



# WARRNAMBOOL BRIDGE

CLUB JULY 2019



Celebrations at the end of April when Anne Serra celebrated her 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday Monday night with all enjoying a Passionfruit sponge made by none other than – Elinor.

John Sarena's birthday with members celebrating and enjoying Linda's lovely jelly cakes.



**South West Games** were held in Ocean Grove on Sunday, April, 14 with 14 teams participating including 2 from the Warrnambool Club.



Linda, John Sarena, Janet Attrill and Penny Thomas finished 5<sup>th</sup> and Jamie, Paula, Stephen and Aileen 6<sup>th</sup>.

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**.BRIDGE FOR BRAINS** Wednesday .

6 ½ tables participated in the only charity which Bridge Australia supports raising \$390.00.

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**GNOT BALLARAT.**



Warrnambool was represented by three pairs at the Ballarat GNOT and for the fourth year in a row we have a pair who qualified for the Australia wide final in Tweed Heads in late November.

Our representatives this time are Paula Hillis and John Sarena. They finished second in the final wash up, Jamie and Linda eleventh and Peter and Jan had a day to forget.

It is pleasing to see our club members doing well and prepared to travel to other clubs to test their skills. We distributed flyers for our own congress in October and could I encourage members to consider the friendly pairs in Ballarat to be held on August 11<sup>th</sup>. Well done to Paula and John, but when will they find time to practice together!

Peter Cooke

My wife stopped and said: “You weren’t even listening, were you?”



I thought ..... “That’s a pretty weird way to start a conversation.”

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This is **your Newsletter** and any news, results etc. would be gratefully accepted and create some interest.



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**GEELONG CONGRESS** was held on the last weekend in June. Linda and John Serena played in the Open Swiss Pairs on Saturday with a huge attendance ie 66 pairs. They started 62 and did well to finish 41<sup>st</sup>.

On Sunday they partnered Jamie and Paula in the teams event, and, as Linda said, they had great fun, lots of laughs, but their results left a lot to be desired. There were 16 teams participating.

Geelong had a Restricted section with 16 pairs playing on Saturday and 6 teams on Sunday.

Total Attendance. 248

When you talk you are only repeating what you already know. BUT if you listen you may learn something.

Dalai Lama.



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### **WESTERN REGION NOVICE PAIRS**

The Warrnambool Bridge Club hosted the Western Region Novice Pairs recently with pairs from Hamilton, Ballarat, Geelong, Camperdown, Torquay, Port Fairy and Warrnambool in attendance.

Peter Cooke and Tony Plevier ran the event and ten tables of competitive players made for a hectic but enjoyable day.

A Mitchel movement of 27 boards in the morning saw Geoff Brewis and John Serena win NS with Faye Davidson and Penny Thomas successful EW.

In the afternoon we played two Howell movements so that everybody in the field played every other opponent on the day.

Winners in the afternoon were Peter Dexter and Robyn Archer who were the eventual overall winners and Allen Shiels with Shane Mc Millan.

Overall runners up were Brewis and Serena.

Many thanks to all those who contributed time and food on the day.

Hopefully the reputation of the WBC has been further enhanced and many players from this day will return for our congress in October.

Peter Cooke

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After being caught speeding:

DRIVER: "What am I supposed to do with this speeding ticket?"

POLICEMAN: Keep it and when you get 4 you will get a bike

Worth a read!

## Greek bail-out

It is a slow day in a little [Greek](#) Village.

Times are tough, everybody is in debt, and everybody lives on credit.

A rich German tourist stops at the local hotel and lays a €100 note on the desk, telling the hotel owner he wants to inspect the rooms upstairs.

The owner gives him some keys and, as soon as the visitor has walked upstairs, the hotelier grabs the €100 note and runs next door to pay his debt to the butcher.

The butcher takes the €100 note and runs down the street to repay his debt to the pig farmer who takes the €100 note and pays his bill at the supplier of feed and fuel.

The guy at the Farmers' Co-op takes the €100 note to pay his drinks bill at the tavern.

The innkeeper slips the money along to the local prostitute drinking at the bar, who has been facing hard times and has had to offer him "services" on credit, she now rushes to the hotel and pays off her room bill to the hotel owner.

The hotel proprietor then places the €100 note back on the counter. The traveller comes down, picks up the €100 note, states that the rooms are not satisfactory, takes the money, and leaves town.

No one produced anything. No one earned anything. However, the whole village is now out of debt and looking to the future with a lot more optimism.

**And that, Ladies and Gentlemen, is how the bailout package works.**



Gwen Hindhaugh