

NEW SOUTH WALES BRIDGE ASSOCIATION



As part of Stroke Awareness Week the NSWBA invites you to play in this fund raising game of DUPLICATE BRIDGE

THURSDAY 21 ST SEPTEMBER at 10.15AM

SPECIAL GUEST **RON KLINGER** WILL GIVE A SHORT TALK PRIOR TO COMMENCEMENT OF THE SESSION

Lots of prizes to be won!

1st prize: \$100 Myers Gift Voucher
2nd prize: \$50 Dinner/lunch voucher for 2 at Porterhouse Irish Bar & Restaurant in Campbell St

Best Performing Pair with under 150 Masterpoints will each receive a bottle of De Bortoli wine

COST PER PLAYER \$8 – members , \$11- non members

The NSWBA will donate \$5 of the each player's table fee to the Stroke Recovery Association, which provides a range of support and information services for people affected by stroke and their families/carers

For more information go to www.strokensw.org.au

To register your pair to play on Thursday 21st September , phone Liz on 9264-8111 during office hours or enter on the notice board.

Canteen will be open for your convenience
Lucky Door Prize is a Coffee Machine valued at \$150

Neat Defence from the 8th World Championships - June 2006 Verona

Dealer N : EW vul			
IMPs			
	♠ 6 2		
	♥ Q J 9 2		
	♦ A 7		
	♣ K 8 6 4 2		
West		East	
♠ K 5		♠ J 10 8 4	
♥ A		♥ K 10 8 6	
♦ J 10 9 8 6 4 2		♦ K Q 5	
♣ A 7 3		♣ J 9	
	South		
	♠ A Q 9 7 3		
	♥ 7 5 4 3		
	♦ 3		
	♣ Q 10 5		

Fiona Brown from NSW was South partnered by Hugh McGann from Ireland. The bidding went thus:

West	North	East	South
	Pass	Pass	2♦*
3♦	Pass	3NT	All Pass

In third seat at favourable vulnerability, Brown judged to muddy the waters with a 'multi' 2D which most of the time contains a weak two in a major. Brown knew that partner did not have the majors else he would have bid 3♥ (pass or correct) over West's 3♦ overcall. So hoping that McGann had a useful club holding, Brown led ♣5 which proved to be the 'killing' lead. Declarer ducked in dummy so McGann won with his king and returned the suit. Declarer judged well to win the ace at trick two, leaving the suit blocked (from the defender's point of view). Declarer played a diamond from dummy, ducked by McGann, and when East continued with the other high diamond from hand, Fiona Brown discarded her ♣10. McGann cashed two more clubs for down two and an excellent match point score.

(Ed This story was originally reported in Daily Bulletin 13 on page 21. To read the full Bulletin and other Bulletins from Verona go to the wbf web site-, which is a Link from NSWBA web site)

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2006 AUSTRALIAN YOUTH TRIATHLON

Come to SYDNEY for the 2006 AUSTRALIAN YOUTH TRIATHLON on September 23-24 at Bayside Bridge Centre , 666 New South Head Rd, Rose Bay

(Details can be found at the ABF web site)

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Sydney Spring Nationals



18-26 OCTOBER 2006

Gold Masterpoints & Playoff Qualifying Points

Venue: Hakoah Club, Bondi

Details: www.abf.com.au/events/spnot

OPEN TEAMS TOURNAMENT

Qualifying: Wed 18th to Friday
20th October 2006
Final Series: Sat 21st & Sun
22nd October 2006

DICK CUMMINGS OPEN PAIRS

Qualifying: Saturday 21st
October 2006
Final & Consolation Finals: Sun
22nd October 2006

Womens Teams Tournament

Mon 23 — Wed 25
October
Final Thur Oct 26

Bobby Evans Seniors Teams

Mon 23- Wed 25
October
Final Thur Oct 26



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And

The NSW Bridge Association



Declarer Play Problem - July 2006

Dealer E : Nil Vul

Pairs
♠ A 10 8 7 3
♥ 9
♦ Q J 7 3
♣ 6 4 2

South

♠ —
♥ A K 8 7 5 4 3
♦ A 2
♣ A 10 8 3

West	North	East	South
—	—	Pass	1 H
Dble	1S	2 D	3 H
Pass	3NT	Pass	4 H
All Pass			

West leads ♠K (overlead) on which East plays ♣9 (encourage). Having no good reason to take your ace you duck. West continues with ♠Q to which East follows with ♣5. What now? Answer Page 6.

NEW SOUTH WALES BRIDGE ASSOCIATION

invites you to play bridge and tip toe through the tulips
in our first ever

BOWRAL BRIDGE & TULIP DAY

THURSDAY 5TH OCTOBER 2006

COME & JOIN YOUR FRIENDS AND THE SOUTHERN
HIGHLANDS BRIDGE CLUB FOR A FUN DAY OF
BRIDGE AND A VISIT TO THE TULIP FESTIVAL IN
THE BEAUTIFUL SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS

Itinerary

8.45am - Coach departs 162 Goulburn St Sydney
10.30am - Arrive Bowral
10.30am-12pm - Visit flower display at Corbett Gardens
12.15pm- 1pm - Lunch @ Southern Highlands Bridge Club
1pm- 4pm - Bridge @ Southern Highlands Bridge Club
4pm - Depart for Sydney
5.30pm - Arrive back at 162 Goulburn St

COST PER PERSON \$65 - includes transport to & from Bowral, bridge, lunch & entry to Corbett Gardens. Come alone or with a partner. Bookings & enquiries to the NSWBA, email to office@nswba.com.au, or phone Liz on 9264-8111 during office hours.

ANC 2006 ADELAIDE and the Interstate Championships



The 2006 NSW Open Bridge Team, winners of the Open Interstate Teams.

Left to right
 Peter Gill
 Andrew Peake
 David Wiltshire (NPC)
 Marilyn Chadwick
 Murray Green
 Martin Bloom
 Kim Morrison

The ABF Newsletter will carry reports on these recently conducted events. Details are of course available now at the ABF web site.

In the Interstate Teams, the NSW Open Team (see photo above) ran out winners over Victoria.

In the Interstate WomensTeams, NSW qualified for the final but found the Victorian Team to be too strong on the day.

In the Open Butler Trials, Bruce Neill and Andrew Peake (both from Sydney) won the Open Butler Trials.



Bruce Neill **Andrew Peake**

In the 2005 Open Butler Trials Bruce Neill was also the winner – that time with Ron Klinger as his partner.



2006 NSW Women's Team –runners up

Left to right: Liz Druckman, Marlene Watts, Wendi Halvorsen, Heather Renton, Peter Jamieson (*non playing captain*), Billie Gupta and Merrilee Robb

Planning is well advanced for next year's Australian National Championships, which will be held in Fremantle from July 6 to July 21 2007.

Details can be found at the Bridge Association of Western Australia web site. If you have NSWBA or ABF as a 'favourite' then from that home page select LINKS then select Bridge Association of Western Australia (BAWA).

At the BAWA home page look for **Special WA Links** and then select 2007 ANC



Nice Defence in Adelaide

In the Open Butler event, David Wiltshire found a neat defensive play.

Dealer S : nil vul			
IMPs			
	♠ 9 7 5		
	♥ A Q 6 3		
	♦ K 7		
	♣ 10 9 6 5		
West		East	
♠ J 2		♠ A K Q 10 8 6 4	
♥ 8 7 4 2		♥ —	
♦ A 10 9 6 4 2		♦ Q 5 3	
♣ 2		♣ A Q 4	
	South		
	♠ 3		
	♥ K J 10 9 5		
	♦ J 8		
	♣ K J 8 7 3		

West	North	East	South
-	Wiltshire	-	1♥
3♦	3♥	5NT*	Pass
6♣**	Pass	6♦	all pass

The 5NT bid was the 'Grand Slam Force' on partner's suit. 6♣ showed 1 of the top ♦ honours. Wiltshire led ♥A ruffed in dummy. West then played ♦5 to the nine. Wiltshire could see that winning ♦K would be the end of the defence so he gave declarer a chance to go wrong and let ♦9 win !. This succeeded admirably for Declarer, convinced that South now held ♦K J, embarked on a plausible line – play on spades, let South ruff, trump ♥K exit with ♦Q and continue spades. This proved disastrous ! *This defence was reported in ANC Bulletin No 9. The ANC Bulletin was edited by Stephen Lester & Dianne Mahler – PDF versions can be found at ABF's web site- see under 'Recently'-select ANC Teams Finals*

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Mahogany Leather has become a sponsor for NSWBA. Formed in 1988 it trades as **Manzoni Accessories** . Since its beginnings this family business has emerged as a major player in the Australian accessory market. Principal items sold are fashion handbags, luggage, wallets, and jewelry. You can view the entire product range, which now includes recently introduced beaded bags, beaded clothing, jewelry and scarves at their state of the art showroom located in the company headquarters at 300 Pyrmont Bridge Rd Glebe. Their catalogue can be viewed (PDF format) at their web site. www.manzoni.com.au
Other contacts : Tel: 02 8569 5555 and Fax: 02 8569 5599
Email: sales@manzoni.com.au

Congress Results

Ingleburn Congress – July 30 2006

This is easily accessible by car via M5. An alternate route would use M2 and M7. The motorway system now makes Ingleburn part of the metropolitan area with easy driving access. The venue, Ingleburn RSL Club is a very pleasant facility, having had an internal fit-out to upgrade the dining and snack bar areas. There were 18 teams competing and the winners were by Ryszard Waszyrowski, Mark Kolodziejczyk, Wally Malaczynski and Witold Chylewski (Jun), The runners up were a team from Kiama comprising Theo Mangos, Leigh Foran, Johanna Hezemans and Behram Mahableshwarwal.

Orange Bridge Congress - 22-23rd July

This annual event held at the Orange Bowling Club After the walk-in pairs on Friday evening (12 tables) The Pairs Championship (17 tables) was won by Janet and John Ham from Theo Mangos and Neven Burica. The Pairs Plate was won by Christine Kershaw & Judy Jackson
The Teams Championship (30 teams) was won by Marelle & Michael Rogers, Theo Mangos and Neven Burica from Bernard Huxtable, Jane North, Ian Lincoln and Desmond Mulcahy.
A great weekend was had by all with the typical warm welcome that country clubs can put on. There were players from Sydney, Kiama, Dubbo, Condobolin, Bathurst.

Taree Swiss Teams

This Congress was held over the weekend 15/16th July at the new club premises. Many an anxious moment was to be had by the committee headed by Judy Scott (President) and Pauline Erby (Secretary) as they only took possession one week prior to the event. There were partitions to remove, carpet to be laid, electrical wiring to be renewed for the kitchen stove, cleaning, cleaning and more cleaning. Much gardening work to make the premises more presentable. They all did a fabulous job to have the rooms ready. Well done Taree Bridge Club.
For this two day teams event, 22 teams competed. There were teams from Port Macquarie, Newcastle, Maitland, Nelson Bay, Forster .The winning team was: Nancye Joss, Adele Mills, Sue Morris & Karen Ody came from the central Coast. In second place was a team from Newcastle : Bernie Adcock, David Cohen, Ken Wilks & Michael Johnson

Nowra Congress Aug12-13

Pairs Championship

- 1 M.Abraham - D.Geromboux.
- 2 C.Bridgland - K.Kinnison.
- 3 D.Fry - V.Meakins.

Pairs Plate;

- 1 S.Foggo - H.Champain
- 2 H.Jeffrey - B.Jeffrey.

Swiss Teams;

- 1 N.Church, M.Flynn, J.Hoffman, D.Hoffman.
- 2 G. Corrin, Liz.Chadwick, M.Phippen, J.Caldwell.
- 3 R.Spain, A.Haar, M.Covill, K.Tant

Best local team;

D.Martin, F. Pettengell, E. Taylor, N. Butler.

Lindfield Bridge Club Winter Swiss Pairs August 13

- 1 John Mottram & Liz Quittner
- 2 Betty Priestley & James Shannon
- 3 Marlene Watts & Ted Chadwick

Coffs Harbour Super Congress Aug 15-20

Welcome Pairs

- 1 B Nevell, A Fraser
- 2 D Johnson, J Watson
- 3 P Robinson, J Atkinson

Swiss Pairs (126 pairs)

- 1 M Watts, D Beauchamp
- 2 K Wood, C Howard
- 3 E Gilbert, P Gill
- 4 J Reitzer, E Chadwick
- 5 N Burica, T Mangos

Swiss Teams (76 Teams)

- 1 A Hegedus, A Mill, E Gilbert, P Gill
- 2 J Reitzer, M Watts, E Chadwick, D Beauchamp
- 3 K Dawson, R Touton, D Harris, G Hart

For full details of the Coffs results visit

www.midcoast.com.au/~chbridge

Their 2007 Super Congress is Tue 14-Sun19 August

Kings & Queens Congress Sept 2-3

Pairs Final:

- 1 Elizabeth Gilbert & Peter Gill
- 2 Betty Solomon & Marilyn Davis
- 3 Vincent Demuy & Joe Barda

The Sunday Teams was won by Monica Ginsberg & Avril Zets who teamed with Pam Strelitz & Tom Kiss

Declarer Play Problem - Solution

Dealer E : nil vul

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All Pass			

West led ♣K and East encouraged with ♣9 as South ducked. West continued ♣Q won by declarer's ace. At the table declarer failed to stop and think and found a way to go down.

Correct thinking is that East would not encourage clubs with four hearts so hearts look to be 3-2 (the take out doubler likely to have two). East is likely to have ♦K given his 2D bid. Spades are probably 4-4. So there looks to be ten tricks via six hearts, three side aces and a diamond finesse - - -if only you can get to dummy.

Picture the original shape in the light of available data and the solution is simple – play ace, king and a third heart. If East began with 4 – 3 – 4 – 2 shape then he will be end played.

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GNOT FINALS SERIES

This very popular event is moving through its qualifying stages. Regional finals are completing this month (September). The national final will be at Club Banora, Banora Point (Tweed Heads)

Dates: Friday 17th November to Monday 20th November 2006

10.00–11.45 Knockout Round 1

The following teams have a first round bye

Sydney 1,2,3,4 plus Canberra 1 and Adelaide 1

These six teams start play at 12:15pm

(Go to **ABF web site for more details**)

Book review by Peter Jamieson

The Bridge Players Bible by Julian Pottage

Subtitled "Illustrated strategies for staying ahead of the game"

First published in Australia in August 2006 by ABC Books for the Australian Broadcasting Corporation.

If you google *Julian Pottage* you will find out that he writes a monthly column in three leading bridge journals and is the author or co-author of seventeen bridge books. He lives in England and is considered to be an excellent bridge teacher with over 20 years experience. As a player, he has won three national titles and one international title. He lives with his wife and three sons in England.

Pottage worked on a number of bridge books with famous English expert, Terence Reese (1913-1996), and this experience honed his writing style and the manner of presenting bridge material.

The Bridge Players Bible is hard to categorise. It is part textbook and part reference book. At 256 pages it cannot touch all the bases – for that you need to go to the Bridge Players Encyclopedia. But it succeeds pretty well in presenting a lot of well-written material about bridge as it is played today (2006).

Some positives :

- Well structured introductory section for newcomers to bridge (pp1-19) with useful pictorial items eg what a bidding box and a duplicate 'board' look like and how to determine the number of losers in a sample bridge deal.
- A dual approach to bidding in that the author explains how the same hand is bid in Acol (the most popular bidding system in the UK) and in Standard American which is more widely used around the world.
- Every page has a small segment at the bottom with a pale green background entitled **Important Point** containing one or two sentences of distilled wisdom about the item presented above.
- The absence of quizzes and review segments (of the sort you would find in a bridge textbook) permits the book to be kept to a manageable size as well as making the book look friendlier.
- A brief glossary of common bridge terminology and a not too detailed index, add to the 'user friendly' style of the book.

Some negatives:

- I found the size of the print to be a bit on the small side. My eyesight is probably average for

my age (60) and I have several pairs of reading glasses, but I would have liked bigger print throughout.

- I was not comfortable with the way the bridge hands were presented. Every page contains a graphic of a single bridge hand or in the card play section, a whole bridge deal. Mostly this is done in a fan shape to simulate the way people hold their cards. Thus the cards on the extreme edges are sloping which I found harder to digest than the format used in newspaper columns and bridge magazines. I also found the print size of the deals too small.
- In the card play section, bidding is printed in a different sequence to that used these days in bridge columns and Daily Bulletins. The normal sequence in such publications (and in most bridge books from USA) is **West North East South**. However Pottage uses a sequence starting with South in the left of the bidding diagram. I note that many bridge books over the years have chosen that sequence and some even start with North in the left hand slot. But for regular readers of bridge columns, Pottage's sequence looks 'wrong'.
- I would have liked more text on Roman Keycard Blackwood, which only gets a tiny mention as an *Important Point* bottom page 70.
- Multi Twos are very popular in Australia. Pottage only has one page on the multi (page 78) and it doesn't contain quite enough information in my opinion. Still an Internet savvy bridge player can easily locate many pages of writings on Multis at various web sites.
- Pottage has very few references to Internet bridge (playing on line or obtaining information from web sites) or to CD Rom instructional techniques. I could find only one reference to SAYC (Standard American Yellow Card) which is the *lingua franca* of online bridge. Still I suppose that is understandable, as those areas are competitors to writers of bridge books.

A lot of work and thought has gone into *The Bridge Players Bible*. This book is difficult to categorize and it is certainly an ambitious concept (ie 'bible') .

However I cannot recommend it.

Registered Retail Price \$35 hardback.



DIARY OF UPCOMING CONGRESSES IN NSW

NOTE: visit NSWBA web site and select *Congresses in NSW*, to send email to the convenor or enter the Congress online or, where available, view PDF brochure.

Date	Club	Event	Contact	Phone
Sept 16-17	Glen	Pairs	Ken Greenwood	6732 1179
Sept 17	Pennant Hills	Teams	Vince Cariola	9654 9356
Sept 17	Lismore	Novice Pairs	Liz Adams	6624 5946 h 6622 4987 w
Sept 17	Illawarra Bridge Association	Restricted pairs	Chris Diment	4227 2799
Sept 22-24	Great Lakes	Pairs and Teams	Don Scown	6555 9262
Sept 24	Trumps	Spring Teams	Derrick Browne	9969 5969
Oct 1 st	Brunswick Valley	Teams	Barbara Powell	6680 5948
Oct 1 st	Lindfield	Teams	Angie Boulton	9416 2500
Oct 8	NSWBA	Spring Swiss Pairs	NSWBA	9264 8111
Oct 13-15	Muswellbrook	Pairs & Teams	Emil Battista	6543 3331
Oct 13-15	Commercial Club Albury	Walk- In Pairs, Swiss Pairs & Teams	Dianne Barrow	6043 1120
Oct 14-15	Tenterfield	Swiss Pairs	Jim Wyndham	6736 2435
Oct 14-15	Bondi Beach Bridge Centre @ Hakoah	14th – Swiss Pairs 15th - Swiss Teams	Ruth Heitner	9365 9934
Oct 18-26	ABF-Sydney	Spring Nationals	Kim Neale	9411 4398
Oct 21-22	Taree	Pairs & Teams	Judy Scott	6553 7878
Oct 29	Parramatta	Foundation Day Teams	Margaret East	9639 1364
Nov 4-5	Tumbarumba	Swiss Prs & Teams	Alison Farthing	6948 3158
Nov 4-5	Southern Highlands	Pairs & Teams	Ina Smith	4862 4076
Nov 5	Port Stephens	Teams	Christine Blackledge	4984 3458
Nov 5	Hunters Hill	Teams	Deborah Bennett	9816 5749
Nov 7	Kings & Queens	Melbourne Cup Gourmet Pairs	Ed Barnes	9327 2546