

REDLAND BRIDGE CLUB

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Hi Everyone,

*Just a reminder that **Sunday Bridge is on Sunday, 2nd July at 1.00 pm**. Please enter your name on the booking list or contact Avra Bowler. Please bring a plate to share for afternoon tea. Perhaps you would like to share your recipes too (see p.5).*

It has been a very busy month with of lots of bridge. The Doris Kerr competition produced an extraordinary number of results over 70% (see p.3), which was reflected in the close outcome.

Are you able to help? We currently do not have a Health & Safety Officer. If you have any experience in this area and could offer your assistance, would you please contact Nigel. Your contribution would be greatly appreciated.

Finally, the bathrooms are fixed – fingers crossed!

Good bridging and keep smiling!



Robina Cooper

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

We've now completed the GNOT rounds and the Doris Kerr pairs competition. We have mustered three teams who can go to the next GNOT elimination round in late August. Congratulations to the Doris Kerr winners. (p.2).

The next major event in the club calendar is a Pairs Congress for under 500 master points and under 100 Novices. At least, we hope it will be a major event. Entries have been a bit slow coming in. It's no longer enough to distribute an advertising flyer to attract players to come to a congress. Jane Whelan, the principal Congress Convener, and I have been in contact with clubs in the Brisbane to Gold Coast area to try and drum up support. We hope our efforts don't prove fruitless. We would certainly like to see more of our members taking part. It would be helping the club and can usually provide some interesting games against people who have different systems or styles of play.

More events are coming up, with the Winter Teams list accepting names already for the competition later this month.

People come to our club both to socialise and compete. This is a game - no sheep stations, no life-or-death situation. Everyone likes to have an enjoyable day, so please bear that in mind when at the table. There have been several instances of breaking the rules – some relate to bidding, system ID and alerting.

There is supposed to be at least one System Card for every pair, so please make sure you have a card set up.

*The early bird may get the worm, but
the second mouse gets the cheese.*

If you're having difficulty setting up your card, then approach one of the directors or experienced players for help.

It is mandatory that non-conforming or inappropriate actions are resolved at the time. If there's a problem, call the Director! There is no point raising an issue afterwards - whether it's several tables later or several days.

Lastly, when you play it's a good idea to watch what your opponents do, and particularly observe whether they make any mistakes in bidding or play. Learning from the mistakes of others is a smart move. None of us are going to live long enough to make all of the possible mistakes ourselves.

Nigel Cleminson – Club President

BRIDGE TOPIC OF THE MONTH

SYSTEM CARDS

System details are to be recorded on approved ABF System Cards. They must be legible to anybody and show the names of the relevant pair and an indication of the classification of the system.

For ordinary weekly Club events, each pair must have at least one relevant system card on the table during a session.

For Club Championships, Red point events and Congresses, each participating pair must have two identical cards on the table throughout the event.

Players who fail to meet these obligations may be required, by the Chief Director, to follow a very simple bidding system, specified by the Chief Director/Director, for the remainder of the session.

From ABF Rules and Ethics

Please Note:

Details on how to complete your card can be found on the AFB website: <https://www.abf.com.au/member-services/system-cards/>

Blank System Cards are available for purchase at the front desk.

COMPETITION RESULTS

The GNOT Qualifying Rounds were contested by ten teams who completed over two weeks on 9th and 16th June. Thanks to all who took part.

Congratulations to the winning team of **Frances Bourke, Neil Casey, Dan Maher and Carmel Denero** (who are 'non-competing' for the finals).



Dan, Carmel, Fran & Neil

We wish good luck to the three teams representing us in the GNOT Finals for the Brisbane zone in August.

- James Williamson, Janelle Williamson, Bill Morgan and Ros Putland.
- Nigel Cleminson, Jane Whelan, Shirley Burgess and Judith Corney.
- Roy Martin, Su O'mahony, Sandra Berns and Dov Berns.

The Doris Kerr Trophy was also held over 2 weeks and 24 pairs competed for the honour. After some very close competition the eventual winning pair were Leigh **Dominikovich** and **Barbara Mackay**. Congratulations ladies.



Leigh & Barbara

Congratulations also to Adele Munro, Michael Clibbons, Patricia France and Tom France who came second in the Gold Coast June Graded Teams competition recently.



Adele, Patricia, Tom & Michael

WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH

Sunday, 9 July – Redland Novice & Under 500 Pairs Congress – **Red Points**

**** (Register on the ABF website)**

Friday, 21 July – Winter Teams – **Red Points**

Friday, 28 July – Winter Teams – **Red Points**

**** Go to the ABF website abf.com.au, click on the "MY ABF" heading and follow instructions to register for the Congress. Entries close on Wednesday, 5 July.**



70%ers for June



Gil Holmes & Dan Maher – 79.6%

Pat Carroll & Barbara Luxton – 78.4%

Robina Cooper & Irene Mullan – 77.3%
and 71.6%

Nigel Cleminson & Jane Whelan – 76.7%

Daniel Chua & Greg Nolan – 76.7%

Betty Bowdler & Jane Horvath – 76.7%

Molly O'Donohue & Philip Thompson – 73.3%

Leigh Dominikovich & Barbara Mackay – 73.3%
and 72.2%

Shirley Burgess & David Earnshaw – 72.7% and
71.0%

Jenny Boxer & Jan Deaville – 71.6%

SPECIAL 80th BIRTHDAY



Congratulations to
Ronny Tollamache

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBER



Valerie Roland

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



*Our sincere condolences go to the family
of Genevieve Balzary who passed away
recently*



WHEN DO I SHOW A FIVE CARD SUIT

Gary Brown



It is confusing for the up-and-coming player as to whether their bid shows a five-card suit or a four-card suit. Consider the following auctions. Does 'Your' bid

promise a 5-card suit or only four?

1.

<u>North</u>	<u>You</u>	<u>South</u>	<u>West</u>
1♥	1♠/2♣/2♦		

An overcall promises a 5-card suit and if at the two level, it would be nice if you had six!

2.

<u>North</u>	<u>East</u>	<u>You</u>	<u>West</u>
1♣	1♦	1♥/1♠	

South's bid of 1♥ or 1♠ promises 4+. They are bidding the same way they would have, had East passed instead of overcalling 1♦.

Note: An opening bid of one of a suit promises length but not necessarily strength in the suit bid. Whereas an over-call tends to promise strength in the suit as well as the required length. An overcall is lead directional.

3.

<u>North</u>	<u>East</u>	<u>You</u>	<u>West</u>
1♠	pass	2♣/2♦	

Both 2♣ and 2♦ promises a 4-card suit and 10+ points. This allows responder to let opener know they have 10+ points and is forward going.

Anomaly

4.

<u>North</u>	<u>East</u>	<u>You</u>	<u>West</u>
1♠	pass	2♥	

Here South promises a 5+ card heart suit. With only a 4-card heart suit you can bid something else for now, and do not worry about missing out on a 4-4 heart fit. Partner, who has already promised 5 spades, will bid hearts at her second bid if she has 4+ hearts, so the 4-4 heart fit will be uncovered.

<u>West</u>	<u>East</u>
♠AQ753	♠42
♥AJ74	♥KQ105
♦6	♦A1094
♣K32	♣A94

W opens 1♠ and you should respond 2♦ (forcing) with the East hand. Now W will bid 2♥ and the heart fit has been revealed. This is why a 2♥ response to a 1♠ opening bid should have 5+ hearts.

Note: A one-level response to an opening suit bid promises 6+ points and only a 4-card suit. (Bid four cards 'Up the Line'). A two-level response to an opening suit-bid promises 10+ points and only a 4-card suit, unless it is a major suit, then it promises 5+ cards.

5.

<u>North</u>	<u>East</u>	<u>You</u>	<u>West</u>
2♣	pass	2♥/2♠/3♣/3♦	

A positive response to a strong 2♣ opening bid promises 5+ cards in the bid suit.

6.

<u>You</u>	<u>East</u>	<u>South</u>	<u>West</u>
2♣	pass	*2♦	
2♥/2♠/3♣/3♦			

* Negative or waiting bid

When you open 2♣, your next bid requires 5+ cards in any new suit you bid.

Note: After a 2♣ opening bid, the first 'real bid' by either player promises 5+ cards in the bid suit.

7.

<u>You</u>	<u>East</u>	<u>South</u>	<u>West</u>
1♠	pass	2♦	
3♣			

The 2♦ bid by South promises 10+ points and 4+ diamonds. 3♣ is opener's second suit and promises a minimum of 4-cards. (1♠ is your 'Primary Suit' 3♣ is your 'Secondary Suit').

8.

<u>North</u>	<u>East</u>	<u>South</u>	<u>You</u>
1♠	dbl.		2♥

The 2♥ bid in this sequence is in response to partner's take-out double and thus promises only a 4-card suit. Partner's take-out double implies that she has four hearts as well as tolerance for clubs and diamonds. She is asking you for your preferred suit with an emphasis on the major(s).

9.

<u>North</u>	<u>East</u>	<u>South</u>	<u>You</u>
1♠	2♣	pass	2♦

The 2♦ bid is a response to partner's overcall of 2♣ but it does promise a 5-card suit as this is a competitive auction and 2♦ can be the final contract so you had better have at least five!

Knowing when you promise a 5-card suit and when you can expect a f-card suit from partner gives confidence to your partnership as well as more accurate bidding.

MAY PROMOTIONS

Lyn Brown
Ron Khaled

National
Silver Life

RECIPE CORNER

Sunday bridge has inspired some of our talented cooks to share some of their favourite recipes with us on a regular basis. Many thanks to Glenda Lock who is the first to provide us with details of her yummy treats.

Chorizo Cheese Puffs

by Glenda Lock



1 cup (150g) self-raising flour
½ cup (125ml) water
2 eggs
2 (340g) chorizo sausages, finely chopped (partly cook before chopping)
1 small red capsicum (150g), finely chopped
½ cup (40g) parmesan cheese
3 cloves garlic, crushed
¼ cup finely chopped fresh chives
2 teaspoons cumin
oil

Combine all ingredients, heat oil, drop tablespoons of mixture into hot oil until browned. Makes 40

I look forward to receiving a copy of your favourite recipe to share with everyone. Please email me at robina21@bigpond.com (complete with photo if possible).

Supervised Play continues with sessions held from 2.00 pm to 4.00 pm on Wednesdays 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.

The meek may inherit the earth but they won't win at duplicate bridge.



The 6th-grade science teacher, Mrs. Parks, asked her class, "Which human body part increases to ten times its size when stimulated?"

No one answered until little Mary stood up and said, "You

should not be asking sixth-graders a question like that! I'm going to tell my parents, and they will go and tell the principal, who will then fire you!"

Mrs. Parks ignored her and asked the question again, "Which body part increases to 10 times its size when stimulated?"

Little Mary's mouth fell open. Then she said to those around her, "Boy, is she going to get in big trouble!"

The teacher continued to ignore her and said to the class, "Anybody?"

Finally, Billy stood up, looked around nervously, and said, "The body part that increases 10 times its size when stimulated is the pupil of the eye."

Mrs. Parks said, "Very good, Billy," then turned to Mary and continued.

"As for you, young lady, I have three things to say: One, you have a dirty mind. Two, you didn't read your homework. And three, one day you are going to be very, very disappointed."



Elderly folk like to drink wine but it causes them to go the toilet frequently. A vigneron wanted to develop a wine that does not have that effect on the elderly. He crossed to varietal wines, Pinor Grigio and Pinot Noir and came up with a new varietal called Pinot More.



Sitting on the side of the highway waiting to catch speeding drivers, a Police Officer sees a car puttering along at 22 kph. He says to himself,

"this driver is just as dangerous as a speedster!" So, he turns on his lights and pulls the driver over. Approaching the car, he notices that there are five old ladies - two in the front seats and three in the back - wide eyed and white as ghosts.

The driver obviously confused says "Officer, I don't understand, I was doing exactly the speed limit! What seems to be the problem?"

"Ma'am," the officer replies, "you weren't speeding, but you should know that driving slower than the speed limit can also be a danger to other drivers."

"Slower than the speed limit? No Sir, I was doing the speed limit exactly - twenty-two kilometres an hour!" the old woman says a bit proudly.

The Police officer, trying to contain a chuckle, explains to her that 22 was the highway number, not the speed limit. A bit embarrassed, the woman grinned and thanked the officer for pointing out her error. "But before I let you go, Ma'am, I have to ask. Is everyone in the car OK? These women seem awfully shaken and they haven't made a peep this whole time," the officer asks. "Oh, they'll be all right in a minute officer. We just got off Highway 162."



Him? No, he doesn't want a cookie. He says I can have two.

An attorney I know once drafted wills for an elderly husband and wife who had been somewhat apprehensive about discussing death. When they arrived to sign the documents, he ushered the couple into his office. "Now," he said to them, "which one of you wants to go first?"

Nurse: Doctor, there is a man in the waiting room with a glass eye named Brown.

Doctor: What does he call his other eye?

Doctor: Did you take the patient's temperature?

Nurse: No. Is it missing?



More bathroom problems!

- I've been charged with murder for killing a man with sandpaper. I only intended to rough him up a bit.
- How come there's enough asphalt to make speed humps but not enough to fill the potholes.
- 18 months ago, my doctor told me I was going deaf - I haven't heard from him since.
- I was walking down my local high street today and saw written on one of the windows: 'Chicken dinner \$2.00.' I felt a bit hungry, so I went inside and ordered the chicken dinner, and they gave me a bag of bird seed.
- Why are poultry farmers so cool? They're always picking up Chicks.
- I remember my watch stopped during a minute of silence. I couldn't tell anybody; I was there for hours.
- How do sailors get their clothes clean? They throw them overboard and they wash ashore.
- Where do you get a small soda? Minnesota.
- I was found guilty in court today of being egotistical.....I am appealing.