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As children, my sisters and I had no electricity, no radio, no telephone, but we would sit in the dark in front of the log fire on cold winter's evenings and weave exciting stories from the flames

GNOTS



Five teams played in the Gold National Open Teams Qualifying round at Fremantle Bridge Club on Sunday June 23rd.

The all-day event was directed by Dave Parham and the winning team was made up of Laurel Lander, Janet Signer, Andrea Gaff and Karen Moller.



Rohan Bandarage, Sam Zurub, Sarita Singh and Eugene McClorey, Team Bandarage, came second.

Many thanks and consolations go to the other three teams, Team Jefferson, Langridge and Raine.

ANZAC PAIRS

Due to there being no newsletter in May please accept our apologies regarding announcing the ANZAC PAIRS winners. Better late than never! Please join us in congratulating Laurel Lander and Se-Moi Loh for taking out the competition, closely followed by Rhonda and Norman Solomon.



MID-WINTER PAIRS

Director John Penman ran a successful Howell on Monday July 1st at the Fremantle Bridge Club for the red point trophy event – MID-WINTER PAIRS.



Congratulations to the winners Alexis Keynes and Martin Jones: Laurel Lander and Janet Signer tied with Liz Reid and Pam Perry for second place.



Players enjoyed a celebratory drink following the match

RISING COSTS

At a special meeting of the finance committee held last week to assess the club's current financial situation, it was decided (with much angst) to raise the table money by a dollar a game to \$7 for members and \$9 for non-members. This will start on the first game in August.

Due to declining numbers at the tables and an aging population the club is running at a loss. And with the rent increasing annually, we have had to make this difficult decision. If our numbers stay the same our savings would keep the club going for another eight years.

To raise money the committee advises that we shall be running raffles, speaking to our landlords regarding any chance of rent reductions and as always, seeking out cheaper and appropriate club rooms.

Running parallel to our fund raising and on a sensitive subject, we ask that members keep in mind the possibility of including a small bequest to the club when drawing up their wills. Every little bit helps.

We hope the increase in table money does not cause hardship to any of our members nor stop them from playing the great game of Bridge.



AGM

Members are advised the Fremantle Bridge Club Annual General Meeting is to be held on
Saturday August 17th at 11am.

Members are urged to attend.

All positions on the Management Committee are up for election.

On a sad note, two of our long serving members are intending to retire this year. Nominations forms are available on the front desk and each member will be emailed a copy in the near future.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

SATURDAY AUGUST 17th : AGM

Saturday August 31st : First round Club Championship Pairs

Saturday September 7th : Second round Club Championship Pairs

And save the date for the Cup and Christmas.....

Tuesday November 5th : Melbourne Cup Luncheon

Saturday December 21st : FBC Christmas Party

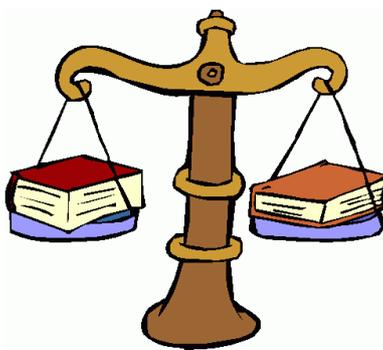
Bibra Lake Parkrun - 5km Timed Run



Fremantle Bridge club energetic committee member Josie Wilson doesn't just keep her mental health active. She recently took part in the Bibra Lake Run and came first in her age group. Well done Josie!



There have also been complaints personal space of other players. cards, bidding boxes, water bottles, pertinent to that player must be



Housekeeping - **PERSONAL SPACE** about players 'invading' the Each player has a side table and all score sheets and procedural sheets accommodated on that side table.

LAW 9

PROCEDURE FOLLOWING AN IRREGULARITY

A. Drawing attention to an irregularity

1. Unless prohibited by Law, any player may draw attention to an irregularity during the auction period, whether or not it is his turn to call.
2. Unless prohibited by Law, declarer or either defender may draw attention to an irregularity that occurs during the play period. For an incorrectly pointed card see Law 65B3, (which is: A player may draw attention to a card pointed incorrectly, but this right expires when his side leads or plays to the following trick. If done later Law 16B may apply. (Law 16B: which covers extraneous information from partner which include, remarks, questions, unexpected alerts or failures to alert, unmistakable hesitation, unwonted speed, special emphasis, tone, gesture, movement or mannerism.) For more detail re Law 16B please see the Law book.
3. Any player, including dummy, may attempt to prevent an irregularity (but for dummy, subject to Laws 42 and 43 – see June Newsletter)
4. Dummy may not call attention to an irregularity until play of the hand is concluded (but see Law 20F5 for correction of declarer's apparently mistaken explanation. (Law 20F5: (a) A player whose partner has given a mistaken explanation may not correct the error during the auction, nor may he indicate in any manner that a mistake has been made. 'Mistaken explanation' here includes failure to alert or announce as regulations require or do not require. (b) The player must call the director and inform his opponents that in his opinion, his partner's explanation was erroneous but only at his first legal opportunity which is at the end of play for a defender and after the final pass of the auction for declarer. (The Director will then decide what action, if any, must be taken).
5. There is no obligation to draw attention to an infraction of Law committed by ones own side. (see Law 20F5 again!)

B. After attention is Drawn to an Irregularity

1. (a) The Director should be summoned at once when attention is drawn to an irregularity.
(b) Any player, including dummy, may summon the Director once attention has been drawn to an irregularity
(c) Summoning the Director does not cause a player to forfeit any rights to which he might otherwise be entitled.
(d) The fact that a player draws attention to an irregularity committed by his side does not affect the rights of the opponents.
2. No player shall take any action until the Director has explained all matters in regard to rectification.

C. Premature Correction of an Irregularity

Any premature correction of an irregularity by the offender may subject him to a further rectification subject to lead restrictions as adjudicated by the Director.

HUMOUR

The advantage of your partner's bad bidding is that you get practice at playing atrocious contracts.

Jane Walters