



# ARANA

## *Contract Bridge Club Inc*

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### **THUMBNAIL OF THE VICE - PRESIDENT – BOB DANCER**

Bob has played social bridge for about 30 years, and while he has never had a bridge lesson, has read many books on the subject. He joined Arana in 1996. He has 3 children, one still at home. Bob is extremely busy on behalf of the Bridge Club. He is not only Vice-President, but also on the Building Committee, is in charge of Publicity, and has been organising Bridge lessons. He is grateful to Frank Hoult, who is organising the next set of bridge lessons later in the year (an intermediate class). Well done, Bob, thank you from all of us for your hard work.

### **CONGRESS UPDATE:**

As last year, the Arana Congress will be held at the Gaythorne RSL on the 3 and 4<sup>th</sup> of June. Entry forms are on the Notice Board, and the more Arana players the better. What a great way to meet other players and tell them what a great club we have.

Jan Rae is again co-ordinating the offerings of biscuits, slices, tarts, cakes, pikelets and the like (remembering that these are all finger foods). Please let her know if you can supply something.

We are also searching for a volunteer to organise the goodies. This person would need to be available both days. (If you have ever been on hand for a congress, you will know that it is almost as enjoyable as playing.) Also, helpers to put out the goodies and keep them refreshed. Please advise Jan of your willingness to help.

### **REQUEST FROM THE “PRESIDENT”**

For our “Morning Tea” and “Supper” please use the ice cream container lined with a plastic bag for rubbish (tea bags – used, etc.) rather than the large green bins in the kitchen. The kitchen clean up volunteers keep losing their balance, diving in head first to pick out the garbage we are throwing in, and then have to be rescued, delaying the next round of Bridge.

### **FOREST PLACE DAY – 26 JUNE 10:30 A.M. START**

This will be held on a Monday this year, and we hope for a great turnout, The later start is to allow for scoring and awarding of prizes after lunch without great delays (no morning tea). A RED POINT day; Lunch (bring your own lunch) and generous prize money. There will be a lucky door prize but you must be there to collect or it will be redrawn. Entry fee of \$4.00. Forest Place supports us with bidding slips, trophies, and this special day, lets support them by coming and having a great time.



And so at last the contract is made  
Four Spades it is – we're quite unafraid.

A tad overbid? Well, that may be so  
But we're due for some luck, the morning's been  
slow

East leads Club ace. I just know what's next  
The Club king and queen – this game is all hexed.

Partner and dummy follow suit for each trick  
Our opponents soon show they're wily and slick.

Then a small Diamond leads to West's top ace  
Who leads back the king, we're fast losing face.

The queen of Diamonds now has her day  
She's in North's hand, at last we're away.

The Heart suit looks good but when we finesse  
The king is delinquent and makes a fine mess.

We arrive at the Spades and all Partner can do  
Is draw all my trumps, what a hullabaloo.

The remaining three trumps uneven they tumble  
East wins with the queen and worsens our stumble.

We make six tricks all up but sad to say  
East doubled us dearly – it's time to pay.

We were vulnerable too and so far behind  
Eleven hundred points to East-West assigned.

This disease, trumpitis, I hope you won't suffer  
You'll lose many tricks and be a real duffer.

## Important dates

- 25-25 April - BBC Pairs and Teams
- 6 May - Directors Exam
- 7 May – Eastern Suburbs Novice Teams
- 13 May – Surfers Paradise Swiss Teams
- 28 May – BBC Swiss Pairs

**FOR YOUR INTEREST –  
A REPRINT FROM THE JULY, 1991  
TRUMPIT – An Editorial from the President –  
Bob Pearce**

The Club is now five years old and is expanding rapidly. In the near future we will be facing quite difficult accommodation problems as more students complete their classes with Judy. Added to this is the fact that we are unable to offer more

playing sessions to members. Especially the intermediate level players are presently restricted to Sunday Seminars (2 sessions on Bidding, and 2 sessions on Play). Having to make a booking on the hall, 12 months in advance, is also not terribly satisfactory. If the Club had its own premises, tuition for the intermediate players could be conducted, one session at a time, spread over the year – a more sensible approach. Apart from this, we are obliged to store away tables after each session and cannot permanently display important notices and information. Purchase of our own premises would solve all of these problems and allow the Club to grow.

(Courtesy of Val Acklin's archives)



## LIBRARY LINES by Ilene Bishop Arana Librarian

### New Books

**B24** Bridge with the Blue Team - Forquet, Pietro

Outstanding hands played by the Italian team which achieved a record number of victories in world class championships.

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**B25** Bridge, Zia and Me - Rosenberg, Michael

Anecdotes and tips from one of the world's best partnerships.

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**H7** How the Experts Win at Bridge - Hall, B and Hall, L. R.

Represents best thinking of the experts on every aspect of the game.

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**M9** Mind Games - Ed. Masters, Colin

A biographical history of bridge in Queensland.

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**M8** More Points Schmoints - Bergen, Marty  
Sequel to Points Schmoints - bridge should be fun.

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**O3** Opening Leads - Ewen, Robert, B.  
Third copy.

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**O4** Opening Leads - Lawrence, Mike.  
Discussion of various types of leads and how the bidding can provide vital clues.

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**P10** Playing to Win at Bridge - Klinger, Ron.  
Revised edition - problems from actual play.

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**P11** Points Schmoints - Bergen, Marty.  
Second copy.

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### **Missing Books**

These have been removed from the Library with no card filled out and no indication as to who has them or where they are.

This is your Library! It is the responsibility of all of us to keep track of where they are. If these appear at your home PLEASE return them.

**A1** All About No Trumps - Marston, Paul.

**B9** Bridge is My Game - Goren, Charles H.

**B17** Bridge - The Standard Plays of Card Combinations, Cards –  
Truscott, A. and Gordy, L. and E.

**C3** Competitive Bidding in Modern Bridge - Kaplan, Edgar.

**C5** Complete Book on Opening Leads - Blackwood, E.

**D4** Drawing of Trumps and Its Postponement - Karpin, Fred L.

**E?** The Expert Game - Reese, Terence.

**G3** Guide to Better Bridge - Klinger, Ron.

**I6** Introduction to Declarer's Play - Kantar, Edwin.

**P6** Principles of Card Play - Marston, Paul.

**Y2** Your Lead Partner - Cohen, B and Lederer, R.

**C14** Contract Bridge in Brisbane Since 1952 - Francis, Nell.

### **Restricted Book** - MISSING

**B3a** Bridge Directors Companion - Harris, Larry.



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