



NOT NEWS

2005

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Enter the NOT

No need for the play off boards that were standing by at both venues, as there were no ties in the race to qualify for the last sixteen.

At *Rydges* the eight teams to go forward are **Marston, Erichsen, Nixon, Neill, Gosney, Moses, Mottram & Ziggy**

Over at the *NCC* the qualifiers were **Ewart, Walsh, Lavings, Gruia, Reynolds, Rothfield, Giura & Wiltshire**

Follow the finals live at www.bridgebase.com starting today!

Don't Forget!!!

**Neville's Novelty Night
Rydges 20:00 Friday**

- **Experience** new bidding structures
- **Feel** the freedom of breaking the rules
- **Play** poker at the bridge table

- A free drink for every player!
- Lots of prizes!
- Entry \$20.00 per pair.
- *Resolved*: the ABF has resolved to donate the amount of entry fees received to the Tsunami appeal.

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For those of you who are wondering where the hand featured in yesterday's article comes from, take a look at Board 26 of Round 2 of the SWPTC.

It happened at Table 1!

The power of the Internet enabled us to get answers from the all star panel.

Tim Bourke's Daily Quiz #9

9. LOOKAHEAD

Dealer South. Neither Vul.

NORTH

[K 2

] 5 2

{ A K 9 5

} A K Q 10 7

SOUTH

[A Q 10 7 4 3

] 10 9 6

{ 6 2

} 5 3

West North East South

2 [

3] 4 [All pass

West leads the] K and East plays the] 3, indicating an odd number of hearts. West continues with the] A-Q. How will you continue?

TIMETABLE

Fri - Sun 23rd January

**South-West Pacific Teams
National Convention Centre**
Session times: Fri: 10:30, 13:30

**South-West Pacific Teams
Rydges Lakeside Canberra**
Session times: Fri: 10:30, 13:30

Nevilles Novelty Night
Fri: 20:00

**Category Finals
Rydges Lakeside Canberra**
Session times: Fri: 10:30

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Rydges Lakeside Canberra
Session Times
Fri: 10:00, 13:30, 16:00, 20:30

Results SWPT round 15

Rydgcs					NCC				
1	1	Marston	312	505	1	11	Ewart	285	262
2	5	Ericksen	303	382	2	7	Walsh	277	268
3	10	Nixon	296	352	3	9	Lavings	273	266
4	3	Neill	279	256	4	5	Gruia	269	209
5	13	Gosney	260	145	5	3	Reynolds	264	204
6	16	Moses	259	186	6	2	Rothfield	263	181
7	20	Mottram	257	143	7	17	Giura	263	171
8	4	Ziggy	255	213	8	6	Wiltshire	260	203
9	52	Afflick	253	132	9	12	Vaughan	259	189
10	44	Collett	252	172	10	4	Horton	259	161
11	11	Smart	252	117	11	8	Sarten	258	180
12	95	Ware	252	117	12	1	Bremner-Moore	258	171
13	18	Pettitt	251	134	13	14	Henry	257	135
14	6	Courtney	251	116	14	13	Mulley	257	131
15	2	Noble	248	175	15	23	Mott	256	138
16	116	Rais	248	145	16	18	Dutton	255	157
17	14	Hughes	248	94	17	38	Smee	255	131
18	9	Travis	246	155	18	43	Sebestyen	249	122
19	12	Scott	246	153	19	50	Walker	248	118
20	105	Pettigrew	246	86	20	10	Puskas	247	108
21	59	Weaver	245	122	21	22	Collins	246	100
22	68	Wood-Hesketh	245	115	22	27	Chan	246	93
23	35	McGrath	245	109	23	30	Wyner	245	103
24	49	De Ravin	245	109	24	16	Ridgway	244	153
25	57	Kumar	244	130	25	26	McLarty	244	99
26	15	McLeish	241	122	26	37	Parrott	244	94
27	8	Genc	240	128	27	76	Gallagher	242	92
28	36	Touton	240	120	28	19	Waters	242	70
29	26	Elson	240	68	29	113	Edgtton	241	106
30	17	Jamieson	240	63	30	53	Allanson	240	75
31	7	McCance	239	68	31	24	Brown	237	70
32	65	Green	238	101	32	21	Watts	237	69
33	47	Carter	238	94	33	20	Hills	237	64
34	115	Davidson	238	80	34	25	Lowe	236	103
35	21	Van Abbe	238	66	35	15	Robson	236	96
36	28	Chrapot	238	53	36	31	Tishler	236	76
37	46	Hancock	235	84	37	56	Phillips	236	59
38	54	Guttman	234	100	38	33	Magee	235	88
39	29	Tuxworth	232	54	39	55	Thompson	235	41
40	24	Romine	230	93	40	28	Quinn	234	41
41	19	Gaspar	230	76	41	51	Eastough	233	57
42	30	Samuel	230	42	42	75	Buchanan	232	64
43	22	Westwood	230	22	43	65	Ditchfield	232	47
44	23	Prince	230	16	44	96	Minsk	230	41
45	55	Maclaurin	230	8	45	107	Riddell	228	60
46	53	Harrop	229	75	46	104	Wigbout	228	43
47	25	Lowry	229	36	47	32	Raaphorst	228	17
48	104	Peston	228	15	48	59	Mellings	227	36
49	38	Shearer	227	14	49	29	Twigg	227	0
50	78	Tulpule	227	12	50	58	Hart	225	8

Pining for the Fjords -Round 10

A big thank you to Barbara Travis, star of Australia's women's team for following the play at one table.

There was no sign that the visitors from Norway were getting home sick when they played their round ten match against Alex Yezerski, John Mottram, Elli Urbach & Les Varadi.

Both sides missed a reasonable opportunity on the opening deal:

Board 17 Dealer N, Vul Nil

[K875	
] AO6	
{ AK	
} AKJ9	
[QJ3	[96
] J985	] T432
{ J84	{ Q632
} 654	} Q82
[AT42	
] K7	
{ T975	
} T73	

West	North	East	South
Yezerski	Grynberg	Mottram	Stern
2{*	Pass	2]	*
Pass	2NT	Pass	3]*
Pass	3{*	Pass	3]*
Pass	3[	Pass	4[
All Pass			

With spades 2-2 it was easy to make 12 tricks, declarer being able to discard a club on a top heart and then ruff a club, +480.

Once the spade fit had been located South might have cue bid 4] – and that would probably have been enough for North to pot the slam.

West	North	East	South
Brogeland	Urbach	Ericksen	Varadi
2]*	*	Pass	2NT*
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

2NT 7-10 balanced

Declarer made eleven tricks – not a great hand for this method of responding.

Two boards later the same pairs missed out again:

Board 19 Dealer S, Vul EW

[AQJ	
] K875	
{ KJT54	
} 4	
[K874	[T932
] J62	] QT94
{ 93	{ Q
} 9875	} AKQT
[65	
] A3	
{ A8762	
} J632	

West	North	East	South
Yezerski	Grynberg	Mottram	Stern
Pass	1{	Dble	3{
All Pass			

The problem here was that North/South were uncertain what to do when South was a passed hand. (Otherwise 2{ here would be inverted.) The simple answer is to use the good old fashioned 2NT to show a good raise in diamonds. +170 did not look promising.

West	North	East	South
Brogeland	Urbach	Ericksen	Varadi
Pass	1{	Dble	3{
All Pass			

Perhaps North/South had a similar problem? So, no swing.

Board 22 Dealer E, Vul EW

[9874	
] Q95	
{ 986	
} AK2	
[653	[KQ2
] 2	] AKT74
{ AJT742	{ KQ
} T75	} 864
[AJT	
] J863	
{ 53	
} QJ93	

West	North	East	South
Yezerski	Grynberg	Mottram	Stern
	1]		All Pass

South led the queen of clubs and North overtook it with the king and switched to the eight of spades, covered by the king and ace. Declarer won the return of the jack of spades and played three rounds of diamonds, discarding a spade as South ruffed. A club to the ace and a club to the jack put South on lead and she now had to play the thirteenth club for North to ruff with the queen of hearts, promoting two trump tricks for herself. When she played a spade, declarer ruffed and had only to play trumps from the top to get home. He cashed the ace, but then exited with a low one and North could win and play a spade enabling South to score the jack of hearts for one down, +100.

West	North	East	South
Brogeland	Urbach	Ericksen	Varadi
1NT	Pass	3NT	All Pass

North led the eight of spades (the ace of clubs would have been a better choice) and when declarer played the king from dummy South made the strange play of the jack. Now declarer ran for home in the red suits, +600 and 12 IMPs for Ericksen.

[AT8
] K54
 { AJ53
 } 652

[652
] AT76
 { T762
 } 84

[K
] Q983
 { KO984
 } QJ7

[QJ9743
] J2
 { -
 } AKT93

[J765
] Q9
 { QJ9
 } K876

[-
] KT5
 { KT73
 } JT9543

[AK842
] AJ643
 { A5
 } A

[QT93
] 872
 { 8642
 } Q2

[Q7653
] 2
 { 754
 } T876

[98
] AQ65
 { A6
 } AKQ54

[KJT42
] K98
 { Q83
 } J3

[A
] JT743
 { KJT92
 } 92

West North East South
 Yezeriski Grynberg Mottram Stern
 Pass 2NT* 3[Pass
 Pass 3NT All Pass

West North East South
 Yezeriski Grynberg Mottram Stern
 Pass Pass Pass 1[
 Dble Redble 2{ Pass
 Pass 2[Pass 6[!
 All Pass

West North East South
 Yezeriski Grynberg Mottram Stern
 Pass 2[* Pass
 2NT* Pass 3{* Pass
 4] All Pass

East led the three of clubs and declarer won in dummy with the queen, played the nine of diamonds to the ace and a heart, hoping to slip past a hypothetical ace in the East hand. No, it was West who produced the ace and a club back gave the defenders another four tricks for one down, +100.

I doubt many players would be willing to redouble on the North hand. A value raise in spades is more to the point. It looks as if South was expecting something better, but why not try and get some further information by simply bidding three Hearts over Two Spades? She did well to go only one down, -50.

2[Two suits of the same colour
 3{ Red suits, minimum

East did not like the quality of his heart suit, so he decided to show a minimum and the easy slam was missed. +710.

West North East South
 Brogeland Urbach Erichsen Varadi
 Pass 3NT 4[Dble
 All Pass

West North East South
 Brogeland Urbach Erichsen Varadi
 Pass Pass Pass 2}*
 Pass 2NT* Pass 3[
 Pass 4NT* Pass 5{*
 Pass 6[Pass 7[
 All Pass

West North East South
 Brogeland Urbach Erichsen Varadi
 Pass Pass Pass
 1} Pass 1] 1[
 4} 4[5{ Pass
 5NT Pass 6] All Pass

Of course North doubled East's solo effort, but the contract cannot be beaten. Declarer ruffed the diamond lead and played three rounds of clubs ruffing in dummy. A spade went to the ace, the diamond return was ruffed, a heart to the ace and a spade saw declarer claim when North put up the ace. A breathless +790 and another 12 IMPs.

Having shown 7-10 balanced North's application of Blackwood was not well founded. The choice is between a cue bid of Four Clubs, or a simple raise to Four Spades. This contract was two down, -100.

Four Clubs showed a good suit and agreed hearts so it was easy for East to cue bid his diamond control. West knew his partner would not do that without a spade control, so he committed his side to the lay down slam, +1460 and a deserved 13 IMPs.

Then both North/South pairs had an accident:

A Very Deep Finesse

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[ 943
] T62
{ Q4
} AQ976

[ 2
] J98
{ KJ8765
} J52

[ AK86
] AQ7
{ AT92
} T8

[ QJT75
] K543
{ 3
} K43
    
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West North East South

Yezerki Grynberg Mottram Stern
 1NT 2} *
 2NT* Pass 3} * Pass
 3{ All Pass

2} Majors
 2NT Lebensohl

Given that West had not bid a simple Two Diamonds he was clearly making some kind of invitational bid and East should probably have tried 3NT, leaving South to find the club lead. Declarer was +130.

West North East South

Brogeland Urbach Erichsen Varadi
 1{ Pass
 2{* Pass 2}* Pass
 2[* Pass 2NT Pass
 3[* Pass 3NT All Pass

When South led the jack of spades Declarer cashed the first nine tricks. With East having presumably shown stoppers in both majors it was surprising that South did not lead a club. +600 and another 10 IMPs.

It had been one way traffic with all the IMPs going to Erichsen, who added another 25VP to their total.

The DealMasterPro program is used to provide the *Deep Finesse* analysis for the deals played in this tournament. The machine can make contracts in ways that are impossible for humans to see at single dummy, but with a sight of all four hands a human player can usually work out the way in which the play should go. Take a look at this deal from Round 12 of the SWPTC, which was much tougher than usual:

Board 15
 Dealer South. N/S Vul

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[ 1063
] QJ1065
{ K63
} K5

[ KQ9852
] K9
{ A
} QJ103

[ AJ7
] 832
{ 9875
} A74

[ 4
] A74
{ QJ1042
} 9862
    
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Just suppose you reached the rather ambitious contract of Six Spades by West. North leads the queen of hearts and South takes the ace and returns the suit. Declarer wins the heart continuation, cashes a top spade and the ace of diamonds then crosses to dummy with a trump, ruffs a diamond, draws the last trump with dummy's spade entry and ruffs a third diamond, leaving South in control of the suit. Now declarer runs all his trumps to squeeze South in the minors.

Several players spotted that one, but suppose South switches to the nine of clubs, attacking dummy's entry and breaking up the squeeze? Now declarer must cover with the queen, draw two rounds of trumps and then lead the seven of clubs, forcing South to cover. Dummy is

entered with a trump and declarer runs the four of clubs!
 (It would be devilish to switch to the two of clubs at trick two, as then declarer must play the three from dummy!)

Now that's what I call a Very Deep Finesse!

] [] {} [] [] {} [] [] {}

I've Got a Little List, by pseudo-humorist Hilda Lirsch

As some day it must happen
 that a victim must be found,
 I've got a little list -
 I've got a little list
 Of bridge player offenders
 who might well be under
 ground

And who never would be missed
 - who never would be missed!

There's the pestilential nuisances
 who write large monographs,
 With system cards of flabby
 text in endless paragraphs -

All experts who obscurify, and
 'Rubensohl' you flat -
 Opponents who in quoting you,
 misquote your words like **that** -

And all rude players who on four-
 letter words insist -
 They'd none of 'em be missed -
 they'd none of 'em be missed!

CHORUS

She's got 'em on the list -
 she's got 'em on the list;
 And they'll none of 'em be missed
 -
 they'll none of 'em be missed.

] [] {} [] [] {} [] [] {}

Discombobulation with a happy ending

Felix Molski

Session 1 Board 12
Dealer West
North/South Vul

[6	
] T965	
{ JT65	
} QJT6	
[AK97	[Q54
] KJ72	] AQ843
{ 7	{ AKQ43
} 9543	} -
[JT832	
] -	
{ 982	
} AK872	

West	North	East	South
Molski		Samborski	
1}	Pass	2]	Pass
4 {	Pass	4NT*	Pass
5]**	Pass	7{	Pass
7]	All Pass		

*RKC
**2 assuming hearts are trumps

Before leading, South enquires:
'Can you tell me the meaning of the jump?'

Jacek replied
'Natural and strong hand.'

South led the ace of clubs and all followed save for declarer who played the three of diamonds! (*a classic Fingerfehler. Editor.*) I look up and see Jacek with an imperious look of glee, obviously confident the contract is 'gin' West ambiguously stated:
'Partner hearts are trumps, it's not your lead.'

Jacek's glee took on a distinct glumness. One off and minus 50. Luckily on the next board he was

dummy in 3NT by West, but when called on to play the king of clubs he tried a heart.

'Partner I called for the king of clubs,' said West.'

When Jacek reached for a diamond West repeated;
'I want the king of clubs- its one of the BLACK suits!'

Jacek began to play a small club then stopped and said;
'I have to go to the WC to compose myself.'

This seemed to work until the last board when I noticed partner checking out the IMP scoring and I saw him take on the look of someone about to face execution. When we returned to tally the result Jacek turned white when board 12 was the next cab on the rank.

West for board 12
'minus 50.'

North
'plus 100.'

Jacek laughing with relief;
'That's wonderful - I kept it to one off.'

'Brisbane Charlie'

Jim Dunstan
Dealer N, Vul NS
Board 5, Session 11.

[AJ984	
] -	
{ Q54	
} KT862	
[T	[7532
] AKQT86	] 97
{ K62	{ 9873
} J54	} Q97
[KO6	
] J5432	
{ AJT	
} A3	

West	North	East	South
	1[	Pass	2]
Pass	2NT	Pass	3]
Dble	Pass	3[	Dble
Redouble	All Pass		

A record was set at the table today. Three spades redoubled 'Charlie to play'
Dummy was tabled by Jim sitting West And Charlie as always did of his best The cards were not kind and try as he might He couldn't escape with less than eight light. Their partners not pleased gave them a name 'Brisbane' the post codes exactly the same

] [] { } [] [] { } [] { }

A Twisty Match Part 2

George Gaspar.

Board 2, Session 5, Swiss Pairs
Dealer E, Vul NS

[AJ93	
] Q	
{ K8	
} AQ9542	
[-	[Q86
] JT875	] AK9643
{ AJT964	{ 7532
} KT	} -
[KT7542	
] 2	
{ Q	
} J8763	

Partner opened 2{ multi, I passed being 'sure' it's a weak two in spades!!! Pass out seat doubles, partner jumps to 4{!! - South bids 4[. 6{ from West, double from North. E-W +1090 I don't think too many played the diamond slam! It was on table four!
East: Eva Caplan (from England)
West: George Gaspar

Great Lead...Better Play

David Lusk

SWPT match 5, Board 14

Dealer E, Vul NIL

[Q9873

] K943

{ J86

} J

[J85

] J106

{ A1073

} A62

[A4

] AQ82

{ K942

} Q107

[K102

] 75

{ QJ

} K98543

West North East South

1{ 3}

3{ Pass 3NT All Pass

South (Annette Henry) surprised East (Attilio De Luca) with the best opening lead – the ten of spades, continuing with the king when it held. De Luca now had to play for nine tricks without conceding the lead. At trick three, he led the Q. South pondered, before, playing low. De Luca passed the Q, collecting North's jack along the way. He then crossed to the A and led the J which held. North covered the J10 with the King, taken by declarer's ace. De Luca next cashed the K to complete the picture of South's shape (3-2-2-6) and crossed to dummy with the ace of clubs in order to take the now marked finesse against the 9.

Inaugural GOLD POINT Event GOLD COAST CONGRESS YOUTH PAIRS

Date: Saturday 19 February 2005

Time: 10.00 am & 2.00pm (two sessions)

Venue: ANA Hotel, Surfers Paradise

Cost: \$15.00 per head (includes lunch and a free games at Saturday Night's Welcome Walk-In)

Prizes: Youth Pairs Trophy, generous cash prizes and GOLD POINTS available:

Championship: 1st - \$150.00 each

2nd - \$50.00 each

3rd - \$20.00 each

Plate: (if sufficient numbers)

1st - \$100.00 each

2nd - \$ 50.00 each

Eligibility: All players born on or after Jan 1, 1975.

Accommodation: Efforts will be made to find billeted accommodation if needed

Enquiries: Larry Moses: larrym1@bigpond.net.au

Ph 07 33683361 or 0402106952

Richard Touton: 07 32011228

David Lusk: lusk@internode.on.net

Please try to support this two-session event, which, it is hoped, will become a regular feature on the youth calendar. Complete the form below, and return to:

Larry Moses at **82 Annie St, Auchenflower, 4066**, by Saturday 12th February. Cash payments on the day are acceptable, but please return entry form by due date.

Entry form below

Territory Gold

Festival Sept. 2005.

We love Darwin in
September
You'll love Darwin in a storm
Why, oh why do we love
Darwin?
Because the welcome
Is always warm

*We can't promise you lay down
slams, But we can promise a lay
back time.*

First Name, Surname Address, Email Address ABF No, Club

Name:

Partner's Name:

I /We enclose entry fees for

\$15.00/ \$30.00

Please make cheques payable to QBA

SOLUTION TO TIM BOURKES QUIZ # 9

When this deal was played originally
the cards were as shown below:

[K2	
] 52	
{ AK95	
} AKQ107	
[J985	] 6
] AKQJ7	] 843
{ 73	{ QJ1084
} J9	} 8642
[AQ10743	
] 1096	
{ 62	
} 53	

Declarer ruffed the third heart with [2 and cashed the [K followed by the {A-K. His next move was to try and reach his hand by ruffing a diamond.

This turned out to be not the best for West overruffed the third diamond and exited with a club, locking the lead in dummy. Declarer had no safe way to reach his hand, to draw the outstanding trumps. Whether he played on diamonds or clubs this would promote another trump trick for West. So the contract was defeated.

Did you spot the winning line? After playing the [K and {A-K, you should have played the two top clubs too. Even if West ruffed one of these winners, the contract would be safe and as the cards lay it would prevent West from ending playing dummy with a diamond after he took his overruff.

International Youth Challenge

Australia A (Gabby Feiler, Matt Porter, Daniel Geromboux, Griff Ware, Paul Gosney, Nathan Van Jole) defeated Australian under-20s (Adam Edgtton, Nabil Edgtton, Justin Howard, Andy Hung, Robert Meakins, Ronnie Ng) in the final. New Zealand won the third place playoff.

Attention ACT Bridge Players

Are you interested in helping with the development and promotion of ACT Youth Bridge?

If so, we need YOUR input at the ACT Youth Bridge Brainstorming and Planning Weekend on February 12-13

There will be multiple sessions primarily focusing on:

- Strategies for attracting new ACT youth bridge players
- The creation of ACT university bridge clubs
- Bridge in schools
- Teaching sessions for new ACT youth bridge players
- Training sessions for older ACT youth bridge players
- Fundraising and sponsorship for ACT youth bridge

If you are interested in helping with the above areas or any other aspect of ACT youth bridge please email Griff Ware at thegruffle@mac.com or leave a message for Val Mitchell on 6282 3322.

Any suggestions, comments or offers of help would be appreciated. We want your input even if you cannot attend any of the sessions at the planning weekend.

ABF Summer Festival Australian Youth Championships

Youth Pairs

1 Matt PORTER & Gabby FEILER
2 Michael WHIBLEY & Fraser REW
3 Paul GOSNEY & Nathan VAN JOLE

Youth Pairs Consolation

1 Mark ABRAHAM & Freya WILSON

Youth Teams

1 Mike Doecke, Paul Gosney, William Jenner-O'Shea, Nathan Van Jole

2 Adam Edgtton, Nabil Edgtton, Daniel Geromboux, Griff Ware

Under-16 Pairs

Ben ELMSLIE & Andrew MORCOMBE

Under-16 Teams

Susan Humphries, Pascale Gardiner, Lily Dixon, Lucy Stevenson

Australian Youth Butler

1 Daniel Geromboux & Griff Ware
2 Matthew Porter & Gabby Feiler
3 Justin Williams & Daniel Krochmalik
4 Nathan Van Jole & Paul Gosney
5 Adam Edgtton & Nabil Edgtton

Australian Team Playoff

Daniel Geromboux & Griff Ware, winning the butler, qualify automatically for the Australian Team. Matthew Porter - Gabby Feiler and Nathan Van Jole - Paul Gosney defeated Edgtton - Edgtton and Williams - Krochmalik in the playoff to fill the remaining two spots in the team.

A big thank you to Paul Lavings and Postfree Bridge Books, www.postfree.cc for providing the prizes for the event

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