# Bulletin 

Houston, Texas

# Nickell rally falls short Diamond, Katz in Vanderbilt KO final 

The team captained by John Diamond, seeded No. 12 in the Vanderbilt Knockout Teams, charged out to a 59-IMP halftime lead over the Nick Nickell squad, expanded it to 88 after three quarters and then held off a fourth-quarter rally to advance to the championship round.

In the 64-board final, Diamond and company will face the Ralph Katz squad, 129-108 winners over the No. 2 seed led by James Cayne. The match will be shown on Bridge Base Online. There will be no live vugraph presentation.

Diamond's teammates are Brian Platnick, Fred Gitelman, Brad Moss, Geoff Hampson and Eric Greco. They will face Katz, George Jacobs, Walid Elahmady, Tarek Sadek, Robert Levin and Steve Weinstein.

The Cayne-Katz match was close through two quarters, but Katz pulled away for an 89-50 lead through 48 boards.

## Red Ribbon Pairs goes down to the wire

When Daniel Jackson and Bill Gervais sat down to play the last round against Steven and Mitch Towner, neither pair could know that they were in first and second place and were playing to win the event. At stake was the Bean Red Ribbon Pairs championship.

On the key deal, Jackson and Gervais bid to $6 \boldsymbol{\vee}$. After winning the lead and playing several rounds of trumps, Jackson took a finesse. When it lost, Steven Towner could have returned a spade to set the slam. He had discarded all of his spades, however, as declarer played hearts, so he led a diamond instead.
"I just feel terrible," said Towner. "It's the worst play I made in two days."

Making the slam was worth 35 on a 38 top. The winners had a score of 1266.53. The second-placed pair was about one-half board behind with a score of 1241.24

The winners met at a mentor game where Jackson was the mentor and Gervais the protege. When things clicked, and they formed a regular partnership.

When asked how they won, Gervais, of Cypress TX, said, "We had an all-around good game."

Jackson, of Spring TX, added "We took advantage of a few defensive


Daniel J ackson and Bill Gervais won the Bean Red Ribbon Pairs.

## Demirev, L’Ecuyer capture IMP Pairs

First-time partners Nikolay Demirev and Nicolas L'Ecuyer had some ground to make up after the first final session of the Lebhar IMP Pairs, but they posted a huge score in the second final to win by nearly 11 IMPs.

Demirev, of the Chicago suburb of Arlington Heights, and L'Ecuyer, of Montreal, were plus 55.59 IMPs over 26 deals to earn the victory.

Second place went to Greg Hinze of San Antonio TX and Nagy Kamel of Plano TX.

Demirev and L'Ecuyer had never played together before the Houston NABC, and their first outing was in the Vanderbilt Knockout Teams.

Both have won North American championships, Demirev the IMP Pairs


Nikolay Demirez and Nicolas L'Ecuyer.
in 2004 and the Nail Life Master Open Pairs in Boston last fall. L'Ecuyer won the Fast Open Pairs in Chicago in 2006.

Demirev teaches English as a second language in Chicago. L'Ecuyer is a money manager for Giverny Capital Inc. in Montreal.

They played a more or less natural system with many custom gadgets.

## Berkowitz, Glasson cruise in Whitehead Women's Pairs

Lisa Berkowitz and Joann Glasson, the leaders at the halfway point of the Whitehead Women's Pairs, had two solid sessions in the event to win by more than two boards.

Second place went to Hjordis Eythorsdottir and Valerie Westheimer.
The winners have enviable records in North American and international competition, and Glasson made headlines earlier in the tournament as a new Grand Life Master (10,000 masterpoints plus at least one major title).

Glasson and Berkowitz led the field after two qualifying sessions, then posted games of $57.77 \%$ and $57.62 \%$ in the two final sessions to win by 53.94 matchpoints on a 25 top.
computer programmer. Gervais is a retired financial executive with Hewlett-Packard.

The Towners are father and son. Steve Towner is a physician in Salt Lake City UT. Mitch is a student at Lewis and Clark in Portland OR.


## Attendance

Table count through the Friday evening sessions: 8208.

J oann
Glasson and
Lisa
Berkowitz.

## Goodwill message

Here's a reminder that the preferred way to call a tournament director is to raise your hand and say, "Director, please."

Keep your hand up, also, so the director will know where to find you.

Aileen Osofsky, Chairman
National Goodwill Committee

## MEETINGS / SEMINARS / RECEPTIONS

## Saturday, March 21

10:30 am - Noon Understanding Changes in the Laws seminar. Club managers and directors are invited to join ACBL National Director Rick Beye and the ACBL staff for an overview of the recent changes in the 2008 Laws of Duplicate Bridge. A
question-and-answer session will be included. Meeting Room 344.
$1 \& 8 \mathrm{pm}$
There will not be a live Vugraph theater. The final of the Vanderbil will be broadcast on Bridge Base Online. The hotel is offering free Internet service Saturday to guests in their room.

## CELEBRITY SPEAKER PROGRAM

Be sure to hear these free expert lectures in Houston.

| 12:15 pm | Mildred Breed | Tales of Beijing! |
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| $6: 45 \mathrm{pm}$ | Jeff Roman | The Difference between Pairs and Teams |

## LATE NIGHT/ENTERTAINMENT

Entertainment will be provided in Lanier Ballroom J at 11:30 p.m. Saturday, March 21
Carnival: Fortune tellers, tarot card readers, magician, caricaturists

Food will be served nightly in the Lanier Ballroom pre-function area at 11:30 p.m. Saturday, March 21

Pizza and beer

## Presidential prowess

As president of the World Bridge Federation, Jose Damiani does not have a lot of time to play bridge. That doesn't mean he has forgotten how to take tricks. Check out this deal from the Lebhard IMP Pairs with Damiani on defense. He was playing with Pierre Dufour of Houston.

| Dlr: East <br> Vul: Both | ค A 84 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\checkmark 94$ |  |  |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { •K } 976 \\ & * Q 1042 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| ^ Q 1052 |  |  | ヘ 963 |
| - Q 732 |  |  | - K 108 |
| - A Q 4 |  |  | - J 103 |
| * J 9 |  |  | - A 853 |
|  | A K J 7 |  |  |
|  | - AJ 65 |  |  |
|  | - 852 |  |  |
|  | - K 76 |  |  |
| West | North | East | South |
| Damiani |  | Dufour |  |
|  |  | Pass | 1* |
| Pass | 1 * | Pass | $1 \vee$ |
| Pass | 1NT | All Pass |  |

Dufour got off to a good start with the $\uparrow 9$. Declarer played the jack, covered by the queen and ace. Declarer then played a club to the king and a club to the jack, queen and ace. Dufour continued the attack on spades, and declarer ducked, losing to Damiani's 10. Damiani cleared the suit, and when declarer played a diamond from dummy, Damiani went up with the ace and cashed the 13th spade, declarer and Dufour pitching clubs.

Now a heart went to the king and ace. Declarer played a diamond to the king and when he cashed the $\star \mathrm{Q}$, Damiani avoided the endplay by pitching the $\bullet$ Q. Now declarer could only exit with a diamond to Dufour's jack. Dufour completed the successful defense by playing the $\checkmark 10$, blotting out North's $\downarrow 9$ to collect plus 100 .

## Lost jewelry bag

If you found a red silk jewelry bag in one of the fourth-floor ballrooms, please call the owner at 720-384-8722.

## Lost and found

There is a lost and found in the Daily Bulletin office - Room 339. The hotel also has a lost and found.

## World Transnational Open Teams

Even if you didn't qualify in a team trials, you can play in the world championships scheduled this year for Sao Paulo, Brazil.

The World Transnational Open Teams will take place during the second week of the tourmament, which runs from Aug. 29 to Sept. 12. The Transnational teams will begin on Monday, Sept. 7. The format will be Swiss teams, 10 -board matches for 15 qualifying rounds. The knockout phase, starting with quarterfinals, will begin Thursday, Sept. 10. The event will conclude on Saturday, Sept. 12.

Players in good standing with their national bridge organizations are eligible to participate. There are no country quotas, and teams may be made up of players from any countries.

Registration will be open through the start of the tournament, subject to availability. Players eliminated from the Bermuda Bowl, Venice Cup or Senior Teams will be eligible to play in the TNOT.

Entries may be sent to The World Bridge

## No trumps, no tricks By Barry Rigal

On this deal from the Lebhar IMP Pairs, Henry Caspar of Houston produced a nice play. He and his partner, Bill St. Clair, had done well to stop in $2 \uparrow$ by North after Caspar started proceedings with an off-shape 1NT opener.

| Dlr: South | - K 2 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Vul: E-W | - A J 1095 |
|  | - J 763 |
|  | $\because \mathrm{A}$ Q |

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* K72
-AQ Q }
*J108742 &95
        AJ96543
        \bullet Q 8
        -104
        -K K }6
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                            - 643
    When West reopened with a takeout double (yes, 3* or 2NT might have been wiser), East passed happily and led the $\because 9$.

Caspar made the thoughtful play of the $\approx \mathrm{K}$ at trick one, crashing the $* \mathrm{Q}$, then played the $\vee \mathrm{Q}$, covered by West. Two more heart winners allowed Caspar to pitch a diamond from dummy. Caspar then cashed the $\because A$ and played the 5 , ruffed by East. Caspar pitched a second diamond from dummy. Declarer ended up losing just five trump tricks. West, for his double, took zero tricks.

If the defenders cash three diamond tricks immediately then exit passively with a club, declarer can still survive. He ruffs a diamond in dummy, takes his three hearts, then crosses to the $\approx \mathrm{K}$ and leads a spade to the king and ace. East is eventually endplayed twice in trumps.

Federation, 40, rue François 1er, 75008 Paris France. You may also e-mail
cfrancin@worldbridgefed.com.
Sao Paulo is one of the most populous cities in the world with more than 17 million inhabitants. There are more than 70 shopping malls, 12,000 restaurants featuring cuisines from around the world. There are also many cultural attractions.

The tournament will take place at the Transamerica Hotel, a five-star property located near the most important business, shopping and gourmet eating areas of the city. The
hotel has free Internet access (wifi and intranet) and offers, together with very comfortable and well equipped rooms: two restaurants, a bar, tennis courts, soccer field, threehole golf course, jogging lane, fitness center, heated pool, dry sauna and steam rooms, pool tables, etc.

For information about reservations, visit the hotel's web site: www.transamerica.com.br.

## New Life Master

Barbara Blaine advanced to Bronze Life
Master yesterday playing in the Compact KO Teams with Barbara Miles. Blaine and Miles are both from Little Rock AR. Their teammates were Joand and Gloria Ridenour of Flagler Beach FL.

Olivia Brown made Life Master and Bronze Life Master playing in the Compact KO Teams. Her partner was Pete Voges and teammates were Jerry Herrington and Cecilia Zacher. All four are from San Antonio TX.

Brent McDaniel of El Lago TX advanced to Life Master playing in the Compact KO Teams. His partner was Irene Baker of Houston and his teammates were Diane Konick and Claudia Parr, also of Houston.

If you make Life Master or achieve a new LM rank during this tournament, don't forget to tell the Daily Bulletin about it in Room 339.

## Free Internet

The free wireless Internet in the Hilton lobby will not be available from noon until 5 p.m. today. In-room Internet, however, will be available without charge during this period.

## Notice to players

Each player must have an ACBL convention card filled out and on the table. Please note that other types of convention cards, such as the WBF convention card or homemade cards that do not sufficiently resemble the ACBL convention card, are not acceptable substitutes.

## UST FOR NEW PLAYERS

## Dear New Players：

## By Marti Ronemus

## Dear New

Player，
Lies abound in
this world：
＂The check is in the mail．＂
＂I＇m with the government and I＇m here to help you．＂

＂I didn’t realize
I had overlooked that $\$ 37,000$ tax bill．＂
My all－time favorite is，＂One size fits all．＂ Yeah，right．Unfortunately，the bridge world is just as full of fibs．

I was watching a group of inexperienced players this morning and saw a couple whoppers． And interestingly enough，both had the same cause：An attempt to squash a big hand into a not－so－one－size－fits－all－bid．Watch．

Hand 1：
＾AJ 5 ヤKJ 3 •AKJ 7 ャQ 84.
It＇s a gorgeous 19 high－card points．I could tell＂Suzie＂had picked up a big hand from across the room，because she was（as we say in Pennsylvania Dutch country）＂rutching＂in her chair．I wandered over，and saw her hand dancing all over the bid box．She fiddled with almost every card，giving special attention to the notrump family．Finally，after some heavy sighs， she pulled out 1NT．Pard held

AK Q 63 －A 108 •105 ャAJ 72.
After a brief detour through Stayman，they ended up in 3NT．After the opening lead of a club rode around to her queen（left－hand opponent obviously had the $\& \mathrm{~K})$ ，it was a lay－ down for small slam．All she had to do was play the 10 from hand．Even if it lost，she had 12 tricks．

I asked Suzie how she selected her bid． ＂Well，it was the biggest bid I could think of．＂ Suzie，Suzie，Suzie．That evening＇s class was on ＂The Perfect Notrump Bid for Every Balanced Hand．＂Let＇s review．．．an opening of one of a suit，followed by 1 NT says $12-14$－I have notrump shape，but not enough money to buy a 1 NT opening． $15-17$ is 1 NT ．One of a suit followed by a jump to 2NT is exactly 18 or 19 ． With $20-21$ ，open 2 NT ．With $22-23$ ，open $2 *$ and rebid 2NT．With 24 or more，open $2 *$ and rebid 3NT．Write these down．Memorize them．The perfect bid for every hand．You don＇t need one－ size－fits－all．

Hand 2：
This was the next fiasco
＾ $96 \vee \mathrm{AK} 10976$－KQ8 8 QQ 4 ．
There was no rutching from＂Louie，＂who yanked out the $2 \vee$ so fast it almost caught fire．

He couldn＇t wait to show he held a six－card suit．He also was trying to jam a giant hand into a small bid．Naturally they missed game，because Louie＇s pard was sure he held no more than 9 HCP．Louie rationalized that he wanted to be sure his partner knew he had six hearts．Louie，Louie， Louie．Just rebid them！

There is too much in bridge to memorize． （There are some who can memorize it all，but this is for the Rest of Us．）There are，however，some guidelines that if you will learn them，will enable you to＂think bridge＂ instead of relying on memory．These to me are the absolute minimum．
－The rebid of an unsupported suit（one your pard didn＇t raise） shows a six－card suit．
－Any new suit at the two－level promises at least 10 points，whether by responder，advancer or overcaller．If you ain＇t got the money，you can＇t buy the bid．

－Normally，if you jump at your first time to bid，you are showing a weak hand．Jumping at your second bid shows strength．Pard opens $1 \boldsymbol{\downarrow}$ ，you say $2 \boldsymbol{A}$ ．You are making a weak jump shift！
－We＇ve talked about this before，but remember：A rebid of an old suit at the two level show a minimum hand，rebids at the three level promise intermediate values．
－If you open a suit，understand that it will take you two bids to describe your hand．Don＇t try to do it all in one bid！

Finally，think about this．My friend Dixie Bliss（yes，that is her real name）was recently playing at the Long Beach CA tournament．It was one of those moments when there was absolute silence，and out came a loud cry．．． ＂Director，helllpppp！＂Nice to know there＇s someone who will come running．

Enjoy your games today，and try to be truthful．Let me know how it goes． mronemus＠comcast．net


Mary Watters and Kathy Phillips are attending their first tournament．＂We＇re excited，＂said Phillips．The pair is from Houston．

## See IN Top masterpoint winners on page 12.

Thinking bridge
By Eddie Kantar

| Dlr： | A J 2 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Vul： | －Q J 10 |
|  | － 973 |
|  | ＊K 6543 |

A K 1043
－K6543
$\bullet 7$
＾ 98765
－ 832
－K Q 102
＊Q 1097
AJ 8
－A Q
－AK 9654
－ 654
＊A J

| West | North | East | South |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Pass | Pass | Pass | $1 \downarrow$ |
| Dbl | $2 \downarrow$ | Pass | 4 |

three diamonds，East exits a spade．As South，you should not consider the spade finesse given the bidding and the clubs in dummy that can be set up easily enough．Finesses are for peasants when there is a long suit in the dummy．The trick is to set up the long suit at once before depleting dummy＇s entries－and don＇t forget to count the suit you are establishing！You have seven clubs，they have six． After you play the $\because$ A and a club to the king，they have two clubs left．Ruff a club and when East shows out，they have one club left．Enter dummy with a trump and ruff another club，setting up dummy＇s last club．Now draw the final by playing to dummy＇s $\vee$ Q．You can now discard your $\uparrow \mathbf{Q}$ on dummy＇s remaining club．Good work！

## Two errors = one slam

On this deal from a knockout teams, declarer erred in the play but took advantage of an error by a defender to reach a pretty ending. The deal was reported by Don Berman, one of the defenders.

| Dlr: WestVul: None |  | ^ 98 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | - AK 62 |  |
|  |  | -K1043 |  |
|  |  | * K 75 |  |
|  |  |  | A 64 |
|  |  |  | - Q 973 |
|  |  |  | - A J 7 |
|  |  |  | * Q 1062 |
|  | ^ K Q J 107532 |  |  |
|  | - 854 |  |  |
|  | - - |  |  |
|  | * A 3 |  |  |
| West | North | East | South |
| 2 | Pass | 3 * | 4^ |
| Pass | 4NT | Pass | 6 |
| Pass | 6 | All P |  |

West started with the $\vee \mathrm{J}$, taken in dummy with the ace. Declarer can make the contract if he plays a low diamond from dummy at trick two. He has the entries to ruff out the $\bullet$ for his 12th trick. When declarer played a spade at trick two, however, he was booked for a one-trick defeat if West had continued with the $\vee \mathrm{J}$, breaking up the squeeze that later materialize.

Fortunately for South, however, West won the $\uparrow$ A and exited with a club. Declarer won in hand and ran all his trumps but one to reach this ending:

|  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | - A |  |
|  | - K 10 |  |
|  | * K |  |
| ^- |  | A- |
| $\bullet-$ |  | $\bullet$ Q 9 |
| - Q 9 |  | - A J |
| * J 9 |  | *- |
|  | - 2 |  |
|  | - 85 |  |
|  | - - |  |
|  | * 2 |  |

When declarer played the $\bullet 2$ to dummy's king, East was stuck. If he discarded a diamond, declarer could ruff out the ace and return to dummy with a heart to cash the $\bullet K$. If East discarded a heart, declarer could cash the $\vee$ A and ruff a diamond to hand to enjoy the 8 as trick number 12.

## Bidding misadventures

 By Mark HortonScylla and Charybdis are two sea monsters of Greek mythology who were situated on opposite sides of the Strait of Messina between Sicily and Calabria, in Italy. They were located in close enough proximity to each other that they posed an inescapable threat to passing sailors; avoiding Charybdis meant passing too closely to Scylla and vice versa.

In Homer's Odyssey, Odysseus was forced to choose which monster to confront while passing through the strait and he opted to pass by Scylla and lose only a few sailors, rather than risk the loss of his entire ship into the whirlpool.

Although infrequently used today, the phrase has meant having to choose between two unattractive choices, and is the progenitor of the phrase "between a rock and a hard place."

Here are a couple of deals from the Lebhar IMP Pairs where a player faced a problem, although it they were not perhaps as taxing as that which faced Homer's eponymous hero.

| Dlr: West <br> Vul: None |  | ค A 62 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | - A |  |
| - A K Q 10 |  |  |  |
| * A Q 976 |  |  |  |
| A K |  |  | A J 108 |
| - K | 54 |  | - 32 |
| - 4 |  |  | -986532 |
| - K |  |  | - 104 |
| ^Q 7543 |  |  |  |
| - Q J 107 |  |  |  |
| - J 7 |  |  |  |
| * J 5 |  |  |  |
| West | North | East | South |
|  | Horton |  | Helman |
| $2 \vee$ | $3 \vee$ | Pass | 3^ |
| Pass | 4 | Pass | 4^ |
| Pass | 5^ | All P |  |

Modern expert theory is to use Leaping Michaels over a weak two in a major to show a powerful two suiter with the other major, while a cuebid asks for a heart stopper.

## 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

If neither of these bids are in your armory, then the cuebid simply shows a powerful hand.

It left South with an awkward choice between spades and notrump, and when the Rabbi opted for the former, North came again with a second cuebid. South rebid his spades and there is now a very strong case for passing, especially as the South hand could be completely worthless, but as Oscar Wilde said, "I can resist everything except temptation" and I pressed on with five spades, which was passed out.

In the face of such aggressive bidding South should probably press on to the slam, which can be made if declarer takes the right view in trumps.

I would like to tell you how the play went in Five Spades, but like the Giant Rat of Sumatra, it is a story for which the world is not yet prepared.

| Dlr: East <br> Vul: Both | ヘ K 652 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\checkmark 74$ |  |  |
|  | - J 73 |  |  |
|  | - 7653 |  |  |
| - 987 |  |  | ค Q J 3 |
| - K 52 |  |  | - A Q 10863 |
| -K 1082 |  |  | - 64 |
| * Q 84 |  |  | - J 2 |
|  | ヘ A 104 |  |  |
|  | $\checkmark$ J 9 |  |  |
|  | - A Q 95 |  |  |
|  | * AK 109 |  |  |
| West | North Horton | East | South |
|  |  |  | Helman |
|  |  | 2 | Dbl |
| Pass | 2^ | Pass | $3 \times$ |
| Pass | $3 \wedge$ | Pass | 4* |
| All Pass |  |  |  |

All Pass
According to the world's most eminent bidding theorist, one EOK, in this sequence three hearts should ask for a stopper, although on the actual hand it is at best a marginal decision, as just as in the previous deal the spade bidder may have a worthless hand.

Over three spades, the Rabbi's raise required considerably more divine intervention than was available!
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.

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# Clear Lake success stories 

By Elgene Smith
The Clear Lake Bridge Club has a Friday night 0 -49er then 0 -99er class. There are 16 to 20 players, mostly couples, who play. All of them are enjoying the 2009 Spring NABC in Houston. For most of them, it's their first tournament above the sectional level.

All of the players have won masterpoints at this tournament. Four of them were shown in a photo on the front page of the Daily Bulletin on the first Saturday.

Our players were high on the list of top masterpoint winners in the
Intermediate/Newcomer games, including the Margels, Bill Britton, Laura Staples, Ron Montague, Nancy Montague, James Ochsner, Allison Ochsner, Yvonne Pierce, Jo Ann Pierce and Jean Foltz.

What an experience for these 0-99 players!

## ACBL restaurant shuttle

4 p.m. to 7 p.m. daily

Shuttle Route 1: This bus will circle every 10 minutes. There will be two buses on this route.

Stop1: Stopping in front of House of Blues on Caroline St.
Houston Pavilions-following restaurants located here:

House of Blues
McCormick \& Schmick’s Seafood Restaurant Guadalajara del Centro
Josephine's Ristorante
Stop 2: Stopping on Lamar St. next to
Massa's Seafood Grill
Massa’s Seafood Grill
Strip House
Shuttle Route 2: This bus will circle every 20 minutes. There will be four buses on this route.

Stop 1: Stopping on Texas Ave next to Hard Rock Café.
Bayou Place-following restaurants located here: Hard Rock Café
Mingalone Italian Bar and Grill
Slick Willie's
Stop 2: Stopping at Sambuca's on the corner of Travis and Texas.
Main Street-following restaurants located here:
Azuma Sushi and Robata Bar
Cabo
Café Express
Chipotle
Flying Saucer Draught Emporium
Frank’s Pizza
Sambuca's Jazz Café
Timpano Chophouse and Martini Bar
Yatra Brasserie
Zula
Pick up and drop off located at the Hilton Americas EAST ENTRANCE.

Buses will pick up where you were dropped off at the restaurant locations.

## Slow Play

Slow play, as opposed to careful or thoughtful play, is discourteous to your opponents - and to all other competitors as well. Players and pairs who take more than their allotted time are subject to penalty.

In general, pairs who are rarely late will be warned while pairs who are habitually tardy and/or pay no attention to time limits will be penalized.

## Lost and found

There is a lost and found in the Daily Bulletin office - Room 339. A pin, a pair of glasses and a coat have been turned in. The hotel also has a lost and found.

## ACBL discounted parking

Please arrive early to take advantage the discounted parking. When lots sell out, we are unable to offer additional spaces. The discounted parking is provided by the Houston Convention and Visitors Bureau, not the Hilton Americas.

Discounted parking for the Houston NABC is available at the following locations:

George R. Brown Convention Center (GRBCC) and Hilton Americas garage. Please note there are no in-and-out privileges with the discounted parking. A person from the Houston Convention and Visitors Bureau will be at the entrance of the garage from $6 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. until 7:30 pm. Please identify yourself as a bridge player or show your convention card. You will be given a parking

## Women's Swiss Teams

The Machlin Women's Swiss Teams competition begins today with two qualifying sessions, followed by two final sessions on Sunday.

At stake: the Machlin Trophy, donated by the Machlin family in memory of Sadie Machlin, longtime ACBL employee. She was the sister of ACBL chief tournament director Al Sobel and the mother of Jerry Machlin, national tournament director.

Winners:


The $\mathbf{2 0 0 8}$ Machlin Women's Swiss Teams were J oann Glasson, Cheri Bjerkan, Lisa Berkowitz and Sue Weinstein

1982 Dorothy Truscott, Stasha Cohen, Edith (Kemp) Freilich, Nancy Gruver, Mary Jane Farell, Randi Montin, Mike Smolen (npc)
1983 Kathie Wei-Sender, Judi Radin, Gail Greenberg, Jacqui Mitchell, Betty Ann Kennedy, Carol Sanders
1984 June Deutsch, Tobi Deutsch, Cheri Bjerkan, Margie Gwozdzinsky, Dorothy Truscott, Sue Halperin
1985 Sue Farino, Dianna Gordon, June Deutsch, Tobi Deutsch, Rhoda Walsh
1986 Jan Martel, Rozanne Pollack, Lynne Pollenz, Lynne Feldman, Roberta Epstein, Sue Picus
1987 Cheri Bjerkan, Juanita Chambers, Lynn Deas, Beth Palmer
1988 Helen Utegaard, Rhoda Walsh, Carol Pincus, Beverly Rosenberg
1989 Kerri Shuman, Kitty Bethe, Margie Gwozdzinsky, Karen McCallum
1990 Kerri Shuman, Karen McCallum, Edith Rosenkranz, Sabine Zenkel, Daniela von Arnim

## Electronic devices banned

 in national eventsThe ACBL Board of Directors approved a comprehensive ban on electronic devices for all national-level events, but not to regional or IntermediateNewcomer contests:

Electronic devices, excluding healthrelated equipment, capable of sending or receiving
communication, including but not limited to, headphones, earphones, cellular phones and minicomputers: (1) shall not be allowed in the playing areas, adjacent hallways, restrooms or accessible break areas; and (2) shall not be used during a session.
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1991 1-2. Jacqui Mitchell, Joyce Lilie, Amalya Kearse, Jo Morse
1-2. Ron Andersen (npc), Kay Schulle, Jill Meyers, Randi Montin, Pam Wittes, Juanita Chambers, Cheri Bjerkan
1992 Gail Greenberg, Judy Tucker, Dorothy Truscott, Lisa Berkowitz, Sandra Landy, Michele Handley
1993 Kay Schulle, Jill Meyers, Kerri Shuman, Karen McCallum
1994 Juanita Chambers, Rhoda Kratenstein, Shawn Womack, Jan Cohen, Hjordis Eythorsdottir
1995 Kathie Wei-Sender, Carol Sanders, Betty Ann Kennedy, Sue Sachs, Lynn Deas, Beth Palmer
1996 Kathie Wei-Sender, Sue Sachs, Beth Palmer, Lynn Deas, Juanita Chambers
1997 Pam Wittes, Shawn Quinn, Cheri Bjerkan, Sue Weinstein, Stasha Cohen, Judy Wadas
1998 Jo Morse, Karen McCallum, Rose Johnson-Meltzer, Hjordis Eythorsdottir, Lynn Baker
1999 Robin Klar, Joan Jackson, Petra Hamman, Peggy Sutherlin, Shawn Quinn, Mildred Breed
2000 Hjordis Eythorsdottir, Valerie Westheimer, Judy Wadas, Linda Lewis, Karen Barrett
2001 Lynn Baker, Jill Meyers, Randi Montin, Irina Levitina, Karen McCallum, Kerri Sanborn
2002 Kathie Wei-Sender, Betty Ann Kennedy, Janice Seamon-Molson, Tobi Sokolow, Jill Levin, Sue Picus
2003 Valerie Westheimer, Judi Radin, Mildred Breed, Shawn Quinn
2004 JoAnn Sprung, Kathleen Sulgrove, Peggy Sutherlin, Karen Allison
2005 Hansa Narasimhan, JoAnna Stansby, Debbie Rosenberg, Irina Levitina, Sue Picus, Jill Levin
2006 Mildred Breed, Pamela Granovetter, Sylvia Moss, Judy Radin, Shawn Quinn, Migry Zur-Campanile
2007 Lynn Baker, Lynn Deas, Irina Levitina, Karen McCallum, Beth Palmer, Kerri Sanborn
2008 Cheri Bjerkan, Joan Glasson, Lisa Berkowitz, Sue Weinstein

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A violation of this policy shall result in a disciplinary penalty of one full board (or 12 IMPs at that form of scoring) for the first offense. A second offense shall result in disqualification from the event for the pair/team.

Kibitzers violating this policy shall be removed from the playing area for the remainder of the session.

Participants will be reminded not to approach the playing area with a personal electronic device in their possession, even if the device is turned off.

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## 71 Tables

Ralph Katz - George Jacobs, Hinsdale IL; Walid Elahmady - Tarek Sadek, Cairo Egypt; Robert Levin, Bronx NY; Steve Weinstein, Andes NY

## VS

John Diamond, Boca Raton FL; Brian Platnick, Evanston IL; Eric Greco, Philadelphia PA; Geoff Hampson Fred Gitelman, Las Vegas NV; Brad Moss, Mill Valley CA
125.00 3/4 Nick Nickell - Zia Mahmood, New York NY; Richard Freeman, Atlanta GA; Jeff Meckstroth, Tampa FL; Eric Rodwell, Clearwater Bch FL; Bob Hamman, Dallas TX
125.00 3/4 James Cayne, New York NY; Michael Seamon, Hollywood FL; Alfredo Versace - Lorenzo Lauria - Fulvio Fantoni, Rome Italy; Claudio Nunes, Roma Italy
80.00 5/8 Lou Ann O’Rourke, Scottsdale AZ; Espen Lindquist, Trondheim Norway; Giorgio Duboin, Torino Italy; Antonio Sementa, Parma Italy; Marc Jacobus, Las Vegas NV; Boye Brogeland, Norway 80.00 5/8 Jacek Pszczola, Chapel Hill NC; Reese Milner, Los Angeles CA; Sam Lev, New York NY; Gary Cohler, Miami FL; Grzegorz Narkiewicz, Bielsk Poland; Krzysztof Buras, Warszawa Poland 80.00 5/8 John Sutherlin, Dallas TX; Dan Gerstman, Buffalo NY; Ron Gerard, White Plains NY; Mark Feldman, Hoboken NJ
80.00 5/8 Ze Jun Zhuang, Shanghai People's

Republic of China; Wei Min Wang, Shanghai People's Republic of China; Jian Ming Dai - Lixin Yang, Beijing People's Republic of China
50.00 9/16 Roy Welland, New York NY; Norberto Bocchi, Barcelona Spain; Steve Garner, Chicago IL; Howard Weinstein, Sarasota FL; Billy Cohen, Sherman Oaks CA; Ron Smith, San Francisco CA 50.00 9/16 Ron Rubin, Miami FL; Russell Ekeblad, Providence RI; Peter Weichsel, Encinitas CA; Matt Granovetter, Cincinnati OH; Louk Verhees, H Voorhou Netherlands; Jan Jansma, Malden Netherlands 50.00 9/16 Rose Meltzer, Los Gatos CA; Kyle Larsen, San Francisco CA; Alan Sontag, Gaithersburg MD; Roger Bates, Mesa AZ; Geir Helgemo, Trondheim Ca Norway; Tor Helness, Oslo Norway 50.00 9/16 Carolyn Lynch, Scottsdale AZ; Mike Passell - Curtis Cheek, Las Vegas NV; Joe Grue, New York NY; Eddie Wold, Houston TX; Bart Bramley, Dallas TX
50.00 9/16 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
50.00 9/16 Frederic Wrang, Stockholm Sweden; Martin De Knijff, Las Vegas NV; Johan Sylvan, Stockhol Sweden; Marten Gustawsson, Stockholm Sweden
50.00 9/16 Seymon Deutsch, Laredo TX; John Kranyak, Bay Village OH; Win Allegaert - Jaggy Shivdasani, New York NY; Hemant Lall, Dallas TX; Kenneth Schutze, Austin TX
50.00 9/16 Franck Multon, Nice France; Pierre Zimmerman, Geneva Switzerland; Thomas Bessis, Paris France; Frederic Volcker, Issy Les Mouline


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France; Lionel Sebbane, Clichy France
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25.00 17/32 Andrew Gromov - Victoria Gromova Tatiana Ponomareva - Aleksander Dubinin, Moscow Russia; Cezary Balicki, Smolec Poland; Adam Zmudzinski, Katowice Poland
25.00 17/32 Steve Robinson, Arlington VA; Peter Boyd, Darnestown MD; Kit Woolsey, Kensington CA; Fred Stewart, Bloomington NY; Adam Wildavsky, New York NY; Doug Doub, W Hartford CT 25.00 17/32 John Onstott, New Orleans LA; Jim Krekorian - Chris Willenken - Migry Zur Campanile, New York NY; Chris Compton, Dallas TX; Garey Hayden, Tucson AZ
25.00 17/32 Andrew Rosenthal - Brian Glubok Aaron Silverstein, New York NY; Tom Townsend, London W9 1sd England; David Gold, Reading Great Britain; Hjordis Eythorsdottir, Huntsville AL 25.00 17/32 Robert Hampton, Blythewood SC; Gavin Wolpert, Singer Island FL; John Hurd, New York NY; Joel Wooldridge, Williamsville NY; Eldad Ginossar, Moshav Zofit Israel; Ron Pachtmann, Kfar Saba Israel
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Netherlands; Berry Westra, Krmibn Rrn Den Netherlands
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25.00 17/32 Barry Rigal - Shane Blanchard Robert Blanchard, New York NY; Alex Ornstein, Roslyn Heights NY; Glenn Milgrim, Forest Hills NY; Jeff Aker, Briarcliff NY


## TOURNAMENT APPEALS

In order to keep the bridge public informed of appeals 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. However, before they are published in the NABC Appeals Casebook revisions may be made.

## APPEAL CASE 5

Event: Vanderbilt KO Teams
Session: Round of 64 - Third Quarter

> Ira Hessel

| Board \#27 | - 952 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Vul: None | - Q 3 |
| Dlr: South | - Q 4 |
|  | - A K Q J 8 |


| Kevin Bathurst | Vincent Demuy |
| :---: | :---: |
| ヘ AK Q 643 | $\uparrow$ - |
| - K 5 | - A J 109862 |
| - K J 63 | - A 108 |
| - 5 | * 964 |

Dan Morse

- J 1087
$\bullet 74$
- 9752
- 1072

| West | North | East | South |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Pass |
| 1** (1) | 2* (2) | 2v | Pass |
| 2^ | Pass | 3 | Pass |
| 4* (3) | Pass | 4 | Pass |
| 4^(4) | Pass | 5* (5) | Pass |
| $5 \bullet$ (6) | Pass | 6 | All Pass |

(1) Precision - artificial, forcing and strong.
(2) Natural.
(3) Doesn't promise a club control.
(4) Roman Key Card Blackwood for hearts.
(5) Two key cards, no heart queen.
(6) Break in Tempo (BIT).

Facts: The final contract was 6 making six for a score of East-West plus 980. The opening lead was the $\because 2$.

The director was called after the $6 \checkmark$ call and again at the end of the quarter. There was an agreed substantial BIT by East just prior to bidding $5 \vee$.

Director's Ruling: Several players were polled and asked whether the East hand might pass $5 \boldsymbol{v}$. There were enough positive responses that pass was determined to be a logical alternative. The director judged that the BIT demonstrably suggested bidding $6 \boldsymbol{v}$. Therefore, the result was adjusted to 5 by East making six, E/W plus 480 for both sides in accordance with Laws 16B1(a) and 12C2(e).

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

West's Keycard ask of $4 \wedge$ promised a club control. East briefly considered showing his spade void. He also considered bidding $5 \vee$, treating his extra length and $\vee \mathrm{J} 10$ as the equivalent of the queen of hearts. East decided that his heart holding, however, might not combine with $\mathrm{K}-\mathrm{x}$ to give adequate play for a grand slam. On the other
hand, his extra playing strength, long strong trumps and good controls in view of his partner's strong bidding made it clear to bid $6 \checkmark$ if his partner bid $5 \vee$. When West received the $5 \diamond$ reply, he considered bidding a spade slam. If partner had a doubleton spade, it would have a good play. He did not consider a possible tempo problem because he assumed that $5 \vee$ would end the auction.

North-South agreed that although East's 6 bid was attractive, East-West might be missing two key cards making $6 \checkmark$ an inferior contract at best. Because East declined to show the $v \mathrm{Q}$ with his key card response, it was not appropriate for him to overrule his partner's slow 5 bid.

The committee learned that the $3 \vee$ bid suggested at least a six-card suit and that the $4 \vee$ showed heart support.

The Decision: There was an agreed BIT that demonstrably suggested East's 6 bid. Was pass a logical alternative to the $6 \vee$ bid?

The definition of logical alternative is a bid that a significant number of that player's peers would seriously consider and "some" of those peers (who would seriously consider it) would actually make. What percentage is "some?" At a recent Laws Commission meeting, it was determined: "There was a consensus that in Law 16B1 where the word 'some' is used, it should suggest to the tournament director and a committee more than one, and the word 'significant' should suggest to the tournament director and a committee more than a minor proportion (e.g. 2/100) but less than a major proportion (e.g. 40/100)."

At the point of his decision, East possessed values that he had not yet disclosed to his partner most importantly his seventh heart. Additionally, he held the jack and ten of hearts and the ace (instead of the king that he might have held).

The committee constructed various hands for West and found it difficult to come up with a hand that would make 6 worse than a trump finesse or the equivalent. One committee member said, "East bought about as poor a dummy as he could have."

The range of the committee members` estimates of how many of East's peers would bid 6 without the unauthorized information was between 85 and $95 \%$. Ultimately, a majority of the committee decided that the percentage of East's peers who would pass $5 \vee$ was high enough to make pass a logical alternative to the demonstrably suggested $6 \vee$ bid.

Therefore, the table result was adjusted to 5 v by East making six, East-West plus 480 and North-South minus 480.

The appeal was determined to have merit.
DIC: Olin Hubert
Committee members: Doug Doub (chair), Peter Boyd, Mark Feldman, Gail Greenberg and Ed Lazarus.

## APPEAL CASE 6

Event: Whitehead Women's Pairs Session: Second Qualifying Jerry Jungmichel
Board \#6 a A 1093
Vul: East-West $\vee$ K 10853
Dlr: East

- 874

| Barbara Sartoriusa K Q 7 |  |  | Sharon Hait |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | ^ J 8654 |
| $\checkmark \mathrm{J}$ |  |  | - A964 |
| - A 4 |  |  | - 10 |
| * AK Q J 1052 |  |  | -963 |
| Shirley George |  |  |  |
| - 2 |  |  |  |
| - Q 72 |  |  |  |
| -KQJ987653 |  |  |  |
| $\stackrel{ }{*}$ |  |  |  |
| West | North | East | South |
|  |  | Pass | 5 |
| 6* (1) | Pass (2) | Pass | 6 |
| Dbl | All |  |  |

(1) Break in All Pas
(2) Break in Tempo.

Facts: The contract was 6 doubled by South down one after the lead of the $\approx$ K. North-South scored minus 100 and East-West pus 100.

The director was called initially after the 6 bid and returned after the deal had been played to conclusion. North-South said that West bid $6 *$ immediately. West said she paused $10-12$ seconds and East said West paused appropriately.

East-West said that there was a long BIT over $6 *$. North said that she had something to think about.

Director's Ruling: The director judged that a BIT over $6 \boldsymbol{\oplus}$ by North would not demonstrably suggest that South bid 6 - it would demonstrably suggest a double or pass. Therefore, since there was no violation of Law16, the director allowed the table result of $6 \star$ doubled by South down one, North-South minus 100, to stand for both sides.

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

East-West stated that there was a 10-12 second hesitation over 6 * by North. North-South agreed that the hesitation was no longer than 1012 seconds. This BIT leads to unauthorized information being available and that a pass by South is a logical alternative.

North-South stated that the auction required some thought by North. North-South further stated that the BIT suggested that South refrain from doing any more bidding, because North was probably not considering bidding $6 \star$, but doubling. A player in South's position should, perhaps, bend over backwards to bid after North's BIT.

The Decision: The committee judged that there was at least a slight BIT by North but not an unduly long one. The auction did require some


## Understanding Changes in the Laws

Club Managers and Directors are invited to join ACBL staff for an overview of the recent changes in the Laws of Duplicate Bridge 2008. Q \& A period included.

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thought - whether to double, and, if so, what to lead, etc.

While the committee thought a pass by South may have been a logical alternative, it did not think that the BIT demonstrably suggested bidding $6 \star$. If anything, the BIT suggested that South pass.

Therefore, the committee upheld the director's decision to allow the table result of $6 \uparrow$ doubled by South down one, and a score of North-South minus 100 to stand for both sides.

The committee determined that the appeal had merit.

## DIC: Henry Cukoff

Committee members: Tom Peters (chair), Tom Carmichael, Mike Kovacich, Jim Thurtell and Bob White.

## APPEAL CASE 7

Event: Lebhar IMP Pairs
Session: Second Qualifying
Jill Levin
Board \#4 A Q 8542
Vul: Both V KJ864
Dlr: West -

- A 74

Jim Krekorian John Onstott

- K J 109 A A 73
$\bullet$ Q93 • A
- AK Q Q 10976532
* Q983 * 10

Jill Meyers
ค 6

- 10752
- J 84
- K J 652

| West | North | East | South |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1NT (1) | $2 *(2)$ | $4 *(3)$ | Pass |
| 4 | Pass | 6 | All Pass |

(1) 15-17.
(2) Majors.
(3) Announced as transfer to hearts.

Facts: The contract was 6 by East making six for a score of East-West plus 1370 after the lead of the $\boldsymbol{\wedge} 6$.

The director was called at the conclusion of the play of the hand. The facts are as described above.

Director's Ruling: The director judged that East's unilateral action of bidding 6 after a $4 \vee$ bid that makes no sense may have been based on unauthorized information. In accordance with Law 12A2, an artificial adjusted score was awarded based on the fact that no rectification could be made that would allow normal play of the hand. Therefore, North-South received an average plus and East-West received an average minus.

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

East-West maintained that 4 must either be a transfer (their agreement) or strong with diamonds. East said he would always bid $6 \uparrow$. West said that East might bid $4 \boldsymbol{A}$, but then he would bid $6 \star$.

North-South said that 6 was an attempt to clear up a misunderstanding.

The Decision: The committee determined that there was unauthorized information that West thought East had hearts. 6* is likely to correct that misunderstanding. $4 \uparrow$ was a logical alternative. After 4 $\uparrow$, the committee felt that West was likely to bid $5 \star$. Then East might pass or bid 6 .

The committee judged that 5 was both likely and at all probable. The committee considered whether West might bid $6 v$ on some auctions, forcing East to correct to $7 \bullet$, but judged the possibility not even at all probable. Therefore, the result was adjusted to 5 by East, making six, East-West plus 620 for East-West and minus 620 for North-South.

DIC: Henry Cukoff
Committee members: Aaron Silverstein (chair), Jeff Aker, Peter Boyd, Chris Moll and John Lusky.

## NAOP-C Pairs compete for President's Cup

Players in the North American Open Pairs Flight C, a grassroots event limited to players who have not yet become Life Masters, will begin competition today for the President's Cup.

The trophy was presented in 1942 by Morgan Howard, ACBL president that year. The trophy was previously awarded to the winners of the President=s Pairs event, held at the Summer NABC.

The competition began last summer at the local club level and qualifiers then advanced to unit competition. Those qualifiers advanced to the district finals and three pairs from each district more, depending upon attendance -- qualified for the North American final.

Winners:
1987 1-2. Bill Thomas, David Deaderick
1-2. Bernard Pollack, Leo Austern
1988 Brad Moss, Aaron Silverstein
1989 Warren King, Jeffrey Brown
1990 Philip Leung, Moske Harel
1991 Eric Greco, Philip Greco
1992 Gail Joelson, Alan Kasner
1993 Mark Michele, Everett Boyer
1994 Weizhong Bao, Jingdong Guo
1995 Edward Lee, Brett Roby
1996 Yue Zuo, Ruoyu Fan
1997 Thomas Franklin, Michael Corker
1998 Tien-Chun Yang, Fang Wu
1999 James Gunn, Harry Shaffer
2000 Meredith Beck, John Johnson
2001 Hailong Ao, Jian-Jian Wang
2002 Jacek Leznicki, Jerry Owczarek
2003 John Christensen, Robert Wissman
2004 Daniel Wilderman, Ryan Connors
2005 Jiang Chen, Nongyu Li
2006 Stanislaw Kolesnik, Vladimir Reznik
2007 Jon King, Dayou Zhou
2008 Abraham Pallas, Dmitri Bourlikov


The $\mathbf{2 0 0 8}$ North American Pairs Flight C winners were Abraham Pallas and Dmitri Bourlikov.

## Clerical error <br> By Mark Horton

Bridge is tough enough without the addition of mechanical mistakes. You know the type of thing I mean, a revoke, a lead out of turn, pulling the wrong card etc.

One of my occasional teammates describes such lapses as "clerical errors." They are usually fatal, but every now and then a resourceful player may survive. Here is a perfect illustration from the final of the Lebhar IMP Pairs:

| Dlr: North <br> Vul: Both | ^ 52$\bullet$ J 10954 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |
|  | - Q J 3 |  |
|  | * 1083 |  |
| ค 943 |  | ^ A K Q 107 |
| - A 62 |  | - Q 873 |
| -9876 |  | - K |
| * A 97 |  | - J 65 |
|  | ヘ J 86 |  |
|  | - K |  |
|  | - A 10542 |  |
|  | * K Q 42 |  |


| West <br> Russell | North | East | South <br> Kovachev <br> Pass |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Pass | $1 \vee$ |  |

Bulgarian star Valio Kovachev’s inadvertent opening bid landed his side in a Moysian fit, but the deal served to illustrate how well the declarer can cope with only seven trumps.

South led the king of clubs and declarer made the natural play of ducking

South switched to a spade and declarer won in hand and continued with two top spades, discarding a diamond from dummy. North ruffed and switched to a diamond for the king and ace and South exited with a diamond, ruffed by declarer.

Valio played a heart to the king and ace, ruffed a diamond and ruffed a spade. North overruffed and returned a trump but declarer won and played a winning spade. North had to ruff and lead away from the ten of clubs.

That gave declarer eight tricks, matching the total achieved by those who played in spades.
(With open cards, declarer does best to win the ace of clubs at trick one and then follow the line adopted by Valio. After the king of clubs is ducked South can cash the ace of diamonds and then exit with the king of hearts, which upsets declarer's timing.)

## 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: Silodor Open Pairs, Vanderbilt Knockout Teams, Leventritt Silver Ribbon Pairs, Rockwell Mixed Pairs, Lebhar 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 nonmembers.

All other events are $\$ 15$ per player per session for ACBL members, $\$ 17$ for nonmembers.
(Note: There is no entry fee for any flight of the North American Pairs, but participants are still required to be paidup members.)

## Masterpoint disclaimer

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The masterpoint awards as shown are, therefore, also subject to change.

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Eddie Wold is from Houston and is \#4 on the ACBL Masterpoint list with more than 50,000 masterpoints. Eddie's wins include the Grand National Teams and Spingold both at the NABC in the summer of 1977; the Vanderbilt Knockout Teams twice; the Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams twice; Men’s Board-a-Match teams twice; Master Mixed Team; Open Swiss Teams and the National Open Pairs in 2005. He has collected the MottSmith Trophy three times, the Lou Herman trophy twice for the best performance at an NABC, and has more than 600 regional wins to his credit.

Bob Morris has earned more than 13,000 masterpoints and is a perennial top finisher in the Barry Crane masterpoint race. He is a two-time NABC champion and has captured 200 regional wins. Bob was educated as a high school teacher, so he's a natural at teaching bridge.

Four years ago, Eddie and Bob started teaching class at the Bridge and Games Studio of Houston after the regular game. From that point, different levels of classes were started and subject material included defense, proper carding, conventions and play of the hand. Their technique is different from most because each lesson is hands-on playing and then discussion after eight deals. There is always a lesson to be learned no matter how mundane a contract may seem. Sometimes the material seems overwhelming, but soon their students feel like they've soared to another level. And so, dear teachers, from all of us to both of you, thank you for a fun four years of playing and learning and growing.

## ED HOFFING

 MEMORIAL BRACKETED K.O.Edgar Hoffing passed away on March 8th, 2008. He was 84 years old.


Born in Chicago, he received his undergraduate degree in chemical engineering from the University of Illinois. Moving on to the University of Southern California, he received his doctorate. After an illustrious career with M.W. Kellogg, he retired as V.P. of Latin American sales.

Being the consummate bridge player, his contributions to the bridge world are many. In 1990, he volunteered to give bridge lessons at Spring Branch Community Center. After two years of teaching, he wrote a booklet for beginners titled, Competitive Bidding. At the same time, he directed a non-sanctioned game once a week.

Being the visionary he was, in 1992 he founded the ACBL sanctioned duplicate games at the community center and directed twice a week. This affected hundreds of bridge players, and the games grew to other community centers. Many new players were added to the Houston membership. Again, volunteering his time at the community center, he taught advanced players the system of Max Hardy's Two Over One Game Force.

In Aug. 2007, he achieved the rank of Gold Life Master. Edgar is survived by Judith Hoffing, his wife of 26 years, son Glen, and four beautiful grandchildren.

## MAX LEVIT \& ARIEL LEIBOVITZ SIDE

## GAME

There once was a young bridge player named Max, But you really need all of the facts.

With long-suffering Ariel
They're quite adversarial
And they'll grab up your queens and your jacks!!!
By Lew Levy and Toni Snow

## MILTON FREEDMAN MEMORIAL

## BRACKETED KO

In the In Memoriam section of the December Bridge Bulletin, there was a list of deceased bridge players. A number of them have an asterisk by their name denoting Life Master and Milton was one.

But he was not your ordinary Life Master. He was an excellent bridge player, poker player and entrepreneur who backed his unit financially, as well as playing with all comers. He loved people and would play with "the good, the bad, and the horrible."

When you think of Milton the Life Master, remember that in real life and as a person, he would have had more than a million master points.

## DAVID HURD

 MEMORIAL
## STRATIFLIGHTED

 PAIRSDo you remember thick, snow-white hair on a tall, stately gentleman? Do you remember the man who always held a book and read prior to, during and, sometimes,
 even when dummy during the games? That was David Hurd. He delighted in his reputation as Club Curmudgeon at Houston's Bridge \& Games Studio.

David was a genius of sorts. He graduated from Tulane University with a degree in engineering at age 19. Many of us were so very fortunate to be his regular partners those last ten plus years: Regina Hurd, Chuck Gillis and Carol Noble.

David developed certain variations on bidding - a favorite was opening a weak two-bid with 9-12 points and promising a specific card distribution. Perhaps being his partner entailed the ability to alert/spit out the specifics of his rigid requirements!

He died unexpectedly on Jan. 24, 2008, at the age of 80 and leaves to grieve him his only son, James, daughter-in-law, Tracy, and her parents, two adorable grandchildren and a host of friends. Many of us thank God that we are included in that number.

## DAVID MILLER APPRECIATION SIDE

 GAMEIt is a pleasure to honor David N. Miller. He is a great bridge partner - courteous to the opponents and thoughtful in his play. He is also a good friend and was a tremendous help to me when I first moved to Houston over 9 years ago. He introduced me to people, lined up partners for me and offered helpful advice. All of this I really appreciated. Sometimes we forget to tell people how much they mean to us until it is too late so from his partner and his many friends: "Thank you, David. We all wish you had more years at the bridge table and more years being with us."

From Deborah Case \& friends

## Golder NAP Flight B begins play today

Competition begins today in the Golder North American Pairs, Flight B —— a grassroots event limited to players with 0-1500 masterpoints.
The first stage is conducted at the local club level and qualifiers advance to unit competition. Those qualifiers then advance to the district finals where three pairs -- more, depending upon attendance -- qualify for the North American final.
Winners will have their names inscribed on the Golder Cup and will also receive a certificate of recognition.
The trophy is presented in memory of Benjamin M. Golder (1894-1946) of Philadelphia, who died the day before the close of his term as 1946 ACBL president. He was named ACBL Honorary Member of the Year for 1947.

## Winners:

1992 Peter Worley, Kevin Young
1993 Robert Sewell, Paul Janicki
1994 Brendan Dempsey, Ian Crowe
1995 Jay Levy, William Rushmore
1996 Robert Johnson, David Rosenstein
1997 Bill Drewett, Kirk Twiss
1998 Adam Beneschan, Brian Gilbert
1999 Andy Kaufman, Greg Burch
2000 Hal Hindman, Mark Chen
2001 Walter Lee, Jonathan Weinstein
2002 Wieslaw Kalita, Marian Krasowski
2003 Jordan Chodorow, Harvey Katz
2004 Jim Alison, Dayn Beam
2005 Pete Whipple, Jamie Radcliffe
2006 Fletcher Thompson, Bruce Todd
2007 Mark Golding, Rob Kitchen
2008 Sidney Kanter, Ron Nelken


Sidney Kanter and Ron Nelken won the Golder North American Pairs Flight B last year.


## Open Swiss Teams begin play today

The Open Swiss Teams

begin play today with the Jacoby Trophy going to the winners. This is a foursession event with two qualifying sessions and two final sessions.

The trophy is named for Oswald and Jim Jacoby one of the premier father-son pairs in ACBL history, the first father-son to win a national championship together and the first fatherson to be elected to the ACBL Bridge Hall of Fame

The senior Jacoby (1902-
1984) won his first major title - the National Team Championship of the American Whist League - in 1929 and his last major title - the Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams - in 1983.

In between, he won the McKenney Trophy (now the Barry Crane Top 500) four times. He was the first player to win 1,000 masterpoints in a single year and the first player to earn 10,000 masterpoints.

Jacoby won seven Spingolds, seven Vanderbilts, two Reisingers and more than a dozen other major titles. He was named to the ACBL Bridge Hall of Fame in 1965.

He and son Jim are the co-authors of Jacoby Transfer Bids, Jacoby 2NT and other bidding ideas. Together, they won the Reisinger in 1955 when Jim was 22 - and the Vanderbilt in 1965.

Jim Jacoby (1933-1991), elected to the Hall of Fame in 1997, won the Bermuda Bowl in 1970 and 1971, the World Mixed Teams in 1972 and the World Team Olympiad in 1988. He won more than 14 NABC titles and captured the Barry Crane Top 500 in 1988 - the same year he won the Olympiad title.

## Winners:

1982 Allan Stauber, Jan Janitschke, Ross Grabel, Mike Smolen
1983 Mike Albert, Ira Rubin, Grant Baze, Barry Crane
1984 Bart Bramley, Mark Cohen, Milt Rosenberg, Ralph Katz
1985 John Devine, Alan Sontag, John Mohan, Roger Bates
1986 Mark Cohen, Peter Boyd, Steve Robinson, Kit Woolsey
1987 Eddie Kantar, Alan Sontag, Roger Bates, John Mohan, John Devine
1988 Ron Sukoneck, Doug Fraser,
Kamel Fergani, Bill Pettis
1989 Jim Mahaffey, Ron Andersen, Paul Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell
(became Open Swiss Teams)
1990 John Sutherlin, Bart Bramley,
Gerald Michaud, Larry
Richardson, Bob Hamman


Perry J ohnson, J eff Meckstroth, Chris Compton and Eric Rodwell won the 2008 J acoby Open Swiss Teams.

1991 George Rosenkranz, Eddie Wold, Mark Lair, Mike Passell, Paul Soloway, Bobby Goldman 1992 Richard Schwartz, Drew Casen, Michael Seamon, Richard Pavlicek, Fred Stewart, Steve Weinstein Tony Kasday, Michael Seamon, Steve Sion, Billy Cohen, Ron Smith
1994 Perry Johnson, Jeff Meckstroth, Chip Martel, Eric Rodwell Ralph Cohen, Billy Cohen, Peter Nagy, George Mittelman, Marty Sklar, Hugh Ross
Jimmy Cayne, Bjorn Fallenius, Brian Glubok, Chuck Burger, Mats Nisland, Mike Passell 1997 Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay, Brian Glubok, Bart Bramley, Walter Schafer, Geir Helgemo
1998 Edith Rosenkranz, Ralph Cohen, Ron Smith, Bob Etter, Bob Morris Sam Lev, Brian Glubok, Michael Polowan, John Mohan, Barnet Shenkin
2000 Mike Cappelletti Jr., Gary Cohler, Mark Lair, Richard Finberg George Jacobs, Ralph Katz, Alfredo Versace, Lorenzo Lauria, Norberto Bocchi, Giorgio Duboin Perry Johnson, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell, Paul Soloway Peter Bertheau, Fredrik Nystrom, Christal Henner-Welland, Fulvio Fantoni, Claudio Nunes,
Fred Gitelman
2004 Jacek Pszczola, Michal Kwiecien, Piotr Gawrys, Sam Lev, Michael Polowan, Chris Willenken 2005 James Cayne, Michael Seamon, Geir Helgemo, Tor Helness, Robert Levin, Steve Weinstein 2006 Bob Hamman, Robert Levin, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell, Paul Soloway, Steve Weinstein David Maidman, Marin Marinov, Kalin Karaivanov, Ruman Trendafilov
Perry Johnson, Chris Compton, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell

## The power of the fit

Intermediate players often count high-card points in making their decisions without considering the trick-taking potential of their fits.

This deal from the IMP Pairs is a good example. Mark Itabashi and Subba Ravipudi gained IMPs by getting to two good games.


It's not often that you raise partner with 5 HCP and the accept a game try, but the $\vee \mathrm{Q}$, singleton diamond and big club fit looked like just what partner needed. Ten tricks were easily taken. Next:

| Dlr: North | ^ Q 94 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Vul: N-S | - 104 |
|  | - J 92 |
|  | * Q 9743 |

^KJ10875 ^62
-A63 vJ7
-A1075 - KQ64

*     -         * K 862
- A 3
- K Q 9852
- 8
* A J 105

| West <br> Ravipudi | North | East <br> Itabashi | South |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\quad$ Pass | Pass | $1 \downarrow$ |  |
| $1 \uparrow$ | 1NT | $2 \star$ | $2 \downarrow$ |
| $3 \downarrow$ | Pass | $4 \star$ | Pass |
| 5 | All Pass |  |  |

After hearing a 2 - bid from East, West recognized that his hand was a huge trick taker, basically needing a doubleton or singleton heart from partner to make a game.

That was two games on 21 HCP each.

## Thank you

Thank you to Baron Barclay Bridge Supply for sponsoring the Win a Bridge Library contest in the IntermediateNewcomer area

Thank you to Kronberg's Flags and Flagpoles for supplying and delivering the Texas State flag displayed on the 2nd floor.


# LOS ANGELES REGIONAL 10 DAY TOUR NAMENT JULY 3-12, 2009 IN HISTORIC PASADENA, CA 



District 23 is returning to its traditional 10-day Bridge Week Regional, July 3-12 2009 at the Pasadena Hilton.
We are featuring a 4 -session Open Pairs Championship with a Barometer final session, a 2 -session Board-A-Match Team Game and knockouts starting almost every day. On Friday evening, July 3rd, in addition to our master point games, as an added bonus, we are holding a \$MONEY\$ Calcutta.
For more information visit our web site at acbldistrict23.org or contact Tournament Manager John Killian at (562) 592-2716. For those of you who are participating in the Senior Team Trials in Las Vegas, come and practice in Los Angeles on your way.

## NABC Insider

Some reports from the Memphis staff who have been working hard back at HQ while the Insider has been walking back and forth to Houston Center, grabbing leftover table gifts and watching the TDs, Bulletin Boys, Services Crew and all the others get their work done. The most recent issues of the Bridge Bulletin are now available on-line; past editions will be added along with an archival search function as time permits. A foundation has been formed to preserve and advance bridge in North America. This foundation will be very involved in the planning of the new museum and Hall of Fame to be included in the new ACBL Headquarters. With outstanding assistance from Patty Tucker, plans are well under way for the second annual Youth NABC to be held in Washington this summer. Many e-mails, cards and letters continue to come in praising the work of the Club and Member Services Department. The accountants are pretty much caught up on their count of the ACBL beans. And, all the other great folks in the office are doing an excellent job keeping you, our valued members, happy and playing even overcoming their envy that Ask Me Girl and the Insider get to come to Houston while they are chained to their desks not literally, other than those few special cases.

A brief word about the fall NABC in San Diego: Wow. A few more words about San Diego: This is another NABC that will start on Thanksgiving Day. Ken and his crew are setting up a special pool-side Thanksgiving dinner for late afternoon - it will be traditional fare with Southern California flair. There will be several presentations of "My Fair Little Old Lady" - Peter Rank's ever-popular Broadway-style show. Latenight food, day-long bridge, lessons for the newcomers, all the other components that make up every NABC, all this combined with fabulous San Diego weather and one of the best venues ever for an NABC and the pieces are in place for truly outstanding NABC. Reservations open in midMay, sure to go online or give Mega-Housing a call and save a space for you and your partner.

You know, sometimes this job is just too easy. There are so many places the Insider could go with the combination of chili dogs and line dancing last night in the entertainment room. There are the obvious bad puns about Diamonds versus Nickells. There is the alliterative potential of Cane, Katz, Kibitzers and conquests. The S.C. and Ask Me Girl are space fillers even in their absences. And the cards and letters from Insider fans always provide material for the Insider's musings. But, ever the gentleman, the Insider will resist these easy targets and cede some of his precious space for extended coverage of the Donna Compton Appreciation Bracketed Knockouts.


## Child Care

Child care is available daily from noon to 5 pm and 7 pm to midnight.

For more information, contact Donna Compton at the Hilton-Americas in Romm 12009.

## IN Top 100 masterpoint

 winners:1 19.14 Kailash Sachdev, The Woodlands TX
2 16.07 Rani Sachdev, The Woodlands TX
15.47 Ronald Montague, La Porte TX
14.71 James Smock, Santa Fe NM
14.33 Stephen Apodaca, Santa Fe NM
14.18 Arjune Bose, Houston TX
14.02 Janice Vernia, Carmel IN
14.02 Robert Vernia, Carmel IN
13.70 Ranjit Bose, Albuquerque NM
13.39 Maureen Viaclovsky, Friendswood TX
13.15 James Ochsner, Houston TX 12.23 Keith Anderson, Rochester MN 12.23 Mary Anderson, Rochester MN 11.91 Janet Williams, Houston TX 11.50 Marilyn Hughes, La Porte TX 11.21 Arlene Rawitscher, Houston TX 11.21 Jack Rawitscher, Houston TX 10.93 Johnell McKee, Friendswood TX 10.74 Joyce Eveld, Houston TX 10.27 Steven Brown, Wichita KS 10.15 Nancy Montague, La Porte TX 10.12 Sue Bailey, Stockport 10.04 Helen Hollis, Houston TX 10.04 Gaylene Jewell, Houston TX 9.99 Ronald Antinori, Atlanta GA 9.99 Susan Antinori, Atlanta GA 9.87 Jean Foltz, Pearland TX 9.87 Jo Ann Pierce, Pearland TX 9.74 Thomas Hamilton, Montgomery TX 9.71 William Taylor, Mooresville NC 9.71 Joan Maxwell, Davidson NC 9.22 Jerry Bigner, Shreveport LA 9.22 H Ray Atchley, Shreveport LA 9.02 Jane Hendrix, Breckenridge CO 9.02 Kathleen McCool, Castle Rock CO
8.90 Elenalani Lam, Sunnyvale CA
8.70 Patricia Bunn, Cypress TX
8.70 O Bunn, Cypress TX
8.21 Pauline Mitchell, Houston TX
8.19 Evelyn James, Houston TX
8.12 Yvonne Pierce, Houston TX
8.00 Louise O’Brien, Dallas TX
8.00 Marj Frederiksen, Dallas TX
7.94 Catherine Gonzales, Houston TX
7.94 Mark Heep, Austin TX
7.94 Liz Cooper, Austin TX
7.83 Allison Ochsner, Houston TX

## NABC Diary



## Voices

Overheard in the trenches: Tournament director 1: "I find it hard to give redress to a player who does not trust his partner. How many masterpoints do they have?

TD 2: "They are Flight B."
TD 1: "You mean they have amassed more than 750 masterpoints and have not learned to trust partner?"

TD 2: "They're married!"

## Snarky voices

Flash Gordon reported a series of exchanges relayed to him by one of the more charming (and young) ladies in the Women's Pairs. As is evident, gamesmanship knows no boundaries.

Round one: Gordon's friend was offered wrinkle cream by an opponent.
$48 \quad 7.82$ Joseph Cunningham, Conroe TX
7.47 Jim McCormick, Houston TX
7.21 Bill Orth, Sugarloaf PA
7.19 Pamela Hughes, Bend OR
7.08 Kay Kennedy, Houston TX
6.90 Charlene Bolten, Cypress TX
6.90 Stehpanie Slattery, Houston TX
6.86 Michael Novack, Humble TX
6.86 Kim O’Hara, Humble TX
6.52 Edna Kelly, Houston TX
6.47 Ruth Orth, Sugarloaf PA
6.46 Betty McCauley, Oklahoma City OK
6.46 Gary Homer, Lincoln CA
6.46 Elise Homer, Lincoln CA
6.36 Kay Bartle, Houston TX
6.28 Connie Montgomery, Katy TX
6.27 Mary Jennings, Houston TX
6.16 David Durand, Houston TX
6.08 Pat Leavitt, Friendswood TX
6.06 Claire Ridgley, Tehachapi CA
6.06 Pamela Thaut, Tucson AZ
6.06 Joan Merrill, Tucson AZ
6.05 Walter Zolla, Montgomery TX
6.03 Colleen Bicket, Edmond OK
6.02 Connie Burnett, Houston TX
6.00 Marilyn Haver, Birmingham AL
6.00 Nell Nichols, Birmingham AL
5.94 Jean Moritz, Houston TX
5.90 Ann Wales, Houston TX
5.77 Phyllis Siegel, Ballwin MO
5.76 Kenneth MacMorran, Austin TX
5.76 Sharon MacMorran, Austin TX
5.61 Laxmi Mehra, Houston TX
5.61 Usha Mehra, Houston TX
5.58 Jo Chorpening, Ellisville MO
5.54 Bitsy Klein, Bethany Beach DE
5.54 Michael Klein, Bethany Beach DE
5.53 Rosalie Schwarz, Houston TX
5.53 Cherry Schwarz, Houston TX
5.45 Jeri Nelson, Neenah WI
5.37 Clairlee Hirsch, The Woodlands TX
5.37 Pamela Elsner, Avon CO
5.34 Daniel Potkalesky, Plano TX
5.34 Bradley Etnyre, Las Vegas NV
5.31 David Sievers, Encino CA
5.31 Margy Sievers, Encino CA
5.28 Arne Hoeppner, Sherman TX
5.25 Patsy Howell, Houston TX
5.24 Robert Ziegler, Houston TX
5.23 John Chapman, Little Rock AR
5.23 Wendy Wheeler, Little Rock AR
5.23 Barbara Webber, Houston TX
5.23 Indu Khera, Houston TX

Round two: An opponent looked at our heroine's dress and remarked that she has a pair of pajamas "just like that."

Round three: Our heroine was asked, "How many grandchildren do you have?"

## Birthday wishes

Friday was the legendary Helen Shanbrom's 90th birthday, and her friend and regular partner didn't want the occasion to go without due notice. So Jakob called his friend at the Westside Bridge Club in Tamarac FL and put Mike Cappelletti (the elder) on the line to offer appropriate wishes.

Shanbrom, a Grand Life Master with more than 20,000 masterpoints, is known for playing bridge at least twice a day every day and is unmatched in the number of times she has won her category in the ACBL's Ace of Clubs competition (10,000-plus category).

Jakob says the only reason Shanbrom doesn't play more than twice as day is that "there's no midnight game at the club."


Second in the IMP Pairs, Greg Hinze and Nagy Kamel.

## 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


Second in the Womens Pairs, Hjordis Eythorsdottir and Valerie Westheimer.

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.

## GRADY WATKINS MEMORIAL OPEN

56.0 Tables

B C
1
Jack Bryant, Saint Louis MO; Mark Lair, Canyon TXBill Staats, Southlake TX; Mark Bumgardner, Carrollton TX

Gary Macgregor, Portola Valley CA; Franklin Lowenthal, Pleasanton CA
Judy Bramley - Bart Bramley, Dallas TX
Melanie Tucker - Erez Hendelman, New York NY
Judy Randel, Albuquerque NM; Suzanne Jones, Boulder CO Jane Armstrong - Betty Starzec, Sugar Land TX
58.89\%
58.09\%
57.77\%
57.69\%
57.45\%
57.13\%
56.65\%
56.44\%
56.10\%

SECOND FRIDAY-SUNDAY A/E SIDE 8ERIES

Geoffrey Brod, Naples FL; Pat McDevitt, Brookline MA

## ED HOFFING MORNING KO BRACKET I

13 Teams
Ahmed Sorathia, Chino CA; Lowell Andrews, Huntington Bch CA; Subba Ravipudi, Downey CA; Mariko Kakimoto - Atsuko Kurishima, Newport Beach CA; Matthew Mallory, San Diego CA

James Melville, Springfield IL; Will Engel, Freeport IL; Donald Croysdale, Elm Grove WI; William McFall, New Berlin WI
$12.813 / 4$ Geoffrey Brod, Naples FL; John Stiefel, Wethersfield CT; Lloyd Arvedon, Bedford MA; Pat McDevitt, Brookline MA; Glenn Eisenstein, New York NY; Richard DeMartino, Riverside CT
$12.81 \quad 3 / 4 \quad$ Chris Curran - Jonathan Holmes - Sadhana Dalal - Elton Lipnick, Houston TX

## ED HOFFING MORNING KO BRACKET II

11 Teams
Hans Strohmer - Nancy Strohmer, Houston TX; David McCarron - Mary McCarron, Austin TX

Richard Markell, Los Gatos CA; Barbara Mash - Wendy Dewell, San Jose CA; Phyllis Gaffney, Sunnyvale CA
$4.00 \quad 3 / 4 \quad$ Judy Corey Edmiston - George Roach, Dallas TX; Calvin Konner, Bethesda MD; Jose Porres, Rockville MD $4.00 \quad 3 / 4 \quad$ Richard Hill - Alice Hill, Haslett MI; Daniel Poret, Ville Platte LA; Jo Ann Gros, Lafayette LA; Phyllis Pettijohn, West Palm Beach FL

## SECOND FRIDAY/SATURDAY MORNING

COMPACT KO BRACKET I
14 Tables
John Kinst, Batavia IL; Carol Mahoney, Kokomo IN; W Harris Jr, Lombard IL; Lois Scott, Carmel IN
Alex Hudson, Raleigh NC; John Cobb Jr, Apex NC; John Marriott Jr - John Marriott III, Cary NC

Michael Strong, Winfield IL; Charles Alexander, Northbrook IL; Dale Fiebelkorn, Norfolk VA; Jerry Barker, Newport News VA

G S Jade Barrett, Elk Point SD; Diana Marquardt, Del Mar CA; Robert Todd, Tallahassee FL; Ellis Feigenbaum, Petah Tikva 493 Israel

SECOND FRIDAY/SATURDAY MORNING COMPACT KO BRACKET II
16 Tables
Keith Meyer - Marci Meyer, McKinney TX; Ken Cornelius
Mary Cornelius, Portland OR
Cerona Stevens - Florence Bloukos, Marquette MI; Richard Cottle, St Paul MN; James Smith, Brooklyn Park MN

Becky Mosely, San Antonio TX; Larz Smith - Anne Smith, Colleyville TX; Warren Watson, Trail BC

Lloyd Hankinson - Gail Pirodsky, Sarasota FL; Vicky Renzulli, Irving TX; Erica Walker, Dallas TX

## SECOND FRIDAY/SATURDAY MORNING KO

 CONSOLATION 17 Tables
Shirley Salvo, Kiawah Island SC; Jacqueline Kimball, John's Island SC; Tania Reyes Hiller, Shrub Oak NY; Linda Luther, N Charleston SC

Kelley Hwang, New York NY; Matthew O’Connor, Ridgewood NJ; John Russell, North Barringto IL; Valentin Kovachev, Stony Brook NY

Linda Harrison, Calgary AB; Hao Ge, Bay Village OH; Hui Lin Zhu, Chongqing 401147 People's Republic of China; Nongyu Li, Sunnyvale CA
Chris Moll, Raleigh NC; Ellen Anten, Encino CA; Marjorie Michelin, Los Angeles CA; Stephen Gladyszak, Chelsea MA

## SECOND FRIDAY/SATURDAY MORNING KO

 CONSOLATION 28 Tables
Eric Heinrich, Calhoun LA; Daniel Rosenblatt, Winston Salem NC; Gladys Ulrich, Conroe TX; Donna Venn, Pharr TX

Cissy Stutes - Lessley Cain - Laura Jones - Millard Jones, Lake Charles LA

Dianne Kiehl, Muskego WI; Marlene Backus, Brookfield WI; Joanne Behling, Wauwatosa WI; Mary Spyers Duran, Shorewood WI

Peggy Mc Cormick, Arlington TX; Joy McKenzie-Smith Michael McCormick, Fort Worth TX; Pamela Gladysz, Ft Worth TX

Kimi Lambert, Biloxi MS; Carol Perrin - Jason Holliday - Myrtis Pauling, Baton Rouge LA

Robert Bertoni, Haverhill MA; Peter Manzon, Waltham MA; Brian Wyman - Kevin Fay, Ann Arbor MI

Kenneth Harris - Jennifer Harris - Brenda Truitt - Lucia Hilton, Santa Fe NM
Lucerne Bunch - Terri O'Brien - Patsy Martin - Barbara Vervenne, Austin TX

DONNA COMPTON THURSDAY/FRIDAY KO 1 12 Teams
48.241 Richard Schwartz, East Elmhurst NY; Bob Jones, Hypoluxo FL; Bjorn Fallenius, New York NY; Peter Fredin, Malmo Sweden; Piotr Gawrys, Warsaw Poland; Marcin Lesniewski, Zakopane Poland
33.772 Marc Bompis, Bourg La Reine France; Albert Faigenbaum - Dominique Pilon - Jean Quantin, Paris France 19.30 3/4 Robert Hollman, Santa Barbara CA; Bruce Ferguson, Boise ID; Per-Ola Cullin, Stockholm Sweden; Johan Upmark, 11558 Stockho Sweden; Ulf Nilsson, Dalby Sweden; Bengt-G Ran Olofsson, Ume Sweden
19.30 3/4 David Maidman - Marin Marinov, New York NY; Rumen Trendafilov - Kalin Karaivanov, Varna Bulgaria

## DONNA COMPTON THURSDAY/FRIDAY KO 2

13 Teams
27.371 James Melville, Springfield IL; Will Engel, Freeport IL; William McFall, New Berlin WI; Donald Croysdale, Elm Grove WI
19.162 Linda Harrison, Calgary AB; Hao Ge, Bay Village OH; Hui Lin Zhu, Chongqing 401147 People’s Republic of China; Warren Foss, Omaha NE; Nongyu Li, Sunnyvale CA 10.95 3/4 Paul Wright Jr, Mount Pleasant SC; Leigh Ives, Barrie ON; Lois Scott, Carmel IN; Carol Mahoney, Kokomo IN
10.95 3/4 Billy Leeper, Fort Worth TX; Roy Baughman, Pantego TX; Mike Miller, Temple TX; Marion Gebhardt, Richardson TX

## DONNA COMPTON THURSDAY/FRIDAY KO 3

12 Teams
20.941 Thomas Jahnke - Anna Marlatt - Joyce Park Ken Navarro, Houston TX
$14.66 \quad 2$ Ronnie Frank, Saint Louis MO; Shirley Matthews, Lindale TX; Nicholas France, Spring Valley NY; Judith Inker, Wellesley Hills MA
8.38 3/4 Harry Selldin, Houston TX; Kenneth Smith, Hialeah FL; H Robert Gerberich Jr, Corpus Christi TX; Neal McKinney, Vienna VA
8.38 W/4 William Smith, Houston TX; Kenneth McAllister, Pearland TX; Kay Olness - Ernest Olness Jr, Billings MT

DONNA COMPTON THURSDAY/FRIDAY KO 4 16 Teams
19.941 Edwin Bain III, Houston TX; Mary Anne Woessner, Montgomery TX; Jeanne Marie Childe, Spring TX; Karla Riddick, Conroe TX
$\begin{array}{lll}13.96 & 2 & \text { Sanford Lobliner - Laima Gaizutis - Ervie }\end{array}$ Freeman, Houston TX; Youssef Youssef, Katy TX
7.98 3/4 Michael Strong, Winfield IL; Jerry Barker, Newport News VA; Charles Alexander, Northbrook IL; Dale Fiebelkorn, Norfolk VA
7.98 3/4 Don Morgan - John Lai - Ralph Herz - Nancy Crabtree, Houston TX

DONNA COMPTON THURSDAY/FRIDAY KO 5 15 Teams
$15.81 \quad 1 \quad$ Richard Hill - Alice Hill, Haslett MI; Robert Ewigleben - Jayne Ewigleben, Elizabethtown KY
11.072 Wayne Pinsonneault, Saint Paul MN; Larry Pinsonneault - Nadia Branisa, Houston TX; M Topper,
Minneapolis MN
$6.323 / 4$ Charles Burke - Caron Peck, Arlington TX; Byron Taylor, Fort Worth TX; Karen Caton, McKinney TX
6.32 3/4 Eleanor Sherwyn - Donald Varvel, Corpus Christi TX; Daksha Adhia, Missouri City TX; Karur Krishnan, Houston TX

## DONNA COMPTON THURSDAY/FRIDAY KO 6

 16 Teams13.181 Keith Meyer - Marci Meyer, McKinney TX; Ken Cornelius - Mary Cornelius, Portland OR
$\begin{array}{lll}9.23 & 2 & \text { Carolyn Carpenter - Shirley Mueller - Barbara }\end{array}$ Tommasini - Ronald Tommasini, Louisville KY
5.27 3/4 Paul Cuneo - Steve Varner - Jeannette Nestvold, Houston TX; RaeDonna Jones, Kingwood TX 5.27 3/4 Jerry Bowen, Dickinson TX; Marilyn Hughes, La Porte TX; Johnell McKee, Friendswood TX; Joyce Garner, Pearland TX

DONNA COMPTON THURSDAY/FRIDAY KO 7 16 Teams
$11.20 \quad 1 \quad$ Don Deal, Nassau Bay TX; William Houck David Bradt, Houston TX; Dick Zinser, Friendswood TX 7.842 Susan Flick - Leah McCarthy, Mc Kinney TX; Carla Guthrie, McKinney TX; Jackie Hertweck, Edmond OK $4.48 \quad 3 / 4 \quad$ Bert Sheldon, San Antonio TX; Dianne Segerstrom - Karen Dittert, Houston TX; Erica Jaeger, Bellaire TX
$4.48 \quad 3 / 4 \quad$ Janet Smith - Barbara Langendorf - Mercedes Snyder, Kingwood TX; Carolyn Labouliere, Seabrook TX

74 Tables
$11.53 \quad 1$

B C
$65 \quad 2$
$5.68 \quad 3 / 4$
$5.68 \quad 3 / 4$Netherlands 77.65
38.468 Stephen Goldstein, Anaheim CA; Gary Brown, San Francisco CA
$35.719 \quad$ Migry Zur Campanile - Chris Willenken, New York NY
$33.3310 \quad$ Stephen Landen, Ellicott City MD; Lynn Deas, Schenectady NY
31.2511 Peter Boyd, Darnestown MD; Steve Robinson, Arlington VA
29.4112 Bas Drijver, Capelle Aan Den Netherlands; Sjoert Brink, Rotterdan Netherlands
27.7813 Mark Itabashi, Murrieta CA; Subba Ravipudi, Downey CA
26.3214 Allan Falk, Okemos MI; Peter Friedland, Cupertino CA
25.0015 David Siebert, Little Rock AR; Don Caton, Pensacola FL
23.8116 Tommy Garvey, Essex Cm145ww England; David Bakhshi, London England
22.7317 Bruce Rogoff, Tenafly NJ; Cornelis Van Prooijen, Nieuw Vennep Netherlands
21.7418 Pinpin Deng, Hackettstown NJ; Yafu Lin, Shenzhen Guangd People’s Republic of China
20.8319 Rose Meltzer, Los Gatos CA; Roger Bates, Mesa AZ
20.0020 Douglas Doub, W Hartford CT; Adam Wildavsky, New York NY
19.2321 Alan Watson, Lexington MA; David Becher, Peabody MA
18.5222 Martin Fleisher, New York NY; Michael Kamil, Holmdel NJ
17.8623 Helen Hackner, Willowdale ON; David Horner, Carrollton TX
17.2424 Waldemar Frukacz, Gloucester ON; Dan Jacob, Vancouver BC
16.6725 David Berkowitz - Larry Cohen, Boca Raton FL
16.1326 Zygmunt Marcinski, Westmount QC; Bryan Maksymetz, Garibaldi Highl BC
15.6327 Tony Ames - Judy Nassar, Minnetonka MN
15.1528 Leon Lowe, Fountain Hills AZ; Kenneth Badertscher, Tucson AZ
14.7129 Mark Gordon, Purchase NY; Pratap Rajadhyaksha, Venice FL
14.2930 Andrew Gumperz, Castro Valley CA; Mark Dean, Fremont CA
13.8931 Pierre Flatowicz, Omaha NE; Allan Siebert, Little Rock AR
13.5132 Aubrey Strul, Delray Beach FL; Michael Becker, Boca Raton FL
13.1633 Arnie Frankel, Laurel MD; Richard Reitman, Los Gatos CA
12.8234 Barry Rigal, New York NY; Jeff Aker, Briarcliff NY
12.5035 Morrie Kleinplatz, Windsor ON; Mark Leonard, Ypsilanti MI
12.2036 Gil Cohen, Ashburn VA; Marty Nelson, Annapolis MD
19.6437 Tim Crank, Cincinnati OH; Jim Reiman, Mansfield OH
11.6338 Charles Lipman, Dunwoody GA; Steven Huhman, Larchmont NY
13.2139 Ernesto Muzzio, Buenos Aires Argentina; Ricardo Angeleri, Mar Del Plata Argentina
11.1140 Samuel Cohen, Lisle IL; Mark Aquino, Jamaica Plain MA
10.8741 Dennis Dawson, Santa Fe NM; Walter Johnson, Columbus OH
13.1942 Josh Sher, Oradell NJ; Adam Meyerson, Los Angeles CA
10.4243 Mitch Dunitz, Sherman Oaks CA; Mark Perlmutter, San Diego CA
10.2044 John Schermer, Seattle WA; Neil Chambers, Schenectady NY
10.0045 Kit Woolsey, Kensington CA; Fred Stewart, Bloomington NY
9.8046 Thomas Carmichael, Kennesaw GA; David Grainger, Etobicoke ON
9.6247 Cameron Doner, Richmond BC; Hamish Bennett, Menlo Park CA
9.4348 Mark Krusemeyer, Northfield MN; Randy Okubo, Saint Paul MN
9.2649 Daniela von Arnim, Hockenh Germany; Sabine Auken, Charlottenlund Denmark
9.0950 Michael Rosenberg - Debbie Rosenberg, New Rochelle NY

## WHITEHEAD WOMENS PAIRS

| 26.0 Tables |  |  |
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| 75.00 | 1 |  |
| 56.25 | 2 |  |
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| 25.00 | 7 |  |
| 23.08 | 8 |  |
| 21.43 | 9 |  |
| 20.00 | 10 |  |
| 18.75 | 11 |  |
| 17.65 | 12 |  |
| 16.67 | 13 |  |
| 15.79 | 14 |  |
| 15.00 | 15 |  |
| 14.29 | 16 |  |
| 13.64 | 17 |  |
| 13.04 | 18 |  |
| 12.50 | 19 |  |
| 12.00 | 20 |  |
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| 10.71 | 23 |  |
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| 70.00 | 1 |
| 52.50 | 2 |
| 39.38 | 3 |
| 31.11 | 4 |
| 28.00 | 5 |
| 25.45 | 6 |
| 23.33 | 7 |
| 21.54 | 8 |
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| 18.67 | 10 |
| 17.50 | 11 |
| 16.47 | 12 |
| 15.56 | 13 |
| 14.74 | 14 |
| 14.00 | 15 |
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| 12.73 | 17 |
| 12.17 | 18 |
| 11.67 | 19 |
| 11.20 | 20 |
| 10.77 | 21 |
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| 9.33 | 25 |
| 9.03 | 26 |
| 8.75 | 27 |
| 8.48 | 28 |
| 8.24 | 29 |
| 10.98 | 30 |
| 7.78 | 31 |
| 8.25 | 32 |
| 7.37 | 33 |
| 7.18 | 34 |
| 7.27 | 35 |
| 6.98 | 36 |
| 6.67 | 37 |
| 9.47 | 38 |
| 6.36 | 39 |
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### 17.0 Tables

 Thomas Frank - David Riddle, Indianapolis IN Kristy Garrison - David Garrison, Spring TX Richard Gordon, Rowlett TX; Janet Dugle, Pinawa MB Nathan Glasser, Somerville MA; Buddhadeb Biswas, Lexington MA Bruce Luttrell, San Jose CA; Dana Brown, Los Gatos CA Bill Orth, Sugarloaf PA; Darrel Peckinpaugh, Muncie IN Neal McKinney, Vienna VA; Ian Andrew, Elgin SC Adam Kaplan, New Port Richey FL; Cameron Shunta, Grand Haven MI5 Gordon Sawyer, Seattle WA; Michael Lattyak, Westchester IL

## SECOND FRIDAY MORNING I/N

829.12
775.17
768.00
766.35
761.04
740.93
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729.17
721.19
719.73
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705.95
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696.41
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692.05

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1241.24
1239.40
1221.47
193.8
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1099.09
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57.20\%
57.01\%
56.82\%
55.11\%
54.55\%
52.84\%
52.65\%

## GARY KING COMPACT KO 1

## 16 Tables

31.701 Carolyn Lynch, Scottsdale AZ; Mike Passell -

Curtis Cheek, Las Vegas NV; Joe Grue, New York NY
22.192 Mary Ann Berg, Atherton CA; John Mohan, Huixquilucan Mexico; Bauke Muller, Hoorn Netherlands; Simon De Wijs, Doorn 304G Netherlands
14.273 Kevin Bathurst, New York NY; Vincen Demuy, Laval QC; Michael Lawrence, Brentwood TN; Daniel Zagorin, Skokie IL
$11.104 \quad$ Philip Gordon, Henderson NV. Jason
Feldman, San Diego CA; Joergen Molberg, Trondheim Norway; Terje Aa, Heimdal Norway

## GARY KING COMPACT KO 2

16 Tables
$21.48 \quad 1 \quad$ Stephen Gladyszak, Chelsea MA; Sylvia Caley, Montreal QC; Marjorie Michelin, Los Angeles CA; Yiji Starr, Waltham MA
15.042 Jack Lacy, Lago Vista TX; Sandra Marlin,

Versailles KY; Susan Grauer - Tom Breed, Aurora CO
9.673 Cindy Bernstein, Matthews NC; Buddy Hanby - Sally Wheeler, Spring TX; Georgiana Gates, Houston TX
$7.524 \quad$ Yasuko Shrenzel, Honolulu HI; Hiroki Yokoi -
Tadashi Teramoto, Tokyo Japan; Ari Greenberg, San Francisco CA

## GARY KING COMPACT KO 3

15 Tables
$14.97 \quad 1 \quad$ Patty Hinze - Marilyn Arnold, San Antonio TX; Carolyn Pinto, Fort Worth TX; Pat McMullin, Houston TX $10.48 \quad 2 \quad$ Charles Pecarro, Falls Church VA; Carole Grob, Alexandria VA; Jane Shaw, Hanover PA; Hope Watts, Bethesda MD
6.743 Charlotte Blaiss - Greg Loran - Carol Schoenhals, Lubbock TX; Dianna Gittelman, Houston TX 5.244 Louis Sachar - Elizabeth Tobias - Paul Tobias, Austin TX; Nancy Jo Gordy, Port Ludlow WA

## GARY KING COMPACT KO 4

16 Tables
12.511 Jon Brandon - Spencer Jones - Peggy Ware, Denver CO; Harley Bress, Golden CO
$\begin{array}{ccc}8.76 & 2 & \text { David Pearlman, Trophy Club TX; Joseph }\end{array}$ Gill, Richardson TX; Jonathan Ernest, Lindale TX; David Farris, Austin TX
$5.63 \quad 3 \quad$ Raymond Yuenger, Campbell CA; Mansoor Gowani, San Jose CA; Tanakorn Lavanakul, Dublin CA; Rajeev Gupta, San Mateo CA
4.384 John McConnell, Cedar Hill TX; Rich

Brandenburg, Coppell TX; William Smith, Houston TX; Kenneth McAllister, Pearland TX

## GARY KING COMPACT KO 5

16 Tables
10.431 David Pimental, Dartmouth MA; Marcia White, Lakeville MA; Arun Savara, Honolulu HI; Harjinder Ajmani, Kula HI
$\begin{array}{lll}7.30 & 2 & \text { Meg Myers, Charlottesville VA; Theresa }\end{array}$ Andino, Tallahassee FL; July Ratley, Redding CA; Bob Wierman, Anderson CA
$4.69 \quad 3 \quad$ Jerrold Harrington, Garden Ridge TX; K
Voges, Converse TX; Olivia Brown - Cecelia Zachar, San
Antonio TX
3.654 Frank La Master - Nancy La Master,

Indianapolis IN; Christine Miley - Gene Miley, Hinsdale IL

## GARY KING COMPACT KO 6

$\begin{array}{lll}\text { 16 Tables } \\ 8.38 & 1 & \text { Michael Shaw - Ken Goodridge - Leonard }\end{array}$ 8.38 $\quad$ Michael Shaw - Ken
Doerksen - June Hewitt, Winnipeg MB
$\begin{array}{lll}5.87 & 2 & \text { William Voedisch, Marine MN; Dennis }\end{array}$ Cerkvenik, Minnetonka MN; Jason Daming, Austin TX; Greg Giem, Houston TX
$3.77 \quad 3 \quad$ John Heath - George Keiller, Houston TX; Lily Andre - James Andre, Sugar Land TX
$2.93 \quad 4 \quad$ Richard Grady, Albuquerque NM; Raj Pruthi,
Bellaire TX; Kailash Sachdev - Rani Sachdev, The Woodlands
TX

## GARY KING COMPACT KO 7

16 Tables
7.18 $1 \quad$ Barbara Traphagen, Fort Worth TX; Neal Kleiner, San Pedro CA; Gerri Soffa Carlson, Ranch Pls Vrd CA; Arlene Elder, Big Bear Lake CA
5.032 Brent McDaniel, Seabrook TX; Irene Baker Diane Konick - Claudia Parr, Houston TX
$3.23 \quad 3 \quad$ Carol Perrin - Jason Holliday - Myrtis Pauling, Baton Rouge LA; Kimi Lambert, Biloxi MS
$2.51 \quad 4 \quad$ Joy McKenzie-Smith - Michael McCormick Fort Worth TX; Pamela Gladysz, Ft Worth TX; Peggy Mc Cormick, Arlington TX

## GARY KING COMPACT KO 8

16 Tables
6.071 Terrence Rice, San Antonio TX; Marvin

Greenfield, Sugar Land TX; Barbara Gadea, Houston TX; Sophie Field, Chattanooga TN
4.252 Patti Harp - Ana Urrutia, New Orleans LA; Robert Nevin - Mary Ellen Nevin, Sun City Center FL
$2.73 \quad 3 \quad$ Maureen Donovan, Halifax NS; Patricia
Morrison, Wellington NS; Scott Wansbrough, Dallas TX; Janet Corkum, Dartmouth NS
2.124 Carol Wilson - Bette Liebgold, Houston TX; Calvin Konner, Bethesda MD; Jose Porres, Rockville MD

| GARY KING COMPACT KO 9 |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| 16 Tables |  |
| 4.32 | 1 |$\quad$ Kim O’Hara, Humble TX; Susan Belding -

8 Tables
$\begin{array}{lll}8 \text { 8 Tables } & \\ 4.98 & 1 & \text { Stephen McConnell, Evanston IL; Shirley }\end{array}$
Blum, Fresno CA; Richard Helams Jr, West Monroe LA; Anne Dawson, Delhi LA
2.642 Mary Gorkin, Hallandale Bch FL; Frank Mastrola, Swansea MA; Walter Spiewak, Wake Forest NC; Gudrun Wallace, Fort Myers FL

## GARY KING CONSOLATION KO 3

7 Tables
$\begin{array}{lll}3.36 & 1 & \text { Derrick Furber, Prince Albert SK; Mark }\end{array}$ Churchman - Andy Anderson - Curley Anderson, Saskatoon SK

## GARY KING CONSOLATION KO

8 Tables
1.991 Eric Sandberg - Jeff Nuttall, Houston TX; Janice Kofman, Miami FL; Nandlal Khatri, Sugar Land TX 1.052 Barbara Rees, Island View NB; Cheryl Jackson, Kansas City MO; Margaret Cann, Sydney NS; S Joan Dixon, Toronto ON

## GARY KING CONSOLATION KO 7

8 Tables
$1.71 \quad 1 \quad$ Edward Yetter, Garland TX; Cary Jennings, Fort Worth TX; Larz Smith - Anne Smith, Colleyville TX

## GARY KING CONSOLATION KO 8

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8 \text { Tables } & \\
\begin{array}{lll}
1.60 & 1 & \text { Terry Brown - Belinda Brown - Ronald } \\
\text { Nangels } & \text { Charles Lanni, Houston TX } \\
0.85 & 2 & \text { Harold Fellerman - Bonnie Fellerman, Maple } \\
\text { Grove MN; } & \text { Gilbert Hogenson - Bobbi Hogenson, Mission TX }
\end{array}
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## GARY KING CONSOLATIONV KO 9

 Anne Knott - Sally Knight, Houston TX

## SECOND THURSDAY ZIP KOS BRACKET \#1

 10 Tables$\begin{array}{lll}3.03 & 1 & \text { Adam Kaplan, New Port Richey FL; Cameron }\end{array}$ Shunta, Grand Haven MI; Mitch Towner, Salt Lake City UT; Michael Shaw, Winnipeg MB
2.122 David Rogers, Southern Pines NC; Larry Rich, Cumming GA; Molly O’Neill - Bella Ionis-Sorren, Ft Lauderdale FL
1.21 3/4 Lynn Brown, Palm Coast FL; Mara Tuttle, Lake Mary FL; George Richards - Ellen Meyer, Austin TX $1.213 / 4 \quad$ Myrtis Pauling - Jason Holliday - Carol Perrin, Baton Rouge LA; Kimi Lambert, Biloxi MS

SECOND THURSDAY ZIP KOS BRACKET \#2 10 Tables
3.03 $1 \quad$ G S Jade Barrett, Elk Point SD; Diana Marquardt, Del Mar CA; Anne Dawson, Delhi LA; Tom Breed Susan Grauer, Aurora CO
2.122 Spencer Jones - Garth Yettick - Jon Brandon, Denver CO; Harley Bress, Golden CO
1.21 3/4 Lewis Gamerman, Brookline MA; Lorraine Cable, New York NY; Matthew Dyer, Chicago IL; Marc Sylvester, Edinboro PA
$1.21 \quad 3 / 4 \quad$ James Sundstrom, Wyckoff NJ; Matthew O’Connor, Ridgewood NJ; Margaret Cann, Sydney NS; Helen Raleigh, Suffern NY


## SECOND FRIDAY STRATIFIED FAST PAIRS

11.0 Tables

|  | A |
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| $13.30 \quad 1$ |  |

$9.98 \quad 2$
7.483
$5.61 \quad 4$
$4.43 \quad 5$
3.80
$3.33 \quad 7$
2.52
1.89
1.42
0.93
0.93
0.69
0.52
33.0 Tables
6.08
3.99
3.99
2.57
1.92
1.52
1.14
1.35
1.02
1.04
34.0 Tables
1232
$9.24 \quad 2$
6.933
8.03
6.02
4.526
3.087
$3.39 \quad 8 / 9$
2.60 8/9
$2.24 \quad 10$

[^1]1.92

[^2]1.76

### 26.0 Tables

5.46
4.10
$3.07 \quad 3$
$2.30 \quad 4$
1.735
3.946
2.96 2.27 1.66 1.70

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1.37
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B C
Donald McCullough Jr, Lambertville MI; Bill Huepenbecker, Huron OH 60.12\%
Rose Black - Peggy Craig, El Paso TX
David Walker, Salem VA; Bill Barkley, New Bern NC
Dave McClintock, Bluffton SC; Brenda Montague, Swampscott MA 57.89\%
Christopher Marlow, Wilmington DE; Andy Muenz, Brookhaven PA 57.44\%
Pam LaShelle, Round Rock TX; Puddin Barnes, Brenham TX 55.36\%
Peter Filandro - Marie Filandro, Wilmington DE
Faye Vincent - Aletha Cahill-Wolf, The Woodlands TX
$54.02 \%$
$47.62 \%$
47.47\%

## BETTY STARZEC 2 49ER PAIRS

B C

| Mary Watters - Kathryn Phillips, Houston TX | $62.50 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| Kay Kennedy - Joyce Eveld, Houston TX | $61.36 \%$ |
| Sharon McLellan - Bobby McLellan, Granbury TX | $59.66 \%$ |
| Betty Ryan, Tomball TX; Peggy Clough, Cypress TX | $56.25 \%$ |
| Norma Callender - Yvonne Pierce, Houston TX | $56.25 \%$ |
| Lori McGuinness - Ann Tidwell, Houston TX | $55.68 \%$ |
| Lorita Tipton - Yvonne Overschie, Houston TX | $55.49 \%$ |

## BETTY STARZEC 2 299ER PAIRS

B C
1
$2 / 3 \quad 2$
Maureen Viaclovsky - Pat Leavitt, Friendswood TX
Biz Tarr, Newport Beach CA; Fred Standefer, Sugar Land TX 60.71\%
Ronald Antinori - Susan Antinori, Atlanta GA
Charlene Bolten, Cypress TX; Stehpanie Slattery, Houston TX 59.82\%
Bill Orth - Ruth Orth, Sugarloaf PA
58.93\%
58.63\%
58.33\%
56.85\%
55.95\%
55.65\%
62.42\%
59.62\%
59.05\%
57.61\%
57.53\%
56.81\%
56.57\%
56.09\%
56.09\%
56.01\%
55.45\%
54.73\%
53.13\%
51.92\%
51.04\%
50.88\%
50.88\%

## FRIDAY/SATURDAY/SUNDAY SIDE SERIES

B C
John Derdall - Jan Derdall, Western Springs IL_ 70.19\%
Lapt Chan, Forest Hills NY; Uday Ivatury, New York NY 66.35\%
Al Cupps, Houston TX; John Dockray, Villanova PA 59.62\%
Ruth-Anne Mazer - Allan Mazer, Towson MD 59.26\%
Scott Humphrey, Pflugerville TX; Janise Saul, San Antonio TX 58.97\%
58.97\%
58.33\%
56.89\%
56.48\%
56.25\%
54.63\%
54.49\%
53.21\%
52.72\%

NORTH-SOUTH
Ira Hessel, San Antonio TX; Keith Garber, Las Vegas NV
Aubrey Strul, Delray Beach FL; Michael Becker Boce Mark Gordon, Purchase NY; Pratap Rajadhyaksha, Venice FL
Greg Hinze, San Antonio TX; Nagy Kamel, Plano TX
Alan Watson, Lexington MA, David Becher, Peabody M
Kenneth Schutze, Austin TX: Hemant Lall, Dallas TX Kenneth Schutze, Austin TX; Hemant Lall, Dallas TX
Warren Oberfied P Pittsburgh PA; Peggy Kaplan Vincent Ramondt, Alphen Aan Den Netherlands; Berry Westra, Leonard Helman, Santa Fe NM; Mark Horton, Bath United Kingdom Rita Ellington, Traverse City Mi; Robert Morris, Houston TX Stephen Landen, Ellicott City MD; Lynn Deas, Schenectady NY John Schermer, Seattle WA; Neil Chambers, Schenectady NY Pinpin Deng, Hackettstown N, Chad Fine,
Griry Roberts, Leawood KS; Chad Cisher, Kansas City Mo Mo People's Republic of Chin Thomas Carmichael, Kennesaw GA; David Grainger, Etobicoke ON Ron Pachtmann, Kfar Saba 44 Israel; Eldad Ginossar, Moshav Zofit Israel Martin Fleisher, New York NY; Michael Kamil, Holmdel 1 ,
Barry Rigal New York NY; Jeff Aker Briarcliff NY Barry Rigal, New York NY; Jeff Aker, Briarciff NY
Helen Hackner Willowdale ON: David Horer Rose Meltzer, Los Gatos CA; Roger Bates, Mesa AZ Erresto Muzzio, Buenos Aires Argentina; Ricardo Ange
David Siebert, Little Rock AR; Don Caton, Pensacola FL Leon Lowe, Fountain Hills AZ; Kenneth Badertscher, Tucson AZ Jeff Hand, New York NY; Robert Lebi, Toronto ON Mark Krusemeyer, Northfield MN; Randy Okubo, Saint Paul MN

## north-south

Brenda Solovitz, Houston TX; Kay Humphries, Bellaire TX Barbara Sartorius, Lake Hiawatha NJ; Sharon Hait, Livingston $N$ I
Toni Bales Pickerington OH: Kamla Chawla Lonsmeadow MA Betty Ann Kennedy, Shreveport LA; Sally Chapleau, Tampa FL Laurie Kranyak, Bay Village OH; Linda McGarry, Stuart FL Susan Wexler, New York NY; Suzy Burger, West Bloomfield Linda Perlman, Lake Park FL; Susan Picus, New York NY Crolyn Sester, Boca Rato FL: Sally S Gigi Simpson, Sarasota FL; Janice Seamon-Molson, Hollywood FL

## north-south

Allison Howard, Cookeville TN; Tammy Pepper, Raleigh NC Jeff Ford, Redmond WA; Adam Ruprecht, Seattle WA Bijoy Anand, Jacksonville FL; Earl Brown Jr, St Augustine FL Wayne Obitz - James Gray, Indiana PA
and Steve Clark - Louise Clark, Glencoe IL
Marc Sylvester, Eunbos A, Francis Tseng, Erie P
Jay Barron, Tulsa OK. Eric Bell, Norman OK
Georgianna Spinazze, Saratoga CA; Steve Chen
Weidong Pei, Brea CA; Philip Hiestand, Irvine CA
Roy Perry, St Johns NL; Barbara Rhoades, Wilmington DE
Langdon Jones, N Little Rock AR; Jane Dickey, Little Rock AR
William Northrop, Schoolcraft MI; Catherine Gay, Kalamazoo MI
Steven Towner, Salt Lake Cty UT; Mitch Towner, Salt Lake City UT Daniel McGuire - Molly Hosford, Las Vegas NV Donald Daigle - Bernie Weiss, New Orleans LA

## NORTH-SOUTH

Lynn Baker, Austin TX; Karen McCallum, Exeter NH Gregory Gorshkov, Somerville NJ; Neil Jaffe, Belle Mead NJ Jack Mayer - Fran - Mayer Shawnee Mission Thomas Clark, Austin TX; George Pisk, Manchaca TX Jolie Hess - Lew Levy, Houston TX

## NORTH-SOUTH

Susi Ross - Harry Ross, Winter Spgs FL Peter Gray, Ketchum ID; Haig Tchamitch, Scottsdale AZ Sobert Aarret, Elk Point SD; Diana Marquardt, Del Mar CA James Blooms - Cheryl Bloom, Orchard Lake MI Nobth-SOUTH

Bill Staats, Southlake TX; Mark Bumgardner, Carrollton TX ane Armstrong - Betty Starzec, Sugar Land TX James Stokes, Grand Rapids MI; Sean Ganness, Miami FL Matt Klimesh, Pasadena CA: David Kempe Dan Morse, Houston TX; Zeke Jabbour, Boca Raton FL Curtiss Cohen - Cory Perkers, Chicago IL NORTH-SOUTH
Jennifer Breihan - James Breihan, Houston TX Karl Hicks, Dominion NS; Marshall Kuschner, Reston VA Chuck Said, Nashville TN; Steve Shirey, Fort Worth TX
Alex Hudson, Raleigh NC; John Marriot III, Cary NC En Xie, Saint Louis MO; Alice Brown, Midlothian VA Steve Reed, Arlington VA; Jeff Roman, Alexand

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$\begin{array}{cc}\text { LEBHAR IMP PAIRS - } 2 \text { 2ND FINAL SESSION } \\ \text { SECTIONS D E F G H } \\ 78.14 \quad 1 & \begin{array}{l}\text { EAST-WEST } \\ \text { Nikolay Demirev, Arlington Hts IL; Nicolas L'Ecuyer, Montreal QC }\end{array}\end{array}$
Nikolay Demirev, Arlington Hts LL; Nicolas LECuyer, Montreal OC
Allan Falk, Okemos MI; Peter Friedland, Cupertino CA
Bas Drijer, Capelle Aan Den Netherlands; Sjoert Brink, Rotterdan 3 Netherland
Gil Cohen, Ashburn VA; Marty Nelson, Annapoolis MD
Kimmel Jones, Euless TX; Hugh Hillaker, Grand Prairie TX
Stephen Goldstein, Anaheim CA; Gary Brown, San Francisco CA
Peter Boyd, Darnestown MD; Steve Robinson, Arlington VA
Barry Piafsky, New York NY; Don Piafsky, Toronto ON
Josh Sher, Oradell NJ; Adam Meyerson, Los Angeles CA
John Marriot Jr, Cary NC; John Cobb Jr, Apex NC
Larry Mori, Clearwater FL; Leonard Melander, West Bloomfield MI
Gary Sawyer, Alto NM; Billie Mitchell, Ruidoso NM
Mimmy Garvey Essex Cm145ww England; David, Bak Diego CA
Tommy Garvey, Essex Cm145ww England; David Bakhhhi, London England
Andrew Gumperz, Castro Valley CA; Mark Dean, Fremont CA
Pierre Flatowicz, Omaha NE; Allan Siebert, Little Rock AR
Mark Dahl, Richmond VA; James Gordon, S Burlington VT
Charles Lipman, Dunwoody GA; Steven Huhman, Larchmont NY
Waldemar Frukacz, Gloucester ON; Dan Jacob, Vancouver BC
Cameron Doner, Richmond BC; Hamish Bennett, Menlo Park CA
Lelvin Crowe, Cordova TN; Helene Bauman, Arlington VA
Jill Meyers, Santa Monica CA; Jill Levin, Bronx NY
Farid Assemi, Fresno CA; Edward Wojewoda, Clovis CA
Mark Itabashi, Murrieta CA; Subba Ravipudi, Downey CA
Mark trabashh, Murrieta CA; Subba Ravipudi, Downey CA
David Yang, Chicago IL; Jeff Fang, Arcadia CA
Pam Stratton, Las Vegas NV; Donna Chambers, Schenectady NY
WHITEHEAD WOMENS PAIRS - 2ND FINAL SESSION
$\begin{array}{lrl}\text { SECTIONS A B } & \text { EAST-WEST } \\ 57.23 \% & 1 & \text { Carlyn Steiner, Seattle WA; Tobi Sokolow, Austin TX } \\ 56.54 \% & 2 & \text { Ora Lourie, Hypoluxo FL; Lori Jacobs, Boca Raton FL }\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{llll}55.85 \% & 3 & \text { Malle Andrade, New York NY; Kerri Sanborn, Stony Point NY } \\ 55.23 \% & 4 & \text { Emma Sjoberg, Linkoping } 58431 \text { Sweden; Sandra Rimstedt, Haverdal } 3104 \text { Swede }\end{array}$
Emma Sjoberg, Linkoping 58431 Sweden; Sandra Rimstedt, Hav
Lisa Berkowitz, Boca Raton FL; Joann Glasson, Pennington NJ
Hjordis Eythorsdotir, Huntsville AL; Valerie Westheimer, New York NY
Susan Culham - K Fung, Edmonton AB
Harriet Eaton Morris - Tina Tessaro, Miami FL Schuld, Glen Head NY
Cathy Strauch, San Diego CA; G. Margie Gwozdzinsky, New York NY
bean red ribbon pairs - 2nd final session
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { SECTIONS J K L } & \text { EAST-WEST } \\ 61.49 \% & 1 \\ \text { William Howard - Greg Frank, Hot Sprgs VIg AR }\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{lll}61.49 \% & 1 & \text { William Howard - Greg Frank, Hot Sprgs Vlg AR } \\ \text { 60.8\%\% } & 2 & \text { Jonathan Holmes, Houston TXX Sandra Parker, Sugar Land TX } \\ \text { JI }\end{array}$
Dori Byrnes, Morris Plains NJ; Matt Meckstroth, Baltin
Daniel Jackson, Spring TX; Bill Gervais, Cypress TX
Claire Krukenberg, Charleston IL; Richard Brummer, Effingham IL
Lewis Gamerman, Brookline MA; Robert McCaw, Sudbury M
Fred Wang - Amy Wang Houston TX
Fred Wang - Amy Wang, Houston TX
Edwin Zwald Jr - Joseph Wald, Houston TX
Robert Cohen, Houston TX; Charles Michalski, Cypress TX
Melinda Foos, Campbell CA; Michael Fleisher, Sunnyvale CA
Peter Grenier, Dallas TX; Lynne Wood, Richardson TX
Penny Stoever, Mount Airy MD; Steven Johnson, Houston TX
Sherry Greisen, Houston TX; Charlote Coon, Deer Park TX
Sherry Greisen, Houston TX; Charlotet Coon, Deer Park IX
Darina Demirev, Arlington Hts IL; Howard Liu, Naperville IL
Kevin Casey - Bill Begert, New York NY
GRADY WATKINS MEMORIAL OPEN - 2 OF 2 SESSION

| SECTION XX |  |  |  |
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|  | A | B |  |
| $59.13 \%$ | 1 | 1 |  |
| $56.25 \%$ | 2 |  |  |
| $54.01 \%$ | 3 |  |  |
| $52.88 \%$ | 4 |  |  |
| $52.24 \%$ | 5 |  |  |
| $52.08 \%$ | 6 |  |  |

Wieslaw Kalita, Woodridge IL; Marian Krasowski, Prospect Hts IL Carlos Pellegrini, Buenos Aires Argentina; C. Valerie Gamio, Pls Vrds Pnsl CA Gary Mas Eunice Garrison, Lake Worth FL; Gloria Brown, Virginia Bch VA Lyle Poe Jr, Ellicott City MD; Thomas Weik, Reading PA
Robert Bertoni, Haverhill MA; Peter Manzon, Waltham M Louis Nimnicht, Crown Point IN; F Kellstrom, Chesterton IN David Collins - Carol Hall, Horseshoe Bay TX EAST-WEST
Jack Bryant, Saint Louis MO; Mark Lair, Canyon TX
Audley Karrasch - Sandra Clark, Houston TX
Benjamin Eisenberg - Susan Eisenberg, Boca Raton FL
Penny Snow, Beeville TX; Donna Watkins, San Antonio
Walter Lauckner, Mission TX; Andrzej Niewiadomski, Scarborough on
Martin Graf, Chevy Chase MD; Mark Shaw, Hanover PA EAST-WEST

Melanie Tucker - Erez Hendelman, New York NY
Nan Wang, Eatontown NJ; Jian Wang, Hackettstown NJ Judy Bramley - Bart Bramley, Dallas TX Cathy Nathan - Marc Nathan, New York NY Christine Ding, Redmond WA; David Taylor Walter Marcin - Haakon Thorsen, Charlote NC EAST-WEST
Angela Fenton, North Vancouver BC; Rakesh Srivastava, Midland MI Judy Randel, Albuquerque NM; Suzanne Jones, Boulder CO Eric Snow - Toni Snow, Houston TX
Marcus Feldman - Susan Feldman, Saint Louis MO
Richard Williams - Jody Williams, San Carlos CA
Paul Janicki, Markham ON; Barry Senensky, Thorrhill ON Renee Alpert, Orange CA; Lorrie Schramm,
Joan Crowell - Norma Murray, Menard TX Chet Mody, Greenville PA; Brenda Merkich, Cortland OH

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Geoffrey Brod, Naples FL; Pat McDevitt, Brookline MA Pollyanna Patel, Houston TX; Brian Glubok, New York NY Guy Martin - Roy Martin, Birmingham AL
Ernest Olness Jr - Kay OIness, Billings MT
Barbara Montgomery - Christopher Rimkus, Houston TX
Andrzej Kudlicki, Tiki Island TX; Pawel Hanus, Carrollton TX
NORTH-SOUTH
Paul Foster, Vista CA; Sandy Kucha, Rancho Santa Fe CA Brett Elliott - Harry Elliott, Houston TX Shatrugna Prasad, Missobariy 1 , Jim McMullin, Chapala Mexico Robert Reiley, Great Falls MT; Antonio Vila, Aurora CO Richard Cottle, St Paul MN; James Smith, Brooklyn Park MN

## NORTH-SOUTH

Geraldine Christensen, Laporte TX; Geo
Stephanie Gray, Houston TX; Pamela Hughes, Bend O
Myra Sue Pruee - James Andrew Pruet, Houston TX
Penelope Hilton, Park City KS; Azam Khan,

SECOND FRIDAY-SUNDAY AE SIDE 8 - FRIDAY EVENING 2 OF 6 SESSION

## EAST-WEST

Joyce Hampton, Blythewood SC; Jenny Wolpert, Singer Island FL Stephen Heffner, Ponchatoula LA; D Witt, Garland TX Emanuel McKinney, Fort Worth TX; Sally Craig, Port Moody
Jan Galey, Baton Rouge LA; Grady Gravel, Alexandria LA Gordon Humphrys, CD; Bud Murphy, Lafayette LA Donna Jurist, Daytona Beach FL; Clyde Benoy III, Dettona FL EAST-WEST

Scott Hiller, Marshall MN; Madhusudan Patel, Houston TX
Alice Leicht - Marvin French, San Diego CA
Peggy Craig - Robert Craig El Paso TX
Theresa Ann Brantley, Mabank TX; Charles Newton Jr, Rosenberg TX
only session

| SECOND FRIDAY EVENING 299ER PAIRS - ONLY SESSIO |
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| EAST-WEST |


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| $57.68 \%$ | 2 | 1 |  |
| $55.08 \%$ | 3 | 2 |  |
| $54.9 \%$ | 4 |  |  |
| $55.57 \%$ | 5 | 3 |  |
| $52.39 \%$ | 6 | 4 |  |
|  |  | 5 | 1 |

Lee Sporleder, North Salt Lake UT; Thomas Reeves, Lehi UT tephen Apodaca - James Smock, Santa Fe NM Bill Orth - Ruth Orth, Sugarloaf PA
Matthew Rawson - Michele Rawson, Katy TX Terry Sucher - Thomas Hamilton, Montgomery TX Ronald Montague - Nancy Montague, La Porte TX



## TOMORROWS BRIDGE EVENIS <br> S

## Sunday, March 22, 10 a.m.

Event
Rebecca Hyzer Memorial Strati-Flighted Swiss Teams
Stratified Senior Swiss Teams
All: 7 rounds, 7 boards, play-through
Friday-Sunday Side Game Series
Stratified 299er Swiss Teams
299er, 199er, 99er, 49er Pairs
$0-20,0-5$ Pairs
Stratified Fast Pairs

Milton Freedman Memorial Saturday-Sunday Bracketed KO Teams

| Session | Sold |
| :--- | :--- |
| $1-2$ | 2nd Floor Ballroom |
| $1-2$ | 2nd Floor Ballroom |
|  |  |
| 5th single session <br> single <br> single <br> single | 3rd Floor Room 335 |
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Sunday, March 22, 10 a.m. \& 2 p.m.
3rd Floor Room 336
Sunday, March 22, 10 a.m. \& 2:30 p.m. 2nd Floor Ballroom
\$16

No fee
Sunday, March 22, 10 a.m. \& 3 p.m.
$1-2 \mathrm{~F} \quad$ 4thFloor Ballroom GHI No fee

4thFloor Ballroom
Sunday, March 22, 11 a.m. \& 5 p.m.
1-2 F 4th Floor Ballroom DEF \$20
Sunday, March 22, 11 a.m. \& 5:30 p.m. 4th Floor Ballroom ABC \$20

Sunday, March 22, 2:30 p.m.
6th single session $\quad$ 3rd Floor Room 335 3rd Floor Room 335
3rd Floor Room 335 3rd Floor Room 335

Golder North American Pairs, Flight B
President's Cup North American Pairs, Flight C

Jacoby Open Swiss Team

Machlin Women's Swiss Teams

Friday-Sunday Side Game Series Stratified 299er Swiss Teams
299er, 199er, 99er, 49er Pairs

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| ngle | 3rd Floor Room 335 |


| $1-2$ | 3rd Floor Room 336 |
| :---: | :---: |$\$ 16$

Sunday, March 22, 10 a.m. \& 2:30 p.m.
2nd Floor Ballroom $\quad \$ 16 \quad$ \$18

| Entry/player/session <br> ACBL members** |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| \$16 | Other |
| $\$ 16$ | $\$ 18$ |
|  | $\$ 18$ |
| $\$ 16$ | $\$ 18$ |
| $\$ 15$ | $\$ 17$ |
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| $\$ 16$ | $\$ 18$ |

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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.

## Eddie Wold \& Bob Morris Appreciation Day

Saturday, March 21, 9 a.m.

| Event | Session | Sold | Entry/player/session ACBL members** | Other |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Friday-Saturday Morning Compact KO Teams | 3-4 | 2nd Floor Ballroom | \$16 | \$18 |
| Max Levit \& Ariel Leibovitz Morning Side Game Part of the Thursday-Saturday Morning Side Game Series | 3rd single session | 2nd Floor Ballroom | \$16 | \$18 |
| Ed Hoffing Memorial Wednesday-Saturday Morning Bracketed KO Teams | 4th | 2nd Floor Ballroom | \$16 | \$18 |
| Stratified 299er Swiss Teams | single | 2nd Floor Ballroom | \$15 | \$17 |
| 299er, 199er, 99er, 49er Pairs | single | 2nd Floor Ballroom | \$15 | \$17 |
| Saturday, March 21, 10 a.m. \& 2 p.m. |  |  |  |  |
| Eddie Wold \& Bob Morris Stratified Fast Pairs | 1-2 | 3rd Floor Room 336 | \$16 | \$18 |
|  | Saturday, March 2 | m. |  |  |
| Stratified Senior Pairs | 1-2 | 4th Floor JKL | \$16 | \$18 |
| Saturday, March 21, 1p.m. |  |  |  |  |
| Friday-Sunday Side Game Series | 3rd single session | 2nd Floor Ballroom | \$16 | \$18 |
| 299er, 199er, 99er, 49er Pairs | single | 3rd Floor Room 335 | \$15 | \$17 |
| Saturday, March 21, 1 \& 7:30 p.m. |  |  |  |  |
| Jacoby Open Swiss Teams 2 qualifying, 2 final sessions | 1-2 Q | 4th Floor Ballroom A-F | \$20 |  |
| Machlin Women's Swiss Teams 2 qualifying, 2 final sessions | 1-2 Q | 4th Floor Ballroom A-F | \$20 |  |
| Golder North American Pairs, Flight B Pre-qualification required. 2 qualifying, 2 final sessions | 1-2 Q | 4th Floor Ballroom GHI | No fee |  |
| President's Cup North American Pairs, Flight C <br> Pre-qualification required. 2 qualifying, 2 final sessions | 1-2 Q | 4th Floor Ballroom GHI | No fee |  |
| David Hurd Memorial Strati-Flighted Pairs | 1-2 | 2nd Floor Ballroom | \$16 | \$18 |
| Milton Freedman Memorial Saturday-Sunday Bracketed KO Teams Continues Sunday at 10 a.m. | 1-2 | 2nd Floor Ballroom | \$16 | \$18 |
| Saturday, March 21, 1 \& 8 p.m. |  |  |  |  |
| Vanderbilt KO Teams | Round 7 | 3rd Floor Room 343 | \$20 |  |
| Saturday, March 21, 7:30 p.m. |  |  |  |  |
| One-session Stratified Swiss Teams | single | 2nd Floor Ballroom | \$15 | \$17 |
| Friday-Sunday Side Game Series | 4th single session | 2nd Floor Ballroom | \$16 | \$18 |
| 299er Stratified Swiss Teams | single | 3rd Floor Room 335 | \$15 | \$17 |
| 299er, 199er, 99er, 49er Pairs | single | 3rd Floor Room 335 | \$15 | \$17 |
| 0-20, 0-5 Pairs | single | 3rd Floor Room 335 | \$15 | \$15 |
| Zip KO Teams | Saturday, single | 1:30 p.m. <br> 4th Floor Ballroom GHI | \$12/team/match |  |

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## A comedy of errors, but who has the last laugh?

## By Allan Stauber

Playing in the Vanderbilt Bye Swiss Teams last Monday, as West you hold:
-AKQ VQ9 - 543 ャKJ54.
North passes and your partner opens $2 \boldsymbol{v}$.
Right-hand opponent bids 3NT. What would you do? Let's say you bid $4 \vee$ and your LHO bids
4 NT. Partner passes, and your RHO bids $5 \uparrow$. The 4NT bid is ambiguous, it sounds like your opponents have had an accident, so you double. Would you?

Your LHO runs to $5 \boldsymbol{A}$ and RHO retreats to $6 \star$. The bidding has come off the rails for sure, so, you lick your chops, and double again.

It's your lead. Because your side has the balance of strength, you decide to lead a trump to cut down possible ruffs in dummy. Here are all four hands:

$\rightarrow 3$

- A 73
-AKJ109876
- 2

| West | North | East | South |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Pass | $2 \boldsymbol{v}$ | $3 N T$ |
| $4 \boldsymbol{v}$ | $4 N T$ | Pass | 5 |
| Dbl | $5 \boldsymbol{\wedge}$ | Pass | 6 |

trumps. As he runs diamonds, you became more and more uncomfortable. This is the position with one trump left to cash:

|  | - 109 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\checkmark 4$ |  |
|  | - |  |
|  | * A Q 10 |  |
| $\rightarrow$ A ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |  | ^ J 7 |
| $\bullet$ Q |  | - K J 10 |
| - - |  | - - |
| ¢ K J 5 |  | * 9 |
|  | $\rightarrow 3$ |  |
|  | - 73 |  |
|  | -6 |  |
|  | - 2 |  |

When declarer leads his last trump, you discard the $\wedge \mathrm{A}$, trying to disguise who holds the queen. Declarer cashes the A , then leads a club. You falsecard with the $\because \mathrm{J}$ (low wouldn't be any better), declarer wins the queen and exits with a spade to you. You are left with $\curvearrowleft \mathrm{K} 5$ and dummy has the $\star A 10$. Declarer makes his contract and he scores plus 1540 . Your teammates are plus 300 and the difference is a minus 15 IMPs.

Notice that it would make no difference if you saved a club and discarded your $\uparrow$ Q. In that case declarer could lead a spade before cashing the $\vee \mathrm{A}$ and set up a spade trick on power.
[Editor's note: Deep Finesse says that an original spade, heart or low club lead would set the contract. Stauber was South.]

Declarer overtakes the $\vee \mathrm{Q}$ to draw more

## Register for the USWBC

The 2009 United States Women's Bridge Championship will select the two U.S. teams for the 2009 Venice Cup. The 2009 USWBC will be held in Sacramento CA.

If no more than 10 teams enter, it will start on May 23 and end on May 28. The Venice Cup will be held in Sao Paulo, Brazil, starting Aug. 29 and ending Sept. 12.

The USWBC will be held at the Doubletree Hotel in Sacramento, the site of the Sacramento Regional, which starts on May 25. You can book online by going to the USBF website (www.usbf.org) or by phone (916-929-8855).

Entries for the 2009 USWBC are now open and close, for teams requesting byes, on April 1, and for teams not requesting byes on April 15. Please refer to the USBF website for more information.


The Bean Red Ribbon Pairs runners-up are Steve and Mitch Towner.


[^0]:    Lots more than Gatlinburg
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    - Richmond, VA, on May 19-25. There are several Memorial Day regionals, and this will be the ACBL's largest. Excellent site convenient by air or interstate. Holiday Inn Koger Center (804) 379-3800. Co-chair: Jacki Shuman (804) 307-4304, richmondregional @aol.com
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[^1]:    2.56

[^2]:    1.41

