



TOOWOOMBA BRIDGE CLUB

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

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As mentioned last month Bridge Year is rolling quickly along with June especially providing our members with a few interesting events. We have our 'Zone Qualifier' this Sunday and few more entries would be great. Our Winter Woolly Pairs is on this coming Tuesday June 3 – this event is intended as “meet the other members” event.

We also have Andy Hung coming again for 2 workshop sessions, Andy has been exceptionally well received when he's presented in the here in the past, so roll up for a good time. Also, we have the Under 500 Teams congress on June 8 so please consider this and get a team together – this includes a Novice section so all you “novices” roll up for a good chance to win! Happy Bridging!

El Presidente, *Greg*

PS Here is the link to Andy Hung's Bridge workshops on Tuesday 17th June.
<https://www.myabf.com.au/events/congress/view/2835>
It can also be accessed as can the others above via the events page on our website.

JOYCE BENSON CUP



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Treasurer's Report for April

Cash Flow for April shows a net deficit of \$9,197.65 due to payment of ABF and QBA levies.

Current Assets Held as at 30 April 2025:-

- Heritage Bank General Account - \$19,775.61
- Online Saver S26 Account - \$5,233.70
- Term Deposit - \$70,000
- MyABF - \$7,203

An additional Hedge Trimmer was purchased on 1 May for \$529.00
Table fees for April were \$7,140; plus \$595 was collected from players continuing lessons.

As mentioned last month we continue to monitor our GST turnover. For the 12 month period ended 30 April 2025 the GST turnover was \$146,700.

An interesting exercise for the month of April, based on Income and Expenditure: -
Estimated GST collected \$833, less GST paid \$1,506 = a hypothetical GST REFUND of \$673 (due to payment of membership levies and capital expenditure).

Have fun while building excellence in bridge! Marie

Membership Secretary's Report



Welcome New Members

As you are aware, our wonderful bridge teachers have been busy since February teaching a large group of beginners the basics of bridge.

We are very pleased to now welcome the following players to our club: Sally Callaghan, Di Campbell, John Handley, Denise Horton, Robyn Kelly, Marilyn Kirstenfeldt, Wendy Levrier, Kevin Miller, Bernie Moffat, Diane Montgomery, Julie Nelson, Trevor Nelson, Jenness Perrin, Joan Philp, Mark Phythian, Kendall Richmond, Trish Thomas, Alan Trueman, and Gillian Warren, Pamela Whitman

We look forward to getting to know you and playing with you, and hope that you enjoy a long and rewarding time at the club.

Latest Numbers

Our database shows we currently have 307 members, comprising 264 Home Members, 38 Away Members and 5 Life Members.

Ngairé Wills



**WINTER WOOLLY
PAIRS
TUESDAY 3rd JUNE**



\$12 each

INCLUDES LUNCH and BRIDGE

- Prior entry is required, please enter your pair via MyABF (accessed via the events section on our website).
- 9:45 Seated for a 10:00 start.
- Movement depends on number of tables – play against pairs of similar standards to yourselves.
- Session finishes around 2:30, with a break for lunch around 12:00.
- Pizza, cake and custard and fruit for lunch

You are invited to join us for social game of bridge and a lovely lunch (pizza and deserts) on Tuesday 3rd June at our clubrooms. This is a continuation of the social events that the club has been organising over the past year. You and your partner have to register in advance, and arrive by 9:45 ready for the 10:00am start.

Deb Archer and her team are looking after the food, I will be looking after the movement, and Dave Roberts will be your Director. Further details below.

We would love to see you play and you can enter via MyABF (accessed from the events section of our website) or via this link (<https://www.myabf.com.au/events/congress/view/2833>).

Entry fee per person is \$12 for bridge and lunch, payable in MyABF Credits when you enter.

See you there!! Cheers *Chris*



Building Maintenance Report

Again, a fairly quiet month. The 3 monthly routine cleaning of the air con filters is scheduled for Thursday 29th, after lunch.

After some difficulty in finding a plumber to attend to the tap replacement on the Eastern side hot water urn, I finally found one. A bloke I knew a few years ago through karting.

Not only did he have a tap to replace, but in the few hours between engaging him, a roof leak later that day caused some minor consternation during Wednesday afternoon play in the western room. The leak was right above a ceiling light, so might have eventually caused some excitement.

So, two jobs completed during the Thursday afternoon. Turns out, there was a leak where the kitchenette exhaust ducting chimney goes through the roof.

Terry

Gardening Sub-Committee Report



The latest update from the Gardening Sub-Committee is Bruce Coward has joined their group. Margaret Tucker who is currently touring Europe, said “ It is wonderful to have Bruce in the Grounds Group, helping with mowing. Normally the group meet on a Tuesday. However, Bruce has commitments for Tuesdays and goes whenever he has the time.

If other members would like to help out, they would be very welcome – while I am away, they can contact Tony Pattison or Melanie Simmons”. *Margaret Tucker* (Elba, Italy)



Toowoomba Bridge Club Inc

Novice & Under 500 Teams Congress

Sunday 8 June 2025



Venue	Toowoomba Bridge Club, 55 Stuart Street, Toowoomba
Time	Registration is 9:00am for a 9:30 start
Director	Chris Snook
Event Details	Two separate sections (Novice and Under 500) playing two sessions each. Format will be Round Robin or Swiss depending on number of entries. Novice and Under 500 players must have fewer than 100 & 500 masterpoints respectively as of 31 st March 2025. Novice teams may choose to play in the Under 500 event if they wish.
How to enter	Entry and payment via MyABF. Navigate to: https://www.myabf.com.au/events/congress/view/2638
Entries Close	4 pm Thursday 5 June 2025, or earlier if limit of 30 tables is reached.
Entry Fee	\$140 per team (\$35 per player). Pay via MyABF Credits for the team, or individually, when you enter. Entries should be paid in full by the closing time or risk withdrawal from the event. Pay by existing MyABF Credits or add credits when you enter via credit or debit card.
Systems	QBA Regulations apply. Green, Blue and Red systems and Brown Sticker treatments are allowed in the Under 500 section, and Green and Blue systems are allowed in the Novice section. Each pair must have 2 systemically identical ABF system cards at the start of each round.
Prizes	1 st – \$400 & 2 nd - \$280 in each event. Paid by myABF credits.
Catering	BYO Lunch. Refreshments available all day. Drinks & savouries at the end of play.
Contact	Convenor Ngaire Wills 0407 917 320 or congresses@toowoombabridgeclub.com.au

Contestants entering this event are deemed to have agreed to abide by the Regulations of the QBA and any supplementary regulations made by the Congress organisers and either posted on the QBA website, appearing on the entry form, or by announcement before the start of the event.

If you are having difficulty with registering and using MyABF,
 contact: Trevor Henderson 0419 878826
 Chris Snook 0413 136435



Captain Kathy Duke, Stephen & Margaret Savage, Eric Rudorfer

The Teams of Three event was held on Saturday 10th May and was a fun afternoon. Teams of Three was first started in 2009 and was part of the program until 2018 after which COVID disrupted things. It has been re-introduced to the calendar as a good way to introduce newer players to a different type of Bridge competition. The original idea was for players at different levels to come together as a team, each play the same simple system, and have a social afternoon. This wasn't followed to the letter for this event, rather we invited members to form their own teams and then a suitable captain was assigned.

Significant planning and organisation is required to hold an event like this for our members. Thanks must go to Chris Snook for balancing the teams based on their Master Points and for running the session, to Denise Scott and Ngaire Wills for promoting and organising team members and suitable captains. Also, thanks to Alison Lewis for stepping in at the last minute as a substitute and to Deb Archer who organised our snacks and agreed to be on call as a backup player. And thanks to all of the captains who coached their teams and helped them to understand the strategy behind a Teams event and how to score.

Congratulations to the winners:

A Grade: Ian Jesser and his team: Bruce Coward, Harold Coggan and Trevor Corthorne
 B Grade and overall winners: Kathy Duke and her team: Steve Savage, Margaret Savage and Eric Rudorfer.

There is another Teams of Three event scheduled for 6 September, so if you missed out this time, please save the date and watch up for more details closer to the time. Thanks, *Kathy*

What Happens When You Revoke

Isn't it annoying when after making a contract or taking your opponents down, one of the opposition says, "I think you revoked on a trick". Particularly when in the worst-case scenario, you are forced to give them two tricks which means they either make their contract or you and your partner don't. And let's face it, no one revokes on purpose. You didn't see that particular card because it was hidden behind another card or was mixed up with another suit of the same colour and you may not even be aware you revoked. So, what are the rules:

Firstly, at the end of playing a hand, do not pick up all your cards until everyone has agreed to the number of tricks won or lost. Because that is when it starts to get very messy if someone says I think there was a revoke and the cards are not in order.

During Play (Law 61)

Your rights when a player fails to follow suit:

- Declarer may ask a defender if they have no cards in that suit.
- Dummy may ask Declarer however he cannot ask defenders.
- Defenders may ask declarer and one another

Correction of a Revoke (Law 62)

1. Providing it is not established by the offending side playing a card to the following trick, it can be corrected. However, if it is a defender, then the director must be called because the card first played will now become a penalty card. Declarer cannot have penalty cards and it is simply returned to the hand. Any card played by the non-offending side after the revoke is corrected, can be changed.
- 2.

Establishment of a Revoke Law 63

However, once the offender or his partner plays or names a card to the following trick, a revoke becomes established.

Procedure after a Revoke is Established Law 64

- The Director must be called to determine the following:
- If the revoke card did not win the trick or any subsequent tricks, there is no further adjustment.
- If the revoke card did not win that trick but if the offending side won a further trick, one trick is transferred.
- If the revoke card won the trick plus the offending side won a further trick, two tricks are transferred. However, if the non-offending side can show how it would have won further tricks if the revoke had not occurred, the director can award an adjusted score.
- If the revoke happened on the 12th trick, the correct cards are then re-played in the correct order and there is no automatic adjustment.

JOYCE BENSON CUP



Novice & Open Playoff

OPEN

- 1ST Will Higgins / Adrian Mayers**
- 2nd Robert Fulcher / Mohan Trada**
- 2nd = Chris Snook / Denise Hartwig**

NOVICE

- 1ST Debra Coward / Bruce Coward**
- 2nd Jim Harvey / Harold Coggan**
- 3rd Adrienne Montague/Angela Worrall**



Joyce Benson Plate

N/S

- 1ST Ian Jesser / Jenni Buckley**
- 2nd Elizabeth Zeller/Julie Pigdon**
- 3rd David Edwards/Carol Edwards**

E/W

- 1ST Edwina Wilis /Rhondda Dean**
- 2nd Kerry Gibson/Pauline Curin**
- 3rd Kim Nicoll/Judy Morgan**

(Photos of the room taken by Susie Fraser and individual photos of placegetters who stayed while the results were computed taken by Kathy Duke)

JOYCE BENSON CUP



Adrian Mayers, Will Higgins



**Denise Hartwig, Chris Snook,
Bob Fulcher & Mohan Trada**



Bruce Coward & Debra Coward



Angela Worrall & Adrienne Montague



Ian Jesser & Jenni Buckley



Carol Edwards & Dave Edwards



Socialising with a drink after bridge

Joyce Benson Cup

Joyce Benson's duplicate bridge career started in 1960 when she agreed to play in Toowoomba (and Australia's) first country bridge congress. Since those early days, Joyce was consistently a significant contributor to the bridge scene in Toowoomba over many years as a player, Director and teacher. This was recognised when Joyce was appointed the first Life Member of the Toowoomba Bridge Club in 1982.

By 2007, with her eyesight failing, Joyce eventually had to give up the game she loved, but she continued to teach bridge from her home. You will find many people in the club who learnt their bridge with Joyce, and many still have a copy of her notes "The Joy(ce) of Bridge". Joyce passed away in 2012 and we created this event, the Joyce Benson Cup, in her honour.

We ran this event on three Wednesday afternoons: 7th, 14th & 21st May, with the field divided into two grades. For the first week the Open section saw 13 tables of players competing in a Web Mitchell with the top 12 pairs qualifying to play in a Barometer Howell with 11x5-board rounds over the following two weeks. The Novice section saw 10 tables of players competing in a Mitchell movement with the top 12 pairs qualifying to play in a Barometer Howell with 11x5-board rounds over the following two weeks. The Open and Novice players who did not make the finals played in a regular duplicate pairs session for week 2 and week 3.

Both events were a good contest with the overall winners being:

Open 1st Will Higgins & Adrian Mayers
=2nd Bob Fulcher & Mohan Trada
=2nd Chris Snook & Denise Hartwig

Novice 1st Debra Coward & Bruce Coward
2nd Jim Harvey & Harold Coggan
3rd Adrienne Montague & Angela Worrall

Plate Week 1

1st NS Kerry Gibson & Pauline Curin
1st EW Kim Nicoll & Judy Morgan

Plate Week 2

1st NS Ian Jesser & Jenni Buckley
1st EW Edwina Willis & Rhondda Dean

Thank you to all who played and especially to those who helped with the kitchen, managing boards and assisted with taking Director calls. *Chris*

The Future of Non- Playing Directors

We have had Non-Playing Directors (NPD) running a session where members can come without a partner in our club since 2008 after we moved to Stuart Street. Prior to that in Water Street, there was no way in the world, Ivy Dahler or Colin Martin would contemplate the idea of having graded sessions. And for all Ivy's brilliance as a player and teacher – she did the club no favours when she would send members home who did not arrive prior to Ivy deciding on the movement.

Graded sessions where members could come without a partner started on Monday with Mary McConachy as a NPD in the west room and Thursday night with Chris, with both sessions restricted to players <50 MP. The main reason being it gave members, particularly coming out of lessons who hadn't formed a partnership or other Novice players when their partner was away, the opportunity to be able to continue to come to the club. And of course, people new to Toowoomba. Supervised Play for members with set boards following the lessons, was also run on Monday in the East room. In 2015/16 Beginner and Intermediate Supervised play was introduced on Wednesday and Friday mornings with a NPD and Monday changed to a graded session with Open and Novice also with a NPD.

However, it is probably time for the club to look at different options for the future for several reasons. While I have always regarded being a director for the club a privilege, after a lot of thought, I recently resigned as a director for the club mainly as a reality check related to my age. But I appreciate this does leave the club short-handed as far as rostering Non-Playing Directors. Particularly for those Directors who have a regular partner for certain sessions such as Monday. So, Chris has made a suggestion, (see below) and it would be great if the club could have some feedback from members.

“What I am, and always have been, is keen on for us to offer a service where a member can come to almost any session without a partner and still get a game. A number of larger clubs do this. It would work by having a roster of players who would come in (or if they live close by, come at short notice).

Because the (bridge) world revolves around money I have suggested this fill-in gets a free game for turning up, and maybe a free game for playing with a random. This is what we do for the Individual tournaments (every morning) on StepBridge. They hang around for about ten minutes and leave if not needed.

When we have discussed this in previous Tournament Meetings, there was general agreement that we try this, and offers from Will and I to be on the roster as a player until the scheme was up and running”. Chris

From my perspective, even though I no longer direct, I would certainly put my hand up to be called on when I was available.

Glenys



A short note from your librarian

Many thanks to Judy Bodkin, Jim Wood and also an anonymous person for your donations of books to our Bridge library. They will shortly be on the shelves

Meanwhile, happy borrowing and reading!

Gretchen

NEW INITIATIVE - BEGINNER BUDDY THURSDAY.



So, you have finished your beginner bridge lessons. What next? It's now time to play, play, play. Bridge, like any sport, needs practise. If the time suits, you can come to the Improver sessions on Monday mornings. And now we have a new way for you to learn.

Beginner Buddy Thursday is an opportunity for you to partner with an experienced and friendly 'buddy' in the regular duplicate game. This buddy will gently introduce you to the competitive world of Bridge and be a mentor for your transition. They will not be critical of your mistakes, rather observing your strengths and offering guidance to help you

improve your game.

On Thursday 22nd May we arranged a buddy for 5 of our students. They played 28 boards together in the field of 7 tables and had great fun. Thank you to everyone in the regular Thursday field for being supportive and encouraging.

If you would like to have a game with a buddy, please email me. I will ensure that only the kindest and most patient players are assigned to help.

Think you can be a good Beginner Buddy? Please let me know.

Kathy Duke

Kathyqld@outlook.com

2♣ OPENING WHEN IT IS YOUR ONLY STRONG BID

The following bidding system came from Ron Klinger when your only strong bid is 2♣ showing a strong hand. It is useful way to be able to distinguish between an unbalanced hand that is game force hand (23+ or game in hand) and one which has 21-22 or one trick short of game. For balanced hands it distinguishes between hands with 23-24 and game in hand with 25+. The following assumes you will still use 2NT to open 21-22.

(Not recommended for beginners who need to get the basic system under control before trying any advanced conventions).

OPENING UNBALANCED 21-22 OR 4-LOSER OR BALANCED 23-24

2♣: 2♦

Opener

3♣ / 3♦ / 3♥ / 3♠ (4-loser or 21-22)

You can only have 3 losers with the minors or a minimum of 21HCP

OR 23-24 balanced

Partner

With no quick tricks and few points, Pass

Put partner to game with 1 quick trick and/or good distribution and support. With 2 or 3 quick tricks check out slam.

Responses the same as opening 2NT except you need less points

OPENING WITH A GAME FORCE BID:

2♣: 2♦

Opener

2♥ *Artificial* 23+ HCP or game in hand

Could be, Clubs, Diamonds or Hearts
3♣ / 3♦ / 3♥

OR 2NT showing 25+

Partner

2♠ *Artificial* alerted (what is it?).

Responder decides contract. With 2 quick tricks, slam may be possible. With no quick tricks, put partner to game in his suit.

After 2NT your responses are the same as if partner had opened 2NT (you cannot pass)

♣: 2♦

Opener's rebid 2♠
(game in spades)

Responder decides contract. With 2 quick tricks check out slam

Thus opener's 2-level suit rebids are stronger than the 3-level. The reason for this is that generally unbalanced hands with 4-losers or 21-22 HCP are looking for 1 quick trick. If your partner has nothing, he/she can pass and everything being equal, you should make 9 tricks. If you are showing a game force bid and your partner has one quick trick or two quick tricks or points, you may be looking at slam depending on your distribution.

Masterpoint Secretary's Report

The ABF Masterpoint Centre processes all submitted points at 4:00pm on the next business day after the end of the month – the publishing date of this newsletter means there has been no update since the end of April. Your masterpoints are not lost. If you have played in any congresses or similar events, then you may see “**Future points (provisional)**” showing against your name on the ABF Masterpoint Centre website. For most of us there are some gold points sitting there from the April Wednesday GNOT heat. We also show provisional masterpoints on our website – but these are subject to change.

For the next little while, you can see your own and your friends masterpoints at:

<https://abfmasterpoints.com.au/myawards.asp>

The long-term plan is that the ABF will incorporate all the Masterpoint functionality within the MyABF platform. Their aim is to include membership, masterpoints, congresses and ideally payment and management of all club sessions in a one stop shop.

I thought time to bring up another “top ten”. Here are our club’s members who have earned the highest number of masterpoints this year, thus far.

	Name	Master Rank	Total Points	2025 Points
1	Duke, Kathy	Bronze National	266.37	39.74
2	Hartwig, Denise	Grand	1043.99	34.45
3	Zeller, Elizabeth	Grand	1609.66	34.11
4	Pigdon, Julie	Bronze State	120.59	26.89
5	Simpson, Mavis	Bronze Life	460.99	26.17
6	Wood, Jim	Grand	1310.98	25.94
7	Mladen, Joan	Silver National	390.50	24.99
8	Snook, Chris	Grand	1332.89	22.25
9	Churchett, John	Silver Life	743.37	21.55
10	De Zoysa, Hema	Life	393.72	20.40

There is still time to catch them up, but for now, well done everyone.

Master Rank Promotions for April

Ruth Sargent	Promoted to National master with 150 points, at least 75 red/gold
Pauline Lutton	Promoted to Bronze State master with 100 points, at least 50 red/gold
Marilyn Oakroot	Promoted to Bronze State master with 100 points, at least 50 red/gold
Mark Hunt	Promoted to State master with 50 points, at least 25 red/gold
Bruce Coward	Promoted to Bronze Local master with 25 masterpoints
Sue McIntyre	Promoted to Club master with 5 masterpoints

Winners are Grinners

May Monthly Winners

These will be calculated on Saturday night 😊. The “Monthly Winners” are recognised as the “individual” winner of **eclectic** multi-session events. These events combine of all the green masterpoint sessions in a month that have not already counted toward a competition. If there are three available sessions then your best two scores are counted (shows as 2/3), if there are four available sessions then your best three scores are counted (3/4) and if there are five available sessions then your best four scores might be counted (4/5). If there are two available sessions, then they are treated as an eclectic event (best 2/2). If there are five days in the month, then we usually combine two of these (see the bridge diary) as a “**Two-Weekly**” and additional masterpoints are awarded to the top half of those whose partnerships played both days. The remaining three days are scored as an eclectic with (2/3).

Comparing clubs

For interest, the biggest club in each state is:

- 671 members at the Canberra Bridge Club, where a game of bridge costs \$12.
- 887 members at the North Shore Bridge Club (NSW), where a game of bridge costs \$16 (\$21 for visitors).
- 450 members at the Waverley Bridge Club (Vic), where a game of bridge costs \$12.
- 582 members at the Toowong Bridge Club, where a game of bridge costs \$5/\$8.
- 947 members at the SA Bridge Association, where a game of bridge costs \$13.
- 748 members at the West Australian Bridge Club, where a game of bridge costs \$8.
- 389 members at the Tasmanian Bridge Association, where a game of bridge costs \$7.
- 54 members at the Darwin Bridge Club, where a game of bridge costs \$8.

We are the 9th largest club in Queensland and are a big part of our “zone”. A zone is a group of (somewhat) geographically related clubs. When you play in zone events (such as the Zone Qualifying Pairs or Zone Qualifying Temas) then if you do well, you represent our zone and receive a contribution toward your travel costs to play in the State Finals in October. You also earn additional red masterpoint of you do well in these zone events. Our zone is comprised of:

Members In 2025	Club
279	Toowoomba Bridge Club
48	Goondiwindi Bridge Club
42	Darling Downs Bridge Club
35	Warwick Bridge Club
33	Dalby Bridge Club
30	Roma Contract Bridge Club
28	Lockyer Bridge Club
19	Stanthorpe Bridge Club

Cheers *Chris*

Director Report on Recent Events

Australia-Wide Novice Pairs

This is a new event (well, we trialled it last year). It is a competition sponsored by Australian Bridge Magazine, with about 2000 contestants from 100 clubs. During one week everyone plays the same boards and then scores are compared across the country. We award green masterpoints locally and the event organisers award red masterpoints to those who gained over 52%, and they award book prizes for section winners. At the moment (late Monday night) our own Kathleen Carey and Geni Russ are placed 15th in the National field. More results are coming in so this might change, but it is a great achievement. Progressive results can be seen at :

australianbridge.com/AWP_club_2025AWNP.php?club=4-688

Locally, we must hide the hand records until all the other clubs have played, so you won't see these until Saturday. All Novices received a commemorative booklet with some description on how to bid and play each hand.

Cheers

Chris

Date Claimers

- **Zone Pairs Qualifier:** Sunday 1st June.
- **Winter Woolly Pairs:** 10:00am Tuesday 3rd June. Pizza lunch and desserts.
- **Toowoomba Under 500 & Novice Teams congress:** Sunday 8th June. See our website or talk to Ngairé for details. Please support this event.
- **Darling Downs Pairs and Teams congress:** Saturday 28th & Sunday 29th June.
- **Birthday Pairs:** 10:00am Tuesday 8th July.
- **Club Pairs Championship:** Wednesday afternoons 16th 23rd & 30th July in two grades.
- **President's Cup:** Saturday afternoons 19th & 26th July.

All these events are listed on our website in the "Calendar" area, are usually listed on the website front page, often have a flyer on display in the clubrooms, and are announced by the Directors (should be at the start of each session). They are also mentioned on the TV announcements when these TV's are switched on. Despite this, word of mouth remains the best way to get people involved, so always make sure you gee-up your friends to play 😊 Thanks *Chris*

BRIDGE WORKSHOPS

With ANDY HUNG

1. How to bid and play like an expert

♣ Andy will give an insight on how experts think, the decisions they make, and how it differs from the ordinary player – tips in all areas that will improve your game!

2. Fourth suit forcing

♣ 4th suit Forcing, one of the most important tools for constructive and slam bidding is one of the most misunderstood convention. Come and learn on how it works!

- ♦ A great opportunity – there is something for everyone to take away with lots of expert insider tips from Andy. These workshops include a PowerPoint lecture, boards to play, and well-presented lesson notes.
- ♦ An analysis of the played boards will also be provided for all.



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When:	Tuesday June 17th (10am – 12 noon): How to Bid and Play like an Expert Tuesday June 17th (1pm – 3pm): Fourth Suit Forcing (with Expert follow ups)
Where:	Toowoomba Bridge Club (55 Stuart Street, Harlaxton, Qld 4350)
Cost:	\$25pp per workshop (\$50 for both) Register and pay in advance via <u>MyABF</u>
Contact:	Dave <u>Roberts</u> ; Email (preferred): dr4350@gmail.com Phone: 0414 852303

Introduction to ANDY HUNG



Andy is a professional bridge player who is a frequent member of the Australian Open Team. He often competes internationally (particularly in the US) and most notably winning the recent 2024 World Bridge Tour Finals (competed amongst the world's top 16 performing pairs in 2024).

Andy is also an ABF accredited bridge teacher. He has been teaching at a wide range of bridge clubs around Australia since 2010, and was based in WA Bridge Club for the past five years, now relocated back in Brisbane.

Andy has held successful bridge holidays around Australia, such as Noosa, Margaret River, Hervey Bay, Hunter Valley. Currently the holidays he has planned for this year 2025 is Noosa QLD in May, Spain/Portugal in September, and Barossa/Mclarenvale in Oct/Nov.

For more info, contact him at hung.andyp@gmail.com or visit www.andyhungbridge.com

Session Rules Reminder

- Players should be **seated** 15 minutes prior to the start of play for a session.
- The Director makes the final decision on seating arrangements and on playing arrangements in the room (e.g. windows, air-conditioning).
- Only **green** and **blue** systems are permitted in club events.
- System cards are compulsory for competitions and red master point events and strongly recommended for all other sessions.
- NS are primarily responsible for the playing conditions at the table (bridgemates, management of boards and moving them if instructed to do so by the Director).
- EW are primarily responsible for tidy up and leaving the table in a good condition ready for the next session.
- All players should offer to help with general room clean-up to assist the Director.
- No notices are permitted on the noticeboards unless approval is given from the Management Committee.
- No trading is permitted on the club premises unless written permission is given via the Management Committee.
- Smoking is only permitted in the Designated Smoking Area or in the parklands off the premises.