

Daily Bulletin

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DESERT GOLD
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86th Fall North American Bridge Championships

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Welcome to Phoenix!

By Marsha & Darryl Helton
Co-Chairs, 2013 Fall NABC



On behalf of our planning committee, our sponsors and the many bridge clubs and players in the state of Arizona, we welcome you to the 2013

Fall North American Bridge Championships.

November is a wonderful time of the year in Arizona. The skies are blue and temperatures are cool with averages from 53 to 76 degrees (F). Our downtown area has a “small town feel” with many fine restaurants and shops within a short walking distance of either hotel.

The city has “Ambassadors” who walk the sidewalks to help our visitors. Downtown Phoenix Ambassadors think of themselves “as the orange-shirt-wearing, information-wielding walking concierges of downtown.” If you need assistance, just look for an ambassador.

Phoenix has many attractions for visitors. You might like to visit the Heard Museum, which features Native American art and culture. The Musical Instrument Museum, the Desert Botanical Garden and the Phoenix Zoo are other top rated attractions.

While visiting Arizona, you might choose

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Welcome intermediate and newcomer players!

By David and JoAnn Zapatka, 2013 Phoenix I/N co-chairs

Desert Gold is your time to shine! Very special tournament games and speakers are planned for your enjoyment.

Want to compete against others at your level? We have it! Single session 0-5, 0-20, 49er, 99er, 199er and 299er games are scheduled every day at the Hyatt Regency Ballroom A/B at 10 a.m., 3 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Want Swiss teams? Play every evening at 7:30 p.m.

Want to win gold points? You can! The Manfield Non-Life Masters Pairs is today. The two-session National 99er Championship is Wednesday at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. There are five days of Gold Rush pairs. All these events offer gold points.

The world's top experts are giving free lectures for your benefit at 9:15 a.m. and 6:45 p.m. every day. Bridge luminaries Barbara Seagram, Jerry Helms and Audrey Grant will give free two-hour lessons today,



Saturday and Monday at 10 a.m. These lectures are very well attended so come early, enjoy the coffee

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Televerde CEO is winning tricks for his side ... one life at a time

As a youngster, Jim Hooker was taught bridge by his grandfather and mother, and grew up thinking of it as the ultimate brain game. Hooker eventually shared his high quotient of card sense with the business world by building one of the most counter-intuitive companies ever, Televerde.

U.S. Bureau of Justice statistics that show that each year, more than 650,000 men and women are released from federal and state prisons and return to their communities and families, but few return to productive employment. The annual cost for incarceration of prisoners in the U.S. is \$50 billion. Of the prisoners that are released from prison, 60 to 70% are returned within 36 months.

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Chief Corporate Sponsor of the Fall 2013 NABC



Jim Hooker, Televerde CEO

NABC+ entry

Playing in an NABC+ pairs game? Buy your entry early! In an effort to speed up the start of all NABC+ pairs events – which requires time to allow for proper seeding – the ACBL asks participants to please buy their entries at least 15 minutes before game time.

Pre-registration required for Senior KO

Entries for the Baze Senior Knockout Teams are required before 11 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 29. Entries may be purchased in the Phoenix Ballroom of the Sheraton (3rd floor).

Michael Cappelletti Sr., 1938–2013

ACBL Grand Life Master Mike Cappelletti of Alexandria VA died Nov. 14 after a brief illness. He was 75. Best known to many players for the conventional



defense to 1NT that bears his name, Cappelletti was a two-time NABC champion: the 1967 Freeman Mixed

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Notice to players who live outside North America

Participation in the Life Master Open and Women's Pairs is restricted to ACBL members who have achieved the rank of Life Master. Foreign players who do not meet this criterion but feel they are otherwise eligible must receive a waiver prior to the commencement of these contests.

Previously granted waivers will be honored.

For waiver information, please arrive early and see the Director in Charge at the selling site.



Opening reception

The ACBL welcomes you to the Phoenix NABC: Friday, Nov. 29, 10:30 p.m.–1 a.m. at the Sheraton, Valley Overlook, fourth floor.

After the evening session, join us for a full night of music, food, drinks and fun. Dance to the beat of The Walkens, one of the Valley's hottest and most exciting bands. The Walkens were chosen the best of the Valley in Arizona Foothills magazine for 2011, 2012 and 2013. The band's playlist includes hits from the 60s, 70s and 80s.



Goodwill Message

Welcome to the 2013 Fall North American Bridge Championships. Tournament co-chairs Marsha and Darryl Helton and the Phoenix committee have a great tournament in store for everyone. Please join us in thanking our hosts.

Sandy DeMartino, Goodwill Chair



Chief Corporate Sponsor Fall NABC

SPECIAL EVENTS

MEETINGS / SEMINARS / RECEPTIONS

Friday, Nov. 29

8:30 a.m.–Noon **Teacher Accreditation Program (TAP).** ACBL’s popular 10–hour seminar for people interested in learning how to teach bridge successfully. The business side of teaching bridge will also be covered. There are even techniques to move your students into duplicate faster. Graduate with the tools you need to develop a successful bridge teaching career. Pre–registration required. Fee: Age 26 and older, \$125; Previously accredited teachers and players under 26, free. Continues Saturday and Sunday. *Room: Hyatt – Ellis.*

10 a.m. **Free Bridge Lesson with Barbara Seagram,** followed by BridgePlus + (special game for new players –14 boards, no card fee). *Room: Hyatt – Cowboy Artist.*

10:30 a.m.–Noon **ACBL Charity Foundation meeting.** *Room: Sheraton – Coronado.*

4:30–6:30 p.m. **Reception for Teachers and Club Officials.** This is the ACBL’s “thank you” reception for the teachers and club officials who work so hard to recruit and retain our members. Club managers, teachers and club directors are invited to attend. *Room: Sheraton – Valley Overlook.*

10:30 p.m.–1 a.m. **NABC Opening Reception.** *Room: Sheraton – Valley Overlook.*

11 p.m.–1 a.m. **Senior Team Trials.** *Room – Sheraton – Cave Creek.*

11–11:30 p.m. **National Appeals Committee meeting.** *Room: Sheraton – Desert Sky.*

Saturday, Nov. 30

8:30 a.m.–Noon **Teacher Accreditation Program (TAP).** Session 2. Continues Sunday. *Room: Hyatt – Ellis.*

10–11 a.m. **Club and Teacher Q&A.** Come by for coffee and meet with members of the ACBL staff. This interactive session will be hosted by Carol Robertson, director of Club and Member

Services. Bring your questions and thoughts about club games, marketing tools and programs, and hear from others about growing the game of bridge. *Room: Sheraton – Cave Creek.*

10–11:30 a.m. **ACBL Hall of Fame Committee meeting.** *Room: Sheraton – Coronado.*

10 a.m.–Noon **ACBL Laws Commission meeting.** *Room: Sheraton – Desert Sky.*

10 a.m. **Free Bridge Lesson with Jerry Helms,** followed by BridgePlus + (special game for new players –14 boards, no card fee). *Room: Hyatt – Cowboy Artist.*

6:30 p.m. **Intermediate/Newcomer Reception.** *Room: Hyatt –Regency AB.*

11 p.m.–midnight **Women’s International Team Trials meeting.** *Room: Cave Creek.*

Sunday, Dec. 1

8:30 a.m.–Noon **Teacher Accreditation Program (TAP).** Session three. *Room: Hyatt – Ellis.*

10–11 a.m. **Board of Governors/ACBL Membership Meeting.** This meeting is open to all members. Discussion will include recent actions of the Board of Directors, reports from the CEO and treasurer and new proposals from the Board of Governors. *Room: Sheraton – Phoenix Ballroom.*

11 a.m.–Noon **USBF Board.** *Room: Sheraton – Coronado*


1–6 p.m. **Learn Bridge in a DAY?** A seminar designed to move new bridge players quickly along the initial learning curve. Typical participants include true beginners, those returning to bridge after long absences and those merely wanting to test the waters before committing to formal classes. The concentrated course includes both class instruction and coached play. No preregistration required. Fee: \$20 covers textbooks and door prizes. *Room: Hyatt – Cowboy Artist.*

CELEBRITY SPEAKER PROGRAM		
Don’t miss the following free lectures:		
Friday, November 29		
9:15 a.m.	Jerry Helms	Splinter Raises
6:45 p.m.	Tom Carmichael	New Minor Forcing and Friends
Saturday, November 30		
9:15 a.m.	Barbara Seagram	Common Bidding Errors to Avoid
6:45 p.m.	Robert Todd	Preempts
Sunday, December1		
9:15 a.m.	Audrey Grant	Oldest Maxim, Five Exceptions
6:45 p.m.	Ellen Kent	How to Bid a Minor–suit Slam
Monday, December 2		
9:15 a.m.	Allan Mazer	2 Clubs or Not 2 Clubs
6:45 p.m.	Barry Harper	Hand Evaluation, Re–evaluation

ENTERTAINMENT and HOSPITALITY		
Friday, Nov. 29		
10:30 p.m.	Welcome reception, featuring The Walkens. Sheraton – Valley Overlook, 4th floor.	
Saturday, Nov. 30		
10:30 p.m.	Chocolate chip cookies. Sheraton, 2nd floor.	
Sunday, Dec. 1		
1:30–3 p.m.	Joe Forbush, Southwest guitar. Hyatt, atrium lobby.	
5:30–7:30 p.m.	Ron Jean, guitar. Sheraton, 2nd floor.	
10:30 p.m.	Berry empeñadas. Sheraton, 2nd floor.	
Monday, Dec. 2		
1:30–3 p.m.	Sean Mireau, steel drums. Hyatt, atrium lobby.	
5:30–7:30 p.m.	Mark Long, keyboard. Sheraton, 2nd floor.	
10:30 p.m.	Chocolate cupcakes. Sheraton, 2nd floor.	

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Phoenix Ballroom, Sheraton

Online Pre-Registration for
Select Phoenix NABC Events

Junior Reception and Free Zip Knockout at Phoenix NABC

Juniors — this one’s for you! If you are 26 or younger, play for free in the Junior Midnight Zip Knockout Saturday night at 11:30. Check the Daily Bulletin for the location.

A zip knockout features six-board matches, five minutes per board, with winners moving on to the next round. It’s a fast, fun way to earn masterpoints.

Teams can consist of Juniors and non-Juniors, but only Juniors play for free.

There will be free drinks and snacks, so if you get knocked out, stay and watch the winners go head-to-head. The game will be played at the Sheraton on the 2nd floor in the Deer Valley room.

Volunteer coaches needed for ‘Learn Bridge in a DAY?’

Patty Tucker, with Whirlwind Bridge, will host Learn Bridge In a DAY? on Sunday, Dec. 1, from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. This event is for individuals with no bridge experience or those who have played social bridge and are interested in learning more about duplicate.

The event requires a coach at every table to help participants follow the lesson. We’re looking for volunteers to be table coaches. Even ACBL members with just 5 masterpoints will enjoy coaching. A large attendance is expected, so the more table coaches available, the better. This is a great opportunity for local club managers and teachers to network with

Bridge Bucks and Check Cashing

Hyatt Regency, 2nd floor


9:30 - 10 a.m. daily

(Friday, Nov. 29 - Saturday, Dec. 7)

Sheraton, 2nd floor

Noon - 1 p.m. daily

(Friday, Nov. 29 - Saturday, Dec. 7)





JUST FOR NEW PLAYERS

Have you duscussed...? By Brent Manley

Welcome to the NABC! If this is your first, you are in for a treat! The ACBL tournament directors running the newcomer games are the best at what they do. They are there to answer your questions and to make sure you enjoy yourself. They are very approachable, so don't be shy if you have questions.



Starting with tomorrow's edition, the theme for this set of Daily Bulletins is Have You Discussed? It is aimed at helping you get the most out of the conventions you play – and this series will be mostly about doubles, a subject with many facets, some of which can mysterious.

Just for starters, today's edition will cover aspects of Alertable conventions and protocols for explaining when an opponent asks after you Alert.

You can get a leg up on what's Alertable by checking your convention card. The Alertable conventions are listed in red. One exception: Puppet Stayman – usually used over an opening of 2NT to ask if opener has a five-card major – is no longer Alertable. The responses, however, are Alertable.

You may have also noticed that some conventions are listed in blue. Those require simple Announcements.

Remember, when partner opens 1NT, you should state your range. "Fifteen to seventeen," is all you need to say.

Other Announcements: Transfers to major suits over 1NT and 2NT openers. Simply say one word: "Transfer."

Some pairs agree that a bid of 1NT over a major-suit opening is forcing for one round. Simply say, "Forcing." The same goes for "semi-forcing," which other pairs play. What that means is that if opener has a minimum with balanced shape, something like
♠K Q 7 6 5 ♥A 5 4 ♦Q J 10 ♣10 9,
he can pass 1NT.

Whatever conventions you play, when partner Alerts, the opponents are entitled to an explanation. An important point: A player may not ask about the meaning of a bid until it is his turn to call – and you should not explain partner's Alert unless you are asked to.

When an opponent asks, the proper response is a description of the features of the convention. It is not correct to simply state the name of the convention.

An example is the convention invented by William Flannery. If you use that convention and your partner opens 2♦, you say, "Alert." If an opponent asks, it is improper to say simply, "Flannery." This is the correct explanation: "The bid shows five hearts, four spades and 11 to 15 high-card points."

Say you are playing Bergen raises. You open 1♠. After your left-hand opponent passes, partner bids 3♣. When you Alert, if an opponent asks, say, "It shows four-card support and 6 to 9 high-card points." It is improper to say only, "It's a Bergen raise."

Say your opponent opens 1NT and your partner bids 2♦. You Alert and the next player says, "Please explain." It's wrong to say simply, "Cappelletti." You should say, "The bid shows both majors."

You may not know the features of all the Alertable conventions you see on the convention



card, but if you don't know what it is, you certainly aren't playing it and there's no problem. Do keep in mind that if you ask and the response is the name of the convention, you are entitled to more information. Politely ask the Alerter's partner to describe the partnership's agreements for the convention. After all, not every partnership plays a convention the same way.

Thinking bridge By Eddie Kantar

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

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

Opening lead: ♦2. East plays the ♦A, ♦Q and then the ♦J. You ruff the third diamond low, West following with the 9 and the king. You are playing in a team game. Plan the play from here.

Solution

West must have raised on his good looks. In any case you have to bring in the clubs and still

keep control of the hand. Best is to play a club to the ace and another to your king, then ruff a low club with dummy's ♥A.

Next, return to your hand with a trump to the king and cash the other two high hearts. If hearts divide 3-3, you have the rest. If hearts are 4-2, play winning clubs and the most you can lose is two diamonds and heart. Yes, if clubs are 3-3 and hearts 4-2, you lose an overtrick, but this is IMPs and making the contract is far more important than risking your contract for an overtrick. If you draw four rounds of trump before touching clubs, in effect playing the hand at notrump, down you go.

The bottom line

Ruffing a loser high when dummy has honor doubleton in trump is a good way of unblocking the trump suit, not to mention avoiding a possible overruff. North's pass to 3♦ shows a minimum opening and denies three-card heart support.

Deep Finesse, the mystery analyst

Players love the hand records from the games they play at NABCs – and at most regionals and sectionals. Lots of clubs have added computer-generated deals and hand records because of their popularity.

It's great to be able to see all four hands, which can help you understand why you ended up with a poor result on a particular board.

That said, some players are mystified by the notation on the hand records about the makeable contracts. It is often difficult, even looking at all four hands, to see how a contract deemed to be makeable could actually succeed.

The information about makeable contracts comes to you courtesy of Deep Finesse, a computer program created by Bill Bailey in 1999. Deep Finesse is an exceedingly handy tool for bridge journalists so long as they are careful about citing exotic lines of play that no one would actually consider.

It's important to remember that Deep Finesse analyzes the deals by looking at all four hands. There is no line of play so esoteric or unlikely that Deep Finesse would not uncover it.

So, if the hand record says North or South can make such and such a contract but it's hard for you to see how it could happen, don't worry. You have lots of company, even among experienced players.

National Appeals Committee roster and schedule for the Phoenix NABC

Director
Paul Janicki, Markham ON

Chairman
Michael Huston, Joplin MO

National Appeals Committee meeting

There will be a meeting of the National Appeals Committee on Friday, Nov. 29 at 11 p.m. at the Sheraton in the Desert Sky room.

RED TEAM

Team Leaders
Mark Bartusek, Santa Barbara CA
Ron Gerard, White Plains NY
Adam Wildavsky, New York NY

Team Members
Craig Allen, Glen Ellyn IL
Jeff Aker, Ossining NY
David Berkowitz, Boca Raton FL
Dick Budd, Portland ME
Curtis Cheek, Las Vegas NV
Gary Cohler, Chicago IL
Jan Jansma, Malden, Netherlands
Ed Lazarus, Baltimore MD
Jeff Meckstroth, Tampa FL
Ray Miller, Seattle WA
Josh Parker, Briarcliff NY
Bruce Reeve, Raleigh NC
Lou Reich, Wheaton MD
Becky Rogers, Las Vegas NV
Hendrik Sharples, Brush Prairie WA
Patty Tucker, Atlanta GA
Bob White, Raleigh NC
Eddie Wold, Houston TX
Joel Wooldridge, Astoria NY

On duty
Friday, November 29
Monday, December 2
Thursday, December 5

WHITE TEAM

Team Leaders
Doug Doub, West Hartford CT
Richard Popper, Wilmington DE

Team Members
Ken Barbour, Scottsdale AZ
Migry Zur Campanile, New York NY
Shannon Cappelletti, Hollywood FL
David Caprera, Denver CO
Mark Feldman, Austin TX
David Granger, Roseville CA
Gail Greenberg, New York NY
Joe Grue, New York NY
Ellen Kent, Marina Del Ray CA
Zygmunt Marcinski, Westmount QC
Chris Moll, Raleigh NC
Tom Peters, Grapeland TX
Jeff Polisner, Walnut Creek CA
Marc Rabinowitz, Palm Beach Gardens FL
Jeff Roman, Alexandria VA
Blair Seidler, Fair Lawn NJ
Joann Sprung, Las Vegas NV
David Stevenson, Liverpool, England
Jim Thurtell, Dallas TX
Chris Willenken, New York NY

On duty
Saturday, November 30
Tuesday, December 3
Friday, December 6

BLUE TEAM

Team Leaders
Jeff Goldsmith, Pasadena CA
Aaron Silverstein, New York NY

Team Members
Bart Bramley, Dallas TX
Tom Carmichael, Atlanta GA
Lynn Deas, Schenectady NY
Mitch Dunitz, Sherman Oaks CA
Robb Gordon, Sedona AZ
Abby Heitner, Wheaton MD
Fred King, Falls Church VA
Nicolas L'Ecuyer, Montreal QC
John Lusky, Portland OR
Jacob Morgan, Madison WI
Mike Passell, Dallas TX
Barry Rigal, New York NY
Bruce Rogoff, Upper Grandview NY
Michael Rosenberg, Cupertino CA
John Solodar, Palm Beach Gardens FL
Dan Sprung, Las Vegas NV
Kathy Sulgrove, Twinsburg OH
Riggs Thayer, San Diego CA

On duty
Sunday, December 1
Wednesday, December 4
Saturday, December 7

Final playing of the Manfield Non-Life Master Pairs starts today

Play begins today in the Manfield Non-Life Master Pairs, a two-session event.

The contest, previously known as the Rufus L. “Skinny” Miles Jr. Non-Life Master Pairs was renamed in 2010 in honor of Ed Manfield. The event has been removed from the ACBL calendar following the 2013 contest.

Manfield (1943-1999) appeared at his first NABC in 1965 and soon emerged as a dominant force in Washington-area bridge. In the ‘70s and ‘80s, he captured hosts of events, soaring to national and international prominence with partner Kit Woolsey and teammates Peter Boyd and Steve Robinson.

He may be best remembered for his 1987 BOLS Tip, “The Five Level Belongs to the Opponents.”

In 1986, Manfield won the Rosenblum Teams, perhaps somewhat easing the pain and disappointment of losing the final in 1982.

Receiving his master’s degree at UVA, Eddie worked for the Federal Trade Commission and then pursued



an exciting and volatile career as an options trader where he enjoyed an extraordinarily successful track record both for himself personally and for those friends and bridge players whom he sponsored on The Philadelphia Exchange. However, despite his enormous all-around success, his true pride and joy were his children, Karen, Sabrina and Seth.

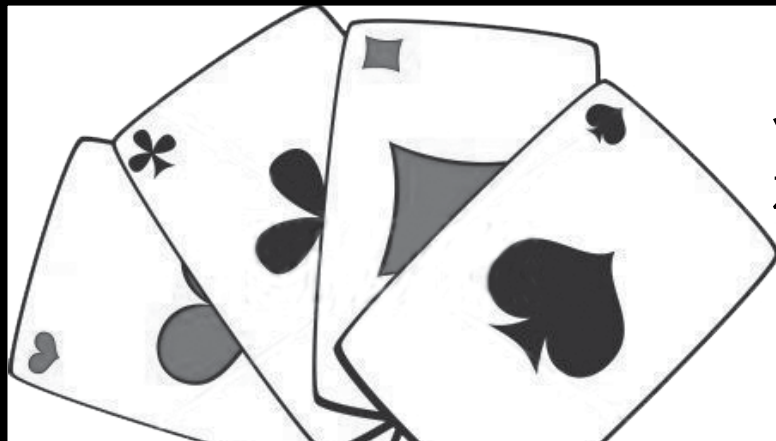
Winners:

1981	Lin Goldstein, Shirlee Shaw
1982	Paul Bratton, Robert Bernhard
1983	Moses Ma, Philips Santosa
1984	Summer Steinfeldt, Nancy Muehter
1985	Hank Hristienko, Zbigniew Radwanski
1986	Lanier Hurdle, Mike Hurdle
1987	Anthony Trafecanty, Michael Trafecanty
1988	Sharon Tuggle, Tom Tuggle
1989	Jay Berke, Thomas Halton
1990	Metin Uz, Jeffrey Naiman
1991	Daryl Hicks, Charles Papp
1992	Cordelia Menges, Audrey Robb
1993	Bob Ehrlich, Clark Millikan
1994	Jean-Cheui Hsung, Edmund Chen
1995	Michael McNamara, David Liss
1996	Adam Barron, Anthony Hurwitz
1997	Alan Carpenter, Michael Levin
1998	John Markey, John Cobb

1999	Aviv Shahaf, Igor Sauchenko
2000	Ernie Fusco, Sherry Fusco
2001	Aaron Craig, Max Minzner
2002	Edward Wilson, Paul Fagan
2003	Marie Berggren, Gunnar Gothberg
2004	Jadwiga Polujan, Bernie Weiss
2005	Mike Develin, John Barth
2006	Robert Bertoni, William Nason
2007	Metin Gokcen, Sadif Arf
2008	Debbie Crisfield, Karen Haines
2009	Stephen Drodge, Dan Emmons
2010	Dianne Pryor, Roger Pryor
2011	Monica Guo, Kevin Shiue
2012	Jacob Vrooman, Yuan Shen



Last year’s Non-Life Master champs Jacob Vrooman and Yuan Shen.



Had enough of serious bridge for one day? Grab your friends and kick back over a casual Midnight Zip KO before crashing in your hotel room!

What: Free Junior Midnight Zip KOs

When: Saturday, November 30

Time: 11:30 pm

JUNIOR ZIP KO

Nail LM Pairs begins today

Play begins today in this four-session event, restricted to Life Masters and played over two qualifying sessions and two final sessions.

Before 1963 the event was restricted to National Masters and players of higher rank. It was a men’s event until 1990 when it became an open event.

At stake is the Bobby Nail Trophy, designated by the ACBL Board of Directors to honor the diminutive Texan (1925-95) who won this event in 1974 with longtime friend and partner Gerald Michaud.



Nail, inducted into the Bridge Hall of Fame at the 2001 Summer NABC in Toronto, won four other North American championships and represented North America twice in the Bermuda Bowl. His team was second in 1963.

Past winners and runners-up:

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| 1961 | 1. G. Gard Hays, Max Manchester;
2. Martin J. Cohn, Hampton Hume |
| 1962 | 1. Sam Fuoto, Victor Mitchell;
2. Hal Kandler, Kelsey Petterson |
| 1963 | 1. Sami R. Kehela, Eric R. Murray;
2. Harry J. Fishbein, Charles J. Solomon |
| 1964 | 1. Charles Coon, Bobby Goldman;
2-3. Mervin Key, Harold Rockaway;
2-3. Jack Blair, Col. William Christian |
| 1965 | 1. Paul Soloway, Alex Tschekaloff;
2. Edgar Kaplan, Victor Mitchell |
| 1966 | 1. Carl J. Hudecek, Ray Zoller;
2. Gaylor Kastle, Ed Theus |
| 1967 | 1. Harlow S. Lewis, Peter A. Pender;
2. Donald R. Faskow, William L. Flannery |
| 1968 | 1. Henry Bethe, John Solodar;
2. Don Pearson, John Swanson |
| 1969 | 1. Chuck F. Burger, James Cayne;
2. Norman H. Fischer, Christopher G. Jeans |
| 1970 | 1. Ron E. Andersen, Hugh C. MacLean;
2. Curtis K. Smith, E. Lowell Yost |
| 1971 | 1. Alan Sontag, Peter Weichsel;
2. Stephen W. Robinson, Kit Woolsey |
| 1972 | 1. Leslie C. Bart, Marc S. Jacobus;
2. Stephen W. Robinson, Kit Woolsey |
| 1973 | 1. Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay;
2. Roxy Violin, Ed Weiner |
| 1974 | 1. Gerald L. Michaud, G. Robert Nail;
2. John Gerber, Daniel Kaim |
| 1975 | 1. Steve Lapides, Walt Walvick;
2. Marc Culbertson, Robert Visokey |
| 1976 | 1. Roger Bates, John Mohan;
2. Steve Altman, Thomas M. Smith |
| 1977 | 1. David Hoffner, David Schroeder;
2. Roger Bates, John Mohan |
| 1978 | 1. Norm Coombs, Tom Hodapp;
2. Kevin Castner, Michael S. Lawrence |
| 1979 | 1. Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell;
2. Zeke Jabbour, Dennis McGarry |
| 1980 | 1. V. Craig Janitschke, Jan Janitschke;
2. Robert D. Hamman, Paul Swanson |
| 1981 | 1. Roger Abelson, Mike Levinson;
2. Robert D. Hamman, Donald P. Krauss |
| 1982 | 1. Robert Lipsitz, Dan Gerstman;
2. Lew Mathe, Harold Guiver |



The 2012 winners of the Nail Life Master Pairs: Zia Mahmood and Chip Martel.

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| 1983 | 1. Marty Bergen, Larry N. Cohen;
2. Mitch Chandler, Cliff Bishop |
| 1984 | 1. Per Olov Sundelin, Peter Pender;
2. Jim Becker, Howard Chandross |
| 1985 | 1. John Mohan, Roger Bates;
2. Eric Rodwell, Jeff Meckstroth |
| 1986 | 1. Jim Krekorian, Paul Kiefer;
2. Marty Bergen, Larry N. Cohen |
| 1987 | 1. Bart Bramley, Lou Bluhm;
2. Leslie West, David Ashley |
| 1988 | 1. Robert Levin, Larry Cohen;
2. Glen Lublin, Peter Boyd |
| 1989 | 1. Steve Lapides, Walt Walvick;
2. Peter Weichsel, Roger Stern |

In 1990, the event became the Life Master Open Pairs.

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| 1990 | 1. Zia Mahmood, Hugh Ross;
2. Tommy Gullberg, Michael Polowan |
| 1991 | 1. Zia Mahmood, Hugh Ross;
2. Larry N. Cohen, David Berkowitz |
| 1992 | 1. Mike Kamil, Michael Rosenberg;
2. Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell |
| 1993 | 1. Brad Moss, Ravindra Murthy;
2. Ed Nagy, Jeff Polisner |
| 1994 | 1. Robert Levin, Richard Katz;
2. Michael Polowan, Steve Robinson |
| 1995 | 1. John Sutherlin, Bart Bramley;
2. Mark Itabashi, Gene Simpson |
| 1996 | 1. Walter Schafer, Ron Smith;
2. Michael Schreiber, Curtis Cheek |
| 1997 | 1. Kerry Smith, Jeff Schuett;
2. Dennis Kastle, Garey Hayden |
| 1998 | 1. JoAnna Stansby, Lew Stansby;
2. Ron Smith, Richard Schwartz |
| 1999 | 1. Paul Soloway, Steve Catlett;
2. Lew Stansby, JoAnna Stansby |
| 2000 | 1. Jill Meyers, Steve Garner;
2. Zia Mahmood, Chuck Burger |
| 2001 | 1. Piotr Gawrys, Jacek Pszczola;
2. Zia Mahmood, Sidney Lazard |
| 2002 | 1. Eric Greco, Geoff Hampson;
2. Larry Cohen, Steve Weinstein |
| 2003 | 1. Jo Morse, Kyle Larsen;
2. Fred Gitelman, Jay Borker |
| 2004 | 1. Richard Pavlicek, Richard Pavlicek Jr.;
2. Jonathan Green, Mark Aquino |
| 2005 | 1. Zia Mahmood, Jill Meyers;
2. Robert Levin, Louk Verhees |
| 2006 | 1. Steve Garner, Howard Weinstein;
2. John Armstrong, Paul Hackett |

Welcome

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outdoor activities by taking tours to the Grand Canyon, Sedona or the Saguaro National Park in Tucson. For the more adventurous, we have hiking, mountain biking, horseback riding and even hot air balloon rides.

Our planning committee has been hard at work for the past three years to prepare for this tournament. We want to express our sincere thanks to all of our volunteers and sponsors who have worked so hard to make your visit the best possible. Please let us know what we can do to help. We hope you enjoy your visit.

I/N Welcome

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and pastries and get a good seat.

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Have comments or suggestions for us? Please find us, JoAnn and David, around the I/N room at the Hyatt and talk with us. We want to hear from you!

We hope you have a terrific time at our Desert Gold NABC. Enjoy!

Associate editor opening

The ACBL is seeking candidates for the position of associate editor of the Bridge Bulletin. It is not possible to apply for the job at this tournament, but you can get general information by contacting Brent Manley, editor, in the Daily Bulletin office at the Sheraton between the afternoon and evening sessions of bridge play.

The main responsibility of the associate editor is to work on the monthly publication, generating story ideas and editing contributors, plus other writing. Bridge Bulletin editors are also responsible for the Daily Bulletin staff at NABCs.

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2. Michael Prahin, Alex Perlin |
| 2008 | 1. Nikolay Demirev, Ralph Katz;
2. Eric Rodwell, John Diamond |
| 2009 | 1. Tor Helness, Martin Andresen; 2
. Hemant Lall, Justin Lall |
| 2010 | 1. Hiroaki Miura and Kazuo Furuta;
2. Brad Moss and Fred Gitelman |
| 2011 | 1. Ishmael Del’Monte, Justin Lall;
2. Doug Doub, Adam Wildavsky |
| 2012 | 1. Chip Martel, Zia Mahmood;
2. Cecilia Rimstedt, Meike Wortel |

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Play begins today in Smith LM Women’s Pairs

Play gets underway today in the four-session Life Master Women’s Pairs with the Helen Sobel Smith Trophy going to the winners.

The Smith Trophy recognizes Helen Sobel Smith, the first woman elected to the Bridge Hall of Fame. Smith was an outstanding player and is universally considered the best woman player of all time.



She won 35 North American titles – the Vanderbilt twice, the Spingold five times and the Reisinger four times – and the McKenney Trophy (now the Barry Crane Top 500) three times: in 1941, 1942 and 1944.

Past winners and runners-up:	
1961	1. Dorothy Hayden, Helen Portugal; 2. Gratian Goldstein, Jane Mueller
1962	1. Barbara Kachmar, Margaret Wagar; 2. Anne Burnstein, Edith Kemp
1963	1. Anne Burnstein, Hermine Baron; 2. Carrie Arnold, Neva L. Gray
1964	1. Margaret Alcorn, Betty Kaplan; 2. Agnes Gordon, Sylvia Stein
1965	1. Ann Sheaber, Jan Stone; 2. Mary Jane Farell, Peggy Solomon
1966	1. Emma Jean Hawes, Dorothy Hayden; 2. Mary Jane Farell, Peggy Solomon
1967	1. Nancy Gruver, Edith Sachs; 2. Mary Jane Farell, Peggy Solomon
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1972	1. Amalya Kears, Rhoda Walsh; 2. Emma Jean Hawes, Dorothy Hayden Truscott
1973	1. Frieda Arst, June Deutsch; 2. Edith Kemp, Barbara Rappaport
1974	1. Bernice Larson, Joan Stein; 2. Edith Kemp, Barbara Rappaport
1975	1. Dorothy Moore, Marion Weed; 2. Nancy Gruver, Helen Utegaard
1976	1. Barbara Furbeck, Barbara Herr; 2. Carol Crawford, Joan Remey
1977	1. Edith Kemp, Barbara Rappaport; 2. Bernadine Jenkins, Joan Remey
1978	1. Emma Jean Hawes, Dorothy Hayden Truscott; 2. Ann Economidy, Anne Leverone
1979	1. Nancy Gruver, Edith Kemp; 2. June Deutsch, Sandi Leavitt
1980	1. Kathie Cappelletti, Claire Tornay; 2. Nancy Gruver, Edith Kemp
1981	1. Nancy Gruver, Edith Kemp; 2. Betty Ann Kennedy, Carol Sanders
1982	1. Dorothy Buchanan, Barbara Morris; 2. Mary Albert, Rhoda Walsh
1983	1. Beth Palmer, Lynn Deas; 2. Sandra Low, Joan Stein
1984	1. Karen Singer, Sharon Soules; 2. Kathie Wei, Judi Radin
1985	1. Lynn Deas, Beth Palmer; 2. Rama Linz, Kerri Shuman
1986	1. Mickie Kivel, Judi Cody; 2. Rama Linz, Kerri Shuman
1987	1. Jill Meyers, Gaye Herrington; 2. Mary Ann Coyle, Jackie Hess
1988	1. Nancy Passell, Nell Cahn; 2. Brenda Keller, Renee Mancuso
1989	1. Rhoda Walsh, Sabine Zenkel; 2. Lynn Deas, Beth Palmer
1990	1. Carol Sanders, Betty Ann Kennedy; 2. Barbara Sartorius, Marla Chaikin
1991	1. Sue Weinstein, Tobi Deutsch; 2. Janice Seamon, Cheri Bjerkan
1992	1. Shawn Womack, Jan Cohen; 2. Sabine Zenkel, Joan Jackson

1993	1. Janice Seamon, Sabine Zenkel; 2. Sharon David, Trudi Nugit
1994	1. Lynn Deas, Rhoda Kratenstein; 2. Cynthia Balderson, Peg Waller
1995	1. Flo Rotman, Susan Miller; 2. Lila Perlstein, Juanita Chambers
1996	1. Suzy Burger, Barbara Sion; 2. Judy Randel, Linda Lewis
1997	1. Janice Seamon, Sylvia Moss; 2. Linda Perlman, Hjordis Eythorsdottir
1998	1. Sharon Hait, Barbara Sartorius; 2. Shannon Lipscomb, Rhoda Walsh
1999	1. Mildred Breed, Shawn Quinn; 2. Nell Cahn, Ellen Siebert
2000	1. Mildred Breed, Shawn Quinn; 2. Joan Jackson, Robin Klar
2001	1. Mildred Breed, Shawn Quinn; 2. Jayne Thomas, Barbara Nudelman
2002	1. Mildred Breed, Shawn Quinn; 2. Jan George, Roni Gitchel
2003	1. Lynn Baker, Kerri Sanborn; 2. Joan Jackson, Robin Klar
2004	1. Cynthia Hinckley, Diana Schuld; 2. Pam Granovetter, Migry Zur-Campanile
2005	1. Jill Levin, Malle Andrade; 2. Mildred Breed, Claudette Hartman
2006	1. Sara Sivelind, Cecilia Rimstedt; 2. Janice Seamon-Molson, Gigi Simpson
2007	1. Lynn Baker, Karen McCallum; 2. YouMei Zhou; Jian Wang
2008	1. Betty Ann Kennedy, Lynn Deas; 2. Janice Seamon-Molson, Gigi Simpson
2009	1. Sue Picus, Shawn Quinn; 2. Victoria Gromova, Tatiana Ponomareva
2010	1. Disa Eythorsdottir, Valerie Westheimer; 2. Lynn Deas, Judith Shulman
2011	1. Cheri Bjerkan, Rozanne Pollack; 2. Nancy Passell, Peggy Sutherlin
2012	1. Victoria Gromova, Tatiana Ponomareva; 2. Migry Zur Campanile, Miriam Varenne



They won the 2012 Smith Life Master Women’s Pairs: Victoria Gromova and Tatiana Ponomareva.

Change in smoking policy

The ACBL Board of Directors has voted to amend the ACBL’s smoking policy to include electronic smoking devices. The policy now reads, “Smoking is not permitted in the playing area during any bridge playing event at an NBAC. This includes electronic smoking devices. “

The change is effective immediately.

Slow Play

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

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

Cappelletti

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Board-a-Match Teams and the 2013 Leventritt Silver Ribbon Pairs. He had seven second-place finishes in national-level contests. Cappelletti captured a bronze medal in the World Mixed Teams in 1974 and placed sixth in the World Open Pairs in 1978.

Cappelletti was a lawyer who worked as a public defender in Washington DC and previously worked for the U.S. Department of Justice.

In volunteer capacities, Cappelletti served on the ACBL Board of Governors and the National Appeals Committee. He is a past president of the Mid-Atlantic Bridge Conference and the Washington Bridge League.

Cappelletti was also a world-class poker player, and was especially knowledgeable about the variant called Omaha poker. He was a columnist for The Card Player magazine for many years.

Cappelletti had four children. Two were with his first wife, Kathie (who is now married to Walt Walvick): Sky and Mike (a top-level player who is frequently, but erroneously, referred to as “Mike Junior”). The couple divorced in the early Eighties. Cappelletti then married Susan Green; their two children are David and Allison. The Walvicks and the Cappellettis remained great friends. The Walvicks are the godparents of Cappelletti and Green’s children.

Richard Wieland, with whom Cappelletti won the Silver Ribbon Pairs last year, said, “Mike was, of course, very knowledgeable about bridge (and poker), and his theoretical understandings were strong. He knew the good points and bad points of almost every system. As a teacher, he was very helpful. He would play with anybody, and he enjoyed answering questions from anyone at any time. But he was also very gentlemanly and extremely well read. He was the perfect dinner companion because he could talk expertly about so many things like world events, politics or business. Mike was such an interesting and friendly individual. My heart goes out to his family.”

The BridgeWinners website posted dozens of tributes to Cappelletti, including this one from Walt Walvick:

“Imaginative. Always optimistic. Fearless. Self-confident. Intimidating. A man who did more than his fair share of bidding. A great declarer, frequently of necessity (see previous sentence). Mike was all of these things and more. As one of his most frequent teammates not named Kathie Cappelletti, I have many stories about a man who never saw a 5–5 that wasn’t worth at least one bid at any vulnerability at any form of scoring. Let’s just say that back in the day Kathie was the straight man to Mike’s Captain Marvel.

“For those of you who have never actually seen the score minus 250, that’s down five not vulnerable where one or both opponents forget to double. Mike and Kathie had a patent on that number, so much so that it became a standing joke. And the result usually was a BAM win or plus 8 or 9 IMPs – while we were plus 620 or 660 at our table, those feared Cappellettis were down a quiet five in a partscore (usually played at least one trick better than par). I often wondered whether some of those Cappelletti conventions were just an excuse to bid more.

“Not all days were good. At a tournament in Richmond VA, Mike, Kathie, Steve Lapides and I were the top seed playing against the 64 seed in the KO teams. The fifth member of our team, Kit Woolsey, didn’t have to show up for the evening session because we were soundly trounced by a pickup team of four non-Life Masters, one of whom later politely told us that we had played much better in the second half. Oh, so very humbling. Mike, ever the deft politician, was elected to tell Kit.”

Notice to players

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

The Bali files

By Barry Rigal

These deals were played in the 41st World Bridge Teams Championships in Bali, Indonesia, this fall. The first deal comes from the Venice Cup match between Turkey and France. The event was won by USA2 (Jill Meyers, Jill Levin, Disa Eythorsdottir, Janice Seamon-Molson, Migry Zur Campanile and Jenny Wolpert).

Turkey got on the score sheet on board 4, by declaring making partscores at both tables, but then came another big swing to France.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Oymen</i>	<i>D'Ovidio</i>	<i>Yavas</i>	<i>Neve</i>
	Pass	Pass	2♣
2♥	Dbl	Pass	3♠
Pass	4♥	Pass	4NT
Pass	5♦	Pass	5NT
Pass	6♦	Pass	6♥
Pass	6♠	All Pass	

West	North	East	South
<i>Willard</i>	<i>Kuranoglu</i>	<i>Cronier</i>	<i>Acar</i>
	Pass	Pass	2♣
2♥	Pass	3♥	3♠
4♥	5♥	Pass	7♠
All Pass			

Catherine D’Ovidio showed values with her double of the 2♥ overcall and Joanna Neve set spades as trumps then asked for key cards when D’Ovidio cuebid. She made two grand slam tries before settling, a trifle reluctantly, for the small slam. After a heart lead Neve made all 13 tricks for plus 1460.

Sylvie Willard also overcalled 2♥ but Serap Kuranoglu did not have a value-showing double at her disposal so passed. Benedicte Cronier raised to 3♥ and, when Asli Acar now showed her spades and Willard went on to 4♥, Kuranoglu showed her suitability for slam with a 5♥ cuebid. Acar could not count 13 tricks but could see that at worst she should have play for the grand so bid it.

Acar ruffed the heart lead in hand and cashed all but one of the trumps. That left dummy with two hearts, a club and three diamonds, and West with three diamonds and three clubs. Acar now cashed the ♦A and another diamond and, after some thought, went up with the king, took a club pitch on the A♥, and took the club finesse; down one for minus 100 and 17 IPs to France, ahead now by 32-6.

Clearly, declarer could have succeeded by taking the diamond finesse. There was also a squeeze available against West. To keep it simple, let’s say that declarer wins the ♥A at trick one, pitching the ♣J from hand. Now play all the trumps and West is forced to bare the ♠K to keep three diamonds. Declarer has to read the position, of course, but playing both minors from the top brings home the contract.

Should declarer get the ending right? If she does not read the squeeze ending correctly, it may appear attractive to cash the top diamonds then fall back on the club finesse, but that fails to take into account the fact that East has also come under pressure.

Say that declarer keeps three diamonds and a heart in dummy, facing ♦A 4 ♣ A Q. East is known to hold the heart guard, so whenever she has the club king there is no need to take the club finesse. Instead, cash the ♣A at trick 10. If East has the guarded king, she must be down to a singleton diamond, so now

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Baze Senior Knockout Teams starts today

The Baze Senior Knockout Teams begins today. Day-long matches will occur until the contest is decided. The event is limited to players 55 and older.

Grant Baze (1943-2009) was one of the all-time top masterpoints earners in the history of the ACBL. At the time of his death, he had accumulated more than 41,000 points, a feat only six others have surpassed.

Baze won seven NABC titles over the course of his career and had seven second-place finishes as well. He was also a three-time winner of the World Senior Teams, and notched one victory in the Transnational Teams.

A three-time winner of the Barry Crane Top 500 masterpoint race, Baze was also the first player to record more than 3000 points in a calendar year.

Baze may be best known, however, for his sartorial style (he was always attired in a suit and tie when he was at the table) and his strong ethical and professional approach to bridge.

Previous winners:

19941. Zeke Jabbour, Russ Arnold, Richard Hunt, Dan Morse, Chuck Said, John Sutherlin; 2. Duncan Phillips, Robert Ryder, Howard Hertzberg, Hamish Bennett, Joan Remey Moore, William Esberg
19951. Zeke Jabbour, Russ Arnold, Mike Levine, Bill Eisenberg, Benito Garozzo, Tommy Sanders; 2. Norm Coombs, Leonard Ernst, Michael Slaven, Richard Hart, Loren Hawkins, Don Brock
19961. Zeke Jabbour, Russ Arnold, Tommy Sanders, Bill Eisenberg, Mary Chilcote, Fred Hamilton; 2. Howard Hertzberg, Robert Ryder, William Esberg, Simon Kantor, Marty Baff
19971. Bob Carteaux, David Adams, Al Childs, Ralph Cohen, Chuck Said; 2. Mike Levine, Zeke Jabbour, Jim Linhart, Russ Arnold, Per Olof Sundelin, Arnold Fisher
19981. Mike Levine, Tommy Sanders, Zeke Jabbour, Arnie Fisher, Fred Hamilton, Chuck Said; 2. Gene Freed, Gene Simpson, James Koley, Syd Levey, Simon Kantor
19991. Jim Sternberg, Bernie Chazen, Allan Cokin, Billy Eisenberg, Richard Reisig, Robert Lipsitz; 2. Richard Budd, Shome Mukherjee, Robert Ryder, William Hunter
20001. Richard Budd, Robert Ryder, William Hunter, Shome Mukherjee, Richard De Martino, Pat McDevitt; 2. Jim Sternberg, Allan Cokin, Chuck Burger, Richard Reisig, Bernie Chazen, Robert Lipsitz
20011. Mike Levine, Zeke Jabbour, Randy Pettit, Allan Siebert, Per Olof Sundelin, Arnold Fisher; 2. Gene Simpson, Hamish Bennett, Billy Eisenberg, Joe Kivel, Jim Robison, Chris Larsen
20021. Mike Levine, Zeke Jabbour, Bobby Wolff, Dan Morse, Per Olof Sundelin, Arnold Fisher; 2. Lewis Finkel, John Stiefel, Daniel Colatosti, Mel Colchamiro, John Malley, Bernie Miller
20031. Dennis Dawson, Clement Jackson, John Sutherlin, Bobby Wolff, John Mohan, Dan



- Morse; 2. Pat McDevitt, John Stiefel, Daniel Colatosti, Mel Colchamiro, John Malley, Richard De Martino
20041. Tony Ames, John Koch, Mary Egan, Rod Beery; 2. Hamish Bennett, Frances Dickman, Chris Larsen, Gene Simpson, Michael Shuman, Bruce Noda
20051. Morris Chang, Bobby Wolff, Neil Chambers, John Schermer; 2. Don Stack, Alan Stout, Randy Pettit, Allan Siebert, James Nash, Pierre Flatowicz
20061. Amos Kaminski, Melih Ozdil, Pinhas Romik, Yeshayahu Levit, George Mitelman; 2. Gene Freed, Fred Hamilton, Arnold Fisher, Jim Tritt, Paul Ivaska, Tony Kasday
20071. Robert Hollman, Dennis Clerkin, Jerry Clerkin, Brenda Keller, Bruce Ferguson; 2. Mike Levine, Zeke Jabbour, Bobby Wolff, Dan Morse, Allan Siebert, Chuck Said
20081. Reese Milner, Sam Lev, P.O. Sundelin, Matthew Granovetter, Fred Chang, John Carruthers; 2. Richard DeMartino, Geoffrey Brod, Pat McDevitt and John Stiefel
20091. Carolyn Lynch, Melih Ozdil, Garey Hayden, Mike Passell, Mark Lair; 2. Arnold Fisher, Allan Graves, Fred Hamilton, Yeshayahu Levit, Amos Kaminski, George Mittelman
20101. Roger Bates, Drew Casen, Marc Jacobus, Jim Krekorian, Eddie Wold; 2. Dan Gerstman, Steve Landen, Dan Morse, Fred Stewart, John Sutherlin, Kit Woolsey
20111. Rose Meltzer, Neil Chambers, Mark Feldman, Kyle Larsen, Bill Pollack, John Schermer; 2. Lou Ann O’Rourke, Roger Bates, Drew Casen, Marc Jacobus, Jim Krekorian, Eddie Wold
20121. Gaylor Kasle, Larry Kozlove, Peter Boyd, Fred Stewart, Steve Robinson, Kit Woolsey; 2. Vinita Gupta, Billy Miller, Bob Hamman, Jeff Meckstroth, Lew Stansby, Bart Bramley.



Last year’s Senior KO champions: (seated) Larry Kozlove, captain Gaylor Kasle, Peter Boyd; (standing) Fred Stewart, Steve Robinson and Kit Woolsey.

INTERNATIONAL FUND SWISS TEAMS					
15 Tables					
	A	B	C		
5.83	1			Melih Ozdil, New York NY; Weimin Wang, People’s Republic of China; Jiang Gu, Mountain Lakes NJ; Xiaodong Shi, Naperville IL	63.00
4.37	2			Renate Hansen - Andreas Babsch, Vienna Austria; Martin Rokyta, Wien A-1220 Sweden; Werner Hackl, Brunn Austria	62.00
3.28	3			Jonathan Steinberg - Shan Huang, Toronto ON; Chuck Said - Elaine Said, Nashville TN	56.00
1.89	4/6			Kathy Newman - Bert Newman, West Bloomfield MI; Stephen Apodaca, Santa Fe NM; Ken Gee, Regina SK	43.00
2.93	4/6	1/2		Cecil Henry, Kingman AZ; Tony Viidik - Joan Viidik, Waterloo ON; Michael O’Rourke, Baden ON	43.00
2.93	4/6	1/2		Dana Christensen, Pocatello ID; Jeanne Moore, Parker Dam CA; Donna Christensen, Laguna Beach CA; Eurydice Nours, Richmond BC	43.00
2.22		3	1	Gerald Holland, Post Falls ID; Dan Spector, Palmdale CA; David Luzzatto - Bjorn Odden, Richardson TX	42.00

INTERNATIONAL 299ER FUND					
6.5 Tables					
	A	B	C		
2.40	1			Peter Donnellan, Warwick Wk 09 Bermuda; Paul Thompson, Warwick Bermuda	60.91%
2.00	2	1	1	Linzhi Hu - Michael Hu, San Jose CA	56.67%
1.50	3	2	2	James Mosley - Harry Potter, Herndon VA	56.37%
1.13	4	3		Peter Adhemar - Susan Adhemar, Harrington Snd Bermuda	55.46%
0.84	5	4		Mark Hays - Lori Hays, Arroyo Grande CA	53.63%

INTERNATIONAL FUND PAIRS					
34.0 Tables					
	A	B	C		
10.27	1			Dennis Carman - Susan Bailey Carman, Plainwell MI	66.54%
7.70	2			Miriam Rosenberg, Huixquilucan Mexico; N Lira, Mexico Mexico	66.38%
5.78	3			Pamela Granovetter, Cincinnati OH; Peter Lesnik, Burke VA	65.38%
3.79	4/5			Karen McCallum, Exeter NH; Lynn Baker, Austin TX	62.54%
5.90	4/5	1		Normand Malette, Sudbury ON; Robert Michaud, Sun City West AZ	62.54%
2.44	6			Leon Lowe - JoAnne Lowe, Fountain Hills AZ	60.31%
4.43		2	1	Umesh Reghuran, Fremont CA; Sally Craig, Port Moody BC	59.62%
3.32		3		Kornel Lazar, Vienna Austria Austria; Gerald Lackner, Graz Austria	59.31%
2.49		4		William Basler - Mark Manzer, Calgary AB	59.23%
1.87		5		Anne Lamport, Ryde Nsw Australia; Stephen Cox, Eugene OR	57.23%
1.40		6		Caris Westerbeek - Luc Severeijns, Phoenix AZ	55.00%
2.35			2	Larry Legault - Lyn Legault, Coe Hill ON	54.85%
1.76			3	Arun Gupta - Ambrish Bansal, West Chester OH	53.92%
1.58			4	Eve Jensen, Yuma AZ; Ruth Sidebottom, Red Deer AB	52.62%
1.45			5	Jake Olsen, Portland OR; Amber Lin, Edison NJ	51.31%

EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION 299ER					
8.5 Tables					
	A	B	C		
2.68	1			Peter Donnellan, Bermuda; Paul Thompson, Bermuda	72.23%
2.01	2			Gary Peterson, Marlboro MA; Christine Pettingell, West Newton MA	59.69%
2.26	3	1	1	Jake Williams - Luke Williams, San Diego CA	54.38%
1.70	4	2	2	S. Graeme Hynd - Margaret Hynd, Twin Butte AB	53.92%
1.27	5	3	3	Doris Meeks - Joyce Davis, Houston TX	51.90%
0.95		4		Carol Wilkinson, Thousand Palms CA; Jeannette Jensen, Sunnyvale CA	50.84%
0.72		5		Lori Hays - Mark Hays, Arroyo Grande CA	49.66%
0.80			4	Dee Campbell - Julie Olsen, Mesa AZ	49.57%

EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION PAIRS					
61.0 Tables					
	A	B	C		
10.77	1			Tim Edwards-Davies, Ottawa ON; Bob Zeller, Kanata ON	66.59%
8.08	2			Morrie Kleinplatz, Windsor ON; Jeffrey Zeig, Phoenix AZ	65.76%
6.06	3			Jeff Meckstroth - Sally Meckstroth, Clearwater Bch FL	63.95%
4.54	4			Sally Brock - Fiona Brown,	63.69%
3.41	5			Bob Klein, Santa Rosa CA; Sigrid Price, Napa CA	61.88%
2.56	6			David Lindop, Toronto ON; A Lindop, CD	61.76%
2.33	7			Tezcan Sen - Bulent Kaytaz, Istanbul Turkey	61.35%
5.61		1		Anne Lamport, Ryde Nsw Australia; Stephen Cox, Eugene OR	58.03%
4.21		2		Michael Hartnett - Nancy Ferguson, Greenbrae CA	57.88%
3.16		3		Maxim Siline - Xiaolian Liu, Hudson MA	57.01%
3.19		4	1	Shelley Burns, N Vancouver BC; Richard Nelson, Surrey BC	56.11%
1.78		5		Edgar L’Heureux, White Rock BC; Allan Karro, Surrey BC	55.51%
2.39		6	2	Anant Rathi, San Diego CA; Dustin Stout, Long Beach CA	55.39%
1.79			3	Kathleen Loeb, Lake Mary FL; David Loeb, Heathrow FL	54.83%
1.49			4	Daniel Willis, Dubuque IA; Gerald Holland, Post Falls ID	53.02%
1.24			5	Mike Tuchman, Celebration FL; Michelle Steiner, Chandler AZ	51.40%
0.76			6	Eve Jensen, Yuma AZ; Ruth Sidebottom, Red Deer AB	49.02%

declarer plays ♦A then takes the diamond finesse. Of course, if East has the diamond guard and West the ♣K, the contract fails – but then it was always going to fail. Meanwhile, this line succeeds whenever East has the ♣K or West has both minor-suit guards (as on the actual layout).

Bermuda Bowl action

This one is from the Bermuda Bowl round-robin match between Argentina and Italy.
Mark Horton referred to this deal in his article in bulletin four, mentioning that 6♣ would make when the ♠A ruffed out.

True enough, but imagine that the spade and diamond threes had changed places:

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

With West as declarer, the defenders cannot really achieve anything with a diamond lead but it is as good as anything. Declarer wins and plays a spade to the queen and ducks a spade, then wins the trump return and ruffs a spade. The ace does not come down, but declarer draws the last trump, plays three rounds of diamonds ruffing in hand, and has reached this ending:

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

The last trump forces a heart discard from North, and now when dummy pitches a diamond the screws are turned on South, who must keep his spade and thus also comes down to two hearts. Accordingly, declarer takes trick 13 with his third heart.

In the other room, Versace showed some very delicate hand evaluation:

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Lauria</i>	<i>Ravenna</i>	<i>Versace</i>	<i>Alujas</i>
	Pass	1NT	Pass
2♠	Pass	3♣	Pass
4NT	Pass	5♠	Pass
6♣	All Pass		

Once Versace realised his ♠Q J must be gold, the slam was bid. With the ♠A coming down in three rounds, no squeeze position was needed any more, though with West holding the ♥10 9 as well, some sort of squeeze would probably have been on anyway, had it been needed. Italy plus 1370 and another fine 12 IMPs to them.



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vs

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EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION KOS BRACKET II
6 Tables
Dennis Carman - Susan Bailey Carman, Plainwell MI; Leia Berla, Old Greenwich CT; Paula Strand, Kirkland WA

vs

Gerald Lackner, Graz Austria; Kornel Lazar, Vienna Austria Austria; Eugene Chan, Richmond BC; Volker Mitterhammer, Austria

vs

William Basler - Mark Manzer, Calgary AB; Charlotte Alekson, Delta BC; Charles Burns, Vancouver WA

vs

David Johnson - Dorothy Mersereau - Marcia Andreychuk - John D Aguiar, Calgary AB; Kasmer Andreychuk, Yorkton SK

EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION KOS BRACKET III
7 Tables
Valerie McClintock, Bedford NS; Cheryl Macintosh - Eileen Wallis, Ottawa ON; Phyllis Landry, Orleans ON

vs

Dana Christensen, Pocatello ID; Jeanne Moore, Parker Dam CA; Keith Bauer - Tracey Bauer, San Rafael CA

vs

Michael Innis - Gail Hanson, Fort Collins CO; Kenneth Nelson - Linda Nelson, Sun Lakes AZ

vs

Irene Bolton, Waukesha WI; Liang Fan, Los Angeles CA; Lawrence Diamond, Tacoma WA; Patty Michael, San Mateo CA

A look back

The city of Phoenix last hosted an NABC in the fall of 2002. It was the first time that Thanksgiving was the opening day of a Fall NABC, and attendance was not too bad — 118 tables. Things definitely picked up, with attendance for the tournament totaling 12,458.5 tables.

Outgoing ACBL President George Retek expressed gratitude for all the support he received during his term and Al Levy of District 22 was tapped to serve as president for 2003.

Aileen Osofsy, chairman of the Goodwill Committee, was honored at the Goodwill reception in a special ceremony featuring tributes from family, friends and bridge cohorts. It was the first time Aileen’s husband, Mike, had ever been to a Goodwill reception, and he was pleased to see the high esteem in which Aileen’s bridge friends held her.

Bill Breeze of Bellevue WA was introduced as the 2003 Goodwill Member of the Year. District 17’s Chris Wilson was also singled out for honors.

Nick Nickell was chosen as ACBL’s Honorary Member of the Year for 2003. Tobias Stone (von Zedtwitz Award) and Henry Francis (Blackwood Award) were named to the ACBL Hall of Fame.

Larry Cohen earned the platinum points needed to claim the 2002 Player of the Year title.

Eddie Kantar and Eddie Wold practiced all week and did not disappoint the 200 players who gathered to kibitz their table tennis duel!

Kantar, a Minnesota state tennis champion who competed in the World Table Tennis Championships in Stockholm in 1957, is in the Minnesota state table tennis Hall of Fame. Wold is a former Texas state champion. He was once nationally rated and tried out

for the national team. “I just wasn’t good enough,” he said. “So I quit table tennis and took up bridge.”

Winners of the major events at the 2002 Fall NABC were:

Non-Life Master Pairs: Paul Fagan and Ted Wilson

Life Master Open Pairs: Eric Greco and Geoff Hampson

Life Master Women’s Pairs: Mildred Breed and Shawn Quinn

Open Board-a-Match: George Jacobs, Ralph Katz, Georgio Duboin, Alfredo Versace and Lorenzo Lauria.

Women’s Board-a-Match: Valerie Westheimer, Hjordis Eythorsdottir, Judi Radin, Mildred Breed and Shawn Quinn

Blue Ribbon Pairs: Sidney Lazard and Bart Bramley

Senior Knockout Teams: Mike Levine, P.O Sunderlin, Zeke Jabbour, Arnie Fisher, Bobby Wolff and Dan Morse

National 99er Pairs: Jeff Kaldem and MaryBelle Hoenig

Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams: Stephen Landen, Pratap Rajadhyaksha, Dan Morse, Bobby Wolff, Adam Wildavsky and Doub Doub

North American Swiss Teams: Mark Gordon, Richard Zucker, Winthrop Allegaert, Jaggy Shivdasani, Marland Molson and Boris Baran

Herman Trophy: Dan Morse

EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION 299ER ONLY SESSION											
NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION BBB			EAST-WEST					
A	B	C	A	B	C						
1			Peter Donnellan, Warwick	Wk 09 Bermuda; Paul Thompson, Warwick	Bermuda	72.23%	1			Gary Peterson, Marlboro MA; Christine Pettingell, West Newton MA	59.69%
2	1	1	Doris Meeks - Joyce Davis, Houston TX			51.90%	2	1	1	Jake Williams - Luke Williams, San Diego CA	54.38%
3	2		Carol Wilkinson, Thousand Palms CA; Jeannette Jensen, Sunnysvale CA			50.84%	3	2	2	S. Graeme Hynd - Margaret Hynd, Twin Butte AB	53.92%
4	3		Lori Hays - Mark Hays, Arroyo Grande CA			49.66%	4			Dee Campbell - Julie Olsen, Mesa AZ	49.57%
		2	James Fraser - Marsha Fraser, Hamilton Bermuda			47.67%					
EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION PAIRS THURSDAY EVENING 2 OF 4 SESSIONS											
NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION K			EAST-WEST					
A	B	C	A	B	C						
1			Jeff Meekstroth - Sally Meekstroth, Clearwater Bch FL			63.95%	1			Christopher Cowan - Debbie Feldman, Oakville ON	60.94%
2			Alvin Levy, Commack NY; Beverly Levy, Lake Worth FL			59.65%	2			Sedat Nassi, Hollywood FL; Gerty Grotte, Aventura FL	59.58%
3	1		Anne Lamport, Ryde Nsw Australia; Stephen Cox, Eugene OR			58.03%	3			Erwin Linzner - Lynn Blumenthal, Santa Rosa CA	57.24%
4	2		Michael Hartnett - Nancy Ferguson, Greenbrae CA			57.88%	4			Steve Gross, Westlake Vilg CA; Peter Kneee, Canyon Country CA	56.75%
5			Robert Bitterman - Jerry Helms, Charlotte NC			54.11%	5			Robert Kuz, St Andrews MB; Barry Senensky, Toronto ON	56.60%
6			John Cox, St Maries ID; Angela Fenton, Vancouver BC			54.03%	6			Stephen Jackson - Susan Jackson, Roseville MN	56.30%
	3		Michael Christensen, Redmond WA; Michael Ring, Bothell WA			43.70%		1		Susan Marshall - Richard Gardner, Clark CO	54.03%
		1	Michael Kilgore, Wichita KS; Dinah Mc Nutt, San Jose CA			41.44%		2	1	Moises Saul - Elizabeth Saul, Bellevue WA	47.06%
NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION L			EAST-WEST					
A	B	C	A	B	C						
1			Morrie Kleinplatz, Windsor ON; Jeffrey Zeig, Phoenix AZ			65.76%	1			Tim Edwards-Davies, Ottawa ON; Bob Zeller, Kanata ON	66.59%
2			Roger McNay, Beaverton OR; Daniel Hoekstra, Portland OR			60.29%	2			Bob Klein, Santa Rosa CA; Sigrid Price, Napa CA	61.88%
3			Abe Jakob, Ft Lauderdale FL; Betty Triliegi, Pompano Beach FL			56.11%	3	1	1	Shelley Burns, N Vancouver BC; Richard Nelson, Surrey BC	56.11%
4			Thomas Corlett - Ethel Corlett, Waco TX			54.15%	4	2		Edgar L'Heureux, White Rock BC; Allan Karro, Surrey BC	55.51%
5			Hilary Skolnik - Mel Skolnik, Santa Fe NM			53.54%	5			Barbara Heller, Knoxville TN; Bonnie Bagley, Colorado Spgs CO	54.86%
6	1		Elsie Johnson - Delores Hedley, Calgary AB			53.28%	6			David Stewart, Sun City AZ; Judy Singer, Toronto ON	52.60%
	2		Diane Campbell - Janet Sharpe, Calgary AB			48.57%		3		William Beach, Green Valley AZ; Maxwell Hughes, Vero Beach FL	43.21%
		1	Larry Legault - Lyn Legault, Coe Hill ON			44.87%					
NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION N			EAST-WEST					
A	B	C	A	B	C						
1			David Lindop, Toronto ON; A Lindop, CD			61.76%	1			Sally Brock - Fiona Brown,	63.69%
2			Pamela Granovetter, Cincinnati OH; Peter Lesnik, Burke VA			59.50%	2			James Melville, Springfield IL; Vladislav Ipsorski, Sofia Bulgaria	59.88%
3			Ashraf El Sadi, Union City CA; Pat Galligan, San Mateo CA			57.05%	3			Dennis Goldston, Colorado Spgs CO; Robert Carstedt, Wichita KS	59.58%
4	1		Maxim Siline - Xiaoqian Liu, Hudson MA			57.01%	4	1	1	Anant Rathi, San Diego CA; Dustin Stout, Long Beach CA	55.39%
5			David Certa, Phoenix AZ; Linda Taschuk, Edmonton AB			56.41%	5	2		Kathleen Loeb, Lake Mary FL; David Loeb, Heathrow FL	54.83%
6	2	1	Mike Tuchman, Celebration FL; Michelle Steiner, Chandler AZ			51.40%	6			Brian Ransley, Tonbridge Wells UK; Brian McGuire, London UK	51.77%
	3	2	Umesh Reghuram, Fremont CA; Sally Craig, Port Moody BC			47.89%		3		Michael Mezin, San Diego CA; Elaine Chan, La Jolla CA	50.49%
	4		Lina Cheng - Simon Cheng, Buena Park CA			45.63%					
NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION O			EAST-WEST					
A	B	C	A	B	C						
1			Tezcan Sen - Bulent Kaytaz, Istanbul Turkey			61.35%	1			Jonathan Steinberg - Shan Huang, Toronto ON	59.92%
2			David Zapatka - Jo Ann Zapatka, Sun Lakes AZ			59.62%	2			Barbara Mackay, Fredericton NB; Paul Wright Jr, Mount Pleasant SC	54.34%
3			Donald Kersey - Mark Donovan, Kingston ON			58.79%	3			Ned Kohler - Sherryll Buchler, Scottsdale AZ	53.81%
4			David Rottmayer - William Rottmayer, Spokane WA			57.39%	4			George Subt, Southampton NJ; Robert Walters, New Westminster BC	53.24%
5			Peter Morse, North Vancouver BC; Donald SACHE, Delta BC			54.98%	5	1		Eurydice Nours, Richmond BC; Donna Christensen, Laguna Beach CA	50.83%
6			Carolnye Fox, Manvel TX; Mildred Breed, Austin TX			54.86%	6			Hazel Schoenberg - Jules Schoenberg, Plano TX	49.74%
	1	1	Daniel Willis, Dubuque IA; Gerald Holland, Post Falls ID			53.02%		2		Muriel Stitt - Oded Stitt, Honolulu HI	43.67%
	2		Matthew Dyer - Cory Perkers, Chicago IL			50.15%			1	Claudia Baxter - Jeremiah Roberts, Smoke Rise GA	43.44%
INTERNATIONAL 299ER FUND ONLY SESSION											
			SECTION BBB								
A	B	C									
1			Peter Donnellan, Warwick	Wk 09 Bermuda; Paul Thompson, Warwick	Bermuda					60.91%	
2	1	1	Linzi Hu - Michael Hu, San Jose CA							56.67%	
3	2	2	James Mosley - Harry Potter, Herndon VA							56.37%	
4	3		Peter Adhemar - Susan Adhemar, Harrington Snd Bermuda							55.46%	
5	4		Mark Hays - Lori Hays, Arroyo Grande CA							53.63%	
INTERNATIONAL FUND PAIRS 1ST THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION											
NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION N			EAST-WEST					
A	B	C	A	B	C						
1			Marjorie Michelin, Laguna Woods CA; Tom Breed, Kingwood TX			56.38%	1			Dennis Carman - Susan Bailey Carman, Plainwell MI	66.54%
2	1		Bryan Delfs, Horn Lake MS; Shane Garner, Memphis TN			54.62%	2			Leon Lowe - JoAnne Lowe, Fountain Hills AZ	60.31%
3	2	1	Eve Jensen, Yuma AZ; Ruth Sidebottom, Red Deer AB			52.62%	3			John Morgan, Navan ON; J Mark Siegrist, Gloucester ON	59.69%
4	3		Maureen Weiman - Magnus Weiman, Eden Prairie MN			51.85%	4	1		Kornel Lazar, Vienna Austria Austria; Gerald Lackner, Graz Austria	59.31%
5			Arnold Fisher - Joelyn Shilliday, Clementon NJ			51.77%	5	2		William Basler - Mark Manzer, Calgary AB	59.23%
6			George Subt, Southampton NJ; Peter McLaren, Prince Albert SK			50.69%	6			Brian Ransley, United Kingdom; Brian McGuire, London United Kingdom	57.77%
7	4		Alain Turcotte - Louise Menard, St-Pie de Bagot QC			50.54%	7	3		Caris Westerbeeck - Luc Severeijns, Phoenix AZ	55.00%
		2	Diane Griffiths, Langley BC; Margaret Gibson, Port Moody BC			44.15%		4	1	Arun Gupta - Ambrish Bansal, West Chester OH	53.92%
									2	Shirley Liss, Fairbanks AK; Joyce Michaelson, Anchorage AK	46.08%
NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION O			EAST-WEST					
A	B	C	A	B	C						
1			Miriam Rosenberg, Huixquilucan Mexico; N Lira, Mexico Mexico			66.38%	1			Leo Mahoney - Anne Mahoney, Moncton NB	56.08%
2			Pamela Granovetter, Cincinnati OH; Peter Lesnik, Burke VA			65.38%	2			Ulf Nilsson, Dalby Sweden; Eric Leong, Oakland CA	54.15%
3/4			Karen McCallum, Exeter NH; Lynn Baker, Austin TX			62.54%	3			Barbara Grantham - Dan Morse, Houston TX	53.23%
3/4	1		Normand Malette, Sudbury ON; Robert Michaud, Sun City West AZ			62.54%	4	1		David Macrae, Morrisville PA; Christina Van Leeuwen, Horn Lake MS	53.08%
5	2	1	Umesh Reghuram, Fremont CA; Sally Craig, Port Moody BC			59.62%	5			Tezcan Sen - Bulent Kaytaz, Istanbul Turkey	52.85%
6	3		Anne Lamport, Ryde Nsw Australia; Stephen Cox, Eugene OR			57.23%	6			Sally Brock - Fiona Brown,	52.08%
7			Marjorie Ford - Edwin Anderson, Saskatoon SK			56.46%	7	2	1	Jake Olsen, Portland OR; Amber Lin, Edison NJ	51.31%
	4	2	Larry Legault - Lyn Legault, Coe Hill ON			54.85%		3		Stephanie Haddy - Larry Haddy, Scottsdale AZ	50.23%
								4		Susan Marshall - Richard Gardner, Clark CO	48.54%
									2	Sonya Webber - Beverly Hoover, Sedona AZ	47.46%

Tomorrow's Bridge Events

Junior Day

Saturday, November 30, 9 a.m.				
Event	Session	Sold	Entry/player/session ACBL members*	Other
Educational Foundation Bracketed Knockout Teams	3rd	Sheraton 2nd floor, Valley of the Sun E	\$16	\$18
Friday-Saturday Morning Bracketed Compact Knockout Teams	3-4	Sheraton 2nd floor, Valley of the Sun E	\$16	\$18
Saturday-Sunday Morning Bracketed Compact Knockout Teams	1-2	Sheraton 2nd floor, Valley of the Sun B	\$16	\$18
Friday-Sunday Morning Side Game Series	2nd single session	Sheraton 2nd floor, Foyer	\$16	\$18
Saturday, November 30, 10 a.m.				
Bridge-Plus+ <i>Free lesson with Jerry Helms, game at 12:30 pm (0-20 MPs) 14 deals, no card fee.</i>	single	Hyatt 2nd floor, Cowboy Artists	Free	Free
John Vaneerden Memorial 299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Hyatt 1st floor, Regency A	\$15	\$17
John Vaneerden Memorial 0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single	Hyatt 1st floor, Regency A	\$15	\$15
Saturday, November 30, 10 a.m. & 3 p.m.				
Estie Schotz Stratified Daylight Open Pairs	1-2	Hyatt 1st floor, Regency D	\$16	\$18
Saturday, November 30, 1 p.m.				
Saturday-Sunday Side Game Series	1st single session	Sheraton 2nd floor, Foyer	\$16	\$18
Saturday, November 30, 1 & 7:30 p.m.				
NAIL LIFE MASTER OPEN PAIRS	1-2 F	Sheraton 3rd floor, Phoenix Ballroom C	\$20	--
SMITH LIFE MASTER WOMEN'S PAIRS	1-2 F	Sheraton 3rd floor, Phoenix Ballroom A	\$20	—
BAZE SENIOR KNOCKOUT TEAMS	Round 2	Sheraton 2nd floor, Maryvale	\$20	--
Joy Balser & Clark Ransom Stratified Open Pairs (2500+/0-2500)	1-2	Sheraton 2nd floor, Foyer	\$16	\$18
Kickoff Gold Rush 750/300 Pairs <i>Gold points for 0-750.</i>	1-2	Sheraton 2nd floor, Foyer	\$16	\$18
Saturday-Sunday Bracketed KO Teams	1-2	Sheraton 2nd floor, Valley of the Sun E	\$16	\$18
Saturday Bracketed Compact KO Teams	1-4	Sheraton 2nd floor, Valley of the Sun B	\$16	\$18
Friday-Saturday Bracketed Knockout Teams	3-4	Sheraton 2nd floor, Deer Valley	\$16	\$18
Saturday, November 30, 3 p.m.				
John Vaneerden Memorial 299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Hyatt 1st floor, Regency A	\$15	\$17
John Vaneerden Memorial 0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single	Hyatt 1st floor, Regency A	\$15	\$15
Saturday, November 30, 7:30 p.m.				
Strati-Flighted A/X and B/C/D Side Swiss Teams	single	Sheraton 2nd floor, Valley of the Sun B	\$15	\$17
Saturday-Sunday Side Game Series	2nd single session	Sheraton 2nd floor, Valley of the Sun E	\$16	\$18
Stratified 299er Swiss Teams	single	Hyatt 1st floor, Regency A	\$15	\$17
Donald Hard 299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Hyatt 1st floor, Regency A	\$15	\$17
Donald Hard 0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single	Hyatt 1st floor, Regency A	\$15	\$15
Saturday, November 30, 11:30 p.m.				
Zip Knockout Teams	single	Sheraton 2nd floor, Deer Valley	\$12/team/match	
Junior Zip Knockout Teams	single	Sheraton 2nd floor, Deer Valley	Juniors play free	

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Tomorrow's Sponsors

Estie Schotz - “The Big E”
The friends of Estie Schotz from AZ BridgeWorks would like to honor Estie for her love of, and dedication to, the game of bridge. Estie has lived in Phoenix for almost 50 years. She has run her own bridge club and taught bridge. She is a Diamond Life Master.
Estie plays almost every day and three evenings a week — 10 sessions of her favorite game in a typical week. She always sits at the same table and is among the first to arrive and the last to leave. Players gravitate to her table both before and after the game to talk to her — and not just about bridge.
Joy Balser, owner of AZ BridgeWorks, says, “Estie is the heart and soul of our club.”
Although she stands less than 5 feet tall, Estie is well deserving of her nickname. She is, and will always be, “The Big E.”
Joy Balser & Clark Ransom
In 2012, AZ Bridgeworks was the second-largest club in District 17 and the 29th largest club in the United States as measured by table counts. AZ

BridgeWorks is owned and operated by Joy Balser and Clark Ransom.
Members of AZ BridgeWorks have written a tribute to Joy and Clark to the tune of “Nobody does it better” by Carly Simon. This is part of that tribute:
“Nobody does it better, makes us feel sad for the rest; Nobody does it half as good as you. Joy and Clark, you’re the best!”
Donald Hard Memorial
Don Hard was a co-founder of the Thunder Mountain Bridge Club in Sierra Vista AZ, where he also directed games.
A West Point graduate, Don came to southern Arizona after an illustrious career in the United States Army. He worked in the branch of the Army tasked with defending against chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear weapons. After a tour in Vietnam, he continued his career in the military until he retired in 1982. He then moved to Sierra Vista, where he was able to indulge his great loves: his family, his dogs — Aberrantly and Evangelyn — and playing bridge.

Don was never without helpful advice for new or beginning players. Don’s favorite Wednesday partner, Judy Shelnutt, described Don as someone who cared about others and who wanted to win every bridge hand. We will all miss him.
John Vaneerden Memorial
Everyone’s friend, John Vaneerden appeared on the local bridge scene in the 1970s, teaching and playing at Jim Cox’s Phoenix club. John was a very successful professional player with a steady demeanor, who conveyed enthusiasm to everyone he played with — his students, his non-student partners and his opponents.
John was an indispensable member of the staff at AZ BridgeWorks. John initiated the club’s Walk-for-AIDS charity bridge game, which became an annual event and eventually evolved into The Calcutta, for the benefit of Logan’s Playground — a summer camp for AIDS patients and their families. The Calcutta still takes place every April. In honor of our dear, unforgettable friend, all club proceeds now go to Hospice of the Valley.

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Today’s Bridge Events

Lou Ann O’Rourke Day
0-5 Newcomer Pairs Play Free Today!

Friday, November 29, 9 a.m.

Event	Session	Sold	Entry/player/session ACBL members*	Other
Educational Foundation Bracketed Knockout Teams	2nd	Sheraton 2nd floor, Valley of the Sun E	\$16	\$18
Friday-Saturday Morning Bracketed Compact Knockout Teams	1-2	Sheraton 2nd floor, Valley of the Sun B	\$16	\$18
Friday-Sunday Morning Side Game Series	1st single session	Sheraton 2nd floor, Foyer	\$16	\$18

Friday, November 29, 10 a.m.

Bridge-Plus+	single	Hyatt 2nd floor, Cowboy Artists	Free	Free
Free lesson with Barbara Seagram, game at 12:30 pm (0-20 MPs) 14 deals, no card fee.				
299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Hyatt 1st floor, Regency A	\$15	\$17
0-20 Pairs	single	Hyatt 1st floor, Regency A	\$15	\$15
0-5 Pairs	single	Hyatt 1st floor, Regency A	Free	Free

Friday, November 29, 10 a.m. & 3 p.m.

Joy Balser Stratified Daylight Open Pairs	1-2	Hyatt 1st floor, Regency D	\$16	\$18
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Friday, November 29, 1 p.m.

Thursday-Friday Side Game Series	3rd single session	Sheraton 2nd floor, Foyer	\$16	\$18
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Friday, November 29, 1 & 7:30 p.m.

NAIL LIFE MASTER OPEN PAIRS	1-2 Q	Sheraton 3rd floor, Phoenix Ballroom C	\$20	--
SMITH LIFE MASTER WOMEN’S PAIRS	1-2 Q	Sheraton 3rd floor, Phoenix Ballroom A	\$20	--

Both events: 2 qualifying & 2 final sessions.

BAZE SENIOR KNOCKOUT TEAMS

Entry required by 11 a.m. One match per day until complete. Continues daily at 1 p.m.

MANFIELD NON-LIFE MASTER OPEN PAIRS

5% Gold for overall.

Stratified Open Pairs	1-2	Sheraton 2nd floor, Foyer	\$16	\$18
Friday-Saturday Bracketed Knockout Teams	1-2	Sheraton 2nd floor, Valley of the Sun E	\$16	\$18

Friday, November 29, 3 p.m.

299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Hyatt 1st floor, Regency A	\$15	\$17
0-20 Pairs	single	Hyatt 1st floor, Regency A	\$15	\$15
0-5 Pairs	single	Hyatt 1st floor, Regency A	Free	Free

Friday, November 29, 7:30 p.m.

Stratified Side Swiss Teams	single	Sheraton 2nd floor, Valley of the Sun B	\$15	\$17
Thursday-Friday Side Game Series	4th single session	Sheraton 2nd floor, Foyer	\$16	\$18
Stratified 299er Swiss Teams	single	Hyatt 1st floor, Regency A	\$15	\$17
299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Hyatt 1st floor, Regency A	\$15	\$17
0-20 Pairs	single	Hyatt 1st floor, Regency A	\$15	\$15
0-5 Pairs	single	Hyatt 1st floor, Regency A	Free	Free

Friday, November 29, 11:30 p.m.

Zip Knockout Teams	single	Sheraton 2nd floor, Deer Valley	\$12/team/match	
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Today's Sponsors

Today is Lou Ann O’Rourke Day

Lou Ann O’Rourke is a Grand Life Master who lives in the Phoenix area. She has succeeded at the highest levels, winning and placing in numerous national events and winning over fifty regional events.

Lou Ann has also competed successfully in both world events and the European Championships. Like many bridge players, Lou Ann started young, at age thirteen, playing with her parents and girlfriends. She began to play competitive bridge in 1995, and currently has over 12,000 master points.

“Thank you for honoring me in the Fall North



American Bridge Championships,” Lou Ann says. “Bridge has been a very important part of my life and I wish to thank my partners, teammates and many friends for this wonderful experience.”

Joy Balser

In 2012, AZ Bridgeworks was the second-largest club in District 17 and the 29th largest club in the country as measured by table counts. AZ BridgeWorks is owned and managed by Joy Balser.

Joy built her table counts through her love of bridge and her understanding of how duplicate bridge clubs should operate. She gives back to the game. As a former



tournament director, she is well-qualified to mentor and assist new directors, and she has developed a number of new directors who now work all over the Valley.

Part of running a successful club is honoring and supporting her clientele. The events in this tournament named for Jim Cox and John Vaneerden, two former AZ BridgeWorks directors who helped Joy along the way, are courtesy of Joy. In addition, the club regularly promotes and financially contributes to local charities, including St. Mary’s Food Bank and Hospice of the Valley.

In the hospital? You’ll get a card from AZ BridgeWorks. And any achievement or occasion, no matter how minor, can be an excuse for a potluck and a special game. Games at AZ BridgeWorks are not only professional, they’re fun.

In short, Joy is a role model for the duplicate bridge community.

Club Manager
and
Teacher Q & A
Free of charge.

Come by for coffee and meet with members of the ACBL staff. This session will be hosted by Carol Robertson, Director of Club and Member Services. Alex Turner, Marketing Director will be sharing marketing tools and programs. IT Director, Bruce Knoll will give a brief talk about the technology initiatives that will be available next year and answer your questions. *We hope to see you there!*

Date: Saturday, November 30 • Time: 10 – 11 a.m.
Location: See Daily Bulletin Schedule for room location at the Sheraton Hotel