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JUST JULY

*[cold wet grey - a good
reason to stay inside
and play Bridge!]*

Congratulations to all who competed in the **FBC Mid-Winter Pairs** held on June 13th – and with special thanks to the Director Eugene Wichems.

Steve Pynt and Dave Sloan won the event with Se Moi Loh and Sarita Singh coming 2nd with Rosalie Raine and Kaye Egan coming third.

[Ed note: Photos are from library collection as not all players were available for photos]



HAPPY BIRTHDAY JANE



Very belated but still great happy birthday wishes to a dear member – Jane Walters. Born in Margaret River on 21st May 1936, Jane has led a very full and varied life – travelling often but always ending up back in WA – a place she calls home. She has three children, five grandchildren and her first great grandchild due very soon. During her working life Jane was a schoolteacher and specialised in teaching dyslexic students to read. Jane follows the West Coast Eagles and the Australian Men's Cricket Team. She is a member of the Ancient Egypt Society and the Wagner Society and her passion for Jazz is shown with her regular attendance at many of the Fremantle venues and in supporting and promoting the emerging young brilliant musicians.

Jane, a long-time valued member and Director at Fremantle loves travelling, Italian food and, her life advice – “enjoy life”. [MBC news]

“CLUB CHAMPION PAIRS COMPETITION”

Run over two Saturdays, July 11th and 18th, the event is for members only and all members are highly encouraged to participate. The cost is \$9 each day and partners must have a completed systems card with them on the day. Entries to be made by 6pm Wednesday July 8th!



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Bridge Lessons Off to a Fantastic Start!

Our new Bridge lessons, which began on 28 February, have got off to an excellent start. Four weeks in, we already have seven enthusiastic participants, mostly novices rather than complete beginners. The atmosphere is simply fantastic!

Lessons are deliberately flexible, with content adapting to the needs and interests of those attending.

So far we've covered:

- Losing trick count
- Bidding at the one level
- Bidding at the two level
- Pre-emptive bidding

In Week 5 we'll be reviewing what we've learned so far before moving on to strategy and planning.



The lessons are advertised as an eight-week course, with participants able to book all eight lessons for \$50, or attend casually for \$10 per session. The plan is to continue lessons beyond the initial eight weeks, tailoring future sessions to suit the group's interests and learning needs.

Lessons begin at 9.30 am and continue until 11.30. There is often a real buzz in the room before the official lesson even starts, with participants enthusiastically discussing bridge hands, asking, "How would you play this?" or "What would you do in this situation?" and sharing experiences from games they've played. Their enthusiasm is infectious!

Several participants are also attending either the club's Tuesday morning/Thursday evening supervised sessions, where they're finding they can immediately put into practice what they've learned on Thursday mornings. Others have joined us after attending Friday afternoon sessions at the Meeting Place in South Fremantle.

The sessions are a great way for novice players to continue building their skills.

You don't have to wait for the start of a new eight-week course. New participants are welcome to join at any stage.

Whether you're looking to refresh your skills or are keen to improve your game, we'd love to welcome you. Come along and join the fun!

John Snell





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♣ ♥ ♦ ♠ Fremantle Congress ♣ ♥ ♦ ♠ Sunday May 24th 2026

It is with great pleasure we can announce the winners of the Fremantle Bridge Club 2026 CONGRESS. Huge thanks to the Convenor Sue Simper (and Carmel O'Neill (absent on the day) and to all the Fremantle members who helped Pauline Snell and her organising team, for the plates of food provided and, especially to David Shade for his efforts with the bar. Finally, a massive thankyou to the Director – Sandra Hardie who overcame many challenges and kept the day rolling successfully.



Fremantle Bridge Club Congress Winners FINAL

LEFT: Winning Pair David Matthews and Geoff Holman with FBC President Sue Simper

RIGHT Second Place Dave Munro with Gwyneira Brahma



LEFT: 3rd Place Kimberley Zhao & Alan Cransberg



WINNERS OF THE QUALIFYING ROUND



Left: North/South were Dave Munro and Gwyneira Brahma



Right: East/West were Simone Pettorina and David Burn



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PLATE WINNERS - FREMANTLE CONGRESS 2026



Winners Chris Cullen and Mimi Packer



2nd Steve Pynt with President Sue Simper [Dave Sloan missing]



Third Place Sue Moonen and Frans Fikke

FREMANTLE TEAMS UPDATE

Fremantle Novice team played Melville on Monday this week and while they were 20 points up at half time they went down at the end of the game. However, this is the first loss as they have won their first two games versus Rockingham and South Perth B.

The Restricted Team has had one win and one club forfeit at this stage of the competition and still has three teams to play.



FOR JULY –It's a 31-day month named after Julius Caesar (it was called Quintilius before then) and the coldest month in the Southern Hemisphere – *tell us something we didn't know....*



Symbol for Cancer;



The Larkspur;



The Ruby;



Symbol for Leo

Bastille Day in France; Independence Day in the USA; NAIDOC Week in Australia

And the birthday list of the well-known: Princess Diana; Frida Kahlo; Tom Hanks; Nelson Mandela; Ernest Hemingway; Beatrix Potter, Amelia Earhart; Stanley Kubrick; Jackie O; Calvin Coolidge; Garibaldi; Richard Branson, Chopra....the list goes on!

I can't remember how to write 1, 1000, 51, 6 and 500 in Roman Numerals.



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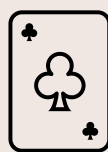
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😊😊 Welcome to our
new members: 😊😊

Ted Sullivan
Elaine Ford
John Ivey
Kateryna Longley
Gloria Sutherland
Patrick McNulty
Eugene Ferraro
Monica Pritchard



Happy Birthday to our
Members born in July



Irene Percy
Sarita Singh
Nicholas Taylor
Beverley Hill



PROMOTIONS

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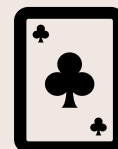
Sue Simper
promoted to
National Master
Lee Mercia Wade to
Bronze Local
and Ryan Sugars to
Club Master

JUNE

Helen Sugars Duff
for her promotion to
State Master
Meghan Lagdon to
Silver Local and
Adrian Taylor to
Club Master

NAME THAT BOOK (from May edition)

1. The Oldman and The Sea
2. A Tree Grows in Brooklyn
3. The Scarlet Letter
4. While I lay Dying
5. Grapes of Wrath
6. War and Peace
7. Gone With The Wind
8. Prince of Tides
9. Great Expectations
10. Pride and Prejudice
11. Catcher in The Rye
12. To Kill a Mockingbird
13. Farewell to Arms
14. 1984
15. Crime and Punishment
16. Sound and The Fury
17. For Whom The Bell Tolls
18. Lord of the Flies
19. Hunchback of Notre Dame
20. Brace New World
21. Treasure Island
22. Tale of Two Cities
23. Of Mice and Men
24. Red Badge of Courage
25. The Sun Also Rises



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☹ It is sad to note that mid-week table numbers are currently down in the afternoons and that there have not been enough players to form the last two Tuesday sessions.

While winter is discouraging to come out to play – and while many members are travelling – and while others are enduring poor health, some members are making the effort to attend then must turn around and go home without a game.

☹ If your partner cannot play for any reason and you would like a game, please do not hesitate to contact the **PARTNER COORDINATOR !!**

PAULINE SNELL has taken on the role while Judy Toey is off travelling and has forwarded the following email.

Dear Member,

Just to let you that I will be acting as Partnership Coordinator from 28th June for at least 6 weeks while Judy is away. I'm still a relatively new member of the club and, unlike Judy, don't yet know who is available to play on different days or who might be happy to partner with others. For that reason, I'd like to establish a Partnership Register, which I hope will become a valuable resource for our club.

If You Need a Partner

If you need a partner for a club session, simply contact me by phone, text or email as soon as you know. The more notice you can give, the better my chances of finding a suitable partner.

Please let me know:

- the date and session you wish to play
- whether you're looking for a one-off partner or hoping to find a regular partner
- any preferences you may have e.g.
 - o playing level
 - o preferred system e.g. ACOL, Standard American
- if you are a novice wanting some support in transitioning from supervised sessions

When I receive your request, I'll first see whether I can match you with another member who is also looking for a partner. If I can't make an immediate match, I'll send a request to members on the Partnership Register. Once a suitable partner has been found I'll introduce you so that you can make your arrangements directly.

Partnership Register

To help the system work effectively, I'd like to build a register of members who are willing to receive occasional requests to partner another member.

Joining the register does not mean you're committing to play every time you're contacted. It simply means you're happy to receive an occasional email or text when someone is looking for a partner.

If you'd like to be included on the Partnership Register, I'd be grateful if you could reply to this email and let me know:

- which sessions you usually play
- whether you're available regularly, occasionally and/or at short notice
- whether you're looking for a regular partner
- any preferences you may have e.g.
 - o playing level
 - o preferred system e.g. ACOL, Standard American
- whether you would be happy to partner with a novice player transitioning from supervised sessions - *If you're willing to support a new player occasionally, it can make a real difference to their confidence and enjoyment of the game.*
- your preferred method of communication – email, text, phone

The more members who join the register, the greater the opportunity for everyone to enjoy a game of bridge.

Many thanks in advance

Pauline Snell

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