## **QCBC** Newsletter



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Ray Ellaway, QCBC Chairman with grandchild, Zeraya Marion Klease

QCBC Masterpoint Secretary,
Julie Jeffries, was recently
presented with her Certificate
of Accreditation as a State
Director by QBA President,
Richard Wallis. Julie met the
requirements as an active
Congress Director with
extensive directing
experience in particular Gold
Point Events nominated by
the QBA.



# QCBC Coming Events Sept 15 QCBC Pairs Championship Sept 19, 26 QCBC Teams Oct 1 Queen's Birthday Pairs Oct 6, 7 Brisbane Zone GNOT Final Oct 20 AGM 12.00 Red Point Pairs Oct 28 QCBC Open & Novice Teams

#### Kim's Communique Coming Events for the QBA

Open Pairs - October 13/14 - Venue and Host - Northern Suburbs Bridge Club - entry form on QBA Website

Senior Pairs - November 11 - Venue and Host - Gold Coast Bridge Club - entry form will be available shortly

Teams of 3 - December 9 - Venue and Host - Northern Suburbs Bridge Club - entry form on QBA Website

Individual - December 16 - Venue - QCBC - Host - QBA - entry form will be available shortly **Barrier Reef 2019 -** Next year's Barrier Reef is in Cairns - May 3-6 Pullman Casino **Gold Coast 2019 -** Gold Coast entry form is available to download -

http://www.qldbridge.com.au/gcc/index.php is the website

**Youth -** The Friday night Youth night at QCBC is growing in popularity. It starts around 6.30 pm and finishes by 9.00 pm – We give free pizza dinner. Anyone interested, please contact Paul Brake on 0490117482. A flyer can be downloaded from the QBA Website.

#### General

2019 Calendar has been approved and is available to download on QBA Website - there have been some updates.

2019 Gold Coast Congress entries are now open

2019 Summer Festival of Bridge entries are now open,

Sadly, I report the death of Tony Jackman. His obituary will appear on the QBA Website once approved by the family. Richard Ward will take over the job as Courier-Mail Correspondent

#### **Congress Successes**

#### **July 1 Toowong Imp Pairs**

A Grade

1 N. Francis, T. Hutton

2 G. Toon, Terry Strong

**B** Grade

1 P. Nilsson, L. Skeate

2 R. Steinhardt, D. Eastman

3 L. Norman, W. Gibson

#### **July 8 Lockyer Swiss Pairs**

A Grade

1 L. Moses, N. Moore

2 P. Collins, S. O'Brien

3 T. Treloar, B. Longford

July 14 Teams of 3

A 1st I. Halford: M. Groves, J. Mannion, C.

Mitchell

B 1st C. Green: B. Dwyer, F. Gillies, Chris

Green

C 1st A. Boyce: J. Webster, K. Flynn, J.

O'Donoghue

#### July 15 QBA Championship Graded

**Teams** 



Richard Ward thanks the organisers on behalf of his team: Lindy Vincent, Therese Tully and Bill Haughie, A Grade winners of the QBA Graded Teams Championship

A Grade

1 R. Ward, L. Vincent, T. Tully, B. Haughie

2 T. Treloar, P. Evans, M. Doran, P.

Hooykaas

B Grade winners QBA Graded Teams Championship Robin Webcke, Joan Jenkins, Monica Pritchard and Jenny Williams

3 C&C. Woolley, P. Collins, S. O'Brien **B** Grade

1 J. Williams, M. Pritchard, R. Webcke, J.

2 D. Eastman, P. Han, H. Standfast, L. King

C Grade



C Grade State Champions Tony Marsland, Helen Blair, Barbara Bright and Del Dudman

1 T. Marsland, H. Blair, D. Dudman,

B. Bright

2 J. Luke-Paredi, D. Brake, E. Visscher, B. Leung

#### July 21 Moreton-Bribie Imp Pairs

A Grade

1 D. Harris, D. Stagg

2 R. Ward, L. Vincent

3. L. Ranke, J. Rohde

#### **July 22 Moreton-Bribie Swiss Teams**

A Grade

1 N. Francis, M. Perrin, Terry Strong, T. Hutton

> 2. A. Slater, K. Dawson, S. O'Brien, P. Collins

3. T. Bardon, S. Johnson, R.

Ward, L. Vincent

#### July 22 BBC Graded Teams A Grade

1 P. Rankin, P. Hooykaas, M. Doran, E. Li

2. J. Kelly, R. Langdon, R. Fox, N. Moore

3. Peter Evans, T. Treloar, R.

Wallis, T. Runting B Grade

1 R. Meadowcroft, E. Periera, P. Cash, R. Porter

> 3 L. Henley, E. Jonsberg, L. Egan, S. Herbert

#### **July 29 Maryborough Teams**

A Grade

3 M. Stoneman, V. Roland, P&V. Robbins

**July 29 Darling Downs Swiss** 

#### **Pairs**

A Grade

1 P. Bugler, B. Patterson

2 J&C. Taylor

3 C&C. Woolley



#### Aug 5 Sunnybank Teams

A Grade

1 C. Lu, E. Li, H. Chan, K, Wang

2 A&B. Kempthorne, R. Ward, L. Vincent

3. L. King, H. Standfast, H. Clayton, V. Foots B Grade

1 B. Williams, M. Kendall, A&V. Chotai

#### **Aug 12 Northern Suburbs Imp Pairs**

A Grade

1 G. Toon, E. Kowalczyk

2 A. Slater, K. Dawson

3. P&D. McLeish

**B** Grade

1 A. Gosney, C. Larter

C Grade

1 D. Williams, R. Murtagh

2. L. Gray, A. Stone

3. R. Clark, S. Wills

#### **Aug 19 Redcliffe Pairs**

A Grade

1 J. Magee, Terry Strong

2 D. Gehrke, E. Miller

3 G. Toon, E. Kowalczyk

#### Aug 25, 26 QBA Open Teams

A Grade

1 M. Moren, N. Francis, J.

Magee, Terry Strong

2 T. Tully, R. Wallis, R. Ward, L. Vincent

3 P. Hooykaas, M. Doran, Peter Evans, T. Treloar

**B** Grade

1 L. Ranke, J. Rohde, E. Miller, D. Gehrke

2 A. Boyce, J. Jenkins, Tom & Edda Strong



Jim Evans awards first place in the country zone category in the QBA Open Teams to Ian Afflick, Noel Bugeta, Monica Darley and Janeen Solomon **Don Worner** 

#### **OUR CLUB TODAY**

As I come to bridge today
There is just one thing I
want to say
All of us here certainly
are engaged
But if you look around
you see we have aged

I say with a

straight tongue.

We need more players who are young.

Today there are many distractions around;

Numerous activities can be found.

We all need a hobby to keep a sound mind,

One which you can easily find. Bridge is just the one for sure Always interesting never a bore. We need new members coming through -

And to achieve this it is up to

QBA Open Teams winners

Magnus Moren, Jill Magee,

Terry Strong, Neville

QBA Vice President

Francis with Jim Evans.

vou.

Try to have friends that you know
Come to bridge and have a go.
You need to tell them that it is fun
And a game of skill available to everyone.
If they arrive they will be a beginner
So it will be some time before they are a winner.

When they are comfortable, you presume They will want to play in the big room Where it can create dividends Because they could make new friends. This is the way each of us began And now we form part of our clan.



And here are three clan members who are touring with Andy Hung, relaxing in Potsdam. Joyce O'Brien, Robyn Steinhardt and Karen Elmes

#### Slams at BBC by Richard Fox

I played in the BBC Teams with new partner Nik Moore, while Rachel Langdon and John Kelly were our teammates. As always, slam swings had a big effect.

#### **The 7-Point Opening**

In an early round Mick Fawcett and Loraine King were the victims of my outrageously lucky bidding.

Match 3 Board 24 Dealer W Nil Vul	<ul><li>A 10 9 7 4</li><li>✓ 10 9 2</li><li>✓ 10 2</li><li>✓ 4 3 2</li></ul>	
<ul><li>↑</li><li>↑</li><li>↑</li><li>KQ9863</li><li>♠</li><li>Q109865</li></ul>		<ul><li>★ KJ83</li><li>▼ A Q J83</li><li>◆ A 5 4</li><li>◆ K</li></ul>
	<ul><li>♠ Q 6 5 2</li><li>♥ K 6 5 4</li><li>♦ J 7</li><li>♠ A J 7</li></ul>	



West	North	East	South
1D	Pass	1H	Pass
2C	Pass	2S*	Pass
3C	Pass	3NT	Pass
5C	Pass	6D	All
			Pass

I picked up the wildly distributional West hand, 4 losers, not many points, doesn't quite make the Rule of 20 (high card points

+ total cards in 2 longest suits = 20 you can open) but 19 was close. I decided to open 1D and keep bidding until we played either 5C or 5D. If you play a 2NT opening as weak 5-5 in the minors you'd use that, otherwise maybe you'd pass and come in with an Unusual 2NT overcall next time round.

Anyway, Nik responded 1H, I bid 2C, Nik bid the 4th suit 2S asking me for further description and I repeated clubs showing at least 5-5. This looked a bit of a misfit, so Nik settled for 3NT. That wasn't what I'd hoped for so I corrected to 5C (pass or correct). This persuaded partner to try for 6D, figuring that all my bidding showed 6-6 distribution. Typical, I open a 7-count, partner is mad enough to trust me and I end up in slam - oops!

Mick, on lead from the North, avoided the AS lead fearing I had a void. He led a trump, which was the most testing lead. I had to try to set up my hand so I won in hand and immediately played a club to the king. Loraine took the ace and led her other trump (phew, they were 2-2) so I could only ruff one club. If she'd held up the ace I could have cross-ruffed until the clubs set up. I had to guess whether to play for clubs 3-3 or the ruffing finesse and luckily guessed right, ruffing the 10C so my hand was established.

The only other people to bid this slam were Pele Rankin and Eileen Li, who had a very simple bidding sequence 4NT-6D. There, easy!



#### **Delegate to Partner**

Playing against the top-seeded team, our opponents Paul Hooykaas and Martin Doran had got the better of us a couple of times already. They bid an aggressive non-vul game which I doubled for

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one off when we had +650 available in 5H. I sacrificed in 5D, down 3 doubled for -500 and I hoped our teammates would bring in 4H their way (they did). It felt as if we were losing so when this hand came up I gravitated to the aggressive option.

Match 5 Board 12 Dealer W NS Vul	<ul><li>♠ Q 8 6 2</li><li>♥ 8 7 4</li><li>♦ A J 10 9 3</li><li>♠ 8</li></ul>	
<ul><li>♠ AK753</li><li>♥ A 102</li><li>♦ 52</li><li>♠ AQ9</li></ul>		<ul><li>♦ 94</li><li>♥ K Q J 65</li><li>♦ K 4</li><li>♣ K 6 5 4</li></ul>
	<ul><li>♣ J 10</li><li>♥ 9 3</li><li>◆ Q 8 7 6</li><li>♣ J 10 7 3 2</li></ul>	

West	North	East	South
1S	Pass	2H	Pass
3H	Pass	4H	Pass
4NT	Pass	5D (1 or 4)	Pass
6H	All Pass		

I opened 1S and partner gave me a gameforce 2H reply. I bid 3H setting trumps and Nik tried to sign off in 4H, showing a minimum. I decided to ask for keycards, and when Nik showed 1 or 4 (clearly 1), I couldn't visualise an opening hand for him that didn't have anything in diamonds. I decided to give

6H a shot, with the bonus that partner would have to play it.

Paul led the JC and Nik had a choice of plays:

- A. Clubs 3-3 wouldn't help much, no useful pitch
- B. Clubs 4-2 and the player short in clubs having only 2 trumps, enabling him to ruff the 4th club
- C. Set up spades to pitch something

He needed the diamond ace on-side unless spades split 3-3. So he forged ahead with Plan C, ruffing a spade high and then finding he needed to ruff another one high. He finished drawing trumps in dummy and had one discard available on the spade. Assuming from the lead that the odds were against clubs splitting, he pitched the small club. Bingo! Right choice when the King of Diamonds was on-side.

Several other players bid this slam but Nik was the only one who made - well done.



#### **Shot in the Dark**

This started out fairly unremarkably, with me opening 1NT as West and Nik transferring to clubs, intending to bid 3NT next round showing interest beyond game. Richard Wallis in the south didn't want to help us so he butted in with a 3D overcall.

Match 6 Board 20 Dealer W All Vul	<ul><li>★ K 9 7 3 2</li><li>▼ 7 6 4</li><li>◆ 6</li><li>◆ 7 5 4 2</li></ul>	
<ul><li>♠ A 5 4</li><li>♥ Q J 10 9</li><li>♦ A Q 8 5</li><li>♠ K 10</li></ul>		<ul><li>♣ Q 10 8</li><li>♥ K 5 3</li><li>♦ 7</li><li>♣ A Q J 9 8 3</li></ul>
	<ul><li>▲ J6</li><li>♥ A82</li><li>◆ KJ109432</li><li>♣ 6</li></ul>	

West	North	East	South
1NT	Pass	2S*	3D
Pass	Pass	5C	Pass
6C	All Pass		

At this point I didn't know whether partner was trying to rescue into a weak suit, so I passed to see what he did next. Nik jumped straight to 5C, obviously expecting it to make. I had a potential diamond lead sewn up, and I

held the king of clubs. If partner could see 11 tricks without these features, I thought 6C was worth a shot.

It would have been quite a flyer for Richard to lead the doubleton spade, which was the killer lead. He had reason to avoid the diamond, so he tried the AH - we'd bashed the slam and could have been missing the king. Not so, and Nik had the timing to draw trumps, take the telegraphed diamond finesse and throw off two spades on a diamond and a heart.

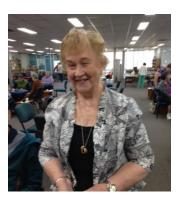
#### Seemed to be our lucky day for slams.

### August Masterpoint Promotions

Rob Hoare \*\*National
Del Dudman National
Judy Hefferan \*\*Local
Chris DeJong Jim Smith Local
Mike Martin Club
Ursula Byrne Club

#### **September Promotions**

Joan Jenkins
Sean Quinn
Beverley Ahern
Sue Griffin
Fred Cooper
Judith Gradwell
Kris Sullivan
Silver Life
Regional
\*\*Local
Club
Club
Club
Graduate



Del Dudman



Jimmy Smith



Rob Hoare



Joan Jenkins

#### Entry management by Richard Ward

The play to the first trick is often the key to success. This hand is a good illustration of that well-known, but seldom-followed, principle.

You have reached 3NT played by West via a simple 1NT – 3NT auction. North leads the ♥Q and these are the cards you can see:

- AQJ
- K 10 2
- ♦ J73
- ♣ KQ75

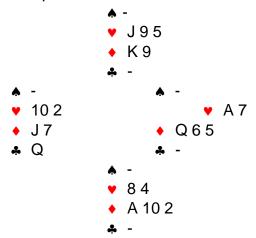
- ★ K742
- A 7 6
- Q65
- ♣ J 10 2

Step 1 is to count your tricks – four spades, two hearts and three clubs – nine in total, Can anything go wrong? Well, watch this .....

In a recent club duplicate, declarer:

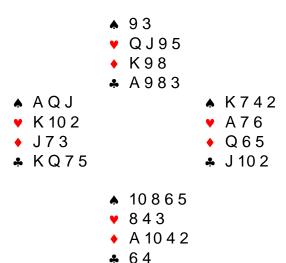
- took the lead with the ♥K;
- played off the ♠A-Q-J with North following twice and throwing the ♦8; then
- crossed to dummy's &J which won the trick; then
- cashed the ♠K: then
- led the \$10 which North ducked again, and a third club won by North as South signalled for a diamond switch

The position as North led the ♦9 was:



The full hand was:

South took the • A and returned a heart so that the defence ended up with two hearts, two diamonds and a club to defeat 3NT by one trick. So what happened to the nine tricks we started with? Whilst it is true that the accurate defence took full advantage of declarer's play, it was the decision at trick 1 - when declarer must win the • A, keeping the • K as a later entry to the clubs – which cost the contract.





# QCBC 2018 OPEN & NOVICE SWISS TEAMS

(Novice - Less than 100 masterpoints as at 31/07/18)

## Sunday 28 October

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Nominations for the Board close 24 September, 1pm. More information on the notice board



Volunteer stand by players are needed for Wednesdays 10.30am and Saturdays 1pm sessions. Please write your name on the 'stand by" list on the notice board.

Don't delay. Put your name down even if it is for only a couple of sessions.