



July/Aug 2024

*Keeping you
informed*

Hello Everyone,

Another month is almost gone. Just 6 months more and it's Christmas. Di's suggestion: (Start Saving Now).

The Cancer Morning Tea was attended by 21 members. (Thank you for your support). Grateful thanks to Martin Hvlesseil for his work as Quiz Master. I had a day off, so I didn't have to do anything that day.

Winner of the Quiz: Pam Hughes

Winner of the Webber BBQ: Pat Hoson

Winner of the Hamper (IGA): Kaye Day

Winners of the Session: N/S Jane Ophorst & Kaye Day. E/W Christine Bacon and partner, Andrea McCallum.

Total raised on the day: \$900.00. Member donation \$900.00. Total \$1800.

As usual members were very generous with donations of cash, purchasing items and supporting the raffles. Big THANK YOUS to you all.

GNOT TEAMS Sunday 23rd June 2024

Winners; Hawker Team

Capt. Janice Hawker, Nicky O'Connell, Jenni Creedon and Jen Green

Runners-Up; Brooks Team

Capt. Di Brooks, Roz Davey, Nia Parker and Andrew Marsh

It was good to see the newer players participating in the event. Team play is a totally different scenario to normal bridge sessions. Well done to all players.

Grateful thanks go to Director, Eugene Wichems and to Roz Davey for the donation of 4 bottles of wine, given as prizes to the winners of the bridge session.

Happy Bridging,
Di Brooks, President



Friday 5th July Anniversary Lunch and Anniversary Pairs

Monday 15th July Bridge Lessons recommence

Friday 26th July Committee Meeting

Sunday 28th July Rockingham/Fremantle Challenge
(R'ham.)

Friday 16th August Winter Pairs

Friday 23rd August Committee Meeting

Monday 26th August Australia Wide Pairs

BAWA GNOT Finals Sat/Sun 10/11 Aug TBC (Melville)

Happy 45th birthday to the RBC

We have our 45th Anniversary Lunch on Friday the 5th July, 2024. We will start serving Lunch at 11.00 am, so please arrive from 10.30 am onwards.

This is a free lunch to honour our members.

Please put your name on the list provided on the table in the middle of the room, so we can order the food accordingly.

You do not have to stay and play that afternoon, just come and join us for the Lunch.

Big Cancer Morning Tea

By all accounts, it was a much-enjoyed event with an endless supply of beautiful yummy food.

Attendees took a little time to come to grips with the new Quiz Master, Martin, and wanted to go back to Di's questions, but I am told they settled and behaved well eventually and enjoyed the fun. Pam Hughes came first in the individual quiz. The Priestleys were back after a 72 day cruise looking well and relaxed.

Prize winners on the day were: Pat Hoson, the BBQ, Kaye Day, the Shoalwater IGA donation which she was delighted with and Helen Rogosky, the \$130 towards her dog's immunisation and vet check, which was generously donated by the Warnbro Vet on Safety Bay Road. Congratulations to all our winners.

Thank you for your support of the Cancer Council **Australia's Biggest Morning Tea**. Together, we raised \$900 on the day, with an additional anonymous matching donation from a member, the total amount raised reached **\$1,800**. Well done to everyone involved!

Thanks goes to everyone who donated, attended, brought food, helped set up, the Quiz Master Martin, and all those behind the scenes organising the day.

What are the odds of a hand like this?



North picked up this hand today!!!

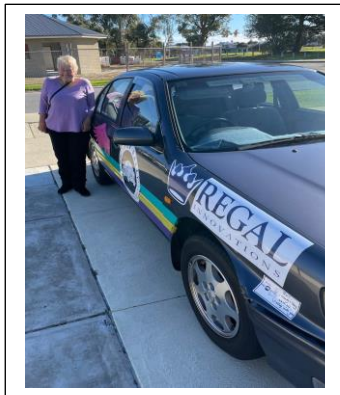
I don't think anyone had ever seen this perfect hand before. Hilary Hall took a photo of the people who called 7NT straight off!! These words from Nicky O'Connell.

WOW I hope you all thought to go out and buy a lottery ticket.



Betty Philpot, Jane Ophorst, Nicky O'Connell, Janice Hawker and the Scarlet Pimpernel aka Michael Dawson were the lucky bidders of the perfect 7NT hand on Friday 21st June the winter solstice.

Wendy Pollock's sh.t box vehicle.



Wendy with her maxima which I understand has clocked 380,000 kms. Having said that, Maximas are beautiful vehicles with wonderful suspension, according to my brother who used to sell them. I also owned one and it was a very comfortable drive.

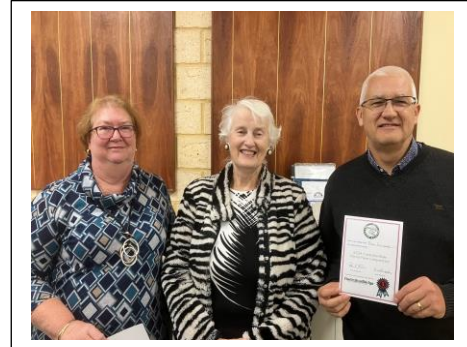
The event was inaugurated by James Freeman in 2009 in memory of his mother and father, who both died from cancer within a space of twelve months. His idea was to challenge men and women with a sense of adventure, to a roughly one-week drive across the country in an inexpensive motor vehicle, which would be sold by auction at journey's end.

The daunting challenge is done to raise funds for the Cancer. Shitbox rallies run multiple times a year and have raised a total of **\$46.3 million** since its inception.

We wish Wendy all the best in her endeavour and may the force be with her.

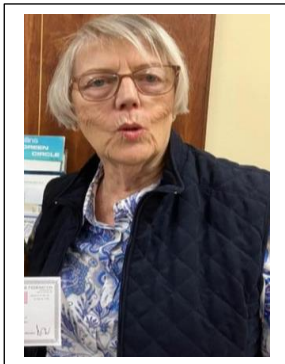
Winners in the Australia wide novice pairs at the Rockingham Bridge Club

Place	Result %	Pair Name	Green pts
1	82.0 56.94%	JENNI CREEDON - MIKE FULWOOD (3)	0.30
2	79.0 54.86%	NIA PARKER - LYN BOLTON (2)	0.15
2	79.0 54.86%	JENNY CHURCHILL - MICHAEL DAWSON (4)	0.15
2	79.0 54.86%	RICHARD USHER - CAMPBELL MCKENZIE (8)	0.15
5	76.0 52.78%	ROSEMARIE MCCASKIE - JOYCE LYON (7)	
6	69.0 47.92%	TREVOR POLLOCK - HAZEL BENNETT (9)	
6	69.0 47.92%	PAUL BENNETT - KAYE DAY (10)	
8	64.0 44.44%	ROY HUGHES - KERRIE KINGSTON (5)	



Congratulations to Jenni Creedon and Mike Fulwood winners of the Australia Wide Novice Pairs with 56.94%. Here with President Di Brooks.

Winners in the GNOT 23rd June



Jen Green, Nicky O'Connell, Janice Hawker (captain) and Jenni Creedon were the team winners on the day.

The Hawker Team were the winners of the GNOT, Sunday 23rd June.

Five tables competed on the day. Eugene Wichems was director and managed to use a five-table set up admirably, considering the fifth table was a late entry.

Roz Davey organised the day and donated 4 bottles of wine as a prize.

The day began relatively early with teams seated at 9.45 am. A welcomed lunch of osso bucco soup made by Nicky O'Connell was very well received and sustained everyone till a 4.00 pm finish.

Di Brooks was pleased some of the "newer members" take part on the day.



For the Opera Lovers

The following is an extract from a synopsis of Carmen, thoughtfully provided some years ago by the Paris Opera for the benefit of its English and American patrons :

Carmen is a cigar-makeress from a tabago factory who loves with Don José of the mounting guard. Carmen takes a flower from her corsets and lances it to Don José (Duet: 'Talk me of my mother'). There is a noise inside the tabago factory and the revolting cigar-makeresses bursts into the stage. Carmen is arrested and Don José is ordered to mounting guard her but Carmen subduces him and he lets her escape.

ACT 2. The Tavern. Carmen, Frasquita, Mercedes, Zuniga, Morales. Carmen's aria ('the sistrums are tinkling'). Enter Escamillio, a balls-fighter. Enter two smuglers (Duet: 'We have in mind a business') but Carmen refuses to penetrate because Don José has liberated from prison. He just now arrives (Aria: 'Slop, here who comes!') but hear are the bugles singing his retreat. Don José will leave and draws his sword. Called by Carmen shrieks the two smuglers interfere with her but Don José is bound to dessert, he will follow into them (final chorus: 'Opening sky wandering life'). . . .

ACT 4, a place in Seville. Procession of balls-fighters, the roaring of the balls heard in the arena. Escamillio enters, (Aria and chorus: 'Toreador, toreador, All hail the balls of a Toreador'.) Enter Don José (ARIA: 'I do not threaten, I besooch you'.) but Carmen repels himwants to join with Escamillio now chaired by the crowd. Don José stabs her (Aria: 'Oh rupture, rupture, you may arrest me, I did kill der') he sings 'Oh my beautiful Carmen, my subductive Carmen. . . .'



This month's Grand Slammers:

Janice Hawker/Jenny Green 7NT N 21/6/24

Nicky O'Connell/David Clark 7NT N 21/6/24

Michael Dawson/Jenny Churchill 7NT N 21/6/24

Betty and Ron Philpot 7NT N 21/6/24

Jane Ophorst/Joan Rickers 7NT N 21/6/24

This month's 70+% Winners:

Andrea McCallum/Christine Bacon 71.7% 19/6/2024



Congratulations



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*Happy birthday
to you*

July

7 Rosemarie McCaskie
7 Pat Ditchfield
9 Hilary Tunnard
10 Hilary Hall
10 Anne Francis
11 Eugene Wichems
12 Pat Hoson
13 Lyn Bolton
30 Christine Bacon
31 Roz Davey
31 Carmen Jamieson

August

14 Kaye Day
15 Walter Hall
20 Wendy Pollock
24 Pam Hughes
27 Veronica Turner



The ruby is a lustrous, deep red stone that has accrued special and symbolic meaning through time. Through the ages, the ruby has represented nobility, purity, and passion. From ancient times through to modern-day, rubies have been valued by cultures around the world.



Peridot is named after the French word peridot, meaning gold, because the mineral can vary towards this colour. Peridot is the birthstone for the month of August. It is also the stone given to celebrate the 16th year of marriage. Peridot has a very long written history. Ancient papyri record the mining of these stones as early as 1500 BC. The main source of peridot in the ancient world was Topazo Island or St. John's Island in the Egyptian Red Sea.



Janice's Jokes



My boss told me to have a good day...



So I went home.



In honor of Boss's Day, you should totally feel free to close the office early.



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Man says to his boss "Can we talk? I have a problem."

Boss says "Problem? No such thing, we call it an opportunity!"

Man says "Ok I have a serious drinking





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

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