



Gold Coast Bulletin

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Rewind those scores

Qualifying scores were posted at midnight on Sunday. Whatever you think about the merits of scoring across the field, the results were certainly out quickly.

However, a software glitch gave some pairs the wrong carryforward so corrected results appeared an hour later. There might have been some elated or miffed pairs this morning.

Take a tip from Steve

The Pairs finals are underway. If you're trailing the field, take heart from skater Steve Bradbury. If the 27 pairs in front of you fall over, you get the gold!

Usual warnings

Make sure your partnership has two identical ABF system cards.

People who allow their mobile phones to ring during a session will be garotted or fined half a top, blowing out to 3 VPs in the Teams.

Yesterday's slams

Pairs Q1, Bd 22

E/EW ♠ Q10 2

♥ 8 6 5 2

♦ 10

♣ A Q 10 9 8

♠ J

♥ A J 9 7 4 3

♦ Q J 5 3

♣ 7 3

♠ A 6

♥ K Q 10

♦ A 9 8 7 6 4 2

♣ J

♠ K 9 8 7 5 4 3

♥ —

♦ K

♣ K 6 5 4 2

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Simons	Bach	Rosmarin	Del'Monte
2♥	Dbf	1♦	1♠
3♦	3♠	4♥	4♠
5♥	No	6♥	6♠
No	No	7♦!	Dbf
End			

Hard not to double on this auction but when Ish chose to lead a spade, Riva Rosmarin calmly ruffed a spade, played the ♦Q to the ace and claimed for the usual +2330. Anyone got a postcode book?

Tuesday Night Seafood

Smorgasbords at Café Carinya, ANA or Patio Restaurant, GCI.

If you plan to attend you need to purchase your ticket from Gerald Schaaf or Noeline Rossiter at their function desks at the ANA and GCI. \$27 per person (subsidised to about \$10 by the Congress) includes a glass of wine. Tickets are not transferrable between the two venues and numbers are limited at both venues.

Please arrange to arrive between 5 and 6pm so that you can easily return to the bridge tables for the 8pm start.

Did you bid and make this 6♣?

Pairs Q1, Bd 13

N/Both ♠ A K Q 9 4

♥ 9

♦ A 8 3 2

♣ K 9 4

♠ J 6 3

♠ 10 8 2

♥ K 10 8 5 2

♥ Q J 6

♦ Q J 10 6 5

♦ K 9

♣ —

♣ Q 7 6 5 3

♠ 7 5

♥ A 7 4 3

♦ 7 4

♣ A J 10 8 2

6NT has no play but Theo Antoff played 6♣ from North on the ♥Q lead. He won dummy's ♥A, ruffed a heart then cased the ♠K.

Things looked grim but East had to follow to the three top spades and was forced to ruff the fourth one.

Then came a heart ruff and the fifth spade, repeating the dose. Declarer made dummy's 5 clubs, 2 red aces, 3 spades and 2 heart ruffs for +1370.

Gold Coast Pairs

Mon	1.30 & 8 pm	Finals Rds 1 & 2
Tue	10.30 - 12.30	Teachers' Seminars on 4th floor Lorraine Harkness & Mike Pomfrey. \$5.
	1.30	Finals Rd 3
	5.30 pm	Carinya / Patio dinner, tickets from Level 2

Gold Coast Teams (Senior & Restricted Tms at GCI)

Tue	8 pm	Swiss Rds 1 & 2, 2 x 14 bds
Wed	9.15	Walk-in Pairs (\$10)
	10 am	Directors' workshop on 4th Floor
	1.30 & 8 pm	Swiss Rds 3 - 6
Thu	10.30 & 3.30	Swiss Rds 7 - 10, don't sleep in
	9 pm	Semi-finals start, night off for the rest of us
	10 pm ?	Speedball !
Fri	10 am ?	Semis continue
	12.30	Swiss Rds 11 & 12, finishing at 5 pm
	1.30 ?	Final starts
	8 pm	Vu-graph, last 20 boards of final
Sat	9 to 9.30	ANA Shield starts, walk-in, 9.30 cut-off
	7.30 for 8 pm	Dinner/Dance

This mixup in the Carinya ended happily:

Carinya Pairs, Bd 28

W/NS ♠ 7
♥ A10 5 3 2
♦ K J 9 6
♣ K 5 3

♠ K 3 2 ♠ Q10 9 6 5 4
♥ 8 7 ♥ 9 6
♦ A 4 ♦ 7 5
♣ Q10 9 8 7 2 ♣ J 6 4
 ♠ A J 8
 ♥ K Q J 4
 ♦ Q10 8 3 2
 ♣ A

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
	Wolinski		Sharbanee
2NT *	Dbf	No	4♦
No	4NT	No	5♥
No	6♥	End	

Impressive-looking slam bidding by this mother-daughter combination in the face of West's random pre-empt in a minor.

In fact, both were responding to Blackwood! Millie took 4♦ as RKC in diamonds and showed her two key cards, then daughter Denise did likewise, showing *her* two key cards. Both were tempted to try seven with their undisclosed super support for partner's heart suit!

Hospitality

We look forward to sharing a drink with as many as possible through the event. The sites will be the Tilba rooms (2nd floor, ANA) and, at the GCI, the Moreton Room, also on the second floor. Come along following the afternoon session of play on the appropriate day shown. To break up the numbers try, as best you can, to make your visit as indicated.

<i>Day</i>	<i>Captain's Name</i>
Monday	D to J
Wednesday	K to Q
Thursday	R to Z

Calling Prospective Teachers

On Tuesday morning at 10.30, Lorraine Harkness, President of Australian Bridge Teachers' Association, will give a talk on short courses for beginners.

Then Englishman Mike Pomfrey will give a talk, aimed at prospective teachers and keen players.



*Start horsing around.
This week marks Chinese New Year. We're coming into the year of the horse so get to it.*



*Surf & Rescue Services Club
Mark Centre, Orchid Ave*



Here's a question for Mike Pomfrey:

Who, in 1918, became Czechoslovakia's first president?

Like Tony Jackman, I'm glad the EBU team is back. We wouldn't want a pom-free event. Bet he's heard that before.

Carinya Walk-In Winners

These pairs receive dinner vouchers from sponsoring restaurants. If you don't have yours yet, collect it at the ANA/GCI function desks. There were 91 tables, predictably up from 79 last year, 71 the year before.

C McKenzie - J Shannon	59.7
H Baker - V Logan	58.3
J Snowden - N Silcock	67.6
M Darley - K Poole	66.0
C Ritter J Griffin	58.1
B Hirst - J Hassett	62.0
J Abbenbroek - M Aikin	61.1
H Melbourne - M Pomfrey	62.0
V Goldberg S Gerdan	59.3
K Schwabegger - K Daws	69.0
G Bilski B Noble	61.3
B Abraham S Hurwitz	61.8
S Brown G Freeman-Greene	59.7
B & H Jeffery	60.0
T Strickland I Afflick	65.6
S Kelso - M Wilkinson	60.7
T Hutton - T Jackman	60.1
T & E Berger	57.7

Postfree Bridge Books

The bookstall is at the GCI this year and open most days, from 12.30 to 1.30 and 5.30 to 8pm.

Check out Paul and Denise's vast array of books and software.

Table tally

Number in the ANA bar at 3am Monday morning:

0 (the bar closed early)



*Rusty Pelican Seafood
Cnr Elkhorn & Orchid*



*Billy's Beach House
Cnr Hanlon & The Esplanade*

Smoking

AT the ANA, it used to be okay to smoke in the foyer outside the playing area on Level 2, but no more.

The balcony is the place to go or downstairs at the bar.

Appeals Advisers

If you get a ruling you don't like, have a word to one of the Appeals Advisers before you start legal proceedings. They are Sean Mullamphy and Arie Geursen

Riddles from Coleta

My life can be measured in hours.
I serve by being devoured.
Thin, I am quick;
Fat, I am slow.
Wind is my foe.
What am I?

What is soft as can be but harder than all;
Can cut like a knife or write on a wall;
Can shine as the day or be black as the night;
Can divide us asunder, or be used to unite?

"Play Bridge"

A Workbook for the Absolute Beginner

was launched by its author, **Joan Butts**, QBA Official Bridge Teacher, on Monday morning.

Copies will be available during the week

Who is the only person to win two Nobel prizes?

If you're interested, today is Enzo Ferrari's birthday. He was born on 18th February, 1898.

Bites Restaurant

Orchid Avenue
(next to Costa D'Oro)

People watching is a popular pastime in Surfers, and Bites is the place to get started. A new arrival at the coast it has quickly become a favourite with tourists and locals alike.

Al fresco dining, delicious seafood, steak and pasta served promptly by courteous staff at very reasonable prices. The food is light and fresh with wicked spaghetti including the flavours of the sea such as pan sealed prawns, freshly marinated seafood's and Moreton bay bugs in a light tomato base sauce. There are also supremely tender steaks served with a variety of sauces. Robustly recommended for the Bridge fanatic.

Quick bites are available for hasty diners and lazy lunches.

Tel: 5538 8931

Review by Cheryl Simpson

Sponsoring Restaurants

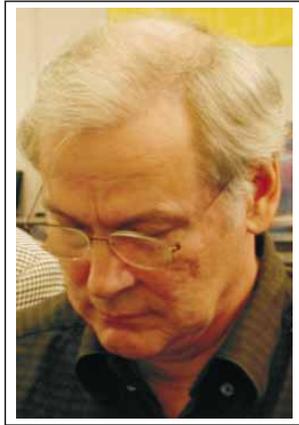
Carinya section winners get dinner for two at one of these:

Bavarian Haus	Cavill / GC Hwy	5592 0882
Beachhouse Café	Esplanade/Hanlon	5531 5666
Bites	Orchid Ave	5538 8931
Carinya Café	ANA Ground floor	5579 1000
Costa D'Oro	27 Orchid	5538 5203
D'Arcy Arms	2923 Gold Coast Hwy	5592 0882
La Paella	3114 Gold Coast Hwy	5527 5940
La Rustica	3118 Gold Coast Hwy	5570 1153
Patio Seafood	GC International	5592 1200
Royal Thai	Centrepont 3290 GC Hwy	5538 0205
Rusty Pelican	Elkhorn / Orchid	5570 3073
Search & Rescue Club	Mark Centre, Orchid Ave	5526 8500
Tandoori Place	GC Hwy/Trickett	5592 1004
Waves, Watermark Hotel	3032 Gold Coast Hwy	5588 8333



Corner Cavill & Gold Coast Hwy





PO Sundelin

This is Per Olof (PO) Sundelin, World Life Master, 3rd in three world championships, twice European champion, etc.

A bridge globe-trotter, he has played in 30+ countries but surprisingly this is his first visit to Australia.

He played in the recent NEC Cup in Tokyo as part of the E-Bridge team. His partner here is Erwin Otvosi, they will play the teams with Joan Butts and Ellie Spiro. PO also coaches national teams. Currently he is helping the Japanese Women's team and the Croatian Open team.

Not enough to double?

Qual 2, Bd 20

W/Both ♠ K Q
 ♥ A 8 7 5 3 2
 ♦ J 6
 ♣ K 7 2

♠ 10 8 6 4 3 ♠ 9
 ♥ — ♥ K Q J 10 9 6
 ♦ A Q 9 8 2 ♦ K 7 4 3
 ♣ A 10 4 ♣ Q 8

♠ A J 7 5 2
 ♥ 4
 ♦ 10 5
 ♣ J 9 6 5 3

One way for EW to do well is to bid and make 5♦ for +600. There is another way – take North's 3♥ six off.

West opens 2♠ (spades and another), as people do these days and North overcalls 3♥ as nobody should do.

Some Easts passed "in case they run" while others passed for a more obscure reason. For them, double of 3♥ would be the dreaded "pass or correct". Serves them right.

ABF Alert Regulations

Alert by circling partner's call and saying "Alert" but don't offer an explanation unless asked (then aim to be concise, yet complete).

Don't alert these 'self-alerting' calls:

- any double or redouble
- any call beyond 3NT
- a bid in a suit **bid** by an opponent

At the end of the auction, the declaring side should offer an explanation of any 'self-alerting' calls.

Do alert:

- all other conventional calls (including Stayman)

Note: This natural-sounding bid:

2♥ = hearts & a minor

is conventional because it conveys a meaning other than a desire to play in hearts.

- 'unusual' natural bids

These include: weak jump shift responses, pre-emptive jump raises, inverted minors, canapé tendency, negative free bids, transfer accepts that deny four trumps, etc.

Pre-alerts

The Pre-alerts section of your system card should include 'unusual' self-alerting calls, such as a double of 1NT that shows a 1-suiter; lack of negative doubles.

Also list methods that may require a prepared defence – complex defences to 1NT or a strong club; RCO Twos; transfer pre-empts; etc.

If partner stuffs up

If partner fails to alert or misexplains, wait till the end of the **auction** before calling the Director and correcting. If your side ends up defending, wait until the end of the **hand** before pipping up.

If you stuff up

Call the Director as soon you realise, then correct your error. The Director might allow your opponents to change their last calls, or award an Adjusted Score.

Qualifiers to the Pairs Final

North-South	
T Nunn - M Wilkinson	62.8
M Cornell - M Mayer	62.6
J & C Rothfield	62.2
R Klinger - B Neill	61.8
I Del'monte - A Bach	60.4
B Hirst - J Hassett	59.4
N Giura - N Hughes	59.4
N Maclaurin - K Berry	58.9
H Melbourne - M Pomfrey	58.8
V Goldberg - S Gerdan	57.6
C Baker - J De Ravin	57.6
J Lenart - J Davidson	57.5
S Konig J Wallis	57.4
N Francis - J Rose	57.3

East-West

R Parker - P Hainsworth	63.9
L Gold - G Malinas	63.7
G Gaspar - A Halmos	62.2
L Lowe - R Urpeth	61.7
B Tier - I Price	60.7
S Smith - E Erichsen	60.4
P Gumbo - W Lazer	60.2
E Caplan - P Lambardi	59.3
D Beauchamp - P Fordham	59.3
S Bock - L Grewcock	59.1
D Weston - D McDonald	58.9
T Kiss - P Livesey	58.4
B Hunt - N Van Jole	57.9
T Jacob - R Jedrychowsky	57.8

Another top field with a few roughies. Last year's winners snuck into the last EW place.

Contacting the Editors

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Fill out a "What happened" form if you can find one, throw it in a Bulletins Contribution box or hand it to a passing director.

We'll be in the ANA bar for half an hour after each session.