



TOWNSVILLE BRIDGE CLUB NEWS

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Zonal Positions

Geoff Allen - Delegate

Note new club web address
<http://townsville.fnqbridge.com/>

COMING EVENTS

Zonal Pairs
3-4 June

Townsville 50th Anniversary Congress
16-18 June

Handicap Pairs 23, 30 June

Cleveland Bay Graded Pairs
25 June

Bowen Congress 8-9 July

Barrier Reef Congress Townsville
14-18 May 2018

**Entry forms for the 50th
Anniversary Congress, including
booking forms for the Saturday
night dinner are now available.**

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Pat Allen

Lyn Joye

Robert Mischlewski

Joyce Webb

Ken Miller

Kevin Dwyer

Peter Hall

Diana McAlister

Vivienne Otto

Mervyn Smith

Lynne Worley

Slam Bidding on 31 or fewer points (part 2)

By Ian Patterson

Phil and I had a great time on March 24th bidding (marginal) slams and going off and not bidding slams and making 12 tricks. The first part of our afternoon was dissected in the May issue of the newsletter. Now for the rest!

Board 31

North S A K Q 3
H A 10 5
D A K 9 6
C K 9

South S 9 7 6
H K 6 4
D J 10 8
C A 5 4 2

The Bidding

S	W	N	E
/	/	2 C (1)	/
2 S (2)	/	2NT	/
3 C (3)	/	3D (4)	/
3 NT (5)	/	6NT (6)	

- (1) Game force or 23+ balanced hand
- (2) 3 controls (an Ace and a King or 3 Kings)
- (3) Puppet Stayman
- (4) No 5 card major, but at least 1 4 card major
- (5) No 4 card major
- (6) We have all the Aces and Kings, maybe S has a 5 card suit?

The play

The hand requires the DQ to be onside and both spades and diamonds **to break 3 3**. What are the odds? Needless to say, none of these things happened. Not to be deterred we ventured on.

Board 33

Dealer North, Vulnerable (31 HCP, 4-4 fit in H.)

North S 8
H A K 6 3
D A J 7
C K 7 6 3 2

South S K Q J 5 4
H J 10 9 8
D K Q
C A 4

The bidding

N	E	S	W
1C	/	1S	/
2H (1)	/	4NT (2)	/
5D (3)	/	6H (4)	/

- (1) Reverse – normally 16 – 18 HCP
- (2) Roman Key card for Hearts (14/30)
- (3) 0 or 3 (Reverse = 3 key cards?)
- (4) Have we been here before? He might have A K Q x H OR A S and A Q x x Hearts with a K outside

The bad news:

Partner doesn't have H Q and Hearts break 4 -1. You should have one C to lose. (Phil missed that line of play.)

The good news:

The H Q is onside. The S A is over the K but you can get two club discards on the Q and J Spades. Since West has 3 clubs, you can safely ruff a club before drawing trumps.

But eventually we got a win. For that and the final analysis, wait for the next thrilling instalment.

SOME RECENT RESULTS

Zonal Teams Qualifying (6 May)

- 1 Diana McAlister, Elsie Stubbs, Beth Whebell, Rosemary Glastonbury, Maria Choppendale
- 2 Bill Redhead, Gaylene Brown, Helen Lovegrove, Ched Twyman
- 3 Geoff Allen, Pat Allen, Fay Blower, Delma Johnson

Novice Pairs (13 May)

- 1 Jana Mazierska, Leonie Cunningham
- 2 Kelly Walker, Russell Woolley
3. Kim Holl, Andree Galeano

Monday Pairs

1. John Johnson, Geoff Allen
2. Rosemary Glastonbury, Robyn Nolan
3. Monica Quilty, Trudy Low

Zonal Pairs

Bill Redhead and Gayleen Brown won the right to receive a subsidy to represent the Northern Zone at the Queensland Open Pairs in Brisbane in October

RANKING PROMOTIONS FOR MAY

Clive Bunnett – Silver Life

David North – State

Kelly Walker – Local*

Mick Knewstub - Club

TOWNSVILLE BRIDGE CLUB 50TH YEAR

The Clubhouse

The early meetings of our club were held in the Synod Hall behind the St James Anglican Cathedral. The notes that first President, Jack Fraser, prepared in 1992, says 'some time later, a decision was made to erect a Clubhouse and this was eventually completed and opened to members at the end of June 1975'. The original building was designed by Arthur Bloxham, who joined the club in 1967 along with his wife Mary. Mary is still playing in the Club in 2017.



I believe that this photo shows Mr Bloxham. The other gentleman in the picture is John Gray.

More information is available about the extension which was built during 2001 and formally opened by then Mayor Mike Reynolds in April 2002.

David Mather, Lindy Nelson-Carr, Mike Reynolds (Mayor), David Vance, Elsie Stubbs



The media release about this event, dated 18 March 2002 stated that the extension cost \$180,000, of this \$50,000 was a grant from the Queensland Government and \$20,000 loans from the Queensland Bridge Association and the Australian Bridge Federation. The remainder came from the Townsville Bridge Club's own funds.

Editor's Note: I plan to have something about the Club's history in each issue of this year's newsletter. If you would like to submit an article or offer material or suggest a topic, I would be very pleased to hear from you. Jean

Major Sponsor



We have established a major partnership with **Escape Travel Townsville**, who is willing to offer sponsorship in the form of a “Kickback” to the club of travel rewards. This is available on bookings made and paid for by our members, their family, friends and associates from other clubs. This means that at the end of each quarter the Club will receive travel vouchers that can be raffled for prizes to assist with our fundraising efforts.

All you have to do is contact **Escape Travel Townsville** on **07 4722 5000** mention that you are a member of the Townsville Bridge Cub (or an associate of the Club) when making the booking, for the club to receive the “Kickback” rewards. This will apply to ALL bookings for club business and your leisure travel booked through **Escape Travel Townsville** even if you live in other parts of the country we can still receive the benefits if you just follow the steps above.