

# Daily Bulletin



91st North American Bridge Championships

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## GNT Championship Final: Sin City vs. Big Apple

In today's final of the Grand National Teams Championship Flight, the Las Vegas-based District 17 squad captained by Sheri Winestock will battle the NYC-based District 24 team led by Joe Grue.

Playing with Winestock are Fred Gitelman, Daniel Korbel, Roger Lee and Geoff Hampson (all of Las Vegas) and Haig Tchamitch of Paradise Valley AZ.

Grue is playing with Gillian Minter, John Hurd, Joel Wooldridge and Kent Mignocchi, all from the New York City area.

In the semifinal round, Winestock defeated

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## Moss-Demuy lead LM Pairs

After yesterday's semifinal round of the von Zedtwitz Life Master Pairs, Brad Moss of Denver and Vincent Demuy of Palm Beach Gardens FL lead the field of 104 pairs who remain in the event.

After scoring 55.57% in the afternoon session on Saturday, Moss and Demuy posted a strong 66.97% in the evening session to move into the lead. Their carryover in today's final is 131.76.

In second place are Steve Garner and Jeff Wolfson of Chicago with a carryover of 118.25.

Third place is occupied by Jakob Kristinsson of Delray Beach FL and Sveinn Eiriksson of Iceland with 112.40.

## Californians lead Bruce

James Weeks and Neil Stern of the Palm Springs area lead the Bruce LM-6000 Pairs after Saturday's semifinal sessions. Their carryover of nearly two boards is two-fifths of a board ahead of fellow Californians Henri Fahri and Norman Schwartz. A third California pair, Ron Karr and Daniel Raider, is in third place.

Weeks and Stern had been in third place after Friday's qualifying sessions. A 61% game Saturday afternoon propelled them into the lead, and a 58% in the evening protected that position.

## Maryland duo leads Young

Thomas Peters and Ernie Schuler of Maryland lead the Young 0-2500 Pairs going into the third and final day. Their four-board carryover is nearly half a board ahead of Rick Jasper and John Wachsmann of San Jose CA. The New Jersey duo of Jacek Leznicki and Piotr Olszewski are sitting in third place, another half-board behind.

Peters and Schuler had qualified in fourth place Friday and then took the lead with a 63% Saturday afternoon, backing it up with a 57% in the evening.

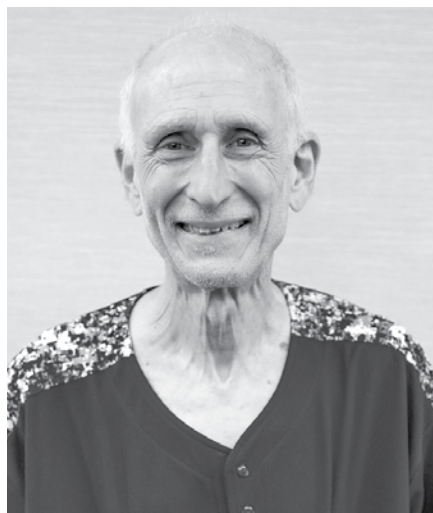
## Dinkin-Shuster lead 10K quals

Sam Dinkin and Michael Shuster posted the top score in yesterday's opening round of the NABC 0-10,000 Pairs. Dinkin, of Austin TX, and Shuster, of Collegeville PA, scored 65.21% in the first qualifying session and 58.84% in the second. Their carryover in today's final is 168.66.

In close second with a carryover of 167.18 are Robert Kuhnreich and Elliot Sternlicht of New York City. In third place with 140.90 are Robert Shore of Los Angeles CA and Joseph Viola of Altadena CA.

## Ken Lebensold: "Not my idea!"

Imagine someone naming a convention after you because they erroneously thought you invented it. Next, imagine that you didn't particularly like the convention, but it became popular anyway. And lastly, imagine that – adding insult to injury – they spelled your name wrong, and the convention has subsequently appeared on millions of convention cards with the misspelling intact.



Sound implausible? Not to Ken Lebensold. Lebensold has not played duplicate bridge since the early 1980s, but he was an expert player whose partners included Bart Bramley, David Berkowitz and John Solodar. He came to the NABC in Las Vegas to see Bramley inducted into the Hall of Fame, and he's staying a few extra days

to kibitz and visit with old friends.

But how did "Lebensold" become "lebensohl"? The answer comes from a piece written by George Boehm in the November 1970 issue of The Bridge World magazine where the convention first appeared in print. George, an expert player who lived in New York City, was the late father of current Bridge Bulletin columnist Augie Boehm:

*About a year ago, my son Augie and I converted our crammed and smudged convention card into a gaudy "menu" with all our gadgets and gimmicks highlighted in red letters. At the start of the first match, a gaunt, Lincolnesque youth sat down at our table and began studying the new bill of fare.*

*"What's this?" he asked, pointing to a red line that read "Lebensohl when you overcall our notrump opening."*

*"Oh, that's just a little refinement Augie recently picked up in Boston. It's the brainchild of a very bright MIT student named Ken Lebensohl."*

*After explaining the convention, our opponent-to-be humped, which incensed me*

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## Ken Van Cleve 1950-2019

Associate National Tournament Director Ken Van Cleve of Traverse City MI died July 9 after battling cancer. He was 68. During his 25-year career with the ACBL, Van Cleve served as a field supervisor, area manager and as director in charge for a large number of tournaments, especially those in Michigan, where he ran almost every tournament for more than a decade.

He was born Oct. 2, 1950, to Claire and Bernadine Van Cleve in Muskegon MI.

Van Cleve started working for the ACBL in 1994 as a local tournament director and moved up the ranks, gaining a reputation for carefully assessing situations and making things work.

"He was one of the pillars of working at nationals," said Mike Roberts, a TD who worked with Van Cleve at all the tournaments in Ohio and Michigan large enough to have two directors since 2007. "You could always guarantee whatever even he was running was running smoothly. It's quite a big blow for the directing community."

Alex Bealles is another TD who knew Van Cleve for the past 12 years. "He had a calming effect on players and directors," Bealles said. "He was a great mentor to me. He

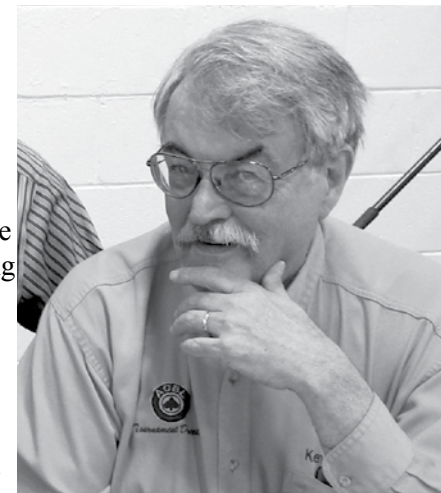


Photo by Jonathon Steinberg

taught me a lot, gave me opportunities to do new things when we were working together."

As chair of the annual sectional in Traverse City for 10 years, Lynn Larson enjoyed working with Van Cleve. "He was always prepared, kind,

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**"The Kids Table" premieres tonight at 8 p.m. in Condesa 3 on the second floor of the Cosmopolitan.**

See page 16 for details.

## Pre-registration information

Pre-registration for the Spingold is required before 5 p.m. on Sunday, July 21. Entries may be purchased in the Gracia Ballroom, third floor.

Pre-registration is required for the Mini-Spingold KO Teams (6000 and 2500) before 11 a.m. on Tuesday, July 23. Entries may be purchased in the Gracia Ballroom, third floor.



## Goodwill Message

Always be courteous to your partner and opponents.

*Sandy DeMartino, Chair*

*Aileen Osofsky Goodwill Committee*

# SPECIAL EVENTS

## MEETINGS / SEMINARS / RECEPTIONS

All meetings are at The Cosmopolitan.

### Sunday, July 21

- 8 am–noon **Best Practices Teacher Workshop.** Session three of three. Learn modern teaching techniques in this interactive course which includes hands-on experience. Pre-registration required. Assessments will be Monday and Tuesday. *Condesa 5, second floor*
- 8:30–10 am **Audrey Grant’s Modern Techniques for Bridge Teachers and Club Managers.** Audrey Grant’s hands-on approach and creative use of the table, cards and bidding boxes keeps students engaged, excited and focused. She will share these teaching techniques in this 90-minute seminar. Fee: \$20 covers materials. *Condesa 3, second floor*
- 9–10 am **ACBL General Membership Meeting.** Open to all ACBL members. Reports from the executive director, director of finance and in-house counsel. Proposals from the membership in proper form will be accepted if a quorum is present. *Gracia Ballroom, third floor*
- 10 am–noon **Board of Governors meeting.** All members of the ACBL Board of Governors are invited to attend the Summer NABC meeting. *Gracia Ballroom, third floor*
- 10 am–noon **Free Bridge Lesson with Audrey Grant** followed by a special game for newer players. *Condesa 3, second floor*
- Noon–2 pm **BridgePlus+ Game.** A special game for newer (0-20 MP) players. 14 boards, no card fee. *Brera 2, third floor*

- 1–5 pm **Doubles in a Day.** Learn two useful doubles that come up every time you play in this workshop from Patty Tucker. Fee: \$25 at the door (includes textbook). *Condesa 3, second floor*
  - 7:30–10 pm **The Kids Table.** The world premiere of a documentary film about four millennials learning bridge and competing in their first tournaments. One-hour film at 8 followed by Q&A with the cast. Fee: \$10 or \$15 with download. *Condesa 3, second floor*
- ### Monday, July 22
- #### Goodwill Day
- 8am–5 pm **Best Practices Teacher Assessments.** *Condesa 5, second floor*
  - 10 am–noon **Competition and Conventions Committee meeting.** *Bellavista Boardroom, second floor*
  - 10:30 am–noon **Goodwill Committee meeting.** *Suite 1537, 15th floor*
  - 11 am–noon **USBF Board meeting.** *Condesa 8, second floor*
  - 5–7 pm **Goodwill Reception.** Aileen Osofsky ACBL Goodwill Committee members only. *Condesa 3, second floor*
- ### Tuesday, July 23
- 8am–noon **Best Practices Teacher Assessments.** *Condesa 5, second floor*
  - 9 am–noon **Club Director Refresher Course.** A continuing education course for club directors to increase their skills. Participants must attend both sessions. Fee: \$15 covers both days. Sign up at the door. *Condesa 8, second floor*

## CELEBRITY SPEAKER PROGRAM

Don’t miss these free lectures by some of the best-known players in the game! *Brera 2 on the third floor of The Cosmopolitan.*

### Sunday, July 21

- 9:15 a.m. Lisa Berkowitz *Play to Trick One*
- 6:45 p.m. Karen Walker *Testing Your Game-Try Decisions*

### Monday, July 22

- 9:15 a.m. Barbara Seagram *The Killing Lead*
- 6:45 p.m. Robert Todd *Hand Evaluation and Re-Evaluation*

### Tuesday, July 23

- 9:15 a.m. Phillip Alder *Play the Right Card*
- 6:45 p.m. Julian Laderman *Inspired Declarer Play*

## HOSPITALITY

Food will be served nightly following the evening session in the Gracia Commons on the third floor.

**Sunday, July 21**  
Ice cream.

**Monday, July 22**  
Quesadillas.  
**Tuesday, July 23**  
Vegetable spring rolls.

## Parking

Parking is free for registered guests at The Cosmopolitan. For others, parking is \$15 per day for self-parking or \$20 per day for valet, or \$10 and \$15 for up to four hours. At Planet Hollywood, parking is free for everyone.

## Bridge Bucks and check cashing

Bridge Bucks and check-cashing services will be available outside the Gracia Ballroom on the third floor from 9:30 – 10 a.m. and noon to 1 p.m.

Check-cashing limit is \$500.

Players may purchase Bridge Bucks using all major credit cards.



## Correction

In the Friday issue of the Daily Bulletin, the caption for the Charity Foundation check presentation incorrectly identified Bonnie Bagley (the ACBL Board member representing our hosts, District 17) as the president of the Charity Foundation. That title belongs to Nancy Strohmmer of Houston TX. The editors regret the error.

## Massages offered

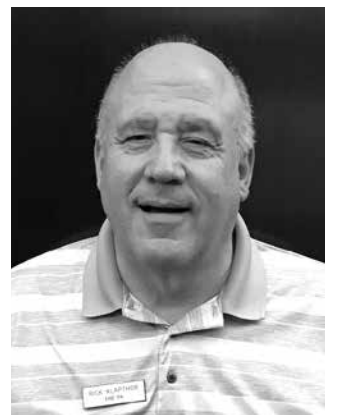
Enjoy a relaxing chair back massage from Michelle in the vendors area on the fourth floor near the Belmont Ballroom. The service is free but a gratuity is very much appreciated.



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## New Life Master

**Rick Klaphor** of Erie PA became a Life Master on Saturday, playing in the Daylight Gold Rush Pairs with Raj Roy of Amherst NY. They came to play in the Grand National Teams Flight C for District 5. Coming in, Klaphor needed 5.17 points of any color, having fulfilled his requirements except for reaching 500 masterpoints. He was at 499.20 on Saturday before placing 10th in the event.



## Notice of binding arbitration

By becoming an ACBL member or renewing your membership in the ACBL, you expressly agree to waive your right to have disputes between you and the ACBL resolved in a court of law and agree to accept the use of binding arbitration before the American Arbitration Association. The binding arbitration provisions are available for review at [acbl.org/bindingarbitration](http://acbl.org/bindingarbitration).

## Age requirement or Senior events

You must be at least 60 years old to play in ACBL Senior events.



# JUST FOR NEW PLAYERS

## Take All Your Chances

**Eddie Kantar**

*North (Dummy)*

♠ Q 10 3 2  
♥ K 6 5  
♦ A Q 7  
♣ Q 6 5

*South (You)*

♠ A K J 8 7 5  
♥ A Q 3  
♦ 5  
♣ A 7 3

Wild horses can't keep you out of 6♠ after partner opens 1♣ and then raises spades. West leads the ♥J. Plan the play.

With 11 top tricks, you have two chances for a 12th trick: the diamond finesse, needing West to have the king, or leading up to the ♣Q, also needing West to have the king.

Question: Which finesse to take first?

Answer: The one that "keeps you alive" even if it loses.

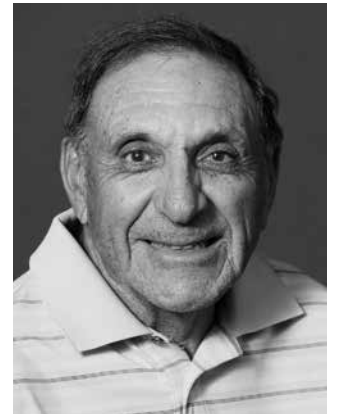
If you take the diamond finesse and it loses, you are down even if West has the ♣K.

If you lead up to the ♣Q and it loses to East's king, you can still make the hand if West has the

♦K.

So draw trumps, strip hearts ending in your hand, and lead a low club to the queen. You have a 75% chance of making this contract needing one of two finesses.

The full deal:



*North (Dummy)*

♠ Q 10 3 2  
♥ K 6 5  
♦ A Q 7  
♣ Q 6 5

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

♠ 9 6  
♥ 8 4 2  
♦ K 10 8 3  
♣ 10 9 4 2

*South (You)*

♠ A K J 8 7 5  
♥ A Q 3  
♦ 5  
♣ A 7 3



**Joy Brown and Shawn Speight of San Diego have been playing bridge for two years. They had only been playing four months when they played in the Fall NABC that year in their hometown. "We learned it wasn't as intimidating as we thought it would be," Brown said. "It was just like playing at our club." Speight said he came to bridge because he started knowing more and more people who played. Brown saw a sign for lessons in Balboa Park and decided to try it. They went to the same lessons and got matched there and have been playing together since.**

## Entry fees

A valid ACBL player number is required to play in all events at the NABC.

Players must be ACBL members whose service fees or dues are current in

order to compete in any of the following nationally ranked events: Grand National Teams (Championship Flight), von Zedtwitz Life Master Pairs, Spingold Knockout Teams, Wagar Women's Pairs, Truscott/USPC Senior Swiss Teams, Wernher Open Pairs, Freeman Mixed Board-A-Match Teams and the Roth Open Swiss Teams. The entry fees for these contests are \$30 per player per session. For team events, this means \$120 per team per session for four-person teams, \$150 per team per session for five-person teams, and \$180 per team per session for six-person teams. When screens are in use, there is an additional fee of \$10 per pair or \$20 per team per session.

Note: Only ACBL members are eligible to play in NABC+ events. \$1.50 per person per session benefits the International Fund.

Players must also be current ACBL members to play in the Grand National Teams (Flights A, B & C), the 0-6000 and 0-2500 Mini-Spingold Knockouts, the 0-10,000 NABC Pairs, the 0-10,000 Mixed Swiss Teams, the Bruce LM-6000 Pairs, the Young 0-2500 Pairs and the Bean Red Ribbon Pairs. The entry fee is \$22 per player per session. For the team events, this means \$88 per team per session for teams of four, \$110 per team per session for teams of five, and \$132 per team per session for teams of six. (The GNT Flights A, B & C have no fee the first two days of the contest.) When screens are in use, there is an additional fee of \$10 per pair or \$20 per team per session.

Regional events are \$20 per player per session for ACBL members, and \$24 for lapsed members. For multi-session team events of three sessions or more, the entry fee is \$80, \$100 or \$120 for teams of four, five or six, respectively. For team events of one or two sessions, the entry fee is \$80 per session.

Events with a masterpoint limit of 300 or lower are \$15 per player per session for ACBL members, \$19 for lapsed members.

## Trusting the signals

**By Barry Rigal**

Dlr: South  
Vul: Both  
Bd: 23

♠ A 5 2  
♥ Q 6  
♦ J 8 4 2  
♣ J 9 6 5

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

West	North	East	South
			1♠
Pass	2♣	2♥	3♦
Pass	3♥	Pass	4♦
Pass	4♠	All Pass	

As West, you lead the ♥Q. East overtakes with the ♥K and plays the ♥A. Declarer ruffs low and plays a spade to the jack and partner's 8. A second trump goes to the 7, king and your ace. What now?

Partner's heart and spade cards clearly deny ♣Q x x. Declarer must be 6-5 and very light. If you exit in trumps, declarer will unblock clubs and run the trumps. You can fold up your tent and go home.

Instead, shift to a diamond. When declarer wins in hand, he will run the trumps to reach this ending:

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

On the last trump, you pitch another diamond, and now declarer has a safe route for 10 tricks, a somewhat dangerous route for 11. If he unblocks diamonds then comes to the ♣Q, the ♦J had better drop!

## Convention card reminder

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

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

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

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

## Email us

Got a hand you'd like to share or a nice story? We'd love to see it: [NABCDailyBulletin@acbl.org](mailto:NABCDailyBulletin@acbl.org). You'll also find our email address on the front page of the paper under the "Daily Bulletin" between the date and the editors' names.

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## Stay in touch

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**FRIDAY MIDNIGHT KO**

9 Tables  
 3.55 1 Lew Gerner, Randolph MA; Harrison Luba, Lynnfield MA; Ben Kristensen, Duluth MN; Rory Xiao, Fremont CA; Alexander Kolesnik, Los Angeles CA  
 2.49 2 Howard Liu, San Lorenzo CA; John Ramos, Los Angeles CA; Aaron Jones - Jennifer Lin, North Bethesda MD  
 1.42 3/4 Kyle Rockoff, Gilbert AZ; Cynthia Huang - Raphael Hallerman, Chicago IL; Daniel Weiss, Evanston IL  
 1.42 3/4 Bruce Graham, Dunnellon FL; Sandra Wirtz, Lecanto FL; O. Gordon Lien III, Augusta GA; Victor Poon, Stony Brook NY

**FRIDAY-SATURDAY MORNING COMPACT KO 1**

10 Tables  
 14.01 1 Alfred Lee, San Mateo CA; Edward White, Grand Blanc MI; Pawel Niedzielski, Lodz Poland; Ken Gee, Regina SK  
 9.81 2 Robert Webster, Ripon WI; Nancy Ogreenc, Wautoma WI; Donald Baker, Alpharetta GA; Mason Barge, Atlanta GA  
 6.30 3 Beth Watson - Mirza Baig - Scott McPherson, Columbia SC; Richard Silvernail, Johnsonville SC  
 4.90 4 Steven Ackerman, Essex Junction VT; Estelle Kevitch - Yvonne Thele - Sterling Larson, Salt Lake City UT

**FRIDAY-SATURDAY MORNING COMPACT KO 2**

10 Tables  
 6.26 1 Martha Meyer - Mark Meyer - Susan Mann, Winston Salem NC; Susan Williford, Clemmons NC  
 4.38 2 Diane Washabaugh - James Atteberry, Fort Worth TX; Linda Blanchard - Michael Blanchard, Benbrook TX  
 2.82 3 Ann Matthews - Ruth Urie, St. George UT; Deborah Goldsmith, San Diego CA; Kay Merrick, Sykesville MD  
 2.19 4 Eric Schneider, Boca Raton FL; Michael Lynch - Bert Solomon, Edwards CO; Bill Multack, Miami Beach FL

**SATURDAY-SUNDAY MORNING COMPACT KO**

12 Tables  
 Steve Chen - Sarah Chen - Charlie Chen - Andrew Chen, San Jose CA  
 vs  
 Susan Angel, Greenbrae CA; Brooke Farkas, Sonoma CA; Jean Marchant, San Rafael CA; Carol Morse, Glen Ellen CA  
  
 Jon Downing, Solihull England; Liam Johnstone, Birmingham England; Sarah Burt, Farnham Great Britain; Theresa Daly, Birmingham Great Britain  
 vs  
 Mark Blanchard, Bay Shore NY; Amy Rhodes, New York NY; Summer Rifkah - Tudor Trifan, Hollidaysburg PA

**Smoking Policy**

Smoking is not permitted in the playing area during any bridge playing event at an NABC. This includes electronic smoking devices.

**Player Memos**

Many ways to file:



Fill out a paper memo, and drop it into the lockbox.



Use the computer here, or use your own computer. [acbl.org/player-memo](http://acbl.org/player-memo)



Use your smart phone. Scan the QR code HERE.

**QUALIFIERS IN THE 0-10,000 PAIRS**

52.0 Tables		Carryover
1	Sam Dinkin, Austin TX; Michael Shuster, Collegeville PA	168.66
2	Robert Kuhnreich - Elliot Sternlicht, New York NY	167.18
3	Robert Shore, Los Angeles CA; Joseph Viola III, Altadena CA	140.90
4	Jacob Freeman, Toronto ON; John Lai, Vancouver BC	130.56
5	Frederick Allenspach, Plantation FL; Janet Lee, Oakton VA	129.95
6	Dennis Newman, Scarsdale NY; David Cantor, Charlotte NC	129.02
7	Steve Chen, San Jose CA; Michael Heymann, Fort Worth TX	127.96
8	Ronald Powell, Santa Clara CA; Bill Heid, Santa Fe NM	124.53
9	Allan Deserpa, Tempe AZ; Bruce Ruskin, Modesto CA	120.09
10	Leila Sink, Los Gatos CA; John Hoffman, Mountain View CA	119.61
11	Joseph Stokes, Chicago IL; Serdar Ogut, Darien IL	108.32
12	Ming Sheng, Northbrook IL; Donald Weil, Glencoe IL	103.83
13	Douglas Kuschner, Seattle WA; Jui Wang, Durham NC	102.83
14	Lynn Blumenthal, Santa Rosa CA; Frances Schneider, Riverside CT	99.81
15	Dennis Kastle, Bloomfield MI; Frank Treiber III, Toledo OH	97.18
16	Richard Colker, Wheaton MD; Mark Bartusek, Santa Barbara CA	91.94
17	Gonzalo Herrera, Naucalpan Mexico; Jon Bartlett, Happy Valley OR	89.90
18	Pam LaShelle, Georgetown TX; James La Fountain, Temple TX	89.58
19	John Dong, Richmond Hill ON; Bo Han Zhu, Oakville ON	88.02
20	Patrick Williams, Greenbrier TN; Cindy Sealy, Owens Cross Roads AL	86.95
21	Claire Alpert, Miami FL; Leonardo Fruscoloni, New York NY	82.33
22	Yoko Sobel, Brooklyn NY; Peter J. Boyd-Bowman, Greensboro NC	80.97
23	Lance Shull, Raleigh NC; John Cobb Jr., Morrisville NC	80.07
24	Bjorgvin Kristinsson, Columbia Heights MN; Arti Bhargava, Mill Valley CA	79.85
25	Rai Osborne, Anaheim CA; Philip Hiestand, Irvine CA	79.55
26	Bernardo Biondo, Rome Italy; Emanuela Promotton, Italy	77.03
27	Ross Spiro, Cherry Hill NJ; Frank Lipniski, Mount Laurel NJ	76.61
28	Stephen Donahue, Riverwoods IL; David Joyce, Kenilworth IL	75.07
29	Robert Thomson, San Rafael CA; Mark Moss, Piedmont CA	73.57
30	Jim Gaarder, Columbia MD; Jimmy Ritzenberg, Bethesda MD	73.37
31	Robert Barrington - Lynne Koeppel, New York NY	72.91
32	Heather Bakhshi - Claire Robinson, London England	72.78
33	Clark Millikan, Santa Clara CA; Arif Janjua, Saratoga CA	72.47
34	Mark Tang, Seal Beach CA; Jack Waller, Dana Point CA	68.92
35	Marius Moldovan, Pointe-Claire QC; Zoltan Lazar, Dol-Des-Ormeaux QC	68.27
36	Paul Darin, San Diego CA; Richard Reitman, Los Gatos CA	67.33
37	Keith Bauer, Irvine CA; James Nicola, Whittier CA	66.92
38	Hal Stern, Rolling Meadows IL; Richard Gabriel, Naples FL	65.04
39	John Ashton, Portland OR; Dennis Metcalf, Vancouver WA	64.49
40	Alan Wood, San Jose CA; Bob Enenstein, Los Altos CA	61.37
41	Sondra Schubiner, Franklin MI; Rhoda Prager, Allentown PA	61.23
42	Nie Lih Kalat, Sarasota FL; Jonathan Green, Melbourne FL	60.68
43	Robert Griffiths, Elora ON; Mike Peng, Waterloo ON	59.61
44	Dan Morgenstern, Brunswick ME; Horace Gower, Freeport ME	59.19
45/46	Timothy Baird, White Plains NY; Michael McNamara, White Plain NY	58.60
45/46	Mike Spero, Burbank CA; Fred Theurkauf, Redlands CA	58.60
47	Harvinder Sidhu, Phoenix AZ; Paul Spear, Sun City West AZ	58.58
48	Daniel Friedman - Linda Friedman, Orinda CA	57.55
49	Kathie Macnab, Halifax NS; Shirley Scott, Colorado Springs CO	57.47
50	Robert Carstedt, Wichita KS; George Kovarik, Henderson NV	56.21
51	Marshall Kerlin, Sun City Center FL; Jay Levy, Amherst NY	54.62
52	Marius Agica, Bucharest Romania; Maria Tsoukalas, Las Vegas NV	53.81
53	Grant Vance - Jessica Lai, Oakland CA	53.23
54	Lawrence Lau, Westport CT; Jill Marshall, Port Chester NY	52.88
55	Louis Sachar - David Sokolow, Austin TX	50.60
56	Jonathan Rodney, Arlington VA; David Rodney, Fairfax VA	49.71
57	Gregory Nowak, Las Vegas NV; Virginia Kellermeyer, Reno NV	49.60
58	Rory Xiao - Bo Xiao, Fremont CA	49.46
59	Anne LaCour - Ron LaCour, Georgetown TX	48.72
60	Norman Beck, Dallas TX; Karen Allison, Las Vegas NV	43.30
61	Edward Piken, Palos Verdes Pn CA; Steve Cohen, Las Vegas NV	42.29
62	Ioannis Papakyriakopoul - Nikolaos Delimpaltadakis, Athens Greece	40.71
63	Haskell Deutsch, Henderson NV; Marla Chaikin, Savannah GA	40.15
64	Tengyun Tony Cao, Troy MI; Thomas Bonfils, Farmington MI	38.61
65	H. Tyler Franks, Richmond VA; Christopher Marks, Greenfield MA	37.69
66	Dennis Carman - Susan Bailey Carman, Plainwell MI	37.23
67	Bruce Rubin - Rodney Paxton, Las Vegas NV	36.66
68	Brent Xiao, Fremont CA; Richard Jeng, Johns Creek GA	36.64
69	Dawei Qi, Framingham MA; Yaning Zhou, Tewksbury MA	36.17
70	Miriam Rosenberg, Huixquilucan Mexico; Adriana Salinas, Mexico City Mexico	35.76
71	Chantal Dube - Josette Levesque, Montreal QC	33.54
72	Daniel Takahashi - Kyungwon Yoo, Las Vegas NV	32.85
73	Natalie Bassil - Marina Polestra, Boston MA	31.31
74	Oleg Rubinchik, Brooklyn NY; George Krizel, Vineland NJ	30.97
75	William Schreiber, Valley Glen CA; Peter Knee, Canyon Country CA	29.24
76	John Burgener, Creve Coeur MO; Karen Erlanger, St. Louis MO	29.19
77	Sandra Fleischman, Bradenton FL; Jan George, Las Vegas NV	28.02
78	Edmund Wu, San Francisco CA; Samuel Kuang, Elmhurst NY	27.62
79	James Masilamani, Topeka KS; Atul Rai, Wichita KS	27.17
80	Russ Jones, Jonesboro AR; Michael McGuire, Hernando MS	25.72
81	Maya Alela, Kayenta AZ; Pedro Miguel Durao, Lisbon Portugal	25.65
82	Michael Smith - Susan Smith, Newington CT	25.52
83	Dawn Foltz - Gregory Foltz, Fort Collins CO	24.00
84	Tim Benoit, Esbon KS; Cheryl Haines, Half Moon Bay CA	23.94



**Patty Tucker assists a table of students during Saturday's Learn Bridge in a Day class. Tucker introduces bridge to hundreds of new players each year through the classes offered at each NABC and some regionals.**

85	Joo-Hee Janicki, Markham ON; Bonnie Bagley, Colorado Springs CO	23.85
86	Zuanpei Zheng, Shenzhen China; Aiyue Ma, Canton China	22.55
87	Norton Rimer - Judy Rimer, La Jolla CA	18.81
88	Hal Hindman, Centreville VA; Clyde Kruskal, Rockville MD	15.57
89	Wenjia Yan, Cerritos CA; William Ng, Chatsworth CA	15.01
90	Viktor Anikovich - Dawn Lee, Los Angeles CA	14.41
91	Arun Savara - Jean Choi, Honolulu HI	12.20
92	Rami Yadadov - Gersh Shapochnik, Hadera Israel	12.14
93	Ed Howard, Lawrence KS; Dennis Scholl, Las Vegas NV	11.52
94	Brett Adler - Jeffrey Goldman, Norwalk CT	10.91
95	Romeo Bodrogi-Podoaba, Houston TX; Stephen Moese, West Chester OH	10.87
96	Boyce Robbins, Columbus NC; Giovanni Salomone, Fossano Italy	9.27
97	Dave Glen, Cuenca Ecuador; Lee De Simone, Paso Robles CA	7.57
98	Robert Ipswitch, San Mateo CA; Gary Peck, Hayward CA	7.34
99	Tom Reid, Gilbert AZ; Ellen Hessel, San Antonio TX	6.96
100	Don Lussky, Elmhurst IL; George Klemic, Bensenville IL	4.76
101	Margot Hennings, Annandale VA; Paul Janicki, Markham ON	3.77
102	Ingi Agnarsson, South Burlington VT; Todd Werby, Tiburon CA	3.73
103	Mary Vickers, Apex NC; Deborah Murphy, San Francisco CA	1.11
104	Michael Albert - Daniel AlbertRozenberg, Cambridge MA	0.00

**QUALIFIERS IN THE YOUNG 0-2500 PAIRS**

14.0 Tables		Carryover
1	Thomas Peters, Dayton MD; Ernie Schuler, Wheaton MD	52.00
2	Rick Jasper - John Wachsmann, San Jose CA	46.12
3	Jacek Leznicki, Verona NJ; Piotr Olszewski, Hackettstown NJ	40.54
4	Tanaaz Timblo - Jayendu Patel, Vista CA	31.70
5	Qing Lu, San Jose CA; Wanwan Ren, Sunnyvale CA	28.96
6	Santhosh Karnik, Atlanta GA; Zhuangdi Xu, Sugar Hill GA	25.70
7	Jeff Dater - Scott Nason, Dallas TX	24.79
8	Matthew Morgan - Mechel Frost, Nashville TN	24.78
9	Paul Pointet - Lezlie Cullen, Toronto ON	24.30
10	Charles Riffle, Emerald Hills CA; Douglas Grant, San Francisco CA	23.91
11	Kamel Haddad, Vista CA; Christine Denny, Encinitas CA	21.46
12	Siqing Yu - Frank Dinoff, New York NY	21.18
13	Ryley Breiddal, Vancouver BC; Thomas Anderson, North Vancouver BC	20.21
14	Michael Gibson, Sarasota FL; John Rothschild, Elkridge MD	18.82
15	Douglas Smith, Carson City NV; Geoffrey Stokes, Vail AZ	18.73
16	Joel Kramer, Minneapolis MN; Bill Dinner, Sands Pointe NY	18.44
17	Mark De Garcia, Columbia MO; Gregory Barnes, Jefferson City MO	14.46
18	Tim Rilling, Vancouver WA; Don Herring, Lake Oswego OR	13.88
19	Ping Hu, Naperville IL; Tao Jiang, Xi Chang People's Republic of China	12.59
20	Kenneth Hopke, Annandale VA; Phil Feldman, Los Angeles CA	10.96
21	Ray Robert - Rick Prouser, Portland OR	10.92
22	Jung Hu, San Jose CA; Ying Liu, Palo Alto CA	10.81
23	Matthew Bribitzer-Stull - Jason Bribitzer-Stull, Bloomington MN	8.47
24	Emma Kolesnik, Calabasas CA; Amber Lin, Edison NJ	6.74
25	Christopher Moh, New York NY; Lee Lin, New York City NY	5.08
26	Lynda Hirst, Vancouver WA; Margi Redden, Portland OR	4.57
27	Charles Young - Rich Pestien, Peoria IL	1.31
28	Patricia Foutz, Christiansburg VA; Frank Wharton, London England	0.00

**Lebensold**

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not a little. "I'll have you know, young man, that Ken Lebensold is reputedly a fine player and a brilliant, though youthful, theorist."

He replied quietly, "I'm Ken Lebensold, and I don't think I'd want any part of your newfangled convention – even if you spelled my name right."

Since Mr. Lebensold disowned the convention, we have decided to designate it "lebensold" and to continue to use it without fee or license."

Augie later added, "No, we didn't consider naming the convention 'Boehm.' And we spelled it with a lowercase 'l'."

Here in Las Vegas, Lebensold still maintains that he had nothing to do with the 2NT-based gadget designed to handle interference over 1NT openings.

"It wasn't something I formally worked on. It's possible I had some discussions with other players about this idea, but that's not my recollection," he said.

Lebensold was amused to see that "Lebensold" now appears on all ACBL convention cards, not only for 1NT interference, but also for handling weak two-bids by the opponents.

Lebensold has not been part of the tournament scene in decades. Why did he give up bridge?

"Bridge was a passion of mine, but in the early '80s, I developed another one: meditation. I came to develop a greater commitment to meditation and expanded consciousness, and I found that bridge was too much of an attachment. Even playing less frequently or in less-formal settings was a distraction, so I reluctantly gave it up."

Now 72, Lebensold lives in a small town in eastern Tennessee.

**GNT finals**

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the D25 team lead by Pat McDevitt 120-99 after trailing in the first half. In the other semifinal bracket, Grue had no problem disposing of Gupta (D22), winning 187-95.

In the Flight A final, Davis Bennett's team from D22 (Southern California) takes on David Treitel's squad from D9 (Florida).

With Bennett are J.J. Johnsen, Fran White and Rick Kerbel. Playing with Treitel are Saul Gross, Juan Castillo, James Scott, Edward Shusler and Bruce Lang.

In the Flight B final, Kenny Pan's D22 team meets Thomas Rush's D16 squad (Texas).

For D22 are Pan, Xiao-Yan Gong, Harvey Jaffe and Dustin Stout. For D16 are Rush, Wes Peirce, Pawel Hanus, Bill McCarty, Suvabrata Biswas and Ari Sippola.

The Flight C final is an all-D21 contest (San Francisco Bay area) between the squads led by Qucheng Gong and Michael Xu.

Gong's teammates are Jakob Karstens, Andrew Sinclair and Chris Chen. Xu's lineup includes Brandon Ge, Jonathan Yue, Wesley May and Aravind Alwan.



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A new documentary from Beyond the Porch Productions and the ACBL Educational Foundation that follows four young friends as they navigate the highs and lows of competitive bridge.

**Tickets:** [bridgekidsdoc.com](http://bridgekidsdoc.com)    **Date:** Sunday, July 21 • 7:30-10 p.m.  
**Location:** The Cosmopolitan of Las Vegas

## Not the par result

By Barry Rigal

People often think of golf as being a game of inches, and that is especially true as I write this while watching the British Open from Portrush.

In bridge, your luck may come from which opponents you are confronted with on a particular deal:

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

On this board from the first qualifying session of the von Zedtwitz Life Master Pairs, my partner and I were confronted by an opponent sitting East who passed in third seat and let us back in to 4♠ by North. When East led a club, that was a painless plus 680.

Mel Colchamiro wasn't so lucky! He sat North playing with Ruth Grant against Aaron Silverstein (West) and Chris Willenken (East) and had this auction:

West	North	East	South
<i>Silverstein</i>	<i>Colchamiro</i>	<i>Willenken</i>	<i>Grant</i>
Pass	Pass	3♣	Dbl
Pass	3♥	Pass	4♥
All Pass			

This doesn't look like too bad a spot, but Willenken put the ♠3 on the table! Fooled, Colchamiro went up with the ♠A and played the ♥A, then misguessed again by leading a low heart. The defenders exited passively in diamonds for down one.

## QUALIFIERS IN THE VON ZEDTWITZ LM PAIRS

52.0 Tables / Based on 205 Tables

Carryover

1	Brad Moss, Denver CO; Vincent Demuy, Palm Beach Gardens FL	131.76
2	Steve Garner - Jeffrey Wolfson, Chicago IL	118.25
3	Jakob Kristinsson, Delray Beach FL; Sveinn Eiriksson, Kopavogur Iceland	112.40
4	Tod Moses, St. Louis MO; Mark Lair, Canyon TX	108.21
5	Shan Huang, Melbourne FL; Sylvia Shi, Las Vegas NV	107.34
6	Bart Bramley, Dallas TX; Kit Woolsey, Kensington CA	102.66
7	Howard Weinstein, Rancho Mirage CA; Bob Hamman, Dallas TX	89.16
8	Corey Krantz, Delray Beach FL; Julius Sigurjonsson, Kopavogur Iceland	88.60
9	Veri Kiljan, Tilburg Netherlands; Luc Tijssen, Tilburg Netherlands	84.60
10	Tor Helness, Monaco; Martin Andresen, Nesoya Norway	84.33
11	Walter Schenker, Pine Brook NJ; Brian Glubok, New York NY	82.81
12	Marc Zwerling - Mark Tolliver, Portland OR	77.70
13	Nick Nickell, New York NY; Ralph Katz, Burr Ridge IL	75.36
14	Kelley Hwang, New York NY; Morrie Kleinplatz, Windsor ON	70.82
15	Radu Nistor, Woodside NY; Thomas Paske, Manhattan NY	69.36
16	Kevin Rosenberg - Michael Rosenberg, Sunnyvale CA	68.84
17	Stefan Skorchev, Sofia Bulgaria; Christophe Grosset, Issy-Les-Moulin France	67.58
18	Daniel Boye, East Syracuse NY; Patricia Dovell, Gainesville FL	66.81
19	Mikael Rimstedt, Halmstad Sweden; Shane Blanchard, New York NY	66.51
20	George Mittelman, Thornhill ON; Ken Bercuson, Las Vegas NV	64.15
21	Zia Mahmood, New York NY; David Gold, London England	60.70
22	Judith Gartaganis - Nicholas Gartaganis, Calgary AB	60.36
23	Jacek Pszczola, Chapel Hill NC; Jared Lilienstein, New York NY	58.71
24	Martin Fleisher, New York NY; Chip Martel, Davis CA	57.29
25	Steve Robinson, Arlington VA; Peter Boyd, Darnestown MD	56.23
26	Frederic Wrang, Stockholm Sweden; Antonio Palma, Evora Portugal	56.18
27	Owen Lien, Oak Park MI; Dennis Bilde, Aarhus Denmark	55.10
28	Anna Gulevitch - Andrew Gromov, Moscow Russia	54.14
29	Lynn Shannon, Campbell CA; Sarah Youngquist, Palo Alto CA	52.86
30	Frederic Pollack, Laval QC; Kamel Fergani, Montreal QC	52.58
31	Tom Hanlon, Dublin Ireland; Cedric Lorenzini, Cachan France	52.23
32	Roy Welland, New York NY; Sabine Auken, Charlottenlund Denmark	52.14
33	Barry Rigal, New York NY; Glenn Milgrim, Ransomville NY	51.11
34	Edward Nagy, Danville CA; Gary Soules, Elk Grove CA	50.93
35	Michael Crane, Farmington Hills MI; Richard Temkin, Farmington MI	50.92
36	Steve Weinstein, Montclair NJ; Robert Levin, Henderson NV	50.59
37	Richard Pavlicek, Fort Lauderdale FL; Peter Friedland, Cupertino CA	49.97
38	Eldad Ginossar, Chicago IL; Alon Birman, Tel Aviv Israel	48.97
39	Douglas Doub, West Hartford CT; Victor King, Hartford CT	43.65
40	Lloyd Arvedon, Hudson NH; John Stiefel, Wethersfield CT	40.90
41	Jay Segarra, Ocean Springs MS; Allan Siebert, Little Rock AR	40.81
42	Deanna Tomas - William Woodcock, Sarnia ON	38.55
43	Bob Balderson Jr. - Cynthia Balderson, Eden Prairie MN	37.12
44	Jay Borker, Tempe AZ; Jan Jansma, Spijkenisse	37.04
45	Irene Baroni, Moniga Italy; Vasileios Vroustis, Athens Greece	36.93
46	John Carruthers, Kingsville ON; Michael Roche, Victoria BC	36.78
47	Marc Mus, Montpellier France; Pierre Franceschetti, Paris France	35.12
48	Aaron Silverstein - Chris Willenken, New York NY	34.93
49	Ida Groenkvist, Bromma Sweden; Mikael Groenkvist, Orebro Sweden	34.66
50	Hugh Brown Jr., Greenwood SC; Richard Potter, Black Mountain NC	34.52
51	David Moss - Andrew Rosenthal, New York NY	34.46
52	Billy Miller, Las Vegas NV; Edward Zuckerberg, Los Altos Hills CA	32.49
53	Anant Rathi - William Zhu, San Francisco CA	31.75
54	Elliott Grubman - Ava Grubman, Brooklyn NY	28.64
55	Walter Lee, Sudbury MA; Li-Chung Chen, Cupertino CA	25.14
56	Bartlomiej Iгла, Kusnacht Switzerland; Fernando Piedra, Zurich Switzerland	24.61
57	Jay Apfelbaum, Philadelphia PA; Meyer Kotkin, Cherry Hill NJ	24.26
58	Guy Gecht, Los Altos CA; Eric Greco, Northville MI	23.66
59	Martin Rabinowitz, Garnet Valley PA; Rick Rowland, Wilmington DE	23.23
60	Judy Elbogen, Mission Viejo CA; Lee Maddocks, Modesto CA	23.05
61	Marion Michielsen, Stockholm Sweden; Richard Zeckhauser, Cambridge MA	22.99
62	Eric Sieg, Seattle WA; Kim Eng, Issaquah WA	22.87
63	Alexander Hydes, Zagreb Croatia; Peter Crouch, Surrey England	22.65
64	Iulian Rotaru, New York NY; Lynda Nitabach, North Plainfield NJ	22.22
65	Jerome Rombaut, Hem France; Michel Abecassis, Paris France	22.08
66	Neil Silverman, Fort Lauderdale FL; William Pollack, New York NY	21.79
67	Michael Mikyska, Los Angeles CA; Billy Cohen, Sherman Oaks CA	21.56
68	Brad Bart, Coquitlam BC; Bob Todd, Winnipeg MB	21.43
69	William Watson, Sunnyvale CA; Geeske Joel, Palo Alto CA	21.14
70	Alfred Lee, San Mateo CA; Ken Gee, Regina SK	20.55
71	David Colbert, Etobicoke ON; Stephen Mackay, Markham ON	19.97
72	Alex Perlin, Metuchen NJ; R. Jay Becker, Ocean City MD	19.56
73	David Grainger, Etobicoke ON; Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio TX	18.73
74	Mark Itabashi, Murrieta CA; Veronica McMurdie, Sacramento CA	18.70
75	JoAnna Stansby - Lew Stansby, Dublin CA	18.66
76	Catherine Mus - Eric Gautret, Montpellier France	17.30
77	Eddie Wold - Arjune Bose, Houston TX	17.27
78	Arthur Zhou - Michael Hu, San Jose CA	16.81
79	Barry Goren, Las Vegas NV; Dror Padon, Tel Aviv Israel	16.41
80	Stewart Rubenstein, Chestnut Hill MA; Zachary Grossack, Newton MA	15.89
81	Mike Passell, Plano TX; Mike Lucas, Las Vegas NV	15.73
82	Doug Baxter - David Lindop, Toronto ON	15.15
83	Samuel Marks, Atlanta GA; Jerry Helms, Charlotte NC	14.71
84	Rodrigo Garcia Da Rosa, Argentina; Rita Shugart, Pebble Beach CA	14.30



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85	Michael Kamil, Oro Valley AZ; Michael Becker, Boca Raton FL	14.19
86	Alejandro Bianchedi, Buenos Aires Argentina; Margie Cole, New York NY	13.91
87	Allen Kahn, New York NY; David Rosenberg, Jackson Heights NY	13.65
88	Saleh Fetouh, Buffalo NY; Ken Murray, Pickering ON	12.45
89	Lynn Deas, Schenectady NY; Peter Weichsel, Carlsbad CA	10.64
90	Kenneth Kranyak, Parma OH; Frank Cymerman, Pittsburgh PA	9.20
91	Harrison Luba, Lynnfield MA; Finn Kolesnik, Ventura CA	8.63
92	Gregory Herman, Seattle WA; Burke Snowden, New Haven CT	6.88
93	George Jacobs, Hinsdale IL; Claude Vogel, Chicago IL	6.49
94	Michel Bessis - Thomas Bessis, Paris France	5.93
95	Ross Grabel, Palm Desert CA; Michael Polowan, New York NY	5.81
96	Thomas Turgeon, Memphis TN; Spike Lay, Daytona Beach Shore FL	4.40
97	Michael Bodell, Santa Clara CA; Sheng Li, New York NY	3.64
98	Alan Schwartz, Fairfax VA; William Cole, Silver Spring MD	3.08
99	Valentin Kovachev, Las Vegas NV; Dave Schouweiler, Bismarck ND	1.98
100	Tom Kniest, Brentwood MO; Richard Oshlag, Memphis TN	1.36
101	Bruce Ferguson, Palm Springs CA; Mark Peterson, Larkspur CA	1.15
102	David Caprera - Anne Brenner, Denver CO	1.14
103	Richard Chan, Markham ON; Zheng Zhang, Toronto ON	0.71
104	Jonathan Steinberg, Toronto ON; Alex Hudson, Raleigh NC	0.00

**QUALIFIERS IN THE BRUCE 0-6000 LM PAIRS**

18.0 Tables

1	James Weeks, Palm Desert CA; Neil Stern, Indio CA	32.47
2	Henri Farhi, Chula Vista CA; Norman Schwartz, Carlsbad CA	25.53
3	Ron Karr, Sunnyvale CA; Daniel Raider, San Mateo CA	21.53
4	Hank Youngerman, Reading PA; David Standig, Beach Haven NJ	21.35
5	David Langer - Mark Ginsburg, Buffalo Grove IL	21.18
6	John Boyer, Yonkers NY; Robert Stayman, New Rochelle NY	20.41
7	Bob Stitt - Stefanie Stitt, Dayton OH	19.74
8	Pangjie Xu, San Jose CA; Winston Huang, Los Altos CA	16.85
9	Stephen Tu, Milpitas CA; Rajeev Gupta, Oakland CA	14.88
10	Lori Spaeth, Los Altos CA; Marolyn Imaoka, San Jose CA	12.90
11	Kish Devaraj - Robert Epstein, Atlanta GA	11.17
12	Michael Gladfelter - Mary Jane Gladfelter, Columbus OH	10.47
13	Philip Goulding, Wexford PA; Robert Zimmermann, Pittsburgh PA	9.91
14	Stephen Jackson - Susan Jackson, Roseville MN	9.74
15	Herman Louie - Ming Louie, Henderson NV	9.38
16	Craig Henderson, Chicago IL; Cristal Nell, Seattle WA	9.07
17	David Johnson - John D Aguiar, Calgary AB	8.82
18	Ron Beall, Bellingham WA; Kevin Bolan, Snohomish WA	8.23
19	Lowell Seyburn, Portage MI; Robert Houtrow, Delton MI	8.10
20	Fredric Weiner - Arnold Kohn, Monroe Township NJ	7.79
21	Muffie Gur - Reha Gur, Leonardo NJ	7.49
22	Lon Sunshine - Ivania Yeo, Merrimack NH	6.51
23	Robert Donaldson, Ogden UT; Stephen Nafus, Boise ID	5.16
24	Marc Renson, San Mateo CA; Bob Sanner, Palo Alto CA	4.88
25	Bob Lafleur - Hy Chansky, Las Vegas NV	4.80
26	Luen-Jyh Luo, Milpitas CA; Frank Xie, Sunnyvale CA	3.74
27	Tsao-Tung Tsai, Cupertino CA; Jim Liu, Saratoga CA	2.77
28	Michael Flader, Eagan MN; Jill Flader, Saint Paul MN	2.31
29	Isaac Stephani - A.J. Stephani, Cincinnati OH	2.01
30	Dorn Bishop, San Diego CA; Nicolas Hammond, Alpharetta GA	1.93
31	Himanshu Joshi, Chester NJ; Donna Dulet, Ocean NJ	1.86
32	Sharon Goldman, New York NY; Justyna Zmuda, Skwaina Poland	1.70
33	Sue Becker, Canton OH; Sabrina Miles, Mansfield MA	1.25
34	Nathan Glasser, Somerville MA; Randy Okubo, St. Paul MN	0.98
35	Stephen Shane, White Plains NY; Harvey Katz, Marina Del Rey CA	0.42
36	Robert Schachter, Eden Prairie MN; Mark Krusemeyer, Northfield MN	0.00



**Van Cleve**

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thoughtful, helpful and understood the psyche of bridge players,” she said. “Before we began play, Ken would remind us that our partners were our best friends, something some of us forget.”

One of Van Cleve’s closest friends was Jonathan Fleischmann, a young player in the Detroit area who has known him for 20 years and played with him semi-regularly for the last few years. When Van Cleve was directing in southern Michigan, he would drive down a day early to play with Fleischmann, and they often won. “As I got more involved with local directing, Ken became a mentor to me, and I learned how exceptional he was at his job,” Fleischmann said. “It also gave me a chance to enjoy his sense of humor and wit.”

When working a Swiss teams event, directors often call out results to each other using cultural references in places of numbers. For Van Cleve, classic rock was the preferred point of reference. “I had to brush up on Bob Dylan and Alice Cooper,” to decipher the code, Bealles said.

Roberts noted that Van Cleve seemed to mellow and become more cheerful after marrying his wife, Sarah, about three years ago. “He seemed to be smiling and happy a lot more,” Roberts said. “Even during the time his illness was on, he always had a smile and he was cracking jokes.” Van Cleve was diagnosed in December 2018.

Van Cleve is survived by his wife, Sarah; three stepsons, Samuel, Jonathan and Joseph Carpenter; three grandsons; and many friends in the bridge community.

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**Time:** 9 am to noon, both days

**Location:** Check page 2 of Daily Bulletin

This continuing education course for club directors covers updates to Chapters 4 and 5 of the ACBL handbook. Participants must attend both sessions (Tuesday and Wednesday).

## Methods matter

By Barry Rigal

Most of my columns revolve around the play of the hand, but sometimes the columns can be focused on the bidding.

Forgive me if I get a little technical, but let's start from a couple of basic assumptions.

1. Everybody's methods over 1NT allow for a lot more subtlety than over 2NT.
2. There are a lot more balanced 20-22 hands than 23-24 hands.
3. There are even fewer one-suited 2♣ hands.

If you buy into this, you might decide to switch your 2♣-2♦; 2NT and 2NT openers: You will be worse placed with 23-24, but better placed with the former if 2♣ includes 20-22 but not 23-24.

Not convinced? Try playing your methods with the East-West cards on Board 1 from the second qualifying session of the von Zedtwitz Life Master Pairs.

Dlr: North ♠ Q 8 7 5  
 Vul: None ♥ K 7 6 4 2  
 Bd: 1 ♦ Q  
 ♣ 10 8 6

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

I was playing with Glenn Milgrim. Here was our sequence:

West	East
<i>Rigal</i>	<i>Milgrim</i>
	2♣
3♠ (1)	4♠ (2)
4NT (3)	5♣ (4)
5♥ (5)	5♠ (6)
5NT (7)	6♦
Pass	

- (1) 1=3=(5-4) pattern and GF facing 20-22.
  - (2) Here, 4♣ would set up slam invitational sequences, 4♦ relays to 4♥ for all sign offs, so 4♥, 4♠, 4NT and 5♣ are key cards for the four suits in ascending order. 4♠ is therefore RKCB for diamonds.
  - (3) One key card.
  - (4) ♦Q?
  - (5) Yes (!) but no ♣K.
  - (6) ♥K?
  - (7) No.
- 6♦ making for plus 920 was a cold top.

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### SATURDAY MORNING SIDE PAIRS

18.0 Tables	A	B	C		
6.07	1			Anton (Tony) Haddad, Houston TX; Marilyn Adams, Beaumont TX	63.19%
5.63	2	1		David Venetianer, Chadds Ford PA; Eric Gettleman, Ellicott City MD	62.22%
4.22	3	2		Susan Zhang, Los Altos Hills CA; Jim Liu, Saratoga CA	61.11%
3.17	4	3		William Seager - Jean Seager, Coronado CA	60.14%
2.38	5	4		Ian Kirk - Deanna Birch, Portland OR	58.33%
2.80	6	5	1	Rose Hou, Richmond Hill ON; Jihang Qiu, China	57.36%
1.34	7	6		Dianne Cox - Dennis Duryea, Redmond WA	57.08%
1.00		7		Phyllis Siegel, Ballwin MO; Livingston Johnson, Fairfax VA	56.25%
2.10			2	Raeann Koerner, Ventura CA; Lynne Castoldi, La Quinta CA	51.39%
1.58			3	Fumie Parish, Las Vegas NV; Peter Parish, Santa Barbara CA	50.83%
1.23			4	Ethan Wood, Dover MA; Marley Cedrone, Framingham MA	50.42%

### SATURDAY MORNING 299ER PAIRS

8.5 Tables	A	B	C		
2.85	1	1	1	Michael Xiong, Devon PA; Bin Qiang, Blue Bell PA	72.42%
2.14	2	2		Brian Brady, Nampa ID; Ian Goldberg, Belvidere IL	62.29%
1.60	3	3	2	Karen Henderson, San Antonio TX; Brenda Garcia, Laredo TX	60.30%
1.20	4	4		Jason Grove, Marlborough CT; Chris Westermeyer, Falcon Heights MN	58.68%
0.90	5	5		Meckin Scott - Josefine Scott, Tuscaloosa AL	58.51%
1.20			3	Pat Lenowsky, Henderson NV; Alan Turner, San Diego CA	53.55%
0.90			4	Gary Higbee - Mary Duffy, Chattanooga TN	48.61%

### SATURDAY MORNING 49ER PAIRS

7.0 Tables	A	B	C		
1.98	1	1		John Heideman - Glenda Heideman, Grand Junction CO	58.75%
1.49	2	2	1	John Mullin - Susan Ahlquist, San Diego CA	58.33%
0.98	3/4	3/4		Charles Smith, Phoenix AZ; Carmel Robbins, Calgary AB	55.42%
0.98	3/4	3/4		Caleb Green, Fenton MI; Indrani De Silva, Toronto ON	55.42%
0.63	5			Shawn Speight - Joy Brown, San Diego CA	51.67%
1.04			2	Brian Marsh - Gilbert Castaneda, Las Vegas NV	51.25%

### SATURDAY DAYLIGHT OPEN PAIRS

62.5 Tables / Based on 103 Tables	A	B	C		
42.32	1			Bharat Rao, Berwyn PA; Kenneth Chatzinoff, Cinnaminson NJ	67.53%
31.74	2			James Melville, Springfield IL; Vladislav Isporski, Sofia Bulgaria	62.66%
23.81	3	1		Alan Leaver, Mars PA; James Fox, Canonsburg PA	62.20%
17.85	4			Bobby Wolff, Las Vegas NV; Morris Chang, Santa Clara CA	61.55%
14.11	5			Judi Radin - Valerie Westheimer, New York NY	58.97%
12.09	6			Linda Tipton - V. Jay Tipton, Irvine CA	58.42%
10.58	7			Yukiko Tokunaga, Japan; Kenji Miyakuni, Tokyo Japan	58.01%
9.40	8			Ron Lien, Brea CA; Subba Ravipudi, Downey CA	57.57%
13.61	9	2	1	Ann Murray, Plandome Manor NY; William Sigward, Pelham NY	56.84%
10.20	10	3		James Perkins - Basant Shah, Los Angeles CA	56.83%
7.05	11			David Rosenstein, Henderson NV; Sandra Gagnon, La Jolla CA	56.81%
6.51	12			Sumner Steinfeldt, Washington DC; Kent Hartman, San Diego CA	55.93%
6.23	13			Ahmed Yousry, West Palm Beach FL; Carolyn Lewis, Louisville KY	55.72%
5.64	14			Phyllis Rakevich, Tumwater WA; Ronald Woodard, Olympia WA	55.62%
5.29	15			Robert L. McClendon, Ponte Vedra FL; Michael Schreiber, Plano TX	55.60%
4.98	16			Christopher Overpeck, Louisville KY; Vangie Smith, Prospect KY	55.28%
4.70	17			Peter Clark, Ottawa ON; Sharron Hinckley, Augusta ME	55.18%
7.65	18	4		Noel Hanford, Rancho Mirage CA; Joelle Benioff, San Francisco CA	54.98%
4.23	19			Jim Leary - Pat Leary, Livermore CA	54.87%
6.05	20	5		Joseph Thomas - Joyce Nakasaki, Redondo Beach CA	54.82%
3.85	21			Mel Colchamiro, Merrick NY; Ruth Grant, Tarrytown NY	54.74%
3.68	22			Linda Rothstein - Jeffrey Rothstein, New York NY	54.64%
5.18	23	6		Bruce Brownfield - Susan Ohman, Graham WA	54.48%
6.08	24	7	2	Duncan MacDonell, Tucson AZ; Ronald Bliss, Oro Valley AZ	54.44%
3.26	25			Kalpana Sutaria - Swadesh Mahajan, Austin TX	54.40%
3.13	26			Gilbert Stinebaugh - Mark Peters, Van Nuys CA	54.08%
4.03	27	8		Marusa Basa, London England; Peter Cheung, Fremont CA	54.05%
3.63	28	9		Sandra Macpherson, Halifax NS; James Keegan, Cambridge MA	54.03%
2.82	29			Sharon Anderson - Roger Anderson, Eagan MN	54.03%
2.73	30			Michael Keller, Yellowstone National Park WY; Tim Spencer, Great Falls MT	53.93%
2.65	31			Yas Takeda, Hacienda Heights CA; Gale Senter, San Clemente CA	53.92%
2.56	32			Magnus Skaar, Oslo Norway; Daniel Williams, Henderson NV	53.82%
3.52		10		Laura Delfeld, Austin TX; Terri O'Brien, Leander TX	53.60%
4.92		11		Mike Fierman, Encino CA; Dwight Hunt, Granada Hills CA	53.53%
4.56		12	3	Suzy Ryder - Thomas Ryder, Boise ID	53.48%
2.59		13		Barbara Weiss, Boca Raton FL; Lana Putter, Boynton Beach FL	53.23%
4.92		14		Jun Shang - Fang Liu, Beijing People's Republic of China	52.64%
3.42		15	4	Donald Durack, Cincinnati OH; Barry Wauligman, Hamilton OH	52.51%
2.13		16		Eva Weissberger - Ronald Weissberger, Fort Lauderdale FL	52.18%

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2.70	18	5	Kathryn Papermaster, Horseshoe Bay TX; Vera Baum, Los Altos CA	51.31%
2.31		6	Gay Yamagiwa, Honolulu HI; Judy Soong, San Francisco CA	50.91%
2.03		7	Craig Caldwell - Gigette Caldwell, San Diego CA	50.17%
1.80		8	Bernie Fromm, Kansas City MO; Robert Reichek, Houston TX	49.49%
2.36		9	Mitsuko Kodama - Lester Kodama, Mililani HI	49.44%

**SATURDAY DAYLIGHT GOLD RUSH PAIRS**

49.0 Tables

7	3	2		
15.49	1	1	Kevin Lin, Columbus OH; Xinpeng Huang, Foster City CA	60.82%
11.62	2	2	Robert Haas - Michael Haas, Haddonfield NJ	60.74%
8.71	3	3	2 Gustavo Schuster - Maria Schuster, Las Vegas NV	60.28%
6.53	4		Patrick Staley - Brian Castle, San Diego CA	59.35%
5.16	5		Ramey Farah, La Jolla CA; Harry Arora, San Diego CA	59.08%
4.43	6		Randall Klein, Leawood KS; Milton Brod, Shawnee Mission KS	58.83%
3.87	7	4	Sharon Harbach, Argyle TX; William Thompson, Las Vegas NV	58.02%
3.44	8		Stephanie Miller - Larry Miller, North Saint Paul MN	57.39%
3.10	9	5	3 Donnie Priest - Jeffrey Nevins, Visalia CA	57.25%
2.82	10		Rajarshi Roy, Amherst NY; Rick Klaphor, Erie PA	56.93%
2.58	11		Jay Eggner, Neenah WI; Victoria Hess, Jackson WY	55.62%
2.38	12		George Correia, Devonshire Bermuda; Lorna Anderson, St. George Bermuda	55.39%
3.28	13	6	4 Wanda Yao, Redondo Beach CA; Paul Marjoram, Harbor City CA	55.30%
2.25	14		Larry Graves - Vicki Graves, La Quinta CA	55.27%
1.94	15		Christine McKenna, Edmonds WA; Janet Crossley, San Rafael CA	55.23%
1.82	16		Susan Montgomery - Susan Weaver, New York NY	54.80%
1.75	17		Carol Knowles, San Mateo CA; Janelle Van Rensselaer, Burlingame CA	54.46%
1.63	18		Heather Gallegos - Ed Hartshorn, Alma CO	54.35%
1.55	19		Marguerite Pinkers, Santa Clarita CA; Sin Orensztin, North Hollywood CA	54.08%
1.48	20		Laurence Dunford, Dyer IN; Margaret Getman, St. Paul MN	54.03%
1.66	21		Diana Chirita, Lincoln MA; Diana Lam, Boston MA	54.02%
1.91	22	7	Eva Biderman - Earl Biderman, North York ON	53.76%
1.75	23		George Trost - Mack Caldwell III, Key West FL	53.67%
1.24	24		Joan Johnson - Robin Hill, Palos Verdes Estates CA	53.50%
1.70	25	8	Kathy Kopnisky - Cathy McIntyre, Silver Spring MD	52.99%
1.91		9	Ronald Rybak, Worthington OH; Diane Halloran, Hilliard OH	52.85%
2.04	10	5	Joan Blinn, Hollidaysburg PA; Barbara Vander Jagt, Altoona PA	52.49%
2.05	11	6	Joyce Cates, Stockton CA; Shirley Womack, Manteca CA	51.78%
1.18	12		Sheila Pechinski, Scarborough ME; Donna Neff, San Francisco CA	51.60%
1.33		7	Peter Koenig - Susan Koenig, Tarzana CA	51.13%
1.18		8	Joan Nordheim - Susan Meredith, Edmonds WA	50.95%

**SATURDAY AFTERNOON 49ER PAIRS**

6.5 Tables

	A	B	C		
1.98	1	1	1	Colleen Sullivan, Victoria BC; Judith Hansen, Alexandria VA	60.40%
1.49	2	2	2	Gilbert Castaneda - Brian Marsh, Las Vegas NV	58.00%
1.11	3	3	3	Seema Abbi - Deepak Abbi, Miami FL	56.17%
0.84	4			Vera Qian, Oakville ON; Michelle Yang, Scarborough ON	55.80%
0.63	5			Malgorzata Koziol, Las Vegas NV; Linda Wilson, Ponte Vedra FL	55.20%

**SATURDAY DAYLIGHT SWISS TEAMS**

44 Tables

	A	B	C		
21.60	1			John Onstott, New Orleans LA; Jacob Morgan, Madison WI; Apolinary Kowalski, Warsaw Poland; Jacek Romanski, Lublin Poland; Drew Casen, Henderson NV	126.00
16.20	2	1		Glenn Boyce, Piedmont CA; Marcus Ballinger, Burlingame CA; Edwin Seputis, Oakland CA; Peter Schneider, Las Vegas NV	116.00
12.15	3			John Kranyak, Las Vegas NV; Johan Upmark - Fredrik Nystrom, Stockholm Sweden; Susan Schnelwar, New York NY	109.00
10.35	4	2		Jane McLaughlin, San Francisco CA; Michael Hartnett - Nancy Ferguson, Greenbrae CA; David Bryant, Ashland OR	106.00
6.79	5/7	3/4		Carol Ramberg - Irene White - Susan Hernandez, Fair Oaks Ranch TX; Mariee Walton, Cary NC	97.00
6.79	5/7	3/4		James Schnepf - Connie Nelson, Avon MN; Bert Sheldon, Houston TX; Paul Sitz, Ramsey MN	97.00
6.26	5/7			Hemant Lall - Petra Hamman, Carrollton TX; Reese Milner, Sarasota FL; Peggy Sutherlin, Dallas TX	97.00
4.80	8			Mina Akhnoukh, Fort Lauderdale FL; Kathy Logue - Jacob Karno, Metairie LA; Howard Parker III, Clements CA	95.00
5.04	9	5	1	Steve Reid, Carlsbad CA; Jeffrey Leach - Mark Spiro, Encinitas CA; Jon Lelevier, Cardiff CA	94.00
3.94	10	6		Pat Emery - Diane Mangasarian - Jeanne Perkins - Veronica Hrdy, New York NY	93.00
3.45	11/13	7		Larry Wagner, Cupertino CA; Lori Kiefer, La Quinta CA; Patricia Dunbar, Little River CA; Brian Gilbert, Irvine CA	91.00
3.34	11/13			Mary Lee, Macungie PA; Ellen Gabriel, Naples FL; Joy Scher, Delray Beach FL; Sally Woolsey, Kensington CA	91.00
3.34	11/13			Sylvia Moss - Riki Tulin, Boca Raton FL; Kevin Dwyer, Melbourne FL; Louk Verhees Jr., Voorhout Netherlands	91.00
3.07		8		Gene Marks, Ithaca NY; S. Andrew Sass, Fremont CA; Kathryn Von Dohre, Concord CA; Preston Morrow, Dallas TX	87.00
2.76		9		Alexander Stille, Bethesda MD; Barbara Devaney, Washington DC; Neil Joseph Smyth - Janet Tainty, Santa Cruz CA	86.00
3.78			2	Randi Berkson - Monica Quinlan, Tucson AZ; Catherine Meng - Robyn Leming, Fort Collins CO	81.00
2.84			3	James Logan, Henderson NV; Karen Fusco - Susan Dugas - M. Linda Edlin, Las Vegas NV	80.00
2.13			4	Linda Grissom - Virginia Brier, Tucson AZ; Neil Sandson, Timonium MD; Gerald Sandson, Pittsburgh PA	79.00
1.68			5	Charles Rauch - Janice Gleason, Monterey CA; Jeannette Stern, Carmel By Sea CA; Arjun Singh, Lakewood CO	78.00

**Milestones**

**Ed Piken** of Palos Verdes Peninsula CA became a Diamond Life Master on Thursday playing for District 23 in the Grand National Teams, Flight A.



**Henry Caspar** of Las Vegas became a Diamond Life Master on Saturday when his team advanced in Bracket 4 of the Saturday-Sunday KO. Caspar is playing with Jim Andre, Lily Andre and Edward Rais.



**Ken Shore** of Los Angeles became a Diamond Life Master on Saturday playing in the qualifying round of the NABC 0-10,000 Pairs with partner Joe Viola.



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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Morehead Championship Flight</b></p> <p>1. Winestock (D17) 23 70 99 <b>120</b></p> <p>4. (5) McDevitt (D25) 37 82 89 99</p> <p>3. (14) Gupta (D22) 24 48 69 95</p> <p>2. (10) Grue (D24) 62 100 136 <b>187</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Goldman Flight A</b></p> <p>1. Bennett (D22) 32 67 87 <b>113</b></p> <p>4. (5) Lafferty (D2) 14 24 42 104</p> <p>3. (6) Court (D15) 17 44 100 142</p> <p>2. (10) Treitel (D9) 48 82 146 <b>184</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Sheinwold Flight B</b></p> <p>1. (9) Marnell (D20) 41 63 110 132</p> <p>4. (13) Pan (D22) 38 84 84 <b>146</b></p> <p>3. (6) Rush (D16) 53 64 95 <b>130</b></p> <p>2. Lampe (D24) 13 55 80 123</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>MacNab Flight C</b></p> <p>1. (9) Gong (D21) 49 81 123 <b>152</b></p> <p>4. (13) Thomas (D20) 26 41 43 87</p> <p>3. (14) Lee (D23) 35 56 68 103</p> <p>2. (10) Xu (D21) 20 54 113 <b>131</b></p>
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## PAIRINGS IN THE GNT FINALS

### MOREHEAD CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT

16 Tables  
 Sheri Winestock - Fred Gitelman - Daniel Korbel - Roger Lee - Geoff Hampson, Las Vegas NV; Haig Tchamitch, Paradise Valley AZ

vs

Joe Grue - Gillian Minitier - John Hurd, New York NY; Joel Wooldridge, Astoria NY; Kent Mignocchi, Bronx NY

3/4 Pat McDevitt, Brookline MA; Mark Aquino, Jamaica Plain MA; Dean Panagopoulos, Lynn MA; Stephen Gladyszak, Chelsea MA; Adam Grossack, Newton MA; Franklin Merblum, Bloomfield CT

3/4 Shailesh Gupta, Aliso Viejo CA; Sherman Gao - Weidong Pei, Brea CA; Bo Liu, Irvine CA

### GOLDMAN FLIGHT A

16 Tables  
 Davis Bennett - Jim Johnsen, San Diego CA; Fran White, Fallbrook CA; Rick Kerbel, Murrieta CA

vs

David Treitel, Miami FL; Saul Gross, Miami Beach FL; Juan Castillo, Fort Lauderdale FL; James Scott, Wellington FL; Edward Schusler, Lady Lake FL; Bruce Lang, West Palm Beach FL

3/4 Colin Lafferty, Kitchener ON; J. Melvin Norton, Burlington ON; Roland Laframboise, Thunder Bay ON; John Stevens, St. Catharines ON; Keith Heckley, Hamilton ON; Doug Andrews, Etobicoke ON

3/4 Joann Court - Joe Veal, Oklahoma City OK; Ann Aliotta - Eric Genheimer, Edmond OK

### SHEINWOLD FLIGHT B

16 Tables / Based on 21 Tables  
 Thomas Rush, Houston TX; Wes Peirce, The Woodlands TX; Pawel Hanus, Carrollton TX; Bill McCarty, San Antonio TX; Suvabrata Biswas, Katy TX; Ari Sippola, Richardson TX

vs

Kenny Pan, Irvine CA; Xiao-Yan Gong, Laguna Niguel CA; Harvey Jaffe - Dustin Stout, Huntington Beach CA

3/4 Jordan Lampe, New York NY; Stefano Merlo, Brooklyn NY; Ettore Bianchi, Dobbs Ferry NY; Robert Forster, Little Neck NY

3/4 Kevin Marnell - Amy Casanova, Portland OR; Justin Beck, Sherwood OR; Bruce Peterson, Aloha OR; Ben Bomber, Vancouver WA

### MACNAB FLIGHT C

16 Tables  
 Quheng Gong, Newark CA; Jakob Karstens, Emeryville CA; Andrew Sinclair, Albany CA; Chris Chen, San Francisco CA

vs

Michael Xu, Palo Alto CA; Brandon Ge, Cupertino CA; Jonathan Yue, San Jose CA; Wesley May, Menlo Park CA; Aravind Alwan, Milpitas CA

3/4 Roger Thomas, West Linn OR; Jon Gassaway, Beaverton OR; Mike Goffe - Bruce Backup, Portland OR; Dan Edelstein - Janet Landesberg, Vancouver WA

3/4 Tim Lee, Arcadia CA; Gregory Tsien - George Tien, Monrovia CA; Hanna Zhuang, Alhambra CA; Dingan Chen, Upland CA; David Dai, Baldwin Park CA

### SATURDAY AFTERNOON SIDE PAIRS

28.0 Tables					
	A	B	C		
8.23	1	1		Marc Passman - Tobey Passman, Skokie IL	63.39%
6.17	2			William McFall, New Berlin WI; Joyce McMonagle, Cordova TN	62.89%
4.63	3			Marlene Powell, Vancouver BC; Ben Takemori, Burnaby BC	61.89%
5.20	4	2		John Prance - Clarende Duby, Calgary AB	60.61%
3.10	5			Janice Anderson - Richard Anderson, Toronto ON	60.54%
3.90	6	3		Stephen Warner - Julie Walker, West Palm Beach FL	60.11%
1.55	7			Nancy Molesworth - Sandi Foreman, White Plains NY	59.19%
2.98	8	4	1	Alan Greenberg - Valerie Greenberg, Ojai CA	58.97%
2.19	5			E. Melnick - M. Melnick, Hilton Head SC	57.83%
1.64	6			Jill Entsminger, Henderson NV; Hope Ellis, Beachwood OH	56.77%
1.75	7			Somers Collins - Andrew Collins, Little Rock AR	55.20%
2.24			2	Sterling Larson - Yvonne Thele, Salt Lake City UT	52.56%
1.68			3	Jess Feinman, Columbia MD; Mark Valavanis, Glenwood MD	51.14%
1.26			4	Ruth Andersen - Glenda Bradley, Salt Lake City UT	50.78%
0.94			5	Morris Mitchem Jr. Columbia SC; Conrad Larkin, Santa Rosa CA	50.43%

### SATURDAY AFTERNOON 299ER PAIRS

12.0 Tables					
	A	B	C		
3.30	1			David Gordon - Rosalind Gordon, Mattituck NY	66.96%
2.98	2	1	1	Jane Maloney, Incline Village NV; Barry Yoch, Coto De Caza CA	62.40%
2.24	3	2	2	Les Nakasaki, Montebello CA; Don Nakasaki, Chino CA	56.39%
1.68	4	3		Michael Olmsted - James Dahlberg, Arlington VA	54.94%
1.35	5	4	3	Cory Knauss - Lynn Knauss, Las Vegas NV	54.91%
0.94	6	5		Barbara Starrett - Jo Ann Ellison, Tucson AZ	54.22%
1.01		6	4	Sherry Russell - Gloria Sellers, Boulder City NV	53.73%
0.76			5	Greg Shaw, Henderson NV; Stuart Flood, Layton UT	52.44%

### SATURDAY GOLD RUSH PAIRS

11.0 Tables					
	A	B	C		
5.51	1	3	2	Ninad More, Mountain View CA; Nitin More, Sunnyvale CA	59.10%
4.13	2	1	1	Szymon Batog - Jacek Batog, Szczecin Poland	58.10%
3.10	3			Charlie Drotar, Parker CO; Scott Kelly, Aurora CO	56.89%
2.87	4	2	2	Beverley Erickson, Calgary AB; Marcia Abrahamsen, La Quinta CA	56.78%
2.15	5	3	3	Jessica Su - Chris Chang, Mountain View CA	55.21%
1.62	6	4	4	Amy Goldberg - Ian Goldberg, Belvidere IL	55.18%
1.28		5		Robert Linger, North Las Vegas NV; Richard Kvidt, Las Vegas NV	53.10%

# GNT Quarterfinal: Grue vs. Spector

By Paul Barden

Grue (District 24: Joe Grue, Joel Wooldridge, Kent Mignocchi, Gillian Minitier, John Hurd) faced Spector (District 9: Warren Spector, Gavin Wolpert, Gary Cohler, David Berkowitz, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell) in the quarterfinal of the Grand National Teams Championship Flight.

Straight away, the Easts had a decision to make: 1NT on your right, how many spades do you bid with:

♠K J 10 9 8 6 3 ♥9 8 4 ♦6 4 ♣8?

Minitier in the Open Room said 2♣, and heard her opponents bid to 4♥. Slam was playable, and declarer made 12 tricks. David Berkowitz in the Closed Room chose 3♠, John Hurd doubled for takeout, and that was all: Declarer make his five trump tricks for minus 800 and 8 IMPs for Grue.

Another decision:

♠A K 7 ♥A 5 2 ♦Q 7 4 3 ♣7 6 3.

1♣ from partner, 1♥ on your right: What do you bid?

Dlr: East ♠9 8 4  
Vul: E-W ♥Q 9 8 7 6  
Bd: 6 ♦J 10  
♣K Q 8

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

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

West	North	East	South
Cohler	Wooldridge	Berkowitz	Hurd
		1♣	1♥
2♥	3♥	5♣	All Pass

Cohler tried a 2♥ cuebid, showing club support, getting his side to 5♣. Berkowitz won the heart lead in dummy and played a club to the 9, the normal line in the suit. He lost two trump tricks and a diamond for one off.

West	North	East	South
Grue	Wolpert	Minitier	Spector
		1♣	1♥
2♦	3♥	5♦	All Pass

Grue preferred to bid his anaemic diamond suit, getting his side to 5♦, a better contract. On a heart lead, declarer could have ruffed two hearts in dummy, but Wolpert tried leading the ♠4 instead, which went to the queen, 3 and ace. Now heart ruff, ♠K, heart ruff, ♦A, diamond to the king and a spade would leave declarer locked in dummy even when the spades were 3-3, as the carding suggested. Instead declarer played diamonds, Spector taking his king on the second round and playing a third round. Grue misguessed clubs, but it didn't matter; with the clubs 3-2, he could discard one on a spade and ruff the suit good. 12 IMPs to Grue.

South would have done better to switch to hearts after winning the ♦K. Now declarer would have to get clubs right because the defense would be in position to eliminate dummy's ruffing entry.

If declarer is willing to trust spades to be 3-3, he could try instead the strange-looking line of winning the spade lead in dummy, and leading a low diamond, forcing the defense to commit itself while his entries are intact.

Dlr: East ♠A K J 10 9 8 2  
Vul: None ♥3  
Bd: 14 ♦A K Q 9 2  
♣ —

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

♠ 5 3  
♥ K 8 7 6  
♦ 4 3  
♣ A Q 8 5 3

West	North	East	South
Grue	Wolpert	Minitier	Spector
		1♣	Pass
1♥	Dbl	2♥	Pass
Pass	3♥	Pass	5♣
Pass	5♣	All Pass	

Aggressive bidding by East-West made it difficult for Wolpert to show his big hand; Spector passed 5♣ reluctantly. Minitier led the ♥A and, with not much at stake, continued the suit: 12 tricks.

West	North	East	South
Cohler	Wooldridge	Berkowitz	Hurd
		1♣	Pass
Pass	Dbl	Pass	Pass
Redbl	2♣	Pass	2♥
Pass	2♣	Pass	3♣
Pass	3♦	Pass	3♣
Pass	4♣	Pass	4♥
Pass	4NT	Pass	5♦
Pass	5♥	Pass	5♣
Pass	6♣	All Pass	

6♣ can be beaten: East has to lead his ace, to avoid being thrown in with it later, then switch to one of declarer's suits to keep dummy off lead. Berkowitz passed the first test, but couldn't picture declarer's hand, and continued hearts: either a spade (if partner had J-x-x) or a diamond (if partner had J-x-x-x) might help declarer. Wooldridge discarded his diamond losers on dummy's winners, then made the ♠Q drop, winning 11 IMPs for Grue.

Spector had won several smaller swings, but Grue led 41-19 at the quarter.

For the second quarter, Wolpert and Spector moved to the Closed Room while Meckstroth and Rodwell replaced Cohler and Berkowitz. Spector picked up a series of swings thanks to overcautious bidding against Meckwell, moving into the lead 47-41. Grue regained the lead when Meckwell bid to a slam which was hopeless if the opening bidder led his suit, which Grue did. But Meckwell struck back with another slam:

Dlr: West ♠Q J 4 2  
Vul: N-S ♥A K J  
Bd: 28 ♦A 6  
♣A 9 6 5

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

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

West	North	East	South
Grue	Rodwell	Minitier	Meckstroth
3♥	3NT	4♥	4♣
5♥	6♣	All Pass	

Minitier's heart raise set Jeff Meckstroth a problem, which he solved by taking the aggressive action. Grue had no excuse for re-raising himself, so he did. Eric Rodwell expected slam to make, so he bid it.

Grue led the ♣K. Declarer won in dummy, drew trumps finessing against the king, finessed in hearts to throw his club losers, and led a diamond towards the king for his 12 tricks.

Arguably East-West's bidding made the slam much better than it looks. But it's no surprise that Hurd and Wooldridge, with less bidding against them, were content to play in game: 13 IMPs to Spector, who led 63-62 at the half.

## Masterpoint disclaimer

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



## Appealing a ruling

Players in NABC+ events who want to appeal a director's ruling initiate the process by speaking with the director who delivered the original ruling. The table director will fill out paperwork regarding the appeal, and the appellants will explain what they believe to be wrong with the initial ruling. From there, the case may be handled by a variety of means. When the appeals reviewer receives the case, the circumstances of that particular case will determine whether the case can be resolved by the original staff (in the case of misapplication of Law or regulation, for instance), a panel of directors, or even a committee-type hearing which could include bridge experts.



## Soloway KO premieres this fall

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The Soloway KO will begin on the first Friday of the Fall NABC, Nov. 29., and concludes on Thursday, Dec. 5. The contest will not conflict with the venerable Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams, which begins Dec. 6, but teams who successfully advance to the quarterfinal round of the Soloway will be unable to play in the Kaplan Blue Ribbon Pairs, which runs Dec. 3-5.

The new contest is named in honor of late Hall of Famer Paul Soloway, a multiple world and NABC champion, as well as the all-time ACBL masterpoint leader until his death in 2007.



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- Any player under the age of 26 years who is a full-time student (must provide proof of eligibility) will be entitled to coupons that can be used for any event. These coupons have a value of \$10 per session.
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- Players under the age of 26 years named to teams to represent the U.S., Canada and Mexico in world competitions for NABCs occurring between the time they are named to the team and the world championship will receive free plays at NABCs when playing with members of their team or members of another team representing Zone 2.

### SATURDAY EVENING SIDE PAIRS

25.0 Tables

	A	B	C		
7.58	1	1		Luis Gamio-Klapic, Palos Verdes Peninsula CA; Steve Ramos Jr., Seal Beach CA	62.68%
5.69	2			William Glass, Clovis CA; Nancy Boyd, Memphis TN	61.41%
4.41	3/4	2/3		Mark Humphrey - Lynne Humphrey, Moraga CA	59.06%
4.41	3/4	2/3	1	Dan Storch, Memphis TN; William Thompson, Las Vegas NV	59.06%
2.84	5	4		George Parkins, Vienna VA; Hal Jones Jr. Lorton VA	57.25%
2.13	6	5		Kathy Gilman, Shoreline WA; Leah Sieg, Seattle WA	56.61%
1.59	7	6		Judy Robbins, Narberth PA; Caroline Hughes, Wilmington DE	56.34%
1.20	8	7		Sandra Juhansoo, Boca Raton FL; Keith Gellman, Fort Lauderdale FL	55.98%
2.36			2	Leila Huff, Las Vegas NV; Brandy Lalouche, Henderson NV	53.80%
1.55			3/4	Kathryn Papermaster, Horseshoe Bay TX; Vera Baum, Los Altos CA	53.08%
1.55			3/4	Tomoko Rogers - Don Rogers, Reno NV	53.08%
1.00			5	Robert Bleil, Port Orchard WA; Conrad Larkin, Santa Rosa CA	52.99%

### SATURDAY OPEN PAIRS

49.0 Tables / Based on 89 Tables

	A	B	C		
40.42	1			James Thurtell, Dallas TX; Rosemary Kelley, San Antonio TX	63.67%
30.32	2			Bob Gwartzman, Brooklyn NY; Paul Lewis, White Plains NY	61.03%
22.74	3			Crispin Barrere, Berkeley CA; Mark Perlmutter, San Diego CA	60.38%
17.05	4			Leo Bell, Carlsbad CA; Joseph Kivel, Newport Coast CA	59.42%
13.47	5			Debbie Rosenberg, Sunnyvale CA; Max Schireson, Stanford CA	59.41%
11.55	6			Peter Gill, Sydney Australia; Eric Leong, Oakland CA	58.91%
10.11	7			Robert Fendrick, Marietta GA; David Macrae, Smyrna GA	57.54%
12.99	8	1	1	Wei Liu, Zhichun Road People's Republic of China; Ethan Liu, Fremont CA	56.94%
8.08	9			Carreen Hinds, Bakersfield CA; Judy Pede, Grass Valley CA	56.83%
7.35	10			Ulf Nilsson, Dalby Sweden; Rita Bichara, San Francisco CA	55.93%
6.74	11			Jessie Brunswig, Fountain Hills AZ; Gregory Trautman, Olympia WA	55.93%
6.22	12			Ira Hessel, San Antonio TX; Kenneth Schutze, Austin TX	55.89%
9.74	13	2		Mark Blanchard, Bay Shore NY; Tudor Trifan, Hollidaysburg PA	55.83%
5.39	14			Pat Galligan - Patty Michael, San Mateo CA	55.77%
5.05	15			Barbara Heller, Knoxville TN; Larry Harding, Hampstead NC	55.53%
5.41	16			Russell Shoup, Dayton OH; Brian Leonard, Inwood WV	55.43%
6.18	17			Phil Clayton, Frisco TX; Nagy Kamel, Plano TX	55.29%
4.25	18			Alexander Weiss - Craig Hemphill, Jacksonville FL	55.25%
4.04	19			Peter Merker, Mentor OH; Nicholas Hartung, Astoria NY	55.22%
3.85	20			Jonathan Fleischmann, Bloomfield MI; Barbara Kastle, Boca Raton FL	55.18%
3.67	21			Nunzio Martorina, Laguna Woods CA; Marilyn Kivel, Newport Coast CA	54.87%
3.51	22			Julie Smith, Vancouver BC; Leo Weniger, Halifax NS	54.84%
7.31	23	3	2	Gary Orser - John Paxton, Bozeman MT	54.64%
5.48	24	4		Dolores Aquino - Barbara Grantham, Houston TX	54.12%
3.11	25			Alex Kornel - Barbara Seagram, Toronto ON	53.57%
4.33		5	3	Stella Q. Wan - Cornelius Duffie, Palo Alto CA	52.30%
3.71		6		Dave Adelman - Douglas Mann, Calgary AB	52.15%
3.25		7		Gloria Tamlyn - Ralph Tamlyn, Larchmont NY	51.87%
2.89		8	4	Evan Marti, Houston TX; Randy Pearson, Pittsburgh PA	50.94%
2.85		9		Judy Hansen, Eagan MN; Curt Kristensen, Duluth MN	50.73%
2.89		10	5	Brian Wyman - James Holzhauer, Las Vegas NV	50.59%
2.17		11		Timur Aydin, Bloomfield Hills MI; Cristina Tita, Northville MI	49.97%
2.22			6	Thomas Franklin III, Martinez CA; Michele Bonneau, Prince Albert SK	49.45%

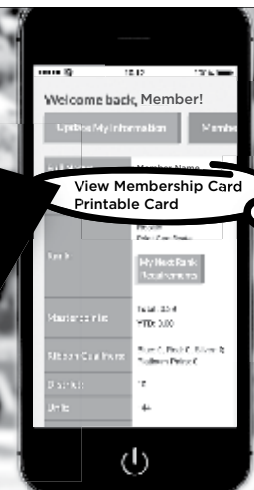
### SATURDAY A/X/Y SWISS TEAMS

29 Tables / Based on 46 Tables

	A	X	Y		
11.95	1			GS Jade Barrett, Elk Point SD; Svein Sjovald, Sioux Falls SD; Stephen Barr, Dublin Ireland; Daniel Hoekstra, Portland OR	64.00
8.96	2			Mike Rippey, Orinda CA; Benito Garozzo, Wilmington DE; Leonardo Cima, Roma Italy; Alessandro Gandoglia, Rome Italy; Kamil Nowak, Kielce Poland; Woaciecz Strzemecki, Poland	62.00
6.72	3			Lou Ann O'Rourke, Scottsdale AZ; John Mohan - Roger Bates, Las Vegas NV; Ron Smith, Chicago IL; Dennis Clerkin - Jerry Clerkin, Bloomington IN	60.00
5.33	4/5	1		Andrew Risman, Toronto ON; Merryl Chin, North York ON; Joan Viidik - Tony Viidik, Waterloo ON	53.00
4.41	4/5			Victor Markowicz, Boca Raton FL; Piotr Bizon, Cracow Poland; Ami Zamir, Hod Hasharon Israel; Asaf Yekutieli, Tel Aviv Israel	53.00
2.84	6			Andrew Russell, St. Catharines ON; Ishmael Del'Monte, Las Vegas NV; Jay Barron, Tulsa OK; Manfred Michlmayr, Orinda CA	51.00
1.87	7/8			John Rengstorff, New York NY; Nancy Schwantes, Las Vegas NV; Gloria Bart - Les Bart, Bradenton FL	50.00
4.00	7/8	2		Tom Trachuk, Walnut Creek CA; Diana Schuld, Glen Head NY; Alan Kudisch - Jeanne Hanrahan, East Norwich NY	50.00

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3.41	3/4	1	Floyd McWilliams, Sunnyvale CA; Scott Benson, Mountain View CA; Morgan Johnstone, Minneapolis MN; Howard Liu, San Lorenzo CA	45.00
2.63	3/4		Joyce McMonagle, Cordova TN; Linda Dunn, Memphis TN; Evan Markowitz, New York NY; William McFall, New Berlin WI	45.00
1.69	5		Carl Dahl Jr., Sun City Center FL; Dan Chocron, Wichita KS; Todd Wachsmen, East Meadow NY; Jeffrey Liu, Coconut Creek FL	44.00
2.56	2		Tracy Boys, Sherman Oaks CA; Ruth Baker, Valencia CA; Russell Buker, Lancaster CA; Linda Young, Butte MT	28.00

**SATURDAY EVENING 299ER PAIRS**

7.5 Tables				
	A	B	C	
2.70	1	1	Sarah Emmons - Jackson Wahl, Minneapolis MN	66.67%
2.03	2		Kathy Kennedy - Ross Beatty, Calgary AB	64.58%
1.52	3		Michael Olmsted - James Dahlberg, Arlington VA	62.30%
1.60	4	2	Laurinda Lankford - Jennifer Reichek, Houston TX	59.03%
1.20	5	3	Grace Major, Brevard NC; Stephanie Threlkeld, Germantown TN	55.56%
0.90		4	Robert Torres - Pamela Torres, Wahiawa HI	50.69%
1.52		1	Caleb Green, Fenton MI; Indrani De Silva, Toronto ON	46.53%
1.14		2	Tiffany Destefano - Glenn Heath, Las Vegas NV	44.84%

**SATURDAY B/C/D SWISS TEAMS**

17 Tables				
	B	C	D	
5.40	1	1	Ching-Po Wang, Troy MI; Xingyu Zhang, Ypsilanti MI; Yanping Zhang - Henry Zhang, Ann Arbor MI	64.00
4.05	2	2	Maryam Fraser - Joyce Jennings, North Palm Beach FL; Gerry Piaget - Joan Piaget, Portola Valley CA	55.00
2.66	3/4	3/4	1/2 Carroll Vaughan - Russell Vaughan, Federal Way WA; Margol Tucci, Puyallup WA; Anne Lever, Seatac WA	53.00
2.66	3/4	3/4	1/2 Judy Nevell - Lee Soreng - Cornelia Wonham, Eugene OR; Ellen McCumsey, Junction City OR	53.00
1.71	5	5	Eric Schneider, Boca Raton FL; Michael Lynch - Bert Solomon, Edwards CO; Bill Multack, Miami Beach FL	52.00
1.34		3	Gary Feldman - Tim Rea - Sally Rea - Marjorie Butler, Ventura CA	36.00

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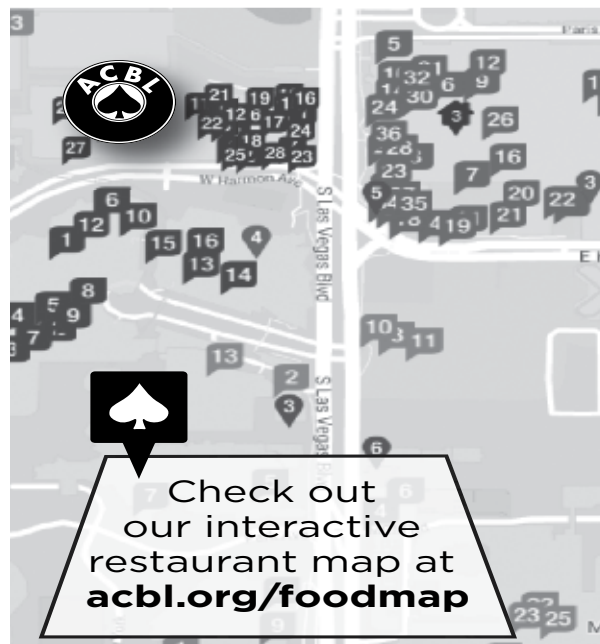
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**Other events**

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- Second offense in the same session: two full boards, 20 IMPs or 50% of the maximum available VPs per match, at the respective form of scoring.
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## IMP Strategy (for Swiss teams, knockout teams and IMP pairs)

By Steven Gaynor

In a matchpoint event, we are always looking for that extra trick or playing in a risky major suit or notrump rather than a poorer-scoring, but safer, minor suit. Why? Because it pays off big time when it works.

We may even risk our contract to make a play for an overtrick. On defense we strive not to blow a trick rather than beat a contract.

In IMP scoring, however, the considerations change drastically. Now just making or beating a contract can give us a big score, but extra tricks are chump change. (OK, I know we have all won or lost a match by 1 IMP.)

Winning IMP strategies include:

Make your contract. Do not worry about overtricks or undertricks. If you are in the right spot, things will usually work out in your favor.

Trust your bidding system. Even at pairs, you will be a winner if you are in the right suit at the right level despite blowing an overtrick once in a while.

Stretch to bid a game. If vulnerable, game should be bid even if it is as low as a 40% chance. If not vulnerable, it should be a 50% prospect.

If you bid three vulnerable games that your opponents do not bid and you make only one of them, you break even. If you are in an auction and the decision is now in your hands whether to bid game or not — if you have to think about it, bid game.

Do not double their partial. You better have them down two in your own hand before you chance a double of a bid below game. And ‘down two in your own hand’ means you have a fistful of trump tricks. Do not count on your partner for many of these tricks.

Do not go for numbers. Don’t make some wild, preemptive bid just because you have six or seven (or more) cards in one suit. It is not worth it.

Your competitive bidding should be more constructive at IMP scoring. Upgrade your overcalls by at least a queen. This means that if you would overcall with 8 points at pairs, overcall with 10 or more at IMPs.

Play your safest contract. If in the bidding your find you have a better fit in a minor than a major, play in the minor, especially at a partial. You want to make whatever contract you bid. Plus 110 is only a bit worse than plus 140 and it may not even make any difference sometimes.

This also applies to game and slam bidding. If partner opens 1NT and you have a four-card major with at least invitational values, bid Stayman. Plus 620 and plus 630 are the same at IMPs.

Do not stretch to bid slams. Bid slams only when they have at least 75% probability of success.

Do not stretch to bid slams. Oh, is this a repeat? Well, good. The point needs extra emphasis.

You have partners at the other table. Don’t make a risky bid or play because you think you are down in a match.

Once, in a seven-board match, we bid a slam down two vulnerable for minus 200, bid 3NT with a combined 21 high-card points after a bidding misunderstanding — which my partner played well for down one and minus 100 — and doubled them in 4♥, making five for minus 990. We thought we were slaughtered. Wrong. We won IMPs on all three boards and blitzed the other team.

Don’t be a hero. Do not make a confusing bid that (1) may be passed when it is forcing or (2) shows extra values that you don’t have. Make the call that shows your strength.

“Take out insurance.” In every team game, there will be a hand where both sides can make game. Usually it is a wild hand with lots of

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distribution, doubles fits and long suits. It is usually right to bid one more (called “taking out insurance”) – unless you are sure they are going down and you cannot make your bid.

On defense, strive at all costs to beat the contract when it means giving up an overtrick. You may take risks that you would never dream of at matchpoints – such as leading the king from K-x, hoping to find your partner with the ace of that suit or the queen and a quick entry in trumps. Sometimes you give up an overtrick, so you lose 1 IMP. If your bold play sets a contract just one time in 10, you are ahead.

If it’s hard for you, it’s hard for them. The player sitting in your seat at the other table is holding the same cards you are. This guiding principle will help you on several of the points already listed.

*Steven Gaynor is an Emerald Life Master who lives in Minneapolis MN. He is a member of the national Charity and Goodwill committees.*

## Use of the bidding box – Alerts and Announcements

When using bidding boxes, the ACBL requires that players tap the Alert strip and say “Alert” at the same time.

When making an Announcement, use the Announcement word (such as “transfer”) and tap the Alert strip at the same time. A player who Alerts or Announces a bid must make sure his opponents are aware that an Alert or Announcement has been made.

## Slow play

Slow play, especially habitual slow play, is a violation of law and subject to penalty. When a pair has fallen behind, it is incumbent on them to make up the time lost as quickly as possible whether at fault or not. All players are expected to make a concerted effort to catch up when they have fallen behind, regardless of the reason for their lateness.

In the absence of compelling evidence to the contrary, the director should presume that a pair finishing a round late by more than two or three minutes on more than one occasion during a session is responsible for the lateness. There is a strong expectation that the director will penalize such a pair. The size of a penalty will tend to increase for subsequent instances of slow play and for chronic or egregious slow play.

While warnings typically will be given before a penalty is assessed, failure to do so in no way limits the director’s authority to issue a penalty.

Players are expected to be aware, in a general sense, of time used and remaining in a segment in which they are playing regardless of whether a clock is in use or a time announcement has been made. An excuse of “no announcement” or “no clock immediately visible” will not be considered persuasive.

In consultation with the DIC of the tournament, the TD may require that a particular pair not play in a specified segment, not play against a specified pair or not play together as a pair. The foregoing is expected to be applied only due to egregious circumstances or to unduly repetitious offenders.

An appeal of an action taken by a TD with regard to time may be taken to the Director in

Charge of the tournament, and no further. For NABC+ KO events, the TD is charged with the responsibility to ensure that each KO match segment finishes within the allotted time. While a time monitor may be employed, the lack of a monitor in no way limits the TD’s authority to apply one or more of the remedies listed below.

The TD may choose to ignore an occasional minor late finish. The TD may remove one or more boards from a segment. The TD may award no score (when neither team is more at fault), an assigned score (when a result already exists at one table which the TD wishes to preserve) or an artificial score in IMPs. Every effort should be made to remove boards before they can be played at either table, but not having done so does not preclude removing one or more later.

## Monitoring

ACBL monitors events at North American Bridge Championships with both visible and concealed real-time cameras in public spaces. The images are recorded and available for later inspection and review by ACBL management and tournament officials, among others, including members of the Anti-Cheating Commission. These recordings are also be uploaded to the internet following the NABC.

By general monitoring of the session and participants’ behavior, ACBL has another source of information that may be useful in determining facts and settling issues or disputes 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.”

## Tomorrow’s Bridge Events

### Goodwill Day

#### Monday, July 22, 9 a.m.

Event	Session	Sold	Entry/player/session	Current members*	Inactive members
Monday-Wednesday Morning Side Game Series	1st single	Inside Belmont 3, 4th floor	\$20		\$24
Monday-Wednesday Morning KO Teams	1st	Inside Belmont 2, 4th floor	\$20		\$24
Sunday-Monday Morning Compact KO Teams	3-4	Inside Belmont 2, 4th floor	\$20		\$24

#### Monday, July 22, 10 a.m.

299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Outside Brera 2, 3rd floor	\$15		\$19
0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single	Outside Brera 2, 3rd floor	\$15		\$15

#### Monday, July 22, 10 a.m. & 3 p.m.

Daylight Open Pairs (unlimited/3000/1500)	1-2	Mont-Royal, 4th floor	\$20		\$24
Daylight Gold Rush Pairs (750/300/200)	1-2	Outside Belmont 5, 4th floor	\$20		\$24
Daylight Swiss Teams (unlimited/3000/750)	1-2	Nolita, 4th floor	\$20		\$24

#### Monday, July 22, 1 p.m.

Monday-Tuesday Side Game Series	1st single	Inside Belmont 4, 4th floor	\$20		\$24
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#### Monday, July 22, 1 & 7:30 p.m.

SPINGOLD KNOCKOUT TEAMS	Round 1	TBA, 3rd floor	\$30		—
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*Pre-registration required by 5 p.m., Sunday, July 21.*

#### TRUSCOTT/U.S. PLAYING CARD SENIOR SWISS TEAMS

*2 qualifying, 2 final sessions. Participants must be 60 or older.*

#### WAGAR WOMEN’S PAIRS

*2 qualifying, 2 final sessions*

Open Pairs (unlimited/3000/1500)

Gold Rush Pairs (750/300/200)

Monday-Tuesday Knockout Teams

Monday Compact KO Teams

1-2 Q	TBA, 3rd floor	\$30		—
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1-2	Inside Belmont 4, 4th floor	\$20		\$24
1-2	Inside Belmont 3, 4th floor	\$20		\$24
1-2	Inside Belmont 2, 4th floor	\$20		\$24
1-4	Inside Belmont 2, 4th floor	\$20		\$24

#### Monday, July 22, 3 p.m.

299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Outside Brera 2, 3rd floor	\$15		\$19
0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single	Outside Brera 2, 3rd floor	\$15		\$15

#### Monday, July 22, 7:30 p.m.

A/X/Y Side Swiss Teams (unlimited/6000/4000)	single	Inside Belmont 2, 4th floor	\$20		\$24
B/C/D Side Swiss Teams (3000/1500/750)	single	Inside Belmont 2, 4th floor	\$20		\$24
Monday-Tuesday Side Game Series	2nd single	Inside Belmont 4, 4th floor	\$20		\$24
299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Outside Brera 2, 3rd floor	\$15		\$19
0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single	Outside Brera 2, 3rd floor	\$15		\$15

#### Monday, July 22, 11:30 p.m.

Zip Knockout Teams	single	Outside Brera 2, 3rd floor	\$16/team/match		
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One-flight open events are stratified as A (3000+), B (750-3000) and C (0-750). Stratification is based on averaging the masterpoints of a pair or team. Eligibility for limited events will be based on the point holding of the highest player, so no player with more than 3000 may play in B/C events nor the Bracketed B Teams, no player with more than 750 may play in Gold Rush events, and no player with more than 300 may play in 299er events.

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#### \*\*International Fund

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## Today's Bridge Events

### Sunday, July 21, 9 a.m.

Event	Session	Sold	Entry/player/session	Current members*	Inactive members
Sunday-Monday Morning Compact KO Teams	1-2	Inside Belmont 2, 4th floor	\$20		\$24
Saturday-Sunday Morning Compact KO Teams	3-4	Inside Belmont 2, 4th floor	\$20		\$24
Friday-Sunday Morning Side Game Series	3rd single	Inside Belmont 3, 4th floor	\$20		\$24

### Sunday, July 21, 10 a.m.

299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Outside Brera 2, 3rd floor	\$15		\$19
0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single	Outside Brera 2, 3rd floor	\$15		\$15
299er Swiss Teams	single	Outside Brera 2, 3rd floor	\$15		\$19
Bridge-Plus+	single	Condesa 3, 2nd floor	Free		Free

*Free lesson, followed by game (14 deals).*

### Sunday, July 21, 10 a.m. & 3 p.m.

Daylight A/X Pairs (unlimited/6000)	1-2	Mont-Royal, 4th floor	\$20		\$24
Daylight B/C Pairs (3000/1500)	1-2	Outside Belmont 5, 4th floor	\$20		\$24
Daylight Gold Rush Pairs (750/300/200)	1-2	Outside Belmont 5, 4th floor	\$20		\$24
Daylight A/X/Y Swiss Teams (unlimited/6000/4000)	1-2	Nolita 3, 4th floor	\$20		\$24
Daylight Bracketed B Round-Robin Teams (0-3000)	1-2	Nolita 1, 4th floor	\$20		\$24

*No player over 3000. Brackets of nine teams by average MPs. Four teams in each bracket earn gold.*

### Sunday, July 21, Noon & 7 p.m.

<b>MOREHEAD GRAND NATIONAL TEAMS, CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT</b>	1-2 F	Castellana, 3rd floor	\$30	} All: Screen fees of \$20/ session/team apply	
<b>GOLDMAN GRAND NATIONAL TEAMS, FLIGHT A</b>	1-2 F	Castellana, 3rd floor	\$22		
<b>SHEINWOLD GRAND NATIONAL TEAMS, FLIGHT B</b>	1-2 F	Castellana, 3rd floor	\$22		
<b>MacNAB GRAND NATIONAL TEAMS, FLIGHT C</b>	1-2 F	Castellana, 3rd floor	\$22		

### Sunday, July 21, 1 p.m.

Friday-Sunday Side Game Series	5th single	Outside Brera 4, 3rd floor	\$20		\$24
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### Sunday, July 21, 1 & 7:30 p.m.

<b>VON ZEDTWITZ LIFE MASTER PAIRS</b>	1-2 F	Gracia 3, 3rd floor	\$30		—
<b>BRUCE LM-6000 PAIRS</b>	1-2 F	Gracia 4, 3rd floor	\$22		—
<b>YOUNG 0-2500 PAIRS</b>	1-2 F	Gracia 4, 3rd floor	\$22		—
<b>0-10,000 NABC PAIRS</b>	1-2 F	Gracia 4, 3rd floor	\$22		—
Open Pairs (unlimited/3000/750)	1-2	Gracia, 3rd floor	\$20		\$24
A/X Swiss Teams (unlimited/6000)	1-2	Inside Belmont 4, 4th floor	\$20		\$24
B/C Swiss Teams (3000/1500)	1-2	Inside Belmont 3, 4th floor	\$20		\$24
Gold Rush Swiss Teams (750/300/200)	1-2	Inside Belmont 3, 4th floor	\$20		\$24
Sunday Compact Knockout Teams	1-4	Inside Belmont 2, 4th floor	\$20		\$24
Saturday-Sunday Knockout Teams	3-4	Inside Belmont 2, 4th floor	\$20		\$24

### Sunday, July 21, 3 p.m.

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0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single	Outside Brera 2, 4th floor	\$15		\$15
299er Swiss Teams	single	Outside Brera 2, 4th floor	\$15		\$19

### Sunday, July 21, 7:30 p.m.

A/X/Y Evening Swiss Teams (unlimited/6000/4000)	1-2	Inside Belmont 2, 4th floor	\$20		\$24
B/C/D Evening Swiss Teams (3000/1500/750)	1-2	Inside Belmont 2, 4th floor	\$20		\$24
Friday-Sunday Side Game Series	6th single	Outside Brera 4, 3rd floor	\$20		\$24
299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Outside Brera 2, 4th floor	\$15		\$19
0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single	Outside Brera 2, 4th floor	\$15		\$15
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## “The Kids Table” premieres tonight

The world premiere of a new bridge documentary will be held Sunday at The Cosmopolitan, followed by a panel discussion with the cast.

The movie follows four millennials learning bridge as complete beginners over the course of a year as they take private lessons, play in Los Angeles-area clubs and compete in their first tournaments.

How the four of them experience bridge varies with their personalities. Edd Benda, the filmmaker, and Monique Thomas, a comedian, love it immediately and strive to improve at it and become competitive. Stefanie Woodburn, a gaming streamer, is ambivalent. Although she doesn't put a great deal of effort into it, natural talent overcomes that, and she comes to embrace the game as she discovers she's good at it. Paul Stanko, an actor, detests the game. It's too much work, and he can't find any fun in it.

His experience highlights the challenge in growing the game in general and recruiting young players specifically: Sure, lots of people would take up bridge if it wasn't so damn hard to learn. The group's teachers, Brian Reynolds and Samantha

MacDouglas, try to keep an emphasis on making sure their students are having fun, but they recognize it doesn't always work. “Bridge isn't for everyone,” MacDouglas says.

But in order for it to be for anyone, they have to be aware it exists. The movie aims to create an awareness of bridge in an audience the ACBL badly wants to reach. That's why it was financed by the ACBL Educational Foundation.

The premiere is at 8 p.m. tonight in Condesa 3 on the second floor. Tickets are \$10 and available at [bridgekidsdoc.com](http://bridgekidsdoc.com). A download of the hour-long film is available along with admission for \$15. The production also has a booth on the fourth floor in the vendors area outside the Belmont Ballroom.



**“The Kids Table” cast members (standing) Edd Benda, Paul Stanko, (seated) Monique Thomas and director Stephen Helstad at their booth on the fourth floor.**