



Bridging the gap

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EDITORIAL

Probably the biggest talking point in the club at the moment is the new movement system being used. I would like to point out that while it may be confusing for now, a fairer comparison of abilities as players will be achieved. Do you remember when we first introduced metal boards!; silent bidding pads!!; new travelling score sheets!!! (who among you remember what the old score sheets looked like?).

I was delighted to see yet another new pair introduced (by the Charters), a hearty welcome to Mr. and Mrs. Sadlier. Don Browning and Max Petrich who are well known in the bridge world were also welcome additions. Derek Johnson (a well known Real Estate Agent in this town), and yet another product of Bob Prince's classes, made his duplicate debut at the club. Hope to see more of you Derek.

Club Open Pairs Championship

At the end of the second round, Connie McCullough and Ellen Prince have taken the lead in the Club Open Pairs after an outstanding second session of 67.4%. Di and Ivan Johnson, the first session leaders, are now in second spot and Ruby and Max Turley have climbed to third. The final session will pressure the leaders to hold their positions with Claudine and David Charters and Dan Clark and Roy Goddard in 4th and 5th positions respectively.



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The K.O. Championship.

The K.O. Championship for 1977 has been won by John and Chris Peck, by far their best performance. They were losing semi-finalists last year and reached the final in 73/74 only to be annihilated by Mrs. E. Whitaker and A.N.OTHER. This year the Pecks knocked over several notables; Turley/Turley, Charters/Charters and Cox/Price: their hairiest match was a 2 IMP win over the Hart/Manser thing (you couldn't call it a partnership). So another 52% pair has ridden its luck to the title.

The past winners, with their Aggregate percentages were:

1977	Peck C/Peck J.	52.1
1975/76	Clark A./Clark D.	51.6
1974/75	Rahimtulla N/Richardson B.	52.2
1973/74	Hopper/Whitaker E.	52.9
1972/73	Fearne/Hart B.	48.8
1971/72	Nicholas/Rollo	58.6

Anyone can win it - be in it!

P. Hart

Club Results - 8 Jun 77

Back to the top for Cox/Price, too late to affect the Agg, I fear 'Up' are, Brodie-Hall/McCullough, Mclean/Tee and 'Down' are Addison/Wilson, (49.4%), Charters/Charters (44.2%) and Clark/Goddard (40.0%). 24 Boards were played again.

Cox/Price	66.7
Hubbard/Pratt	63.8
Browning/Petrich	63.1
Brodie-Hall/McCullough	58.5
Mclean/Tee	58.3
Clark/Goddard	57.3
Prince/Rosendorff	55.8
Hopper/RHT.	55.0

Coming Attractions.

Maccabi Congress - July 2nd and 3rd at Maccabi Centre.



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Upwards, Ever Upwards.

The essence of Duplicate Bridge is fair comparisons of results. The technicalities of the mathematics and the limitations of time and field sizes are beyond the scope of this magazine. Suffice it to say that for perfect or near perfect comparisons and properly valid scores, a Howell or 3/4 Howell is the better movement.

A 3/4 Howell requires certain pairs to sit at one table for the whole session. If they sit in the same direction all the time, their results would not be properly comparable with those of other pairs sitting in the opposite direction. Therefore the stationary pairs alternate or "swing" between N/S or E/W in differing patterns of rounds. That is the first advantage of a Howell movement. The other advantage is this. In a Howell, in Round 1 Table 1 always plays Boards 1 and 2; Table 2 plays Boards 3 and 4 and so on. So the TD can set out the boards prior to the session commencing, the boards can be prepared by pairs as they arrive at a table and PLAY CAN BEGIN PROMPTLY, regardless of how many pairs come late or how late they are (up to the end of the 1st round). We will acquire a new pattern of behaviour at the club and PLAY MORE BRIDGE.

The change will require general adjustments to all members' habits and particular adjustments by particular pairs, to accommodate the changes but as they are to the advantage of ALL members, I foresee no problem. The change has been organised by the Tournament Committee and endorsed by the Management Committee. The appropriate new cards cost the club approx \$60 for the professional work and I spent a great deal of time writing up each one (about 150). They provide this club with the capability of fair movements for any number of tables up to 12 combined with 22, 24 or 26 board movements. We are the only club in Perth to have such flexibility. Let us adapt to the new movements and sustain the general improvement in club amenities, towards which they are a significant contribution.

Members who are unable or unwilling to accept this notion or are not satisfied with this brief explanation are welcome to discuss the matter with any member of the TC.

P. Hart.
Chairman T.C.



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Club Results - 15 Jun 77

A shambles the new movement cards incorrect, a TDs nightmare, players' chaos out of the ruins, success for the experienced (If you can keep your head -) - even the TD managed 52% Addison/Wilson failed again, 6 ladies pairs in the last seven.

Hopper/Pratt	64.6
Clark/Goddard (L)	60.7
Sadlier/Sadlier	60.7
Prince/Rosendorf	58.9
McClean/Tee	55.0
Chisholm/Hart	52.1
Cox/Price	52.1
Graham/Johnson	52.1

Annual General Meeting

Please note :- This is your official formal notification.

The A.G.M. of the Kalamunda Districts Bridge Club will be held at the Kalamunda High School on Wednesday 13th July at 7.30 p.m. You are cordially invited to attend and the Management Committee earnestly solicits your attendance. In other words PLEASE come. Bridge will be played afterwards.

Please think about who "you" would like on the committee and in the various positions and approach them to see if they will stand. A copy of this will be sent to all members not attending the club.

A New Competition.

I propose a new competition - "The result of the Year" - and herewith my nomination for the inaugural award - 4s on a 4-2 fit, a combined 8 point count, vulnerable, doubled, down seven, minus 2000. I submit it not because it is a particularly heavy penalty, such scores are ten-a-penny at this club. No, its the people involved who endow this particular result with a prize-winning aura. The recipients of this gift were only visiting, Don Browning and Max Petrich from WABC. And the obliging pair? Our very own Kalabirds, Aleda and Joan. What you might call "an attack of misunderstanding". It happened on the very first board and Don and Max thought that was overdoing the welcoming bit!



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