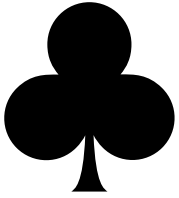
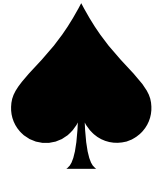


September Newsletter



CONVENTIONS



A bridge convention is an agreement about an artificial call, or a set of artificial calls, made during the auction phase of a contract bridge game. These calls convey information about the players card holdings, so that they arrive at a suitable contract. Conventions assign more specific information to certain calls.

The most common conventions are, Blackwood, Stayman, Jacoby, Strong two clubs, cue bids, Gerber, Bergen raises. More experienced players then use other conventions such as, Lebensohl, Reverse bids, Inverted minors, Multi 2s, Splinter bids, Quantitative, Drury, Cappelletti, Michaels, and the list goes on.

So, do we keep it simple, or go for multiple unusual conventions. The most important thing is the agreement between partners, and the need to alert your opponents to an artificial bid, and to have your convention card on the table.

After reading all the unusual conventions out there, I have decided to keep it simple.



We are nearing the end of another year, but there are still some events to consider.

Malanda Interclub	Monday 30 September, 8.45 start
Tropical Spring Congress	Friday 18 Oct - Sunday 20 October
Malanda Melb. Cup Party	Monday 4 November
Malanda Club Championship	Monday 11 & 18 November
TBC Interclub	Saturday 30 November, 8.45 start
TBC Christmas Party	Thursday 12 December
Malanda Christmas Party	Monday 16 December.



The club has had quite a successful year regarding competitions. Trish and Kate won the under 500 mp section in Mackay. At the gnot finals held at the Malanda Bridge Club, the team of Bjorg, Dee, Debbie and Stewart came second. Lynn and Linda won the C grade at Mission Beach. Also, Dee and Willian Came fifth overall in the Australia wide open pairs.

We have quite a few new players, who are having lessons, but hopefully, will be joining the main games soon. Thanks go to teachers, May, and Marg.

Happy Birthday



Dee has just celebrated a special birthday.