sept – Eddie Santagiuliana Trophy 2/2



**70%ers for July**



**Ros Putland & Ron Khaled – 73.7%**

## COMPETITION RESULTS

### Redland Novice & Under 500 Pairs Congress

The Congress attracted 16 entries in the Under 500s, and 18 entries in the Novice section. Whilst we were not fortunate to have a Redlands Club winner, it was great to see Sandra and Dov Berns take second place in the Under 500s. Congratulations to them and to Barry Koster & Barbara Mackay, Deborah Thomas & Michael Souter and Daniel Chua & Dan Maher who finished in the top eight.



Dov Berns & Sandra Berns

Congratulations also to Susan Harris & Graham Applegate, Cathy Mathieson & Clive Humphries and Greg Lewis & John Bullion who finished in the top nine of the Novice section. Well done to all who competed. Good to see many of our new members having a try.

## Birthday



## Celebrations

A special morning tea was held to belatedly celebrate the birthdays of Dawn Lepinath and Maureen Kelso who both turned 90 in July 2020. Restrictions relating to Covid prevented their celebrations at that time. Many thanks again to Glynis Hendricks and Janet Aldridge for providing the delicious morning tea treats.



Congratulations also to Bill Morgan who celebrated his 70<sup>th</sup> birthday. Beautiful cakes were provided by Merit and Daniel Chua, which quickly disappeared.

**WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS**



**Kath Seefeld  
El (Elaine) Dale**

**AND HOPE THAT YOU HAVE A LONG AND ENJOYABLE ASSOCIATION WITH THE CLUB**



## JUNE PROMOTIONS

Di Mackenzie	Graduate
Rachel Milton	Local
Graham Craven	Bronze Local
Helen Zerphey	Bronze Local
Graham Applegate	Regional
Ros Putland	Life

The next *Beginners' Class* is commencing on Wednesday, 7th September from 2pm to 4pm for six weeks. The cost is \$50 which includes reference books. If you know of anyone who may be interested in learning to play our much-loved game, please contact Nigel Cleminson by phone or text on 0419 642 498, or email the club: [redlandsbridgeclub@bigpond.com](mailto:redlandsbridgeclub@bigpond.com)

*Supervised Play* is taking a break from the end of August until the new lessons have finished in Oct. Sessions are normally held on Wednesdays from 2pm to 4pm for new players and members who wish to refresh their knowledge of bidding. New members are encouraged to advance to a competitive playing session as soon as they can.

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### *Bits & Pieces:*

#### **Positions Vacant:**

**Work Health & Safety Coordinator**  
**Fire Safety Coordinator**



We are seeking a volunteer/s to take over these important roles. Please see Molly or Deborah if you can help in this area. Thanks to Derek Richards who has been performing these roles.

*Youth Bridge* has moved back to Friday nights for any young people who are interested. Further details please contact Michael Gearing, Qld Youth Bridge Administrator on 0419 733 930.

FRIDAY NIGHT  
YOUTH BRIDGE

FREE PIZZA DINNER INCLUDED

EVERY FRIDAY | 6:30PM TO 9PM  
QUEENSLAND CONTRACT BRIDGE CLUB  
67 IPSWICH RD, WOOLLOONGABBA

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QBA

A Scotsman was dying. On his deathbed, he looked up and said: "Is my wife here?"  
His wife replies: "Yes, dear, I'm here, next to you."  
The Scot goes: "Are my children here?"  
"Yes, Daddy, we are all here," say the children.  
The Scot: "Are my other relatives also here?"  
And they say: "Yes, we are all here..."  
The Scot then says: "Then why the heck is the light on in the kitchen?"

*There are two kinds  
of losers: those who  
always pull trump,  
and those who never  
pull trump*



An American arrives at Tennant Creek and he wants to explore the Tanami. There's a camel hire business on the outskirts of town so he stops and chooses a camel for his journey. Having never ridden before, he asks the manager how difficult it is. "Nothing to it," comes the answer, "you mount the animal, give it the command, 'Up', it gets up and you're ready to go".

"How do I make it move?" he then asks. The manager tells him he only needs to say "Wow" quite firmly and the camel will immediately walk. If he says "wow" twice, the camel will trot and, three times, gallop.

Early in the trip, the camel and rider are doing well, managing a steady walk through the desert scrub. Time to see how they get on at a faster pace. "Wow, wow," the Yank commands and the camel responds, promptly assuming a quick trot. It's easy-going for them both, so he gives the order, "Wow, wow, wow". Now they are really getting somewhere. The camel gallops on through the sparse scrub, steady on its feet.

Suddenly, the American realises there's a huge gully ahead and they need to stop, very quickly. He hasn't asked how to bring the camel to a halt and tries to think of a suitable command. They're almost at the gully and he has no answer to their plight, so he says a quick prayer to himself and then, out loud, "Amen".

On hearing the word, the camel stops almost in its own length, and just as well because its front feet are right on the edge of a 50-metre drop. Shocked and shaken at how close he's come to injury or death, the American leans forward for a look into the gully. Seeing how deep it is, he says, "Wow...!"



Knock, knock, Who's there?  
Cows go, Cows go who?  
No silly, Cows go "Moo!"

- I've joined a procrastinators support group. It's called Wait Watchers.
- I received an invitation to a psychic evening, which stated RSVP. I didn't respond; well, they knew I was coming!

A frog telephones a psychic and is told, "You are going to meet a beautiful young girl who will want to know everything about you."



The frog says, "This is great! Will I meet her at a party, or what?"  
"No," says the psychic. "Next semester in her biology class."

Anna was 79 years old and lived on the third floor of a boarding house. Despite her age, she was still a real pistol packin' mama. However, one day she fell and broke her leg.

An ambulance drove her to the hospital where a doctor put a cast on it. When he was done, he warned her, "Now don't be walking up or down any stairs, okay?" Anna nodded and thought that this sounded reasonable.

A few weeks later, the doctor took off the cast.

"So, can I climb stairs now?" asked the little old lady.

"Yes," he replied.

"Thank goodness!" she said. "I'm sick and tired of climbing up and down that drainpipe!"

*Some interesting thoughts to ponder.*

Practice makes perfect.....

But nobody's perfect..... so why practice?

If it's true that we are here to help others, then what exactly are the others here for?

Success is a relative term.

It brings so many relatives.

Never put off the work till tomorrow  
what you can put off today.

"Hard work never killed anybody"  
But why take the risk?

God made relatives;  
Thank God we can choose our friends.

A bus station is where a bus stops.

A train station is where a train stops.

On my desk, I have a work station,  
what more can I say.....?