

# Central Coast Leagues Club Limited BRIDGE CLUB



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## EDITORIAL.

As is usual with newsletters of this type, material is difficult to come by and the editor has to fall back upon his own resources. As everyone knows, I can talk the hind leg off a donkey, so finding written material is fairly easy. However, a diet of my writings will eventually become fairly boring, so in order to spare members perhaps some of you could put pen to paper or phone me with items of interest. Bill Thomson provided a short item this time - the rest is all my own work!! The following item was rumoured to have been found on the floor at the conclusion of the AGM. CM.

### INDISPENSABLE

Sometime when you're feeling important.  
Sometime when your ego's in bloom.  
Sometime when you take it for granted  
That you're the best qualified in the room.  
Sometime when you feel that your going  
Would leave an unfillable hole.  
Just follow this simple instruction  
And see how it humbles the soul.

Take a bucket and fill it with water  
Put your hand in it up to the wrist  
Pull it out - and the hole that's remaining  
Is a measure of how you'll be missed.  
You may splash all you please when you enter  
You can stir up the water galore  
But stop - and you'll find in a minute  
That it looks quite the same as before.

The moral of this quaint example  
Is to do just the best that you can.  
Be proud of your-self - but remember  
There's no indispensable man (or woman).

### FORTHCOMING EVENTS (within the club)

- 25 May DISTRICT MATCHPOINT MEDAL.  
I managed to get the rules wrong last time - this competition is open to PAIRS who are members of one of the three local Clubs.
- 12/19/26 June CLUB MIXED PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIP.  
A three session aggregate event. Pairs are requested to enter before the event in order that a proper seating order can be prepared.
- 15/22/29 June STATE WIDE PAIRS.  
A Red Masterpoint event with pre-dealt hands. Entrants must play all three sessions (or find a substitute if they cannot get to a session).  
A side game will be held for members not playing in this event.

### FORTHCOMING EVENTS (outside the club)

- Friday 9 June EPSON PAIRS.  
A world-wide simultaneous pairs event being played at both Central Coast and Brisbane Water Bridge Clubs in the evening. I believe that the entry fee at both clubs is \$5 plus normal table money. Play in this and be part of the world's largest sporting event.
- Sunday 2 July CENTRAL COAST SWISS TEAMS.  
I know that this is a long way ahead but the numbers are restricted so start getting your team together now in readiness.

### NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

is on Wednesday 24 May. If you have any matters that you feel should be brought to the attention of the Committee then talk to the Secretary now.

# INTERCLUB TEAMS

Newcastle, Maitland, Toronto, Central Coast, Central Coast Leagues and Brisbane Water Bridge Clubs have combined to form an Interclub Teams League with an A Division and a B Division. To play in B Division players must be State Master rank or lower. Seven matches will be played over twenty-eight boards in two fourteen board sets. Our club will be entering teams in both Divisions watch the noticeboard for further details.

## CONGRATULATIONS.

At Newcastle Congress (8/9 April) - Jacob Bording and Bill Thomson came second in one of the Pairs Consolations; Dorothy Maclean, Adele Mills, John White and Irma Heyting came equal fifth in the Teams; Phil Roche, Tudor Owen, Jill Lloyd and Bill Thomson won the prize for the most improved team.

## INTERESTING HANDS.

♠ AJT962	N	E	S	W	This hand occurred one Monday night recently and. Once again, I missed the chance to distinguish myself. I was sitting North and the bidding proceeded as shown.
♥ 6		1C	P	1H	
♦ JT765	X	2H	3S	P	
♣ 3	4S	P	P	P	
♠ 74	♠ 3				

Although it is obvious now, I did not stop to consider the true significance of my wife's jump to THREE spades and made the lazy bid of four spades. The obvious bid (now) by me is four hearts which in our system agrees spades as the trump suit and shows second round control or better in hearts. This would have initiated a cue bidding sequence and we would have probably finished up in six spades. CM

Another oddball hand occurred later in the evening. My wife, sitting South, opened the bidding with 2S, RHO asked the meaning and I explained that it showed at least six spades with two of the top four honours and less than eleven points. RHO then bid 3H and I considered my hand (QJ6542,87,AJ,A631 and the situation. We appeared to have a reasonable spade fit - or else Josie had given in to extreme tiredness and was unable to see her hand properly. Actually she had forgotten to bring her spectacles and had just consumed a large gin and small tonic so there was every possibility of an error having occurred. However it was 'trust your partner' night so I bid 4S, LHO bid 5H and Josie bid 5S which became the final contract. This was duly made for another average - but I was right in one respect. Josie had the opportunity to make six due to a mis-defence and score an outright top - extreme tiredness had set in and the opportunity was missed. CM.

Bill Thomson reports the following hand from the Newcastle Teams:

I was dealt AK,void,AKQJxx,AKQJx and my partner gave the usual negative response to my game force opening. However, I asked for aces and partner had one. Now what? I gambled on 7NT and guess what?? - the opening lead was a small heart!!! As it turned out partner did have the diamond ten as an entry. No doubt the 7D contract at the other table was safer but I'm well known as a gambler. BT.

## WINNERS CIRCLE.

### MONDAY

3/4 A Mills. P Berzins  
G Steel & A Luckham

10/4 P Roche & J Furedy  
Z Overhall & G Winder

17/4 J Funnell & P Morris  
P Rosser & S Morris

24/4 J Funnell & P Morris  
P Berzins & J White

### THURSDAY

6/4 Z Overhall & C McKellar  
A & G Harvey  
A Griffin & J Broad  
M Hobbs & T Owen

13/4 P Roche & J Rushbrook  
M Jameson & T McVey

20/4 H Kasius & T Owen  
G Clarke & M Charles

27/4 G & R Pooley  
E & A Coyle  
H Kasius & T Owen  
C McKellar & Z Overhall