Melbourne Bridge Club

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Newsletter for week ending 02 Jun 2019

**North - South** **East - West**

Monday Day Janet Reynolds & Peter Cork\*\* Sandra Mansell & Ron Verrier

Night Jacqui Butcher & David Gunzberg Susan Moore & Christine Urdevics

Tuesday Day Betty & Tom Blom Peter Brown-Greaves & Patrick Little\*\*

Night Janet Reynolds & Peter Cork Judy Seymour & Keri Andrews

Wednesday David Hill & Chris Lamb\*\* Lee Tiepermann & Radu Borsaru

Friday Joan Smurthwaite & Ann Perrott Dot Cassidy & Sean Tunney\*\*

Saturday Helen Kremer & Gordon Smyth\*\* Terry Morrison & Rita Cally

Hand of the week Saturday 01 Jun Board 25 E-W vul Dealer N

**On being careful**

♠ K85

♥ 53

♦ AJ10652

♣ 84

♠ 94 ♠ 63

♥ J7 ♥ KQ864

♦ K73 ♦ Q98

♣ K97532 ♣ Q106

♠ AQJ1072

♥ A1092

♦ 4

♣ AJ

N E S W

- - 1♠ -

2♠ - 4♠ =

After two passes and South opens 1♠. North raises to 2♠ South bids game.

West leads a small club, taken by the A♣. South can see three heart losers and a club loser. If South decides to not draw trumps but tries instead to ruff two losing hearts there is the potential for an over-trick. Can South do better?

How about trying to set up the diamonds for three discards? If that is possible (ie the diamonds break 3 – 3) then 12 tricks are available so: diamond to the A♦ and ruff a diamond. Now spade to the K♠ and ruff another diamond. Draw the last two trumps and woops – the diamonds in Dummy are high but you can’t get there! What went wrong?

Do you remember the lesson in last week’s newsletter: “Careless play costs tricks!”. You need two entries to the spades in Dummy. These can only come from the K♠ and the 8♠ - therefore you need to keep either the 7♠ in your hand for the second entry and this requires you to ruff the second diamond with the 10♠. Did you pass the test??

The next **Red Point events** will be Tuesday 4th June and Saturday 29th June (**Special one session tournament for club members**. Cost $25.00. Prizes and light afternoon tea provided. In order to assist with catering please write your name on one of the notices if you intend playing.).

**Beginners Classes** will commence on Thursday 06 June at 12.30 pm. These lessons will be repeated at 7.30pm. The classes last for 9 weeks and cost $180. Contact Ian Mansell on 0417 095 921 for further details.

**Sandra and Ian**