



## NZ YOUTH AT THE SUMMER FESTIVAL

by Patricia Back

My partner and I had the pleasure of playing against two of New Zealand's youthful contingent in Round 13 of the Teams. They were Mike Dollan and Chris Prent, members of the Prent team.

These two young men showed outstanding grace, good manners and sportsmanship throughout the match from the moment they introduced themselves to their much older opponents with warm smiles and handshakes. During the match they revealed a rare understanding of ethics when they insisted that we "protect our rights" after they had a bidding misunderstanding and ended up with a very favourable score on a board.

The outcome, after the deliberations of several directors, was reversed into a very unfavourable result for Chris and Mike. We were impressed with the grace and humour with which they handled the situation, particularly as it meant their team lost the match.

These young players are a credit to their country, and we wish them plenty of success in their future careers.



## SWPT Top Thirteen Final Standings

### Rydgges Lakeside Hotel (138 teams)

			VP's
1st	5	<b>CUMMINGS</b> (Cummings, Newman, Beauchamp, Chadwick, Klinger)	273
2nd	1	<b>BRAITHWAITE</b> (Braithwaite, Turner, Wright, Hallberg, Cornell, Jedrychowsky)	259
3rd	10	<b>GRYNBERG</b> (Grynberg, Evans, Buchen, Green, Malaczynski, Stern)	257
3rd	9	<b>BRAYSHAW</b> (Brayshaw, Mulley, Clark, Rogers, Havas, Ewart)	257
5th	3	<b>ZIGGY</b> (Konig, Wallis, Bach, Burgess, Dyke, Richman)	256
6th	11	<b>BOURKE</b> (Bourke, Bourke, de Livera, Jesner, Ramshaw, Smith)	250
7th	19	<b>GENC</b> (Genc, Perley, Burrows, Herries)	248
8th	6	<b>MCMANUS</b> (McManus, Robb, Nunn, Ware, Heller, Sutherland)	247
9th	22	<b>PETTITT</b> (Pettitt, Pettitt, Hutton, Hutton)	246
10th	2	<b>HINGE</b> (Hinge, Markey, Chua, Croft, Nagy)	245
11th	16	<b>KALNINS</b> (Kalnins, Feitelson, Cumpstone, Barrack, De Ravin, Baker)	244
12th	13	<b>CAPLAN</b> (Caplan, Lambardi, Gaspar, Tencer)	243
13th	4	<b>NOBLE</b> (Noble, Brown, Bilski, Gue, Prescott)	241

### Hyatt Hotel Canberra (120 teams)

1st	1	<b>OTVOSI</b> (Otvosi, Borewicz, Erichsen, Romanski, Szymanowski, Gruia)	290
2nd	2	<b>NEILL</b> (Neill, Roberts, Mullamphy, Fruewirth, Smith, Yovich)	278
3rd	3	<b>HAFFER</b> (Haffer, Reynolds, Peake, Kanetkar)	268
4th	6	<b>ROTHFIELD</b> (Rothfield, Rothfield, Browne, Blackstock, Henry)	266
5th	10	<b>DE LUCA</b> (De Luca, Fordham, Lasocki, Lusk, Lusk)	247
5th	8	<b>COURTNEY</b> (Courtney, Gill, Dalley, Courtney, Lloyd)	247
7th	4	<b>THOMPSON</b> (Thompson, Hughes, Thomson, Bagchi, Rosendorff, Lilley)	244
8th	21	<b>COLES</b> (Coles, Appleton, Wilkinson, Abraham)	241
9th	32	<b>JAMIESON</b> (Jamieson, McKinnon, Hudson, Yu, Mendick, Roworth)	240
9th	5	<b>WALSH</b> (Walsh, McDonald, Griffin, Hughes, Gumby, Lazer)	240
11th	15	<b>WESTLAKE</b> (Westlake, Stark, Howe, Gurfinkiel, Crowe-Mai, Leslie)	238
12th	12	<b>ROBINSON</b> (Robinson, Smart, Quail, Hillman, Eggins)	237
12th	13	<b>GIURA</b> (Giura, Morgan, Krochmalik, Hughes)	237
12th	23	<b>JAMIESON</b> (Jamieson, Wilsmore, Gallus, Greenwood)	237

## ROUND OF SIXTEEN - PROGRESS SCORES \*

## TIME FOR A RETHINK OF THE RULES?

by Val Holbrook

Team Name	1-10	11-20	Total
CUMMINGS	22	17	39
COLES	23	19	42
MCMANUS	34	5	39
COURTNEY	24	30	54
GRYNBERG	13	13	26
ROTHFIELD	28	15	43
BRAYSHAW	13	40	53
NEILL	59	20	79
BRAITHWAITE	27	24	51
DE LUCA	20	33	53
BOURKE	21	8	29
HAFFER	17	22	39
ZIGGY	30	20	50
THOMPSON	20	43	63
GENC	13	14	27
OTVOSI	16	33	49

After two sessions our team had secured 25 VPs. When I arrived on Monday evening I looked at the draw. Imagine my surprise to find that we were playing Team 3 (HAFFER).

I thought to myself "That's a bit of bad luck for us but they must be having a rough time". After a thorough drubbing of 101imps to 0, my partner and I chatted to Joe Haffer. It transpired that his team shouldn't have been playing us at all. Due to an error in adjusting their score (for some infraction) their 18 VPs from the afternoon had been wiped.

At that point we did feel hard done by. To play a top team is a privilege but one to be earned not brought about by error. It did occur to us also, that some of the other top teams might not be too pleased about Team 3 having a 'free kick'.

\* The remaining 20 boards will be played today with eight teams advancing to 48 board quarter final matches.

### SWPT Rydges Datums

BD	Rnd13	Rnd14
1	-270	-110
2	-20	-40
3	180	210
4	410	40
5	-730	460
6	470	-180
7	-540	140
8	190	30
9	-90	480
10	90	100
11	70	70
12	-10	-350
13	-150	-160
14	240	-40
15	-60	30
16	90	180
17	270	400
18	300	-280
19	-20	-200
20	330	220

### SWPT Hyatt Datums

BD	Rnd13	Rnd14
1	-190	-60
2	0	-110
3	210	360
4	240	200
5	-610	540
6	440	-360
7	-350	280
8	210	-10
9	150	370
10	0	350
11	50	60
12	60	-210
13	-160	-250
14	350	-100
15	-110	30
16	200	140
17	210	410
18	600	-470
19	-40	-290
20	530	300

It occurs to me, and several others too, that it would be better to deduct VPs for infractions at the end of Round 14. In that way there there can be no mistakes and the draw is fairer. Why get an easier draw because you have been fined VPs? Time for a rethink by the officials I think.

I would like to add that the members of the Haffer team were uncomfortable about playing us in the circumstances and thank Joe for being such a gentleman at our table.

*Editor: John Scudder has mentioned to me that the Tournament Committee has listed this very issue for consideration in the lead up to the 2003 Summer Festival of Bridge.*

**FREE ACTION LONG  
WEEKEND SERVICES**

If you are not planning to play bridge today in the Mixed Teams, why not spend some time visiting the fantastic attractions of our national capital?

On Australia Day, travel in the National Capital will be free on ACTION buses.

A loop shuttle will depart Regatta Point every half-hour from 12.30pm to 4.30pm, stopping at the following national attractions:

- The National Library
- Parkes Place
- The National Gallery
- Old Parliament House
- The National Archives
- ANZAC Parade
- The Australian War Memorial
- The National Museum of Australia
- ScreenSound Australia

A free shuttle will also operate from the carpark next to the Rydges to the National Museum of Australia and ScreenSound Australia throughout the long weekend.

The service will operate between 10.30am and 4pm on Saturday and Sunday and between 9am and 5pm on Monday.

**TABLE TALLY**

as of Midnight 25/1/02

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**SATURDAY NIGHT DINNER MENUS**

**BOBBY MCGEES  
RESTAURANT**

**\$12.00 Per Person Buffet  
Menu  
5pm – 8pm**

- Chicken & Sweet Corn Soup
- Lamb Shanks with Mint Sauce
- Roast Parsnip, Pumpkin & Baked Potatoes
- Steamed Medley of Vegetables
- Selection of Chefs Salads
- Crusty Bread Rolls
- Black Forest Cake
- Tea & Coffee

*Bookings Essential Dial 4*

**BURLEY GRIFFIN  
RECEPTION CENTRE**

**\$29.95 Per Person Seafood  
Buffet  
5pm - 10pm**

- Glass of Champagne on Arrival
- Champagne Lobster Entrée
- King Prawns & Blue Swimmer Crabs
- Rock Oysters
- Sushi & Sushami
- Garden Fresh Salads
- Hot Roast Carvery with Traditional Trimmings
- Selection of Chefs Special Hot Dishes
- Continental Gateaux
- Gourmet Australian Cheese Board
- Dried & Tropical Fruits

*Bookings Essential Dial 4*

**NEWCASTLE SONG POST SCRIPT**

I have a confession to make. I edited Nicoleta Giura's article in NOT News #10 to spoil one of the jokes in this article. I won't repeat the auction. It commenced with a Forcing Pass followed by relay bids and responses to reach 3♣ in 4 rounds of bidding (with more to go). East doubled 3♣, South passed (a relay responded) and West bid 2♠! (not 3♠ as reported in the article). North doubled condoning the insufficient bid (the annotation was "quite sufficient for me, thanks").

The contract was 2♠X, down 8 to achieve the Newcastle score of +2300. Sorry Nicoleta for suggesting that you would have allowed EW to secure a single trick in this contract. *Editor*

## ASK YOURSELF THE RIGHT QUESTION

by Ron Klinger

This was an interesting play problem from SWPT Round 8. The EW hands were:

WEST	EAST
♠: QJ5	♠: A863
♥: AQ642	♥: T9873
♦: J4	♦: 6
♣: 983	♣: KQT

W	N	E	S
P	P	1♥	2♣
3♣(1)	3♦	P	P
4♥	All Pass		

(1) Strong heart raise

South leads the ♦A and continues with a diamond to ♦J covered by ♦Q, ruffed. You play a low heart to ♥Q, North dropping ♥J. The ♥A falls South's ♥K, North discarding a diamond.

How should you continue? Before you decide, what question should you be asking yourself?

Australian expert Bob Richman analysed the hand this way.

South obviously has long diamonds headed by the KQ - at least six diamonds, perhaps seven. Why then, at favourable vulnerability, did North not preempt in diamonds? The answer must be that North began with four spades. Players do not like to preempt in 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> seat with a side 4-card major.

Once you come to that realisation you can see that you might be able to eliminate a club loser by coming to hand with a trump and leading a low spade towards dummy. This will produce three spade tricks if South began with ♠Kx, ♠Tx or ♠9x. In the latter two cases you can finesse the ♠8 on the third round of the suit.

That is a very strong line. Now can you find an even better line, a 100% play if spades are 4-2 as expected and South's clubs are headed by the AJ, also as expected?

This was the full deal:

SWPT Session 8

Board 16

Vul: EW

Dir: W

♠: KT94  
♥: J  
♦: KQ9875  
♣: 52

♠: QJ5  
♥: AQ642  
♦: J4  
♣: 983

♠: A863  
♥: T9873  
♦: 6  
♣: KQT

♠: 72  
♥: K5  
♦: AT32  
♣: AJ764

After ♦A, diamond ruff, play a heart to ♥Q followed by ♥A. If you play a trump to hand and lead a low spade, North wins and switches to a club. South ducks your ♣K and with North holding all the significant spades, it's all over.

The winning line after ♥A draws the last trump is to play ♠Q. If North ducks, you continue with ♠A. If North covers ♠Q, you win with ♠A and play a spade to ♠J, leaving this ending:

♠ : T9  
♥ : -  
♦ : K87  
♣ : 52

♠ : 5  
♥ : 642  
♦ : -  
♣ : 983

♠ : 86  
♥ : T9  
♦ : -  
♣ : KQT

♠ : -  
♥ : -  
♦ : T3  
♣ : AJ764

You now play a club to ♣K. South ducks, but you simply play ♣Q next. South can take ♣A and ♣J but then has to give you a ruff-and-discard and away goes dummy's spade loser.

## GRABBING AN OPPORTUNITY

by K. P. Bailey

Seniors Teams, Session 2

Board 4

Vul: All

Dir: W

♠: 4  
♥: KQ85  
♦: KQT5  
♣: AQT5

♠: Q98  
♥: 4  
♦: A64  
♣: J97642

♠: KJT73  
♥: 9732  
♦: J73  
♣: 3

♠: A652  
♥: AJT6  
♦: 982  
♣: K8

The slightest of rare lapses by the expert declarer playing in 4♥ from the South seat led to some routine good play all round.

A spade was led won by declarer who drew two rounds of trumps discovering the 4-1 break. He then played a diamond to ♦K, a club to ♣K and a further diamond ducked smoothly by John Brockwell. Declarer was then faced with a nasty guess and played ♦T. The heart return left declarer a trick short.

Clearly, the contract could have been made if declarer ruffs two spades in the process of drawing trumps. However, if an expert declarer makes a mistake in the play of the hand (which does not happen too often), it is important to grab your opportunity to defeat it.

# THE CANBERRA DISEASE. THE VIRUS THAT MAKES YOU FEEL GOOD!

by Ross Crichton

My team was drawn to play a Sydney-based team in Round 12.

Before starting the match, one of the Sydney players (SBP) commented about the strange disease affecting a number of Canberra players. Myxo twos were endemic, presumably contracted through the water supply.

I told him that if the disease was endemic, it was only because Professor Frank Fenner and other Canberra based researchers were responsible for the release of the rabbit-killing virus during the 1950s.

There were two (Crichton version) Myxo exhibits during the match.

SWPT Session 12  
Board 18  
Vul: NS  
Dir: E

♠: AJ92  
♥: QJ  
♦: JT53  
♣: J62

♠: 7  
♥: T865432  
♦: K642  
♣: T

♠: 8653  
♥: AK97  
♦: A  
♣: AKQ9

♠: KQT4  
♥: -  
♦: Q987  
♣: 87543

Bidding:

W	N	E	S
		2♥(1)	P
2♠(2)	P	3♣(3)	P
3♦(4)	P	3♥(5)	P
4NT	P	5♣(6)	P
6♥	All Pass		

- (1) Either:  
Weak 2 in spades;  
5:5 in ♣/♥ either weak (6-10) or strong  
Any 4441 shape, with 18+ HCP
- (2) Pass or correct
- (3) 4414 shape (singleton diamond)
- (4) Relay for point range
- (5) 18-20 HCP
- (6) 0 or 3 Aces

The opening lead was ♠K and South continued a spade at trick 2. Declarer ruffed, drew trumps and claimed.

A this point, the SBP remarked that any natural system would bid this hand to 6♥. His team mates didn't, and the Myxo's had yielded 10 imps.

Then came...

SWPT Session 12  
Board 2  
Vul: NS  
Dir: E

♠: Q43  
♥: K875  
♦: JT  
♣: T654

♠: KT92  
♥: -  
♦: Q982  
♣: KQ872

♠: 75  
♥: AT942  
♦: A6543  
♣: 9

♠: AJ86  
♥: QJ63  
♦: K7  
♣: AJ3

Bidding:

W	N	E	S
		2NT(1)	X
3D(2)	P	P(3)	X
P	3NT	P	P
X	All Pass		

- (1) 5:5 in ♦/♥, or ♥/♠, either weak (6-10) or strong.
- (2) To play if weak in ♦/♥.
- (3) Confirming weak ♦/♥.

The opening lead was the ♦4, declarer playing ♦7 from dummy and ♦Q winning. West returned ♦9 (unblocking) to ♦K. Four more rounds of diamonds were played and the defence also collected a club and 2 heart tricks for plus 1100. At the other table South went quietly one off in 1NT for a net gain of 1000 (14 imps) for our side.

The Canberra disease had scored 24 imps on just 2 boards. Quite a healthy (sic) return.

For those wishing to learn more about the Myxomatosis virus, I can assure you that Professor Fenner is hale and hearty, and would be very happy to discuss his experiences with you.

As for the SBP, I can only suggest he drink more local water on his annual visit to the Summer Festival.

# GRAND, ISN'T IT?

by Ron Klinger

SWPT Round 9, Board 10 was reported yesterday as a small slam.

SWPT Session 9  
Board 10  
Vul: EW  
Dir: N

♠: Q8762  
♥: 952  
♦: 843  
♣: 32

♠: J9  
♥: AQ764  
♦: A975  
♣: K6

♠: AK  
♥: K103  
♦: J62  
♣: AQJ74

♠: 10543  
♥: J8  
♦: KQ10  
♣: 10985

The datum for the board was EW 1190 (Rydges) and EW 1390 (Hyatt). Hence only a few pairs bid to the cold grand slam. One such pair was Kieran Dyke and Bob Richman who bid it this way:

WEST	EAST
Dyke	Richman
—	1♣
1♥	2NT
3♦	3♥ (1)
4♣ (2)	4NT (3)
5♠ (4)	5NT (5)
6♣ (6)	7NT
Pass	

- (1) Stronger than 4♥ :
- (2) 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> round club control
- (3) RKCB
- (4) 2 Key Cards + ♥Q
- (5) Asking for specific kings
- (6) ♣K

With hearts and clubs breaking normally, there are thirteen tricks. If there is a loser in hearts, even 6♥ will fail on a diamond lead.

7NT is better than 7♥ although on this layout it will not matter. Not only does 7NT avoid the risk of a ruff at trick one but it also could succeed when 7♥ might fail, for example if the EW hands were:

WEST	EAST
♠ : J9	♠ : AK
♥ : AQ764	♥ : K103
♦ : AQ107	♦ : J62
♣ : K6	♣ : AQJ74

## FIVE OUT

by Earl Dudley

The scoring up at the end of Session 14 of the SWPT is a tense affair for the teams within striking distance of qualifying for the Round of Sixteen. A coded conversation takes place at this time "Two out, four in, flat, thirteen in, ten out" for about 30 seconds. Then there is elation or disappointment as the final result is computed.

"Five out" can indicate a number of outcomes on a board. Usually it will be a part-score making at one table and going one off at the other table. The "five out" was something different altogether on this deal.

SWPT Session 14  
Board 18  
Vul: NS  
Dir: E

♠: 4  
♥: T9  
♦: AQJ2  
♣: AT9852

♠: AQT862	♠: J9753
♥: J854	♥: AK763
♦: 7	♦: 96
♣: J6	♣: 7

♠: K  
♥: Q2  
♦: KT8543  
♣: KQ43

The auction at one table was positively bristling with science.

W	N	E	S
		2♥(1)	X(2)
XX(3)	2NT(4)	P	3♦(5)
P	4NT(5)	P	5♦(7)
P	7C(8)	P	P
7S(9)	X	All Pass	

1. 5 – 5 or better with both on both major suits or both minors suits and less than opening values.
2. Two suited take-out with clubs as one of the two suits.
3. An escape mechanism – partner is required to bid 2♠ and West's next bid will be a sign off (Here West believes that East has both minors and West wants to play in 2♠)
4. Strong enquiry
5. Diamonds are my second suit
6. RKCB
7. 1 or 4 cards
8. To play
9. Clearly North has a void in spades and is gambling that South's key cards are located in the remaining suits.

Why did North bid 7C you may well ask. Well the pair play different RKCB responses depending on whether the trump suit is a major or minor suit. North forgot and read the 5♦ response as showing 0 or 3 key cards.

7♠ X went for –300. Our team mates at the other table stole the contract in a minor suit partial for +130. EW can make 11 tricks in a spade contract.

How often does one pair stop short of game and the opposing pair at the other table bids to the grand slam with the net outcome from the board being only 5 IMPs?

## SUMMER FESTIVAL OF BRIDGE CATEGORY WINNERS

### Restricted Teams

0-299

1st GOSS (Goss, Turner, Waight, Hutchins)

0-149

1st CARIOLA (Cariola, Clifton, Rajan, Zhu)

0-99

1st JOWETT (Jowett, Kidd, Carew, Pettigrew)

0-49

1st O'DONNELL (O'Donnell, Potts, Morrison, Taglietti, Hay, Longo)

### Womens Teams

1st BOURKE (Bourke, Hay, Smart, Beale, Lusk, Tully)

2nd TRAVIS (Travis, Havas, Cormack, Alabaster, Clark, Biltott)

### Womens Teams Swiss - Dorothy Jesner Trophy

1st BOURKE (Bourke, Hay, Smart, Beale, Lusk, Tully)

### National Seniors Teams – Eva Hardy Trophy

1st HAUGHIE (Haughie, Borin, Klinger, Nagy)

2nd WESTWOOD (Westwood, Kalmin, Bettman, Januszke)

*1st Womens:*

PRIESTLEY (Priestley, Luiker, Harriss, Matheson)

*1st Mixed:*

KENT (Kent, Kent, Rothfield, Rothfield)

*1st Country:*

MITCHELL (Mitchell, Mitchell, Crockett, Crockett)

*1st Veterans:*

KATZ (Katz, Lewin, Brownie, Brownie)

### Australian Mens Pairs

1st. Del'Monte & Bach

2nd. Moren & Strong

### Australian Mixed Pairs

1st Knott & Erichsen

2nd Harkness & Weston

### Australian Open Pairs - Elizabeth Sawicki Trophy

1st Baker & Ware

2nd Wright & Hallberg

### National Swiss Pairs - G.D. Jesner Trophy

1st Stern & Grynberg

2nd Richman & Marston

## SWPT CATEGORY WINNERS

### 1st Qualifying:

OTVOSI (Otvosi, Borewicz, Romanski, Erichsen, Szymanowski, Gruia)

### 1st Womens:

MOTT (Mott, Frazier, Dressler, Johnman)

### 1st Mixed:

PETTITT (Pettitt, Pettitt, Hutton, Hutton)

### 1st Seniors:

KEFFORD (Kefford, Kefford, Bonnell, Bonnell, Glandian, Glandian)

### 1st Veterans:

WILLIS (Willis, Willis, Jamieson, Speed)

### 1st Country:

BROWN (Brown, Hurley, Askew, Powell)

### 1st Youth:

SMITH (Smith, Norman, Robinson, Howard, McGowan)

### 1st Novice:

BAILEY (Bailey, Bailey, Paull, Sundermann)

### Zone 7:

GENC (Genc, Perley, Burrows, Herries)

### ACT:

DUDLEY (Dudley, Powell, Waters, Hills, Riszko, Ali)

### Helman Award:

Paul Brayshaw

### Hills-Hurley Award:

Paul and Simon Brayshaw (WA)

## COLUMN 8 (NOT)

### THE RAZORS EDGE

In round 8, the "Myler" team consisting of Dick Myler, John Dempster, Betty Charles and Lex Bourke played against the Nicol team of Heather Saunders, Julie Day, M.Tayles and D.Nicol.

West, John Dempster bid 1NT. Dick asked him about Aces and Kings after finding he had them all and looking at a nice club suit told him to have a go at 7NT... with the Queens sitting in the right positions a 2220 score ensued...

The final result?... A 46 – 46 drawn match!



### IT HAPPENED AGAIN

You will recall our Column 8 story in NOT News #9 about the two teams which played the same board twice and did not find out about the error until they scored it up. Can you believe it has happened again? This time it was Board 20 on Session 10 and yes, different contracts were reached both times. The enterprising West player clearly believes that it is best to "mix 'em up" in the bidding. The first time the board was played, he passed as dealer holding.

♠: JT652  
♥: 54  
♦: AJ965  
♣: 9

The second time it was played he opened 2♠



### BRIDGE SATCHELS

A number of people have contacted me to express their satisfaction with the new clear plastic document wallets. They point out that one of their advantages is that you can place the most recent hand record in the wallet and then refer to it in the post-mortem discussions without removing it from the wallet.



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