

# NOOSA BRIDGE CLUB NEWS

November 2014

## From the President

2015 is fast approaching! The year's final congress will soon be history – as will the John Fell event, the Christmas Party and the Pro-Am. Let's make the most of these events by participating as much as possible.

Also, whenever possible we should participate in events at our sister clubs. Many of our members like to support the other Sunshine Coast clubs and Gympie and some go further afield to Brisbane, Hervey Bay, Toowoomba, etc. Such travels can broaden our horizons, show us how other clubs operate and create opportunity for new friendships.

Elsewhere in this newsletter is an extensive article about the Wallace Park Precinct turning 21 and planning big celebrations on Saturday 6 December. We have agreed to participate and one interesting feature will be a “smart table” installed in the library where a bit of our club's history will be available through pictures. This “smart table” – like a giant tablet – will also provide historical detail about the other facilities in Wallace Park. The goal of the event is to foster a better sense of community among Wallace Park residents. Hooray.

As 2014 draws to a close let's remember the good times we've shared within these clubhouse walls – for they are many – and look forward to many more years of happy bridging.



All the best from Gerald

## Charity Day

The third and final charity day for 2014 was held on 3 October and raised \$1700 for Wesley Care Tewanin. Wesley Care Tewanin is funded by Disability Services Queensland and run by Wesley Mission Brisbane. It's facility is the only purpose-built home on the Sunshine Coast for younger disabled people living with high-care needs. Thanks go to the Noosa-Tewanin Lions Club for nominating this worthwhile cause. Special thanks also to Barbara Taylor who served as liaison officer for this event.



## Coming Events

10&17 Nov – **John Fell Red Point Days**

See notice on Bulletin Board. Everyone in the room on these two Mondays is in the event.

15-16 Nov – **Noosa Pairs**

28-30 Nov & 1 Dec – **GNOT Final**

14 Dec – **QBA Teams of 3**

22 Dec – **One Day Pro-Am**

- Sign up sheet available
- “Am” must be under 25mp's at 30 Sept.
- Partnership has played no more than 3 times during previous 3 months.
- Red Points only for players in the event
- Side Movements will be “green”.

**And let's not forget the Christmas Party on 12 Dec**

Moria Gibbens has been busy organising the Christmas Party, which will be a similar format to last year. Champagne & lunch will be provided at 11.30am for 12 noon. Afternoon tea will be mini Christmas Puddings. Drinks, cheese & biscuits will be served after bridge. If you are attending please put your name on the attendance sheet, so we can cater for exact number.



# Member's Questions

A member asked for advice regarding the bidding of the following hand. Dealer N, nil vul.



<p>♠ 6 5 ♥ - ♦ QJ9762 ♣ J9832</p>	<p>♠ Q J ♥ JT8765 ♦ 8 5 ♣ QT 5</p>	<p>♠ AT43 ♥ AQ32 ♦ KT ♣ AK6</p>
	<p>♠ K9872 ♥ K94 ♦ A43 ♣ 74</p>	

A member highlighted this hand from the Saturday 11 October session and asked about bidding, with the remark: "E opened 2S, I bid 2NT for the minors, 3S from W, what next?"

<p>♠ K765 ♥ T8752 ♦ J95 ♣ Q</p>	<p>♠ T3 ♥ AQ4 ♦ QT8 ♣ T8632</p>	<p>♠ AQJ982 ♥ 963 ♦ 62 ♣ 74</p>
	<p>♠ 4 ♥ KJ ♦ AK743 ♣ AKJ95</p>	

The analysis by Deep Finesse showed a remarkable set of possible outcomes - in NT E/W can make only 7 tricks, but they can make 12 tricks in either minor.

With regard to the bidding, E will show a balanced hand in the 20-22 hcp range. In most partnerships responder will have methods for showing major suits - Stayman or transfers. But I suspect fewer pairs will have ways of showing minor suits.

Holding the W hand I would respond 3S to partner's 20-22 point balanced hand, showing length in both minors. Opener with good cards in the Major suits may still opt for 3NT, especially at pairs. But here opener will likely re-bid 4C and game in Clubs will be reached.

In recent lessons Simon outlined methods to show or find minor suits after partner opens 1NT.

- 1NT:3C=both minors, pass or correct
- 1NT:3D=both minors, game forcing
- 1NT:2C:2D:2S=minor suit Stayman\*

\* ask one of us about continuations

After E opened a weak 2S, it is very common practice to use a bid of 2NT to show a hand you would have opened 1NT, ie 15-17hcp with S well stopped. That leaves two ways of showing a hand with both minors:

- a) bid 3D, and after the expected Spade support from W now bid 4C;
- b) bid an immediate 4NT, asking partner to pick her better minor.

This hand is good enough for option b). You will certainly reach 5C, and if your agreement is that the latter bid shows a much stronger hand than the former, N may judge that her cards are good enough to bid 6C.

## Around the Club

Arriving at the Wednesday table of Peter Mellish & John Lewis, John Osmaston respectfully greeted them: "Peter & John, the two Apostles". "It's a bit unfair to call us FOSSILS" complained John Lewis.



## Member's Questions cont.

### Opening Lead to 6NT Contract

This hand was played at the Club on Friday 24 Oct. A popular contract was 6NT by E. Despite the combined 33hcp, it is not a great contract because of no long suit and compressed Club honours.

	♠ T 5	
	♥ 8 6 5	
	♦ Q 7 6	
	♣ T 7 6 5 2	
♠ Q 8 3 2		♠ A K 9
♥ Q J		♥ A 4 3
♦ A K T 3		♦ 9 8 4 2
♣ A J 9		♣ K Q 4
	♠ J 7 6 4	
	♥ K T 9 7 2	
	♦ J 5	
	♣ 8 3	

At 6 tables South led a H, giving declarer a 2nd H trick she could not make herself, and this usually meant the contract was made; presumably declarer guessed the Spade suit correctly. Simon Andrew led the C8 and Chrissie Baynes led the S4; after these leads the contract cannot be made.

Leading against a lower NT contract, the recommended strategy is for the defence to start with their long suit, with the hope that eventually they may establish some length winners. Against a 6NT contract, there is no "eventually". The leader's strategy should be to lead as safely as possible, so as not to give declarer a trick she cannot make herself.

Geoff Hart



Learning she was going to have twins, the bridge playing wife said, "That's just like my husband, doubling me when I'm vulnerable."



... that our bridge tablecloths get cleaned regularly by the dry cleaners across the way, as a gift from Carole McDonald. This has been going on for years! Thank you, Carole.

... that the Club has a "Suggestion Book" available for members to voice their opinion about anything. The book lives in the drawer under the microphone. All entries are discussed at the next Management Committee Meeting.

... that we are providing St. Johns Ambulance First Aid Training for 10 members who have volunteered. The aim is to have at least one qualified first aider at each session.

... that the Club is supporting a petition by Elizabeth Gibson (Northern Suburbs Bridge Club, Hendra Qld) to have Bridge recognized as a sport. If you'd like to sign the petition it is available at the Clubhouse.

## National Recycling Week 10-16 November



Founded in November 1996 by Planet Ark this event's goal is to bring a focus to recycling, minimizing waste & management material resources across the country. In that regard we would encourage all members to assist the Club to be more recycling savvy by depositing waste in appropriately labeled bins. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

### RED POINTS

On Special Event days (Pairs/Teams Championships & Pro Am) Red Points will not be awarded to side movements.



# Wallace Park Precinct turns 21!

To celebrate this wonderful hub of community facilities Wallace Park Precinct is having a community celebration event **on Sat 6 December from 9am- 1pm.**

The amphitheatre between the Noosaville Library and Noosa Leisure Centre will be full of come and try activities from Wallace Park user groups including Bridge, Group Fitness and Jump Bunch (junior gymnastics) classes, second hand book sales, FREE entertainment and Farm Animals (sponsored by Friends of Noosa Library), story-telling and much more- it's all FREE so come and check out the wonderful activities you and your family can enjoy at Wallace Park- there is an activity for every age!

The Wallace Park Precinct encompasses an area of 90,000m<sup>2</sup> on Wallace Drive, Noosaville (off Eumundi Noosa Road). The Precinct is the site of several council-owned facilities and a number of Community groups.

Development of the Precinct commenced in the late 1980s based upon a Master Plan developed by John Mainwaring. The intention was to create a mixed usage 'people's place' centred around the historic Wallace House and incorporating a range of community facilities as well as public outdoor spaces. 21 years later it has become just that!



Wallace Park has strong state and local heritage significance. The site has connections to the original inhabitants, the Kabi Kabi (Gubbi Gubbi) people (there is a yarnning circle in Wallace Park behind Wallace House), as well as associations with the settlement and early development of the Noosa area.

The land was originally owned by Walter Hay, an early settler in the district. After fire destroyed Hay's home, he sold the estate to Arthur Wallace in 1930. Wallace built a home for his family (Wallace House) as well as a jetty and boathouse on the river and established an orchard in the grounds. The property was the family base for several generations of the Wallace family. Arthur Wallace died in 1974 and the property was reluctantly sold by the family in 1978. For the next several years the house was a rental property and for a time was home to a casino before being acquired by Noosa Council in 1992 and in 1993 Noosa Arts and crafts was officially opened. In 1999 the house was damaged by fire, however was repaired and Noosa Arts and Crafts Association have grown in membership strength from year to year.

Noosa Community Care (formally Noosa Respite Centre) was next to move into Wallace Park in 1992, followed closely by Noosa Leisure Centre and Noosaville Library on the same day (Dec 4 1993). Tewantin-Noosa Meals on Wheels and Noosa Bridge Club opened their doors at Wallace Park also in 1994. The Noosa Parks Association's Environment Centre was built in 1992- 1993 and officially opened in February 1994 and after that the Endeavour Foundation building completed the Precinct group in 2008.

(Information provided by Marketing Dept. Noosa Leisure Centre & Noosa Aquatic Centre).



## New Members

We would like to extend a very warm welcome to all the new members who have joined the club since our last newsletter.

Claire Anderson	Vivienne Cook
Ruth Church	Irene Pawlyszyn
Katherine Collins	Lyndon Sanderson

## Members Achievements

### GNOT – Stage 3 – at Noosa – 6/7 September

1<sup>st</sup> – Rosie Green/Philippa Barnett/David Harris/  
Tim Ridley

### Noosa Spring Teams Congress – 14 September

A – 1<sup>st</sup> – Susan Rodgers/Philippa Barnett/David  
Harris/Tim Ridley  
A – 2<sup>nd</sup> – Simon Andrew/Gwen King/Geoff Hart/  
Rosie Green  
B – 1<sup>st</sup> – Lorraine Vachon/Peter Tall/Bill Howard/ Jean  
Pearce  
B – 2<sup>nd</sup> – Ed & Jan Beckett/Nev & Adele Harington

### SCCBC – Graded Pairs – 21 September

A – 2<sup>nd</sup> – Susan Rodgers/David Harris

### Redlands Graded Pairs – 28 September

C – 2<sup>nd</sup> – Adam & Dorothy Hertelendy

### Toowoomba Swiss Teams – 5/6 October

A – 3<sup>rd</sup> – Arch Morrison/Ines Dawes ++  
B – 1<sup>st</sup> – Nev & Adele Harington/Shirley Bishop +

### Gympie Teams – 12 October

A – 1<sup>st</sup> David Harris/Geoff Hart/Rosie Green/ Philippa  
Barnett  
B – 1<sup>st</sup> – Bill & Geraldine Howard/Judy Hope/Lois  
Meldrum  
B – 2<sup>nd</sup> – Peter Coppin +++  
B – 3<sup>rd</sup> – Ellie Nimmo/Hilary French/Shirley  
Bishop/Fran McDonald

### Hervey Bay Pairs – 19 October

A – 2<sup>nd</sup> – Dick Trollope/David Harris

### Hervey Bay Teams - 20 October

A – 3<sup>rd</sup> - Dick Trollope/David Harris ++

### Caloundra Swiss Teams – 2 November

A – 1<sup>st</sup> – Geoff Hart/David Harris ++  
B – 1<sup>st</sup> – Kemal & Kiyomi Avundunk ++

## Kevin's Corner

Some contracts are easy to play but others like this one require a PLAN and careful consideration as the play continues:

Vul: NS

♠ A	♠ 6 5 4 3	♠ 9 8
♥ A K 10 9 8	♥ 7 6 4 3	♥ 5 2
♦ 9 6 5 2	♦ 10 3	♦ K J 8 7 4
♣ 6 5 2	♣ Q 10 9	♣ K 8 7 4
	♠ K Q J 10 7 2	
	♥ Q J	
	♦ A Q	
	♣ A J 2	

Bidding:

South	West	North	East
1 S	2 H	Pass	Pass
X	Pass	2 S	Pass
3 S	Pass	4 S	All pass

Opening lead: H K

To South this looks like an impossible contract. However, he was told long ago (by Rob Ritchie) to place the strategic cards in the hands where they would allow him to succeed. So he placed both the minor suit Kings in East's hand. However, to finesse, South had to PLAN his transport to North's hand. This can only be done by retaining his Spade 2. All goes to plan, ruffing the 3<sup>rd</sup> Heart lead high, drawing trumps, crossing to dummy using the vital Spade 2. He now leads the Club Queen, but when East does not cover with the King, he discards the Club Jack to preserve his transport back to the 9 or 10. This is also vital to return to dummy to finesse the Diamonds.

I can already hear people saying "too hard", but you will be surprised at how often this play works and if we are going to go down, then we will go down fighting.

Ces't la vie!!  
Kevin Feeney

