

September 2023

Message from the President

Dear members,

The Club Championships were held during August and I wish to congratulate the following players

- Individual Champion: *Nimal Weerasinghe (NimalW)*
- Open Pairs Champions: *Rex Livingston (RexLiv), Paul Hill (PaulS)*
- Restricted Pairs Champions: *Martin Sims (Martin), Alison Sandwith (AlisonS)*
- Novice Pairs Champions: *Graeme Fraser (GraemeF), Marita Scroope (MaritaS)*



A reminder our October Congress is accepting entries. We are using the MyABF platform to handle registrations.

The Audio Video trials will be recommenced. We have been conducting private setup sessions for players as and when requested. The Sunday evening 8pm Audio Video session has a regular following. We would like to see more players participate.

As previously advised the software development department is working on our new Teams format which should be available very soon. This exciting addition to our playing program will be tested as soon as it comes online and new teams competitions will be announced.

Our AGM is a matter of weeks away. It has been my pleasure and privilege to have served as your President for the past 3 ½ years. The evolution of our club over these 3 ½ years has been momentous. I wish to acknowledge the support I have had from our Management Team over that time. The commitment and effort from these people have been invaluable and has built the club into the wonderful club that we have today. We can look forward to the new team continuing this work into the future to expand and improve the offerings the club will provide to the membership.

Happy Bridging,
Sarah Zoral (SarahAn)

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**StepBridge Australia Bridge Club
Annual General Meeting
has been POSTPONED.**

A new date and time will be announced soon.

AGM
Annual General Meeting

CLUB PLAYING NUMBERS

Aug 2023	9382	Jul 2023	9924	Jun 2023	8698	May 2023	8858
April 2023	9354	Mar 2023	9372	Feb 2023	8346	Jan 2023	9804
Dec 2022	9142	Nov 2022	9090	Oct 2022	9036	Sept 2022	8594
Aug 2022	9631	Jul 2022	10344	Jun 2022	9322	May 2022	9980
April 2022	9788	Mar 2022	10386	Feb 2022	9854	Jan 2022	12428
Dec 2021	9264	Nov 2021	9516	Oct 2021	11200	Sept 2021	13660

Message from the Secretary

Annual General Meeting

The 2023 StepBridge Australia Bridge Club Annual General Meeting (AGM) has had to be postponed from the date set of Sunday 24 September. This is due to a typo in the Constitution which has been brought to the attention of the Committee and requires to be fixed. This will mean an Special General Meeting (SGM) to occur.

StepBridge members will be emailed information regarding the SGM & AGM, including the date & time, minutes from the last AGM, agenda, reports from the various positions, and a list of candidates as soon as details of the SGM & AGM are finalised.

If you have any questions, please email me know at chris@stepbridge.com.au.

Chris Larter (ChrisLar)

Club Championship Results

During August, StepBridge held its Club Championship. Please find below the results of the place-getters in each of the categories.

Open Individual

- 1st Nimal Weerasinghe (NimalW)
- 2nd Christopher Johnston (ChrisJoh)
- 3rd Raman Jegatheesan (RamanJ)

Open Pairs

- 1st Rex Livingston (RexLiv), Paul Hill (PaulS)
- 2nd Richard Harman (RichHa), John Friesen (JohnFri)
- 3rd Ken Berry (Ken), Larry Bryant (Larry)

Restricted Pairs

- 1st Martin Sims (Martin), Alison Sandwith (AlisonS)
- 2nd Elizabeth Moss (ElizaM), Gwen Riordan (GwenRio)
- 3rd Nick Armitage (NickA), Sachiko Cathcart (SachikoC)

Novice Pairs

- 1st Graeme Fraser (GraemeF), Marita Scroope (MaritaS)
- 2nd Julie Barker (JulieBar), Frances Pope (FrancesP)
- 3rd Nick Armitage (NickA), Sachiko Cathcart (SachikoC)



ATTENTION

QUEENSLAND, NORTHERN TERRITORY & WESTERN AUSTRALIA PLAYERS

Daylight Savings starts on Sunday morning 1 October.

This means play will start one hour earlier for players from Queensland, the Northern Territory & Western Australia.

Below is the spelled out timetable for these players.

Weekly Timetable

	<i>Queensland</i>	<i>Northern Territory</i>	<i>Western Australia</i>
Open Individual:	9.00am	8.30am	7.00am
Open: (Mon-Sat)	12 noon	11.30am	10.00am
Restricted: (Mon-Sat)	12.15pm	11.45am	10.15am
Open/Restricted/ Novice (Sun)	1.30pm	1.00pm	11.30am
Open: (Mon-Sat)	3.00pm	2.30pm	1.00pm
Novice: (Mon-Sat)	3.10pm	2.40pm	1.10pm
Restricted/Novice: (Restricted: Mon, Wed & Fri / Novice: Tue & Thu)	6.45pm	6.15pm	4.45pm
Open:	7.00pm	6.30pm	5.00pm

Note: There is no change of time for players from New South Wales, Victoria, Tasmania, South Australia & the Australian Capital Territory.

StepBridge Australia

OCTOBER SWISS BUTLER IMP PAIRS CONGRESS



Open, Restricted & Novice
(An approved SABF red point congress)

SATURDAY 14th OCTOBER 2023 *Online on StepBridge*

Director	Alan Bustany
Movement	Swiss Butler IMP Pairs. Three separate fields of Open, Restricted & Novice. The number of boards and rounds will be at the discretion of the Director and StepBridge.
Conditions of Entry	SABF Approved Red Masterpoint Congress conducted under the Laws of Duplicate Bridge. Butler IMPs scoring will be used. Masterpoints not guaranteed unless ABF number is provided. Green, blue & red systems, and Brown Sticker conventions and treatments, permitted in the Open Grade. Blue & green systems permitted in the Novice & Restricted fields. No Yellow (HUM) systems in this Congress. Novice players must have fewer than 100 Masterpoints as at 31 July 2023. Restricted players must have fewer than 300 Masterpoints as at 31 July 2023. Each pair must have 2 systemically identical current system cards. Players are responsible for ensuring their system classification is correct.
Start Time	11.00am (ACT, NSW, VIC & TAS) / 10.30am (SA) / 10.00am (QLD) / 9.30am (NT) / 8.00am (WA)
Closing Date	Thursday 12th October 2023. Late entries accepted at the discretion of the Director and StepBridge.
Entries & Entry List	https://www.myabf.com.au/events/congress/view/844
Entry Fee	400 Participation Points per Player. The Participation Points will be deducted from your account on the day of the congress. Please ensure you have enough Participation Points in your account.
Prizes	Cash Prizes will be awarded in the three separate fields of Open, Restricted & Novice. 1st \$300, 2nd \$200 & 3rd \$150, subject to 20 tables in the particular field. Should there be less than 20 tables in the particular field, the above prizes will be reassessed & reduced.
StepBridge Username Registration	All players must be registered with StepBridge Australia. Details on registration at www.stepbridge.com.au If registering solely for this Congress, you can have temporary membership with no membership fee payable and in addition 150 free Participation Points to familiarise yourself with the StepBridge Australia platform. You will need order and pay \$20 for purchase of your Participation Points for this event. Account Name: StepBridge Australia BSB: 012013 Account Number: 302538455 StepBridge enquiries to support@stepbridge.com.au

Novice Corner

Welcome everyone to the 8th edition. Thank you to everyone for their positive feedback from the previous newsletter. If anyone has any suggestions for the next month newsletter, please send me an email.

In the last edition, we announced we would send bulk email out for people looking for partner in between newsletters. We apologise, this will not happen due to the complexities of sending this out through the StepBridge platform.

We have a new initiative (Thanks PhilK) that we hope will assist new members on finding a regular partner. It will be called "Willing to Play with a Newbie". If you are willing to play with a new member (even a beginner) you can email your interest to me (duncan@stepbridge.com.au)

We intend to have this page in the monthly newsletter from here on, so I encourage each of you to submit any ideas for the monthly newsletter.

I know it is daunting to find a partner, as a new player coming into our community. If that is the case for anyone in our community, please let me know and we will post your name on this page and we will endeavour to find you a regular partner. If you would like to be a part of the Partnership Finder List email me, your Username and contact details that you are happy to have published on our page.

Partnership Finder List:

1. JohnHew johnhewitt789@gmail.com
2. PamelaM p.j.mathie@gmail.com

I would like to introduce you to the following new novice players that started to play in August, please be supportive and friendly to these players. These people are single players looking for a game, so we would encourage you to volunteer your time and team up with these new members.

AileenG	AlexB	AnnGr	Ayako	BillL
GayeM	JenniM	JennyBa	JillDr	LindyH
MareeW	MerrynG	PhilRin	RachelMc	RobynCoo
RobynKr	RuthBuz	SamD	SusanHam	TracyD

Happy Bridging,
Duncan Welsh (DuncanW)
duncan@stepbridge.com.au

Sarah's Turkish Adventures - continued

It has been 6 months since the devastating earthquakes in Southern Turkiye. The reports coming from the region are still grim and very discouraging. As I have previously mentioned, the inflation rate continues to soar. People in the earthquake regions are living in dusty hot tent cities or if very lucky an unairconditioned metal container. Drinking water is still a huge problem and many areas are battling disease from unsanitary conditions. The pledges made in the leadup to the Presidential Elections In May to building 319,000 homes in one year, may or may not come to fruition. In many areas the demolition has not been completed let alone an attempt to build and re-house the people. In Hatay in the heavily populated areas the emergency shelters are deteriorating day by day. There is no sign of demolition or reconstruction. A huge concern is the dust coming from asbestos ridden rubble.

In Istanbul, buildings are being condemned and demolished in an attempt to reduce the risk of loss of life should this region be struck with a massive earthquake. Many of these measures are like shutting the stable door after the horse has bolted. The major earthquakes of 1999 did not bring about compliance to acceptable building codes and so the shoddy workmanship has continued and as a result relatively modern buildings have not stood up to the effects of the earthquakes. It is very distressing to watch the political posturing on the TV and then to see the vision of the conditions these poor people continue to endure.

We are going to spend a month in Izmir holidaying at the seaside. Izmir is the 3rd largest city in Turkey on the Aegean coast. While we are there we are going to explore the province in search of a seaside summer house. Hopefully next year the welcome mat will be out for SBAU friends to come and visit.

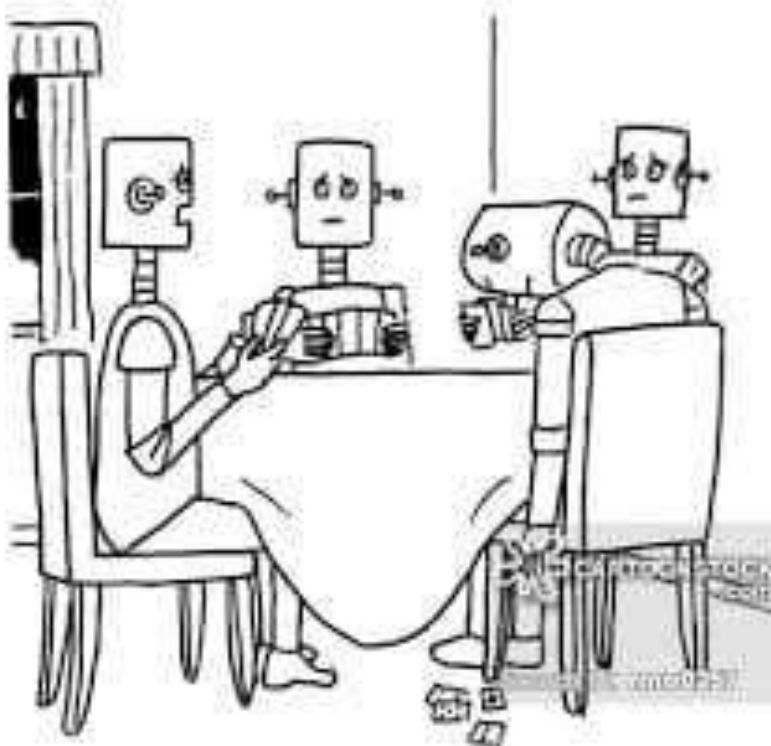
This month my brother-in-law had surgery for a simple hernia repair. It is amazing. The family all gathered to be nearby for the surgery, my sister-in-law accompanied her husband and she stayed at the hospital with him while he was there. It is expected that a family member will accompany the patient and provide basic nursing care to assist. The rest of the family were close at hand. Lawns were mowed, gardens watered, even in-laws came to assist and offer support. You would have thought this was life threatening surgery. The support of family in all situations is mind blowing. However, then the problem really starts, because, if your family is like this one and you have an endless supply of friends, acquaintances, neighbours etc, they ALL come to visit to pay their respects and offer get well wishes. This requires tea, coffee, refreshments and so it goes on. No wonder the family are there to man the station!!!

We have a new baby in the family. A couple of weeks ago a small puppy appeared. Hungry and thirsty. He was fed and watered and I was fetched, I am the local dog whisperer apparently. - Short answer to this story. We have been unable to locate the puppy's owners. We live in a fairly remote village and the thinking is that after holidays the puppy was dumped. I took him to the vet. No microchip, the vet estimates he is 4 months old and a Terrier breed. He now has a microchip, vaccinated against rabies and a Turkish Animal Passport. I have named him Sandy. He has a new sheepskin lined kennel on our terrace and his first pair of pyjamas ready for the cold weather.

Turkish Blog

Sarah's Turkish Adventures - continued

Yesterday he was very excited and ran around throwing his chewy bone. He got too close to the banks of the irrigation canal adjoining our property and tumbled over the bank and INTO the water. How he managed to scramble out unaided still amazes me. Back to the bath and then he was cleaned up sweet smelling and fine again. No doubt there will be more stories to come about Sandy the terrier.



"He's not much fun in the evenings -- he's solar powered."

Bridge Article

Sorry Marilyn but Diamonds Can Also Be a Guy's Best Friend ...

We all remember Marilyn Monroe.

It is highly unlikely though that she played Bridge, even though Bridge was immensely popular in the USA all her life. She had a tough upbringing. Bridge was a luxury, it must have been another world..Do you remember the song 'Diamonds are a Girl's Best Friend' from *Gentlemen Prefer Blondes*?



Some of the song's cynical lines seem relevant when playing Bridge? Let us have some fun and take liberties and make up a mix.....

*The French are glad to die for love.
They delight in fighting duels.
But I prefer a man who lives.
And gives expensive jewels.*

*Time rolls on
And youth is gone
And you can't straighten up when you bend.
But diamonds are a girl's best friend.*

*But stiff back
Or stiff knees
You stand straight at Tiffany's.
Diamonds
Diamonds
I don't mean rhinestone
But diamonds are a girl's best
Best friend.*

Once again it was the familiar foursome at the StepBridge Table. That very 'Likeable LHO, my 'Marvellous Partner' and our arch-enemy the 'Resourceful RHO.' That person always is sitting to my right! I am nervous with just reason.

Here is my hand. No one is vulnerable.

	N – Marvellous Partner	
	♠	
	♥	
	♦	
W – Likeable LHO	♣	E – Resourceful RHO
♠		♠
♥		♥
♦		♦
♣	S -Me	♣
	♠ J 10 8 5	
	♥ -	
	♦ A K Q 9 5 3 2	
	♣ Q 7	

The bidding goes West, Pass. North, 3H (seven hearts pre-emptive). East, Pass.

Bridge Article

I am South. What to do? There is a logic to just simply passing. A safety play says this is sensible - but wait a second or many seconds and think this through.

Your partner has perhaps 6-10 HCP and at least two honours in hearts. 3H is a good bid. They will have a usefully shaped hand. RHO does not have a five-card spade suit but could have an opening hand. But why did they not double? Perhaps they did not have an opening hand?

If they did not have an opening hand then if I pass Likeable LHO must have a good hand and is most likely to bid. If partner has (say) 8 HCP and I have my 12 HCP then our opponents have 20 HCP.

What is quite dangerous is that they will have six hearts between them. It is possible that they may have a game in Spades or Clubs because of the distribution of both my partner's hand and my hand. Yes, there is a strong prospect that they have a game!

So, what to do? Raising 3H to 4H is out of the question. Bidding spades also. Then NT could be the perfect disaster with no hearts to get to dummy. Good defence could humiliate a 3NT bid? If 3NT was doubled then 'ouch'! Bidding 4D is not enough because if they have a strong spades combination, they will bid 4 Spades. Maybe that is fine as you may take them light. But what if they have good clubs and bid 5C? What if they double the 3H because one player has all the other hearts, and your partner is mercilessly outplayed?

The only thing to do is ignore Marilyn Monroe and assume that diamonds can also be a guy's best friend. Bid 5D.

Here are all the hands -

	N - Marvellous Partner	
	♠ Q 6 2	
	♥ A J 10 8 7 4 3	
	♦ 6 4	
W - Likeable LHO	♣ 3	E - Resourceful RHO
♠ 9 3		♠ A K 7 4
♥ K Q 9 5		♥ 6 2
♦ J 10 7		♦ 8
♣ A 9 8 6	S - Me	♣ K J 10 5 4 2
	♠ J 10 8 5	
	♥ -	
	♦ A K Q 9 5 3 2	
	♣ Q 7	

Likeable LHO led the Ace of clubs.

Yes, they had a 5 club contract between them. And if partner is left in hearts, they had three immediate tricks from a spade lead, then one club trick, and they just need one heart trick to defeat the contract. If East plays a diamond a further heart trick is possible. It does not look good for a heart contract which had been doubledlots of pressure on your partner?

Here is the range of scores.

3H -1 N -50 91.67%
4D -1 S -50 91.67%
5D -1 S -50 91.67%
3H -2 N -100 62.50%
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3NT -2 S -100 62.50%
5D -2 S -100 62.50%
4H -3 N -150 41.67%
4H -4 N -200 33.33%
3HX -3 N -500 25.00%
5C = E -600 8.33%
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Going one light in 5D gave a 91.67% score. 3HX against the correct defence, gave a 25% score. Passing and allowing EW to find a 5C game would have resulted in an 8.33% score.

So Marilyn, you never imagined that diamonds could be a guy's best friend but here is proof that they can be!

Tony Georgeson (TonyGeor)

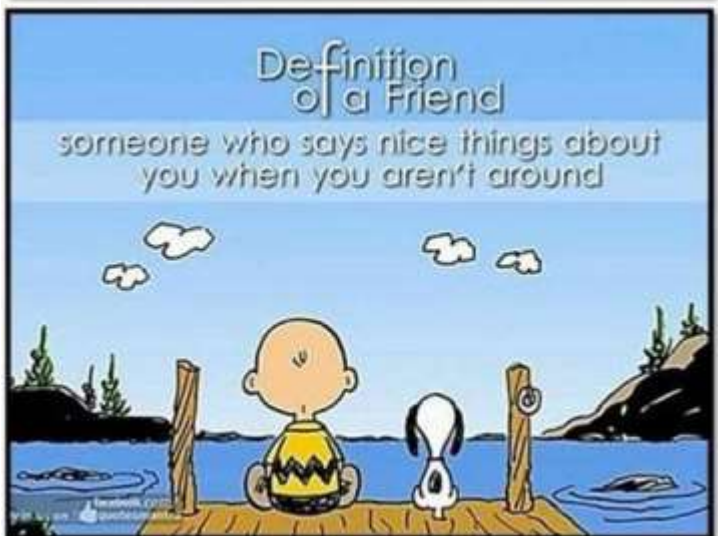
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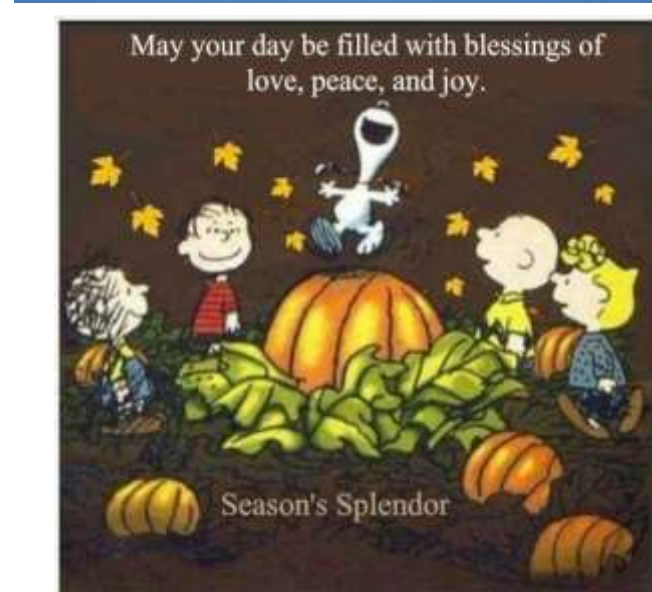
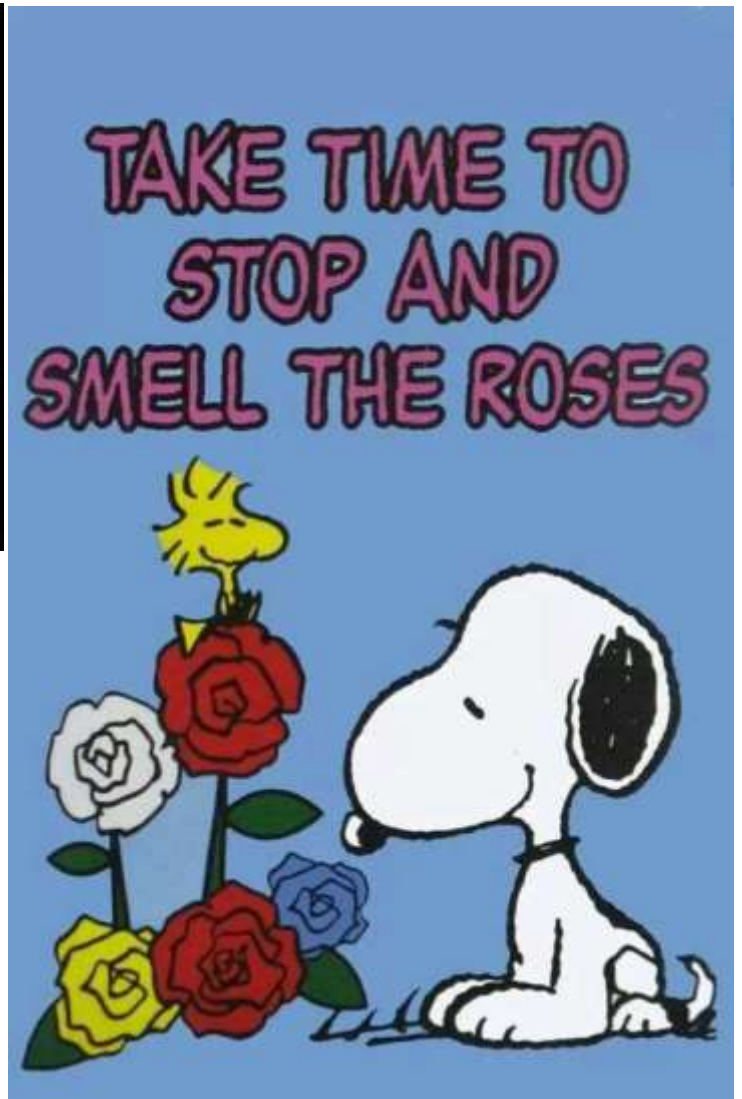
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Cookery Corner

Thank you to Brenda McClean (Brenda) for our monthly Cookery Corner.

Chicken Terriyaki Noodles

Ingredients

- ½ kilo chicken thighs
- 2 teaspoon of sesame oil
- Pinch salt and pepper
- 4 cups of thawed frozen stir fry vegies
- Packet of wonton style noodles

Sauce Ingredients

- ⅓ cup soy sauce
- ½ cup stock
- 2 tablespoons of brown sugar
- 5 cloves of minced garlic
- Grated ginger root



Directions

- Heat oil in a pan, add chicken pieces and brown for 3 - 5 minutes
- Meanwhile bring a pot of water to boil and add vegies and noodles. Cook till noodles soft.
- Put together in the pot all the sauce ingredients and boil until thickened (about 3 minutes). Return chicken to the pot with vegs, noodles and sauce. Stir well.

Mixed Berry Rice Pudding

Ingredients

- 200g of rice
- 75g of light brown sugar
- Vanilla
- 300g of mixed frozen berries (thawed)

Directions

- Place rice, milk vanilla and sugar in a saucepan and cook for 18-20 minutes until rice is ready
- Preheat oven to 160c
- Stir berries into the mixture and place in a casserole dish
- Sprinkle sugar on top
- Bake for approx. 10 minutes till brown on top



Monthly Awards: August 2023

Award	Class	Rank	Score	Tourn	Players
<i>Highest Player Average in August 2023</i>	Overall	1	57.36	6	David Randles (DavidRan)
		2	57.24	30	Tim Davis (TimD)
		3	56.45	9	Ian Robson (IanRob)
	Open	1	57.36	6	David Randles (DavidRan)
		2	57.24	30	Tim Davis (TimD)
		3	56.37	7	Janelle Conroy (JanelleC)
	Restricted	1	57.14	12	Neil Melvin (NeilMel)
		2	56.17	9	Sandra Mulcahy (SandraMu)
		3	55.77	13	Libby Heyward (LibHeywa)
	Novice	1	57.68	7	Jian Williams (JianW)
		2	56.45	9	Ian Robson (IanRob)
			56.45	9	Louise McGoldrick (LouiseM)
	Open IMPs	1	22	9	John Bailey (JohnBail)
			22	9	Mardi Grosvenor (Mardi)
		3	20	7	Margaret Dyer (MargDy)
	Open	1	57.37	16	Libby Heyward (LibHeywa)
Individual	2	54.91	10	Cassandra Mitchell (CassMi)	
	3	54.76	18	Chris Van Wyck (Wicky)	
<i>Highest Pairs Average in August 2023</i>	Overall	1	57.88	14	Tim Davis (TimD), Mardi Grosvenor (Mardi)
		2	57.84	9	Florence Maltby (Florence), Rez Karim (MeemKar)
		3	57.65	6	Chris Farr (ChrisF), Ann Sauer (AnnSauer)
	Open	1	57.88	14	Tim Davis (TimD), Mardi Grosvenor (Mardi)
		2	57.84	9	Florence Maltby (Florence), Rez Karim (MeemKar)
		3	57.39	8	Mrinal Dey (MrinalD), Philip Bapty (PhillB)
	Restricted	1	57.65	6	Chris Farr (ChrisF), Ann Sauer (AnnSauer)
		2	56.75	8	Sandra Mulcahy (SandraMu), Frank Broos
		3	55.85	8	Peter Thorpe (PeterTh), Bill Gilmore (BillG)
	Novice	1	56.45	9	Ian Robson (IanRob), Louise McGoldrick (LouiseM)
		2	55.72	8	Jennifer Kroon (JenKroon), Ronald Kroon (RonaldKr)
		3	55.29	7	Graeme Fraser (GraemeF), Marita Scroope
	Open IMPs	1	22	9	John Bailey (JohnBail), Mardi Grosvenor (Mardi)
		2	14	7	Eva Samuel (EvaSam), Shirley Collins (ShirleyC)
	3	0	9	Robert Stammel (RobS), Claire Stammel (ClaireS)	

As an incentive for the player / pair who has most sessions in the month and the most improved player / pair in the month, a prize will be awarded to the person / pair that comes first in each category. The prize is 100 participation points per player. The players who have received the prizes are marked in red text below. Congratulations!

Award	Class	Rank	Score	Tourn	Players
<i>Player Who Has Played the Most Tournaments in August 2023</i>	Overall	1		87	Elizabeth McNeill (ElizaMc)
		2		64	Dianne Dwyer (Dianned)
		3		63	Christopher Raisin (ChrisRai)
	Open	1		73	Elizabeth McNeill (ElizaMc)
		2		50	Dianne Dwyer (Dianned)
		3		45	Michele Tredinnick (Michele)
	Restricted	1		37	Wendy Harris (WendyH)
		2		29	Rhonda Henry (Rhonda)
		3		27	Matthew Geeve (MatthewG)
	Novice	1		31	Julie Barker (JulieBar)
		2		23	Duncan Welsh (DuncanW)
		3		22	Frances Pope (FrancesP)
	Open IMPs	1		10	Whalley Robin (WhalleyR)
				10	Delma Casabene (DelmaCa)
				10	Brenda McClean (Brenda)
	Open	1		30	Christopher Raisin (ChrisRai)
	Individual	2		20	Wendy Dodd (WendyDod)
		3		19	Ann Rice (AnnR)

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<i>Pair Who Has Played the Most Tournaments in August 2023</i>	Overall	1		30	Robert Stammel (RobS), Claire Stammel (ClaireS)
		2		23	Mike McGlone (MikeMcG), Ron Wilkinson (RonWilk)
		3		22	Carmel Martin (CarmelMa), Abigail Wanigaratne
	Open	1		23	Mike McGlone (MikeMcG), Ron Wilkinson (RonWilk)
		2		21	Carmel Martin (CarmelMa), Abigail Wanigaratne
				21	Robert Stammel (RobS), Claire Stammel (ClaireS)
	Restricted	1		18	Peter Westmoreland (PeterWes), Denise McTaggart
		2		13	Thais Morgan-Pertus (ThaisMP), Sean Quinn (SeanQ)
				13	Rhonda Henry (Rhonda), Peter Thorpe (PeterTh)
	Novice	1		12	Bob Laing (BobLa), Lee Furness (LeeF)
				12	Cath Morrison (CathMor), Vera Boston (VeraB)
		3		10	Julie Barker (JulieBar), Frances Pope (FrancesP)
	Open IMPs	1		9	John Bailey (JohnBail), Mardi Grosvenor (Mardi)
				9	Robert Stammel (RobS), Claire Stammel (ClaireS)
		3		8	Diva Hatfield (DivaH), Richard Gilbert (RichardG)

Award	Class	Rank	Score	Tourns	Players
<i>Most Improved Player in August 2023</i>	Overall	1	7.99	11	Janet Buckton (JanetBuc)
		2	6.02	13	Joan Lenehan (JoanLe)
		3	5.61	16	Brenda McClean (Brenda)
	Open	1	5.76	9	James Willetts (JamesWi)
		2	5.04	7	Barry Williams (BarryWi)
		3	4.96	7	Janelle Conroy (JanelleC)
	Restricted	1	5.16	12	Neil Melvin (NeilMel)
		2	5.03	10	Mal Hughes (MalH)
		3	4.95	9	Ann Rice (AnnR)
	Novice	1	6.32	6	Greg Trott (GregT)
			6.32	6	Carol Lance (CarollLa)
		3	4.94	9	Lyn Forby (LynForby)
	Open IMPs	1	0.17	7	Mal Clark (MalCl)
		2	0.14	7	Shirley Collins (ShirleyC)
			0.14	7	Eva Samuel (EvaSam)
Open	1	8.29	10	Cassandra Mitchell (CassMi)	
Individual	2	4.67	9	Barbara Grant (BarbG)	
	3	3.28	6	Julie Sheehan (JulieSh)	
<i>Most Improved Pair in August 2023</i>	Overall	1	5.59	6	Chris Farr (ChrisF), Ann Sauer (AnnSauer)
		2	5.54	6	Greg Trott (GregT), Carol Lance (CarollLa)
		3	5.17	6	Barry Williams (BarryWi), Ashok Chotai (AshokC)
	Open	1	5.17	6	Barry Williams (BarryWi), Ashok Chotai (AshokC)
		2	4.61	6	Rez Karim (MeemKar), Elizabeth McNeill (ElizaMc)
		3	4.27	8	Christopher Raisin (ChrisRai), Mary Knight (MaryK)
	Restricted	1	5.59	6	Chris Farr (ChrisF), Ann Sauer (AnnSauer)
		2	3.62	13	Rhonda Henry (Rhonda), Peter Thorpe (PeterTh)
		3	2.8	8	Wendy Dodd (WendyDod), Ronnie Malthouse
	Novice	1	6.32	6	Greg Trott (GregT), Carol Lance (CarollLa)
		2	3.26	9	Graham Boast (GrahamBr), Kath Boast (KathBr)
		3	2.75	8	Jennifer Kroon (JenKroon), Ronald Kroon (RonaldKr)
	Open IMPs	1	0.14	7	Eva Samuel (EvaSam), Shirley Collins (ShirleyC)
	2	0.08	9	John Bailey (JohnBail), Mardi Grosvenor (Mardi)	

Masterpoint Promotions

August 2023

Jonathan Free	Gold Grand	Brenda Hall	State
Penny Sykes	Grand	Vanessa Wells	State
Colleen Berry	Gold Life	Pauline Greig	State
David Snow	Silver Life	Duncan Welsh	State
David Gallagher	Silver Life	Norman Johnston	State
Elaine Kenny	Bronze Life	Bob Northam	Bronze Regional
Jay Wongphasukhot	Bronze Life	Sue Barber	Bronze Regional
Frank Hardiman	Bronze Life	Gek Low	Regional
Margaret Prentice	Life	Annie Williams	Regional
Jim Stewart	Life	Peter Webb	Regional
Christine Bacon	Life	Joy Millen	Regional
Judith Parsons	Life	Carolynne Mucharsky	Regional
Lynn Bain	Silver National	Mark Glaser	Regional
Sandi Pirozzo	Bronze National	Lyn Forby	Silver Local
Lesley Sutherland	Bronze National	Barbara Gow	Silver Local
Colleen Skipsey	Bronze National	Caroline Nichols	Silver Local
Richard Arnold	National	Eva Pendel	Silver Local
Karen Moller	National	Wendy Dodd	Bronze Local
Margaret Mahony	Bronze State	Janet Buckton	Bronze Local
David Petterson	Bronze State	Jos De Klerk	Bronze Local
Alison Sandwith	Bronze State	Anne-Marie Stevenson	Local
David Richards	Bronze State	Chantal Maccliver	Local
Julia Caldwell	Bronze State	Jenni Darlington	Club
Alan Puckey	State	Samuel Li	Club
Savitri Newman	State	Toni Shorten	Graduate



StepBridge Tournament Fees

Green Point Session: 50 Participation Points

Red Point Session: 75 Participation Points

Session Times

Open: 1pm (Monday - Saturday)

2.30pm (Sunday - *All Around Australia*)

4pm (Monday - Saturday)

8pm (Everyday)

Open Individual: 10am (Everyday)

Restricted: 1.15pm (Monday - Saturday)

2.30pm (Sunday - *All Around Australia*)

7.45pm (Monday, Wednesday, Friday)

Novice: 2.30pm (Sunday - *All Around Australia*)

4.10pm (Monday - Saturday)

7.45pm (Tuesday & Thursday)

IMPs Sessions

Tuesday: 8pm Open

Thursday: 8pm Open

Contributions to the Newsletter

All contributions, big or small, would be welcome to this newsletter.

- Do you have an interesting hand for a recent bridge session or congress?
- Can we interview you, so we can all get to know you better?
- Do you have a favourite recipe you would like to share?
- Do you have any other information you wish to share?

Please email your contributions to support@stepbridge.com.au with the subject title of the email being **Newsletter**.

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Upcoming Red Point Sessions

October

Sunday 1 October

- 2.30pm Open, Restricted & Novice

Tuesday 3 October

- 4.00pm Open & 4.10pm Novice

Wednesday 4 October

- 7.45pm Restricted & 8.00pm Open

Saturday 7 October

- 10.00am Open Individual

Sunday 8 October

- 2.30pm Open, Restricted & Novice

Monday 9 October

- 1.00pm Open & 1.15pm Restricted

Wednesday 11 October

- 4.00pm Open & 4.10pm Novice

Friday 13 October

- 7.45pm Restricted & 8.00pm Open

Sunday 15 October

- 2.30pm Open, Restricted & Novice

- 8.00pm Open (Audio & Video)

Wednesday 18 October

- 10.00am Open Individual

Friday 20 October

- 1.00pm Open & 1.15pm Restricted

Sunday 22 October

- 2.30pm Open, Restricted & Novice

Monday 23 October

- 4.00pm Open & 4.10pm Novice

Thursday 26 October

- 7.45pm Novice & 8.00pm Open

Sunday 29 October

- 2.30pm Open, Restricted & Novice

Monday 30 October

- 10.00am Open Individual

Tuesday 31 October

- 1.00pm Open & 1.15pm Restricted

November

Sunday 5 November

- 2.30pm Open, Restricted & Novice

Sunday 12 November

- 2.30pm Open, Restricted & Novice