## **BULLETIN 5**

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> January, 2014

Session Times	Today
BREAKFAST	9:15am
Butler 3, 4 & BAM Teams 3, 4	10:15am
LUNCH	1:00pm
Butler 5, 6 & BAM Teams 5, 6	1:45pm
Archery + B-Ball/V-Ball	4:45pm
DINNER	6:30pm
Butler 7, 8 & BAM Teams 7, 8	7:30pm
Bridge BINGO	10:30pm
Session Times	Tomorrow
BREAKFAST	9:30am
Butler 3, 4 & BAM Teams 3, 4	10:45am
LUNCH	1:30pm
Butler 5, 6 & BAM Teams 5, 6	2:15pm
DINNER	6:00pm
Butler 7, 8 & BAM Teams 7, 8	7:00pm

Welcome to Day 5. What an exciting day yesterday was!

10:15pm

Firstly, the conclusion of the Teams Championships saw the Harrison Team win by 217.20 VPs over the Milne Team on 209.11 VPs.

#### **Teams Championship**

**Goulash Pairs** 

1<sup>st</sup> Shane Harrison, Sam Schulz, Ella Pattison, Rhys Cooper

2<sup>nd</sup> Liam Milne, James Coutts, Andi Boughey, Matthew Smith

3<sup>rd</sup> Ellena Moskovsky, Lauren Travis, Stephen Williams, Jamie Thompson

After the Teams Championships were over, the Cliff Wake Playoff was played between Teams winners (the Harrison team) and the Cliff Wake Challengers (Liam Milne, James Coutts, Alex Smirnov, Griff Ware) in a Board-A-Match Style.

Board 1 first went to Team Harrison (Youth), Board 2 went to the Team Cliff Wake, then Board 3 was a tie so the score was 1.5 points for each team. Then on the final board, Cliff Wake pulled ahead by making 3NT+1 for +660 with the other table going down one. Details of the match are inside the Bulletin.

# Australian Youth Bridge Championships

Extra Food!	Time
Morning Tea	~10:30am
Afternoon Tea	~3:30pm
Supper	~8:30pm

The Selection Butler is underway. After the first six rounds the leaders are **Adam and Nabil Edgtton** (80.57 VPs) from **Justin Howard & Laura Ginnan** (77.57 VPs).

Current Butler Scores (After Round Robin 1 – Round 6)			
Rank	Names	VPs	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Adam Edgtton - Nabil Edgtton	80.57	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Justin Howard - Laura Ginnan	77.57	
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Ellena Moskovsky - Lauren Travis	73.71	
4 <sup>th</sup>	Stephen Williams - Jamie Thompson	70.86	
5 <sup>th</sup>	Rhys Cooper - Ella Pattison	68.00	
6 <sup>th</sup>	Chris Rhodes - Nico Ranson	52.43	
7 <sup>th</sup>	Max Henbest - Renee Cooper	50.29	
8 <sup>th</sup>	Shane Harrison - Sam Schulz	49.71	
9 <sup>th</sup>	Edward Burrowes - James Ferguson	49.43	
10 <sup>th</sup>	Tim Munro - Francesca McGrath	30.86	

#### **Current BAM Teams Scores** (After Round 6) Rank Team Names VPs 1<sup>st</sup> B.A.M.F 74 2<sup>nd</sup> Ginger + 3 72 3<sup>rd</sup> C.A.K.E 69 4<sup>th</sup> IMP DONORS 64 5<sup>th</sup> #Rekt 61 6<sup>th</sup> Rock Pork 61 7<sup>th</sup> # Matty B bridge 61 8<sup>th</sup> Growing up with the Gues 52 9<sup>th</sup> AILSA PEACOCK 51

Team members names are on the next page.

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#### **FUN EVENTS!**

Tonight's Fun Event is Bridge BINGO, starting at around 10:30PM.

Tomorrow's Fun Event is Goulash **PAIRS**, starting tomorrow around 10:15PM

Place	Team Name	Win	Draw	Loss	Total VPs
1	<b>B.A.M.F</b> – Liam Milne, James Coutts, Andi Boughey, Matthew Smith	4	0	2	74
2	<b>Ginger + 3</b> – Sam Coutts, Matthew Brown, Dominic Evans, Grace Evans	З	1	2	72
3	<b>C.A.K.E</b> – Jen McGowan, Gray Renwick, David Skipper, Pieter Van Der Poel	4	0	2	69
4	IMP DONORS – John Newman, Erin Tewes, Tomer Libman, Richard McAuliffe, Dominic Bell	4	1	1	64
5	<b>#Rekt</b> – Jessica Brake, Michael Gearing, Borkuan Song, Guykit Lang	2	1	3	61
6	<b>Rock Pork</b> – Alan Stoneham, Stephen Guo, Patrick Chen, Timothy Pilien	2	2	2	61
7	<b>#MattyBbridge</b> – Jack Tarlinton, Angus Gray, Vicki Bouton, Feitong Chen	3	2	1	61
8	<b>Growing up with the Gues</b> – Glenn Coutts, Nick Jacob, David Gue, Simon Smart, Ivy Anderson, Heath Watkins, Andrew Spooner	2	1	3	52
9	AILSA PEACOCK – Ailsa Peacock, Matt Smith (WA), Daniel Hunt, Gabrielle McGrath	1	1	4	51
16	Finnish Him! – Jessie De Garis, George Evans, Victoria Thompson, Oli Anderson, Finn Rennie	0	1	5	37

#### After BAM Teams

The BAM Teams will conclude today. This will be followed by a Pairs Consolation Butler throughout Thursday and Friday. Please register at the whiteboard if you are going to play in the Pairs Consolation Butler.

#### **REMINDER!**

People using the Lounges – please clean up after every night (especially empty bottles – the big bin is outside the front door of the playing area).

Also, please do not walk around the venue in bare feet – a footwear is required.

#### SORRY!

The kitchen staff are doing a tremendous job cooking for the 85+ of us with 6 meals a day. Unfortunately this means that the breakfast times will be quite strict – breakfast will start exactly on time as written in the bulletin, and will only run for 40 mins. But don't worry, daily morning tea is at 10:30AM.

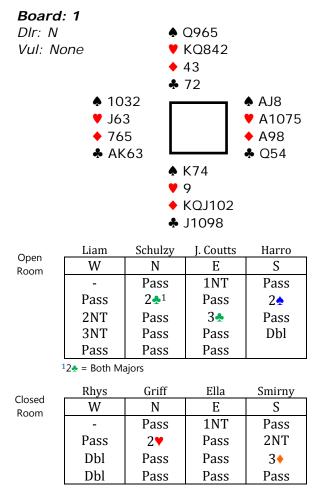
Paul Lavings once again has donated the bridge book prizes for Youth Week. To show your appreciation of Paul's generosity buy your bridge books from Paul Lavings Bridge Books & Supplies.



#### CLIFF WAKE PLAYOFF REPORT

**The Harrison Team** (Shane Harrison, Sam Schulz, Ella Pattison, Rhys Cooper) **Cliff Wake Challengers** (Griff Ware, Alex Smirnov, Liam Milne, James Coutts)

This year's Cliff Wake has a slight change – rather than scoring it in IMPs, the scoring would be BAM (Board-a-Match). This means you get a 1 if your team wins a board (i.e. the net result of your team's score on the board), a 0 if your team loses a board, and a  $\frac{1}{2}$  if the board is flat (e.g. +450 and -460 is not "flat" – that would be a loss).



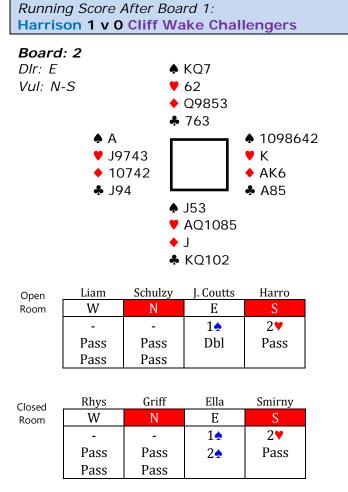
Both tables started out the same way with a strong NT by East passed to North. In the Open Room, Sam bid 2. to show both majors to which Shane gave preference with 2. Liam, holding 8 points thinking it could be important to secure a +120 in BAM (Board-a-Match), bid 2NT to play. However, James was not on the same wavelength and took 2NT as "2 places to play" and bid 3. This confusion led to 3NT doubled by Shane.



Three rounds of Diamonds were played with Sam discarding the  $\Psi$ 4, then a Club to dummy's Ace was followed by an attempted deep finesse in Hearts  $\Psi$ 3-2-5-9. Shane then cashed his Diamonds and James was slated to go three off.

Even if James had restricted his losses to one or two off, it wouldn't have mattered because Griff and Smirny got to 3•X going for two off. The beauty about Board-a-Match scoring is that it doesn't matter how large of a negative score you get if you think you are losing the board anyway. So when Griff-Smirny obtained -300 on this board, the Open Room's Cliff Wake team (Liam and James) needed at least a score of +310 in order to win the board (so the difference is +10).

So why did Smirny bid 2NT over Griff's 2♥? Because they only had a minute discussion of system and hadn't agreed whether 2♣ over 1NT shows both majors. Smirny, knowing that they would probably lose the board if he had passed out 2♥ since (a) he only has singleton support, and (b) if Griff had ♠+♥ or ♥+minor, the other table would have had a bid for either of those options and the opponents would have landed in the right spot. Smirny therefore opted for the 'safety play' of bidding 2NT, hoping Griff would have a minor suit to bid. Unfortunately that was not to be, and 3♦X went two off for -300.

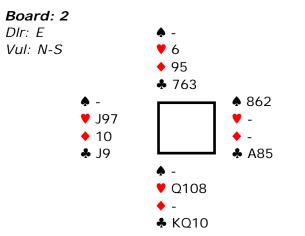


Similar to Board 1, both auctions started out identical until East's rebid. James Coutts in the Open Room decided to go for the throat by balancing with a Double, a call that may be oddsagainst when holding a singleton  $\forall K$  with the opponents overcalling a vul-vs-not  $2\forall$  which reduces the chances of partner having a trap pass.

It turned out to be the winning action as Liam passed the double without a further seconds' thought.

Liam led the A, and with dummy displaying the KQ7, it called out for a suit-preference signal to which James gave with the 10 (high card for the *higher* suit). Liam then switched to the 7 to the 3, K, and J, and James returned the 9 giving Liam a ruff. Liam then played the 2 to James' Ace which was ruffed and Shane laid down the Anoting the drop of the K.

Shane then led his Spade to dummy's King but Liam refused to ruff and discarded the  $\clubsuit4$ , and Shane then played the  $\diamond0$  discarding a Club. Here is the position:



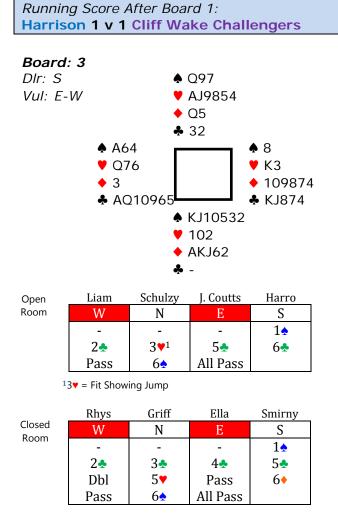
Having obtained 4 tricks now, with the lead in dummy, Shane could now guarantee 7 tricks by playing a Club to the King and exiting a Club. If Liam wins this trick, he would have to return a Diamond for Shane to ruff, and Shane could exit with his other Club with Liam forced to ruff and be endplayed into giving Shane the last two tricks.

If James wins this trick, he could (a) cash the A and exit with a Spade but Shane can simply ruff low, again, endplaying Liam.

At this stage, Liam was already marked with a shape of 1=5=4=3 (4 diamonds because the +10 must be with West as East did not play that card on the second round of Diamonds).

However, Shane played a Club to his Ten and Liam's Jack, Liam returned a Club to James' Ace and at this point Shane had to go two down as he would be able to ruff a black suit return and exit with his Diamond (i.e. no endplay).

In the Closed Room, Ella opted the safe option of a 2<sup>+</sup> rebid and played there. Smirny led the <sup>+</sup>K around to Ella's Ace, then a trump to dummy's Ace and a Heart to Ella's King lost to Smirny's Ace. Smirny then cashed the <sup>+</sup>Q and exited with his singleton <sup>+</sup>J to Ella's <sup>+</sup>A. Ella played the <sup>+</sup>9 ducked around to Griff's Q who returned the \$9, low from Ella, and ruff by Smirny. With both sides taking 4 tricks a piece, Ella just had to lose one more trump trick for 8 tricks and +110. However, coupled that with Shane-Sam's -500 meant that the Youth Team had lost this board.



Both tables landed in 6 after an opposing Club bid interferences. In the Closed Room, Griff chose to bid 3 to show an invitational (or better) raise with Spade support, and Ella raised to 4 leaving a bit of space for the opponents to manoeuvre. Smirny showed a strong hand by cuebidding 5, doubled by Rhys, and Griff cooperated with a 5 cuebid. This was all the information that Smirny needed to bid the slam, but he was now searching for a grand slam! If Griff had held something like Axxx AKx Axx xxxx then 13 tricks is almost laydown.

Sam in the Open Room was able to bid 3♥ over 2♣ as a "Fit Showing Jump", indicating (usually) 4+support and 5+♥ with an invitational hand or better. This propelled Shane to *force* to slam because Sam's values rate to be in both Spades and Hearts, making it much more attractive to bid the slam. Before passing out 6♠, Liam gave it a good thought about doubling this contract (he's a greedy man) as turning +50 into +100 could be the difference between a draw and a win. However, he ultimately decided to pass as +50 against a slam might be a good board already, and if the opponents really do have their bids (Shane did show a powerful hand with the 6bid), then it could turn a draw into a loss.

As it was, declarer had an inevitable Spade and Heart loser, thus both slams went one off.



Running Score After Board 1: Harrison 11/2 v 11/2 Cliff Wake Challengers

At this point, it was a complete tie (1.5 points to both sides). If the last board turned out to be a draw, then the intention was that a 1-board sudden death playoff would occur. However, due to the time constraints Matty (the TD) mentioned that there would be no time for a sudden-death board and the ultimate winners would be decided on IMP scores. The current IMP score was:

B1: Youth(Open) +500, Youth (Closed) +300 = 13 IMPs B2: Youth(Open) -500, Youth (Closed) +110 = -9 IMPs B3: Youth(Open) -50, Youth (Closed) +50 = 0 IMPs

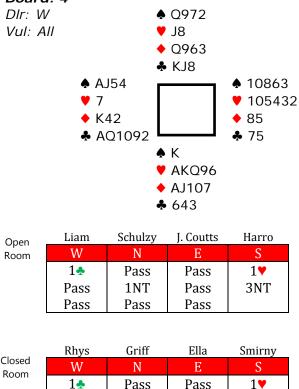
If the last board was a tie, then Team Harrison (the Youth Team) would win with +4 IMPs.

Here was the final board:

Dbl

Pass

#### Board: 4



1NT

Pass

Pass

Pass

3NT

Both rooms had an (almost) identical auctions with the exception in the Closed Room where Rhys made a takeout double.

In the Closed Room, Ella led the \$3 to dummy's King and Rhys' Ace, and the \$4 was returned to the 7 and 8 as the beer card was discarded from dummy (poor form, Griff!). Ella then switched to the \$5 which ran to Griff's \$8 and a Diamond was played to dummy's Ten and Rhys' King. At this point, there was no stopping Griff into making his contract (1 spade, 5 hearts, and 3 diamonds), and as he won the Spade switch with his Queen, he ran his red suit winners (meanwhile pitching his \$K) and in the process pseudo-squeezed Rhys as he parted with his \$A in the 2-card ending where Rhys had to discard from \$J and \$A.

Harrison (Youth) Team: 3NT/N+2 for -660. Can Shane/Sam duplicate the result for a win?

In the Closed Room, the first trick was also a Spade to Liam's Ace but Liam returned the 4J to Sam's Queen as a Club was discarded from dummy. Sam then ran the 9 which ran around to Liam's King and the game was over. Liam now returned a Spade finessing declarer's 497 into James' 108, and as James returned a passive Diamond, Sam cashed his Hearts from the top and ended up down one when the Hearts didn't break – no doubt James would have returned a Club if he held three or four-small Hearts since if that was the case, declarer might have the rest of the tricks (so taking the A would be important).

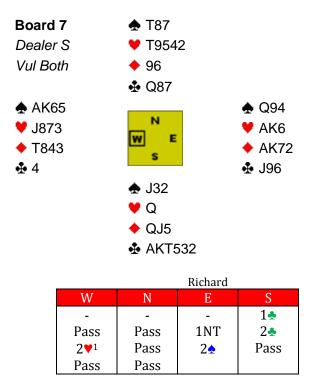
Final Score: Harrison 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> v 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Cliff Wake Challengers



2014 Cliff Wake Trohpy Winners The Cliff Wake Challengers: James Coutts, Alex Smirnov, Liam Milne, Griff Ware

#### **Beer Card Entries!**

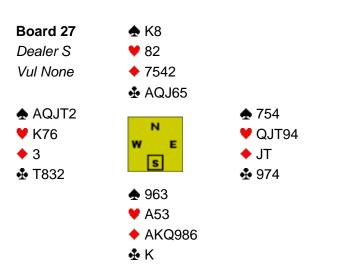
**Entry 1**: Submitted by Richard McAuliffe, nominating himself.



Richard: We play system on over 2♣ interference so when partner bid 2♥ (a Spade transfer), I accepted it with 2♣ and played there.

The lead was the ♥Q and from the cards that I could see, the lead was no doubt from a shortage so I won and played three rounds of Spades (3-3 break, phew). I then played the ◆A, small from dummy, ◆K from hand, LHO follows with the ◆J and as partner goes to grab a small Diamond, I said, "Hold on, wait ... the ◆8 please!". I then exited with the ◆2 (◆10 from dummy obviously), and I let the defence take two Club tricks (discarding a Heart on the second round), I then ruffed the third club, cashed the ◆A, the ♥J, with the ◆7 as the last winning trick.

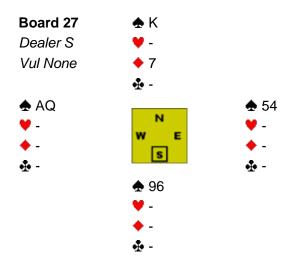
**Entry 2**: Submitted by Nick Jacobs, nominating Ivy Anderson.



J. Newman	Ivy	D. Bell	Nick
W	Ν	Е	S
-	-	-	Pass (!)
1	2秦	2♥(!)	Pass
4♥	Pass	Pass	Dbl
Pass	Pass	Pass	

I led the A, then switched to the K, and went back to another top Diamond. Declarer ruffed in dummy, played the K which won, and continued another Heart to the Jack and my Ace. I continued with the Q to continue the forcing defence as Ivy carefully preserves her 7. Decalrer ruffed, played the 7-2-2-2(!)-8. Ivy now cashed two rounds of Clubs as I pitched the 98, and as Ivy played another Club, I discarded my final 6 (as declarer ruffed with his second last trump).

Declarer now drew the last trump and here twas the 2-card ending:

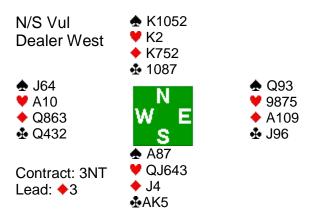


Declarer, having lost 6 tricks already now took a Spade finesse to which Ivy won with the  $\clubsuit$ K and presented the Beer Coke Card as the eighth and final defensive trick! +1100.

### Defensive Finesses (Con't)

By Leigh Matheson

Solution from yesterday's article:



Whilst it might feel normal to insert the 9 at trick 1 in this layout, this is a mistake. Declarer would win in hand and be able to duck two rounds of Diamonds. Partner is marked with four Diamonds (and at least one honour), so declarer has two Diamonds. If partner has both diamond honours it doesn't matter what you play, declarer will always score 1 trick. Similarly if declarer has the •Q, it doesn't matter what you do, declarer will always score 2 tricks. The only relevant layout is when partner has the •Q and declarer has the •J. On this layout you need to prevent declarer scoring the •J.

So I played the A at trick 1 and returned the 10 to the J and Q, declarer ducking in dummy:



Erin now continued with the +6, setting up one more Diamond trick. Later, when declarer made the normal play in Hearts, he was one down.

**Bridge Tip #3**: Always picture the layout of the opening suit at trick 1 before playing your first card (as declarer and defender).

#### Sibling Tag with Nabil & Adam Edgtton



- Q: Who is the oldest: Adam: I am
- Q: Any nicknames: Nubay, Nigs, and Big Dog
- Q: Most Memorable Argument:

Nabil: When we were about 11, Adam for some reason got so pissed off at me and he got a chair and rammed it into me. Two legs went above my shoulders, and the other two under my arms. I was OK but one of the legs hit one of those light switches in the wall and totally broke it. A few hours later, mum came back home and tried turning on the switch and went "What the?", looked at us, and we both shrugged our shoulders.

- **Q:** Last thing you talked about: Jennifer Lawrence (she's booz)
- Q: What annoys you the most about each other? Nabil: How long you got? Adam: Yeah, honestly, I don't know where to start.
- **Q:** One thing you can do that your sibling can't: Nabil: Everything Adam: ...

#### Sibling Tag with Francesca & Gabrielle McGrath



- Q: Who is the oldest:
- Gabby
  Q: Any nicknames:

Francesca: Gabby Wabby Gabrielle: Chesky Pesky

- Q: Most Memorable Argument: Francesca: Too many Gabrielle: Probably when I'm screaming to her about using too much shampoo and conditioner
- **Q:** Last thing you talked about: Francesca: Told Gabby that it's dinner time
- What annoys you the most about each other?
   Francesca: Gabby uses (way) too much shampoo and conditioner.
   Gabrielle: Francesca judging me about my shampoo and conditier.
   One thing you can do that your sibling can't:

Francesca: Study Gabrielle: Useful life skills