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Gyles and the Callinan 'Cup'

Bench & Bar v Solicitors annual chess match

By John Mancy

Solicitors exchanged checks with the Bench & Bar across 13 boards in their annual Terrey Shaw Memorial chess encounter at the Bar Association common room on 21 September 2006. The result was a 7.5 to 4.5 win for the solicitors.

The Bench & Bar team included six members of the side that took part in the inaugural 1993 match: Robert Colquhoun (captain), John Purdy (former Australian champion), the Hon Justice Steven Rares, Gordon McGrath, Malcolm Broun and Ken Pride.

Terrey Shaw organised the inaugural 1993 contest and captained the first Bench & Bar team. Shaw, an international master and former Australian champion, represented Australia at a record nine biannual Chess Olympics, winning gold and silver medals. He read with current captain Colquhoun.

'I suggested we should have an annual Bench & Bar v Solicitors match and Terrey got the tournament off the ground. Terrey rang a solicitor, Ron Burnie, he had known since they were at North Sydney Boys High,' recalled Colquhoun. 'The Bench & Bar won the first five matches. The sixth was a tie and the solicitors have generally had the upper hand since.'

Terrey Shaw died on 5 December 1997, aged 51. In 1998 the trophy was renamed the Terrey Shaw Memorial Trophy.

The 2006 team was: Robert Colquhoun, Dion Accoto, Andrew Bulley, Alex Feldman, Paddy Jones, David Knoll, Tamir Maltz, John

Mancy, Gordon McGrath, Ken Pride, John Purdy, the Hon Justice Steven Rares and Martin Watts.

