



JANUARY, 2022 NEWSLETTER

Easts Bridge Club

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

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FACE TO FACE BRIDGE FOR JANUARY 2022- 1pm Start times

Monday 3rd January Public Holiday
Tuesday 4th January Cancelled

Monday 10th January Cancelled
Tuesday 11th January Cancelled

Monday 17th January Easts
Tuesday 18th January Easts
(Supervised)

Monday 24th January Australia Day
Tuesday 25th January Easts
(Supervised)

Due to the uncertainty of the Omicron Covid impact, Wednesday on-line bridge can be re-introduced from the first Wednesday in January. All members will be kept advised of ongoing options as the situation evolves.

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	%	MPs		%	MPs
1 Maurice Steinfeld & Margaret Cohen	75.0	0.16	1 Jane Satterford & Steve Mitchell	67.9	0.16
2 Esther Goldstein & Gina Stern	61.9	0.11	2 Louise Rosenberg & Morris Rosenberg	57.1	0.11
3 Terry-Anne Maunsell & Adelia Tchejnov	51.2	0.08	3 Natalia Samarin & Lynette Chan	56.0	0.08
4 Eliane Ben Mayor & Joe Ben Mayor	48.8	0.05	4 Gary Jacobs & Sandy Watson	49.4	0.05
5 Jack Stein & Hanna Asseraf	45.8		5 Michael Steinfeld & Tamara Pollak	45.2	
6 Ross Mewton & Heather Proudfoot	44.0		6 Bella Katz & Ruth Tarlo	42.9	
7 Candice Reid-Latimer & Albert Cuschieri	41.7		7 Andrew Vitek & Julia Golding	41.7	
8 Zina Weiss & Norri Migita	31.5		8 Brenda Cohen & David Nathan	39.9	

Maurice's winning score on his 99th birthday (75%)

Message to Terry from Maurice's family following his 99th Birthday

Hi Terry
Good to meet you.
Thank you very much for organising Dad's birthday celebrations to happen. He felt very special to share it with us and his dear friends at the Bridge Club last Tuesday. Sue,
Michael and Judy ! "



PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Dear Fellow Members of Easts Bridge Club

Happy New Year

Let us hope 2022 is a more settled year for us all.

2021 was a very strange year with lockdowns and when we finally thought everything was almost back to normal along came a new variant of Covid and everything turned around again.

The executive of the committee had a busy time during December as a number of decisions had to be made regarding play and the playing conditions of our bridge sessions.

We made the decision to cancel a number of sessions at the start of January and to delay the start of our new Tuesday night sessions.

Also we decided that until further notice that masks must be worn while playing at the bridge table. This is accordance with the latest NSW Health Guidelines that masks must be worn indoors. Unless otherwise advised by your committee, this requirement will continue after the NSW Government lifts the mask wearing requirement.

Although the end of the month brought these problems, earlier in the month we had the pleasure of celebrating his 99th birthday with Maurice Steinfeld. Fellow Tuesday players, his family and most of the committee attended this special occasion.

Once again best wishes for 2022 and keep safe and healthy.

Regards
Terry Maunsell



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Nick's Notes:

Bidding boxes

These are designed to sit on your right, or on the side table. Use your right hand, even if you are left-handed like me. Make sure you grab the whole clump, not just the bid you want.

Start by placing your first bid a bit to your left. It will (should!) appear upside down to you, so that the other three can read it easily. Later bids overlap – but don't obscure – your earlier bids.

When the auction finishes, replace them all, except if you were the one who bid the final contract. Then you (can) place your stack on top of the board, so everyone knows what the contract is.



Revoke

If you think somebody at the table has revoked to the CURRENT trick, you can ask "No spades?" If it's declarer, s/he can simply replace the offending card with a legal one. Defenders can do the same, except that the retracted card stays face up, as a penalty card.

If play goes on for a while before anyone notices, the revoke becomes "established" and there will be hell to pay. (Continues...)

Nick's Notes (cont)

... That stage is reached when the revoking side has played to the NEXT trick.

Insufficient bid

Partner opens 1C and you respond 1D. Then you notice that the person on your right has overcalled 1S. What happens then? Firstly, your LEFT hand opponent might bid (or pass) over your "underbid" of 1D. Then the bidding continues with no penalty. Otherwise, you have to replace your call with something legal. It doesn't have to be 2D. However, if you choose something else - even pass - then the director will likely oblige your PARTNER to pass for the rest of the auction.

2022 BRIDGE AT EASTS

We open our year at Easts Bridge Club with some trepidation but with the hope that we can persevere and keep enjoying face to face bridge. Please be aware that we will be wearing masks for bridge until advised otherwise and that several sessions in January are in doubt due to testing pressures, illness and the continuing holiday season

Our President's newsletters will keep us informed of any changes to the "state of play" and we would ask that all members consider that rules are in place to protect each and every one of us. Please consider your own health and the health of your fellow members.

Plans for Tuesday night bridge have been suspended (not abandoned) so all members are encouraged to register interest in their attendance.

Our AGM has been set for: March 14th (Monday following Scheduled bridge play)

Membership Renewals are due by 31st January 2022. Please ensure subscriptions are paid by that date.

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Best Wishes for 2022



Wishing everyone a safe, happy and prosperous New Year, and best wishes for 2022.

May it not be 2020-too.