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A personal journey to L and back

By Glenn Eisenstein

I don't remember the first time I heard Brent Manley talk about one of the many marathons he had either just finished or was getting ready to run. I do know that it probably took more than 25 years for the seed to begin to grow enough in my own mind.

I had the idea last year that I wanted to do something "momentous" and life-changing before my 70th birthday (next month), and the idea of running in a marathon took seed. I read about what the training consisted of, specifically for someone who had never run before, and I focused on programs that are also suited to the



Glenn Eisenstein right after finishing the 2017 Chicago Marathon.

no-longer-a-teenager.

My intention was to honor my daughter, Samantha Eisenstein Watson, who runs the non-profit called The Samfund, which has given out close to \$2 million in the past 15 years. She battled cancer twice from 1999 to 2001, at which time she received a life-saving bone marrow transplant. There isn't much she can't do, but she can't run. So I decided I would run for her. With Brent's guidance, I entered the lottery for the Chicago Marathon (no hills, he promised me) and in December of last year I received notice that I was "in." And then it began....

To put the past year or so into "bridge" perspective, it was during last summer's Senior Trials in Schaumburg that I first took to the streets in the early morning hours to run. It was also when I received some tidbits of training wisdom from Fred Stewart, a seasoned marathon runner. I entered my first race, a 5K, the day before the 2016 New York City Marathon, and had no idea what to expect. When I showed up at UN Plaza at 7 a.m. on Saturday, I was one of more than 11,000 runners who entered. I sure didn't set any records that day, but I was hooked.

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Steve Landen 1952–2017

Grand Life Master Steve Landen of Ellicott City MD died Oct. 29. The 64-year-old, who had battled the effects of Alzheimer's for several years, died of hypothermia complicated by a fall he suffered walking near his home.



Landen was a six-time NABC champion with wins in the 1990 and 2000 Wernher Open Pairs, the 2002 Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams, the 2003 Baldwin (Flight A) North American Pairs, the 2007 Kaplan Blue Ribbon Pairs and the 2010 Silodor Open Pairs. Landen had seven second-place finishes in NABC contests.

In world-level play, Landen earned a bronze

medal for the United States at the 2003 Bermuda Bowl in Monte Carlo, and a silver medal at the 2012 World Senior Teams in Lille, France.

A full-time player, Landen amassed more than 20,000 masterpoints during his career.

The Baltimore Sun reported that after he graduated from high school in 1971, Landen enrolled in the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, but left the school to pursue playing bridge. He later returned to finish his undergraduate degree.

"Steve was always a nonconformist," said his wife, Lynne Schaefer. "He spent a while touring the country. He was a fierce opponent. But away from the bridge table, he had a great sense of humor and loved his family deeply."

Landen is survived by Schaefer, to whom he was married for 25 years, children Matthew Landen and Samantha Landen, and three siblings.

Hotel Del Coronado: A place in bridge, film history



Three miles from the Hyatt is a historic site that has particular meaning for some longtime bridge players – particularly those who have been playing more than 45 years.

The Hotel Del Coronado served as the site of the annual Pacific Southwest Regional for 26 years beginning in 1946. The biggest tournament held there during that time was the 1959 Fall NABC. After the local regional moved to the Town and Country in 1972, there was a nostalgic one-time return to Coronado in 1985.

The hotel is famous for its colorful history of movie appearances and celebrity guests over the past 130 years.

Without having any experience in the hotel business, Elisha Babcock and Hampton Story Jr. bought Coronado Island in 1886 with a goal of building a magnificent hotel, one that would be "the talk of the western world." They financed construction by auctioning off lots on the island, raising \$1.5 million in seven months.

When the hotel opened in February 1888 as one of the largest buildings in the country with electricity, the room rate was \$2.50 a day (\$69 in 2017 dollars) and included three meals. It also boasted telephone service and even a sprinkler system. The first outdoor Christmas tree with electric lighting was displayed there in 1904.

The hotel became a destination for celebrities from the beginning, hosting stage actress Lillie Langtry in its first months. Author L. Frank Baum frequently stayed there for months at a time between 1904 and 1910, while writing three books in the Oz series. Sixteen presidents have visited, beginning with Benjamin Harrison in 1891 and including

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Auken, Welland, lead Nail qualifiers

Sabine Auken and Roy Welland take a slim lead into today's final two sessions of the Nail Life Master Pairs. Their matchpoint carryover of 48.00 is only 1.32 ahead of the father-son partnership of Ken and John Kranyak. Top on a board today is 77. In third place with two sessions to play are Chris Willenken and Eldad Ginossar.

Zia Mahmood, who won the event last year playing with Marion Michielsen, is in 17th place after two qualifying sessions. He is playing with Jan Jansma.

Senior KO in round of 16

The field of 26 in the Baze Senior Knockout Teams has been pared to 16 squads as Nick Nickell and company try to win their second in a row in the event.

Nickell returns with two new teammates: Bobby Levin and Michael Rosenberg. They join Nickell, playing with Ralph Katz, plus Jeff Meckstroth and Eric Rodwell. Levin only recently became eligible to play in Senior events (minimum age is 60).

In today's play, Nickell will face a mostly Israeli team led by Amos Kaminski of New York City. His teammates, all from Israel, are Adrian Schwartz, Shalom Seligman, Yeshayahu Levit, Avi Kalish and Eitan Orenstein.

The event concludes on Tuesday.

Meet the CEO

ACBL chief executive Bahar Gidwani invites members to stop by, ask questions and let him know what's on their mind. Look for Bahar in the Manchester Grand Hyatt Lobby Bar on Sunday from 5:30 p.m.–6:30 p.m., and from 11 p.m.–12:30 a.m.



New: Credit cards accepted for entry fees

Purchase your entries for all events at the NABC via credit card! All major credit cards are accepted wherever entries are sold. Charges will appear from PurplePass. To use this option, the entire pair or team entry must be charged to a single card. Please be patient with directors using this new system. Bridge Bucks also remain available as an alternative to cash.

Free Ride Service

The Free Ride offers free rides throughout the downtown area, approximately a 1.5-mile radius of the Hyatt.

This includes the Gaslamp Quarter, Little Italy and East Village. An app can be used to summon a driver, or you can hail them on the street.

Hours are 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday; 7 a.m. to midnight Friday; 8 a.m. to midnight Saturday; and 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday. To download the app, go to thefreeride.com/san-diego.php.



SPECIAL EVENTS

MEETINGS / SEMINARS / RECEPTIONS

Meetings are at the Manchester Grand Hyatt.

Saturday, November 25	
8-10:30 am	ACBL Educational Foundation meeting. (<i>Old Town A, second floor</i>)
8:30 am-Noon	Teacher Accreditation Program (TAP). Session two of three. ACBL's 10-hour seminar for people interested in learning how to teach bridge. (<i>La Jolla AB, second floor</i>)
10-11:30 am	Board of Governors meeting. All members of the ACBL Board of Governors are invited to attend the Fall NABC meeting. This meeting is also open to the general membership of the ACBL. (<i>Grand Hall, lobby level</i>)
10 am-Noon	Free Bridge Lesson with Barbara Seagram followed by a special game for newer players. (<i>Coronado AB, fourth floor</i>)
1-6 pm	Learn Bridge in a Day?™ This popular session is designed especially for 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 pre-registration required. Fee: \$20 covers textbook and door prizes. (<i>Coronado AB, fourth floor</i>)
6-8:30 pm	Learn Bridge in a Day?™ Teacher Accreditation. Teacher training includes information on organizing and marketing LBIAD as well as maximizing retention rates, writing effective grant requests and the presentation of the seminar. Fee: \$15 if you preregister (acbl.org/regbiad), \$20 at the door. (<i>Coronado AB, fourth floor</i>)
11 pm-Midnight	Women's International Team Trials meeting. (<i>Gaslamp D, second floor</i>)

Sunday, November 26

8:30 am-Noon	Teacher Accreditation Program (TAP). Session three of three. ACBL's 10-hour seminar for people interested in learning how to teach bridge. (<i>La Jolla AB, second floor</i>)
8:30-10 am	Audrey Grant's Modern Techniques for Bridge Teachers. Audrey Grant's hands-on approach and creative use of the table, cards and bidding boxes keeps students engaged, excited and focused. She will share these teaching techniques in this breakfast seminar. Fee: \$20 covers breakfast and materials. (<i>Harbor AB, second floor</i>)
9 am-Noon	Changes to the Laws of Duplicate Bridge. This continuing education course focuses on the changes in the Laws that took effect in September 2017. Discussion includes explanations of the changes and illustrations of their application. Tips for club directors will be presented to help handle the table situations where the revised laws are applicable. While designed for club directors, players interested in understanding the changes to the Laws are welcome. Fee \$10. Sign up at door. (<i>Gaslamp D, second floor</i>)
10 am-Noon	ACBL Laws Commission meeting. (<i>Old Town A, second floor</i>)
10 am-Noon	Free Bridge Lesson with Audrey Grant followed by a special game for newer players. (<i>Harbor AB, second floor</i>)
11 am-Noon	Handz Demo. (<i>Gaslamp C, second floor</i>)
1-5 pm	Notrump in a Day. Fee: \$15 if you preregister (acbl.org/regbiad), \$20 at the door. (<i>Coronado AB, fourth floor</i>)

CELEBRITY SPEAKER PROGRAM

Don't miss these free lectures by some of the best-known players in the game! Talks will be held in Harbor Ballroom GH, second floor. Speakers and topics are subject to change.

Speaker Schedule	
Saturday, Nov. 25	
9:15 a.m.	Bruce Greenspan <i>Top Ten Tips</i>

Sunday, Nov. 26	
9:15 a.m.	Jeff Hand <i>Play These Trump Contracts</i>
6:45 p.m.	Donna Compton <i>4NT Means What When?</i>

Monday, Nov. 27	
9:15 a.m.	Jerry Helms <i>The Defensive Mindset</i>
6:45 p.m.	Peg & Dewy Cundiff <i>Doubles</i>

HOSPITALITY

Enjoy late-evening snacks in the Coronado Ballroom on the fourth floor.	
Saturday, Nov. 25 Mashed Potato Bar	Sunday, Nov. 26 Pumpkin Bisque Soup

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NABC Results by Email/Text

Want to be notified when results and the Daily Bulletins from the NABC are posted online? Want to see your results in the events you played in? ACBL Live does just that.

With the ACBL Live notification system, you will receive emails and/or text messages after each session with links that go directly to the information you're looking for. The email/text message will contain your score for the session and a link to your results. (These results will also be available on your MyResults page at MyACBL.) Players will also receive a notification to indicate when the Daily Bulletin for that day is available.

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Also at MyACBL, visit the Privacy Settings tab to make sure you've selected the Subscribe setting for General Email Communication and Cell Phone Text Communication to receive these notifications. See page 14 for more information about using ACBL Live.

Monitoring

At this and future North American Championships, ACBL will be monitoring NABC+ events with visible, real-time cameras. The images will be recorded and available for later inspection and review by officials.

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 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.

Masterpoint disclaimer

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

Email us

Got a hand you just have to share or a nice story? We'd love to see it.

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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.

Changes in the Laws

A three-hour workshop about the changes to the Laws that recently took effect is scheduled for Sunday, Nov. 26, at 9 a.m. Though designed for club directors, any players interested in understanding the changes to the Laws are welcome. The cost is \$10. See the full listing above for further details.

NEW FOR CLUB DIRECTORS!


Parking discount

Players not staying at the hotel can pick up discounted parking tickets at the Information Desk beginning today (Friday, Nov. 24) at the following times: 8:30-10 a.m., noon-1 p.m., 2:30-3 p.m., 6:30-7:30 p.m. The tickets are good for a discount rate of \$11.

Bridge Bucks and Check Cashing

On Saturday, Nov. 25 through Saturday, Dec. 2, the Bridge Bucks/Check Cashing Desk will be open 9:30-10 a.m. and Noon - 1 p.m. in the same location.

Players may use VISA, MasterCard, Discover and American Express to purchase Bridge Bucks. There is a \$500 limit on check cashing.





JUST FOR NEW PLAYERS

Have you discussed? Essential conventions

By Brent Manley

You have probably already filled out a convention card with your partner. It is a must, of course, if you are to have sensible auctions. In my mind, there are four essential conventions, starting with Stayman and Jacoby transfers. It's a safe bet that you have both on your convention card. If not, this article should be useful to you.



Just about everyone knows that a bid of 2♣ after partner opens 1NT (15-17) asks opener about four-card majors. OK, but what about responses to Stayman? With no four-card major, it's easy: 2♦ says you don't have one.

What if you have both? If your agreement is to bid spades first, meaning you might still have four hearts, you might end up too high. Consider that responder holds

♠K J 9 ♥K J 7 5 ♦10 9 4 3 ♣5 3.

After opener's 2♣ response and considering the weakness in clubs and the possibility opener has four hearts, responder will have to bid 2NT, invitational. If opener has four hearts and not enough to go to game while preferring a suit contract, she will bid 3♥, which might be too high.

If opener bids hearts first, responder can bid 2♠, showing the equivalent of a raise to 2NT with a four-card spade suit. With a minimum 1NT and four spades, opener passes. Without four spades, opener bids 2NT. You get to stay at the two level.

The other benefit of this agreement is that when opener's response to Stayman is 2♠, responder knows opener does not have four hearts, so he can simply bid 2NT. Opener passes or bids on depending on her hand. It is important to discuss these points with your partner.

Here's another point to discuss: you open 1NT and partner bids 2♣. You have no four-card major so you bid 2♦. Partner now bids 2♠. What is going on? Many pairs agree that this is an invitational bid with five spades and four hearts.

OUT OF HAND

BY BILL BUTLER



“ I'll take pretty much anything you've got in a cheerful easygoing good-looking young hunk with about 2000 masterpoints!”

Jacoby Transfers

If you are not using this convention, you will have problems with certain types of hands. It's easy to use: After partner opens 1NT, a bid of 2♦ shows at least five hearts; 2♥ shows at least five spades. Opener must accept the transfer, after which responder's intentions will become clear.

With fewer than 8 HCP, responder will pass. With 8-9 HCP, responder can bid 2NT, inviting game with five of his major, or he can bid three of the major with six or more to invite game in the suit.

With game-going points (10+) and five of the major, responder bids 3NT, showing a five-card suit and giving opener the choice of games. With three or more of the transfer suit, opener bids game in the major. With only two, opener passes 3NT.

If responder has six or more of a major and 10 or more HCP, he transfers and bids game in the major. The 1NT opener will have at least two of responder's major, so the eight-card fit is assured.

If you do not use Jacoby Transfers, you will be in a quandary with five of a major and 8-9 HCP. If you bid two of the major, which is to play (“drop dead” in bridge parlance), opener will pass (you could have a really bad hand) and you could miss game when partner has 16 or 17 HCP and a fit for your suit.

Bidding three of the major is forcing to game, and it won't be fun if opener has a minimum 1NT opener with only two of the major. Opener will likely bid 3NT, which could be a terrible contract if the opponents have a suit to run. Jacoby Transfers help you avoid these dilemmas.

Thinking bridge

By Eddie Kantar

Dlr: South

Vul: E-W

♠ Q 9 7 2

♥ 10 8 6 4

♦ J 9 3 2

♣ Q

♠ A J 10

♥ 7 5 3

♦ 8 7 6 4

♣ 8 7 3

♠ 8 6 5 4

♥ J 9

♦ Q 10

♣ K J 10 9 5

♠ K 3

♥ A K Q 2

♦ A K 5

♣ A 6 4 2

West	North	East	South
			2♣
Pass	2♦	Pass	2NT
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

Opening lead: ♠2.

Bidding commentary: South opens 2♣ and rebids 2NT to show 22-24 HCP, balanced. Many play a 2♦ response to a strong 2♣ opening as “waiting” – that is, waiting to hear what partner has in mind. When South bids 2NT, North responds as if South has opened 2NT, keeping in mind that South has 22-24 HCP.

Lead commentary: As West, keeping in mind that North did not use Stayman, the inference is that dummy does not have a four-card major. Therefore, it is normal to lead from the stronger major, spades.

Defensive commentary: As East, assuming the ♠10 (or ♠J) is played from dummy, play the ♠6, standard count. The idea is this: When you can't top dummy's card (the queen or lower) at least tell partner how many low cards you have. With four cards (an even number) play second highest if you can afford to. If you can't, play the third highest card. Just don't play your lowest card! If you do, you will be telling partner you have an odd number of cards. If anything goes wrong after that, it will be on your head!

Play commentary: As South, there are many reasons to take the first trick with the ♠K, retaining the option of leading low to the jack. The lead of a low card strongly suggests an honor, which must be the queen. Furthermore, if East had the ♠Q, it would have been played at trick one as East would think West had the king from the lead of a low card. As South, you may need three spade tricks. If you win the first spade with the 10, the suit is blocked and you may have a hard (read: impossible) time getting to dummy's ace. As it happens, both diamonds and hearts break 4-3, so you need three spades tricks,

the reason why winning the first trick with the king was crucial.

When a low card is led in an unbid suit against notrump, declarer and third hand assume that the opening leader has at least one honor card in the suit and play accordingly. When giving “standard” count, low-high shows an odd number, high-low, an even number.



Tom and Danuta Trafford traveled all the way from Calgary AB to play in the 299er games at the 2017 Fall NABC in San Diego.



Sports

\$200

In 1936, the minor league Hollywood Stars moved to San Diego to become this major league team.

\$400

Fore! Born in San Diego, this “Lefty” has won 42 events on the PGA tour.

\$600

This San Diego athlete took a dive. And came up all gold in the 1984 and 1988 Summer Olympics.

\$800

This Olympian from San Diego holds the record for most gold medals in the X-Games.

\$1000

This San Diego son has the distinction of being the only College and Pro Football Hall of Famer to have won the Heisman Trophy, an NCAA championship, the Super Bowl and be named NFL MVP and Super Bowl MVP.

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NAIL LIFE MASTER PAIRS - QUALIFIERS

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1	Sabine Auken, Charlottenlund Denmark; Roy Welland, New York NY	48.00
2	Kenneth Kranyak, Parma OH; John Kranyak, Las Vegas NV	46.68
3	Chris Willenken, New York NY; Eldad Ginossar, Chicago IL	46.43
4	Ahmed Hussein, New York NY; Tarek Sadek, Cairo Egypt	42.42
5	Peter Trenka, New York NY; Thomas Paske, Hereford Hr1 3E England	40.99
6	David Yang, Darien IL; Jiang Gu, Mountain Lakes NJ	39.76
7	Michael Kamil, Oro Valley AZ; Christophe Grosset, Issy-Les-Moulin France	36.48
8	Hendrik Sharples, Brush Prairie WA; Gerry Marshall, Calgary AB	32.16
9	Thomas Bessis, Paris France; Frederic Volcker, Issy Les Moulin France	31.59
10	Quentin Robert, Paris, France; Godefroy De Tessieres, Paris France	31.57
11	Alon Birman, Tel Aviv Israel; Dennis Bilde, Aarhus, Denmark	31.44
12	Chien-Yao Tseng, Cerritos CA; Wei-Bung Wang, Redmond WA	31.37
13	Johan Upmark, Stockholm Sweden; Hakan Nilsson, West Palm Beach FL	31.35
14	Robert Todd, Tallahassee FL; Andrew Hoskins, Burlingame CA	30.74
15	Zachary Grossack, Newton MA; Dror Padon, Tel Aviv, Israel	28.93
16	Cedric Lorenzini, Cachan France; Jean Quantin, Paris France	28.75
17	Zia Mahmood, New York NY; Jan Jansma, Spijkenisse	27.96
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19	Tom Hanlon, Dublin Ireland; Leslie Amoils, Toronto ON	27.28
20	Nicholas Lhuissier, Rueil Malmaison France; Romain Tembouret, France	27.15
21	Jing Liu, Minneapolis MN; Chen Zhao, College Park MD	26.13
22	David Grainger, Etobicoke ON; Joel Wooldridge, Astoria NY	25.72
23	Sherman Gao, Santa Ana CA; Jon King, Balboa Island CA	25.23
24	Debbie Rosenberg, Cupertino CA; Naren Gupta, Woodside CA	25.10
25	Ari Greenberg, San Francisco CA; Roger Lee, Las Vegas NV	24.89
26	Eric Greco, Beverly Hills CA; Geoff Hampson, Las Vegas NV	24.76
27	Gary Cohler, Delray Beach FL; Arthur Loring, Palm Beach FL	24.51
28	Allan Graves, Saint Johnsbury VT; Sylvia Moss, Boca Raton FL	24.13
29	Mark Ralph - Thomas Stern, San Francisco CA	23.78
30	Bob Etter, Sacramento CA; Joseph Kivel, Newport Coast CA	23.58
31	Espen Lindqvist, Arendal, Norway; Boye Brogeland, Flekkefjor, Norway	23.16
32	Bo Liu, Irvine CA; Somers Collins, Little Rock AR	22.63
33	Hua Poon - Choon Chou Loo, Singapore	22.14
34	Xiao-Yan Gong, Laguna Niguel CA; Weishu Wu, Irvine CA	21.82
35	Mike Lucas - Joshua Donn, Las Vegas NV	21.62
36	Farid Assemi - Richard Meffley, Fresno CA	21.39
37	Fredrik Helness, Oslo Norway; Tor Helness, Monaco	21.25
38	Sylvia Shi, Las Vegas NV; Kevin Rosenberg, Cupertino CA	20.59
39	Viktor Anikovich - Rama Linz, Los Angeles CA	20.33
40	Lorraine Cable - Kerry Kappell, Elmhurst NY	20.23
41	Simon Hult, Wastervik, Sweden; Simon Ekenberg, Kalmar Sweden	20.21
42	James Heneghan, Washington DC; Hans Iukovici, Richland WA	19.35
43	Radu Nistor, Woodside NY; Iulian Rotaru, New York NY	19.04
44	Daniel Hoekstra, Portland OR; Thomas Maccormac, Dublin Ireland	19.02
45	Jessica Larsson, Stockholm, Sweden; Geir Helgemo, Monaco	18.93
46	Aaron Jones, Oceanside CA; Steven Love, Laguna Niguel CA	18.81

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March 8-18

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All events will be played at the Philadelphia Marriott Downtown and the Pennsylvania Convention Center at 1101 Arch St.



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48	Douglas Doub, West Hartford CT; Yiji Starr, Wayland MA	18.36
49	Sophie Dauvergne - Bernard Dauvergne, Ramonville France	18.35
50	Alexander Kolesnik, Los Angeles CA; Jim Munday, Southaven MS	18.18
51	Stephen Sanborn - Kerri Sanborn, Delray Beach FL	18.10
52	Kitty Muntz, East Malvern Australia; Leigh Gold, Melbourne, Australia	18.03
53	Pamela Granovetter, Cincinnati OH; Peter Lesnik, Leesburg VA	18.02
54	Brian Platnick, Evanston IL; John Diamond, Boca Raton FL	17.98
55	Anthony Bianchi, Houston TX; Godfrey Chang, Honolulu HI	17.81
56	David Gurvich - Rachael Moller, New York NY	17.57
57	Ira Hessel, San Antonio TX; Erez Hendelman, New York NY	17.55
58	Jonathan Steinberg, Toronto ON; Alex Hudson, Raleigh NC	17.32
59	Bryan Maksymetz, Vancouver BC; Ben Takemori, Burnaby BC	17.1
60/61	Haig Tchamitch, Paradise Valley AZ; Ida Groenkvist, Bromma Sweden	17.04
60/61	Stephen Shane, White Plains NY; Jill Levin, Henderson NV	17.04
62	Raymond Yuenger, Campbell CA; Melanie Kakalec, San Jose CA	16.59
63	Bryan Howard, Nashville TN; Mike Cappelletti, Delray Beach FL	16.58
64	Daniel Wilderman, New York NY; Kenneth Zuckerberg, Chicago IL	16.57
65	Elliott Grubman - Ava Grubman, Brooklyn NY	15.92
66	Fran White, Fallbrook CA; Rick Kerbel, Murrieta CA	15.79
67	Barry Senensky - Barbara Shnier, Toronto ON	15.54
68	Thomas Carmichael, Mill Creek WA; Greg Humphreys, Charlottesville VA	15.43
69	Kamla Chawla, Longmeadow MA; Michael Heymann, Fort Worth TX	15.41
70	Mikael Rimstedt, Halmstad Sweden; Marion Michielsen, Stockholm Sweden	15.06
71	Eugene Hung, Sunnyvale CA; Adam Parrish, New York NY	14.28
72	Pat Galligan, San Mateo CA; Jon Wright, San Diego CA	14.14
73	Ai-Tai Lo, Reston VA; C. Ganzer, Brooklyn NY	13.87
74	Gene Simpson, San Rafael CA; Edward Nagy, Danville CA	13.63
75	James Alperin, Palm Desert CA; David Wei Chuan, Rancho Mirage CA	13.35
76	Ahu Zobu, Tarabya Istanbul Turkey; Viktor Aronov, Sofia Bulgaria	13.28
77	Jakob Kristinsson, Deerfield Beach FL; Jerry Premo, Noblesville IN	13.08
78	Jo Morse, Palm Bch Gdns FL; William Arlinghaus, Ann Arbor MI	12.74
79	Terje Aa, Heimdal Norway; Allan Livgard, Asum Norway	12.59
80/81	Jane Dillenberg - Jerry Goldberg, New York NY	12.51
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82	Michael Crawford - Dorn Bishop, San Diego CA	12.47
83	Joseph Stokes, Chicago IL; Serdar Ogut, Darien IL	12.16
84/85	Anam Tebha, Charlotte NC; Steve Zolotow, Las Vegas NV	12.09
84/85	Harvey Brody, San Francisco CA; Sara Rothmuller, Occidental CA	12.09
86/87	Leonardo Cima, Roma Italy; Barbara Dessi, Vianemorense Italy	11.95
86/87	Jared Boulds - Stephen Pozez, Tucson AZ	11.95
88	Laura de Vesine, San Jose CA; Alan Malloy, West Hollywood CA	11.65
89	Richard Reitman, Los Gatos CA; Mark Dahl, Richmond VA	11.45
90	Stephen McConnell, Evanston IL; Robert Giragosian, Bakersfield CA	10.42
91	Bart Bramley, Dallas TX; Kit Woolsey, Kensington CA	10.24
92	Michael Polowan, New York NY; Alexander Hydes, Zagreb Croatia	10.19
93/94	Justin Lall, Charlotte NC; David Sabourin, Ottawa ON	9.98
93/94	Kevin Dwyer - Shan Huang, Melbourne FL	9.98
95	Joseph Viola III, Altadena CA; Stanford Holzberg, Sherman Oaks CA	9.95
96	Stephen Sturm, Fullerton CA; John Petrie, Long Beach CA	9.91
97	Shome Mukherjee, Randolph MA; Richard Budd, Portland ME	9.51
98	Marjorie Michelin, Laguna Woods CA; Alex Fowlie, San Marcos CA	9.43
99	Francisco Bernal, Miami FL; Agustin Madala, Buenos Aires, Argentina	9.11
100	Ed Davis, Seal Beach CA; Jill Meyers, Santa Monica CA	9.01
101	Shane Blanchard - Robert Blanchard, New York NY	8.92
102	Arti Bhargava, Mill Valley CA; Tracey Bauer, San Rafael CA	8.57
103	Sally Strul - Lisa Berkowitz, Boca Raton FL	8.30
104	Abe Pineles, Jackson NJ; Alexander Allen, Annandale NJ	8.11
105	Stephen Tu, Milpitas CA; Mike Cailean, Santa Clara CA	8.08
106	Aaron Silverstein - David Moss, New York NY	8.05
107	Spencer Jones - Peggy Ware, Denver CO	7.59
108	Hjordis Eythorsdottir, New York NY; R. Jay Becker, Delray Beach FL	6.63
109	Michael Christensen, Mercer Island WA; Robert Christensen, Dewitt MI	6.37
110	Bulent Kaytaz, Istanbul, Turkey; Gokhan Yilmaz, Turkey	6.05
111	Gary King, Houston TX; Leonard Holtz, West Hollywood CA	5.83
112	Maarten Schollaardt; Tom Van Overbeeke, Utrecht	5.79
113	Roberto Scaramuzzi, Woodland Hills CA; Nagy Kamel, Plano TX	5.64
114	Michael Bodell, Santa Clara CA; Sheng Li, New York NY	5.62
115	Jerome Rombaut, France; Cecilia Rimstedt, Onsala Sweden	5.43
116	Mark Feldman, Austin TX; Adam Wildavsky, Dillon CO	5.40
117	Teresa Boyd - Grant Robinson, Dublin CA	5.20
118	Peter Gill, Sydney Australia; Eric Leong, Oakland CA	5.17
119	Barbara Heller, Knoxville TN; Selen Hotamisligil, Weston MA	5.02
120	Steve Gross, Westlake Village CA; Ellen Anten, Encino CA	4.89
121	Richard McCombs, Santa Fe NM; John Pendergrass, Albuquerque NM	4.86

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Glenn Eisenstein and Brent Manley two hours before starting the Chicago marathon.

During the Fall NABC in Orlando last year, early mornings found me on the running trails around the Swan and Dolphin. By the time the Summer NABC rolled around this year, I was spending my mornings running along the beautiful Toronto waterfront, where I did my first long run (10 miles), accompanied by Val Kovachev. By then, the Chicago Marathon, once a distant goal, was 10 weeks away.

The rest of the summer and fall was spent running along the hills and trails of New York's Central Park, and along the East River. As my three-mile morning runs became five-, six- and seven-mile runs, I started to think it was actually going to happen. I started a 16-week program run by New York Road Runners to prepare me, and with about a month to go I even started checking the weather forecast for Chicago.

On the Saturday night before the big day, Abbie, my wife, Brent and I had dinner with Chicago's M&M man, George Jacobs, who wears a bright yellow M&M's jacket to White Sox home games. Also there was his beautiful wife Stacey. Since it was George's treat, he cleverly suggested a steak restaurant, knowing that Brent and I were looking to carbo load with pasta. My race preparation was now complete, having just been given an excuse for whatever went wrong the next day.

The Chicago Marathon is, I believe, the second largest marathon in the country. There were 45,000 runners, and as we waited our time in Corral L (for last) for over two hours until we started, I spotted one or two competitors I had a chance to beat. It was looking good.


Chatting with two young female runners (young as in *young*, not young by bridge standards), I casually mentioned that my friend Brent and I had participated in 57 marathons between us. One of them asked Brent how many he had run in. Obviously not a wingman, he answered, "Fifty-seven."

I won't bore you with the details of the next 26.2 miles. (My Garmin watch actually told me I covered nearly 28 miles, and I'm sticking with that.)

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EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION KNOCKOUT	
7 Tables	
4.16	Howard Parker III, Clements CA; Ellis Feigenbaum - Marjorie Michelin, Laguna Woods CA; Tom Breed, Kingwood TX
3.12	Hiroki Yokoi - Kotomi Asakoshi - Kyoko Sengoku - Hiroaki Miura, Tokyo Japan
2.08	Robert Hill, Anchorage AK; Saul Prieuer - Patricia Bessone, Los Angeles CA; Monica Roberts, Eagle River AK

FRIDAY-SATURDAY MORNING COMPACT KNOCKOUT 1	
9 Tables	
Sudhakar Divakaruni, Scottsdale AZ; Joshua Donn, Las Vegas NV; Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio TX; Ron Smith, Chicago IL	
vs	
Chien-Yao Tseng, Cerritos CA; Cameron Shunta, Spring Lake MI; Renee Shunta, Grand Haven MI; Wei-Bung Wang, Redmond WA	
Bruce Zissen, Spring Valley CA; Marge Van Hemert, Bonita CA; Linda Atkinson, Encinitas CA; Nikki Gilberg, San Diego CA	
vs	
Ken Gee, Regina SK; Hannah Moon, Prince Albert SK; Gerald Lackner, Furstenfeld Austria; Senta Lackner, Farstenfeld, Austria	

FRIDAY-SATURDAY MORNING COMPACT KNOCKOUT 2	
12 Tables	
Craig Thorsen, Kailua Kona HI; Richard Robbins - Dickie Motherwell - Gail Buck, Pahoa HI	
vs	
Keith Hibbert - Holly Boudreau - Esther Wiebe - Jean-Philipp Weber, Victoria BC	
Alvan Silverberg - Trisha Silverberg - Jeffrey Hecht - Dottie Hecht, Dana Point CA	
vs	
Peter Moyer - Anita Hammersley - Louis Block, San Diego CA; Chebli Jada, La Jolla CA	

Notice to players who live outside North America

Participation in the Nail Life Master 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

122	Linda Friedman - Daniel Friedman, Orinda CA	4.84
123	Markland Jones, Phoenix AZ; Harvinder Sidhu, Scottsdale AZ	4.61
124	Jeffrey Rothstein - Linda Rothstein, New York NY	4.43
125	Brian Glubok, New York NY; Michael Bell, London England	4.33
126/127	Bill Irvine, Quincy MA; Dean Panagopoulos, Lynn MA	4.20
126/127	Howard Perlman, Franklin MI; Jonathan Fleischmann, Bloomfield MI	4.20
128	Michael Gamble, Shawnigan Lake BC; G. Margie Gwozdzinsky, Aventura FL	4.19
129	Wojciech Gawel, Wroclaw Poland; Rafal Jagniewski, Legionowo, Poland	4.10
130	Steve Estvanik - Paul Wayne English, Seattle WA	3.90
131	Ray Miller - Eric Sieg, Seattle WA	3.81
132/133	Claire Alpert, Miami FL; Sylvie Willard, Paris France	3.66
132/133	Claude Vogel, Chicago IL; Ranjan Bhaduri, Dundas ON	3.66
134	Greg Hinze, San Antonio TX; Kay Enfield, Santa Fe NM	3.25
135	Zizhuo Wang, Minneapolis MN; Nian Si, Beijing People’s Republic of China	3.15
136	Arnold Fisher, Clementon NJ; Jane Ball, Doylestown PA	3.11
137	John Lewis, Fort Lauderdale FL; Kenny Horneman, Waxhaw NC	2.98
138	Albert Shekhter, Brooklyn NY; George Krizel, Atlantic City NJ	2.96
139	Bronia Jenkins, Vero Beach FL; Sheri Winestock, Las Vegas NV	2.91
140	Samuel Kuang, Elmhurst NY; William Zhu, San Francisco CA	2.21
141/142	Lynn Jones, Timonium MD; Paul Benedict, Pikesville MD	2.12
141/142	Philip Kuhn - Jennifer Kuhn, San Mateo CA	2.12
143	Perla Sultan, Aventura FL; Alejandro Bianchedi, Buenos Aires Argentina	2.06
144	Oren Kriegel, Chicago IL; William Bailey, Mill Valley CA	1.99
145	Jorge Nischli - Claudia Tinajero, Mexico Mexico	1.80
146	Susan Picus - Magnus Olafsson, New York NY	1.58
147	Vandana Vidwans, Fremont CA; Nick Wiebe, Oakland CA	1.18
148	Louk Verhees Jr, Voorhout, Netherlands; Riki Tulin, Boca Raton FL	1.13
149	Joe Grue, New York NY; Brad Moss, Denver CO	1.08
150/151	Maxim Siline - Xiaoqian Liu, Hudson MA	0.86
150/151	Suzanne St Thomas, Boise ID; Rose Bolson, Lake Forest Pk WA	0.86
152	Carlos Hoyos, Bogota Colombia; Adolfo Madala, Capital Federal Argentina	0.71
153	Glenn Eisenstein, New York NY; George Jacobs, Hinsdale IL	0.53
154	Ron Lien, Brea CA; Subba Ravipudi, Downey CA	0.47
155	Borislav Popov, Sofia, Bulgaria; Stefan Skorchev, Bulgaria	0.36
156	Christopher Rivera, Woodside NY; Joseph Byrnes, Long Beach NY	0.00

contests.

Previously granted waivers will be honored.

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

Electronic device policy

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

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

Use of the bidding box — Alerts and Announcements

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

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

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.

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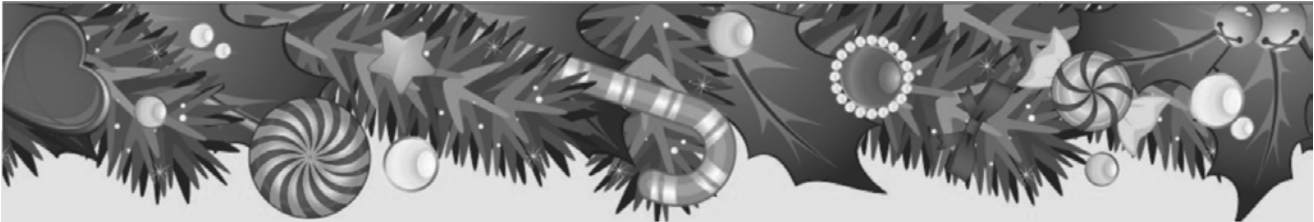
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FRIDAY MORNING SIDE PAIRS					
15.0 Tables					
	A	B	C		
5.42	1			Grant Robinson - Teresa Boyd, Dublin CA	65.72%
4.07	2			Greg House, San Diego CA; Joe Houde, Vista CA	64.20%
3.05	3			Karol Monroe - Guy Monroe, Palm Desert CA	57.77%
2.29	4			Buddhadeb Biswas, San Jose CA; Merle Stetser, Honolulu HI	56.06%
4.55	5	1	1	Roswitha Hahn, Kronberg Germany; Subash Nijhawan, Germany	55.68%
1.29	6			Jim Liu, Saratoga CA; Alfred Lee, San Mateo CA	55.30%
2.99		2/3		Mark Blanchard, Bay Shore NY; Amy Rhodes, New York NY	54.73%
2.99		2/3		Christine Barkley, Modesto CA; Raymond Adams Jr, Turlock CA	54.73%
1.92		4		George Subt, Southampton NJ; Paul Fried, Monroe Township NJ	54.36%
1.97		5	2	Ramey Farah, La Jolla CA; Victoria Haines, Calgary AB	53.60%
1.48		6	3	Alan Tsang - Kim Luk Shum	51.89%
1.15			4	Margaret Getman, Saint Paul MN; Morris Mitchem Jr, Columbia SC	50.57%

FRIDAY MORNING 299ER PAIRS					
14.0 Tables					
	A	B	C		
3.60	1	1		Patrick Staley, San Diego CA; Gerald Kibbey, La Mesa CA	70.45%
2.70	2			Ralph Schindler Jr, Burr Ridge IL; Leah Laurie, Chicago IL	60.42%
2.55	3	2	1	Linda Huggard, Oklahoma City OK; Sandra Waldrop, Edmond OK	57.58%
1.91	4	3		Alice Nelson - Gary Nelson, Bend OR	57.39%
1.80	5	4	2	Douglas Schrock - Pam Schrock, Kenwood CA	56.44%
1.08	6	5		Edward Kaufman, San Diego CA; Bill Osgood, Jamul CA	55.87%
1.18		6/7	3/4	Karen Eddy - Renee Theiler-Reichle, Fallbrook CA	54.36%
1.18		6/7	3/4	Louise Seifert - Stan Johnson, Seal Beach CA	54.36%
0.76			5	Shelley Basson - Wendy Vaughn Platt, San Diego CA	53.41%



Season's Greetings from the Mid-Atlantic

It's the time of year again to enjoy the holiday season and look forward to the coming year of bridge in the Mid-Atlantic featuring the biggest and best regionals in the ACBL. As always, you can count on great I/N programs, 0-750 Gold Rush games, a variety of events to suit everyone, and excellent hospitality at all 11 tournaments in 2018. For detailed information, go to district7bridge.org or districtsix.org pick up a flyer.

- **Myrtle Beach, SC—Dec. 27-Jan. 2**, Marriott Resort at Grande Dunes, (800) 644-2881. Although the ocean will be too cold for most, the beach with your bridge friends is fun. Room rate of \$100. Co-chair: Karen Galleher, (843) 318-6391, kgalleher@sc.rr.com.
- **Hilton Head Island, SC – Feb. 5-11**, Marriott Resort and Spa, (843) 686-8400. It's only every other year, but this popular beach-front location is the largest regional outside Gatlinburg. Help us get back over 4000 tables like we had in 2014. Rooms are \$115/night. Co-chair: Ann Grindstaff, (843) 341-6337, annkurt52@gmail.com.
- **Williamsburg, VA—Feb. 26-Mar. 4**, DoubleTree by Hilton, (757) 220-2500. Traditional "Virginia-style" hospitality, plus free parking and free wifi. The lowest room rate for D6 regionals, only \$87 per night. Chair: Jane Farthing, (703) 850-9635, jane.farthing@gmail.com.
- **Pine Mountain, GA—March 19-25**, The Lodge and Spa at Callaway Gardens, (844) 881-0424. After three years, we are back at Callaway Gardens in spring time at a much nicer location. Rooms are \$103/night with gorgeous views and lots of amenities, and not much traffic. Co-chair: Emory Whitaker, (478) 737-5273, lewhitaker@cox.net.
- **Gatlinburg, TN—April 16-22**, Gatlinburg Convention Center. Join us for another edition of America's Favorite Regional at the start of spring in the Smoky Mountains. Hotels for anyone's budget. Co-chairs: Julia & Pete Misslin, (423) 884-3550, pmisslin@tds.net.
- **Raleigh, NC—May 22-28**, Hilton North Raleigh/Midtown, (919) 872-2323. Another D7 biennial tournament, this has some of the cheapest lodging with an \$80 room rate over Memorial Day weekend, but it will sell out so book early. Co-chair: Barbara Hudson, (919) 413-7677, bhudson-bridge@nc.rr.com.
- **Reston, VA—July 2-8**, Hyatt Regency at Reston Town Center, (800) 233-1234. In the DC suburb of Reston, this tournament has a fabulous location with many great restaurants right outside the Hyatt. Come play bridge over Independence Day week! Chair: Amanda Carter, (703) 967-9844, aecarter3@juno.com.
- **Hunt Valley, MD—Aug. 13-19**, The Hunt Valley Inn: A Wyndham Grand Resort. Newly renovated, free parking and free wifi—a D6 annual treat in the Maryland horse country northwest of Baltimore. Contact: Shawn Stringer, shstringer@aol.com.
- **Augusta, GA—Aug. 28-Sept. 3**, Augusta Downtown Marriott, (706) 722-8900. With Atlanta hosting the summer NABC, the annual Labor Day regional moves two hours east to Augusta, along the Savannah River. Rooms are \$108/night. Co-chair: Ray Coleman, (706) 833-6496, csrabridge@yahoo.com.
- **Charlotte, NC—Oct. 22-28**, Hilton Charlotte University Place, (704) 547-7444. This popular venue is situated near UNC Charlotte, with dozens of nice restaurants right out the back door. Co-chair: Arnold Hoffmann, (704) 875-6923, ajhoffmann@carolina.rr.com.
- **North Charleston, SC—Dec. 27-Jan. 2**, Embassy Suites, (843) 747-1882. Charleston hosts the largest holiday regional. The host hotel, across the street from the outlet mall, will sell out. Check the flier and S7 website for official alternative housing. Co-chair: Steve Donaldson, (843) 412-8097, folliboy@aol.com.

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We had a plan, and it worked to perfection – for the first dozen miles, at least.

The temperature reached 81 degrees. I had hoped for snow flurries. There was little if any shade the last 10 miles, and my ankle hurt. And then there was the minor issue that Brent and

I separated somewhere around mile 11 or 12. I was alone, or at least as alone as I could be with 45,000 runners.

At mile 13, I embraced the smiling faces of Abbie, my daughter and her husband with their two children. There was no better feeling. At mile 20, when my five-year-old granddaughter Emmy ran after me in the street yelling "Run, Papa, run," I knew that no matter what happened, or how long it took, I was going to finish the race. And at mile 25, when I saw Sam with my grandson Alex, I picked up the pace a little and found the strength to finish the final 1.2 miles.

I wore a custom-made shirt emblazoned with some special names on it. Samantha's name was there, and below that Jeff, Jason, Jack, Stacey, Kim and Mandy. These six courageous young men and women – boys and girls, really – fought their own battles during the same years that Samantha did. They didn't fare as well, but their courage made a lasting impression on me, and whenever I needed a little inspiration I looked at the names on my chest and found it. Their moms and dads were big supporters of mine during the time leading up to the race, and throughout that whole day. I also wore the name Becky. . .for Becky Miller. Karl Miller, a dear friend and a wonderful man, inspired me so much by the way he cared for her while she battled these last few years, I asked him for permission to honor her also.

Along the way, I also managed to raise \$100,000 for The Samfund. The money will go a long way this year towards making a big difference in the lives of some of our grant recipients. I'm grateful to so many in the bridge world for their support as I trained this year. Many of them have been supporters of The Samfund for years now. I wish I could list them all here, but they know how much we all appreciate what they do.

It was a long day. I got to Corral L with Brent around 6:30 a.m. I crossed the starting line around 9 a.m., and the finish line seven hours and 11 minutes later. It wasn't the result I was hoping for, but as Brent and my NY coach Phil told me, "You will finish."

I never would have gotten to the starting line without the friendship and guidance provided by Brent, and I'm so grateful for that. And I never would have made it to the finish line without the support and sacrifices made by Abbie Cole, my better half, and the inspiration provided by my amazing daughter, Samantha, along with her husband, Adam, and our grandchildren Alex and Emmy.

Anybody want to join me for a run along the streets of San Diego? It's only 11 months until the 2018 New York City Marathon.



Samantha Eisenstein Watson celebrates with her dad after he ran the Chicago Marathon.

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Winners of the 2016 0–10,000 Swiss Teams were Robert and Ellen Kent, Mike Cassel and Barry Purington.

10K Swiss starts today

The 0–10,000 Swiss Teams starts today. The event, two qualifying sessions and two final sessions, is limited to players with fewer than 10,000 masterpoints and pays platinum points at 10% of the overall award up to a maximum of 10 platinum points.

2014 Sally Meckstroth, Danny Molenaar, Bob Drijver, Nira Talova, Rene De Waele
2015 Ina Demme, Gur Baykal, Margaret Baykal, Bill Kertes
2016 Mike Cassel, Barry Purington, Robert Kent, Ellen Kent



Second place in the 10K Swiss: Stephen Lucas, Lesley Decker Lucas, Corey Krantz and Rhoda Kratenstein.

FRIDAY MORNING 49ER PAIRS					
4.0 Tables					
	A	B	C		
1.63	1	1		Damien Daniel, Brentwood TN; Kathy Ebeling, Mill Hall PA	57.83%
1.22	2	2		Jan Janecki - Mary Rea, San Diego CA	53.88%
1.32	3	3	1	Gary Steele - Patricia Steele, McAllen TX	52.78%
0.99			2	Susan Mitaro - Susan Weiss, Pompano Beach FL	52.00%
FRIDAY EVENING SWISS TEAMS					
32 Tables					
	A	B	C		
7.84	1			Jacek Pszczola - Josef Blass, Chapel Hill NC; Jacek Kalita, Warsaw Poland; Michal Nowosadzki, Wroclaw Poland; Sjoert Brink, Rotterdam ; Bas Drijver, Capelle Aan Den	74.00
5.15	2/3			Richard Schwartz, Aventura FL; David Gold, London, England; Jerry Stamatov - Diyan Danailov, Sofia Bulgaria	59.00
5.15	2/3			Curtis Cheek - Daniel Korbel, Las Vegas NV; Barbara Sonsini, Woodside CA; Huub Bertens, Bend OR; Bauke Muller, Hoorn ; Simon De Wijs, Doorn	59.00
3.31	4			Bill St. Clair, Cypress TX; Seth Cohen, Stamford CT; Howard Einberg, Los Angeles CA; Carol Frank, Burbank CA	58.00
5.43	5	1		Robert Garin - Marie Garin, San Diego CA; Claude Le Feuvre, Van Nuys CA; Dwight Hunt, Granada Hills CA	57.00
4.07	6	2	1	Matthew Rudary – L. Allison Rudary, New York NY; Deirdre Cole, Coldstream BC; Laurie Bell, Vernon BC	55.00
3.05	7	3		Sandy Bolton, Littleton CO; Margaret Blackie - Louise Caicco, London ON; Hurlon James Dulan, Denver CO	51.00
0.96	8/9			John Cox, Saint Maries ID; Richard D’Litzenberger, Leavenworth WA; Anne Harrington, San Diego CA; Philip Duterme, Bellaire TX	47.00
2.29	8/9	4		Nancy Zakim - Nancy Ferguson, Greenbrae CA; Jan Garthe, Suttons Bay MI; David Bryant, Ashland OR	47.00
1.72		5		S. Reese Koppel, Metairie LA; Peter Rans, Halifax NS; Margaret Hansell, Champaign IL; Carolyn Wood, Cobbs Creek VA	44.00
1.47		6/7	2	Anthony Toto, Clovis CA; Wallace Marsh - Elsie Marsh, Bend OR; Deb Petersen, Fresno CA	41.00
1.13		6/7		Scott Nason, Dallas TX; Alexander Wiles - Karen Byrd, Los Angeles CA; Gity Zolle, Klagenfurt Austria	41.00
FRIDAY EVENING SIDE PAIRS					
27.0 Tables					
	A	B	C		
8.02	1			Leo Weniger, Halifax NS; Karl Hicks, Dominion NS	66.35%
6.02	2			Maureen Brines - Tracy Brines, Virginia Beach VA	63.71%
4.51	3			James Griffin Jr., Cathedral City CA; Bill Papa, Upland CA	62.87%
3.38	4			Janet Sharpe - Diane Campbell, Calgary AB	61.01%
6.28	5	1		Kathy Twomey, Bloomfield Village MI; Sally Craig, Port Moody BC	60.03%
4.71	6	2		Cyrus Ansari, Tiburon CA; Eddi Samandar, Encino CA	59.84%
1.51	7			Timothy Flaherty - Wirt Gilliam, San Diego CA	58.44%
1.51	8			Iftikhar Baqai, Irvine CA; Michael Mikyska, Los Angeles CA	57.54%
3.53		3		David Walton - Suzi Hutchinson, Thousand Oaks CA	56.44%
3.06		4		Renae Gunstone-White - Tim White, Mercer Island WA	56.42%
2.14		5		Karen Barrett - Douglas Thompson, Norwalk CT	56.24%
1.53		6		Marek Foff, Edmonton AB; David Johnson, Calgary AB	55.96%
1.12		7		J. F. Lowenstein - Eleanor Onstott, New Orleans LA	55.94%
2.80			1	Karen Mack, Laguna Woods CA; Nila Bhatia, Foothill Ranch CA	55.13%
2.10			2	Mary Lyons - Robert Rottmayer, Santa Rosa CA	51.90%
1.58			3	Cornelia Gould - Ed Gould, Incline Village NV	48.33%
1.18			4	Robert Rodriguez - David Goetz, Palm Springs CA	45.03%

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every president from Eisenhower through Obama; Nixon held a state dinner there in 1970. Liberace was discovered playing piano in the hotel bar in 1950.

The hotel became a popular place to make movies during the silent film era, beginning with “Maiden and Men” in 1912. In order to encourage filmmaking on site, longtime owner John Spreckels gave a \$1 yearly lease on prime land nearby to a studio in 1915. Though the studio didn’t last long – the company went out of business two years later – the trend of making movies at the hotel did.

More than 25 features have been filmed there, including “The Pearl of Paradise,” “The Married Virgin,” “My Husband’s Wives” and “The Flying Fleet” in the 1910s and ’20s; and in the 1970s and ’80s, “Wicked, Wicked,” “Loving Couples,” “K-9” and “My Blue Heaven.”

The most famous movie filmed there was 1959’s “Some Like It Hot” starring Marilyn Monroe, Tony Curtis and Jack Lemmon. The American Film Institute named it the No. 1 comedy of all time. It was just months after the film’s release when the Fall NABC came to Coronado.

A fake tower was constructed on the hotel’s roof in 1977 for “The Stunt Man,” starring Peter O’Toole and Barbara Hershey, and famously destroyed in a movie explosion. Also in 1977, the hotel became a National Historic Landmark.

- Famous guests**
- Desi Arnaz
 - Lauren Bacall
 - Kevin Bacon
 - Lucille Ball
 - L. Frank Baum
 - Humphrey Bogart
 - George H.W. Bush
 - George W. Bush
 - James Cagney
 - Jimmy Carter
 - Charlie Chaplin
 - Bill Clinton
 - Gary Cooper
 - Kevin Costner
 - Joan Crawford
 - Bing Crosby
 - Bette Davis
 - Doris Day
 - Walt Disney
 - Kirk Douglas
 - Robert Downey Jr.
 - Dwight Eisenhower
 - Douglas Fairbanks
 - Will Ferrell
 - W.C. Fields
 - Errol Flynn
 - Clark Gable
 - Greta Garbo
 - Judy Garland
 - Jennifer Garner
 - Whoopi Goldberg
 - Cary Grant
 - Benjamin Harrison
 - Goldie Hawn
 - Rita Hayworth
 - Katherine Hepburn
 - Lyndon Johnson
 - Al Jolson
 - John Kennedy



Promoting the 1959 NABC held at the Hotel del Coronado.

- Burt Lancaster
- Stan Laurel
- Julia Louis-Dreyfus
- Madonna
- Groucho Marx
- Harpo Marx
- William McKinley
- Eva Mendes
- Marilyn Monroe
- Jack Nicholson
- Richard Nixon
- Barack Obama
- Al Pacino
- Brad Pitt
- Vincent Price
- Ronald Reagan
- Keanu Reeves
- Seth Rogen
- Ginger Rogers
- Will Rogers
- Mickey Rooney
- Franklin D. Roosevelt
- Babe Ruth
- Shakira
- Dinah Shore
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- Sylvester Stallone
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The team championships are followed by the Open, Women’s and Senior Pairs. Players eliminated from the KO stages of the teams, up to and including the semifinals, will be able to drop into the pairs events, following the regulations specified in the Supplemental Conditions of Contest for the Championships which will be published on the WBF website.

The Mixed Teams will start on Tuesday, Oct. 2, and the Mixed Pairs on Thursday, Oct. 4.

Junior Players will also be able to enter the Youth Triathlon event starting on Monday, Oct. 1; likewise, there is a Seniors Triathlon starting on Tuesday, Oct. 2

In addition to these and other championship events, there will be a number of WBF events of one or two days’ duration (pairs or Swiss) available for those wishing to participate in shorter tournaments. Schedule details are to be announced.

Players in good standing with their National Bridge Organizations are eligible to compete in any of these events, providing they meet all the WBF eligibility requirements (including those relating to the ages of Senior or Youth players).

Registration will be available through the WBF website beginning in April 2018. Go to worldbridge.org for more information.

Steve Goldberg 1945–2017

Two-time national champion Steve Goldberg of Las Vegas died Oct. 27. He was 72.

In the early ‘70s, Goldberg enjoyed a successful partnership with Hall of Famer Lou Bluhm (who died in 1990). They were members of the winning squads in the 1972 Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams and the 1974 Spingold Knockout Teams. In 1973, their team tied for second-third in the Men’s (now Mitchell Open) Board-a-Match Teams.

In World Bridge Federation events, Goldberg finished third in the WBF Continuous Pairs in 1990, and his team made it to the quarterfinal round of the Rosenblum Teams in Albuquerque in 1994.



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41.0 Tables					
	A	B	C		
22.31	1			Monica Angus, West Vancouver BC; Jack Lee, Richmond BC	60.99%
16.73	2	1		John Millard, Kihei HI; Barbara Schultz, Shawnigan Lake BC	60.93%
12.55	3			Diana Schuld, Glen Head NY; Allan Siebert, Little Rock AR	60.14%
9.41	4	2		Rajeev Gupta, Oakland CA; D. Lionel O'Young, Walnut CA	59.00%
7.44	5			Linda Tipton - V. Jay Tipton, Irvine CA	58.21%
6.37	6			Jacob Morgan, Madison WI; James Melville, Springfield IL	58.14%
7.00	7	3	1	Colin Schloss; Nick Migliacci, Las Vegas NV	57.63%
4.96	8			Joan Anderson - Joseph Mack III, Laguna Woods CA	57.38%
4.46	9			Kyoko Sengoku, Toyko, Japan; Hiroaki Miura, Tokyo, Japan	56.82%
4.90	10			Edward Rais - Marion Kelly, Anchorage AK	55.54%
4.43	11	4	2	Ronald Dixon, Vancouver BC; Gerald Asbury, Ramona CA	55.45%
3.43	12			Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio TX; Sudhakar Divakaruni, Scottsdale AZ	55.35%
3.19	13			Brian Trent - Linda Trent, Fullerton CA	54.61%
3.50	14	5		Theo Korol - Matt Korol, Seattle WA	54.41%
3.00	15	6		Steven Towner, Salt Lake City UT; Richard Towner, Surprise AZ	54.40%
2.62	16			Henri Farhi - Kit Humphrey, Chula Vista CA	54.01%
2.63	17	7	3	Roger France - Mary France, Buena Vista CO	53.99%
4.90	18	8		Louis-Amaury Beauchet, Sherwood OR; Irva Neyhart, Corvallis OR	53.90%
2.23	19			Hiroki Yokoi - Kotomi Asakoshi, Tokyo Japan	53.73%
3.50	20			John Peter Lagodimos, Chula Vista CA; James Andrews, San Diego CA	53.48%
2.03	21			Paul Gelb, Palm Springs CA; Philip Pearl, Fountain Valley CA	53.44%
2.10		9	4	Robin Phillips - Catherine Dwinell, Anchorage AK	53.38%
2.45		10		Adrienne Kuehneman - Gene Kuehneman, Bethesda MD	53.34%
1.75		11		Lawrence Sherman, San Diego CA; Ken Batko, Scottsdale AZ	52.66%
1.75			5	Marguerite Gousie - Marshall Williams, Pawtucket RI	52.36%

FRIDAY EVENING 299ER PAIRS					
11.0 Tables					
	A	B	C		
3.15	1	1		Michele Herman - William Herman, Bellevue WA	65.18%
2.07	2/3			Iris Mencinger, Santee CA; Susan Linn, San Diego CA	63.69%
2.07	2/3	2	1	Stephanie Threlkeld, Germantown TN; Francesca Canali, Padova Italy	63.69%
1.33	4	3		Peter Koenig - Susan Koenig, Tarzana CA	61.90%
1.00	5			Stuart Pollak - Lee Pollak, San Francisco CA	61.01%
0.97	6			Patricia Robbins - Orrin Robbins, Olympia WA	59.52%
1.22		4	2	Kathryne Ann Kinsey - Susan Weinberg, Richmond CA	53.27%
0.92			3	Patricia Steele - Gary Steele, McAllen TX	48.81%



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ACBL CEO Bahar Gidwani

ACBL CEO to teachers: ‘Help is on the way’

At each of the three yearly NABCs, the ACBL hosts a Club and Teacher Reception, which features good food, good friends and – this year in particular – good news.

As teachers and club owners/managers enjoyed the good and accompanying libations, ACBL’s chief executive, Bahar Gidwani, was called to the podium to say a few words.

The crowd was delighted to hear the CEO’s report on plans for making life easier for everyone, especially teachers and club owners.

His first announcement was a plan to allow Canadian clubs to pay ACBL fees in Canadian dollars. There are similar plans, Gidwani said, for clubs in Mexico.

The CEO also revealed plans to establish an 800 phone number for clubs so that owners can get support after regular ACBL hours.

Another plan aimed at helping teachers, Gidwani said, is the introduction sometime next year of a new, temporary membership of \$7.99, with \$5 of that going to the teacher who signs up a new member. Should the player decide to become a full-time member, the price to join - \$49 – would be reduced by \$8.

Perhaps even more encouraging for club owners and teachers was Gidwani’s news that the ACBL is considering starting an advertising and promotion program, probably in the middle of 2018, to “drive people into clubs and have them trained by teachers.”



Stephanie Threlkeld, ACBL’s manager of education (center) with Louise Morel, president of the Lake Chapala Duplicate Bridge Club in Mexico and her bridge partner, Natalie Silverstein. The two, who attended the Club and Teacher Reception, are originally from Toronto.

A gallant effort

By Barry Rigal

Steve Weinstein was declarer on this Bermuda Bowl deal from round 14 against the Dutch. To make the deal slightly easier to follow, I have rotated it 180 degrees.

Consider the deal first of all as a single-dummy problem:

Board 10. Dealer West. both vul.			
♠ A K 7 6			
♥ 6 4 2			
♦ 10 6			
♣ J 7 6 3			
♠ 10 8 3			
♥ Q 8 3			
♦ A K Q 7 4			
♣ K Q			

West	North	East	South
Muller	Levin	de Wijs	Weinstein
Pass	Pass	3♥	3NT
All Pass			

You are somewhat surprised to discover that West has a heart to lead. You take the third heart (no clear suit-preference signal issued by East, though you might not expect one anyway) as West pitches two clubs. Plan the play.

At the table, Weinstein led the ♠K from hand and West ducked. Now Weinstein paused to reconstruct the deal. It seemed as if West was 1-6 in hearts and clubs, and East’s preempt coupled with the carding suggested West might be 4-1-2-6; if that was so, it would be futile to play diamonds from the top, as East would win the fourth and cash out. Equally, if declarer played a second club, West would win and play back a club and declarer would have no pressure in the ending. But what if West had ♦J x? He could win and return a spade but you can just play a second club and set up your ninth winner.

There are two points worth noting about this line: first, you must play a club before ducking a diamond or West wins, and a spade back kills your communications. The second is that West defended well by ducking the first club or he gets caught in a squeeze without the count.

Weinstein courageously followed this line. Alas, this was the full layout:

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

Had his line succeeded, he would have been in line for a brilliancy prize. As it was, it was confined to the dustbin heap of “Coulda woulda shoulda.” Another rose born to blush unseen!

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12 Tables
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vs
Jim Mahaffey, Winter Park FL; Sam Lev - Daniel Lev, New York NY; Piotr Gawrys, Warsaw Poland; Michal Klukowski, Dolnoslaskie Poland

Rose Meltzer, Chapel Hill NC; Nikolay Demirev, Arlington Heights IL; Vladimir Marashev, Sofia, Bulgaria; Ivan Tsonchev, Sofia, Bulgaria; Rosen Gunev, Sofia Bulgaria; Kalin Karaivanov, Varna Bulgaria

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

FRIDAY-SATURDAY KNOCKOUT BRACKET 2
12 Tables
Maximo Crusizio, Argentina; Carlos Pellegrini, Buenos Aires Argentina; Guillermo Minutti, Montevideo Uruguay; Michael Wibley ; Hansa Narasimhan, Mountain View CA
vs
Jerry Murbach - Rae Murbach, Altadena CA; Linda Gruber - Bob Gruber, Camarillo CA

Barbara Grantham, Houston TX; Patty Michael, San Mateo CA; Judith Arbus, Toronto ON; Robert Michaud, Sun City West AZ

vs
Justine Cushing - Melih Ozdil, New York NY; Kauko Koistinen, Espoo Finland; Vesa Fagerlund, Tampere Finland; Adam Mesbur, Dublin Ireland

FRIDAY-SATURDAY KNOCKOUT BRACKET 3
10 Tables
Karen Hudesman - Donald Stark - Ann Romeo, Seattle WA; Judy Davis, Beaverton OR

vs
Wesley May, Menlo Park CA; Andrew Van Wye, Orinda CA; Mike Develin - Jennifer Lin, San Francisco CA

Kenneth Geisler - Arlene Geisler, Clarkston MI; W. Oates - P Oates, Brighton MI

vs
Gary Waldron - Carol Foster, Laguna Beach CA; Steven Jackson - Yann Jackson, Laguna Niguel CA

FRIDAY-SATURDAY KNOCKOUT BRACKET 4
11 Tables
Ann Gruidel - John Crittenden - Marie Groh - Timothy Niebauer, Boulder CO

vs
Jake Williams - Luke Williams, San Diego CA; Barbara Hauser - Lawrence Hauser, Rancho Santa Fe CA

Warren Cummings, Bonsall CA; Roberta Macomber, Mesa AZ; Brenda Griffiths - Doug Darnley, Pickering ON

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BAZE SENIOR KO TEAMS

26 Tables

Frank Nickell, New York NY; Ralph Katz, Burr Ridge IL; Robert Levin, Henderson NV; Michael Rosenberg, Cupertino CA; Eric Rodwell, Clearwater FL; Jeff Meckstroth, Clearwater Beach FL

vs

Amos Kaminski, New York NY; Adrian Schwartz, Tel Aviv, Israel; Shalom Zeligman, Bat-Yam Israel; Yeshayahu Levit - Avi Kalish - Eitan Orenstein, Tel-Aviv, Israel

Mike Levine, Boca Raton FL; Eddie Wold, Houston TX; Mike Passell, Plano TX; Marc Jacobus, Las Vegas NV; Jerry Clerkin - Dennis Clerkin, Bloomington IN

vs

Kevin Collins, Dunwoody GA; Olin Hubert, Atlanta GA; Phil Warden, Madison WI; Jeffrey Miller, Naperville IL

Lou Ann O’Rourke, Portola Valley CA; John Mohan, Las Vegas NV; Steve Robinson, Arlington VA; Peter Boyd, Darnestown MD; Dan Morse, Houston TX; John Sutherland, Dallas TX

vs

Herve Vinciguerra, London, England; Marc Bompis, Bourg La Reine, France; Philippe Soulet, France; Michel Abecassis, Paris, France

John Onstott, New Orleans LA; Drew Casen, Metarie LA; James Krekorian, Pensacola FL; Howard Weinstein, Rancho Mirage CA; Steve Garner, Chicago IL; Bruce Ferguson, Palm Springs CA

vs

Anne Brenner - David Caprera, Denver CO; Robert Bitterman, Sarasota FL; Robert Cappelli, Sanibel FL

Paul Lewis - Linda Lewis, Las Vegas NV; Ross Grabel, Palm Desert CA; Mark Itabashi, Murrieta CA; Lynn Deas, Schenectady NY; Peter Weichsel, Carlsbad CA

vs

Victor Markowicz - Victor Melman, Boca Raton FL; Apolinary Kowalski, Warsaw Poland; Jacek Romanski, Lublin Poland; Jerzy Russyan - Krzysztof Moszczynski, Warsaw 02-495 Poland

Gaylor Kasle, Boca Raton FL; P Drew Cannell, Dol-Des-Ormeaux QC; Neil Chambers, Schenectady NY; John Schermer, Seattle WA; Jo Anna Stansby - Lew Stansby, Dublin CA

vs

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Karen McCallum, Exeter NH; Victor King, Hartford CT; Richard DeMartino, Riverside CT; Geoffrey Brod, Avon CT

Leo Bell, Carlsbad CA; Jeff Roman, Bend OR; Rick Roeder, La Mesa CA; John Jones, Santa Fe Springs CA


vs

Steve Bruno - Richard Gold, Oceanside CA; Martin Schiff Jr, Tucson AZ; David Anding, Poway CA

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Odd Man In

By Ron Klinger, Sydney, Australia

There were nine declarers in 3NT on Board 21 in the quarterfinals of the d’Orsi Senior Trophy at the World Championships in Lyon, France but only one was successful:

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

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

♠ J 7 2
♥ 9 4
♦ A Q 7 6 5 4
♣ A 7

In the Seniors, two went down quickly on the ♥3 lead, minus 100 and minus 200 and one slowly, minus 100, on the ♠J lead. In the Women’s Teams, one went two down on the ♥K lead. In the Open, all five in 3NT received a top heart lead. Two were minus 200, two were minus 100 and, playing against New Zealand, Berend Van Den Bos (Netherlands) brought home 11 tricks for plus 660.

West	North	East	South
<i>Brown</i>	<i>Den Bos</i>	<i>Whibley</i>	<i>Lankve</i>
–	1♣	1♥	2♣ (1) Dbl
Dbl	Pass	2♠	Dbl (2)
Pass	2NT	Pass	3NT

All Pass
(1) Diamonds
(2) Takeout

3NT can be defeated on any lead, but the task for the defense is tougher when East leads a top heart. If East leads ♥A: 4, 8, 2, then, double dummy, a low heart is needed at trick 2. Declarer cannot set up the diamonds without letting East gain the lead. If declarer plays the ♦A, West unblocks the ♦K.

In practice, East led the ♥A: 4, jack, 2. Now declarer can succeed, but only if he does everything right. Van Den Bos did.

East switched to the ♠8: 2, 6, queen. North played the ♦8: 9, 4 (1)!, 3. East continued with the ♣3: jack, king, ace and North returned the ♦2: 10. Judging that West would probably not have been enthused enough to double for takeout with the ♠K and at most three outside jacks, Van Den Bos rose with the ♦A and was instantly rewarded.

He now had 10 tricks. To rub salt into the wound, he cashed the diamonds, catching West in a spade-club squeeze for the extra overtrick: Plus 660 and a 12-IMP swing. At the other table, it went 1♠ - 1♥ - 2♦, Dbl – Pass-2♥ - All Pass. East went one down, minus-50, after ♣A lead, club to the king and the ♣Q, ruffed high.



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Channeling Pavlicek

By Barry Rigal

Recently, I read about a deal played by Sabine Auken, and I had a weird flashback to another example of a three-level contract making for both sides. A few minutes research threw up this peculiarity from the fertile mind of Richard Pavlicek in his “Almost Bridge” article, originally from Bridge Today, I believe.

Paraphrasing slightly, Pavlicek said one occasionally comes across the phrase “optimum contract,” which refers to the highest scoring contract a side can make on a particular deal against best defense. Note that in some cases this contract must be declared from a specific direction to prevent a damaging opening lead. Consider the following deal:

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

Before reading on, you may care to answer the two following questions: what is the optimum contract for North-South? And what is the optimum contract for East-West?

The optimum contract for North-South is 3♠, played by South. Note that West has no hearts, so whatever he leads is won in dummy. A diamond is best, but declarer goes up with the ace, cashes the three top clubs, and thus takes four discards for his losing hearts as East follows suit. Then the diamond queen is led and if East ruffs low, South can discard his last heart or overruff and win nine tricks. East must not ruff high, or else South wins 10 tricks.

So far, so good, and relatively straightforward, you might say. But the optimum contract for East-West is less obvious. It is easy to see that East (or West for that matter) can make 2NT –

East has eight winners and North has five, so the play is straightforward. But can they do better? Can East make 3♥? No, only the same eight tricks are available.

What about in diamonds? Only eight tricks are available by West, although East can make 3♦ – four of West’s clubs go away because South must lead a major suit. Alas, making 3♦ is still an inferior score to 2NT, so we are back to square one.

Enter the bizarre. The optimum contract for East-West is also 3♠, played by East. Regardless of the lead, (let us say a heart, which is as good as anything) East wins one top trump and five hearts.

This is the ending we have reached, with the lead in East.

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

In this ending, East leads a minor-suit loser, and South has no option except to ruff his partner’s winner. What can he do next?

He can postpone the evil day for a trick or two by leading a high trump, allowing East to win and lead another minor suit. South ruffs his partner’s winner again, and this time has to lead a low trump, letting East score the ♠8 as his ninth trick.

So the optimum contract for both sides is 3♠. Another normal result – in “Almost Bridge.”

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Play	01	3NT	E	150		8	100	5 - Wilold Bielecki - Martin Nagler	
Play	02	2♣	N	200		5	83	5 - Wilold Bielecki - Martin Nagler	
Play	03	3♣	N	140		4	67	5 - Wilold Bielecki - Martin Nagler	
Play	04	3♣	S	150		5	83	5 - Wilold Bielecki - Martin Nagler	
Play	05	2♥	E		-110	5.5	92	4 - Mounser Merker - Lindsay Thom	
Play	06	4♣	W	100		3.5	58	4 - Mounser Merker - Lindsay Thom	
Play	07	5♣x	S		-200	3.5	58	4 - Mounser Merker - Lindsay Thom	
Play	08	2♣	N	170		1.5	25	4 - Mounser Merker - Lindsay Thom	
Play	09	1NT	E		-120	0.5	8	3 - Dan Boyle - Laurie Carr	
Play	10	3NT	S	630		4	67	3 - Dan Boyle - Laurie Carr	
Play	11	1♣	S	110		2	33	3 - Dan Boyle - Laurie Carr	

Tomorrow's Bridge Events

Event	Session	Sold	Entry/player/session	
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Sunday, November 26, 9 a.m.				
Sunday-Monday Morning Compact Knockout Teams	1-2	Seaport H, second level	\$16	\$20
Saturday-Sunday Morning Compact Knockout Teams	3-4	Seaport H, second level	\$16	\$20
Friday-Sunday Morning Side Game Series	3rd single session	Seaport H, second level	\$16	\$20
Sunday, November 26, 10 a.m.				
Bridge-Plus+	single	Coronado Ballroom, 4th level (in Harbor Tower)	Free	Free
Free two-hour lesson with Audrey Grant, 14-deal game follows in Harbor G (0-20 MPs)				
299er Swiss Teams	single	Harbor G, second level	\$15	\$19
299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Harbor G, second level	\$15	\$19
0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single	Harbor G, second level	\$15	\$15
Sunday, November 26, 10 a.m. & 3 p.m.				
Daylight Open Pairs (unlimited/3000/750)	1-2	Harbor A, second level	\$16	\$20
Daylight A/B/C Swiss Teams (unlimited/3000/1500)	1-2	Harbor C, second level	\$16	\$20
Daylight Gold Rush Swiss Teams (750/500/200)	1-2	Harbor C, second level	\$16	\$20
Gold points for 0-750.				
Sunday, November 26, 10:30 a.m. & 3:30 p.m.				
SUPER SENIOR PAIRS	1-2 Q	Grand Hall C, lobby level	\$25	—
Age 70+; 2 qualifying & 2 final sessions.				
Sunday, November 26, Noon & 7 p.m.				
BAZE SENIOR KNOCKOUT TEAMS	Round 3	Grand Hall D, lobby level	\$25	—
Sunday, November 26, 1 p.m.				
Friday-Sunday Side Game Series	5th single session	Seaport D, second level	\$16	\$20
Sunday, November 26, 1 & 7:30 p.m.				
MITCHELL OPEN BOARD-A-MATCH TEAMS	1-2 Q	Grand Hall B, lobby level	\$25	—
MARSHA MAY STERNBERG WOMEN'S BOARD-A-MATCH TEAMS	1-2 Q	Grand Hall B, lobby level	\$25	—
Both BAMs: 2 qualifying & 2 final sessions.				
0-10,000 SWISS TEAMS	1-2 F	TBA	\$17	—
Open Pairs (unlimited/3000/750)	1-2	Seaport D, second level	\$16	\$20
A/X/Y Swiss Teams (unlimited/6000/4000)	1-2	Seaport H, second level	\$16	\$20
B/C/D Swiss Teams (3000/1500/750)	1-2	Seaport H, second level	\$16	\$20
Saturday-Sunday Knockout Teams	3-4	Seaport H, second level	\$16	\$20
Sunday, November 26, 3 p.m.				
Stratified 299er Swiss Teams	single	Harbor G, second level	\$15	\$19
299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Harbor G, second level	\$15	\$19
0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single	Harbor G, second level	\$15	\$15
Sunday, November 26, 7:30 p.m.				
Evening Board-a-Match Teams	single	Seaport D, second level	\$15	\$19
Open to Swiss drop-ins and new entrants.				
Friday-Sunday Side Game Series	6th single session	Seaport D, second level	\$16	\$20
299er Swiss Teams	single	Harbor G, second level	\$15	\$19
299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Harbor G, second level	\$15	\$19
0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single	Harbor G, second level	\$15	\$15
Sunday, November 26, 11:30 p.m.				
Zip Knockout Teams	single	Harbor G, second level	\$12/team/match	

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Slow Play

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

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

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


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

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

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

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

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



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Today's Bridge Events				
Junior Day				
Event	Saturday, November 25, 9 a.m.		Entry/player/session	
	Session	Sold	ACBL members*	Other
Saturday-Sunday Morning Compact Knockout Teams	1-2	Seaport H, second level	\$16	\$20
Educational Foundation Knockout Teams	3rd	Seaport H, second level	\$16	\$20
Friday-Saturday Morning Compact Knockout Teams	3-4	Seaport H, second level	\$16	\$20
Friday-Sunday Morning Side Game Series	2nd single session	Seaport H, second level	\$16	\$20
Saturday, November 25, 10 a.m.				
Bridge-Plus+	single	Coronado Ballroom, 4th level (in Harbor Tower)	Free	Free
Free two-hour lesson with Barbara Seagram, 14-deal game follows in Harbor G (0-20 MPs).				
299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Harbor G, second level	\$15	\$19
0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single	Harbor G, second level	\$15	\$15
Saturday, November 25, 10 a.m. & 3 p.m.				
Stratified Daylight Open Pairs (unlimited/3000/750)	1-2	Harbor A, second level	\$16	\$20
Saturday, November 25, Noon & 7 p.m.				
BAZE SENIOR KNOCKOUT TEAMS		Round 2	Grand Hall D, lobby level	\$25
Saturday, November 25, 1 p.m.				
Friday-Sunday Side Game Series	3rd single session	Seaport D, second level	\$16	\$20
Saturday, November 25, 1 & 7:30 p.m.				
NAIL LIFE MASTER OPEN PAIRS	1-2 F	Grand Hall B, lobby level	\$25	—
	1-2 Q	Grand Hall C, lobby level	\$17	—
0-10,000 SWISS TEAMS				
2 qualifying & 2 final sessions.				
A/X Open Pairs (unlimited/6000)	1-2	Seaport A, second level	\$16	\$20
B/C Pairs (3000/1500)	1-2	Seaport A, second level	\$16	\$20
Gold Rush Pairs (750/300)	1-2	Seaport D, second level	\$16	\$20
Gold points for 0-750.				
Saturday Compact KO Teams	1-4	Seaport H, second level	\$16	\$20
Saturday-Sunday KO Teams	1-2	Seaport H, second level	\$16	\$20
Friday-Saturday Knockout Teams	3-4	Seaport H, second level	\$16	\$20
Saturday, November 25, 3 p.m.				
299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Harbor G, second level	\$15	\$19
0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single	Harbor G, second level	\$15	\$15
Saturday, November 25, 7:30 p.m.				
Strati-Flighted A/X/Y Side Swiss Teams	single	Seaport H, second level	\$15	\$19
Strati-Flighted B/C/D Side Swiss Teams	single	Seaport H, second level	\$15	\$19
Friday-Sunday Side Game Series	4th single session	Seaport D, second level	\$16	\$20
299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Harbor G, second level	\$15	\$19
0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single	Harbor G, second level	\$15	\$15
Saturday, November 25, 11:30 p.m.				
Zip Knockout Teams	single	Harbor G, second level	\$12/team/match	
Junior Zip Knockout Teams	single	Harbor G, second level	Free	
25 and younger				
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