

BRIDGING THE GAP

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EDITORIAL

An artificial game. Duplicate pairs bridge has no resemblance to real bridge, the only pure forms of bridge are teams and rubber, unadulterated by popular demands. In duplicate pairs bridge it is possible to bid, play and defend perfectly and come half way down the list and vice versa, to bid, play and defend like an idiot (like me) and win. You are not the master or mistress of your own destiny but doomed to the fates of the whims and fantasies of those that surround you. Pairs bridge is played around the world by an ever increasing number of players but teams bridge is only holding its own. Why is this? Is it because players do not like being soundly beaten with monotonous regularity whereas in pairs bridge, lady luck must smile on such player occasionally to turn an evening into a memorable occasion when their names head the list. Is it time we held "Butler" scored pairs to see who are our better players. "Butler" scoring for pairs is the nearest pairs bridge can come to teams bridge. Let me have your views.

A.N. Other.

WHO'S NEXT

The leader was Lanky Lyn, who regularly jolted us back on our heels. Next came Jocular Joan, the polemic was Peppery Pete, the moment there is Mucky Mike. Now about Alluring Aleda, Benevolent Brian, Coaxing Connie, Dynamic Dick, Everlasting Ernest, Forceful Freda, Gregarious Garry etc. etc. Come on, let's have a taker for the Editorship of B.T.G.

CHRISTMAS IS COMING

Don't forget our annual "Do" this year. The day Friday - The date 2nd December, - The place Lesmurdie Hall, Gladys Road - The time 7.45 pm. Tickets available next month.

At our A.G.M. in July, subscriptions for 1977/8 were set at \$3.00 for ordinary members, \$1.00 for pensioners and students and nomination fee for new members \$2.00. Our Treasurer, David Hallam, still awaits a number of subs from players otherwise, in accordance with our rules table money for non-members will be increased. This is your final warning. With the next issue of B.T.G., there will be a lot of financial members - make sure you are on the list. Act now.

ON YOUR OWN - THEN COME

With effect from next Wednesday 3rd November, every Wednesday evening one of your Committee will be on standby for any player turning up without a partner. It will be the duty of the Committee member on roster to pair up any players without partners and in the event of there being an odd one left over, then that Committee member will play, otherwise they will sit that session out. You take pot luck as well as that member.

Club Results - 12 Oct. 77

Some regular pairs march on - 1st and 3rd placegetters consolidate Aggregate average - and some don't - Hart/Helliwell (51.9%) get it all wrong at last and Turley/Turley play disastrously (44.9%).... 56.8% is highly successful, first outing for McCullough/Weston; 54.8% is modest success for D'Rozario/Prince E 51.7% is comparative success for Borgio/Salgs.

Hopper/Kirby 60.8%; McCullough/Weston 56.8%; Clark D./Goddard R 56.9%; D'Rozario/Prince E. 54.8%; Clark A./Price 53.5%. Addison/Garside 52.6%, Charters/Charters 52.6%.

Club Results - 19 Oct 77

Instant recovery for Turley/Turley 5.5% clear of press of other Aggregate contenders - 2% covers 2nd - 5th places Graham/Hart P. discover you don't have to play expert bridge to score well ... Hopper/Kirby slip below 55% for first time in 7 sessions ... everybody else is nowhere, Chisholm/L'Herpiniere particularly so at 41.4%.

Turley/Turley 65.1%; Charters/Charters 59.4%; Clark D./Goddard R. 58.9%, Hibbard/Pratt 58.1%; Graham/Hart P. 57.3%; Addison/Garside 54.7%.

CLUB MIXED PAIRS

Ruby and Max Turley celebrated their first anniversary of arrival in Australia by winning our Club Mixed Pair Championship for 1977 from Ellen Prince and Wilf D'Rozario and "El Presidente" Connie McCullough and Roy Goddard were in third spot. Some other well-known K.D.B.C.ites failed to register a place. It will be noted that Ruby and Max had a disaster night on Wednesday 12th October but like all good players, gritted their teeth and turned in a 63% on the 14th October to head the field for a cruise home along the straight.

It has been disheartening to see so few entries for our Club Championships. Once upon a time. these were held on our regular Club night, when virtually all our regulars competed and thus there was a sizeable field. Is it time to revert to our old practice for all pairs events? and what about teams and individuals - is it to be Wednesday night for those too? Your views please -

ROVING AROUND

The next Congress is being run by Rosendorff's Bridge School, Friday 4th November to Sunday 6th November. A full programme and entry forms are now available. Friday afternoon for the ladies is Nigel's speciality. Incidentally, Rosendorff's has the best collection of bridge books for sale in this State. If any member wants to make any purchases the Hopper man can organise for you. You may even want to give your partner one as a Christmas present, Hint!! Hint!! One of the best Congresses of the year is the last one. Neerlandia Bridge Club take over the Scout's Leader Training Centre at Manjedal, a few miles past Byford and on Saturday afternoon have a social pairs event. Barbeque time follows with a quick dip in the lake between and an evening of gaiety follows. On Sunday morning and afternoon, a red master points pairs qualifying, final and consolations are held and play finishes early. Going back to nature, sleep in the dorm, bridge and excellent cuisine all provided at a nominal fee. When? 19/20th November. Join in the fun. Enter early to be sure of your bed.

FREE TRIP TO CANBERRA

Final details have yet to be thrashed out, but all players who are members of any Bridge Club in W.A. that is affiliated to B.A.W.A. can enter a competition to be held 26th/27th November, 1st/2nd December to select team to represent W.A. in the National Open Teams being held in Canberra at the end of January. Fuller details later.

Swiss Pairs

The C.T.A. are running a Swiss Pairs event over 5 sessions commencing Monday 21st November. Full details are on a separate leaflet.

INTERCLUB OPEN TEAMS

This is scheduled to run for 3 weeks from Monday 21st November. 8 players are required to represent the Club. Give your names as pairs to Peter Hart so that the Tournament Committee can put the best team of 8 forward.

