

QCBC Newsletter



From the President, Ray Ellaway

The recent heavy rains have again caused problems with erosion of the back lot, flooding of the under building car park and water leaking through the roof. The good news is that our insurers have approved the complete replacement of the hail damaged roof and work will commence as soon as the contractor can program the job. The storm water drains and pits under the building will soon be cleaned out and this should reduce water pooling. Options to disperse the water flow across the lot and fix the drop near the entrance to the ramp are also being investigated.

Some of the club's long term debenture holders have asked to redeem their funds so if any members have spare cash to invest with us please let Toni know. Minimum deposit amount is \$5,000 at an interest rate equal to the current RBA cash rate + 2% subject to 6 monthly reviews. Interest payments will be made quarterly.

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Kim's Communique: Next Management Meeting for the QBA, May 28th
Next Council Meeting, June 25
Please note that as from 2016, the Queens Birthday in June is no longer. The Barrier Reef event will be conducted in May each year from 2016. 2016 host is Mackay, 2017 host is Yeppoon.

QCBC Beginners Lessons - FREE - 8 week course - starting Monday 7.30pm, 18 May and Tuesday 10.30am, 26 May

New Members

Carol Afflick
Bedi Kuldip
Maxine Collins
Lynette Carey
Jane Eberhardt
Rachel Langdon
Peter Vines

Coming Up

Wed AM May 13, 20, 27
GNOT QCBC
May 16, 17 QBA Mixed Pairs Toowong
May 24 Graded IMP Pairs BBC
May 30 Arana IMP Pairs
May 31 Arana IMP Teams
June 1 Winter Swiss Pairs
June 5-8 QBA Barrier Reef – Cairns
June 6 QLD day Pairs
June 8 QCBC Teams – Open and Restricted < 200
June 28 QBA Graded Teams QCBC

Congratulations to the Queensland teams:

Open: Tony Hutton, Malcolm Carter, Eileen Li, Greg Lee, Janeen Solomon, Pele Rankin, Neville Francis (NPC)
Seniors: Therese Tully, Richard Wallis, Mike Pemberton, John Gough, Charlie Howard, Kerry Wood
Womens: Ann Mellings, Di McAlister, Lindy Vincent, Jay Faranda, Toni Bardon, Yolanda Carter



Toni Bardon & Yolanda Carter

Vale Peter Hainsworth

08/01/1940 – 05/04/2015

Peter Hainsworth was born in Leeds on the 8th of January, 1940. He was brought up largely by his grandparents in Bramley, Leeds, not far from the Headingley cricket ground. There he trained as an accountant before coming out to Australia as a “Ten Pound Pom” in 1964.

Originally Peter settled in Melbourne where he played golf and chess. In the late 1970’s Peter moved to Brisbane where his love of golf continued. He joined Indooroopilly Golf Club and played off a handicap of 16. Peter worked in Brisbane with a number of businesses, finally with Freedman’s Gentleman’s Outfitters in Fortitude Valley. Here he grappled with the implementation of a computing system which he would have enjoyed, as technology remained a keen interest of his until the end of his life. But Peter never enjoyed working much (he told me that he would’ve been more suited to being a research scientist than an accountant) and he retired early which allowed him to spend more time on his interests.

By the time of his retirement bridge had become paramount in Peter’s life. His successes are too numerous to list in full, but he was a member of the State Open Team 10 times (1984, 1999, 2000, 2005, 2007, 2008, 2010-2013) and also represented Queensland at the Commonwealth Games Tournament in Melbourne in 2006 and the PABF in 2008. He won numerous state titles including the Open Teams (5 times), the Butler Pairs (3 times) and the Open Pairs (twice). He amassed 4559.80 masterpoints and was ranked 99th in the all-time masterpoint earners in Australia.



Many bridge players attended the memorial service held at QCBC.

his insight into bridge, sport and the events of the day.

Peter faced his illness bravely but passed away on the 5th of April, 2015. He is survived by his family in England (half-sisters Beverley and Joan and half-brother Charles and their families) and his bridge family here.

He will be missed. Tony Treloar



Peter gave his time willingly as a bridge teacher and mentor and helped many players to improve their game. I was fortunate to play with Peter for about 5 years and he taught me much about both the technical and psychological sides of the game. He also taught me the importance of claiming once the result was certain (a skill shared by all smokers and their partners). He was a patient and forgiving partner and a formidable, yet congenial opponent. Away from the table I always enjoyed Peter’s sense of humour and



Peter and Tony Treloar

ENVOI

And when the last long game is played;
The final trick is lost and made;
You’ll hear the Two of Diamonds say:
‘Thank God, they’re finished for the day.’

Whatever may happen,
You’re never to blame.
It was always your partner
Who lost the game.

Congress Successes: Hobart

Island Matchpoint Pairs

3rd Jim Wallis & Bill Nash

Australian Swiss Pairs

1st Justin Howard & Andrew Mill

2nd Martin Bloom & George Bilski

3rd Margaret Walters & Mark Fairlamb



Some of you will remember former QCBC member, Margaret Walters, who came third with her partner, Mark Fairlamb

Winners Justin Howard and step-dad Andrew Mill. Justin started playing at the age of 5 and now travels the world making his living playing bridge.



Joan Jenkins and Evelyne Mander were ecstatic with their placing at 31st out of 120 pairs



Ivy and John Luck, Sue O'Brian, Paul Collins, Bronwyn MacLeod and Terry O'Dempsey made the most of Tasmania's culinary delights.



Gympie Pairs

1st Neville Francis & Malcolm Carter

Gympie Teams

1st Malcolm Carter/Tony Hutton & Neville and Pip Francis

Yeppoon Novice Pairs

1st Helen Blair and Tony Marsland

Anzac Day Teams

A Grade 1st Neville Francis, Magnus Moren, Malcolm Carter, Tony Hutton
2nd Patrick Bugler, Yolanda Carter, Pele Rankin, Janeen Solomon
3rd Murray Perrin, Tim Runting, Craig Francis, Nikolas Moore
B Grade 1st Lex Ranke, Jack Rohde, David O'gorman, Alan Mckenna
2nd Mary Ryan, Jan Hoffman, Jim Taylor, Deidre Taylor
3rd Jenny Williams, Roberta Tait, Michael Fernon, Rosemary Mooney

Easter Teams
Winners: Jim Wallis, Richard Fox, Paula & David McLeish



Tony Marsland & Helen Blair –QBA Novice Pairs Winners

BBC Easter Pairs

A Grade 1st P. Larsen, E. Zeller

2nd I. Afflick, P. Collins

B Grade 2nd R. Fox, R. Clark

C Grade 1st M. Scott, N. Mc Iver

BBC Easter Teams

A Grade 1st R. Fox/ J. Wallis & D&P. McLeish

2nd J.Mills/R. Parker & N. Francis/ M. Perrin

3rd T. Tully/R. Wallis & C. Lu/ W. Zhou

B Grade 1st C. Francis/T. Runting & N. Moore/G. Martin

C Grade 1st E. Mander/ S. Mills & R. Steinhardt/H. Chamberlin

When everything looks straightforward, consider what bad developments might occur.



Caloundra Swiss Teams
A Grade 1st Malcolm
 Carter/Tony Hutton & Neville
 Francis/Patrick Bugler
C Grade 1st J. Jenkins/L. Norman
 & A. Hyland? A. Gosney



A Grade Winners: Neville,
 Malcolm, Patrick and Tony

C Grade Winners: Joan, Linda,
 Annette and Andrew

Macau Teams
 1st Agnes & Barry Kempthorne, Maha Hoenig, Connie Schoutrop,
 Bronwyn MacLeod
 2nd Dawn Cullen, Joan Jenkins, Ray Ellaway, Marion Cooke, Kim
 Ellaway
 3rd Paul Collins, Terry O'Dempsey, Sue Obrien, Claire Hyne

QCBC Bridge for Brains
 N/S 1st Marion Cooke &
 Keith McDonald
 2nd Dawn Cullen & Joan
 Jenkins
 3rd Valerie Ferguson &
 Heather England
 E/W 1st Connie Schoutrop
 & Albina Smyth
 2nd Kim & Ray Ellaway
 3rd Lynne Gray & Roman
 Morawiecki

BRIDGE FOR BRAINS RAFFLE WINNERS
Drawn Saturday 2 May
Narelle McIver, Lynne Gray, Margaret Allen

Masterpoint Promotions
March

Fox, Richard	Gold Life
Olsen, Geoff	Silver Life
Fernon, Michael	Bronze Life
Li, Eileen	Bronze Life
Mander, Evelyne	Bronze Life
Rogers, Denise 449830)	**National
Chotai, Ashok	*National
Standfast, Helen	*National
Norman, Linda	National
Watson, Beverley	State
Marsland, Anthony	**Local
Clifford, Barbara	**Local
Anderson, Alan	*Local
Hansen, Neil	Local
Thillainathan, Devi	Graduate



Linda Norman



Tony Marsland



Richard Fox

Masterpoint Promotions
April

Larsen, Patricia	Grand
McKenna, Alan	Bronze Life
Hildebrand, Judy	*National
Rogers, Denise (541974)	National
Blair, Helen	State
Gaskill, Deanne	Regional
Stevens, Ryan	Graduate

60th Wedding Anniversary

Our congratulations and very best wishes go to Doreen and Noel Lindley, who celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on Thursday 30th April. They were attended by Joan and Alan Dobbs, Veronica Rice and Cecil Lindley. They have a son, Graham and two daughters, Kristen and Sharon and nine grandchildren. The family plan to take them to the Gold Coast for celebrations.

Good luck to you both.



Travels with Jim (Spence)

In my twenties I was practising law in London, bowler hat, pinstriped trousers and all. It was an exhilarating time to explore a relatively different way of life. Theatre and concerts were so abundant that choice was difficult.

By then my schoolmates with whom I had travelled thought it time to move on. They suggested returning to Singapore, and then by ship to Brisbane. I wasn't ready to leave, but the prospect of seeing exotic places won me over.

The plan was to use public transport. With the blind courage of youth, we felt we could make ourselves understood in all the countries we would cross, and that public transport would be readily available.

We went first to Spain and Morocco, by third class train when possible. Youthful insensitivity led us to enjoy the bullfights.

We travelled quickly along the expensive French Riviera, down to Rome. We bought tickets for swimming and athletic events at the Rome Olympic Games. A gracious Yugoslav lady accommodated us comfortably on Monte Mario. Here, one of my schoolmates decided to return to London, so two of us continued.

On to Bari, and an overnight ferry to Patras, bus to Olympia and Corinth, and through to Athens. We took a ferry to the Sporades, slipping through the wine-dark seas to the best beaches we had seen since leaving home. We spent some days on Mt Athos, a monastic state in Northern Greece, staying at monasteries as old as the twelfth century. We shared the Spartan meals with the monks, and they opened to us their magnificent libraries and manuscripts.

In Thessaloniki we chanced upon a cheap but dubious hotel, which we found offered more than accommodation to a variety of tastes, which we politely declined.

Istanbul has a complex culture. The mixture of East and West, of the European and Middle Eastern elements of sights and aromas, was intriguing. Later visits confirmed to me its particular sophistication.

Down through Tarsus, Aleppo, to Beirut, then a beautiful port. Here, in a cheap hotel, we were approached with an offer to make some money. It was suggested we book passage on a boat in the harbour. Once on board, one of us would be given an injection that would give serious symptoms of illness. He would be carried ashore with 'some items' hidden on the stretcher. Not likely!

Jerusalem was emotionally a disappointment. There was little air of authenticity, a lot of commercialism. After swimming in the Dead Sea, we passed by Jericho and into Damascus. Here we were met by a riot, subdued by the army wielding what seemed to be whips.

As infidels, we could not enter the Great Mosque.

Bus to Baghdad, then a city of grand mosques, but the food was not exciting. We ate street food, anything that was boiling, with no questions asked.

On the bus to Kermanshah we met a young Persian who was excited to be returning home. When we crossed the border, he kissed the earth. He wanted to take us for a Persian bath, but, again, as infidels, we were not allowed. Teheran meant we had the opportunity to bathe ourselves and our clothes. We were guests at the Embassy, where I had a cousin.

Next to the Holy City of Meshed. It was late October, and cold, with no heating.

We found the next bus to Afghanistan wouldn't leave for a week. I told my friend I would like a big white American Studebaker to offer us a lift – and that is what happened! A German offered to take us if we paid for the petrol. We readily agreed but had some misgivings when he refused to stop at Border Control. We guessed that the car had been stolen as he had no papers for it. Our misgivings heightened when we found a Luger in the glove box. We stayed at

Herat and found the Afghani here, as elsewhere, friendly. In Shindand the fan belt in the car broke. Our German friend had no spare parts. A deal with visiting Russian Diplomats helped us to Kandahar, and on to Kabul. Afghanistan had a stark beauty then, with grand and moving monuments, since destroyed.

From Kabul we went to the Khyber Pass in a rickety bus, along a road with no security barriers. From Peshawar we went to Lahore, and into Kipling country. His book 'Kim' captured my imagination when a schoolboy, and was many times read. Here, in front of us, the book came to life.

The Golden Temple in Amritsar, with its lake and lotus blooms was restful to the eyes. New Delhi has a legacy from the British of gracious administrative buildings, but Delhi has colourful crowds and noisy life. Nearby Agra, with mosques and the Red Fort are echoes of a powerful past. On through Calcutta, the temples and palaces of Rangoon and Bangkok, and down by train to Penang and then a much smaller Kuala Lumpur.

We arrived in Singapore to find that our ship was delayed for a week, so we took a room over a bar at five shillings a night. We embarked on the Johan van Barneveldt for Brisbane, arriving ten days later.

All this and more is very fresh in my memory. It was so good to go when the going was good, and when I was twenty-six years of age.

The Fine Art of High-Level Competitive Bidding

by Alan Boyce



Hand 1

BD: 13	♠A84	Dlr: N
	♥5	Vul: Both
	♦QT853	
	♣QJ53	
♠J76		♠KQ932
♥AQJ7642		♥T83
♦K2		♦AJ76
♣9		♣A
	♠T5	
	♥K9	
	♦94	
	♣KT87642	
	N	
	♣ ♥ ♦ ♠	T
N	2 - - - -	9
S	2 - - - -	11 14
E	- 2 6 6 6	6
W	- 2 6 6 6	

The other night, in the regular game of Tuesday night bridge, there were 3 hands that could be text-book bidding exercises that come under this heading. One was a positive for us, the others the opposite.

East opened 1S in 2nd seat. I was sitting South and, none too thrilled with my 7222 shape, still blasted a 3C weak jump overcall. West thought for a moment and decided on 3H (should be read as forcing).

North's turn. Do you bid, and if so, what?

I'm a great believer in, if you are in a pre-emptive situation, speak once and then speak no more. On that basis 4C or 5C seem viable. On the night partner opted for 4C. At red vs red not a bad choice as partner knows that I might make my same bid on 6 card suit and nice shape.

East raised to 4H which was passed back to North. Do you give in now or do you try and bid "1 more". I suspect that answer will always depend on who has what. "Well that's just great Alan!". Still, after 5C East decided that he had the values to double 5C and West pondered before bidding 5H, East decided to take a stab at 6, regrettably cold on the lie of the cards.

BD: 14	♠T94	Dir: E
	♥	Vul: None
	♦87632	
	♣QJ743	
♠65		♠QJ
♥AKJ753		♥Q8642
♦AJ94		♦KQT5
♣6		♣T5
	♠AK8732	
	♥T9	
	♦	
	♣AK982	
		N
	♣♦♥♠	T
N	7 - - 7 -	3
S	7 - - 7 -	13 10
E	- 2 3 - -	14
W	- 2 2 - -	

Hand 2 Tempted to open 2C (game force) with the south cards, but deciding that I can expect plenty of bidding around the table, I opened 1S, overcalled by West 2H. North took “a view” and jumped to 4S (who knows how that might work out in isolation of the knowledge of the cards?).

East decided that 5H looked good. What do you do now as South?

I figured that partner had at most 1 heart, based on the bidding, and quite possibly a void, so I think that slam is probably there. And maybe I’m only taking 1 or 2 tricks on defence. Should I bid 6 Spades, take the low road with 5S, and is there a better idea?

I decided that I wanted partner to value his hand opposite mine so I bid 6C. My plan was, with the right hand opposite, maybe partner could bid 7C!

West doubled, partner passed (no agreement in place as to what the pass means). I then bid 6S, doubled, and of course the grand is cold on any lead when the spades break 2-2. So now on the night we are 1X top and 1X bottom on these auctions.

Hand 3

A big learning point came out of this hand for me.

Interestingly East choose not to open 3D in 3rd seat (I’d do that myself). So, in 4th seat I opened a game-force.

West overcalled 2H, passed by partner (no agreement in-place about that the pass meant. I took it as a waiting pass or “Would have bid 2D waiting if she didn’t speak”.)

Round to me and the spot-light is on. What should I do?

I felt 3 options existed, and, as per normal for me, I choose the wrong one. I bid 4 spades, what I thought I could make. Let partner bid on if he’s got values. What happens if I choose to re-open with a double? +1400 for 2HX. Next time I’m doubling and letting partner get involved!

Of course, 2S is enough as we are in a game-forcing auction after my 2C opening. But 4S I had chosen and round to partner. He looked at his 5 hearts, felt someone must be void in hearts, thought it was probably me, and with his AQ in a side suit likely to provide 2 tricks, he bid 6S.

West led the heart Ace; a quality lead that’s to be highly commended from AKQxx and dummy goes down. I was heard to remark “I don’t think it’s making partner” and proceeded to follow suit on the 1st 3 rounds. Later I selected the wrong suit to return to hand and west got a ruff for off 3 for -800.

So the learning point again, don’t be afraid to take it slow and double when you want to know what partner thinks!

D: 20	♠J3	Dir: W
	♥97632	Vul: Both
	♦AQ5	
	♣974	
♠T872		♠5
♥AKQ84		♥
♦J74		♦KT98632
♣J		♣T8632
	♠AKQ964	
	♥JT5	
	♦	
	♣AKQ5	

Hand 4

Not from the same session, rather a now quite famous hand from the Ivy Butler event at the G.C.C. this year.

Board 24

Dealer W
Vul None

♠A7
♥AKT985
♦K32
♣86

♠T6532
♥QJ
♦QT64
♣J4



♠KQJ984
♥6
♦AJ875
♣3

♠
♥7432
♦9
♣AKQT9752

West opened 1H, East bid some number of hearts (maybe only 2? Can't recall), and south mentioned the spades, so, either 2 or 3 spades. West jumped to game in Hearts and I, sitting north sacrificed in 4S (I assume it's a sacrifice as I've got shocking shape). East bid 5H and south thought before bidding 5S. East now leapt to slam in hearts and now I have to decide on what to do. I have no doubt, based on what I've heard, and looking at my hand, 6H is making so I must sacrifice again! 6S I bid. East now made the "value bid" of 7H which south doubled.

What to make of the double? We had no agreement on the use of Lightner doubles. In fact we'd only that morning agreed that a double wasn't a Lightner double! I figured that they had in fact sacrificed, as partner was surely holding the trump Ace for the double. Not wanting to find the spade Ace was missed by later play I calmly lead a spade!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Declarer discarded the 9 of diamonds on his Spade Ace. 7H doubled making 13 is a big score but not the worst in the room. Try 7H XX making 13.

The lesson from this hand is simple. In bidding 5 over 5, only do it when you are the non-sacrificing pair and decide that game is better than penalties. **Never, ever, sacrifice 5 over 5.**

Andy Hung returns to QCBC for five Intermediate Lessons commencing on May 6 and continuing each Wednesday until June 10. Andy will focus on improving, revising and applying card play.

He is available for private lessons for pairs or groups of four. Phone 0425 101 094



Teams Selection 2015 by Richard Fox

Andrew Woollons and I entered the Selection competition after some indecision; he even foolishly suggested I might try finding a different partner as he was a bit strapped for time. Just as well I didn't as Andrew's wife is an exceptional cake-maker, and all competitors expressed gratitude for the goodies she loaded him with.

We started OK, then I had a bad day including a belting at the hands of Charlie Lu and Watson Zhou, and then I pulled myself together and we finished the third day of competition unexpectedly high in 5th place. On the final day we lost all three matches but still finished 4th. Here are highlights from the second-last day where we managed 3 small wins.

Sacrifice Damage Limitation

It was nip and tuck against Ralph Parker and John Mills, decided by a couple of competitive hands. Partner passed as West, Ralph opened 1C, I overcalled 1S and John doubled (negative, too weak to bid 2H). Andrew found an aggressive pre-emptive raise to 3S, using the vulnerability to advantage. Ralph bid 3NT and I wondered whether he had a double spade stopper; it was clear he had to have a solid club suit. If he could stop spades twice, 3NT would probably make, and partner might have bid on Jxxx of spades and a singleton. I pushed to 4S which John promptly doubled.

John led the 10C and seeing dummy I realised that 3NT would have gone down, so I had to try not to go off too many. Ralph overtook and returned the QH – on a good day he'd catch my king in front of partner's ace, but this time my ace won and I led a top trump. Both followed, Ralph winning immediately to play another top heart. I ruffed with the 9, wanting to make sure I kept every possible dummy entry. I reverted to clubs and Ralph won and having no more hearts, played another club for me to ruff in dummy.

I took out one more trump, confirming the split, then led the 8D to hand. If not covered, I was going to run it, looking for Q-10 or K-10 on-side. The 10 came up and my jack went to John's king. John played another high heart and I ruffed. Time to take stock.

R 10 B 12	♠8	4Sx by E
Dealer W	♥-	10C lead
NS Vul	♦?	
	♣Q8	
♠J		♠T
♥9		♥
♦52		♦A93
♣		♣
	♠-	
	♥?	
	♦?	
	♣-	

After ruffing the last heart I was in the East hand with these cards left. I had a good count on the hand, as Ralph had been proven to have 6 clubs, 2 hearts and 3 spades (one still out), leaving 2 diamonds. This meant there was no point in crossing to dummy to finesse diamonds again. It seemed most likely Ralph's bid showed at least a half-stopper in diamonds, so I tried the ace and dropped the queen. Now, knowing that John had all the red-suit cards I could draw the last trump ending in West, leaving a squeeze position where John wouldn't be able to guard both hearts and diamonds.

We finished up one down for -100 but 6 IMPs in as 4 Hearts

(also 5 Clubs) was on for NS. It's possible John would have pulled 3NT to 4H if I hadn't bid.

High Level Competitive Decision

The next board was about the 5-level, or more... Ralph chose to open 5 Clubs with his 8-card suit. I passed, South was silenced, and Andrew came in with 5 Spades. This ended the auction; with only two quick tricks and not being short enough in clubs doubling proved a bit hard for South.

Round 10	♠A86	4S by E
Board 12	♥QJ	10C lead
Dir W	♦QT	
NS Vul	♣AKQJ98	
♠QJ73		♠KT954
♥9853		♥A
♦852		♦AJ93
♣62		♣754
	♠2	
	♥KT7642	
	♦K764	
	♣T3	

Round 10	♠-	5S by West
Board 13	♥QT86	AC lead
Dealer N	♦3	
All Vul	♣AJT86543	
♠AKQJ986		♠T732
♥K4		♥72
♦962		♦KJT84
♣2		♣Q7
	♠54	
	♥AJ953	
	♦AQ75	
	♣K9	

Partner probably didn't think he was sacrificing, more likely he thought we were having a vul game stolen. In fact, with only just the balance of points, NS can make slam in clubs or hearts. Of course there was an array of different results, with someone playing 5C, several in 5H and one in 6Hx. It's a hand for chaos theory, where marginal considerations could push North to another action with a totally different result. I wouldn't consider opening 1 Club, but 4 Clubs or Pass are options. Partnerships with strict rules about not pre-empting with a 4-card major on the side probably did well, but then others say "What do you call an 8-card suit?" "Trumps."

A Killing Defence

I fell victim to a deadly opening lead on this hand, playing last year's representatives Charlie Howard and Kerry Wood. After 3 passes Andrew opened the West hand 1H, Kerry declined to overcall 1S vulnerable with a passed partner, I went 1NT and Andrew put me up to 3NT.

Charlie confirmed I had denied a 4-card major and started with the 9S, trying successfully to hit partner's suit. Knowing this was a probable short-suit I decided to play South for the club length including the QC. I ducked the lead round to my queen and tried a club to the 10. When this lost, a diamond return left me with no chance. All I could do was cash out for 2 down.

Maybe I should have done better; possibly others who made the contract received a top diamond lead enabling them to play on diamonds. If I assume from the opening lead that North has the spade length, going up with the king could do a better job of cutting communications.

Our Turn to Get Lucky

A useful swing came our way from nowhere on Board 5. Kerry opened a Precision 1D from North. In some systems it might not make the grade as an opener, but this bid is limited to 15 points which means in general partner is put off going overboard. I couldn't think of a bid and Charlie (South) went 1S. Andrew came in with a 2C overcall, and I was close to going 2NT but didn't want to hang partner for directing a lead. Charlie went straight to 4S and facing whatever sort of non-vul overcall I could think of, doubling seemed like a good idea.

Andrew kicked off with the KC and I played the 5 for natural count. He continued clubs, which was fine with me, and Charlie took a ruff. The South hand was a bit stymied now, and as he wanted to play trumps from dummy he played a heart to the king and led the spade. I played high, and the ace won (it turns out that allowing the king to hold could potentially save a trick). Back came ace and another heart and unfortunately for South hearts weren't 3-3 so I had two winners in the suit. At this point it seemed declarer could have maximum one diamond with a 7-4-1-1 or the actual 8-4 shape. I tried the AD, which didn't cash but after ruffing declarer had to give me 2 trump tricks for 2 down and +500.

Round 12	♠AJT43	3NT by N
Board 13	♥J9	9S lead
Dir N	♦65	
All Vul	♣Q654	
Andrew		Richard
♠K75		♠Q62
♥AQ642		♥K
♦AJ		♦98743
♣AT7		♣KJ83
	♠98	
	♥T8753	
	♦KQT2	
	♣92	

Round 12	♠2	4SX by S
Board 5	♥KJ7	KC
leadNS Vul	♦KQJ92	
	♣J864	
♠9		♠KQT
♥83		♥QT95
♦7653		♦AT84
♣AKQT93		♣52
	♠AJ876543	
	♥A642	
	♦-	
	♣7	