



# Bridging the gap

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## EDITORIAL

Did any of you realise that it was our anniversary 6 weeks ago? "Bridging The Gap" has now been in existence for over a year and not one of us remembered! The first issue came out on March 31st 1976 and we have gone from strength to strength since then. A big "thanks" must go to Lynn Richardson for getting B.T.G. 'off the ground': we hope to be able to celebrate many more anniversaries in years to come.

What do you think of our club T - Shirts? First prize for the best modelling of these T - Shirts must go to Rex Mizen who was seen sporting one at our congress two weeks ago. It was great to see Rex entering into the spirit of the thing. I would like to see more people with this attitude.

We have had a tremendous influx of new members lately, (thanks to Bob Prince and Roy Goddard). It is time we had a new address list printed. With this in mind Ellen Prince has 'sort of' volunteered to compile a new list, so would you all give her your name, address and telephone number next week. These new members are certainly making their presence felt. Last week Maureen Ward (and Chris Peck) came third E/W and Cyril Graham and Rosina Berry came fourth E/W; well done folks. Beginners luck? It has certainly given us hardened bridge players something to think about, especially Aleda and I who came tenth! Oh well, back to the drawing board.



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One bridge player was heard to say to his partner, at the close of the bidding, "Give me the chance to shoot you later, but don't commit suicide first".

It was good to see Nora Tee and Mary Pierce playing at the club again.

Did you hear about the one that got away? No, its not another fishing story. One player picked up his hand and discovered it contained 24 HCP's. But he had to give it away because there had been a misdeal and he only had 11 cards!.

#### Kalamunda Congress

Well every issue for what seems the last 3 months has had some comment on this and I now have the pleasure of writing the last comment.

It can only be said that this must have been the most successful bridge congress ever held in Western Australia (a state reknown for good congresses). The comments feeding back through members of other clubs have all been excellent, with compliments flowing in all directions. All the organisation was done under the eagle eye of Roy Goddard with a committee comprising of Dan Clark, Aleda Clark, Don Chisholm, Mike Cox and Bob Prince with extra help being provided by many willing helpers including John Price, Mike Hopper, Ellen Prince, Joan Goddard, Barbera Hart Lynn Richardson and many thanks must go to them all and anyone I may have missed (to whom I apologise in advance).

So far as Tournament Direction is concerned it must be noted that Peter Hart did an exceptional job, (with many frustrations) and contributed much to its success.

Kalamunda club members generally supported all events well with many entries. Notable among club member results were, in the Fritch on Friday Lynn and Brian Richardson came 4th, Bob and Ellen Prince 5th, Roy and Joan Goddard 6th. These results could be because the bar was open all night. In the Odds and Sods Helliwell/Martin won.

In the pairs on Saturday Turleys won their qualifying section with a massive 74% but failed to repeat this in the final. Those that qualified for the final were - Ramsay/Teague Clark/Goddard (L) Clark/Goddard (M), Prince/Rosendorff. None of these people got places. It gives me pleasure to announce that Cox and Price came in last in the consolation. In the teams the only success was Helliwell/Martin



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and Prince/Rosendorff coming in second.

Many thanks must go to Don Chisholm for arranging the use of the venue through his company and to Coca Cola for allowing us in.

R. Prince.

Club Results - 27 Apr. 77

Or, 'The Week That Nearly Wasn't'.....Step forward, Garside/Richards and Prince E/Teague C -jostling the giants... also very good results for Ramsay/Teague, Gartner/Hardman, Brodie-Hall/McCullough and Eldred/Kirby... remainder play to form except notable failures by Hart/Manser and Hubbard/Pratt.... Prince/Rosendorff round off fine month flawed only by that curious loss to Manser/Richardson in the KO.

N/S		E/W	
Garside/Richards	63.3	Charters/Charters	67.8
Ramsay/Teague	63.3	Prince/Teague	65.8
Gartner/Hardman	55.3	Prince/Rosendorff	62.4
Brodie-Hall/McCullough	53.2	Eldred/Kirby	57.5

PS. When did you last outscore him, Ellen?

Aggregate Pairs Commentary - April

Two 70 per cents in the month pushed the Average Top back up to 64% for the first time since November. This was our best month ever for numbers of tables with an average of 14.6 per week. This is an oblique compliment to Bob Prince and his night classes; there have been at least four students each week for the last three weeks. This chap also played some good Bridge with Der Alte - 65% over 3 weeks is a bit high. They lifted their yearly average to 59.2% and surely only need to stand up for 7 weeks (out of 9) to win the championship. Challengers Clark/Goddard, 57%, Turley/Turley, 55.8%, and Clark/Goddard (L), 55.7%, failed to improve and Cox/Price are at a standstill on 55.5%. Best performance in the top half of the table came from Charter Charters who averaged 63% for the month and rose 9 points to 55.3%. But there is a world of difference in Bridge between 55% and 59%.

The best performance of the month was down in the high 40s where Eldred/Kirby were up to 1.7% and, right at the bottom, Hafkamp/Mizen lifted themselves 9 points. Gartner/Hardman had One Of Those Months: in four consecutive weeks they returned scores of 60.3%, 39.6% and 55.3%. I think its been done once before.



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State Events -State Open Pairs (8) Thursdays - Stage 1: June 9, 16.  
Stage 2: June 23, 30. July 7. Stage 3: July 14, 21, 28. Closing  
date for entries June 4.

Neerlandia 1 day Congress - May 22nd.

Club Results - 4 May 77

Congratulations to our newcomers .... Maureen Ward (with Chris Peck), Rosina Berry and Cyril Graham - all products of the Prince Academy - handled the cards better than many, including four 54/55% pairs .... Prince/Rosendorff consolidate ... Clark/Goddard boost their average: they are 12½% clear of the 2nd pair - only 14.8% covered the remaining 11 pairs in their field! .... remarkable success for our champion attenders, Mr. and Mrs. Eversden ... two good weeks strung together by Gartner/Hardman and Brodie-Hall/McCullough and a modest success by Bartley/Bartley (51.2%) ..... outright failure for Cox/Price 49.6%, Charters/Charters, 48.9% Hart/Manser, 48.6% and, surprise(?) the Kalabirds, 47.5%..... by the way, thats 3 tops in 4 weeks for The Pres and his Veep.

N/S		E/W	
Prince/Rosendorff	58.0	Clark/Goddard	67.0
Gartner/Hardman	57.4	Turley/Turley	55.5
Eversden/Eversden	57.0	Peck/Ward	51.1
Brodie-Hall/McCullough	54.1	Berry/Graham	50.9.

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State Teams Selection - After the first 4 of 9 matches, Aleda and Joan are leading the womens field with the massive score of + 68 (out of a possible 80).

Well done, girls. Keep it up; lets have the first ever Kalamunda pair representing the state. (Mike Hopper has made it with a non Kalamunda partner). Hans Rosendorff playing with Malcolm Smith is in the lead in the Open section. You can't keep a good man down!



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