## The Summer Festival of Bridge

# Daily Bulletin 1

Rydges Lakeside, Canberra

Wednesday January 19th 2011

### Good Morning and welcome to the 2011 Summer Festival of Bridge.

This year the Summer Festival will be held at the original home of the Summer Festival – Rydges Lakeside Hotel.

Rydges Lakeside has been renovated adding a new functions area – The Eureka Room, providing the opportunity for all Summer Festival events to be contested in the hotel. Within the playing areas are large video screens which will display scores, draws and information for players.

For the comfort of players, Rydges Lakeside will be providing catering in each of the playing areas and will offer daily lunch time specials, reduced prices in Cahoots Bar and special prices in the Italian Locanda Steakhouse restaurant (in the hotel)at night.

Directly behind Rydges Lakeside is a small shopping centre with a coffee shop and restaurants.

A short walk away in the Canberra CBD there are countless restaurants catering for all tastes and budgets. There are twenty restaurants in the first centre that you see the Melbourne Building alone.

The Summer Festival has a visiting director from Italy, Maurizio Di Sacco, who will add great experience to the directing team. Maurizio has agreed to speak on the advantages of disposing of appeals. Italy has not had an Appeals process for 12 years!

If you need help or information during the Summer Festival go to our Summer Festival Desk, located on the first floor and either Wendy or Katie will be happy to assist.

I am sure that you will enjoy another great Summer Festival of Bridge.

Sean Mullamphy

Convener





#### Tim Bourke's Problem

#### 1. DEFINITELY

Dealer South. E-W Vul.

#### **NORTH**

- **♦** K 4 2
- **Y** K 10 9 8 6
- ♦ A 6 4 3
- **♣** 2

#### SOUTH

- **♦** A 3
- **Y**A7543
- ♦ KQ852
- **♣** A

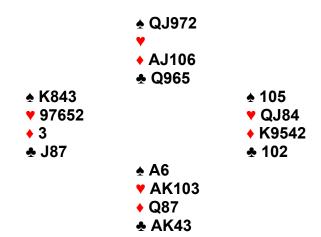
West	North	East	South	
			1♥	
5♣	5♥	Pass	6♥	
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West leads the king of clubs. East follows and your ace wins the trick. You note that a grand slam would be a fair bet on these cards and that it would be embarrassing to fail in this contract. Given that West has at least seven clubs, can you make certain of the contract?

#### Seniors' Last Train

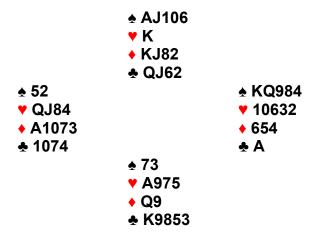
Match 6 of this event saw the top two seeds face off. At the start of the round, Kathy Boardman and Bobby Richman led the field with John Brockwell and Hashmat Ali in third place.

One curiosity in the match was that boards 17 to 24 were all played in no trumps while boards 25 to 32 were all played in suit contracts.



Hashmat and John never looked towards slam and settled quickly in 3NT. This contract presented no terrors and +460 meant 5 imps when some other tables got too high and went down in over-ambitious slam contracts.

3 more imps followed on the next two boards before Kathy and Bobby wiped out the deficit.



Hashmat became declarer in 3NTand Bobby led a heart. Hashmat returned a club and Bobby was on lead to trick 3. He continued hearts and the critical point of the hand was reached. Hashmat chose to duck and Kathy took her Queen. Kathy unerringly switched to a spade. Hashmat tried the finesse -





unsuccessfully. Bobby went back to hearts and there was no way to find 9 tricks.

Had Hashmat played the Ace of hearts at trick 3, then he can clear the ◆A while the ◆A is still in place. Nine tricks are scored via one spade, two hearts, two diamonds and four clubs.

At unfavourable, your right hand opponent opens 1NT (11 - 14) and you hold:

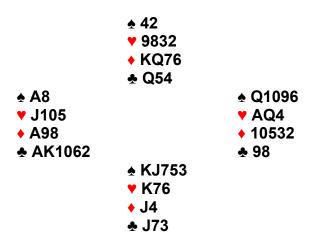
**A** K Q 9 7 4 ♥ A 8 7 2 ♦ 10 ♣ J 3.

Do you overcall and, if so, what?

John chose to pass and that was that.

John cashed his spades and found Hashmat's ♣A. The ♥A meant two off for +100. Other Souths obviously got into the auction and many finished in unmakeable contracts so John and Hashmat picked up 2 imps as the wages of silence.

Then Bobby and Kathy got overboard into 3NT



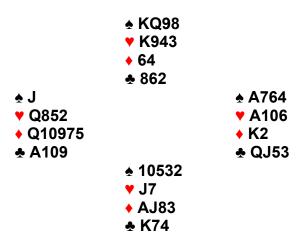
Looking at the East-West hands in a vacuum, 3NT doesn't look too bad. However, with the exception of the club suit, everything which matters is in the wrong place and the contract drifted one off. Less adventurous E-W combinations played

partials and John and Hashmat now had a 6 imp lead. But not for long.

Kathy and Bobby bid these cards to game:



A spade lead from South saw Bobby enter a quick claim for 10 tricks. Others did not reach game and Kathy and Bobby recouped 5 of the deficit. More came when a difficult defence was missed on the next.



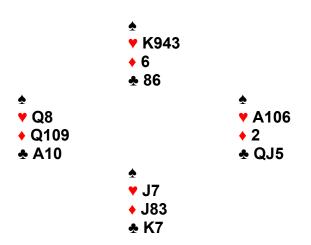
The board was reversed, so Kathy played 3NT from East.

A small spade was led, covered with the Jack, Queen and Ace. Kathy played a club to the 9 and then a diamond to the King and Ace. The defence took its three spade tricks before switching to a heart in this position:









South exited with a heart and Kathy played the 8. Naturally enough North played the 9 and declarer's 10 scored. Kathy could now take a club finesse, drop the ♣K and return to hand with a heart to cash the &Q and finesse the ◆10 for 9 tricks.

In the diagram position, look at the effect if North covers the ♥8 with the King. Declarer no longer has a second entry in hearts and can only take one minor suit finesse for one down.

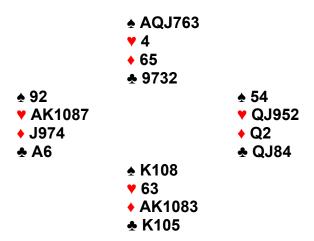
Be honest. Would **you** have found the **♥**K?

Really?

Really and truly?



Boardman/Richman now led by 6 imps but two boards later gave Ali/Brockwell a little push into a making game.



After a pass from Bobby (East), John opened 1NT, Kathy passed and Hashmat transferred with 2♥. Bobby doubled and John accepted with 2♠. Kathy offered 3♥ and Hashmat competed with 3♠. The auction suggested that North-South had no duplicated values in Hearts so John opted for the spade game. John was able to play the clubs for only one loser and so 10 tricks and 8 imps was the outcome.

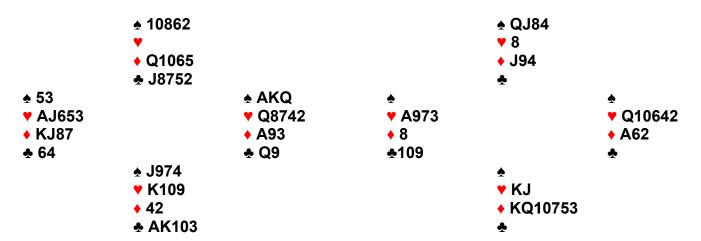
12 imps were evenly split on the next four boards to leave Ali/Brockwell ahead by two with two boards remaining.

#### From left:

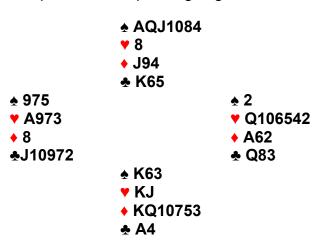
Kathy Boardman, Hashmat Ali, Bobby Richman John and Brockwell contest a key match in the Seniors' Last Train







After a pass from South, Cathy opened 2♥ and Bobby raised to game. Kathy was able to dispose of a club loser and made 11 tricks. 450 against a datum of only 30 meant 9 imps and a 7 imp lead going into the last.



Hashmat opened 1♠ and, when he repeated the suit over John's 2♠ response, South reached for Keycard. One keycard saw the auction completed in 5♠.

The •A and a diamond ruff or a heart to the Ace and diamond return would have seen this off very quickly. Bobby, however, led a club. Hashmat took this on table and cashed two rounds of trumps before ruffing a club. The position was

Hashmat was in the South hand but needed to get to North to draw the last trump. He tried a cunning ♥J but Kathy leapt in quickly with the Ace to play her singleton diamond. Bobby returned the suit after taking the Ace and Kathy's ruff saw the contract 1 down Another 9 imps went to the leaders who wrapped up a 16 imp victory.

#### Food at Rydges -

Players will be eligible for 20% discount off food and beverage in Locanda, Locanda Bar and Cahoots Bar (\*excludes breakfast, room service and bridge lunch specials).

2 4 1 drink vouchers will be available which

can be redeemed in Cahoots Bar and Locanda Bar

There will be approximately 2-3 lunch specials on. Once the menus are finalised the information will be publicised with the prices and inclusions.

Cahoots will open early each day at 11am for Bridge players. There will be a snack menu available for players to order to the bar, the 20% discount also applies.

3 Food Kiosks will be available during tournaments. The main Kiosk will be located on the First floor which will serve hot and cold food, snacks, drinks and espresso coffee. Skylines and Eureka will also serve cold sandwiches, snack food, espresso coffee and cold drinks. Skylines and Eureka kiosks will only be open on game days.





#### Tim Bourke's Problem - Solution

You should begin by cashing the ace and king of trumps. If the trumps are 2-1, you have twelve certain tricks and you will have a thirteenth unless the diamonds are 4-0. Similarly, you will always have twelve tricks if the diamonds are not 4-0. So the cases to worry about are when the trumps are 3-0 and the diamonds are 4-0.

If East has three trumps, continue by playing the ace and king of spades then ruff dummy's remaining spade. Then you will exit with a trump. Suppose the full deal is:

★ K 4 2
★ K 10 9 8 6
★ A 6 4 3
★ 2
★ 9 7 6 5
★ Q J 10 8
★ Q J 2
★ J 10 9 7
★ K Q J 10 9 8 7 5 4
★ A 3
★ A 3
★ K Q 8 5 2
★ A

East wins the trump and cannot return a black suit for that would allow you to ruff in hand and discard a diamond from dummy; you would then have the rest of the tricks. If East exits with a diamond honour, you will play low from hand and win the trick with dummy's ace. A diamond from dummy sees East with no winning option; if he plays low you will play the eight and if he splits his remaining honours, you will win, cross back to dummy with a trump to finesse the eight of diamonds. The only trap is that if East exits with the seven of diamonds then you

must be alert enough to cover it with the eight of diamonds.

When West has three trumps, he cannot have four diamonds so eliminate the spades as above and exit with a trump. When West has a void in diamonds too, he must concede a ruff-and-discard with his forced black-suit return.

#### **Session Times**

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10am 1.30pm 4.30pm

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75 minutes	Oxley Court Apartments	corner of Oxley and Dawes Street in	
	Forrest Apartments	Dominion Circuit	
	Hyatt	Commonwealth Avenue, Barton	
	Rydges Dropoff		
Approx 55 minutes	Waldorf Apartments	2 Akuna Street, City	
• •	Crowne Plaza	1 Binara Street	
	Accommodation	71 Euree Street, Reid	
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• •	Aria Apartments	45 Dooring Street	
	Rex Hotel	150 Northbourne Ave	
	Marque (also Capital	108 Northbourne Ave	
	Mantra	84 Northbourne Ave	
	Novotel	65 Northbourne Avenue, City	
	Liversidge Court	Liversidge St	
	University House	Cnr Liversidge St & Balmain Cres	
	Rydges Dropoff	-	

The courtesy Bus will leave the first accommodation site 75 minutes before play begins and will return players after play. It is approx 5 minutes between stops.

#### Women's Last Train - Final

Place	Name	Score
1	M Bourke, E Havas	143
2	B Travis, M Leybourne	140
3	V Brockwell, L Ma	135
4	R Lachman, G Tucker	134
5	N Giura, J Bates	131
6	A Farthing, J Kahler	130
7	R Kaplan, E Caplan	129
8	C Ritter, K Lewis	125
9	A Clark, C Berman	124
10	E Zeller, A Dawson	123
11	M Watts, F Lyons	122
12	N Djurovic, P Evans	121
13	P Rankin, P McLeish	116
14	H Lowry, B Folkard	116
15	D Marler, A Norris	115
16	J Rocks, J Marks	114
17	K Frazer, T Gariepy	112
18	A Talbot, M Obenchain	111
19	A Pettigrew, A Stephens	111
20	M Chadwick, T Sharp	105
21	M Campbell, G Gray	93
22	M Wright, B Green	78

#### Seniors' Last Train - Final

Place	Name	Score
1	K Boardman, B Richman	156
2	G Henderson, G Fallon	134
3	G Finikiotis, G Lane	130
4	T Strong, A Meydan	129
5	J Brockwell, H Ali	126
6	G Bilski, I Afflick	124
7	D Grahame, J Grahame	124
8	J Pettitt, P Holloway	119
9	G Malinas, D McLeish	118
10	A Watkins, N Burica	118
11	G Belonogov, E Kowalczyk	117
12	E Grieve, L Inglis	116
13	P Waizer, S Waizer	110
14	J Carberry, T Mangos	107
15	G Rippon, T Davis	100
16	L Van Der Hor, P Butcher	91