

Announcements for each Session

Commencing Monday 5th November 2018

Club Events

- **Nationwide Pairs:** Green masterpoints locally plus red masterpoints if you place in the top half of the national field.
 - Tuesday Daytime 13th November
 - Tuesday Night 27th November
- **Red Masterpoint sessions:**
 - Friday Afternoon (Two-weekly event – continues on 9th November). Walk-in pairs are welcome, but you earn extra masterpoints if you place in the top half of the outright field.
 - Monday Afternoon 12th November.
- **Queensland Wide Pairs:** Monday Afternoon 19th November. Play the same cards as over 400 other pairs around Queensland. Random dealt hands with commentary from Andy Hung. Green masterpoints locally plus red masterpoints if you score in the top half of the outright field.
- **Invitational:** Friday Afternoon 30th November. Players are encouraged to play with members who are not one of their regular partners.

Congresses & Major Competitions

- **Toowoomba Swiss Teams Congress:** Sunday 11th November. See website or entry form or Dave Roberts for further details. We would like to see another 4 local teams enter if at all possible 😊

Bridge snippets: When is a card played?

For a **Defender:** A card is played when it is **detached** from their hand and held such that it **could have been seen by their partner**. It does not matter whether partner did see it, nor does it matter if Declarer saw it.

For **Declarer:** A card is played if it is **held face up touching or nearly touching the table**, or **otherwise maintained in a position to indicate it is played**. A card held in the air is not played, even if a defender happens to see it.

If Declarer has “lead a card” and it was not their turn to lead, then they cannot just pick it up! Either Defender may choose to “accept” or “refuse” the lead. If one of them accepts the lead, then the card is played and play continues. If one of them “refuses” the lead, then Declarer may pick up the card without further penalty. The Defenders may not consult each other when making their choice. If both speak at once, then the Defender next in turn after the Offender prevails.

Like all infractions, you should call the Director, because there are circumstances when the application of the Law is a little more complicated.

Thanks
Chris