

**October 2024**

## Message from the President

Dear members,

We are quickly heading towards the end of 2024.

Over the month of September we held the Willem Willemse Club Championships and the South Australia State-Wide Pairs. The results for both of these events appear later in the newsletter.



Congratulations to our Under 50 and Under 300 teams who have qualified to the Semi-Finals in the ABF Club Teams Knockout.

Coming up in November is our Melbourne Cup Day session and in December we have our December Congress. Details for both of these appear later in the newsletter. We will also have our late night New Year's Eve session on 31 December.

As some of you will be aware, a 60+ year's old institution will be coming to an end in 2025 with the last Gold Coast Congress to be held. This has come about following a recent notice from the Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre that the venue is fully booked throughout 2026 except for one week during the last week of the January school holidays. Over the last few years, StepBridge has had a tradition of a Hospitality Evening during the Gold Coast Congress. It would be wonderful if we held one last Hospitality Event in 2025. For this, we need assistance from members to assist with organising and running the event. If you are willing to assist, please let me know.

On a personal note, I am about to head overseas to the UK and Paris on holidays for a couple of weeks. It is a much needed break to refresh the batteries. I will provide some stories for the next edition of the newsletter.

Happy Bridging,  
*Chris Larter (ChrisLar)*

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## CLUB PLAYING NUMBERS

Dec-24		Nov-24		Oct-24		Sep-24	8,310
Aug-24	9,136	Jul-24	9,812	Jun-24	9,206	May-24	9,604
Apr-24	9,602	Mar-24	9,092	Feb-24	8,982	Jan-24	10,610
Dec-23	10,065	Nov-23	9,345	Oct-23	9,318	Sep-23	8,952
Aug-23	9,382	Jul-23	9,924	Jun-23	8,698	May-23	8,858
Apr-23	9,354	Mar-23	9,372	Feb-23	8,346	Jan-23	9,804
Dec-22	9,142	Nov-22	9,090	Oct-22	9,036	Sep-22	8,594
Aug-22	9,631	Jul-22	10,344	Jun-22	9,322	May-22	9,980
Apr-22	9,788	Mar-22	10,386	Feb-22	9,854	Jan-22	12,428

## New Players

Welcome to the following new players that started to play in the second half of September and the first half of October. Please be supportive and friendly to these players. If these people are single players looking for a game, we encourage you to volunteer your time and team up with these new members.

### OPEN

AndrewK      AndrzejA      LoIG      LorrainR

### RESTRICTED

MargotP      MeeraK      RonaldB

### NOVICE

AnneHod      AnneMcE      CarylM      Cheryl2      Cheryl3      Gervaise      HelenHi  
 HughG      JanetKes      JudeOB      JuneMac      KayeS      MarjMcM      MaryAt  
 MillieH      PamHart      PaulAp      SolomonG

## Instructions

### Setting a New Password

StepBridge uses encrypted passwords as an extra layer of protection for your account.

Support team members are unable to view your password. This means that if you forget your password, or would like to change your password, you will need to follow the instructions in the link below.

<https://www.stepbridge.com.au/set-new-password/>

# Melbourne Cup Day Session

Tuesday 5 November - 1.00pm Session  
Audio Video Session

**Red Masterpoints**

**Sweeps**

**Prizes for Best Hats**



# StepBridge Australia DECEMBER CONGRESS

**Open & Restricted**  
(An approved SABF red point congress)



*Online on the StepBridge Platform*

## SATURDAY 14th DECEMBER 2024 – SWISS BUTLER IMP PAIRS

<b>Directors</b>	Alan Bustany
<b>Movement</b>	Swiss Butler IMP Pairs – Two separate fields of Open & Restricted The number of boards and rounds will be at the discretion of the Director and StepBridge.
<b>Conditions of Entry</b>	SABF Approved Red Masterpoint Congress conducted under the Laws of Duplicate Bridge. 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 Restricted Grade. No Yellow (HUM) systems in this Congress. Novice players must have fewer than 100 Masterpoints as at 30 September 2024. Restricted players must have fewer than 300 Masterpoints as at 30 September 2024. Each pair must have 2 systemically identical current system cards. Players are responsible for ensuring their system classification is correct. Audio Video will be used. Players are responsible for ensuring their Audio Video works.
<b>Start Time</b>	11am (ACT, NSW, VIC & TAS) / 10.30am (SA) / 10am (QLD) / 9.30am (NT) / 8am (WA)
<b>Closing Date</b>	Thursday 12th December 2024, 5.00pm Australian Eastern Daylight Savings Time. Late entries accepted at the discretion of the Director and StepBridge.
<b>Entries &amp; Entry List</b>	<a href="https://www.myabf.com.au/events/congress/view/1839">https://www.myabf.com.au/events/congress/view/1839</a> If you have not used MyABF before, register for MyABF via the following link: <a href="https://www.myabf.com.au/accounts/register">https://www.myabf.com.au/accounts/register</a>
<b>Entry Fee</b>	400 Participation Points per Player per Day. Select "Club PP System" in MyABF for payment 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.
<b>Prizes</b>	Cash Prizes will be awarded in the separate fields. 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. Prize for Best Novice Pair in the Restricted Grade.
<b>StepBridge Username Registration</b>	All players must be registered with StepBridge Australia. Details on registration at <a href="http://www.stepbridge.com.au">www.stepbridge.com.au</a> 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 <a href="mailto:support@stepbridge.com.au">support@stepbridge.com.au</a>

# Willem Willemse Club Championships

StepBridge held its third annual Club Championships during the month of September.

Our annual Club Championships is named after **Willem Willemse**,  
who introduced StepBridge to Australia 20 years ago.

Prizes in each division were **1st-2500 PPs**, **2nd-1000 PPs** and **3rd-500 PPs**

*Congratulation to the following placegetters in each division.*

	Rank	Score	Tourns	Players
Open Teams	1	78.43	4	Alexander Cook (AlexCook), Margaret Dyer (MargDy), Hans Van Weeren (HansVanW), Aleksandar Milovanovic (Aleksand)
	2	65.30	4	Florence Maltby (Florence), Tim Davis (TimD), Mardi Grosvenor (Mardi), Ziauddin Kazi (Ziauddin)
	3	60.99	3	Ken Berry (Ken), Larry Bryant (Larry), Sebastian Wright (SebW), Jeremy Reid (JeremyRe)
Open Individual	1	59.20	3	Nimal Weerasinghe (NimalW)
	2	57.70	4	Shannon Queree (Shannon)
	3	57.62	3	Frank Hardiman (FrankH)
Open Pairs	1	57.39	4	Annette Hyland (AnnetteH), Fay Jeppesen (FayJep)
	2	56.52	3	Richard Harman (RichHa), John Friesen (JohnFri)
	3	55.72	4	Bill Fotheringham (BillFot), Martin Bunder (MartinBu)
Restricted Pairs	1	58.48	4	Julie Coates (JulieCot), Melva Leal (MelvaL)
	2	57.76	3	Kate Cush (KateC), Lucy D'Ambrosio (LucyD)
	3	54.43	3	Margaret Byrne (MargByrn), James Willetts (JamesWi)
Novice Pairs	1	56.71	4	Lyn Forby (LynForby), Maree Williams (MareeW)
	2	56.55	3	Christopher Jones (ChrisJ), Donna Coleman (DonnaC)
	3	55.06	4	Mark Hetherington (MarkHet), Dagmar D'Arcy (DagmarD)

Below are links to the Overall Results of the Willem Willemse Club Championships.

[Open Teams](#)

[Open Individual](#)

[Open Pairs](#)

[Restricted Pairs](#)

[Novice Pairs](#)

# 2024 STATE-WIDE PAIRS



StepBridge participated in the SABF State-Wide Pairs on Monday 23 September.

Below are the overall results, with red masterpoints awarded,  
for those who participated in the StepBridge session.

## [Overall Results](#)

[Booklet with hands and commentary by Barbara Travis](#)

15	63.39%	FLORENCE MALTBY - GERALD MERVEN	0.92
36	58.76%	MARIA CHRISTENSEN - SANDY SPENCER	0.69
43	57.78%	PATRICIA THOMSON - CHRIS DUGGIN	0.64
48	57.55%	GAIL MCKENZIE - PETA DRAKE	0.63
49	57.22%	MRINAL DEY - ZIAUDDIN KAZI	0.61
71	54.88%	JAMES WILLETTS - ERIK MOLLER	0.49
72	54.70%	JOANNE CROCKFORD - PETER KAROL	0.48
82	53.40%	RAY JONES - RITA JONES	0.42
86	53.20%	DIANNE DWYER - DEANA WILSON	0.41
108	51.65%	MARCEY SPILSBURY - JOAN DAVIS	0.33
124	50.51%	HERB NEUMEISTER - Richard Arnold	0.28
125	50.43%	MUKESH PAREKH - FRANK HARDIMAN	0.27
128	50.36%	HENRIETTA HOHNEN - DIANE NICHOLS	0.27
138	49.61%	PAT O'CONNOR - KAY O'CONNOR	0.23
142	49.51%	LUCY D'AMBROSIO - JEANNE HEY	0.23
156	48.35%	GEORGE ARIF - MARION CARNEY	0.17
166	47.77%	VINOD NASTA - PHILIP BAPTY	0.14
175	47.12%	ABIGAIL WANIGARATNE - CARMEL MARTIN	0.11
187	46.33%	CLAIRE STAMMEL - ROBERT STAMMEL	0.07
189	46.15%	BARBARA BELL - MIKE MCGLONE	0.06
241	41.05%	EUGENE MCCLOREY - PETER GILL	
247	39.99%	ELSIE CHUA - DAVID CALLAN	
265	35.14%	SUE KOSCHADE - SUE MITTERMAIR	
270	33.01%	ANNE BIRT - SUSAN LOMAX	

The third month of the 2024 ABF Club Teams Knock was played on RealBridge on Tuesday evening 8 October.

The following players are representing StepBridge and will continue to play once a month on 12 November and 10 December.

Below are our Teams, and the Results following the third evening.

Category	Players	
Open	Florence Maltby (Florence) Ziauddin Kazi (Ziauddin) Denise Strain (DeniseSt) Frank Hardiman (FrankH) Barbara O'Shea (BarbO) Kevin Willcocks (KevinWic)	Our Open team is currently placed 4th in the Consolation Swiss <a href="#">Results</a>
Under 750	Eamonn McCabe (EamonMcC) Gary Frampton (GaryFr) Joann Theriault (JoannT) Edward Ellice-Flint (EdwardEF)	Our U750 team was knocked out in the Quarter-Finals and will move to the Consolation Swiss <a href="#">Results</a>
Under 300	Chris Farr (ChrisF) Don Saunders (DonS) Mike Morrissey (MikeMorr) Libby Heyward (LibHeywa)	Our U300, U100 and U50 teams are playing in the same division Our U300 team placed 2nd in the qualifying rounds Our U100 team placed 19th in the qualifying rounds Our U50 placed 13th in the qualifying rounds <a href="#">Results</a>
Under 100	Sue Stevenson (SStevens) GP Macolino (GPMaco) Joan Lenehan (JoanLe) Frances Pope (FrancisP)	
Under 50	John Hewitt (JohnHew) Cheryl Buttner (CherylBu) Ann Rinder (AnnRin) Ruth Harvey (RuthHar)	<b><i>The U50 and U300 teams have qualified to the Semi-Finals, both finishing 2nd in their class</i></b>  <i>Congratulations on your performance to date!</i>  <i>We wish our teams well for the coming rounds.</i>



# Information

## Introduction of a Tournament Rating

On 1 September 2024, we introduced a tournament rating. This new rating provides a better way to determine the level of individual players and pairs. This allows us to make much more accurate matches of players based on their level.

### Key points:

- The tournament rating is visible during all StepBridge tournaments.
- You have a personal rating, as well as a partnership rating with all partners you play with more frequently (minimum 100 boards)
- The pairs tournament rating shown is the rating you have with the partner you are currently registered with.
- Your tournament rating is based solely on your performance in tournaments.
- Both the division into sections and the pairing with a casual partner are now based on this tournament rating.
- In the near future, you will also be able to view your rating in the StepBridge portal. You can then also see how your rating has changed after playing a tournament.

### Details about the tournament rating:

- The tournament rating is comparable to the ELO rating widely used in chess.
- We look at individual boards and the players at your table, not at the tournament result as a whole.
- For each board, we calculate an expected value, based on the rating difference between you (and your partner) and your opponents.
- The greater the difference between your actual result and the expected value, the greater the impact on your rating.
- Example: If NS has an expected value of 55% against a specific pair, they need to score more than 55% to increase in rating. In this case, EW would increase with a score above 45%.
- Your initial tournament rating is based on the boards you have played in the past two years.
- If you have played at least 100 boards with a specific partner, we use your joint rating. Otherwise, we use the average of your individual ratings.
- Each board played counts towards both your individual rating and your rating with your current partner.

We hope this new feature gives you extra insight into your tournament performance and further enhances your tournament experience.

Enjoy your bridge!

*The StepBridge Team*



## Monthly Awards: September 2024

Award	Class	Rank	Score	Tourn	Players
<i>Highest Player Average in September 2024</i>	Overall	1	58.03	10	<b>Vicki Lee (VickiL)</b>
		2	56.8	11	Debbie Jerkovic (DebbieJ)
		3	56.67	6	Margaret Byrne (MargByrn)
	Open	1	58.03	10	<b>Vicki Lee (VickiL)</b>
		2	56.8	11	Debbie Jerkovic (DebbieJ)
		3	55.59	12	Ziauddin Kazi (Ziauddin)
	Restricted	1	57.1	6	<b>Mike Morrissey (MikeMorr)</b>
		2	56.5	15	Jian Williams (JianW)
		3	55.89	9	Peter Thorpe (PeterTh)
	Novice	1	57.87	14	<b>Keith Hill (KeithH)</b>
		1	57.87	14	<b>Michelle Hill (MichellH)</b>
		3	54.95	13	Zhan Wan (ZhanW)
	Open IMPs	1	24	8	<b>Aleksandar Milovanovic (Aleksand)</b>
		1	24	8	<b>Alexander Cook (AlexCook)</b>
		3	16	7	Mrinal Dey (MrinalD)
Open Indi-	1	56.06	9	<b>Julie Sheehan (JulieSh)</b>	
	2	55.75	6	Lucy D'Ambrosio (LucyD)	
	3	55.37	10	Zhan Wan (ZhanW)	
<i>Highest Pairs Average in September 2024</i>	Overall	1	58.03	10	<b>Debbie Jerkovic (DebbieJ), Vicki Lee (VickiL)</b>
		2	56.34	16	Michelle Hill (MichellH), Keith Hill (KeithH)
		3	55.98	7	Dianne Dwyer (DianneD), Mardi Grosvenor (Mardi)
	Open	1	58.03	10	<b>Debbie Jerkovic (DebbieJ), Vicki Lee (VickiL)</b>
		2	55.98	7	Dianne Dwyer (DianneD), Mardi Grosvenor (Mardi)
		3	55.26	7	Michael McTiernan (MMct), Dianna Middleton
	Restricted	1	55.75	11	<b>Colin Morrison (ColMor), Tien Chey (TienC)</b>
		2	55.68	9	David Hancock (DavidHan), Lucy D'Ambrosio
		3	54.88	7	Jian Williams (JianW), Zhan Wan (ZhanW)
	Novice	1	57.87	14	<b>Michelle Hill (MichellH), Keith Hill (KeithH)</b>
		2	54.68	7	Lyn Forby (LynForby), Maree Williams (MareeW)
		3	54.07	16	John Hewitt (JohnHew), Cheryl Buttner (CherylBu)
	Open IMPs	1	24	8	<b>Alexander Cook (AlexCook), Aleksandar Mi-</b>
		2	9	6	Margaret Dyer (MargDy), Hans Van Weeren
		3	7	8	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 September 2024</i>	Overall	<b>1</b>		<b>71</b>	<b>Elizabeth McNeill (ElizaMc)</b>
		2		64	Mary Hinves (MaryH)
		3		63	Joann Theriault (JoannT)
	Open	<b>1</b>		<b>63</b>	<b>Elizabeth McNeill (ElizaMc)</b>
		2		40	Matthew Geeve (MatthewG)
		3		39	Dianne Dwyer (Dianned)
	Restricted	<b>1</b>		<b>26</b>	<b>Micaela Vincent (MicaelaV)</b>
		2		25	Gek Low (GekL)
		3		24	David Hancock (DavidHan)
	Novice	<b>1</b>		<b>27</b>	<b>Mary Hinves (MaryH)</b>
		2		23	John Hewitt (JohnHew)
		3		20	Cheryl Buttner (CherylBu)
	Open IMPs	<b>1</b>		<b>8</b>	<b>Aleksandar Milovanovic (Aleksand)</b>
		<b>1</b>		<b>8</b>	<b>Claire Stammel (ClaireS)</b>
		<b>1</b>		<b>8</b>	<b>Robert Stammel (RobS)</b>
	Open	<b>1</b>		<b>26</b>	<b>Elsie Chua (ElsieC)</b>
	Individual	2		25	Christopher Raisin (ChrisRai)
		3		21	Chris Van Wyck (Wicky)

Award	Class	Rank	Score	Tourn	Players
<i>Pair Who Has Played the Most Tournaments in September 2024</i>	Overall	1		19	<b>Robert Stammel (RobS), Claire Stammel (ClaireS)</b>
		1		19	<b>Carmel Martin (CarmelMa), Abigail Wanigaratne (AbbyW)</b>
		3		18	Patricia Mannerstrale (PatMann), Leif Mannerstrale (LeifM)
	Open	1		18	<b>Patricia Mannerstrale (PatMann), Leif Mannerstrale (LeifM)</b>
		1		18	<b>Heidi Colenbrander (HeidiC), Marieta Borthwick (MarietaB)</b>
		3		16	Carmel Martin (CarmelMa), Abigail Wanigaratne (AbbyW)
	Restricted	1		15	<b>Dave Bright (DaveB), Lorna Bright (LornaB)</b>
		2		14	Patricia Hamilton (PatHamil), Christine Meijer (ChrisM)
		2		14	Thais Morgan-Pertus (ThaisMP), Sean Quinn (SeanQ)
	Novice	1		16	<b>John Hewitt (JohnHew), Cheryl Buttner (CherylBu)</b>
		2		14	Michelle Hill (MichellH), Keith Hill (KeithH)
		3		10	David Suttie (DavidSu), Margot Woodward (Margot)
	Open IMPs	1		8	<b>Alexander Cook (AlexCook), Aleksandar Milovanovic (Aleksand)</b>
		1		8	<b>Robert Stammel (RobS), Claire Stammel (ClaireS)</b>
		3		6	Wendy Venning (WendyVen), Dot Slattery (DotS)

Award	Class	Rank	Score	Tourn	Players
<i>Most Improved Player in September 2024</i>	Overall	<b>1</b>	<b>7.31</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>Eric Bottle (EricBot)</b>
		<b>1</b>	<b>7.31</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>Judith Boyd (JudithBo)</b>
		3	6.42	10	Vicki Lee (VickiL)
	Open	<b>1</b>	<b>6.42</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>Vicki Lee (VickiL)</b>
		2	6.02	11	Debbie Jerkovic (DebbieJ)
		3	6.02	8	Barbara Wing (BarbWin)
	Restricted	<b>1</b>	<b>7.31</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>Eric Bottle (EricBot)</b>
		<b>1</b>	<b>7.31</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>Judith Boyd (JudithBo)</b>
		3	6.8	6	Mike Morrissey (MikeMorr)
	Novice	<b>1</b>	<b>4.01</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>Kay Bennetts (KayBenn)</b>
		2	3.15	14	Michelle Hill (MichellH)
		3	3.03	9	Carmel Murphy (CarmelM)
	Open IMPs	<b>1</b>	<b>0.19</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>Claire Stammel (ClaireS)</b>
		<b>1</b>	<b>0.19</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>Robert Stammel (RobS)</b>
		3	0.14	6	Brenda McClean (Brenda)
	Open Indi-	<b>1</b>	<b>6.92</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>Julie Sheehan (JulieSh)</b>
		2	5.07	6	Lucy D'Ambrosio (LucyD)
	3	3.97	10	Joann Theriault (JoannT)	
<i>Most Improved Pair in September 2024</i>	Overall	<b>1</b>	<b>7.31</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>Eric Bottle (EricBot), Judith Boyd (JudithBo)</b>
		2	6.42	10	Debbie Jerkovic (DebbieJ), Vicki Lee (VickiL)
		3	6.02	8	Stephanie James (StephJa), Barbara Wing (BarbWin)
	Open	<b>1</b>	<b>6.42</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>Debbie Jerkovic (DebbieJ), Vicki Lee (VickiL)</b>
		2	6.02	8	Stephanie James (StephJa), Barbara Wing (BarbWin)
		3	5.31	6	Herb Neumeister (HerbNeu), Roger Dennison
	Restricted	<b>1</b>	<b>7.31</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>Eric Bottle (EricBot), Judith Boyd (JudithBo)</b>
		2	2.62	6	Paul Nitschmann (PaulN), Annie Sinclair (AnnSincl)
		3	2.61	11	Colin Morrison (ColMor), Tien Chey (TienC)
	Novice	<b>1</b>	<b>2.42</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>Michelle Hill (MichellH), Keith Hill (KeithH)</b>
		2	2.34	16	John Hewitt (JohnHew), Cheryl Buttner (CherylBu)
		3	1.46	8	Ann Rinder (AnnRin), Ruth Harvey (RuthHar)
	Open IMPs	<b>1</b>	<b>0.19</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>Robert Stammel (RobS), Claire Stammel (ClaireS)</b>
		2	0.09	8	Alexander Cook (AlexCook), Aleksandar Milovanovic
	3	0.01	6	Margaret Dyer (MargDy), Hans Van Weeren	

# Masterpoint Promotions

## September 2024

Langdon, Rachel	Grand	Fraser, Graeme	State
Pepper, Pat	Grand	Kay, Phil	State
Merven, Gerald	Gold Life	Lindsay, Heather	State
Symons, Bill	Gold Life	Malthouse, Ronnie	State
Delcourt, Kerry	Silver Life	McCosker, Paul	State
Healey, Terry	Silver Life	Stanley, Lou	State
Carter, Sandy	Bronze Life	Williams, Jian	State
Grace, Andrew	Bronze Life	Beckingsale, Louise	Bronze Regional
Greenway, Deborah	Bronze Life	Plummer, Tony	Bronze Regional
Smithson, Muffy	Bronze Life	Chodasewicz, Christine	Regional
Cathcart, Sachiko	Life	Ellis, Julie	Regional
Dundas, Jo	Life	Ferguson, Peter	Regional
Kembrey, Gary	Life	Mitchell, John	Regional
Leung, Alfred	Life	Walcott, James	Regional
Luke-Paredi, Jack	Life	Wan, Zhan	Regional
Macdonald, Kate	Life	Adams, Merran	Silver Local
Stammel, Claire	Life	Clarke, Gwen	Silver Local
Stammel, Robert	Life	Ellice-Flint, Edward	Silver Local
Tissera, Simon	Life	Rath, Subhrendu	Silver Local
Cornelius, Megan	Silver National	Schettler, Peter	Silver Local
Goss, Alex	Bronze National	Beale, Helve	Bronze Local
Khaw, Janet	Bronze National	Hilder, Dennis	Bronze Local
Langdon Macmillan, Seb	Bronze National	Johnson, Jill	Bronze Local
Scotford, Garth	Bronze National	King, Judy	Bronze Local
James, Shelley	National	Lovell, Margaret	Bronze Local
Kemp, Steven	National	McCarron, Greg	Bronze Local
Morgan, Joanne	National	Munns, Jayde	Bronze Local
Morgan, Lauren	National	Rinder, Philip	Bronze Local
Silberberg, Jonathan	National	Yeates, Lexie	Bronze Local
Vella, John	National	Craggs, Corinne	Local
Dennison, Roger	Bronze State	Hansen, Pam	Local
Frankenburg, Lynn	Bronze State	Ramage, Tony	Local
Glass, Jane	Bronze State	Capel, Jennifer	Club
Smith, Patrick	Bronze State	Cooley, Bobby	Club
		Martin, Lois	Club
		Young, Trikki	Club
		Gibson, Stuart	Graduate



**Congratulations!**



**GLENELG**  
CONTRACT BRIDGE CLUB INC.



SA BRIDGE FEDERATION AND GLENELG CONTRACT BRIDGE CLUB  
ARE COMBINING TO HOLD THE INAUGURAL

## **ROOKIE PAIRS CONGRESS**

restricted to players with fewer than 35 masterpoints  
at 31<sup>st</sup> August 2024

Date:

**Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> November**

Venue:

**Glenelg Contract Bridge Club**  
Sea Rescue Squadron, Barcoo Road, West Beach

Time:

**11.00am to 4.00pm**

Session 1: 11.00am to 1.15pm; Session 2: 1.45pm to 4.00pm  
You must play both sessions.

Cost:

**\$50.00 per pair**

Lunch included (catering by Glenelg Contract Bridge Club)

Director:

**Barbara Travis**

Limited to 40 pairs, 20 tables

If there are sufficient eligible entries, the field will be separated into two sections,  
one limited to 35 MPs and the other limited to 10 or 15 MPs.

To Enter:

Use MyABF: [www.myabf.com.au](http://www.myabf.com.au)

Contact Glenelg CBC or Barbara Travis (0437 919 928) if you need help registering with [MyABF](http://MyABF)



**63RD INTERNATIONAL**  
**Gold Coast Bridge Congress**  
**Saturday 1 - 8 February 2025**

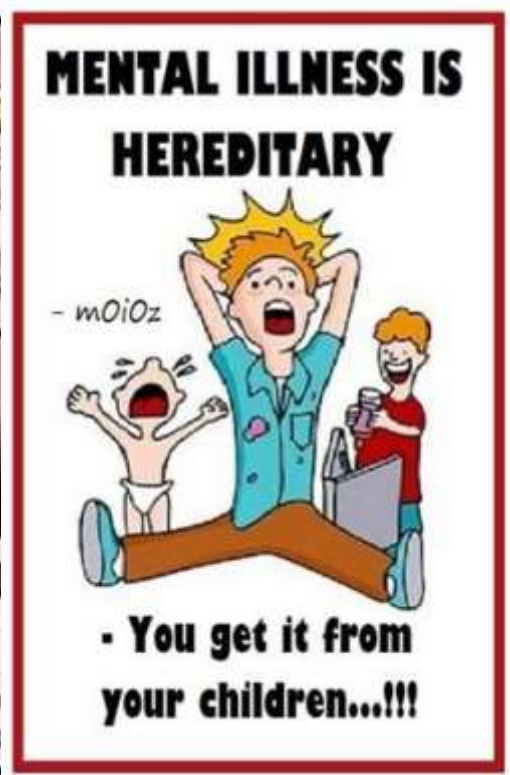
**VENUE: Gold Coast Convention Centre,  
Broadbeach, Queensland, Australia**

**QBA MANAGER: Kim Ellaway**  
manager@qldbbridge.com.au  
+61 412 064 903 qldbbridge.com.au/gcc



*Theme: Silly Shoes and Kinky Boots*





Please send your funnies through by emailing [support@stepbridge.com.au](mailto:support@stepbridge.com.au) with "newsletter" in the subject line



## StepBridge Tournament Fees

Green Point Session: 50 Participation Points

Red Point Session: 75 Participation Points

## Session Times

*All sessions are Pairs unless otherwise stated.*

Open: 1pm (Everyday)

2.30pm (Sunday - *All Around Australia*)

4pm (Everyday)

8pm (Tuesday-Sunday)

Open Individual: 10am (Everyday)

Open Teams: 8pm (Monday)

Restricted: 1.15pm (Monday - Saturday)

2.30pm (Sunday - *All Around Australia*)

7.45pm (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 from 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](mailto:support@stepbridge.com.au) with the subject title of the email being **Newsletter**.

## Facebook

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## Upcoming Red Point Sessions

### October

*Wednesday 23 October*

- 1.00pm Open & 1.15pm Restricted

*Sunday 27 October*

- 2.30pm Open, Restricted & Novice

*Monday 28 October*

- 4.00pm Open & 4.10pm Novice

*Thursday 31 October*

- 7.45pm Novice & 8.00pm Open

### November

*Sunday 3 November*

- 2.30pm Open, Restricted & Novice

*Tuesday 5 November*

- 1.00pm Open (Melbourne Cup Day Session)

*Saturday 9 November*

- 10.00am Open Individual

*Sunday 10 November*

- 2.30pm Open, Restricted & Novice

*Wednesday 13 November*

- 4.00pm Open & 4.10pm Novice

*Friday 15 November*

- 7.45pm Restricted & 8.00pm Open

*Sunday 17 November*

- 2.30pm Open, Restricted & Novice

*Tuesday 19 November*

- 10.00am Open Individual

*Thursday 21 November*

- 1.00pm Open & 1.15pm Restricted

*Sunday 24 November*

- 2.30pm Open, Restricted & Novice

*Tuesday 26 November*

- 7.45pm Novice & 8.00pm Open

*Thursday 28 November*

- 4.00pm Open & 4.10pm Novice