

# Daily Bulletin

LAS VEGAS NABC SUMMER 2019 LET'S ROLL

91st North American Bridge Championships

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## Movie gets cheery reception

“The Kids Table” was a big hit with the audience of about 100 people who attended the world premiere on Sunday. There were lots of laughs throughout the room during the screening, and it was still full when the time allotted for the question and answer period expired.

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

A red carpet event preceded the screening, and people lined up take pictures with the cast of the bridge documentary: filmmaker Edd Benda, comedian Monique Thomas, gamer Stefanie Woodburn, actor Paul Stanko and bridge teachers Samantha MacDouglas and Brian Reynolds. Co-director Stephen Helstad joined them for the panel discussion afterward.

Benda announced a distribution deal. The film will be available Sept. 17 on iTunes, Amazon,



**Edd Benda, center, answers an audience question at Sunday's premiere of “The Kids Table.” On stage are Samantha MacDouglas, left, Brian Reynolds, Benda, Monique Thomas, Stefanie Woodburn, Paul Stanko and Stephen Helstad.**

Vudu and DVD. Information and links will be available at [bridgekidsdoc.com](http://bridgekidsdoc.com).

It was clear that the film struck a chord with those present. “We have hundreds of hours of footage of these guys playing bridge,” Helstad told the crowd. “We really looked to find the human moments. The lucky thing is they each had a different experience. If they all loved it or they all hated it, it wouldn't have been as good. Hopefully

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## Goodwill Committee honors Vegas power couple

At last night's reception of the ACBL Aileen Osofsky Goodwill Committee, local organizers Liz Hamilton and husband Rolf Houtkooper were honored for their many contributions to the club and tournament scene in Las Vegas and District 17.

Goodwill chair Sandy DeMartino hosted the reception, and she opened the speaker portion of the event with a reminder that the members of the committee “are a family, a community who cares about each other,” and whose mission is to preach the principles of good behavior at the table.

ACBL Executive Director Joe Jones was on hand to deliver related comments, stressing the need to “get back to basics, namely good behavior and an ethical approach” to the game, noting that the alternatives are damaging to public perception and member retention.

ACBL President Russ Jones continued the theme, saying “Goodwill is the No. 1 way we help our membership.”

DeMartino returned to the mic to introduce to District 17 Board member Bonnie Bagley.

“As the host director, I get to recognize volunteers who have gone beyond the call of



**Bonnie Bagley, Liz Hamilton, Rolf Houtkooper and Sandy DeMartino at Monday's Goodwill Reception.**

duty to make the game better for everyone. Liz Hamilton moved to Las Vegas in 2012 and hit the ground running. In 2014, she became the I/N partnership chair for District 17. In 2015, she agreed to be part of the San Diego NABC tournament committee. She has chaired several Las Vegas Regionals, she runs a club and she

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## Life Master Pairs update

Winners of the von Zedtwitz Life Master Pairs: Vince DeMuy and Brad Moss. Moss and DeMuy won the event, lost it and won it again as scoring corrections were reported after the results came out. At the time the event concluded Sunday night, they were believed to be the winners, but when official results came out hours later, they had dropped to second. Then further scoring corrections reported Monday brought them back on top, putting announced winners Ed Nagy and Gary Soules in second. No appeals affected the outcome of the event.



## Spingold field reduced to 64

A large number of squads entered this year's Spingold Knockout Teams – 98 – and yesterday's opening round reduced the field to 64 for head-to-head matchups the rest of the week.

The top seeds advanced largely unscathed. The highest-seeded team to be eliminated in the opening round was the No. 35 seed captained by Jeffrey Juster. Also out is the No. 42 seed, the all-Brazilian team led by Lucia Maria Doria.

Fresh off their victory in the Grand National Teams Championship Flight, Sheri Winestock and Fred Gitelman entered the Spingold at the helm of the No. 43 seed, but they also had an early exit from the event. Their squad included “Jeopardy!” celebrity James Holzhauer, who is here in Las Vegas not only to play, but also to take part in promotional events for the Collegiate Bridge Bowl and Youth NABC.

## Kaminski leads Senior Swiss

The squad captained by Amos Kaminski posted the best score in the qualifying round of the Truscott/U.S. Playing Card Senior Swiss Teams. An Israeli team, Kaminski and company scored 116.38 victory points in yesterday's action, just ahead of the District 7 squad led by Michael Kovacich who scored 111.03 VPs.

In third with 110.88 VP is the California-based squad led by Robert Munson.

Seventy-four teams qualified to play in today's two-session final.

## Goldman, Zmuda lead Wagar

Sharon Goldman of New York and Justyna Zmuda of Poland set the pace in the Wagar Women's Pairs, scoring 60.9% and 66.9% in Monday's qualifying sessions. Their three-and-a-quarter-board carryover is one-third of a board ahead of Bronia Jenkins of Vero Beach FL and Benedicte Cronier of France. In third are Kate Hill and Lynn Blumenthal of Santa Rosa CA.

Sixty-four pairs qualified for today's final.

## Pre-registration information

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



## Goodwill Message

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At the table, set the tone: When you are nice, others will follow suit.

*Sandy DeMartino, Chair*

*Aileen Osofsky ACBL Goodwill Committee*

**ATTENDANCE  
through Monday  
6339.5 tables**

# SPECIAL EVENTS

## MEETINGS / SEMINARS / RECEPTIONS

All meetings are at The Cosmopolitan.

**Tuesday, July 23**  
 8am–noon **Best Practices Teacher Assessments.** *Condesa 5, second floor*  
 9 am–noon **Club Director Refresher Course.** A continuing education course for club directors to increase their skills. Participants must attend both sessions. Fee: \$15 covers both days. Sign up at the door. *Condesa 8, second floor*

**Wednesday, July 24**  
 9 am–noon **Club Director Refresher Course, session 2.** A continuing education course for club directors to increase their skills. Participants must attend both sessions. Fee: \$15 covers both days. *Condesa 8, second floor*  
 6–7 pm **College Player meeting.** *Jardins Boardroom, second floor*

**Thursday, July 25**  
 10 am–6 pm **Youth NABC.** *Brera 4, third floor*

## CELEBRITY SPEAKER PROGRAM

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

**Tuesday, July 23**  
 9:15 a.m. Phillip Alder *Play the Right Card*  
 6:45 p.m. Julian Laderman *Inspired Declarer Play*

**Wednesday, July 24**  
 9:15 a.m. TBD  
 6:45 p.m. Kevin Wilson *Fitting Honors*  
**Thursday, July 25**  
 9:15 a.m. Norman Beck *Odd Things and Bridge*  
 6:45 p.m. Donna Compton *Passive vs. Attacking Defense*

## HOSPITALITY

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

**Tuesday, July 23**  
 Vegetable spring rolls.

**Wednesday, July 24**  
 Baked sausage pastries.  
**Thursday, July 25**  
 Mac and cheese bites.

## Hotel rewards program

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This email address won't be checked with any regularity when the NABC is not in session, so please continue to use our office email addresses for non-tournament-related correspondence.

## Parking

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

## Stay in touch

Is your email address on file? Is it up to date? Let ACBL know. Call toll-free in the U.S., 800-264-2743; outside the U.S. 1-662-3191 Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Central Time). You may also email [service@acbl.org](mailto:service@acbl.org) or update your info at [acbl.com](http://acbl.com) by logging into MyACBL.

## Vendors

The vendors for the Summer NABC are located on the fourth floor directly outside the Belmont Ballroom. There you can find a variety of goods from books to jewelry.

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

In an effort to speed up the start of all NABC+ pairs events – which require 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.

## 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.

## Age requirement or Senior events

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



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# JUST FOR NEW PLAYERS

## Take All Your Chances

By **Eddie Kantar**

North (Dummy)

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

South (You)

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

Partner opens 1♦, you respond 1♠, West overcalls 2♥, partner chimes in with 3♣, and your 3NT bid ends the auction, partner passing reluctantly. West leads the ♥6, East plays the ♥9, and there you are in the wrong contract (partner's fault, of course). Plan the play.



Obviously, you can't give up the lead, and you have two suits to work with, diamonds (a suit missing a queen) and clubs (a suit missing

the king). What to do? Remember your "combining" rule and stay alive, stay alive!

Start by cashing the ♦A K. If the queen drops, you have 10 tricks. If it doesn't, cross to the ♠A. No finesse, please! Even if the ♠J holds, you still need the club finesse so why take a practice (unnecessary) finesse? After winning the ♠A, run the ♣Q. If it holds, cash a second spade, discarding a diamond from dummy, and repeat the finesse running the 10.

When you can't afford to give up the lead and you have two finesse suits going for you, one missing a queen, the other a king, either suit affording you enough tricks to make your contract if the finesse works, play the A-K of the suit missing the queen, and if the queen doesn't drop, take a finesse in the suit missing the king.

The full deal:

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



**Connie Kinsey, left, and Gailyn Thornton came from Atlanta to play in the NABC. While Thornton has played twice before at NABCs when they've been in Atlanta, including last year, it's Kinsey's first time. "She talked me into coming," Kinsey said. Thornton has been playing bridge for 15 years and started duplicate 10 years ago but only really got into it about three years ago. "I just love the tournaments," Thornton said. "It's a different mindset than social bridge. The competition has a nice edge."**

## For the Record

**Robb Gordon, ACBL National Recorder**

At the ACBL Board meetings in Las Vegas, the Board passed a motion that restructures the unit and district disciplinary apparatus. The positions of Unit Recorder and Unit Disciplinary chair will be eliminated and responsibility for these functions will rest at district level. Why is this change being made? Several reasons:

1. Many units are small and don't have enough volunteers (or they don't have people willing to take on these tasks).
  2. We have 25 districts and about 300 units. We want to have all disciplinary actions handled in a way consistent with our Code of Disciplinary Regulations. It is very difficult to keep 600 unit officials trained and current, especially with turnover that the Office of National Recorder might not even be aware of.
  3. Units are sometimes so close-knit that it can be hard to find a panel that has no conflicts with either side.
  4. There are so few cases that it is impossible for disciplinary personnel to keep their skills fresh. During 2018, for example, unit recorders dealt with 55 cases total ACBL-wide.
- Of course, there are larger units with an

effective recorder. Those units will be able to keep their recorder by requesting to the district to make that person an Assistant District Recorder. Such requests may not be unreasonably refused.

This change will not take effect until Jan. 1, 2020.

## Turn, turn, turn

By **Barry Rigal**

To everything there is a season. Some things need to be done at once, others can wait.

This deal is from the first final session of the von Zedtwitz LM Pairs:

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

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

West should surely lead the ♠9 to make East's job easier. But if West leads a low spade, East may be seduced into continuing the suit or into shifting to clubs. Both of these plays are highly unlikely to be necessary. A spade can almost certainly wait: Where is the loser going unless declarer has precisely ♦A J doubleton?

Much more likely is that a club will be fatal when the cards lie like this — declarer surely has the ♠K and seven hearts plus either the ♦A or the ♣A — and West's simple spade raise suggests the ♦A if he only has three low spades.

So East shifts to a diamond: the ♦9 (zero or two higher) makes West's task of winning and returning the suit easy. Down one swung a passel of matchpoints compared to minus 420.

## Bridge Bucks and check cashing

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

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**SUNDAY ZIP KO**

10 Tables  
 3.73 1 Finn Kolesnik, Ventura CA; Kevin Rosenberg, Sunnyvale CA; Jacob Freeman, Toronto ON; Peter J. Boyd-Bowman, Greensboro NC; John Ramos, Los Angeles CA  
 2.61 2 Isaac Stephani, Cincinnati OH; Rory Xiao - Brent Xiao, Fremont CA; Nathan Glasser, Somerville MA  
 1.49 3/4 Anant Rathi, San Francisco CA; Cyrus Hettle, Atlanta GA; Jesse Chao, Oakland CA; Ben Bomber, Vancouver WA  
 1.49 3/4 Brian Weiner Duran, Medford MA; Nick Evens - Matthew Dyer - Philip McPeck, Chicago IL

**MONDAY-WEDNESDAY MORNING KO**

9 Tables  
 Andrew Risman, Toronto ON; Tony Viidik - Joan Viidik, Waterloo ON; Merryl Chin, North York ON  
 vs  
 Charles Rauch - Janice Gleason, Monterey CA; David Hogan, Marlborough MA; Yumiko Hough, Barnstable MA

Gail Steffan - Margaret Wahlborg - Julie Nadel - N. Dennis Berg, Santa Barbara CA  
 vs  
 Robert McBroom - Kathy Flynn, Santa Clarita CA; Elaine Moore - Thomas Shudic, Burbank CA

Russ Pearly - Donald Rancourt - Janet Matthews - David Stentz, The Villages FL  
 vs  
 Farley Mawyer, Port Chester NY; Laura Brounstein, Greenwich CT; Jonathan Howe, Sag Harbor NY; Hubert Howe Jr., Westhampton NY

**SUNDAY-MONDAY MORNING COMPACT KO**

10 Tables  
 9.48 1 Serena Guo - Qiang Zhang - Brian Zhang, Dublin CA; Wanwan Ren, Sunnyvale CA  
 6.64 2 Eric Schneider, Boca Raton FL; Michael Lynch - Bert Solomon, Edwards CO; Bill Multack, Miami Beach FL  
 4.27 3 Michael Cochran, Forest Park IL; Matthew Staman, Chicago IL; Gayle Tunnell - James Tunnell, San Francisco CA  
 3.32 4 Ruth Urie - Ann Matthews, Saint George UT; Deborah Goldsmith, San Diego CA; Kay Merrick, Sykesville MD

**VON ZEDTWITZ LIFE MASTER PAIRS - CORRECTED**

52.0 Tables / Based on 205 Tables

190.00	1	Brad Moss, Denver CO; Vincent Demuy, Palm Beach Gardens FL	1618.29
142.50	2	Edward Nagy, Danville CA; Gary Soules, Elk Grove CA	1610.54
106.88	3	Steve Robinson, Arlington VA; Peter Boyd, Darnestown MD	1590.83
87.69	4	Martin Fleisher, New York NY; Chip Martel, Davis CA	1585.10
81.43	5	Jacek Pszczola, Chapel Hill NC; Jared Lilienstein, New York NY	1577.13
76.00	6	Nick Nickell, New York NY; Ralph Katz, Burr Ridge IL	1572.92
71.25	7	Shan Huang, Melbourne FL; Sylvia Shi, Las Vegas NV	1567.57
67.06	8	Tom Hanlon, Dublin Ireland; Cedric Lorenzini, Cachan France	1559.52
63.33	9	Bart Bramley, Dallas TX; Kit Woolsey, Kensington CA	1559.10
60.00	10	Frederic Pollack, Laval QC; Kamel Fergani, Montreal QC	1554.62
57.00	11	Stefan Skorchev, Sofia Bulgaria; Christophe Grosset, Issy-Les-Moulin France	1552.08
54.29	12	Owen Lien, Oak Park MI; Dennis Bilde, Aarhus Denmark	1548.85
51.82	13	Barry Rigal, New York NY; Glenn Milgrim, Ransomville NY	1548.19
49.57	14	Zia Mahmood, New York NY; David Gold, London England	1542.62
47.50	15	Jonathan Steinberg, Toronto ON; Alex Hudson, Raleigh NC	1541.82
45.60	16	Jakob Kristinsson, Delray Beach FL; Sveinn Eiriksson, Kopavogur Iceland	1535.65
43.85	17	Catherine Mus - Eric Gautret, Montpellier France	1534.67
42.22	18	Tod Moses, St. Louis MO; Mark Lair, Canyon TX	1515.69
40.71	19	David Caprera - Anne Brenner, Denver CO	1510.93
39.31	20	Ida Groenkvist, Bromma Sweden; Mikael Groenkvist, Orebro Sweden	1508.95
38.00	21	Irene Baroni, Moniga Italy; Vasileios Vroustis, Athens Greece	1507.27
36.77	22	Richard Pavlicek, Fort Lauderdale FL; Peter Friedland, Cupertino CA	1505.76
35.63	23	Ross Grabel, Palm Desert CA; Michael Polowan, New York NY	1503.59
34.55	24	Steve Weinstein, Montclair NJ; Robert Levin, Henderson NV	1495.01
33.53	25	Steve Garner - Jeffrey Wolfson, Chicago IL	1489.51
32.57	26	Tom Kniest, Brentwood MO; Richard Oshlag, Memphis TN	1483.61
31.67	27	Veri Kiljan - Luc Tijssen, Tilburg Netherlands	1481.37
30.81	28	Eric Sieg, Seattle WA; Kim Eng, Issaquah WA	1470.94
30.00	29	Michel Bessis - Thomas Bessis, Paris France	1468.92
29.23	30	George Mittelman, Thornhill ON; Ken Bercuson, Las Vegas NV	1457.21
28.50	31	Doug Baxter - David Lindop, Toronto ON	1451.69
27.80	32	David Grainger, Etobicoke ON; Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio TX	1446.47
31.43	33	Walter Schenker, Pine Brook NJ; Brian Glubok, New York NY	1434.88
26.51	34	Martin Rabinowitz, Garnet Valley PA; Rick Rowland, Wilmington DE	1421.92
25.91	35	Eldad Ginossar, Chicago IL; Alon Birman, Tel Aviv Israel	1420.26
25.33	36	Alexander Hydes, Zagreb Croatia; Peter Crouch, Surrey England	1420.15
24.78	37	Brad Bart, Coquitlam BC; Bob Todd, Winnipeg MB	1415.65
24.26	38	Barry Goren, Las Vegas NV; Dror Padon, Tel Aviv Israel	1413.97
23.75	39	Mikael Rimstedt, Halmstad Sweden; Shane Blanchard, New York NY	1412.70
23.27	40	Aaron Silverstein - Chris Willenken, New York NY	1412.63
22.80	41	Douglas Doub, West Hartford CT; Victor King, Hartford CT	1410.93
22.35	42	Billy Miller, Las Vegas NV; Edward Zuckerberg, Los Altos Hills CA	1408.02
21.92	43	Michael Kamil, Oro Valley AZ; Michael Becker, Boca Raton FL	1407.57
21.51	44	Judith Gartaganis - Nicholas Gartaganis, Calgary AB	1406.38
32.89	45	Howard Weinstein, Rancho Mirage CA; Bob Hamman, Dallas TX	1403.22
20.73	46	Marc Mus, Montpellier France; Pierre Franceschetti, Paris France	1398.50
20.36	47	Frederic Wrang, Stockholm Sweden; Antonio Palma, Evora Portugal	1398.42
20.00	48	Lynn Deas, Schenectady NY; Peter Weichsel, Carlsbad CA	1397.93
19.66	49	Anna Gulevitch - Andrew Gromov, Moscow Russia	1396.45
19.32	50	John Carruthers, Kingsville ON; Michael Roche, Victoria BC	1380.52
19.00	51	Kevin Rosenberg - Michael Rosenberg, Sunnyvale CA	1380.20
18.69	52	Jay Borker, Tempe AZ; Jan Jansma, Spijkenisse Netherlands	1377.02
18.97	53	Corey Krantz, Delray Beach FL; Julius Sigurjonsson, Kopavogur Iceland	1374.76
18.10	54	Tor Helness, Monaco; Martin Andresen, Nesoya Norway	1371.90
17.81	55	Arthur Zhou - Michael Hu, San Jose CA	1362.93
17.54	56	Marion Michielsen, Stockholm Sweden; Richard Zeckhauser, Cambridge MA	1361.20
17.27	57	JoAnna Stansby - Lew Stansby, Dublin CA	1357.12
17.01	58	Lloyd Arvedon, Hudson NH; John Stiefel, Wethersfield CT	1345.67
16.76	59	Marc Zwerling - Mark Tolliver, Portland OR	1344.52
24.22	60	Kelley Hwang, New York NY; Morrie Kleinplatz, Windsor ON	1341.53
16.29	61	Valentin Kovachev, Las Vegas NV; Dave Schouweiler, Bismarck ND	1340.49
16.06	62	David Moss - Andrew Rosenthal, New York NY	1338.20
15.83	63	Alex Perlin, Metuchen NJ; R. Jay Becker, Ocean City MD	1335.47
15.62	64	Mike Passell, Plano TX; Mike Lucas, Las Vegas NV	1334.32
15.41	65	Hugh Brown Jr., Greenwood SC; Richard Potter, Black Mountain NC	1328.26
15.20	66	Jerome Rombaut, Hem France; Michel Abecassis, Paris France	1326.85
15.00	67	Saleh Fetouh, Buffalo NY; Ken Murray, Pickering ON	1326.33
14.81	68	Walter Lee, Sudbury MA; Li-Chung Chen, Cupertino CA	1323.95
14.62	69	Neil Silverman, Fort Lauderdale FL; William Pollack, New York NY	1317.06
14.43	70	Roy Welland, New York NY; Sabine Auken, Charlottenlund Denmark	1316.63
14.25	71	David Colbert, Etobicoke ON; Stephen Mackay, Markham ON	1304.71
14.07	72	Radu Nistor, Woodside NY; Thomas Paske, Manhattan NY	1304.54
13.90	73	Guy Gecht, Los Altos CA; Eric Greco, Northville MI	1303.51
13.73	74	Lynn Shannon, Campbell CA; Sarah Youngquist, Palo Alto CA	1291.98
13.57	75	Thomas Turgeon, Memphis TN; Spike Lay, Daytona Beach Shore FL	1282.72
13.41	76	Bartlomiej Iгла, Kusnacht Switzerland; Fernando Piedra, Zurich Switzerland	1281.00
13.26	77	Rodrigo Garcia Da Rosa, Argentina Argentina; Rita Shugart, Pebble Beach CA	1274.36
13.10	78	Alfred Lee, San Mateo CA; Ken Gee, Regina SK	1258.45
12.95	79	Deanna Tomas - William Woodcock, Sarnia ON	1251.44
12.81	80	Bruce Ferguson, Palm Springs CA; Mark Peterson, Larkspur CA	1236.69
12.67	81	Judy Elbogen, Mission Viejo CA; Lee Maddocks, Modesto CA	1235.35
12.53	82	Kenneth Kranyak, Parma OH; Frank Cymerman, Pittsburgh PA	1231.66
12.39	83	Michael Mikyska, Los Angeles CA; Billy Cohen, Sherman Oaks CA	1231.25
12.26	84	Iulian Rotaru, New York NY; Lynda Nitabach, North Plainfield NJ	1219.73
12.13	85	Richard Chan, Markham ON; Zheng Zhang, Toronto ON	1218.08
12.00	86	Alejandro Bianchedi, Buenos Aires Argentina; Margie Cole, New York NY	1217.94
11.88	87	Mark Itabashi, Murrieta CA; Veronica McMurdie, Sacramento CA	1217.35
11.75	88	George Jacobs, Hinsdale IL; Claude Vogel, Chicago IL	1211.31
17.08	89	Stewart Rubenstein, Chestnut Hill MA; Zachary Grossack, Newton MA	1200.59
11.52	90	Anant Rathi - William Zhu, San Francisco CA	1183.41
11.40	91	Jay Segarra, Ocean Springs MS; Allan Siebert, Little Rock AR	1174.36



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27.38	92	Daniel Boye, East Syracuse NY; Patricia Dovell, Gainesville FL	1173.97
11.18	93	Gregory Herman, Seattle WA; Burke Snowden, New Haven CT	1165.45
11.07	94	Eddie Wold - Arjune Bose, Houston TX	1157.29
10.96	95	William Watson, Sunnyvale CA; Geeske Joel, Palo Alto CA	1141.16
10.86	96	Michael Crane, Farmington Hills MI; Richard Temkin, Farmington MI	1136.35
10.75	97	Alan Schwartz, Fairfax VA; William Cole, Silver Spring MD	1136.22
10.65	98	Elliott Grubman - Ava Grubman, Brooklyn NY	1129.81
10.56	99	Allen Kahn, New York NY; David Rosenberg, Jackson Heights NY	1129.25
10.46	100	Bob Balderson Jr. - Cynthia Balderson, Eden Prairie MN	1127.37
10.36	101	Jay Apfelbaum, Philadelphia PA; Meyer Kotkin, Cherry Hill NJ	1125.72
10.27	102	Samuel Marks, Atlanta GA; Jerry Helms, Charlotte NC	1125.32
10.18	103	Michael Bodell, Santa Clara CA; Sheng Li, New York NY	1090.38
15.59	104	Harrison Luba, Lynnfield MA; Finn Kolesnik, Ventura CA	1034.04

**BRUCE LM-6000 PAIRS – CORRECTED**

18.0 Tables / Based on 84 Tables

75.00	1	Henri Farhi, Chula Vista CA; Norman Schwartz, Carlsbad CA	559.79
56.25	2	Philip Goulding, Wexford PA; Robert Zimmermann, Pittsburgh PA	553.05
42.19	3	Muffie Gur - Reha Gur, Leonardo NJ	532.02
34.62	4	Isaac Stephani – A.J. Stephani, Cincinnati OH	524.64
32.14	5	Sharon Goldman, New York NY; Justyna Zmuda, Skwaina Poland	520.64
30.00	6	David Langer - Mark Ginsburg, Buffalo Grove IL	520.32
32.99	7	James Weeks, Palm Desert CA; Neil Stern, Indio CA	514.88
26.47	8	Craig Henderson, Chicago IL; Cristal Nell, Seattle WA	502.11
25.00	9	Ron Karr, Sunnyvale CA; Daniel Raider, San Mateo CA	501.51
23.68	10	Marc Renson, San Mateo CA; Bob Sanner, Palo Alto CA	499.59
24.37	11	Nathan Glasser, Somerville MA; Randy Okubo, St. Paul MN	499.48
21.43	12	Kish Devaraj - Robert Epstein, Atlanta GA	490.72
20.45	13	Herman Louie - Ming Louie, Henderson NV	488.01
19.57	14	Stephen Tu, Milpitas CA; Rajeev Gupta, Oakland CA	479.55
18.75	15	Robert Schachter, Eden Prairie MN; Mark Krusemeyer, Northfield MN	475.15
18.00	16	Stephen Shane, White Plains NY; Harvey Katz, Marina Del Rey CA	474.52
17.31	17	Michael Gladfelter - Mary Jane Gladfelter, Columbus OH	473.39
17.49	18	Lowell Seyburn, Portage MI; Robert Houtrow, Delton MI	468.33
16.07	19	Luen-Jyh Luo, Milpitas CA; Frank Xie, Sunnyvale CA	461.16
15.52	20	Lori Spaeth, Los Altos CA; Marolyn Imaoka, San Jose CA	459.75
15.00	21	John Boyer, Yonkers NY; Robert Stayman, New Rochelle NY	454.58
14.52	22	Fredric Weiner - Arnold Kohn, Monroe Township NJ	448.73
26.80	23	Bob Stitt - Stefanie Stitt, Dayton OH	447.95
13.64	24	Lon Sunshine - Ivania Yeo, Merrimack NH	446.97
13.24	25	David Johnson - John D Aguiar, Calgary AB	446.41
12.86	26	Himanshu Joshi, Chester NJ; Donna Dulet, Ocean NJ	446.39
12.50	27	Stephen Jackson - Susan Jackson, Roseville MN	431.29
12.16	28	Sue Becker, Canton OH; Sabrina Miles, Mansfield MA	431.11
16.50	29	Ron Beall, Bellingham WA; Kevin Bolan, Snohomish WA	430.17
16.21	30	Hank Youngerman, Reading PA; David Standig, Beach Haven NJ	427.82
11.25	31	Tsao-Tung Tsai, Cupertino CA; Jim Liu, Saratoga CA	425.40
10.98	32	Bob Lafleur - Hy Chansky, Las Vegas NV	425.10
10.92	33	Pangjie Xu, San Jose CA; Winston Huang, Los Altos CA	413.50
10.47	34	Michael Flader, Eagan MN; Jill Flader, St. Paul MN	410.61
10.23	35	Dorn Bishop, San Diego CA; Nicolas Hammond, Alpharetta GA	407.96
10.00	36	Robert Donaldson, Ogden UT; Stephen Nafus, Boise ID	364.28

**QUALIFIERS IN THE TRUSCOTT SENIOR SWISS TEAMS**

74 Tables / Based on 148 Tables

1	Amos Kaminski, New York NY; Adrian Schwartz, Tel Aviv Israel; Shalom Zeligman, Bat-Yam Israel; Eitan Orensten, Haifa Israel; Yeshayahu Levit, Tel-Aviv Israel	27.77	Carryover
2	Michael Kovacich, Stone Mountain GA; Robert White, Raleigh NC; Emory Whitaker, Macon GA; Larry Harding, Hampstead NC	23.75	
3	Robert Munson, Danville CA; Bruce Tuttle, Berkeley CA; Mark Moss, Piedmont CA; Grant Vance, Oakland CA	23.64	
4	Tom Trachuk, Walnut Creek CA; Chuck Malcolm, Olathe KS; Gary Kessler, Springfield IL; William Muir, Kansas City MO	23.08	
5	Richard DeMartino, Riverside CT; Pat McDevitt, Brookline MA; John Stiefel, Wethersfield CT; Geoffrey Brod, Avon CT	21.98	
6	Ron Gerard, White Plains NY; Kerri Sanborn - Stephen Sanborn, Delray Beach FL; Richard Oshlag, Memphis TN	21.85	
7	Gene Simpson, San Rafael CA; Edward Nagy, Danville CA; Gary Soules, Elk Grove CA; James Tritt, Orange CA	21.62	
8	Howard Parker III, Clements CA; John Onstott, New Orleans LA; Jacek Romanski, Lublin Poland; Apolinary Kowalski, Warsaw Poland; Allan Graves, St. Johnsbury VT; Drew Casen, Henderson NV	21.44	
9	Anne Brenner - David Caprera, Denver CO; Robert Cappelli, Sanibel FL; Robert Bitterman, Harbor Springs MI; Kenneth Kranyak, Parma OH; Phillip Becker, Beachwood OH	19.32	
10	Craig Kavin, Newbury Park CA; Susan Miller, Boca Raton FL; Ellen Anten, Encino CA; Steve Gross, Agoura Hills CA	18.52	
11	Lyle Poe Jr., Ellicott City MD; Meyer Kotkin, Cherry Hill NJ; Jay Apfelbaum, Philadelphia PA; Brad Theurer, Gaithersburg MD	16.38	
12	Harold Feldheim, NPC; Michael Radin - Jeffrey Rothstein, New York NY; Robert Lavin, East Longmeadow MA; Russell Samuel, Coram NY	15.12	
13	Michael Mikyska, Los Angeles CA; Iftikhar Baqai, Irvine CA; Billy Cohen - Mitch Dunitz, Sherman Oaks CA	15.11	
14	Terry Beckman, Brooklyn Park MN; Paul Meerschaert, Long Lake MN; John Koch, St. Cloud MN; Tony Ames, Minnetonka MN; Eric Hendrickson, Minneapolis MN; Robert Schachter, Eden Prairie MN	14.58	
15/16	Bruce Noda, NPC; Crispin Barrere, Berkeley CA; Mark Ralph, San Francisco CA; William Harker, Santa Fe NM; Leo Bell, Carlsbad CA	14.12	
15/16	Louis Sachar - David Sokolow, Austin TX; Cecily Kohler, Washington DC; Andy Avery, Jamaica VT; Steven Smolen - Vicki Lerner, San Francisco CA	14.12	
17	Steve Bruno, Oceanside CA; Martin Schiff Jr. - Sundaesan Ram, Tucson AZ; Ben Blacik, Phoenix AZ	14.10	
18	Jeff Schuett, Riverwoods IL; Joshua Stark, Grayslake IL; Kerry Smith, Milwaukee WI; Robert Gardner, Glenview IL; Dick Bruno, Des Plaines IL; Suzanne Dunn, Crystal Lake IL	13.76	

**Kids Table***continued from page 1*

everyone can enter the game through one of their experiences.”

Thomas was most enthusiastic about the game, studying daily when they started their lessons, and she still is: She just became a certified bridge teacher hours before the screening. Benda also embraced it quickly as it ignited his competitive drive but became frustrated when he wasn't progressing as quickly as he hoped. Woodburn didn't put as much effort in but found herself the best player of the group. Stanko never liked the game but grudgingly admitted it had its moments.

The four's emotional journeys to becoming bridge players are front and center throughout the film, and the moments that highlighted it got the most reaction. The room erupted in cheers when Benda and Woodburn got their first win in an I/N pairs event in San Diego.

Benda said he set out to make a sports movie. Before production began, he asked MacDouglas and Reynolds if they would prepare his cast of complete beginners to compete in a national championship within a few months. “From the outset it became clear that wasn't going to be our journey,” Benda said.

He and Helstad also struggled with how much time they should spend explaining bridge – something Helstad deliberately avoided learning. “I wanted to approach this from a layman's perspective,” he said. He also didn't worry about selling the game. “The game of bridge has to sell itself. Our concern was how do we tell an honest story about the game.”

That story involves a fair amount of criticism of the ACBL. Not everyone in attendance felt as warmly about the movie as others in the audience, which gave a standing ovation. Some ACBL Board members were discussing it on Monday. They enjoyed the movie but thought it was too negative.

One questioner asked whether 2018 President Jay Whipple was intended to be portrayed as “lead-footed.” Benda answered that he thinks the ACBL does a great job of serving its current members, gave credit to successful programs that recruit very young players where they exist, and praised the support his movie has received from both the ACBL and the Educational Foundation as an example of forward thinking by the League.

*continued on page 7***NABC results  
by email/text**

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**Goodwill**

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**ACBL President Russ Jones, Goodwill Chair Sandy DeMartino and ACBL Executive Director Joe Jones.**

teaches on cruises with her husband, Rolf Houtkooper. And this year, she's the chair of the Las Vegas NABC."

Bagley presented Hamilton with a certificate of appreciation for Hamilton's many bridge-related endeavors. She then invited Houtkooper to join them at the mic.

"I recognize people who rise above in our game, and Rolf is one of those people," she said.

Bagley then presented Hamilton and Houtkooper with Goodwill pins, making them part of the national Goodwill Committee and the District 17 Goodwill Committee.

**Entry fees**

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

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

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

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

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

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

19	Joe Degaetano, Hampstead NH; Bill Irvine, Quincy MA; J Melvin Norton, Burlington ON; Nicholas Stock, North Vancouver BC; Doug Andrews, Etobicoke ON; Ken Murray, Pickering ON	13.72
20	Cameron Doner, Surrey BC; Michael Hargreaves, Victoria BC; Gordon McOrmond, Vancouver BC; Richard Reitman, Los Gatos CA	13.19
21	Mark Lair, Canyon TX; Colby Vernay, Lacon IL; Barry Schaffer, Frisco TX; Jack LaVigne, Houston TX	13.12
22	Craig Allen, Glen Ellyn IL; Michael Huston, Joplin MO; Stephen Donahue, Riverwoods IL; L. James Phillips, Chicago IL; Howard Engle, Highland Park IL; Mark Friedlander, Deerfield IL	13.10
23	Gonzalo Herrera, Naucalpan Mexico; Jon Bartlett, Happy Valley OR; Roger McNay, Beaverton OR; Joel Datloff, Vancouver WA	12.65
24	Barry Bragin, Pawling NY; David Abelow, La Jolla CA; Fred King, McLean VA; David Ruderman, Burtonsville MD	12.29
25	Edward Piken, Palos Verdes Peninsula CA; Ron Feldman, Redondo Beach CA; Robert Perlsweig, Woodland Hills CA; Pam Wittes, Venice CA; Steve Cohen, Las Vegas NV; Marjorie Michelin, Laguna Woods CA	12.24
26	Glenn Robbins, New York NY; Lloyd Arvedon, Hudson NH; John McLaughlin, Melrose MA; Mark Dahl, Richmond VA	11.84
27	Edward White, Grand Blanc MI; Hannah Moon, Sasakatoon SK; Ken Gee, Regina SK; Jan Zadroga, Todz Poland; Pawel Niedzielski, Lodz Poland	11.74
28	Peter Stein, Hillsborough NJ; Myriam Milgrom, Port St. Lucie FL; Larry Rosen, Albany NY; Steven Shaye, Slingerlands NY	11.45
29	Mark Aquino, Jamaica Plain MA; Shome Mukherjee, Braintree MA; Richard Popper, Wilmington DE; Chris Moll, Durham NC	11.18
30	Richard Temkin, Farmington MI; David Whitehouse, East Grand Rapids MI; John Koschik, Livonia MI; Gene Benedict, Toledo OH	10.25
31	Les Bart, Bradenton FL; Peter Friedland, Cupertino CA; John Lusky, Portland OR; Allan Falk, Okemos MI	10.16
32	Herbert Jordan - Francisco Bernal - Marc Spellman, Miami FL; Erez Hendelman, New York NY	10.07
33	David Cantor - Vinay Apte, Charlotte NC; Dennis Newman, Scarsdale NY; Brad McKeown, Rock Hill SC	9.75
34	Rai Osborne, Anaheim CA; Philip Hiestand, Irvine CA; Suresh Mahajan, Del Mar CA; Miguel Reygadas, Tlalpan Mexico; Andrew Loh, Solana Beach CA; C. Valerie Gamio, Palos Verdes Peninsula CA	8.94
35	Thomas Peters, Grapeland TX; Joe Quinn, Sugar Land TX; Tom Breed, Kingwood TX; Ron LaCour, Georgetown TX	8.78
36	David Treitel - Harry Tudor - Barbara Wallace, Miami FL; Jared Lilienstein, New York NY	8.39
37	Jill Marshall, Port Chester NY; Lawrence Lau, Westport CT; Russell Friedman, Wilton CT; Allan Wolf, North Haven CT; Steve Becker, Old Greenwich CT; Larry Bausher, West Haven CT	8.38
38	Albert Shrive, Naples FL; Michael Ranis, Miami FL; Kenneth Chatzinoff, Cinnaminson NJ; Douglas Dye, Wyndmoor PA	7.56
39	Stephen Castellino, Castro Valley CA; Michael Heymann, Fort Worth TX; Bob Sanner, Palo Alto CA; Ronald Powell, Santa Clara CA	7.50
40	Robert Hollman, Santa Barbara CA; Bruce Ferguson, Palm Springs CA; Nagy Kamel, Plano TX; Dan Morse - Roald Ramer, Houston TX; Jan Van Cleeff, The Hague Netherlands	7.36
41	Brian Schoenfeld - Howard Miller - Muh-Sha Crawford, Virginia Beach VA; Richard DePaulo, Chesapeake VA	7.08
42	Mark Jones, Birmingham AL; Spike Lay, Daytona Beach Shore FL; George Woltman, Blowing Rock NC; Dwight Meredith, Greensboro NC; Bob Heller, Knoxville TN; Arthur Lowen, Nashville TN	6.55
43	Stephen McConnell, Evanston IL; Farid Assemi, Fresno CA; Charles Miner, Orlando FL; Robert Giragosian, Bakersfield CA	6.36
44	Bob Glasson - Joann Glasson, Pennington NJ; Rick Rowland, Wilmington DE; Martin Rabinowitz, Garnet Valley PA	6.21
45	Robert Kent - Ellen Kent, Chicago IL; Thomas Turgeon, Memphis TN; Sandy McCay, Naples FL	6.08
46	George Bessinger, La Mesa CA; William Grant - Pat Chapman, San Diego CA; Scott Nelson, Carlsbad CA	5.96
47	Charles Swart, Alameda CA; Dennis Balfe, University City MO; Ray Robert, Portland OR; David Rosenstein, Henderson NV	5.46
48	Basant Shah - James Perkins, Los Angeles CA; Rammohan Sarangan, Arlington VA; Yatindra Sahae, Carmel Valley CA	5.33
49	Hendrik Sharples, Brush Prairie WA; Gerry Marshall, Calgary AB; Bruce Cuthbertson, Vancouver WA; Dewitt (Hal) Montgomery III, Portland OR	4.83
50/51	Sidney Brownstein, Santa Monica CA; Ed Davis, Seal Beach CA; Fred Hamilton - Alexander Weiland, Las Vegas NV	4.65
50/51	Steven Gaynor - Jean Boettcher - Joel Kramer, Minneapolis MN; Michael Flader, Eagan MN	4.65
52/53	Daniel Chang, Alhambra CA; Kang Wu Zhang - Yuan Yan Gu - Zhong Jian Yuan - Yang Cai - Yue Wang, Shanghai China	4.64
52/53	Victor King, Hartford CT; Sheila Gabay, Newton MA; Lew Gamerman, Randolph MA; Mel Colchamiro, Merrick NY	4.64
54	Stan Schenker - David Milton, Herndon VA; Hal Hindman, Centreville VA; Sumner Steinfeldt, Washington DC	4.31
55	Lynn Leisy, Amelia Island FL; Michael Dalton, Palm Coast FL; Michael Roche, Victoria BC; John Carruthers, Kingsville ON; Neil Chambers, Schenectady NY; John Schermer, Seattle WA	4.04
56	Ed Schulte, Tampa FL; Tom Kniest, Brentwood MO; Ira Hessel, San Antonio TX; Kenneth Schutze, Austin TX; Don Stack, Kansas City KS; Chuck Said, Nashville TN	3.99
57	Ahmed Hussein, New York NY; Marshall Lewis, Bloomington IN; George Whitworth, Coarsegold CA; Ed Ulman, Portland OR	3.97
58	Kenneth Titow - Jerry Gaer, Scottsdale AZ; Bill Heid, Santa Fe NM; Adele Verkamp, Phoenix AZ	3.83
59	Abe Jakob - Juliette Symchowicz - Eva Weissberger - Ronald Weissberger, Fort Lauderdale FL	3.57
60	Jeff Hand - John Rengstorff, New York NY; Jim Looby - Keith Garber - Nancy Schwantes, Las Vegas NV; Gregory Woods, Westport CT	3.42
61/62	John Maselli, Providence RI; John Malley, Pascoag RI; Vincent Grande Jr, Salem MA; Randolph Johnson, Suffield CT	1.70
61/62	Bruce Horiguchi, Gardena CA; Lee Maddocks, Modesto CA; John Kissinger, San Clemente CA; Steve Mager, Hermosa Beach CA	1.70

63	Michael Schreiber, Plano TX; William Schreiber, Valley Glen CA; Hugh Brown Jr. Greenwood SC; Robert Fendrick, Marietta GA; David Macrae, Smyrna GA; Richard Potter, Black Mountain NC	1.45
64/65	Kenneth Kadis - Elayne Kadis, Brookline MA; Stephen Gladyszak, Chelsea MA; Ann Borgschulte, San Anselmo CA	1.44
64/65	William Wood, Meridian ID; Rick Jasper - John Wachsmann, San Jose CA; R Ian Martindale, Boise ID	1.44
66/67	Ben Takemori - Aidan Ballantyne, Burnaby BC; Polly Dunn - Patrick Dunn, Edmonds WA	1.43
66/67	Buddhadeb Biswas - Stuart Goodgold, San Jose CA; Mindy Foos - Michael Fleisher, Campbell CA	1.43
68	H Jay Sloofman, Tarrytown NY; Billy Miller, Las Vegas NV; Claude Vogel, Chicago IL; George Jacobs, Hinsdale IL; Boris Baran, Cote Saint-Luc QC	1.37
69	Jay Levy, Amherst NY; Dan Roseberry, Dover OH; Martin Robins, Delray Beach FL; Charlene Predmest, Boynton Beach FL; Don Sulgrove - Kathleen Sulgrove, Twinsburg OH	1.01
70	Timothy Flaherty - Michael Mezin, San Diego CA; Gregory Vernon, Ridgecrest CA; Elaine Chan, La Jolla CA	0.99
71	Thomas Devine, Ferndale WA; Ron Beall - Robert Bjorge, Bellingham WA; Kevin Bolan, Snohomish WA	0.89
72	Jack Shartsis, Huntington Wds MI; Jerrold Grossman, Rochester Hills MI; Debra Eaves, Northville MI; Vic Quiros, Phoenix AZ	0.60
73	David Lodge, Rancho Mirage CA; Allan Palansky, Henderson NV; Neal Kleiner, San Pedro CA; David Peim, Torrance CA	0.15
74	Barbara Heller - Don Laycock, Knoxville TN; Dallas Moore, Trotwood OH; Brian Ross, Charlestown IN	0.00

**QUALIFIERS IN THE WAGAR WOMEN'S PAIRS**

32.0 Tables		Carryover
1	Sharon Goldman, New York NY; Justyna Zmuda, Skwaina Poland	100.70
2	Bronia Jenkins, Vero Beach FL; Benedicte Cronier, Paris France	90.40
3	Kate Hill - Lynn Blumenthal, Santa Rosa CA	78.63
4	Betsey Schneider, San Carlos CA; Harriel Shea, San Jose CA	69.04
5	Shawn Quinn, Sugar Land TX; Nancy Passell, Plano TX	68.30
6	Heather MacGregor, Portola Valley CA; Melanie Kakalec, San Jose CA	63.52
7	Gabrielle Sherman, Tucson AZ; Laura Dekkers, Amersterdam	63.26
8	Jean Barry - Pat Leary, Livermore CA	52.00
9	Phyllis Rakevich, Tumwater WA; Jessie Brunswig, Fountain Hills AZ	51.68
10	Cecilia Rimstedt, Kungsbacka Sweden; Melanie Tucker, New York NY	48.81
11	Shannon Cappelletti, Delray Beach FL; Joanne Weingold, Boca Raton FL	47.51
12	Maria Marshall, Oceanside CA; Kathleen Byrne, San Diego CA	44.25
13	Fran White, Fallbrook CA; Phyllis Yates, San Diego CA	43.89
14/15	Renee Mancuso, Los Angeles CA; Linda Perlman, Milan MI	40.82
14/15	Gen Geiger - Gigi Simpson, Sarasota FL	40.82
16	Gloria Bart, Bradenton FL; Sharon Horton, Lakeland FL	36.76
17	Judi Radin - Jodi Edmonds, New York NY	35.99
18	Patricia Civale, Chesterfield NJ; Daisy Goecker, Yardley PA	35.04
19	Shelba Parmley, Fort Worth TX; Linda Hughes, Edmond OK	33.62
20	Judi Callahan, Fair Oaks CA; Carrie Touslee, Roseville CA	32.72
21	Natalie Bassil - Marina Polestra, Boston MA	32.04
22	Signe Buus Thomsen, Valby Denmark; Ulla Winkler, Somerville MA	31.94
23	Peggy Sutherlin, Dallas TX; Ellen Hessel, San Antonio TX	30.81
24	Martine Coriat - Patricia Soulet, Paris France	30.12
25	Kristen Onsgard, Dallas TX; K. Fung, Edmonton AB	24.84
26	Patricia Jankovic, Alcoa TN; Jo Anne Newby, Knoxville TN	24.67
27	Yingying Fan, San Jose CA; Jingyuan Gong, Shenzhen People's Republic of China	24.62
28	Janice Seamon-Molson, Hollywood FL; Riki Tulin, Boca Raton FL	23.93
29	Allison L. Cappelletti, Delray Beach FL; Gerriane Mason, Crossville TN	23.70
30	Lamya Agelidis, La Jolla CA; Rita Bichara, San Francisco CA	22.38
31	Ruth Grant, Tarrytown NY; Janet Becker, Ocean City MD	22.27
32	Wenjia Yan, Cerritos CA; Xingping Kang, El Monte CA	20.62
33	Joann Sprung - Sue Weinstein, Las Vegas NV	20.36
34	Rosemary Boden - Bella Ionis-Sorren, Fort Lauderdale FL	19.19
35	Dawn Campbell, Portland OR; Margaret Peterson, Larkspur CA	18.80
36	Diana Schuld, Glen Head NY; Susan Kissinger, San Clemente CA	17.29
37	Sally Meckstroth, Clearwater Beach FL; Deborah Drury, Vero Beach FL	16.37
38	Merle Stetser - Muriel Stitt, Honolulu HI	15.97
39	Sylvia Shi, Las Vegas NV; Jane McLaughlin, San Francisco CA	15.56
40	Laurie Rowe, Eugene OR; Amy Casanova, Portland OR	14.57
41	Lori Moore - Ann Schuyler, Bloomington IL	12.75
42	Cheri Bjerkan, Elmhurst IL; Rozanne Pollack, New York NY	11.22
43	Kathleen Wood, Madison WI; Toni Bales, Pickerington OH	11.00
44/45	Shelley Burns, North Vancouver BC; Alison Shoemaker, Wyndmoor PA	10.25
44/45	Petra Hamman, Carrollton TX; Stefanie Scott, Little Elm TX	10.25
46	Shameine Ali, New Westminster BC; Monique Chausse-Donor, Paris France	10.11
47	Elaine Said, Nashville TN; Linda Eakes, Overland Park KS	9.73
48	Nancy Mitchell, Jacksonville FL; Harriet Eaton Morris, Ponce Inlet FL	9.48
49	Deborah Avery, Champaign IL; Martha Leary, Urbana IL	8.80
50	Shirley Scott, Colorado Springs CO; Kathie Macnab, Halifax NS	7.82
51	Nancy Katz - Migry Zur Campanile, New York NY	7.68
52	Kyoko Kadona, Kobe Japan; Yuko Watanabe, Kobe City Japan	7.21
53	Jo Morse, Boise ID; Janet Dresden, Palm Beach Gardens FL	6.72
54	Sharon Austin, Bainbridge IN; Charlene Lutz, Indianapolis IN	6.21
55	Laurie Carr - Lily Johannessen, Honolulu HI	5.04
56	Chantal Dube - Josette Levesque, Montreal QC	4.79
57	Theri Andino, Niceville FL; Patti Poppell, Thomasville GA	2.53
58	Darlene Shirey, Fort Worth TX; La Quitta Talbot, Keller TX	2.13
59	Sondra Blank, L'Ile Bizard QC; Lesley Thomson, North York ON	1.48
60	Ann Buchholz, Ponte Vedra Beach FL; Janice Madsen, Jacksonville FL	0.94
61	Reisha Berkowsky, Dix Hills NY; Gail Levy, Melville NY	0.85
62	Nancy Stanton, Lewisville TX; Kim Brinkman, Flower Mound TX	0.81
63	Jung Hu, San Jose CA; Ying Liu, Palo Alto CA	0.01
64	Giorgia Botta, Brooklyn NY; Patricia Herrera, Mexico City Mexico	0.00

**Kids Table**

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**Stefanie Woodburn and Monique Thomas are excited to pick up T-shirts at the San Diego NABC in 2017 in a scene from "The Kids Table."**

"But there is a gap – a young professional gap," Benda said. While "the kids" encountered a great deal of players much older than them and, at NABCs, a fair amount of younger players, they didn't find any their own age – late 20s and early 30s.

Thomas noted that the vast majority of players she encountered told her they learned bridge when they were young and then took a 30-year break before coming back to it. But the fewer people who learn when they're young, the harder it will be to get them to come back 30 years later. "I have so many friends who would benefit from bridge. They were so intelligent in high school, but they had no outlet for their intelligence," she said, explaining that she wanted to see widespread awareness of the basics of bridge. "If this became a part of general knowledge, the issue would be solved."

Woodburn suggested that online bridge sites need better graphics to attract players accustomed to what video games offer. "If it was a better visual, I think so many people would do it," she said.

For their part, MacDouglas and Reynolds are developing a website where they will offer video lessons. "Our hope was we could show people, if you try this game and it is for you, you'll play for the rest of your life," Reynolds said. "We're just trying to expose as many people as we can to the game."

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**DANCE PLAY PAINT**

### 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: \$30 per player per session

(For team events, this means \$120 per team per session for four-person teams, \$150 per team per session for five-person teams, and \$180 per team per session for six-person teams. 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: \$22 per player per session

(For the team events, this means \$88 per team per session for teams of four, \$110 per team per session for teams of five, and \$132 per team per session for teams of six. Only ACBL members current on their dues and service fees are eligible to play in these events.)

Regional championships: \$20 for ACBL members, \$24 for inactive members per player per session

(For multi-session team events of three sessions or more, the entry fee is \$80, \$100 or \$120 for teams of four, five or six, respectively. For team events of one or two sessions, the entry fee is \$80.)

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

Screen fees \$10 per session per pair and \$20 per session per team is added to events when screens are in use.



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### GNT Final: 2019 Grue vs. Winestock

By Paul Barden

Grue (District 24: Joe Grue, Joel Wooldridge, Kent Mignocchi, Gillian Minitier, John Hurd) faced Winestock (District 17: Sheri Winestock, Fred Gitelman, Daniel Korbel, Roger Lee, Geoff Hampson, Haig Tchamitch) in the final of the Championship Flight of the Grand National Teams. The match was close throughout: Grue edged ahead in the third quarter to lead by 101-93 IMPs with 15 boards to play.

Each half of the match plays boards numbered 1 to 30, so Board 16 in the second half is Board 46 in the match, and so on.

Dlr: West ♠ K 5  
Vul: E-W ♥ A Q 6 5  
Bd: 16 ♦ A  
♣ A 10 9 6 5 2

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

West <i>Hampson</i>	North <i>Grue</i>	East <i>Tchamitch</i>	South <i>Hurd</i>
Pass	1♣	1♦	Pass
Pass	Dbl	All Pass	

Tchamitch risked an overcall despite the unfavorable vulnerability, and Hurd played for penalties. With game making, he needed to take the contract two off for a good score. He led his singleton ♣Q to the ace, ruffed the ♠10 return (suit preference for spades), led a spade to North's king, then ruffed the ♠2 return (suit preference for hearts). Now a heart to the ace, club ruff with♦Q, diamond to the ace (now or later), and a fifth club to promote ♦10 would have earned the defense five trump tricks and one of each. But South didn't picture North with the singleton ♦A, or perhaps had a different view of the signals, and led the ♦Q instead of a heart, losing a trick for the defense, so declarer got out for one off, plus 200 North-South.

At the other table:

West <i>Mignocchi</i>	North <i>Korbel</i>	East <i>Wooldridge</i>	South <i>Lee</i>
Pass	1♣	Pass	1♠
Pass	2♥	Pass	2NT*
Pass	3♣	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

After Korbel's reverse, Lee limited his hand with a 2NT negative, then bid game over his partner's non-forcing 3♣. West led his fourth-best spade, as good as anything, but with the ♦J falling singleton, declarer had no problem setting up a second diamond trick for plus 400 and 5 IMPs to Winestock, now trailing by only 3 IMPs.

Dlr: East ♠ K 2  
Vul: N-S ♥ A 10 8 7 4 3 2  
Bd: 18 ♦ —  
♣ A J 6 3

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

West <i>Hampson</i>	North <i>Grue</i>	East <i>Tchamitch</i>	South <i>Hurd</i>
2♣	4♥	4♠	All Pass

Tchamitch took advantage of the vulnerability to open a non-classical weak two-bid, and the action developed normally enough thereafter until Hurd had to decide what to do over 4♠. It's a close decision – often 4♠ and 5♥ will both be one off – and Hurd guessed to pass. Grue led ♥A and needed

to switch to clubs, playing his partner for ♣Q x x or better. South had followed with ♥9: That didn't convey the minor-suit position to North, who continued with ♥10. Declarer could have discarded a diamond on the heart, lost a trump finesse, won the next trump, and ruffed the diamonds good for two club discards. Instead he discarded a club loser, after which single-dummy play led to one off.

Other table:

West <i>Mignocchi</i>	North <i>Korbel</i>	East <i>Wooldridge</i>	South <i>Lee</i>
		Pass	Pass
1♠	2♥	2♠	Pass
3♣	3♥	Pass	4♥
Pass	Pass	Dbl	All Pass

Korbel bid his hand slowly, Mignocchi judged not to take the push, and Wooldridge judged to double. With the club finesse working, the defense made only their two major-suit tricks. 14 IMPs to Winestock, who took the lead by 4 IMPs.

Dlr: South ♠ 7  
Vul: E-W ♥ K J 7 6 5 2  
Bd: 19 ♦ 6 4  
♣ K 7 6 2

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

West <i>Hampson</i>	North <i>Grue</i>	East <i>Tchamitch</i>	South <i>Hurd</i>
Pass	1♥	Pass	1♦
Pass	4♣	Pass	3♣
Pass	5♣	Pass	4♠
Pass	5♠	Dbl	5♦
All Pass			

North-South answered questions about the auction by saying that they were unsure: The uncertainty may have started with 3♣, which South may have intended as a general game force.

Hampson led trumps, declarer won and led a heart, Hampson rose ace and continued trumps. Now declarer had a rare three-suited squeeze without the count if he ran his trumps, which would have made 11 tricks – if West bares the ♠Q, declarer pins it and the squeeze repeats. Understandably, Hurd saved his energy by ducking a club, East cashed the ♠A, and declarer claimed 10 tricks.

West <i>Mignocchi</i>	North <i>Korbel</i>	East <i>Wooldridge</i>	South <i>Lee</i>
			1♦
Dbl	1♥	1♠	3NT
All Pass			

Lee chose the more normal, and safer, 3NT rebid. West led ♠Q, declarer won in hand, led a heart to the king, and cashed his nine tricks for 11 IMPs to Winestock, now in the lead by 15.

Dlr: South ♠ J 5 3  
Vul: Both ♥ 10 2  
Bd: 23 ♦ K 10 8 7 2  
♣ 7 6 5

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

West <i>Hampson</i>	North <i>Grue</i>	East <i>Tchamitch</i>	South <i>Hurd</i>
2♠	All Pass		1NT

Tchamitch bravely passed his partner's 2♠ overcall, following the traditional advice not to compete with partner on misfits. Grue led ♥10 to Hurd's ace. A diamond switch would have been best, to prepare a forcing defense – there would usually be no hurry to take a heart ruff if the lead



were singleton – but South tried to keep his partner happy by continuing with ♥4, suit preference for clubs. Declarer discarded a diamond, and won in dummy. Now if he'd trusted South's signal, he could have ensured one off by leading a club off dummy, but he tried to make his contract by ruffing a heart back to hand with the ♠10. North overruffed with the ♠J and switched to the ♣5 to the queen and king. South had another chance to lead a diamond to set up a force for two off, but he was still in a world where North had the ♦A and declarer had seven spades, so he continued clubs hoping to get a ruff. Declarer was in control now and escaped with seven tricks.

West	North	East	South
<i>Mignocchi</i>	<i>Korbel</i>	<i>Wooldridge</i>	<i>Lee</i>
			1NT
2♦	Pass	2♥	Pass
2♠	Pass	3♥	All Pass

Mignocchi's methods required him to bid 2♦, multi style, to show a single-suited overcall in a major. Wooldridge, knowing his partner had spades, bid 2♥, pass or correct, then 3♥ to play. West had a good hand for him, but the sequence didn't show a game try, so he passed, missing the good game. Lee rightly suspected that his spades wouldn't stand up, so he tried leading an aggressive ♣K, giving declarer an 11th trick. Plus 200 and plus 100 were worth 7 IMPs to Grue, reducing the deficit to 10 IMPs.

Dlr: South     ♠ K Q J  
 Vul: None     ♥ K Q 10 8 7 3  
 Bd: 27         ♦ A 7 2  
                   ♣ 5

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

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Hampson</i>	<i>Grue</i>	<i>Tchamitch</i>	<i>Hurd</i>
			Pass
1♣	Dbl	1♦	1♠
2♣	2♥	3♣	4♥
All Pass			

Grue decided his hand was too strong for a 1♥ overcall, and Hurd judged that he was worth a raise to game. Tchamitch led his partner's suit; Hampson won and switched to the ♦J, which held, then with no entry to his partner's hand, tried a spade. Declarer won and knocked out the ♥A, then claimed 10 tricks, with a pointed-suit squeeze against East if he had a spade guard.

A diamond lead might have beaten 4♥. Declarer would win the second round and play hearts; West could duck one round to get a signal, then underlead the ♠A K to put his partner in to cash the setting trick.

West	North	East	South
<i>Mignocchi</i>	<i>Korbel</i>	<i>Wooldridge</i>	<i>Lee</i>
			Pass
1♣	1♥	Dbl	2♥
3♣	3♦	5♣	All Pass

Mignocchi and Wooldridge got themselves to 5♣ before anyone knew whose hand it was. With the diamonds friendly for declarer, the defense could do no more than take its three tricks for one

off and 9 IMPs to Grue.

The next two boards were flat, so as the last board hit the table Winestock was holding on by 5 IMPs:

Dlr: East     ♠ K Q J 8 5 2  
 Vul: None     ♥ 9 8  
 Bd: 30         ♦ 6 4 3  
                   ♣ 8 4

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

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Hampson</i>	<i>Grue</i>	<i>Tchamitch</i>	<i>Hurd</i>
		Pass	1NT
Pass	2♥	Pass	2♠
All Pass			

In the Closed Room, South arrived in 2♠, and Tchamitch elected not to compete. Hampson led a trump, dummy's king holding. Declarer played a club to the king, then went back to spades. Tchamitch switched to the ♦5 to the queen and king, and Hampson continued diamonds. Declarer was stuck in hand, so Tchamitch got in with a club and was able to give his partner a diamond ruff. But Grue read the position and finessed his ♦8, so that he could later discard dummy's heart loser on ♦J, making an overtrick.

West	North	East	South
<i>Mignocchi</i>	<i>Korbel</i>	<i>Wooldridge</i>	<i>Lee</i>
		Pass	1NT
Pass	2♥	Pass	2♠
Pass	Pass	Dbl	Pass
2NT	3♠	All Pass	

In the Open Room, Wooldridge declined to sell out to 2♠. 3♣ would have made, so Korbel was right to compete to 3♠. Mignocchi led the ♥7 to the queen and ace. Declarer played spades, East winning the second round and switching to the ♦7, declarer finessing. Declarer won the diamond continuation and led a heart to clear a path to dummy, but it was too late: West won, put East in with the ♣A and received a diamond ruff for one off – the difference was that the defense had already secured its heart trick.

If declarer had been on top form, he might have guessed the shapes from the auction – East had shown support for three suits, and West had shown two places to play. At least one minor-suit finesse rated to work, but the danger of a diamond ruff was foreseeable. So he would have led a heart out of hand at trick three – the ♥J would be stylish. Now West can put his partner in with ♣A, but declarer rises on the diamond switch and knocks out ♠A with the diamonds blocked.

Plus 140 and plus 50 meant 5 IMPs for Grue; the overtrick had been necessary, and the match was now tied. The teams would play an extra eight boards, starting after midnight, to decide the competition.

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HAND of the WEEK

# Let me "enter"tain you

By Barry Rigal

This deal comes from the first final session of the von Zedtwitz LM Pairs:

Dlr: West ♠ 8  
 Vul: None ♥ J 8 6  
 Bd: 8 ♦ A K 10 8 6 5 3  
 ♣ 9 3

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

East-West were handicapped here when West had to systemically open 1♣, not 1♦, letting North, France's Cedric Lorenzini, end the auction with a preemptive jump to 3♦.

After the opening lead of the ♠Q, declarer cashed dummy's top spades, pitching a club, and ruffed a spade as West pitched a heart. Lorenzini then crossed to the ♦Q, ruffed another spade (West letting go of a club) and cashed the ♦A to find the bad news. He then exited with a club to West's king in this ending:

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

It looks logical for West not to facilitate the trump coup, so he should lead a heart. Which one? The ♥A doesn't work. Declarer unblocks the ♥J then can ruff a club to hand and go back to a heart in dummy at trick 11.

Best is to lead a low heart. If declarer guesses well and puts in the 8, East must duck! If he puts up the queen, declarer ruffs a club to hand and plays the ♥J. If East ducks, declarer can win the ♥10 and ruff a club, but then has to lose two hearts.

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22.5 Tables

	A	B	C
7.15	1	1	
5.36	2	2	1
4.02	3		
3.02	4		
3.29	5	3	2
2.32	6/7		
2.47	6/7	4	
1.85		5	3
1.39		6	
1.53		7	

26.0 Tables

	A	B	C
5.40	1	1	1
4.05	2	2	2
3.04	3	3	
2.28	4	4	3
1.71	5	5	4
1.28	6	6	5
0.82			6

10.0 Tables

	D	E	F
2.33	1	1	1
1.75	2		
1.31	3	2	2
0.98	4		
0.96	5	3	
0.72	6	4	

78.0 Tables

	A	X	Y
38.70	1		
29.03	2		
21.77	3		
21.00	4	1	
12.90	5		
15.75	6	2	
9.68	7		
8.60	8		
11.81	9	3	
7.04	10		
6.45	11		
6.06	12		
8.86	13	4	
10.50	14	5	1
4.84	15		
4.55	16		
6.00	17	6	
5.25	18		
5.36	19		
3.70	20		

3.52	21		
7.88	22	7	2
4.67	23	8	
4.20	24	9	
5.25	25		
3.82	26	10	
3.50	27	11	
5.91	28	12	3
2.58	29		
3.68	30		
5.25	31	13	4
2.36	32		
3.35	33		
2.21	34		
3.50	35	14	5
3.68	36		
2.04	37		
2.63	38	15	

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2.21	18	Keith Hafen, Gainesville VA; Livingston Johnson, Fairfax VA	53.15%
2.10	19	Dianne Carr - Curt Kristensen, Duluth MN	52.98%
2.44	20	Bryan Delfs - Scott Chupack, Seattle WA	52.81%
1.91	21	Bruce Brownfield - Susan Ohman, Graham WA	52.40%
1.83	22	Mike Fierman, Encino CA; Dwight Hunt, Granada Hills CA	52.35%
1.75	23	Larry Page, Glen Ellen CA; Joanne Wegsten, Napa CA	52.15%
3.65	6	Margaret Breeden - James Breeden, Carson City NV	51.60%
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1.75	11	Lynne Humphrey - Mark Humphrey, Moraga CA	50.26%
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**MONDAY DAYLIGHT GOLD RUSH PAIRS**

62.0 Tables			
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3.75	9	Scott Kelly, Aurora CO; Charlie Drotar, Parker CO	57.36%
3.41	10	Richard Jacoby, Stamford CT; Jackie Scott, Norwalk CT	57.01%
3.16	11	4 J. Ross Bengel, Playa Del Rey CA; Robert Johann, Redondo Beach CA	56.88%
2.88	12	5 2 Beverley Erickson, Calgary AB; Marcia Abrahamsen, La Quinta CA	56.78%
2.59	13/14	Marcy Blumstein, La Quinta CA; Shelly Arbuckle, Whitefish MT	56.53%
2.59	13/14	6 3 Yunshan Wang - Tsz Fei Wang, North York ON	56.53%
2.34	15	7 David Gordon - Rosalind Gordon, Mattituck NY	56.11%
2.22	16	8 4 Harlene Michaels - Lawrence Michaels, Brookeland TX	55.91%
2.08	17	Maureen Merker, Mentor OH; Alice Kratsch, Prospect Heights IL	55.49%
1.97	18	9 5 Alan Cohen - Mara Cohen, Porter Ranch CA	55.42%
2.07	19	Patrick Staley - Brian Castle, San Diego CA	55.28%
1.79	20	10 Ronald Rybak, Worthington OH; Diane Halloran, Hilliard OH	55.14%
1.70	21	Bruce Backup - Mike Goffe, Portland OR	54.77%
1.63	22	Judy Nevell, Eugene OR; Ellen McCumsey, Junction City OR	54.44%
1.56	23	11 Robyn Williams - Arvis Williams, Pearland TX	54.38%
1.54	24	Susan Williford, Clemmons NC; Susan Mann, Winston-Salem NC	54.17%
1.61	25/26	12/13 Jerry Burch - Kathleen Burch, Goodyear AZ	54.10%
1.71	25/26	12/13 Jim Pronger - Eila Pronger, Thunder Bay ON	54.10%
2.30	27	Meredith Schainblatt, Clearwater FL; Joan Barzilai, Cleveland Heights OH	54.03%
1.29	28	14 6 Rui Gong - Arthur Gong, Sammamish WA	53.96%
1.94	29	Claire McGuire, Northfield IL; Susan Doyle, Winnetka IL	53.73%
1.53	30	Matt Liberty - Spring Liberty, Santa Barbara CA	53.40%
1.16	31/32	Jim Wolf, Tucson AZ; Richard Dunie, Oro Valley AZ	53.33%
1.53	31/32	Min Bai - Xin Ge, Cupertino CA	53.33%

**MONDAY AFTERNOON SIDE PAIRS**

50.5 Tables					
13.22	A	B	C	Suellen Solodar, Palm Beach Gardens FL; Howard Sloan, Delray Beach FL	66.52%
9.92	1	1		Bryan Storey, Frisco TX; Norman Beck, Dallas TX	65.06%
7.44	2			Jon Downing, Solihull England; Julian Wernick, Birmingham England	64.59%
5.58	3			Beth Reshefsky - Susan Bowles, Virginia Beach VA	62.37%
7.64	4	2	1	Yuan Li - Han Wu, Markham ON	62.26%
5.73	5	3		Richard Gerk - Carole Gerk, Las Vegas NV	59.49%
2.37	6			Linda Ivanoff - Robert Priest, Harrisburg PA	59.47%
3.38	7			Gerald Fox, Napa CA; Danielle Hejmanowski, Folsom CA	59.11%
2.39	8			David Standig, Beach Haven NJ; Hank Youngerman, Reading PA	58.84%
4.29	9			Pat Emery - David Carter, New York NY	58.20%
3.22	10	4		Joyce McMonagle, Cordova TN; Alexander Bealles, Butler PA	57.52%
3.61	11	5		Nancy Alvarado, Yucaipa CA; Kirk Freyermuth, Beaumont CA	57.34%
2.37	12	6	2	Susan Weiss, Jericho NY; Carl Gueli, Great Neck NY	56.58%
1.81	13			Stephane Turcotte, Saint-Laurent QC; Robert Guerard, Brossard QC	56.36%
2.52		7		Nancy Wampler, Callaway VA; Elaine Scott, North Las Vegas NV	55.86%
2.53		8	3	Malgorzata Koziol, Las Vegas NV; Shailesh Gupta, Aliso Viejo CA	55.83%
1.81		9		Donald Moyer - Katy Moyer, Dardenne Prairie MO	54.89%
1.62		10		Lisa Li, Surrey BC; Flora Yan, Langley BC	54.62%
1.22		4		Henry Yao, Vancouver BC; Jennifer Hong, Burnaby BC	54.48%
0.91		5		Donald Lacey, Clearwater FL; Ann Van Dyke, Naples FL	53.93%

**Winkle pickers**

*By Barry Rigal*

On this deal from the first final session of the von Zedtwitz LM Pairs, an unusual auction at our table led to a delicate contract:

Dir: South ♠ A K Q J 2  
 Vul: None ♥ 8 6 2  
 Bd: 11 ♦ 7  
 ♣ 10 9 3 2

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

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

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
Pass	1♠	Pass	1NT
Pass	Pass	2♣ (1)	2♦
Pass	2♣	All Pass	

(1) Clubs plus another suit.

You can't blame East too much for his top club lead (or for shifting to a trump), can you?

Now declarer sensibly ruffed a club and led the ♦Q to West's ace, followed by the defenders cashing two clubs to create this ending with East on lead:

♠ K Q J 2  
 ♥ 8 6 2  
 ♦ —  
 ♣ —

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

♠ —  
 ♥ K J 7 4  
 ♦ J 10 5  
 ♣ —

East led a low heart. Declarer put up the ♥K and took a ruffing finesse against the ♦K. When West covered, declarer ruffed low, cashed his trumps and conceded the rest. But in this ending:

♠ J  
 ♥ 8 6  
 ♦ —  
 ♣ —

♠ — ♠ —  
 ♥ Q ♥ A 9 5  
 ♦ 8 6 ♦ —  
 ♣ — ♣ —

♠ —  
 ♥ J 7  
 ♦ J  
 ♣ —

If declarer exits with a heart, the defenders are winkled out of their second heart trick!

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# Bruce Noda 1948-2019

By Warren Cederborg

Grand Life Master Bruce Noda of Corte Madera CA died in May. He was 71.



Noda was a three-time NABC champion. He won the Truscott/USPC Senior Swiss Teams in 2004 and 2018 and the Leventritt Silver Ribbon Pairs in 2015. Noda was second in the Baze Senior KO Teams in 2004.

Over the years, the game of bridge eventually becomes secondary to the friendships we develop. In hearing of Bruce Noda's death, any thoughts of competition suddenly became meaningless. Bruce embodied the qualities of gentleness, honesty and genuine goodness, while constantly demonstrating a fierce ability to play the game of bridge at the highest level.

Bill Harker, a close friend and partner, summed it up by saying, "Bruce was the best human being I've ever known."

Close friend and regular partner Mark Ralph said he and Bruce formed a partnership in 2007. "We played together and roomed together at 35 nationals."

In the course of winning two NABCs with Bruce, Ralph said, "Bruce was a dream partner and teammate. He simply never – no matter how poorly I played – got angry or upset. He was always the 'adult' at the bridge table."

Mark said Bruce followed the rules both at bridge and life. "I remember walking with him up to an intersection where the light had just turned red. There were no cars in sight and I started walking. About halfway across I noticed that Bruce was still standing at the intersection. Once he caught up to me, I could tell he was angry about something. He then asked me if I had seen the two children standing at the intersection with their mom. Yes, I said. He then excoriated me for setting a bad example. Since Bruce never got mad, this made a big impression on me. Don't misunderstand, I continue to jaywalk, maybe even with children present, but whenever I do I still feel Bruce's eyes on the back of my neck."

Gene Simpson said, "Bruce was not only a fine bridge player, but a wonderful bridge partner. He never complained, never seemed disappointed. I don't know of anyone I'm going to miss more in the bridge world, and in life. He had friends all over the country. It's just amazing."

As with all of his friends, Crisp Barrere was shocked when he heard that Bruce had died. "I thought he was one of the healthiest people around. That underscores what a private person he was, doing what he wanted on his terms."

Barrere said Bruce's passing dealt a huge blow to an organization that served mankind. "He was board chairman of Blue Energy, an organization that put water systems in developing countries.

Bruce was very thoughtful in all he did – one of the real gentlemen of the game."

## MONDAY AFTERNOON 299ER PAIRS

23.0 Tables	A	B	C		
4.95	1	1		Kay Alspaugh - Lindy Hamilton, Boise ID	66.37%
3.25	2/3	2/3	1	Annette Lucas, Las Vegas NV; Loren Moore, North Las Vegas NV	61.44%
3.25	2/3	2/3		James Sneed, Glendale AZ; Andrew Purvis, Kirkland WA	61.44%
2.20	4	4	2	Tom Young, Dothan AL; Jeffrey Imber, Bolton ON	59.61%
1.65	5	5	3	Carel Carter - Donna Mader, Henderson NV	58.26%
1.24	6	6	4	Marcia Taylor - John Burton, Pittsburgh PA	57.79%
0.99			5	Danielle Dina, Beverly Hills CA; Jill Sattinger, Los Angeles CA	55.37%
0.70			6	Eileen Feltes, Albuquerque NM; Sheila Ritchie, Vancouver BC	54.93%

## MONDAY AFTERNOON 49ER PAIRS

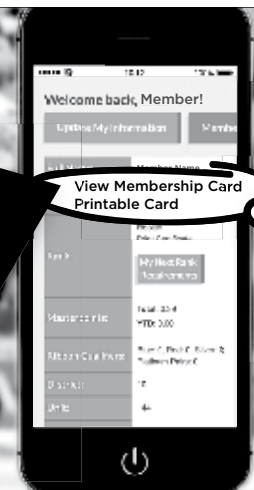
9.5 Tables	A	B	C		
2.33	1			Willie Kiang, La Jolla CA; Ed Tsu, Carlsbad CA	67.86%
1.75	2	1		Nisha Goyal, San Diego CA; Pawan Agrawal, Fort Mojave AZ	65.30%
1.31	3	2		Kenneth Ertman - Pat Ertman, West Bend WI	58.93%
1.32	4	3	1	Matthew Therian - Kristine Therian, San Francisco CA	56.46%
0.74	5	4		Linda Plein - Len Boscarine, Albuquerque NM	55.65%
0.55	6			Toni Mahoney - Shirley Richard, Nipomo CA	54.42%
0.99			2	Kevin Ren; Yusef Husain, Midland MI	49.66%

## MONDAY DAYLIGHT SWISS TEAMS

88 Tables	A	B	C		
32.22	1			Michael Gladfelter - Mary Jane Gladfelter - Suman Agarwal - Boris Tenchov, Columbus OH	130.00
24.17	2	1		Bob Lafleur, Las Vegas NV; Dan Morgenstern, Brunswick ME; Horace Gower, Freeport ME; William Fogel, San Diego CA	123.00
18.12	3			Morris Jones, Monrovia CA; James Glickman, Las Vegas NV; Howard Einberg, Los Angeles CA; Joseph Viola III, Altadena CA; Yas Takeda, Hacienda Heights CA; Yoon Kim, San Diego CA	111.00
13.59	4			Jay Barron, Tulsa OK; Jim Johnsen, San Diego CA; Debbie Benner, Fairfield CT; Ishmael Del'Monte, Las Vegas NV	107.00
10.74	5			Paul Pugsley, Carson City NV; Helena Fine - Louis Trautwein III, Naples FL; Anthony Trebaol, Milpitas CA	105.00
9.21	6			Will Engel, Rockford IL; Paul Holmes, Wadsworth OH; Eric Gittleman, Ellicott City MD; George Klemic, Bensenville IL; Shawn Abernethy, Seattle WA	104.00
14.61	7/8	2/3		Maryam Fraser, North Palm Beach FL; Doraine Ross, Raleigh NC; Kathy Mootz, Hilton Head SC; Patricia Stadelmaier, Pine City NY	103.00
14.61	7/8	2/3		Jacob Hornberger, Ashburn VA; Feng Liu - Jacinda Liu, Sandy UT; Bernie Fromm, Kansas City MO	103.00
6.44	9			Robert Webster, Ripon WI; Nancy Ogreenc, Wautoma WI; Paul Morgan - Marjorie Morgan, Madison WI	101.00
5.86	10			Ronald Wilson, Mississauga ON; Debbie Feldman - Andrew Firko - Christopher Cowan, Oakville ON	99.00
9.39	11	4		Luc Gagnon - Sylvie Levesque - Yves Decelles - Denise Leclerc, Baie-Comeau QC	98.00
7.42	12	5		David Johnson, Milledgeville GA; Sandra Macpherson, Halifax NS; James Keegan, Cambridge MA; Michael Baker, Adamsville RI	97.00
7.98	13	6	1	Teri Bratt, Indian Wells CA; Nance Lodge, Rancho Mirage CA; Lynn Heckler, Woodland Hills CA; Marsha Bocan, Los Angeles CA	96.00
5.57	14	7		Samuel Amer, Long Island NY; Leslie Weisbrod - Brooke Cohen, New York NY; Raluca Dobrescu, Woodside NY	95.00
3.91	15/16			Newton Brightwell - Marilyn Brightwell, Osprey FL; Jack Bonney - Dianne Bonney, Venice FL	94.00
4.95	15/16	8		Marcus Ballinger, Burlingame CA; Glenn Boyce, Piedmont CA; Edwin Seputis, Oakland CA; Peter Schneider, Las Vegas NV	94.00
5.99	17/18	9	2	Patricia McKinley, Telluride CO; Harish Singh, Diamond Bar CA; Donna Butcher - Gisele Girardin, Winnipeg MB	93.00
3.49	17/18			Harry Elliott, Cypress TX; Lily Andre - James Andre, Mercer Island WA; David Ticen, Victoria TX	93.00
3.01	19/22			Scott Hiller - Raymond Depew, Naples FL; Lance Chamberlain, Rochester MN; Judith Argento, Kingston PA	92.00
3.73	19/22	10/12		Mary Emory, Milwaukee WI; Robert Steuer, Glendale WI; Henry Sokol, Mequon WI; Mary Goulet, Palm Desert CA	92.00
3.73	19/22	10/12		Steve Chen - Charlie Chen - Jonathan Yue, San Jose CA; Brandon Ge, Cupertino CA	92.00
3.73	19/22	10/12		William Bidermann, San Diego CA; Joan Kroener, Cardiff CA; Larry Wagner, Cupertino CA; Brian Gilbert, Irvine CA	92.00
3.08		13/14		Sohail Hasan, Harwich MA; Ann McDougal, Houston TX; Sudhakar Divakaruni, Scottsdale AZ; Murali Nair, Phoenix AZ	91.00
3.08		13/14		Bonnie Hertzog, Tucson AZ; Nancy Perez, Richmond IN; Jean Kydd, Chelmsford MA; Phyllis Zubulake, Northbrook IL	91.00

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4.49	15	3	Lori Kiefer, La Quinta CA; Patricia Dunbar, Little River CA; Audrey Thompson, Lakewood Ranch FL; Royald Zell, Tampa FL	88.00
2.55	16/17		Marjorie O'Malley - Charles O'Malley III, San Diego CA; Avram Ninyo - Susan Ninyo, Rancho Santa Fe CA	87.00
2.55	16/17		Joann Bowen, Ventura CA; Anita Flood, Somis CA; Lue Waddle, Dallas TX; Jo Santa, Colorado Springs CO	87.00
3.02	4/5		Anthony Muller, Pebble Beach CA; Joyce Newell, Monterey CA; Glenn Chee - David Ow, Salinas CA	84.00
3.02	4/5		John Early, Lansdale PA; Michelle Steiner, Fairborn OH; Jeannette Stern, Carmel By Sea CA; Susan Mazzei, Aptos CA	84.00
2.28	6		Stuart Treworgy, Cumberland RI; Steven Bruns - Candace Taylor, Honolulu HI; David Golper, Highland Park IL	78.00
2.00	7		Connie Wang, Arcadia CA; Chiu Lee, Monterey Park CA; Fay Hsu - Tai Wang, Rosemead CA	76.00

### MONDAY OPEN PAIRS

56.0 Tables / Based on 136 Tables

	A	B	C		
41.41	1			Pamela Granovetter, Cincinnati OH; Kimberly Gilman, Carlisle MA	61.04%
31.06	2			Allan Siebert - Jay Lucas, Little Rock AR	59.69%
23.29	3	1		James Sundstrom, Wyckoff NJ; Zachary Madden, Bethesda MD	59.29%
17.47	4	2		David Lim - Joel Schwartz, Las Vegas NV	57.03%
13.80	5			David Moss, New York NY; Kevin Casey, Sherman CT	56.77%
11.83	6			Michael Keller, Yellowstone Natl Park WY; Tim Spencer, Great Falls MT	56.73%
10.35	7	3	1	Kenneth Hopke, Annandale VA; Larry Yarger, West Point NE	56.69%
9.20	8	4	2	Christopher Moh - Siqing Yu, New York NY	56.62%
8.28	9			Howard Epley, Kent WA; William Holt, Sewickley PA	56.38%
7.53	10			Ioannis Papakyriakopoul - Vasileios Vroustis, Athens Greece	56.11%
6.90	11			Marianne Aronovich - Serge Aronovich, Tuxedo Park NY	56.10%
6.37	12			Pedro Miguel Durao, Lisbon Portugal; Joyce Penn, Columbus OH	56.00%
5.92	13			Valentin Kovachev, Las Vegas NV; Dave Schouweiler, Bismarck ND	55.86%
5.52	14			Subhash Gupta, New Delhi India; Noriko Domichi, Tokyo Japan	55.76%
5.18	15			Randy Thompson, Albuquerque NM; Barry Spector, Lewes DE	55.58%
4.87	16			Frederick Allenspach, Plantation FL; Janet Lee, Oakton VA	55.51%
5.36	17	5		Phil Feldman, Los Angeles CA; David Feldman, New York NY	55.46%
4.36	18			Dian Urbano, Bluffton SC; Joanne Yurchak, West Chester PA	55.38%
4.14	19			Donald Faskow, Hollywood FL; John Albright, Plantation FL	55.22%
4.59	20	6		John Sinclair, Tonawanda NY; David Colligan, Buffalo NY	55.04%
3.76	21			Russ Jones, Jonesboro AR; Michael McGuire, Hernando MS	54.73%
6.33	22			Gregory Nowak, Las Vegas NV; Divakar Bhargava, Henrico VA	54.58%
3.88	23			Ingi Agnarsson, South Burlington VT; Arti Bhargava, Mill Valley CA	54.54%
3.31	24			Arthur Korth, Galloway NJ; Richard Morgen, Havertown PA	54.23%
3.19	25			Rashid Khan - Vera Carpenter, York ON	54.15%
4.02	26	7		Daniel Kroll - Misook Jung, Berkeley CA	54.12%
6.33	27			Serdar Ogut, Darien IL; Don Lussky, Elmhurst IL	54.04%
3.71	28	8	3	Brent Xiao, Fremont CA; Stella Q. Wan, Palo Alto CA	53.88%
3.22		9	4	Sumit Daftuar, San Marino CA; Robert Forster, Little Neck NY	53.77%
2.92		10		Robin Hillyard, Carlisle MA; Ethan Wood, Dover MA	53.73%
2.77		11	5	Marilynn Schuyler, Discovery Bay CA; Susan Huber, Brentwood CA	53.69%
6.33		12		Harry Selldin - Christoph Eick, Houston TX	53.65%
2.30		13		Jennifer Gu, Palo Alto CA; Jason Rosenfeld, Seattle WA	53.15%
2.67		14		Thomas Rush, Houston TX; Christine Denny, Encinitas CA	53.07%
2.01		15		Richard Underwood, Voorheesville NY; Kerry Cotterell, Freeland WA	52.96%
4.43		6		Daniel McGuire - Maria Poh, Las Vegas NV	52.03%

### MONDAY GOLD RUSH PAIRS

12.0 Tables

		B	C		
5.78	7	1	1	Charles Royer - Susan Royer, Grosse Pointe MI	60.42%
4.34	2			Georgia Lambert - John Mount, Brentwood CA	57.29%
3.25	3	2		Mark Burton - Jennifer Burton, Aurora CO	57.14%
2.44	4			Erica Walker, Dallas TX; Vicky Renzulli, Dana Point CA	55.65%
1.93	5			Gordon Sawyer, Seattle WA; Bruce Graham, Dunnellon FL	54.76%
1.71	6			Dwight Curry, Lincoln CA; Renata Frutiger, Tiki Island TX	54.61%
2.03		3		Suresh Gadad - Sam Earnhardt, Walnut Creek CA	52.83%
2.07		4	2	Robert Linger, North Las Vegas NV; Richard Kvidt, Las Vegas NV	48.96%

### MONDAY EVENING SIDE GAME

28.0 Tables

	A	B	C		
8.23	1	1		Mark McCarthy - Rhian Davies, San Francisco CA	66.43%
6.17	2	2		Mark McKechnie - Leah McKechnie, Medford OR	61.08%
4.63	3	3		Adrienne Fisher - Eugene Fisher, Rockville MD	60.54%
3.47	4	4		John Prance - Clarende Duby, Calgary AB	58.38%
2.60	5			Michael Morris, Oak Ridge TN; Bill Waters, Knoxville TN	57.14%
3.55	6	5	1	William Thompson, Las Vegas NV; Sharon Harbach, Argyle TX	56.43%
1.70	7	6		Robert Bertoni, Haverhill MA; Vikram Srimurthy, Brookline MA	55.65%
1.27	8	7		Elaine McClure - William McClure, Longboat Key FL	55.44%
2.50			2	Giorgio Casinovi, Tucker GA; Michael Moschella, Winter Springs FL	54.46%
1.87			3	William Dilks, Long Beach CA; Virginia Brewer, Manhattan Beach CA	53.92%
1.40			4	Lynn Heckler, Woodland Hills CA; Marsha Bocan, Los Angeles CA	53.16%
1.05			5	Maxine Etkin - Lisa Hebert, Ottawa ON	52.21%

### MONDAY EVENING 299ER PAIRS

13.0 Tables

	A	B	C		
3.45	1	1		Jackson Wahl - Sarah Emmons, Minneapolis MN	68.37%
2.59	2	2	1	Charlie Chen - Andrew Chen, San Jose CA	67.61%
1.94	3	3	2	Ashish Gupta - Andrew Hong, San Francisco CA	60.04%
1.46	4			Faith Franck - Robert Schulman, Las Vegas NV	59.09%
1.09	5	4	3	Linda Plein - Len Boscarine, Albuquerque NM	58.90%
1.21	6	5		Jane Maloney, Incline Village NV; Bonny Yamashita, Sun City West AZ	55.87%
0.82			4	Gary Higbee - Mary Duffy, Chattanooga TN	53.60%

## Endplay, GNT-style

*By Ross Driedger*

Sometimes we wonder what kinds of things elite players do that most of us mere card players don't. A perfect example of this came up in the GNT Championship semifinal match between Winestock (District 17) and McDevitt (District 25). Adam Grossack found himself declaring 4♥ on this deal (rotated for convenience):

Dr: South ♠ 10 9 7 6 3  
 Vul: N-S ♥ K 8 6 4 3  
 Bd: 5 ♦ K 5  
 ♣ K

	West	North	East	South
				<i>Grossack</i>
				1NT
Pass	2♦		Pass	3♥
Pass	4♥		All Pass	

West, Haig Tchamitch for D17, found the opening lead of the ♠4 which went to the ace, and Geoff Hampson returned the ♠Q, covered with the king and ruffed by West with the ♥10. Tchamitch exited with the ♦J, which Grossack won in hand with the queen.

Put yourself in the South seat: How do you like your chances? You have lost two tricks, and you have the trump ace and seemingly a spade to lose as well. Most players I know would go down one, blaming their bad luck on the deal.

Not someone who is playing in the GNT semis. Declarer cashed his minor-suit winners, pitching spades from dummy, and then led the ♥2, which Tchamitch won performe with the ace, Hampson contributing the queen.

♠ 9  
 ♥ K 8 6 4  
 ♦ —  
 ♣ —  
 ♠ —  
 ♥ —  
 ♦ 10 9  
 ♣ 9 7 6

♠ 8  
 ♥ J 9 7 5  
 ♦ —  
 ♣ —

West is on lead with only minor-suit cards and must give declarer a ruff and sluff to eliminate his spade loser.

The full deal:

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

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

It was worth 11 IMPS when declarer went down in same contract at the other table.

How can West defeat the contract? The defense can prevail if West cashes the ♥A after the spade ruff and then exits with a minor-suit card, but this is a difficult defense to find at the table.

But don't feel too bad for Tchamitch. His team went on to win the semifinal match and the GNT final.

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# ACBL CROSSWORD #39

By Alan Olschwang

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**Across**

- 1. Times to remember
- 5. Broke
- 10. \_\_\_ serif (typeface)
- 14. Optimistic
- 15. Accustom to hardship
- 16. Supplicate
- 17. Fed agent
- 18. French possessive
- 19. Shower in public?
- 20. A Jordan two no bid follows \_\_\_ after a major opening (See 40A)
- 23. Time change abbr.
- 24. Brief time span, briefly
- 25. Brattish
- 28. Athletic supporter?
- 31. Post-game summary
- 35. Old cagers' org.
- 36. Essential
- 39. Advocate adamantly
- 40. And shows 10-12 points and \_\_\_ (See 54A)

**Down**

- 43. Aerie dweller
- 44. Glib speech
- 45. "In the \_\_\_ Small Hours of the Morning" (Frank Sinatra song)
- 46. Treasure trove
- 48. Pop music's \_\_\_ Lobos
- 49. More private
- 51. Have hash
- 53. 22.5 deg. on the compass
- 54. With 40A and 13-15 points \_\_\_.
- 63. Treasure trove
- 64. Star Wars droid, familiarly
- 65. Perry victory site
- 66. Roll call no-show, briefly
- 67. Coniferous trees
- 68. Gray matter matter?
- 69. Lacking coverage?
- 70. Dieter's place of reckoning
- 71. Court feat

**Down**

- 1. Thus
- 2. 80% bridge game, e.g.
- 3. Cousin of PDQ
- 4. Clerical councils
- 5. Palindromic doctrine
- 6. Erelong
- 7. Kennel club reject
- 8. Revokes
- 9. Ownership papers
- 10. Neaten
- 11. Middle East denizen
- 12. Finger's tip
- 13. Last word of a New Year's song
- 21. Timberlake's old group
- 22. Anthem preposition
- 25. Bank fixtures
- 26. Call off, as a mission
- 27. Hot house of sorts
- 28. Untamed
- 29. Enhance
- 30. Egg holders

- 32. Canine covering
- 33. Come to terms
- 34. Pumpkin eater of rhyme
- 37. "The Gold Bug" author's monogram
- 38. Postage \_\_\_
- 41. Move to a new community
- 42. Word processing command
- 47. Exclamation of triumph
- 50. Mythological sea nymph
- 52. End plays, in a sense
- 53. Oater choker
- 54. Fail to keep a secret
- 55. "Field of Dreams" setting
- 56. Way in
- 57. Obama attorney general Holder
- 58. Old lab burner
- 59. Coward with a pen
- 60. A language of India
- 61. Bearing
- 62. Reach a high

**MONDAY EVENING A/X/Y SWISS TEAMS**

18 Tables / Based on 41 Tables

	A	B	C		
10.88	1	1	1	Andrew Risman, Toronto ON; Merryl Chin, North York ON; Tony Viidik - Joan Viidik, Waterloo ON	66.00
8.16	2	2	2	Somers Collins - Andrew Collins, Little Rock AR; Bo Liu, Irvine CA; Sherman Gao, Brea CA	55.00
6.12	3	3		Lorraine Cable, Elmhurst NY; David Yoon, Bayside NY; Ryan Connors, Alexandria VA; Randi Adelman, Teaneck NJ	52.00
4.59	4			George Klemic, Bensenville IL; Shawn Abernethy, Seattle WA; Paul Holmes, Wadsworth OH; Eric Gettleman, Ellicott City MD	50.00
3.44	5			Jack Sieling, Pinellas Park FL; Al Spaet, Tucson AZ; Charles Grimes, Midland TX; Sue Gerard, Mexico City Mexico	47.00

**MONDAY EVENING B/C/D SWISS TEAMS**

23 Tables

	B	C	D		
6.60	1	1	1	Brandon Ge - Xin Ge, Cupertino CA; Jonathan Yue - Sarah Chen, San Jose CA	59.00
4.95	2			Phyllis Siegel, Ballwin MO; Jim Hutter, Broomfield CO; Howard Kalender, Scottsdale AZ; Mike Arnheim, St. Louis MO	58.00
3.71	3			Barbara Somerville, Sacramento CA; Shirley Brown, Easley SC; Jim Bowman, Carmichael CA; Jeffrey Beyers, Orangevale CA	53.00
2.78	4			Pam Campbell - Carol Macksey, Fairfield OH; Reeta Brendamour, Cincinnati OH; Woodie Goddard, Bowling Green OH	50.00
2.40	5	2		Patrick Staley - Brian Castle, San Diego CA; Mark Rosenholz, Albany NY; Linda Atkinson, Encinitas CA	49.00
1.80	6	3	2	Sara Lynn Thomas - Marjorie Sandoval, Colorado Springs CO; Jan Heggem - Pamela Williams, Albuquerque NM	48.00
1.35		4		Susan Sanger, St. Louis Park MN; Amy Dutton, Mendota Heights MN; Alison Macdonald, Fort William UK; Clare Whiteford, Evanton UK	41.00

**MONDAY COMPACT KO 1**

12 Tables

15.42	1	Arthur Zhou - Michael Hu, San Jose CA; Rory Xiao - Bo Xiao, Fremont CA
10.79	2	Martin Harris, Chicago IL; Miriam Harris-Botzum, Orefield PA; Lars Arve Loen, Loen Norway; Geir Engebretsen, Alesund Norway
6.94	3	Michael Botwin, Rockville Ctr NY; Barry Plotkin, Mesa AZ; Bobby Carter, Cincinnati OH; Ehud Friedlander, Haifa Israel
5.40	4	Monica Angus - Alex Hong, West Vancouver BC; Xinguo Chen, Richmond BC; Kai Zhou, Burnaby BC

**MONDAY COMPACT KO 2**

9 Tables

9.94	1	Bradley Leach, Oro Valley AZ; Dan Faulkner - John McKethen - Eleanor Furtak, Tucson AZ
6.96	2	Spencer Carr - Daphne Davenport, Broomfield CO; William Brackett, Longmont CO; Sally Ann Rhea, Boulder CO
4.47	3	Charles Riffle, Emerald Hills CA; Justin Beck, Sherwood OR; Perry Poole, Maitland FL; Stanley Weiner, Las Vegas NV
3.48	4	Xuhua Lin, Edison NJ; Laura Brounstein, Greenwich CT; Ming Lee, Elmhurst IL; Farley Mawyer, Port Chester NY

**MONDAY COMPACT KO 3**

11 Tables

7.30	1	David Venetianer, Chadds Ford PA; Dave Hellwig, Minneapolis MN; Yan Zhang, Jersey City NJ; Barry Dehlin, Dresher PA
5.11	2	Qiang Zhang - Brian Zhang - Serena Guo, Dublin CA; Kayden Ge, Cupertino CA
3.29	3	Rachael Gosling - John F.W. Glynn, Paget Bermuda; Stephan Juliusburger, Miami FL; Kevin Comeau, Oakville ON
2.56	4	Gregory Newcomb - Robin Elliott - Timothy Niebauer, Boulder CO; Don Tocher, Sunapee NH

**MONDAY-TUESDAY KO 1**

15 Tables

Marvin Darter - Linda Darter, North Port FL; Nie Lih Kalat - Edward Spear, Sarasota FL

vs

Richard Gabriel - Ellen Gabriel, Naples FL; Hal Stern, Rolling Meadows IL; Mary Lee, Macungie PA

Iulian Rotaru - Susan Schnelwar - Leonardo Fruscoloni, New York NY; Radu Nistor, Woodside NY

vs

Paula Nataf, Beverly Hills CA; Romain Tembouret, France; Veronique Bessis, Paris France; Julien Gaviard, Colombes France

**MONDAY-TUESDAY KO 2**

11 Tables

Martha Welte - John Welte, Buffalo NY; Linda Burroughsford, Fort Erie ON; Davis Heussler, East Aurora NY

vs

Michael Ravera - Jennifer Ravera, Fremont CA; Gerry Piaget - Joan Piaget, Portola Valley CA

Tim Rilling - Lynda Hirst, Vancouver WA; Don Herring, Lake Oswego OR; Margi Redden, Portland OR

vs

Kevin Lane, Long Beach CA; Nathan Banker, Flat Rock MI; Jan Soule, Chicago IL; James Potter, Clio SC

**MONDAY-TUESDAY KO 3**

14 Tables

Catherine Johnson - Donald Parsons - Kats Cannell - Susan Powell, Reno NV

vs

Carol Knowles, San Mateo CA; Janelle Van Rensselaer, Burlingame CA; Susan Papilion, Foster City CA; Jo Streich, San Francisco CA

Terry Ahern - Jennifer Duval, Santa Clara CA; Brenda Hatton, San Jose CA; Eunice Menezes, Cupertino CA

vs

Susan Morse-Lebow - Edward Benda, Los Angeles CA; Samantha Macdouglass - Brian Reynolds, Canoga Park CA

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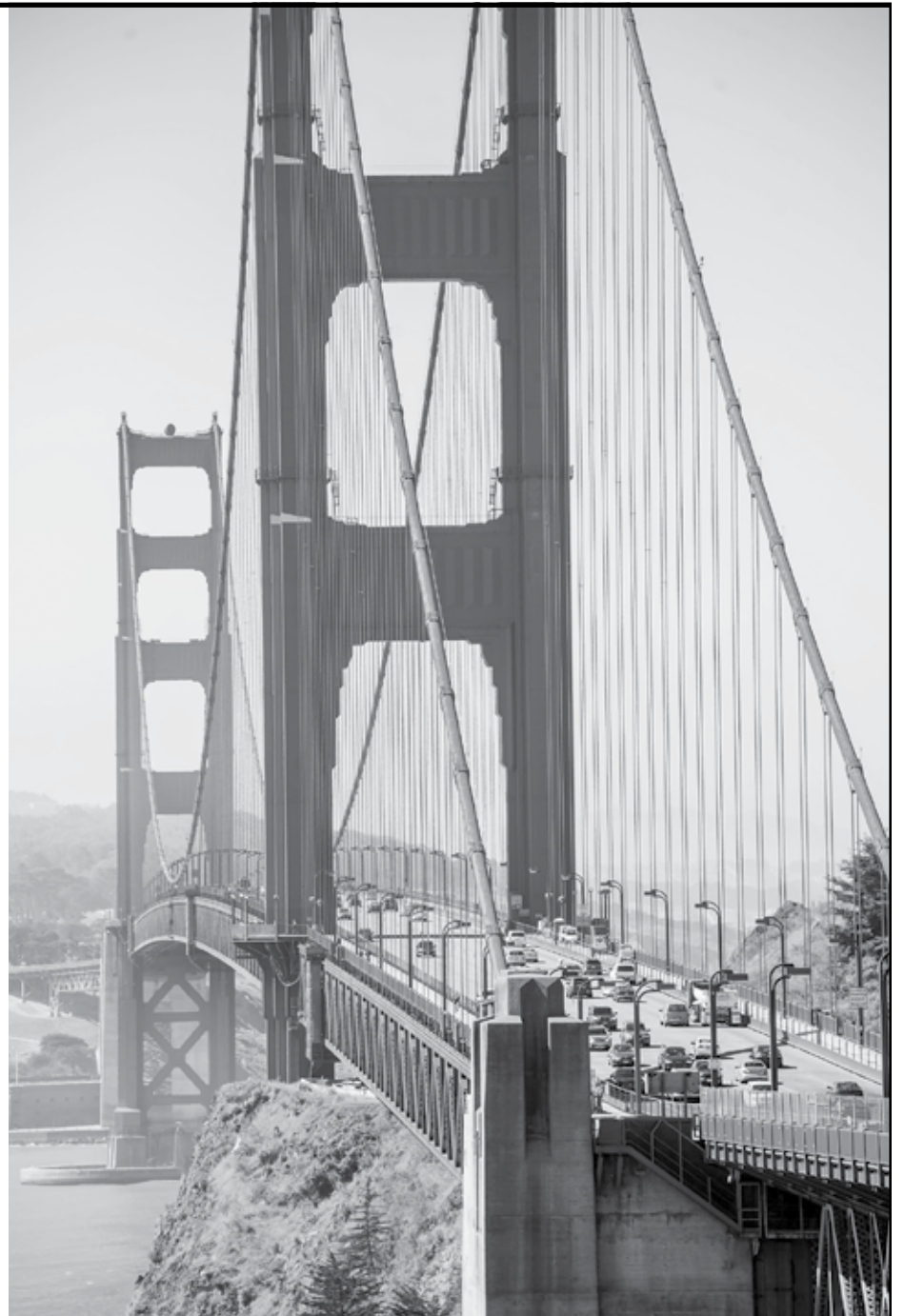
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## Damage control

By Barry Rigal

This deal is from the first final session of the von Zedtwitz LM Pairs:

Dlr: East ♠ A 10 8  
 Vul: N-S ♥ Q 5  
 Bd: 2 ♦ 10 7 5  
 ♣ Q J 10 6 3

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

♠ J 3 2  
 ♥ J 8 7 3 2  
 ♦ A 8 6  
 ♣ A K

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

(1) Shows diamonds.

You may or may not like the double of 1♠ (my view: gag me with a spoon), but at least it gets you into the auction fast.

Our declarer played 3♣ on the lead of the ♦3. He ducked and ducked the spade return to East's queen, but won the ♦A at trick three. What was his best line from here?

At the table, North took the top trumps and lead a heart to his queen as West gave count. East (Glenn Milgrim) cashed his second heart then exited with a trump. North drew the last trump, but had a spade and a diamond to lose at the end for down two.

Down one would not have been a great save, admittedly, but North needed to retain his ♣3 when cashing the ♠A K. He could then win the third trump and exit with the ♣3 to East. That player would have to lead spades, giving declarer the entry to the ♥J for down one.

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- Andrew Rosenthal - Aaron Silverstein - Chris Willenken, New York NY; Jan Jansma, Spijkenisse Netherlands; Boye Brogeland, Flekkefjor Norway; Espen Lindqvist, Arendal Norway  
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## Arranging the endplay

By Barry Rigal

These deals are from the second semifinal session of the von Zedtwitz LM Pairs.

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

I'm assuming the normal contract was 3♠ or 4♠ by West after a strong 1NT and transfer.

When North leads a club, declarer wins and ducks a diamond. If South wins and doesn't play a heart, declarer can arrange to draw trumps while stripping both minors, ending in dummy, then lead a heart and cover South's card to endplay North.

If South shifts to a low heart, you better rise with the king if South has switched from A-x-x-x. But on this lie of the cards with South holding Q-9-x or J-9-x, playing low is the winner.

Which is the right play? Don't ask me!

Three deals later, along comes another endplay-themed board:

Dlr: East	♠ J 9 8	
Vul: E-W	♥ —	
Bd: 6	♦ K Q J 10 9 2	♣ 9 7 4 3
	♠ K 5	♠ A 7 6
	♥ A Q J 10 4 3	♥ K 9 5 2
	♦ A 4	♦ 7 6
	♣ K 8 2	♣ A J 10 5
	♠ Q 10 4 3 2	
	♥ 8 7 6	
	♦ 8 5 3	
	♣ Q 6	

You reach 6♥ in the face of diamond preempts. This one is easier to play than to bid. You win the diamond lead, draw trumps and strip the spades, then exit with a second diamond. The defenders must broach clubs, and you can claim.

## Tournament Terminology

If you're confused by the terms used to describe the different types of bridge events played at clubs and tournaments, you're not alone. Here's a list of common bridge events with explanations.

**Knockout teams:** an event in which a team (of four, five or six players, with four playing at a time) plays another team. The losers are eliminated or "knocked out" while the winners play other winners until only one winning team remains.

The length of a KO match may vary from a single session to a full day (the Vanderbilt and Spingold) to a multi-day event (the Bermuda Bowl).

**Bracketed knockout teams:** a KO event in which teams are divided into groups, usually of 8, 16 or 32 teams, based on their masterpoint holdings. The top group (Bracket I) and all other groups compete in a separate event with their own set of winners.

**Compact knockout teams:** a shorter version of Bracketed KO teams.

**Swiss teams:** an event in which a team (of four, five or six players, with four playing at a time) plays other teams in six-, seven-, eight- or nine-board matches. Team A sits North-South at Table 1 and East-West at Table 2 while Team B sits East-West at Table 1 and North-South at Table 2. The results are compared and scored by International Match Points (IMPs).

Pairings for the first round are random.

Pairings for succeeding rounds are determined by a team's win-loss record or Victory Point total.

**International match points (IMPs):** the most common method of scoring Swiss Team matches. Scoring example: if Team A scores plus 620 for bidding and making 4♠ on a particular deal and Team B scores only plus 170 (they didn't bid the game), the difference is 450, which converts to 10 IMPs. The IMP chart is shown on the inside of your convention card.

**Victory points (VPs):** a method of scoring Swiss Team matches. After the scores are compared and converted to IMPs, the IMP total is converted to Victory Points. A team's VP total may be used to determine its next opponents and its final standing.

**Side game series:** a series of single-session pair games that pay red points. These series include at least three sessions and may have as many as six. You may play in as many sessions as you like, but only pairs who play in at least two sessions are eligible for overall gold points. Your best two sessions are used for determining overall winners.

**Flighted pairs:** When flighting is used, the field is divided by expertise or experience or both into several separate games. Flight A ("unlimited masterpoints") will be open to all players while the remaining flights will be limited. Flight B might be 0-500 MPs or 0-1000 MPs while Flight C might be 0-300 or 0-500.

Each flight is scored individually, and masterpoint awards are made for each flight.

The masterpoint holdings of the players determine their flight. If one player is quite expert

while his partner is new to the game, the pair must compete in Flight A.

In flighted events, you may play up but not down. That means you may play in Flight A or Flight B even if your masterpoint holding qualifies you for Flight C. Conversely, you may not play in Flight B or Flight C if you are a Flight A player.

**Stratified pairs:** The idea is to compete against everyone but to be ranked only with your peers.

Each pair is assigned a stratum or "strat" based on the masterpoint holding of the partner with more masterpoints.

*Example, a game might be stratified in this manner:*

Stratified Open Pairs (3000+, 1500-3000, 0-1500).

Thus, the most experienced players are placed in Strat A, intermediate players in Strat B and less experienced players in Strat C. Gold Rush events are confined to players with less than 750 masterpoints, and pay gold points only for overall placement in the top strata.

The game proceeds normally; the difference comes when the scores are tabulated and ranked.

In a three-strat game, the scores are ranked three times. The first ranking is done as in a regular open game. These are the Strat A results.

If a B or C pair does well in this ranking, they receive full credit for that performance. It is not all that uncommon for a Strat C pair to place first overall, and they receive the full masterpoint award for that game.

*Note:* A pair is eligible for only one set of masterpoint awards and automatically receives the highest award.

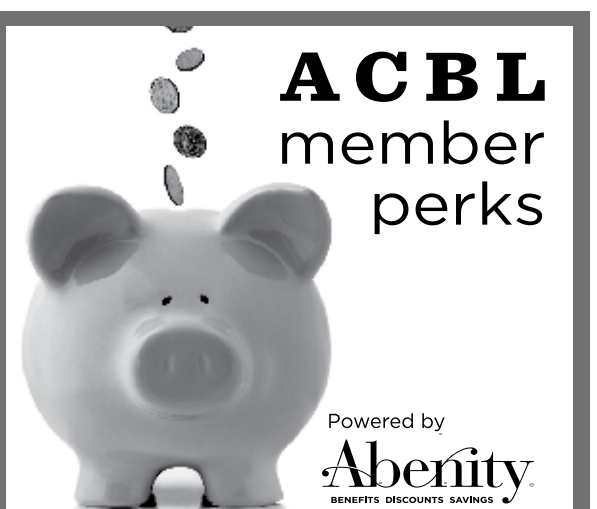
The second ranking compares the scores of only the B and C pairs: The scores of the Strat A pairs are eliminated. Once again, if a C pair does well, they receive points for their finishing position in the Strat B results.

The third and final ranking compares the scores of only the C pairs: All the scores of the Strat A and B pairs are eliminated.

**Strati-flighted pairs:** The top group plays in a game of their own – Flight A. The rest of the field is divided into strats and plays as in a regular stratified pairs.

There can even be stratification within Flight A. Flight A may be listed as 3000+ MPs while Flight X may be listed as 0-3000 MPs.

**Gold Rush pairs:** A popular mechanism for less experienced players to earn the gold points they need to become a Life Master while playing in a restricted field. Gold Rush events, which are limited to players with less than 750 masterpoints, are run separately from open stratified or strati-flighted games that run concurrently. A Gold Rush game might be stratified 300-750/0-300, for example. Gold points are awarded for overall placement in the top strat only.



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**Second in the GNT Championship Flight from District 24 (NYC): Joel Wooldridge, Kent Mignocchi, Joe Grue, Gillian Minitter and John Hurd.**



**Second in the Goldman Flight A GNT from District 22 (Southern California): Jim Johnsen, captain Davis Bennett, Fran White and Rick Kerbel**



**Second in the Sheinwold Flight B GNT from District 22 (Southern California): captain Kenny Pan, Harvey Jaffe, Xiao-Yan Gong and Dustin Stout**



**Second in the GNT Flight C from District 21 (Northern California): Aravind Alwan, Brandon Ge, captain Michael Xu, Jonathan Yue and Wesley May.**

**Monitoring**

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

By general monitoring of the session and participants' behavior, ACBL has another source of information that may be useful in determining facts and settling issues or disputes arising from some types of ethical and behavioral complaints or actions. Please summon a director if a problem occurs at the table. This procedure is intended to assure everyone that the playing field is level and that misbehavior will not be tolerated."

**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.

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.



Answer to Bridge Crosswords on page 14

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## Tomorrow's Bridge Events

### Wednesday, July 24, 9 a.m.

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

### Wednesday, July 24, 10 a.m.

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

### Wednesday, July 24, 10 a.m. & 3 p.m.

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

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

### Wednesday, July 24, Noon & 7 p.m.

SPINGOLD KNOCKOUT TEAMS	Round 3	Castellana, 3rd floor	\$30		—
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### Wednesday, July 24, 1 p.m.

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

WERNHER OPEN PAIRS 2 qualifying, 2 final sessions	1-2 Q	Gracia, 3rd floor	\$30		—
FREEMAN MIXED BOARD-A-MATCH TEAMS 2 qualifying, 2 final sessions	1-2 Q	Outside Brera 4, 3rd floor	\$30		—
0-6000 MINI-SPINGOLD KNOCKOUT TEAMS	Round 2	Condesa 4, 2nd floor	\$22		—
0-2500 MINI-SPINGOLD KNOCKOUT TEAMS	Round 2	Condesa 4, 2nd floor	\$22		—
Open Pairs (unlimited/3000/750)	1-2	Inside Belmont 4, 4th floor	\$20		\$24
Wednesday-Thursdays Knockout Teams	1-2	Inside Belmont 2, 4th floor	\$20		\$24
Tuesday-Wednesday Knockout Teams	3-4	Inside Belmont 2, 4th floor	\$20		\$24

### Wednesday, July 24, 3 p.m.

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

### Wednesday, July 24, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday-Thursdays Side Game Series	2nd single	Inside Belmont 4, 4th floor	\$20		\$24
Evening Swiss Teams	single	Inside Belmont 2, 4th floor	\$20		\$24
299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Outside Brera 2, 3rd floor	\$15		\$19
0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single	Outside Brera 2, 3rd floor	\$15		\$15
299er Swiss Teams	single	Outside Brera 2, 3rd floor	\$15		\$19

### Wednesday, July 24, 11:30 p.m.

Zip Knockout Teams	single	Outside Brera 2, 3rd floor	\$16/team/match		
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One-flight open events are stratified as A (3000+), B (750-3000) and C (0-750).

Stratification is based on averaging the masterpoints of a pair or team. Eligibility for limited events will be based on the point holding of the highest player, so no player with more than 3000 may play in B/C events nor the Bracketed B Teams, no player with more than 750 may play in Gold Rush events, and no player with more than 300 may play in 299er events.

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## Today's Bridge Events

Event	Tuesday, July 23, 9 a.m.		Entry/player/session	Current members*	Inactive members
	Session	Sold			
Tuesday-Wednesday Morning Compact KO Teams	1-2	Inside Belmont 2, 4th floor	\$20		\$24
Monday-Wednesday Morning Side Game Series	2nd single	Inside Belmont 3, 4th floor	\$20		\$24
Monday-Wednesday Morning KO Teams	2nd	Inside Belmont 2, 4th floor	\$20		\$24
<b>Tuesday, July 23, 10 a.m.</b>					
299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Outside Brera 2, 3rd floor	\$15		\$19
0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single	Outside Brera 2, 3rd floor	\$15		\$15
<b>Tuesday, July 23, 10 a.m. &amp; 3 p.m.</b>					
Daylight A/X Pairs (unlimited/6000)	1-2	Mont-Royal, 4th floor	\$20		\$24
Daylight B/C Pairs (3000/1500)	1-2	Outside Belmont 5, 4th floor	\$20		\$24
Daylight Gold Rush Pairs (750/300)	1-2	Outside Belmont 5, 4th floor	\$20		\$24
Daylight A/X/Y Swiss Teams (unlimited/6000/4000)	1-2	Nolita 1, 4th floor	\$20		\$24
Daylight Bracketed B Round-Robin Teams (0-3000)	1-2	Nolita 3, 4th floor	\$20		\$24
<i>No player over 3000. Brackets of nine teams by average MPs. Four teams in each bracket earn gold.</i>					
<b>Tuesday, July 23, 1 p.m.</b>					
Monday-Tuesday Side Game Series	3rd single	Inside Belmont 4, 4th floor	\$20		\$24
<b>Tuesday, July 23, 1 &amp; 4 p.m.</b>					
Stratified Fast Open Pairs (unlimited/3000/750)	1-2	Condesa 4, 2nd floor	\$20		\$24
<b>Tuesday, July 23, 1 &amp; 7:30 p.m.</b>					
0-6000 MINI-SPINGOLD KNOCKOUT TEAMS	Round 1	Outside Brera 4, 3rd floor	\$22		—
<i>Pre-registration required by 11 a.m., Tuesday, July 23.</i>					
0-2500 MINI-SPINGOLD KNOCKOUT TEAMS	Round 1	Outside Brera 4, 3rd floor	\$22		—
<i>Pre-registration required by 11 a.m., Tuesday, July 23.</i>					
<b>SPINGOLD KNOCKOUT TEAMS</b>	Round 2	Outside Gracia 4, 3rd floor	\$30		—
<b>TRUSCOTT / USPC SENIOR SWISS TEAMS</b>	1-2 F	Gracia, 3rd floor	\$30		—
<b>WAGAR WOMEN'S PAIRS</b>	1-2 F	Castellana, 3rd floor	\$30		—
Open Pairs (unlimited/3000/750)	1-2	Inside Belmont 4, 4th floor	\$20		\$24
Open Swiss Teams (unlimited/3000/750)	1-2	Inside Belmont 2, 4th floor	\$20		\$24
Tuesday-Wednesday Knockout Teams	1-2	Inside Belmont 3, 4th floor	\$20		\$24
Monday-Tuesday Knockout Teams	3-4	Inside Belmont 3, 4th floor	\$20		\$24
<b>Tuesday, July 23, 3 p.m.</b>					
299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Outside Brera 2, 3rd floor	\$15		\$19
0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single	Outside Brera 2, 3rd floor	\$15		\$15
<b>Tuesday, July 23, 7:30 p.m.</b>					
Monday-Tuesday Side Game Series	4th single	Inside Belmont 4, 4th floor	\$20		\$24
Evening Swiss Teams	single	Inside Belmont 3, 4th floor	\$20		\$24
299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Outside Brera 2, 3rd floor	\$15		\$19
0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single	Outside Brera 2, 3rd floor	\$15		\$15
<b>Tuesday, July 23, 11:30 p.m.</b>					
Zip Knockout Teams	single	Outside Brera 2, 3rd floor	\$16/team/match		

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The above restrictions apply to all players, captains, coaches, kibitzers and play recorders except those persons granted permission by the

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#### NABC+ events

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- Second offense in the same session or third offense within the event, disqualification of the pair or team from the event.

Other events

- First offense, in the same session – ringing only: one-quarter board, 3 IMPs or 1 VP, at the respective form of scoring; first offense in the same session – answering or initiating a call, texting or browsing: one-half board, 6 IMPs or 2 VPs, at the respective form of scoring.
- Second offense in the same session: two full boards, 20 IMPs or 50% of the maximum available VPs per match, at the respective form of scoring.
- Third offense in the event: disqualification of the pair or team from the event.  
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