



# “Trumping In”

## Waverley Bridge Club Newsletter

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### RANK PROMOTIONS

**Congratulations to our members who have recently achieved rank promotions:**

#### **GRADUATE MASTER            2+MP**

Hilary Lamacraft, Suzie Long, Elizabeth Moffat, Carol Norman and Lisa Yoffa

#### **CLUB MASTER                5+ MP**

Margaret Birch, Barbara Love and Doreen McKinney.

#### **LOCAL MASTER            15+MP**

Andre Ferdinands, Megan Glenn, Roy Williams and Peter Yuritta.

#### **\*LOCAL MASTER            25+MP**

Colleen Bourke, Derek Braham, Tom O’Hanlon and Dan Warna.

#### **REGIONAL MASTER        50+MP**

Trevor James.

#### **STATE MASTER            50+MP (incl. 25+ red)**

Dianne Keys.

### NEW SUPERVISED SESSION

**A new supervised session will be beginning on Tuesday October 8, running from 1.30 till 4.00. The session will be run by Bill Jacobs and we hope that all our newer players will enjoy this addition to our improvers’ program. All our other supervised sessions and lessons will be retained.**

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Waverley Bridge Club AGM will be held on Monday October 28 2013 at 9.45 am.

Please attend to participate in the running of your club. If you are unable to attend you can put your name on the apologies sheet in Bridge Room 2, and are most welcome to give your proxy vote to any financial member of the club.

Please consider filling in a nomination form to become a Committee member for a year. Forms are available in the carousel near the Events board and completed forms should be given to the Secretary – Mary Elson. A list of persons nominating for the Committee is available for viewing in Bridge Room 2 and may be accompanied by a short biography of the nominee.

Meeting papers will be emailed shortly to all members who have provided us with an email address. Other members’ papers will be available to be collected from the clubrooms from Monday September 30.

*Please note that only members who have not given us an email address will be able to collect papers from the clubrooms.*

Papers not collected will be posted two weeks before the meeting date. Please pick up your papers to help lower the cost of postage.

Thank you.

Mary Elson,  
Secretary

## ANNUAL ACCOUNTS

The annual accounts for the financial year 2012 – 2013 have been prepared and will be available to members of the club in the Annual General Meeting papers which are now ready for collection.

## COMMON AREA FRIDGE

Representatives of Ceres Calisthenics Club have asked us to mention again that the drinks in the big fridge in the common area are NOT free. While we don't believe that it is bridge club members helping themselves, there is a large amount of loss of stock which is expensive and upsetting for the Calisthenics Club and for all of us.

## COMING EVENTS

### SWISS TEAMS – Red Point

Tuesday 7.30 pm October 15, 22 and 29.

Entry fee: \$30 – members; \$36 – non-members, payable on October 15.

## STAND BY

Have you put your name down to be a stand by yet?

The system is working well with many generous members taking a turn. However, it will only *continue* to work if many members are willing to give up an hour or so.

If you are needed to play, your session will be free.

## GET RID OF THAT ANNOYING SILVER CHANGE!!

**You know all those 5 and 10 cent coins cluttering up your wallet and making a heavy mess at the bottom of your bag – we have just the solution for you.**

**Gather them all together and feed the money box on the sales table near the door. (NOT the muesli bar sales box!)**

**When the box is full we will donate the entire contents to a charity – in fact if you have any good ideas about a local charity we could assist, we would love to hear from you.**

**Thanks very much.**

## WAVERLEY BRIDGE CLUB CONGRESS 2013

(Air-conditioning will be provided in *all* rooms).

Congress time is coming up and entry forms are now available in the club rooms.

You can also enter via our new web-site – [www.waverleybridgeclub.com.au](http://www.waverleybridgeclub.com.au) and just click on the links for each event on the Home Page. All current event entries are listed.

This year we are offering you a three-day Congress leading up to our traditional Cup Day Party –

Events will be:

### SATURDAY November 2 – 10.00 am – 5.30 pm

**SWISS PAIRS** – Open grade

Restricted grade (players with fewer than 20 MP as at 1 April 2013)

Entry fee: \$70 per pair

### SUNDAY November 3 – 10.00 am – 5.30 pm

**SWISS TEAMS** – Open grade

Restricted grade (players with fewer than 20 MP as at 1 April 2013)

Entry fee: \$140 per team

### MONDAY November 4 – 10.00am – 5.30 pm

**BUTLER PAIRS** – Open grade

Entry fee: \$70 per pair

(Our normal duplicate and supervised sessions will be run on Monday November 3, but there will be no duplicate on the Saturday or Sunday.)

**The Youth Club is catering an all-you-can-eat pasta and dessert feast on Saturday and Sunday for only \$10.00.**

There will be a sausage sizzle available on Monday with various prices.

## AND DON'T FORGET - - - THE CUP DAY PARTY!!!

Put on your best hat, pick up your best partner, put a little extra change in your pocket for Sweeps tickets, make something yummy to share for lunch, and come along to our wonderful Cup Day party.

It's only \$22 a pair for red point bridge, great company and a complimentary glass of wine.

And a request – if you are undecided about what mouth-watering food to bring to the shared lunch, could you please fall down on the side of savoury goodies rather than sweet? Last year we had a great preponderance of sweet – which was very nice of course but not really quite the thing. There will be a sheet on the sign-in table where you can mark with a tick whether you will be bringing sweet or savoury and we'd love you to try to keep a bit of a balance. Thanks very much.

## SUNDAY BRIDGE

Nationwide Pairs events will be run on October 5 and 19.

No need to enter, just turn up and enjoy a red point Sunday session. The session runs from 2.00 pm till 5.00 pm and the cost is \$9 for members and \$11 for non-members.

Normal duplicate will be played on every other Sunday.

Do you know that you can enjoy a glass of wine or a beer with your game on Sunday if you want?

## PLAY PUZZLE from September newsletter

♠AK  
♥AKQ  
♦A8765432  
♣ - -

♠QJ1098  
♥J109876  
♦ - -  
♣AK

How do you make 7NT on a club lead?

On the Club lead, play the Ace and King from your hand, *discarding the ♠A and ♠K*.

Now play your five winning spades, *discarding the ♥A, ♥K and ♥Q and two diamonds*.

Now run your 6 winning hearts.

Making 13 tricks. Not so flash, of course, on a spade, heart or diamond lead!

## TRY A PUZZLE from September newsletter:

Answers:

Each of these silly phrases is an anagram of a familiar bridge word or phrase that pertains to bidding. Can you unscramble them?

1. CAVE ROLL - Overcall
2. BOLD WACKO - Blackwood
3. WOW! BAD KITE - Weak two-bid
4. DOPY AUNT BELLE - Penalty double
5. GET ONE VALUE BID - Negative double
6. AVOID JAM FORCERS - Five-card majors
7. MANGLER OF CARDS - Grand slam force
8. TIMID VERB, PEEP - Preemptive bid

## OCTOBER PUZZLE - ANSWER IN NEXT NEWSLETTER

What is unusual about the following paragraph?

Good slam bidding, or a lack of it, is a major downfall of most aficionados of our popular indoor sport. It is just too common to find good old Blackwood as an automatic slam-bidding tool. I doubt that any solution would bring unanimous approval, but my proposal is to ban all four-no trump bids from this day forward! I would also found an institution for violators – call it a Blackwood Asylum – so that stubborn fanatics could bid four no trump ad infinitum.

## THE POWER OF AN ACE – for newer players

Experience will teach you that an ace is much more than simply a card that can win a trick. Look at the following deal:

Contract 3NT	♠105	
Lead: ♠4	♥KJ7	
	♦KQ1075	
	♣J62	
	♠KJ943	♠Q72
	♥852	♥Q104
	♦62	♦A983
	♣Q97	♣1043
	♠A86	
	♥A963	
	♦J4	
	♣AK85	

After a straightforward auction –

1NT : Pass : 3NT : all pass

West leads the ♠2 and East should, of course, play the Queen.

Before calling for a card from dummy, declarer should take stock – counting his ready winners.

1 spade, 2 hearts, 0 diamonds and 2 clubs – making a total of 5.

So he needs 4 more to make his contract.

The best place to go for the extra four tricks is pretty obviously the diamond suit. Once the Ace has been flushed out there are four tricks for the taking.

Let's try the play –

South takes the Ace of spades and leads the Jack of diamonds. East pounces on his Ace and returns a spade. West takes four more spades and the contract is defeated. Well, that didn't work very well.

What went wrong??

The problem was that declarer played his Ace of spades at trick one, leaving East with not just one, but *two* spades that he could return when he took the diamond Ace.

Declarer played his Ace *too early*.

That spade Ace is a powerful card. Not only can it take a trick, but it can take that trick *when declarer chooses!* On this deal, declarer must 'hold up' his Ace of spades until the *third* trick. Now when he plays on diamonds and East takes his Ace, East will have no spades left to return. The best he can do is return a club – hoping that partner has the Ace of that suit. Now of course declarer can take his nine tricks in comfort.

If North has the Ace of diamonds then the contract cannot be made. He will take five tricks with no trouble. So success in this contract depends on East having the diamond Ace – a 50% chance. Which is *much* better odds than a 0% chance if declarer wins the first spade trick.

And a note on the play. As mentioned earlier, make sure that you lead the ♦J, not a small diamond to the King or Queen – first play the high card from the shorter holding. If declarer wrongly played a small diamond to the King, East can 'hold up' his Ace for two rounds and prevent declarer from winning the diamond tricks he needs.

## WHO HAS WHAT?

You are South and are declarer in 4♠ after the following auction.

<b>WEST</b>	<b>NORTH</b>	<b>EAST</b>	<b>SOUTH</b>
1♦	Double	Pass	4♠
All pass			

West leads the ♥Q.

### North (dummy)

♠KQ106  
♥AK104  
♦95  
♣986

West: ♥Q

### South (You)

♠AJ984  
♥32  
♦A73  
♣K53

- Which player is likely to have the ♥J?
- Which player is likely to have the ♣A?
- How do you plan to make the contract?

Choose your answers, then see page 9 for a discussion.

## BIDDING AGAINST PRE-EMPTS

<b>WEST</b>	<b>NORTH</b>	<b>EAST</b>	<b>SOUTH</b>
2♦	x	3♦	?

What is your call as South with:

1. ♠K1063	♥83	♦873	♣AJ94
2. ♠82	♥Q106542	♦74	♣1054
3. ♠K2	♥873	♦763	♣AJ1074
4. ♠Q85	♥J863	♦Q105	♣K32
5. ♠QJ62	♥K1086	♦762	♣Q10

East has made life much more difficult by nastily raising the pre-empt. With a really awful hand now you can happily pass, but with a fair hand, things get more tricky.

Choose a call for each hand then see page 8

## THE HORMONE GUIDE

### SURVIVAL TIPS FOR MEN: HOW TO ASK A QUESTION TO A WOMAN

DANGEROUS	SAFER	SAFEST	ULTRA SAFE
What's for dinner?	Can I help you with dinner?	Where would you like to go for dinner?	Here, have some wine.
Are you wearing that?	You sure look good in brown!	Wow! Look at you.	Here, have some wine.
What are you so worked up about?	Could we be over-reacting?	Here's my paycheck.	Here, have some wine.
Should you be eating that?	You know, there are a lot of apples left.	Can I get you a piece of chocolate with that?	Here, have some wine.
What did you DO all day?	I hope you didn't over-do it today.	I've always loved you in that robe.	Here, have some wine.

## WHAT SHOULD I BID?

LHO opens 1♣ and partner overcalls 1♠. What should you do with the following hand?

♠4  
♥KJ83  
♦A954  
♣Q1082

To bid or not to bid – that is the question. Choose an action and see page 10 for a discussion.



## BRIDGE IN KALORAMA



Well folks, a great time was had by all – it was raining after we arrived but we got ourselves organised and after having a most enjoyable meal we settled in for an evening of red point bridge – session one of a two session Pairs event.



**The playing area.**

The next morning most of our guests turned up to enjoy an expert lesson given by Bill Jacobs or a beginner's lesson by Mary. It was raining so not many people chose to take the morning off.



**Bill and the finer points of competitive bidding!**

The afternoon session was the Harry Waters Pairs – a one session green point event – and because it was still raining a full complement of guests joined in. Placegetters in this event were:

### HARRY WATERS PAIRS – A SECTION

**N/S**

1. E. Rose. P. Appelboom
2. K. Palmer. B. Wilding
3. B. Campbell. M. Ewing

**E/W**

1. S. Kudelka. L. Szabo
2. J. Haworth. M. Davy
3. D. Finemore. J. Finemore

### HARRY WATERS PAIRS - B SECTION

**N/S**

1. C. Baker. P. Baker
2. J. Quirk. R. Quirk
3. K. Sheppard. J. Zikos

**E/W**

1. Y. Brown. M. Jemmeson
2. S. Cook. Y. Cox
3. M. Nouza. H. Rhoden

The second session of the Red Point Pairs followed in the evening – overall placegetters were:

### RED POINT PAIRS - A SECTION:

1. S. Kudelka. L. Szabo
2. S. Lindton. S. Dunstan
3. K. Palmer. B. Wilding

### RED POINT PAIRS - B SECTION

**N/S**

1. W. Cousins. L. Carberry
2. A. Larsen. W. Sebire
3. J. Tymms. B. Tymms

**E/W**

1. M. Willcox. J. Buckley
2. D. Finemore. J. Finemore
3. M. Ewing. B. Campbell

Though we were having some adventures with the air conditioning in the playing area, constant vigilance kept the temperature acceptable. Meantime we were having delicious meals, luxuriating in a huge open plan living and dining area with a giant fireplace, lots of comfy furniture, endless (drinkable) coffee and a *most* conveniently located bar. There was a marvellous deck outside leading to a magnificent garden and a view to die for, but as it was raining we didn't get outside much on the second day.

Another lesson followed on Friday, once again very well attended – it was raining in the morning so there was not much enthusiasm about going out and eight hardy folk who didn't want to attend the lesson spent the morning playing bridge! Two sessions of Red Point Teams followed – guests had spent quite some time arranging teams and the event went very well. There were, however, quite a few complaints that the trays of

water going around seemed to be awfully short of gin!! Somewhere around 4.30pm there was a round of applause to acknowledge the fact that the sun had peeked out, but, alas, it didn't stay out long. It rained quite a bit that day actually.



**Brenda and Colleen enjoying a break**

Place getters in the Teams were:

#### **RED POINT TEAMS - A SECTION**

1. PALMER. K. Palmer, B. Wilding, A. Gooding, B. Mee, R. Kingham.
2. KUDELKA. S. Kudelka, L. Szabo, E. Blair-West, B. Jaffrey
3. MCMANAMNY. N. McManamny, B. Bennett, P. Baker, C. Baker

#### **RED POINT TEAMS - B SECTION**

1. QUIRK. J. Quirk. R. Quirk. S. Marshall. P. Donges
2. DUNSTAN. S. Dunstan, S. Lindton, D. Finemore, J. Finemore
3. JEMMESON. M. Jemmeson, Y. Brown, J. Boness, C. Bourke.

The final morning Laura arranged a Fun duplicate as well as a normal duplicate and around half the guests chose to play slightly crazy bridge while the other half kept to the straight and narrow.

Players also had the option of picking a partner out of a hat, so that made for some new and interesting partnerships.

Incidentally, it rained a fair bit during the morning.

#### **SATURDAY FUN DUPLICATE**

**N/S**

1. M. Willcox. R. Quirk
2. E. Blair-West. W. Cousins
3. J. Buckley. W. Sebire

**E/W**

1. J. Finemore. R. Poutakidis
2. A. Cordingley. M. Pawsey
3. J. Haworth. M. Davy

#### **SATURDAY 'Normal?' DUPLICATE**

1. N. McManmamny. B. Bennett
2. S. Kudelka. L. Szabo
3. P. Donges. S. Marshall

Our final lunch was followed by (quite a long) prize-giving and we started to think of going home. Somewhere leading up to lunch the rain stopped and the sun blazed out – and remained out, I think, for the rest of the weekend!! Grrrr.



#### **Lunch and prizes**

Just as well we are all bridge-obsessed nuts and by and large didn't really *want* to leave the building!

We gave out a questionnaire at the end of the holiday and received many replies, the vast majority very favourable. We asked for a rating of 1♥ (worst) to 7♥ (best) for various aspects of the stay. We particularly liked one rating, given by one of our members, who gave us an overall rating of 7NT redoubled!!

We are particularly pleased about how our many guests supported the newer players playing in the B section of events. Mary wandered around a bit giving the occasional wee bit of help to those who were not quite used to the whole thing. This blatant favouritism was greeted with great good cheer by almost everyone, even some experienced players didn't mind giving the



novices a bit of help from time to time. By the time the holiday ended all our new players had settled in and were confidently enjoying themselves.



**Lynda and Ian Andrews – super novice performers**

We will be looking at the questionnaires with a view to planning an even better holiday for next year – so start your plans to be available during early October next year. We don't know where we will go, there was a lot of enthusiasm about returning to the Country Place, but also interest in trying a new venue.

We will probably change the format slightly to allow for more free time – with maybe an excursion or two included - let's face it, this trip we had almost *no* free time. One of our number, when offered the option of missing the Thursday afternoon session so that he could wander off and have a bit of a break replied, very sensibly I think, 'but then I would miss the bridge...!'

Thanks must go to Cheryl Ogilvy, Ruth Kingham, Brian Mee and Louise Gold who travelled up from town to partner Anne Gooding, who did not have a ready laid-on partner. As Rob Quirk said during the final day speech-making – it is impressive how far so many players will travel to partner Anne! (Anne and partners were members of the winning team.)

Every morning a newsy, chirpy bulletin appeared under every guest's door – thanks Laura – we know that this made for quite some late nights! Laura also prepared large and attractive information and score books for everyone – something worth keeping I think, as a memento of the trip.

A sheet of devilish puzzles was given out to guests to fill in the occasional quiet moment – congratulations to Warren Cousins who demonstrated a seriously good grasp on some fiendishly difficult questions. Running a close second was Nicole McManamny. Congratulations Nicole.



**Warren Cousins and Leone Carberry enjoying Warren's 'puzzling' success.**

## PLAN THE PLAY – for advanced players

Dlr: South                      ♠A109  
 Vul: N/S                      ♥93  
 IMPS                          ♦AKQ64  
                                      ♣J105  
  
                                      ♠J32  
                                      ♥KQ10872  
                                      ♦J3  
                                      ♣63

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
			2♥
Pass	4♥ <sup>1</sup>	All pass	

1. Must have seen them defend before!

West leads the ♠A (Ace from Ace-King). East encourages and West continues with the King and a club to East's Queen. Plan the play then see page 11

## AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE

**Here are some actual maintenance problems submitted by pilots (marked "P") and the solutions recorded (marked "S") by maintenance engineers.**

P. Test flight OK, auto-land very rough.  
 S. Auto-land not installed on this aircraft.

P. Dead bugs on windshield.  
 S. Live bugs on back order.

P. Auto pilot in altitude-hold mode produces a 200 feet per minute descent.  
 S. Can't reproduce problem on the ground.

P. Evidence of leak on right main landing gear.  
 S. Evidence removed.

P. Suspect crack in windshield.  
S. Suspect you're right.

P. Number 3 engine missing.  
S. Engine found on right wing after brief search.

P. Aircraft handles funny.  
S. Aircraft warned to straighten up, fly right and be serious.

P. DME volume unbelievably loud.  
S. DME volume set to more believable level.

P. Friction locks cause throttle levers to stick.  
S. That's what friction locks are for.

P. Target radar hums  
S. Reprogrammed radar with lyrics.

P. Mouse in cockpit.  
S. Cat installed in cockpit.

P. Noise coming from under instrument panel. Sounds like a midget pounding on something with a hammer.  
S. Took hammer away from midget.

## COLD WATER ON TAP

**We now have a chilled water dispenser – in Bridge Room 1, on the left of the sink – ENJOY!**

## FRUIT AND NUTS!!

Would you like to buy some really good quality roasted cashews or dried cranberries?

We have a good supply of both and would love to share them with you.

Cashews - \$15 a kg  
Cranberries - \$10 a kg

These prices are really good, and we will sell them in 500gm lots as well.

Just speak to Mary or Laura.

**We had some of these available during the holiday and they disappeared in a flash, the cashews are *most* yummy!! And healthy – who needs salt when they taste *this* good?**

## MAKE-A-WISH FUNDRAISER DAY

Line up your favourite partner to come along and help us raise money to make the wishes of critically ill children come true.

### Two session Swiss Pairs (red points)

Saturday October 5 - 10.00 am - 5.00 pm - cost \$20.

There will be an extra charge for a barbeque lunch which will be provided by volunteers from the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Nibbles will be provided and drinks will be available.

Please put your names on the entry list on the events board. This will be a red point event.

## BIDDING AGAINST PRE-EMPTS from page 4

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
2♦	X	3♦	?

What is your call as South with:

1. ♠K1063 ♥83 ♦873 ♣AJ94

Bid 3♠. You have only four spades, but the quality of your points makes up for this. Partner, who doubled, is allowed to assume that you would have around 7 HCP on average in this auction, so you have not much more than he expects but your high intermediates and ten's make a bid desirable. (Partner had better have spades for this double, or you would want to know why!!)

2. ♠82 ♥Q106542 ♦74 ♣1054

Pass. Though you have playing strength you are horribly short of high cards. If partner is so strong that you could make 4♥, then he is strong enough to double again. If you think that you have ruffing values in the diamond suit, think again. Partner, by his double is more or less promising a diamond shortage, so there is a duplication of values.

3. ♠K2 ♥873 ♦763 ♣AJ1074

4♣. This is an easy bid given your five club and good spots. Now that responder has raised diamonds, and given that you have three, you know that partner will have no more than one diamond, so you have few losers.



4. ♠Q85 ♥J863 ♦Q105 ♣K32

Pass. You have 8 HCP, but they are miserable and your diamond Queen is worthless.

5. ♠QJ62 ♥K1086 ♦762 ♣Q10

4♦. Or you could make a responsive double. You are set on a course for game. 4♦ is an overbid, but at least you will land in the better major suit.

## GIVING DECLARER A PRESENT

Getting into practice for Christmas, let's see if we can give declarer a little gift – remembering that it is always better to give than to receive.

Dlr: N ♠K863  
 Vul N/S ♥A  
 ♦A95  
 ♣AQJ94

♠J9	♠A74
♥J10964	♥87532
♦10632	♦874
♣82	♣65

♠Q1052  
 ♥KQ  
 ♦KQJ  
 ♣K1073

In a teams game, both tables got to a contract of 6NT played by South – pick your own auction. In each case West led the ♥J, won by the Ace in dummy. Both declarers then led a diamond to the King and returned a spade to dummy's King. This is where the play differed at the two tables.

At one table, East captured dummy's ♠K with the Ace and returned a heart. South ran all of his tricks before choosing what to do about spades.

Finally, declarer decided to go up with the ♠Q. This dropped the Jack and South made the slam. A lucky guess, to be sure, but not at all abnormal.

At the other table, East was full of the spirit of giving. When declarer led a low spade to dummy's king, East played a low spade without apparent thought. This was East's little present to declarer.

The gift, however, came back with interest.

South naturally assumed that West held the ♠A. He therefore returned a spade from dummy and finessed to ♠10. Much to his surprise, West won a trick with the ♠J, and East eventually got the ♠A.

East's spirit of generosity made a difference of 1540 points.

## WHO HAS WHAT – from page 4

You are South and are declarer in 4♠ after the following auction.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
1♦	Double	Pass	4♠

All pass

West leads the ♥Q.

North (dummy)  
 ♠KQ106  
 ♥AK104  
 ♦95  
 ♣986

West: ♥Q

South (You)  
 ♠AJ984  
 ♥32  
 ♦A73  
 ♣K53

1. Which player is likely to have the ♥J?

West. Although West might be leading a singleton ♥Q or the top card of a doubleton, it is more likely that he is simply leading the top of touching high cards and holds the ♥J to go with the ♥Q.

2. Which player is likely to have the ♣A?

West. West opened the bidding and must hold most of the missing high cards. If West has 13 or more HCP, East will have no more than 3 HCP.

3. How do you plan to make the contract?

You have a sure diamond loser and if West holds the ♣A, you are in danger of also losing three club tricks. The complete layout is likely to be something like this.

North (dummy)		East
♠KQ106		♠72
♥AK104		♥865
♦95		♦Q1084
♣986		♣J1074
West:		
♠53		
♥QJ97		
♦KJ62		
♣AQ2		
South (You)		
♠AJ984		
♥32		
♦A73		
♣K53		

The only chance is to discard one of the club losers on an extra winner in dummy. Assuming West holds the ♥J in addition to the ♥Q, win the first trick with the ♥K and draw trumps, ending in your hand.

Then lead your remaining low heart toward dummy and finesse the ♥10. When that wins, you can discard a club on dummy's ♥A.

## WHAT SHOULD I BID? From page 4

LHO opens 1♣ and partner overcalls 1♠. What should you do with the following hand?

♠4  
♥KJ83  
♦A954  
♣Q1082

As advancer, the choice of – ‘no fit, no bid’ is very often the best action. This would be your choice with no fit for partner, no good long suit of your own and less than 10 HCP with a poor stopper in opponent's suit.

Your decision to bid or not must revolve around – can I improve the contract? Might there be a game? Partner may have as few as 8 or 9 HCP, but *could* have up to 16 or 17. RHO's pass argues that partner must have a sound overcall and your side should have at least half the points.

The best choice here would be 1NT – showing 8 to around 11 HCP, no fit for partner and a good stopper in opponent's suit. You never know, partner could have:

Partner	You
♠AJ873	♠4
♥AQ62	♥KJ83
♦63	♦A954
♣94	♣Q1082

And would follow up your bid of 1NT with 2♥, a much better contract.

On the other hand, he might have

Partner	You
♠KQ873	♠4
♥Q102	♥KJ83
♦863	♦A954
♣K5	♣Q1082

You are very likely to make 1NT and partner would have trouble in 1♠.

Partner	You
♠A10975	♠4
♥AQ	♥KJ83
♦KQ83	♦A954
♣94	♣Q1082

Given this hand for partner there is every chance of making 3NT – as long as Diamonds break.



## METEOROLOGY

It was April and the Aborigines in a remote part of Northern Australia asked their new elder if the coming winter was going to be cold or mild. Since he was an elder in a modern community he had never been taught the old secrets.

When he looked at the sky he couldn't tell what the winter was going to be like.

Nevertheless, to be on the safe side, he told his tribe that the winter was indeed going to be cold and that the members of the tribe should collect firewood to be prepared.

But being a practical leader, after several days he had an idea.

He made a call to the Bureau of Meteorology and asked,  
'Is the coming winter in this area going to be cold?'

The meteorologist responded, 'It looks like this winter is going to be quite cold...'

So the elder went back to his people and told them to collect even more wood in order to be prepared.

A week later he called the Bureau of Meteorology again..

'Does it still look like it is going to be a very cold winter?'

The meteorologist again replied, 'Yes, it's going to be a very cold winter.'

The elder again went back to his community and ordered them to collect every scrap of firewood they could find.

Two weeks later the elder called the Bureau again.

'Are you absolutely sure that the winter is going to be very cold?' he asked.

'Absolutely,' the man replied. 'It's looking more and more like it is going to be one of the coldest winters ever.'

'How can you be so sure?' the elder asked.

The weatherman replied,  
'Our satellites have reported that the Aborigines in the north are collecting firewood like crazy, and that's always a sure sign.'

## PLAN THE PLAY – for advanced players from page 7

Dlr: South	♠A109	
Vul: N/S	♥93	
IMPS	♦AKQ64	
	♣J105	
♠K76		♠Q854
♥J6		♥A54
♦982		♦1075
♣AK742		♣Q98
	♠J32	
	♥KQ10872	
	♦J3	
	♣63	

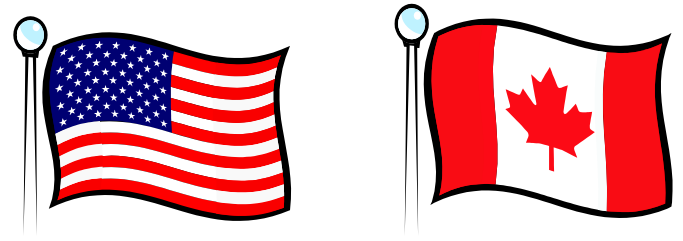
West leads the ♠A (Ace from Ace-King). East encourages and West continues with the King and a club to East's Queen.

Well, at least they didn't switch to a spade! Even so the going will be tough. Your best bet is to find one player with ♥Jx, so play hearts from the top (the King).

If the King loses and a Spade comes back, win the Ace and lead a heart, intending to play the ♥10 unless the Jack appears. You hope that East, holding ♥AJx, has erred or West, holding the Ax, has erred. If either player started with the ♥Axx, best defence would be to win the second Heart and switch to a Spade in the hope that declarer doesn't have the ♦J as an entry.

Say East has the ♥AJx and correctly ducks the king. What can you do? If you cross to a diamond to lead a heart, East wins and locks you in dummy with a spade. Even with diamonds 3-3, down you go. The bottom line is that if either player has ♥Axx and correctly ducks the ♥K, you had best continue with the queen instead of crossing to the dummy with a diamond to lead a heart. If you do, the player with the ♥A can win and shift to a spade, ending all hope.

## OUR NORTH AMERICAN VISITORS



On Saturday November 9 we shall be playing host to 44 American and Canadian tourists on a brief visit to Melbourne during a bridge holiday, when they come to visit us for lunch and duplicate.

The tourists will be arriving at 12.30pm, lunch will be served immediately, and bridge will start at 1.00pm as usual.

Please come along and enjoy this day with us. We will be having two or three sections but otherwise bridge will be our normal match point duplicate.

The cost for the day will be \$13 for lunch and bridge. You can forego the lunch and just arrive in time for bridge but make sure that you take the time to have a chat and make our visitors welcome.

Because we will be catering for lunch, could you please put your names on the Entry list on the Events board in Bridge Room 1, near the Library. Thank you.

## CHANGES TO WBC CONSTITUTION

In a letter dated 20<sup>th</sup> August, 2013, the Registrar of Incorporated Associations advised that the changes made to our Constitution at the special general meeting held in July had been approved.

However, the Registrar further advised that we had not fully met the requirements of the Act with respect to Model Rule 75, which relates to members' rights to inspect and obtain copies of various documents such as minutes of meetings and financial and other records. The Registrar directed that we have to advise members that Model Rule 75 is deemed included in our Constitution.

We do state in a number of our rules that members can have access to these documents but did not specifically mention that you can also request copies of same, subject to certain confidentiality provisions.

A copy of the Constitution with the addition of Model Rule 75 (after rule 42) and a copy of the letter from the Registrar will be put on our website under the Other Information tab on the left hand side of our home page.

## JARS PLEASE

Do you have small jars with lids? A member is in need of some for jelly making.

Please leave any spare jars you have with Mary or Laura. Thank you.

WBC is proud to announce that Bill Jacobs (WBC director and teacher) and Justin Howard (Victorian Youth Bridge) were recipients of 2013 awards from the International Bridge Press Association.

## Master Point Press Book of the Year

Winner: Fantunes Revealed by Bill Jacobs, Australia

Not since the introduction of Precision has a new bidding system created such an immediate impact as Fantunes, the unique methods of Fulvio Fantoni and Claudio Nunes, the world's number-one ranked pair.

The Italians have several World Championship wins to their name, and their system has played a major role in that success. This book delves into the system, explaining how it works and just as importantly, why it works. Two words best describe Fantunes: natural and fun. This is the definitive text for those who would like to try this innovative and proven new bidding system.

Bill Jacobs has won many Australian national championships, the most recent three playing Fantunes, and has twice represented his country at Open level. He regularly provides astute vugraph commentary on Bridge Base Online. For the last ten years, he has been editor of the monthly bulletin of the Victorian Bridge Association.



## Parnis England Junior Sportsmanship Award

Recipients: Justin Howard, Australia & Emil Buus Thomsen and Frederik Skovly, Denmark

The Sportsmanship Award is granted occasionally for acts of sportsmanship by bridge players that define how we all should act.

This year, the award is honoured by Margaret Parnis England, specifically targeted at junior players. The executive felt that there had been two deserving winners. The Parnis England Sportsmanship Award is presented to Justin Howard of Australia for outstanding acts of sportsmanship at the World Open Youth Championships in Atlanta.

Firstly, in the semifinal of the World Open Youth Team Championship, he allowed an opponent to retract a card inadvertently dropped, even though it cost him the contract and jeopardised the match. His team won that match on the last board.

Secondly, in the final, he allowed his opponents to field a player who had not previously played in the event due to continued success in the Spingold. "We want to play against your best," was Justin's comment. Unfortunately, Justin's team lost that match.

The behaviour of Justin Howard is laudatory and shows that there is excellent sportsmanship in the Junior game as well as the Open game

