



Undercroft Bridge Club

DECEMBER 2022



The UBC Christmas Party

Photos courtesy of Connie Coltrona



President's Report

From Connie Coltrona

The highlight of the year has been the 50th Anniversary of UBC culminating with the Xmas Celebration on Sunday 11th December. The Australian Bridge Federation (ABF) has kindly donated Red Points to Clubs Celebrating milestones such as the 50th Anniversary of UBC, hence the day will be a walk in Red point event and a Xmas Launch for Members to enjoy.

The Social Committee is to be Congratulated for the effort they have put into this event, thanks Nita Fraser, Melissa Underwood, Margaret Greville, Jill Lyon, Sally Jowett, Robin Woodall, Lillian Haagensen.

Congratulations to the very successful Interclub Team events this year.

The Open teams came 1st and 3rd.

Brian Fensome the Team captain wishes to thank all the members who participated in achieving this great result ,namely:

Jenny Skinner, Connie Coltrona, Tuya Cooke, David Cowell, Chris Jenkins, Peter McCann, Stella and Jay Steer, Joe Peci, Tony Eardley, Richard Grenside, Sue Grenside, Terry Collins, Louise Collins, Tad Bieganski, Beata Bieganski, Andrew Swider, Lilia Male and Brian Fensome.

The Intermediate team came 2nd

Debbie James, Joe Peci, Pauline Coulter and David Coulter.

Well done!!

The UBC Management Committee marked the retirement of Leslie Routledge from teaching the program on Saturday 12th November with a Celebration of Cake and Champagne. Best wishes Leslie on your Retirement, and we would like to see you come back to the Club playing Bridge

The Teaching Program will recommence with Joanna Tennyson on Saturday 4th February 2023. Joanna will be teaching Standard American. For Further information please refer to the UBC website or the Club Notice Board.

Thank you to Carol Kelly for the delicious scones and goodies you bring in for members to enjoy.

Jenny Dawson, the garden looks a ray of sunshine with the beautiful flowers.

The members who take tablecloths home to wash once a month.

Alan Tolley, the milkman, carrying adequate supplies of milk, and for doing the early morning shift with the airconditionor service man.

On behalf of the MC I wish all members Happy and Safe New Year. ●



By David Eddleston 6th June 2013

<https://www.bridgewebs.com/watford/ASKING%20QUESTIONS%20final%20version%206th%20June%202013.pdf>

"1) General Principles

Although you are allowed to ask questions during the auction, see 3 below, you should refrain from doing so when you have no intention of bidding, wait until the auction has been completed.

Once the auction has been completed if you are on lead then you may ask as many questions as you like, **see 2 below** as to how you should phrase these questions. If however you are not on lead, your partner may ask questions first, once he/she has asked their questions, **and made the lead face down**, you are entitled to ask any follow up questions for clarity.

2) What Questions should I ask?

The general accepted principle is that you should ask the opposition to explain the auction in full, **do not ask them** about one specific bid in the auction.

For example, the auction has gone

2NT 3S*

4C 6C

3S was alerted in the auction, you should ask about the auction in general not specifically about the 3S

bid. The opposition should then proffer the following explanation of the auction

2NT – 21-22 balanced

3S – Minor suit Stayman

4C – I have 4+ clubs and I am interested in a slam

6C – To play

The danger of asking about the 3S bid during the auction; when you have no intention of bidding, is bringing attention to the fact that you may be interested in spades, if your partner now finds a spade lead from say 2 or 3 small when other leads would be more indicated, declarer would be fully in his rights to call the director as your questions have potentially given your partner unauthorised information – **Be very careful when asking questions and then passing!**

If, however you had doubled 3S for a spade lead then there would be no problem with your partner leading a spade.

3) Asking Questions during the auction

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Around the Club

Leslie Routledge Retirement Celebration



Congratulations!

2022 SuperVet

The SuperVets is an annual ABF / BAWA Gold Point tournament restricted to players over the age of 75 and is one of 5 gold point bridge congresses run in W.A. each year.



Margaret Szymakawski and Diane Tilvern taking third place (pictured with BAWA president Nigel Dutton).

Melbourne Cup



The Melbourne Cup Day Celebrations were thoroughly enjoyed by members with free flowing Champagne, good food,

and those taking the extra step in dressing up for the occasion. The race was watched on the large screen and winners announced of the sweep organized by Bernie Plath.



Asking Questions Cont...

You are entitled to ask questions during the auction when it is your turn to bid. However, you must be very careful as any potential question you ask could give **unauthorised information** to your partner. If your partner makes a lead which could have been indicated by your question and it subsequently transpires that this was an unusual lead, do not be surprised that the director is called.

The main time to ask a question in the auction is when you need to know whether a particular bid is weak or strong, or where it has an artificial meaning –e.g. a 2S bid over 1NT which has been alerted and could have potentially many different meanings; however this is also potentially fraught with danger, because if you ask a question and find out the explanation for the bid and then pass, you are indicating to partner that you had a potential interest in entering the auction if you had received a different answer.

If your partner now takes action he will have to justify this on the merits of his own hand as if you had passed in tempo without having asked a question.” ●

RESULTS

October Congress – Swiss Pairs



1st Chris Cullen and Gill Gavashon



Best Undercroft
Mike Mahon and Satish Bedekar



2nd Lauren Sheils (and John Rigg)



Best Undercroft Under 300 mp
Robin Dawson and Susan Robertson

3rd Hasan Hazra and Rez Karim
4th Gwyniera Brahma and Dave
Munro



Best Undercroft Under 100 mp
Jenny Kirkwood and Marie Finegan



October Congress – Swiss Teams



1st Therese Garbutt, Chris Cullen,
Gill Gavashon and Viv Zotti,



2nd Dave Munro, Gwyniera Brahma,
Stella Steer and James Steer

3rd Kimberley Zhao, Alan Cransberg, Doreen Jones, Rez Karim



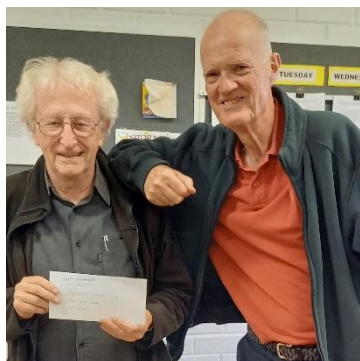
Best Undercroft

Lyn Errington, Joanna Tennyson,
(Valerie Broome, Martin Broome)

The Undercroft Members attending the Congress are to be congratulated on their generosity of the amount of food brought in for all to enjoy.

Grateful thanks to the volunteers for your assistance, Bev King, Elaine Perry, Sunny Phegan, Linda Reading, Lyn Mol, Angie Bloxsome and of course Sharon Dyball for co ordinating the kitchen helpers.

November Open Swiss Pairs



1st David Mathews and Don Allen



Best Undercroft
Beata Bieganski and Lilia Male



2nd Terry Garbutt and Viv Zotti,




Best Undercroft under 100mp
Equal Winners
Gillian Elder, Graham Milward
Sharon Dyball, Dorothy Jones



3rd Fusako Hashimoto and
Jonathon Free

Grateful thanks to the UBC members bring in great food for all to share, and to the volunteers assisting on the day, Melissa Underwood, Lesley McGlone, Sally Jowett, Robin Woodall and Sharon Dyball.

Walk-in Swiss Pairs

October	November
1 st Lilia Male and David Cowell	1 st John Bayly and Linda Reading
2 nd Joan Touyz and Roberta Altmuner	2 nd Terry Collins and Peter McCann
3 rd John Beddow and Chris Bagley	3 rd Leona Leedman and Marilyn Atkins
December	
1 st Mimi Packer and Linda Coli	
2 nd Pauline Coulter and Ross Blakey	
3 rd Christine Smitham and Helen Hyland	Linda Reading and John Bayly

70%

Tad Bieganski	Brian Fensome	74.5%	12-DEC-22
Helen Kemp	Gill Gavshon	74.5%	16-DEC-22
Brian Fensome	Morris Tilak	74.0%	22-DEC-22
Brian Fensome	Tad Bieganski	73.7%	19-DEC-22
Ohn Beddow	Chris Bagley	71.6%	20-DEC-22
Christine Ross	Luba Klein	70.8%	1-DEC-22
Kayoko Bredemeyer	Robin Clarke	70.4%	9-DEC-22

Grand Slams

Tad Bieganski / Andrew Swider	7NT S	17-DEC-22
Peter McCann / Jane Adams	7H E	5-DEC-22

Contributors are Always Welcome

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