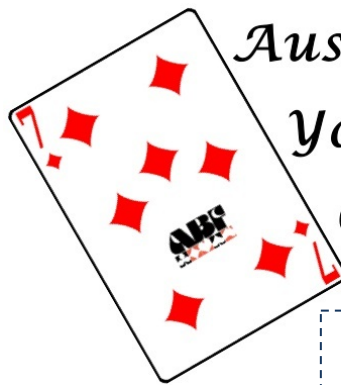


BULLETIN 4

Tuesday 14th January, 2014



Australian Youth Bridge Championships

Session Times

BREAKFAST

Teams 10, 11, 12

LUNCH

Teams 13, 14, 15

Cliff Wake Board-a-Match

DINNER

Butler 1, 2 & BAM Teams 1, 2

Crazy Pairs

Today

9:15am

10:00am

1:00pm

2:00pm

5:15pm

6:30pm

7:30pm

10:30pm

Session Times

BREAKFAST

Butler 3, 4 & BAM Teams 3, 4

LUNCH

Butler 5, 6 & BAM Teams 5, 6

Archery + B-Ball/V-Ball

DINNER

Butler 7, 8 & BAM Teams 7, 8

Bridge BINGO

Tomorrow

9:15am

10:15am

1:00pm

1:45pm

4:45pm

6:30pm

7:30pm

10:30pm

Extra Food!

Time

Morning Tea ~10:30am

Afternoon Tea ~3:30pm

Supper ~8:30pm

The History of Cliff Wake

Cliff Wake was first seen at the last Tumut congress ever held, which was long enough ago that Griff Ware had sent in a badly scrawled physical entry form. Cliff has attended two weddings and now has a trophy dedicated in his honour.

The Cliff Wake Playoff was first envisaged during the 2008 Youth Teams, in which there was a tie between the leading teams at the end of the event and the regulations called for a four board playoff. This was extremely exciting and it became clear that we ought to have a tied event every year!

The inaugural Cliff Wake Playoff occurred in 2011. Last year, winners were the Hollands Team of Ellena Moskovsky, Lauren Travis, Justin Howard, and Peter Hollands, who defeated the Cliff Wake Challengers of Andy Hung, Smirny, Griff Ware, and Paul Gosney by 17 to 4 IMPs. This year, the Cliff Wake will change from IMPs to Board-a-Match!

We are now in Day 4, and we are part way through the Teams Championship – results appear later in the Bulletin.

The current leaders of the teams are the Harrison Team (Shane Harrison, Sam Schulz, Ella Pattison, and Rhys Cooper) ahead of the Howard Team (Justin Howard, Laura Ginnan, Renee Cooper, and Max Henbest).

The Teams finishes this afternoon and is immediately followed by the Cliff Wake playoff. After dinner, the first two rounds of Butler will start (BAM Teams for other people), with Crazy Pair towards the end.



The 2014 Australian Youth Bridge Week

Teams Scores (After Round 9)

Place	Team Name	Win	Draw	Loss	IMPs	Total VPs
1	HARRISON - Shane Harrison, Sam Schulz, Rhys Cooper, Ella Pattison	9	0	0	238	150.88
2	HOWARD - Justin Howard, Laura Ginnan, Renee Cooper, Max Henbest	8	0	1	165	134.70
3	MOSKOVSKY - Ellena Moskovsky, Lauren Travis, Stephen Williams, Jamie Thompson	7	0	2	166	134.25
4	MILNE - Liam Milne, James Coutts, Andi Boughey, Matthew Smith	7	0	2	131	125.64
5	EDGTTON - Adam Edgton, Nabil Edgton, Leigh Matheson, Erin Tewes	4	1	4	68	100.66
6	COUTTS - Glenn Coutts, Nick Jacob Sam Coutts, Feitong Chen,	5	0	4	45	99.64
7	BOUTON - Vicki Bouton, Matthew Brown, Dominic Evans, Grace Evans	5	0	4	1	95.66
8	BURROWES - Edward Burrowes, James Ferguson, Jessie De Garis, George Evans	4	0	5	1	87.11
9	MUNRO - Tim Munro, Francesca McGrath, Jen McGowan, Gray Renwick	5	0	4	-19	82.37
10	GUE - David Gue, Victoria Thompson, Chris Rhodes, Nico Ranson	2	0	7	-30	76.20
11	STONEHAM - Alan Stoneham, Stephen Guo, Patrick Chen, Timothy Pilien	2	0	7	-69	74.15
12	EDWARDS - Anthony Edwards, David Skipper, Finn Rennie, Liam Robertson, Aiden Robertson, Matthew Kirkland	4	0	5	-116	67.98
13	NEWMAN - John Newman, Cathy Hui, Tomer Libman, Richard McAuliffe	3	0	6	-117	62.42
14	BRAKE - Jessica Brake, Michael Gearing, Peter Bolling, Andrew Spooner	2	1	6	-117	59.59
15	TARLINTON - Jack Tarlinton, Angus Gray, Borkuan Song, Guykit Lang	2	0	7	-145	49.76
16	PEACOCK - Ailsa Peacock, Matt Smith, Daniel Hunt, Gabrielle McGrath	2	0	7	-198	39.84

Non-Eligible Butler Players

There will be a Board-a-Match (BAM) Teams held alongside the Australian U25 Butler Pairs Trial today and tomorrow, followed by a Pairs Consolation Butler on Thursday and Friday. The starting and finishing times of both events will be coincident with the Butler, with everyone playing the same boards.

REMINDER!

People using the Lounges – please clean up after every night (especially empty bottles – the big bin is outside the front door of the playing area).

Also, please do not walk around the venue in bare feet – a footwear is required.

SORRY!

The kitchen staff are doing a tremendous job cooking for the 85+ of us with 6 meals a day. Unfortunately this means that the breakfast times will be quite strict – breakfast will start exactly on time as written in the bulletin, and will only run for 40 mins. But don't worry, daily morning tea is at 10:30AM.



ARCHERY



There will be 2 sessions of archery on Wednesday. Each session will be 45-minutes long, and can only intake 18 people per session. **There are 3 spots left on Wednesday 4:45PM session.** While each group goes to the Archery Range, there will be basketball and/or volleyball competition held on the side.

YOUTH AWARDS for 2013

On Saturday evening the 2013 Youth Awards were presented by Dave Thompson and Griff Ware as follows:

The Andrew Reiner Trophy: Justin Howard & Peter Hollands

This award is granted to the best performed pair in international competition taking account of performance in the events themselves, commitment to preparation and contribution to team success. Juzz and Pete anchored the Australian Under-25 team to its two silver medals in the World Youth Open Championships in Atlanta and the thrilling come-from-behind victory in the APBF Youth Championships in Wuhan, China.



Juzz, Griff, and Pete

The Hills–Hurley Trophy: Michael Bausor & Rhys Cooper

This trophy, donated by Richard Hills and Steve Hurley, is to encourage talented young bridge players in forming long-standing partnerships and reward successful pairs which have developed a well-organised partnership to harness their full potential.

Michael & Rhys have anchored the West Australian youth team for several years culminating with ANC round-robin victories in 2012 and 2013 and winning the ANC in 2012. Consistently at or near the top of the datums and playing virtually every match, Michael & Rhys play a forcing pass system necessitating a significant amount of system development, discussion and practice.



Rhys (Michael absent)

The Helman–Klinger Masterpoint Award: Ellena Moskovsky

This award, worth \$200 annually and supplemented with a further \$100 from the Friends of Youth Bridge Fund, is awarded to the Australian Youth Player who earns the most masterpoints in the calendar year in question.

This year Ellena won with 144.73 masterpoints which included winning the ANC Youth Teams and several strong finishes in congresses and state events in Victoria (most notably making the final of the Victorian Pennant). Ellena was also the McCutcheon winner for 2013 in the Bronze Life Master category.



Ellena (and Griff)

The Helman–Klinger Achievement Award: John Yoon

This award, worth \$400 annually and supplemented with a further \$200 from the Friends of Youth Bridge Fund, is presented each year to the Australian Youth Bridge Player whose ability, achievements, sportsmanship, attitude, contribution and commitment during the calendar year are most deserving.

John has been active for several years in running the ANU Bridge Club and also organises the excellent annual Bateman's Bay Youth Weekend. A complete gentleman at and away from the table, John epitomises the six qualities required for this award.




John Yoon

Both Helman-Klinger Awards exist due to the generosity of the late Rabbi Leonard Helman, an American lawyer, prominent bridge enthusiast and philanthropist, who made a substantial donation to establish the prizes to honour Ron and Suzie Klinger's outstanding contribution to bridge in Australia.

Defensive Finesses

By Leigh Matheson

Try this one:

N/S Vul	♠ K1052		
Dealer West	♥ K2		
	♦ K752		
	♣ 1087		
			
		♠ Q93	
		♥ 9875	
		♦ A109	
		♣ J96	
Lead: ♦3			

Bidding:


South	West	North	East
—	Pass	Pass	Pass
1 ♥	Pass	1 ♠	Pass
1 NT ⁽¹⁾	Pass	3 NT	All Pass

⁽¹⁾ 15-17

You are sitting as East, and your opponents get to 3NT. Partner (West) leads the ♦3 (4th best). How do you defend?

(Solution tomorrow)

Erin and I had a good auction on this board of the pairs final:

Nil Vul	♠ 103		
Dealer North	♥ AK1032		
	♦ K9		
	♣ AQ96		
			
♠ A74		♠ Q9852	
♥ 864		♥ J5	
♦ Q74		♦ A1083	
♣ 8432		♣ 107	
Lead: ♠4	♠ KJ6		
	♥ Q97		
	♦ J652		
	♣ KJ5		

Bidding:

South <i>Erin</i>	West	North <i>Leigh</i>	East
—	—	1 ♥	Pass
2 ♣ ⁽¹⁾	Pass	2 ♦ ⁽²⁾	Pass
2 ♥ ⁽³⁾	Pass	3 ♣	Pass
3 ♦	Pass	3 ♠ ⁽⁴⁾	Pass
3 NT	Pass	Pass!	Pass

⁽¹⁾ 3-way: Game forcing with Clubs, game forcing balanced or limit raise in Hearts

⁽²⁾ Accepts a limit raise

⁽³⁾ 3 hearts

⁽⁴⁾ Stopper Ask

When you have an 8-card Major suit fit you normally prefer to play in 4♥ instead of 3NT. But if you have 27+ HCP there are usually the

same number of tricks at No-trumps, so at pairs scoring 3NT is a better contract. This is because there are enough values in the side suits that you don't need a trump suit to keep control of the hand – you aim to score 10 or 11 tricks before they can run off a suit.

Indeed this was the case on this deal. West led a Spade and dummy played low. East finessed the 8 and all that Erin could do was cash her 10 top tricks – the same 10 tricks you would make playing in 4♥.

Notice the difference if East plays the ♠Q at trick 1. This time Erin wins and returns a Spade, making 11 tricks. Usually when you have an honour in dummy surrounded, it is correct to finesse like this.

Goulash

By Andy Hung

Playing against Finn Rennie in the Goulash Teams, I picked up this hand:

Dealer: LHO	My LHO opened a weak 2♥,
Vul: NV vs. V	partner passed, and Finn, with
	a big cheeky grin on his face,
♠ K1084	wrote down a confident 6♥!
♥ -	
♦ AK10763	What do you bid?
♣ J102	

From the way the auction has developed, it 'felt' like the opponents were cold for 6♥ or even 7♥! Looking at the ♦AK, it seemed like Finn had a Diamond void (along with long running Clubs due to my lack of Clubs).

As we might have a good sacrifice on (due to the favourable vulnerability), bidding 7♦ was quite tempting. Thinking it further, if I had bid 7♦, Finn, without much care in the world, would probably bid 7♥, in which case I would not know whether to save in 7♠. My solution: Bid a canapé 6♠! If this is doubled, I can still run to 7♦, and if Finn bids 7♥ over my 6♠, my partner could dive in 7♠ when it's (hopefully) right!

The auction continued 6♠-(Dbl)-Pass to Finn, who now bid 7♥ anyway. Having done my job, I passed and this became the final contract. Partner led the ♣A. This was the full deal:

Dir: N	♠ J972		
Vul: N/S	♥ 1087532		
	♦ 98		
	♣ K		
	♠ K1084	♠ Q653	
	♥ -	♥ -	
	♦ AK10763	♦ 2	
	♣ J102	♣ AQ98753	
	♠ A		
	♥ AKQJ964		
	♦ QJ5		
	♣ 64		

Goulash?

By Various People

Here are the contracts played on Board 24 of the Youth Teams:

Team	Cont	Dec	Lead	NS Score	Match IMPs
14	2♠ XX	N	♦K	840	12
15	2♠ X	N	♥A	570	10
2	4♥ X	W	♠8	300	6
6	2♠	N	♥6	140	-12
16	3NT X	E	♠6	100	6
11	5♦ X	E	♦2	100	-10
7	5♦	E	♠6	50	-6
10	2♠	N	♥A	-50	2
3	4♠ X	N	♦2	-100	5
8	3♠ X	N	♦2	-100	-2
13	3♦	E	♠6	-130	5
9	4♦	E	♠6	-130	-6
5	4♠ X	N	♥A	-300	7
1	4♠ X	N	♥A	-300	-5
12	3♠ X	N	♦A	-300	-5
4	3♠ XX	N	♥A	-600	-7

Just by looking at the results, you'd think it was a Goulash Board! Here was the full deal:

Board 24

Dealer W

Vul None

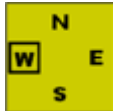
♠ 8
♥ Q98643
♦ 732
♣ Q63

♠ AQJT932

♥ K2

♦ 6

♣ JT5



♠ K754
♥ A
♦ AK9854
♣ A8

♠ 6
♥ JT75
♦ QJT
♣ K9742

At Liam Milne's table (he was sitting South), his LHO opened a weak 2♥, James Coutts overcalled 2♠, and rightly or wrongly, East made a penalty double. Liam, holding a singleton spade decided that there might be a better spot available and redoubled for rescue...which was passed out for +840 in 2♠XX!

Quiz: An Unusual Problem

By Pete Hollands

You hold: ♠KJx ♥KJ10xx ♦x ♣AQJx in 3rd seat with no one vulnerable. Partner opens a weak 2♥, pass on your right, you raise to 4♥ ending the auction. RHO leads a card, you put dummy down, and a minute later (30 seconds later?), partner claims for one off. What does partner have? (There were no adverse distribution nor ruffs.)

Answer on page 6.

Interview with Dominic & Grace Evans



Q: Name (and Nickname):

Dominic Evans (Dom).

Q: How long have you been playing bridge?

About 4 years

Q: Favourite card in the deck, and why?

♠K - Because I'm the man.

Q: Any memorable bridge auctions?

One time I was dealt

13 Spades so I opened 1♠ and this was passed out.

Q: Favourite StarCraft 2 Unit

Stares blankly

Q: What do you do?

I will study Engineering this year.

Q: Lipton or Nestea?

Lipton

Q: Would you rather live in a world with no problems, or rule the world?

Live in a world with no problems.



Q: Name (and Nickname):

Grace Evans (Gracey)

Q: How long have you been playing bridge?

About 4 years

Q: Favourite card in the deck, and why?

♥Q - Because I'm the Queen (of Hearts)

Q: Any memorable bridge auctions?

I hate Bridge, Bridge is boring

Q: Favourite Starcraft 2 Unit

I don't know what that is

Q: What do you do?

Last year of school

Q: Lipton or Nestea?

Nestea

Q: Would you rather live in a world with no problems, or rule the world?

Rule the world, because I'm the Queen.

Suit Combination Quiz (For Ed).

How do you play this suit for six winners? (When you cash the Ace, your RHO drops the Jack.)

♠ KQ9872 (Dummy)

♠ A3 (Your hand)



Katniss Everdeen



Anthony Edwards



Heath Watkins



Playing Area

Suit Combination Answer

How do you play this suit for six winners? (When you cash the Ace, your RHO drops the Jack.)

♠ KQ9872 (Dummy)

♠ A3 (Your hand)

ANSWER: After cashing the Ace, you should play low to dummy's King.

The suit combination may appear to be a restricted choice situation, but it is an illusion. If RHO had ♠J10x, he may try to be tricky and play either the Jack or the Ten. Therefore, you are not just comparing singleton ♠J or ♠10 vs. ♠J10 doubleton, but also ♠J10x tripleton as well. Since ♠J10 + ♠J10x is more probable than a singleton honour, you should continue with a low spade to dummy's King.

Solution: An Unusual Problem

By Pete Hollands

Partner has ♠xxx ♥AQxx ♦xxx ♣xxx and all finesses were offside. SPEEDBALL!

