

# SABF Newsletter

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## Australian National Championships, Fremantle July 11 - July 23 2015

South Australia's Youth Team, led by Lauren Travis, was victorious in the 2015 Australian National Championships played in Fremantle in July.



Players (left to right): Jack Markey, Sam Schulz, Shane Harrison, Lauren Travis (Captain), Jarrad Dunbar, James Lawry, SA Team Manager, Adel Abdelhamid in the back ground, Bruce Neil, President of the ABF.

The Youth Team played three round robins over four day against NSW, QLD, VIC, WA and ACT finishing top of the table ahead of 2<sup>nd</sup> place-getters, QLD. On day three Shane Harrison was admitted to hospital in the middle of the night and had his appendix removed mid-morning. However, Shane managed to play some of the 40 board final on the last day. It is to be noted Lauren Travis played every board of the competition with the remaining team members!!

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On the final day the youth team had amazing support from the other SA team members and most of the youth committee who were present.

The final score up was very exciting. Despite the fact we all knew who had won\*. No one said anything and allowed the score up to happen. They were worthy winners indeed.

\*The event had a screen that showed the updated results, so often a team would know the result before they had actually scored up.

Barb Marrett  
Chair Youth Committee

## OTHER ANC RESULTS FOR SA TEAMS

### OPEN:

ACT defeated Vic in the final.  
The SA Open Team finished 4<sup>th</sup>.

### WOMEN'S:

ACT defeated NSW in the final.  
The SA Women's Team finished 5<sup>th</sup>.

### SENIORS:

NSW defeated VIC in the final.  
The SA Seniors Team finished 4<sup>th</sup>.  
David Lusk has contributed a review of the Seniors Team in this issue.

## HELP NEEDED!

The SABF Management Committee is still looking for skilled members who would like to assist with the following specific tasks.

- Editor for the SABF Newsletter
- Grant applications
- Publicity and marketing
- Convenor of State-wide Pairs
- Liaison with smaller clubs

If you would like to help with one of the above please contact one of the members of the Management Committee.

## Seniors' Moments

### South Australian Seniors at the ANC, Fremantle, July 2015

By David Lusk

We all know that bridge is a game of skill but we also know that luck plays its part. When luck is on your side, your errors somehow cost little and occasionally bring in unexpected (and possibly undeserved) rewards. When things don't go your way, almost all errors are expensive and your better decisions don't always bring the rewards you might expect.

Our state Senior Team of John Zollo with Roger Jasuszke, Attilio De Luca-David Lusk and Russel Harms-Jeff Travis was generally regarded as the team to beat this year. History now reveals that the second Western Australian team, added to eliminate the bye, had no trouble beating South Australia even though they seemed quite unable to beat anyone else. This sad statistic was more than enough to leave South Australia languishing in fourth place, about 17 IMPs short of Victoria who finished second to a rampant NSW.

So it is now time to test how you would have gone with some of the good and bad, lucky and unlucky decisions that your team had to make. There are 10 questions to challenge you. See how you would have fared in these situations.

1. You are East. Playing Standard, South opens 1♣ on your left, N-S Vul. The auction continues without interference.

S	N
1♣	1♦
1♥	3NT

Your hand is:

♠ 52  
♥ 1097  
♦ AKQ105  
♣ 943

What do you lead?

2. Your hand is, E-W vul:

♠ AKQ43  
♥ J987  
♦ Q  
♣ AK4

You open 1♠ and your partner makes a simple limit raise showing a fit, 10-12 HCP and no singleton or void. You try a cue-bid of 4♣ and partner bids 4♥. Your turn?

3. Your hand is, All vul:

♠ 2  
♥ AQ109832  
♦ Q  
♣ AJ102

You open 1♥ and partner responds 1♠. What's your rebid?

4. South opens a 12-14 1NT, two passes to you, holding:

♠ AJ98  
♥ AK8  
♦ J1095  
♣ J4

It's your call. What's your bid?

5. With nobody vulnerable, your RHO opens a 15-17 NT and is raised to 3 by his partner. Your side has been silent and now it is your lead:

♠ A764  
♥ 7  
♦ J832  
♣ QJ103

6. Nil vul, your LHO opens 1♣, initiating this auction, with your side silent:

E	W
1♣	1NT (8-10 flat)
2♣	3♣
3NT	

Your hand is: ♠ QJ8

♥ Q108632  
♦ Q1064  
♣ ---

It's your lead to 3NT.

7. Nil Vul, RHO opens 4♠, after two passes your partner re-opens with 4NT, which shows a two-suiter. When partner corrects your 5♣ bid to 5♦, what is your next call?

♠ 42  
♥ J942  
♦ J106  
♣ 10974

8. Nobody is vulnerable and you double North's 1♣ opening as East. South redoubles. This comes back to you and you ask what the redouble shows (good idea). The explanation is that it shows diamonds. Currently we are at 1♣XX. What action would you take?

♠ KQJ9  
♥ K1093  
♦ KJ85  
♣ 3

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9. You open 1♦ initiating this auction with you vulnerable:

<b>S</b>	<b>N</b>
1♦	1♥
1♠	2♣ (fourth suit, GF)
2NT	3♥
4NT	5♠ (2 key cards+♥Queen)

You have:

♠ KJ103  
♥ K  
♦ AJ1094  
♣ AK10

So you are now going to bid a slam. Which slam will you choose?

10. You are now prohibited from changing your answer to number 9. You are in 6NT against the opening lead of the ♥4. How do you plan to play the hand?

	<b>North</b>	
	♠ A95	
	♥ AQJ873	
	♦ ---	
	♣ 8654	
<b>West</b>		<b>East</b>
♠ Q7642		♠ 8
♥ 4		♥ 109652
♦ Q52		♦ KJ8763
♣ QJ97		♣ 32
	<b>South</b>	
	♠ KJ103	
	♥ K	
	♦ AJ1094	
	♣ AK10	

### So How Did You Score?

All results are expressed in IMPs gained or lost.

1. Choose a lead.

- Any diamond: -12 IMPs
- Any other lead: no loss as long as partner is on the ball.

The whole hand was:

	<b>North</b>	
	♠ AJ3	
	♥ A6	
	♦ J964	
	♣ KQ106	
<b>West</b>		<b>East</b>
♠ 109874		♠ 52
♥ 5432		♥ 1097
♦ 8		♦ AKQ105
♣ A87		♣ 943
	<b>South</b>	
	♠ KQ6	
	♥ KQJ8	
	♦ 732	
	♣ J52	

2. After initiating a cue-bidding sequence over partner's 3♠ raise, a bid of 4♠ gives partner a chance to sign off. Anything else pushes you to the 5 level. With the spades breaking badly, 10 tricks turns out to be your limit.

- 4NT or 5♣ -12 IMPs.
- 4♠: no loss.

East doesn't get all the blame if 5♠ is reached as nobody forced West into a cue of his own. With a better hand, however, he may have tried again over 4♠ but not on this hand.

3. The ACOL model sets 3♥ as 6.5-7.5 playing tricks but usually suggests 15-17 points. Bidding 3♥ or 4♥ will probably get partner going towards slam but 2♦ or 2♥ probably won't. If you show a good hand, you will end up in slam.

This was the whole deal:

	<b>North</b>	
	♠ AQ75	
	♥ J64	
	♦ AKJ6	
	♣ 75	
<b>West</b>		<b>East</b>
♠ J9864		♠ K103
♥ 5		♥ K7
♦ 10843		♦ 9752
♣ K84		♣ Q963
	<b>South</b>	
	♠ 2	
	♥ AQ109832	
	♦ Q	
	♣ AJ102	

The play is interesting when West finds ♣4, the only opening lead to cause a problem. Clearly taking the heart finesse at the first opportunity is a 50/50 proposition. I think the best way to go was to win the opening lead and cash the Ace of hearts. If the King had dropped, all thirteen tricks would have been taken. When it didn't, declarer's chances were still good when the hearts prove to be 2-1. After ♥Ace cash the Queen of diamonds and go to dummy with the top spade and try the high diamonds. As long as the player with the remaining heart has at least three diamonds, there is time to get all of declarer's club losers away. Obviously, taking the heart finesse as a priority may well lead to thirteen tricks, but this has little relevance at IMP scoring.

**Answers:** 3♥ or 4♥ +13 IMPs  
2♥ or 2♦ No score.

4. Attilio De Luca doubled 1NT and the opponents operated an unsuccessful running sequence, eventually settling in 2♠, doubled.

This went 5 light for +1400 and a bucketload of IMPs.

**Answers:** Pass flat board.  
Double +15 IMPs

1NT went two light, undoubled, at the other table.

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The whole deal:

<b>North</b>		
♠ 6543		
♥ 95		
♦ A632		
<b>West</b>	♣ 876	<b>East</b>
♠ 102		♠ AJ98
♥ J632		♥ AK8
♦ K8		♦ J1095
♣ KQ1032	<b>South</b>	♣ J4
	♠ KQ7	
	♥ Q1074	
	♦ Q74	
	♣ A95	

5. This was a sorry tale. Our South chose the ♣Q, later discovering that the whole deal was:

<b>North</b>		
♠ QJ8		
♥ Q108632		
♦ Q1064		
<b>West</b>	♣ ---	<b>East</b>
♠ 953		♠ K102
♥ K95		♥ AJ4
♦ K95		♦ A7
♣ A875	<b>South</b>	♣ K9642
	♠ A764	
	♥ 7	
	♦ J832	
	♣ QJ103	

On any other lead, declarer cannot establish clubs without conceding two tricks. On any other lead, competent defenders cannot help but defeat the contract. Of course, declarer (East) won the first trick with the King and led a low one towards dummy. South had to split the J-10 and only took one club trick. The heart finesse provided an easy ninth trick.

Answers: Club lead: -10 IMPs

Any other lead: (Including a heart, I'm sad to say), No loss.

6. The auction was different, but refer to the previous example for this time you are sitting North. As it happens, any lead will defeat 3NT from this side but West's choice of a diamond was bizarre. I have discussed this with many others and it is agreed that this is a terrible opening lead and, had it given up the contract, would have made it into the opening lead hall of shame. Most of the experts I asked chose either a spade or a heart, given that West had denied a major for the 1NT response.

This hand was a free kick for participants as you can lead whatever you like and the contract is still unmakeable.

Answer: any lead: +10 IMPs.

7. You have been put under stress on the South hand when partner demands action with a 4NT call over the opposition's 4♠. South bid 5♣ dutifully but dropped the ball when North corrected to 5♦, now promising the red suits. South (an opponent on this occasion), dropped the ball – and the bid. 5♦ could not be made but 5♥ was made at the other table.

The whole deal:

<b>North</b>		
♠ 8		
♥ A10753		
♦ AQ873		
<b>West</b>	♣ AQ	<b>East</b>
♠ 763		♠ AKQJ1095
♥ KQ		♥ 86
♦ K95		♦ 42
♣ KJ865	<b>South</b>	♣ 32
	♠ 42	
	♥ J942	
	♦ J106	
	♣ 10974	

In 5♦, you must reach dummy twice to take minor suit finesses. This can only be done safely with hearts as trumps.

Answers: Pass: -11 IMPs  
5♥: No loss.

8. Partnership agreements are a wonderful thing but they only work if both players are on the same wavelength. Without assigning blame, the doubler decided to pass out 1♣XX. The only criticism I can offer is that 1♥ is a safety first choice and this meaning of XX is unusual, so partner may not be thinking your way. Given that this hand has already been published, here it is again:

<b>North</b>		
♠ A73		
♥ Q864		
♦ 10		
<b>West</b>	♣ KQJ102	<b>East</b>
♠ 10542		♠ KQJ9
♥ J752		♥ K1093
♦ Q2		♦ KJ85
♣ 864	<b>South</b>	♣ 3
	♠ 86	
	♥ A	
	♦ A97643	
	♣ A975	

Even not vul, 1♣XX making 11 tricks is worth 1130. The normal action from West is to bid over the XX whenever there is a firm view about trumps, typically a five card suit. In this case, West had no firm view, thinking that normal agreements applied.

Answers: Pass: -12 MPs  
1♥: +3 IMPs

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9. The reasoning here is that you bid 6NT if you feel that there is a secondary source of tricks if the primary source (in this case, hearts) fails. It is probably fanciful to think that diamonds will compensate if the heart suit fails to gel, so 6♥ is the percentage choice. The Key card auction shows that partner has AQJ or AQ10 and at least 6 hearts. Unfortunately, if you choose 6NT, partner is no longer in a position to overrule you.

**Answers:** 6NT: -13 IMPs  
6♥: +13 IMPs.

The full deal comes with Question 10 but you can only be + or - 13 on both questions.

10. Julian Foster from the NSW Open Team played this hand in 6NT and, having taken the first trick on the lead of the ♣Queen, played his only heart and then a low spade to dummy and inserted the 9. When this held he could manage the poor heart break. After giving up the heart to East, West played another club, damaging communications. Declarer now cashed the top diamond, went to dummy with the top spades and cashed the remaining hearts, throwing all remaining diamonds and the ♣10, and West, who had run into difficulties earlier, was now well and truly squeezed in the blacks.

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	♥ AQJ873	
	♦ ---	
<b>West</b>	♣ 8654	<b>East</b>
♠ Q7642		♠ 8
♥ 4		♥ 109652
♦ Q52		♦ KJ8763
♣ QJ97		♣ 32
	<b>South</b>	
	♠ KJ103	
	♥ K	
	♦ AJ1094	
	♣ AK10	

The hand is a lot easier on the heart lead as long as you play a spade to the 9 at trick 2. Note that West can beat 6NT by playing the Queen of spades on this trick because it robs you of entries. If you get that defence, you should have stayed in Adelaide!

So how did you go?

**Score Up:**

-60 or worse.  
-30 - 0  
0 + 10  
+30 or better

Shaken and stirred.  
Shaken but not stirred.  
Take an olive.  
007, we have an assignment for you next year (as long as you are over 59.)

*David Lusk*

### Bridge in the Barossa News:

In late July, Bridge in the Barossa celebrated their NINTH birthday in style at Hans Haans Winery. Ten tables participated but the days feature was a near drowning of Peter Clerk from Angaston who volunteered for the Ice Bucket Challenge in aid of Motor Neurone Disease Association of SA. On a cold and overcast day Hans can be seen tipping the frozen ice bucket over the shivering Peter. It took his breath away but Peter later said that the pain was nothing to what the sufferers of Motor Neurone Disease go through. Also contributing on the day were Apex Bakery of Tanunda who very kindly donated many blue doughnuts and Peter can be seen with Judy Fechner, a recent owner of the Bakery. Well done Peter and the Barossa Bridge members who donated over \$900 to a worthy cause.

First NS on the day were David Brooks and Evan Allanson with 63.6%, then Elaine Kenny and Alec Harris 56.4%, John Bird and Michael Kenny 52.0%, Bay Both and Monique Haan 51.4%, Fran Hannan and Ron Male 48.3%. EW winners were Hans Haan and Peter Robinson 61.3%, then Christine Salem and Chris Stutley 53.8%, Jill Mooney and Kevin Jones 53.4%, Ardyce Jarvis and Lesley Caryogurski 51.9%, Rose Dadds and a still frozen Peter Clerk 51.3%.

On Monday at five tables, in the first round of the Pairs Club Championships first were Elaine and Michael Kenny 60.6%, then Adelaide Abbott and Miles White 58.0%, Joan Lee and Penny Bosward 55.8%, Rose Dadds and Peter Clerk 53.7%, Pam and Max Jahn 53.1%, Eunice Kampman and Jill Allanson 52.1%, Hans Haan and Evan Allanson 46.2%, Monique Haan and William Herkes 41%, Angie Neldner and Chris Brady 40%.

*Evan Allanson*



## SABF RESULTS

### GAWLER PAIRS CONGRESS - FINAL

1. Rosemary Grund & Anne Harris
2. Antonina & Peter Hayles
3. Paul Hudson & David Lusk

### GAWLER PAIRS CONGRESS – PLATE

1. Adel Abdelhamid & Gamini Amerasinghe
2. Carolyn & Chris Mroczek
3. Milton Hart & Sharmini Hoole

### 2015 SWISS PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIP

1. Mark Jappe & John Maddison
2. Marc Deaton & Andrew Eddie
3. David Middleton & Zolly Nagy

### ROTARY CONGRESS - A SECTION

1. David & Yadi Parrott
2. Felicity Smyth & Jeff Travis
3. John & Terry Pearson

### ROTARY CONGRESS - B SECTION

1. Julie Boyce & Moira Smith
2. Jenny Pulsford & Les Wozniczka
3. John & Natalie Rutherford

### ROTARY CONGRESS - C SECTION

1. Jane Caddy & Sue Ormsby
2. Joanne Bakas & Tassi Georgiadis
3. Alison Bullock & Paddy Naylor

### 2015 SENIORS PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIP

1. Peter Chan & John Zollo
2. Chris Barnwell & Stewart Kingsborough
3. Alison & John Sturgul

### BAROSSA SWISS PAIRS CONGRESS -Section A

1. Lauren Travis & Justin Williams
2. Helen & Robert Fleet
3. Evan Allanson & David Brooks

### BAROSSA SWISS PAIRS CONGRESS - Section B

1. Joanne Bakas & Tassi Georgiadis
2. Milton Hart & Sharmini Hoole
3. Gavin Bow & Mike Robertson

### BAROSSA SWISS TEAMS CONGRESS

1. Mike Doecke, David Parrott, Lauren Travis and Justin Williams
2. Deb Bennett, Therese Demarco, Pam Morgan-King and Margaret Walters
3. Linda Alexander, Susan Britton, Alison Fallon and Peter Moller

### RIVERLAND SWISS PAIRS – SECTION A

1. Judy Hocking and Kevin Lange
2. Sue and David Lusk
3. Phil Gue and Tim O'Loughlin

### RIVERLAND SWISS PAIRS – SECTION B

1. Margaret and Roger Porter
2. Elaine and Michael Kenny
3. Carolyn and Chris Mroczek

### RIVERLAND TEAMS CONGRESS

1. Yadi Parrott, David Parrott, Sue Lusk and David Lusk
2. Susan Britton, Peter Moller, Phillip Fitch and Susan Fitch
3. Sue Emerson, Attilio De Luca, Judy Hocking and Kevin Lange

### STATE SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP

1. Russel Harms
2. John Zollo
3. Rebecca Poon

### GLENELG SWISS PAIRS CONGRESS – SECTION 1

1. Mike Doecke & Justin Williams
2. Bronwyn and Peter Colmer
3. Carole and John Foreman

### GLENELG SWISS PAIRS CONGRESS – SECTION 2

1. Sue Phillips and Jackie Ward
2. Rodney Macey and Judy Zollo
3. Ann Cottrell and Rosemary Grund

### GLENELG SWISS PAIRS CONGRESS – SECTION 3

1. Julie Lindsay and Julia Thompson
2. Libby Locke and Sandra Morrison
3. Cynthia Brinkman and Terry Healey

#### **SABF Tournament Regulations Clause: 12.4**

*Unless specified otherwise, a pair competing in a Butler Pairs competition is expected to be represented at all sessions. Failure to attend, or to provide a substitute, may result in the player concerned being barred from the rest of that competition, and the one following. [There is a similar requirement for teams' events.]*

## SABF EVENTS

### SABF Club Congresses

Sunday 11 October	Edwardstown	Bridge in the City Congress
Sunday 8 November	Gawler	Gawler Teams Congress
Wednesday 31 December	Adelaide Bridge Centre	New Year's Eve Congress

### SABF Events September – December 2015

The full **Calendar of Events for 2015** is available online at:-

[http://www.sabridgefederation.com.au/docs/Calendar\\_of\\_Events/SABF\\_Calendar\\_2015.pdf](http://www.sabridgefederation.com.au/docs/Calendar_of_Events/SABF_Calendar_2015.pdf)

State Teams Phase 2 Venue: SABA    Thursdays 7.30pm	17 <sup>th</sup> Sept, 24 <sup>th</sup> Sept, 1 <sup>st</sup> Oct, 8 <sup>th</sup> Oct, 14 <sup>th</sup> Oct
State Teams Final Venue: SABA    Wed/Tues 7.30pm	Wed 21 <sup>st</sup> Oct, Wed 28 <sup>th</sup> Oct, Tues 3 <sup>rd</sup> Nov, Tues 10 <sup>th</sup> Nov, Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> Nov, Tues 24 <sup>th</sup> Nov, Tues 1 <sup>st</sup> Dec
2015 State Mixed Pairs Championship Venue: ABC    Sunday 9.30am	27 <sup>th</sup> Sept
Under 30's Championship Venue: SABA	Sat 17 <sup>th</sup> Oct, Sun 18 <sup>th</sup> Oct
State Pairs Qualifying Venue: SABA    Thursdays 7.30pm	22 <sup>nd</sup> Oct, 29 <sup>th</sup> Oct, 5 <sup>th</sup> Nov
State Pairs Final and Consolation Venue: SABA    Thursdays 7.30pm	12 <sup>th</sup> Nov, 19 <sup>th</sup> Nov, 26 <sup>th</sup> Nov, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Dec
SABF Christmas Party - Speedball Pairs Venue: SABA    Thursday 7.30pm	10 <sup>th</sup> Dec



**GAWLER BRIDGE CLUB INC**

### Gawler Teams Congress

9.30am Sunday 8 November

**CWA Rooms, 29 Tod Street, Gawler**

Entry: \$25.00 per person Includes lunch

Entries to: Mick Koziol Ph. 8522 1336

Val Paltridge Ph 8523 1595

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Email: [kozvines@bigpond.com](mailto:kozvines@bigpond.com)

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### 2015 SABF State Mixed Pairs Championship

9.30am Sunday 27 September

**ADELAIDE BRIDGE CENTRE**

Entry: \$25.00 per person

Bring your own lunch or buy it there.

Entries to: David Anderson on 0403 278 754

OR

Register online on the SABF website

A matchpoint Swiss pairs event of eight matches each  
of 7 boards.

Entries close Friday 25 September

## SABF Matters

### 2015 Management Committee

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### Tournament Committee

- David Anderson
- David Parrott
- Phil Gue
- Carole Foreman
- Bob Clarke

*Contact members of this committee about issues relating to the timing, format, and organizing of SABF events.*

This newsletter is published quarterly. Email bridge articles and advertisement for SABF club events to the editor at

[margaret.walters@bigpond.com](mailto:margaret.walters@bigpond.com)

**Copy deadline** for the next issue is **1 December 2015**

**New editor needed.**

Apply to the above.

## Bridge in the City Pairs Congress

Sunday 11th October 2015

*Sessions Times:* 10.00am & 1.30pm

*Venue:* Edwardstown Bowling Club

Raglan Ave, South Plympton

*Entry Fees:* \$25.00 per person



### Entries

Sue Phillips

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**Includes Lunch**

**Win Red Masterpoints**

SABF Youth Committee - Fund Raiser

**Teams of 3**

**Sunday 22nd November from 1.00pm at SABA**