



The camaraderie at the table was impressive, and the three young men at the table enjoyed having a charming young lady present. Victoria, 24 a seasoned Interstate youth player, took it upon herself to make the table (and visitor) feel comfortable. She was gracious to her opponents and kind to her partner.

Victoria's older brother Jamie is a bridge star, but Victoria is no slouch herself, as you can see from the hand in the next column:

Board 3, South deals, EW vulnerable

	♠ A 4 3		
	♥ K		
	♦ A 10 5 2		
	♣ A K J 10 9		
♠ J			♠ Q 10 8 2
♥ Q J 9 8 7 6 2			♥ A 10 5 4
♦ 9 7 6			♦ K Q
♣ 3 2			♣ 8 5 4
	♠ K 9 7 6 5		
	♥ 3		
	♦ J 8 4 3		
	♣ Q 7 6		

This auction ensued (see next page).



Josh Tomlin, David Gue, Gilbert Morgan and Jamie Simpson

### The future of bridge

These four young men from South Australia will represent Australia at the World Youth Championships in Salsomaggiore in August.

Josh recently moved from ACT to Adelaide to complete a PhD in Pure Maths. David is the face of the

Adelaide Bridge Centre, having built up great rapport with his clients. Bertie Morgan was booked for the Youth Team before the pandemic (2020, Canberra). Jamie is doing a PhD in Analytical Chemistry at the University of SA. He teaches biology at uni, and his nickname is Plant Boy.



West	North	East	South
pass	2NT	pass	pass
pass	3NT	all pass	3♥

On lead at the end of the auction, Victoria asked the meaning of 3♥. When she questioned whether it could be a transfer, Patrick visibly blanched when he realised she was right.

Victoria had noticed the quick 3NT over 3♥, so it was clear a heart lead was required. She fingered ♥10 and ♥A before unerringly tabling the ace.

Any other lead would have led to failure, but her unsupported ♥A lead allowed Xavier to cash his seven hearts.



Chris & Carolyn Mroczek playing Kathy Hartmann—Ursula Najar in the Paul Lavings *BridgeGear* Restricted Swiss Pairs

### Winners of the South Australian Bridge Association Team Challenge:

Catherine Ellice-Flint, Bill Bradshaw, Tassi Georgiadis and Joanne Bakas



Alex Wu, Qld

