

THE GRAND SLAM



FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

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2022 was a busy year, with record player numbers as we hopefully leave the worst of the dreaded Covid era behind.....

Thank you to all the fantastic members of our Committee for their efforts in staging our Caloundra Congress and other Honour Board Events with a special mention to our hugely successful Bridge/Social events. The amazing Charity Day raised over \$3,000 for the local homeless organisation, Rosie's.

The Tony Sizer Trophy is now a Caloundra institution. Melbourne Cup Day was enjoyed by all and our Christmas Function was a full house! Yes we are a Bridge Club, but our social interaction with our enthusiastic members makes our Club special.

Embedded in our logo is "Caloundra, the Friendly Club". I thank all members for striving to live up to this philosophy. Congratulating winners, assisting learners and remembering, at those testing moments, just why we play this game. Yes, we play to win, but our primary aim is to have fun playing our amazing game among friends!

May 2023 be kind to all, in life in general, and in your Bridge!

President Bob H

ABF STATISTICS

CALOUNDRA CONTRACT BRIDGE CLUB INC

	NAME	ABF NO	HOME CLUB	RANK	TOTAL MPs	2022 MPs	2022 RANK
1	Noonan, Amber	104388	4-680	Gold Life	979.17	74.89	463
2	Crowley, Rosemary	222763	4-680	Silver Grand	3,029.22	69.18	533
3	Avunduk, Kiyomi	782807	4-680	Gold Life	859.61	63.85	609
4	Walford, Tony	440760	4-680	Grand	2,161.34	60.84	670
5	Rusk, Randall	307424	4-592	Grand	1,103.74	58.47	721
6	Dobson, Greg	1076663	4-592	State	105.98	52.74	841
7	Balmanno, Kate	748803	4-592	Bronze Life	648.06	50.66	904
8	Young, Anne	85855	4-592	Grand	1,059.50	50.59	908
9	Davies, Bob	1005723	4-592	State	140.01	50.57	909
10	Lee, Linda	1081403	4-592	State	120.27	49.93	933
11	Bourke, Lex	103063	4-680	Grand	1,762.75	47.79	984
12	Leathley, Judith	724130	4-592	Life	538.20	45.93	1,049
13	Hughes, Stephen	215899	4-592	Grand	1,049.86	45.36	1,067
14	Cordiner, Brian	216781	4-680	Silver National	396.33	43.11	1,152
15	Hoffman, Jan	371688	4-592	Gold Life	1,319.49	43.07	1,154
16	Dunlop, Andrew	652350	4-592	Grand	1,091.96	41.44	1,219
17	Harnack, Mark	1115227	4-592	State	72.51	39.24	1,309
18	Holmes, Barbara	128139	4-680	Silver Life	685.43	38.26	1,355
19	Morris, John	265411	4-592	Grand	1,595.32	37.16	1,423
20	Bell, Jilliana	507245	4-680	Grand	1,378.93	33.66	1,653

COMMUNICATIONS

Members are reminded that any formal communications to the Club should be sent to the Club Secretary.

Either by mail to :

The Secretary
Caloundra Contract Bridge Club
PO Box 258
CALOUNDRA QLD 4551

Or by email to :

The Secretary
Caloundra Contract Bridge Club
info@caloundrabridgeclub.net

YOUR 2022/23 COMMITTEE

President	Bob Hannam
Vice-President	Bob Davies
Treasurer	Steve Hughes
Secretary	Greg Dobson
Committee	Janie Brennan Judy Leathley Bev O'Hara Kerry Thorp Carol Curran

The ABF produce a number of Reports for Affiliated Clubs on a Monthly and an Annual basis.

This report shows the Top 20 players for 2022 with regard to the number of MasterPoints gained during the year.

Well done everyone.



CALOUNDRRA BRIDGE CLUB RATED IN TOP 20 IN AUSTRALIA

The recent ABF magazine looked at the top 20 Clubs ranked by new players for the year to October 2022. Caloundra made 15th !

It is interesting to note that many of the Clubs above us have much larger memberships which makes this achievement even more impressive.

Well done to our Teacher and our Members for making new players feel welcome.

NOT GETTING YOUR COPY OF THE SMALL SLAM ?

Most Members will know that your Committee regularly send out communications to the membership by email using a 'Small Slam' format.

Should any Member NOT be receiving these regular communications, there could be several reasons why not.

For example, we have the wrong email address, or your email system automatically puts these messages in 'trash' etc.

Please contact Bob Davies if you are not receiving Small Slams and he will try to sort the problem out.

DIRECTOR QUALIFICATION



Bob Davies receives his QBA Club Director Certificate from the President.

BEGINNER LESSONS

Our first Beginner Lessons for 2023 start on Wednesday 15th February and run each Wednesday and Friday for 5 consecutive weeks. Times are 8:44 to 11:45 am each day. Cost is \$50.00 including morning tea and full lesson notes.

Please encourage friends and neighbours to participate to ensure the future of our Club.

Clubs Ranked by New Players Year to October 2022

Club Name	2022	2021	Members
1 North Shore Bridge Club Inc	141	69	1533
2 SA Bridge Assoc.	74	115	902
3 Waverley Bridge Club Inc	49	33	519
4 Trumps Bridge Centre	47	42	555
5 Sydney Bridge Centre	39	36	554
6 Canberra Bridge Club Inc	38	167	709
7 Toowong Bridge Club Inc	37	44	593
8 Joondalup Bridge Club	35	30	213
9 Geelong Bridge Club	33	23	238
10 Tasmanian Bridge Association	32	51	439
11 Peninsula Bridge Club - NSW	29	34	458
12 Gold Coast Bridge Club	28	32	349
13 Surfers Paradise Bridge Club Inc	27	24	455
14 Stopbridge	24	25	214
15 Caloundra Contract Bridge Club Inc	23	25	229
16 Newcastle Bridge Club	23	26	285
17 Bungendore Bridge Club	22	2	48
18 Mandurah Bridge Club Inc	22	41	242
19 Undercroft Bridge Club Inc	22	37	365
20 Brisbane Water Bridge Club Inc	21	12	154
	766	868	9054

NEVER HEARD AT CALOUNDRRA BRIDGE CLUB !

- The temperature at our Club is always right : never too hot or too cold
- A 4 Board sit out : fantastic
- I can always count on my partner to remember all the systems we play
- No gossip please, I am not interested
- One thing I can say about Bridge players : they sure know how to dress
- No matter which direction we sit we always get really good cards
- I don't feel like Bridge today, I would rather work out

QUICK LAWS

HESITATION

Hesitation is not an infraction in itself. An infraction occurs when their partner is influenced by the hesitation in the action they take.

Hesitation generally reduces the options available to partner. They may not take any action that is suggested by the hesitation where other logical alternatives to that action exist.

COUNT YOUR CARDS

Players should count their cards before looking at them. If missing or extra cards are discovered once play commences, affected players can be disadvantaged. For example, a missing card is deemed to be part of the hand at all times and, therefore, a revoke may have occurred.

MOST IMPROVED PLAYERS 2022

This list, produced by the ABF, lists our Most Improved Players of 2022.

CALOUNDRA CONTRACT BRIDGE CLUB INC						
NAME	ABF NO	HOME CLUB	RANK	TOTAL MPs	2022 MPs	2022 IMPROVEMENT
Dobson, Greg	1076663	4-592	State	105.98	52.74	2,560
Harnack, Mark	1115227	4-592	State	72.51	39.24	2,275
Lee, Linda	1081403	4-592	State	120.27	49.93	2,267
Davies, Bob	1005723	4-592	State	140.01	50.57	2,107
Davies, Siobhan	1110853	4-592	Silver Local	44.69	28.52	1,971
Keys, Peter	1076671	4-592	Regional	82.40	32.04	1,757
Harnack, Phoebe	1115601	4-592	Bronze Local	31.22	19.89	1,516
Shaw, Samantha	1107372	4-592	Local	23.02	16.37	1,331
Laffan, Lynda	714161	4-592	Bronze State	129.56	29.30	1,276
King, Robyn	1005804	4-592	Regional	54.21	18.90	1,226
Shanti, Upasana	1037501	4-592	Bronze State	152.78	30.05	1,189
Hendrix, Jackie	941107	4-592	Regional	58.33	17.17	1,084
Lean, Graeme	1148494	4-592	Club	11.85	11.85	1,059
Bainbridge, Barbara	849219	4-592	Regional	52.37	15.84	1,040
Brennan, Janie	637394	4-592	Silver Local	42.68	14.30	1,002
Hannam, Bob	949558	4-592	Bronze State	169.73	24.43	906
Hasted, Christine	862169	4-592	Silver Local	49.69	13.53	904
Robinson, Angela	1155105	4-592	Club	9.54	9.54	871
Cordiner, Brian	216781	4-680	Silver National	396.33	43.11	869
McAnelly, Deb	930415	4-592	Regional	68.08	14.33	853
McLaren, Lin	972738	4-650	National	157.80	21.57	837
Hankinson, Harry	1142951	4-592	Club	10.63	9.23	834
Andrews, Heather	371343	4-572	State	88.74	15.64	829
Barnett, Tracey	1130919	4-592	Club	10.28	8.76	794
Clarke, Cathy	652474	4-592	Bronze National	256.73	28.01	785
Kristiansen, Kari	1097040	2-086	Silver Local	37.45	10.63	773
Sulzberger, Gregory	1155180	4-592	Club	8.08	8.08	748
Galvin, Marg	1148321	4-592	Club	8.00	8.00	741
O'Hara, Beverley	823244	4-592	Bronze State	103.51	14.89	732

2023 MEMBERSHIP FEES NOW DUE

Club Membership fees for the 2023 year are now due.

Annual renewal for Home Members is \$50.00 and for Away Members it is \$18.00.

(For your information, \$32.50 of the \$50.00 fee goes to the Australian Bridge Federation and the Queensland Bridge Association for Affiliation Fees.)

Club Members who are simply renewing their Membership and whose contact details remain the same may renew :

EITHER

By simply transferring the appropriate fee to the Club bank account (BSB 124 038 A/c 2043 9132). Please supply Surname and Club Number as a reference.

OR

By EFTPOS at the Club at any time

Should there be any changes to your contact details, please fill in a Subscription Renewal Notice and provide it to the Committee for processing.

Blank forms are available on the Notice Board next to the toilets.

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF OTHER PEOPLE'S MISTAKES



PLAY BRIDGE

SUCCESSFUL EVENTS

The Club hosted a series of extremely successful Events towards the end of 2022. These included our Charity Day, the Melbourne Cup, our Christmas Party, and we also hosted the Sunshine Coast Zone Pairs. The Committee extends its sincere thanks to all our Members and Volunteers who gave their time to ensure that these Events were enjoyed by all who attended.

