



TOWNSVILLE BRIDGE CLUB NEWS

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Zonal Positions

Geoff Allen - Delegate

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COMING EVENTS

Airlie Beach Pairs Challenge Congress
December 1-2

Festive Teams
December 6, 13, 20

Teams of 3
December 9

Monday Christmas Party
December 10
**(Please remember to bring donations for
the women's Shelter)**

Australia Day Congress
Friday 25 January 2019 - Monday 28
January

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

Thanks to all those who made the TBC in 2018 a friendly and welcome place to be. For many of us it is almost like a second home. We trust you have a great Christmas and return refreshed and revitalised in 2019, ready to face the challenges of our great game.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

From Clive Bunnett on behalf of the Committee

NO JANUARY NEWSLETTER

There will be no January issue of this newsletter. Please prepare your articles ready for the February edition.

APOLOGY

At the session of Monday 19 November, President Clive apologised that due to an error on his part the results of the Club Pairs, held in October, had been wrongly reported, they should read as follows.

Club Teams

A section 1st Hugh McAlister, Diana McAlister, Betty Hobdell, Ian Paterson
 2nd Phil Rains, Bill Redhead, John Johnson, Bill Bishop
 3rd Russell Wooley, Charlie Georgees, Vivienne Otto, Ched Twyman
B section winners Andre Galeano, Dusk Care, Kath Peever, Gloria MacDonald
C section winners Mervyn Smith, Felicity Horne, Griffio Bancroft, Byron Mackenzie-Ross
The committee has decided that the winners of the B and C sections in later years will receive an encouragement award which is not as great as the prizes given to the A section winners.

DECEMBER AND

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Happy birthday also to anyone with a birthday this month who has been missed. If you would like your birth month added to the list, please contact the editor jeandartnall@hotmail.com

Ruth Bradshaw
Gayleen Brown
Pam Calmer
Myles Clarkson
Fred Cole
Devan Mitchell
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Gloria MacDonald
Diane Roddom

Clive Bunnett
Janina Mazierska
Lynne Healy
Kath Peever
Maree Eales
Felicity Horne
Roslyn Sneddon

MELBOURNE CUP DAY 2018

By Lyn Joye

A very happy group of people enjoyed the Club's Melbourne Cup day – great bridge and great food.

A stylish Jennifer Mullens took out best dressed lady, Lesleigh Ronney's very eye-catching hat won first in the Hat Competition, the Men's prize for best hat went to Barry Brown, sporting a jaunty looking item. A tie on Griffio Bancroft, would you believe, won him the prize for best dressed man and Gloria MacDonald took out the best colour coordinated outfit with her purple and green ensemble.

Devan Mitchell ran a very successful Cup sweep and is to be congratulated. It is not an easy job.

Teresa Jarret won the prize for closest to the winning jockey colours - well done Teresa.

Thanks all who made it such an enjoyable day.



NO LUNCHES AFTER SATURDAY / SUNDAY MORNING COMPETITIONS

Lyn draws our attention to a decision of the Committee that lunches will no longer be held after competitions with this format because most people are eager to get home after this much bridge.

Special arrangements may be made for out of town visitors.

SOME RECENT RESULTS

Melbourne Cup

N/S 1st Diana McAllister, Rosemary Glastonbury
2nd Griffin Bancroft, Margret Dousset
E/W 1st Geoff Allen, Pat Allen
2nd Christine Perkins, Barry Brown

Novice Teams

1st Robert Mischlewski, Fred Cole, Ann Smith, Robyn Green
2nd Wendy Coe, Sharon Morley, Alan Gilles, Ken Muhling

Wednesday Teams

1st Dusk Care, Andree Galeano, John Johnson, Lyn Richardson
2nd Sue Reilly, Pat Leighton, Pat Hospers, Joh Toogood, Ray Muld
3rd Bill Bishop, Charlie Georgees, Di Garside, Sam Bishop

Airlie Beach Pairs

1st Bill Redhead and Gayleen Brown

GNOT FINALS

Betty Hobdell and Di McAlister came
13th in a field of over 90 pairs from
across the country.

RANKING PROMOTIONS FOR NOVEMBER

Maree Eales – Regional

Bryon Mackenzie-Ross - Graduate

JEREMY CLARKSON ON BRIDGE

Jeremy Clarkson probably had only one lesson of bridge from the tone of his article in *The Sunday Times* of 22 October this year, although many of us might feel a bit like he did if we had to score rubber bridge. Here are a few extracts from his article.

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The cards were dealt and our teacher explained that I must let my partner know where my strengths lay. 'Right', I said enthusiastically. 'I've got a shitload of clubs.' Apparently, this was wrong.

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Bidding five meant for some reason that I had to win 11 tricks. I have no idea why, but I failed completely. And lost. Or did I? Because at the end of each hand you add up the number of light fittings in the room, subtract the number of teeth in your head, put that number above the line and the number of children you have below the line and then after five rounds there's a rubber and the winner is the person nearest the mantelpiece.

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There's another problem with bridge which became clear as my inaugural evening wore on. Because we were in a beautiful club in St James' where all the other customers were dead, the waiters had nothing to do but constantly fill up my wine glass with a beautiful red.'

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You can't do this if you want to win. You must concentrate as though you are flying an airliner and all four engines have stalled.... Which is why I wouldn't trust MPs and civil servants to negotiate our tricky exit from the EU, I'd use our national bridge team instead.