

## Our members perform well at Gold Coast Congress

FEBRUARY 26, 2018 - A dozen members of the Tamborine Mountain Bridge Club competed in the Gold Coast Bridge Congress, the largest competition of its kind in the Southern Hemisphere.

Organisers counted a total of 8,710 tables played during the event which ran over nine days at the Gold Coast Convention Centre in Broadbeach, attracting several thousand players from all parts of Australia as well as international participants.

All of our players performed well in their various categories with Sheena Pollock and Denise Merrin completing in a particularly gruelling series of sessions. First they played 12 rounds of Restricted Teams Qualifying and then competed in 10 rounds of the Ivy Dahler Restricted Butler Swiss Pairs competition.

Eddie Heinemeyer and Bob McCathie won the Wednesday morning Pairs session for players with 0-50 Master Points.

Club President John Youngman said: "All would agree it was amazing to witness several hundred bridge tables in one room and one was in awe of the logistics of having thousands of card packs being ready for the next day's play.

John explained that cards in bridge must be dealt randomly and that scores from each hand of play are entered into an electronic device at each table so players can see how they perform after each play.

If you wish to know more about the Bridge Club and how to learn bridge, contact John Youngman on 07 5545 1681.