

# REDLAND BRIDGE CLUB

# TRUMPIT



February 2026

Hi Everyone,

*A happy New Year to all our members and we trust 2026 will be our best year ever. The Trumpit has a new editor, Glynis Hendricks who would like to thank Robina publishing the Trumpit for so many years.*

*The Redlands Under 500 Teams Congress will take place on Sunday, 15 February 2026. Please get your nominations forms in. We are also looking for assistance on the day in the kitchen and donations of food (savoury/sweet.) Avra Bowler is the Catering Coordinator*

*The **Annual General Meeting** will be held on Sunday, 16th March – see details on page 3. If you would like to contribute to the running of the club, please consider nominating for a position on the committee. We are always appreciative of people willing to help.*

*Good bridging and keep smiling!*

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## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

It's been very hot and steamy lately, and it is a real comfort to get inside the clubhouse when the air-conditioning has been running for long enough to get the temperature down to about 24° inside. It also pulls the humidity level down, so there's a double effect on your comfort. We've also been using the de-humidifier, mainly to keep the card storage and dealing room from getting any mould, but also to keep the air dry in the building when the air-conditioning isn't running. When I'm at the front desk, I often see people sigh with relief as they come into the building

I'd like to draw your attention to the efforts of some committee members whose work has a low profile but still has a significant result for the club. Since the working bee in the outside area, a lot of the garden work has been continued by Tom France. He's been taking care of watering, planting, weeding, pruning and the occasional spot of mowing. Our surroundings wouldn't look as good without his continuous efforts. For another example, a lot of the work associated with organising the catering has been done by Avra Bowler and her helpers. We had a lot of events in the last few months of last year – congresses, Melbourne Cup, Christmas party – and multiple overlapping catering arrangements had to be dealt with. I'd also like to thank all of the other people whose efforts allow us to keep operating smoothly. One person I should have mentioned last month is Kay Justice. She has organised and arranged all of the Christmas decorations for the clubhouse and done a splendid job.

**In February there is everything to hope for  
and nothing to regret**

The New Year Graded Pairs was held on two Tuesdays last month. We managed to attract 26 pairs, which is about the same as last year. We graded the field into *A and B sections*, but then allowed the whole field to compete in one group. The grades are done by ranking according to the total Master Points held by both players. It was a good competition, with some different people ending up winning after the two days. Congratulations to the overall winners Penny Corey and Jill Patterson. The best pair from the B group was Su O'Mahoney and Peter Hasenkam who came third overall. I had Pat Twomey as my partner, and we made a big dash for top spot but ended up just short.

We are in the process of setting up the President's Pairs event, which will be run on two Wednesdays in mid-February. As one of the honour-board events, it will be run by a paid non-playing director as laid down by the committee. At the time of writing we only have a few nominations. More entries will always be better. I hope we have enough for another Swiss movement.

Supervised play has restarted, and will continue until the beginning of March. We are getting 2 or 3 tables of people at these sessions, although numbers have been down during school holiday time. Beginning players are welcome to come and refresh their skills. I have a number of helpers in this task, and their input is greatly appreciated. The next set of lessons will start on the 4<sup>th</sup> of March. If you have any family or friends who might like to learn, then ask them to get in touch.

The next AGM is not too far away. We will soon be putting up nomination forms for committee positions and notices of motions to be voted on.

***Nigel Cleminson – Club President***

***BRIDGE IS A TRICK TAKING  
GAMES: GO GET 'EM!***

## ***What's on this month***

**Wednesday, 11 February –President Pairs  
Competition, Red Points**

**Wednesday, 18 February – President Pairs  
Competition, Red Points**

**Redlands Under 500 Teams Congress –  
Sunday, 15 February 2026**

## ***COMPETITION RESULTS***

### ***Open Teams Congress, Sunday 7 December. 5<sup>th</sup> Place overall***

*Nigel Cleminson, Jane Whelan, Judith Corney  
and Shirley Burgess.*



### ***New Year Graded Pairs. Tuesday 6 and 13 January 2026***

*Our first competition for 2026 was held over the first two weeks in January. Our regular Tuesday players joined in which resulted in 26 pairs dividing neatly into two sections.*

#### ***Group A:***

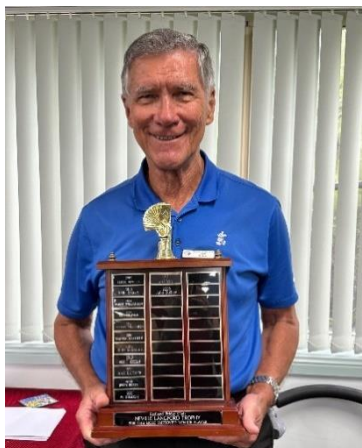
- 1<sup>st</sup>: Penny Cory & Jill Patterson*
- 2<sup>nd</sup>: Nigel Cleminson & Pat Twomey*
- 3<sup>rd</sup>: Michel Clibbon & Suan Rankin*

#### ***Group B:***

- 1<sup>st</sup>. Peter Hasenkam & Su O'mahony*
- 2<sup>nd</sup>: Cathy Mathieson & Sue Sherrell*
- 3<sup>rd</sup>: Brenda Wilson & Rae Bocher*

*Congratulations to John Bullion who was awarded the Neville Langford Trophy.*

*John won this award for the most improved Novice player for 2025. Well done, John!*



*The QCBC Novice pairs winners are Sue Sherrell and Joshua Davis. Well done.*



**A.G.M.** of the members of Redland Bridge Club

**Date: Sunday 15th March 2026**

**Time: 10:30 am**

**Place: Redland Bridge Club**

Nominations for positions on the Management Committee will open on Wednesday 4th February and close at 12 pm on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> February. If nominations exceed the positions available an election will take place. In addition to the four office bearers, the committee must have a minimum of three and up to a maximum of six general members.

Elected committee members are expected to attend monthly committee meetings and be ready to volunteer for roles required for the smooth running of the Club. Committee meetings will be held at 1.30pm on the second Tuesday every month until the following AGM in 2027.

Absentee voting will be available for any required elections. Forms for absentee voting can be obtained from the Secretary, Jane Whelan, shortly after 20th February. These forms must be signed for in person and returned to the Secretary prior to the AGM. No proxy voting will be allowed for the elections.

If you wish to raise any item of business for the AGM or submit a motion, you must provide the relevant details to the Club Secretary at [secretary.bridge@outlook.com](mailto:secretary.bridge@outlook.com) by 12 pm, Wednesday, 18th February.

The agenda for the AGM will be distributed to members via email or post at least 14 days prior to the meeting date.

Jane Whelan – Club Secretary

Please note: After the meeting there will be a sandwich lunch and a free game.

**WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBER**



**Rae Boucher**

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

### **December PROMOTIONS**

Jill Patterson  
Caroline Attard  
Penny Cary

Club  
Bronze Local  
Bronze National

## **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*

## **Bits and Pieces**

### **Supervised Play**

Supervised Play restarted on 8<sup>th</sup> January, sessions are held on **Wednesdays from 2.00 pm to 4.00 pm** for new members and those who wish to refresh their skills.

**New lessons** are planned to commence 4th March 2026.

If you know of anyone who may be interested in learning to play bridge, please ask them to phone or text Nigel Cleminson on 0419 642 498. Alternatively, they can email the club. Secretary.bridge@outlook.com

## **On a Lighter Side**

The good thing about having a bad memory is that jokes can be funny more than once.

*Two older gentlemen, Fred and Sam, went to see a movie. Merely minutes into the movie, Sam heard Fred rustling around. It appeared that he was reaching under the seats. “What on earth are you doing, Fred?” asked Sam. Fred indignantly responded, “I had a caramel in my mouth and it dropped out. I’m trying to find it!” Annoyed, Sam told him not to worry about it — they could get him another caramel later since that one was ruined by now. “But I’ve got to,” said Fred, exasperated. “My teeth are in it!”*

I just saw [a grandpa](#) help a youngster, who was staring into his phone, to cross the street.

*What do Alexander the Great and [Winnie the Pooh](#) have in common?*

*They have the same [middle name](#).*

A woman told her friend, “I feel like my body has gotten totally out of shape, so I got my doctor’s permission to join a fitness club and [start exercising](#).”

She said, “So, I decided to take an aerobics class for seniors. I bent, twisted, gyrated, jumped up and down, and perspired for an hour. But by the time I got my leotards on, the class was already over.”

What has no voice, tells stories? Book

What is always open? Sky

What is seen, never touched? Shadow

What has no legs but runs? Water