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OCTOBER 2026 NEWSLETTER

CONGRATULATIONS to our 2026 TEAMS

Fremantle Bridge Club had 2 teams entered in the State-wide TEAMS competition:
The RESTRICTED team played in the South Division facing Kalamunda, South Perth A & B, Melville and Rockingham - finishing with 3 wins, 1 loss and a forfeit.



L-R Rosalie Raine, Jane Walters, Sue Simper & Jenny Langridge (missing Alexis Keynes & Sue Corson)

The NOVICE team playing in the South League had seven matches – versus Melville A & B, South Perth A & B, Kalamunda A & B and Rockingham with one game still to play. The team consists of Helene Sugars Duff, Meghan Lagdon, John and Pauline Snell, Carmel O'Neill and Lee Wade. *(Pic to follow)*

Final results and league table will be published next month.

CHRIS WELLS SPRING PAIRS (Red Point Event) SATURDAY OCT 3RD….





MELBOURNE CUP NEWS

$30 COVERS FOOD, DRINK AND THE GAME OF BRIDGE

Melbourne Cup luncheon is on Tuesday 3rd November 2026

Don't be a nag and come last place by missing out on the race of the year. Join friends for a FUN DAY - wear a hat - wear a bridle – chuck a saddle cloth over your shoulder – it doesn't matter – just make sure you put the event in your diary. If you want to attend this star-studded event, please put your names in the Events book on the front desk and pay via bank transfer or pay the Director of the day. On the day, don't forget to bring along a few extra dollars for those very important sweeps, Chief Bookie, tba

DOORS OPEN AT 10.15 so get started on studying the form and see you there!

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Happy Birthday to our members born in
OCTOBER:

Sarah Grant
Dave Sloan
Marion Jefferson
Sharon Scott
Jenny Langridge
Lorraine Hallworth
Karen Berman
Eugene Ferraro
Barabara Arnold
Ronelle Clakson
Donna Benson
Andrea MacCallum

(Apologies if I've missed any)



PROMOTIONS

CONGRATULATIONS TO:
Jenny Langridge promotion to BRONZE STATE

OVER 70% CLUB

Alexis Keynes and Jenny Langridge

75% on Sept.15th

Fun Facts: Eclectic selection

1. Every year October ends the same day as February
2. October is the name of a fruit (Chinese Sweet Orange)…
3. Two Zodiac signs share the month of October – the calm and collected Libran with impeccable taste AND the frenetic and passionate Scorpio with a strong will…
4. Opal is the birthstone of October and was the favourite of Cleopatra…AND Opal deposits have been discovered on Mars…
5. October 1920 saw women become eligible for admission to Oxford University and given the right to take degrees…
6. Famous folk born in October range from Mahatma Gandhi, John Lennon, Pablo Picasso, Oscar Wilde, Jenny Langridge, Capt.James Cook, Sir Christopher Wren…

WHAT'S COMING UP ??
SATURDAY October 3rd – CHRIS WELLS SPRING PAIRS
TUESDAY November 3rd – MELBOURNE CUP LUNCHEON
SATURDAY December 5th – CHRISTMAS PAIRS AND PARTY

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MEMBERS: You may have noticed that our **website's home page** has been completely refreshed — and we're excited to share one of the new additions!

Each month, we'll be featuring an iconic Fremantle photo to celebrate the spirit and character of our community. The current image was taken by photographer Jean Hudson whose wonderful photos can be found in the Fremantle Shipping News, an online magazine dedicated to all things Fremantle — always an enjoyable read.

Even better, we'd love to showcase photos taken by our own club members. If you already have a favourite Fremantle shot — or feel inspired to head out and capture one — we'd be delighted to include it. Please send your photo to our secretary jennylangridge8@hotmail.com.

Let's fill our home page with Fremantle as seen through your lens

The Rules (Bridge Etiquette) Taken from ABF Website….

There is a formal ***code of conduct*** in a serious game or tournament, and this may at first surprise newer players. A common problem is to do with the tone and speed of your bidding. It's supposed to be consistent, so that you give partner information based only on the bids you make, ***not*** the way you make them.

Bidding in tempo all the time is hard, since some hands are more difficult than others, but the longer you take to decide, the clearer it becomes to everyone, especially partner, that you must have something of interest in your hand. Suppose you think and then pass. Unfortunately, your hesitation (innocent or otherwise) has conveyed information to partner. Your opponents have been put at a disadvantage. If the director is called, your partner won't be allowed to bid. They may well have been planning to bid anyhow, but now they probably won't be able to.

Bridge Etiquette In General: Bridge should be played competitively, with a sense of fair play and friendly rivalry, and with an awareness of the rules. These simple guidelines should be kept in mind (from Paul Marston at Grand Slam):

- Count your cards before you look at them.
- Agree on the number of tricks before packing up your cards at the end of a hand.
- Don't make any comments about the bidding or play until the end of the hand, and generally the less said at the bridge table the better.
- Don't take too much time. There is a certain amount per hand, and it's not fair to constantly be slow.
- Don't discuss a hand played earlier. Your opponents may not have played the hand, and you may be giving them an insight into what they should do.
- It's best not to comment on your successes, which are also the opponents' failures. Saying things like: "Oh that's a top partner" is very bad manners.
- Don't convey information to your partner by gestures, hesitations or mannerisms. It's unethical.
- You may draw inferences from the opponents' hesitations (at your own risk), but it is not accepted to draw inference from your partner's hesitation or manner
- Don't recriminate over a bad result. Don't harass partner by asking questions that start with "Why?"
- North or South should do the scoring, and East and West must check their score.
- Call the director whenever something goes wrong. It's proper procedure, and they will advise you of relevant rulings. The director is there to keep things equitable.
- You should warn the opponents, by saying "alert" when your partner has made a bid that isn't what it seems in your system. An opponent may, in his turn, ask the meaning of the alerted call. You are bound to give a full explanation.