



Easts Bridge Club Newsletter

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President's Message May 2022

It has been lovely to be back playing face to face bridge at Easts. The number of players is slowly increasing at the Monday and Tuesday afternoon sessions.

The "experiment" of holding a Tuesday evening session has not been as successful as we had hoped so we will be discontinuing it for the time being. We may revisit the idea in the coming spring .

The really **GOOD** news is that we will be re-suming **Wednesday afternoon sessions from May 18th**. I know this is something that members have wanted and we have to thank the management of the Easts Club for their co operation with this.

Our beginner's classes have just concluded and it is hoped that we will gain a few new players from the group.

Terry Maunsel

Plays in the trump suit

The contract is 6 ♥

♥ 4	♥ A 7 6 5	♥ K 10 9 8
	♥ Q J 3 2	

If trumps break evenly (3-2) there is no problem. It doesn't matter what you do.

You might think to lead the ♥Q, hoping to trap the ♥K in West. You can't take all the tricks that way - even if West has the ♥K - because West will (should) **cover** the ♥Q. You will lose a later trick to the ♥10.

So think of the best way to make three tricks. Start by cashing the ♥A. If the king falls singleton, your problems are over.

When that doesn't happen, lead a low one towards your Q-J. If it turns out that East started with ♥KT98, you can still make three tricks.

When East correctly plays "2nd player low", your queen will win. You can return to dummy

in another suit to lead once more towards your jack for your third heart trick.

Here is another tricky suit in 6♥.

	♥ A 6 5 4	
♥ K 3 2		♥ Q
	♥ J 10 9 8 7	

This time you have nine trumps with chunky intermediates, so you it's fine to start by leading the ♥J. If it's your lucky day, West will play an honour and your troubles will be over.

More likely West will play low. Don't reach for dummy's ace. If you do that and it turns out that West had K-Q, you will go down.

No, let the ♥J run. It might win. If it loses to the king or queen, you still have a good chance. Next time, lead the ♥10 and again let it run. Don't get cold feet!

	♥ K 3	
♥ A 2		♥ J 10 4
	♥ Q 9 8 7 6 5	

Bad bidding to reach 6♥ with this trumps suit. Your only chance is for the East-West cards to be as they are.

Play to dummy's king and hope it wins. Then lead dummy's ♥3. When East plays the jack on that, duck and hope that West's ace will fall doubleton. Playing the ♥Q on East's jack would be giving up..

April Winners

from average of a pair's best **three** scores

Mondays

Geoffrey Hill & Kerry Hill

Tuesdays

Terry-Anne Maunsell & Adelia Tchelnokova

Player of the Month

(Individual players with the best four scores)

1st	Theo Mangos	59.1%
2nd	Chris Hamam	59.0%

Bridge sessions at Easts

Monday 1 - 4 pm
 Tuesday 1 - 3.30
 (Supervised. Talk at 12.45)
 Wednesday 1 - 4 pm
 (from 18 May)

As a consequence, we are **discontinuing** both the Tuesday night game and the Wednesday BBO game.

Special RED POINT events

Mixed Pairs - Monday **16 May**
 (Win entry to the State Final. "Un-mixed" pairs can still play and earn red masterpoints)

Novice Pairs - Tuesday **31 May**
 (\$12 includes the booklet and a chance at prizes. Australia-wide)

Vale

Ivor Cohen

Not overheard at the table ...

WEST	EAST
4♥	4♠
5♥	5♠
6♥	6♠
Double	

North: "You can't double your partner!"

West: "It's OK. He's not my partner any more."

Your 2022 Committee

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Don't go a minute over four hours. If you do, you get charged the full 4+ hours amount, which is \$60. Ouch!



Masterpoint Race at Easts

			Red	Green
<i>as at 31 March</i>				
1	Theo Mangos		0	1.18
2	Allan Rosenberg		0	0.86
3	Eva Last		0	0.84
4	Albert Tjahja		0	0.84
5	David Woodsmith		0	0.75
6	Toni Paramore		0	0.68
7	Helena Van Dam		0	0.60
8	Bonnie Rix		0	0.60
9	Judith Rychter		0	0.57
10	Paul Larby		0	0.50

Red points are still to be allocated.