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Today...

Championship Events

Butler Stage 1 Open, Women 7.30pm

Congress Events

Walk-In Pairs — 7.30pm







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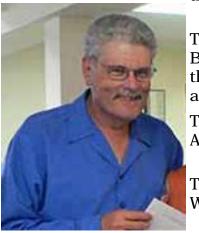
From the Tournament Organizer

On behalf of the QBA and our ANC Committee, we would like to welcome the ABF Unit, and all bridge players to the 2008 Championships. We hope that we enjoy your stay and have success at the bridge table. We are available at all times to assist you in any way that we can.

Jim Millar

From the President

Welcome to the Holiday Inn and Surfers Paradise for the 69th Australian National Bridge Championships.



The Championship has three distinct segments: the Butler Pairs with stage 1 commencing on Friday 25 July, the Matchpointed Pairs over the weekend 2/3 August and the Interstate Teams starting 3 August.

The finale is the Victory Dinner on Friday 7.30 p.m. 8 August.

There is a very active Congress programme and daily Walk In Pairs.

The Tournament Committee Kim Ellaway, Ray Ellaway, Alan Gibson, Meta Goodman, Jan Peach, Neil Raward, Sarah-Jane Reid, and Tony Treloar have worked hard for several years under the leadership of Chairman Jim Millar and Secretary Marion Cooke. If you see one of the team, please take time to thank them for the effort they have made on your behalf. A simple acknowledgement means so much.

It is with considerable pride that I trust that all competitors enjoy a wonderful event. The ANC is not only serious bridge but a chance to make new friends.

Surfers Paradise is a great setting for a national event and there is much to visit and enjoy.

Keith Mc Donald. President (QBA & ABF)



From the editor

Welcome to the wonderful world of Winter in Queensland, where you can bask in the gentle warmth of the sun while counting seagulls on the beach.. Of course, you won't be doing any of that because you'll be sitting inside, white-knuckled, clutching the cards and wondering why partner won't return your lead. Perhaps you should have asked one

of the seagulls to play... Seriously though, I do hope you all have time to venture outside and inhale the ozone. It's very good for the soul.

This is my first attempt at producing a daily bulletin, and the idea of coming up with intelligent, witty or even barely literate articles day after day is quite daunting. It would also be most unpleasant for you to have to start every day trawling through my drivel. So, on behalf of everyone here, I'm appealing for **LOTS OF CONTRIBUTIONS**. Those stars among you who write in various important publications are strongly urged to share interesting hands.

Articles do not all have to include complex analyses however and I would love to hear about the tragic, the amusing or the just plain weird situations which occur at your table. Of particular interest, I have been informed, are stories of the misfortunes which happen even to the experts. We love to hear about these as they bolster our fragile delusions of adequacy.

Finally, may I wish you all the best of times over the next two weeks, both at the bridge table and away from it. Try not to get arrested as you enjoy the many delights of the Gold Coast.

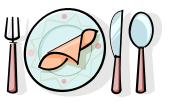
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I will let you know my room number here at Holiday Inn when I move in.

There will also be a designated **ANC Bulletin Contributions Box** at or near the information desk. Throughout the fortnight, I will be kibitzing and hanging around the bars so please come and tell me about anything exciting that happens to you, especially if there are incriminating photos.

Lindy Vincent



ANC Dining Guide

The restaurants and attractions listed below have all supported our Congress by giving prize vouchers for the many events. You'll find them within the pages of the **Hello Gold Coast magazine** (**HGC**) and some have discount vouchers there too.

There are many other restaurants in the area and this list does not pretend to judge their merit. It's simply that we must support those who support us so if everyone could eat just once at one of these few restaurants and mention bridge it would help greatly for future events.

Surfers is home to a wide variety of great attractions and things to do. Once again a number have supported us and they're nearly all within walking distance of the hotel. You'll have great fun visiting them and many are open late.

We may get another one or two – if so you'll hear about them in your Daily Bulletin.



Restaurants

The Captains Table in the middle of Orchid St is just behind the hotel and only 200 metres away. Seafood specialists and you can check out their menu on pages 10-11N of HGC.

The Hog's Breath in Cavill Mall is about 100 metres past the Captains Table. Hog's Breath is a serious steak restaurant and even the chippies look like pigs tails! Taste great too. <u>Page 21N of HGC.</u>

Four Winds revolving restaurant is 1500 metres towards Broadbeach on the main highway. Perhaps a short taxi ride. Usually packed as the food is excellent and the view from the 18th floor is brilliant. 'Free bottle of wine' voucher on <u>page 1N of HGC.</u>

You really must have a \$9.90 counter lunch at the **Titanium Bar** – home of the Gold Coast Titans ARL . The lunch is quick and super value, the view from the open riverside deck to die for and maybe you'll pop back one evening to sample the delights of their formal dining option. It's on the main highway, about 300 metres from the hotel. <u>Page 3N of HGC</u> offers a dining discount voucher.

Trawler Seafood Restaurant provide a courtesy bus from the hotel and back again when you're ready. Ideal for a between sessions dinner. It's a unique setting, towards Broadbeach a couple of km. HGC page 2N.

Sage and Yellowfin are down at Broadbeach and enthusiastically support the GC Congress in February. Despite being a fair distance away they were happy to help out so if you find yourself at Broadbeach go and dine at one of them. To improve your appetite you'll find generous discount vouchers on <u>pages 16-17N</u> of HGC.

Donto Sapporo is an authentic Japanese restaurant on the main highway towards Broadbeach. The staff are all Japanese and the restaurant has always been hosting Japanese customers on my visits. The food is absolutely excellent. Dozen free sushi offer page 13N of HGC.