



West Coast Bridge Club

Newsletter

September 2026

Annual General Meeting

At the Club's AGM on 13th August the meeting elected the Management Committee for 2026-27 which comprises:

President: Julie Feeney

Vice President: Annabelle Capstick

Treasurer: Adele Philpot

Secretary: Colleen Stone

Committee: Janice Baker, Colleen Hohlt, Linda Martin, Chris Ruffle and David Stevenson.



WCBC Executive Adele Philpot, Julie Feeney, Annabelle Capstick and Colleen Stone.

Building update

The Club's home premises at City Beach Civic Centre were seriously damaged in a wild storm that hit Perth and the South-west in late May. As a result the Club has had to relocate, with the support of the Town of Cambridge, to Wembley Community Centre. While not ideal this has enabled the Club to continue to offer most of its scheduled programme during 2026. The Club's President, Sue Vincent, and the entire Committee have worked extraordinarily hard to set up the Community Centre in a way that is comfortable for Club members. At this time the Club has no definite information from the Town on when it may be able to return to its City Beach home.

Thanks to retiring President Sue Vincent

At the AGM Adele Philpot thanked outgoing President Sue Vincent for her leadership over the last three and a half years. During her tenure Sue initiated a raft of improvements including the employment of a reliable cleaner, replacement of our aged carpet, the purchase of a dish washer and provided outstanding leadership in dealing with the Town of Cambridge and facilitating the move to Wembley Community Centre. Thank you and well done Sue!



Outgoing President Sue Vincent.

Honorary Life Membership for Sara Westergren

At the recent AGM it was announced that the Committee had appointed Club stalwart Sara Westergren as an Honorary Life Member. Sara has served the Club wonderfully over many years in a variety of roles including Vice-President, Dealer, Director and event caterer. Congratulations Sara.



New Honorary Life Member of WCBC – Sara Westergren.

New rankings

Congratulations to the following members who received rank promotions during the last three months:

Bronze Local: Doreen Jolly; Bronze Regional: Chris Ruffle; Silver National: Michael Smith; Life: Yulia Koh; Silver Grand Master: Stella Steer

2026 Restricted Swiss Pairs (*Margaret Rowston Trophy*).

The Restricted Swiss Pairs competition held on July 11 and 18 was won for the second successive year by Yulia Koh and Jamie Luxton. Ying Goodlet and Colleen Stone were second with Colleen Hohlt and Diana Wellby in third place.



Winners of the Restricted Swiss Pairs Jamie Luxton and Yulia Koh.

New members

The following new members have recently joined the Club – Jane Halligan, Ann Strack and Atsuko Takeuchi. Please make them welcome.

Club GNOT heat (BAWA event)

The Club GNOT heat was won by a team comprising Stella Steer, Ivan Petrovic, Jay Steer and Dave Munro. Second place went to Ray Wood, Marleen Medhat, Wence Vahala, Sue Gough and Jay Medhat with third place filled by Christina Wu, Patrick Garnett, Yulia Koh and Joan Schneider.

Club Teams Championship (*Silver Plate Trophy*)

The Club Teams Championship, conducted in August, was won by Colleen Stone, Ying Goodlet, Pat Scotford and Joy Jones. Second place went to a team comprising Sue Gough, Wence Vahala, Ray Wood and Marleen Medhat. Sue Vincent, Robyn Kirke, Barbara Martin and Mike Smith were third.



Winners of the Club Teams Championship Joy Jones, Pat Scotford, Colleen Stone and Ying Goodlet.

Coming competitions and events

The following competitions are scheduled for the next few months at West Coast Bridge Club:

- Thursday Swiss Pairs (John Utting Trophy) – Thursdays October 8 & 15
- Melbourne Cup Luncheon – Tuesday November 3
- Swiss Pairs – (Eileen and Ernest Nickel Trophy and Phil Appleyard Trophy for best pair with combined masterpoints less than 300) Mondays November 9 & 16
- Christmas Party – Wednesday December 2