



# *Trump·It*

## *Arana Bridge Club Newsletter*

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### From The President



#### Covid-19 Update

Queensland Health has relaxed the requirement for double vaccination. However, as we are playing bridge with many elderly members who are more vulnerable, the club committee has decided that double vaccination will still be required to allow playing bridge.

Please bring your own cup and the morning tea will be provided.

The tablecloths are back but we need volunteers to wash them regularly. Please see a committee member if you would like to be included on the roster.

During discussion between members, I became aware that some members said that we can afford to employ a tea lady because the club has money in the bank. This is true but, by law, we have to have a sinking fund. This is a fund to cover the cost of repair and upgrade of capital cost. Every 5 years a new report will be done to advise the club how much we have to put into the sinking fund each year.

We have been successful with our flood grant (\$5000) which will go towards repair of our leaking roof.

The outcome of the application for a grant for the replacement of the Bridgemates will take more time.

The GNOTS this year were very successful with 26 tables on 3 Fridays. On the last Friday our local member, Steven Toomey, made a surprise visit and presented the winning Rohde team with a box of goodies.

We've had complaints about members using too much perfume or strong deodorant. Please refrain from using too much of those products as some of our members are allergic to them.

I am looking forward to the June Congress. Pairs are on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June and Teams on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June. Please put in an entry and enjoy your bridge.

The Committee would like to offer condolences to Pam Horton on the death of her husband. We're thinking of you, Pam.

Robert van Beest                      President

### Masterpoint Movements

Congratulations to the following members on their recent promotions:

Club	Cherylyn Rigney
Local	Jeanett Mutzelburg
Bronze Local	Joan Mackay
	Merv Parmenter
	Andrew Renton
Silver Local	Robyn Woodrick
State	Anna Green
Bronze State	John Hull
National	Kay Lehmann

**Robert Matthew (MP Sec)**



## Beginner Lessons

Beginner lessons commenced on **Saturday 23 April**. **Kit Clarke** is the teacher.

**Welcome to our bridge club.** We hope to see you soon playing on Thursday afternoons and then at other sessions.

Pictured are our potential new members.



New sessions of bridge lessons are scheduled to commence on 9 July 2022.

## Partner Request

If you require a partner, Natalie Bloch is the Club Contact. Either email [aranabridgeclub.partnerrequest@gmail.com](mailto:aranabridgeclub.partnerrequest@gmail.com) or

ring or text Natalie on **0402 255 020**. Please **do not** leave a voice message. Natalie will then send an email to all the members whose email addresses are on our club's database. No names will be published, just information about points.

Please keep this partner request alive and working. We would really encourage players just out of lessons to initiate a partner request. A lot of experienced players will be happy to do some "coaching".

## Call the Director

We are frequently 'sanitising' during COVID and there seems to be more occasions of revokes occurring. Perhaps 'sticky cards' can contribute to this.

Revokes are dealt with in Laws 61 to 64, which are quite detailed, so it is always a good idea to call the director. I would like to discuss a couple of issues.

### Establishment of a Revoke

A revoke becomes established when the revoking SIDE plays to the next trick.

Up until this happens, the revoking side may declare the revoke, and correct their play.

The revoker is not obliged to admit the revoke. However, it will often be simpler to fix the mistake immediately. There may not be the need for any penalty.

If Declarer has revoked, this is simply fixed by withdrawing the card, and replacing it with the correct suit. No penalty card for declarer, or Dummy. If either Defender calls the revoke before it is established, then the revoking card simply becomes a Major penalty card, which may not cause too much of a problem. It will need to be played immediately if the offender is on lead, otherwise, if partner is leading, there may be lead directions.

### Dealing with an established revoke.

If the revoke has been established, then this trick will be transferred to the other side if won by the revoker.

A second trick will also be transferred from the **side** that has revoked. [Maximum penalty: 2 tricks].

If the offender has not won any trick after the revoke, but partner has, then in this case the trick is taken from the partner.

**When the above trick transfer is insufficient.**

On occasions, not often thankfully, the Director will need to assess if the revoke has caused more damage. Please explain carefully if you feel that the revoke has caused more damage than the above trick adjustment.

A recent example had Declarer drawing trumps, on the second draw of trumps a defender failed to play. This 4/1 deal of trumps complicated the play of trumps as the fourth trump was the Jack. Declarer, with a second suit, was concerned with losing control. This was definitely something for the Director to sort out, and an adjusted score was awarded.

**Robyn Grills**

**Introducing new members – Kay and Barry Lehmann**

*Barry and I have recently moved from Townsville to Brisbane to be closer to family. It has been quite an experience to move after 43 years in the north. The weather has been interesting to say the least. In Townsville we weathered cyclone Yasi but that was several days of lots of wind and rain then sunshine and a clean-up. Here we have had about 2 metres of rain since January and we're still waiting for the sunshine.*

*For 13 years we lived a few hundred metres from the bridge club in Townsville, but didn't start to play until we had shifted to Alligator Creek about 25km to the south. By then, our children had finished school and had left home. After I retired from Townsville Grammar School I did the director's exam and have been directing weekly at the club.*

*I am an enthusiastic lawn bowler and Barry enjoys spending time planning and constructing on the property where we live.*

*We are enjoying playing at Arana Bridge Club and thank everybody for their welcome to us.*

**Kay and Barry Lehmann**



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**Walking El Camino de Santiago**



I enjoy playing bridge and I have been a member of Arana Bridge Club for approximately 13 years. My other interest is walking.

I have walked several trails – Kosciusko, Cinque Terre and the Ridgeway in England.

My most memorable walk was El Camino de Santiago or the Way of St James. People walk El Camino for different reasons – religious, to get away from the modern world, to find enlightenment...

In April 2002 I was recovering from a serious illness and my son was visiting from Canberra.




He suggested that we both walk El Camino. We started at St Jean Pied de Port and continued walking for about 4 weeks until we reached Santiago de Compostella. We stayed at refuges (hostels) along the way, meeting lots of other pilgrims from around the world. I even met an Australian girl who attended All Hallows at the same time as my son was at Gregory Terrace.

There was a great sense of camaraderie amongst us all. Our Pilgrim's passports were stamped at different locations along the way. We even came across a fountain offering free wine!

We walked through Pamplona - a beautiful town with cobbled streets, beautiful churches and buildings. It is most famous for the festival of San Firmin during the first two weeks of July with the "running of the bulls".

The ending was very emotional and I felt a sense of achievement at completion of my journey. I have lots of photos and beautiful memories from my experience.

**Alda Pennisi**



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ABF Members' Travel Insurance is live and ready to go.



## Membership Update

Each year at the end of March the ABF is advised of membership affiliations from Arana. For **non-renewing** Arana home members the ABF will change your ABF membership status to 'lapsed'. Please check around mid-April, the ABF Masterpoints web site that your membership is current, ie not 'lapsed'.

In the case where you've paid your membership fee (\$47) this year and your ABF status is 'lapsed' please email the club or phone the Treasurer.

**Sue Norton**

## Coming Events

- **4<sup>th</sup> June** Arana Congress: X-Imp Pairs
- **5<sup>th</sup> June** Arana Congress: Swiss Teams
- **22 June** Wednesday Pairs – 2 week event. Members only.
- **9 July** Bridge Lessons commence at 10 am
- **22 July** Friday Pairs – 2 week event. Members only.

**BREAKING**

**NEWS**

### Novice Pairs Results

Novice Pairs competition was played on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May. Winners were:

**North-South**

1. Linda and Peter Neil
2. Barbara Sheppard and Ray Derbyshire

**East-West**

1. Perry Morgan and Andrew Sokolowski
2. Jane Easton and Merv Parmenter

Congratulations to the winners and players. Thank you to Convenor Dawn Benes

## Humour Corner

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