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Ed Foundation moves into high gear

The ACBL Educational Foundation met in Atlanta last weekend and released several major announcements. Foundation President Barbara Heller said that the organization has been busy as it attracts new talent to its Board of Trustees, greenlights funding for major initiatives and expands the scope of its mission.



ACBL Educational Foundation President Barbara Heller.

“The foundation is pleased and excited to announce the addition of four new members to the Board of Trustees: Joel Kramer, Robert Todd, Ellen Anten and Paul Cuneo,” said Heller.

Kramer is the former editor and publisher of the Star Tribune in Minnesota. He is a Silver Life Master and a member of the board for bridge education in Unit 178.

Todd is a well-known professional player, writer and teacher. A familiar face at the regional and NABC tournament scene, Todd is a popular lecturer.

Ellen Anten is one of the most influential members of the Los Angeles bridge community. A top-level player for decades with more than 25,000 masterpoints, Anten has long been involved in bridge governance.

Paul Cuneo is a member of the ACBL Board of Directors representing District 16 (Texas/Mexico) and is retired from Shell Oil Company as chief information officer for Shell Oil Products Company. Prior to that position, he served as Vice President Technology for Oil Products.

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Pepsi falls flat in Spingold Rd. Of 32

The highest-ranked seed to get the boot in yesterday’s Spingold KO round of 32 was the No. 5 team captained by Jacek “Pepsi” Pszczola. Despite leading the No. 28 squad captained by Adam Wildavsky by 24 IMPs after three quarters of play, the Pszczola team managed to post just 9 IMPs in the final quarter while Wildavsky added 55. Wildavsky advanced 107-85.

The No. 11 seed – George Mittelman and company – enjoyed a 29-IMP lead against Phyllis Fireman’s team (the original No. 43 seed) after three quarters, but Fireman held Mittelman to a single IMP in the last set as they increased their own tally by 45. Fireman won 99-84.

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Irish Juniors train in Atlanta

A group of young men from Ireland is attending the NABC in Atlanta as practice for the upcoming European Junior Championships to be held in Croatia in 2019. According to coach and manager Thomas Mac Cormac, the U.S. excursion will help him select the final roster for the squad that will represent Ireland in the Under 25 division of the championships.

“We’ve been bringing players to the NABCs since Kansas City in the spring of 2017, but this is the largest group we’ve had so far” said Mac Cormac.

The more experienced members of the team are trying their luck in the 0-6000 Mini-Spingold KO

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This squad of Junior players from Ireland is playing in Atlanta: (standing) Captain Thomas Mac Cormac, Stephen Barr, Michael Donnelly, Arran Bolger, Laurence Childs, John Connolly, Jarleth Mc Donnell, Conor Farrell, coach GS Jade Barrett; (seated) sponsor David Koble and coach Donna Lombardini.

One player’s journey from the Deep South to the sometimes-frozen North



Most people probably don’t know that the state motto of Alaska is “North to the Future.” In the late 1990s, when Harley Bress was working in the Education Department at the American Contract Bridge League – way down South in Memphis – it’s highly unlikely that he saw living in Alaska – the place he now calls home – as part of his future.

Bress is in Atlanta with a couple of young players – bridge students of his back home in Nome – who are participating in the 11th Youth NABC.

Reflecting on the series of events that led to his relocation and his life up North, Bress said, “It’s been an amazing time.”

Bress, 46, is originally from Pittsburgh PA. An experienced bridge player, he joined the ACBL staff

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Binder, Watson lead Wernher Pairs

The Massachusetts-based duo of Rick Binder and Alan Watson posted the best score in the opening round of the Wernher Open Pairs. Binder and Watson scored 63.96% in the first qualifying session and 61.31% in the second to start today’s two-session final with a carryover of 220.99 matchpoints.

In second with a carryover of 190.82 are Mike Sheng of Northbrook IL and Sherman Gao of Brea CA.

Third place is occupied by Juan Carlos Ventin of Barcelona and Joaquin Pacareu of Santiago with 184.46.

The event drew 284 pairs of which 144 qualified for today’s final.

**ATTENDANCE through Wednesday
7832 tables**



Goodwill Message

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Sandy DeMartino, Chair
Aileen Osofsky ACBL Goodwill Committee

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SPECIAL EVENTS

MEETINGS / SEMINARS / RECEPTIONS

All events are at the Atlanta Marriott Marquis.

Thursday, August 2

- 10 am-6:30 pm Youth NABC. (Atrium Level, A707)
- 10 am-Noon Social Bridge Room. (Marquis Level, M101)
- 10 am-Noon Hall of Fame Committee. (Lobby Level, L402)

Friday, August 3

- 10 am-6:30 pm Youth NABC. (Atrium Level, A707)
- 10 am-Noon Social Bridge Room. (Marquis Level, M101)

Saturday, August 4

- 10 am-6:30 pm Youth NABC. (Atrium Level, A707)
- 5:30-7:30 pm Youth NABC Closing Reception. (Atrium Level, A707)

CELEBRITY SPEAKER PROGRAM

Don't miss these free lectures by some of the best-known players in the game! Talks will be held in the International Hall on the International Level.

Thursday, August 2

- 9:15 a.m. GS Jade Barrett *How to Succeed in Bridge*
- 6:45 p.m. Carole Budnick *The Strip and Endplay*

Friday, August 3

- 9:15 a.m. Lisa Berkowitz *Playing to Trick One*
- 6:45 p.m. Mike Flader *Ruling the Game*

ENTERTAINMENT

Entertainment from Saturday, July 28, through Friday, Aug. 3, will begin immediately following the evening session. The performers are happy to take song requests.

Thursday, Aug. 2

Nathan Sexton on keyboard with Travis Jones on drums will perform classic tunes that span the decades.

Friday, Aug. 3

The Dixieland Troubadours is a fun band you won't want to miss with their unique approach to modern folk, country and bluegrass music. Banjo player Kyle Jarrard was named the Georgia State Banjo Champion in 2011.

HOSPITALITY

Thursday, August 2

- 10:30 p.m. Marquis Level
- Hamburger sliders

Friday, August 3

- 10:30 p.m. Marquis Level
- Mini BLT sandwiches

Entries

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

All North American championships with no upper masterpoint limit \$25 per player per session (For team events, this means \$100 per team per session for four-person teams, \$125 per team per session for five-person teams, and \$150 per team per session for six-person teams. Only ACBL members current on their dues and service fees are eligible to play in NABC+ events. \$1.50 per person per session benefits the International Fund.)

Other North American championships.....\$17 per player per session

(For the team events, this means \$68 per team per session for teams of four, \$85 per team per session for teams of five, and \$102 per team per session for teams of six. Only ACBL members current on their dues and service fees are eligible to play in these events.)

Regional championships.....\$16 for ACBL members, \$20 for inactive members per player per session

(For multi-session team events of three sessions or more, the entry fee is \$64, \$80 or \$96 for teams of four, five or six, respectively. For team events of one or two sessions, the entry fee is \$64.)

All other events.....\$15 for ACBL members, \$19 for inactive members per player per session

Desk Hours

- NABC Welcome Desk** 8:30-10 a.m.
11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
2:30-3 p.m.
6:30-7:30 p.m.
- Partnership Desk** 8:30-10 a.m.
11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
6:30-7:30 p.m.
- Prize Desk** 8:30-10 a.m.
Noon-1 p.m.
2:30-3 p.m.
6:30-7:30 p.m.
- Information Desk** 8:30-10 a.m.
Noon-1 p.m.
2-3 p.m.
6:30-7:30 p.m.
- I/N Registration and Partnership Desk** 8:30-10 a.m.
2-3 p.m.
6:30-7:30 p.m.

Lost and Found

Lost and found is located at the Tournament Information Desk located on the Marquis Level. If you find something that appears to have lost its owner, or you're an owner in search of something you lost, here's the place to go. Information hours through Saturday are:

- 8:30-10 a.m.
- Noon-1p.m.
- 2-3 p.m.
- 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Rubber bridge room

Enjoy a round of rubber bridge. Featuring continuous bridge play from 10 a.m. to Noon. Monday through Friday, the rubber bridge room is M101 on the Marquis Level. Entry is free. Some of the best players in the world will sit in and play a few hands. Here's your chance to play a hand or two with a bridge luminary.

Bridge Bucks and Check Cashing

Bridge Bucks and check-cashing services will be available each day at the following times and locations:

- 9:30-10 a.m. on the Marquis Level (near the escalator to the International Level)
 - Noon to 1 p.m. on the Atrium Level
- Players may use VISA, MasterCard, Discover and American Express to purchase Bridge Bucks. There is a \$500 limit on check cashing.



Age requirement for Senior events

You must have been born before January 1, 1959, to qualify to play in ACBL Senior events.





JUST FOR NEW PLAYERS

Thinking bridge

By Eddie Kantar

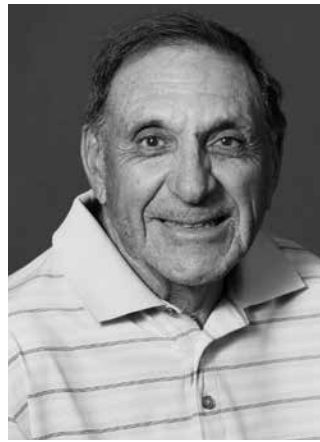
Opener's rebid. Responder's rebid. The uppercut.

Dlr: North ♠ Q 10 6 5 2
 Vul: E-W ♥ A 7
 ♦ A K J 10
 ♣ 8 5

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

♠ 9 7
 ♥ K 9 6 5 4 2
 ♦ Q 5 2
 ♣ J 7

West	North	East	South
	1♠	Pass	1NT
Pass	2♦	Pass	2♥
All Pass			



to go and should be happy to have found a likely eight-card fit. Pass 2♥.

Lead commentary: As West, Looking at a natural trump trick that will be lost if you ruff a diamond, a singleton lead is usually counterproductive.

Defensive commentary: As East, win the ♣K and cash the ace. noticing partner's play of the ♣2,

Opening lead: ♣3
Bidding

commentary: As South, your 2♥ bid shows six hearts with a weak hand, typically 6-9 HCP. Perfect. You could conceivably have five hearts, but they must be strong. (See yesterday's column) As North, with just 14 HCP, you have no place

indicating a five card-suit – or a doubleton. If partner has a doubleton club, declarer has five clubs to go along with six hearts. Not likely. Assume South has a doubleton club and partner has five clubs. Glancing at the dummy, never too bad an idea, it looks right to shift to the ♠A, followed by the ♠4. As West, if partner leads the ♠A, encourage with the ♠8. When partner continues with a second spade, win the king and lead a third spade. As East, ruff the third spade with the ♥10, an effort to uppercut declarer. Your uppercut works! Declarer has to overruff with the king and partner now has two trump tricks instead of one. The contract is defeated. The defense takes two clubs, two spades and two hearts.

Play commentary: As South, if you are lucky enough to get in early, play the top two trumps, then diamonds.

Board Update: NABC Schedule of Events

In two separate actions at the Atlanta board meetings, the Board of Directors voted to eliminate the **Marsha May Sternberg Women's Board A Match** and the **Baze Senior Knockout** from the Fall NABC schedule starting in 2019. Both events have dropped below the 30-team benchmark established by the Board years ago. Attendance has been below this level for more than four years. It is the hope of both management and the BOD that teams that might have otherwise participated in the Sternberg or Baze opt to play in the Soloway KO with the Swiss qualifying that commences in the Fall of 2019.

In another action, the Conditions of Contest for the **Spring 0-10,000 Knockout** have been modified, effective Jan. 1, 2019. The event will be a fixed, three-day event with half-day, 28-board matches being played until such time as the field can play 56 boards (presumably in the final but it could occur in the semifinal with 16 teams or fewer).

Electronic device policy

The electronic device policy at NABCs allows players to bring electronic devices such as cell phones into the playing area provided that such devices are turned off. Further, any such equipment must not be visible during the session.



A violation of the policy will result in an automatic disciplinary penalty of one full board (or 12 IMPs at that form of scoring) for the first offense. A second offense will result in disqualification from the event

Vugraph operators needed

Assignment Spingold: Vugraph operators are needed Friday, August 3. Email Jan Martel at marteljan@gmail.com.

See who's hanging out at the online

Partnership Desk.



Log into MyACBL. Update your profile, browse for partners and play.

Visit acbl.org/nabcpartnershipdesk for more information.



New LM Alert!

If you make Life Master at this tournament, please share! We'd love to take your picture and publish your achievement in the Daily Bulletin. The Daily Bulletin office is located in Room 508 on the Lobby Level. Whatever your rank advancement, please stop by and tell us the good news.

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.

Player Memos

Player memos allow participants to file incident reports alleging inappropriate behavior by other contestants. Two player memo stations have been set up outside the playing areas on the Marquis Level and the Atrium Level for your convenience. Players are encouraged to file Player Memos when appropriate.

Membership Required

A valid ACBL player number is required to play in all events at the NABC. Along with one-year and three-year memberships, 30-day trial memberships are available to new members for \$7.99.

Temporary and regular memberships can be purchased from Tournament Operations on the Lobby Level or the Check-Cashing Desk.

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MONDAY-WEDNESDAY MORNING KNOCKOUT 1

6 Tables
 12.41 1 Kathy Logue, Metairie LA; Mina Akhnouk, Fort Lauderdale FL; Marion Yonke - John Berry, Manhasset NY
 8.69 2 Sanford Robbins, Pompano Beach FL; Leonid Fastovsky, Chevy Chase MD; Gerald Szymski, Westmont IL; Ashley Szymski, Aurora IL

MONDAY-WEDNESDAY MORNING KNOCKOUT 2

6 Tables
 9.06 1 Linda Halpert - Linda Soicher, Boca Raton FL; Olivia Shapiro, Highland Park IL; Barbara Ross, White Plains NY
 6.34 2 Mickey Groggel - Cornelia Tisher, Mobile AL; Bruce Pierce - Carla Pierce, Daphne AL

MONDAY-WEDNESDAY MORNING KNOCKOUT 3

6 Tables
 5.45 1 Vera Baum, Los Altos CA; Kathryn Kranen, Menlo Park CA; Kathryn Papermaster, Horseshoe Bay TX; Susan Zhang, Los Altos Hills CA
 3.82 2 Martha Meyer - Mark Meyer, Winston Salem NC; Sue Kline, Columbia SC; Kathryn Kimmerling, Blythewood SC

TUESDAY-WEDNESDAY MORNING COMPACT KO 1

9 Tables
 9.95 1 Lee Wilcox, Black Mountain NC; Howard Berkowitz, Biltmore Lake NC; Bert Hall, Fletcher NC; Lloyd Weirnerman, Asheville NC
 6.97 2 Ralph Croskey, Jacksonville FL; Burt O'Dell - Linda O'Dell, Ponte Vedra FL; Carl Wasserman, Atlantic Beach FL
 4.48 3 Sue Lan Ma, Kirtland Hills OH; Peter Petruzzellis, Scarborough ON; J Melvin Norton, Burlington ON; Doug Andrews, Etobicoke ON
 3.48 4 Ann Atcheson, Fairfax VA; George Parkins, Vienna VA; Hal Jones Jr, Lorton VA; Joyce Currie, Falls Church VA

TUESDAY-WEDNESDAY MORNING COMPACT KO 2


10 Tables
 5.71 1 Molly Silvia - Linda Conner, New Orleans LA; Gigi Matthews - Kathleen Vogel, Metairie LA
 4.00 2 Dixie Culver - Louise Garcia - Fran Tewkesbury, Greensboro NC; Rebecca Santiago, Clemmons NC
 2.57 3 Jill Crocker, Hollywood SC; Kate Oates Dargan - Betty Camp - Martha Blackman, Spartanburg SC
 2.00 4 Russell Chandler - Nancy Guthrie - Laura Chandler, Houston TX; Donald Bell, Seabrook TX

TUESDAY NIGHT ZIP KNOCKOUT

14 Tables
 4.48 1 Alexander Frieden, Brookline MA; Adam Grossack, Newton MA; Lewis Gamerman, Randolph MA; Harrison Luba, Lynnfield MA
 3.14 2 Pat Larin, Rancho Mirage CA; David White, Lancaster CA; William Michael, Colorado Spgs CO; Lynn Yokel, Campbell CA
 1.79 3/4 Andrew Sinclair, Albany CA; William Zhu, San Francisco CA; Michael Xu, Palo Alto CA; Jesse Chao, Berkeley CA
 1.79 3/4 Roger Smith, Modesto CA; Bart Bussink, Cambridge MA; Kevin Marnell, Portland OR; James Davis Jr, Toano VA

WERNHER OPEN PAIRS QUALIFIERS

72.0 Tables / Based on 142 Tables	Carryover
1 Rick Binder, Waltham MA; Alan Watson, Lexington MA	220.99
2 Ming Sheng, Northbrook IL; Sherman Gao, Brea CA	190.82
3 Juan Carlos Ventin, Barcelona, Spain; Joaquin Pacareu, Santiago Chile	184.46
4 Eric Sieg, Seattle WA; Christopher Gibson, Tigard OR	181.53
5 Tobi Sokolow - Claudette Hartman, Austin TX	180.46
6 Richard Chan, Markham ON; Michael Heymann, Fort Worth TX	173.70
7 Barry Rigal, New York NY; Glenn Milgrim, Ransomville NY	169.71
8 Brad Bart, Coquitlam BC; Jon Bartlett, Portland OR	168.31
9 Bulent Kaytaz - Gokhan Yilmaz, Istanbul Turkey	166.57
10 Robert Barrington, New York NY; Ahmed Soliman, Astoria NY	165.80
11 Jim Russell - Edward Spear, Sarasota FL	163.28
12 Paul Munafo, Huntsville AL; Richard Oshlag, Memphis TN	163.01
13 Nancy Frank, Glencoe IL; Jeff Schuett, Riverwoods IL	158.23
14 Brent Xiao, Fremont CA; Cornelius Duffie, Palo Alto CA	157.85
15 Larry Sealy, Huntsville AL; Wafik Abdou, Bakersfield CA	147.38
16 Leo Bell, Carlsbad CA; John Jones, Santa Fe Spgs CA	146.95
17 Robert Bitterman, Harbor Springs MI; Mark Bendure, Grosse Pointe MI	146.88
18 Michael Rosenberg, Sunnyvale CA; Roger Lee, Las Vegas NV	145.79
19 Iulian Rotaru, New York NY; Lynda Nitabach, N Plainfield NJ	143.39
20 Richard Higgins, Hot Springs Vlg AR; Buddhadeb Biswas, San Jose CA	142.65
21 Roger Bates, Las Vegas NV; Dennis Kasle, Bloomfield MI	142.44
22 David Abelow, La Jolla CA; David Ruderman, Burtonsville MD	139.56
23 Joseph Stokes, Chicago IL; Serdar Ogut, Darien IL	132.14
24 Jeffrey Rothstein, New York NY; Russell Samuel, Coram NY	132.07
25 Haven Sharaf, Danvers MA; Kimberly Gilman, Carlisle MA	130.64
26 John Laufer, Toronto ON; Bo Han Zhu, Oakville ON	130.39
27/28 Spike Lay, Daytona Beach FL; Richard Potter, Black Mountain NC	128.14
27/28 Gregg Van Dyke, Saint Paul MN; Tom Grue, Big Lake MN	128.14
29 Tarokh Taefi, Atlanta GA; Weichang Zhang,	127.64
30 A William Schmidt, Morton PA; Stephen Cooper, Belle Mead NJ	127.47
31 Bill Irvine, Quincy MA; Ronald Mak, Manchester NH	125.60
32 Ilker Ayaz, Istanbul Turkey; Nafiz Zorlu, Izmir Turkey	123.84
33 Steve Shirey, Fort Worth TX; Robert Adams, Oklahoma City OK	121.77
34 Hjordis Eythorsdottir - Scott Levine, New York NY	116.50
35 Geoffrey Brod, Avon CT; Richard DeMartino, Riverside CT	113.39
36 Tania Reyes Hiller, Bedford Corners NY; Paul Lewis, White Plains NY	112.72
37 Sally Strul - Lisa Berkowitz, Boca Raton FL	111.13
38 Joe Houde, Vista CA; Andrew Loh, Solana Beach CA	110.21
39 Harrison Luba, Lynnfield MA; Michael Xu, Palo Alto CA	107.44
40 Alexander Ornstein, New York NY; Bruce Rogoff, Boca Raton FL	107.23
41 Bo Liu, Irvine CA; Weidong Pei, Brea CA	104.80
42 Adam Kaplan, Stanford CA; Christian Jolly, Henderson KY	100.14
43 Bob Klein - Nancy Gunn, Santa Rosa CA	99.59
44 Ira Hessel - Ellen Hessel, San Antonio TX	98.90
45 Gerald Blakely, Morgantown WV; Alec Price, Southern Pines NC	98.10
46 Josh Sher, Coral Gables FL; Daniel Neill, Hillsboro OR	95.77
47 Emory Whitaker, Macon GA; Olin Hubert, Atlanta GA	93.58
48 Martin Rabinowitz, Garnet Valley PA; Rick Rowland, Wilmington DE	93.30
49 Chris Chen, San Francisco CA; Michael Serafini, Calgary AB	92.71
50 Michael McNamara, White Plain NY; Fred Hawa, White Plains NY	90.93
51 Anam Tebha, Charlotte NC; Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio TX	89.16
52 Rhoda Prager, Allentown PA; Nancy Molesworth, White Plains NY	87.86
53 Chris Moll, Durham NC; Beatrice Kemp, Dacula GA	85.70
54 Mark Itabashi, Murrieta CA; Peter Gelfand, Corralitos CA	85.62
55 Jurek Czyzowicz, Gatineau QC; Dan Jacob, Vancouver BC	84.68
56 Judith Gushner, Linville NC; Arnold Fisher, Clementon NJ	84.55
57 Sambasiva Rao, Alpharetta GA; Bindhu Aravapalli, Milton GA	82.65
58 Richard Zucker, Dobbs Ferry NY; Pamela Furtsch, Armonk NY	82.13
59 Ifthikhar Baqai, Irvine CA; Mitch Dunitz, Sherman Oaks CA	79.85
60 Michael Hartono - Bert Toar Polii, Jakarta Indonesia	79.38
61 R. Arthur Cannamela, Jr, Roswell GA; Stan Politowski Jr, Delray Beach FL	78.39
62 Brian Hingerty, Knoxville TN; Estelle Margolin, Rego Park NY	78.11
63 John Emmerson, Federal Way WA; Jianming Zhang, Union City CA	75.95
64 Robert Morris, Houston TX; Betty Starzec, Sugar Land TX	75.18
65 Lewis Gamerman, Randolph MA; Robert McCaw, Brewster MA	71.37
66 Stephen Nellissen, Washington Township NJ; Bob Gwirtzman, Brooklyn NY	70.39
67 Jerry Helms, Charlotte NC; Samuel Marks, Atlanta GA	69.66
68 Edwin (Ted) Bain III, Houston TX; Michael Miedema, West Terre Haut IN	68.11
69 Jay Cohodes, Sunrise FL; John Moschella, Winter Springs FL	67.14
70 Allen Kahn, New York NY; David Rosenberg, Jackson Heights NY	66.80
71 Bjorgvin Kristinsson, Columbia Hgts MN; Daniel Hoekstra, Portland OR	66.46
72 Stephannie Culbertson, New York NY; John Fout, Fairfield CA	66.43
73 Chuck Said, Nashville TN; Stephen McConnell, Evanston IL	65.40
74 Robin Taylor, Gaithersburg MD; Mickie Kivel, Potomac Falls VA	65.08
75 Craig Allen, Glen Ellyn IL; Michael Huston, Joplin MO	64.46
76 James Bauer - James Thurtell, Dallas TX	64.38
77/78 John Koch, Saint Cloud MN; Terry Beckman, Brooklyn Park MN	61.22
77/78 Rory Xiao - Bo Xiao, Fremont CA	61.22
79 Douglas Simson, Columbus OH; Jeff Aker, Briarcliff NY	60.94
80 Marie Smerjac, Castle Rock CO; Therese Koller, Pueblo CO	58.14
81 Edward Nagy, Danville CA; Gary Soules, Elk Grove CA	57.39
82 Jeff Roman, Bend OR; Cameron Doner, Surrey BC	56.73
83 Shome Mukherjee, Randolph MA; Bob Feller, Guilderland NY	56.13
84 John Bishel - Tom Bishel, Columbus OH	56.05





**Don't have a partner?
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 to play in the first-ever
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This event is open to any eligible college student. Scholarships for 1st through 3rd place provided by the ACBL Educational Foundation.

Friday, Aug. 3, 7:30 p.m.
 Session 1 of 3
Saturday, Aug. 4, 1 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.
 Sessions 2 and 3 of 3

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85	Linda Smith - Ron Smith, Chattanooga TN	55.97
86	Jonathan Fleischmann, Bloomfield MI; Morrie Kleinplatz, Windsor ON	55.33
87	Divakar Bhargava, Henrico VA; Larry Sunser, Syracuse NY	55.25
88	Ghassan Menachi, Fabreville QC; Martin Singer, Verona NJ	55.16
89	Radu Nistor, Woodside NY; Joan Brody, Livingston NJ	54.84
90	Michael Bodell, Santa Clara CA; Sheng Li, New York NY	53.80
91	Christina Parker - Stewart Rubenstein, Chestnut Hill MA	52.79
92	Spencer Hurd, Meigs GA; Richard Logan, Diamondhead MS	50.90
93	Robert Heitzman Jr, Allendale NJ; Meyer Kotkin, Cherry Hill NJ	50.38
94	Alan Kudisch, East Norwich NY; Tom Trachuk, Walnut Creek CA	48.88
95	Antonio Palma, 7000 Evora Portugal; Sam Bahbout,	48.39
96	Mel Colchamiro, Merrick NY; Ruth Grant, Tarrytown NY	47.44
97	Peter Trenka - Magnus Olafsson, New York NY	47.22
98	Jerry Poliquin, Gurnee IL; Larry Cohen, Elmhurst IL	46.49
99	Zhu Liu, Princeton NJ; Frank Hsieh, Sammamish WA	45.46
100	Jacob Freeman, Toronto ON; Finn Kolesnik, Ventura CA	44.48
101	Ellis Feigenbaum, Laguna Woods CA; Howard Parker III, Clements CA	43.34
102	Matthew Weingarten, Safety Harbor FL; Jeff Edelstein, Tampa FL	39.13
103	Charles Bilich, Hewlett NY; Michael Krevor, Port Washington NY	36.50
104	Herbert Jordan, Miami FL; Erez Hendelman, New York NY	32.79
105	Brooks McNeely, Knoxville TN; Mark Jones, Birmingham AL	32.49
106	James McRae - John Dukellis, Colorado Spgs CO	31.91
107	Peter Wolf, Hilton Head Is SC; Mark Teich, Bluffton SC	30.45
108	Richard Gross, Owens Cross Rds AL; Jean Choi, Honolulu HI	29.01
109	Michael Lipkin, Brooklyn NY; Harry Faivus, New York NY	27.84
110	Dan Papineau, Norcross GA; Joseph Velardita, Clarkston GA	27.00
111	Gary Macgregor, Portola Valley CA; Jim O'Neil, Cupertino CA	25.07
112	Andrew Gumperz, Berkeley CA; Phil Clayton, Frisco TX	24.20
113	Bonnie Wood, Vonore TN; Ken Hoy, Maryville TN	24.04
114	Mike Cappelletti, Delray Beach FL; Loretta Rivers, Monroe LA	23.60
115	James Griffin, Sausalito CA; Todd Werby, Tiburon CA	23.16
116	David Standig, Beach Haven NJ; Kurt Gandenberger, Pendleton SC	21.79
117	Ginny Schuett, Riverwoods IL; Chris Benson, Leroy IL	20.04
118	Randi Adelman, Teaneck NJ; Ryan Connors, Alexandria VA	19.75
119	Ron Haack - Amy Mitura, New York NY	17.64
120	Jonathan Steinberg, Toronto ON; Alex Hudson, Raleigh NC	17.29
121	Allan Siebert, Little Rock AR; Jay Segarra, Ocean Springs MS	16.51
122	Crispin Barrere, Berkeley CA; Bruce Noda, Corte Madera CA	14.28
123	David Rodney, Fairfax VA; Rusty Krauss, Vienna VA	14.25
124	Bernie Greenspan, Beachwood OH; Fred Schenker, Pittsburgh PA	13.33
125	Xu Wang, Astoria NY; Jordan Kaye, West Bloomfield MI	12.91
126	Stephen Gladyszak, Chelsea MA; Barbara Murphy, Newton MA	9.78
127	Keith Heckley, Hamilton ON; Cliff Campbell, Thunder Bay ON	9.31
128	Alan Schneider, Beverly Hills CA; Viktor Anikovich, Los Angeles CA	9.22
129	Martha Katz, Burr Ridge IL; Lynne Schaefer, Ellicott City MD	8.83
130	Gary Schwartz, Huntsville AL; Charles Durrin III, Madison AL	8.30
131	Hugh Brown Jr, Greenwood SC; Robert Fendrick, Marietta GA	7.68
132	Hal Hindman, Centreville VA; Clyde Kruskal, Rockville MD	7.42
133	Marshall Kuschner, Reston VA; Steve Ramos Jr, Seal Beach CA	6.20
134	Ivanie Yeo - Lon Sunshine, Merrimack NH	4.43
135	Owen Lynch - Cindy Sealy, Huntsville AL	4.15
136	Jason Ji, Kendall Park NJ; Chongmin Zhang, Getzville NY	3.97
137	Clifford Nebel, Hastings Hudson NY; Edward Zuckerberg, Los Altos Hills CA	3.67
138	Jeff Hand, New York NY; Barry Bragin, Pawley NY	3.04
139	Mark Blanchard, Bay Shore NY; Amy Rhodes, New York NY	2.45
140	Kate Hill, Santa Rosa CA; Sara Rothmuller, Occidental CA	2.36
141	Tom Carmichael, Mill Creek WA; Ari Greenberg, San Francisco CA	1.99
142	Richard Reitman, Los Gatos CA; Dave Glen, Cuenca Ecuador	1.57
143	Janet Becker - R Jay Becker, Ocean City MD	0.13
144	Thomas Peters - Judy Peters, Grapeland TX	0.00

Spingold

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Steve Robinson (No. 19) dealt Joyce Hill (No. 14) a crippling blow in the first quarter of their match, winning it 53-1. Hill recovered somewhat by the end of the third quarter to trail by just 23, but Robinson was firmly in control in the last set, and they went on to win 142-102.

Several other upsets were averted when the higher-ranked teams got serious in the latter part of their respective matches. The top-seeded diamond team trailed Jared Lilienstein (original No. 33) by

28 IMPs at the half, but came back in the third set to lead by 2 IMPs. Diamond won the last set, too, to advance 127-110. Stan Tulin (No. 13) trailed Lynne Tarnopol's team (No. 20) by 19 IMPs after three quarters, but came back in the last set to advance 113-105.

In the close-call department, Hemant Lall (No. 12) got by Gaylor Kasle (No. 21) 151-147, while The No. 7 seed (Aubrey Strul) outlasted the Indonesian Men's team (original No. 39) 157-155.



Education Foundation

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The Educational Foundation approved a \$50,000 grant to Betty Starzec, president of the American Bridge Teachers' Association, for a series of projects suggested by ABTA members. Among these are teacher start-up kits – sets of boards, cards, bidding boxes and travel bags – that many new teachers often find expensive. The grant will allow any teacher completing any ACBL-accredited teaching program to apply for a kit.

Other parts of the grant will provide a supplement to the existing Cooperative Advertising Program, and a revision of the ACBL Bridge Series (Bridge in the 21st Century).

Heller also revealed that Board of Trustees had decided to expand the ways in which it supports the game by promoting bridge projects in a wider variety of settings than they have previously considered.

“Our goal is to promote bridge of all sorts throughout the world. We are looking at best practices used by various groups and to partner with these organizations, whether it's the ACBL, local clubs, tournament sponsors, teacher groups or online platforms, even organizations outside of North America,” said Heller.

Ireland team

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Teams, while the rest are playing in regional team events.

Mac Cormac said he was thankful for the help he received from GS Jade Barrett and Dr. Donna Lombardini in training the team members, both from online sessions and from Barrett's travel to Ireland.

Mac Cormac was able to attract a variety of sponsors to help with team travel expenses, especially from U.S. players Michael Hughes, Pat McDevitt, and Bob Solick. Top Irish player Tom Hanlon is also a sponsor, as is the Milltown Golf Club in Ireland – where Mac Cormac is the club bridge pro – which raised 1500 euros for the trip.

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Reading the cards

By Barry Rigal

On this deal from the first round of the Spingold, Philippe Soulet, playing with Michel Lebel, played the cards to perfection. Soulet and Lebel are members of the Bernard Payen team from France playing against a Dutch squad. The swing that resulted on the deal helped Payen to a 116-89 victory.

Dlr: North ♠ A K 8 3
 Vul: N-S ♥ K 7 6 4
 ♦ 8 4
 ♣ A J 5

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

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

(1) Hearts and a minor.

West led the ♦A and East encouraged the suit. West pressed on with two more rounds of diamonds, making Soulet suspect strongly that spades were divided 4-0. Soulet pitched a club from dummy, East winning the ♦Q and returning the ♥Q, taken by Soulet with the ace.

Backing his reading of the position, Soulet led the ♦J, encouraging West to discard his last heart. Soulet pitched dummy's ♣J and advanced the ♠10, covered by West with the jack. Soulet now crossed to the ♠Q and finessed again in trumps. This was the ending:

♠ A
 ♥ K 7 6
 ♦ —
 ♣ A
 ♠ 7 6
 ♥ 8
 ♦ —
 ♣ Q 6

When the last trump was played, East - holding three hearts and the guarded ♣K - was squeezed. If he pitched a club, declarer would cash the ♣A, dropping the king. He could ruff a heart to his hand, which would be good. If East discarded a heart, Soulet could cash the ♥K and ruff a heart. Dummy, with the ♣A as an entry, would be high.

For the record, at trick five, whether declarer leads a low trump or the ♦J, West must ruff in with the ♠9 to defeat the game. The full deal:

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

FREEMAN MIXED BOARD-A-MATCH TEAMS QUALIFIERS

28 Tables	Carryover
1/2 Rose Meltzer, Chapel Hill NC; Meike Wortel, Amsterdam ; Bauke Muller, Hoorn ; Justyna Zmuda, Skwaina Poland; Simon De Wijs, Doorn ; Nikolay Demirev, Arlington Hgts IL	3.73
1/2 Mike Passell - Nancy Passell, Plano TX; Linda Lewis - Paul Lewis, Las Vegas NV	3.73
3 William Pollack - Rozanne Pollack, New York NY; Steve Beatty, Mill Creek WA; Cheri Bjerkan, Elmhurst IL	2.80
4 May Sakr, Ardmore PA; Nikolaos Delimpaltadakis - Vasileios Vroustis, Athens Greece; Giorgia Botta, Woodside NY	2.57
5/7 Steve Garner, Chicago IL; Christal Henner - Uday Ivatury, New York NY; Bronia Jenkins, Vero Beach FL	2.33
5/7 Douglas Doub, West Hartford CT; Yiji Starr, Wayland MA; Jiang Gu, Mountain Lakes NJ; Rose Yan, Beijing People's Republic of China	2.33
5/7 Rebecca Duty, Richmond VA; Fred King, McLean VA; Mary Tenenbaum - Alan Tenenbaum, Rockville MD	2.33
8/9 Jan Assini - Frank Cymerman, Pittsburgh PA; Marc Nathan - Cathy Nathan, New York NY	2.10
8/9 Alan Schwartz - Annie Schwartz, Fairfax VA; Lyle Poe Jr, Ellicott City MD; Linda Marshall, Bethesda MD	2.10
10 Anne Brenner - David Caprera, Denver CO; Joseph Silver, Hampstead QC; Janice Seamon-Molson, Hollywood FL; Patricia Dovell, Gainesville FL; Markland Jones, Phoenix AZ	1.87
11 Karen Lee Barrett - G S Jade Barrett, Elk Point SD; Christina Madsen, Hellerup Denmark; Sarje Pontoh, ; Thomas Maccormac, Dublin Ireland; David Koble, Bartlesville OK	1.40
12/15 Sally Meckstroth, Clearwater Bch FL; Mark Dahl, Richmond VA; Jovanka Smederevac, Vienna Austria; Pat McDevitt, Brookline MA	1.17
12/15 Elaine Pencharz, London ; Roman Smolski, Warwick Bermuda; Monique Smith, Arlington VA; Craig Ganzer, Brooklyn NY	1.17
12/15 JoAnna Stansby - Lew Stansby, Dublin CA; Beth Palmer, Chevy Chase MD; William Cole, Silver Spring MD	1.17
12/15 Leonardo Fruscoloni - Margie Cole, New York NY; Stefan Skorchev, Sofia 1000 Bulgaria; Maureen Rives, Saddle River NJ	1.17

WEDNESDAY MORNING 49ER PAIRS

5.0 Tables	A	B		
1.75	1		Donna Olsen, Ridgewood NJ; Lynn Knight, Paramus NJ	61.45%
1.39	2	1	Iris Zehnacker - Barry Zehnacker, Kendall Park NJ	59.91%
0.98	3		Fran Goldberg, Hillsdale NJ; Catherine Gould, Ridgewood NJ	59.79%
0.74	4		Konner Spalding, Versailles KY; Ivan Marchant, Fairfax CA	56.57%
1.04		2	Eugene Surber - Alan Elsas, Atlanta GA	47.32%

WEDNESDAY MORNING 299ER PAIRS

14.0 Tables	A	B	C	
3.60	1	1		F Toonder, Hilton Head SC; Candice Hough, Hilton Head Is SC
2.70	2	2	1	Stephany Sherman - Barbara Brightwell, Atlanta GA
1.78	3/4			Kathleen Thiede, Alpharetta GA; Lynn Andersen, Roswell GA
1.83	3/4	3		Lynn Wenige, Asheville NC; Diane Altenbach, Saint Simons Is GA
1.38	5	4		Bobb Cucher - Glenda Cucher, Atlanta GA
0.85	6			Peter Pawlak - Mary Pawlak, Atlanta GA
1.70		5	2	Jean Scott, Smyrna GA; Marsha Lee Leban, Marietta GA
1.28		6	3	Melissa Bernhardt - Christina Black, Atlanta GA
0.96			4	Diane Johnson - Joseph Johnson, Santa Barbara CA
0.72			5	Glenn Fritts, Norcross GA; Kathleen Cavanaugh, Statham GA



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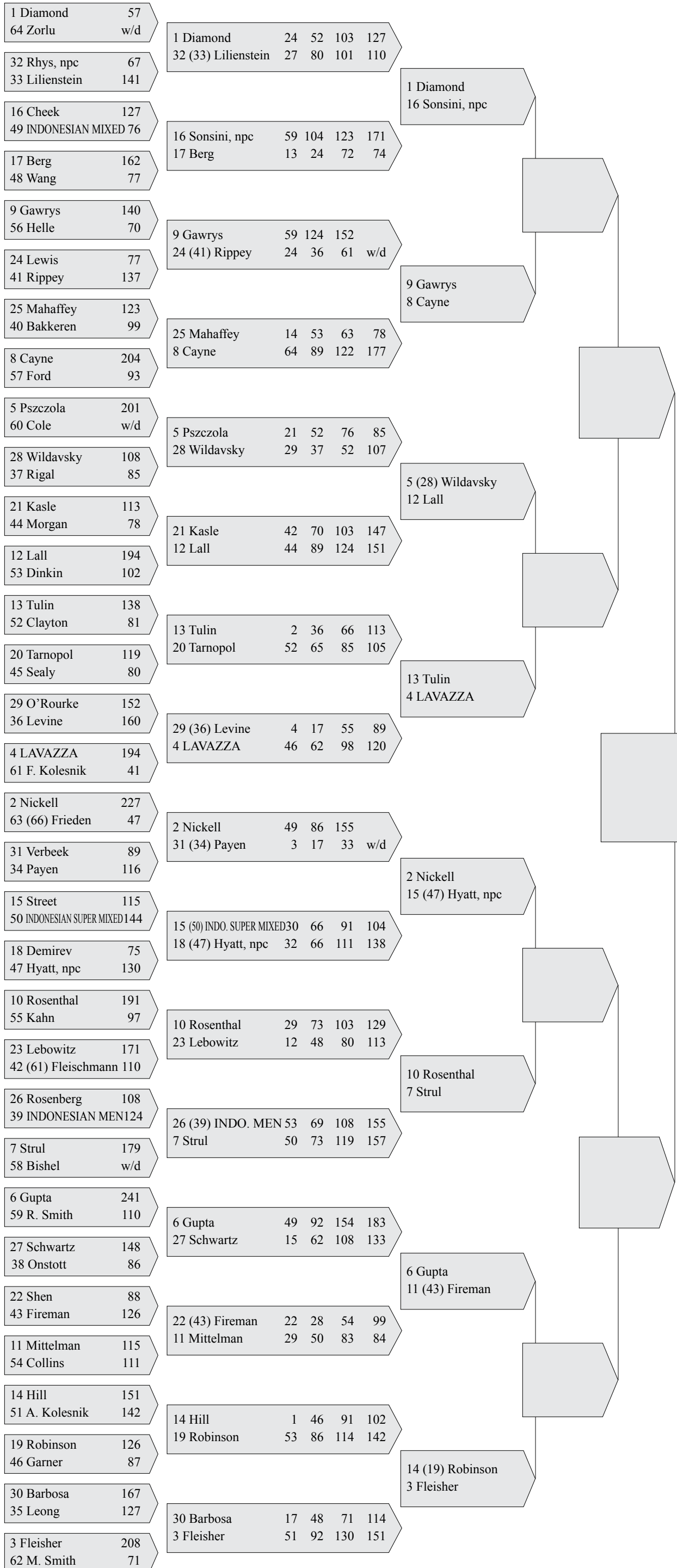
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The ACBL asks everyone to give this issue serious consideration. If you're going to play in a club or a tournament, please don't wear cologne, perfume or scented lotions.



Spingold Teams – Today’s Pairings



John Diamond, Boca Raton FL; Fred Gitelman - Sheri Winestock, Las Vegas NV; Brian Platnick, Evanston IL; Boye Brogeland, Norway; Espen Lindqvist, Arendal Norway

vs

Sonsini (npc) Curtis Cheek - Huub Bertens, Las Vegas NV; Lynn Deas, Schenectady NY; Peter Weichsel, Carlsbad CA

Nick Nickell, New York NY; Ralph Katz, Burr Ridge IL; Jeff Meckstroth, Clearwater Bch FL; Eric Rodwell, Clearwater FL; Robert Levin, Henderson NV; Steve Weinstein, Montclair NJ

vs

Hyatt (npc) Hansa Narasimhan, Mountain View CA; Carlos Pellegrini, Buenos Aires, Argentina; Michael Whibley, Auckland New Zealand; Sumit Mukherjee - Debabrata Majumder, Kolkata, India

Martin Fleisher - Joe Grue, New York NY; Chip Martel, Davis CA; Brad Moss, Denver CO; Geoff Hampson, Las Vegas NV; Eric Greco, Beverly Hills CA

vs

Steve Robinson, Arlington VA; Peter Boyd, Darnestown MD; Kit Woolsey, Kensington CA; Bart Bramley, Dallas TX; Ross Gabel, Palm Desert CA; Mark Feldman, Austin TX

LAVAZZA: Alejandro Bianchedi - Agustin Madala, Buenos Aires, Argentina; Dennis Bilde; Norberto Bocchi, Barcelona, Spain; Giorgio Duboin, Torino, Italy; Antonio Sementa, Parma, Italy

vs

Stan Tulin, Boca Raton FL; Cornelis Van Prooijen, Netherlands; Alon Birman - Dror Padon, Tel Aviv Israel; David Bakhshi, London, England; Louk Verhees Jr, Netherlands

Vinita Gupta, Woodside CA; Billy Miller, Las Vegas NV; Zia Mahmood, New York NY; Jan Jansma; Fredrik Nystrom - Johan Upmark, Stockholm Sweden

vs

Phyllis Fireman, Chestnut Hill MA; Jenny Wolpert, Palm Beach Gardens FL; Marion Michielsen, Stockholm Sweden; Ola Rimstedt - Mikael Rimstedt, Halmstad, Sweden; Per-Ola Cullin, Sweden

Aubrey Strul - Richard Coren, Boca Raton FL; Daniel Korbel, Las Vegas NV; Tarek Sadek - Walid Elahmady, Cairo Egypt

vs

Andrew Rosenthal - Aaron Silverstein - Migry Zur Campanile - Chris Willenken, New York NY; David Berkowitz, Boca Raton FL; Eldad Ginossar, Chicago IL

James Cayne, Boca Raton FL; Alan Sontag, Gaithersburg MD; Lorenzo Lauria - Alfredo Versace, Rome Italy; Mustafa Cem Tokay, Rome, Italy; Giovanni Donati, Italy

vs

Piotr Gawrys, Warsaw, Poland; Michal Klukowski; Pierre Zimmermann - Franck Multon - Geir Helgemo - Tor Helness, Monaco

Hemant Lall, Dallas TX; Reese Milner, Sarasota FL; Roy Welland, New York NY; Sabine Auken, Charlottenlund, Denmark; Yinghao Liu, Redmond WA; Lin Lin Hu, Beijing People’s Republic of China

vs

Adam Wildavsky - Jeffrey Juster, New York NY; Howard Weinstein, Rancho Mirage CA; Bob Hamman, Dallas TX; Bartlomiej Iglar, Switzerland; Fernando Piedra, Zurich, Switzerland

25.00 17/32 Jacek Pszczola - Josef Blass, Chapel Hill NC; Jacek Kalita, Warsaw, Poland; Michal Nowosadzki, Wejherowo Poland; Sjoert Brink, Rotterdam ; Bas Drijver, Capelle Aan Den

25.00 17/32 George Mittelman, Thornhill ON; Ken Bercuson, Las Vegas NV; Piotr Pawel Zatorski, Gdaa Sk 80-862 Poland; Ron Pachtmann, Kfar Saba Israel; Tom Hanlon, Dublin Ireland; Leslie Amoils, Toronto ON

25.00 17/32 Joyce Hill, Saint Augustine FL; Kevin Dwyer - Shan Huang, Melbourne FL; Kevin Bathurst, Palm Bch Gdns FL; Justin Lall, Charlotte NC

25.00 17/32 Mary Ann Berg, Atherton CA; Jason Feldman, San Diego CA; Krzysztof Buras, Warszawa, Poland; Grzegorz Narkiewicz, Chapel Hill NC; Rafal Jagniewski, Legionowo 05-12 Poland; Wojciech Gawel, Wroclaw, Poland

25.00 17/32 Lynne Tarnopol - John Hurd, New York NY; Gavin Wolpert, Palm Beach Gdns FL; John Kranyak, Las Vegas NV; Vincent Demuy, Palm Beach Gardens FL; Joel Wooldridge, Astoria NY

25.00 17/32 Gaylor Kasle, Boca Raton FL; Connie Goldberg, Gladwyne PA; Massimiliano Di Franco, Italy; Andrea Manno, Palermo Italy; Hua Poon - Choon Chou Loo, Singapore Singapore

25.00 17/32 Laurence Lebowitz, Boston MA; Michael Kamil, Oro Valley AZ; Liam Milne, Sidney Australia; Tor Eivind Grude, Trondheim Norway; Peter Fredin, Malmo Sweden

25.00 17/32 Jim Mahaffey, Winter Park FL; Sam Lev, New York NY; Gary Cohler, Delray Beach FL; Billy Cohen, Sherman Oaks CA; Joris van Lankveld, Amsterdam, Netherlands; Berend Van Den Bos, Den Haag, Netherlands

25.00 17/32 Richard Schwartz, Lords Valley PA; David Gold, London; Simon Hult, Wastervik, Sweden; Simon Ekenberg, Kalmar, Sweden; Jerry Stamatov - Diyan Danailov, Sofia, Bulgaria

25.00 17/32 Roberto Barbosa, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil; Adriano Rodrigues, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil; Diego Brenner, Spain; Miguel Villas-Boas, Salvador, Brazil

25.00 17/32 Jared Lilienstein - Michael Polowan, New York NY; Fu Zhong - Jie Li, Beijing People’s Republic of China; Alexander Hydes, Zagreb Croatia; Thomas Paske, Hereford Hr1 3E England

25.00 17/32 Bernard Payen, France France; Philippe Soulet - Michel Lebel, France; Erick Mauberquez, Paris France; Christophe Oursel, 27620 Gasny Cli France

25.00 17/32 Mike Levine, Pinckney MI; Oren Kriegel, Chicago IL; David Grainger, Etobicoke ON; Greg Hinze, San Antonio TX; Adam Grossack - Zachary Grossack, Newton MA

25.00 17/32 Henky Lasut, ; Freddy Eddy Manoppo, Manado Indonesi Indonesia; Agus Kustrijanto, Gansl Jakarta Indonesia; Sia Santoso, Gabsl Jakarta Indonesia; Ronny Eltanto, Batu Sawa Timur, Indonesia; Youberth Sumatauw, Mawado North Ce Indonesia

25.00 17/32 Mike Rippey, Orinda CA; Benito Garozzo, Wilmington DE; Woaciec Strzemecki, Poland; Kamil Nowak, Kielce 25-63 Poland; Leonardo Cima, Roma Italy; Gandogua Alessandro, Rome Italy

25.00 17/32 Bert Toar Polii - Michael Hartono, Jakarta Indonesia; Franky Karwur, Manado Sulawesi Indonesia; Jemmy Bojoh, Tondano Minahas Indonesia; Conny Eufke Sumampouw, Depok Indonesia; Rury Andhani, Semarang Tawa T Indonesia

Win the battle, lose the war

By Barry Rigal

In the second round of the Spingold, Bruce Rogoff was faced with a touch-and-go grand slam on this deal. He and Alex Ornstein were playing against John Hurd and Joel Wooldridge.

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

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

♠ 3
 ♥ K 8 7 2
 ♦ A K 5 2
 ♣ K 8 3 2

West	North	East	South
Hurd	Ornstein	Wooldridge	Rogoff
			1♦
3♣	5NT	Pass	7♦
All Pass			

When Hurd led the deceptive ♣J, Rogoff gave serious thought to letting it run to his king. Eventually, he decided against risking the embarrassment of going down in a laydown grand slam at trick one.

So he ruffed the club, played the ♠A and ♠K and ruffed a spade high, then crossed to a top trump and ruffed the fourth spade high. That let him draw the trumps, reaching this ending:

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

♠ —
 ♥ K 8 7
 ♦ —
 ♣ K

The play of the last spade squeezed Wooldridge in hearts and clubs.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SIDE GAME

21.0 Tables				
	A	B	C	
6.72	1		Saleh Fetouh, Buffalo NY; Tadashi Yoshida, Tokyo Japan	62.64%
6.07	2	1	Aiyue Ma, Shenzhen Chad; Cheng Wang, Shenzhen Futian People's Republic of China	62.52%
4.55	3	2	Carole Budnick, Atlanta GA; Jan Noll, Dunwoody GA	58.89%
3.41	4	3	Anita Reilly - Gloria Friedrichs, Kingsport TN	58.33%
2.56	5	4	Donna Walther - Paul Morrissette, Durham NC	58.19%
2.80	6	5	1 Danning Lu - Andrew Rowberg, Santa Barbara CA	57.94%
1.81	7	6	Neeta Mone, Livingston NJ; Stephen Cooper, Belle Mead NJ	57.64%
2.10		7	2 Cris Shanks, Glen Allen VA; E J Stapler, Watkinsville GA	56.25%
1.58			3 Janelle Hair, Ten Mile TN; Alma VanHull, Kingston TN	55.51%
1.18			4 William Eads - Cynthia Benton, Fort Worth TX	55.00%

MONDAY-WEDNESDAY MORNING SIDE GAME FINAL

42.75 Tables / Based on 22 Tables				
14.00	1/2		Tadashi Yoshida, Tokyo	127.03%
14.00	1/2		Saleh Fetouh, Buffalo NY	127.03%
9.97	3/4		Aiyue Ma, Shenzhen	124.33%
9.97	3/4		Cheng Wang, Shenzhen Futian	124.33%
6.01	5		Frank Xie, Sunnyvale CA	120.67%
4.29	6/7		Merle Stetser, Honolulu HI	113.20%
4.29	6/7		Buddhadeb Biswas, San Jose CA	113.20%
5.20	8/9		Christopher Young, New Orleans LA	111.58%
5.20	8/9		Paul Freese, Metairie LA	111.58%
2.92	10		Pam Van Patton, Smyrna GA	110.97%
2.57	11/12		Amy Rhodes, New York NY	108.95%
2.57	11/12		Mark Blanchard, Bay Shore NY	108.95%

WEDNESDAY DAYLIGHT GOLD RUSH PAIRS

50.0 Tables					
15.75	7	5	2	Sue Bishel - James Bishel, Columbus OH	64.79%
13.75	2	1	1	Xinpeng Huang, Foster City CA; Peter Naimoli, Austin TX	62.65%
10.31	3	2		Jennifer Hiatt, Hilton Head SC; Mary Hill, Hilton Head Is SC	61.76%
7.73	4	3		Barbara Blauer, Neebham MA; Muggsie Rocco, Carlisle MA	60.12%
5.80	5	4	2	Helena Hsieh, Naperville IL; Gianni Hsieh, Urbana IL	58.93%
4.58	6	5		Carolyn Turek - Cynthia Polayes, Chicago IL	57.55%
3.94	7	6		Margaret Spruill - Caroline Caldwell, Locust Grove VA	57.29%
3.50	8	7	3	Walter Severin, Acworth GA; Judy Foster, Atlanta GA	57.14%
3.15	9	8		Deborah Greene, Stockbridge GA; Alice Bonner, Atlanta GA	56.99%
2.86	10			Royald Zell, Tampa FL; Brill Key, Aspen CO	56.85%
2.63	11/12	9/10		Judi Katz - Marcy Gookin, Chicago IL	56.40%
2.63	11/12	9/10	4	Gail King - Rebecca Yancey, Seneca SC	56.40%
2.29	13	11		Jack Sieling, Pinellas Park FL; Andrew Serafini, Calgary AB	56.10%
2.12	14	12	5	Jeanne Theis - Phil Theis, Woodstock VA	55.95%
1.97	15	13	6	Fred Everett - Stephen Knight, Marietta GA	55.80%
2.15	16	14	7	Michael Barrett - Elaine Barrett, Dixie GA	54.91%
1.75	17	15		James Knight - Sue McKinley, Atlanta GA	54.76%
1.62	18/19	16		Marty Porter, Beverly Hills FL; Bruce Graham, Dunnellon FL	54.61%
1.62	18/19			Cookie Boshart - John Boshart, Mountain City GA	54.61%
1.53	20/22	17/19		Ann Moncure - Katherine Hering, Savannah GA	54.17%
1.53	20/22	17/19		Karen Bragman - Gail Holzer, Atlanta GA	54.17%
2.02	20/22	17/19		Laurence Dunford, Dyer IN; Robert Ewing, Charlotte NC	54.17%
1.31	23	20		Leslie Blair, Raleigh NC; Mark Pickering, Emery SD	54.02%
1.26	24	21		Ulla Winkler, Somerville MA; Joyce Leary, Andover MA	53.87%
1.48	25	22	8	David Kupperman - Robin Kupperman, Hollywood FL	53.74%
1.15		23		Jim Ray - Keith Noren, Huntsville AL	53.72%
1.53			9	Natalie Huang - Nathan Huang, Los Altos CA	53.70%

WEDNESDAY DAYLIGHT OPEN PAIRS

23.5 Tables / Based on 63 Tables					
	A	B	C		
35.92	1			Michael Schreiber, Memphis TN; Robert L McClendon, Ponte Vedra FL	60.59%
26.94	2			Richard Nordeng, Waunakee WI; Michael Selchert, Fitchburg WI	59.86%
20.21	3			Don Piasfsky, Toronto ON; Fred Hoffer, Montreal QC	59.09%
15.15	4			John Russell, N Barrington IL; Norman Coombs, Brookville IN	57.54%
11.97	5			Marlise Cusick - Nancy Mitchell, Jacksonville FL	57.48%
14.37	6	1		Steven Jackson, Vero Beach FL; Joseph Shull, New Haven IN	56.07%
8.98	7			Sandra Marlin - Mike Marlin, Versailles KY	55.98%
10.78	8	2		Jay Baudler, San Jose CA; Cordelia Menges, New York NY	55.70%
7.18	9			Ken Gee, Regina SK; Edward White, Grand Blanc MI	55.62%
8.08	10	3		Gail Cannold, Rye NY; Dennis Glazer, Bronxville NY	55.44%
5.99	11			Susan Schnelwar, New York NY; Jose Robles, PBG FL	55.35%
6.29	12	4	1	Laurence Mayer, Overland Park KS; Jack Mayer, Mission KS	54.84%
4.79		5		Carol Stephens - Courtney Stephens, Greensboro GA	54.41%
4.72		6	2	Barbara Boswell, Cincinnati OH; Anthony Toto, Clovis CA	51.80%
3.59		7		Michael Heins, Champaign IL; Alex Khrakovsky, Columbus OH	51.24%
3.54		3		Alan Brams, Canton GA; Joel Adler, Atlanta GA	51.05%
2.65		4		Martin Friedman, Greensboro NC; Jan Baisden, Kernersville NC	49.54%
2.19		5		Suzy Ryder - Thomas Ryder, Boise ID	48.40%

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON 49ER PAIRS

8.0 Tables					
	A	B	C		
2.10	1	1		Nick Kempe, Pembroke Bermuda; Samantha Pickering, Devonshire Bermuda	66.54%
1.58	2	2		Eric Berenblit - Carl Marco, Palm Coast FL	65.30%
1.42	3	3	1	Yicheng Wang - Juncan Huang, Beijing People's Republic of China	63.22%
1.07	4	4	2	Xichen Song - Chentong Qi, Beijing People's Republic of China	58.89%
0.66	5			Fred Pfeiffer, Toano VA; Malgorzata Koziol, Las Vegas NV	54.93%
0.80			3	Yufei Sun - Xuanci Liu, Beijing People's Republic of China	50.47%

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WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON 299ER PAIRS

13.5 Tables

	A	B	C		
3.60	1	1	1	Ann Bottin - Dennis Brindley, Seneca SC	72.63%
2.70	2	2		Michael Olson - Alice Olson, Sun City West AZ	67.40%
2.03	3	3	2	Elizabeth Cooke, Winchester MA; Connie Travers, Tucson AZ	57.78%
1.52	4	4	3	Holly Carver, Lilburn GA; Kevin McReynolds, Canton GA	57.19%
1.14	5	5		Lynn Wenige, Asheville NC; Diane Altenbach, Saint Simons Is GA	57.00%
1.01	6	6	4	Teresa Russell - William Russell, Springfield MO	55.73%
0.76			5	Kathy Redford, Fair Play SC; Julia Anne Edwards, Seneca SC	53.53%

WEDNESDAY OPEN PAIRS

21.0 Tables / Based on 22 Tables

	A	B	C		
16.00	1	1		Barbara Clark, West Orange NJ; Aaron Snead, Newark NJ	57.04%
12.00	2			Cheryl Schneider, Westerville OH; Anita Torrence, Bexley OH	56.71%
9.00	3			Patty Holmes, Las Vegas NV; Gary Zeiger, Phoenix AZ	56.61%
6.75	4	2		Richard Brummer, Effingham IL; Thomas Cox, Mount Juliet TN	56.04%
5.33	5			Ken Monzingo, San Diego CA; Bonnie Bagley, Colorado Springs CO	55.77%
4.57	6			Caroline Pascoe, Sarasota FL; Kenneth Kranyak, Parma OH	55.72%
5.06	7	3		Jason Rosenfeld, Seattle WA; Jennifer Gu, Palo Alto CA	55.32%
4.67	8			Jane Dillenberg - Jerry Goldberg, New York NY	54.96%
4.52	9			Donna Rodwell, Clearwater FL; Lily Johannessen, Honolulu HI	54.08%
2.91	10			Mary Poplawski - Harry Nuckols, Vestal NY	54.06%
4.20	11	4	1	Pengxiao Zeng - Zhefan Zhang, My People's Republic of China	54.06%
3.15		5	2	Stanley Sterenberg - Laura Schisgall, New York NY	53.59%
2.57		6		Evelyn Gilliard, East Point GA; Estelle Lavender, Lithonia GA	52.58%
2.25		7		Charles Swart, Portland OR; Dennis Balfé, University City MO	52.16%
2.52			3	Alexander Frieden, Brookline MA; Sean McNally, Minneapolis MN	51.38%
1.77			4	Danning Lu - Andrew Rowberg, Santa Barbara CA	49.93%

WEDNESDAY EVENING 299ER PAIRS

16.0 Tables

	A	B	C		
3.90	1			Nels Madsen - Fran Madsen, Auburn AL	68.75%
2.93	2			Susan Wright, Daniel Island SC; Ellen Dudash, Mount Pleasant SC	60.42%
2.19	3			Kim Smith, Southport CT; Jill Dimitrief, Boston MA	59.82%
2.57	4/5	1/2		Sharon Rubin - Mary McJunkin, Charleston WV	59.23%
2.57	4/5	1/2		Peter Zhao, Richmond Hill ON; Mingmin Zhu, Mississauga ON	59.23%
1.65	6	3		Eric Chai, Marlboro NJ; Kyle Lui, Morganville NJ	58.93%
1.87		4	1	Eric Lou - Justin Wang, Morganville NJ	58.04%
0.93		5		Sarah Macharg - Matt Oakley, Reno NV	57.14%
0.93		6		Anne Farmer, Seattle WA; Patricia Blackwell, Duluth GA	52.98%
1.40			2	Shibo Hao - Yuze Xie, Tianjin People's Republic of China	52.68%
1.05			3	Yicheng Wang - Juncan Huang, Beijing People's Republic of China	52.38%
0.79			4	Zhao Wang - Ruixin Zhu, Beijing People's Republic of China	52.08%
0.59			5	Mingze Tang - Jingyang Wang, Tianjin People's Republic of China	49.70%

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in late 1998, departing for Denver CO in 2004 to go into the real estate business.

When that proved unsatisfactory, Bress acquired a teaching license. At a job fair for teachers about seven years ago, he noticed a strong presence of recruiters from Alaska. The idea of moving again, especially to the destination he was considering, "seemed really exciting."

That led to his decision that same year to take a teaching job in McGrath AK, about 200 miles west of Fairbanks.

McGrath, an isolated community of 350 residents, sometimes features weather meant for only the hardiest of souls. Bress recalls waking up one morning after moving to McGrath to discover that the temperature outside was 55 degrees (Fahrenheit) below zero. He went online to do some research and confirmed that at that moment, he was in the coldest place on earth.

He notes that he wasn't really surprised. "I didn't really expect anything," he says, adding, "I knew things could be kind of rustic."

At the school in McGrath, Bress was the only person qualified to teach science and math, so he did double duty. "It was a lot of work," he says.

While he was there, Bress used his knowledge of bridge to teach the game to his students. He has traveled with some of them to two other Youth NABCs. Bress has also taught bridge for credit in Nome (at a community college) and in McGrath.

Later this year, he will move to the city in northern Alaska formerly known as Barrow but now officially Utqiagvik, the native Alaskan name.

Whether Bress will stay in Alaska is an unanswered question. "It's kind of year to year," he says. As for bridge, it's also iffy unless and until he moves. "If I play at all," he says, "it's all online."

Hawaiian Hands

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Finn and the Fake Card

By Phil Clayton

In Tuesday's Daily Bulletin, an upset was reported in the first round of the Spingold. The Yiting (#42) team was beaten in the four-way matches by Kolesnik (#68), composed of Kelley Hwang and five talented Juniors: Finn Kolesnik, Jacob Freeman, Daniel Sonner, Bo Han Zhu and John Dong. Finn, the youngest of the squad at 14, is the son of Alex Kolesnik, captain of the #51 team. But I digress.



Flashback to the Riverside CA regional in 2015. I was playing with Mark Leonard and our teammates were Aaron Jones and Rick Roeder. Going into the fifth match, we were leading the event and playing one of the better local teams. Mark and I have a fair set, but a few soft results. Aaron and Rick were waiting in the hallway to compare and after score-up, I was a bit dejected to hear that we had lost by 22 and were likely out of the event. Rick then flashed his trademark smile and laughed, reached into his back pocket and said, "OK, let's score it up using the REAL card." After going over the real scores, we instead won by 40.

Some of you may have heard of the "fake card." In a team match, after having a very good set, certain comedians will prepare an alternate set of scores. Their goal is to produce the worst possible but believable scores. For example, if you made 4♥ when your opponent could have made 4♠, you would give the enemy the making game.

Here is a fake card story told to me by my partner, Andrew Gumperz, involving Rev Murthy, a great player who sadly passed away much too young from cancer. Rev was playing with Shelly Lapkoff, John Hodges and John Twineham in a Santa Rosa regional in the late 80s. Twineham and Hodges had had a strong set, so, snickering, they prepared a fake card. The comparison was sober and at the end, they had lost by about 60. The team sat for a moment in silence, and Twineham could stand it no longer and says, "OK, enough fun, let's show then the REAL card." Rev replied, "OK, in that case we'll show your OUR real card!" They had won by 60!

Recently, Rick topped that story. In April, Rick was playing a Compact KO in San Diego, with John Jones, Finn and Luke Williams (another high school student) against Cam Doner's professional team. Rick and John had a strong set and finished early, so they had ample time to throw the beanball and initiate young Finn and Luke.

Rick was peeved to learn they still won the match by 12, even with the fake card! This was the first time Rick can ever remember someone beating the fake card. (The real tally was over 70).

So kudos to Finn and Luke!

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

WEDNESDAY DAYLIGHT A/X/Y SWISS

15 Tables / Based on 41 Tables

	A	X	Y		
20.40	1			John Onstott, New Orleans LA; Magdalena Ticha - Richard Ritmeijer, Zwolle ; James Krekorian, Pensacola FL; Drew Casen, Metarie LA; Bruce Ferguson, Palm Springs CA	97.00
15.30	2	1		Adrienne Muslin, Tampa FL; Sandra Peterson, Clearwater FL; Marianne Timmons - Gretchen Funk, Safety Harbor FL	76.00
11.48	3			Lou Ann O'Rourke, Scottsdale AZ; John Mohan - Joshua Donn, Las Vegas NV; Jerry Clerkin - Dennis Clerkin, Bloomington IN; Ron Smith, Chicago IL	71.00
9.18	4	2	1	Jake Williams - Luke Williams, San Diego CA; Emma Kolesnik, Ventura CA; Daniel Sonner, Redwood City CA	70.00
6.89	5	3	2	Malcolm Todd, Jr, Sandy Springs GA; Tom Drinkard, Atlanta GA; Morris Williams - Ernie Eayrs, Dunwoody GA	68.00
5.16		4	3	Nathan Gindi, New York NY; Omer Ekinici, Astoria NY; Pinar Ayaz, Istanbul Turkey; Arda Kabaca, London ON	66.00
3.44			4	Stanley Littlefield, Maitland FL; Liga Byrne - Beverly Geurin, Austin TX; Gordon Cable Jr, Monroe Township NJ	63.00

WEDNESDAY DAYLIGHT BRACKETED B TEAMS 1

8 Tables					
11.29	1			Ellen Coffield - Byron Southern, Little Rock AR; Nancy Strohmer - Hans Strohmer, Houston TX	83.00
8.47	2			Anne Atwood, Richmond VA; Sandra Macpherson, Halifax NS; James Keegan, Cambridge MA; Joy McKenzie-Smith, Chapel Hill NC	80.00
6.35	3			Linda Hagood - Janice Ripley - Veronica Stoessel, Marietta GA; Anne Ballard, Atlanta GA	74.00

WEDNESDAY DAYLIGHT BRACKETED B TEAMS 2

8 Tables					
8.81	1/2			Rick Blume - Eylene Blume, Wellington FL; Frederick Nislow - Judith Nislow, Palm Beach Gardens FL	88.00
8.81	1/2			Bart Bussink, Cambridge MA; Arjun Dhir, Alpharetta GA; Samuel Amer, Long Island NY; Leslie Weisbrod, New York NY	88.00
5.66	3			Susan Young, Shreveport LA; Dalia Hernandez, Long Beach CA; Linda Dunn, Memphis TN; Liang Fan, Downey CA	83.00

WEDNESDAY DAYLIGHT BRACKETED B TEAMS 3

8 Tables					
9.45	1			Kristi Menees, Hilton Head SC; Tom Schlossberg - Richard Distlerath, Bluffton SC; James Traudt, Hilton Head Is SC	91.00
7.09	2			Michael Reeslund - Laurie Howorth - Shannon Sloan - Berkeley Montes, Nashville TN 82.00	
5.32	3			Janine Buss, Port Washington NY; Risa Grossman, Roslyn NY; Susan Calabro, New York NY; Laurie Berlin, Lido Beach NY	81.00

WEDNESDAY DAYLIGHT BRACKETED B TEAMS 4

8 Tables					
8.27	1			Christine Greenberg, Byron MN; Joyce Lewis, Rochester MN; Theresa Choma, Hailey ID; Debbie Tzimoulis, Englewood NJ	84.00
5.43	2/3			Kevin Loughlin - Catherine Loughlin, Kingston ON; Lucy Morini, Warren VT; Fred Brown, San Jose CA	79.00
5.43	2/3			Donna Schmid, Dunwoody GA; Crystal Schwindt, Atlanta GA; Beth Drescher - Sally Hughes, Hilton Head Island SC	79.00

WEDNESDAY DAYLIGHT BRACKETED B TEAMS 5

8 Tables					
6.51	1/2			Mindy Fleder - Daniel Lev, New York NY; Marilyn Fedak, Boca Raton FL; Raluca Dobrescu, Woodside NY	107.00
6.51	1/2			Darrow Neves - Russell King, Sun City Center FL; Ronald Wallace - Karl Manderscheid, Apollo Beach FL	107.00
4.19	3			Kim McEver - Millie Lathan - India Peters - Meriel Gregory, Atlanta GA	62.00

WEDNESDAY DAYLIGHT BRACKETED B TEAMS 6

8 Tables					
6.70	1			Stephen Mast - Holli Mast, Corning NY; Alice Milborn, Fishers IN; Sally Landrum, Noblesville IN	117.00
5.03	2			Carolyn Bliven - Teryl McBurney, Saint Simons Is GA; William Layng Jr, Smyrna GA; Ginger Thomas, Jekyll Island GA	89.00
3.77	3			Marty Greengrass - Judy Greengrass, Lutz FL; Bruce Maier - Athena Gordon, Tampa FL 68.00	

WEDNESDAY DAYLIGHT BRACKETED B TEAMS 7

8 Tables					
6.01	1			Edward Easley, Sacramento CA; Lucy Buchanan, Dallas TX; Mary Kay Leveroni - Deborah Drysdale, San Francisco CA	97.00
4.51	2			William Davis - D Powell Melvin - Norma Greely - Pat Matheny, Lexington KY	88.00
3.38	3			Joan Fittz - Kenneth Fittz - Lee Dowell Jr, Denver NC; T Ted Jarrell, Charlotte NC 80.00	

WEDNESDAY DAYLIGHT BRACKETED B TEAMS 8

12 Tables					
6.47	1			Meredith Dunne - Joan Bergen, Rowayton CT; Jill Dimitrief, Boston MA; Kim Smith, Southport CT	96.00
4.85	2			Lorraine Watkins - Rhona Berzack - Louise Berzack, Atlanta GA; Brenda Flaks, Alpharetta GA	94.00
3.64	3			Patricia Coker - Jane De St Aubin, Dunwoody GA; Barbara Washington, Sunset SC; Linda Keleher, Atlanta GA	80.00
2.45	4/5			Maisie Loo, Athens GA; David Dean, Watkinsville GA; Carol Cernogorsky, Bogart GA; Leigh Malcom, Monroe GA	78.00
2.45	4/5			Virginia Brooks - Barbara Neustadt - Sarah Falgoust - Pam Gutt, Atlanta GA	78.00

Daily Bulletin

2018 Youth NABC

Editor: Brent Manley

Youth NABC starts today



Patty Tucker

On the 10th anniversary of the first Youth NABC, the 11th edition of the popular tournament kicks off this morning with expectations of a record turnout.

Stephanie Threlkeld, manager of the ACBL's Education Department, under

which the tournament operates, said that as of Aug. 1, 240 players were pre-registered. If all of them show up, the tournament will top last year's record attendance figure of 237, recorded in Toronto.

Each participant in the Youth NABC must be 19 years old or younger and have fewer than 5000 masterpoints. The three-day tournament, which debuted in 2008, was organized by Patty Tucker, founder of Atlanta Junior Bridge and a strong advocate of involving young players in her favorite game. Tucker persevered with her dream tournament despite predictions that the Youth NABC would never work. She has been involved directly or peripherally since the first YNABC took place. "It's Patty's baby," said Threlkeld, "and it's grown."

Threlkeld said the pre-registered players are from five countries: Bermuda (16 players), Canada (21), China (23), Mexico (8) and the United States (172).

Players must be ACBL members. Non-members can join for \$5 at registration. There is no charge for participants. All play is on the Atrium level of the hotel in Room A707.

Each player receives a T shirt and a book bag, and there is lunch every day. The closing reception, which includes drawings for prizes, is scheduled for Saturday at 5:30 p.m.

Scholarships will be awarded to the winners of the Baron Barclay National Youth Open Pairs (\$1,000 each) and to the winners of the National Youth Swiss Teams (\$4,000 total). Each Youth NABC gives participants a chance to vote for the player who best exemplifies the ideals of sportsmanship and fair play (tournament directors



Education Coordinator Shaneka Cunningham and Stephanie Threlkeld, manager of ACBL's Education Department, with the Youth NABC banner the day before the start of the tournament.

also have votes). The winner receives the Master Point Press Sportsmanship Award of \$1,000.

Threlkeld has been ably assisted in preparing for the Youth NABC by Education Coordinator Shaneka Cunningham. "There are a lot of moving parts to this," she said. "Shaneka is super organized and does a great job making sure all we need is here."

The tournament, she added, has gained momentum, aided in part by the ACBL's provision of material supporting about 4,000 young players in school bridge programs across North America. "There are some really strong programs," she said.

Commenting on the growth of the Youth NABC, Tucker recalled the famous line from the Kevin Costner baseball film "Field of Dreams": "If you build it, they will come." The young players, she said, "want the same things we want: Good competition, mental stimulation, the chance to travel and make new friends and see old ones. Forty years from now, I hope they'll be the same way I am."

YOUTH NORTH AMERICAN BRIDGE CHAMPIONSHIP SCHEDULE

All card play is in Room 707, Atrium level

Thursday, August 2

10 a.m. Youth Pairs & O'Brien Gibbs Cardrook Pairs* Single Session
2 p.m. Youth Teams & Cardrook Pairs* Single Session

Friday, August 3

10 a.m. & 2 p.m. **BARON BARCLAY NATIONAL YOUTH OPEN PAIRS**
Two Sessions (one qualifying and one final session) Players must be available for both sessions.
10 a.m. Cardrook Pairs* Single Session
2 p.m. Cardrook Pairs* Single Session
2 p.m. Consolation Open Pairs Single Session

Saturday, August 4

10 a.m. & 2 p.m. **NATIONAL YOUTH SWISS TEAMS**
Two Sessions (one qualifying and one final session) Players must be available for both sessions.
10 a.m. Cardrook Pairs* Single Session
2 p.m. Cardrook Pairs* Single Session
2 p.m. Consolation Swiss Teams Single Session

*Cardrook Pairs are games designed for less-experienced players.

Youth Award Ceremony

Saturday, August 4 at 5:30 pm
Including Master Point Press Sportsmanship Award, Baron Barclay Youth Pairs Scholarship and National Swiss Teams Scholarship

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Honoring a young player

As the 11th Youth NABC kicks off today, the first Cardrook Pairs game on the schedule at the Youth NABC will be dedicated to the memory of O'Brien Gibbs, a five-year veteran of after-school bridge and summer camp programs in Western North Carolina. O'Brien and his younger brother, William Edward Gibbs, lost their lives in an automobile accident in September 2017.

In the aftermath of the tragedy, Craig White, bridge teacher at Asheville Middle School, wrote: "We have all been blessed to associate with O'Brien and the many other youth players who have participated in our youth clubs, camps, tournaments and in club games, playing with and against many of us. These young people learning the game have been a joy to watch. O'Brien was no exception. He began playing with his older brother five years ago, while in the fourth grade at the Asheville Catholic Club and had continued playing at Asheville Middle School when he transferred there. His mother Jo has been a great supporter and as a teacher at AMS was instrumental in getting a game established there. He and Henry have been loyal and enthusiastic participants in our summer camps."

Advancing through the ranks



Lynne Kuglar of Cedartown GA recently became a Life Master. Kuglar, who frequently plays the Rome (Georgia) Bridge Club, is playing in regional knockout team events at the Atlanta NABC.



Lucy Buchanan of Dallas TX needed just .44 gold points to earn her gold card; she picked up that and then some yesterday playing in the Gold Rush Pairs. She was playing with longtime partner Mary Kay Leveroni from San Francisco.

Jane helped Mary Kay over the finish line some time back, and Mary Kay returned the favor by flying in with the sole goal of helping Lucy go gold.



John Byrne and Kathi Byrne of Atlanta became new Life Masters together. They earned their gold cards in Monday's Gold Rush Pairs. The duo needed six gold points to make Life Master, but they have earned more than 20 so far at the NABC.



Roderic Kerr of Palm City FL earned masterpoint No. 1000 in the Tuesday Daylight Bracketed Flight B Swiss Teams to become a Silver Life Master. Kerr played with Philip Yorston of Abiquiu NM and teammates Paul Sitz of Ramsey MN and Kevin Dunn of Centennial CO.

They won Bracket 2.

Please be scent-sitive!

Some people have an extreme sensitivity to fragrances (colognes or perfumes). Many ACBL clubs, units and districts have adopted policies that prohibit players from wearing fragrances. The ACBL has not issued an official policy on the matter, preferring instead to appeal to the goodwill of its members to refrain from using fragrances.

Because duplicate bridge requires players to be in close proximity to each other, individuals who suffer from fragrance-related reactions cannot avoid those who are wearing them. Among the commonly reported symptoms are intense headaches (indeed, fragrances can frequently be a trigger for migraine sufferers) or breathing-related problems. For these individuals, the issue is much more serious than simply disliking a particular smell — it's a real health problem.

Please, if you're going to play in a club or a tournament, don't wear cologne, perfume or scented lotions.

WEDNESDAY EVENING SIDE GAME

26.0 Tables

	A	B	C
7.80	1		
6.50	2	1	
4.88	3	2	
3.29	4		
2.47	5		
3.66	6	3	
3.50	7	4	1
2.22	8	5	
1.59		6	
1.16		7	
2.63			2
1.97			3
1.48			4
1.11			5
0.84			6

Robert Teel Jr, Birmingham AL; Lamar Daniel, Gruetli Laager TN	71.40%
Brenda Hawkins, Birmingham AL; Julie McLaughlin, Atlanta GA	62.86%
Barbara Boswell, Cincinnati OH; Anthony Toto, Clovis CA	62.82%
Robert Lass - Tom Fogarty, Chicago IL	60.52%
Dee Steil, New Westminster BC; James Lindemann, Spokane WA	60.22%
Connie Haugabook, Montezuma GA; Gail Coogle, Oglethorpe GA	59.29%
Jonathon Youngquist - Stephanie Youngquist, Palo Alto CA	58.91%
Ruth Zowader, Madison NJ; Linda Dunn, Memphis TN	58.55%
Donald Weber - Elinor Hood, Portland OR	56.48%
George Zimmer, Boynton Beach FL; Ricky Dashefsky, Delray Beach FL	55.43%
Robert Lorenzen, Clearwater FL; Jack Sieling, Pinellas Park FL	53.55%
Dan Storch, Memphis TN; Phil Reynolds, Jackson MI	53.14%
Susan Angel, Greenbrae CA; Carol Morse, Glen Ellen CA	52.09%
E J Stapler, Watkinsville GA; Cris Shanks, Glen Allen VA	51.94%
Sophia Maymudes, Seattle WA; Jeffrey Boitnott, Hanover NH	51.83%

WEDNESDAY EVENING SWISS TEAMS

40 Tables

	A	B	C
9.33	1		
7.00	2		
5.25	3		
7.88	4	1	1
5.91	5	2	
4.43	6	3	
2.91	7/8	4/5	
2.91	7/8	4/5	2
0.99	9/10		
1.87	9/10	6	
1.40		7	
1.05		8	
1.63		3/4	
1.63		3/4	
0.92		5/6	
0.92		5/6	

Kerry Smith, Milwaukee WI; Joshua Stark, Grayslake IL; Suzanne Dunn, Crystal Lake IL; Dick Bruno, Des Plaines IL; Robert Gardner, Glenview IL	66.00
Francine Moring, Columbia SC; Richard Smith, Spartanburg SC; Jeff Ziemer, Taylors SC; Hugh Hughes, Greenville SC	63.00
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Chengwei Li, Beijing Congo; Kevin Rosenberg, Sunnyvale CA; Armin Askari, Thornhill ON; Xinchun Zhu, Berkeley CA	59.00
Douglas Thompson - Karen Barrett, Norwalk CT; Meredith Dunne - Joan Bergen, Rowayton CT	54.00
Dan Griggs, Big Canoe GA; Fred Tanzer, Land O Lakes FL; John Rains, III, Tampa FL; Richard Brown, Duluth GA	53.00
Tiger Lili Williams, Fair Lawn NJ; Jared Egerer, Barnegat NJ; Kevin Marnell - Deanna Birch, Portland OR	52.00
Jake Williams - Luke Williams, San Diego CA; Marley Cedrone, Framingham MA; Nicholas Koskelo, Claremont CA	52.00
Elaine Cagle - Kathy Brown, Georgetown SC; Annette Wallace, Longs SC; Eileen O'Neill, Pawleys Island SC	50.00
Stanley Littlefield, Maitland FL; Liga Byrne - Beverly Geurin, Austin TX; Gordon Cable Jr, Monroe Township NJ	50.00
Gale Meyer - Kathy Newman - Paul Morrissette - Donna Walther, Durham NC	48.00
Stan Fuhrmann, Madison WI; Marie-France Benoit, Gatineau QC; Barbara Doran, Silver Spring MD; Van Halderen,	45.00
Phillip Fultz, Paducah KY; Sarah Pentecost, Dresden TN; Brenda Kelly, Knoxville TN; Lynda Culley, St Petersburg FL	44.00
Brian Scheff, Chicago IL; Hakan Berk, Potomac MD; Alexandra Servedy, Hyattsville MD; Kevin Dicola, California MD; Zachary Star, New Market MD; Theodore Corrales, College Park MD	44.00
Kenneth Geisler - Arlene Geisler, Clarkston MI; Jay Weiss, Costa Mesa CA; Linda Bell, Northbrook IL	41.00
Conor Farrell - Jarlath McDonnell - Laurence Childs, Dublin Ireland; Heike Koistinen, Helsinki Finland	41.00



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Qualifications

- Executive management experience. Extensive experience in senior management in an organization of size and complexity similar to ACBL, preferably in a nonprofit membership organization.
- Demonstrated success with building, motivating and sustaining a high-performing team
- Strong technology background to meet the organization's strategic objectives
- Demonstrated communications skills
- Ability to grow the ACBL's membership
- A bridge player who understands the game's competitive and social culture and is committed to promoting and expanding its popularity is preferred
- Experience working with volunteers and a commitment to volunteer leadership and involvement
- Relocation to ACBL Headquarters in the greater Memphis area is required

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WEDNESDAY-THURSDAY KNOCKOUT TEAMS BRACKET 1

16 Tables
 Suman Agarwal - Michael Gladfelter - Mary Jane Gladfelter, Columbus OH; Gary Donner, Bluffton SC
 vs
 David Cantor - Vinay Apte, Charlotte NC; Dennis Newman, Scarsdale NY; Brad McKeown, Rock Hill SC

Paul Street, Delray Beach FL; Nicolas L'Ecuyer, Montreal QC; Thomas Bessis, Paris France; Frederic Volcker, Issy Les Moulin France; Cedric Lorenzini, Cachan France; Jerome Rombaut, France

vs
 Bob Drijver, Rotterdam, Netherlands; Bart Nab, Tilburg Netherlands; Patricia Cayne, Boca Raton FL; Dano De Falco, Rubano, Italy; Danny Molenaar, Den Haag, Netherlands; Tim Verbeek, Netherlands

WEDNESDAY-THURSDAY KNOCKOUT TEAMS BRACKET 2

12 Tables
 Jack Mahoney - Dan Morgenstern, Brunswick ME; Bob Lafleur, Las Vegas NV; Allen McRae, Portland ME

vs
 Thomas Rozinski, Brooklyn NY; Philip Lentz, New York NY; Bob Rasmussen, Ann Arbor MI; Grigoriy Blekherman, Atlanta GA

Joseph Katri - Judite Katri - Arlene Feldman, Coral Gables FL; Hannah Chartor, Coconut Grove FL

vs
 Mel Volmert, Springfield MO; John Steffan, Frisco CO; Harold George, Wichita KS; James Masilamani, Topeka KS

WEDNESDAY-THURSDAY KNOCKOUT TEAMS BRACKET 3

11 Tables
 Linda Murdock - Alison Gembar - Mechel Frost - Matthew Morgan, Nashville TN

vs
 David Findley - Blythe Olshan Findley, Westchester IL; Tom Henson, Towanda PA; William Palmer, Brooklyn NY

Dawn Ligon - Charles Patrick - Hal Saunders, Santa Barbara CA; Alan Curtis, Thousand Oaks CA

vs
 John Alford - John Barnes - Louise Garcia, Greensboro NC; Rebecca Santago, Clemmons NC

WEDNESDAY-THURSDAY KNOCKOUT TEAMS BRACKET 4

12 Tables
 Jill Crocker, Hollywood SC; Kate Oates Dargan - Betty Camp - Martha Blackman, Spartanburg SC

vs
 Vera Baum, Los Altos CA; Kathryn Kranen, Menlo Park CA; Kathryn Papermaster, Horseshoe Bay TX; Susan Zhang, Los Altos Hills CA

Sue Kline, Columbia SC; Kathryn Kimmerling, Blythewood SC; Martha Meyer - Mark Meyer, Winston Salem NC

vs
 Russell Chandler - Nancy Guthrie - Laura Chandler, Houston TX; Donald Bell, Seabrook TX

TUESDAY-WEDNESDAY KO TEAMS BRACKET 1

12 Tables
 22.47 1 Kyle Rockoff, Buffalo Grove IL; Joseph Lieberman, Los Angeles CA; Philip McPeck, Chicago IL; Sarik Goyal, Evanston IL
 15.73 2 William Fogel, San Diego CA; Jan Soule, Chicago IL; Carolyn Rowley, Evanston IL; Jim Allen, Gastonia NC
 8.99 3/4 Barton Bloom, Clayton NC; Tom Menges - Mary Katherine Bolch - Lynda McDaniel, Raleigh NC
 8.99 3/4 Joan Viidik - Tony Viidik, Waterloo ON; Sue Lan Ma, Kirtland Hills OH; Peter Petruzzellis, Scarborough ON

TUESDAY-WEDNESDAY KO TEAMS BRACKET 2

11 Tables
 12.22 1 Bill Malin - Sue Malin, Greensboro GA; Darice Lewis - Lynne Kuglar, Cedartown GA
 8.55 2 Felicia Lease, Lakemont GA; Anita Reilly - Gloria Friedrichs, Kingsport TN; Betsy Elsas, Clayton GA
 4.89 3/4 William Caput M.D., Martinez GA; Bill Wagner - Genie Johannsen - Chris Nicholson, Augusta GA
 4.89 3/4 David Coberly, Spartanburg SC; David Johnson, Milledgeville GA; Dixie Culver - Fran Tewkesbury, Greensboro NC

It's All True!

By Suzi Subeck

The Tuesday Regional ABC Swiss was amusing. We played our first four boards ending with Board 16 (spots approximate).

♠ A 4
 ♥ A Q J 10 8 6 5
 ♦ 8 6 5
 ♣ 6

♠ 8 6 5
 ♥ K 7
 ♦ A K
 ♣ A K Q J 10 6

The opponents passed throughout. North opened 4♥. South bid 5♥ asking for second-round spade control. North bid 5♠ showing first-round control. South bid 5NT looking for two of the top three heart honors for the grand. North bid the grand and claimed after the opening lead.

North called for a caddy. A director showed up to assist the caddy because there were calls all over the room. When handed the boards, the director offhandedly asked, "Did you play Board 16?" We said we did, and we told him we bid and made a grand slam.

In his most apologetic manner, the director said, "We've changed the movement and that board is being pulled ... sorry!"



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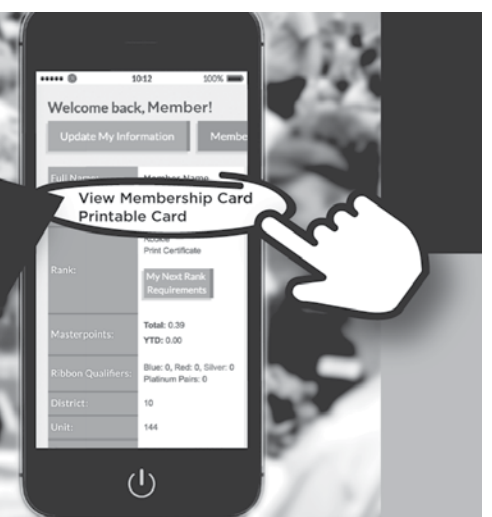
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Spingold Round of 64: Shen vs. Fireman

By Shireen Mohandes

This match pitted the No. 22 seed Shen (Yuxiong Shen, Zijian Shao, Bin Shi, Dawei Chen, Jack Zhao) against the No. 43 seed Fireman (Phyllis Fireman, Jenny Wolpert, Marion Michielsen, Ola Rimstedt, Mikael Rimstedt, Per-Ola Cullin).

Shen started the third quarter with a small but comforting lead (53-37). By the time the quarter ended, their lead dropped a little, only plus 9, when Fireman got the better of the third quarter (Fireman 35, Shen 28).

These two boards were the only double-digit swings of the third quarter.

You hold:
♠Q 7 ♥Q 10 7 4 ♦4 2 ♣A K Q 9 6.

With your side vulnerable, your right-hand opponent deals and opens 1♦ (Precision). Do you overcall 2♣? Over an amorphous opening, it's good to take away their space, but RHO is more likely to have club length than after a standard 1♦ opening.

Michielsen did, and found herself doubled.

Dlr: East ♠ 8 6 5 4
Vul: N-S ♥ J 5 2
Bd: 2 ♦ Q J 9 6
♣ 8 2

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

♠ Q 7
♥ Q 10 7 4
♦ 4 2
♣ A K Q 9 6

West	North	East	South
<i>Zhao</i>	<i>Cullin</i>	<i>Shen</i>	<i>Michielsen</i>
		1♦	2♣
Dbl	Pass	Pass	Pass

Zhao's double was for takeout, left in by Shen. When dummy graded the baize, it was a disappointment. There were 17 HCP between the North-South hands, and no eight-card fits.

The defense started with ♥A K and another, ruffed by East. Then West got in with the ♠A to play another heart for East to ruff. Top tricks in spades and diamonds were taken, to leave South with just 5 ♣ tricks, going for 800.

In the other room, East, Mikael Rimstedt, opened 1♣ (showing two or more clubs), and South, Chen, was silent throughout. East-West contracted 2NT from the East seat, with their combined 23 count. The contract was made, and Fireman lost 12 IMPs on the board.

Those 12 IMPs came back almost immediately a few boards later. This time, Michielsen's overcall steered the opponents into a non-making 5♣, after Cullin, sitting North, dutifully led the ♥10.

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

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

♠ 7 6 3
♥ A K 8 6 5
♦ J 9 6 2
♣ 3

West	North	East	South
<i>Zhao</i>	<i>Cullin</i>	<i>Shen</i>	<i>Michielsen</i>
1♣	Pass	1♦	1♥
3♣	Pass	3♠	Pass
4♣	Pass	5♣	All Pass

At the other table, Ola Rimstedt treated the West hand as balanced and played in 4♣ after a transfer auction. Chen, South, had been able to double 3♥ for the lead, but with spades 3-3, the contract could not be beaten.

In the fourth quarter, Fireman triumphed, gaining on 10 of the 16 boards. Most were small gains, but these two deals helped them to snatch victory for their team, eventually winning by 125-88.

Dlr: East ♠ 2
Vul: N-S ♥ A Q 10 5 4 2
Bd: 18 ♦ Q 7 3
♣ K J 7

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

♠ A J 4
♥ K 9 8 7
♦ A
♣ Q 10 6 5 2

West	North	East	South
<i>Zhao</i>	<i>Cullin</i>	<i>Shi</i>	<i>Michielsen</i>
		Pass	2♣ (1)
Pass	2♦ (2)	3♦	3♥
Pass	4♦	Pass	4♣
Pass	4NT	Pass	5♦
Pass	6♥	All Pass	

(1) 2♣ = 10-15 [six clubs or five clubs plus a four-card major]

(2) Relay

Zhao led the ♦9, the suit his partner bid. Setting up a side suit for the defense before declarer can set up her long club suit seemed eminently sensible. Was there any reason to lead the ♣A? Only one small hint: Partner, first in hand, did not preempt, suggesting either a poor suit – unlikely – or a side four-card major (spades in this case). If Zhao can read partner for 4-7 in the pointed suits, he might be inspired to start with ♣A. But if it turned out wrong, he would bury himself under a blanket in the postmortem event in the heat of Atlanta.

The slam made 12 tricks.

In the other room, things took a different turn:

West	North	East	South
<i>Ola R.</i>	<i>Shao</i>	<i>Mikael R.</i>	<i>Chen</i>
		4♦	Dbl
Pass	6♥	All Pass	

North declared the slam, and Mikael Rimstedt led the singleton ♣3. Fireman gained 17 IMPs on the deal.

Dlr: South ♠ J 10 7 5 2
Vul: None ♥ A 4
Bd: 27 ♦ K 6 3
♣ 10 5 3

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

♠ K Q 6 4
♥ J 10 6 2
♦ 10
♣ A Q 9 8

Michielsen-Cullin bid uncontested to 4♣ from the North seat. East led the ♣6. The vugraph commentators were predicting that Zhao might overcall 1♥ after Michielsen's 1♦ opening, but that was not to be.

The contract, on modest values, went two down.

In the other room, Ola Rimstedt did overcall with the West hand. This helped Mikael Rimstedt to express an opinion with a red card later in the auction. Double dummy, the contract is booked for two down, minus 300. But something else happened, and Mikael Rimstedt crafted a winner with his ♠9.

Here's how the play went: Mikael led the ♥K, not best in theory. Declarer won in hand with the ♥A and led a trump to dummy's king then a diamond towards the king in hand. West rose with the ♦A, continued with the ♥Q, and played a third round which was ruffed high by Shao, East discarding the ♦7. Declarer played another trump and Mikael took his ace and exited with the ♣6. At this point, declarer has nine tricks by winning the ace and drawing the last trump, and can take a club guess for his contract. But he tried finessing dummy's queen. West won and persevered with hearts, ruffed with the ♠10 (leaving declarer with no spades in hand higher than East's ♠9).

Declarer, in hand for the last time, cashed the ♦K

then tried to minimize his losses by taking a second club finesse. If it worked, he could then draw West's outstanding trump and escape for one down.

Since the ♣J was, in fact, with West, this meant the contract went three down on a club ruff, for minus 500. This time, 9 IMPs to the Fireman team.

Would Ola have overcalled 1♥ and then bid 3♦ with just a poor heart suit headed by the ♥Q, the ♦A, and the ♣J? Perhaps not. Would Mikael double without the ♣K? Hard to work it out.

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vs

Lee Ohliger - Joyce Menezes, Ridgewood NJ; James Sundstrom, Wyckoff NJ; Nicholas France, Spring Valley NY

Brad Vander Zanden - David Shepler, Knoxville TN; Marsha Platnick, Bluefield WV; Keith Hungate, Marion VA

vs

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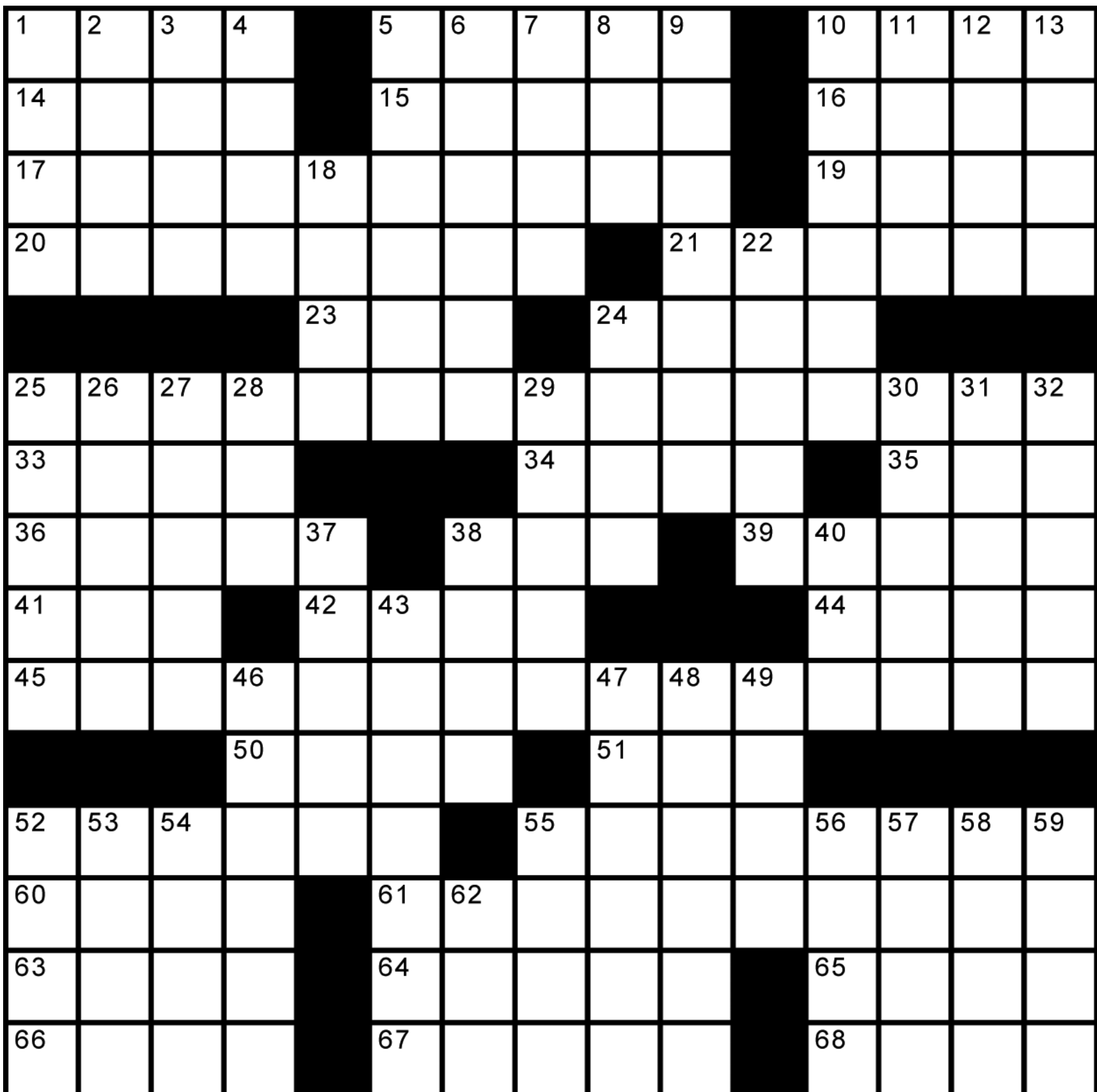
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Invitational Raises

by Alan Olschwang



Across

1. "Jeopardy!" creator Griffin
5. Verbal attacks
10. Once, upon a time
14. French possessive
15. Tantalize
16. Where fodder is found
17. With 25A, 45A and 61A, a three in a major response after an opening bid of one in that major without interference may be a _____
19. Barnyard enclosure
20. Ache relievers
21. Puts down
23. "Deep Space Nine" changeling
24. Hit antonym
25. promising _____ points
33. Recent
34. "Wiseguy" actor Ken
35. Ullmann of film
36. Secretary of the Interior under Kennedy and Johnson

38. _____ roll (sushi selection)
39. Wild West coach
41. Yule purchase, perhaps
42. Where the sun rises, in Sonora
44. Writer unknown
45. with _____ in the major
50. Zoo keeper?
51. "Faerie Queene" heroine
52. Shepherd on 'The View'
55. Coverleaf components
60. Largest Rwandan ethnic group
61. and is _____
63. Western film actor Jack
64. Knocked for a loop
65. Devon dude
66. Tulip-to-be
67. More than strange
68. You can see right through it

Down

1. _____ fide (in bad faith)
2. Whiffenpoof Society members
3. Roast selection
4. Sundial numeral
5. Take big steps
6. Get support from
7. "Lucky Jim" author
8. UK legislators
9. Bomber type
10. Houdini routine
11. Ocho _____, Jamaican resort
12. Blackthorn berry
13. Outscores
18. _____ out (display)
22. Rolls for pins
24. Babe in the barn
25. Inconsequential matter
26. Wireless apparatus
27. Hokkaido city
28. Voice actor Blanc
29. Boss of Tammany Hall
30. Argentine grassland

31. Energy
32. Calendar entry
37. '70s Renault offering
38. Being, in Bordeaux
40. What the draft's on
43. Bay City neighbor
46. "Keep on Truckin'" artist
47. Agonize
48. Evolve
49. "St. Elmo's Fire" singer John
52. Cowboy singer Wooley
53. Video streaming site
54. Shortened list ender
55. "Dedicated to the _____ Love" (Mamas & the Papas hit)
56. Cover letters
57. Wet spongy earth
58. 1957 Nabokov novel
59. Pepper and others: Abbr.
62. _____-Ida (Tater Tots maker)

Mixed BAM duel

Debbie Rosenberg reported this fun deal from the first qualifying session of the Freeman Mixed Board-a-Match Teams. Rosenberg was playing with Max Schireson against Lynne Rosenbaum and Valentin Kovachev.

Dlr: South ♠ —
 Vul: N-S ♥ K 9 6 5 3 2
 Bd: 15 ♦ J 6 3 2
 ♣ Q J 7

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

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

West	North	East	South
Schireson	Kovachev	Rosenberg	Rosenbaum
			Pass
1NT (1)	2♥	Dbf	Pass
2♠	Pass	3♥	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

(1) 14+ to 17 HCP.

Kovachev led the ♣Q, ducked in dummy. Rosenbaum made the inspired play to rise with the ♣A so that she could immediately fire back the ♥J. The queen was covered with the king, and the ♥2 return went to the 10 and ace.

Shireson then played a low spade to dummy's king, discovering the 6-0 break when North discarded a low heart. Next came the ♦K and a low spade to the ace in the closed hand, North parting with another low heart. Figuring that North was 0=6=4=3, declarer tried the ♦10 next, effectively pinning the 9 in the South hand if North covered. But when North ducked, declarer let it ride. This was the position with West on lead:

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

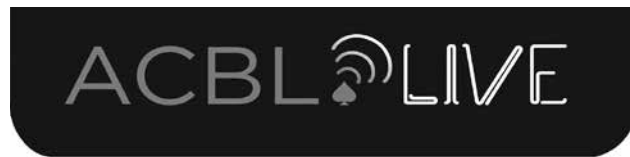
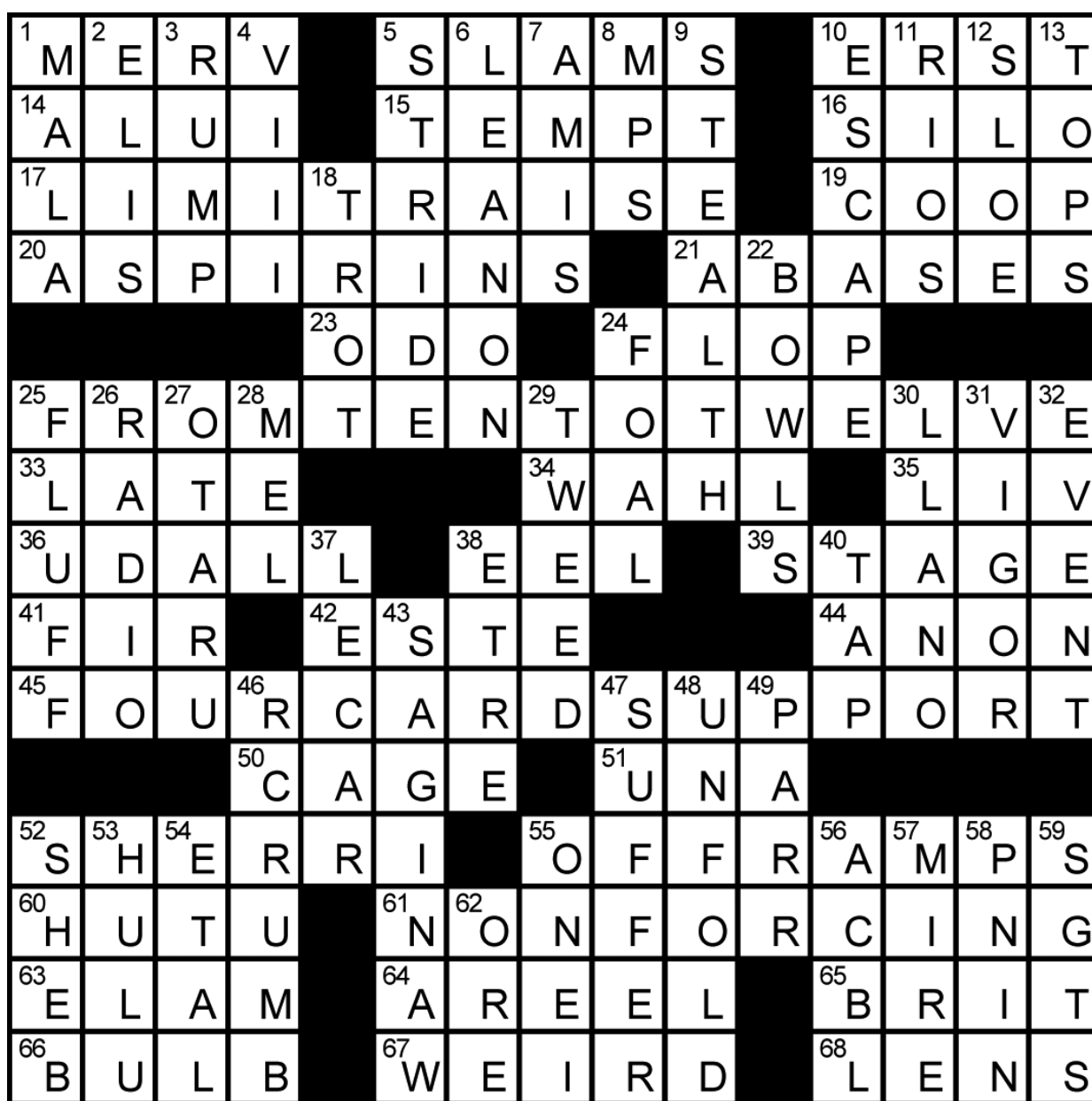
♠ 6 5 ♣ J 10 7 3
 ♥ — ♥ 8
 ♦ A 7 ♦ —
 ♣ 6 4 ♣ 10

When a spade was played to the queen, Kovachev was forced to part with a heart, but his choice of the ♥6 proved to be costly when Schireson then cashed the ♦Q and the ♣K before exiting with a club. North could cash a club and a heart, but was forced to play a diamond to declarer's otherwise stranded ace at trick 13. Had Kovachev pitched the ♥9 earlier, he would have been able to safely exit with the ♥6 to South's 8 to avoid the endplay.

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67.	Susanne McLaughlin, Charleston SC	562	146.	Sabrina Miles, Mansfield MA	401
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69.	Gavin Wolpert, Palm Beach Gdns FL	549	148.	Mark Ralph, San Francisco CA	398
70.	Joan Millens, Kingston NY	546	149.	Larry Jones, Pickerington OH	397
71.	Roger McNay, Beaverton OR	543	150.	Mark Bumgardner, Dallas TX	396
72.	Peter J Boyd-Bowman,		151.	Linda Lewis, Las Vegas NV	395
	Greensboro NC	541	152.	Robert Morris, Houston TX	395
73.	Michael Schreiber, Memphis TN	540	153.	Markland Jones, Phoenix AZ	393
74.	Eric Leong, Oakland CA	538	154.	Rose Meltzer, Chapel Hill NC	393
75.	Peter Petruzzellis, Scarborough ON	535	155.	Darryl Legassie, Milton NH	391
76.	Sue Lan Ma, Kirtland Hills OH	533	156.	Joe Houde, Vista CA	391
77.	David Berkowitz, Boca Raton FL	527	157.	Ray Miller, Seattle WA	391
78.	Carole Liss, San Rafael CA	526	158.	Robert Gardner, Glenview IL	390
79.	Radu Nistor, Woodside NY	520	159.	Stephen Kennedy, Oakland CA	390
				Vincent Grande Jr., Salem MA	390

Mark Gordon 1953–2018

Two-time NABC champion Mark Gordon of Purchase NY died June 14 from brain cancer. He was 64.

Gordon won the 2002 Keohane North American Swiss Teams and the 2011 Roth Open Swiss Teams. He finished second in the 2015 Reisinger BAM Teams.

In 2013, Gordon won a gold medal at the world championships held in Bali, Indonesia, when the team he captained won the World Transnational Teams.

Pratap Rajadhyaksha, who partnered Gordon from 2008 to 2016, said, "Mark was a true prince among men. He was a fierce competitor, but at the same time, the most kind, gentle and generous human being I have ever known."

Gordon served in the financial services industry as an executive vice president at Alliance Bernstein L.P.


Gordon is survived by parents Alvin and Felice Gordon, wife Patricia, children Bernard, Dora and Rebecca, and three grandchildren.



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Playing in an NABC+ pairs game? Buy your entry early!


In an effort to speed up the start of all NABC+ pairs events – which requires additional time for proper seeding – the ACBL asks participants to please buy their entries at least 15 minutes before game time. This is especially true if you expect to be a seeded pair.



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Top Advancers



Donna Morgen of Havertown PA is among the ACBL's newest Platinum Life Masters. Morgen crossed the 10,000-masterpoint threshold at the Atlanta NABC.

Three-time NABC champion **Jim Griffin** of Sausalito CA topped 10,000 masterpoints recently to become a Grand Life Master. Griffin won the North American Pairs Flight A in 1993, 1994 and 1999.



Marjorie Michelin was steered into the Daily Bulletin by her husband, Ellis Feigenbaum, to report that she's surpassed the 20,000-MP mark. Marjorie, of Laguna Woods CA, is a teacher, and is known as "the secret partnership desk" for her bridge match-making prowess. She has arranged 22 partnerships for the Atlanta NABC,



"many of which are doing better than we are!"

Marjorie topped 20,000 playing in the A/X Swiss with Steve Cohen, Pam Wittes and Ed Piken. She and Ellis won the Educational Foundation Knockouts that opened the NABC.

Ed White of Grand Blanc MI topped 15,000 masterpoints in Atlanta. A Platinum LM, White had a second-place finish in the 2013 Truscott/USPC Senior Swiss Teams.



GS Jade Barrett of Elk Point SD eaned his 30,000th masterpoint playing in the Daylight A/X/Y Swiss Teams on Tuesday in Atlanta with partner Dr. Donna Lombardini.



Barrett, who has been a full-time player, organizer and teacher, says, "I love the game. I'm the guy who goes out and plays

everyday, and I'll play in anything from club games to world championships. I enjoy being a mentor to players who want to improve, and I feel like I'm skilled at taking those players and turning them into competitors."

Barrett says his formula for getting to 30,000 was to "fly 5 million miles, drive 2 million miles and lose 50,000 times."

Barrett regards his greatest accomplishment to be his longtime support of Junior bridge.

"Over the past three decades, I have trained thousands of kids in programs around the world, and they have won hundreds of medals in tournaments."

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.

Spingold 2018, Round of 64: Rosenberg vs. Indonesian Men

By Paul Barden

The No. 26 seed Rosenberg (Kevin Rosenberg, Ben Kristensen, Michael Rosenberg, Roger Lee) faced the No. 39 seed "Indonesia Men" (Henky Lasut, Eddy Manoppo, Agus Kustrijanto, Sie Santoso, Ronny Eltanto, Youberth Sumarauw).

The action started with both tables playing a thin 4♥ contract.

Dlr: East ♠ 9 7 6 4
 Vul: N-S ♥ 10
 Bd: 2 ♦ K 9 8 5 4 2
 ♣ 8 4

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

♠ 10 8 3
 ♥ A 8 7 4
 ♦ A
 ♣ A Q 5 3 2

West	North	East	South
<i>Lee</i>	<i>Lasut</i>	<i>Michael R.</i>	<i>Manoppo</i>
		1NT	Pass
2NT	Pass	3♣	Pass
3♦	Pass	3♥	Pass
3NT	Pass	4♥	All Pass

Michael Rosenberg upgraded his hand slightly into a 14+ to 17 INT opening. 2NT was puppet Stayman, finding the heart fit. Manoppo led the ♦A and switched to the ♠10. Rosenberg won that, cashed the ♥A dropping Lasut's ♥10, then the ♠Q before leading the ♥J. When South played low, declarer realised he couldn't make with hearts 4-1, so he rose with dummy's king hoping to drop the queen, ending two off.

West	North	East	South
<i>Sumarauw</i>	<i>Kristensen</i>	<i>Eltanto</i>	<i>Kevin R.</i>
		1♣	Pass
1♦	Pass	2♥	Pass
4♥	All Pass		

Eltanto and Sumarauw use transfer responses to their 1♣ opening. East jumped to show four hearts, and West chose to bid game. Kevin Rosenberg led a spade at trick one. Declarer cashed his spade honors in hand, crossed to the ♥K, and discarded a diamond on the ♠A. Then, rather than discard his remaining diamond loser, he chose to run the ♣10. Rosenberg didn't like that, since he had no exit cards. He tried the effect of winning the ace, deceptively, cashing the ♦A, then leading a low club. Declarer had little choice but to run that to hand. Then he ruffed a club and crossed to the ♥A. When North discarded, declarer must have been pleasantly surprised to find he could cash the ♠K and ruff his fifth club, making 10 tricks and gaining 11 IMPs.

Winning the ♠A was an interesting shot, but South would then have done better to switch to a trump after taking the ♦A. This defense might have made declarer suspicious, but the winning play of running clubs through South would have been very tough to find.

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

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

♠ 7
 ♥ Q 2
 ♦ 7 6 3
 ♣ K J 9 7 6 5 4

West	North	East	South
<i>Lee</i>	<i>Lasut</i>	<i>Michael R.</i>	<i>Manoppo</i>
1♠	Pass	1NT*	Pass
2♦	Pass	3♣	Pass
4♠	All Pass		

Michael Rosenberg chose to make a semi-forcing 1NT response, then showed an invitational hand with three spades. Lee, of course, accepted the invitation, playing 4♠ on the lead of the ♥9. This is

an easy contract looking at all the cards – the reader might enjoy working out how to make 12 tricks at double dummy – but much harder at the table. Declarer put in dummy's 10 at trick one and beat South's queen with the king. If he'd guessed to ruff diamonds in dummy, he would probably have made 11, but on a different lie that might have run into a red-suit cross-ruff. Meanwhile, there were 10 sure tricks by drawing two rounds of trumps whenever they split 3-2, so declarer tried that. When South discarded a club on the second spade, declarer tried his best shot of finessing in diamonds, intending to take a diamond ruff if the jack held. But North won the queen and cashed his spades and the ♠A, after which declarer played a squeeze in the red suits to salvage one off.

West	North	East	South
<i>Sumarauw</i>	<i>Kristensen</i>	<i>Eltanto</i>	<i>Kevin R.</i>
1♠	Pass	2NT*	Pass
4♠	All Pass		

Eltanto responded 2NT showing an invitational hand with spade support, and the same contract was reached. This time North led the ♠A. Whether or not South's card here is suit-preference – he knows North is switching, but North doesn't know he knows – South had no clear preference to give and played the ♣6. North guessed to switch to a diamond, which declarer won with the 9. Now declarer knew he had at most one more side-suit loser, so he tried the safety play of the ♠A and another trump, catering to four trumps with South. North won and surprisingly switched to a heart to the jack, queen and king. Declarer crossed to the ♦A and ruffed a club to hand, planning to ruff his diamond. North was able to overruff and take out dummy's trump, but now the red-suit squeeze was for the 10th trick and a 12-IMP gain.

At the end of the first set, Indonesia led 36 IMPs to 15. The rest of the match was closely contested, Indonesia holding their lead at the end to win by 16 IMPs.

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Tomorrow's Bridge Events

Friday, August 3, 9 a.m.

Event	Session	Sold	Entry/player/session	Current members*	Inactive members
Friday-Saturday Morning Compact KO Teams	1-2	Marquis A, Marquis Level	\$16		\$20
Thursday-Saturday Morning Side Game Series	2nd single	Marquis A, Marquis Level	\$16		\$20
Thursday-Saturday Morning Knockout Teams	2nd	Marquis A, Marquis Level	\$16		\$20

Friday, August 3, 10 a.m.

299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Salon 4, International Level	\$15		\$19
0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single	Salon 4, International Level	\$15		\$15

Friday, August 3, 10 a.m. & 3 p.m.

Daylight A/B/C Open Pairs (unlimited/3000/1500)	1-2	Imperial Ballroom A, Marquis Level	\$16		\$20
Daylight Gold Rush Pairs (750/500/200)	1-2	Salon 1, International Level	\$16		\$20
Daylight Swiss Teams (unlimited/3000/750)	1-2	Salon 1, International Level	\$16		\$20

Friday, August 3, Noon & 7 p.m.

SPINGOLD KNOCKOUT TEAMS	1-2 QF	Atrium A, Atrium Level	\$25		—
0-6000 MINI-SPINGOLD KNOCKOUT TEAMS	1-2 SF	Atrium A, Atrium Level	\$17		—
0-2500 MINI-SPINGOLD KNOCKOUT TEAMS	1-2 SF	Atrium A, Atrium Level	\$17		—

Friday, August 3, 1 p.m.

Friday-Sunday Side Game Series	1st single	Marquis C, Marquis Level	\$16		\$20
Collegiate Bridge Bowl Championship	Swiss qualifying	A602, Atrium Level	No fee		

Friday, August 3, 1 & 7:30 p.m.

ROTH OPEN SWISS TEAMS <i>2 qualifying, 2 semifinal & 2 final sessions</i>	1-2 Q	Atrium B, Atrium Level	\$25		—
BEAN RED RIBBON PAIRS <i>2 qualifying, 2 final sessions. Pre-qualification required.</i>	1-2 Q	Imperial Ballroom B, Marquis Level	\$17		—
Open Pairs (unlimited/3000/750)	1-2	Marquis C, Marquis Level	\$16		\$20
Friday-Saturday KO Teams	1-2	Marquis A, Marquis Level	\$16		\$20

Friday, August 3, 3 p.m.

299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Salon 4, International Level	\$15		\$19
0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single	Salon 4, International Level	\$15		\$15

Friday, August 3, 7:30 p.m.

Collegiate Bridge Bowl Championship	QF	A602, Atrium Level	No fee		
Collegiate Bridge Bowl Individual	1st of 3	A602, Atrium Level	No fee		
Friday-Sunday Side Game Series	2nd single	Marquis C, Marquis Level	\$16		\$20
Evening Swiss Teams	single	Marquis A, Marquis Level	\$15		\$19
299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Salon 4, International Level	\$15		\$19
0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single	Salon 4, International Level	\$15		\$15

Friday, August 3, 11:30 p.m.

Zip Knockout Teams	single	Salon 4, International Level	\$16/team/match		
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Two-flight open events are stratified as A/B/C (3000+/1500-3000/0-1500) and Gold Rush (500-750/200-500/0-200) or as A/X/Y (6000+/4000-6000/0-4000) and B/C/D (1500-3000/750-1500/0-750) if there is no Gold Rush.

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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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.

Buy your NABC entry online

Don't wait in line! Buy your entries in advance for all national-level events at BridgeWinners.com.

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Thursday, August 2, 9 a.m.

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Thursday-Saturday Morning Side Game Series	1st single	Marquis A, Marquis Level	\$16		\$20
Thursday-Saturday Morning KO Teams	1st	Marquis A, Marquis Level	\$16		\$20

Thursday, August 2, 10 a.m.

299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Salon 4, International Level	\$15		\$19
0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single	Salon 4, International Level	\$15		\$15

Thursday, August 2, 10 a.m. & 3 p.m.

Daylight A/X Pairs (unlimited/6000)	1-2	Salon 1, International Level	\$16		\$20
Daylight B/C Pairs (3000/1500)	1-2	Salon 1, International Level	\$16		\$20
Daylight Gold Rush Pairs (750/300)	1-2	Salon 1, International Level	\$16		\$20

Thursday, August 2, 10 a.m. & 3:30 p.m.

Daylight A/X/Y Swiss Teams (unlimited/6000/4000)	1-2	Salon 1, International Level	\$16		\$20
Daylight Bracketed B Round-Robin Teams (0-3000)	1-2	M301, Marquis Level	\$16		\$20

No player over 3000. Brackets of eight teams by average MPs. Three teams in each bracket earn gold.

Thursday, August 2, Noon & 7 p.m.

SPINGOLD KNOCKOUT TEAMS	Round of 16	Atrium A, Atrium Level	\$25		—
0-6000 MINI-SPINGOLD KNOCKOUT TEAMS	1-2 QF	Atrium A, Atrium Level	\$17		—
0-2500 MINI-SPINGOLD KNOCKOUT TEAMS	1-2 QF	Atrium A, Atrium Level	\$17		—

Thursday, August 2, 1 p.m.

Wednesday-Thursday Side Game Series	3rd single	Imperial Ballroom B, Marquis Level	\$16		\$20
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Thursday, August 2, 1 & 7:30 p.m.

WERNHER OPEN PAIRS	1-2 F	Atrium B, Atrium Level	\$25		—
FREEMAN MIXED BOARD-A-MATCH TEAMS	1-2 F	Imperial Ballroom A, Marquis Level	\$25		—
Open Pairs (unlimited/3000/750)	1-2	Imperial Ballroom B, Marquis Level	\$16		\$20
A/X/Y Swiss Teams (unlimited/6000/4000)	1-2	Marquis C, Marquis Level	\$16		\$20
Bracketed B Round-Robin Teams (0-3000)	1-2	Marquis C, Marquis Level	\$16		\$20

No player over 3000. Brackets of eight teams by average MPs. Three teams in each bracket earn gold.

Thursday Compact KO Teams	1-4	Marquis A, Marquis Level	\$16		\$20
Wednesday-Thursday KO Teams	3-4	Marquis A, Marquis Level	\$16		\$20
Collegiate Bridge Bowl Championship	Swiss qualifying	A602, Atrium Level	No fee		

Thursday, August 2, 3 p.m.

299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Salon 4, International Level	\$15		\$19
0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single	Salon 4, International Level	\$15		\$15

Thursday, August 2, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday-Thursday Side Game Series	4th single	Imperial Ballroom B, Marquis Level	\$16		\$20
Evening Swiss Teams	single	Marquis A, Marquis Level	\$15		\$19
299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Salon 4, International Level	\$15		\$19
0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single	Salon 4, International Level	\$15		\$15
299er Swiss Teams	single	Salon 4, International Level	\$15		\$19

Thursday, August 2, 11:30 p.m.

Zip Knockout Teams	single	Salon 4, International Level	\$16/team/match		
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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.

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