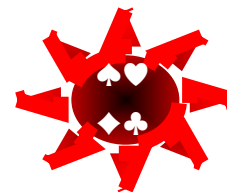




# Queensland Contract Bridge Club

## NEWSLETTER

### January - February 2006



#### NOTES FROM THE CHAIR

What a busy time of year this is, but not too busy to wish you all a great 2006. I will be away for a couple of weeks in January, but will still have my finger on the pulse through email.

Another great Christmas party held last month with 35 tables and oh what a feast of Christmas fare!

We saw the New Year in with a flourish with 14 teams competing in our usual event. Champagne supper and good company and as most of you have heard a good fairy overlooked the whole event.

QCBC came second to Northern Suburbs in the annual Interclub teams held in early December. We were all delighted with this result. We have for years chosen our three teams by selecting members who have contributed throughout the year in some way. The Club pays the entry fee and we feel this is one way of saying thank you. This year our teams were Claire Hyne, Ray Ellaway, Keith McDonald and myself; Maurie Cullen, Trish Tavuzzi, Jenny Williams and Ellen Meldrum; David O'Gorman, Margaret Melville, Jim Love and Barbara Bright. We all had a great day and some of us stayed and represented QCBC at the Annual General Meeting of the Brisbane Zone.

We had a communication from the Lord Mayor's office just before Christmas in response to my letter, advising that our plight was being considered and the Lord Mayor would be in touch in the New Year. More news next time.

Cheers  
MARION COOKE



#### CONGRATULATIONS

LIZ & KEVIN READ HAVE A BEAUTIFUL LITTLE GIRL - BELLA JANE



#### WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

WILF ALLEN  
DAVID APPLETON  
PATRICIA BACK  
PAUL COLLINS  
MARILYN BURGESS  
RICHARD DUCZMAL  
ELIZABETH & NEIL GIBSON  
JANICE & GABOR HILTON  
GRAHAM KLUPFEL  
NEVILLE LANGFORD  
JULIA LEUNG  
JAN & GARY MALINAS  
MALCOLM MOFFATT  
BEV POUFLIS



#### RESULTS:

**NEW YEARS EVE TEAMS**  
KIM AND RAY ELLAWAY, MARION COOKE AND MARION O'MALLEY

**NEW YEAR TROPHY**  
CLAIRE HYNE AND KEITH BISHOP

**WOMENS PAIRS IN CANBERRA**  
MARGARET MILLAR AND GREER TUCKER

**MIXED PAIRS IN CANBERRA** - PAUL GOSNEY AND HIS PARTNER

**ONE DAY PAIRS** - TONI BARDON AND PETER HAINSWORTH

**Congratulations to all of these winners!**



#### Please Note

THE CLUB WILL BE CLOSED ON TUESDAY NIGHT 21 FEBRUARY AND FRIDAY NIGHTS 18 & 25 FEBRUARY DURING THE GOLD COAST CONGRESS.



# COMING EVENTS

## BEGINNERS LESSONS

6 WEEK COURSES

MONDAY – 7.30PM – FEB 6  
FRIDAY – 10.30AM – FEB 17



## MINI BRIDGE

FREE – 2 WEEK INTRODUCTION TO BRIDGE  
FRIDAYS 3 & 10 FEBRUARY - 10.30 – 12.30

**NOVICE PAIRS** – SUNDAY FEB 12

**STAMP & COIN** – DAVID TEMPLE WILL BE AVAILABLE AT QCBC SATURDAY FEB 11 FROM 10AM TO 12.45 TO VALUE OR ADVISE ON YOUR COLLECTIONS. YOU CAN PHONE DAVID ON 0428 450 616 DURING THE DAY.

**PAM BROWN ROSEBOWL**

TUESDAYS 7.30PM – FEB 7 & 14

**MANILA & MUSGRAVE CUPS**

WEDNESDAYS – 10.30AM – FEB 1 & 8



Graduate Master      Barbara Bright  
                                 James Love  
                                 Kevin Read  
                                 Julie-Ann Redfern  
                                 Tony Treloar  
                                 Jeanne Welch

Club Master            Brian Butterfield  
                                 Chris Elmes  
                                 Elli Kadner

Local Master            Alan Cohn  
                                 Zoyrese Conoplia  
                                 Margaret McNaught  
                                 Lorraine Moulds  
                                 Mick Raises

\*Local Master           Betty Hoffie

\*\*Local Master        Lesley Miller  
                                 Michael Steer  
                                 Norma Williams

Regional Master        Karen Elmes  
                                 Roslyn Riley

\*Regional Master      Campbell Lane

\*State Master          Chris Bloomfield

National Master        Syd Solo

\*National Master      Katrina Hewings  
                                 Janette Lovell

Life Master              Jan Peach



### *Being Paroled on Norfolk Island*

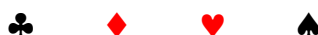


This is a Photo of Suzie Klinger, Pat Crowd, Ron Klinger and Maureen Calder in November 2005 on Norfolk Island



## SWISS PAIRS CONGRESS

QCBC RECENTLY HELD A SWISS PAIRS CONGRESS WITH BUTLER SCORING. WE WERE VERY HAPPY WITH THE THIRTY TABLES THAT PARTICIPATED. THERE IS A LOT OF WORK THAT GOES INTO A CONGRESS. THESE ARE JUST A





# A CONTACT SPORT

Although I love the game just as it is  
I'm sometimes seduced by the thought  
Of how indescribably good it would be  
If Bridge were a contact sport

I know this contravenes all that we know  
Of the spirit and laws of the game  
And if we made such a radical change  
The game would not be the same

But remember that feeling of rage you had  
When he trumped your beautiful Ace  
Then sat with a loathsome detestable smirk  
On his loathsome detestable face

And remember your helpless frustration  
When the play of the truly inept  
Robbed you of what you know you deserved  
Then they gloated while you sat and wept

Now imagine the rush of euphoric glee  
If at the end of each round  
You could legally target these creatures  
And pummel them into the ground.

I know that it doesn't sound gracious  
It doesn't sound terribly nice  
But let's get a grip, if you're playing Bridge  
You're closely acquainted with vice

The game involves dealing and scoring  
The laws describe turning of tricks  
I ask you, who in the world could object  
To occasional headbutts and kicks?

But quite a few players are gentle or frail  
And not really up to a tussle  
So in the interests of equity  
We'd allow them some substitute muscle

A number of players spring to my mind  
Who are perfect for playing a sub  
They're cranky, they're bulky, they're up for a fight  
There are dozens in every club

I know that this concept is brilliant  
But its time is not yet at hand  
And I probably have to resign myself

To behaviour that's proper and bland

But if we should meet at the table  
And my eyes have a gleam quite insane  
You'll know that I'm off in some fantasy world  
Inflicting incredible pain

Monica Pritchard

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Editor's Note: Hope you like the new 2006 logo on the newsletter. This newsletter is a little late because I have been having too much fun travelling to South Africa and Moreton Island. I am looking for players to profile so if you know an interesting bridge club member or, you are interesting, let me know and I will whip out the camera and you can write the story.

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Here is a Photo of the editor with Parrot (that really was his name!) at the Victoria Falls Safari Lodge in Africa recently.

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