

Daily Bulletin



53rd Spring North American Bridge Championships

Editors: Brent Manley and Dave Smith

Preparation key to smooth NABC



“Our volunteers were prepared,” says Tournament Chair Kathy Angstadt Hansen.

The committee has been working for three years. No detail was too small to be overlooked.

“The first thing we did was to decide on our theme and then design the logo,” says Hansen. “After that, we held our three weeks of promotional games, we sold tee shirts, sold games and held many different types of raffles to raise funds.

“It took a lot of planning and hard work,” says Hansen. “I’ve had great committee chairs.”

Hansen, who was called a “dynamo” by District 20 Director Jeff Taylor, was a reluctant tournament chair. “I turned it down three times,” she says. “It took awhile for me to give up playing and decide to do this.”

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Zimmerman, Fleisher in Vanderbilt final

Teams captained by Pierre Zimmerman and Martin Fleisher, both trailing after three quarters in their Vanderbilt Knockout Teams semifinal matches, rallied for victory and will face each other in the championship round today.

Vugraph presentation of the match will be in the Tahoe Ballroom on the casino level.

Zimmerman, who lives in Switzerland, is

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Hamman leads Open Swiss

The team captained by Bob Hamman will start today’s play in the Jacoby Open Swiss Teams with the maximum carryover of 30 victory points for the final two sessions. Hamman’s teammates are Zia Mahmood, Jeff Meckstroth and Eric Rodwell.

In second, with 21.92 VPs, are Dan Morse, Greg Hinze, Dan Jacob, Nagy Kamel and David Yang.

Baker ahead in Women’s Teams

The team captained by Lynn Baker is leading after two qualifying sessions of the Machlin Women’s Swiss Teams and take a carryover margin of nearly 11 victory points into today’s final two sessions. Baker’s VP carryover is 21.38, ahead of the Geeske Joel squad, with 10.69.

Baker is playing with Karen McCallum, Lynn Deas, Beth Palmer, Kerri Sanborn and Irina Levitina. Joel’s team is Tobi Sokolow, Janice Seamon-Molson, Jill Meyers, Debbie Rosenberg and Jill Levin.

California pairs lead both NAPs

John Kozero of Santa Monica CA and Gary Robinson of Forestville CA scored 56.77% and 62.92% to take a slight lead in the Flight B North American Pairs. Close behind in second are Igor Milman and Oleg Rubinchik, both of Brooklyn NY. Thirty-six tables began play yesterday and 14 qualified for today’s two final sessions.

In the Flight C North American Pairs, Renjun Guo and Qlang Zhang, both of Mountain House CA, took a big lead. They scored 64.56% in the first session and followed with 62.62% in the

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Gates, Gitelman meet young players

Bridge players from local middle schools played bridge here yesterday and were in for a treat. After the game, Microsoft founder Bill Gates and Bridge Base Online developer Fred Gitelman dropped by to talk with the youngsters.

The young players asked Gates questions.

“When did you start playing bridge?”

Gates: “We always played card games in my family when I was growing up. I started playing bridge when I was 11.”

“Does your wife play bridge?”

Gates: “My wife plays social bridge. She doesn’t come to tournaments like this.”

“Do your kids play bridge?”

Gates: “My kids are 13 and 10 and we’ve started teaching them bridge. We play other card games, too.”

The youngsters are part of the Reno Youth Bridge organization. Twenty-four of them came the first Saturday. Thirteen played yesterday, and were thrilled to meet Gates.

“It was great to meet him,” said Sidney Inouye.

When quizzed about whether she had asked any questions of Gates, Alexis Jones said, “Sorta.”

Gitelman also posed for a photo with the

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Bill Gates poses with middle-school bridge players after Saturday’s Junior Game.

**Attendance
11,517 Tables**

SPECIAL EVENTS

MEETINGS / SEMINARS / RECEPTIONS

Sunday, March 21

11 a.m. **Vugraph. Room: Tahoe Ballroom.**
 6 p.m. **Vugraph. Room: Tahoe Ballroom.**

A newspaper deal ruined

When declarer Margie Gwozdzinsky saw the dummy, she created a plan. She had to lose one spade and one heart, so the key to the deal was the club suit. Anybody could finesse East for the ♣J, but she had other ideas. Gwozdzinsky was playing with Bill Rosenbaum – both are of New York City.

Dlr: South ♠ K J 5 3 2
 Vul: Both ♥ 8 7
 ♦ A 10
 ♣ Q 8 6 3

♠ 7 ♠ A 6
 ♥ K 10 4 3 ♥ Q 6 5 2
 ♦ Q J 8 6 2 ♦ 9 7 4 3
 ♣ A J 7 ♣ 9 4 2

♠ Q 10 9 8 4
 ♥ A J 9
 ♦ K 5
 ♣ K 10 5

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
			1♠
Dbl	2NT (1)	Pass	3♠
Pass	4♠	All Pass	

(1) Limit raise or better.

West led the ♦Q taken in dummy. Declarer advanced the ♥7 to the jack and the king. West exited with the ♦J, and Gwozdzinsky won and led a spade to the jack. When East won the ace, declarer was pretty sure then that West had the ♣J. She planned, therefore, to win the return, draw the last trump, play the ♥A and ruff a heart to strip out the hand. She could then lead a club to the king and West would be endplayed. He would have to lead a club around to her ♥10, or concede a ruff and a sluff.

When East won the ♠A, however, he exited with the ♣9. "Once again, you ruined my newspaper hand," said Gwozdzinsky.

Sure enough, now Gwozdzinsky didn't need the endplay. She could play the club suit and lose only one trick without doing anything fancy.

No smoking



There is no smoking in the playing areas or the hallways outside. You can smoke in the casino area except where signs say otherwise.

Bid Box Alerts and Announcements

When using bid boxes, the ACBL requires that players tap the Alert strip and say "Alert" at the same time.

When making an Announcement, use the Announcement word (such as "transfer") and tap the Alert strip at the same time.

A player who Alerts or Announces a bid must make sure his opponents are aware that an Alert or Announcement has been made.

Aggression pays off

Bridge players know to fight for each partscore at matchpoints, but how far should they go? Doug Doub of West Hartford CT and Adam Wildavsky of New York City answered that question on this deal from the first-final session of the Silodor Open Pairs:

Dlr: East ♠ Q
 Vul: None ♥ 8 7 6 4 2
 ♦ J 10
 ♣ 9 5 4 3 2

♠ 10 9 6 5 4 ♠ J 8 2
 ♥ K 5 3 ♥ A 9
 ♦ 9 7 ♦ Q 8 4 2
 ♣ Q 10 6 ♣ A K J 7

♠ A K 7 3
 ♥ Q J 10
 ♦ A K 9 5 3
 ♣ 8

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
	<i>Doub</i>		<i>Wildavsky</i>
		1♦	Pass
1♠	Pass	1NT (1)	Pass
Pass	2♣	Dbl	Pass
Pass	2♥	Pass	Pass
2♠	Pass	Pass	Dbl

All Pass

(1) 15—17.

Even though he only had 3 high-card points, Doub refused to let the opponents play 1NT. This was a good decision because North-South can defeat 1NT one trick, but that would lead to a matchpoint score of 22 on a 64 top. When Doub was doubled in 2♣, he ran to 2♥ which would make. Now, East-West judged well not to double that contract, and competed to 2♠ which Wildavsky doubled.

Doub led the ♦J which held the trick. He continued with the ♦10, covered and won with the ace, instead of the king. Wildavsky knew that his partner didn't have many high-card points, but expected him to have the ♥K (rather than the ♠Q). He was trying to let him know it was safe to switch to a heart when he got in again.

Wildavsky continued the suit preference by leading the ♦6. West discarded a heart and North ruffed with the ♠Q. Doub switched to a heart, won in dummy. Declarer played a low spade, which Wildavsky won with the king. He continued with the ♦K. Declarer ruffed and led a spade to the jack, Wildavsky ducked and the contract couldn't be made. If he continued to lead spades, Wildavsky could tap declarer out. If he led side suits, he would eventually be able to ruff a club.

Plus 100 for North-South was worth 47 on a 64 top.



Behavior before committees

At this tournament we have had several unfortunate incidents of poor behavior by players during and after appeals committee hearings. We would like to remind everyone that, per the Laws of Duplicate Bridge, "an offending player should be ready to pay any penalty or rectification graciously or to accept any adjusted score awarded by the tournament director."

This applies to appeals committees as well, and it applies equally to a player who does not believe he has committed an offense. There is no excuse for showing disrespect to a director or a committee, and such behavior will not be tolerated. Our committees are composed of volunteers who know that after every decision they make at least one party will be unhappy. Please don't make the job any worse than it is already!

Adam Wildavsky - Chairman, National Appeals Committee

Paul Janicki - Director, National Appeals Committee

Masterpoint disclaimer

Scores as reported in the Daily Bulletin are subject to change because of score changes or corrections. The masterpoint awards as shown are, therefore, also subject to change.

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JUST FOR NEW PLAYERS

Learning from disasters

By Lynn Berg

Playing with a partner I've enjoyed for more than 19 years, we had a bidding misunderstanding that anyone would think we could have avoided.

I did the wrong thing using Gerber, and we missed an easy 7NT that would



have been worth a lot of matchpoints. It's not exactly a disaster, but it's an error that should not happen in a practiced partnership.

The moral of this sad story? There's more than one! First, partner forgave me. This happened in the middle of the game, and neither of us allowed the error to distract us into making even more errors. Second, we reviewed our agreement, and I hope we won't make this mistake again.

Of course, we'll find something new and different to mess up, like any one else. We ended up placing fairly well that day, reminding us that one board does not make or break a matchpoint session.

Playing teams, a disaster can lose a match, but in a pairs game, one deal was only one-twenty-sixth of the scores for the session. We can overcome even a zero as long as we don't let it ruin more of the game. Often we can be surprised by how good or bad a particular result turns out to be. It's not easy to judge, especially when the game is being scored with pickup slips rather than the travelers most of us are used to in our home clubs.

You need to be clear about whether the poor result was the result of an accident, a misunderstanding or even horrible breaks (such as the deal where we had a 3-2 fit with the A-K-Q but one opponent had six cards in the suit, headed by the J-10 – ugh!).

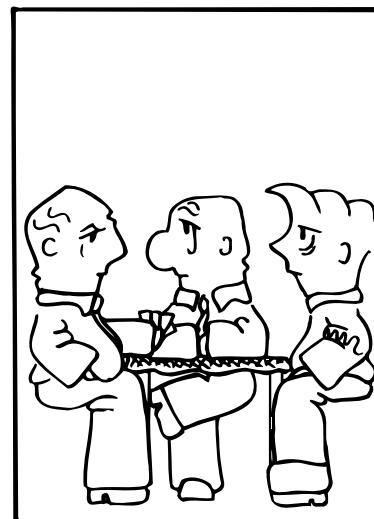
An accident? Opening 1NT when it was left-hand opponent's bid, not having the bid

accepted and thus barring partner. The pair missed an easy plus 650 for 4♥ making five. Whether the error is a revoke, a bid out of turn, or any of the other many accidents we can have, there's no point in discussing these disasters. Partner certainly didn't mess up on purpose, rarely makes such errors and probably won't again for quite awhile. And the culprit is already mortified without any comments from you. Mark it A for accident and forget about it.

The same advice pertains when you make a reasonable bid and run into some sort of defensive buzz saw. Be aware of the bad breaks and realize that someone else probably had the same troubles. A truth of matchpoints is that misery loves company. You won't be the only pair who experienced the hideous split. You can also be the victim of superior or lucky action by the opponents. If 10 tricks are easy but only your opponents bid the game, you've been had through no fault of your own. Try marking that F for a fix.

Misunderstandings are another issue. A friend said he played Jacoby 2NT responses to major suit openings. As he had learned the bid, opener's rebid of 3♦ would show a singleton and 4♦ would show a void. But that's not the way his partner learned the convention. She thought 3♦ showed zero or one while 4♦ showed a good five-card suit. Talk about miscommunication, and this from a pair who did discuss what they were playing. You need to find out if the problem stems from differing approaches or interpretations, from applying the wrong principle or from not having the tools to handle the problems presented by the deal.

In this last case, don't just go convention-hunting to try to solve your problems. Ask some sensible questions: Have we had trouble before



with hands like this? Does this situation come up enough to warrant changing our agreements? It can be a good idea to talk about the problem with a better player whom you respect. If you have a hand record and can be accurate about what happened, you'll be more likely to get pertinent comments.

It's a truism that we don't win bridge sessions, we lose them. Avoiding errors is probably more important than any spectacular coups.

Thinking bridge

By Eddie Kantar

Dlr: South ♠ A 4 3 2
 Vul: N-S ♥ 8 6
 ♦ 7
 ♣ J 10 7 5 3 2

♠ J	♠ Q 8 7 6 5
♥ A Q J 10 9 3 2	♥ K
♦ J 6 5 4	♦ Q 10 9 3
♣ Q	♣ A 9 4
♠ K 10 9	
♥ 7 5 4	
♦ A K 8 2	
♣ K 8 6	

West	North	East	South
			1♦
3♥	All Pass		

Opening lead: ♦7.

Bidding commentary: North is not strong enough to bid anything intelligent at this level

and East is not strong enough to raise to 4♥. West promises about six-plus tricks for the 3♥ bid, and East can only offer two sure tricks in return. It doesn't add up. When partner preempts, add tricks to tricks, not points to points! South has nothing more to say with a balanced minimum.

Defensive commentary: South reads the lead as shortness. Holding ♦7 x x (x), the proper lead is low because diamonds is an unsupported suit. Had North supported diamonds, the proper lead would be the 7 to deny an honor. South cashes the ♦A and ♦K as North discards a discouraging club. At this point South knows, or strongly suspects, that North has the ♠A, given the fact that a non-vulnerable preempt shows a strong suit and little else. If West's distribution is a likely 1-7-4-1, South needs North to underlead the ♠A to be able to give North a second ruff! At trick three, South leads the ♦8, the higher of his two remaining diamonds, a suit-preference card asking North to return the higher-ranking side suit – spades. If South wants a club return, South returns the ♦2. When giving partner a ruff, tell

partner which suit to return!

Assuming North recognizes the ♦8 as asking for a spade, does South have a singleton spade or the king? If South had a singleton spade, South would have shifted to a spade at trick two to set up a crossruff. It is more likely that South has the ♠K, in which case it may be vital to lead a low spade. After all, if declarer has a singleton spade, North cannot afford to play the ♠A first. If North leads a low spade at trick four, as requested, South sticks up the king and returns a diamond to defeat the contract. Nice defense.

IN Top 100 masterpoint race

- 15.25 Eileen Milligan, Corvallis OR
- 13.94 Jerry Burrill, Newhall CA
- 13.94 Ruth Baker, Valencia CA
- 13.08 Phyllis Denison, Santa Barbara CA
- 13.08 Scott Denison, Santa Barbara CA

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Concentration

Or how I died through my first duplicate

By Karen Walker

University of Illinois, 1974

Dlr: South	♠ A 7 4
Vul: N-S	♥ Q 10 7 4
	♦ K J 10 8
	♣ 6 5
♠ Q 10 9 2	♠ K J 6 5 3
♥ 6	♥ 3 2
♦ 4 2	♦ 6 5 3
♣ A K 10 8 4 3	♣ Q 9 2
	♠ 8
	♥ A K J 9 8 5
	♦ A Q 9 7
	♣ J 7

West	North	East	South
<i>The Mouth</i>	<i>Odd Person</i>	<i>Straight Man</i>	<i>New Gal (Me)</i>
			1♥
2♣	3♥	Pass	4♥
4♠	Pass	Pass	5♥
Dbf	Redbl	All Pass	

It was a cold winter night twenty years ago
When I found the courage to make my debut
And head, alone, for the duplicate
Known on campus as the Thursday Zoo.

I'd heard this club was a tough one,
That it had launched many a bridge career.
Woolsey, Martel, Ewen and the Bjerkans
Had all started playing here.

But one look at this group and I understood
How the "Zoo" had earned its name.
The room was packed with loud, rowdy men.
I was the only woman in the game.

I meekly approached the director, who said
He'd fix me up if an "odd person" came.
Some serious arm-twisting later,
Odd Person and I had a game.

The director scribbled on the recap sheet.
I took a peek when he was done.
We were listed as "New Girl & Victim,"
Followed by the numbers "100:1."

Odd Person was an undergrad
Who boasted he had "experience."
He was third in the last club championship
And he had been playing six whole months.

He sat me down and began rattling off
A litany of confusing conventions.
He said we had to play them all
And I would have to pay attention.

This is a mental game, he preached at length,
So I promised that I'd try real hard
To concentrate on every bid,
On each and every card.

A constant clamor filled the room.
This was the wildest club in town.
But the racket didn't really rattle me
Until the final round.

"Now don't be nervous," Odd Person hissed.
"Here comes the best pair in the game."
For what was about to happen,
Perhaps those words would be to blame.

With their arrival came the major source
Of the roar in the room that night.
On my left was a loudmouthed comic
And his straight man was on my right.

The Mouth hogged the play on the first hand.
I remember my awe that he could declare
Without once breaking his line of chatter
Nor coming up for air.

The next hand, I opened the bidding,
But that didn't quell the westerly wind.
The Mouth still hadn't used the word Pass,
He was intent on declaring again.

The Straight Man looked amused, but passed,
So we sailed easily into our game.
I had just relaxed, when from my port side
A bellowed Four Spades came.

They were white and we were red.
Hadn't partner lectured me on this situation?
Bid one more, I thought he had said,
That his pass was an invitation.

All the other tables had finished.
The noise was now a dull roar.
As players began drifting toward our table
To await this final score.

I pondered my bid for what seemed like hours,
But The Mouth soon tired of sitting.
"Girl in a coma! Call the medics!" he yelled
And scared me into bidding.

Five Hearts was barely past my lips
When his Double pierced the air
So loud, it brought more vultures
To watch the New Girl declare.

Odd Person was obviously insulted
That our judgment had been attacked.
Or maybe it was the flock of kibitzers
That made him send it back.

As partner proudly spread his dummy,
He cautioned, "Concentrate!"
The Mouth had rapid-fired the club ace-king
Then a spade, and sat back to wait.

I cursed myself for bidding,
For getting us into this fix.
But when I finally looked up at dummy,
I saw eleven tricks!

I called the space ace with stifled glee.
I thought I'd died and gone to heaven.
The rest of the tricks, even I could see:
Two solid suits down to the seven.

The Mouth's frown told Odd Person this was cold,
My claim he was awaiting,
But I remembered what I'd been told . . .
So I started concentrating.

I took a deep breath and formed my plan.
I wouldn't risk a contested claim.
I'd carefully play out the entire hand
And make my first-ever redoubled game.

I focused all my energy on forming each word.
"Small trump," I called to start my plan.
And with those two words locked in my head,
I played a spade trump from my hand!

"I knew we could beat this!" crowed
The Mouth,
As he won his singleton six.
Through concentration I had found
A way to lose three tricks.

The room erupted in laughter and I in tears.
But as I fled from my disgrace,
I thought I saw a single look of pity
On the Straight Man's face.

I vowed that I would play no more,
But the very next day, the telephone rang.
Someone I met the night before
Was asking me for a game.

So the next Thursday and many after that
I discovered how much fun this game could be
That the secret to concentration
Was having The Mouth across from me.

Two decades later, the volume has dropped,
But not the spirit he brings to the game.
The Mouth is still my most colorful partner
And he can still live up to his name.

The night we won our first regional,
The entire ballroom heard him bestow
Himself with the dubious credit:
"I taught her everything she knows!"

I think back now that if I'd made Five Hearts,
If I'd taken a less "memorable" line of play,
I'd have remained the nameless New Girl
And we'd have gone our separate ways.

So I still thank that redoubled disaster
For bringing such special partners into my life
For today, The Mouth is one of my
closest friends
And the Straight Man? I'm his wife.

The author composed this verse in 1997. It is part of her web site.



Bill Gates

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youngsters. When he was pointed out to two young players as the creator of BBO, one of them said, "Wow!" Many of the youths play online, and they were impressed to meet him.

The RYB organization was founded by Bud Brewer. Kathy Lane is president.



Members of the Reno Youth Bridge group played in the Junior Game: Sidney Inouye, Harley Broadhead, Alexis Jones and Antonio Rodriguez.

Members of the Reno Youth Bridge group have been playing only 10 to 11 weeks. The lack of experience didn't stop Antonio Rodriguez from making his contract with two overtricks on this deal. Antonio was South, playing with Harley Broadhead. Sitting East-West were brothers Kaleb and Alex Peterson-Taylor.

Dlr: South ♠ 6 4
 Vul: None ♥ Q 8 5 4 2
 ♦ 9 8 3 2
 ♣ 10 8

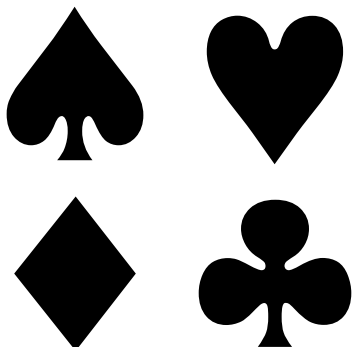
♠ 7 3 2	♠ 9 8 5
♥ 7 6 3	♥ A J 10 9
♦ A K 9	♦ 10 5
♣ A 7 4 2	♣ K 9 8 5

♠ A K Q J 10
 ♥ K
 ♦ Q J 7 4
 ♣ Q J 3

West	North	East	South
			1 ♠

Pass Pass Pass

Kaleb led the ♣4. to the 8, 9 and jack. Declarer drew trumps in three rounds and advanced the ♦J taken by the king. West continued with the ♦A, and Antonio now had nine tricks. Making plus 140 was worth 2.5 on a 3 top, and helped the pair finish second.



Convention card reminder

Each player is required to have a convention card filled out legibly and on the table throughout a session. Both cards of a partnership must be identical and include the first and last names of each member of the partnership.



If a director determines that neither player has a substantially completed card, the partnership may play only the Standard American Yellow Card and may use only standard carding. This restriction may be lifted only at the beginning of a subsequent round after convention cards have been properly prepared and approved by the director. Further, the partnership will receive a 1/6-board matchpoint penalty for each board played, commencing with the next round and continuing until the restriction is lifted. In IMP team games, penalties shall be at the discretion of the director.

If the director determines the partnership has at least one substantially completed convention card but has not fully complied with ACBL regulations, the director may give warnings or assign such penalties as he deems to be appropriate under the circumstances.

The objective of these warnings and penalties is the encouragement of full compliance with ACBL regulations.

Section top prizes

Don't forget to pick up your section top prizes. If your score has a "1" by it (including the Inetermediate-Newcomer games), you've won something. The Prize Desk hours are: 8:30 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. 11 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. It's located next to the Registration Desk just outside Carson Ballroom 1.

Electronic Device Policy

The electronic device policy is revised as follows:



1. For all NABC+ rated events at NABCs: Electronic devices, including but not limited to, phones, cameras, PDAs, and others capable of sending or receiving electronic communication are excluded from the playing areas during any session of play. This does not apply to health-related equipment.

2. For all events at an NABC other than a NABC+ rated event: Except for health-related equipment, or by permission of the Director-in-Charge of the tournament, cell phones, audible pagers or similar equipment may not be operated or operable in any manner in the playing area during a session of play. Any such equipment must not be visible during the session. Sponsoring organizations of other ACBL-sanctioned events are encouraged to adopt a similar policy.

3. These restrictions in numbers 1 and 2 above apply to all pairs, team members, captains, coaches, play recorders (except those designated by ACBL) and kibitzers and are in force throughout any actual playing session or segment of play.

4. A violation of any of the restrictions in numbers 1 and 2 above will result in a disciplinary penalty of one full board (12 IMPs at that form of scoring) for the first offense. A second offense will result in disqualification from the event for the pair/team. Kibitzers violating this policy will be removed from the playing area for the remainder of the session.

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The Gold Coast Congress

By Barry Rigal

Australia has two major championships held within the course of six weeks in our winters – their summers.

This year, as always, the Gold Coast hosted the second event. Untypically, we encountered monsoon rain instead of hot sun – but who cares when you're inside for the whole day.

More than 600 tables played in the pairs, then teams. Everyone played the same deals, during the qualifying and finals, but you had a choice of entering open, intermediate, restricted newcomers or Seniors.

A two-session qualifying for the pairs was followed by a three-session final. For the teams, a 12 (or 10)-round qualifying was followed by quarterfinals, semifinals and final.

On the last evening, a free banquet (with wine!) and very few speeches was available to all players.

Duplimates were in use, but the bidding is on paper rather than with bidding boxes. Results are processed almost instantly and on the Internet within 15 minutes. Datum scores for the pairs were also posted together with the draw.

On our first exhibit, Steve Hamaoui (who would surely be able to take on all comers in the "longest consecutive string of vowels in a surname" competition) found himself in a delicate spot.

Dlr: South ♠ J 6
 Vul: E-W ♥ Q J 9 8 7 4
 ♦ K J 5
 ♣ K 8

♠ Q 5	♠ K 8 7 2
♥ 3 2	♥ 5
♦ 9 7 6 4 3	♦ A Q 2
♣ J 6 5 3	♣ A Q 9 7 4
	♠ A 10 9 4 3
	♥ A K 10 6
	♦ 10 8
	♣ 10 2

West	North	East	South
Pass	2♥	Pass	1♠
All Pass			4♥

Hamaoui declared 4♥ and East kicked off with the ♣ A then continued the suit. Steve inferred that East's decision to lead a club marked the ♦ A offside, and the spade honors were surely split. The most likely lie of the cards was that East had been reluctant to lead a spade from three or four to an honor. If West had the ♠ K there was no way to keep him off lead, but just in case he had the ♠ Q, declarer crossed to a top heart at trick three and led a low spade from dummy to his jack!

Can we all honestly put our hand on our hearts and say we would have risen with the ♠ Q? Once East won the ♠ K, the deal was over. In fact, the defenders had to cash the ♦ A to prevent Hamaoui from making overtricks on a deal where almost everyone else in 4♥ was going down at least a trick.

Consider the next deal as a defensive problem. Look just at the South cards and East cards. (Final session one, board 11.)

Dlr: South ♠ 8
 Vul: None ♥ 8 5
 ♦ Q 9 7 3
 ♣ A 10 9 7 5 4

♠ A 6 5 4 3	♠ K Q J 10 7 2
♥ Q J 9 3 2	♥ 4
♦ J 10	♦ A 8 5
♣ Q	♣ K 3 2
	♠ 9
	♥ A K 10 7 6
	♦ K 6 4 2
	♣ J 8 6

West	North	East	South
1♠	Pass	4♠	1♥
			All Pass

Almost every tables reached 4♠ here on the lead of ♥ 8. At every table but two, South failed to focus properly. As Sherlock Holmes said caustically, "You see, Watson, but you do not observe." If the ♥ 8 is a true card, it must be a doubleton. North would raise hearts if she had three with such limited values. Accordingly, you can infer that declarer has only three minor-suit cards at most, and you have no hope for an extra trick if he has two clubs and one diamond, or three clubs. But if he has two diamonds and one club, you had better shift to a diamond immediately before declarer disposes of his slow loser by setting up a club. Our South duly shifted to a diamond for an 88% result.

In the old days, might this deal have been passed out? Probably not: three honor tricks, etc., etc.

Dlr: West ♠ Q J 10
 Vul: E-W ♥ 8 2
 ♦ Q 10 5 4
 ♣ A Q J 4

♠ A K 8 7 4	♠ 9 5 3 2
♥ A 10 3	♥ K 6 5 4
♦ 2	♦ A K 9 7 6
♣ 10 8 6 3	♣ -
	♠ 6
	♥ Q J 9 7
	♦ J 8 3
	♣ K 9 7 5 2

West	North	East	South
1♠	Pass	2♦	Pass
2♠	Pass	4♣	Pass
4♥	Pass	6♠	All Pass

In 6♠ on a trump lead correct technique is to play to ruff three clubs in dummy while ruffing two diamonds in hand. You reach this ending after setting up diamonds:

♠ J 10	
♥ 8 2	
♦ Q	
♣ A	
♠ K 8	♠ -
♥ A 10 3	♥ K 6 5 4
♦ -	♦ K 9
♣ 10	♣ -
	♠ -
	♥ Q J 9 7
	♦ -
	♣ K 9

Correct technique at this point (particularly because you believe trumps to be 3-1) is to cash the ♦ K, pitching your club loser. That way you can regain the lead to draw trumps, and will go down only if North started with a 2=4=4=3 shape. In that case, South would ruff the fourth diamond and lead a club for the trump promotion! This line survives against all other 4-3 diamond breaks, whether or not trumps break. After wrapping up slam it was either humorous or disconcerting for East-West to discover that their teammates had held their opponents to 230 in 3♠.

Dlr: North ♠ Q 9 8 6 5 2
 Vul: E-W ♥ A Q
 ♦ Q J 7
 ♣ 9 7

♠ A K J 10 3	♠ -
♥ 9 7	♥ 8 6 5 4
♦ 9 6	♦ 10 8 4 3
♣ Q 8 5 2	♣ K J 10 4 3
	♠ 7 4
	♥ K J 10 3 2
	♦ A K 5 2
	♣ A 6

West	North	East	South
All Pass	2♠	Pass	4♠

Let's assume we reach 4♠ on the predictable club lead (it is not so clear that an attacking lead is warranted when you have a trump void, but let's focus on that). Declarer wins and immediately plays three rounds of hearts. As West, do you ruff high, medium or low – or pitch a diamond? Take your time. Two of those options are immediately fatal, two succeed.

At one table, West pitched a diamond. Steven Burgess threw his club loser and advanced the ♠ 4, and when West played low, so did declarer! Contract made, but the defenders would have prevailed by playing either a high or medium trump (if West plays the jack, declarer wins the queen, crosses to a diamond and leads another heart. West ruffs high and forces declarer with a club, and will eventually obtain trump control).

What if West ruffs low? Declarer overruffs, crosses to a top diamond, and leads a master heart. If West ruffs low, declarer overruffs and crosses to a diamond to lead the fifth heart and pitch his club. If West ruffs high, declarer pitches a club and still has a diamond entry to lead a trump and hold his trump losers to three, so West decides to pitch a diamond on the heart. North throws his club away and leads a trump from dummy, which West wins and he can safely return a club. Declarer must ruff with the 8 or 9, to reach this beautiful ending.

♠ Q 9 5	
♥ -	
♦ Q J	
♣ -	
♠ K J 10	♠ -
♥ -	♥ -
♦ -	♦ 10 8 4
♣ Q 8 5	♣ K J
	♠ 7
	♥ 3
	♦ A 5 2
	♣ -

North is on lead with the defenders having scored one trick. Declarer leads a diamond, and West ruffs, to return a club, ruffed low by declarer in hand and over-ruffed in dummy. Now the master heart lets North shake his diamond for the trump coup at trick 12. Isn't that elegant?

At our table the alternative winning defense of ruffing with the ♠ J was found. Declarer can overruff and go to dummy with a diamond to play a top heart. But the counter then is for West to pitch his diamond and now he retains control. The position transposes into the same variations as at Burgess' table.

With one deal to go the quarterfinal match between Consus Red and a team consisting mainly of Australian Juniors and Barry Goren of the U.S. was neck and neck. The Goren team led by half an IMP.

Dlr: West ♠ A J 8 6 4
 Vul: None ♥ A Q J
 ♦ 7 5
 ♣ K Q 2

♠ 7 2	♠ K Q 9 5 3
♥ 10 3 2	♥ K 9 7 6 4
♦ Q 10 6	♦ 8 4 2
♣ J 10 6 5 3	♣ -
	♠ 10
	♥ 8 5
	♦ A K J 9 3
	♣ A 9 8 7 4

West	North	East	South
<i>Zak</i>	<i>Adam</i>	<i>Zaremba</i>	<i>Hung</i>
Pass	1♠	Pass	2♦
Pass	2NT	Pass	3♣
Pass	3♥	Pass	4♣
Pass	4♥	Dbl	Pass
Pass	5♣	All Pass	

West	North	East	South
<i>Goren</i>	<i>Walczak</i>	<i>Nabil</i>	<i>Zadrogak</i>
Pass	1♠	Pass	2♦
Pass	2NT	Pass	3NT
Pass	4NT	All Pass	

As a gambling man (and there were quite a few left in the event!) you would not fancy the Goren team's equity here, would you? If 4NT made, the Consus team would gain at least an IMP. If both contracts went down the same number, it would be a win for Goren.

4NT had 10-plus tricks on either a club break or if declarer could take four or more diamond tricks, so I would have put them as 20-1 favorites to win the match. In 4NT, Walczak won the heart lead and tested clubs. Oops! East pitched an encouraging spade – an error for two reasons. He really wanted a diamond continuation, and the more spades he had, the fewer diamonds he could hold. But declarer missed this inference. He needed diamonds to play for four tricks, and with the clubs 5-0 he followed the perfectly sensible but disastrous line of taking two diamond finesses. Goren had shifted to spades at trick three, so the defenders only beat the game one. (Had they played on hearts declarer would have gone down considerably more if he misguessed diamonds).

Thus the fate of 5♣ would determine the need for overtime. Hung finessed the heart at trick one, won the heart return, and it is arguable if declarer should cash one high club from dummy now. Instead, he played three rounds of diamonds at once, ruffing low when the queen appeared. Now came the top trump from dummy, but it was plain sailing from here on in. Two rounds of hearts stood up, then the spade ace and a spade ruff, followed by the fourth diamond ruffed by West and over-ruffed by dummy. In the three-card ending declarer led a plain card from dummy and ruffed it low. West could over-ruff but then had to lead into the trump tenace at trick 12 to concede the contract.

Monitoring

At this and future North American Championships, ACBL will be monitoring NABC+ events with visible, real-time cameras. The images will be recorded and will be available for later official inspection and review.

By general monitoring of the session and participants' behavior, ACBL has another source of information that may be useful in determining facts and settling issues arising from some types of ethical and behavioral complaints or actions. Please summon a director if a problem occurs at the table.

This procedure is intended to assure everyone that the playing field is level and that misbehavior will not be tolerated.

Masterpoint disclaimer

Scores as reported in the Daily Bulletin are subject to change because of score changes or corrections. The masterpoint awards as shown are, therefore, also subject to change.

Bridge Ku

By Irene Hillger, Redmond WA

The sound of normally sane directors and players and their malapropisms, spoonerisms and curdling clichés.

The director grinned at us:
"I will lead the way
And we can precede."

We laughed – but we like him,
Especially when he's
Not harping on us.

Mouthing a word I'd not
Heard in years,
He lowered his rulebook on us.

Nodding his head and
Agreeing with himself:
"It's really shut-and-dried."

We racked our brains back
And forth – How could we
Explain 10 straight bottom boards?

Our game went to the pot
While I puzzled over
"Achy Breaky Heart."

His kind old weathered
Face loosened: "I'm sorry,
Partner, I muffed the boat."

Was it a fragment
Of my imagination –
Did he cross his eyes?

"Pard, if we play 'Carrot Club,'
They will have us
Over a wheelbarrow."

The semi-mystical system
Had us skating on
Mighty thin ground.

Toby Cat subdued
My convention card –
Pard took me down a peg leg.

After three put-downs,
I was so tired I couldn't
Keep my head open.

With an endearing smile:
"Why bite the hand that
Lays the big golden egg?"

After the game,
We had two glasses of wine
To tidy us over.

After some more Zen stuff,
We simply left it in
The lap of the cards.

The no-nonsense director
Enjoyed the
Daily hellabaloos.

He snatched up his
Rulebook and scurried –
Someone had jumped into the gun.

We were taken aback
When our teammates cut
Our throats behind our backs.

"I had length but no strength – sure –
But I hit it right
On the old nutshell!"

"What time today did you
Learn to play bridge?"
I sat like a shooting duck.

She was quietly frightening:
"Your bidding doesn't
Make head or sense."

How lovely if Old Pard
Could have languished some
Undeserved praise on me.

Setting a trap

By Barry Rigal

On this deal from the Thursday evening pairs games, Melih Ozdil of New York City played expertly to land a touchy contract. He was playing with Sharon Goldman.

Dlr: West	♠ J 10	
Vul: N-S	♥ A 10 9 8 3	
	♦ J 10 6	
	♣ A 8 5	
♠ A Q 6		♠ K 9 5 4
♥ K 7 5		♥ J 6
♦ A 9 2		♦ Q 7 4 3
♣ J 10 9 3		♣ K 6 4
	♠ 8 7 3 2	
	♥ Q 4 2	
	♦ K 8 5	
	♣ Q 7 2	

West	North	East	South
	<i>Ozdil</i>		<i>Goldman</i>
1♣	1♥	Dbl	2♥
All Pass			

East started with a low club, and Ozdil took the 9 with the ace. He played the ♠J at trick two,

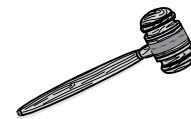
West winning the queen, cashing the ♠A and playing a third round. Ozdil ruffed and played a club. East took the ♣K and persisted with spades. Ozdil ruffed and played a club to dummy's queen, then called for the ♥Q. West covered with the king, Ozdil won the ace and exited with a low heart.

Ozdil had achieved exactly what he hoped for: the defenders had to break the diamond suit. He played low from dummy on the diamond play, winning the ♦9 from West with the jack, but the ♦8 in dummy allowed him to finesse against the queen for eight tricks and an excellent score.

Note that East fell into Ozdil's trap. When he is in with the ♣K, if East simply exits with a club, Ozdil could ruff a spade to eliminate that suit, but then he would have to depend on East's holding the doubleton ♥K and would go down. If Ozdil, in dummy for the last time with the ♣Q, played the ♥Q and exited with a heart, East could win and then play his spade. Forced to play diamonds himself, Ozdil would have had to lose two tricks in the suit for one down in his contract.

TOURNAMENT APPEALS

In order to keep the bridge public informed of appeal results in a timely fashion, the NABC Daily Bulletin staff publishes write-ups. Every effort is made to ensure that these reports are accurate and complete. Before they are published in the NABC Appeals Casebook, however, revisions may be made.



APPEAL CASE #: 8

Event: *Lebhar IMP Pairs*

Session: *Second final*

Hal Montgomery

Board #12 ♠ 2
 Vul: N-S ♥ Q 6 4 2
 Dlr: West ♦ J 8 7 5 4 3 2
 ♣ 4

Neil Kimelman

♠ J 8 7 6 4 3
 ♥ K J 7
 ♦ K
 ♣ K 9 7

Marielle Brentnall

♠ Q 9 5
 ♥ 10 5 3
 ♦ 10 6
 ♣ Q 10 6 3 2

John Bartlett

♠ A K 10
 ♥ A 9 8
 ♦ A Q 9
 ♣ A J 8 5

West	North	East	South
1♠	Pass	1NT (1)	Dbl
Pass	2♦	2♠	Pass (2)
Pass	3♥	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

(1) Forcing.

(2) Agreed break in tempo (BIT).

Facts: The contract was 3NT by South, making six after the 4♠ lead. The director was called after the play of the deal was completed. There was agreement that South broke tempo before passing 2♠.

Director's Ruling: The director judged that, although the BIT suggests action over inaction, it did not indicate any specific action. Several "A" players were consulted about North's call over 2♠. All felt that pass was not a logical alternative. Therefore, the director allowed the table result of 3NT by South making six, and a score of North-South plus 690, to stand.

The Appeal: East-West appealed the director's decision and all four players attended the hearing.

Neither side put forward any facts contrary to those above.

The Decision: While the pass by South of 2♠ was extraordinary, it was unanimous that North had a clear-cut bid. There was no claim by the

appellants or reason to think that the huddle made 3♥ more attractive than a scrambling 2NT or 3♦, and in any case South would surely have bid 3NT over either. The committee briefly wondered whether the manner in which South bid 3NT might have swayed North to pass, but no such allegation was made by East-West.

The appellants were informed of the poll results during the screening process but persisted with the appeal. The committee assessed an Appeal Without Merit Warning (AWMW) to East-West.

Committee members: Mark Feldman (chair), Eugene Kales, Ed Lazarus, Bruce Reeve and Bob White.

APPEAL CASE #: 9

Event: *Silodor Open Pairs*

Session: *First final*

Suresh Agarwal

Board #14 ♠ Q
 Vul: None ♥ 8 7 6 4 2
 Dlr: East ♦ J 10
 ♣ 9 5 4 3 2

William Cole

♠ 10 9 6 5 4
 ♥ K 5 3
 ♦ 9 7
 ♣ Q 10 6

Jeff Roman

♠ J 8 2
 ♥ A 9
 ♦ Q 8 4 2
 ♣ A K J 7

Curtis Bare

♠ A K 7 3
 ♥ Q J 10
 ♦ A K 6 5 3
 ♣ 8

West	North	East	South
2♥ (3)	Dbl	1NT (1)	Dbl (2)
Pass	3♣	2♠	Dbl (4)
All Pass			

(1) 15-17.

(2) Equal strength.

(3) Transfer to spades, Announced.

(4) Break in tempo.

Facts: The final contract was 3♥ by South, making three, after the lead of the ♠4. That resulted in plus 140 for North-South. The director was called initially after the 3♣ bid and again after the play was completed.

All players agreed that there was a BIT by South prior to the second double.

Director's ruling: The BIT was judged to demonstrably suggest that bidding (by North) would be more successful than passing, which was judged to be a logical alternative to bidding. Therefore, the contract was changed to 2♠ doubled by East down one (East-West minus 100 and North-South plus 100).

The Appeal: North-South appealed the director's decision. West was the only player who did not attend the hearing.

North argued that by doubling 2♥ with such scant values, it is clear from his hand that he was always planning on completing the description of his shape by bidding 3♣. South was concerned that the 3♥ contract could have been defeated with a club lead, and that East-West were getting a two-way shot at a good result.

The director read the applicable rules to the appellants, and the committee informed them that although Deep Finesse was able to defeat 3♥, leading from a spade sequence was not the sort of egregious defensive error that a committee would take into consideration.

The Decision: The committee asked the director for poll results. Not surprisingly, it was difficult to find players who believed doubling 2♥ with the North hand was the right action. An initial poll had some passing the second double, but a subsequent poll of players with fewer than 2000 masterpoints had six of six bidding on with the North hand.

The committee agreed that there was a hesitation, and that bidding on was made more attractive by that hesitation. The committee did not feel, however, that any player who doubled 2♥ with such scant values would give passing even a momentary consideration, and thus ruled that passing was not a logical alternative.

The table result of 3♥ making three was restored.

Committee members: Hendrik Sharples (chair), Abby Heitner, Ed Lazarus, John Lusky and Victor King.

The Insider

The Bulletin Boys asked the Insider to keep it short today – they have lots of real news to report. Spring in Reno is always a great tournament and 2010 has proven to be no exception. The local hosts, led by Kathy, have made us all feel welcome – from handing out another great tote bag to some really good late night food, from the coffee mugs given to winners to the hard work by all the volunteers – they have treated us all to an excellent 10 days. The tournament directors, captained by Chris and John, have done their usual fantastic job. From the experienced pros who have worked countless to the newer, up-and-coming directors who came to town for training, they all got the games going on time, kept things moving, resolved

disputes and proved once again they are the best directors anywhere in the world. The caddies have been great. The service from the hotel – keeping the playing rooms clean, bringing water, resetting hundreds of chairs overnight, moving walls, maintaining comfortable playing conditions, etc. – has been excellent. And, of course, thank you to all you who came and played. The ACBL, and the Insider in particular, appreciate all of you.

In key news, the Insider got a text late yesterday that said the key has been found. It was on the bathroom counter of the S.C.'s luxury master suite in Memphis. It is expected that the last of the river rock will be moved away from the front door by Wednesday and that interior work

on the New Amazing Building will be restarted the next day. The Insider will be there to report progress. Despite a possible delay caused by changes in the office layout – the designers will need to reconfigure some executive space for Right-Hand Maiden – ACBL Horn Lake should be up and running by mid-April. Watch the web site for details and pictures. We anticipate a few phone and internet service interruptions during the actual move but fully expect things to go smoothly now that a duplicate key has been made.

Thank you for coming to Reno. Thank you for an excellent tournament. We look forward to seeing all of you in New Orleans in July.

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8	12.23	Shirley Passeri, Sun City Center FL	38	8.45	Mark Sorenson, San Bruno CA	71	6.26	Kayel White, Federal Way WA
9	12.08	Eleanor Battaglia, Foster City CA	39	8.45	D Sorenson, San Bruno CA	72	6.19	Nancy Serne, Sacramento CA
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11	12.06	Juanita Washburn, Lincoln NE	41	8.03	Fred Cochran, Danville CA	74	6.14	Katie Fagan, Kailua HI
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13	11.87	Sharon Henning, Larkspur CA	43	7.88	Patricia Newman, Solana Beach CA	76	6.03	Rose Kaufmann, Los Angeles CA
14	10.76	Gloria Hersch, Healdsburg CA	44	7.78	Carol Whitelaw, Carmichael CA	77	5.95	Elizabeth Meter, Wildwood MO
15	10.71	Gina Kirk, San Luis Obispo CA	45	7.78	Linda Struthers, Carmichael CA	78	5.95	Martha Hanley, Chesterfield MO
16	10.71	Louise Abbott, Los Osos CA	46	7.77	Ann Clemmons, Langley BC	79	5.93	Monica Brandl, Reno NV
17	10.32	Melinda Westgate, Mercer Island WA	47	7.75	Barbara Pyles, Portland OR	80	5.75	Paul Miller, Rockaway Beach OR
18	10.28	Barbara Hamal, Kingston WA	48	7.45	Linda Parsons, Las Vegas NV	81	5.75	Marie Miller, Rockaway Beach OR
19	10.28	Norma Titus, Kingston WA	49	7.42	James Rhew, Raleigh NC	82	5.74	Roma Yvonne Rehfisch, Oakland CA
20	10.26	Sheilah Wasserman, San Rafael CA	50	7.42	Dee Minazzoli, Newbury Park CA	83	5.65	Robert Chase, San Francisco CA
21	9.94	Daniel Ellsworth, Anchorage AK	51	7.38	Jack Fitzgerald, Lodi CA	84	5.64	Esther Rubke, Piedmont CA
22	9.86	Alan Bostrom, San Francisco CA	52	7.38	Bob Champion, Carmel CA	85	5.64	Estelle Baum, Oakland CA
23	9.60	Bonnie Chan, Visalia CA	53	7.38	Joanne Onstine-Dill, Sparks NV	86	5.61	Cindy Daugherty, Sacramento CA
24	9.60	Lisa Darcy, Visalia CA	54	7.25	Connie Barksdale, Lincoln NE	87	5.61	Pat Ingoglia, Sacramento CA
25	9.54	Sheila Davis, Las Vegas NV	55	7.25	Sharon Hockemeier, Eagle NE	88	5.52	Dennis Uthe, Roseville CA
26	9.54	Oscar Chiodi, Las Vegas NV	56	7.20	William Pearman, Honolulu HI	89	5.51	Carol Nystrom, Vancouver WA
27	9.06	Richard Rodeman, Washougal WA	57	7.18	Charles Hall, Pasadena CA	90	5.51	Shirley Staggs, Ridgefield WA
28	9.04	Everett Dorsey, Sun City West AZ	58	7.18	Randy Ryals, Menlo Park CA	91	5.50	Linda Bucklin, San Francisco CA
29	9.04	Leslie Dorsey, Gambrills MD	59	7.09	Jan Hart, Redmond OR	92	5.50	Helen Spalding, San Francisco CA
30	8.86	Bernie Dufour, Weyburn SK	60	7.03	Lorena Wetherhold, Emmaus PA	93	5.47	Georgeann Dorn, Pls Verdes Ests CA
31	8.86	Donald Dufour, Weyburn SK	61	7.02	Marilyn Philips, Bellevue WA	94	5.47	Carole La Caze, Rolling Hills CA
32	8.85	Leslie Perkins, Sunnyvale CA	62	6.94	Jeri Nelson, Neenah WI	95	5.41	Dan Thatte, Palo Alto CA
33	8.85	Lynn Bartz, Los Gatos CA	63	6.94	Cyann Martin, Neenah WI	96	5.41	Manda Thatte, Palo Alto CA
34	8.77	Lydia Yang, Basking Ridge NJ	64	6.65	Marcia Jameson, Austin TX	97	5.37	Maggie Burke, Tacoma WA
35	8.77	Patrick Yang, Basking Ridge NJ	65	6.55	Janice Hess, Santa Rosa CA	98	5.37	M. David Jackson, Alexandria VA
			66	6.51	Steven Parke, Lincoln CA	99	5.36	Wendell Opheim, Lethbridge AB
			67	6.51	Kathleen Adams-Parke, Lincoln CA	100	5.36	Frances Opheim, Lethbridge AB
			68	6.49	Betty Metzner, Camas WA			

Smooth NABC

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Now she's glad she took on the job. "It's been a great experience," says Hansen. "I feel really good about it. We've had a lot of positive feedback and that makes it all worthwhile."

Message from the tournament chair

It has been an amazing last couple of years for the committee chairs and the numerous volunteers from District 20, Reno, Carson City and the Tahoe area. We have it pulled together and have made the Reno NABC 2010 a huge success.

We all have appreciated the many compliments we have received from the numerous players attending the Reno NABC. The catering staff and the Grand Casino Resort have once again gone out of their way to provide us with excellent evening hospitality and service.

Mahalo to the Hawaii Units for their generous donation and many volunteers for

providing the leis before the start of the Friday afternoon game.

Thank each and every one of the volunteers that have graciously provided their time and service in making the Reno NABC a wonderful experience.

As we get ready to depart, I wish everyone a safe journey home and hope you are making your plans for the Summer NABC in New Orleans, July 22 through Aug. 1, 2010

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Entry fees

Players must be ACBL members whose service fees or dues are current in order to compete in any of the following nationally ranked events: NABC+ Platinum Pairs, Silodor Open Pairs, Vanderbilt Knockout Teams, Leventritt Silver Ribbon Pairs, Rockwell Mixed Pairs, Lebar IMP Pairs, Whitehead Women's Pairs, Jacoby Open Swiss Teams, and the Machlin Women's Swiss Teams. The entry fees for these contests are \$20 per player per session.

Players must also be current ACBL members to play in the Bean Red Ribbon Pairs. The entry fee is \$17 per player per session.

Regional championships are \$16 per player per session for ACBL members, \$18 for non-members.

All other events are \$15 per player per session for ACBL members, \$17 for non-members.

(Note: There is no entry fee for any flight of the North American Pairs, but participants are still required to be paid-up members.)

Lighter than air

This deal, from the first semifinal session of the Vanderbilt Knockout Teams, was played four times. At each table, the contract was 7♠. The grand slam was defeated three of the four times.

In the Martin De Knijff – Martin Fleisher match, De Knijff had reason to rue a super-light overall.

Dlr: South	♠ 4		
Vul: None	♥ Q 9 8 3 2		
	♦ Q 9 8 3 2		
	♣ 6 3		
		♠ A 10 5 2	♠ K Q 9 8 3
		♥ 4 3	♥ A K J 10 6
		♦ A K 7	♦ 4
		♣ 10 9 8 4	♣ A K
			♠ J 7 6
			♥ 5
			♦ J 10 6 5
			♣ Q J 7 5 2

At all four tables, the opening lead against 7♠ by East was a low spade. At two of the tables, declarer took two rounds of trumps, followed by the ♥A and ♥K. When South ruffed the second heart, that was it – minus 50. When Tor Helness of the Pierre Zimmerman squad played it, he pulled three rounds of trumps, tested clubs in case an opponent had Q-J-x or Q-J doubleton, then played two high hearts. He conceded one down when South showed out.

When De Knijff and Frederic Wrang played against Bobby Levin and Steve Weinstein, this was the bidding.

West	North	East	South
Levin	De Knijff	Weinstein	Wrang
			Pass
1♣	1♥	1♠	Pass
2♠	Pass	4NT	Pass
5♥	Pass	7♠	All Pass

Weinstein won the trump lead and pulled three rounds of the suit, cashed the ♥A and entered dummy with a diamond. He then finessed in hearts and claimed. He could ruff one of his losing hearts in dummy and pitch the other on a high diamond. Plus 1510 was good for 17 IMPs to the Fleisher squad.

Vanderbilt Kn

88 Tables
 Martin Fleisher, New York NY; Michael Kamil, Holmdel NJ; Chip Martel, Davis CA; Lew Stansby, Dublin CA; Robert Levin, Lake Ariel PA; Steve Weinstein, Andes NY

vs

Pierre Zimmermann, Geneva Switzerland; Franck Multon, Nice France; Michel Bessis, Paris France; Thomas Bessis, Paris France; Tor Helness, Oslo Norway; Geir Helgemo, Trondheim Ca Norway

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125.00 3/4 Martin De Knijff, Las Vegas NV; Frederic Wrang, Stockholm Sweden; Peter Fredin, Malmo Sweden; Bjorn Fallenius, New York NY; Fredrik Nystrom, Stockholm Sweden; Peter Bertheau, Taby Sweden

80.00 5/8 John Diamond, Boca Raton FL; Brian Platnick, Evanston IL; Brad Moss, San Anselmo CA; Fred Gitelman - Geoff Hampson, Las Vegas NV; Eric Greco, Philadelphia PA

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80.00 5/8 John Onstott, New Orleans LA; Gary Cohler, Miami FL; Tarek Sadek - Walid Elahmady, Cairo Egypt; Jim Krekorian, Pensacola FL; Drew Casen, Las Vegas NV

80.00 5/8 Romain Zaleski - Albert Faigenbaum - Dominique Pilon - Jean Quantin, Paris France; Marc Bompis, Bourg La Reine France

50.00 9/16 Frank Nickell, New York NY; Ralph Katz, Burr Ridge IL; Jeff Meckstroth, Tampa FL; Eric Rodwell, Clearwater Bch FL; Zia Mahmood, London England; Bob Hamman, Dallas TX

50.00 9/16 Richard Schwartz, East Elmhurst NY; Louk Verhees, Voorhou Netherlands; Russell Ekeblad, Portsmouth RI; Jan Jansma, Malden Netherlands; Ron Rubin, Miami FL; Matt Granovetter, Cincinnati OH

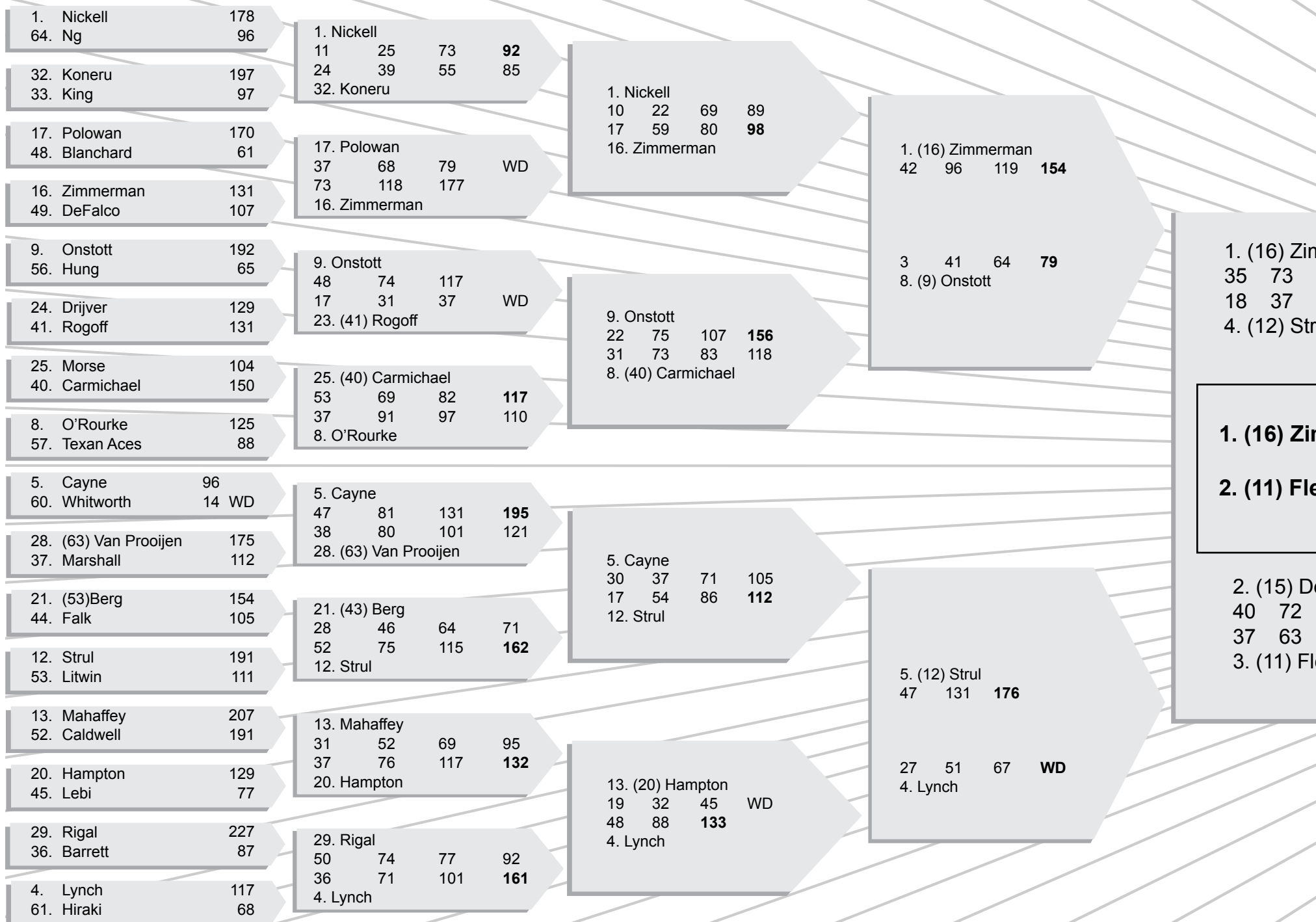
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50.00 9/16 Mark Gordon, Purchase NY; Terje Aa, Heimdal Norway; Jorgen Molberg, Trondheim Norway; Curtis Cheek, Las Vegas NV; Pratap Rajadhyaksha, Venice FL; Joe Grue, New York NY

50.00 9/16 Robert Hampton, Blythewood SC; Gavin Wolpert, Singer Island FL; John Hurd, New York NY; Joel Wooldridge, Williamsville NY; Krzysztof Buras, Warszawa Poland; Grzegorz Narkiewicz, Bielsk Poland

50.00 9/16 Justin Lall - Hemant Lall, Dallas TX; Judith Bianco - Winthrop Allegaert, New York NY; Lapt Chan, Forest Hills NY; Jaggy Shivdasani, Pleasantville NY

50.00 9/16 Dennis Dawson, Santa Fe NM; Walter Johnson, Columbus OH; Kalin Karaivanov - Rumen

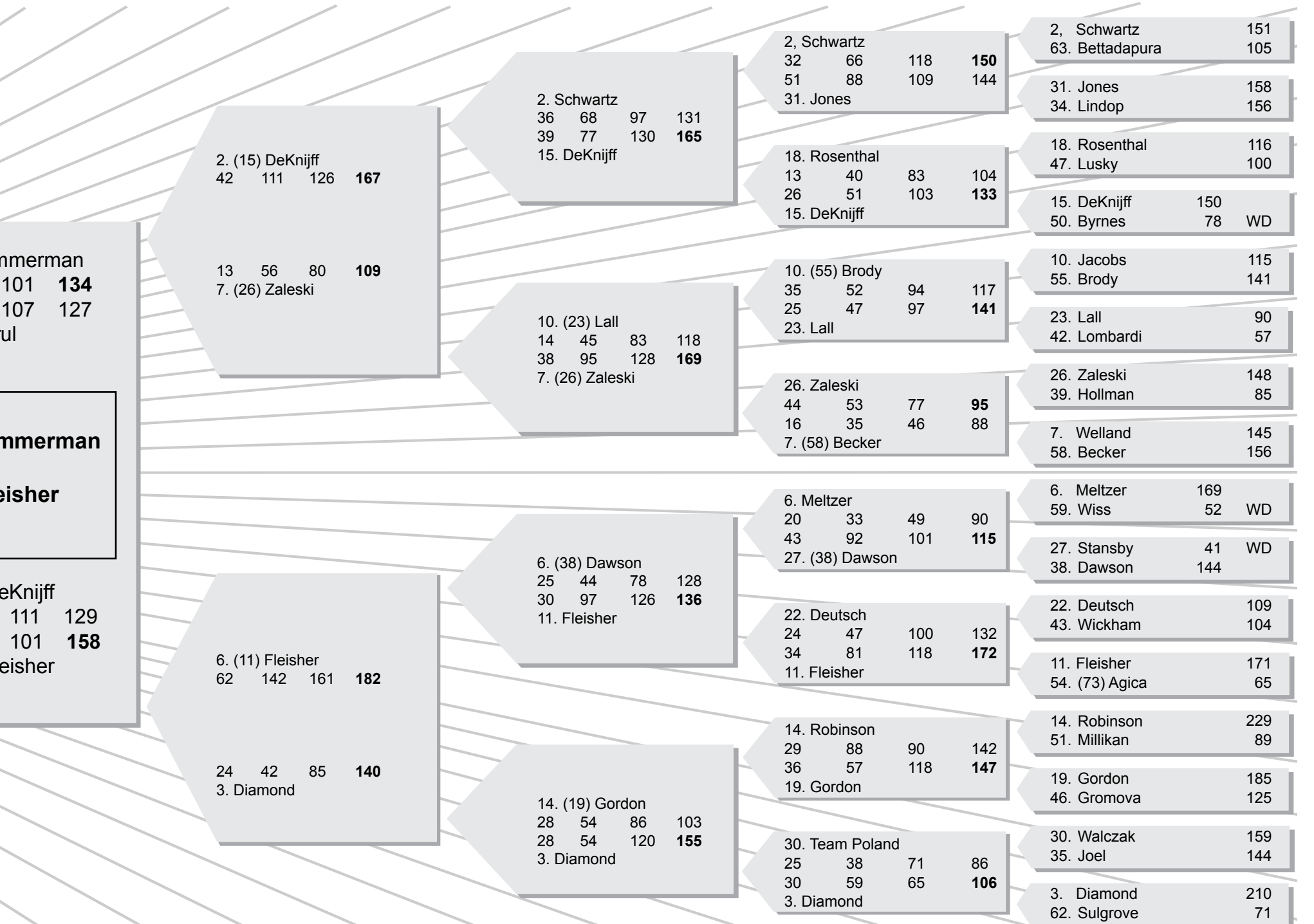


Knockout Teams



Trendafilov, Varna Bulgaria; Vladislav Isporski, Sofia Bulgaria; Valentin Kovachev, Stony Brook NY
 50.00 9/16 Thomas Carmichael, Kennesaw GA; Daniel Korbel, Waterloo ON; David Grainger, Etobicoke ON; Darren Wolpert, Thornhill ON; Nikolay Demirev, Arlington Hts IL; Daniel Gerstman, Buffalo NY
 25.00 17/32 Rose Meltzer, Los Gatos CA; Kyle Larsen, San Francisco CA; Alan Sontag, Gaithersburg MD; David Berkowitz, Boca Raton FL; Apolinary Kowalski, Warsaw Poland; Piotr Tuszynski, Warsaw Poland
 25.00 17/32 Lou Ann O'Rourke, Scottsdale AZ; Roger Bates, Mesa AZ; Giorgio Duboin, Torino Italy; Antonio Sementa, Parma PR 43100 Italy; Eddie Wold, Houston TX; Marc Jacobus, Las Vegas NV
 25.00 17/32 Jim Mahaffey, Winter Park FL; Peter Weichsel, Carlsbad CA; Sam Lev, New York NY; Jacek Pszczola, Chapel Hill NC; Fu Zhong, Beijing People's Republic of China; Jie Zhao, Tianjin People's Republic of China
 25.00 17/32 Steve Robinson, Arlington VA; Peter Boyd, Darnestown MD; Kit Woolsey, Kensington CA; Fred Stewart, Bloomington NY; Douglas Doub, W Hartford CT; Adam Wildavsky, New York NY
 25.00 17/32 Michael Polowan, New York NY; Jacob Morgan, Madison WI; Stephen Landen, Ellicott City MD; Nicolas L'Ecuyer, Montreal QC
 25.00 17/32 Andrew Rosenthal - Aaron Silverstein, New York NY; Mark Feldman, Austin TX; Michael Rosenberg, New Rochelle NY; David Gold, Reading Great Britain; Tom Townsend, London England
 25.00 17/32 Mary Ann Berg, Atherton CA; John Mohan, Huixquilucan Mexico; Huub Bertens, Tilburg Netherlands; Ton Bakkeren, Oisterwijk Netherlands;

Simon De Wijs, Doorn Netherlands; Bauke Muller, Hoorn Netherlands
 25.00 17/32 Seymon Deutsch, Laredo TX; John Kranyak, Bay Village OH; David Bakhshi, London England; Jon Baldursson, Hafnarfjordur Iceland; Thorlakur Jonsson, Kopavogur Iceland
 25.00 17/32 Barry Rigal - Michael Moss, New York NY; Alex Ornstein, Roslyn Heights NY; George Mittelman, Toronto ON; Jeff Aker, Briarcliff NY; Brady Richter, Summit NJ
 25.00 17/32 Michal Kwiecien, Lublin 20-732 Poland; Krzysztof Kotorowicz, Bialystok Poland; Jacek Jerzy Kalita, Warsaw Poland; Rafal Jagniewski, Legiowowo 0 Poland
 25.00 17/32 Bob Jones, Hypoluxo FL; Ulf Nilsson, Dalby Sweden; Dennis Clerkin, Bloomington IN; Harry Tudor, Miami FL
 25.00 17/32 Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio TX; Ira Chorush, Houston TX; John Schermer, Seattle WA; Neil Chambers, Schenectady NY
 25.00 17/32 Bruce Rogoff, Tenafly NJ; Joshua Parker, Briarcliff NY; Mitch Dunitz, Sherman Oaks CA; Wafik Abdou, Bakersfield CA; Chris Larsen, Costa Mesa CA
 25.00 17/32 Harvey Brody, San Francisco CA; James Griffin, Sausalito CA; Larry Sealy, Huntsville AL; Jim Foster, Birmingham AL
 25.00 17/32 Phillip Becker, Beachwood OH; Kumar Bhatia, Pepper Pike OH; Yuxiong Shen, Shanghai People's Republic of China; Yi Zhong, Cockeysville MD
 25.00 17/32 Cornelis Van Prooijen, Nieuw Vennepe Netherlands; Jessica Piafsky - Barry Piafsky, New York NY; Don Piafsky, Toronto ON



Reno 2004: A look back

Here are some more of the interesting deals:

How to score 2230

By Larry Cohen

I've had a bad history with the meaning of redoubled contracts. It was nice to be on the right side of one on this deal:

Dlr: South	♠ —	
Vul: Both	♥ A 6 4	
	♦ A K J 10 7 5	
	♣ A Q 10 2	
♠ 9 6 2		♠ A Q 10 7 5
♥ Q J 9		♥ K 7 3 2
♦ Q 9 4 2		♦ 8 3
♣ 8 7 5		♣ 4 3

♠ K J 8 4 3
♥ 10 8 5
♦ 6
♣ K J 9 6

West	North	East	South
	<i>Berkowitz</i>		<i>Cohen</i>
Pass	1♣ (1)	Dbf (2)	Redbf (3)
All Pass			

(1) Artificial, 16+.

(2) Majors.

(3) Game force with clubs.

East might have thought her partner's pass was for penalty, or maybe she was just hoping to avoid a big number. After all, 1♣ redoubled isn't game.

A diamond was led to the queen and declarer's ace. There is no way to make all 13 tricks, but 12 tricks were easy. The score we entered was 2230 — the five redoubled overtricks are 2000, then 20 doubled and redoubled is 80 plus 100 for the insult and 50 for the partial. And now you know how to score 2230.

What's your worst action at the table?

By Barry Rigal

The worst thing you can do at the bridge table is to squeeze your partner . . . or is it to endplay him? What if you have the choice?

Dlr: North	♠ 9 7 6	
Vul: None	♥ A 5 4	
	♦ K 3	
	♣ K 8 7 6 4	
♠ A 8 3		♠ K J 10 4
♥ Q 8 7 2		♥ 6 3
♦ A 8 4		♦ Q 9 7 6
♣ Q J 9		♣ 10 5 2

♠ Q 5 2
♥ K J 10 9
♦ J 10 5 2
♣ A 3

West	North	East	South
	<i>Cohen</i>		<i>Berkowitz</i>
Dbf	1NT	2♠	1♦
			All Pass

Dave Berkowitz, playing with Larry Cohen, saw he had his work cut out for him when he viewed the dummy. South started with the ♥J, ducked, and the ♥10 ducked. Berkowitz ruffed the third heart as the ace fell from North. He led a club and South climbed with the ace. He could have scored a club ruff at this point by continuing the suit, but apparently he thought he had a trump

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1	Bob Hamman, Dallas TX; Eric Rodwell, Clearwater Bch FL; Jeff Meckstroth, Tampa FL; Zia Mahmood, London SW40DQ England	30.00
2	Dan Morse, Houston TX; Greg Hinze, San Antonio TX; Dan Jacob, Vancouver BC; Nagy Kamel, Plano TX; David Yang, Chicago IL	21.92
3	John Stiefel, Wethersfield CT; Lloyd Arvedon, Bedford MA; Walter Schafer Jr, Buena Park CA; Betty Bloom - Steve Bloom, Duaneburg NY; Richard DeMartino, Riverside CT	20.77
4	Kyle Larsen, San Francisco CA; Rose Meltzer, Los Gatos CA; Alan Sontag, Gaithersburg MD; David Berkowitz, Boca Raton FL; Apolinary Kowalski, Warsaw Poland; Piotr Tuszynski, Warsaw Poland	20.19
5	Robert Munson, Danville CA; Bruce Tuttle, Berkeley CA; Vandana Vidwans, Burlingame CA; Stephen Tu, Milpitas CA	19.04
6	Rob Meckstroth, San Mateo CA; Matt Meckstroth, Gainesville FL; Joshua Donn, Las Vegas NV; Mike Cappelletti, Winter Park FL; Sally Chapleau, Tampa FL	17.88
7	David Maidman - Marin Marinov, New York NY; Rumen Trendafilov - Kalin Karaivanov, Varna Bulgaria	15.58
8/9	John Onstott, New Orleans LA; Gary Cohler, Miami FL; Jim Krekorian, Pensacola FL; Drew Casen, Las Vegas NV; Tarek Sadek - Walid Elahmady, Cairo Egypt	14.42
8/9	James Griffin - Patricia Griffin, Sausalito CA; Buddy Hanby, Spring TX; Harvey Brody, San Francisco CA	14.42
10/13	Stan Tulin, Highland Beach FL; Ken Cohen, Philadelphia PA; Mark Lair, Canyon TX; Daniel Gerstman, Buffalo NY	13.85
10/13	Justin Lall - Hemant Lall, Dallas TX; Winthrop Allegaert - Judith Bianco, New York NY; Lapt Chan, Forest Hills NY; Jaggy Shivdasani, Pleasantville NY	13.85
10/13	Michal Kwiecien, Lublin Poland; Rafal Jagniewski, Legiowowo Poland; Krzysztof Kotorowicz, Bialystok Poland; Jacek Jerzy Kalita, Warsaw Poland	13.85
10/13	William Watson, Sunnyvale CA; William Harker, Copperopolis CA; Troy Horton, Clatskanie OR; Eric Stoltz - John Lusky, Portland OR; Rob Stevens, Aptos CA	13.85
14/18	R Jay Becker, New York NY; Thomas Weik, Reading PA; Joseph Kivel, Newport Coast CA; Rob Crawford, Henderson NV	13.27
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19/20	James Rasmussen - Pamela Miller, Cambridge MA; Rena Lieberman, North Easton MA; Yiji Starr, Wayland MA	12.12
21/22	John Diamond, Boca Raton FL; Brian Platnick, Evanston IL; Brad Moss, San Anselmo CA; Geoff Hampson - Fred Gitelman, Las Vegas NV; Eric Greco, Philadelphia PA	11.54
21/22	Peggy Kaplan - Tony Ames, Minnetonka MN; Jeff Roman, Alexandria VA; Srikanth Kodayam, Fremont CA; Nick Bykov, Stockton CA; William Cole, Silver Spring MD	11.54
23/26	Chris Willenken - Roy Welland - Christal Henner-Welland, New York NY; Ron Smith, San Francisco CA	10.96
23/26	Carlos Pellegrini, Buenos Aires Argentina; C. Valerie Gamio, Pls Vrds Pnsl CA; Jacqueline Sincoff, Saint Louis MO; Tim Crank, Cincinnati OH	10.96
23/26	Ken Scholes, Bellevue WA; Peter Herold, Ladysmith BC; David Lindop, Toronto ON; Michael Roche, Victoria BC	10.96
23/26	Steve Beatty, Mill Creek WA; George Jacobs, Hinsdale IL; Bart Bramley - Chris Compton, Dallas TX; Diego Brenner, L'Eixample Barc Spain; Norberto Bocchi, Barcelona Spain	10.96
27/28	Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio TX; Ira Chorush, Houston TX; Phillip Becker, Beachwood OH; Kumar Bhatia, Pepper Pike OH	9.81
27/28	Barry Rigal, New York NY; Simon Kantor, Agawam MA; Bob Feller, Guilderland NY; Eric Leong, Oakland CA; Dick Yarrington, Seattle WA; Brenda Keller, Palm Springs CA	9.81
29/30	Reese Milner, Los Angeles CA; Garey Hayden, Tucson AZ; Ralph Katz, Burr Ridge IL; Nikolay Demirev, Arlington Hts IL	9.23
29/30	Ross Rainwater - Jackie Jarigese, Vancouver WA; Ronald Tracy, Edmonds WA; Tom Hammond, Redmond WA	9.23
31/32	Jaroslav Piasecki, Buffalo Grove IL; Grazyna Brewiak, Gdansk Poland; Waldemar Frukacz, Gloucester ON; Piotr Walczak, Ualisz Poland	8.65
31/32	Hansa Narasimhan, Los Altos Hills CA; Anal Shah, Bombay India; Sumit Mukherjee, Rolkata India; B Satyanarayan, New Delhi India	8.65
33/34	Romain Zaleski - Dominique Pilon - Albert Faigenbaum - Jean Quantin, Paris France; Marc Bompis, Bourg La Reine France	8.08
33/34	G Venkatesh, Los Altos CA; Jyotindra Shah, Mumbai India; Krishnan Ramaratnam, Jersey City NJ; Kanningat Krishnakumar, Chennai India; Keyzad Anklesaria, Reno NV; K Venkatraman, Chennai India	8.08
35/37	Kelley Hwang - Erez Hendelman, New York NY; Howard Einberg, Los Angeles CA; Jeff Fang, Arcadia CA	7.50
35/37	Robert Hollman, Santa Barbara CA; Bruce Ferguson, Davis CA; Per-Ola Cullin, Stockholm Sweden; Johan Upmark, Stockholm Sweden; Bob Drijver, Tilburg Netherlands	7.50
35/37	Claudia Vander Salm, The Netherlands Netherlands; Anke Wijma, Delft Netherlands; Lynn Johannesen - Dale Johannesen, Saratoga CA; Sally Woolsey, Kensington CA; Jan Martel, Davis CA	7.50
38/47	Les Bart - Gloria Silverman Bart, Bradenton FL; Jerry Helms - Robert Bitterman, Charlotte NC	6.92
38/47	Barry Schaffer, Frisco TX; Colby Vernay, Lacon IL; Larry Cohen, Las Vegas NV;	

Bipin Patel, Moraga CA	6.92
38/47 Franklin Lowenthal, Pleasanton CA; Roger Clough, Culver City CA; Jim O'Neil, Palo Alto CA; Gary Macgregor, Portola Valley CA	6.92
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38/47 Nicolas L'Ecuyer, Montreal QC; Stephen Landen, Ellicott City MD; Bryan Maksymetz, Squamish BC; Zygmunt Marcinski, Westmount QC; Jacob Morgan, Madison WI; Michael Polowan, New York NY	6.92
48 Mike Bandler, Alamo CA; Billy Miller, Las Vegas NV; Gene Simpson, San Rafael CA; Hamish Bennett, Menlo Park CA	6.35
49/51 Ken Christiansen, Bothell WA; Dave Setterholm, Issaquah WA; Ray Miller, Seattle WA; Ronald De Harpporte, Edina MN	5.77
49/51 Rita Ellington, Traverse City MI; Robert Morris, Houston TX; Jonathan Ferguson, Austin TX; Daniel Boye, Farmington NY; Steven Barcus, Altamonte Spg FL; Jeffrey Smith, Ottawa ON	5.77
49/51 Sathya Bettadapura, Campbell CA; Bob Sanner, Palo Alto CA; Eugene Hung, San Jose CA; Marc Renson, San Mateo CA	5.77
52 Marius Agica, New York NY; Daniel Wolkowitz, Hastings-On-Hud NY; Michael McNamara, White Plains NY; Elliot Shalita, Elkins Park PA	5.19
53/54 Kai Hiraki - Tadashi Teramoto - Hiroki Yokoi, Tokyo Japan; Shugo Tanaka, Funabashi Chiba Japan	4.62
53/54 Mary Ann Berg, Atherton CA; John Mohan, Huixquilucan Mexico; Huub Bertens, Tilburg Netherlands; Ton Bakkeren, Oisterwijk Netherlands; Bauke Muller, Hoorn Netherlands; Simon De Wijs, Doorn Netherlands	4.62
55/58 Veronica McMurdie - John McMurdie, Sacramento CA; Pam Stratton, Las Vegas NV; G Gard Hays, Veradale WA	4.04
55/58 Lou Ann O'Rourke, Scottsdale AZ; Giorgio Duboin, Torino Italy; Marc Jacobus, Las Vegas NV; Roger Bates, Mesa AZ; Antonio Sementa, Parma Italy; Eddie Wold, Houston TX	4.04
55/58 Jo Morse, Palm Bch Gdns FL; Haig Tchamitch, Scottsdale AZ; Hendrik Sharples, Brush Prairie WA; Gerry Marshall, Calgary AB	4.04
55/58 Ellen Kent, Marina DI Rey CA; Robert Kent, Marina Del Rey CA; Marjorie Michelin, Laguna Hills CA; Steve Clements, Aliso Viejo CA; Kenneth Eichenbaum, Columbus OH; Ellis Feigenbaum, Petah Tikva Israel	4.04
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59/61 Len Vishnevsky, San Francisco CA; Bob Etter, Sacramento CA; James Tritt, Fresno CA; George Whitworth, Coarsegold CA	3.46
62/64 Melih Ozdil, New York NY; Bob Jones, Hypoluxo FL; David Bakhshi, London England; Ulf Nilsson, Dalby Sweden	2.88
62/64 Jack Bryant, Saint Louis MO; Tom Oppenheimer, Ballwin MO; Jim Kirkham - Corinne Kirkham, Leawood KS	2.88
62/64 Rammohan Sarangan, Arlington VA; Steve Print, San Francisco CA; Paul McDaniels, Richmond CA; Lin Goldstein, Reno NV	2.88
65/66 Clement Jackson, Albuquerque NM; Roger Lee, Arcadia CA; David Caprera, Denver CO; Jeffrey Goldsmith, Tujunga CA	2.31
65/66 Lowell Andrews, Huntington Bch CA; Weidong Pei, Brea CA; Jeff Strutzel, Redondo Beach CA; Philip Hiestand, Irvine CA	2.31
67/68 Gary Brown, San Francisco CA; Martin Graf, Chevy Chase MD; Mark Shaw, Columbia MD; Stephen Goldstein, Anaheim CA	1.73
67/68 Ira Hessel, San Antonio TX; Allan Stauber, Palm Bch Grdns FL; Keith Garber, Las Vegas NV; Steve Shirey, Fort Worth TX	1.73
69/73 Martin Hirschman, Southfield MI; Lynne Schaeffer, W Bloomfield MI; Beverly Gardner, Farmington Hls MI; Rick Kaye, Bingham Farms MI	1.15
69/73 Steve Smolen, San Francisco CA; Eric Mayefsky, Palo Alto CA; Matthew Haag, Walnut Creek CA; Nongyu Li, Sunnyvale CA	1.15
69/73 Larry Mori, Clearwater FL; Leonard Melander, West Bloomfield MI; Richard Budd, Portland ME; Melvin Marcus, Waltham MA; Lewis Gamerman, Westwood MA	1.15
69/73 Thomas Carmichael, Kennesaw GA; David Grainger, Etobicoke ON; Darren Wolpert, Thornhill ON; Daniel Korbel, Waterloo ON	1.15
69/73 Michael Keller, Kalispell MT; Richard Anderson - Janice Anderson, Regina SK; Tim Spencer, Great Falls MT	1.15
74 Katrin Litwin - Aidan Ballantyne - Ben Takemori, Burnaby BC; Samantha Nystrom, Port Moody BC	0.58
75/76 Michael Kovacich, Stone Mountain GA; Robert White, Raleigh NC; John Potter, Panama City FL; Paul Janicki, Markham ON; James Priebe, Mississauga ON; Richard Potter, Black Mountain NC	0.00
75/76 John Zilic, Houston TX; Thomas Peters, Grapeland TX; Steven Cooper, Ft Collins CO; Paul Bethe, New York NY	0.00

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trick anyway. Instead, he led a diamond to partner's king. Berkowitz won the diamond continuation in dummy with the ace.

At this point, Berkowitz knew South didn't have the ♥A, the ♦K or the ♣K, so it was more than likely that South had the trump queen for his opening bid. He led a spade to the king, passed the ♠J and crossed to dummy's trump ace. Declarer was happy to find the trumps 3-3. Now he faced this ending:

♠ —	♠ —
♥ —	♥ —
♦ —	♦ Q 9
♣ K 8 7 6	♣ 10 5
♠ —	♠ —
♥ Q	♥ —
♦ 8	♦ Q 9
♣ Q 9	♣ 10 5
♠ —	♠ —
♥ K	♥ —
♦ J 5	♦ —
♣ 3	♣ —

Berkowitz led the ♣Q. What is North to do?

If North wins with the king, Berkowitz will unblock the 10 and win the forced club return in dummy, squeezing South. If North ducks to avoid rectifying the count, Berkowitz would retain the lead in dummy and exit with the ♥Q to endplay South in diamonds. Either way, Berkowitz had his eight tricks and his contract.

Pity poor East

The defenders didn't do anything terribly wrong on this deal, but John Stiefel found the route to a fine score when the defense slipped a bit.

♠ A 5	♠ 8 4
♥ K J 10 7	♥ A 5 2
♦ A Q 6 4	♦ K 10 9 8
♣ J 4 3	♣ K 10 6 2
♠ K Q J 10 9 7	♠ 6 3 2
♥ Q 8	♥ 9 6 4 3
♦ 2	♦ J 7 5 3
♣ 9 8 7 5	♣ A Q

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
2 ♠	Dbl	Pass	2NT (1)
Pass	3 ♣ (2)	Pass	3 ♥ (3)

All Pass

(1) Weak hand — asks partner to bid 3♣.

(2) Forced.

(3) 0-7 high-card points.

If West had led his singleton diamond, the defense might have fared better, but certainly the ♠K is more than reasonable. After some thought, Stiefel decided to win — he didn't want a switch to diamonds. He finessed the ♣Q successfully and went after trumps. He eyed West's ♥8 with suspicion as he played the 10 from dummy and East ducked smoothly.

East is a good player, so Stiefel feared that West's 8 might have been a singleton. If that was the case, East would win the next trump trick with the queen, cash the ace and lead a fourth heart. Now declarer would have an extra loser in spades. So Stiefel decided to start on diamonds. He led low from dummy and won with his jack when East played low. When he led another diamond, West ruffed in with the queen and cashed the ♠Q. Then

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Vanderbilt

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playing with French stars Franck Multon, Michel and Thomas Bessis plus Norwegians Geir Helgemo and Tor Helness.

Fleisher's teammates are Mike Kamil, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby, Bobby Levin and Steve Weinstein.

Both semifinal matches were hard-fought affairs. Zimmerman jumped out to a 35-18 lead against the Aubrey Strul squad and led 73-37 at the half, but Strul and company (Michael Becker, Fulvio Fantoni, Claudio Nunes, Erik Saelensminde and Boye Brogeland) won the third set 70-28 to take a 107-101 lead.

Midway through the fourth quarter, Strul was ahead 118 -109 before giving up swings of 12 and 13 IMPs on consecutive board. There was very little scoring from that point, and the final score was 134-127 for Zimmerman.

The Fleisher- Martin De Knijff match was close at the half, with De Knijff ahead 72-63. With a quarter to go, De Knijff was up 111-101. With De Knijff up 115-101, Fleisher scored 33 unanswered IMPs to pull away, finishing with a 158-129 victory.

De Knijff, of Las Vegas, was playing with Bjorn Fallenius, a Swede living in New York, plus Swedish national players Frederic Wrang, Peter Fredin, Fredrik Nystrom and Peter Bertheau.

SECOND SATURDAY-SUNDAY KO BRACKET 1

12 Tables
Norman Holthouse - Marion Kelly - Edward Rais - Walter Pease, Anchorage AK

vs

Anne Scott - Peter Morse, North Vancouver BC; Larry Pocoock, New Westminster BC; Zoran Peca, Vancouver BC

Courtney Nelson, Wells VT; Sandra Hammer, New Smyrna Bch FL; Jennifer Ballantyne, Vancouver BC; Barbara Doran, Silver Spring MD

vs

David Siebert - Jane Dickey, Little Rock AR; Loretta Rivers, Monroe LA; Raymond Raskin, King of Prussia PA; Joe Gottler, Elberta AL; Elaine Said, Nashville TN

SECOND SATURDAY-SUNDAY KO BRACKET 2

13 Tables
Jerry Himes - Pam Himes, Merritt Island FL; Burt O'Dell - Linda Glynn, Jacksonville FL

vs

John Reisner, Florence OR; Katherine Morris - Richard Morris, Portland OR; James Smith, Mapleton OR

John Cox, Kellogg ID; Marina Page, Burnaby BC; Richard D'Litzenberger, Leavenworth WA; William Rottmayer, Spokane WA

vs

Tammy Moll, Raleigh NC; Cam Meyer, Bend OR; Matthew Mallory, San Diego CA; Linda Marshall, Bethesda MD

SECOND SATURDAY-SUNDAY KO BRACKET 3

16 Tables
Ronnie Frank - Chuck Ettelson - Jane Ettelson, Saint Louis MO; Judith Inker, Wellesley Hills MA

vs

Patricia Moody - Steven Moody, Tualatin OR; Donna Braniff - Cynthia Sinn, Beaverton OR

Dwayne Brackhahn - Tuba Unlu, Beaverton OR; James Wheeler, Ridgefield WA; Molly Harris, Portland OR

vs

C Stephen Banwarth, Aiken SC; Ronald Jauch, Nevada City CA; W Connell - E Connell, Eureka CA

SECOND SATURDAY-SUNDAY KO BRACKET 4

16 Tables
Gwen Stoker, Mesa AZ; Pat Moore - Mary Alice Seville, Corvallis OR; Kathy Rooney, Gooding ID

vs

David Weinberg - Mark Lundblad - Richard Michelsen - Rick Weiss, Reno NV

Marlys Haraden, Anaheim CA; Sydney Stephan, Corona Del Mar CA; Clinton Gorsuch, Rowland Heights CA; Scott Gorsuch, Oakland CA

vs

Mary Ann Walton, West Linn OR; Jim Nolan - Rita Docken, Vancouver WA; Francis Walton, Gold Canyon AZ

RAY WARD DAYLIGHT PAIRS

46.0 Tables

	A	B	C		
19.60	1			Paul Stern, Oak Creek WI; Margret Salazar, Green Valley AZ	62.66%
14.70	2			Barbara Lasky, Rancho Santa Fe CA; Subba Ravipudi, Downey CA	61.23%
13.87	3	1		Gloria Tsoi, Arlington MA; Stephen McDevitt, Medford MA	60.66%
8.27	4			Bob Meixner, Hinsdale IL; Michael Kutska, River Forest IL	60.08%
6.53	5			Nunzio Martorina, Midland TX; Robert Micone, Tustin CA	60.02%
5.60	6			George Pisk, Manchaca TX; Ron Feldman, Petaluma CA	59.38%
4.90	7			Barbara Kepple, West Chester PA; James Milam, Destin FL	59.14%
10.40	8	2		Clinton Heiple, Boulder CO; Woody Dillinger, Golden CO	58.82%
4.44	9			Raymond Yuenger, Campbell CA; Mansoor Gowani, San Jose CA	58.64%
3.56	10			Clay Sundermeyer - Nada Sundermeyer, Bellevue WA	58.02%
3.27	11			Carlos Munoz - Kassie Munoz, White Plains NY	57.93%
2.91	12/13			Gerald Fox, Napa CA; Tom Jacobson, Fairfield CA	57.37%
7.80	12/13	3		George Dragich - Rosemary Dragich, Windsor ON	57.37%
7.67		4	1	Thomas Cox, Mount Juliet TN; Barry Roof, Pueblo CO	56.97%
4.62		5		Edwin Straver, Incline Village NV; Bob Sendall, Morro Bay CA	56.09%
3.96		6		Peggy Hackley, Twin Falls ID; Shirley Tschannen, Gooding ID	54.41%
3.47		7		Sue Frishberg, West Hollywood CA; Maria Pendergast, W Hollywood CA	53.81%
5.75		8	2	Edna Pierson, Jerome ID; Joe Blackford, Filer ID	53.37%
3.03		9		Reginald Williams, Lafayette CA; Dennis Teifel, Fairfield CA	52.89%
4.31		10	3	Ed Plotsky - Thomas Howell, Reno NV	52.81%
3.24		4		Ben McMakin - Donald Lynam, Bandon OR	52.65%
2.56		5		A Patrick McEachern, Lincoln CA; Charles Berger, Citrus Heights CA	52.09%
2.29		6		Janice Cook, Roseburg OR; Michael Sandahl, Oakland OR	52.08%

SECOND SATURDAY AFTERNOON 50/100/300 PAIRS

12.0 Tables

	A	B	C		
3.11	1	1	1	Jan Hart, Redmond OR; Eileen Milligan, Corvallis OR	59.82%
2.33	2			Shirley Passeri - Robert Doan, Sun City Center FL	58.93%
1.75	3	2	2	Monica Brandl - Paula Stanko, Reno NV	58.33%
1.31	4			Jerry Pelletier, Morgan Hill CA; William Smith, Gilroy CA	56.85%
1.27	5	3		Bud Blount - Anne Blount, Dunwoody GA	56.25%
0.95	6	4		Joanie Gates, Austin TX; Joanne Mott, Baltimore MD	54.17%
0.63		5/6		Carol Wilkinson, Desert Hot Spgs CA; Sally Fishman, Bozeman MT	53.87%
0.83		5/6	3	Judith Fasani, Truckee CA; Constance Cole, Tahoe City CA	53.87%

FRIDAY-SUNDAY SIDE SERIES

26.0 Tables

	A	B	C		
5.46	1			Allan Mazer - Ruth-Anne Mazer, Towson MD	64.74%
4.10	2			Diana Holt, Palm Beach FL; Joseph Godefrin, Sarasota FL	61.86%
3.07	3			Maizie Ho, Honolulu HI; Warren Fukushima, Pearl City HI	60.90%
2.30	4			Ronald Sutherland - Wendy Dooley, Mississauga ON	59.46%
4.25	5	1		Rich Perry, Grass Valley CA; Peter Klebofski, San Carlos CA	58.81%
3.19	6	2	1	Daniel Lipori, Ellensburg WA; N Scott Cardell, Pullman WA	58.17%
2.39		3	2	Stephen Lubeck, San Carlos CA; Carolyn Lemm, Palo Alto CA	57.37%
1.79		4	3	Christopher Panos, Sacramento CA; Daniel Fong, Rancho Cordova CA	55.45%
1.68		5	4	Brenda Olsen - Mary Beth Bartel, Creswell OR	55.13%
1.18		6	5	Frances Bennett, Palo Alto CA; Lynne Louise Johnson, Cupertino CA	53.85%

FRIDAY-SUNDAY SIDE SERIES

13.0 Tables

	A	B	C		
3.49	1	1		Daniel Hoekstra, Portland OR; Michael Boothby, Wenatchee WA	59.72%
2.62	2	2	1	Robert Coole - Michael Petrescu, Prince George BC	59.49%
1.72	3/4			Gerald Laflamme, Grnd-Bay-Wfld NB; Patricia Young, Erie PA	58.33%
2.15	3/4			Marshall Kuschner, Reston VA; Douglas Kuschner, Newhall CA	58.33%
1.51	5			Edward Frymoyer, Half Moon Bay CA; Fred Chasalow, Belmont CA	57.18%
0.75	6/7			James Remy - Gregory Trautman, Olympia WA	55.09%
1.68	6/7	3		Kathy Hauck, Shoreline WA; Carmen Akins, Gresham OR	55.09%
1.48		4	2	Caron Peck - Karen Caton, Arlington TX	53.47%
1.18		5		John Chan, Sacramento CA; Rich Perry, Grass Valley CA	53.01%

SECOND SATURDAY EVENING 100/200/300 PAIRS

7.0 Tables

	A	B	C		
2.40	1	1		Leslie Perkins, Sunnyvale CA; Lynn Bartz, Los Gatos CA	64.17%
1.80	2	2		Harry Westmoreland, Chicago IL; Karen Rice, San Jose CA	59.17%
1.35	3			Barbara Charlton, Vancouver WA; Beverly Walters, Portland OR	52.50%
1.01	4			Ann Grill - George Grill, Breckenridge CO	52.08%
1.55	5/6	3/4	1	Janis Brown, Alameda CA; Bill Bussboom, Sacramento CA	50.83%
0.99	5/6	3/4		Tommie Kadotani, Denver CO; Roberta Le Feuvre, Van Nuys CA	50.83%
1.16			2	Conrad Larkin, Santa Rosa CA; Vita Halperin, Hackensack NJ	50.42%

SECOND SATURDAY 299ER SWISS TEAMS

5 Tables

	A	B			
2.12	1			Andrew Van Wye, Orinda CA; Evan Price, Walnut Creek CA; Mark Peterson - Margaret Peterson, Larkspur CA	63.00
1.65	2	1		Carisse Gafni, Reno NV; Darrell Davidson, Foresthill CA; Eileen Milligan, Corvallis OR; Jan Hart, Redmond OR	58.00

THURSDAY-SATURDAY MORNING SIDE SERIES

30.0 Tables		A	B	C		
6.07	1	1			Grant Robinson - Teresa Boyd, Lafayette CA	63.26%
4.55	2				Stephen Apodaca, Santa Fe NM; Bert Newman, West Bloomfield MI	61.36%
3.41	3				Vernon De Jong, Sharon PA; Thomas McDow, Rock Hill SC	60.42%
2.24	4/5				Fay Teal, Mesa AZ; Carol Mahoney, Kokomo IN	58.90%
3.64	4/5	2			Judy Guyer, El Macero CA; June Kasparian, Sacramento CA	58.90%
2.73	6/7	3			Jack Waller, Ridgecrest CA; Kim Wang, Torrance CA	57.58%
1.98	6/7				Michael Flader, Eagan MN; Dennis Ryan, Menomonie WI	57.58%
2.05		4			Takemi Totes - Peggy Zeiter, San Francisco CA	56.63%
3.34		5	1		Rajeev Bansal, Overland Park KS; Eric Rolfe, Kansas City MO	55.68%
2.51		6	2		Chris Martin - Jeffrey Blake, Green Valley AZ	55.30%
1.88			3		Helen McCourt - Stephen Chiarello, Las Vegas NV	54.17%
1.41			4		Stephen Drodge, McLean VA; Steve Reed, Arlington VA	53.22%
1.06			5		Julie Joyce, Cupertino CA; Art Linderman, Anaheim CA	53.03%
1.24			6		Jean Marchant, Kentfield CA; Susan Angel, Greenbrae CA	51.89%

SECOND SATURDAY AM 50/100/300 PAIRS

15.0 Tables		A	B	C		
3.53	1				Jerry Pelletier, Morgan Hill CA; William Smith, Gilroy CA	65.53%
2.65	2	1			Jack Fitzgerald, Lodi CA; Bob Champion, Carmel CA	59.85%
1.99	3	2	1		Sara Goerke, Truckee NV; Sue Friedenbach, Redwood City CA	57.20%
1.49	4	3			Lydia Yang - Patrick Yang, Basking Ridge NJ	56.25%
1.24	5	4			Joel Speiser - Wendy Speiser, Holland OH	54.55%
0.97	6/7	5/6	2/3		Judith Fasani, Truckee CA; Constance Cole, Tahoe City CA	53.41%
0.97	6/7	5/6	2/3		John Swanson - Linda Swanson, Reno NV	53.41%

SECOND SATURDAY JUNIOR BRIDGE

4.0 Tables						
1.21	1				Sierra Turk, Sun Valley NV; Brittany Hazer, Sparks NV	53.70%
0.91	2				Antonio Rodriguez - Harley Broadhead, Sun Valley NV	52.78%
0.68	3				Jacob Krall, Sun Valley NV; Breanna Blare, Sparks NV	47.22%

THURSDAY-SATURDAY MORNING SIDE SERIES

57.25 Tables						
9.56	1/2				Jack Triplett, Inkom ID	118.89%
9.56	1/2				John Coone, Vernon BC	118.89%
6.72	3/4				Dian Petrov, Buffalo NY	116.80%
6.72	3/4				Fred Schenker, Pittsburgh PA	116.80%
4.23	5/6				Gregory Vernon, Ridgecrest CA	116.62%
4.23	5/6				Rob Lorck, Colorado Spgs CO	116.62%
2.58	7/8				Buddhadeb Biswas, Lexington MA	113.13%
2.58	7/8				Nathan Glasser, Somerville MA	113.13%

PORTLAND EASTSIDE BC OPEN PAIRS

32.0 Tables		A	X			
22.05	1				David Wakeman - Rita Wakeman, Irvine CA	62.66%
16.54	2				Mark Itabashi, Murrieta CA; Marilyn Kivel, Newport Coast CA	60.02%
12.40	3	1			Jason Schroeder - Darcy Schroeder, Tempe AZ	59.60%
9.30	4	2			Manfred Michlmayr, Orinda CA; Jack Beers, Oakland CA	59.54%
7.35	5				Paul Conroy, Aberdeen WA; Steven Campau, Seattle WA	59.05%
6.30	6				Susan Ledford, Oakley CA; Suzanne St Thomas, Salem OR	58.89%
5.51	7				Paul O'Brien, Portland OR; David Vidaver, Sacramento CA	58.65%
4.90	8				Lois Stuart, West Chester PA; Victoria Muir, Kansas City MO	58.49%
4.41	9				Jo Smith, Abilene TX; Peggy Craig, El Paso TX	56.80%
4.01	10				B Wayne Stuart III, Santa Cruz CA; Burton Stuart Jr, Chapel Hill NC	56.73%
3.68	11				Jack Shinehoft, Dundas ON; George Fox, Manvel TX	56.57%
3.39	12				Kenneth Stuckey, Arvada CO; Julie Zhu, Vero Beach FL	55.93%
4.63	13	3			Susan Jackson - Stephen Jackson, Roseville MN	55.13%
3.58	14	4			Robert Forster, New York NY; Jonathan Ullman, Cambridge MA	54.17%
2.74		5			Edwin Seputis - Teresa Seputis, Oakland CA	53.77%
2.35		6			Bruce Boje, Chanhassen MN; Stuart Foster, Park City UT	53.57%

SAGEBRUSH PAIRS

19.0 Tables						
	7	3				
7.17	1				Gordon Bell - Barry Mactaggart, Weyburn SK	61.13%
5.38	2				Christina Parker, Newton MA; Gary Minnig, Pleasanton CA	60.76%
4.03	3	1			Phyllis Siegel, Ballwin MO; Jo Chorpeneing, Ellisville MO	57.10%
3.02	4	2			Cory Perkers - Fred Johnston, Chicago IL	56.94%
2.39	5				Darryl Hendershot, Desert Hot Spgs CA; Jason Larrivee, Regina SK	56.83%
2.23	6				Marianne Van Gelder, Monterey CA; Carole Le Brun, Salinas CA	56.53%
2.34		3			Stewart Rubenstein - Brian Rubenstein, Newton MA	56.37%
1.70		4			Stephen Chiarello - Barbara Lotief, Las Vegas NV	51.43%
1.34		5			Elizabeth Sachs - Desiree Soto, Sacramento CA	49.07%

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second, The second-place qualifiers are Andrew Krywaniuk and Vincent Yung, both of Vancouver BC. From the starting field of 34 tables, 14 qualified for the final.

The North American Pairs is a grassroots event. Flight B is limited to players with 0-1500 masterpoints. Flight C is limited to players who are not yet Life Masters.

FRIDAY-SATURDAY COMPACT KO BRACKET I

9 Tables						
12.09	1				John Russell, North Barrington IL; Valentin Kovachev, Stony Brook NY; Rick Kaye, Bingham Farms MI; Beverly Gardner, Farmington Hills MI	
8.46	2				Loretta Bromberg, Bel Tiburon CA; Don Friedman - Michael Levin, San Francisco CA; Gilbert Ramirez, Reno NV	
5.44	3				Paul Sorensen, Berwyn AB; William Rottmayer, Spokane WA; Rodney Paxton, Coeur D'Alene ID; Gloria Krauter, Ardmore OK	
4.23	4				Baixiang Liu, Vancouver BC; Eric Pan, Burnaby BC; Yuan Chen, Toronto ON; Herman Xiao, Sammamish WA	

FRIDAY-SATURDAY COMPACT KO BRACKET II

12 Tables						
6.48	1				Ronald Goodman - Louis Lipset, San Francisco CA; Rich Perry, Grass Valley CA; Peter Klebofski, San Carlos CA	
4.54	2				Richard Saval, Wayland MA; Barbara Murphy, Needham MA; Ronald Briggs, Lexington MA; Andre Wiejacki, Chelsea MA	
2.92	3				Loni Byloff - Cora Robey - Eileen McCleary, Reno NV; Rose Ann McElrath, Lincoln CA	
2.27	4				Keith Meyer - Marci Meyer, McKinney TX; Ken Cornelius - Mary Cornelius, Portland OR	

FRIDAY-SATURDAY COMPACT KO BRACKET III

14 Tables						
5.21	1				Michael Wavada, Enfield CT; Steve Smith, N Granby CT; Sarah Beckman, Eden Prairie MN; John Beckman, Canton MI	
3.65	2				Thomas Collins, Sedona AZ; Bradley Holcombe, White Salmon WA; Janet Williams - Susan McLaurin, Houston TX	
2.34	3				Robert Clarke - Alma Farley, Richardson TX; Caron Peck - Karen Caton, Arlington TX	
1.82	4				Dianne Kiehl, Muskego WI; Marlene Backus, Brookfield WI; Ann Grill - George Grill, Breckenridge CO	

SECOND FRIDAY ZIP KOS BRACKET I

10 Tables						
3.03	1				Anam Tebha, Las Vegas NV; Zachary Brescoll, Versailles KY; Nathan Glasser, Somerville MA; Andre Asbury, Warner Robins GA; Kevin Dwyer, Fort Myers FL; Kevin Wilson, Knoxville TN	
2.12	2				Hua Poon, Singapore 31022 Singapore; Choon Chou Loo, Singapore 60027 Singapore; Gemma Mariano, Metro Manila Philippines; Kelvin Ng, Singapore 80609 Singapore	
1.21	3/4				Brian Meyer, Cheektowaga NY; McKenzie Myers, Portland OR; Vanessa Smith, Vancouver WA; Greg Humphreys, Charlottesville VA; Andrew Hoskins, Mountain View CA	
1.21	3/4				Chris Chung - Eric Mayefsky, Palo Alto CA; Argenta Price, San Francisco CA; Alexander Lovejoy, Stanford CA	

SECOND FRIDAY ZIP KOS BRACKET 2

10 Tables						
3.03	1				Adam Kaplan, New Port Richey FL; Lewis Gamerman, Westwood MA; Chris Moll - Tammy Moll, Raleigh NC	
2.12	2				Lorraine Cable, New York NY; Tony Ames II, Minnetonka MN; Steve Reed, Arlington VA; Matthew Dyer, Chicago IL	
1.21	3/4				Jerry Premo, Sacramento CA; Vicki Lerner - Jo Ginsberg - Len Vishnevsky, San Francisco CA	
1.21	3/4				Robin Brown, Dobbs Ferry NY; Helen Raleigh, Suffern NY; Alex Perlin, Metuchen NJ; Henry Wong, Long Isl City NY	



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came the ♠J, ruffed in dummy with the king and overruffed by East

East could have done better at this point by switching to a club — it would have broken up the ensuing end position. But he actually led his last trump. Stiefel carefully won this with the 10 and then led the ♥7 to his 9.

This was the four-card ending:

♠ —	
♥ —	
♦ A Q	
♣ J 4	
♠ 10 9 7	♠ —
♥ —	♥ —
♦ —	♦ K 10
♣ 9	♣ K 10
♠ —	
♥ 6	
♦ 7 5	
♣ A	

Stiefel led his last trump — the ♥6 — and pitched dummy's ♦Q. He still had the ♦A and two clubs in the dummy and ♣A and two low diamonds in his hand. East had to discard. It was the perfect criss-cross squeeze. If East threw a diamond, Stiefel would cash the ♦A and get back to his hand with the ♣A for another diamond trick. If East discarded a club, Stiefel would cross to the ♣A and get back to dummy with the ♦A and cash his good club.

Transfer squeeze

This deal occurred in the Vanderbilt.

♠ Q 8	
♥ K J 2	
♦ J 6 4 2	
♣ K Q 5 3	
♠ 9 7 4	♠ J 10 6 3 2
♥ 10 6 4	♥ Q 7 3
♦ K 10 7	♦ 9 5
♣ 10 9 7 4	♣ J 8 6
♠ A K 5	
♥ A 9 8 5	
♦ A Q 8 3	
♣ A 2	

At both tables, South declared 6NT. Jeff Roman received the opening lead of the ♠7 which he won in dummy with the queen. A diamond to the queen held when West ducked, and Roman continued with the ♦A and a third diamond. West took the king and continued with the ♠9. Roman won the ace and took stock.

With 11 tricks assured, the 12th could come from taking the heart finesse. Roman, however, elected to try for a squeeze by playing the ♥A and a heart to the king. This strategy will work whenever an opponent is holding three or more hearts to the queen and four or more clubs (or when the ♥Q drops doubleton or singleton).

On the actual layout, however, neither defender had such a hand, so the squeeze failed, down one.

The play at the other table began almost identically, and declarer, Carolyn Lynch, also decided against the heart finesse in favor of a possible squeeze. Lynch tried a slightly different approach. She played a heart to the king and called for dummy's ♥J. East covered and Lynch won the ace. This was the position:

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SECOND SATURDAY SIDE SWISS

26 Tables			
	A	B	C
5.46	1		Sun-O Ho, Brookfield WI; James Melville, Springfield IL; Will Engel, Freeport IL; Suzanne Dunn, Crystal Lake IL; Joshua Stark, Grayslake IL; William McFall, New Berlin WI 75.00
4.55	2	1	Kurt Fritz, Kailua HI; Vicki Sutton - Lillian Johannessen, Honolulu HI; Warren Fukushima, Pearl City HI 62.00
3.41	3	2	Randy Jean Hiltbrand, Eugene OR; Sharron Lyons, Springfield OR; Brenda Olsen - Mary Beth Bartel, Creswell OR 60.00
2.56	4	3	Larry Miller, Concord CA; Bradley Komsthoef, Clayton CA; Grant Robinson - Teresa Boyd, Lafayette CA 54.00
2.58	5/6	4	1 Patricia Penty, Aurora ON; Frances Ash, Thornhill ON; Ed Plotsky - Thomas Quint, Reno NV 49.00
1.52	5/6		Sandra Rimstedt, Haverdal Sweden; Justin Blanchard - Shane Blanchard, New York NY; Andrew Levin, Lake Ariel PA; John Kranyak, Bay Village OH 49.00
1.44		5	Jon Oheren - Mildred Artman, Canfield OH; Nancy Michael, Youngstown OH; Lynn Rafferty, Columbiana OH 46.00
1.94		6	2 Carol Kilmer, Portland OR; Daniel Lipori, Ellensburg WA; Jeffrey Dale, Davis CA; N Scott Cardell, Pullman WA; Wallace Young, Honolulu HI 45.00
1.45		3	Thomas Collins, Sedona AZ; Donald McKush, Pride Lake MN; James Edmondson - Judy Edmondson, Santa Barbara CA 38.00

NORTH AMERICAN PAIRS - FLIGHT B

14.0 Tables		Carryover	
1	John Kozero, Santa Rosa CA; Gary Robinson, Forestville CA		19.29
2	Igor Milman - Oleg Rubinchik, Brooklyn NY		18.36
3	Lloyd Rawley, Greenbelt MD; Michael Richey, Springfield VA		11.56
4	Henry Gibson, Livingston NJ; John Anderson, Boonton NJ		11.09
5	David Taylor, Seattle WA; Kim Eng, Issaquah WA		9.88
6	Jim Mathers - Rosemary Sampson, Halifax NS		9.69
7	Jack Alhale - Rozi Alhale, New York NY		7.92
8	Chris Kleis, Lyndhurst OH; Charles Scholl, Shaker Heights OH		7.36
9	Anne Taylor - Robert Taylor, Newark DE		6.99
10	Fred Ferguson, Hilton Head Isl SC; Peter Wolf, Hilton Head Is SC		6.71
11	Adam Ruprecht, Seattle WA; Jeff Ford, Redmond WA		5.87
12	Henjin Chi - John Clark, Terre Haute IN		5.78
13	Jon Shuster - Ron Law, Gainesville FL		5.69
14	Barbara Grzegorzewski, Meadville PA; Chet Mody, Greenville PA		4.94
15/17	Christopher Marlow, Wilmington DE; Andy Muenz, Brookhaven PA		3.73
15/17	Richard Troth, Columbia MO; Gregory Barnes, Jefferson City MO		3.73
15/17	Aniko Szabo - Tamas Szabo, Brookfield WI		3.73
18	Ying Hu, N-D-L'ile-Perro QC; Xiangxiu Yang, Ile-Perrot QC		3.63
19	Liliana Diaconescu - Brian Zaugg, Burien WA		3.26
20	Daniel Jarboe - Lorraine Jarboe, Ft Walton Bch FL		1.77
21	Nancy Ruiz - Bob Walsh, Santa Fe NM		1.49
22	John Christensen - Larry Brafman, Baltimore MD		1.40
23/26	Matt Klimesh, Pasadena CA; David Kempe, Los Angeles CA		1.30
23/26	Don McCarthy, West Kelowna BC; Glenn Cossey, Innisfail AB		1.30
23/26	Dian Petrov, Buffalo NY; Fred Schenker, Pittsburgh PA		1.30
23/26	Richard Feinberg, Union City CA; Rajan Jeyakumar, Fremont CA		1.30
27	Paul Erikson, Edmonton AB; Robert Short, Red Deer AB		1.12
28	Tom McCrackin, Carpinteria CA; Kalon Kelley, Santa Barbara CA		0.00

NORTH AMERICAN PAIRS - FLIGHT C

14.0 Tables		Carrovoer	
1	Renjun Guo - Qiang Zhang, Mountain House CA		30.28
2	Andrew Krywaniuk - Vincent Yung, Vancouver BC		19.01
3	Xiaolun Yi, Fredericton NB; Peter Coates, Hanwell NB		18.91
4	Vincent Weng, Lawrenceville NJ; Zhu Liu, Edison NJ		12.64
5	Ryan Schultz - David Camillus, Dayton OH		12.25
6	David Garrison - Kristy Garrison, Spring TX		11.76
7	Sean Casey, Atlantic Hlds NJ; Jason Tokuda, Livingston NJ		10.78
8	Bruce Roberts, Bethesda MD; Bruce Goldstein, Silver Spring MD		10.49
9	Jeff La Caze, Hot Spgs Vlg AR; Charles Stofer, Hot Spgs Villag AR		9.70
10	Steve Ramos, Seal Beach CA; Neal Kleiner, San Pedro CA		8.23
11	Barbara Sallee - Betty Elrod, McAlester OK		7.94
12	Jenna Tichon - Ken Goodridge, Winnipeg MB		7.06
13	Steve Herrmann, Wilmington DE; James Bray, Brunswick ME		6.47
14	Murat Veysoglu, Cypress CA; Lisa Kuo, Rancho Palos Vd CA		6.27
15	Mitch Miladinovich - Terri Miladinovich, Acampo CA		5.68
16	Larry Eulner, Freeport NY; Steven Perrin, Baldwin NY		5.00
17	Betty Metz, Grand Island NY; Diane Lyons, Williamsville NY		4.80
18	Nathan Wilmes, Oakland CA; Spencer Sun, Las Vegas NV		4.41
19	Elizabeth Meteere, Wildwood MO; Martha Hanley, Chesterfield MO		3.82
20	Curtiss Cohen - Kevin Choi, Chicago IL		3.53
21	R Turner, Los Angeles CA; Alyssa Kennedy, Marina Del Rey CA		3.33
22/23	Bill Darden, Estes Park CO; Jane Harroff, Estese Park CO		2.45
22/23	Joseph Keim - William Gottschall, Dayton OH		2.45
24	Pawel Hanus, Carrollton TX; Bogumil Knypinski, N Richland Hill TX		2.16
25	Stanley Weiss, Livingston NJ; Vladimir Oudalov, Nutley NJ		1.96
26	Fraser Brooks - Pamela Keim, Regina SK		0.59
27/28	L Kaddatz, Hot Spgs Vlg AR; Linda Smith, Hot Springs Vlg AR		0.00
27/28	Kailash Sachdev - Rani Sachdev, The Woodlands TX		0.00

MACHLIN WOMEN'S SWISS

14 Tables		
1	Lynn Baker, Austin TX; Karen McCallum, Exeter NH; Lynn Deas, Schenectady NY; Beth Palmer, Silver Spring MD; Kerri Sanborn, Stony Point NY; Irina Levitina, Hackensack NJ	21.38
2	Geeske Joel, Palo Alto CA; Tobi Sokolow, Austin TX; Janice Seamon-Molson, Hollywood FL; Jill Meyers, Santa Monica CA; Debbie Rosenberg, New Rochelle NY; Jill Levin, Lake Ariel PA	10.69
3	Migry Zur Campanile, New York NY; Shannon Cappelletti, Dania Beach FL; Phyllis Fireman, Chestnut Hill MA; Shawn Quinn, Houston TX; Martine Verbeek, Rotterdam Netherlands; Wietske Van Zwol, Tilburg Netherlands	8.44
4	Suzy Burger, West Bloomfield MI; Joann Glasson, Pennington NJ; Lisa Berkowitz, Boca Raton FL; Chris Wiegand, Portland OR; Jenni Carmichael, Kennesaw GA; Linda Lewis, Sioux Falls SD	6.75
5	Susan Wexler, New York NY; Brenda Bryant, Ferndale MI; Sylwia McNamara, White Plains NY; Ljudmila Kamenova, Stony Brook NY; Sylvia Caley, Montreal QC	6.19
6	Irene Pickett, Portland OR; Polly Dunn, Bellevue WA; Diane Cullen - Flo Savage, Beaverton OR	5.63
7	Cheri Bjerkan, Elmhurst IL; Rozanne Pollack, Basking Ridge NJ; Pam Wittes, Venice CA; Jo Anna Stansby, Dublin CA	3.94
8/9	Carol Schoenhals - Charlotte Blaiss, Lubbock TX; Linda Spangler, Ft Worth TX; Ann Brinker Schwall, Houston TX; Ellen Hessel, San Antonio TX; Carolyn Peters, Grapeland TX	3.38
8/9	Catherine D'Ovidio, Courbevoie 9240 France; Daniele Gaviard, Paris France; Victoria Gromova, Moscow Russia; Tatiana Ponomareva, Moscow Russia; Hjordis Eythorsdottir, Huntsville AL; Stacy Jacobs, Hinsdale IL	3.38
10/11	Julie Smith - Susan Peters, Vancouver BC; June Pocock, New Westminster BC; Jadwiga Polujan, Port Coquitlam BC	2.81
10/11	Lynne Schaefer, Ellicott City MD; Renee Mancuso, Los Angeles CA; Lynne Feldman, San Diego CA; Sheri Winestock, Las Vegas NV; Martha Katz, Burr Ridge IL; Chris Benson, Le Roy IL	2.81
12	Joyce Hampton, Blythewood SC; Jenny Wolpert, Singer Island FL; Benedicte Cronier, Paris France; Sylvie Willard, Paris France; Daniela von Arnim, Hockenh Germany; Sabine Auken, Charlottenlund Denmark	1.69
13	Ann Labe, San Ysidro CA; Kitty Cooper, Fort Collins CO; Pamela Granovetter, Cincinnati OH; Kathleen Sulgrove, Twinsburg OH; G. Margie Gwozdzinsky, New York NY	0.56
14	Janet Daling, Peoria AZ; Amy Deshaw, Seattle WA; Barbara Nist, Seatac WA; Elaine De Shaw, Federal Way WA	0.00

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	♠ —	
	♥ 2	
	♦ 6	
	♣ K Q 5 3	
♠ 4		♠ J 10 6
♥ 10		♥ 7
♦ —		♦ —
♣ 10 9 7 4		♣ J 8
	♠ K	
	♥ 9 8	
	♦ 8	
	♣ A 2	

When Lynch played the last diamond, West was squeezed. He could discard a spade, but the ♠K would be the last nail in the coffin.

Lynch's line of play transferred the threat to the defender holding long clubs and the ♥10 instead of the ♥Q. Making six earned Lynch's squad 17 IMPs.

The right time to bid a minor

Bobby Wolff was faced with a tough decision on his fourth bid. He knew his side had quite a few tricks in notrump, but would he get in before the opponents ran five tricks? He decided that 5♦ offered better chances.

Dlr: North	♠ Q 3 2
Vul: Both	♥ Q 8 5
	♦ K J 9 4 3 2
	♣ 6

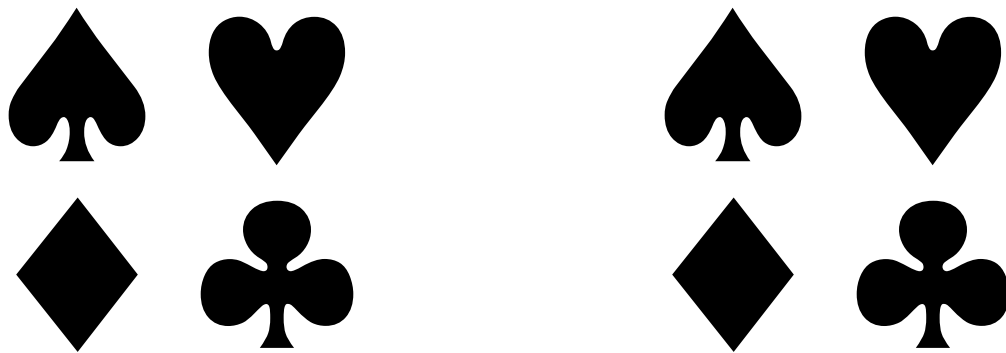
♠ J 8	♠ 7 6 5 4
♥ 10 9 6 4 3	♥ K J 7 2
♦ A 8 5	♦ 7
♣ K Q 2	♣ A 9 7 3

	♠ A K 10 9
	♥ A
	♦ Q 10 6
	♣ J 10 8 5 4

<i>North</i>	<i>South</i>
	1♣
1♦	1♠
2♦	3♦
3♠	5♦
Pass	

Bidding 5♦ left it up to Sidney Lazard to find 11 tricks. The opening heart lead went to dummy's ace and Lazard immediately called for a club. West put up the queen and led the ♦A and another diamond to dummy's 10. Lazard ruffed a club, got back to dummy with a heart ruff and ruffed another club. After cashing the ♦K, he led a spade to the ace and ruffed a third club. The ace fell from East, so Lazard was able to go to dummy's ♠K and cash the long club for his 11th trick.

Wolff was right in his assessment. The defense can take four clubs and the ♦A for down one, and they would get two chances to do so. The first opportunity would be on opening lead. The second chance would come when West took his ♦A.



NAOP PAIRS FLIGHT B - SECOND QUALIFYING SESSION

NORTH-SOUTH	
1	Igor Milman - Oleg Rubinchik, Brooklyn NY
2	Lloyd Rawley, Greenbelt MD; Michael Richey, Springfield VA
3	Henjin Chi - John Clark, Terre Haute IN
4	Henry Gibson, Livingston NJ; John Anderson, Boonton NJ
5	Adam Ruprecht, Seattle WA; Jeff Ford, Redmond WA
6	Jon Shuster - Ron Law, Gainesville FL
7	Fred Ferguson, Hilton Head Isl SC; Peter Wolf, Hilton Head Is SC
8	Dian Petrov, Buffalo NY; Fred Schenker, Pittsburgh PA
9	Richard Feinberg, Union City CA; Rajan Jeyakumar, Fremont CA
10	Richard Troth, Columbia MO; Gregory Barnes, Jefferson City MO
11	Ying Hu, N-D-L'ile-Perro QC; Xiangxiu Yang, Ile-Perrot QC
12	Christopher Marlow, Wilmington DE; Andy Muenz, Brookhaven PA
13	Michael Mayer, Cherry Hill NJ; Lewis Klein, Clementon NJ
14	Tom McCrackin, Carpinteria CA; Kalon Kelley, Santa Barbara CA

EAST-WEST	
1	David Taylor, Seattle WA; Kim Eng, Issaquah WA
2	John Kozero, Santa Rosa CA; Gary Robinson, Forestville CA
3	Jim Mathers - Rosemary Sampson, Halifax NS
4	Anne Taylor - Robert Taylor, Newark DE
5	Frank Shih, Pasadena CA; Robert C.F. Wang, El Monte CA
6	Suresh Agarwal, Charlottesville VA; Curtis Bare, Charlottesville VA
7	Chris Kleis, Lyndhurst OH; Charles Scholl, Shaker Heights OH
8	John Christensen - Larry Brafman, Baltimore MD
9	Daniel Jarboe - Lorraine Jarboe, Ft Walton Bch FL
10	Barbara Grzegorzewski, Meadville PA; Chet Mody, Greenville PA
11	Yixin Pan, Spring TX; Hua Yang, Plano TX
12	Jack Alhale - Rozi Alhale, New York NY
13	Milton Spinner, del Mar CA; Frederick Parker, San Diego CA
14	Daniel Schomer, Katy TX; Ing-Tai Chen, Sugar Land TX

NAOP PAIRS FLIGHT C - SECOND QUALIFYING SESSION

NORTH-SOUTH	
1	Prem Garg, Potomac MD; Shyam Giridharadas, Chevy Chase MD
2/3	Peter Peca, El Paso TX; Gordon Bunge, Santa Teresa NM
2/3	Andrew Krywaniuk - Vincent Yung, Vancouver BC
4	Betty Metz, Grand Island NY; Diane Lyons, Williamsville NY
5	Elizabeth Meterer, Wildwood MO; Martha Hanley, Chesterfield MO
6	Sean Casey, Atlantic Hlds NJ; Jason Tokuda, Livingston NJ
7	Magid Shirzadegan, Eugene OR; Anoush Shirzadegan, Portland OR
8	Jeff La Caze, Hot Spgs Vlg AR; Charles Stofor, Hot Spgs Villag AR
9	Barbara Sallee - Betty Elrod, McAlester OK
10	Mitch Miladinovich - Terri Miladinovich, Acampo CA
11	Joseph Keim - William Gottschall, Dayton OH
12	Michael Wavada, Enfield CT; Steve Smith, N Granby CT
13	Thomas Fagan - Katie Fagan, Kailua HI
14	Curtiss Cohen - Kevin Choi, Chicago IL

EAST-WEST	
1	Renjun Guo - Qiang Zhang, Mountain House CA
2	Jenna Tichon - Ken Goodridge, Winnipeg MB
3	Steve Herrmann, Wilmington DE; James Bray, Brunswick ME
4	Douglas Katzenstein, Syosset NY; Ludmila Antonova, New York NY
5	Bruce Roberts, Bethesda MD; Bruce Goldstein, Silver Spring MD
6	Nathan Wilmes, Oakland CA; Spencer Sun, Las Vegas NV
7/8	D. Thomas Terwilliger, Cincinnati OH; Ambrish Bansal, West Chester OH
7/8	Xiaolun Yi, Fredericton NB; Peter Coates, Hanwell NB
9	L. Kaddatz, Hot Spgs Vlg AR; Linda Smith, Hot Springs Vlg AR
10	Bill Darden, Estes Park CO; Jane Harroff, Estese Park CO
11	Ryan Schultz - David Camillus, Dayton OH
12	Stanley Weiss, Livingston NJ; Vladimir Oudalov, Nutley NJ
13	Richard Jeng - Andrew Jeng, Johns Creek GA
14	Ronald Briggs, Lexington MA; Andre Wiejacki, Chelsea MA

RAY WARD DAYLIGHT PAIRS - SECOND SESSION

Table with columns for North-South, Section SS, East-West, and Section TT. Rows include names, locations, and percentages for various participants.

SECOND SATURDAY AFTERNOON 50/100/300 PAIRS - AFTERNOON SESSION

Table with columns for North-South, Section W, and East-West. Rows include names, locations, and percentages for various participants.

NAP PAIRS FLIGHT B FIRST QUALIFYING SESSION

Table with columns for North-South, Sections I J, and East-West. Rows include names, locations, and percentages for various participants.

NAP PAIRS FLIGHT C - FIRST QUALIFYING SESSION

Table with columns for North-South, Sections K L, and East-West. Rows include names, locations, and percentages for various participants.

PORTLAND EASTSIDE BC OPEN SECOND SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Table with columns for North-South, Section P, East-West, Section Q, and East-West. Rows include names, locations, and percentages for various participants.

SAGEBRUSH PAIRS - FIRST SESSION

Table with columns for North-South, Section M, East-West, Section N, and East-West. Rows include names, locations, and percentages for various participants.

FRIDAY-SUNDAY SIDE SERIES

Table with columns for North-South, Section VV, East-West, Section WW, and East-West. Rows include names, locations, and percentages for various participants.

Today's Bridge Events

Sunday, March 21, 10 a.m.

Event	Session	Sold	Entry/player/session ACBL members**	Other
Strati-Flighted Swiss Teams A/X	1-2	Summit Ballroom	\$16	\$18
B/C/D	1-2	Summit Ballroom	\$16	\$18
Stratified Senior Swiss Teams <i>All: Play-through</i>	1-2	Summit Ballroom	\$16	\$18
Friday-Sunday Side Game Series	5th single session	Summit Ballroom	\$16	\$18
Stratified 299er Swiss Teams	single	Carson Ballroom 1 & 2	\$15	\$17
299er, 199er, 99er, 49er Pairs	single	Carson Ballroom 1 & 2	\$15	\$17
0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single	Carson Ballroom 1 & 2	\$15	\$15
Sunday, March 21, 10 a.m. & 2 p.m.				
Stratified Fast Pairs	1-2	Summit Ballroom	\$16	\$18
Sunday, March 21, 10 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.				
Saturday-Sunday Bracketed KO Teams	3-4	Summit Ballroom	\$16	\$18
Sunday, March 21, 10 a.m. & 3 p.m.				
Golder North American Pairs, Flight B	1-2 F	Carson Ballroom 3 & 4	No fee	
President's Cup North American Pairs, Flight C	1-2 F	Carson Ballroom 3 & 4	No fee	
Sunday, March 21, 11 a.m. & 5 p.m.				
JACOBY OPEN SWISS TEAMS	1-2 F	Reno Ballroom	\$20	
Sunday, March 21, 11 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.				
MACHLIN WOMEN'S SWISS TEAMS	1-2 F	Crystal Ballroom	\$20	
Sunday, March 21, 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.				
VANDERBILT KNOCKOUT TEAMS	Round 6	Ruby Room (mezzanine level)	\$20	
Sunday, March 21, 2:30 p.m.				
Friday-Sunday Side Game Series	6th single session	Carson Ballroom 1 & 2	\$16	\$18
Stratified 299er Swiss Teams	single	Carson Ballroom 1 & 2	\$15	\$17
299er, 199er, 99er, 49er Pairs	single	Carson Ballroom 1 & 2	\$15	\$17
0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single	Carson Ballroom 1 & 2	\$15	\$17

Unless otherwise noted, Strati-Flighted and Strati-Flighted Senior events are divided: A/X (3000+, 0-3000); separate from B/C/D (1000-2000, 500-1000, 0-500). Strata breaks for Stratified and Stratified Senior events are: A (2000+), B (750-2000), C (0-750).

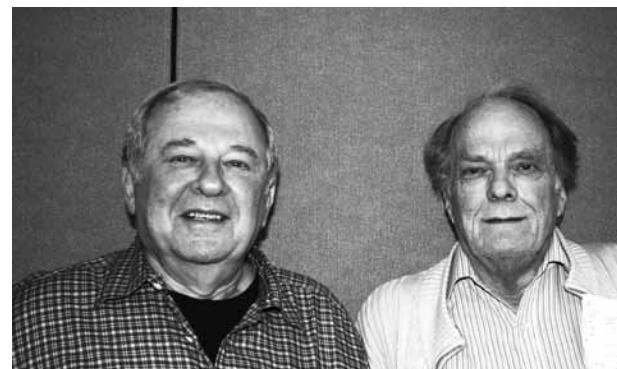
*Members whose dues payment is current and Life Masters whose service fee payment is current.



Rosemary and George Dragich were second in the Bean Red Ribbon Pairs.



Victoria Gromova and Tatiana Ponomareva were second in the Whitehead Women's Pairs. This photo was taken at the 2009 Fall NABC in San Diego.



Joe Kivel and Chris Larsen were second in the Silodor Open Pairs.

Goodwill message

As we prepare to leave this terrific Reno NABC, let's all take an extra moment to say "thank you" to our hosts. The hospitality and entertainment have been spectacular.

I look forward to see you at the Summer NABC in New Orleans LA.

*Aileen Osofsky, Chairman
National Goodwill Committee*



Today's hosts

Reno Unit 473 (District 21)

Reno, The biggest Little City in the World, has 250 members. They have bridge games seven days a week with one evening game on Wednesday. Susanville CA is also a member of the Reno Unit and has a bridge game on Tuesday evening.

The unit has two five-day Sectionals a year, in the Spring and Fall.

Carson City/Tahoe Unit 465 (District 21)

This unit is comprised of four bridge clubs with 143 members.

Carson City NV has a total of four open games. They also have a abbreviated limited game on Tuesday mornings with a 40-minute lesson prior to the start of the game.

Gardnerville NV has a bridge game on Monday. Crystal Bay located on the north shore of Lake Tahoe offers a Tuesday evening bridge game in the summer and fall months. South Shore CA offers a bridge game on Tuesdays only during the summer.

See you at the Summer NABC July 22-Aug. 1 in New Orleans!