



SCCBC NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER 2025



A reminder for those pre-booked for the SCCBC Christmas Party on Saturday November 29th – it's 10:30am for 11am start.



Sunday December 14th

-  Qld Senior Teams
-  Restricted Teams Under 300 MP's

More entries needed! Enter via MyABF. These are our last congresses for the year so sign up now and enjoy great company, bridge and Christmas fare.

BYO Lunch – Festive Fruit will be provided at lunch. Morning and afternoon tea, plus canapes and drinks at end of play.

Tuesday morning – 2nd December

Farewell and thank you Morning Tea for Cherie Butler. Please bring a plate.



November 9th – Senior Pairs & Under 300 Pairs



1st place – Senior Pairs

John Norris & Neven Burcia



1st place –Under 300 MPs

Peter Zanki & Mark
Harnack

Alison Dawson & her partner Liz Zeller came 2nd in the Senior Pairs with Carmel Dwan and Kerry Rutter coming 3rd. A fabulous effort!!

Special mention of Rhys Dewar and Yuko Colthurst who were seeded 17th and ended in 5th place.

Winners of the Presidents Trophy for the 3rd consecutive year were again! Alison Dawson & Ken Dawson

Winners of the President's Trophy

Ken and Alison Dawson



Winners of the Zone Graded Pairs

A Grade: Ken Dawson & Alison Dawson pictured here with Zone President Noreen.



B Grade: Joanne McCarthy & Gayna Ryan

C Grade: Chris Byrne & Joanne Scott

Special mention: Rhys Dewar & Yuko Colthurst, they were ranked 17th in C Grade and finished in 3rd place.

Farewell for Cherie Butler

Cherie is a highly valued member of our club and we regret that she will be leaving us at the end of the year. Her commitment and "behind the scenes" contributions to over many, many years have been extensive and unknown to most of our membership. We would like to show our appreciation on Tuesday morning 2 December during a slightly extended Morning Tea break. All players are invited to attend, and we encourage you to bring a plate of goodies to share.



Unsafe Driving

All members are reminded that parking at the front of the club is a one-way circuit - please drive in a clockwise direction on entry and exit. Don't be the person who injures themselves or others.



Ladies Team Event

The QBA is attempting to promote the participation of women in competitive events, thus, in 2026 we will be trialling a women-only Teams Event at a date and session to be advised. We will be keen to include as many participants as possible.



Member Subscriptions 2026

All members will be receiving emails through MYABF which alerts you to the new stream-lined process for renewals. Please complete any tasks which are relevant to your membership.



This process commences on the 28th December.

Smarty Grants

We are pleased to announce funding of \$4,500 to assist in the purchase of new Bridgemates.

These will replace the old sticky Bridgemates.

Thank you to the 2025 committee for the grant submission. We hope you enjoy the new style and usage. Simpler for everyone!

Thank you to the Sunshine Coast Council for this funding initiative.



Saturday Social Bridge

We'd love to see you there on Saturday afternoon to enjoy a relaxed session with fellow members.



All players are welcome

Masterpoint Promotions

Congratulations to the following members on their Masterpoints promotions.



Graduate

0563560 Brkic, Jean 2.17
1226401 Burch, Bernice 2.05
1226398 Burch, Alistair 2.13
1219693 Challis, Philip 2.36

Club

1229745 Moretto, Helen 6.21 Graduate
1217313 Perry, Rosemary 6.28 Graduate
1131575 Rowlings, Judy 5.23 Graduate

Local

1192019 Colthurst, Yuko 15.17 Club

1203266 Phillips, David 15.41 Club

Bronze Local

1178636 Hoeksema, Mary 26.12 Local

1178873 Pickering, Tania 25.25 Local

Silver Local

1192027 Campbell, Penny 35.00 Bronze Local

0748781 Kwast, Glenda 35.22 Bronze Local

Regional

1045288 Marsden, Maggie 50.38 Silver Local

Bronze Regional

1117874 Garrick, Glen 100.08 Regional

Bronze Life

0124036 Holmes, Warren 400.35 Life

Grand

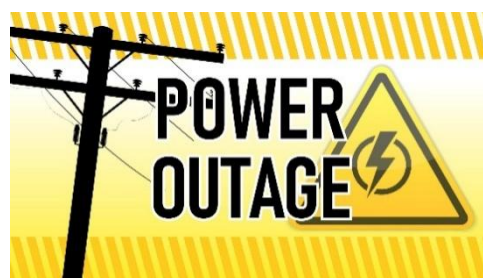
0837881 Elich, Gabrielle 1,018.01 Gold Life

Member Interest Story

Lights out!

The Wednesday 19th November morning session almost came to a sudden halt when all power was lost.

Subsequently the club was advised that a contractor (fortunately not injured) working on the adjacent road widening (which will benefit the club by making access to and from Syd Lingard Drive easier) brought down the power lines.



With low natural lighting and emergency lights, bridge was able to continue as our bridge mates run on batteries. THE TENACITY OF BRIDGE PLAYERS!!

However, for those having a good day at the table unfortunately the scores could not be retrieved.

Bridge and morning tea continued to be enjoyed by all.

Power returned around 4pm and we trust the road works do not unduly impact on Club members until completion in 2026.

Thank you, John G., for this article.

Any other members with stories to tell please forward to info@sunshinecoastbridge.com.au.

Thank you

- Mike Scott for preparing the club Membership Program Book for 2026
- Pippa Hooper for maintaining the clubs membership records throughout the year

