Coffs Coast Gold Congress at Opal Cove Resort



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Three quarter time

There was a huge 23-7 swing against the incumbents late on Saturday afternoon, As a result, Andrew Peake - Arjuna DeLivera, Helena Dawson - Sartaj Hans surged to the lead from Kim Morrison - Simon Hinge, Phil Gue - Paul Wyer with two rounds to go.

Meanwhile, the Restricted is on a knife-edge.

Some hands from the first six rounds:

Match 4, Bd 24

W/Nil		Q	10 9	9 8	3 7				
	\Diamond	9	8 6	3					
	\Diamond	5	2						
	*	Κ	8 2	2					
★ 54						. ,	٩K		
♡ 2					\Diamond	,	٩K	Q	7
♦ A J	8643				\Diamond		((10	
♣ QJ	94				•	,	A 7	6	5
	•	J	63	3 2					
	\Diamond	J	10 :	5 4	3				
	\Diamond	9	7						
	*	10	3						

Having a weak 2♦ at his disposal, Ted Chadwick naturally used it and found himself in 6♦ after Jeanette Reitzer checked for the ace of trumps.

A lot of the field didn t have that option, so many Wests opened 34. I too checked for $\diamond A$ and naturally bid 7¢, hoping for a 7th diamond or a spade ruff. +1440 and a lesson unlearned.



Election night entertainment from Julienne Mostyn and Warwick Gilbert.

Match 5 Rd 6

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E/EW	★ 43		
	♡ AK	94	
	♦ J 10		
	♣ AK	10 6 5	
♠ J 10 9	8765	_	
♥ 10 5		\Diamond	QJ8732
♦ 93		\Diamond	KQ865
♣ Q9		•	42
	♠ AK	Q2	
	♡ 6		
	♦ A 7	42	
	♣ J8	73	
WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
		2♡	Χ
no	?		

East has a typical loose weak two. Maurits van der Vlugt tried one, giving North a problem.

After some agony, North decided to take the money against 2♥x. 500 is available to compensate for the missed slam but the defence panicked to concede -670.

Another enterprising East opened 2NT to show reds or blacks. West was having none of that and insisted on playing 3♠x for -1100.

+1090 in 6♣ Lightner doubled was a common result.

Match 4, Bd 19

S/EW	★ A 4♡ Q 7◇ K Q◆ Q 6		
◆ 985♥ 9◆ 83◆ KJ87		♡ ♦ 762 842	J 10 3 J 10 J 10 9 6 A 10 9 3
WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH 1♠
3♣	3♡	4♣	?

6♥ is easy enough, though a few missed it. The trick is to get to seven. In this auction, South can bid 5.

Teams after 6 of 8 rnds

Open (76 Teams)

1	5	Peake	131
2	2	Morrison	126
3	8	Powell	118
4	17	Ritter	113
5	4	Ebery	111
6	1	Otvosi	109
7	7	Hegedus	108
8	27	Farthing	107
9	11	Miller	106
10	44	Kent	106
Restricted (32 Teams)			

1	2	Martin	121
2	7	Bolt	120
3	1	Dean	112
4	32	Gray	111
5	23	Thorpe	109
6	9	Beckett	102
7	3	Wells	101
8	19	Hirschhorn	99
9	16	McMurray	97
10	21	Mundell	97

Voidwood, meaning count your key cards outside clubs .

Match 2, Bd 9

♠ AKJ106	♠ 7	
♡ K	♡ A83	
♦ A9653	♦ QJ87	42
♣ 10 3	♣ A86	
WEST NOR	TH EAST	SOUTH
1♠	2◊	
3♡ ?!	4♣	
4NT	5♡	
6♦	no	

A possible auction to this cold slam. Most would play the jump to 3♥ as a splinter, though stiff king is not ideal.

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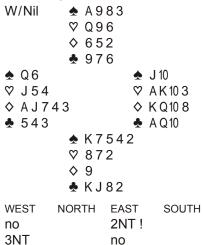
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Match 4, Bd 26 E/Both ♠ A43 ♥ Q63 ♦ AQ2 Q1076 ♠ 97 ♥ K9752 ♥ AJ10 ♦ J976 ♦ K108543 **9** 93 ♣ AJ85 ★ KQJ108652 ♥ 84 \Diamond ♣ K42 NORTH EAST SOUTH WEST 10 4 Χ nο no no ? ?

What should happen now? Ted Chadwick bid 5♥ which had no play while 5♦ makes by picking up the red queens.

If West bids 5♦, what should North do? It's hard not to double but the winning decision is take the save in 5♠, as Paul Wyer did.

Match 2, Bd 24



East s four 10s are worth an upgrade. It s easy for the defence to go wrong. After a spade lead, North may woodenly return ♠3 to block the suit.

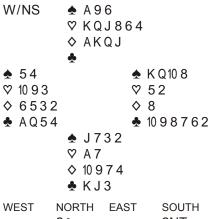
After cashing four spades, North might recover by persuading declarer to take the wrong finesse.

On ♥9 switch, declarer will probably cash the top hearts, run diamonds then take the club hook.

Back to trick 2. North should return ♠9 to unblock, though there is some danger that South will duck, placing declarer with ♠JT8. Could be right.

We were well pleased to reach the making 4% after East found that partner had 2-3-5-3 shape.

Match 2. Bd 28



NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
2♣		2NT
3♡		4♡
6♡		no
	2 ♣ 3♡	3♡

One plausible auction to the hopeless 6♥. Hopeless that is until East leads ♠K, as nearly everyone did. +1430 now.

6♦ is a decent slam, cold when trumps break, so failing this time. Our team mates had a relay auction to 7♦! South had bid diamonds first, putting West on lead. Showing scant respect for relay methods, West swung ♣A for -2140.

So 6♦ has no play while 7♦ is cold. Our opponents tried 6NT/S for -100 so our team gained 19 imps. Anyone had more?

The last bulletin issue will be on the net Monday morning.



Friday walk-in winners NS

1st Charlie Schwabegger	
Kerryn Daws	61.7
2nd Jack Lindsay	
Lorraine Harkness	58.1
EW	
1st Janet Merriman	
Pat Armstrong	63.2
2nd Endar & Janice Beckett	61.6

Modern Multi Methods

Openings

2♣ near GF 2♦ weak 2 in a major

2♥ 5♥s & 4+ minor (5-5 VUL)

2♠ 5♠s & 4+ minor

2NT 20-21

Some include 20-21 in 2♦ and use 2NT to show 5-5 minors.

Use the same *Multi defence* to their 1NT but 2♣ = majors, 2NT = minors.

Over 2♣, partner can bid 2♦ to ask for the longer.

Over 2♦

2♡	pass or correct to 2♠
2♠	pass or bid 3♥/4♥ *
2NT	strong enquiry
3♣/♦	not forcing
3♡	to play 3♥ or 3♠.

^{*} better is 3♣ with a max 2♥

After 2♦ 2NT

3♣	MAX weak 2♥
3♦	MAX weak 2♠
3♡	min 2♡
3▲	min 2♠

Interference changes

2◊	(x)	pass = diamonds
2◊	(2♡/♠)	X = bid your suit
2♣	(3♣/♦)	X = penalty

Defence to 20 in all seats

X any p♥ bid for tko 2NT = 15-18, stoppers unclear Direct suit bids show good hands

In 2nd seat

X of $2\diamondsuit = 19+$ or 13-15 bal Pass then X = shapely tko

Over 2♥/♠ openings

2NT	strong enquiry
3♣	pass or correct to 3♦
3♦	invite in partner s major *
3♥/♠	preemptive raise

^{*} Fancy stuff

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