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From the President



Richard Ward

AFTER After several years of change and some turbulence it seems timely to look back on the past decade and reflect on the progress that has been made for Queensland bridge activity in that time. Back then the QBA Management committee was quite concerned about the decline in entries for some state championships. In particular, the Queensland Open Teams was struggling and the Open Pairs had slipped significantly from the halcyon days of that event where there were 70 tables at Doomben Racecourse, under the auspices of the Brisbane Bridge Centre with Jill and Eddie Broad at the helm. It seemed that regular club players were becoming disengaged with the idea of competing against Queensland's best and so, in 2021, the concept of a combined three-day event to be run by the QBA itself was born. This change needed the collaboration of the Toowong Bridge Club, the Brisbane Bridge Centre and the Queensland

Contract Bridge Club to re-format and re-position various events on the calendar. This has been a great success and now, in 2026, the QBA has offered the Festival back to QCBC to manage. It is pleasing to see that the 'house full' sign was posted months ahead of the event in October.

The Queensland Mixed Pairs had also been on the decrease until, out of the blue, the Australian Bridge Federation offered Queensland the opportunity to add one more gold point event to its calendar (together with the Gold Coast International Congress and the Barrier Reef Congress). The Management Committee approved the River City Gold Mixed Pairs in 2022 and the Toowong Bridge Club was pleased to take it on. As a result, entries have now risen from under 20 tables to over 50.

The Gold Coast International Congress reached peak entries of over 400 tables in 2024-25 and, with the exception of the disastrous covid-induced financial loss in 2022, continued to perform well financially. In fact it is the GCC alone which has allowed the QBA to keep capitation fees so low over the past few decades. Without it, players would have been faced with significant increases. When the Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre refused to accept our booking for 2025 despite:

- an extensive lobbying campaign with the Queensland Government and sundry politicians; plus
- the GCC bringing in an estimated \$15 million into the local economy each year

it was time for the QBA to look elsewhere. Meanwhile the Convention Centre remained mostly vacant throughout February this year.

Looking to the future:

- The inaugural Brisbane Gold Congress will be held at the Voco City Centre in early February and promises to be a great success under the capable management of Jan Peach, Tony Treloar and Peter Busch;
- The Barrier Reef Congress rotates to the Colonial Club in Cairns in early May; and
- The River City Gold Mixed Pairs will continue at the Toowong Bridge Club in late May with 50 tables already entered – a capacity crowd.

As players and supporters of bridge in Queensland, our collaborative challenge is to increase membership across all clubs in the hope that the pre-2020's grand total of around 7000 can be reached again. As always, our team of teachers do a great job but improving retention rates following the beginners' lessons is not a simple task.

It is with sadness that we mark the recent death of Keith McDonald, President of the Australian Bridge Federation and the Queensland Bridge Association for 18 years aged 75. Keith leaves a distinguished and impressive legacy of steady leadership in the game. His contribution to players, clubs and the broader bridge community will endure.

With best wishes to all. ■

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ANC



Youth players at the ANC



Queensland Youth Team: Zac Ross, Anthony Mills, Remco Spencer, Kate Macdonald, Paddy Taylor, Alexandra Mills and Paul Gosney (npc)



1st Interstate Pairs: Zac Ross and Paddy Taylor



2nd Interstate Pairs: Jim Evans and Pamela Evans

Manager's Travels



**Kim
Ellaway**

THE first bridge club on my "To visit every club in Queensland" vow was Yeppoon Bridge Club which hosted a wonderful congress. My second was Rockhampton and already I have got dates for 21 more clubs. Yeppoon supplied all the congress players with wonderful homemade stuff and the country people can certainly cook.

On the Saturday night we joined some of the Mackay Bridge Club members for dinner and that was a great night, and then on the Sunday night we joined the same Mackay members and Rocky and Yeppoon members at the RSL. Great food, great band and fabulously priced drinks.

We teamed up with Freddie Whitaker and his wife Anna. We were very lucky and when the music stopped, we had done enough to have won.

We won 6 out of the 7 matches and lost our only match to the team that came 2nd and they were unlucky because they did not lose any of their matches.

This board helped our win.

Dlr E	♠ 543	♠ 107
Vul NS	♥ K843	♥ AQJ962
	♦ KJ96	♦ 753
	♣ 73	♣ J9
♠ K9		
♥ 10		
♦ AQ10842		
♣ K1084		
	♠ AQJ862	
	♥ 75	
	♦ —	
	♣ AQ652	

W	N	E	S
All pass		2H	4S

I, like a lot of the others, got the ♥10 lead. I played the three. East is in a terrible position because if he plays the ace and I had the singleton he has set up my ♥K so the 10 was allowed to hold. West had no choice but to lead a club, which I won with the queen. I then played the ♠A and the queen putting West back in again. West is now totally end-played. Cashing the ♦A does not work nor does leading another club so thankfully I made the contract.

At the other table they were only in 3♠ so it was a nice pick up.

The following day we played in Rockhampton. This was a good board for us.

Dlr S	♠ K9542	♠ 1086
Vul None	♥ 9752	♥ 83
	♦ J4	♦ Q862
	♣ 85	♣ Q974
♠ AQJ3		
♥ AQJ4		
♦ K10		
♣ KJ10		
	♠ 7	
	♥ K106	
	♦ A9753	
	♣ A632	

W	N	E	S
X	P	2C	1D
3NT	All pass		P

I got the lead of the ♠4 and of course won it with the jack. I then proceeded to play the king, jack and ten of clubs. South took the third club with his ace and returned the ♥6 and

the rest was pretty easy. I have three spades, three clubs, two hearts and at least a diamond but I continually put South in and in fact won three

clubs three hearts, two diamonds and three spades for 11 tricks.

Thank you to Yeppoon and Rockhampton for your hospitality. ■

Yeppoon Congress



1st teams: Ray Ellaway, Kim Ellaway, Karin Le Roux (Convenor), Anna Monks, Fred Whitaker, Tania Rayfield (President)



2nd teams: Janet Hansen, Diane Morgan, Frances Brown, Karin Le Roux (Convenor) Alan Brown and Tania Rayfield (President)



B Teams winners: Jan Harris, Sandra Morris, Karin Le Roux (Convenor) Annette Howe, Tania Rayfield (President), and Annie Lynch

IBPA Column Service



Tim Bourke

Dlr S	♠ AKQ83		
Vul Both	♥ KQJ5		
	♦ J75		
	♣ 6		
♠ J105		♠ 97642	
♥ 6		♥ 10942	
♦ Q103		♦ 9	
♣ KQJ1073		♣ 982	
	♠ —		
	♥ A873		
	♦ AK8642		
	♣ A54		

W	N	E	S
2C	2S	P	1D
P	4C	P	3H
P	4NT	P	4D
P	5NT	P	5C
P	6H	All pass	6D

After an auction that began in a natural way, North asked for keycards with 4NT and confirmed that all were present with 5NT. South's 6♦ promised the king of diamonds and denied the queen of diamonds; with both, he would have jumped to the grand slam.

West led the king of clubs and East signalled that he had begun with an odd number of cards in the suit. Declarer won the ace of clubs and cashed the king and queen of trumps. Alas, West threw a club on the second round. Declarer now had to find a way to take another twelve tricks.

Declarer continued with a diamond to his ace, then ruffed a club low in dummy to lead a second round of diamonds. It would not help East to ruff this diamond because he would be ruffing a loser, giving declarer the rest of the tricks. So, East discarded a club and the king of diamonds won the trick.

Now declarer correctly abandoned

diamonds (if he conceded a diamond to West's queen, a club return would force the dummy to ruff with the jack, promoting a trump for East and giving the defence a second trick). Instead, declarer ruffed his remaining club with dummy's jack of trumps and then cashed the three spade winners, throwing diamonds from hand. A fourth spade saw East follow suit, so declarer took two tricks with the eight and ace of trumps for a total of twelve tricks.

Dlr S	♠ 8532		
Vul Both	♥ 642		
	♦ AQ65		
	♣ A6		
♠ K1096		♠ Q7	
♥ J10975		♥ 83	
♦ 104		♦ 98732	
♣ 93		♣ J1075	
	♠ AJ4		
	♥ AKQ		
	♦ KJ		
	♣ KQ842		

W	N	E	S
P	2D	P	2C
P	6NT	All pass	2NT

This deal was played in a teams match in which both sides reached the notrump slam. Both West players led the jack of hearts.

The declarer at the first table believed he was very unlucky to go down. After winning the heart lead with the king, declarer cashed the king and jack of diamonds and crossed to the ace of clubs. As there was no other entry to dummy, he played the ace and queen of diamonds, discarding his two potential losers in spades. Next, he continued with the king and queen of clubs, revealing a 4-2 break. Declarer now conceded a club trick, but East had a diamond to cash for the setting trick.

While the first declarer was unlucky that East had five diamonds and four clubs, the declarer at the second table looked a little further. After counting eleven winners, he saw that the best chance of a twelfth trick would come from the club suit.

The problem was that the entries between his hand and dummy were somewhat awkward. Declarer

realised that if he cashed his minor-suit winners and then had to give up a club, he would go down whenever one defender held five diamonds and four clubs. As the most likely club break was 4-2, declarer decided to duck a club.

So, after cashing the king and jack of diamonds, declarer played a low club from both hands at trick four. East won the trick and returned a heart. Declarer took this with the king, then crossed to the ace of clubs to cash the ace-queen of diamonds, throwing the jack and four of spades from his hand. Declarer had the rest – making twelve tricks: a spade, three hearts, four diamonds and four clubs.

Dlr S	♠ QJ3		
Vul EW	♥ Q1096		
	♦ AKQ53		
	♣ A		
♠ K8764		♠ A10952	
♥ 8753		♥ —	
♦ 4		♦ J92	
♣ 983		♣ K10764	
	♠ —		
	♥ AKJ42		
	♦ 10876		
	♣ QJ52		

W	N	E	S
P	2NT	P	1H
P	4C	P	3S
P	5D	P	4H
P	5NT	P	5S
All pass			7H

After North's Jacoby 2NT enquiry, showing a game-forcing raise in hearts, South showed a spade shortage with 3♠. South's cuebid of 5♠ revealed first-round control of the suit, after which North used the Grand Slam Force to ask about the quality of his partner's trumps.

West led the three of trumps. Declarer realised that as long as the diamonds were not 4-0, he would be a heavy favourite to make the contract. If trumps also broke 2-2, he would have thirteen easy tricks by drawing trumps, then running the diamonds while ruffing two clubs in dummy. Similarly, if the diamonds were 2-2 and the trumps 3-1, declarer saw that he could ruff two clubs in

dummy using spade ruffs as entries; then, after cashing the ace-king of diamonds, declarer would cross to the hand with the ten of diamonds and cash dummy's remaining diamonds for the contract. However, declarer saw that difficulties would arise when the trumps were 3-1 or 4-0 and the diamonds were 3-1. In order to run the diamond suit on the above layout, declarer would have to cash dummy's three diamond tops, blocking the suit. So declarer would need a late entry back to dummy to cash the last diamond winner. Consequently, ruffing two clubs in dummy would not be successful when neither red suit divided evenly. Instead, declarer prepared for a different plan: a dummy reversal. His plan was to ruff dummy's three spades in hand and finish in dummy to draw trumps, discarding a diamond on the last trump.

As declarer had thought along these lines, he played dummy's six of trumps at trick one. When it won the trick, declarer executed the plan by ruffing three spades in hand. The sequence was: spade ruff high, diamond to dummy, spade ruff high, club to dummy, spade ruff high, and then draw trumps, discarding diamonds from hand.

Dlr S	♠ AQ5		
Vul NS	♥ 3		
	♦ AQJ		
	♣ AKJ982		
♠ 74		♠ KJ10986	
♥ Q105		♥ 97	
♦ 8432		♦ 765	
♣ Q1054		♣ 63	
	♠ 32		
	♥ AKJ8642		
	♦ K109		
	♣ 7		

W	N	E	S
P	2C	2S	1H
P	4NT	P	4H
P	6H	All pass	5H

After South's jump to 4♥, North checked on keycards before bidding the slam. West led the seven of spades.

The original declarer made a meal of this contract and managed to find

a way to go down. He took the first trick with dummy's ace of spades and then played the ace and king of clubs, discarding his spade loser from hand. Next, declarer finessed the jack of trumps. This was not a success on the above layout, as West won with the queen and returned a third round of clubs. East ruffed this with the nine of trumps, forcing South to overruff with the king. As a result, West's ten of trumps became the setting trick.

Declarer claimed that he had been unlucky. While there was some merit in this claim, the finesse in hearts was ambitious. It would be necessary only if East began with four trumps headed by the queen. This was very unlikely, as he had advertised spade length in the bidding.

The best plan to make this contract was the simplest. Declarer should have played the ace and king of trumps, then cashed the ace-king of clubs to dispose of the spade loser. As the cards lay, declarer could then claim twelve tricks – a spade, six hearts, three diamonds and two clubs.

Of course, without the overcall, the position would have been far less straightforward. ■

ANC Canberra



Jim Evans

I WAS sitting North in the Interstate Pairs in Canberra when I picked up this beauty. It is 15 HCPs, but a much stronger playing hand.

Dlr 13	♠ —		
Vul N	♥ KQ98765432		
	♦ AK		
	♣ K		
♠ KQ8653		♠ AJ972	
♥ 10		♥ —	
♦ QJ3		♦ 10975	
♣ 765		♣ Q843	
	♠ 104		
	♥ AJ		
	♦ 8642		
	♣ AJ1092		

There are a few options for opening a hand such as this. Some would open it 2♣, some 4♥, (which is not advisable, as pard can pass this bid). Another opened 5♥, which is a reasonable bid, asking pard to bid 6♥ with an the ♥A. This is a hand where you can count winners, not losers, as on an average break you have eleven tricks, 12 if pard has the ♥A. So you need a system which can tell you exactly which aces partner holds, if any.

On a good day pard will have the aces you want.

As I was in first position I chose to open 3NT Kabel, asking for specific aces.

Pamela gave her response some thought as this bid only comes up about every seven years or so.

She bid 5♥, which shows two odd aces, hearts and clubs or spades and diamonds.

As I had the ♦A, I knew she had the two aces I wanted, so I now bid 7♥.

The ♠A was led and ruffed in dummy. She led the ♥A and claimed.

We scored 88% for bidding 7♥. Ken Dawson would have scored 100% as he was doubled in 7♥. ■



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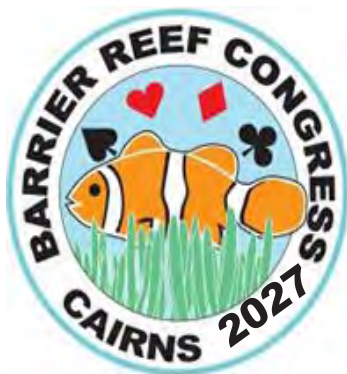
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31st Barrier Reef Congress

Cairns Colonial Club

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3rd B Grade: Ian Dart and Annie Henderson
As of 30 June, Ian Dart had 1.35 MPs

Arana 40th birthday



Judy Valentine, the founder of the Arana BC, and Kim Ellaway, the QBA manager



25 Years Ago



Barry Kempthorne

Barrier Reef Congress

IN the Swiss Teams, sponsored by 'Day and Night Pharmacy' at Mackay, 54 tables played eight 14-board matches. In the penultimate round a Townsville lineup, Geoff and Pat Allen with Leigh Owens and Jan Smith, defeated Barry and Agnes Kempthorne with Tom and Terry Strong 18-12 to turn a 4 VP deficit into a 2 VP lead. Allen won 24-6 in the last round to lock in victory while our 20-10 meant a comfortable second.

Bid what you think you can make

Dlr S	♠ Q64		
	♥ Q		
	♦ J8643		
	♣ KQ72		
♠ K109		♠ 8752	
♥ K764		♥ J853	
♦ AQ7		♦ K5	
♣ 865		♣ 1043	
	♠ AJ3		
	♥ A1092		
	♦ 1092		
	♣ AJ9		

W	N	E	S
P	2C	P	1NT
P	3NT	All pass	2D

With tenaces in three suits and good implemation, South deemed his hand worth a 15-17 no-trump. North asked for 5-card majors, then signed off in 3NT.

West led the ♥4 to dummy's queen. A low diamond went to the ten and queen, and West switched to a club. South won and led another diamond. When East won the ♦K he reverted to hearts, with the ten losing to the king. No matter what was returned, declarer could clear the diamonds for +400.

At the other table South opened 1♥ and North responded 1NT, which became the final contract.

East's spade lead was won with the king and continued. Seven tricks made for -90, but that was 7 IMPs in.

Safety play

Dlr E	♠ —		
Vul EW	♥ Q654		
	♦ A107532		
	♣ Q94		
♠ K76543		♠ AQJ10982	
♥ K		♥ 932	
♦ Q8		♦ J	
♣ AJ87		♣ 105	
	♠ —		
	♥ AJ1087		
	♦ K964		
	♣ K632		

At unfavourable vulnerability, East opened a multi 2♦ and South chanced 2♥. EW reached the cold 4♠ but North pressed on to 5♥.

West's opening lead of the ♦Q was ducked in dummy in case that suit was 3-0. With a ruff looming, South correctly laid down the ♥A and was rewarded with a singleton king. Trumps were drawn and two clubs discarded on the long diamonds; +680.

At the other table East opened with a more robust 3♠, South doubling for takeout. Here EW competed to 5♠ but NS took out insurance in 6♦, doubled. Declarer drew trumps in two rounds and had no reason to reject the heart finesse. One down and a further +100 meant 11 IMPs in.

Eric Parsons Swiss Pairs

In the Swiss Pairs Joan Egan and Kaye Robertshaw played very consistent bridge to record a convincing win. Ray and Kim Ellaway were second with Barry and Agnes Kempthorne third to complete a QCBC trifecta.

	♠ K108763		
	♥ 1076542		
	♦ 4		
	♣ —		
♠ 9		♠ AQJ52	
♥ J		♥ —	
♦ QJ1075		♦ A93	
♣ AKJ964		♣ Q8732	
	♠ 4		
	♥ AKQ983		
	♦ K862		
	♣ 105		

East-West did well to reach the cold 6♣ in the face of strong pre-emption from NS, but the latter were having none of that and pressed on to 6♥ doubled. Only two of our aces cashed and +100 was worth far fewer matchpoints than +920.

Q B A

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Your play was much better tonight and so were your excuses.

Dlr N	♠ Q53		
Vul Both	♥ Q10542		
	♦ J3		
	♣ Q108		
♠ K7		♠ A864	
♥ 63		♥ AKJ7	
♦ AKQ52		♦ 874	
♣ AK93		♣ 54	
	♠ J1092		
	♥ 98		
	♦ 1096		
	♣ J762		

W	N	E	S
2D	P	1D	P
4NT	P	2H	P
5NT	P	5H	P
6NT	All pass	6D	P

One of the minor difficulties with any 5-card major system is judging trump quality and length for slam purposes. Here West rejected 7♦ which makes with both an early club ruff and the heart finesse. In 6NT on the passive ♦J lead, West took that finesse for his contract and tried a squeeze for the overtrick. Perfect discarding by the defence is needed to guard everything in the 3-card ending; +1470.

Dlr S	♠ 98		
Vul Both	♥ KJ953		
	♦ 984		
	♣ K87		
♠ QJ76		♠ K54	
♥ A108762		♥ Q	
♦ Q6		♦ AK72	
♣ 4		♣ 109532	
	♠ A1032		
	♥ 4		
	♦ J1053		
	♣ AQJ6		

After South opened 1♦, West made a very undisciplined bid of 2♥ - he hadn't driven 1,000 km to pass! Both South's reopening double and North's pass were automatic. A club lead should defeat 2♥ but North led the ♠9, looking for ruffs in that suit. When South ducked, West cashed three rounds of diamonds to pitch a club, then ran the ♥Q. The defence made the ♠A and four trump tricks (including a spade ruff), but declarer had +670.

Directors' Corner



Chris
Snook

Not quite average?

The method of scoring in matchpoint pairs is well understood by Directors, but not nearly so for some players. When we add into the mix adjusted scores and artificial adjusted scores (Law 12.C.2) we need to ensure that we fully understand the process and are able to explain it clearly to our players.

When a board is NOT PLAYED

When a board is scheduled to be played, but at one table it is not, the Director must investigate the reasons why and award an artificial adjusted score via Law 12.C.2.(a). In club land, the most common reason is that the table "ran out of time" and the Director has taken the board away. Some clubs use the "No Play" button on their bridgemate but this is not correct. The wording of these artificial adjusted scores is critical:

- *Average minus (at most 40% of the available matchpoints in*

pairs) to a contestant directly at fault;

- *Average (50% in pairs) to a contestant only partly at fault; and*
- *Average plus (at least 60%) to a contestant in no way at fault.*

The foregoing is modified for a non-offending contestant that obtains a session score exceeding 60% of the available matchpoints or an offending contestant that obtains a session score that is less than 40% of the available (or the equivalent in IMPs). Such contestants are awarded the percentage obtained on the other boards of that session.

It appears these modifications are not being done, and they should be. I suspect you would be none too happy if you are having a wonderful

session, averaging 70% for the day, when you hit a notoriously slow pair, you valiantly try to keep them on track at your table, but the Director ends up taking a board away. Director tells you that they are awarding 60%-40% on the board because they have already warned the slowies twice today. You have effectively been penalized by 10% of a top on this board! The correct approach is to temporarily score this as 60%, then at the end of the session the Director adjusts the score on this board to your session average of 70%.

Fouled

Average plus can be used in other situations – it could be that the board was found to have been fouled when



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it arrived at a table – in which case the contestants at that table are most likely not at fault and thus are entitled to average plus for the board they are deprived of being scored on.

Multiple tables and one board

In a larger event, it may happen that a board was played in a fouled condition at multiple tables. If so, QBA Tournament Regulations tell us to divide the scores into two groups: the correct board configuration and the fouled configuration. In CompScore3 we do this by ticking the “fouled” checkbox for each fouled score. Then if each group has four scores or more, then they are scored using the Neuberg formula (all done in software, thank goodness). If one group has fewer than four scores, then these scores are ranked and:

- Only one score then 60% NS and 60% EW
- Two scores then 65% to highest NS and 55% to lowest (with the converse to EW)
- Three scores then 70% to highest NS, 60% to next highest, 50% to lowest NS (with converse to EW)

Your scoring software will most likely try to Neuberg all scores, so you must manually award the percentages for 2 and 3 scores.

Fortunately, the lead checking facility in bridgemates and other electronic scoring systems pick up most of these problems at the first occurrence.

Multiple average plus scores for one contestant

Getting average plus on a board doesn't sound like much of a windfall, but if this favourable (average plus) score is awarded to a contestant on multiple boards in a session then the effect is significant. Law 12.C.2(d) allows the Regulating Authority of provide

for such circumstances. QBA Regulations tell us what to do to provide reasonable recompense without unduly distorting the outcome in relation to the rest of the field. What it does is give slightly less than 60% per board as the number of boards increases.

Number of Boards	Percentage per board
1	60.00%
2	57.07%
3	55.77%
4	55.00%
5	54.47%
6	54.08%
7	53.78%
8	53.54%
9	53.33%
10	53.16%

For example, if you award three average plus scores to a contestant, then the score for each missed board is 55.77%. These adjustments are usually done in the scoring software.

Director Accreditation

Congratulations to the following seven new QBA Accredited Club Directors: Debbie Carroll (QCBC), Glen Garrick (Sunshine Coast), Prunella Adams (Noosa), Rosemary Fletcher (Noosa), Glen Murray (Noosa), Barb Allen (Noosa) and Turgut Manli (Tattersalls).



RESULTS – JULY-SEPTEMBER

JULY

TOWNSVILLE CONGRESS [Directors – Jan Smith, Leigh Owens, Bill Bishop]: **PAIRS** 1 Janelle Conroy / Tex Sheedy; 2 Joan Elliott / Phil Rains; **B** 1 Ann Smith / Anto Wilson; 2 Jan Nettle / Michelle Joans; **C** 1 Jayne Dalton / Judith Threlfall; 2 Mary Overell / Toni Barrell; **TEAMS** 1 Diane & Max Holewa / Janelle Conroy / Tex Sheedy; 2 Jo Gillis / Kelly Walker

/ Jan Smith / Leigh Owens; **B** 1 Frances Summerhayes / Terry Hughes / Luthile Arlett / Brad Ross; 2 Judy Hunt / Jackie Segantreddo / Di Garside / Donna Fitch; **DARLING DOWNS CONGRESS** [Director – Chris Snook]: **PAIRS** 1 Mohan Trada / John Erlandson; 2 Hema De Zoysa / Jim Wood; **B** 1 Trudy & Tony Dunne; 2 Judy Smith / Brenda Hall; **TEAMS** 1 Pele Rankin / Paul Hooykaas / John Morris

The next QBA Online Directors Seminar is Saturday 27th September.

The next QBA Club Director exam is Saturday 8th November.

The next QBA Congress Director exam is Saturday 14th November.

The QBA Proficiency assessment can be attempted at any time. ■

Club News

- Congratulations to Coolum who have received the following. A Qld Government Gambling and Community Benefit Fund (Round 25) of \$13,500 for the installation of a split system air-conditioning unit; a Sunshine Coast Council Community Facilities grant of \$4080 to offset maintenance expenses and Cr Taylor Bunnag (SC Council) for \$1,500 for an up-grading of the club's dishwasher and installation.
- Round 26 of the Government Gambling and Community Benefit has been published and the successful clubs were Tamborine \$3250 for the purchase of equipment and Wynnum \$5540 also for purchase of equipment.
- The GNOT Qld saw 664 teams initially play in the qualifying rounds.
- Seventeen Qld teams will play in the GNOT online final in September and good luck to them all. The GNOT Plate is full.
- The Festival Teams being played in October is full and the Festival Pairs is very close to full. We have 16 zonal teams and 31 zonal pairs participating – good luck to everyone.
- The Brisbane Gold is full in most events.

/ Neven Burica; 2 Bill Redhead / Ian Jesser / Mohan Trada / John Erlandson; **B** 1 Lois & John Rolls / Pauline Greig / Alan Toohey; 2 Diann Fenwick / Naureen Gearon / Floyd Wilson / Rebecca Knight; **TOOWONG PAIRS** [Director – Alan Gibson]: 1 Jill Magee / Terry Strong; 2 Jenny Hay / Ralph Parker; **B** 1 Pat Beattie / Edward Hahn; 2 Anthony Mills / Paddy Taylor; **C** 1 Peter Munro / Warren Males; 2 Peter Farley / Bruce Heady; **UNDER 150 MPs** 1 Trish Wright / Peter Robinson; 2 Laura & Helen Tomlin; **B** 1 Daisy Booth / Diana O'Ferrall; 2 Alexia Lennon / Kit Duncan.

BOWEN PAIRS - [Directors – Jan Smith, Leigh Owens]: 1 Frances & Alan Brown; 2 Diane & Max Holewa; **B** 1 Lydie Martin / Thea Weekes; 2 Ann Smith / Di Garside; **C** 1 Anto Wilson / Luthile Arlett; 2 Martin Pearce / Noel Saunders; **LOCKYER PAIRS** [Director – Jo Neary]: 1 Robyn Clark / Richard Fox; 2 Bronwyn Macleod / Terry O'Dempsey; **B** 1 Ngaire Wills / Trevor Henderson; 2 Rhonda & Allan McLucas; **REDLAND UNDER 500 PAIRS** [Director – Chris Snook]: 1 Nanette & Brodie Loxton; 2 Kate O'Donnell / Helen Baran; **B** 1 Linda & Peter Neill; 2 Neal Healy / John Bullion.

BUNDABERG CONGRESS [Director – Chris Snook]: **PAIRS** 1 Helen Manzau / Peter Gordon; 2 Lydia George / Betty Theodore; **B** 1 Trevor Galletly / Selwyn Nitschke; 2 Anna Irminger / Eugenie Moonie; **C** 1 Cathy McKenzie / Michele Rau; 2 Veronica Cullen / Alanna Waugh; **TEAMS** 1 Jan Randall / Karen Le Roux / Adrian Lohmann / Don Cameron; 2 Judy Zeller / Elizabeth Zeller / Selwyn Nitschke / Trevor Galletly; **B** 1 Veronica Cullen / Alanna Waugh / Fran Martin / Pam Carmody; 2 Kerri Grant / Anne Portess / Sylvia Mason / Barbara Studholme.

CAIRNS PAIRS [Director – Bill Bishop]: 1 Bjorg Risle / Dee Jierasak; 2 Andrea & Dave Mathieson; **B** Jan & Mark Firth; C Klarika Tortely / Mark Ryan; D Irma Beekhuis / Chris Johnson; **MARYBOROUGH CONGRESS** [Director – Peter Busch]: **PAIRS** 1 Astrid Korfgén / Lynne Leyton; 2 Sue Ziegenfuss / Tim Runting; **B** Sue Smith / Michael Huddart; C Heather Mearns / Thistel Anderson; **TEAMS** 1 Janelle Shaw / Astrid Korfgén / Lynne Leyton / Lynne Layton; 2 Carol Smith / Glenn Chapman / Sue Smith / Michael Huddart; **B** Sue Mittermair / Sa & Paul Smith / John Rogers; **MACKAY NOVICE PAIRS** [Director – Jan Harris]: 1 Vicky Howard / Susan Ross; 2 Glen Cocup / Ian Vary; **QCBC TEAMS** [Director – Julie Jeffries]: 1 Nadya Tuxworth / Lech Kaszubski / Kerry Wood / Charles Howard; 2 Barbara Mackay / Barry Koster / Lyn Tracey / Richard Spelman; **UNDER 150** Vina & Naran Shah / Gayleen Trevaskis / Jim Pope.

AUGUST

BRISBANE BRIDGE CENTRE TEAMS [Director – Chris Snook]: 1 Ben Leung / Paul Gosney / Paddy Taylor / Andy Hung; 2 Abby Wanigaratne / Carmel Martin / Alison Dawson / John Kelly; **B** 1 Kathleen Clifford / Oliver Goodman / Sameer Pandya / John Rivers; 2 Monica Gordon / Nanette Hinsch / Rod Wilson / Peter Burke.

CLEVELAND BAY TEAMS [Director – Jan Smith]: 1 Angela Little / Robyn Nolan / Di Garside / Donna Fitch; 2 Pat Leighton / Barbara Hospers / Cathy Crawford / Jo Gillis;

CALOUNDRA PAIRS [Director – Bob Davies]: **UNDER 500** 1 Elizabeth Van Vugt / Julie Scott; 2 Sue Smith / Michael Huddart; **NOVICE** 1 Rhys Dewar / Yuko Colthurst; 2 Tracey Barnett / Brett Waring; **GOLD COAST PAIRS** [Director –

Alan Gibson]: **UNDER 500** 1 Libby Persson / Lindell Day; 2 Wendy Harrison / Dimity Burke; **NOVICE** 1 Fiona Beattie / Joe Pearce; 2 Daisy Booth / Diana O'Ferrall; **SUNNYBANK TEAMS** [Director – Julie Jeffries]: 1 Martin Qin / Charlie Lu / Tim Runting / Patrick Bugler; 2 Sheila & Ralph Parker / Michelle Radke / Ian Halford; **B** Eugene Pereira / Peter Lang / Gary Wardrop / Matthew Page-Hanify; **C** June McNamara / Lee Pitt / Alice Edwards / Jenny Andrews.

WARWICK PAIRS [Director – Chris Snook]: 1 Kathy Duke / Laurie-Marie McRoberts; 2 John Morris / Peter Lyons; **B** 1 Mavis Simpson / Noella Collins; 2 Chris Ferguson / Eve Sirigos; **C** 1 Mark Hunt / Terry Sheedy; 2 Len Don / Pat Kelly; **MORETON-BRIBIE CONGRESS** [Director – Bob Davies]: **PAIRS** 1 Adrienne Kelly / Ken Dawson; 2 Shirley & Chris Watson; B 1 Joanne Scott / John Nothdurft; 2 Jan & Chris Nelson; **TEAMS** 1 Adrienne Kelly / Ken Dawson / Janeen Solomon / Alison Dawson; 2 Val Roland / Michael Stoneman / Sue Ziegenfuss / Tim Runting; **B** 1 Siobhan Davies / Linda Lee / Peter Zanki / Paul Jenkins; 2 Sue Smith / Michael Huddart / Claire & Robert Stammel.

REDCLIFFE PAIRS [Director – Julie Jeffries]: 1 Shanaal De Zoysa / Terry O'Dempsey; 2 Carmel Martin / Abby Wanigaratne; **B** 1 Barbara & Warren Holmes; 2 Roxanne Blaylock / Robyn Church; C 1 Chris Loton / Terry Davies; 2 Sarah Huntington-Wynne / Brian Pridham.

SEPTEMBER

YEPPOON CONGRESS [Director – Chris Snook]: **PAIRS** 1 Ivy & John Luck; 2 Jan Randall / Don Cameron; **B** 1 Veronica Cullen / Alanna Waugh; 2 Darryl Newport / Graeme Driscoll; **C** 1 Joie Day / Hilary Gunthorpe; 2 Tania Rayfield / Valda Corbett; **TEAMS** 1 Kim & Ray Ellaway; Anna Monks / Fred Whitaker; 2 Janet Hansen / Frances & Alan Brown / Diane Morgan; **B** 1 Annette Howe / Annie Lynch / Jan Harris / Sandra Morris; 2 Joie Day / Michele & Matt Rau / Hilary Gunthorpe; **KENMORE PAIRS** [Director – Julie Jeffries]: **NOVICE** 1 Anthony & Stephen Mills; 2 Anne-Maree Carne / Martine Hero; 2 **ROOKIE** 1 Corrine Pryce / Derek Nankivell; 2 Debbie Manche / Rosemary Clark.

QUEENSLAND GRADED PAIRS [Director – Chris Snook]: 1 Remco Spencer / Zac Ross; 2 David Smith / Tony Hutton; **UNDER 750** 1 Shanaal & Hema De Zoysa; 2 Brodie Loxton / Ian Bannister; **UNDER 150** 1 Sue Sherrell / Joshua Davis; 2 Laura & Helen Tomlin; **MAGNETIC TEAMS** [Director – Jan Smith]: 1 Leigh Owens / Kelly Walker / Bill Bishop / Tamati Greig; 2 Betty Hobdell / Robyn Nolan / Ian Patterson / Ched Twyman.

NOOSA TEAMS [Director – Peter Busch]: 1 Jackie Hendrix / Kate Courts / Paul Jenkins / John Rivers; 2 Joanne McCarthy / Gayna Ryan / Kathryn Male / Diane Quigly; **B** 1 Leisha McMenamin / Meredith Bunn / John Royle / Judy Foreman; 2 Graeme Lean / Brett Waring / Margo Solomon / Kim Mikolic; **REDLAND PAIRS** [Director – Alan Gibson]: 1 Kuldip Bedi / Martin Qin; 2 Charlie Lu / Zhuqiang / Tian; **B** 1 Jennifer Troughton / Sheila Parsons; 2 Jan Kinross / Rosemary Floquet; **C** 1 Rick Webster / Martin Murray; 2 Kit Duncan / Trish Wright; **DALBY CONGRESS** [Director – Chris Snook]: **PAIRS** 1 Debbie & Gary Gibbards; 2 Ian Halford / Terry O'Dempsey; **B** 1 Rebecca Knight / Jenny McAinsh; 2 Terry Sheedy / Mark John Hunt; **TEAMS** 1 Michelle Radke / Bronwyn McLeod / Ian Halford / Terry O'Dempsey; 2 Rod Brilliant / Bill Redhead / Ian Jesser / Jim Wood.