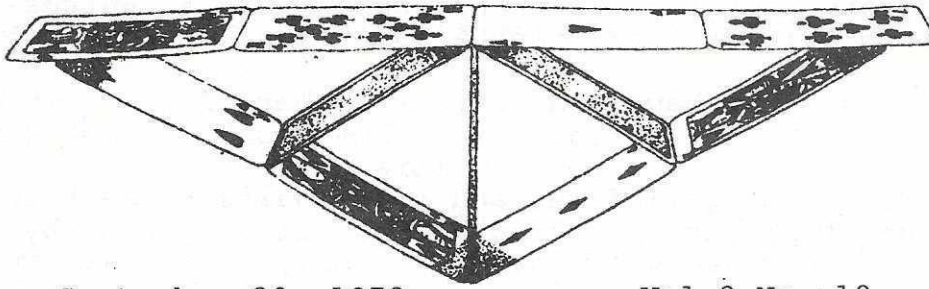


Bridging the gap



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EDITORIAL

Just what does one say to such stalwarts of the Club as Karen Haggard and Peter Hart, both of whom will no longer be such prolific writers for the magazine. There just are not enough words of praise for their sterling efforts on our behalf. We thank you both and hope that you will continue to enjoy the magazine and who knows, when you have a relaxed moment, you may contribute some little gem which will be a constant reminder to us of your worthwhile efforts.

I am pleased to have the opportunity of being your Editor and plan to provide such interest that you will be grasping for your copy at each issue!

One of the hopes of playing any game is of having that extraordinary shot at golf, a fast century at cricket, or that super hand at bridge when, with shaking pen one can write 2C in the first square. So far that exciting moment has eluded me but not to be outdone I have decided to write my editorial under the name of 'Bulla Nulla Nulla' which believe it or not is Aboriginal for 'Two Clubs'. Mind you, if the opportunity of bidding BNN still evades me, I shall probably be swinging one from each hand by the end of the year!

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DUTY DUMMY ROSTER:

September 20	- Gerald Berry.	September 27	- Margaret Hal.
October 4	- Don Burgess.	October 11	- Jan Burgess
October 18	- Mike Candy.	October 25	- Angela Elliott

CLUB RESULTS - September 6, 1978 - 13 tables

Advanced Section: de Blank/Loveland + 70.8%; Turley/Turley + 57.1%; Harvey/Weston 56.4%.

Intermediate Section: Thompson/Townsend 61.1%; Burgess/Burgess 55.6%; Gartner/Pondevie 55.6%; Hafkamp/Mizen 54.9%.

New Members: We have had quite a number of new members join the Club recently - welcome all. How about finding some more new faces? There must be many more pairs just as keen as we are to leave our warm fires and cosy chairs to meet the challenge of playing shocking hands! If they are shy, tell 'em about Bee Divee where hands are played in ways even a bridge Master wouldn't think of!!

How nice it was to see two pairs of youngsters in our midst during the school holidays. Patrick Blundell and Rod Charters have both been a number of times before but it was the first time for Raymond Halse and Stephen Yates. The latter two are the product of Pat Hubbard's teachings at the Kalamunda High - well done, Pat! - and we hope they and their student colleagues will come regularly. Three 16 year olds, and one 17 year old leave our future assured. Are there any other aspiring champions to join us? We still hold the record for youth with one of the many Hiatt children playing aged 9.

Wednesday, September 6, 1978: In the first semi-final of the Knock-out, Karen Haggard and David Stephens k.o'd El Presidente, Don, and Michel L'Herpinier + comfortably with a 17 point margin, 63 - 46. John de Blank and Monty Loveland + tuned in with the biggest score for weeks with 70.8%, Turleys + second nearly 14% behind. Harvey/Weston have a good run in practice for the Club Pairs with 56.4%, Hopper/Prince collapse from their 60+% average with 47.7%. Price/Prince return, but not to form. In the Intermediates, Audrey Townsend teamed up with rover Jack Thompson to tune in 61.1%, and another irregular partnership, Kurt Gartner and Jean-Paul Pondevie and regulars, Jan and Don Burgess joint second with 55.6%.

Wednesday, September 13, 1978: It was eyes down, pens raised, on your marks and 'off' on the Club '78 Open Pairs

North Dealer
Vulnerability - Nil

Results:	4Sx	by	S	+	2	+790
	5Sx	by	S	C		+650
	3Sx	by	S	+1	1	+630
	4Sx	by	S	C		+590 (twice)
	4S	by	S	+	2	+480 (twice)
	3S	by	S	+	2	+200
	3S	by	S	+	1	+170
	5H	by	E	-	2	+100
	4C	by	W	+	1	-150

After two passes, and not vulnerable, South has a perfect 4S pre-empt (3S if vulnerable). An 8 card suit to two honours and virtually no defensive strength. West has a problem after a pre-empt at this level and as the scores show, the general feeling was to double. However, with only 3 trumps and two certain quick tricks, 5C is a reasonable bid knowing partner has some values and a considerable Spade shortage. This now puts North to the test. With the Ace Clubs and King of Spades, and outside values, there should be a play for 5S, and a double of 5C is unlikely to be very profitable. As it happens, providing declarer times the hand properly, 5S can be made and 5 Clubs should only go one off.

ROVING AROUND WITH A.N. OTHER

Our Aleda, playing with Ida Lever in the State Women's Pairs, hit the front at the end of the first of three sessions but failed to hold their lead and slipped to 4th spot when Val Biltoft and Vera Vahala (the title holders) and Kerry Harveson and Helen Hawkins both had monster sessions and now lead the field. With the last session on Barometer, it should make good viewing. The State Men's Pairs position is very close with our Charlie and Morrie Herman winning the second session and now only a whisker behind the leaders, Les Calcraft and Len Summers. In the premier State Championship, the Open Teams, the finals have now commenced and Charlie, Wilf, and A.N. Other have all made the finals, and further reports will follow during the next four issues.

DON'T FORGET the Swan Districts One Day Congress on this Sunday, September 24, at the Town Hall, Midland, commencing at 10 a.m.