



SEPTEMBER 2021 NEWSLETTER

Easts Bridge Club

We encourage the game of bridge in an environment where players compete and develop with enjoyment and mutual respect. Remember:

**BRIDGE PLAYERS DO IT
WITH FINESSE**

Bridge in September 2021 Online play only

BBO sessions run by Nicoleta are held on Monday and Wednesdays starting at 1pm. These are Open Duplicate sessions. Also Randwick sessions can be joined each Wednesday evening and Saturday afternoon. Woolstoncraft has sessions each Friday afternoon at 1pm (Open Duplicate.)

ADDITIONAL WEEKLY SESSIONS WITH NICK HUGHES

Tuesday 7th	1pm (Supervised)
Tuesday 14th	1pm (Supervised)
Tuesday 21st	1pm (Supervised)
Tuesday 28th	1pm (Supervised)

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

WHEN I wrote the message for last month's Newsletter I certainly did not expect that a month later we would still be in lock-down with even tougher restrictions. I wonder when we will get the opportunity to greet one another across the bridge table.

MANY of our members are playing bridge online and in this newsletter you can see what sessions are available.

I URGE you all to get vaccinated as not only will this reduce your risk of being infected or infecting others but I feel future public health orders might only allow us to play face to face bridge if we have been fully vaccinated or have a medical exemption.

IN THE MEANTIME please keep safe and, to our Jewish members, I wish you L'Shana Tova and well over the Fast as you celebrate the Jewish New Year in these difficult times.

TERRY

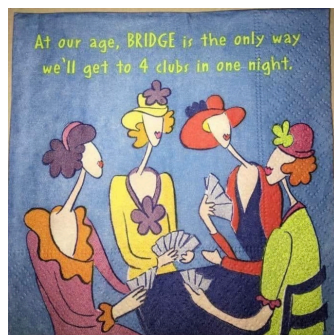
TUESDAY BRIDGE SESSIONS STARTING

The ABF have issued us with hosting rights to run our own duplicate sessions with masterpoints on the online platform [Bridge Base Online](#)

We plan to run supervised bridge sessions at 1.00pm on Tuesdays. These sessions are suitable for newer players who play in supervised bridge games where you can ask for guidance from the director and for other players who would like to play at a slower pace.

Please email eastsbridge@gmail.com if you are interested in playing in these supervised sessions & provide your BBO username when you get it.

**I JUST TOLD MY
SUITCASES THAT
WE AREN'T GOING
ON VACATION THIS
YEAR
NOW I'M DEALING
WITH EMOTIONAL
BAGGAGE.**



Confucius 2021 ---

"A wise man does not keep a sledgehammer and a slow computer in the same room"



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Smiles in Times of the Pandemic

Today I thought I'd watch a bit while directing. It's quite amusing sometimes. Board No 1 (I won't give you the names-shhhh)

D	N Robot	W	N	E	S
1	♠ 5 ♥ J ♦ AQ987 ♣ AQ8532		1♣ 2♠ 2NT		
		P	3NT	P	P
		P			
W		E			
♠ J843 ♥ AQ10643 ♦ J4 ♣ 6		♠ AK109762 ♥ 5 ♦ 103 ♣ 1097			
	S				
	♠ Q ♥ K9872 ♦ K652 ♣ KJ4				
			3NT S		NS: 0 EW: 0

West led the s3, s5 from dummy. East obviously thought South had a stopper (i.e. QJx) and ... ducked. Declarer won the Q and wrapped up 11 more tricks in the minors. After the hand, East asked South: "How could you bid 2NT without a stopper?" To which South replied: "I hoped my partner had some spades, I was shocked when I saw he had a singleton - from Nicoleta

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THE STEPS YOU SHOULD TAKE TO PLAY IN THE MASTERPOINTED DUPLICATE SESSIONS:

• Join [Bridge Base Online](#) if you are not yet a member. If BBO is new to you, here is a link to a document that will guide you through the process:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1O4jtJcucbE6k625L8XCxrUmesZSL053P1UMKJSBR3tw/edit?usp=sharing>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MldFbBdea90>

And a link to a video that does the same thing:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MldFbBdea90>

• Register your details and BBO name with the ABF: [sign up here](#)

• Buy BB\$ using a credit card or Paypal. Login to the bridge base web site, then click on BB\$ (towards top right of screen), and follow the prompts: Purchase BB\$, and fill in your details as requested. We are charging the minimum permissible amount for each session, BBO\$2 (about A\$3) for about 18 boards (Supervised) and BBO\$3 (about A\$4.50) for about 24 boards Open Duplicate play. Follow usual BBO procedures to join our games on the day:

• Login to BBO early - up to two hours before the session starts (if you don't have a partner this is even more important). One of you will need to register your pair in the tournament that is displayed on the tournament list as 'Easts Supervised' 'Easts and Friends'

You can find the event (=tournament) listed under **Virtual Clubs – Other Clubs**

• If you get stuck before the game starts, you could call Nick on **0414 601 175** or Nicoleta on **0414 876175**.

• Make sure you and partner are both logged into BBO and are ready for the tournament by 12.45. You can join without a partner and we will find one for you. Leave your name at the virtual partnership desk. Or you can choose to play with a robot as partner. When play commences you will then find yourself at your table with partner, opponents, and boards to play.

If you are new to BBO, it is best to play in some practice games before you play in one of our sessions