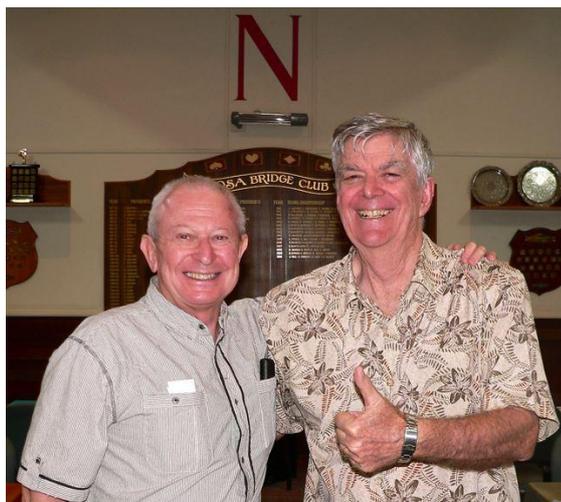




## CLUB PAIRS CHAMPIONS



**David Harris & Kevin Feeney**

The Pairs Championship is one of the Board events at Noosa Bridge Club. It's conducted in May.

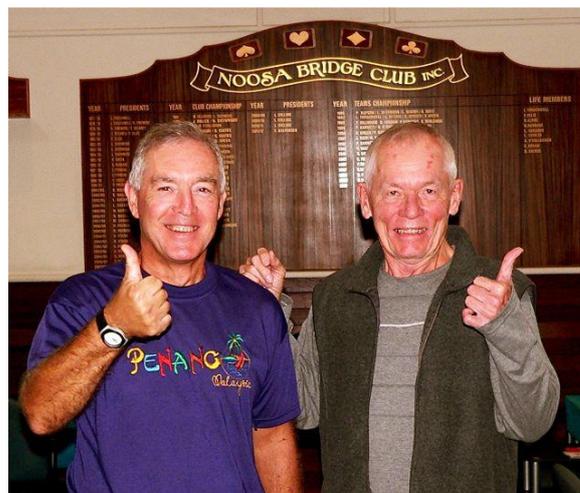


This year, David and Kevin have stared down the field and taken out the big prize.

David had his lessons in 1999, and now plays 2 or 3 times a week at the Club. He never misses a chance to get along to a Congress where he tests his skills against players from other clubs. David was a film projectionist before bridge took over his life. He's also a Director in the club.

Kevin has been playing bridge for a long, long time. He's an ex-science and maths teacher, and together with wife Pat (an ex-high school principal), they are regular players at the Club, although not usually as a pair at the table. Like David, Kevin regularly goes to Congresses, and is a Director in our Club. He is the author of Kevin's Lesson in every newsletter.

## PLATE PAIRS CHAMPIONS



**Robert Bulford & Gerald Schaaf**

And not to be overlooked, the winners of the Plate for the Pairs Championship!



## PRINTOUTS ON THE INTERNET

For a long time, players have been able to look up their results on our website, and go through their performance hand by hand. This has been because of the Bridgemates.

Now you can also get a copy of the printout of each session on the internet, hand by hand. This great leap forward obviates the need for people to have hard copy printouts, but also gives you the opportunity to go back through the results/hands long after you have put the printout in the bin.

A great effort from Ross Gyde and his dealing team (Pauline Harris – who doesn't even play bridge! - Pam Hawkins, Chrissy Baynes & Barry Midgley), with Compscore technical support of Colin Regan.

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## KEVIN'S LESSON

### Dummy Reversal

Occurs when declarer uses so many of his own trumps that he has to rely on the trumps in dummy's hand to maintain control – hence the name, as these tasks usually happen the other way round. Care must be taken to preserve entries from one hand to the other.

♠ J82	♠ Q96
♥ J987	♥ 2
♦ A743	♦ J965
♣ 92	♣ JT854
♠ KT43	♠ A75
♥ 654	♥ AKQT3
♦ KQT8	♦ 2
♣ 76	♣ AKQ3

### Contract 6H Lead DK

After winning the DA, a diamond is roughed high in the South hand. Two top clubs are cashed (this could have been postponed as the cards lie but was technically correct) followed by a low trump to dummy and another diamond rough high.

The HT was overtaken by dummy's jack and the last diamond was ruffed by South. Dummy was entered by ruffing South small club and the last enemy trump was drawn. Finally one of dummy's spade losers could be parked on South's high club.

And that's 12 tricks cold!

Kevin Feeney

## TEACHING AND LIBRARY NEWS

### 1. Recently added books

Two copies of *The Mysterious Multi* by Mark Horton and Jan Van Cleeff. The authors present a wide ranging and detailed examination of many forms of multi-two openings. If you play some form of multi-two don't for a moment believe that you know all about that convention. Read this book for heaps more on bidding sequences and defensive measures.

Two excellent books by Hugh Kelsey, *Killing Defence at Bridge* and *Improve Your Partner's Defence*. Kelsey is a very highly regarded author who presents particularly interesting ideas written in an engaging style.

### 2. Books to help you improve your defence

Defence is recognised as the most difficult part of our game. So if you can do it well, there is a lot to be gained. And it can be particularly satisfying to work out and put into effect a difficult defence.

To start your reading on defence you can't go past the books of Eddie Kantar (*Defensive Bridge Play*, *Modern Bridge Defence*, *Introduction to Defender Play*). I have not read *How to Defend a Bridge Hand*, by William Root, but it seems quite comprehensive. Moving beyond the nuts and bolts, we have Kantar's *Advanced Bridge Defence* and *Card Play Technique* by Mollo and Gardener.

And at a higher level again are the two books by Kelsey recently added to our library.

### 3. Operations

Our library operates by a few simple procedures that are self-administered by borrowers. First, *borrowers are required to clearly record, in the borrowings book provided, the details of each borrowing (date, book number, borrower's name and club number) and each return (date)*. When this is not done there can be unhappy disagreements over who is responsible for a missing book.

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Secondly, borrowers are asked to return books after having them for about two weeks - to give all members the same access to the full library. Unfortunately there are still too many thoughtless or selfish extended borrowings that render books unavailable to other members. It is disappointing to report that we are currently trying to recover three books that one member borrowed five months ago!

At my previous bridge club (Sydney), the library operated under far more control - books locked up, duty librarians, borrowing fees, fines for overdue books etc. We all hope that the Noosa Club never has to come to that.

*Geoff Hart*

## NEW MEMBERS

The club extends a warm welcome to new members:

Jeffrey Pearce, Rhonda Barbary, Ruth & John McEvoy, Diane Jones, Janelle Kipping, Barbara Hodgson, Carole Milray, Alan Cripps, Robert Ginnaw, Suwanna Russell, Catherine Braddock, Valerie Lewis, Patricia Wakeford, Kathleen Bennett, James White, Christine Edwards and Tom Allsop.

## DIRECTORS' CORNER

We need to keep reminding people about turning off mobile phones before a playing session starts.

It's a courtesy to other players for a start, but there's also the promise of a penalty from the Director of the Day if your phone rings. There's always the odd occasion when a player need to leave their phone on - extremely rare but it does happen. On those occasions, it is necessary for you to advise the Director.

All mobile phone calls must be made and taken outside the clubrooms when a session is still in progress.

*Di Quigley*

## CHARITY DAY

We have moved charity days from Thursdays to the three busiest sessions during the week. Wednesday morning was chosen for the first one (RSPCA) because the session has such wonderful support from our newer members. Many others come along especially because it's a Charity Day, which mean an increase in the size of our final donation. And have we been successful!

On Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June, we raised \$900 from table fees, \$562 from the raffle, \$22.85 from sale of left over cakes & late donations \$20. TOTAL=\$1,502.85. Congratulations, club members! An excellent contribution to help the RSPCA run their services.

The other change we have introduced is that our club now supplies the goodies for morning tea on charity day. Formerly, we asked the charity to provide the eats, but with the larger fields of players, it becomes a pressure instead of a pleasure for the charity folk involved. So again, thank you to all those who worked so hard to put on such a great feast for the RSPCA.

The other two charity days this year will be

- Monday 8<sup>th</sup> August, supporting the work of the View Club,

- Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October, in aid of the Animal Refuge, located on the Eumundi Road.

At the beginning of 2012, we will again be asking for proposals for our three allocated Charity days, and I encourage you to bring forward any local charity that you feel is worthy of our support.

*Colin Regan*

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