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THE FOND FAREWELL AND ROLL OF HONOUR

From Sheenagh Young

Last night I danced all the way to the bar. The 2015 ANC was over and our novice team was being congratulated for hosting a well-run event. The players all appeared happy and content and our job was done to the best of our ability. I did, however, at times feel like Sisyphus, the air conditioning unit replacing the boulder. I don't believe I have ever seen as many puffy jackets, scarves and beanies outside of the Antarctic as I saw in the playing area at the beginning of this week. I thank you all for your perseverance and understanding. You will be pleased to know the ABF are not considering reviewing the footage to determine whether there was any discernable pattern to the teeth chattering which may constitute the transmitting of unauthorized information!

I have a large number of thanks to list but the most important one of all is to you, the players. We all strive to ensure an event is successful but this can never be achieved without the support of the Bridge community whether it means hopping on a plane or walking down the street, playing solidly for two weeks or the occasional afternoon event. From Novice to Grand Master, if you don't play we can never dance to the bar. So cheers to you all.

Although I am out front, so to speak, there are a number you may not know who were the driving force behind the scenes. Hilary Yovich, The Tournament Unit Manager, and the only one of us with any real experience of running a large scale event, has been my right hand for the past eighteen months. She can be best described as a

whirling dervish or human dynamo. If I am the Delorean she is the Flux Capacitor.

Kitty George. Far too nice to be the Tournament Treasurer. Quietly battling the Bridge Hydra. Wrong entry, wrong payment, no payment, refunds for wrong entry, wrong credit card details etc., etc., etc. Every time you cut off a head another grows. What an enormous task which was accomplished with style and grace. She also had to play at the last minute to ensure an even field in the Restricted Swiss. All this whilst fulfilling her duties as President of the West Australian Bridge Club. A woman of infinite capabilities.

Bina McConnell, the Tournament Secretary, travelling just about every day from Mandurah. Playing in everything she could whilst keeping up with the secretarial duties, acting as caddy when the need arose and continuing in her usual position as Secretary of our state association, BAWA.

Beata Bieganski, our Bulletin guru. Working late at night or early every morning to get the next edition out to you as quickly as possible, again whilst playing in everything. Made all the more difficult and, if I'm honest, highly entertaining to edit, as English is her second language.

Linda Bedford-Brown, our Partnership Secretary, who fielded all the emails I sent her way from those of you looking for a partner and ensuring we had spare pairs for events. She is also the Editor of our wonderful monthly magazine FOCUS and ensured copies of its special edition celebrating BAWA's fortieth anniversary were available for you all at the venue.

Our caddies, Gary Hooykaas, Angus Young and Josh Lindsay. All these young men gave up their

holiday time from school or Uni to come work for us. They don't play Bridge. They did it purely because their parent/s or grandparents play and we are truly grateful. It is a thankless task for very little money and they went about it efficiently and with a great attitude. Hopefully they may have got the bug and will start playing.

Matt McManus and Ed Barnes. Our Chief Tournament Director and Director/Scorer. What a team. Nothing, and I mean nothing, rattles these guys. Calm, collected, soft spoken – a genuine joy to work with. They can completely MacGyver any tournament's problems with a roll of duct tape and a packet of breath mints. They are a good reason to be jealous of the NSWBA. Thanks fellas. I don't want to come over all Kathy Bates in Misery but we in the West are your biggest fans.

Dave Parham and Bill Kemp. Dave, recently made a National 3, was our Congress Director during the first week and what a task he had. Coping with walk-ins, no shows and a TO who needed him to provide club winners, restricted winners and country winners as well as the usual places. With a little mentoring from the CTD these were all accomplished with ease. I do have a sneaky suspicion he was relieved when the week was over and he could finally sit down and play in the Butler. Bill, WA's only National 2 director, was with us for the Butler weekend. He and Matt have worked together many times over the years so it was no surprise that he seamlessly integrated into the team on the event's busiest weekend. Another quiet, calm professional.

Jane Reynolds for organizing the operators, the set-up and running the BBO broadcast. Efficiently done indeed. No input from the TO required, thank goodness. Thanks also to the youth players who agreed to be operators. I must also thank the ABF for providing the equipment and operators at no cost to the event. It is a wonderful service, as is evidenced by the large number of people watching online, particularly from China.

Peter Holloway was tucked out of sight in a room which had been stripped down to enable board dealing and storage. Many of you would have noticed the boards and cards were all new. I had dealt the boards for the teams, Hilary dealt Stage 1 of the Butler and Robina dealt the first weekend Congress boards. As we started dealing months before we had the luxury of taking our time. Peter did not. He was under enormous pressure to redeal all the boards coming off the teams for

Stage 2 and the rest of the congress events. An arduous task.

Judith, Sharaf, Michael, Evan, Jonathan, Anthony and all the others from Rydges. What an incredible team. Nothing was too much trouble, even my constant requests for the A/C to be adjusted. We will certainly miss you all and thank you for helping us host such a successful event.

Marcia Scudder, Di Marler, Allison Stralow, Pauline Gumby and Jane Rasmussen. Thank you ladies for your help and invaluable advice.

Mimi Packer and Peggy and John Hogan for organizing restaurant deals, vouchers and menus.

All the clubs and their members who sponsored an event and/or loaned us equipment. Rustling up 90 folding bridge tables these days is surprisingly difficult.

Thanks also to David Schokman and Nigel Rosendorff for including the event details in their bridge columns in the months leading up to the event and encouraging players to enter.

AND NOW, A WORD ABOUT OUR SPONSORS! SUPPORT THOSE WHO SUPPORT BRIDGE

TBIB. What a fabulous organization. Not only do Sean Bemrose and Steve Weil ensure we can insure to get away they sponsor the Butler and travel to WA, taking time out of their busy schedules to meet with any player or club to discuss any issues they may have regarding insurance. Thank you gentlemen and we hope your sponsorship continues for many years to come.

JOHN HUGHES. Is not a Bridge player but his wife, Margarita, is. John owns and runs one of the biggest car dealerships in Australia. We thank John for his most generous sponsorship of the ANC Swiss Pairs.

MOUNT ROMANCE. Many of you would have played against Deana Wilson in the Butler week. Her company has provided beautiful prizes for every event at the ANC. I'm sure if you were fortunate enough to win one of these you will fall in love with their products. If you didn't win one then I suggest you buy some now and take a trip to their Sandalwood Factory down south in Albany, WA.

RICOH AUSTRALIA. Provided us with a superb photocopier, free of charge, for the entire event. All the scorebooks, hand records and Bulletins

were produced on their machine. Having used their machines at different clubs over the years I can highly recommend their reliability and the excellent service we receive.

TOLL. You may have noticed their banner and logo and wondered why they are being displayed. Much of the equipment has been borrowed from the ABF Headquarters in Fyshwick , ACT. Bridgemates, side tables, BBO equipment etc. plus trophies have all been transported to WA by Toll. It will also be returned by Toll. Again, free of charge. This was made possible by our very own WA player Phil Power. Thank you Phil and thank you Toll.

TRUE BLUE CONTAINERS. Owned and run by Kim and Robin Paterson, Robin played in the ANC Swiss, this is a local WA company specializing in the hire or sale of shipping containers. Once the equipment had arrived from the ACT we needed to store it somewhere. True Blue has given us the use of a brand new container for as long as we need it. At present It is taking up all of my driveway. Thanks to their generosity our storage problem was solved

MAKANYANE SAFARI LODGE. This is certainly on my bucket list. Owned by Ross and Ursula Harper, you may have met Ross playing with Paul Lavings in the Senior's Butler, this is a truly magical place in the Madikwe Game Reserve in South Africa

VANTAGE WEALTH MANAGEMENT. No connection to Bridge other than being financial advisor to me. They have generously supported Bridge in the past and I was grateful when they agreed to do so again. If you need financial advice I highly recommend you pay them a visit

WEBB AND BROWN-NEAVES. Another Bridge connection via a mum. WBN have been building quality homes in WA for 37 years. They design, demolish & build or offer house and land packages.

MUZZ BUZZ. Really needs no explanation of what they offer. This sponsorship of the Restricted Butler is due to Steve Pynt who you may have met if you were playing in the event. Steve also supplied free coffee vouchers to players in the event. Thank you Steve.

GEORGE WEALTH. Yes, you guessed it, the son of our Treasurer so she can highly recommend this firm for all your financial planning and management. Thank you Phil for your support.

ONE FINAL NOTE

To the guy who said to me the other day "Running the ANC is like giving birth. In eight years time you will have forgotten about the pain and do it again". Don't attempt a psych as it just ain't gonna work for you babe!

FAREWELL FROM WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

MAY FORTUNE SMILE UPON QUEENSLAND



*Fremantle viewed from the air
(Photograph taken by Kristian Maley)*

AND THE WINNERS OF THE 2015 ANC PERTH ARE ...

TBIB ANC BUTLER PAIRS

BEST QUALIFYING - OPEN

Justin HOWARD and Tony NUNN

BEST QUALIFYING - WOMEN'S

Paula MCLEISH and Pele RANKIN

OPEN

Justin Howard and Tony Nunn

WOMEN'S

Marilyn Chadwick and Toni Sharp

SENIORS'

Therese Tully and Richard Wallis

RESTRICTED

Lavy Libman and Tomer Libman

JOHN HUGHES ANC SWISS PAIRS

Trevor Fuller and Gerry Daly

INTERSTATE TEAMS

OPEN TEAMS WINNERS

(ACT) George Kozakos, Richard Brightling, Margaret Bourke (NPC), David Appleton, David Hoffman, Arjuna De Livera and Elizabeth Havas

OPEN TEAMS RUNNERS-UP

(VIC) Justin Howard, Leigh Gold, Peter Hollands, Ben Thompson (C), Bill Jacobs, and Jamie Ebery

WOMEN'S TEAMS WINNERS

(ACT) Marianne Bookallil, Jodi Tutty, Margaret Bourke (NPC), Sheila Bird, Karen Creet, Judith Tobin and Julia Hoffman

WOMEN'S TEAMS RUNNERS-UP

(NSW) Monica Ginsberg, Sybil Hurwitz, Avril Zets, Judy Mott (NPC), Giselle Mundell, Patsy McCartney and Cathryn Herden

SENIORS' TEAMS WINNERS

(NSW) Peter Jeffery, Bob Sebesfi, David Beauchamp (NPC), Heather Cusworth, Richard Douglas, Mike Hughes, (Kim Morrison)

SENIORS' TEAMS RUNNERS-UP

(VIC) Arthur Robbins, Laurie Kelso (NPC), Richard Greenfield, Gary Ridgway, (Dee Harley, Stephen Weisz)

YOUTH TEAMS WINNERS

(SA) Jack Markey, Sam Schulz, Shane Harrison, Lauren Travis (C), Jarrad Dunbar, James Lawry

YOUTH TEAMS RUNNERS-UP

(QLD) Joshua Davis, Angus Gray, Paul Brake (NPC), Chris Larter, Andrew Gosney, Jessica Brake and Michael Gearing

DATUM

OPEN TEAMS DATUM WINNERS

Justin Howard and Peter Hollands (VIC)

WOMEN'S TEAMS DATUM WINNERS

Catherine Lachman and Helen Snashall (VIC)

SENIOR'S TEAMS DATUM WINNERS

Mike Hughes and Kim Morrison (NSW)

YOUTH TEAMS DATUM WINNERS

Samuel Schulz and Jarrad Dunbar (SA)

ANC CONGRESSES

MAKANYANE SAFARI LODGE / WEBB & BROWN-NEAVES PAIRS

FINALS

NS: Heather WILLIAMS and Jan BLIGHT
EW: Diana MCALISTER and Ann MELLINGS

PLATE

NS: Bill NASH and James WALLIS
EW: Margaret GIBBS and Richard COOKE

RESTRICTED FINAL/PLATE

NS: Helen COOK and Sally STEWART
EW: Gwyneira BRAHMA and Jessica CHEW

RESTRICTED CONSOLATION

NS: David KININMONTH and Robert WILLEMSON
EW: Pauline COULTER and David COULTER

VANTAGE WEALTH MANAGEMENT TEAMS

Richard FOX, Dave SLOAN, Suzanne GOODALL and Martin GOODALL

SOUTH PERTH BC PAIRS

Rose MOORE and Jonathan FREE

NEDLANDS BC PAIRS

Tad BIEGANSKI and Brian FENSOME

WABC & GEORGE WEALTH ECLECTIC PAIRS 1

Tim MUNRO and Jane REYNOLDS

WABC & GEORGE WEALTH ECLECTIC PAIRS 2

Jan BURGESS and Jana MAYHEW

WABC & GEORGE WEALTH ECLECTIC PAIRS 3

Angela ROBERTS and Jonathan FREE

WABC & GEORGE WEALTH ECLECTIC PAIRS 4

Richard COOKE and Margaret GIBBS

WABC & GEORGE WEALTH ECLECTIC PAIRS - OVERALL

Geoff YEO and Ann YOUNGS

NEDLANDS BC PAIRS

David GALLAGHER and Ron D'SOUZA

UNDERCROFT BC PAIRS

Allan DOIG and John REID

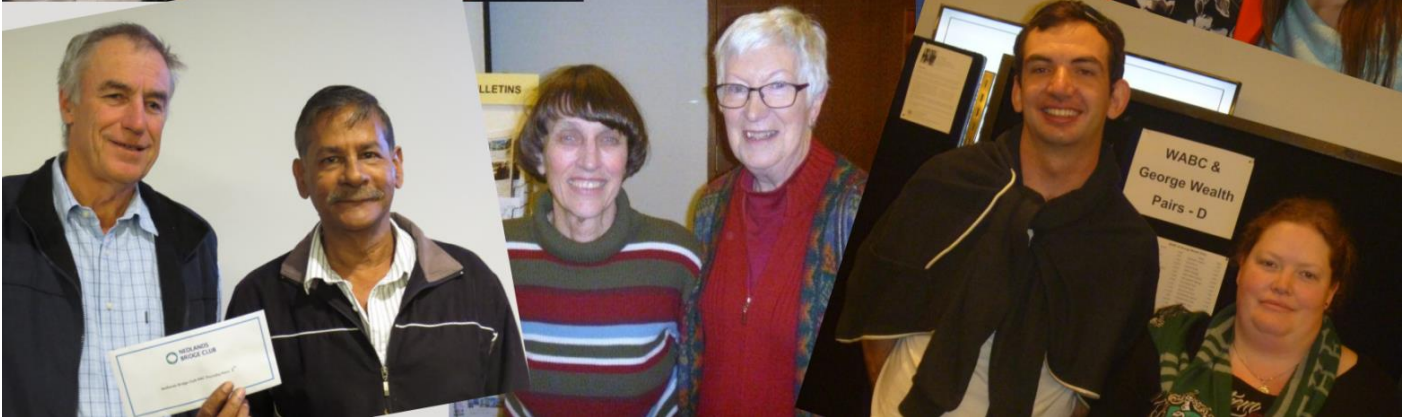
CITY OF MELVILLE BC PAIRS

Cassie MORIN and Helen ARENDTS

BUSSELTON & KALGOORLIE BC PAIRS

Phil BAPTY and Gerard ROUSSILHES





TBIB Butler Pairs – Stage 2

OPEN

	Pair	%
1	Justin HOWARD - Tony NUNN	270.44
2	Terry BROWN - Ron KLINGER	231.18
3	Ron COOPER - Rhys COOPER	229.06
4	Gabi LORENTZ - Stephen BURGESS	217.72
5	Nigel ROSENDORFF - Andrew MARKOVICS	216.33
6	Elizabeth ADAMS - Andrew PEAKE	215.75
7	Margaret BOURKE - George KOZAKOS	208.32
8	Pauline GUMBY - Warren LAZER	207.84
9	Joachim HAFFER - Robert SEBESFI	203.33
10	Hugh GROSVENOR - Ann PATON	200.4
11	David APPLETON - Peter REYNOLDS	197.69
12	Ian ROBINSON - Andrew BRAITHWAITE	193
13	Julian FOSTER - David WESTON	186.43
14	Will JENNER-O'SHEA - Mike DOECKE	179.59
15	Kitty MUNTZ - Leigh GOLD	170.72
16	Tony HUTTON - Malcolm CARTER	166.52
17	John YANG - Eileen LI	162.03
18	Dave MUNRO - Pim BIRSS	152.41
19	Kevin STEFFENSEN - Neville FRANCIS	147.86
20	Tim MUNRO - Michael GEARING	99.59

WOMEN'S

	Pair	%
1	Marilyn CHADWICK - Toni SHARP	240.42
2	Jenny THOMPSON - Eva CAPLAN	234.54
3	Cynthia BELONOGOFF - Judy MOTT	232.62
4	Inez GLANGER - Marcia SCUDDER	231.72
5	Paula MCLEISH - Pele RANKIN	230.13
6	Shizue FUTAESAKU - Jane REYNOLDS	228.99
7	Deborah FRANKEL - Deidre GREENFELD	221.48
8	Leone FULLER - Val BILTOFT	215.79
9	Doreen JONES - Catherine HOOD	213.87
10	Frances LYONS - Heather CUSWORTH	198.41
11	Annabel BOOTH - Lauren SHIELS	196.25
12	Carolyn MILLER - Janeen SOLOMON	184.62

13	Val HOPWOOD - Di HAWKE	183.92
14	Jeannette COLLINS - Dianne MARLER	179.66
15	Nazife BASHAR - Kinga MOSES	179.19
16	Jan BLIGHT - Linda BEDFORD-BROWN	172.7
17	Shira SHILBURY - Pauline HAMMOND	169.17
18	Vivian ZOTTI - Therese GARBUTT	167.81
19	Janet KAHLER - Gwen GRAY JAMIESON	144.35
20	Cassie MORIN - Elizabeth MCNEILL	119.21

TBIB Seniors' Butler Pairs

	Pair	%
1	Therese TULLY - Richard WALLIS	261.95
2	Bruce NEILL - Simon HINGE	252.4
3	Roy NIXON - Bernard WATERS	234.04
4	George BILSKI - Nicky STRASSER	233.28
5	Martin BLOOM - Peter GILL	231.06
6	Ross HARPER - Paul LAVINGS	230.39
7	Liz QUITTNER - Joe QUITTNER	218.54
8	Peter KAHLER - Niek VAN VUCHT	215.11
9	Di BROOKS - John WIGNALL	205.34
10	Richard GRENSIDE - Sue GRENSIDE	204.73
11	Frank VEARING - Jo-Anne HEYWOOD	183.35
12	Margaret GIBBS - Richard COOKE	179.72
13	Normand MACLAURIN - Michael DRAPER	176.58
14	Stella STEER - James STEER	173.19
15	Ken ANDERSON - Lindy ANDERSON	167.21
16	Martin BROOME - Valerie BROOME	163.92
17	Bev CROSSMAN - Bruce CROSSMAN	162.85
18	Joanna TENNYSON - Jennifer BANDY	159.47
19	Tirza COHEN - Bruce MAGUIRE	159.46
20	Connie SCHOUTROP - Terence O'DEMPSEY	153.44
21	Geoffrey NORRIS - Pat KENNEDY	149.33
22	Frances THOMPSON - Ken SMITH	149.21
23	David DALE - Ian BAILEY	145.62
24	David SARTEN - Susanne SARTEN	144.55
25	Tony MARTIN - Philip OLDERSHAW	141.27

