

BRIDGING THE GAP



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CRABB'S KALAMUNDA



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

I welcome your new Management Committee, ratified at the AGM., comprising:-

President:	Alan Harper
Vice President:	Anita Davis
Secretary:	Cherry Zamudio
Treasurer:	Sheila Pryce
Members:	Gordon Brown
	Jenny Tedeschi
	Carole Sexton
	Rob Mc.Mahon
	Peter Clarke
Housekeeping:	Carole Sexton
Grounds & Maintenance	Gordon Brown
	Rob Mc.Mahon
Comps Committee	Peter Clarke
Statistics	Sheila Price
Masterpoints:	Denise Borger
Web Site	Elizabeth Bazen

Partner Co-ordinator

Anita has agreed to try to find partners for those members in need, so if you need a partner, call her on 9397 9017

Competitions Committee

Peter Clarke has set up a Competitions Committee, which will be arranging next year's Competition programme.

I will shortly be issuing a new handbook with all the details.

Handicap prizes

Committee reviewed the prizes presented for the Handicap sessions and decided to increase them to a \$2.00 Scratchie.

Evening Start Times

Rob Mc.Mahon has canvassed the idea of starting Thursday evening sessions at 7pm to try to finish the evening a little earlier. He has report to the committee that the suggestion met with some approval, but some members are unable to make the earlier start time,

Saturday Evening Bridge

Following a suggestion from Sheilagh Dupont, committee has decided to run an additional session on the first Saturday evening of each month. The session will be introduced early next year. More information will be advertised on the Web and in the Club rooms as details are finalized.

Card Play Lessons

Len Pratt will run a series of lessons on card play early in the new year. The lessons will be on Monday evenings and be beneficial to those members with a year, or more experience. Details will soon be announced on the club noticeboard.

Parking.

The Cleanaway vehicle requires good access to change our bin. It was recently unable to change the bin due vehicles parked in the way. This cost the Club \$110 for a return trip.

Please do not park in the area around the bin, or the exit road. The Cleanaway vehicle requires a lot of space to manoeuvre.

Alan Harper

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

This was a great social event held on 24th September attended by 48 members; a near record for recent times.



Three of our Founding members, Heather Jewell-Tait, Peter Hart and Len Pratt, were present at the event and cut the cake. The day started with a delicious roast luncheon prepared and served by our own members.

Alf and Sheilagh Dupont presented an Honour board commemorating the founding of our Club giving details of all our founding members.

The history of our first 40 years was unveiled and is now on display in the clubroom.

Lunch was followed by a boisterous 10 ½ table movement broken in the middle for cutting the cake. The session was won by Gordon Brown and Sheila Pryce

Special thanks go to:

Anita, who did a brilliant job in organizing everything and acted as MC for the event.

Anita chose not to play so she could ensure everything went off smoothly.

Jenny and Jean-Paul Tedeschi, Carole Sexton also gave up their bridge to prepare and serve the meal and deal with the washing and tidying up afterwards.

Thanks also to Cherry, Jackie and Sheila Pryce who helped in cooking the meal.

COMPETITION NEWS

The 2010 Competition year is complete and all championships have been decided, with the exception of the evening knockout.

The evening knock-out has been severely impacted by the Sprint Championship event, and temporary absence of some competitors.

WHY?

-- do Supermarkets make the sick walk all the way to the back of the store to get their prescriptions while healthy people can buy cigarettes at the front.

-- do people order double cheeseburgers, large fries, and a diet coke.

-- do the English leave cars worth thousands of pounds in the driveway and put their useless junk in the garage.

-- don't you ever see the headline 'Psychic Wins Lottery'?

-- is 'abbreviated' such a long word?

-- do doctors call what they do 'practice'?

-- is lemon juice made with artificial flavour, and dishwashing liquid made with real lemons?

-- is the man who invests all your money called a broker?

-- is the time of day with the slowest traffic called rush hour?

MASTERPOINTS NEWS

The Quarterly Masterpoints reports have been received and are posted on the Results board

NEW RANKINGS

Congratulations are due to the following members on their Master point rank promotions

STATE MASTER
Ruth Ledger

***REGIONAL MASTER**

Bert Littlechild

REGIONAL MASTER

Anita Davis

TOP FIFTY

The top fifty Masterpoints scorers in Club sessions for the year ending 30 September 2010 are:

ALAN	HARPER	22.41
JACKIE	HARPER	21.37
RORY	O'TOOLE	21.19
ANDY	LEAL	16.79
MIKE	KLASZTORNY	15.85
ANNE	BOEKELAAR	15.12
JOSEPH	GAUDET	14.49
SANDRA	HOFFMAN	13.53
BENTE	HANSEN	13.18
SHEILA	PRYCE	12.26
GORDON	BROWN	12.24
IAN	MEDLYCOTT	11.44
ANITA	DAVIS	9.66
IAN	BROWN	9.35
JOAN	ANDREWS	8.92
ANNE	WILLIS	8.85
RUTH	LEDGER	8.82
HEATHER	JEWELL-TAIT	8.55
SHEILA	BURNS	7.94
ALBERT	LITTLECHILD	7.88
LEONE	BRENNAN	7.58
CHERRY	ZAMUDIO	6.91
SANDRA	PETTERSON	6.74
PETER	CLARKE	6.51
LEONARD	PRATT	6.44
ANNE	SPRING	5.77
MARK	GODDARD	5.57
MADGE	MYBURGH	5.34
CAROLE	SEXTON	5.23
MEL	FOSTER	5.06
MARGARET	MCROBBIE	4.86
DENISE	BORGER	4.86
ELIZABETH	BAZEN	4.70
PETER	HART	4.70
WENDY	HARMAN	4.50
NICOLAS	MONIODIS	4.46
JOE	LOUIS	4.40
BARBARA	HART	4.31
CARMEN	JACKSON	4.29
JOANNE	PAYNE	3.86
JENNY	TEDESCHI	3.78
MURRAY	STIRLING	3.71

BETTY	GRACE	3.68
ANNELI	CARSON	3.59
PETER	CAMERON	3.32
JANET	STIRLING	3.18
JANE	PIKE	3.16
ELIZABETH	HOUGHTON	2.81
ALFRED	DUPONT	2.75
SHEELAGH	DUPONT	2.75

BIDDING CORNER

Stayman

There seems to be a fair bit of misunderstanding about the use of the Stayman convention so let's start at the beginning,

Stayman is an asking bid and can be used whenever you don't like the idea of partner's 1 No Trump contract

You do NOT NEED 11 Points to bid Stayman.

But you MUST be able to handle ANY response from partner. So, you can have no points at all, and use Stayman to find a better contract

Imagine this holding: ♠98765 ♥8432 ♦ 853 ♣7

If partner opens 1 No Trump, you MUST bid 2♣ Stayman

If partner bids 2♦ you can bid 2♠; as a WEAK TAKE OUT.

You can pass partner's 2♥ or 2♠ response.

You DON'T need both Majors to use Stayman.

Imagine this: ♠83, ♥AQ85, ♦KQ109 ♣J8.

you have points for game but would prefer to be in 4 Hearts if partner has the fit.

Bid 2 Clubs, and if partner responds 2♥, go to 4.

If partner bids 2♦ or 2♠, you can bid 3 no trumps

OPTIMAL TWOS

Three of our members recently played in a three-and-an-expert competition with Anne Ohlsen. They came back with this scheme for opening unbalanced hands.

Opening requirement is 6-10 HCP with a six card or two 5 card suits

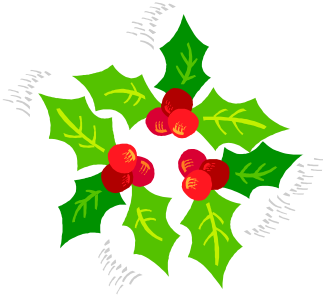
2♦ promises either a 6 card ♥ suit, 2 five card minors or black suits.

2♥ promises either a 6 card ♠ suit or 5 ♥ with a 5 card minor

2♠ promises either 5♠ with a red suit, or 6♣ with 2 of the top three honours.

With a weak hand responder bids the next suit up for opener to pass or correct.

With 15+ points responder bids 2NT (forcing)
Opener's rebid clarifies his suit holding.



Xmas Party

Saturday 11th December

Start at 1.00pm followed by
Supper and Prize-Giving at approx 5.00pm

Followed immediately by Second session

Members bring a plate.

Cost: Normal table money
Names in Event Book please!!

With Thanks for the generous support of
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