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November got its name from the Latin *Novem* meaning nine – it was originally the ninth month of the calendar prior to January and February being added in Roman times. In the Southern Hemisphere it is late Spring and the harbinger of Summer.



The flower for the month of November is the Chrysanthemum and the traditional birthstone is the Topaz – the yellow orange coloured semi-precious stone which symbolises friendship.

# VALE PAULA SANDERS [18-5-1922 to 16-9-2021]



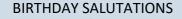
A wonderful, colourful, quirky, tiny member of the Fremantle Bridge Club, Paula Sanders passed away last month – aged 99½ - so close Paula!!! Members will think on Paula and her bright smile, joyous laughter and "can-do" attitude. Paula was a member of both the Melville Bridge Club and Fremantle; was Vice President for many years; was a Director and taught Bridge as well. In her work life she taught Secretarial skills at many high schools. She kept busy with bowls and mah-jong. Her smiling face will long be remembered.

YOUR BIRTHDAY IS IN NOVEMBER? YOUR PARENTS HAD AN AWESOME VALENTINE'S NIGHT!! (Bet you are all counting nine months back)



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So many November babies

Rosalie Raine Jill Johnson Alexis Keynes Rosalind Mitchell Geraldine Pragnell Steven Pynt Ron Blake Ruth Shelley Florence Slater Hazel Spong Susan Tham Diana Veerhuis

So much cake – and apologies if I have missed anyone



Guy Fawkes Night celebrates the foiling of an attempt to blow up the Houses of Parliament in London on **November 5**<sup>th</sup>, **1605.** The attack was planned by a group of Catholic conspirators which included Gay Fawkes. By the 18<sup>th</sup> century it became Guy Fawkes Day where children begged for money and effigies were burnt on bonfires. Most Commonwealth countries celebrated "cracker" night. However, due to an increasing number of accidents involving children and fireworks, the Australian Public Health Commission recommended a total ban on small fireworks in 1974 but it wasn't until 1982 when all "shop-goods" (as opposed to displays) were banned.





The club has a box full of old playing cards. Members are welcome to take some home but should understand they are well worn and not necessarily in good condition. Please see the Director of the day if you want any - or have an idea of how to use them.



Finally the fourth ape! He is the sum of the first three: He sees nobody, hears nobody and speaks to nobody.









# Coming To Bridge Without a Partner

The editor has been requested to outline the procedures commonly applied to attending the club without a Partner. <u>VISITORS</u> are more welcome to come on a Tuesday or Wednesday without a partner. If a partner cannot be found then the Director of the day will partner them. However, this system is aimed at one-off interstate and/or overseas visitors and not necessarily visitors from other local WA clubs.

<u>CLUB MEMBERS</u> wanting a partner should contact the PARTNER COORDINATOR (Marion Jefferson) and liaise with her. If, at short notice on the day, your partner is unable to attend, The Director has, at his/her discretion, an option to partner a member. This should not be happening more than once a month.

# My ABF

#### The ABF's New Technology Platform

At the Beginning of 2021 the Australian Bridge Federation (ABF) started a process where all members of Bridge clubs nationwide register online with the ABF. It is not compulsory. However, the ABF is encouraging all members to enrol online and hold a My ABF membership. By the middle of next year all National and State events will need to be entered by this site. BAWA is encouraging all clubs to use the facility for their congresses etc.

Members can refer to the bi-monthly ABF magazines to read about the new system. It is a very simple process – and you really only need your ABF Number to start with.

Malcolm has put a link on the Fremantle Bridge Club website:

GO to My ABF (found at the bottom of the HOME page)

GO to Sign Up on the top line of the first page at the right hand side and start from there.

There is no charge to players or the clubs to register with My ABF and the only need for a credit card transaction is if you enter a competition or congress.



# **KEEP THE DATE FREE:**

On THURSDAY NOVEMBER 18<sup>TH</sup> members of St John's are coming to the club to demonstrate how to use the **DEFRIBILLATOR**. We encourage as many members as possible to attend.

The course will last approximately one hour but you are invited to bring your cut lunch and stay back for a game of bridge after the demonstration – President Judy Toey has offered to Direct.

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# **BARBARA'S PRESCRIPTION SUNGLASSES**

Members are asked to check their sunglasses. Barbara left her pair at the club rooms last week. However, they are no longer there – there is one pair in the Lost Property box but are not Barbara's. Can we all check our purses and jackets please? If you have accidently taken the wrong pair please return to the Director.



Numbers of our members seem to be suffering with a variety of illness, symptoms and general malaises at the moment. To that end, we would like to send out a BIG CHEERIO to those who are unwell. To Judy and Janet and Jean and Jimmy [and those who we have forgotten to add], please know that we think of you often and send you all of our best wishes for a speedy recovery.

# WINNERS ARE GRINNERS – FBC SPRING PAIRS – OCT 30<sup>TH</sup> 2021

This year's winners were Malcolm Dick and Peta Kiernan with Jenny Grummet and Rosalind Mitchell in 2<sup>nd</sup> place. Special thanks to the members who provided a delicious afternoon tea and, as always, a big thankyou to the Director Chris Wells!



**STOP PRESS:** A Memorial service will be held at St Phillips Church in Cottesloe on <u>Sunday November 14<sup>th</sup></u> to celebrate the life of one of our popular and much-loved members <u>Anda Simmonds</u>, who passed away one year ago. The service is at 2p.m. and Anda's daughter Monica extends a warm welcome to those who are interested in attending. [Everytime I think of the nutty crunchy biscuit (Aldi) we have at the club, I think of Anda - they were her favourite!! [1]