



# APRIL, 2018 NEWSLETTER

## EASTS BRIDGE CLUB

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



*It is Party Central at Easts*

### Bridge in April

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> is at Easts  
Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> – Easts - **Beginner Class** & Supervised  
Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> is at Easts (**Mixed Pairs - Red Points**)  
Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> is at the RSL (Bill Johnson Room)  
Monday 9<sup>th</sup> is at Easts  
Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> – Easts - **Beginner Class** & Supervised  
Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> at Easts (**Mixed Pairs - Red Points**)  
Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> is **CANCELLED** (RSL Unavailable)  
Monday 16<sup>th</sup> is at Easts  
Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> – Easts- Supervised Session  
Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> is at Easts  
Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> is at the RSL (Bill Johnson Room)  
Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> is at Easts  
Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> Easts - Supervised Session  
Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> is at Easts  
Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> is at the RSL (Bill Johnson Room)  
Monday 30<sup>th</sup> is at Easts.

### THERE WILL BE SIX FESTIVE OCCASIONS

instead of the Christmas Lunch, as in previous years. The program is referred to elsewhere in this Newsletter. Each occasion will include Lucky Draw Prizes and other themed festivities.

**Free Game Vouchers** will now be awarded to both N/S AND E/W whenever there be **more than 20 tables** and, for the highest score, (**EITHER N/S OR E/W**), if less than 20 tables and when played at Easts



### Most Improved Ratings in March

	Rating	Prior	Gain
Aysel SARIBATIR	54.14	52.87	1.27
Eliane BEN MAYOR	45.48	44.38	1.10
Robert VADAS	57.82	56.79	1.03

### TEASER FOR MAY, 2018 ...

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> is at Easts  
Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> **RSL** (Bridge for Brains) **Red Points**  
Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> is at the **RSL**  
Monday the 7<sup>th</sup> is **CANCELLED**

Two guys play bridge all afternoon at the club and adjourn for dinner. They go over every hand, dutifully writing on every napkin not to mention their tablecloth. They go back, play another session, and adjourn to the same restaurant for a late snack. Again, they start to go over the hands. Finally, one says: "Bill, I can't take it anymore, can't we talk about something else, anything else like politics, the movies, sports, sex? Bill says, "Sex? " I had sex diamonds to the king!"

*Count your losers and count your winners. If the total doesn't come to 13, count your cards. (Alfred Sheinwold)*

**The Mixed Pairs** event is being played on Wednesdays 4<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> in April. Find a partner now for this **Red Points** event at which you can qualify to play in the State Championship. Players who are not "mixed" can still play but will not be eligible to qualify for the State Championships.

**Name Badges** - If you need a badge and your name does not appear (or is not correctly printed), email Thomas!

Geoffrey Broomhead, Ivor Cohen, Molly Moyes, Bill Moyes, Debra Gray, Jane Satterford, Gwynn Young, Tracey Masiello, Katie Grand, Adelina Tchelnokoba, Ruth Adler, Marion Berry, Roslyn Collins, Michael Osterberg, Karin Osterberg, Andrew Bell, Dianne Nassau

### Something for everyone ...

Firstly, "The Improvers Course", conducted by Nick Hughes, on the Tuesdays 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> of May  
Secondly **The 2018 Australia-Wide Novice Pairs** on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> May  
And lastly, the Qualifying rounds of the **Grand National Open Teams** event, (**A Gold Point** extravaganza) will be held on the 4<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> June

**Membership**, (as we all know), is paid/renewed on or before the 31<sup>st</sup> October.

This includes those who joined as "learners". A second "beginner's course" is available at no extra charge to all members but the initial "beginner's fee" does not qualify in this regard.

That is to say, an October beginner can simply enjoy a full year's membership OR pay the \$40 (early) to have a second round of "beginners" tuition as well.

*Then of course, there is the Annual General Meeting of Easts Bridge Club, now scheduled for **14<sup>th</sup> November**.  
Yes, you guessed correctly... another party to follow!*

**The Easts Bridge "Dating Site"**... yes, you are reading it right!  
We encourage you to find your own partner before calling the matchmaker. "Contact details" of members (with very few exceptions) are to be found in the "Programme Booklet"

**Is there no end to the largesse?** From April, **Free Game "Yellow Vouchers"** (redeemable on Tuesdays) to the top scoring pair, either N/S or E/W, in the Tuesday "Supervised" Sessions



**PROGRAM OF FROLIC AND FUN** -Tuesdays 10<sup>th</sup> April & 27<sup>th</sup> November, **Cheese and Wine** "Get-togethers" where the newest members can mingle & meet with other players and the Committee

**"Bridge for Brains"** Is scheduled for **Wednesday the 2<sup>nd</sup> of May**. This is a **Red Point** event which we participate in and support as a very worthy cause.

**The Club Championships** Will be conducted on the Wednesdays of **9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> of May**. These, unsurprisingly, are **Red Point** events. A **Cornucopia of Food and Wine** will be served on the last day as a Celebration & there will also be Lucky Draws!

**CHRISTMAS COMES IN JULY TO EASTS BRIDGE CLUB.** Fun, Food and Frolic after the game on the **25<sup>th</sup> July**.- Featuring "Lucky Draws" & **Red Points**.

## THE LAWS OF DUPLICATE BRIDGE LAW 74 – CONDUCT AND ETIQUETTE

### A. Proper attitude

1. A player should maintain a courteous attitude at all times
2. A player should carefully avoid any remark or extraneous action that might cause annoyance or embarrassment to another player or might interfere with the enjoyment of the game.
3. Every player should follow uniform and correct procedure in calling and playing

Erik Paulsen comes back to his home town, Downey, Ca. after being a member of the U.S team that had just won a world championship. The local players are surprised to see him at the local duplicate. But there he is, and he begins to play. About midway through the game he is competing in spades against opponents who are bidding hearts. Finally, he bids 3S, loudly, so he won't get doubled. It doesn't work. His LHO doubles. Erik looks at him and says: "Do you know who I am?" The guy says: "Yes I know who you are." Erik says: "Do you know how many masterpoints I have?" The guy says, "No, but do you know how many spades I have?"

## Declarer Play – "Protecting your Trump Suit"

Marty Bergen shows you how

N 10  
 7 2  
 A Q 4 3 2  
 A K 9 8 7

W Q 9 7 5  
 Q 3  
 K 9 6  
 Q J 6 2

E 6  
 A K J 10 9 8 6  
 J 10  
 10 5 4

S A K J 8 4 3 2  
 5 4  
 8 7 5  
 3

E bids 3 S overcalls 3   
W has no reason to bid,  
N has one option, and bids 4

A warm "Easts Welcome" to **Geoffrey Broomhead** who has joined the Committee.

*Many players have their own little ways of deciding which way to finesse for a missing queen. Some play that the queen always lies over the jack; hungry players finesse toward the kitchen, romantic players finesse toward the bedroom and practical players finesse toward the bathroom.*

**Two players with back injuries** have been added to the Reserved Tables List. Consequently, there will be very few North/South tables available for able bodied players on Wednesdays.

A lady is playing in her first duplicate and hears an opponent say: "Alert". The lady says: "I am alert".

## Welcome to our newest players -

Julia Check  
Juan Cruz  
Maria Labra  
Louise Ryan  
Rosemary Binstock  
Lou Eliezer  
Ofra Engler  
Vicky Fellus  
Brenda Franco  
Denise Kimber  
Christine Lau  
Bronwyn Morton  
Lina Pavlova  
Tracey Perry  
Gail Shields  
Pamela Smith  
Sharon Scottocornola  
Suzanne Turner

**From Souths point of view**, there are 2 x losers in Hearts, OK in Clubs if the finesse works and must keep the trump losers to one only. East takes the A and K of Hearts and leads another Heart. Your only play is to trump low in hand and discard in dummy OR cover Wests 9 with your 10.- The CK can be inferred to be with West from the points in Hearts and the shape which were indicated by East's pre-empt – lose only one trump with this play . **Making 4 ..... Good one Marty!**

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## Winners are still

**Grinners.** The Prize Giving and boring speeches by the President will take place on **Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December**, following a session of Bridge. **"Party Time!"** - Food, Wine & Lucky Draws to the lucky players.