



FREMANTLE BRIDGE CLUB

Club Rooms: Masonic Lodge - Corner of Chalmers and High Street Fremantle

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MERRY MONTH OF MAY 2025



MAY be the sun will shine -



MAY be it will rain

Dear FBC Members,

I hope, like me, you are happy to see our newsletter back. It is a great way of keeping us informed about what's going on in the Club, promoting an atmosphere of friendship and developing community spirit. Thank you to Jenny Langridge, our Club Secretary, for taking on this publication once again.

The new Committee met for the first time on September 6th 2024. We have a lovely cross-section of people on the Committee. It is great to see so many relatively new members become part of the team. They are all keen to contribute to the Club to keep us operating as a happy and friendly club operating within the laws and regulations of ABF and BAWA. As President I will be working in unison with them. Please feel free to approach any of the Committee members with your ideas/concerns but do allow us to enjoy our Bridge game during sessions. (Especially if we are bidding a slam!)

We have had good increase in membership through our Tuesday morning and Thursday evening Supervised Sessions. They are a lovely group of people, and we are now encouraging them to come along and play on one of our regular sessions. Please make them welcome and treat them with kid gloves when they do take the leap. Anyway, enough from me for the moment. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Sue Simper --- President FBC

Winners of 2025 Red Point Awards: President Pairs held on February 22nd, 2025



Left: Winners Marion Jefferson and Claire Weston with Director Eugene Wichems and President Sue Simper –
Right: Club Winners Aruni Bandarage and Cliff Collinson



ANZAC Pairs winners – Left: 1st place Sam Zurub and Bill Carnell – 2nd Cliff Collinson and Sarita Singh



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FREMANTLE CONGRESS SUNDAY MAY 25TH

Our annual congress is on soon and, as per usual, we are calling on all our members to assist in whatever way they can to help ensure a successful day. Any questions regarding the event please ask either the convenor, Carmel O'Neill (0427 777 542) or the catering manager Sue Simper (0409 372 222).

- ♣ We are looking for volunteers for a Spring cleanup (in Autumn) on Thursday May 22nd – just one hour of your time would be appreciated.
- ♣ We are looking forward to donations of cakes, slices, biscuits savoury goodies for the day of the competition (Sunday May 25)
- ♣ Finally, we are looking for members to stay back after Bridge on Saturday May 24th to assist in setting up both rooms.

GNOTS 2025 GNOT QUALIFIER

FREMANTLE & CITY of MELVILLE BRIDGE CLUBS

Wednesday 25th June and Wednesday 2nd July Starting 12:30pm SHARP

Open to all ABF Registered Players - No need to be a FREMANTLE or MBC member

Entries & payment via MyABF \$100 per team or \$25 per person for 2 sessions

Director: - Neville Walker - 0418 944 077 Organizer: - Bill Symons – 0418 951 365 –

darrenasymons@iinet.net.au

DON'T MISS THIS GOLD POINT OPPORTUNITY

Get a team together and enter



We want to wish a speedy recovery to our members who are unwell or recovering from an operation. Get Well soon





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Don't hesitate to use our LIBRARY. Not only can you pick up inexpensively priced books there is also a section dedicated to Books on Bridge which are offered on a loan basis...free and informative – bargain!!



BEST WISHES to:

Peta Kiernan
Jane Walters
Sam Zurub
Se-Moi Loh
Judy Toey
Sue Simper
Larry O'Hare
Claire Weston
Virginia Riverlland
Elizabeth McCall
Annie Egerton-
Warburton
Donna Clark

WHAT'S COMING UP

Sunday May 25th –
FBC Congress

Saturday June 14th –
MID-WINTER PAIRS
Red Point event

Sunday June 22nd –
JEAN DANCE
MEMORIAL CUP
Fremantle v
Rockingham

PROMOTIONS



*Congratulations
to
Helen Sugars Duff
on her promotion
to BRONZE LOCAL
and to
Jody McNeill
For his promotion
to CLUB MASTER*

Over 70%



Did You Know You Are More Than Welcome To Stay Back After Bridge On A Saturday To Join Other Members In A Glass Of Your Favourite Tittle, Cheese And Biscuits - And An Opportunity To Bemoan Those Recent Cards???



A FUN WAY TO WIND DOWN.





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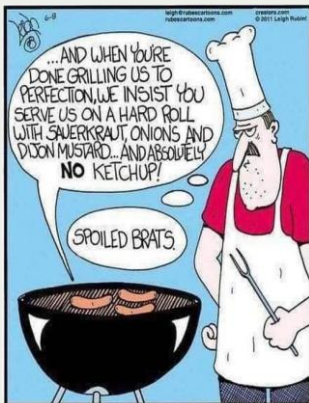
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VERY IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM YOUR COMMITTEE

A SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING WILL BE HELD IN JUNE TO APPROVE CHANGES TO OUR CONSTITUTION.

MEMBERS WILL RECEIVE AN EMAIL SOON WITH ALL THE DETAILS, MOTIONS AND PROXY FORMS.



Fremantle Rockingham Challenge is on Sunday June 22nd. This year it will be hosted by Rockingham at their club rooms - Corner McLarty and Watts Road, Safety Bay WA. Clear the Sunday from other commitments, enter the date in your diary and get prepared for a fun day. Let's try to claim the trophy for the port!!!

BAWA INTERCLUB TEAMS OF 4

Did you know Fremantle Bridge Club has two teams entered into the BAWA Teams of Four Competition this year?

One team is entered in the Intermediate and one team in the Novices division.

For each match of the Competition, the club fields a team of 4 players – the team may not consist of the same 4 persons for all matches – and players are restricted only by the ABF ranking. The matches are played on a Home and/or Away basis throughout the year – and no restrictions apply on what day or time they are played.

The matches are divided into two-14 board halves with a break where scores are compared, and pairs are switched. All matches are scored with the WBF Continuous 28 board IMP/VP scale.



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Fremantle Bridge Club Easter Raffle



Pictured L-R Claire Weston, Josie Wilson Elizabeth Sugars

Grateful thanks go out to all the members who donated Easter goodies and those who bought raffle tickets. The Club raised \$244.

Winners were
Josie Wilson,
Elizabeth Sugars
Do Dean,
Claire Weston
&
Maureen Willoughby

ALERTING AT THE BRIDGE TABLE

A player may not make a call or play based on a special partnership understanding unless an opposing pair may reasonably be expected to understand its meaning, or unless his side discloses the use of such call or play, in accordance with the 2017 Laws of Duplicate Bridge – World Bridge Federation.

- ◆ Bridge is not a game of secret messages; the auction belongs to everyone at the table.
 - ♠ Remember that the opponents are entitled to know the agreed meaning of all calls.
 - ◆ The bidding side has an obligation to disclose its agreements
- ♠ *When asked, the bidding side must give a full explanation of the agreement. Stating the common or popular name of the convention is not sufficient.*
 - ◆ The opponents need not ask exactly the "right" question.
- ♠ Any request for information should be the trigger. Opponents need only indicate the desire for information - all relevant disclosure should be given automatically.
 - ◆ The proper way to ask for information is "please explain."
- ♠ Players who remember that a call requires an Alert but cannot remember the meaning must still Alert.
- ◆ Note also that an opponent who actually knows or suspects what is happening, even though not properly informed, may not be entitled to redress if he or she chooses to proceed without clarifying the situation.
 - ◆ When an Alert is given, ASK, do not ASSUME!

REMINDER: You can pre-arrange a purchase of vouchers and deposit the funds/payment directly into the Club's account – or arrange for a regular direct debit if it makes life easier for you. When you do pay make sure you mention your name in the memo. The vouchers will be waiting for you on the day