



# ARANA

## Contract Bridge Club Inc

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### Silver 25 YEARS Jubilee



The Arana Carollers

### From the President

2010 finished on a positive note with a healthy surplus and a number of new members.

The Christmas party was great- everyone having a good time and a lot of good food.

The choir once again put on a great act.

The day ran very smoothly under Val Cran's guidance. Peter Anderson provided lots of goodies with proceeds from raffles.

I want to thank everyone for all the help during the year. So many members donated their time and talents. Without them the club could not function. Lorraine Steele deserved her title of "Member of the Year". It was a big effort contacting members we have not heard of for a while.

The committee has been great. Thanks all- especially Tony who is always there if needed.

The Annual General Meeting is coming up. (Tues day 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb.) We need new people on the

committee - with new ideas and enthusiasm. To keep the club vibrant, a new president would be ideal. Think about it! The last set of lessons was very successful with 6 or 7 new members from that lot. Thanks, Jo.

We welcome the Toowong players who are temporarily without a clubhouse. Visitor's fees are waived for the duration.

**Val Acklin**

#### Positions Vacant:

1. **President**
2. **Committee Members.** Members are invited to nominate for the 2011 committee. Please consider if you have something to contribute to the operation of the club. New talent is encouraged.

### Director's Corner

#### Partnering a beginner

Experienced Bridge players are to be commended for partnering new players. However, it is important that they should play the basic system which is presented on the beginner's system card.

A beginner's early days of play are so important for their future at the club. It is helpful to have a more experienced player to partner them, to guide and assist them in gaining confidence and understanding of the theory they have learned in their lessons. Premature alteration to their system card causes confusion, and worse - often discourages the player from continuing playing.

Give the beginner plenty of time to consolidate their play, before introducing any changes to their system.

**Val Cran**

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## Master Point Movements

New Rankings for Arana Home Club members for the period to 30<sup>th</sup> January 2011.

### **Graduate Master**

Ed Choroszynski, Francina Tipman,  
Jill Warnecke, Jim Webster, Joyce Maris,  
Ross Shardlow, Bruce Hansen

### **Club Master**

Ruth Anderson, Perry Morgan,  
Gerri Hodgson, Norma Hansen

### **Local Master**

Alexander Croot, Odette Valmas

### **\*Local Master**

Jenny Walker, Ian Franklin, Lynley Mason,  
Alda Pennsi, Sobana Ponniah

### **\*\*Local Master**

Lorraine Paterson, Peter Anderson,  
David Reller, Andrew Sokolowski

### **Regional Master**

Beth O'Reilly, Ann Wood

### **\*Regional Master**

John Martin

### **State Master**

John Black

### **\*State Master**

Judith Carr, Judy Wilkinson, Mary Ewing,  
Mary Gillies

### **National Master**

Allan Box

## Hervey Bay Competition

A team comprising Ann Wood(c), Lorraine Steele, Barbara Love and Patti Hamilton entered a contest held at Hervey Bay. The team's starting position was 22/22. When the competition concluded the team had reached 4/22. They won their own level and the next level up and overall came fourth. Congratulations!

## Briefly

1. Members are needed to be **stand-by partners** for the **Monday evening** and **Saturday afternoon** sessions. Please put your name on the stand-by list or see Judy Carr or Lorraine Steele if you are interested in being a stand-by partner.

2. The Web site for the club is [www.arnabridgeclub.com](http://www.arnabridgeclub.com). The site provides a

lot of information about the club. Upcoming events and results are also shown.

### 3. Upcoming events:

March 23 - GNOT - 3 week event

April 17 - Club Teams Championship

April 19 - GNP -3 week event.

## New Year's Eve Celebrations

New year's eve 2010 at Arana was a "Bridge. Games and Party Night". Twenty-three people arrived armed with plates of food and BYO drinks.

A few more pieces of the massive jig-saw Puzzle were put in place. There were 3 tables of Bridge; 1 table for "500" , a "Sequence" table; 1 Scrabble table and one Cribbage table.

We sang "Auld Lang Syne" and watched the fireworks on TV at midnight. A few of our visitors suggested that we encourage more similar evening throughout the year.

Val and I hope this will be the first of many such New Year's Eve celebrations at Arana.

**Lorraine Steele**

## Important Phone Numbers

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Results	<a href="http://www.arnabridgeclub.com">www.arnabridgeclub.com</a>
President: Val Acklin	3851 3099
Vice President: Gary Lynch	3300 9472
Secretary: Tony Agar	3851 1362
Treasurer: Gay Hull	3300 2050
Committee Members:	
Jan McRobbie	3355 2425
Terry Nowitzki	3851 3363
Carole Vardy	3366 5397
Gordon Broadley	3351 3091
Judy Carr	3351 5914

## Need a Partner????

Monday a.m. Carole Vardy	3366 5397
Monday p.m. Ray Cowie	3359 6162
Tuesday a.m. Helen McLauchlan	3262 9024
Wednesday p.m. David Lehmann	3205 7216
Friday a.m. Lorraine Steele	3351 6173
Saturday Val Cran	3300 1441

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## Reminders

**Parking** Please remember to leave the 2 parking bays nearest the clubhouse free for those who require them.

**Perfume** Some people react to strong perfumes and after-shave lotions. Please be considerate to others in this regard.

## For your amusement

The **Washington Post's Mensa Invitational** once again invited readers to take any word from the dictionary, alter it by adding, subtracting, or changing one letter, and supply a new definition.

**\*\* Here are some of the winners \*\***

1. **Cashtration:** The act of buying a house, which renders the subject financially impotent for an indefinite period of time.
2. **Intoxicaton:** Euphoria at getting a tax refund, which lasts until you realize it was your money to start with.
3. **Reintarnation:** Coming back to life as a hillbilly.
4. **Bozone:** The substance surrounding stupid people, that stops bright ideas from penetrating.
5. **Giraffiti:** Vandalism spray-painted very, very high.
6. **Sarchasm:** The gulf between the author of sarcastic wit and the person who doesn't get it.
7. **Inoculatte:** To take coffee intravenously when you are running late.
8. **Osteopornosis:** A degenerate disease.
9. **Decafalon:** The gruelling event of getting through the day consuming only things that are good for you.
10. **Glibido:** All talk and no action.

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Everyone tells me how much they enjoy reading the articles about club members but no-one will volunteer their biography. Come on people... don't be too shy or modest. We need you to contribute. You all have a story to tell... please share with us! "Trump It" will continue bi-monthly. It needs a new editor... Anyone????? See Val Acklin.

I got my son an **i phone** for his birthday the other week and recently gave my daughter an **i pad** for hers. I was really chuffed when the family clubbed together and bought me an **i pad** for father's day. I got my wife an **i ron** for her birthday.... which was when the fight started!

**Sign spotted outside a church:**

**Honk if you love Jesus....**

**Keep on texting while you drive if you want to meet him!**

.... And a few questions ....

If a deaf child signs swear words, does his mother wash his hands with soap?

If someone with multiple personalities threatens to kill himself is it considered a hostage situation??

Is there another word for Synonym??

What do you do if you see an endangered animal eating an endangered plant?

Can vegetarians eat animal crackers?

And lastly...Why do they put Braille on the drive through bank teller machines??

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## Thea Lundberg

22<sup>nd</sup> January 1950 – 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2011

*It took a long time to learn, but life is what you make of it yourself.  
You can try to be as good as other people at things, but you are yourself,  
and not them.*

*So, it is best to find what you like to do and what you are good at and then  
Find people with similar interests.*

*Trust the people who love you the most.*

*Spend time with people who make you happy.*

*Help those people who you can to be better people.*

**Thea Lundberg**



Thea Lundberg was three years old when her family migrated from Holland to Australia.

She was one of 10 children.

A single mother to Teresa and Damian, Thea worked for many years as a radiographer at the Royal Brisbane Hospital.

She enjoyed holidaying with family and friends and her Family Church group. And of course playing Bridge!

She was diagnosed with ovarian cancer six years ago and fought a brave battle. She was a friend to many and will be sadly missed.

**Ann Giesberts**

**Please support those who support  
our club:- AVEO; IGA Brookside;  
and Arana Leagues club.**