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♠ ♥ Bulletin ♦ ♣

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Chairman's Corner

Country Wide

The NSWBA Council owes a great debt to the volunteers like Trish Carter and Louis Koolen (and their predecessors) who generously give their time to champion the interests of country clubs.

One of my goals for 2010 is to see if we can spread the load. I would love to hear feedback from country players or administrators on how we can set up better links. Perhaps we need a network of contacts across regional NSW to liaise with their representatives on the NSWBA Council and maybe meet in Sydney or elsewhere once a year to discuss common issues?

Please let me have your views – you can email me at the address below or write via the NSWBA office.

Oh, What a Feeling

Climate change or no, it's been a hot summer. We can breathe a sigh of relief that the air conditioning in our Goulburn St premises has coped adequately, with the exception of one infamous night in February when a fault in the building control system left us entirely without aircon ... and, in keeping with Murphy's Law, it happened on one of our biggest nights. Ah, the wonders of modern technology.

Apologies again to those who endured the heat. We believe it was a once-off, but we will keep in close touch with the building management on the subject!

Bruce Neill

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BRIDGE FOR BRAIN RESEARCH CHALLENGE

♣ You hold the cards to beat Alzheimer's disease and Dementia ♣

During the first week of May, over 3,000 Bridge players Australia-wide will be sitting down to the same 36 hands prepared by Ron Klinger and Val Cummings. Each pair is playing to win. Playing to win the prizes, playing to win the points, but most importantly, playing to beat the greatest health challenge of our time - Alzheimer's disease and other dementias.

You might be surprised to hear that Alzheimer's disease is our greatest challenge but it's the unfortunate truth that we are all touched by the effects of this devastating disease that takes a hold of our loved ones. A recent report predicts there will be over 1.1million Australians with dementia by 2050 as dementia becomes the largest source of health and aged care spending.

The Prince of Wales Medical Research Institute (POWMRI) along with the Australian Bridge Federation and Bridge players around Australia will again be participating in the Bridge for Brain Research Challenge between 1 - 7 May 2010. The 7th Annual Challenge is tipped to be the biggest yet. Bridge players and clubs are asked to get involved to raise awareness and crucial funds.

To register your Club or team please contact Suzy Randjelovic of POWMRI on 02 9399 1075 or email

s.randjelovic@powmri.edu.au

Declarer Problem for South

Dealer West, N/S VUL, IMPs

West	North	East	South
2♥	Pass	2♠	Double
Pass	3♣	Pass	3 NT
All Pass			

West's 2♥ opening was weak ; East's 2♠ was natural non forcing. West leads ♠6 and this is what you see.

♠ J 3
♥ J 5 2
♦ 8 4
♣ A Q 10 7 4 3



South
♠ A 8 5 4
♥ A Q
♦ A K 7 6 2
♣ J 2

It goes ♠3, ♠9 and you win your ace. Next you play ♣J it goes ♣6, ♣3, ♣5.

What now ? Answer Page 4

Defence Problem for East

Dealer East, All VUL, IMPs

West	North	East	South
—	—	Pass	1NT ¹²⁻¹⁴
Pass	2C*	Pass	2S
Pass	4S	All Pass	

* simple Stayman

Dummy (North)

♠ J 8 7 4
♥ A 5
♦ A J
♣ A Q 10 7 4



East (You)

♠ 3 2
♥ K 7 6 2
♦ Q 10 8 7
♣ K 9 3

Your partner, West, leads ♥J. Declarer plays from Dummy and you win your king. What do you do at trick 2 and why? Answer page 5

♣ ♦ ♠ ♥ ♣ ♦ ♠ ♥ ♣ ♦ ♠ ♥ ♣ ♦ ♠ ♥

Bridge Base On line Broadcasts

The next ABF event to be broadcast on [BBO](#) will be from the Gold Coast Congress on March 5 & 6.

If you have not tried it before, just log on to the BBO site and set up a password and user name. It costs nothing to use BBO services. Apart from watching broadcasts (in real time) you can open up archived broadcasts as well as play bridge on line. There are also facilities for partnership practice.

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2010 SENIORS' INTERSTATE TEAM SELECTION

Saturday 15th and Sunday 16th May



Play starts at 10.00 am each day and will finish at about 6.00 pm. IMP scoring - Enter As A Pair

A \$200 subsidy (per player) is available to all country players who play in this event

All players must be born before 1st January 1951.

Target event is Interstate Teams which is part of the Australian National Championships (ANC) being held this year in Hobart 18th – 23rd July

Red Masterpoints at State Championship level will be awarded.

Entries close 5pm Friday 14th May

- All entrants should be members of a club affiliated with the NSWBA.
- All systems will be permitted; This event is open to non-contending pairs.
- Players must live over 100 km from the NSWBA to be eligible for the \$200 country player subsidy.

More details in PDF flyer at our web site :
<http://www.nswba.com.au/pdfs/10ITSSeniors.pdf>

PJ'S SLAM DIARY

The annual NSW Interstate Team Trials are a fertile source of slam stories. Lots of macho bidding of course though sometimes the players undercook things. The first session of the 2010 Open Trials lobbed up this problem for E/W on board 25 :

Dealer N ; E/W Vul

	♠ 9 7 4 2		
	♥ 9 4 3		
	♦ 10 6		
	♣ J 7 3 2		
West		East	
♠ K 5		♠ A Q J 8 6	
♥ A K Q		♥ J 8 7 6 5	
♦ A 9 3 2		♦ 8	
♣ K 8 5 4		♣ A 6	
	South		
	♠ 10 3		
	♥ 10 2		
	♦ K Q J 7 4 3		
	♣ Q 10 9		

In my younger days at this vulnerability, I might have opened the North hand with a psyche of 1♠ ! But now I am a certified Senior I made the normal pass. Leo Goorevich (East) opened 1♠. Axel Johannsson stuck in the normal 3♦ weak jump and Peter Wood (West) decided to mark time with a negative double. Over Goorevich's 3H, Wood found the sensitive 4♣ bid (natural) to see what partner would bid next before going to slam somewhere. When Goorevich bid 4♥ thus showing at least 5-5 in the majors, Wood launched Roman Keycard Blackwood (on ♥) and punted 7♥ for +2210 and plus 13 IMPs.

The board was played 34 times and if you visit NSWBA web site (ITS Stage 1 Results) you can see who did or did not bid a slam on this deal – in summary, six E/W pairs played in game, five bid grand slams and the rest were in small slams. Wood's decision to punt 7♥ was aggressive (not knowing about opener's spade suit quality) but it paid off this time.

Full marks to Wood for his sensitive double of 3♦ which kept options open. I know of some West players who simply jumped to 4NT (RKCB on ♠) over 3D and then bid a safe 6♠.

The next deal under the spotlight is Board 11 from session 2 – see top next column.

At our table Johannsson (South) opened 2♦ (mini multi = very weak two in H or S). Neville Moses bid

Dealer S ; Nil Vul

	♠ —		
	♥ 9 6 5		
	♦ 10 9 6 5 4 3		
	♣ J 8 4 3		
West		East	
♠ 9 8 3		♠ A K J 6	
♥ A K Q 7 3		♥ 8 4	
♦ K 2		♦ A Q J 7	
♣ A 10 7		♣ K Q 9	
	South		
	♠ Q 10 7 5 4 2		
	♥ J 10 2		
	♦ 8		
	♣ 6 5 2		

2NT showing 15-18 balanced. Steven Bock bid 3♣ (5 card Stayman) and heard 3♥ (five hearts). Knowing the odds were against a 3-3 break in hearts (Google **suit break percentages bridge** to read all about it) and also that ♠Q was likely to be with Johannsson, Bock bid a sensible 6NT which turned out to be a flat board score wise. Visiting the web site shows that eleven of 34 E/W pairs bid 7NT for +11 IMPs each. West opens a strong NT and shows a maximum with five hearts. Alternatively West opens 1H and later shows strength – in either case some East players drove to 7NT.

Two E/W pairs extracted large penalties from N/S. Three E/W pairs stopped in game and one E/W pair had an accident of some sort and were -100. The third session of the ITS lobbed up an excellent grand slam in hearts for N/S but **only six** of the 34 pairs reached it.

Dealer S ; Nil Vul

	♠ —		
	♥ A 10 8 5 3		
	♦ A 6 3		
	♣ K J 7 6 3		
West		East	
♠ A 10 8 3 2		♠ Q J 6 5	
♥ 9		♥ 7 6 2	
♦ 9 7 5		♦ J 10 8 4 2	
♣ 9 8 4 2		♣ 5	
	South		
	♠ K 9 7 4		
	♥ K Q J 4		
	♦ K Q		
	♣ A Q 10		

If South opens 1♣ playing a 5 card major system , North bids 1♥ and now subsequent events depend on system . For some pairs, a leap to 4♥ shows 19-20 HCP balanced. North can cue bid 4♠ then over South's 5♣ an aggressive North might bid 5NT (grand slam force on hearts) asking South to bid 7♥ with two of the top three heart honours ...and Bingo !

But in some partnerships after 1♣ - 1♥ opener cannot bid 4♥ because that bid is reserved for shapely 6-4 type hands with less points so they have to temporize with 2NT showing 19-20 balanced and ostensibly denying four card heart support. Getting to 7♥ or 7♣ is now more difficult.

Your Editor tracked down four of the pairs who did bid to 7♥. Nevena Djurovic and Jamie Ebery employ a strong club system with relays (asking bids) and bid as follows (with opponents passing throughout):

(S) Djurovic — (N) Ebery
 1♣^{15+ any shape} — 1♠^{9+hcp, 5+ hearts}
 1NT^{Relay} — 2♦^{4+ clubs}
 2♥^{Relay} — 2♠^{5+♠ and 5+♥}
 2NT^{Relay} — 3♣^{spade shortage}
 3♦^{Relay} — 3♠^{shows 0-5-3-5 shape}
 4♣^{Slam ask} — 4NT^{8 slam points#}
 7♥

(# responder shows slam points in steps : A=3, K=2, Q=1)

Bob Sebesfi and Fred Curtis also play strong club with relays and had an identical auction. But I wonder how these two pairs would get on if E/W were busy and aggressive. I know many players who would overcall 1♠ as West over a strong 1♣. North makes some positive bid and East bounces to 3♠ (pre-emptive). Now the relay process is broken though N/S may still reach 7♥.

Finally two nice auctions that began with 2NT (20-22 balanced pts) :

(S) Garry Clarke — (N) Sally Clarke
 2 NT — 3♦^{Transfer}
 4♥^{Superaccept} — 4♠[#]
 5♣[#] — 5♦[#]
 6♦^{2nd round control} — 7♥
 (# 1st round control bids)

(S) Erin Tewes — (N) Helena Dawson
 2NT — 3♦^{transfer}
 4♣¹ — 4NT²
 5♠³ — 6♣⁴
 7♥ — Pass

¹ super accept on ♥, denies ♠A, shows ♣A

² RKCB on ♥

³ Two keycards + ♥Q

⁴ Dawson knows partner has A♣, K♥. Q♥ and makes a grand slam try seeking a good club holding – and strikes gold. The 5♠ response to 4NT was doubled but that had no impact here.

After South super accepts, if N/S play *Exclusion Keycard Blackwood* then N bids 5♠, hears 6♥ (2 key Cards outside of ♠ plus ♥Q) and should punt 7♥ though there may be a ♣ loser (rarely). **PBJ**

Answer to Declarer Problem for South

	♠ J 3	
	♥ J 5 2	
	♦ 8 4	
	♣ A Q 10 7 4 3	
West		East
♠ 6	████████	♠ K Q 10 9 7 2
♥ K 10 9 8 7 3		♥ 6 4
♦ J 3		♦ Q 10 9 5
♣ K 9 8 6		♣ 5
	South	
	♠ A 8 5 4	
	♥ A Q	
	♦ A K 7 6 2	
	♣ J 2	

Declarer was Italy's multiple world champion, Giorgio Duboin. He knew ♣K was onside since if East held that card he would win ♣J and cash all the spades.

If clubs were 6-3-2-2 there was no problem. But what if West had begun with four clubs ? To cater for a 1-6-2-4 shape with West, Duboin cashed his ace and king of diamonds, then finessed ♣10. Next came ♣A on which he pitched his ace of hearts !

Then came ♣Q on which he pitched ♥Q. Now ♥J was the entry to dummy for +600. This deal was from the round robin stage of the 2009 World Championships.

♣♦♠♥ ♣♦♠♥ ♣♦♠♥ ♣♦♠♥ ♣♦♠♥ ♣♦♠♥

Another 3 NT Declarer Play Problem

Dealer: N	♠ 7 6 5 2
Vul: E/W	♥ J 4 2
	♦ A K J
	♣ 5 3 2
	████████
	South
	♠ A K 8
	♥ A K 8 3
	♦ 10 8 4 3
	♣ K 8

After two passes, South opens 1NT (15-18) and over North's 2C (extended Stayman) bid rebids 3H (max with 4 hearts but not 4 spades). North's 3NT bid is passed out. West leads ♣Q and it goes 2, Ace, 8. East now plays ♣9 and you win your king perforce as West plays ♣6. You advance ♦3, West plays ♦2 and dummy's ♦J wins as East contributes ♦6. A check of your trick tally comes to eight sure tricks. You are now at the crossroads. What should you do to give yourself the best chance of making nine tricks? Answer page 7

Answer to Defence Problem for East

	♠ J 8 7 4	
	♥ A 5	
	♦ A J	
	♣ A Q 10 7 4	
West		East
♠ K 9 5	██████	♠ 3 2
♥ J 10 9 4		♥ K 7 6 2
♦ 9 5 4 3		♦ Q 10 8 7
♣ 8 6		♣ K 9 3
	South	
	♠ A Q 10 6	
	♥ Q 8 3	
	♦ K 6 2	
	♣ J 5 2	

Having won ♥K you take stock. Trumps are breaking nicely for declarer. The defence already has a heart trick and is scheduled to make a club trick. Declarer has 12-14 balanced points which leaves no more than 3 points (outside of hearts) for West.

You need TWO more tricks to beat 4♠. What to do.....

At the table, England's Michelle Brunner saw a slim chance. If South began with three clubs and declarer could be convinced that clubs were 4 – 1 then the defence might prevail.

At trick 2 Brunner exited with ♣9 ! Declarer won this in dummy and played ace another spade won by West (John Holland). At trick 5 Holland exited with ♣8 and naturally declarer played low from dummy (wouldn't you as declarer ?). Brunner grabbed her ♣K and returned a club for +100.

Brunner won the 2009 IBPA Gidwani Award for defence of the year for this. She was the winner of the same award in 2008 and is the first player ever to win this award in consecutive years.

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Read About Recent Bridge Action Overseas

The prestigious 2010 NEC Invitation Bridge Tournament was recently contested in Japan. Teams 1-15 were from countries other than Japan and some of those teams contained players from different countries. The other 33 teams were Japanese. There was coverage each day on Bridge Base Online. As well there was a high quality Daily Bulletin of 28 pages which provided analysis of selected matches.

Two Australian teams were invited :

Oz Players: Ron Klinger, Ishmael Del'Monte, Ashley Bach, and Matt Mullanphy

Oz Two: Sartaj Hans, Tony Nunn, Peter Gill, Paul Gosney

Oz Players had a strong tournament and finished fourth in the qualifying but they were knocked out in the next stage. If you are keen to see the latest trends in bidding plus some hot play and defence I recommend you check out those Daily Bulletins, Go to ABF web site and then under the **Recently** heading click on

<http://www.jcbl.or.jp/game/nec/necfest.html>

Then select **Daily Bulletins**. You can save each Bulletin to your computer and read them in sequence over a period of time. If you don't know the results of the tournament then you are in for a treat.

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Directors' Course - Club Level

Date: Saturday, 17th April 2010, 10.00am - 4.00pm
Venue: New South Wales Bridge Association
Level 1,162 Goulburn Street East Sydney

This course will be given by **Tony Howes**, Head of NSWBA Director Accreditation and will deal with aspects of directing needed to run most basic sessions at club level.

It will cover:

Laws - the most common calls for the Director;

Movements - simple Howell and Mitchell movements, basic team's movements;

Scoring - all aspects of matchpoint scoring.

At the end of the course, a take-home exam will be available for those wishing to become qualified as a Director at Club Level.

Cost: \$50 per person

Enquiries and bookings to New South Wales Bridge Assoc (02) 9264-8111

Results of the Trumps Festival of Bridge 26 December 2009 to 3 January 2010

Swiss Pairs 26 December

1. Orlando Wu and Andrew Peake
2. Eric Lindh and Patricia Phillips
3. Garry and Sally Clarke

Australian Bridge Teams 27 December

1. Paul Gosney, Susan Humphries, Adam Edgton, Nabil Edgton
2. Michael Wilkinson, Ben Chosid, Julian Foster, Orlando Wu
3. John Newman, Andrew Markovics, Josh Wyner, Derrick Browne

Bridge Shop Teams 28-29 December

1. Toni Sharp, Nicky Strasser, Ted Chadwick, George Bilski
2. Jane Dawson, Peter Gill, Wendy Ashton, Tony Nunn
3. Margaret Kenny, Elizabeth Neil, Ellen Borda, Madeleine Gray

Gourmet Pairs

Tuesday: Peter Liphay & Peter Kaye;
John Harvey & John Bennett

Wednesday: Nicky Strasser & George Bilski;
Helena Dawson & John Mottram

Thursday: Judith McPhee & Rilla England;
Hans Geldens & Jeanette Reitzer

One-Session Pairs 30 December

1. George Bilski & Richard Jedrychowski
2. Lammie Barrett & Rosa Pang
3. Andrew Peake & David Beauchamp

New Year's Eve

Rhonda Goldman & John Newman;
Burt Schaafsma & Bruce Fox

Open & Restricted Pairs 1 January

1. Andrew Peake & Leigh Matheson
2. Sartaj Hans & Helena Dawson
3. Adam & Nabil Edgton

(Best restricted: John & Suzanne Rolph)

Festival Teams 2 January

3-way tie for 1st:

Ron Speiser, Murray Green, George Fleischer,
Andrew Gal *with*
Warren Dobes, Chris Dibley, Martin Bloom, Stephen
Bock *with*
Tom Reiner, Max Hitter, Sid Reynolds, Antoinette
Rees

Trumps Festival results continued:

Festival Pairs 3 January

Final:

1. Adam Rutkowski & Noel Tobin
2. Lorna & Mannie Ichilcik
3. Andy & Bill Hirst

Plate:

1. Adam Edgton & Sartaj Hans
2. David Beauchamp & Garry Clarke
3. Fraser Rew & Andrew Peake

NSWBA Summer Teams - January 10

- 1 Sartaj Hans, Tony Nunn,
Helena Dawson, John Mottram
- 2 David Farmer, Michael Draper,
Frances Lyons, Charles Klassen
- 3 Neville Moses, Steven Bock,
Julian Abel, Rakesh Kumar

North Shore Bridge Club

Summer Teams Sunday Jan 31

- 1 Witold Chylewski, Peter Ciszak
Judy Osie , Hymie Osie
- 2 Will Jenner O'Shea, Tony Leibowitz ,
Mannie Ichilcik, Lorna Ichilcik
- 3 Valerie Cummings, Peter Newman
Matthew Mullamphy, David Fryda

Double Bay Bridge Club

Swiss Pairs February 7

- 1 Murray Green & Helen Horwitz
- 2 Stephan Winkler & Maurits van Der Vucht
- 3 Marlene Watts & Edward Chadwick

Trumps Bridge Club

Teams Sunday February 21

- 1 Jane Dawson, Bob Richman, Kieran Dyke,
Liz Adams
- 2 Mischa Solar, George Bilski, Marlene
Watts, Ted Chadwick
- 3 Helena Dawson, Sartaj Hans, Julian Foster,
Maurits van der Vlugt

Request To Congress Convenors

If you have your congress results on your web site they can be easily obtained for this Bulletin. If you don't have a web site, please email the names of the placegetters to the address shown on page 1 of this bulletin.

Solution to Another 3NT Problem

Dealer: N Vul: E/W

	♠ 7 6 5 2		
	♥ J 4 2		
	♦ A K J		
	♣ 5 3 2		
West	██████	East	♠ Q J 10 9 3
♠ 4			♥ Q 10 9
♥ 7 6 5			♦ 7 6
♦ Q 9 5 2			♣ A 9 4
♣ Q J 10 7 6			
	South		
	♠ A K 8		
	♥ A K 8 3		
	♦ 10 8 4 3		
	♣ K 8		

This is not a hand for beginners. But if you have been playing bridge for a few years and have some knowledge of probabilities plus some card reading skills, you could well solve this problem. The club suit looks to be originally 5-3-3-2. West has obviously lead his strongest and longest suit and you note that ♣4 was missing at trick 2 and so it is pretty certain that East began with ♣A 9 4.

You have 4-3 fits in spades, hearts and diamonds. You know that with a 4-3 fit, the mathematical odds are that the opponents cards are more likely to break 4-2 than 3-3. Of course some days the solution to a 3NT problem is to hope that such a suit breaks 4-3-3-3 (which will happen some of the time). On this deal there is also a faint hope that ♥Q might be singleton or doubleton but skilled players know that any specific card (such as ♥Q in this instance) is more likely to be in the hand that began with four (or five) cards in the suit.

The solution to this play problem is to execute a throw in now – let them take their four tricks now! Play ♠5 from dummy and pitch a spade from hand. West cashes another club, dummy plays ♥2, East plays ♠3 and you pitch a heart. West cashes his last club, dummy a spade and East ♠9 and you. . . ? This is crunch time. What might East's original shape have been? East's willingness to pitch two spades strongly suggests an original 5 card spade suit and so East is provisionally 5 3 2 3. So you must pitch a diamond backing your assumption that diamonds were not originally 4333. Now the stage is set for a squeeze on East in this seven card ending (West to play).

	♠ 7 6 5		
	♥ J 4		
	♦ A K		
	♣ —		
West	██████	East	♠ Q J 10
♠ 4			♥ Q 10 9
♥ 7 6 5			♦ 7
♦ Q 9 5			♣ —
♣ —			
	South		
	♠ A K		
	♥ A K 8		
	♦ 10 8		
	♣ —		

West exits with ♠ 4. You win your ♠K, cash ♠A (noting West's discard of ♥5) and cross to dummy's ♦K and cash ♦A watching East's discard with great interest. East will keep ♠Q and now you play hearts from the top for nine satisfying tricks. Throw in and squeeze – Yum ! This deal is from the walk in duplicate 14 October at NSWBA. Two pairs did made 3NT via club lead to the ace followed by a switch to ♠Q. Now you win ♠A and then work on the red suits for nine tricks.

♣♦♠♥♣♦♠♥♣♦♠♥♣♦♠♥

NSW Open Interstate Teams Selection

The top scorers from each direction in Stage I qualified directly to the final. Those two pairs were:

Ross Stuart - Richard Douglas
Stephan Winkler - Maurits Van Der Vlugt

Qualifiers to Stage II

Nicholas Rodwell - Fraser Rew
Mike Hughes - Peter Buchen
Nevena Djurovic - Jamie Ebery
Helen Horwitz - Paul Gosney
Andrew Peake - Orlando Wu
Margaret Klassen - Eve Whitby
Nicky Strasser - George Bilski
Margaret Pussell - Rasma Liepins
Tony Nunn - Martin Bloom
Dennis Zines - Gordon Schmidt
Charles Klassen - Michael Draper
Terry Collins - Louise Collins
Sally Clarke - Garry Clarke
Peter Jamieson - Axel Johansson
Bruce Neill - Nye Griffiths
Sartaj Hans - Catherine Ritter
Barbara McDonald - Alan Walsh
Tom Snow - Michael Courtney
Peter Wood - Leo Goorevich
Nick Hughes - Nicoleta Giura
Pauline Gumby - Warren Lazer
Robert Krochmalik - Paul Lavings
Michael Waring - Ben Chosid
Edward Barnes - Peter Fordham
Nick Fahrer - Michael Wilkinson
Rakesh Kumar - Julian Abel
Peter Jeffery - Henry Dyal
Tony Leibowitz - William Jenner-O'Shea
Gheorghii Belonogov - Eva Kowalczyk
Jane Dawson - Peter Gill
Gary Lane - Frank Budai
Julian Foster - David Weston

The Women's ITS qualifying event will be held over four Wednesday nights at the NSWBA commencing Wednesday March 10.

In addition, players who want to try to make the open or women's teams to represent NSW at the ANC in Hobart also have the opportunity to enter the Last Train events to be held at NSWBA on April 18. Enter via the web site or ring the office on 9264 8111.

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DIARY OF UPCOMING CONGRESSES IN NSW

Date	Club	Event	Contact	Phone
March 7	Forbes	Swiss Pairs	Elizabeth Jelbart	6852 3347
March 14	Tilligerry	Swiss Pairs	Mike Skelton	4982 3898
March 13-14	Griffith Ex-Serviceman's	Wine Country Pairs (Sat) Teams(Sun)	Carolyn Marsh	6963 6666
March 12-14	Bateman's Bay	Walk In (Fri) Pairs (Sat) Teams (Sun)	Mike Alves	4471 2509
March 14	Lismore	Teams	Graham Askey	6621 5058
March 13-14	Armidale	Pairs	Jane Fletcher	6771 1606
March 20-21	Maitland	Pairs (Sat) Teams (Sun)	Christine Chandler	4932 0706
Sunday March 28	Illawarra Bridge Association	Restricted Pairs	Chris Diment	0417 232 846
March 27-28	Central Coast Super Congress	Swiss Pairs (Sat) Teams (Sun)	Sally Clarke	4334 1294
March 28	Twin Towns Services	Teams	Jan O'Grady or J Verdickt	02 6674 3675 07 5535 5649
April 2	Trumps	Good Friday Pairs	Derrick Browne	9969 5959
April 4	Trumps	Easter Teams	Derrick Browne	9969 5959
April 10-11	Ballina	Teams	L Graham	6686 8417
April 10-11	Hawkesbury	Autumn Pairs (Sat) Autumn Teams (Sun)	Pat Chamberlain	4572 1411
April 17-18	Tamworth	Teams	Cath Stevenson	6765 9498
April 24-25	North Shore	Anzac Swiss Pairs (Sat) Anzac Teams (Sun)	John McIlrath	0437 274 343
May 1-2	Yamba	Congress Pairs Both days	Frank Campbell	6645 8031
April 30 to May 2	Bathurst	Walk In (Fri) Pairs (Sat)Teams (Sun)	Diane Kajons	6332 4573
May 1-2	Port Macquarie-Hastings	Pairs (Sat) Teams (Sun)	Margaret Walker	6581 3569