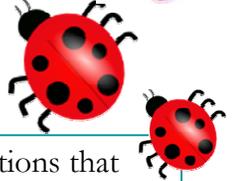




REDLAND BRIDGE CLUB INC.

TRUMPIT

NOVEMBER 2011



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SPECIAL EVENTS

4th December

Sunday 9.30 a.m.

**REDLAND
GRADED TEAM
Red Point Event**

10th December

Saturday 12.00 pm

**CHRISTMAS
PARTY
Green Point Event**

**Current
Member-
ship:**

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FROM THE EDITOR

Hi Everyone.

Welcome to the November edition of the Trumpit. Melbourne Cup was a great day with beautiful outfits, wonderful company and great food to be had by all. Congratulations and thanks to the Volunteers who made the day another great success. Congratulations also to the event winners.

The garden is blooming with all the new plants put in by the busy Club Gnomes. Their hard work creates a living picture of beauty. Thank you from us all. Jean



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

New Tuesday Session Guidelines

At a previous Committee of Management Meeting, a sub-committee was established to review the Tuesday bridge session and make recommendations to the committee on how the future running of the session could achieve the outcomes desired; namely to continue the learning process already started in beginners' lessons, to build confidence in bidding and card play of the new bridge players, prior to joining the main sessions.

The following is a summary of the main

points of the recommendations that have been accepted by the committee:

The Tuesday session will now allow members with 50 MPs or less to be eligible to play. Kevin Williams will Direct the sessions every second week and on those weeks, a brief 10 to 15 minute lesson will be provided. A list of topics has been drawn up. On the other Tuesdays, a club Director will be appointed to direct the sessions and Deirdre Giles, when available, will give the lesson. All bidding lessons will follow the Joan Butts' Standard American system of bidding, to avoid confusion to the beginner. The session will remain 'No Partner Required', however, Deirdre and Kevin have agreed to be the partnership organisers for beginners and can be contacted by beginners who require a partner. Periodically, a more senior player will be invited to play with a beginner to extend the beginner's bidding and play; this will also be organised by Deirdre and Kevin.



The booking sheet for the Dec 4th Graded Teams Congress is starting to fill up - if you are interested in playing, please put your Team names down ASAP. I know one pair looking for another pair - if you and your partner wish to play, please let me know. If you would like to volunteer to help please let me know.

The kitchen fit-out will now take place next Tuesday. Tuesday bridge will continue at the same time, but at the other end of the room.

Saturday 10th Dec. is our Christmas Party. Please



leave this day free to come and join us. The arrangements will be much the same as last year. Bridge at 12 noon (free), the cost of the meal and drinks will be \$10.00 for members and \$20.00 for non-members.

On our recent trip, Margaret and I visited a number of National Parks in the border region of Qld and NSW found the wildflowers the best we can remember due, no doubt, to the huge amount of water that covered the area. The damage caused by this could still be seen on the banks of the creeks and rivers. However, the countryside looked very colourful and pleasant. Regards, David.



DIRECTOR'S REPORT

We have had a very busy time over the last month with the Interclub Teams and Melbourne Cup Day. I know David and Cec have thanked all the volunteers. But I just wanted to add my bit. No Club can function without its army of volunteers and there never seem to be enough of them. So if you can ever help it is as easy as talking to a Committee member. The more the merrier. Thank you to Kay Justice, Dianne & Kevin Williams (my more than able assistant director), Judy Hutchinson, Avra Bowdler, Judy Reid, Barbara Flynn, Caradine Lucas, & Shirley Murdoch - who worked hard on the days and thank you to everyone who contributed the salads etc, and who can forget our Bookie/Auctioneer - Trevor Topher and his

beautiful bag ladies – Di Elliott and Val Watkins and of course our Fashion Judge Florence Napier - it really was a fantastic effort from everyone – including the Management Committee who are also volunteers and who work tirelessly for our Club.

We are a friendly Club run under the umbrella of the ABF and QBA. Law 74 - Conduct and Etiquette is one of those Laws that help to maintain our friendly atmosphere. The law states “that a player should carefully avoid any remark or action that might cause annoyance or embarrassment to another player or might interfere with the enjoyment of the game”. Unfortunately, there have been some incidents lately which breach this Law. The Committee and the Directors will not tolerate this kind of behaviour – from any member. So, if you are upset by the behaviour of another member, please either call the director at the time, notify me (I will have a quiet word with the offender) or put the complaint in writing to the Management Committee. We take the enjoyment of our members very seriously.

Good Bridging, Val

Spring Graded Pairs:

- A Section: Pat Crowd & Pat Back
- B Section: Daniel Chua & Chris Mayfield
- C Section: Pam Ruppin & Peter Neville

Melbourne Cup Day:

- A Section: N/S Daniel Chua & Chris Mayfield
- E/W Dianne Elliott & Deirdre Giles
- B Section: N/S Keith Ormerod & Vince Davies
- E/W Marj Lower & Judy Blomfield

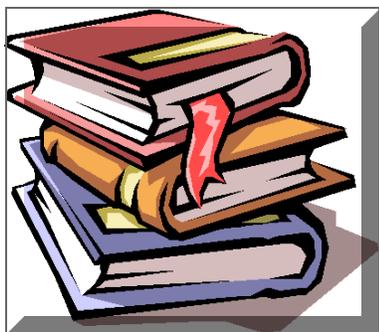
Spring Teams:

- Harris Team
- John Harris
- Leigh Dominivich
- Ron Khaled
- Ros Putland



OUR LIBRARY

Well aren't we lucky to have a wonderful Library at our disposal. I see many people coming and going out of the door there and I know I am a frequent visitor as well.



I have not had to go to the library in town for the past 4 years and I read a lot of books.

This facility would not have been possible without the founders of it about 4 years ago and without the continuing nurturing it gets from the Library ladies.

As you know the books are rotated on a frequent basis so there is never a time I have gone in there where I cannot find a book I have not read.

There is also a rotating collection of jigsaws as well as a magazine section.

From us all I would like to give a special thank you to these ladies who provide such a wonderful service to our Bridge Club.

MEDICAL KIT

There is a well stocked Medical Kit on top of the fridge in the area just outside the kitchen. It is checked constantly for restocking, but if there is a shortage of something please report it to someone on the Committee.



The main items are in the large container and the little extras that would not likely be used much are in the smaller container. There is a list under the container of what they should contain and the dates they are checked and replenished.

TALKING TO YOUR PARTNER

One of the most common mistakes you make as declarer is drawing trumps too early. Always look at dummy's trumps and decide whether they can take tricks by ruffing. Consider the following ordinary-looking hand that was played recently in a competition. The contract was 2 diamonds by South.

Dealer South All Vul	<p>♠ AK987</p> <p>♥ 6</p> <p>♦ 10976</p> <p>♣ 1098</p>	
<p>♠ Q432</p> <p>♥ K95</p> <p>♦ AQ8</p> <p>♣ J42</p>		<p>♠ J106</p> <p>♥ QJ3</p> <p>♦ 32</p> <p>♣ KQ765</p>
	<p>♠ 5</p> <p>♥ A108742</p> <p>♦ KJ54</p> <p>♣ A3</p>	

Say a spade is led, and won in dummy. If declarer now starts drawing trumps, he will probably make 7 tricks on best defence. That is, 2 spades, 1 heart, 1 club, 2 trumps in hand and 1 trump in dummy. Assume the diamond 10 is led from dummy, West takes the Queen and should lead the Ace and a third trump. There is now 1 trump in each hand, so that declarer wins 1 more trump and dummy wins one with a heart ruff.

On the other hand, if declarer never draws any trumps he can make 11 tricks. At trick 2, discard the small club on the spade King, and lead a club to the Ace. Play Ace and another heart, ruffing. Then ruff a spade, and ruff a heart. Ruff a club back to hand. At this stage, the hearts are established, so use them to drive out the trumps from defenders' hands. West ruffs with the Queen and draws 2 more trumps with the Ace and 8, South's King winning. South's hearts win the remaining tricks, making 11 altogether.

Patricia Back



BEGINNERS CORNER

Major Suit Preference:

A problem for inexperienced players sometimes is the immediate response to partner's opening bid. Look at the East-West hands in the sample, after West opens with 1 Heart. Many players are reluctant to bid the very poor spades, however a bid of 1 spade is preferable to the alternative 1 No Trump. Say East does bid 1NT, West assumes that partner has fewer than 4 spades, so the response will be 3NT with such a promising hand. However, before East can make 9 tricks, North-South will have made 4 diamonds, 1 spade and 2 hearts. Look at the tricks to be made in 4 spades, the correct contract. Declarer loses 1 spade, 1 diamond and 1 heart.

When East responded 1NT to the opening bid, he was denying having 4 spades, and so the spade fit was lost. A response of 1 spade will result in West bidding 4 spades immediately and a good game will be made.

Pat

TUITION

Another successful course of Beginner lessons with Joan Butts finished last week, with eleven of the twelve original starters finishing the course.

One person was unable to complete the course due to work commitments but may come back at a later stage. Eight people have joined the club already and the remainder have indicated that they will joining in the next couple of weeks.

Once again, I would ask experienced players to make these new players feel welcome when you meet them. It has come to my notice that this has not always been the case and its very disappointing to hear as we have always prided ourselves on being a particularly friendly club. It is a stressful experience for a new player to join in a duplicate session so please try to be helpful and understanding.

Tuesday morning's duplicate session is now open to players below 50 masterpoints and a brief lesson is provided prior to play. Perhaps some of those players who had to leave due to the 15 masterpoint rule would like to come back. Its still a very friendly and social day.

Supervised play has started at 2pm on Tuesday afternoons. This is open to anyone who feels that they may need a little help with bidding and play.

Deirdre



WEDNESDAY EVENING

The Wednesday evening session continues to grow in popularity. This month we were all saddened to hear of the resignation by Vince as Director of this event. Vince must be congratulated for his dedication over the past four years which has seen this session develop into the vibrant and thoroughly enjoyable evening it has become. We understand that Vince will continue to play on Wednesday nights. Free of the onerous task of directing, we can expect Vince and his lucky partner will be a combination to be reckoned with....not only at the dinner table.



Thank you Vince from all of us.

CONGRESS— SUNDAY, 4TH DECEMBER

Helpers are required in the Kitchen.

Cooks are required to bake some goodies.

Donations are required to buy some ingredients.

Please see Margaret Hunt



MELBOURNE CUP 2011

An Independent Report by resident Poet, Chris Mayfield.



The doors are open, excitement mounts up
In anticipation of a win in the Cup
Shirley, Avra and Barbara have tickets to sell
We part with our money and hope to do well

The boss lady Val says first we must play
It's a fitting start to a wonderful day.
Crazy antics abound, all rigged to our score
We embarrass ourselves to win prizes galore



We stand and we shout as each milestone is met
Our voices well oiled for the upcoming bet.
But did you see Carradine, Di, Val and Kay
Dismembering chickens while we were at play?

They worked very hard to feed a big mob
Well done ladies – you did a great job.
In the crowd we also saw Brian and Pat
Serving and helping with this and that.

But no fancy meal is ever complete
Without indulging in something sweet
Jean, Margaret and Kay with eggs,
cream and butter.

It's yummy but fattening, I heard
someone mutter



And Tom, with a smile – no job any trouble
Filled all of our glasses with wine and with bubbles.
Dutch courage now primed for the fashion parade
Flo viewed the field and hard decisions were made

And Judy who's always not far away
Overseeing events of a wonderful day
And "Kevin the Quiet", I know he was seen
Working hard in the kitchen to keep things clean

At last here's Trevor to run the Calcutta
And we bid on our annual irresponsible flutter

He has Di and Val to fill up his bags
With the money we waste on slow running nags



Then the race is run and it's time to go
I look at the kitchen, and what do you know
The witches have cleaned up all of the mess
No fuss, no bother, no lingering stress.

Volunteers are important. They make this club run
So we can relax and have so much fun
If you'd like to volunteer, don't wait to be asked
Step front and centre – you'll be suitably tasked.



**WINNER—BEST DRESSED
LADY 2011
DI WILLIAMS**



**Report for Graded Pairs
Congress 25th September 2011**

42 pairs entered the Graded Pairs Congress which was a pleasing result, although numbers were down on the corresponding Congress last year. Outside entries made up the bulk of players for sections A and B with Redland players mostly filling the C section. One pair had to pull out that morning due to ill health so our standby pair was not needed to play. Many thanks to them for their gracious withdrawal. It was great to see Redland players taking out first and second in the C section.

Everyone enjoyed the day and went home well pleased with their efforts.

Winners were :-

- Section A 1st: Nathan van Jole/Andy Hung
 2nd: Peter Hainsworth/Ralph Parker
- Section B 1st John Scrivens/Joan Mills
 2nd: Evelynne Mander/Beverley Jenner
- Section C 1st: Dennis Kennedy/Maureen Kelso
 2nd: David Bessell/Michael Clibbon

The raffles were won by Margaret Hunt [Fruit Basket] and Joy Pulford [Wine]

Thanks to Alan Gibson who directed the Congress, for ensuring that the day's play went so smoothly and to Margaret Hunt and the enthusiastic band of members who donated food and money, helped with preparing and serving, as well as cleaning up and ensuring that the clubhouse was ready for play on Monday.

Your help is much appreciated by players and visitors who look forward to coming to the Redland club to play socialize and "eat".

Many thanks again, Marianne Ross.



That is all this month,
Adieu, Jean