



*March.*  
*2026*

*Keeping  
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Congratulations to Kimberley Zhao and Alan Cransburg who were the inaugural winners of the President's Trophy, a new Red Point event which will be held every February.

We are intending to enter the Interclub Teams Competition again this year (our Intermediate Team came 2<sup>nd</sup> in 2025) so if you are interested in joining, please let me know- Novice (under 100 MP) and Intermediate (under 300MP).

Thank you to those who are making the effort to follow the roster and help with setting up for the tea breaks- many hands do make light of the work!

The Rockingham Bridge Club's AGM will be on this Friday (March 6<sup>th</sup>) at 10.30 am, I look forward to another great turn out.

We are going to run the Best of 3 on a different day each month. Days have been chosen to avoid clashes with other Red point or competition days.

March will be Friday, the others are as follows:

April (Wed), May (Wed), June (Tues), July (Mon), Aug (Wed), Sept (Tues), Oct (Fri), Nov (Wed)

To be eligible for the bonus green points a pair must play together on the nominated day at least 3 times in that month. The Masterpoints Officer then raises the calculation at the end of the month - there's no need for players to do anything.

Nia Parker  
President

# Understanding a Revoke and the associated penalties – Part 1

## LAW 61

### Failure to follow suit – Inquiries concerning a revoke.

#### A Revoke

In simpler terms a Revoke is when a player fails to follow the Lead suit but has a card of that suit in their hand or as a Penalty Card on the table.

#### The Right to enquire about a possible Revoke

1. The Declarer may ask a defender who has failed to follow suit whether they have a card in the suit led;
2. (a) Dummy may ask the declarer  
(b) Dummy **MAY NOT** ask a **defender**
3. A defender may ask the declarer and one another (at the risk of creating unauthorized information).

#### The Right to inspect Tricks

A claim of a Revoke **DOES NOT** automatically warrant inspection of quitted tricks

### WHY IS IT IMPORTANT TO CALL THE DIRECTOR IMMEDIATELY A REVOKE HAS BEEN NOTICED

The Penalty for a Revoke which has **NOT BEEN ESTABLISHED** is less harsh than the Penalty for an Established Revoke.

### When is a Revoke Established

## LAW 63

#### A revoke becomes established:

1. When the offender or their partner leads or plays to the following trick (any such play being legal or illegal establishes the revoke);
2. When the offender or their partner names or otherwise designates a card to be played to the following trick;
3. When a member of the offending side makes a claim or concession of tricks orally or by facing their hand or any otherway
4. When agreement is established to an opponent's claim or concession; the offending side having raised no objection to it before the end of the round, or before making a call for a subsequent board.

### Correcting a Revoke and associated penalties next month.

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## Your Bridge Club Needs You

The Club is desperately short of Directors. When our Club Directors go off on their holidays the slack has to be taken up by the other Directors. It does place a burden on their time. Janice Hawker is taking off for a well deserved holiday shortly, as are the Roygoyskys, and Barry Shackles often goes North for his holidays. Their absence leaves a shortage of directors.

If we don't have up and coming directors, the club will be forced to pay outside people to come in and this will have a bearing on our table fees.

So please consider taking on the position of Director. All training will be provided.

## Rosters for setting up and clearing away

Rosters have been made up for members to assist in the setting up and clearing away of the refreshments during the sessions. This takes the onus of the same people setting up all the time.

The system is **half working**. **People dutifully clear away, when the Director calls our the initials responsible on the day, but quite often people don't come in early enough to set up.**

I have been guilty of this myself, when I wasn't aware that it was my time on the roster.

**SO PLEASE - CHECK WHEN YOU ARE ON THE ROSTER AND COME IN 11.45 AM TO HELP WITH THE SETTING UP.**

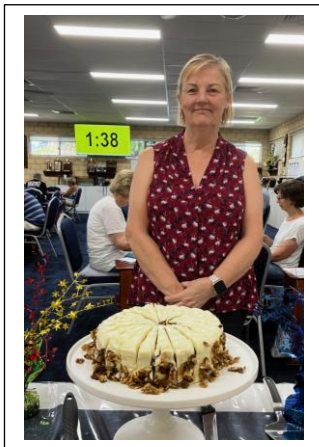
## Grand Slam winners 70 % + Club

17 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	Walter Hall and Wendy Pollock	7S	23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb.	David Clark and Andrew Marsh	72.9%
11 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Marie O'Sullivan and Andrew Marsh	7D	3 <sup>rd</sup> March	Alan Cransberg and Kimberley Zhao	74.7%
13 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Richard Usher and Sue Cook	7NT			
14 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Di Brooks and Roz Davey.....	7C			
25 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Wendy Pollock and Lee Bunney	7NT			
25 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Alan Cransberg and Kimberley Zhao	7S			
25 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Anne-Marie Pritchard and Gillian Simmonds	7NT			
25 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Judy Minchinton and Pam Hughes	7NT			



- Mon. 2 Labor Day Public Hol. Normal Session**
- Tues. 3 Raewyn Lower Pairs**
- Fri. 6 Annual General Meeting**
- Mon. 16 Autumn Pairs**
- Fri. 27 Committee Meeting**
- Sun. 29 Jean Dance Memorial Challenge at Rockingham**

## Happy birthday Anne-Marie



Anne-Marie celebrated her birthday with a scrumptious chocolate cake. Much appreciated by the members on the day. Best wishes Anne-Marie..

## Memories from Richard



## Learners and Mentors Sunday Session

There were six tables of learners and mentors on Sunday. Mike Fulwood coordinated the successful afternoon.



Winners N/S with 64.58% were Steve Rogoisky (centre) and Ailsa Easley. Here with Mike Fulwood.



Winners E/W were David Clark and Steve Vennes with 62.92%. Here with Mike Fulwood.

## President's Pairs for the President's Trophy

This was a new event and took many members by surprise. However it was still well attended with 18 pairs competing in the event. The competition was organised by Roz Davey and Eugene Wichems directed on the day. It was enjoyed by all and most stayed behind for refreshments later. Thank you to Lyn Bolton who with other members set up and cleared away afterwards. Winners on the day were Alan Cransberg and Kimberley Zhao with 69.95%. Under State Masters on the day were Kaye Day and Paul Bennett with 55.41%.



Winners of the new trophy which had not arrived in time for the event, were Alan Cransberg and Kimberley Zhao with 69.95%. Here seen with Nia Parker our RBC President.



Paul Bennett and Kaye Day were Under State Masters on the day. Here with Nia Parker, President. Paul and Kaye came fifth overall with 55.41%.

## Raewyn Lewer Trophy Pairs

There were eight tables competing for the trophy on Tuesday evening. Another well organised event thanks to Roz Davey. Sandra Hardy was the Director on the evening and kept everyone in check. Refreshments were provided and consumed at the mid game break. Thanks to all the members who helped set up and clean up after refreshments.

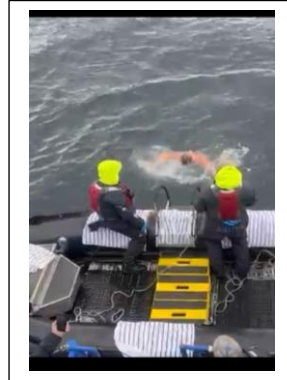
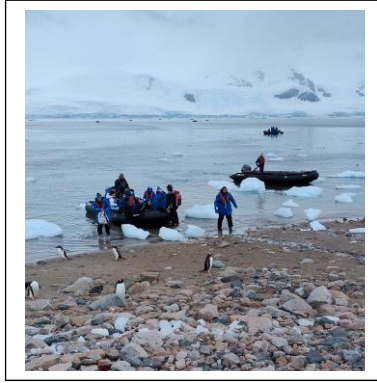


Winners of the Raewyn Lewer Trophy were Kimberley Zhao and Alan Cransberg with a very healthy 74.70%. Here with Roz Davey, who organised the event.

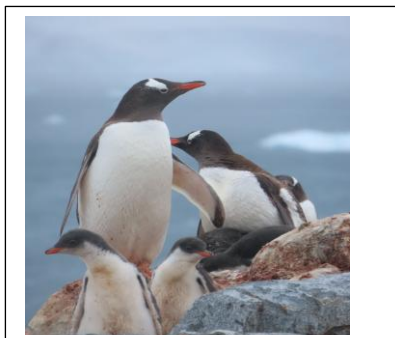


A very popular win on the evening was the Under Club Masters, Bradley Evans and Les Cole with a tidy 48.21%. Here with Roz Davey. Congratulations to you both.

# A picture paints a thousand words



Wendy having a cool dip I am told. Much prefer a warm shower myself.





## March birthdays

2	Sue Cook
6	Nel Willemsen
11	Steven Rogoysky
16	Sally Fielding
17	Betty Philpot
17	Pat Stubbs
26	Robert Wood
27	Barry Shackles

### **March birthdays characteristics fun**

March birthdays are often associated with a blend of creativity, optimism, and leadership skills. Here are some fun characteristics and traits of individuals born in March:

**Creativity:** March babies are known for the imaginative and innovative minds. Often excel in artistic pursuits.

**Optimism:** Research suggests that spring babies Autumn babies may possess hyperthymia a condition characterised by excessive optimism.

**Leadership Potential:** A significant percentage of CEO's celebrate their birthdays in March, indicating a strong leadership presence.

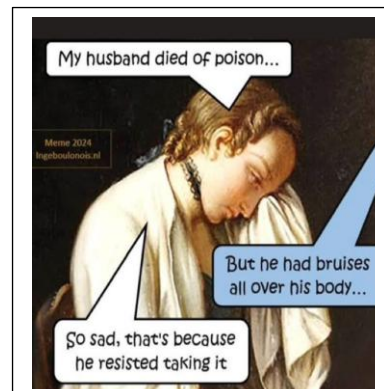
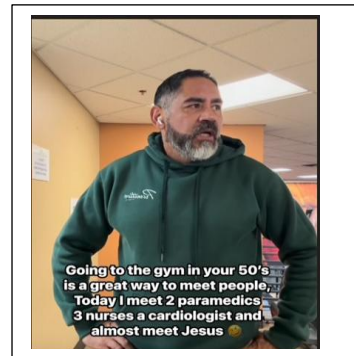
**Tall Tales:** Anthropological statistics indicate that babies born in early Autumn often grow to be taller than average.

**Night Owls:** Studies suggest that Autumn and Winter babies ten to stay up later then their Summer counterparts.

These characteristics make March birthdays a month of unique individuals who are often seen as energetic, adaptable, and driven by a deep sense of purpose.



# Janice's Jokes



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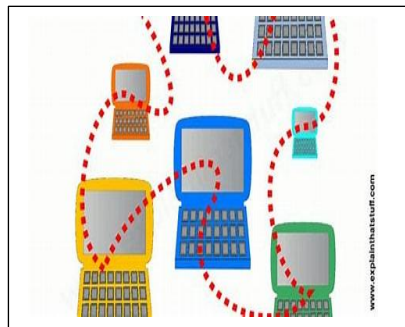
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<https://rockinghambridgeclub.com/>



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**Club Calendar**  
**Club Results**  
**WA Bridge Association**  
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