

Bridge Traveller Autumn 2016

As Rhonda and I get older, and with Derrick expecting a second baby in July, we have been fortunate to have the support of Chris Turner, Ross Smith, Richard Harman, David Emmerson, Jan and Peter Clyne and Janet and Paul Hill.

The continuation of our bridge holidays and breaks is a must as we have the good fortune to have you, the most delightful people, attending and we want to continue giving you the opportunity to catch up with one another. We have had to abandon some of our previous venues because of the difficulty of access that stairs present as we grow older.

Top overseas bridge teachers and players, using their computers, have found flaws in our established methods of bidding and play and have developed incredible improvements to the game. Our bridge breaks give us the opportunity to introduce some of these improvements to you in our open program. We now provide a developers program in most of our breaks so that improver and intermediate level players' can play against each other at a slower pace and play hands specially designed to improve their bidding and play techniques.

We wish to remind those of you who live in or near Sydney or who have family or friends to visit in Sydney, that you will be very welcome at Trumps and Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club. We will find partners for you and will charge members rates when you attend.

Coming up we have the following bridge instruction that you will be welcome to attend:

Wednesday April 6 at 12.30pm at Brisbane Water Inverted minors (open). Taking charge in the auction (developers).

Sunday April 10 at Trumps Coaching Assessment (developers) at 10am. Coaching Assessment (open) at 1.30pm.

Tuesday May 3 at 9.30am at Long Jetty Fit showing cue bids (open). Planning your declarer play (developers)

Our 2016 Australian Bridge Holiday Program (detailed fliers enclosed)

Leura Waldorf Resort Feb 2-5: Was a great success. 12 tables attended. We will return in 2017.

Apollo Resort Wamberal May 10-13: Still a number of vacancies. Very popular with the local bridge players.

Dormie House Moss Vale July 17-21: Our 18th time. We already have quite a few entries.

Albury Manor House Sep 2-4: Delightful rooms and food. Brings back memories of our younger days.

Rich River Golf Resort Sep 4-9: Threatens to be bigger than ever. Fantastic value, great accommodation.

November: We have not yet committed. Where would you like to go? Let us know.

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