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Canberra, Saturday January 16th 2010

Session Times – Sunday			
Women's and Seniors Finals			
9am	11.15am	1.45pm	4pm
Swiss and Seniors Swiss			
11am	2pm	7.30pm	
Grand National Pairs			
9.30am		2.30pm	
Session Times – Monday			
11am	3pm	8pm	

CANBERRA
Summer Festival
OF BRIDGE



Tim Bourke's Problem

5. SUITABLE

Dealer South. E-W Vul.

NORTH

♠ A K 8 5 4 2

♥ K Q 5

♦ 6 4

♣ A 7

SOUTH

♠ 3

♥ A 9 7 6 4 3

♦ A Q 5 3 2

♣ 3

West	North	East	South
			1♥
Pass	2♠	Pass	3♦
Pass	3♥	Pass	4♣
Pass	4NT	Pass	5♥
Pass	5NT	Pass	6♥
All pass			

After North's strong jump shift and a check on controls, you find yourself playing a small slam. West leads the king of clubs. What is the best plan to make twelve tricks?

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- NCC
- Olims Hotel -Cnr Ainslie & Limestone Ave **50 minutes before 1st Session**
- Fenner Hall
45 minutes before 1st Session
- Rex Motel
- Capital Executive Apartments .
Pickup at Marque Hotel
- Quality Suites Clifton on Northbourne -
Pickup at Marque Hotel 40 minutes before 1st session
- Medina Apartments
- NCC
- Liversidge Court, ANU
35 minutes before 1st Session
- University House - Pickup on Liversidge Street
- Rydges Lakeside Hotel
- Capitol Tower Apartments (pickup at Rydges Lakeside)
- Novotel on Northbourne
30 minutes before 1st Session
- NCC
- Hyatt Hotel - Commonwealth Ave -
Pickup is at back of Hotel
15minutes before 1st Session
- NCC

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The Convener at not@abf.com.au . **Pick-up times are approximate**

Tim Bourke's Problem – Solution

The surest way to make twelve tricks is to set up dummy's spade suit. After winning the opening lead with the ace of clubs, your first move step should be to play a trump to the ace in your hand. If they prove to be 4-0, you would need a 3-3 spade break and so would play the spade ace-king and ruff a spade. If the spades did break, you could then cross to the queen of trumps and play good spades, throwing your remaining diamond losers. When the defender ruffed with his penultimate trump, you could win his return and return to dummy with the trump king to enjoy the rest of the spades.

When both opponents follow to the first round of trumps, this is the type of hostile layout where you need to find the right play to succeed:

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

The way to overcome any 4-2 spade break is to play the three of spades from hand and the two from dummy! Then you will be able to win the return, cross to dummy with the queen of trumps and ruff a spade in your hand. You can then get back to dummy with the king of trumps, drawing West's last trump in the process, and discard your four diamond losers on the spade ace-king and the two long spades.

The Crocodile Coup

by Richard Hills

2009 Australian National Championships
Burley Griffin Teams, Match 7, Board 2
Dir: East; Vul: North-South

The bidding has gone:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Elaine Leach	Richard Hills	John Brockwell	Hashmat Ali
---	---	Pass	2♣ (1)
Pass	2♥ (2)	2♠	Pass
Pass	3♥ (3)	Pass	Pass
Pass			

(1) 10-14 hcp, 6+ clubs, denies another 4-card suit

(2) natural, non-forcing, maybe game invitational


(3) now indeed game invitational

You, East, hold:

♠ AQJ73
♥ J8
♦ T43
♣ 853

What is your opening lead?

Solution next page.




CARDS, CARDS, CARDS

The ABF has a large number of used cards available for recycling to clubs.

The cards are pre-loved but in reasonable condition. They are not suitable for bar-code dealing machines.

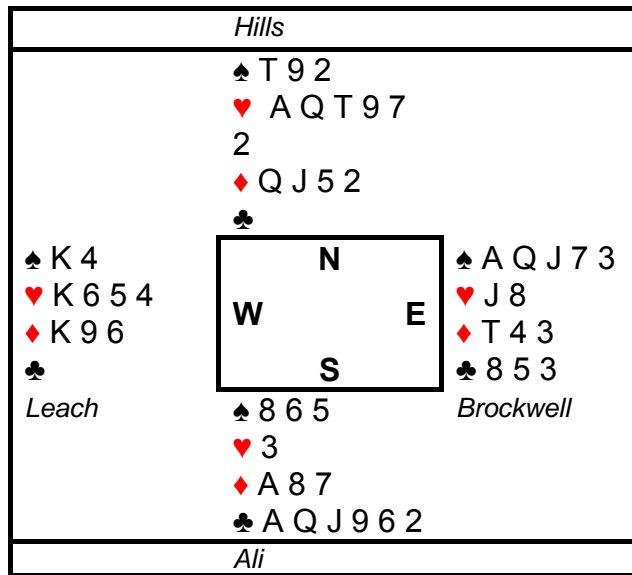
They are available in lots of 40 packs from the Reception Desk at the Convention Centre during the Summer Festival.



Lewis Carroll, "Alice's Adventures in Wonderland"

How doth the little crocodile
 Improve his shining tail,
 And pour the waters of the Nile
 On every golden scale!
 How cheerfully he seems to grin,
 How neatly spreads his claws,
 And welcomes little fishes in
 With gently smiling jaws!

Decades of top-level experience has taught John Brockwell that aggressive leads are more likely to be successful than passive leads, so John elected to lead the ace of spades. The complete deal:

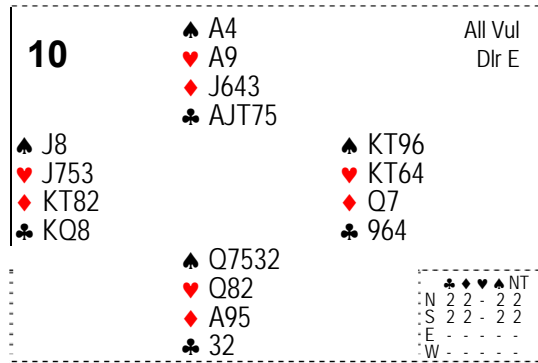


Elainne unblocked the king of spades into the gently smiling jaws of John's ace, the Crocodile Coup, so the defence quickly cashed three spade tricks, with later the trump and diamond kings for one off.

If John had chosen a passive non-spade lead, or if Elainne had eschewed the Crocodile Coup, then 3H would have made since a spade loser would have disappeared on the ace of clubs.

Following Suit

It was a very ordinary 1NT contract with 14 facing 8 and the opposition high card points divided 10-8. As is often the case on this sort of hand, it was difficult to sort out just where declarer should attack. In the first round of the Seniors playoffs, Zolly Nagy engineered a cute little endgame to make his contract.

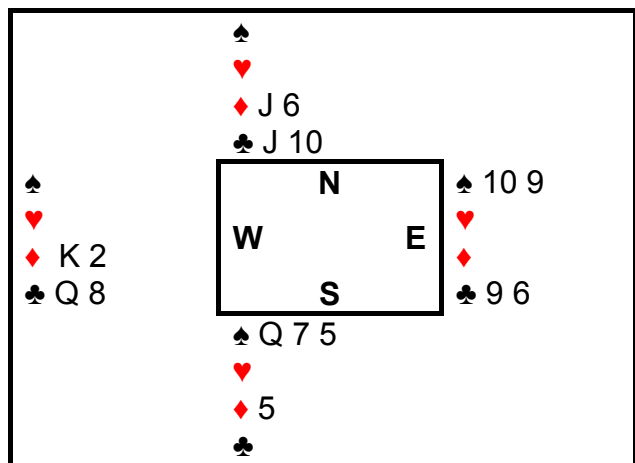


Zolly sat North and opened 1♣. David Lilley replied 1♠ and Zolly closed proceedings in 1NT.

The ♥4 was led to the Jack and Ace and Zolly played a diamond to the 9 and Blaine Howe's 10. Blaine switched back to hearts and Ross Stuart's King scored. On table with the ♥Q (on which he pitched a club), Zolly played a spade to his Ace and continued the suit. Ross took this trick with the King and played the ♥6 to Blaine's 7, declarer discarding clubs from both hands.

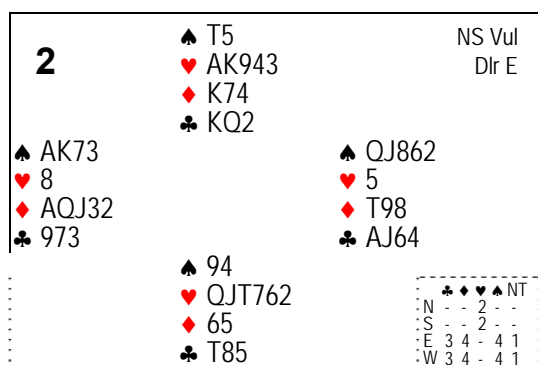
Blaine exited with the ♣K which Zolly took in the closed hand. He led a diamond and Ross's Queen was taken by table's Ace to produce:

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Zolly cashed the ♠Q and waited see which suit Blaine would discard so that he could follow suit. A diamond to the Queen then gave Zolly a free ride to his hand for his seventh trick.

A few boards later, Ross and Blaine were put to very early guesses.



The auction:

West	North	East	South
Blaine	Zolly	Ross	David
1♦	1♥	P	P
4♣	End	1♠	3♥

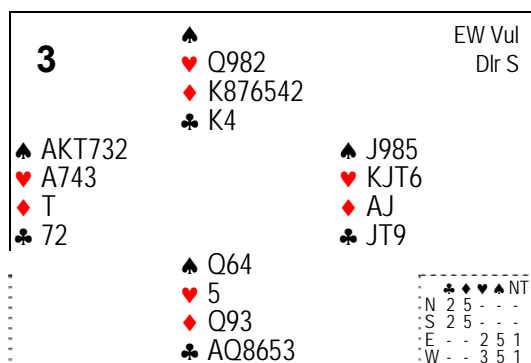
The ♥Q was led and overtaken by Zolly, who immediately switched to a club.

Ross has to decide immediately whether to play Zolly for King, Queen of clubs or whether to rely on the diamonds being kind.

After much thought, he played Zolly for the ♣10 by playing small from dummy.

One down, losing a heart, a diamond and two clubs.

On the next, it was Blaine's turn to face an early decision.



The auction was more aggressive this time

West	North	East	South
1♠	3♦	4♣	P
5♣	End		5♦

A diamond was led which Blaine took with dummy's Ace. He played a spade to the Ace and Zolly's diamond discard made Blaine pause for thought.

He needs to pick up David's trump Queen and his only access to dummy is through the heart suit. Therefore, Blaine has to decide right now which way he's going to finesse for the ♥Q.

He can finesse now or, alternatively, cross to the heart King ♥to finesse spades. Later he can cross to the fourth spade to finesse hearts.

Blaine played a heart to the Jack and was able to relax when David could only contribute the 5.

In The Twilight Zone

I've been reporting the paranormal performances of Jimmy Wallis and Ziggy Konig for a good many years now. They are two of the leading explorers of those fringe areas of bridge where insanity reigns supreme. Consider this example from the Last Train. You are at the five level, your trumps are J1083 facing 542. The

opposition trumps are 3-3. Do you expect to make your contract?

No? Well, watch how life is in the TZ

15	♠ 2	NS Vul
	♥ AK6	Dir S
	♦ 542	
	♣ AT9872	
♠ KJ954	♠ T763	
♥ J9873	♥ T4	
♦ A76	♦ KQ9	
♣	♣ Q643	
	♠ AQ8	
	♥ Q52	
	♦ JT83	
	♣ KJ5	
		♣♦♥♠NT
		N 4 2 - - 4
		S 4 2 - - 4
		E - - 1 3 -
		W - - 1 3 -

Jimmy opened the South hand 1♦ and West bounced to 2♥ to show 5-5 in the majors. Ziggy overcalled 3♣ and East offered 3♠. This ran round to Ziggy who reached for his driver – 5♦.

West led a spade to Jimmy's Queen. A heart to Jimmy to table and a diamond towards the closed hand was ducked by East and also by West(!). Two more rounds of diamonds, subsequently, saw 600 go in the bank.

Just Deserts

Jim Fitzgerald

In round 1 of the Mixed Pairs, Ellie Fitz-gerald sat South on this board

23	♠ 1085	Dir: S
	♥ QJ5	Vul: Both
	♦ AQ532	
	♣ K10	
♠	♠ KQJ3	
♥ 9732	♥ 1084	
♦ 86	♦ K974	
♣ AQJ9875	♣ 62	
	♠ A97642	
	♥ AK6	
	♦ J10	
	♣ 43	
		♣♦♥♠NT
		N - 2 1 3 1
		S - 2 1 3 1
		E 2 - - - -
		W 2 - - - -

Ellie opened 1♠ and West overcalled 3♣. 4♠ from North closed the auction.

West led the ♣A and then erred by continuing clubs. Declarer led the ♠5 from dummy, ducked by both East and South. Next came the ♠A and three rounds of hearts. Then another spade threw East in to force a diamond return into the AQ. Ten tricks for a well-deserved top.



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Ask someone who has been ... you will not be disappointed

Grand Problem

It's always reassuring when you've bid a grand to be able to count 13 tricks as soon as dummy appears. This was the case on one board in the second stage of the Seniors Teams. Indeed, at the table where I watched, the lead ensured that declarer could count 14. It is therefore surprising that, at this level, only two out of six pairs could bid the grand.

12	♠ K7543	NS Vul
	♥ 8542	Dir W
	♦ J7	
	♣ 82	
♠ QJ		♠ A8
♥ AKQJ6		♥ T97
♦ A3		♦ KQ842
♣ KJ43		♣ AQ7
	♠ T962	
	♥ 3	
	♦ T965	
	♣ T965	
		NT
		♣ ♦ ♥ ♠
		N
		S
		E 7 6 7 - 7
		W 7 6 7 - 7

Where I watched, West opened a multi 2♦ and East forced with 2NT. West showed big and balanced with 3NT and East went, somewhat precipitously, I thought, to 6NT.

The successful auctions were

Bruce Neill	Avi Kanetkar
2NT	4♦ (Natural)
4H (cue)	4♠ (RKCB)
5♦ (2, no ♦Q)	7NT

and less immediately intelligible

Apolina Kowalski	Jerzy
2NT	3♠ (Minors)
4♥ (natural)	4♠ (Cue for ♥)
5♣ (clubs)	5NT (RKCB)
6♠ (3)	7NT

Andy Braithwaite had a couple of interesting observations to make on some issues here.

After a standard 20-22 2NT opener, Andy recommends that East should bid 5NT. As 4NT would be an invitation to bid 6NT if not minimum, then by extension, 5NT should

invite 7. Andy further suggests that if you are interested in going to 7, then you should reply to 5NT by showing your Aces as over 4NT. That way you don't end up in 7NT with 36 points but a missing Ace.

If you have your 20-22 in a multi (as at the table) then over 2NT, Andy recommends an immediate 7NT. This will probably give partner a clue that you don't have a weak two in a major. Andy argues that a 2NT response should show a minimum 15 and so he feels you should go for it.



PLEASE FILL OUT THE SURVEY

The ABF is conducting a player survey regarding the SWPT/NOT.

Those who have played in the teams events this week will have received a bright yellow or purple survey form (more are available at the Festival Desk).

Please fill out your survey forms and place them in the box at the Desk. If you include your ABF number, then you will be eligible to win a prize to be drawn on Friday January 21st.

Your input is important, so please have your say

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Second in the 0-149 Teams
were (from left)

Barbara Higgins

Anne Green

Therese Simmons

Maureen Holt

Runners-up in the Non-
Life Masters teams were

Robin Ho

Alexander Cook

Tony Allen

Kelela Allen



Winners of the Non-
Life Masters

Trevor Berenger

Ian Dalziell

Terry Heming

John Knight



AUST MULTI MEN'S PAIRS

Place	Players	Percentage
1	R Brightling, I Thomson	61.9
2	A Hegedus, A Mill	57.14
3	A Morrison, L Bourke	62.2
4	J Foster, D Weston	57.74
5	S Konig, J Wallis	52.08
6	A Gal, G Fleischer	60.42
7	G Lovrecz, S Ozenir	49.11
8	D Thompson, J Thompson	52.68
9	W Podworski, W Przewozniak	41.97
10	G Bilal, S Khan	45.83
11	D Geromboux, J Wilkinson	36.01
12	G Roberts, J Sear	47.62
13	M Geromboux, G Schaller	35.18
14	J Dwyer, N Ware	39.29

AUST MULTI WOMEN'S PAIRS

Place	Players	Percentage
1	L Wilkinson, K Moyes	63.33
2	J Solomon, C Miller	47.5
3	C Macquarrie, C Parkin	55.83
4	H Motteram, P Wagner	51.67
5	A Dippenaar, J Rosetta	42.5
6	K Donaldson, J Pearson	39.17

WOMENS TEAMS SEMI-FINAL 2010

J Hoffman, J Thompson, S Bird, K Creet, E Caplan, R Kaplan	169
K Neale, L King, K Moses, N Bashar, C Berman, J Alexander	97

E Havas, P Schroor, C Lachman, H Snashall	140
C Richardson, E Horsman, C Gibbons, J Gibbons	149

AUST MULTI NOVICE PAIRS

Place	Players	Percentage
1	K Irvine, M Carr	66.27
2	M Campbell, B Rebera	65.83
3	A Reilly, A Toyne	58.73
4	K Sertori, C Chakravorty	53.25
5	J Carson, C Wilson	53.4
6	H Tyler, M Lavender	49.41
7	M Kenny, E Neil	51.33
8	C Dawson, L Stevenson	45.41
9	B Morahan, A Fraser	56.36
10	C Fader, R Bodell	55.62
11	D Sutton-Mattocks, J Arazi	40.65
12	R Dunn, T Stewart	54.14
13	P Afflick, R Prickett	46.15
14	E Zeller, E Mander	49.56
15	K Cole, P McKittrick	55.18
16	R Watkinson, L Watkinson	48.67
17	C Jagers, L Cregan	48.96
18	C Maxted, E Maxted	54.14
19	J Farmer, T Nadebaum	48.25
20	I Sando, S Hapek	45.41
21	I Hart, D Norrie	52.07
22	H Cook, B Cook	44.23
23	A Gooding, E Vanselow	46.45
24	S Walters, O Mayne	44.23
25	B Holliday, J Partridge	44.82
26	R Sayers, I Sayers	41.12
27	G Davies, N Heffernan	40.98
28	A Hazelton, C Sherwin	39.35

SENIORS STAGE II - 2010

PLACE	TEAM	SCORE
1	Neill, Kanetkar, Krochmalik, Lavings, Smolanko, Anderson	260
2	Noble, Bilski, Brown, Romanski, Kowalski, Solar	255
3	Lilley, Nagy, Haughie, Braithwaite, Hoffman, Klinger	252
4	Stuart, Bloom, Vaughan, Howe, Douglas, Chadwick	242
5	Hirst, Jackman, Marinos, Davis, Ashworth, Brockwell	228
6	Kalmin, Kalmin, Ichilcik, Ichilcik	208

AUST MULTI SENIOR PAIRS - Saturday 16th January, 2010

1	S Klofa, C Schwabegger	62.65
2	S Arber, H De Jong	58.42
3	R Lorraway, J Dooner	55.57
4	J Zollo, R Januszke	59.01
5	W Malaczynski, R Waszyrowski	63.66
6	P Hill, Q Van Abbe	63.66
7	J Pettitt, J Pettitt	58.4
8	G Finikiotis, G Lane	53.14
9	D Drury, R Moss	65.18
10	A Norlyng, J Norlyng	50
11	E Samuel, B Tencer	54.05
12	C Manley, J Kuiper	50.81
13	N Burica, A Watkins	58.5
14	P Liphthay, G Lorentz	61.34
15	B Krishan, H Ali	43.22
16	P McGrath, R Fletcher	50.81
17	V Cariola, R Massey	57.89
18	M Chadwick, T Sharp	43.02
19	A Thompson, B Manicavasagar	52.73
20	J Rowlatt, B Peters	52.13
21	C Wehner, L Turner	48.18
22	A Milston, J Milston	50.4
23	M Chrapot, M Tencer	52.53
24	H Gielb, F Donnan	42.21
25	A Meydan, T Strong	49.8
26	D Knaggs, P Bach	54.25
27	J Bennett, J Syriatowicz	46.84
28	S Donnan, S Hall	43.02
29	T Kiss, E Auerbach	49.7
30	J Feiler, B Edelstein	43.12
31	P Waizer, S Waizer	42.81
32	B Adcock, I Walker	45.04
33	J McRae, A McRae	47.17
34	D Hurst, G Thomas	42
35	A Pini, B Gage	37.45
36	P McCormack, D McCormack	38.66
37	N Chilov, Z Dreher	37.04
38	T Mangos, A Goldstein	41.09
39	J Stacey, R Curtin	40.99
40	H Kite, I Parker	33.7

AUST MULTI MIXED PAIRS

Place	Players	Percentage
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2	A Stephens, P Kahler	58.32
3	R Gallagher, K Huggan	57.69
4	M Watts, D Beauchamp	52.13
5	G Tislevoll, J Dawson	61.9
6	S Hans, H Dawson	57.69
7	J Magee, T Strong	57.24
8	M Bookallil, N Van Vucht	53.21
9	M Courtney, L Raymond	58.97
10	J Glenn, A Hamilton	52.24
11	A De Livera, E Leach	52.84
12	P Livesey, M Pussell	61.08
13	P Fordham, V Holbrook	57.59
14	N Francis, A Maluish	52.03
15	E Fitz-Gerald, J Fitz-Gerald	51.92
16	J Gleeson, P Neary	55.97
17	P Jeffery, H Cusworth	48.61
18	A Tuxworth, N Tuxworth	59.19
19	M Genc, M Perley	50.55
20	B Kassam, D Kwok	46.36
21	A Dougall, K Dougall	54.72
22	M Rabey, P Yao	58.65
23	R Thornberry, M Ware	49.28
24	M Parfait, C Chandler	52.29
25	K Moschner, J Kidd	47.28
26	B Chosid, C Geromboux	49.49
27	D Gobes, E Miller	48.08
28	E Graczynski, F McKay	49.29
29	A Lamport, T Emera	52.69
30	S Wilkinson, M Wilkinson	43.62
31	G Liepins, R Liepins	46.72
32	J Florkiewicz, P Anderson	45.85
33	A Pettigrew, D Tucker	40.28
34	E Lindh, P Phillips	40.71
35	A Scerri, S Scerri	45.84
36	A Cook, R Ho	42.51
37	K Wilks, E Pickles	39.68
38	P Power, K Power	41.88
39	R Fox, R Dunnclyff	45.14
40	F Garrick, B Darglish	41.17
41	J McGill, J Shah	40.81
42	S Ingham, M Prescott	34.31
43	T Allen, K Allen	41.73
44	J Steele, J Steele	39.47



FESTIVAL OF BRIDGE 2010

Sunday, 18th January at Rydges Lakeside

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3 courses @ \$ 30 per person*

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or

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Main Course

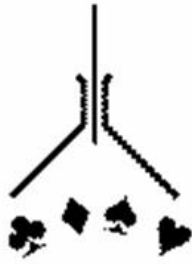
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ROASTED ANGUS SIRLOIN WITH RED WINE SAUCE, SERVED WITH ROASTED POTATOES

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CHOCOLATE CAKE

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During the Summer Festival of Bridge the National Gallery in Canberra is presenting the "Masterpieces from Paris" exhibition. This exhibition will not be going to any other gallery in Australia.

The Summer Festival has organised a private viewing on Thursday evening 14th January and Wednesday evening 20th January for bridge players and their family and friends. The cost per person is \$60.

This is your opportunity to see a spectacular exhibition without the hustle and bustle of crowds and at a time convenient to bridge players attending the Summer Festival.

Tickets must be purchased in advance and are available from the Canberra Bridge Club (until 13/1) or from the information desk at the Convention Centre during the Summer Festival of Bridge.

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