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Wednesday January 16 2008

Session Times Wednesday / Thursday

Wednesday	11.00	3.00	8.00
Thursday	10.00	1.30	5.00

Welcome to the 2008 Summer Festival of Bridge

Each year, we try to make the events a little better and this year is no exception. The Flighted Swiss Pairs has been added to run alongside the Mixed Teams on the last weekend.

This event will play the same boards as the Mixed Teams but will finish one match earlier for those players who need to leave a little earlier than the finish of the Mixed Teams.

The Open Swiss Pairs will be using table top scorers and there will also be new electronic scoreboards and electronic information boards.

I hope that you enjoy the bridge, the friends and the atmosphere of the 2008 Summer Festival.

Sean Mullamphy

Convener, 2008 Summer Festival of Bridge.



The Summer Festival Bus Routes

These services operate from 16th to 25th January 2008

Bus One

Leaves 1 hour before play each session each day

From Gateway Motel, Northbourne Ave

The full route is

- Gateway Motel, Northbourne Ave
 - The Pavillion
 - Capital Executive Apartments
 - Saville Apartments
 - James Court
 - **Rydges Lakeside (about 15 minutes to here from start)**
- Then
- The Statesman Motel, Curtin
 - The Hellenic Club

Bus Two

Leaves 1 hour before play each session each day

From Rydges Lakeside

The full route is

- Rydges Lakeside
- Bentley Apartments, Manuka
- The Pinnacle Apartments, Owens St, Kingston
- Eyre St Apartments (around the corner from Owen St)
- The Hellenic Club

Both routes reach the Hellenic Club in plenty of time before play begins
Buses leave both The Hellenic Club & Rydges Lakeside 10 minutes after the scheduled finishing time for the session and return participants to their accommodation.
If your accommodation in the City or Manuka/Kingston is not listed please email me at not@abf.com.au and I will see if it can be added to the route.

Tim Bourke's Problem

1. A MINOR PROBLEM

Dealer East. Both Vul.

NORTH

♠ A J 6 5

♥ 6

♦ A K 3

♣ A 8 5 3 2

SOUTH

♠ K Q 4

♥ 10

♦ J 8 7 6 4 2

♣ K J 4

West	North	East	South
		3♥	Pass
4♥	Dble	Pass	5♦
All pass			

After West's pre-emptive raise to game and partner's takeout double, you have landed in a good game. How do you plan to make eleven tricks after the two of hearts is led to East's king who then shifts to the ten of spades?

Ron Klinger's Problem

West dealer; both vulnerable

West	North	East	South
Pass	Pass	Pass	1NT (1)
Pass	2♦ (2)	Pass	2♥
Pass	2♠ (3)	Pass	?

- (1) 15-17
- (2) Transfer to hearts
- (3) Natural, game-forcing

What should South do now with:

♠ 43 ♥ AK5 ♦ A7652 ♣ A107 ?

Tim Bourke's Problem

Suppose you win the spade lead with the king and play a trump to the ace. That will not be a success if East shows out, for West must subsequently take two trump tricks:

	♠ A J 6 5				
Dealer :	♥ 6				
	♦ A K 3				
Vul	♣ A 8 5 3 2				
♠ 8 7 3 2		♠ 10 9			
♥ Q 7 5 2		♥ A K J 9 8 4 3			
♦ Q 10 9 5		♦			
♣ 10		♣ Q 9 7 6			
	♠ K Q 4				
	♥ 10				
	♦ J 8 7 6 4 2				
	♣ K J 4				

A better process would have been to count your winners and losers. As your third club can be discarded a spade winner, the only danger is losing two trump tricks. After winning the spade switch with the king, you should lead the six of trumps from your hand, intending to run the card whenever West produces the five. It will do no harm if this trick is lost to East, because then trumps will be no worse than 3-1 and you will hold your losses to one trick in the suit.

Observe that on this layout it will do West no good to play the nine on the first round of trumps. You will take it with dummy's ace and when East shows out you will cross back to hand with a spade to lead the eight of trumps. If West plays low, the eight will win and if he covers with the ten you will take the trick with the king. Then, as your jack-seven in trumps will be equal against the queen, you will lose only one trump trick. You will make four spades, five trumps and two clubs.

Of course if it is West who discards on the first round of trumps, you will cash the ace-king of trumps and continue with a third round towards your hand. All you will lose is a heart and a trump.

Do you notice anything else about the above layout? It is that it would not have been a good idea to pass the double of four hearts as the East-West hands fit so perfectly that four hearts

is cold - East can make seven trumps and take three club ruffs in the West hand.

Ron Klinger's Problem

They Were Giants

This deal comes from the final of 1974 Australian National Open Teams, won by Dick Cummings – Denis Howard – Roelof Smilde – Tim Seres by the mammoth margin of 463-192 over 120 boards.

		Roelof Smilde			
		♠ AJ75			
Dealer : W		♥ 106432			
		♦ Q			
Vul : All		♣ QJ9			
♠ Q 9 8 2				♠ K 10 6	
♥ J 8 7				♥ Q 9	
♦ J 10 3				♦ K 9 8 4	
♣ K 6 4				♣ 8 5 3 2	
		♠ 4 3			
		♥ A K 5			
		♦ A 7 6 5 2			
		♣ A 10 7			
		Denis Howard			

West	North	East	South
Pass	Pass	Pass	1NT ⁽¹⁾
Pass	2♦ ⁽²⁾	Pass	2♥
Pass	2♠ ⁽³⁾	Pass	3♥ ⁽⁴⁾
Pass	4♥	All pass	

- (1) 15-17
- (2) Transfer to hearts
- (3) Natural, game-forcing
- (4) Stronger than 4♥

Lead: ♦J

Although South has only 15 HCP, the values are excellent with A-K, ace, ace as the high cards. Upgrade hands with excess of aces. For three or four aces you can add a point. The doubleton in spades is also a positive feature. There are only three losers but declarer has only eight obvious winners. The ♦A won trick 1 and a spade was ducked to East. Back came the ♥9, won by the ace, followed by a low diamond ruff and the club finesse, losing to West.

