



# South African Bridge Federation

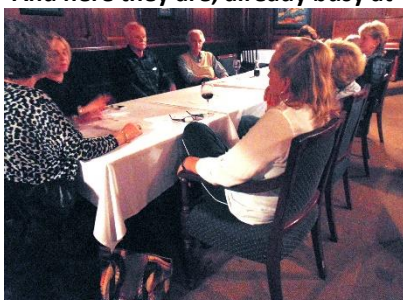
## Congress 2016

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DURING CONGRESS, THE 2016/7 COMMITTEE WAS ELECTED AT THE A.G.M. HELD AT THE HOTEL NUMBI:  
**PRESIDENT:** Helen Kruger **VICE-PRESIDENT:** James Grant **TREASURER:** Roz Bernstein **SECRETARY:** Diana Balkin  
**COMMITTEE MEMBERS:** Jocelyn Ashberg, Heidi Atkinson; Graham Burrows; Kathy Driver; Lindi Honey; Ann Sturrock.

And here they are, already busy at



work planning Congress 2017, which will be held in, wait for it,



Cape Town!

### PLAY-of-the-DAY

Unfortunately, we haven't got any hands from yesterday to show case, but perhaps this blast-from-the-past will suffice.

# The Lady Does It!

Steve Becker, son of the more famous father, is an award-winning bridge player and an acknowledged authority on the popular card game, who writes *Contract Bridge*, which first appeared in newspapers in 1956 and was created by Becker's

describes a triumph by Diana Gordon, Canada's only World Grand Master.

Here she is at the top of her game in Rhodes, at the 1996 Olympiad in a match against India.

Dealer East; NS Vul.			
			♠ AKQJ10865 ♥ 3 ♦ K8 ♣ K6
♠ 943 ♥ 1082 ♦ Q94 ♣ 9853	<div style="background-color: black; color: white; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">                     N W   E S                 </div>	♠ void ♥ AK9754 ♦ AJ7 ♣ A742	
			♠ 72 ♥ QJ6 ♦ 106532 ♣ QJ10

West	North	East	South
Reus		Gordon	
-	-	1♥	Pass
Pass	4♠	Pass	Pass
Pass			



Diana Gordon

Playing ace from ace-king with an even number of cards in the suit, Gordon led the ♥A, receiving an upside-down count signal of the eight from Reus showing an odd number. Trick two was a problem. It looked like the defence needed

beat the contract. That would require Reus to hold one of the ♦K, the ♦Q or the ♣K. Gordon solved the problem neatly by leading a low club at trick two – Reus gave her the three, showing an even number, which needed to be four for the defence to have a chance. Declarer won the ♣K, drew trumps and led her second club. Diana won the ♣A and exited with the ♥K. Declarer could ruff the ♥K but had to lose two diamonds for one off. The game was made at most tables in both the Open and Women's events.

### SAYINGS from THE PHILOSOPHERS' GUIDE to BRIDGE

- You should try everything once, except bridge and suicide. [Dr. Kevorkian]
- Does there exist a single person who can stop after playing just one hand of bridge? [Dr. Johnson]
- Bridge partners are like parking spots, the good ones are taken and the available ones are handicapped. [Oscar Pistoff-i-is]
- Partners are extremely important. Who else do you blame when you lose? [Bob Bryan or maybe Mike Bryan]
- Women love bridge players because we sometimes manage a double before we pass out. [Omar Sharif]

Meanwhile, the Head-to-Head Teams' Championship Grand Final between the APTEKER Team [Alon Apteker, Craig Gower, Neville Eber and Chris Bosenberg] and der KINDEREN Team [Anton der Kinderen, Glen Holman, Chris Castelein and Hennie Fick] turned out to be a real joust between two well-matched, though very different teams in terms of temperament and style. In the first of six matches, the der KINDEREN Team had a resounding 33 to 1 IMPs victory; in Match 2, the APTEKER Team pulled back with a 17-14 victory, but still down at 47-18. In the second match, The APTEKER Team pulled back slightly winning 17-14; it was in match 3 that a resounding APTEKER win by 50-3 saw Alon, Craig, Neville and Chris taking the lead for the first time with a cumulative 68-50. They continued the assault in match 4, winning 44-18 to stretch the lead to a challenging 44 IMPs, 112 to 68. But where there's life there's hope, and der KINDEREN'S team roared back with 44 to 13, bringing the deficit to only 13 with one match of 12 boards to play. It's now anyone's game! Well, it was the der KINDEREN Team that held its nerve to come in 24-5, for a final total of 136-130 and the narrowest of wins by 6 IMPs. What a final, and congratulations to both teams!



Left to right: Chris Castelein Hennie Fick Glen Holman Anton der Kinderen

## The Pairs' Prelims Leader Board

The leading standings at end of the first 2 rounds are:

1	Clyde Mallinson & Torquil Paterson	65.93%	59.76%	62.85%
2	Kathy Driver & James Grant	59.52%	66.03%	62.77%
3	Larry Chemaly & Tim Cope	63.17%	59.32%	61.24%
4	Andrew Brooke & Leif Stabell	61.39%	58.83%	60.11%
5	Kit Gilmour & Helen Kruger	64.15%	54.83%	59.49%
6	Anders Morath & Sven-Ake Bjerregaarde	55.13%	60.90%	58.01%
7	Frank Chemaly & Jan Chemaly	54.04%	60.01%	57.03%
8	Peter Ward & Stephan Winkler	58.68%	54.49%	56.58%
9	Nicholas Antonatos & Pravin Patel	51.82%	61.09%	56.46%
10	Joe Mohamed & Shiraz Patel	56.46%	56.31%	56.39%
11	Maureen Narunsky & Joy Swiel	58.83%	53.65%	56.24%
12	Nicola Bateman & Merle Modlin	53.85%	58.04%	55.94%
13	Martin Grunder & Imtiaz Kaprey	50.20%	60.90%	55.55%
14	Estelle Elliot & Karen Fourie	58.23%	52.71%	55.47%
15	Jude Apteker & Greg Hingle	56.90%	53.85%	55.37%



