



**BRIDGE CLUB**

**7NT**

*Keeping you up to date*

**OCTOBER 2020**



### MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT:

I'd like to share with you some photos of what happened to my garden while I was recuperating from my hip operation. Mind you, it didn't just happen!!! A lot of work went into it beforehand but you can see my love for flowers and gardens.

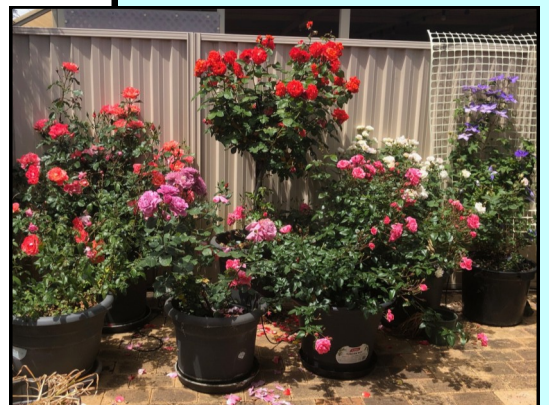
The club continued to run smoothly in my absence thanks to your committee headed by Cheryl. Thank you so much.

I have to remind you what a wonderful committee we have and we welcomed Helen Hansell onto it to assist the treasurer. She has been a great help and we thank you, Helen.

We are starting to get things ready for our Christmas lunch. At present we are only open to members. But things change so fast and we are hoping to have the full contingent as usual, including our partners. But we wait for that announcement as it's the numbers allowed in the club room that is holding us back.

We are seeing the number of players attending sessions grow. The 'Undergraduate with Members' on a Sunday is a success. I have 13 students in my class, some are already in the sessions, so there is hope for us in the future.

Please may it continue.  
That's all for now.  
Nicky



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# Raewyn Lewer

Sadly, the Rockingham Bridge Club lost a valued member in Raewyn Lewer.

She was a gentle lady showing concern and interest to all who came into her presence.

Raewyn contributed much to the Club in a variety of ways, but in particular as a bridge teacher and mentor.

I was personally taught by Raewyn, and I found her, at all times, extremely patient and caring. Her lessons were informative and interesting and presented in a clear, and succinct manner. She possessed a quiet sense of humour which was evident in her classes and generally as a club member and director.

In Raewyn's honour, Stephanie McGlew, a long-time bridge partner and former student of hers, instigated, with the Club, 'The Raewyn Lewer Trophy'. This inaugural event was held on 21st July. Kimberley Zhao & Alan Cransberg won the event with Raewyn's former students, Jen Green and Jean Dance, coming second. It was a request of Raewyn's to have cake for supper - she was a keen cook and often contributed sumptuous culinary delights for afternoon tea and supper. All future Raewyn Lewer Events will be celebrated with cake.

Raewyn lost her battle with cancer on 10<sup>th</sup> September, 2020. Her family donated to the Club her extensive library of bridge books as well as a multitude of notes and teaching materials.

*Vale Raewyn*



Teachers  
PLANT SEEDS OF  
Knowledge  
THAT GROW

## **RAEWYN'S YUMMY SAVOURY CHEESE MUFFINS**

### **INGREDIENTS**

1 tablespoon chopped celery  
1 tablespoon chopped capsicum  
 $\frac{3}{4}$  cup grated cheese  
2 cups plain flour  
Pinch of cayenne pepper  
4 teaspoons of baking powder  
 $\frac{1}{4}$  teaspoon salt  
1 egg, beaten  
50g butter melted  
 $1\frac{1}{2}$  cups of milk

### **METHOD**

- ◆ Put celery, capsicum and cheese into a bowl. Sift flour, cayenne, baking powder and salt into the bowl. Stir to combine.
- ◆ Quickly stir in egg, butter and milk.
- ◆ Spoon mixture into a greased muffin tray and bake at 200 for 15 minutes.



## My Story Wendy Pollock.

I was born in Christchurch NZ, a post war baby, and spent a difficult childhood there.

My parents split when I was only five years old so my only sibling, my older brother, was the man of our house. His passion, flying aeroplanes, took his life when I was only 13. This of course was devastating for me and my mother.



I was a rebellious child and only gained average marks at secondary school. After secondary school I went Nursing. I had a ball. I loved the work and study, I partied hard and I met my best mate, later to become my husband, Trevor. However, after 18 months of training I resigned to nurse my mother through to the end of her life when she died of cancer.

In 1966 Trevor and I married and later had three lovely children whom we are immensely proud of and they have given us five wonderful grandchildren.

We both began to play social and later club bridge which I became addicted to.

During this time, I could not settle and as an example of this, we have lived in 28 houses, owned 34 cars and travelled to over 60 countries. I must have been exceedingly difficult to live with.

We moved from New Zealand to Australia in 1982 but still could not settle. So, from there we lived in Sydney, Brisbane and back to Sydney.

I played bridge in Sydney.

We moved to Rockingham WA in 2007 where the first thing I did was join the Rockingham Bridge club. I could not live without it even though my play is not so good!

We are now proud to have become Australian citizens and after travelling to Africa, I began to change my thinking. I have heard it said that Africa gets in your blood. Well it certainly got into my blood. Ten years ago, I began a charity to care for and educate and love many Ugandan orphan children. I have worked extremely hard for these children - many now young adults.

I am so proud of my natural family and my Ugandan family. They are my life.

I could not have done what I have without the undying support of Trevor. although I am sure I drive him mad at times.

In the last five years I have been denied my adventure and travel somewhat as I have battled cancer, endured chemo and two rounds of radiation - but I will not give in.

Covid has restrained much of what we had intended for this last year and it has severely restricted my much needed fundraising for the charity. However, I did manage to complete a 21 k walk to raise money for Uganda.

I have been told at the bridge club that I hog the microphone and for that I apologize. Even though I am a bit out-spoken I am super loyal to my family, friends, my charity and the orphans and of course to the Rockingham Bridge Club.



# Upcoming Events

## November, 2020

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
30						1
2	3	4	5	6	7 Nedra Arnott Pairs	8
9	10	11 Cancer Morning Tea	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20 Individual Trophy	21	22 Rockingham Fremantle Comp.
23	24	25	26	27 Committee Meeting	28	29



## Congratulations

Alas, we did not have anybody qualify for the 70+% club this month. However, we did have some members who attained a grand slam. They were:

Wed 21/10/20 Joan Rickers & Michael Dawson - 7NT  
 Fri 2/10/20 Walter & Hilary Hall - 7NT



ABF Master Points Website:

<http://www.abfmasterpoints.com.au/helpranklist.asp>



**HOW CAN 7NT BE PLAYED FOR THIS HAND?**

'I played a deal on line as South and ended up with 3NT + 3 (490 points). The deal analysis page indicates that this deal can be played as 7NT'

'I re-tried several times, went straight to 7NT, but all attempts ended up as 7NT -1. West's ♠K is a serious problem that I failed to avoid.'

Suggest how this deal can be done as 7NT, with South as the contractor and West plays QC

♠ J2	Dir: N
♥ K7	Vul: None
♦ AQ97632	
♣ A7	
♠ K64	♠ 1083
♥ Q95	♥ J10643
♦ K10	♦ J8
♣ QJ1042	♣ 985
14	♠ AQ975
11 2	♥ A82
13	♦ 54
	♣ K63

♣	♦	♥	♠	NT	
N	3	7	3	6	7
S	3	7	3	6	7
E	-	-	-	-	-
W	-	-	-	-	-

**SOLUTION:**

Win the club lead in hand, cash the spade ace, take the diamond finesse, and play on diamonds, pitching spades.

Eventually, west has to unguard a round suit to keep the spade control, and now you have a double squeeze, with west controlling spades and one round suit, and east controlling both round suits.

Cash dummy's winner in the round suit controlled only by east, then return to hand with the heart king.

Now we've got to a standard double squeeze position; cash the last diamond, forcing east to unblock one suit, pitching the suit that east keeps.

West will be forced to let go the last guard to one of your suits, and your thirteenth trick has materialized.

**SOLUTION**

AC <sup>1</sup>	2S	QD	AD <sup>2</sup>
QC 5C	4S 3S	10D 8D	KD JD
3C	AS	4D	5D
2D	3D	6D	7D
6S 4H	4C 8S	10C 10S	JC 6H
5S	7S	9S	QS
7C <sup>3</sup>	KH	9D	7H
2C 8C	5H 3H	9H 10H	QH JH
KC	2H	6C	AH

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|--------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| JS                 | 1 Unblock the spade, crossing to dummy to take the diamond finesse.                                  |
| KS <sup>4</sup> 9C | 2 Now start cashing diamonds, discarding spades.                                                     |
| 8H                 | 3 Now we cash our spare winners, leaving an entry to dummy in the suit controlled by both opponents. |
- 4 West has to un-guard either hearts or spades. (Bridge Hand/Solution taken from Internet)

Lead



*...and the*

**WINNERS**

*are...*

## ROCKINGHAM BRIDGE CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP PAIRS



**The Rockingham Club Championships were held over a two week period.**

Rockingham Championship 1 (12<sup>th</sup> October)

Winners: Kimberley Zhao & Alan Cransberg

Rockingham Championship 2 (19<sup>th</sup> October)

Winners: Florence Maltby & Di Brooks

Overall Club Championship:

Winners: Kimberley Zhao & Alan Cransberg

Second Place: Florence Maltby & Di Brooks

Third Place: Betty & Ron Philpot





## ROCKINGHAM-MANDURAH COMPETITION



The Annual Rockingham-Mandurah Competition was held on 4th October.

Rockingham took the first place honours.

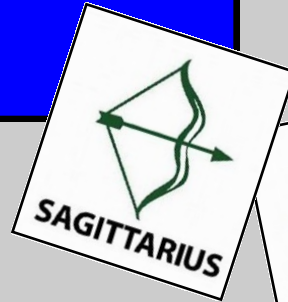
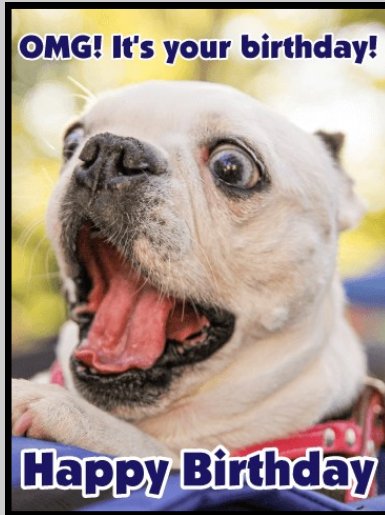
Top Pairs on the day were:

- 1st Di Brooks & Florence Maltby (R)
- 2nd Yvonne Mathews & Hilary Tunnard (R)
- 3rd Jane Ophorst & Rita Hood (R)
- 4th Mike & June Mulholland (M)





# BIRTHDAYS



*If You Were Born In*

*November, You ....*

Always have something new to say

Appreciate the little things in life

Are secretive

Have a dynamic personality

Know how to get what you want

Are patient

Are determined

Are tough

Know how to give good advice

Tend to learn lessons the hard way

## NOVEMBER

16 Clem Overheu

17 Robina McConnell

23 Peter Priestly



You are only young  
Once, but you can be  
Immature for a lifetime.

*Happy Birthday!*

# Janice's Jokes

## A THIEF IN PARIS PLANNED TO STEAL SOME PAINTINGS FROM THE LOUVRE



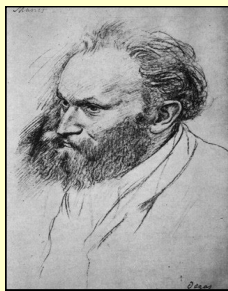
After careful planning, he got past security, stole the paintings, and made it safely to his van.

However, he was captured only a block away when his van ran out of gas.

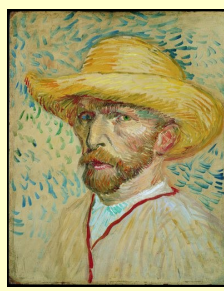
When asked how he could mastermind such a crime and then make such an obvious error, he replied, 'Monsieur, that is the reason I stole the paintings.'



I had no Monet



To buy Degas



To make the Van Gogh!!



I had De Gaulle to put this into 7NT



I figured I had nothing Toulouse!!!!

## Would You Believe It?

A wife asks her husband:

'Could you please go shopping for me and buy a carton of milk and if they have avocados, get six.'

A short time later the husband comes back with six cartons of milk.

The wife asks him, 'Why did you buy six cartons of milk?'

He replied, 'They had avocados.'

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WIFE: 'There is trouble with the car. It has water in the carburetor.'

HUSBAND: 'Water in the carburetor? That's ridiculous.'

WIFE: 'I tell you the car has water in the carburetor.'

HUSBAND: 'You don't even know what a carburetor is. I'll check it out., Where's the car?'

WIFE: 'In the river.'

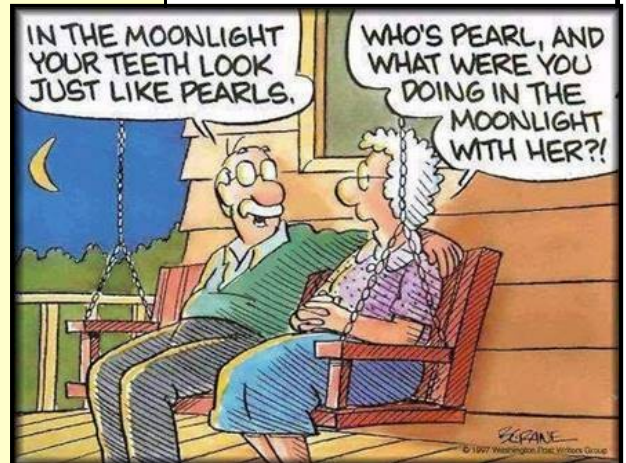
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Husband and wife had a tiff. Wife called up her Mum and said, 'He fought with me again, I am coming to live with you.'

Mum said, 'No darling, he must pay for his mistake. I am coming to live with you.'

## Today's Short Reading From the Bible?

From Genesis: 'And God promised men that good and obedient wives would be found in all corners of the earth.'

Then He made the earth round and He laughed and laughed and laughed!







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Please spread the word about Rockingham Bridge Club, we would love more new members.

You can sign up online now at:

<http://rockinghambridgeclub.com/>

## PLEASE CONTRIBUTE

Our club is diverse but our monthly newsletter doesn't always get all the best stories. If you have an ear for a story and would like to help these stories find an appreciative audience via our newsletter, then please join our newsletter group.

What's involved?

Keeping an ear, an eye and/or a nose out for a story that would be of interest to our members - could be profiling one of our volunteers or new members or old members. Compile a short easy-to-read story and ideally grab a photo to go with it. And send it in.

## Useful Links

[Club Website](#)  
[Club Calendar](#)  
[Club Results](#)  
[WA Bridge Association](#)  
[ABF Masterpoint Centre](#)