

Gold Coast Bulletin

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Pairs events decided

pre-tournament favourites. Jacek Pszczola (PepsiCola) and Ryszard Jedrychowski, Australia's premier Pairs event from the fast finishing Ishmael Del'Monte and David Mortimer, who were lying a distant 13th as the field turned for home. Early leaders. Stephen Burgess and Tania Lloyd cantered into third place.

In the Plate, Bob Richman and Michael Prescott averaged 63% to win easily from Michelle Brunner and John Holland.

The winners are yet to provide me with a hand from the final, so here is one of their bad ones in the mean time:

Final 3, Bd 6

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

E/EW	♠ A632	
	♥ 854	
	♦ 872	
	♣ KJ5	
♠ QJ		★ K10754
♡ AQJ2		♥ K93
♦ AKJ10		♦ 3
♣ A103		♣ Q764
	◆ 98	
	♥ 1076	
	♦ Q9654	4
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Pepsi played 3NT/W on a heart lead to the 3-6-J. The &Q-J both won, then the task was to reach dummy twice. A club to the gueen works but Pepsi thought he saw a better chance in hearts.

9 am

9 pm

12.30

1.30 ?

mq 8

9 to 9.30

10 am?

10 am

1.30 & 8 pm

10.30 & 3.30



We need a volunteer to coach Jackman on their surnames for the Victory Dinner

He tried low to the ♥9! losing to South's 10. Unlucky!

Here are two hands from the top locals:

Final 3, Bd 7 S/Both **♠** Q ♥ A852 ♦ AQ9652 ♣ K 6

↑ 7532 ♠ KJ108 ♥ Q976 ♥ K1043 ♦ 84 ♣ AJ972 053 ♠ A964

ΥJ ♦ KJ1073 **4** 10 8 4

NORTH EAST SOUTH WEST Del'Monte Mortimer 3♡ 20 * 3♦ 50 No 6♦! End

Pairs Winners

Prize Money goes to the top three in all events, down to the Z Consolation (& to 5th in Championships, 4th in Plates). Major prizes will be presented at the Victory Dinner. Others can get theirs after 6pm Friday from the ANA desk.

Championship (& Playoff Points)

- R Jedrychowski J Pszczola 20 2 I Del'Monte - D Mortimer 3 S Burgess - T Lloyd J Ebery - L Gold 10
- 5 B Polii M Hendrawan
- 6 C Baker N Brink

Not sure about playoff points. Baker gets his but you'll have to ask an ABF lawyer about Jedrychowski's.

Best Women's Pair

M Tencer - H Snashall

Open Plate

- 1 M Prescott B Richman M Brunner - J Holland
- A Mill A Bach
- 4 N Giura N Hughes

Seniors Championship

1 Lenart - Freeman-Green 2 Januszke - Anderson 20 3 Wilkinson - Wilkinson 15 4 Gaspar - Tencer 10 5 Lewin - Kobler 5

Seniors Plate

- 1 Wakasa Wakasa
- 2 Fleiszig Fleiszig
- 3 Doddridge Woodhall

Restricted Championship

- Clyne Collins
- Varmo Hille
- 3 Milner Reitzer

Restricted Plate

- Clark Pollock
- Kieran Kieran
- 3 Freund Campbell



2♥ showed both majors. For the Gold Coast Teams (Senior & Restricted Tms at GCI) Walk-in Pairs at ANA (\$10) Directors' workshop on 4th Floor Swiss Rds 3 - 6 Swiss Rds 7 - 10, don't sleep in Semi-finals start, night off for the rest of us Semis continue Swiss Rds 11 & 12, finishing at 5 pm Final starts

Vu-graph, last 20 boards of final

ANA Shield starts, walk-in, 9.30 cut-off

jump to 5♦, Ish pictured South with good trumps, a stiff heart and a black ace. How right he was!



Warming up for the play-offs?

Final 3, Bd 20 W/Both ♠ 10 7 5 ♥ K10543 ♦ J74 ♣ A 5 ♠ AQJ2 ♥ AJ98 ♡ 2 ♦ AQ109532 ♦ K ♣ J9 ♣ K1076432 ★ K98643 ♥ Q76 ♦ 86 ♣ Q8 SOUTH WEST NORTH FAST Francis Del'Monte Appleton Mortimer

2♦ No 3NT No No Dbl! End 1♥ was canapé, as you see. Ish doubled 3NT in an attempt to kill dummy's heart suit, and so it proved.

2♣

No

10 *

No

There was no play on the ♥6 lead. 3NT by *West* is cold. With East declarer, you have to play 5♣, or six if you're a good guesser.

EW asked me to point out that the round was flattened by Ish going for 300 vs nothing on the previous board. So there.

Dinner Dance

Although it seems a long way away, you need to get your tables organized **now**, by Wednesday evening at the latest. First in, best tables.

Complimentary if you payed in Pairs and Teams, 30\$ if you've just arrived. You can collect tickets after 5pm on Friday.

Dispelling the stereotypes

In the mid 70's, Australians were the 3rd biggest beer drinkers in the world, behind Germany and Belgium. In the late 90's, they don't even get into the top ten!

Boards like this might help:

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Final 3, Bo	d 15	
S/NS	★ 643	
	♥ K108	
	♦ Q83	
	♣ Q864	
♠ KJ7		♠ A52
♡ A3		♥ Q9754
♦ 9765		♦ 4
♣ J975		♣ AK32
	♠ Q1098	
	♡ J62	
	♦ AKJ102	2
	4 10	
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WEST Giura	NORTH	EAST Hughes	SOUTH
			No
No	No	1♡	2\$
No	No	Dbl	No
?			

You may think 2♥ is routine here but Nicoleta is made of sterner stuff and passed, eyeing her diamond pips. On VA-another, declarer won the ♥K and drew a few rounds of trumps ending dummy, with West unblocking the ♦9. Are you with me? East rose on a spade off dummy to cash the ♥Q and continue hearts. Declarer ruffed and played a spade. West took her ♠K-J and led a club. At trick 12, declarer ruffed with her last trump to promote a doubled, defensive beer card. (I think I'm up for a 4-pack) The +500 was pleasant as well.



Beer & boards at the bar



Final farce

Believe it or not, two pairs in the final let this hopeless game through:

Final 2, Bd 13 N/Both ♥ 1083 ♦ KJ7532 ♣ A 10 3 ★ 7432 **★** AK108 ♥ AQ52 ♥ KJ764 ♦ Q108 ♦ A 9 ♣ Q2 **8** 8 7 ♠ QJ96 ♡ 9 ♦ 64 ♣ KJ9654 WEST NORTH **EAST** SOUTH **Ewart** Hardyment 1♡ No No 2NT * No 4♡ End

2NT showed a limit raise. South led the ♠Q round to declarer's ace. After drawing trumps ending dummy, Peter Hardyment ducked a club to South's ♠9. The ♠K was cashed.

South exited with the ♦6-10-J-A and North won the ♦9 with the king.

No problems so far but North inexplicably exited with a club, not a diamond. One of declarer's spades went away on the ruff-and-discard; the other on the ♦Q.

Amazingly, the same card for card misdefence was perpetrated against Val Cummings.



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Territory Bridge Festival

1-4 September 2004 at Lasseter's Casino Alice Springs

Events include Swiss Pairs, Open Teams, Pairs, Mixed Teams. **All with Gold Points**.

Entry forms and details will appear soon at your local club and on the ABF web site.

NT – more that just notrumps.

Top systems – Women

The Butler playoffs to select the Australian teams for the Olympiad (in Turkey) will be held in Sydney in March. The system cards for the 18 Open & Women's pairs have been posted on the net. Women first:

- There is 1 Precision pair, the rest play Standard or Acolish
- Half play a weak notrump
 Of the strong notrumpers, 4 play
 traditional Sydney-style 14-17, 3
 play 15-17, 2 play 15-18
- Half play 5-card majors
- 2♦ opening
 11 of 18 play a Multi 2♦/♣ = weak
 2 in a major; 3 play a weak 2♦; 1 each for Benjamin, Rubin (= weak
 2♥), minors, Polish (4441)
- 2♥ opening
 6 play hearts & a minor, 3 play hearts & another, 4 play it as weak, 3 as RCO-style, 1 to show spades, 1 to show majors



escape the dating grina

For one night only There will be a

poker tournament

tonight (Wednesday) after the last match.

In the ANA bar, organised by Michael Courtney.

\$50 entry. 50% of the pool goes to 1st, 40% 2nd, 10% 3rd.

ANA Hotel Gold Coast

"What a deal" for bridge players
Buffet lunch \$20
Buffet Dinner \$30

Valid till 28 February

Also, stay at the ANA on Saturday night 28/2 at the bridge players' special room rate of \$120

P is for Prizes

If you see a P next to your name, it means you have won a sessional prize. See Clare at the ANA or Pam at the GCI to pick up your prize.

Bar Piazza

Also in the ANA Galleria area, Bar Piazza offers coffee and nibbles plus a range of draught beers and other drinks at excellent prices, especially during their 5-8 pm Happy Hour.



Bobby Evans

On behalf of the Evans family, we would like to pass on our heartfelt thanks to the Bridge Community for your expressions of sympathy and support following Dad's passing.

Whilst we are still coming to terms with his sudden death, we gain some comfort from the fact that Dad was much loved by the bridge community. Dad loved bridge, and the bridge world was very special to him. We would like to thank you for allowing him to have many enjoyable and memorable years around the table.

Likewise we know how much of an impact he had on the game both on and away from the table and we look forward to sharing this legacy well into the future.

With very best wishes,

Mike and Rodney Evans

Appeal #2

Pairs Qual 1, Bd 26 E/Both ♠ K97 ♡ Q ♦ Q1083 ♣ AQJ64 432 ♥ K763 ♥ A9842 ♦ 54 ♦ AJ62 1087 ♠ AQ8 ♥ J105 ♦ K97 ♣ K953

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
		2♡ 1	No
3♡ 2	No ³	No	Dbl ⁴
End			

- 1 hearts & another
- 2 not invitational ("pre-emptive")
- 3 Break in tempo

Table result: -800.

Director's ruling (Mullamphy): I was called at the end of play. North asked about 2 \heartsuit and 3 \heartsuit , then broke tempo before passing.

Systemically, a first time double by South would be 16+. North is entitled to enquire about the meaning of alerted calls and a break in tempo is to be expected in a pre-emptive auction. The directing staff believe that, given NS methods, South's reopening in the passout seat is a clear action. Result stands.

NS appealed: We believe that if North had passed in tempo, South may well have passed, as West can have much more for his non-invitational raise.

EW responded: The agreed hesitation was only as much as to be expected after two pre-empts.

AC decision: Although North needed to ask about the alerted bids, UI was conveyed. In cases like this, there is an obligation on partner not to choose an action possibly suggested by the break of tempo. The UI served to make South's subsequent double more attractive. The score is therefore adjusted to 3° undoubled, +300 NS.

Consolation winners

A Con

J Feiler - G Feiler

B Con

T Asbi - L Bojoh

C Con

E Chadwick - D Beauchamp

D Con

P Livesey - R Thomas

E Con

S Sterrenburg - I Southern

F Con

J Lindsay - F Lyons

G Con

D Wurth - J Wurth

H Con

L Leibowitz - T Leibowitz

Seniors Consolation

Hunter - Morawiecki

Restricted A Con

Johnson - Johnson

Restricted B Con

Tamisri - Williams

Restricted C Con

Ashwell - Dormer

Restricted D Con

Bradley - Bradley



Directors can be mean

Shelley and Lauren (see photo) have been playing for less than a year. Playing in the Restricted Pairs, they had this auction:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Shelley		Lauren	
1♡	Nο	3♦	?

South asked what 3\$ meant. Shelley said "I wouldn't have a clue" so the director was called. Following accepted procedure, he asked Shelley to leave the table.

With tears welling, Shelley was preparing to pack up and take her leave, when Lauren came to her defence "Why should she have to leave? If anyone has to go, it should be me. I'm the one who made the stupid bid."

Another Indonesian hand

Bert Polii writes up another of his partner's fine plays:

◆ A J 10

Final 1, Bd 8

W/Nil ♠ Q6

♥ Q10 9 7 6

♦ K4

♠ K10 7 3

♠ K 8 5 4 3

♥ A32
 ♦ J7
 ♦ A82
 ♠ AQ52
 ♠ 972

♥ K8 ♦ Q109653 ♣ 86

WEST NORTH EAST SOUTH H'wan Courtney Polii Wyer

No $1 \heartsuit$ Dbl $2 \diamondsuit$ $2 \diamondsuit$ No $4 \diamondsuit$ End

Hendrawan ducked the $\Diamond K$ lead, won the next diamond then played a spade to the king and another back, collecting North's queen.

Courtney pitched a heart on the third trump and another on a diamond ruff (can't afford a club). But this meant he could be thrown in with the third heart to lead away from his \clubsuit K in the endgame.

Best defence is to switch to the $\heartsuit 10$ at trick 2.

At our table, I passed as North and Michelle Brunner played 4♠. She won the first diamond and played a club to the nine, hoping to suss out the trump suit.

I won the ♣10 to play another diamond. After declarer pitched on the third diamond, South switched to the ♥8! Brunner rose ace, then payed ♠A-J, losing to my queen.

Why? Because I looked to have ∇KQ, ♦K, ♣K and didn't open.



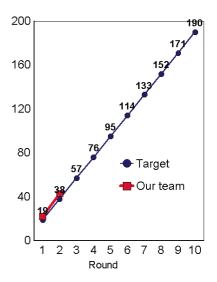
The girls explain their trauma to Tony L

Plot your run rate here

Your gallant team will need to average at least 19 VPs over 10 rounds to make the semi-finals.

Just pretend you're chasing a meagre Sri Lankan target. You'll need some luck to Swiss it. Try not to lose early wickets.

Our team (10 on Level 2) is on 44 after 2 rounds, 6 ahead of the target. Two solid wins, yet to face a seeded team (Blackstock first up)





Contacting the Editors

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Fill out a "What happened" form if you can find one and throw it in a Bulletins Contribution box.

We'll be in the ANA bar for half an hour after each session.

We found the camera

It was left in the bar overnight and a cleaner handed it in. Thanks to the ANA & QBA staff.