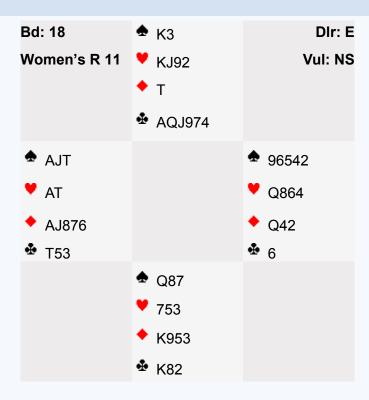
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Morton's Fork Coup:

A choice offered by the declarer for the defender to possibly win a trick with a low card, allowing declarer to subsequently promote the suit.

Should defender refuse to take the trick, declarer discards the losing honour on a winner in a side suit.

The English Cardinal Morton, a Chancellor under King Henry VII, used a "forking" logic to enrich the King's coffers using the following logic:

A **spendthrift** must have funds available for tithing and donations

An **extravagant spender** must have considerable (discretionary) funds available for tithing and donations

Ergo, **everyone** has funds available for tithing and donations

Here's Lauren Travis applying a version of the gambit:

West	North	East	South		
	Kate		Lauren		
		pass	pass		
1♠	2♣	pass	3♣		
Pass	3♥	pass	3NT		
all pass					

West led ◆7 to East ◆Q and Lauren's king.

At trick two she played a heart to ♥10 and the king. When that won, she crossed back to hand with ♣K and played a spade towards dummy.

West could not rise ace without allowing Lauren nine tricks, the Morton's Fork part of the exercise.

West had to start ◆J to defeat the contract. Now she can get partner in with ◆Q for a diamond through Lauren's ◆9.

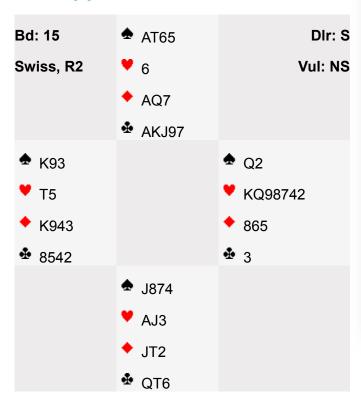








Not only youth are brave



Father and son combination Jack and Gabby Feiler gained a useful bonus (12 IMPs) on the deal above.

The auction

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
	Gabby		Jack
			pass
pass	1♣	3♥	3NT
pass	6♣	all pass	

A short but effective auction saw Gabby in 6♣ after Jack upgraded his hand to 3NT.

Gabby thought Jack would have more for his bid, but I have admiration for the chutzpah shown.

♣10 and ♥J appear to be useful cards that will fill in some of the blanks in Gabby's hand, and with the vulnerability, Jack did not want to be talked out of a vulnerable game.

Gabby won ♥A and ran ♠J, covered by the king immediately (note that it's normally correct to cover the *second* diamond in a situation like this).

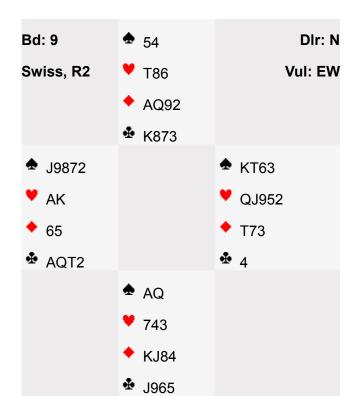
Gabby now cashed ♣A and played a club to dummy's ♣10 before advancing ♠J, ducked to the queen. Gabby had two entries to dummy, but only needed one when a spade to the ♠10 in hand produced the desired effect.



Players beware: don't push Jack Feiler around.

Gabby is a busy health professional in Melbourne

– bridge's loss has been medicine's gain.



Its all in the lead

I was surprised to see that making 4♠ from the West seat was worth 11 IMP on the hand above.

Marlene Watts received ♥8 lead. She cashed both heart honours, before cashing ♣A and ruffing a

club. Two more rounds of top hearts followed as Marlene discarded both diamonds, North ruffing. Two spades to lose, but 10 tricks, +620.

12 NS pairs defeated the spade game, while three pairs made.

So, a passive trump lead, do you think or an aggressive club? A trump lead will almost certainly defeat the contract, as South will win two spades before logically shifting to a diamond towards dummy's weakness.

A heart lead from ♥1086 does not appeal, and a diamond lead away from the ace, while successful here should be a no no. Curiously, several declarers received a club or a heart lead and failed to make the contract.

The obsession about staying away from trump leads needs to be forgotten.

You will know him from his impressive look (well-coiffed head of fair dreadlocks and halo like beard.)

You might also discern his strong accent (Zimbabwe not South Africa). Clive grew up in Victoria Falls but moved to Sydney in 1983. 40 years has not dulled his accent, nor his love of bridge. Clive was encouraged by his mother to play, and Klugman was a well known name at Randwick Bridge Club, when Clive first started playing.

When son Noah developed an interest in joining Dad at the bridge table as a five-year old, Clive taught him the rudiments of the game, and once he turned six, Clive rang Paul Marston at Grand Slam Bridge Club when the premises were in New South Head Rd, Double Bay.



The man from Mullumbimby

Clive Klugman is easily recognisable at bridge events, often playing the circuit – Summer Festival, Gold Coast, Coffs Congress, GNOT, you name it.



"Can I bring my son along to play?" Paul encouraged Clive to do so, and even when confronted by the news that Noah was only six, Paul said "no problem, bring him in". This welcoming approach was much appreciated, and Paul was more than happy to have the youngster at the club. This was not so much the case at the next bridge club where Clive and Noah tried to play, and sadly now Noah is inactive.

Clive now lives on 12 bushclad acres in the beautiful Mullumbimby area, where he grows exotic fruits including dragonfruit.

The nearest bridge club is Byron Bay (where sessions are held at Bangalow), but Clive's home club is Ballina Bridge Club, where he and partner Gary Lynn are often teammates with Marjorie Askew - Bill Powell. Clive has found his niche as a Northern Rivers identity.

SNIP, SNIP

by Ron Klinger

The Australian Bridge Federation sends four teams (Open, Women, Mixed, Seniors) to the World Championships. In an ideal world, the conditions to qualify for an Australian representative team would be identical. Under the current conditions, there are at least two significant differences between the qualifying conditions for the Open/Mixed vs the Women/Seniors:

- 1. The Women / Seniors play a (short) event to qualify four teams for Playoff semi-finals. There is no single qualifying event for the Open/Mixed Playoffs. The contenders there qualify by virtue of Playoff Qualifying Points (PQP), earned by high placings in a number of ABF events during the year.
- 2. Non-contending teams are not permitted in the Open/Mixed Playoffs. Non-contending teams are permitted in the qualifying event for the Women/ Seniors. This should be viewed as an unattractive situation.

There is an equitable and easy way to make the playoffs for all events at least similar, if not identical. Cut the cord between the Women/Seniors



qualifying event and the Women/Seniors Playoffs. Switch the current January program for the first six days of the Summer Festival, National Women's Teams (NWT)/ Nationals Seniors Teams (NST) 3 days qualifying followed by three days of semi-finals, final to three days Women/Seniors Playoffs, followed by three days NWT/NST.

With the playoffs held in the CBC clubrooms, this would save the ABF three days of hotel costs (not an insubstantial amount). As for the NWT/NST, given the relatively low number of teams (14/24) this year, there is no need to hold semi-finals or a final. Like the European Teams events (about 30 teams, straight round robin, no finals), the NWT/NST could be played simply as a round-robin. This could be effective for up to 40 teams. This would be fairer than a Swiss since it allows every team to play every other team and eliminates the random first-round draw of the Swiss format.

If that approach had been followed this year, the NWT would play 13 rounds (4/5/4) of 12 -board matches. The NST would play 23 rounds (8, 8, 7) of 7 board matches. (The same approach could be adopted for the Spring NWT/NST over 2 days, the middle weekend of the Spring Nationals.)



Steve Weil and Tony Bemrose from TBIB have their stand in the foyer. They will be here Saturday and Sunday. The Lucky Door Prize "Name that City" will be drawn on Sunday afternoon. Entries will be on the tables or at the TBIB desk.



KLOREN, 1st The Bridge Shop One Day Novice Teams



THEARLE, 2nd The Bridge Shop One Day Novice Teams

Bridge Shop One Day Novice Teams

PI	Team	M1	M2	М3	M4	М5	М6	Imps	VPs	WDL	Gold pts
1	KLOREN (2)	0	6	1	19	8	18	52	78.21	4-2-0	2.53
2	THEARLE (5)	0	25	29	1	4	0	59	77.82	3-3-0	1.98
3	RYRIE (7)	54	-10	13	-1	-8	24	72	74.65	3-1-2	1.48
4	MINOGUE (4)	19	10	-1	7	3	0	38	73.61	4-2-0	1.54
5	BELL (1)	0	-6	29	12	-3	10	42	72.69	3-1-2	0.73
6	MARDUS (8)	12	15	-13	25	-4	-18	17	64.77	3-0-3	0.62
7	WICKMAN (3)	-19	1	-29	-25	11	13	-48	47.27	2-1-3	0.52
8	MCGARVA (6)	0	-15	-29	-7	0	-13	-64	39.11	0-2-4	0.21
9	RALPHS (9)	-54	-1	-9	-19	0	-10	-93	36.10	0-2-4	0.21
10	MCCARTHY (10)	-12	-25	9	-12	-11	-24	-75	35.77	1-0-5	0.21

Fixed Income Solutions One Day Swiss Pairs

Result	s after 6 of 6 matches		Totals				
	Pair Names	Imps	VPs	WDL	Gold P		
		120	94.31	5-0-1	6.92		
1 2	MARLENE WATTS / MICHAEL PRESCOTT (5) PAUL WEAVER / TERRY BODYCOTE (23)	86	89.85	6-0-0	5.64		
3	ERIC LIPPEY / KERRY BOYTELL (48)	74	83.12	4-0-2	3.94		
4	CHRISTOPHER LEACH / JAMES COUTTS (21)	49	76.58	4-0-2	3.05		
5	AXEL JOHANNSSON / KATE MCCALLUM (4)	50	76.55	5-0-1	2.93		
6	RICHARD CARTER / JAY NOVAK (57)	43	76.33	5-0-1	2.66		
7	HAMID SADIGH / SIAMAK PARSANEJAD (46)	50	76.25	5-0-1	2.49		
8	TOM KISS / ANDREW MARKOVICS (11)	46	74.48	3-0-3	1.72		
9	LORI SMITH / LAUREN TRAVIS (8)	38	74.12	5-0-1	2.27		
10	JENNA GIBBONS / JULIAN FOSTER (3)	38	73.72	4-0-2	1.87		
11	THILAK RANASINGHE / GORDON MCROBERT (22)	42	73.12	4-1-1	1.97		
12	JACK JAMES / JEREMY FRASER-HOSKIN (9)	22	72.71	5-0-1	2.08		
13	DAVE MUNRO / DAVID SCHOKMAN (28)	52	72.20	3-0-3	1.40		
14	ASHLEY BACH / ARLENE DALLEY (1)	33	71.67	3-2-1	1.69		
15	MARNIE LEYBOURNE / LEONE FULLER (16)	32	68.34	3-0-3	1.34		
16	SETSUKO LICHTNECKER / PEER BACH (38)	19	66.71	3-0-3	1.31		
17	DARIA WILLIAMS / TONY WHITE (51)	21 22	66.49	3-1-2 3-0-3	1.45 1.27		
18	PHIL GLOVER / BAL KRISHAN (24)	15	66.10 65.65	3-1-2	1.42		
19 20	GARY LYNN / CLIVE KLUGMAN (32) BILL NASH / JAMES WALLIS (15)	18	65.40	3-1-2	1.42		
21	STEVE GEDDES / VANESSA BROWN (26)	16	65.00	3-1-2	1.12		
22	ZE YING LAM / GEO TISLEVOLL (2)	13	64.87	3-1-2	1.12		
23	ADRIAN LEITCH / WILL JENNER-O'SHEA (13)	14	64.56	3-0-3	0.96		
24	LIZ SYLVESTER / ROBBIE FEYDER (35)	9	63.55	3-1-2	1.12		
25	LYN MARTIN / JIM MARTIN (31)	12	63.45	3-1-2	1.12		
26	ELLIOTT KAPLAN / TERRY BROWN (10)	8	62.92	3-1-2	1.12		
27	ALISON SANDWITH / MARTIN SIMS (59)	5	61.65	2-0-4	0.64		
28	LAURI PERINO / KEVIN TANT (34)	-2	61.57	4-0-2	1.28		
29	ROBIN HO / ALEXANDER COOK (42)	5	61.10	3-0-3	0.96		
30	NIGEL ROSENDORFF / MARTIN BLOOM (6)	1	60.49	2-1-3	0.80		
31	LIZ FANOS / GEORGE FINIKIOTIS (29)	0	60.37	3-0-3	0.96		
32	CATHERINE LACHMAN / GEORGE LOVRECZ (20)	0	60.10	4-0-2	1.28		
33	JACK FEILER / GABBY FEILER (27)	-3 -3	59.56 59.21	3-1-2 2-1-3	1.12 0.80		
34 35	DAVID HOFFMAN / KIM HOFF (14) JUNE GLENN / ALAN HAMILTON (33)	2	58.80	2-1-3	0.64		
36	DEBORAH ANGLIM / ROBYN ROGERS (56)	-4	58.47	2-1-3	0.80		
37	GIDEON AZAR / WILLIAM VAN BAKEL (50)	-20	57.38	3-0-3	0.96		
38	BOB SEBESFI / RICHARD DOUGLAS (12)	-10	56.48	3-1-2	1.12		
39	GREER TUCKER / JANEEN SOLOMON (18)	-9	56.29	2-1-3	0.80		
40	SONYA PALFREYMAN / SHAYNE PALFREYMAN (52)	-21	54.77	2-1-3	0.80		
41	PETER STRASSER / RENA KAPLAN (19)	-15	54.75	2-0-4	0.64		
42	PERELLE SCALES / PAT BEATTIE (39)	-21	52.71	2-1-3	0.80		
43	GEORGE STOCKHAM / NOEL BUGEIA (30)	-25	51.88	2-1-3	0.80		
44	GEORGE BILSKI / NICKY STRASSER (17)	-31	51.87	3-1-2	1.12		
45	PAUL HOOYKAAS / NIGEL DUTTON (7)	-28	51.46	2-1-3	0.80		
46	LALITA KANETKAR / FRANK HARDIMAN (45)	-24	50.94	2-0-4	0.64		
47	BELINDA LINDSAY / INGRID COOKE (36)	-33	50.33	3-0-3	0.96		
48	CHRIS HANNAN / CHRIS HASEMORE (49)	-28 -37	50.08 49.33	2-0-4 3-0-3	0.64 0.96		
49 50	KAY O'CONNOR / PAT O'CONNOR (44) SARI IRLICHT / GAYLE BAGG (58)	-36	48.78	2-0-4	0.64		
51	CATHERINE CHAFFEY / JAKE ANDREW (37)	-36	47.76	2-0-4	0.64		
52	BRENDA KAPLAN / SUE INGHAM (25)	-36	47.35	1-0-5	0.32		
53	MARYANNE BIRD / PHYLLIS MORITZ (40)	-57	43.01	2-0-4	0.64		
54	LYNDA YOUNG / PHILIP YOUNG (53)	-54	42.72	2-0-4	0.64		
55	JOHN KNIGHT / SHANE WOODBURN (55)	-56	39.86	1-0-5	0.32		
56	HOPE TOMLINSON / MARTIN JOHNSON (43)	-62	38.80	1-1-4	0.48		
57	DAVID SNOW / MARGARET REGAN (54)	-69	35.79	1-0-5	0.32		
58	NGAIRE MEEHAN / CONNY SZENCZY (60)	-75	34.23	1-0-5	0.32		
59	ALISON HANSON / REX HANSON (41)	-77	33.70	1-0-5	0.32		
60	MARIAN OBENCHAIN / IAN WEBB (47)	-83	30.36	0-0-6			

Why come to Adelaide 2024?

Last year, I recommended visiting Adelaide Oval, (including the Bradman Museum) Adelaide and Mt Lofty Botanic Gardens, Adelaide Hills and Hahndorf, Adelaide Central Market, Tasting Australia (3 - 12 May), wineries and distilleries

This year, from the SA Tourism website, I bring you "Australia's official best restaurant, wine, gin, beach and hotel".

Australia's Restaurant of the Year
2023: Restaurant Botanic
restaurantbotanic.com.au, in the Botanic
Gardens.

Best Restaurant Design finalist: Africola

Sitting down for a meal at Africola, www.africola.com.au, you'd be forgiven for thinking you had just pulled up a seat at a chic North African diner. Contemporary and quirky go hand in hand at the vibrant East End restaurant, which was named a finalist in Gourmet Traveller Restaurant Awards for best design. Africola's interior features modern black and white tones, paired with wildly different artwork to create a unique and inviting dining space, and the epic food only lifts the atmosphere; head-chef Duncan Welgemoed dishes up authentic North African cuisine.

Best Wine in the World: Kellermeister

This from a boutique family-run Barossa winery, **kellermeister.com.au**.

Wild Witch Shiraz, 2015 vintage, outshone a field of international wines to take out the Wine of the Year honours at the prestigious London Wine Competition.

Best Contemporay Gin: Kangaroo Island Spirits kangarooislandspirits.com.au

Kangaroo Island Spirits' KIS O'Gin was named the best contemporary gin at the International Wine and Spirits Competition in London – the first in Australia to take home a trophy at this internation-

ally renowned competition. KIS also collected medals for their Wild Gin, Old Tom and Whisky Barrel Aged Gin.

Best Luxury Hotel: Mayfair

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When it comes to kicking back in luxury, there's nowhere better than Adelaide – literally. In the heart of the city one can find the Mayfair Hotel,

www.mayfairhotel.com.au, Australia's best five-star hotel as voted by Trivago.

Best Beach in Australia: Vivonne Beach

Kangaroo Island's Vivonne Beach is like something out of your wildest tropical dreams with its six kilometres of white sandy shores.

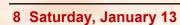
Best Hotel Restaurant: Waterford Hotel

The Watervale Hotel is in the Clare Valley, less than two hours' drive from Adelaide. It was recently awarded Best Hotel Restaurant in the global Corporate Livewire Awards, having undone extensive renovations in the past few years.

It has also been awarded SA Wine List of the Year for their wine offerings, highlighting the best of the local area.

Kangaroo Island: 2nd on Lonely Planets 'must-visit regions of the world'.







Mackay Contract Bridge Club is proud to present the 28th Barrier Reef Congress, being held from Friday 3rd May - Monday 6th May 2024. The last few years are some we will never forget so lets play Bridge face to face again.

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Whilst you are here take the time to visit some of these beautiful locations. Click the link below for further information: https://www.mackayregion.com/

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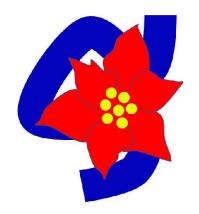
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