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*A HAPPY AND SAFE  
FESTIVE SEASON  
TO ALL AT WABC*

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## *Editorial*

Recently I was surprised to learn that in 1989 the WA bridge community hosted the 1989 Bermuda Bowl. I found this out during an email conversation with US bridge expert Richard Pavlicek who referred me to a contest he conducted in 2005 using boards from that competition. I have an article in this edition drawing from his contest, but I raise it here because thirty years after the Bermuda Bowl international bridge comes again to Perth, in the form of the 2020 Asia Pacific Bridge Federation Congress which will be held at the Perth Convention Centre from the 15<sup>th</sup> to the 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 2020. The ABF advises that "This event is not restricted to the teams that will represent their countries but open to all Australian bridge players, so save the dates." And I raise that here because April 2020 is only a little over a year away, so it's time to think about partners, teams, etc for that Congress. But even if we don't play ourselves it should be a great opportunity to see at first hand how the top players deal with the boards that come to them. Something to book mark in your calendar for what will shortly be "next year".

But back to the 1989 Bermuda Bowl. Carol Pocock was kind enough to lend me a copy of handbook for the event and what interesting reading it makes, with descriptions of the WA players involved, particularly "Monitors, Scorers, Caddies & Security". And photographs! I was tempted to scan some and include them here but compassion prevailed. One photograph that is very interesting is the aerial shot of Perth forming the cover. A very different skyline to the one we have today, and only one crane in evidence. We must have been between booms in



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1989.

Now our bridge perspective as we come up to the end of 2018. After a very successful and beautifully organised and run Christmas Congress we had our Christmas Party, which is always a very busy event. This year a new approach to post play prize giving was trialled which ran smoothly and was, I think, great success. Well done Dee and Committee.

And that's pretty well the end of bridge for 2018 and time to think about 2019. There's been a change in the calendar for January with the dropping of the red point week and the inclusion of a three session Wednesday evening Swiss Pairs event, which should be interesting. After that there's just the usual bridge through February, but we have a new in-

clusion in March, a workshop session to help players get their system cards in order. A morning to bookmark in your calendar if you struggle to get your system cards organised.

Finally, let me exhort you once again to think about supporting this eminent journal with your thoughts and writings, particularly if you have played bridge in any exotic places, or come across any interesting hands or plays. Please give me a call either at home, 9447 5224, or on my mobile 0422 381 253, or you can email me:

[bridge@wabridgeclub.com.au](mailto:bridge@wabridgeclub.com.au), if anything comes to mind.

**Chris Bagley**

## *President's Report*



Well, the first couple of months of my Presidency have certainly been busy and to date very rewarding.

The new Management Committee consists of several exist-

ing members with the addition of four new members all with diversified areas of expertise so I am most confident the Club is in good hands.

I also feel very pleased to have a brigade of wonderful volunteers working in various areas such as the library, book exchange, garden etc. I have also been overwhelmed by the number of members who do not necessarily want to commit to a Committee or the like but are willing to help when called upon in other areas.

Sadly though, in the past three weeks we have had the passing of three of our members, namely, Derek Pocock, Simon Williams and Lorna Good. Our condolences and thoughts are with their families at this sad time.

The most exciting recent achievement has been the formalisation of an agreement with Andy Hung as our new Club teacher to take over from Peter Smith on his retirement. Some members will already be familiar with Andy's teaching having attended some of his previous presentations here. Peter has expressed his confidence in Andy's ability both as a teacher and as an extremely competent bridge competitor within Australia and Overseas. Not surprisingly, Peter has spent a considerable amount of time liaising with Andy and formulating a new program for lessons commencing in mid January 2019.

Another step in the right direction has

been obtaining from the City of Nedlands' verbal confirmation that our lease will be extended for another twenty years. This has been the result of an ongoing process involving Richard Basham and past Presidents of the Club but now appears to be close to formal written consent.

The first social event during this period was the Melbourne Cup lunch which was attended by forty members. The concept of a light lunch instead of the full lunch previously provided seemed to be a popular choice. However, the quality of the food supplied by the caterer left a lot to be desired so we will need to rethink our approach for next year. Any constructive suggestions would be appreciated.

Our Christmas Congress proved to be a great success thanks to the enthusiastic efforts of the convenors, directors and catering people. Kerry Barnes had an overwhelming response from members to her requests for food platters for the afternoon teas. Thanks to all those people who so generously donated these and to the ladies on the Management Committee who gave of their time to help out with the serving, cleaning up and so on.

The other major event of course was our Christmas party. This was attended by approximately two hundred people many of whom have already expressed their enjoyment. Although the pizza makers were a little tardy in arriving, this element of the catering was extremely popular together with beautiful platters of sushi and cheese – a combination of Japanese, Italian and French food.

The catering was overseen by Robin Paterson who deserves a huge thank you for her efforts. The event was funded from the income of the second-hand book exchange. Again thanks deserved by Louise Dickson and Peggy Hogan who have manned the table of books all year.

My best wishes to all members for a safe

and happy festive season and for plenty of successful and happy bridging in the coming year.

Dee Sinton  
President



**Without volunteers and Sheenagh's unpaid overtime, this club would not function. Jobs are almost too numerous to mention, but include:**

- ♥ overseeing the condition of our building
- ♥ washing tea towels
- ♥ and cleaning the bridge mates....
- ♥ compiling the charity Day Raffle to checking on the cleaning of the club.
- ♥ Mentoring new players
- ♥ Bar stock checking, bar roster,
- ♥ Saturday cheese roster,
- ♥ Duty Partner organiser,
- ♥ Library organisers,
- ♥ Book Exchange table,
- ♥ Catering,
- ♥ writing the monthly report for Focus
- ♥ producing the club magazine.

***On the next page is a thank you to all our volunteers and helpers. We've done our best to include everyone. Our sincere apologies to any person missed inadvertently.***





A VERY BIG THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE WHO  
KEEP OUR CLUB FUNCTIONING HAPPILY

Peter Smith,  
Kitty George, Deb Greenway,  
John Aquino, John Beddow, Peter Hicks, Sylvia  
Bray, Ursula Maitland, Diana Currie, Tessa Mayall,  
Sue Benney, Kerry Barnes, Sue Evans, Marg Shaw,  
Nerilyn Mack, Mark Doust, David Woodliffe,  
Lynne Milne, Jan McNab, Mal Clark  
Dymphna Eley, Marion Kilderry,  
Faye Cullen, Alastair Tulloch,  
Carla Sullivan, Sheenagh Young, Dee Sinton,  
Kate Nadebaum, Faye Cullen,  
Pip Thomson, Roslyn Varkevisser,  
Gary Wood, Louise Dickson,  
Peggy Hogan, Vanessa Starcevich, June Fox,  
Dorothy Cain, Jan Cain, Val Baird, Gary Wood,  
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Virginia Seward, Sylvia Bray,  
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Kate North, Chris Bagley,  
Lynne Errington Zinnia Browne,  
Those who do their rostered kitchen duty, those  
who supply our magnificent afternoon teas  
those who support our competitions  
And all the co-opted volunteers too many to name.

# THANK YOU

From Peter Smith

Many reflections come to me as I step down from approximately 35 years of teaching bridge at WABC. I have had so much support along the way and there are many people to thank.

This harmonious relationship may not have endured without the vision of the group who first developed my contract. These included Barbara Lindsay-Taylor, Brian O'Hara, Pat Thunder and Susan Clements, with the assistance of Robert Holmes in drawing up the document.

It may seem a no-brainer these days that we should have a professional teaching programme that not only introduces new members but offers them stepping stones to progress through the club system. However, this wasn't without some initial controversy. But as Susan Clements still puts it so succinctly: "How else do you propose we bring in new members?" It required some vision and courage at the time and I am forever grateful to those who stood up for this.

As a result we have developed an ideal model for other clubs to adopt if they wish.

When I started in 1983 there were no lessons at all and no bridge on Mondays(!) or Wednesday during the day. Students flowing through lessons then drove the advent of the Monday supervised session

for beginners and the Wednesday daytime session for intermediates.

In running the Monday supervised session I have had the assistance of many along the way, but I'd particularly like to

mention Jonathan Free.

Jonathan has been a stalwart for over 20 years and I've been pleased to have such a knowledgeable and popular colleague. I have also been pleased to see Jonathan develop his very successful niche as a specialist coach, achieving much success not only with his many protégés but in his own right as a top Australian player.

It's easy to forget that the numbers attending lessons in the early days were nowhere near as high as they are now.

The club then had perhaps a third of its current number of members. However, despite low attendances I was pleased to have the freedom and scheduling flexibility that meant I could be also involved in raising our children (a trail-blazing idea in the 1980s!). The same teaching schedule continues today and also allowed me to be involved with caring for my elderly mother along the way and more recently, our granddaughter.

Over the years, as the club's membership grew and more courses were developed, WABC became the main centre for bridge teaching in WA, with players travelling from afar to attend lessons. My



thanks to the approximately five thousand of you who have done lessons with me! The core group, however, has of course always been from the club's own membership. A recent run through the list shows that at least two-thirds of members have attended at least a course of lessons somewhere along the way, and many of those started from scratch with a beginners course.

At this stage I'd also like to acknowledge Nigel and Dani Rosendorff, who were instrumental in imbuing many new players with their enthusiasm for bridge. Following the Rosendorffs' move to Sydney around 10 years ago our club was the beneficiary of their legacy which still remains today, as witness some of our key office holders and committee members since that time, as well as many in the general membership.

I have been pleased to offer additional lessons jointly with Nigel from time-to-time, the popularity of which never ceased to amaze us, with single session attendances of 200 or so. Topping that though was the visit of Paul Marston which I organised in 2015, where we had 224 attendees per session, which I believe is the highest attendance ever for bridge lessons in Australia.

Since the club's move to Swanbourne in 2008 our beginner numbers soared and coping with the larger groups required help. I have been most fortunate that Jane Henderson has been available for this. Jane has a natural affinity and enthusiasm for this role and has always been willing to step in. Her influence has been infectious in encouraging so many new members in recent years, along with Deborah Greenway's pioneering and very successful mentoring programme.

Over the years the club has allowed me relative autonomy, showing faith that I could deliver what is required. For this I am grateful to 15 Presidents who maintained this tradition of trust, mutual respect and continued harmony.

I am also very appreciative of the support of the amazing Sheenagh Young. I've always felt that Sheenagh and I have been on the same team and that Sheenagh always has the best interests of the club at heart, making it straightforward when getting things done together. Sheenagh has supported me in my role in many tangible ways.

I'd also like to mention how fortunate the club is to have signed Andy Hung to take over my role. I have anguished for some years over what may happen when it was time for me to step down. Any anxiety has now been relieved. Andy is a top rated teacher and player (currently in the Australian Open Team) and is the next generation in Australian bridge. Please give Andy the support that you've given me – he is most deserving.

I have been most fortunate to work in such a great place. The measure for many people of the 'perfect job' is whether it feels like work. It hasn't, and perhaps for that reason I have had less than 10 sick days in my career. For the ideal working conditions and the support of my students and spirit in the club, I feel blessed and extremely grateful. It was a great honour to be recently appointed co-patron of the club, along with incumbent, Helen George, in recognition of my service.

Thank you to everyone who has made all of this possible.



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Greetings



# VALE DEREK POCOCK

## 1931 – 2018

The Club was saddened to learn in late November of the passing of our Life Member Derek Pocock.

Derek was an early member of the WA Bridge Club, joining after arriving in Perth from the UK with his wife Carol and family. Derek was an only child, son of Reg and Amy Pocock, and after his father died when he was young Derek was educated at boarding school at the Royal Masonic School for Boys in Watford, North London. In 1945, at the age of 14, Derek believed a forensic pathologist career sounded interesting and this was the path he was to follow in his life. He worked as a laboratory technician, was then called up into the army and after his service studied medicine at Kings College London. It was here he met Carol, the start of a love that lasted over 50 years.

Derek was an experienced Bridge player when he arrived in Perth, complete with a set of Bridge boards in case they were unknown in the antipodes. He quickly forged a role in the Perth Bridge community, particularly at WABC where he was Vice President in 1977 and 1978, President in 1979 and 1980, and Vice President again in 1983 and 1984. He was also President and Vice President of BAWA during those years, Vice President in 1977 and 1978, President in 1979 and 1980, and Vice President in 1982.

Derek's service to the Club was recognized when he was elevated to Life Membership in 2013

Derek was a Gold Life Master in the ABF Bridge Rankings and a true master of the game. He was a formidable opponent at the table, and a charming and powerful partner. His name appears on many of the club honour boards, and he was at various times a joint holder of the Men's Pairs Championship, Mixed Pairs Championship, and Teams Championships, and was the Individual Champion on three occasions.

In Derek's other life, he was a well respected forensic pathologist, involved in many high-profile cases. He also gained distinction with his philately and post card collecting. His achievements in these "hobbies" of Bridge, stamps and postcards were more important to him than career promotions, and he continued to get enjoyment from them right up to the end of his life.

Derek did everything in life with a minimum of fanfare and a dry sense of humor. He will be remembered as a bridge playing collector who loved his family, and he will be sadly missed by all.





# Some reminiscences OF DEREK

Mike George

I enjoyed Bridge and travel with Derek for over four decades, from Perth to the Amazon and beyond.

One aspect of Bridge I recall with Derek was the WA League Teams – established by Derek in 1974 – which took our unchanged team of four across 35 years to every far flung outpost in Perth. Team matches were always preceded with a great Chinese meal plus the occasional glass of red and white wine – sometimes walking the “squidgee plank”<sup>1</sup> to a venue at Rolystone - sometimes finding no one at home!! – sometimes mistaking Kathryn Crescent for Catherine Crescent in the Darling Ranges. And so on, always a laugh, always great bridge.

But not only Perth. I remember well our Bridge cruise to Japan<sup>2</sup>– and our Bridge in distant lands - the upper reaches of the Amazon with a pet jaguar under the table – sailing the Andes from Bariloche to Puerto Montt – being overlooked by inquisitive Moai on Easter Island – wonderful memories!

Derek’s bridge advice to so many over the years was invaluable – *always be prepared to sacrifice at favorable vulnerability* – we bid 7DX one day versus 6S by every NS – minus 6 – a score of 1400 versus -1430 by all NS – a clear top!! *Just use good judgment.* And of course, we remember fondly the year the Club’s Women’s and Men’s pairs were combined into one event and we were penalised for no dresses!! Especially when we won overall!!!

**Great memories Derek  
Mike George**

1. old country term for walking through the mud, squelching ...
2. Derek and Mike took Carol and Helen on this six weeks cruise after winning it in a prestigious Bridge competition

**A Quick  
Rubber in  
Chile**



# 2018 Christmas Congress

## Friday pairs

EAST WEST	
1	Geoff Holman & Henry Christie
2	Patricia Mcnamara & Belinda Taranto
3	Kali Crosbie & David Burn
4	Egmont Melton & John Beddow
5	Dave Parham & Frans Fikke



**Winners EW :**  
Geoff Holman & Henry Christie



**Third EW :**  
Kali Crosbie and David Burn



**Fourth EW :**  
John Beddow & Egmont Melton



**Second EW :**  
Patti Mcnamara & Belinda Taranto

# 2018 Christmas Congress

## Friday pairs

NORTH SOUTH	
1	Chris Ingham & Ann Youngs
2	Susan Clements & Jennifer Andrews
3	Tony Carsley & Sue Thomas
4	Kate Smith & Jill Del Piccolo
5	Susan Evans & Jocelyn Curnow



**Winners NS :**  
Chris Ingham and Ann Youngs



**Third NS :**  
Tony Carsley and Sue Thomas



**Fourth NS:**  
Kate Smith and Jill Del Piccolo



**Second NS :**  
Jennifer Andrews and Susan Clements<sub>11</sub>

# 2018 Christmas Congress

## Saturday pairs

### NS

- 1 Ken Smith & Frances Thompson
- 2 Lynne Errington & Bruce Fraser
- 3 Jo Sklarz & Jan Blight
- 4 Janet Khaw & Kate Nadebaum
- 5 Karol Miller & Andrew Swider



**Third NS :**  
Jan Blight and Jo Sklarz



**Second NS :**  
Bruce Fraser and Lynne Errington



**Fourth NS :**  
Kate Nadebaum  
(Janet Khaw)



**Fifth NS :**  
Andrew Swider and Karol Miller

# 2018 Christmas Congress

## Saturday pairs EW



**Winners EW :**  
Viv Zotti and Jonathan Pynt

- 1 Vivian Zotti & Jonathan Pynt
- 2 John Beddow & Egmont Melton
- 3 Gwyneira Brahma & Peter Gill
- 4 Anne Lowe & Faye Wilner
- 5 Kathy Power & Phil Power



**Best WABC Pair (after Prizewinners)**  
Linda Coli and Rose Moore



**Fourth EW :**  
Faye Wilner and Annie Lowe

# 2018 Christmas Congress TEAMS



**Winners: The Munro Team**  
**Chris Ingham, Dave Munro, David Matthews, David Schokman**



**Second: The Burn Team**  
**Chris Bagley, Bruce Fraser, Lynne Milne, David Burn**

# 2018 Christmas Congress

1	<b>Munro Team:</b>	Chris Ingham, Dave Munro, David Matthews, David Schokman
2	<b>Burn Team:</b>	Chris Bagley, Bruce Fraser, Lynne Milne, David Burn
3	<b>Mulley:</b>	Chris Mulley, Viv Zotti, Jonathan Pynt, Alan Harrop



**Third: The Mulley Team**  
**Alan Harrop, Chris Mulley, Viv Zotti, Jonathan Pynt**

## PRESIDENTS PAIRS NS

1	June Browne & John Rousset
2	Mei Huang & Sue Shadbolt

## PRESIDENTS PAIRS EW

1	David Charters & Austin Gillanders
2	Metka Agrez & Debbie James



**Second NS**  
**Sue Shadbolt and Mei Huang**



**Second EW**  
**Metka Agrez and Debbie James**

# VALE LESLIE ROBERT CALCRAFT



After a couple of years in Singapore Les migrated to Australia, commencing his working life here as an insurance salesman. Later he purchased “Australia’s Mining Monthly”, then a struggling magazine. Les transformed the “Monthly” into a first class publication that became compulsory reading for anyone connected to the mining industry. He was a very successful publisher and investor.

Les was also a philanthropist, playing a leading role in the formation and early management of Western Australia’s “Food Bank”, providing much needed food for thousands of struggling people.

In his private life Les bought a beach house at Golden Bay, shared with Malcolm and Ailsa Smith and Haydn and Annie Lowe. Many happy years were spent fishing, crabbing, drinking, swimming and playing bridge.

Les was father to four children to whom he was devoted. Paul, Rob, Kerry and Jonathon were with Les when he passed away. He leaves a loving family and many friends who will miss him deeply.

**Farewell, my friend  
Haydn Lowe**

Sadly, Les passed away on Tuesday, December 11 after a short illness. Those of us who knew him will remember a larger than life character who was a fine bridge player.

Les was a member of WABA and then WABC when it was formed in 1975. He represented the state in the early 1970’s as a junior (then under 30s) and later in the WA Open Team in 1975 with team mates Leiv Bornecrantz, Charlie Frugte, Mike Hopper, Jeff Lathbury and Hans Rosendorff. Les continued representing WA in the 1979, 2002, 2006 Open Team and the WA Senior’s Team in 2008. Les also claimed titles in the BAWA Men’s Teams, Men’s Pairs, Swiss Teams and Open Teams.

Les was a strong supporter of Youth Bridge, both as a promoter and generous sponsor.

Born in the UK, Les was a promising soccer player. He was posted to Germany during his stint in national service and became a fluent German speaker.





# A BERMUDA BOWL PROBLEM

Richard Pavlicek.

## As South, what is your call?

IMPs E-W Vul

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
1	Dbl	Pass Pass	Pass ?

7  
 9 8 3  
 AK 9 7  
 Q 8 5 4 3

Your call:    Pass    1    1 NT    2    2    2 NT    3 ??????

This hand comes from the 1989 Bermuda Bowl, held here in Perth. Richard Pavlicek selected a number of hands from the competition for an article he published in 2005 on his web site. He called it “Tales of the Wild West” in recognition of Western Australia and it is a very interesting article. I haven’t included the specific comments as there were 37 expert responses and they would take up too much space, but here is a summary of the responses:

Call	Award	Votes	Percent
1 NT	10	534	37
3	8	364	25
2	7	371	26
2 NT	6	84	6
Pass	3	76	5
1	2	14	1
2	1	10	1

Have you made your call? As you can see, no clear winner, but everyone had their reasons. What a surprise. Here are the opening comments from Richard. *When I first saw this problem, it seemed like a routine 3 ♣ response; and I was surprised that neither expert who held the hand chose that bid. It wasn't until I read some of your comments that I began to doubt my own view, and I must admit I've been educated.*

*I am now convinced 1 NT is best because it conveys the essence of the hand — strength and direction — in a single bid. The danger of the singleton spade is a mirage, as partner is likely to have four good spades; and the only opponent who might have five is probably broke. In fact, I'd welcome a spade lead, as it might provide an extra trick; whereas a diamond could damage communication. The club suit should provide tricks opposite a likely fit. If anything, 1 NT is conservative, since a perfect minimum (e.g., ♠ A-K-x-x ♥ x-x-x-x ♦ x ♣ A-J-10-x) could produce game. If vulnerable, 2 NT feels right.\**

*\*Systemically, the 1 NT response shows 6-9 HCP, which puts this hand at the top end. There are also some 10-point hands with which 1 NT is a wise choice due to wrongly positioned diamond values.*


*The presence of the five-card suit, however, suggests aggressive action if vulnerable.*

*The textbook 3 ♣ bid is surely OK; it conveys the strength well, though the misdirection makes it tough to reach 3 NT. If partner bids again (3 ♦ or 3 ♠), he is unlikely to pass 3 NT with a singleton diamond and a club fit. Five clubs, of course, could be a viable spot; and possibly the only game with a good chance (e.g., ♠ A-x-x-x ♥ K-Q-x-x ♦ x ♣ K-J-9-x).*

*What about those heart bids? Many respondents joked that I even included such choices; but this was a Wild West*

*show, and no rodeo would be complete without clowns. Alas, with 24 clowns we could open a circus. I admit that bidding hearts could be right — but I'll still remember to lock your cages at night. Another extreme is the penalty pass. Certainly, this could work nicely opposite some hands, but it strikes me as an insult to partner. Even if it works, your partnership may be irreparably damaged, as partner will be leery of ever making a shapely double. Edgar Kaplan summed it up well when he quipped, "Takeout doubles are meant to be taken out."*

Richard goes on to give the comments of all the experts at the site, which is, as I said earlier, <http://rpbridge.net/8w24.htm>. I recognised two Australian names amongst the 37 so there may have been more. I liked his quote of Edgar Kaplan's quip in his final sentence.



**WORLD BRIDGE CHAMPIONSHIPS**  
**NEC BERMUDA BOWL**  
**NEC VENICE CUP**

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# CHRISTMAS PARTY PRESENTATIONS

## WABC CHAMPIONSHIP WINNERS 2018

<b>Individual</b> <i>Campbell-Rickie Cup</i>	W	Bernard Yates
	Ru	Lynne Milne
<b>Womens Pairs</b>	W	Marie Musitano & Robin Paterson
	Ru	Patti Mcnamara & Belinda Taranto
<b>Handicap Pairs</b> <i>Michael Berry Shield</i>	W	David Burn & Bruce Fraser
	Ru	Marion Bogue & Kate Nadebaum
<b>Mixed Pairs</b> <i>Valli Katz Shield</i>	W	Austin Gillanders & Marie Musitano
	Ru	Jonathan Free & Ursula Harper
<b>Novice Pairs</b> <i>Benson-Brown Cup</i>	W	Margaret Baird & Sylvia Bray
	Ru	Lyn Cox & David Egan
<b>Swiss Pairs</b> <i>Eggleston Trophy</i>	W	Peter Hicks & Ian Rowlands
	Ru	Chris Bagley & Lynne Milne
<b>C. Pearce Cup</b> <i>Charles Pearce Cup</i>	Ar	Val Ferreira & Penny Styles
	Ur	Jeff Veling & Sandy Veling
<b>Open Teams</b> <i>Freedman Cup</i>	W	Jonathan Free, Rose Moore, Mimi Packer, Virginia Seward
	Ru	Jane Reynolds, Fiske Warren, Deana Wilson, Viv Wood
<b>Open Pairs Daytime</b> <i>Barbara L Taylor Shield</i>	W	Doreen Jones & Dave Munro
	Ru	Jonathan Free & Mimi Packer
<b>Open Pairs Eve</b> <i>Firstenberg Cup</i>	W	Vinod Nasta & Ann Youngs
	Ru	Dave Munro & Deana Wilson



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# CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

**Mixed Pairs:Champions  
Austin Gillanders & Marie Musitano**



**Handicap Pairs:Champions  
David Burn and Bruce Fraser**



**Individual Champion  
Bernard Yates**



**Open Pairs Evening Champions  
Ann Youngs and Vinod Nasta**



# CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS



**WOMENS PAIRS CHAMPIONS**  
Marie Musitano AND Robin Paterson



**MABS MCCULLOCH TROPHY**  
Kate North



**NOVICE PAIRS CHAMPIONS**  
Sylvia Bray & Margaret Baird



**OPEN TEAMS CHAMPIONS**  
Rose Moore, Jonathan Free, Mimi Packer  
(Virginia Seward)

# CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS



**WABC CHAMPION  
Jonathan Free**



**MOST IMPROVED PLAYER:  
Rohan Bandarage**

**OPEN PAIRS  
DAYTIME  
CHAMPIONS:**

**Dave Munro and  
Doreen Jones**



## WABC PRIZE WINNERS 2018

Fri Am Jackpot	W	Ian Jennings & Dan Greig
Fri Jackpot	W	John Aquino & Belinda Taranto
Sat Jackpot	W	Ravi Soin & Geoff Yeo
Mon Am Jackpot	W	Jocelyn Curnow & Suzanne John
Mon Pm Jackpot	W	Jocelyn Curnow & Barbara Riddle
Tue Jackpot	W	John Aquino & Belinda Taranto
Wed Jackpot	W	Ian James & Patricia Weston
Wed Eve Jackpot	W	Kate North & Bernard Yates
Thu Jackpot	W	Jenny Fairweather & Alison Rigg

DONOR	PRIZE	WINNER
Deb Greenway	Mon Am Aggregate	Libby Ferreira
Liz Black	Monday Aggregate	Margie Tulloch
Judith Wilson	Tuesday Aggregate	Geoff Yeo & Ravi Soin
Rose Moore	Wed Aggregate	Marcia Mazanetz & Neville Stafford
Tony Manford	Wed Eve Aggregate	Kate Pinniger
Jill Mowson	Thursday Aggregate	Peggy & Tom Stacy
Kitty George	Friday Am Aggregate	Patrick Cooney & Liz Kaye-Eddie
Gwen Wiles	Friday Aggregate	Chris Bagley
Mimi Packer	Saturday Aggregate	Roslyn Varkevisser
Most Improved	W	Rohan Bandarage
<i>Clements-Manford Honourboard</i>		
WABC Champion	W	Jonathan Free
<i>Rosendorff Cup</i>		

## IN APPRECIATION

**Directors:** Peter Smith, Bill Kemp, Dave Parham, John Beddow,, Peter Holloway  
David Burn, Carla Sullivan, Virginia Seward

### Interclub Teams Managers

Open - John Aquino 1<sup>st</sup> , Sue Gammon 2<sup>nd</sup>

Intermediate - Mal Clark 2<sup>nd</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup>

Novice - Kate North 3<sup>rd</sup>

**Trumps Plus** Chris Bagley, Lynne Errington

**Partnerships** Jan McNab



# 2018 JACKPOT AND AGGREGATE WINNERS



**SATURDAY JACKPOT AND TUESDAY AGGREGATE WINNERS: Geoff Yeo (Ravi Soin)**



**FRIDAY AND TUESDAY WINNERS: Belinda Taranto and John Aquino**



**MONDAY AM WINNERS: Suzanne John and Jocelyn Curnow**



**FRIDAY AGGREGATE WINNER: Chris Bagley**

# HIGH LEVEL PENALTY DOUBLES

With Andrew Robson

An unexpected high-level penalty double should normally be interpreted as a request for an unusual opening lead. This is a principle established nearly 100 years ago by the US expert Theodore Lightner. Take this deal, kindly showed to me by Emma Hyde of London.

<p>♠ A Q 4 3 ♥ A J ♦ K Q 10 6 5 ♣ 10 7</p>	<table border="1" style="border-collapse: collapse; width: 100px; height: 100px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">N</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">W      E</td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">S</td></tr> </table>	N	W      E	S	<p>♠ 6 ♥ Q 9 8 7 6 3 2 ♦ — ♣ Q 8 6 5 2</p>
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W      E					
S					
<p>♠ K J 10 9 8 5 ♥ 10 5 ♦ J 8 7 ♣ A 9</p>					

The Bidding went as follows:

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
	1♦	3♥	3♠
4♥	4♠	5♣ <sup>1</sup>	5♠ <sup>2</sup>
Pass <sup>3</sup>	Pass	Dbl <sup>4</sup>	All pass

### Comments on the bidding:

1. Seven-five, come alive.”
2. Dubious, normally “Five is for the other side”. South’s lack of a singleton in either hearts or clubs should sway him to defend. Mind you, if he leads his partner’s diamonds (as well he may), declarer actually makes 5♣ (or 5♥): declarer dumps his spade on the ace of diamonds and merely concedes to the aces of clubs and hearts.
3. Close to a 6♣ bid, as partner must have extreme shape for his surprising 5♣ bid. After all, you’re not supposed to bid again after pre-empting.
4. Cannot be based on high cards, so must be a request for an unusual opening lead.

At most tables, East-West bid up to the five-level and North-South bid on to 5 ♠. Where West led a heart or a club, declarer won, drew trumps and forced out the ace of diamonds. West could win his ace and the defence cash a winner in the suit led. However, declarer was able to discard his loser in the other suit on dummy's diamonds. Eleven tricks made.

At a couple of tables, East brightly doubled 5 ♠, meant and taken as a request for an unusual opening lead. One West led the ace of diamonds, expecting his partner to be void. He smiled admiringly at himself when his partner discarded and, at trick two, gave his partner a ruff. However, his smile turned to a scowl when declarer quickly claimed the rest, "drawing trumps and discarding a heart and a club on dummy's diamonds". It was left to one West to show the way. Realising what would happen if he released his ace of diamonds, our hero led a low diamond at trick one (key play). East ruffed and could choose which suit to lead to set up a second-round winner. At the table, he switched to a club.

Declarer won the ace of clubs, drew trumps and led a diamond. West won the ace and cashed the king of clubs. Although declarer could discard his second heart to dummy's diamonds, that was down one.

As every chess player knows: "When you have found a good move, look for a better one."

*(This article, and articles like it, can be found on Andrew Robson's Web Page [andrewrobson.co.uk](http://andrewrobson.co.uk))*



### A Very Glamorous Affair



### Winner of the Best Hat Award on the Day : Sue Gammon pictured here with President Dee Sinton



**Jenny Bosich**



**RED POINT**  
**ANNIVERSARY PAIRS**  
**SATURDAY 2 FEBRUARY**  
**@ 1:30pm**

**ALTHOUGH THIS EVENT IS OPEN TO PLAYERS OF ALL CLUBS ONLY WABC PAIRS ARE ELIGIBLE TO WIN THE TROPHY**

**THIS EVENT WILL BE SCORED ACROSS THE ROOM SO PLAYERS MUST ENTER TO ALLOW THE FIELD TO BE SEEDED**

*There will be no side movement on this day*  
**ENTRY FEE: USUAL TABLE MONEY**

# Men's Pairs

## 2018



We called for potential champions,  
but no one came.

WABC has a disappointing record for running a Men's Pairs Championship. We had a very good field in 2016, just managed to run it in 2017, and had to cancel in 2018. So, 2019?

Come on guys, start planning now!



**LESSONS  
AT WABC  
TERM 1  
2019  
with Andy  
Hung**

Peter Smith's successor, Andy Hung, will commence his first teaching term at the club from Tuesday 5 February 2019.

The courses have been streamlined to a 6 lesson format, to accommodate Andy's tournament commitments (Andy is a member of the current Australian Open Team!).

As usual, there will be a range of classes for players at various levels:

### **BEGINNERS**

Tuesday evening 7.00 – 9.00 pm  
from 5 February OR

Thursday morning 10.00 – 12.00  
noon from 7 February.

### **CARD PLAY ESSENTIALS**

Tuesday morning 10.00 – 12.00  
noon from 5 February

### **INTERMEDIATE BIDDING**

Wednesday 4.45 pm – 6.45 pm from  
6 February.

Look out for flyers around the club or see our website for more details or contact Andy by email at [lessons@wabridgeclub.com.au](mailto:lessons@wabridgeclub.com.au)

# NEW & REJOINING CLUB MEMBERS

## September—December 2018

*WE WARMLY WELCOME THE  
FOLLOWING PLAYERS TO THE  
MEMBERSHIP OF OUR CLUB*

### SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER

Gill Dolling  
Barry Gibson  
Graham Williams  
Margaret Williams  
Tim Rawson  
Simon Mayo  
Margaret Coffey  
Matthew Ward  
Freya Keogh  
Cathy O'Donovan  
Jeanne Townsend

### NOVEMBER

Trish Barrett  
Hamish McCracken  
Cathy Barber

### DECEMBER

Maxine Peterkin  
Liz Clements  
Nicky McDaniel  
Sue Stein  
Trudi Sharif  
Clair Stanley  
Ray Purdy

### THOSE WE WILL REMEMBER

Derek Pocock  
Lorna Good  
Simon Williams  
Les Calcraft  
Stephanie Coleman





**WEEKLY PLAYING SESSIONS  
WEST AUSTRALIAN BRIDGE CLUB  
PO Box 591 Cottesloe 6911  
7 Odern Cres, Swanbourne. Phone 9284 4144**

**SUPERVISED – FOR BEGINNERS**

Monday (P)	12.30 – 3.15	Andy Hung	Except Public Holidays.
Wednesday (P)	7.00 – 9.45	Virginia Seward	Ideal for the novice player.
Friday (P)	9.30 – 12.15	Carla Sullivan	Ideal for the novice player.

- *These sessions are supervised – you may ask for help during play.*
- *(P) You don't need to bring a partner, no need to book, just turn up in the teaching area.*

**OTHER SESSIONS - UNSUPERVISED**

Monday am	9.00 – 12.15	Peter Holloway	Not held on certain Public Holidays.
Monday pm	1.15 – 4.30	Dave Parham	Very popular. Graduate to this from Supervised.
Tuesday	1.00 – 4.30	Bill Kemp	The premier session.
Wednesday	11.30 – 3.00	Andy Hung	For the intermediate Player
Wednesday Eve	7.00 – 11.00	David Burn	Very popular, good atmosphere.
Thursday	1.00 – 4.30	John Beddow	Popular with newer players.
Friday am	9.00 – 12.15	David Burn	Not held on certain Public Holidays
Friday pm	1.15 – 4.45	Peter Holloway	Our most popular session.
Saturday (P)	1.30 – 5.00	David Burn	Relaxed and social.

- *All sessions marked (P) indicate you may attend without a partner.*
- *If you need a partner for any other session phone Jan McNab 0409 109 022 8.30am – 8.30pm.*

**TABLE MONEY PER SESSION: \$7.00 Members, \$9.00 Visitors, \$3.00 Youth players  
(SUPERVISED: \$8.00 Members, \$10.00 Visitors, \$4.00 Youth players)**

**All results posted at [www.wabridgeclub.com.au](http://www.wabridgeclub.com.au).**

**Licensed bar open after most sessions.**

# WABC NEW YEAR SWISS PAIRS 2019



**Three Wednesday Evenings 7.00pm  
January 16th, 23rd and 30th**

*Open to All Players  
Make it your  
New Year's  
Resolution  
to be in it  
and win it!*

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