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Bilde, Birman capture Nail LM Open Pairs

Dennis Bilde and Alon Birman are two longtime friends who played together only one time before they entered the Nail Life Master Open Pairs in San



Nail Life Master Open Pairs winners: Dennis Bilde and Alon Birman.

Diego. Lying in 31st place after the first final session, they zoomed to the top with a 71.07% game to win the event by less than half a board.

Second place went to Frenchmen Quentin Robert and Godefroy De Tessieres. In third place was another French pair – Thomas Bessis and Frederic Volcker.

Blide, a Dane now living in Norway, and Birman, of Israel, played together for the first time in the Cavendish Invitational Pairs in Monaco in February of this year. They came in fifth.

In the Nail LM Pairs in San Diego, they did well on the first day, ending the second qualifying session in 11th place.

Things did not go as well in the first final session, however, and they dropped to 31st in the standings with a set to go. In the final set, they roared back, scoring 1422.91 matchpoints on the final 26 boards

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Shi's all that

She is a winner: In her first seven years as a bridge player, she has earned seven NABC titles, a World Gold medal and most recently, the team title in the invitational women's Beijing Jua Yan Cup, where she and partner Pam Granovetter also picked up the prize for best defense. Her serene calm at the table belies an aggressive competitiveness. At the age of 29, her bridge future is limitless.

Steve Robinson, a world champion and one of her mentors says, "There are some who are meant to play bridge well and Sylvia Shi is one of them."

Beginning bridge

Shi took up the game at the beginning of 2011 to have something to do when a long-term relationship ended. She had graduated from Johns Hopkins University and was living in Baltimore and attending



graduate school. She was also finding a market for her artwork; she creates Japanese animation.

"I was trying to decide between learning to fly a plane or bridge," she says. "I wanted to feel like I was accomplishing something in addition to filling up my time. In the end, I chose bridge

because it has a lower initial monetary cost."

Bridge wouldn't have been on her radar at all except that a friend of hers in high school played the

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Young players earn respect



Front, Levi Katriel and Johnathan Trader; rear, Dick Coulter and Ed Becker.

When Ed Becker and Dick Coulter finished their session in the Saturday morning 49er game, they knew they had a possible winner. At it happened, their 63.33% score was good enough for first overall.

Part of such a good showing is having your photograph taken to commemorate the event. Becker and Coulter were willing, but they had a special request: They wanted a couple of young players they encountered in the stratified event to be in the photo with them.

The two retirees made the request, they said, because of how impressed they were with Levi Katriel and Johnathan Trader when the two pairs faced each other during the event.

"We thought it would be a kick to get a photo

with them," said Becker, of Saratoga CA. Coulter, who lives in San Luis Obispo CA, added, "They are not only good players, but their bridge etiquette was impeccable."

"They were very nice to play with, and they whipped our (butts)," said Becker.

The two young players did not return for the afternoon session, so they were not available for interview. They won the 0-5 Pairs with a 59.58% game. Katriel lives in Del Mar CA. Trader lives in Chula Vista CA.

Becker is retired from an aerospace company. Coulter is a retired software engineer. Both said their wives are the really serious bridge players in their respective families and have "all the points."

Becker, who plays at a bridge club in Palo Alto, said he is a strong supporter of the campaign to recruit more young people to bridge, in part because he is a witness to such efforts by Debbie Rosenberg at the Palo Alto club. Rosenberg is well known for her support of and interest in youth bridge.

Coulter said that although he enjoyed playing against the two young men, "I don't want to play them when they're 15 and 16."

Judy Cotterman, who runs the I/N games with Priscilla Smith, said she was pleased to accommodate Becker and Coulter about the photo. "It was great," she said. Cotterman noted that after the shot was taken, one of two men offered: "This is better than any picture you could give me."



ACBL CEO Bahar Gidwani, left, and Gary Blevins, ACBL's director of field operations, with TD Lynn Yokel, winner of the Jean Molnar Employee of the Year award.

Yokel is Molnar award winner

Tournament Director Lynn Yokel is the 2017 winner of the Jean Molnar Employee of the Year award for extraordinary work in her field.

The award is named for the longtime TD from San Diego who died of cancer in March 2016. The award is given to a tournament director. There is a

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Senior KO in round of 8

Three of the top five seeds in the Baze Senior Knockout Teams advanced to the quarterfinal round on Saturday, with the top-seeded Nick Nickell squad leading the way.

The other tops seeds to advance were, by captain, Mike Levine and Paul J. Lewis.

On the sidelines after Saturday's matches were the No. 3 seed, Lou Ann O'Rourke, No. 4 John Onstott, No. 6 Steve Bruno, No. 7 Gaylor Kasle and No. 8 Michael J. Mikyska.

Lai squad leads 10K Swiss

The all-California team captained by Jessica Lai has a slim lead going into today's final sessions of the 0-10,000 Swiss Teams. Lai, of Oakland is playing with Dmitri Shabes, San Ramon; Peter Bondanti, Emeryville, and Daniel Kroll, Berkeley. Their carryover is 26.52, 2.17 victory points clear of second, another California team captained by Maritha Pottenger. Her teammates are Kent Hartman, Norman Schwartz and Henri Farhi.

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.

SPECIAL EVENTS

MEETINGS / SEMINARS / RECEPTIONS

Meetings are at the Manchester Grand Hyatt.

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. (La Jolla AB, second floor)

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. (Coronado, fourth floor)

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. (Gaslamp D,

second floor)

10 am-Noon ACBL Laws Commission meeting. (Old Town A, second

floor)

10 am-Noon Free Bridge Lesson with Audrey Grant followed by a

special game for newer players. (Coronado, fourth floor)

11 am-Noon
1-5 pm

Handz Demo. (Gaslamp C, second floor)
Notrump in a Day. Fee: \$15 if you prereg

Notrump in a Day. Fee: \$15 if you preregister (acbl.org/regbiad), \$20 at the door. (Coronado, fourth floor)

Monday, November 27

9 am-11 am
10 am-Noon

Teacher Input Session. (Gaslamp CD, second floor)
Competition and Conventions Committee meeting. (Pier,

third floor)

10:30 am-Noon Aileen Osofsky ACBL Goodwill Committee meeting. (Old

Town A, second floor)

11 am-Noon USBF Board meeting. (La Jolla AB, second floor)
5-7 pm Goodwill Reception. Aileen Osofsky ACBL Goodwill

Committee members only. (America's Cup, fourth floor)

5:30-6:30 pm CEO Meet and Greet. (Lobby Bar) 11 pm-12:30 am CEO Meet and Greet. (Lobby Bar)

Tuesday, November 28

9 am-Noon Club Director Refresher Course. A continuing education

course for club directors to increase their skills. Participants must attend both sessions. Fee: \$15 covers both days. Sign up

at the door. (La Jolla AB, second floor)

10 am-Noon ACBL Hall of Fame Committee. (Old Town A, second floor)

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.

Sunday, Nov. 26

9:15 a.m. Jeff Hand Play These Trump Contracts 6:45 p.m. Donna Compton 4NT Means What When?

9:15 a.m. Jerry Helms The Defensive Mindset

6:45 p.m. Peg & Dewy Cundiff Doubles

Tuesday, Nov. 28

9:15 a.m. Harold Feldheim Do You Play Blackwood?
6:45 p.m. Robert Todd Dealing with Opponents' Preempts

HOSPITALITY

Enjoy late-evening snacks in the Coronado Ballroom on the fourth floor.

Sunday, Nov. 26 Pumpkin Bisque Soup Monday, Nov. 27
Ice Cream Bars
Tuesday, Nov. 28
Anniversary Cake

ENTERTAINMENT

Monday, Nov. 27-Thursday, Nov. 30

Noon-1 p.m. Harpist Dr. Marsha Long Registration Desk, second floor 10:30 p.m.

Rock 'n' roll magic of Las Vegas' Greg Miller and Sonia Cruz Coronado, fourth floor

Changes in the Laws

A three-hour workshop about the changes to the Laws that

NEW FOR CLUB DIRECTORS!

recently took effect is scheduled for today 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.

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Intermediate-Newcomer players may pick up validations at the I-N desk 12:15—12:45 p.m. and 6:30-7 p.m.

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

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



ACBL PLIVE

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.

This service is automatic for members unless they have specifically opted out. To receive text messages, go to MyACBL at acbl.org and select Update My Information to enter your email address and/or cell phone number.

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 18 for more information about using ACBL Live.

OUT OF HAND



JUST FOR NEW PLAYERS

Have you discussed? More essential conventions

By Brent Manley

Today's topics are negative doubles and Blackwood, including one popular variation.

Negative double

This clever convention dates from 1937 but was popularized by Alvin Roth and Tobias Stone, one of the all-time great partnerships. The convention is meant to solve a problem that occurs when partner opens the bidding and the next



hand overcalls. Consider this auction:

West North East South $1 \blacklozenge 2 \clubsuit$? South holds $\bigstar K \ 6 \ 4 \ 2 \ \blacktriangledown 7 \ 4 \ 2 \ \bigstar K \ 6 \ 5 \ 4$.

There is no satisfactory bid for this hand. It lacks the required length and strength to bid a suit at the two level, and South cannot raise opener's suit with a doubleton. The negative double is the answer, promising at least one four-card major and at least 6 high-card points.

A negative double can be made after a onelevel overcall with as few as 6 high-card points. For example, after 1 - 1, you can double with the same hand, only this time strongly suggesting four spades.

In that same auction, you can also double with a hand worth an opening bid, such as

A J 5 2 ♥10 7 5 2 ♦K A Q 8 2

Note that you would still double with the stronger hand because bidding 1♠ would show five in the suit

Using the negative double does not preclude exacting a penalty when you have length and strength in overcaller's suit. You simply pass and hope opener has the right hand to double, which he will do in many cases when he is short in overcaller's suit. Opener will consider the possibility that you have made a "trap pass" with the hope of exacting a potentially large penalty.

Another point for discussion with partner: you



"Try crawling between their legs - should bring you in there at the right level!"

can use the negative double when you have a long suit but lack the HCP required for direct action, something like

♠75 ♥QJ10987 **♦**K6 **♣**J109.

Partner opens 1♦ and the next player bids 1♠. Make a negative double, planning to bid hearts at your next turn. Opener will know you have a good suit but not many HCP.

Blackwood

Many players do not know that the primary purpose of the world's most popular convention was to avoid bidding slam off two or more aces. In its simplest form, 4NT asks responder to show aces. Responses: 5 ♣, all four aces or none; 5♦, one ace; 5♥, two aces; 5♠, three aces. 5NT then asks about kings, responses being the same: 6♣, all or none;

Players with more experience like to use the Blackwood variation known as Roman Key Card,

the "key cards" being the aces and the king of trumps. Responses: 5♣, 0 or 3 key cards; 5♠, 1 or 4; 5♥, 2 or 5 key cards without the trump queen; 5♠, 2 with the trump queen. Note it would be rare for responder to RKCB to have all five key cards, which would mean the 4NT bidder had no key cards.

BU BILL BUTTLE

With regular Blackwood or RKCB, do not bid 4NT with two quick losers in a side suit – unless partner has indicated control in that suit via a cuebid – or with a void in a side suit. In the first case, the opponents may be able to cash two tricks in the suit. In the second case, you won't know if the ace partner shows is useful to you. Note also that unless a trump suit has been agreed upon, you should not use RKCB. Be careful using Blackwood when your agreed suit is a minor. Be sure any potential response by partner will not force you to bid slam off two cashing tricks.

Thinking bridge By Eddie Kantar

▲ 10 8 5 4 2 **♦** J 9 **♥**853 **♥** K 6 ♦ K Q 5 4 3 ♦ A 6 ♣ A 7 6 4 ♣ K 8 3 **♦** K 6 ♥ AJ 1074 ♦ J 7 2 ♣ Q J 5 West South North East

1♠ 2♥ Opening lead: ♦A

Pass

Pass

Bidding commentary: West's 1\(\Delta\) bid shows five spades. With four spades and enough to respond, West normally makes a negative double. As West, you should assume that your partner, East, has fewer than three spades given the pass of 2\(\Delta\). After all, East knows you have five spades.

1♦

All Pass

Pass

1♥

Lead commentary: As West, holding the ace

in a suit partner has bid and planning to lead the suit, start with the ace. As East, you can't be sure of West's diamond length. Diamonds have not been supported, so the inference is "shortness."

Defensive commentary: Playing standard signaling methods, East encourages with the ◆5. West should read the 5 as encouraging! Why? When there are two or more cards lower than the one partner has played not visible, assume partner is encouraging a continuation. If there is only one lower card not visible, it's not clear whether partner is signaling encouragement. Clever declarers have been known to conceal low cards to deceive the defense. As the opening leader, train yourself to look beneath the card partner has played, the method to determine what partner's card means. Even a 7 can be a discouraging signal if all the lower cards are visible.

Play commentary: As South, signal West, the opening leader, as if West was your partner – using the opponents' signaling methods! Yes, you read that right. In this scenario, say the opponents are playing "standard" attitude signals. Looking at your hand and dummy, decide if you want West to continue a diamond. If you want a diamond continuation, play the 7. If you don't (you don't), play the ◆2. This technique should be added to your

ever-growing arsenal of deceptive plays.

Further defensive commentary: Say West continues a diamond to the queen, followed by the king. As West, you have a discard to make on the third round of diamonds. Try the ♣8, an encouraging discard. If partner is on the same wavelength and shifts to a low club, win the king, return a club to partner's ace and ruff the club return. Your side takes the first six tricks. What a defense!



It was a family affair in the afternoon
Intermediate-Newcomer game on Friday when
a Canadian mom- and-daughter duo met a
mother-daughter pair from Northern California.
Katharine Kerr, Vancouver BC; Susan Weinberg,
Oakland CA; Kelly Kerr, Vancouver BC; and
Kathryne Ann Kinsey, Richmond CA.

SANDIEGO, JEOPARDY

Superlatives

San Diego County grows more of this agricultural product than anywhere else in the U.S.

From the 1930s through the 1970s, San Diego was known as the ____ Capital of the World.

These insects, more abundant in San Diego than any other U.S. city, have several locations named after them, such as Las Pulgas Road in Oceanside.

Between The Old Globe and this Tony Award-winning theater, San Diego has sent more shows to Broadway than any other city in the U.S.

The San Diego International Airport is the busiest in the U.S. and second in the world among airports defined by this feature.

Answers found on page 6

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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.

NAIL LIFE MASTER PAIRS

78.0 Ta	bles /	Based on 162 Tables	
125.00	1	Alon Birman, Tel Aviv Israel; Dennis Bilde, Aarhus C Denmark	2636.08
93.75	2	Quentin Robert, Paris, France; Godefroy De Tessieres, Paris France	2600.14
70.31	3	Thomas Bessis, Paris France; Frederic Volcker, Issy Les Moulin France	2573.74
55.56	4	Espen Lindqvist, Arendal Norway; Boye Brogeland, Flekkefjor, Norway	2524.35
50.00	5	Sabine Auken, Charlottenlund Denmark; Roy Welland, New York NY	2518.01
45.45	6	Mark Feldman, Austin TX; Adam Wildavsky, Dillon CO	2506.65
41.67	7	Cedric Lorenzini, Cachan France; Jean Quantin, Paris France	2491.34
38.46	8	Peter Trenka, New York NY; Thomas Paske, Hereford, England	2471.36
35.71	9	Chris Willenken, New York NY; Eldad Ginossar, Chicago IL	2470.39
33.33	10	Fredrik Helness, Oslo Norway; Tor Helness, Monaco	2455.75
31.25	11	Zia Mahmood, New York NY; Jan Jansma, Spijkenisse	2408.36
29.41	12	Jing Liu, Minneapolis MN; Chen Zhao, College Park MD	2406.26
27.78	13	Jessica Larsson, Stockholm Sweden; Geir Helgemo, Monaco	2390.72
26.32	14	Bart Bramley, Dallas TX; Kit Woolsey, Kensington CA	2389.83
25.00	15	Simon Hult, Wastervik Sweden; Simon Ekenberg, Kalmar Sweden	2362.38
23.81	16	Stephen Shane, White Plains NY; Jill Levin, Henderson NV	2361.93
22.73	17	Ari Greenberg, San Francisco CA; Roger Lee, Las Vegas NV	2358.77
21.74	18	Francisco Bernal, Miami FL; Agustin Madala, Buenos Aires Argentina	2344.83
20.83	19	Radu Nistor, Woodside NY; Iulian Rotaru, New York NY	2340.31
20.00	20	Sylvia Shi, Las Vegas NV; Kevin Rosenberg, Cupertino CA	2339.87
19.23	21	Douglas Doub, West Hartford CT; Yiji Starr, Wayland MA	2338.70
18.52	22	Ed Davis, Seal Beach CA; Jill Meyers, Santa Monica CA	2329.19
17.86	23	Leonardo Cima, Roma Italy; Barbara Dessi, Vianemorense Italy	2323.07
17.24	24	Maarten Schollaardt; Tom Van Overbeeke, Utrecht, The Netherlands	2320.46
16.67	25	Michael Kamil, Oro Valley AZ; Christophe Grosset, Issy-Les-Moulin France	2294.16
20.86	26	Zachary Grossack, Newton MA; Dror Padon, Tel Aviv Israel	2292.23
19.02	27	Adam Meyerson, Zurich Switzerland; Li-Chung Chen, Cupertino CA	2286.54
15.15	28	David Grainger, Etobicoke ON; Joel Wooldridge, Astoria NY	2273.57
14.71	29	Eric Greco, Beverly Hills CA; Geoff Hampson, Las Vegas NV	2266.59
14.29	30	Johan Upmark, Stockholm Sweden; Hakan Nilsson, West Palm Beach FL	2259.86
13.89	31	Glenn Eisenstein, New York NY; George Jacobs, Hinsdale IL	2257.62
13.51	32	Viktor Anikovich - Rama Linz, Los Angeles CA	2250.46
24.66	33	Kenneth Kranyak, Parma OH; John Kranyak, Las Vegas NV	2247.55
12.82	34	Barry Senensky - Barbara Shnier, Toronto ON	2236.86
12.50	35	Stephen Tu, Milpitas CA; Mike Cailean, Santa Clara CA	2230.13
12.20	36	Ai-Tai Lo, Reston VA; C Ganzer, Brooklyn NY	2219.98
11.90	37	Justin Lall, Charlotte NC; David Sabourin, Ottawa ON	2216.88
11.63	38	Gary Cohler, Delray Beach FL; Arthur Loring, Palm Beach FL	2211.09
11.36	39	Terje Aa, Heimdal Norway; Allan Livgard, Asum Norway	2207.97
13.74	40	Teresa Boyd - Grant Robinson, Dublin CA	2207.19
10.87	41	Aaron Silverstein - David Moss, New York NY	2207.15
11.34	42	Debbie Rosenberg, Cupertino CA; Naren Gupta, Woodside CA	2204.56
10.42	43	Jakob Kristinsson, Deerfield Beach FL; Jerry Premo, Noblesville IN	2203.62
10.20	44	Alexander Kolesnik, Los Angeles CA; Jim Munday, Southaven MS	2200.99
10.00	45	Jo Morse, Palm Beach Gardens FL; William Arlinghaus, Ann Arbor MI	2191.94
9.80	46	Mike Lucas - Joshua Donn, Las Vegas NV	2185.26
9.62	47	Aaron Jones, Oceanside CA; Steven Love, Laguna Niguel CA	2184.57
9.43	48	Richard Reitman, Los Gatos CA; Mark Dahl, Richmond VA	2183.58
9.26	49	Stephen Sanborn - Kerri Sanborn, Delray Beach FL	2179.56
9.09	50	Hua Poon - Choon Chou Loo, Singapore Singapore	2179.23
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9.19	1	1 Wendy Buchanan, Woodbridge CA; Debra Dezarn, Stockton CA	60.27%

	7	3		
9.19	1	1	Wendy Buchanan, Woodbridge CA; Debra Dezarn, Stockton CA	60.27%
6.89	2	2	Colin Schloss; Nick Migliacci, Las Vegas NV	58.33%
5.17	3	3	Emma Kolesnik - Finn Kolesnik, Ventura CA	58.06%
3.88	4		Ida Burcham - Chas Wick, Carlsbad CA	58.04%
3.06	5		Delene Hoff, Trabuco Canyon CA; Anton Vogt, Nixa MO	57.89%
2.63	6		Bruce Hanson - Barbara Hanson, San Diego CA	57.80%
2.30	7		Dallas Goodchild - Tom Goodchild, Victoria BC	57.59%
2.47	8		Debby Rechnitz - Wayne Rechnitz, Orinda CA	57.48%
2.38	9	4	Thomas Geldner - Jack Benoualid, Carlsbad CA	57.39%
1.88	10	5	Linda Ischayek, Mont-Royal QC; Gerald Asbury, Ramona CA	57.14%
2.02	11	6	S Douglas Weil - Judy Weil, San Francisco CA	56.85%
2.07	12	7	Peter Hess - Laura Simon, North York ON	56.10%
1.38	13		Leslie Brucker, Los Angeles CA; Robert Greene, Santa Barbara CA	55.95%

Email us

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

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the front page under the "Daily Bulletin" between the date and the editors' names.

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.

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.

			0-10000 SWISS TEAMS QUALIFIERS	
30 Tab	oles / Based		ables nd CA; Dmitri Shabes, San Ramon CA; Peter Bonfanti, Emeryville	
1			Berkeley CA	26.52
2			- Kent Hartman, San Diego CA; Norman Schwartz, Carlsbad CA; a Vista CA	24.35
3	Rhoda Kra	atenstein	- Corey Krantz, Delray Beach FL; Michael Cassel, Roseville MN; Eagan MN	16.57
4			lex Hong, West Vancouver BC; Jack Lee - Sidney Yang, Richmond BC;	10.37
5	Nongyu L Albert Shi		alto CA bles FL; Michael Ranis, Miami FL; Anthony Barre, Marco Island FL;	11.80
	Donald Da	alpe, For	t Myers FL	10.58
6			rt Kent, Marina Del Rey CA; William Schreiber, Valley Glen CA; tersfield CA	9.96
7	Mark Leo	nard, Lo	ng Beach CA; Edward Piken, Palos Verdes Peninsula CA; Steve Cohen, n Feldman, Redondo Beach CA	8.58
8/9			Portland OR; Bjorgvin Kristinsson, Minneapolis MN; Julius avogur, Iceland; Margaret Peterson, Larkspur CA	8.33
8/9		r Lagodii	mos - Kathie Angione, Chula Vista CA; Ming Louie - Herman Louie,	8.33
10	Peter Che	ung, Frei	mont CA; Arjun Dhir, Alpharetta GA; Ahmed Soliman, Astoria NY; el, Brooklyn NY	6.65
11	Philip Altı	us - Muri	iel Altus, Tampa FL; Greg Michaels, Cleveland OH; Martha	
12	Woodwor Marion Ko		Diego CA ouglas H Scott - Edward Rais - Tom Ottley, Anchorage AK	6.58 6.37
13			nt Paul MN; Mark Krusemeyer, Northfield MN; Rebecca Anspach - linneapolis MN	5.88
14	Debbie Be	enner - A	rthur Crystal, Fairfield CT; Adam Kaplan, Stanford CA; Adam	
15		nson, Ca	algary AB; Marek Foff - Bryant Town, Edmonton AB; Joy	5.76
16			Chapel Hill NC Sarasota FL; Matthew Weingarten, Safety Harbor FL; Thomas	5.02
	Turgeon, I	Memphis	s TN; Sally Meckstroth, Clearwater Beach FL; Michael McGuire, ss Jones, Jonesboro AR	4.94
17	Gang Che	ng, ; Dar	niel Harting, Hayward CA; David Weinberg, Reno NV; Fred Zhang, Los	
18	Angeles C Gene Kue		- Adrienne Kuehneman, Bethesda MD; Paul Janicki, Markham ON; Margot	4.50
19	Hennings,	Annand		4.34
	Brookline	MA; Ni	nad More, Mountain View CA	4.00
20			nbelt MD; Donald Berman, Laurel MD; Ronald Kral, Reston VA; , Sofia Bulgaria	3.73
21			agan MN; Joel Kramer, Minneapolis MN; Theo Lichtenstein, uzanne Cook, McKinleyville CA	2.53
22		ani, Cinc	innati OH; Stephen Moese, West Chester OH; Jess Jurkovic - Bill	2.10
23	James La	Fountain	n, Temple TX; Richard Clarke, Austin TX; Virgil Massey, Driftwood	
24	Frank Lin	- Winsto	ds, Pflugerville TX on Chang, Irvine CA; Kenneth C.K. Chuk - Tak Chun Wong, San	2.07
25		trell, Sar	n Jose CA; Kou-Ping Cheng, Saratoga CA; Rajeev Gupta, Oakland	1.83
26	Tracy Brin	nes - Mai	Young, Walnut CA ureen Brines, Virginia Beach VA; Margaret Irvine - Paul Irvine,	1.52
27		ierard, B	rossard QC; Bob Kerchner, Potomac MD; Andre Houde, Montreal QC;	1.49
28	Norman B	Beck - Kr	skatoon SK isten Onsgard - Joan Jackson, Dallas TX; Nancy Passell, Plano TX	1.18 0.26
29	Malcolm I Henson, N		London ; John Herriot, Los Angeles CA; Diane Henson - Larry ka MN	0.25
30			ebastian Holsclaw - Robin Rodger, San Diego CA; Belton Allen, La	0.00
	111000 011		FRIDAY-SUNDAY SIDE SERIES	0.00
31.0 Ta	ables A B	C		
8.88	1		Karl Kaiser, Wien Austria; Martin Rokyta, Wien Sweden	63.06%
6.66 5.00	2 1 3 2		Terrance Hill - Paul Hochfeld, Corvallis OR Henry Williams - Rosemary Wade Williams, Oro Valley AZ	60.49% 59.40%
4.78	4		Mario Mory - Phyllis Mory, Los Angeles CA	58.25%
3.53	5 3		Cyrus Ansari, Tiburon CA; Eddi Samandar, Encino CA	58.12%
2.11	6		Dwight Bender, London ON; Doug Andrews, Etobicoke ON	57.90%
2.65 1.27	7 4 8		Carolyn Becraft, Burke VA; Patricia Anderson, Fargo ND	57.58% 56.84%
1.27	5		Joshua Stark - Diane Stark, Grayslake IL John Ide, Winston Salem NC; Linda Dunn, Memphis TN	56.27%
1.49	6		Becky Stevens, Mercer Island WA; Scott Chupack, Seattle WA	55.43%
2.98	7	1	Barbara Dali, Hailey ID; Charles Gaeth, Benicia CA	54.31%
2.24		2	Deb Bowyer, Poway CA; Glenn Nixon, Peoria AZ	53.87%
1.68		3	Colin Hemsley - Anne Dudman, San Jose CA	52.88%
1.26 0.94		4 5	Pat Ingoglia, Sacramento CA; Bradley Leach, Oro Valley AZ Robert Bleil, Port Orchard WA; Grace Lee, Irvine CA	52.15% 51.68%
			SATURDAY EVENING 299ER PAIRS	
8.5 Ta	bles A B	C		
2.85	А В 1		Barbara Williams, Hailey ID; Christiane Turner, Ketchum ID	67.68%
2.14	2 1	1	Susan Weinberg - Kathryne Ann Kinsey, Richmond CA	62.92%
1.60	3		Jewel Daniels, San Diego CA; Charles Mann, San Francisco CA	60.76%
1.60	4 2	2	Leslie Dean, Santa Monica CA; Nancy Rosser, Los Angeles CA	57.74%
1.20 0.90	5 3 4		Lawrence Calder - Dianne Belk, San Diego CA Roseanne Hughes, Carlisle PA; Jean Senat Fleury, Chestnut Hill MA	54.21% 49.51%
0.90	4	3	H. Byron Jenkins II, Southaven MS; Claire Trepanier, San	47.3170
J., Z		5	Francisco CA	47.36%

Yokel

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separate award for staff at ACBL Headquarters in Horn Lake MS. It is named for Jane Johnson, late director of ACBL's Customer Service Department.

Yokel, who is working at this tournament, is a relatively new TD who has ascended in the tournament director ranks.

In presenting the award to Yokel, Bahar Gidwani, ACBL's chief executive, noted that the winner is a tournament director with at least a year of experience who exhibits "good customer service, technical expertise with a quick response."

In correspondence nominating Yokel for the award, she was praised for her skill in dealing with players while getting the job done. One letter said, "Lynn strikes the perfect balance between getting her work done well and taking good care of the players. Lynn has taught beginners and is extremely patient with newer players, taking time after the game to more fully explain rulings to them.

"The intermediate/newcomer players love her. More advanced players appreciate her professionalism, knowledge and approach to directing and running tournaments. Lynn is the ultimate team player and everyone loves working with her."

Yokel lives in Campbell CA, in the San Francisco Bay area.

Nail LM Pairs

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Second in the Nail Life Master Open Pairs: Quentin Robert and Godefroy De Tessieres.

to finish with a total of 2635.08 MPs. The runnersup scored a total of 2599.64 matchpoints, just 35.44 MPs out of first. Top was 77.

Free Ride Service

The Free Ride offers free rides throughout the downtown area, approximately a 1.5-



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.

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18.0 Tables

22 0 Tables

An unusual save?

By Barry Rigal

This deal was played in the second qualifying session of the Nail Life Master Pairs. Hands are rotated 180 degrees.

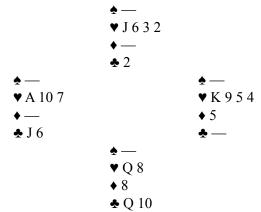
Dlr: West	♦ 5 4 3	
Vul: E-W	♥ J 6 3 2	
	♦ 973	
	♣ K 9 2	
A A 9 6 2		♠ Q J 7
♥ A 10 7		∀ K 9 5 4
♦ Q J		♦ 10 5 4 2
♣ A J 6 3		♣ 8 7
	♠ K 10 8	
	♥ Q 8	
	♦ A K 8 6	
	♣ Q 10 5 4	

At almost every table, West opened a strong 1NT and played there. When North led a heart, declarer could establish hearts for four tricks and spades for three, so the issue was whether there was a route to nine tricks.

When Mike Kamil had the South cards, he heard a 13-15 1NT opener to his left. He doubled for penalty after two passes. West redoubled, and now Kamil decided to run, trying clubs, then redoubling, and ending in 2NT doubled!

West had used one blue card and four red cards by then.

West led the unbid suit, diamonds, and declarer took the queen in hand and led a club to the 9, then the ♣K. West won to return the ◆J. Kamil won and played a third diamond, West pitching a spade. When East continued with the ♠Q, Kamil covered, and the defenders cleared spades. This was the ending:



When Kamil cashed his ♦8, West pitched the **♥**7, dummy the **♥**2. Kamil exited with the **♥**8 and whatever the defenders did declarer was sure to get two of the last four tricks. Kamil escaped for one down doubled and an 80% board.



Sup	erlatives answers
\$200	What are avocadoes?
\$400	What is tuna?
\$600	What are fleas?
\$800	What is La Jolla Playhouse?
\$1000	What is a single runway?
(Internationally,	it's behind London Gatwick.)

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.

Directors may accommodate persons with disabilities in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SIDE PAIRS

33.0 Ta	ıbles				
	A	В	C		
9.32	1			Ron Beall - Jennifer Beall, Bellingham WA	61.85%
6.99	2			Kathleen Byrne, San Diego CA; Sandra Gagnon, Las Vegas NV	61.62%
7.80	3	1		Rick Jasper - Kathy Jasper, San Jose CA	61.46%
5.85	4	2		John Lally, Chicago IL; Raeann Koerner, Ventura CA	61.15%
4.39	5	3		Nancy Strohmer - Hans Strohmer, Houston TX	61.00%
3.29	6	4		Paul Hardy - Elizabeth Scott, Nepean ON	60.54%
2.47	7	5		Susan Wheeler - G Steve Wheeler, Castle Rock CO	60.46%
4.03	8	6	1	William Starns Jr, Germany; Sara Katz, Germany	58.77%
2.45	9			Paul Darin, San Diego CA; Marilyn Kalabsa, Ramona CA	58.38%
3.02		7	2	Judd Halenza - Susan Halenza, Del Mar CA	56.77%
1.38		8		Catherine Cram - John Bakulich, Laguna Woods CA	55.54%
2.27			3	Christopher Welland, New York NY; Joseph Lieberman, Los Angeles CA	54.62%
1.70			4	Jewel Daniels, San Diego CA; Maxine McIntosh, Los Angeles CA	53.69%
1.28			5	Victoria Haines, Calgary AB; Ramey Farah, La Jolla CA	53.31%
0.96			6	Kathy Twomey, Bloomfield Vlg MI; Veena Nijhawan, Germany	52.00%
				FRIDAY DAYLIGHT OPEN PAIRS	

43.0 Ta	ibles /]	Based o	on 42 T	Tables	
	A	В	C		
26.00	1	1		Matthew Weingarten, Safety Harbor FL; Arjun Dhir, Alpharetta GA	64.08%
19.50	2			Allan Smith, Tiny ON; Bill Kertes, York ON	62.43%
14.63	3	2		Davis Bennett - Jim Johnsen, San Diego CA	62.06%
10.97	4			Roger Doughman - Suzanne Lebendig, San Diego CA	59.99%
8.67	5			Mary Vickers, Apex NC; John Hogan Jr, Wayne NJ	59.24%
7.43	6			Carole Weinstein, Waltham MA; Margie Sullivan, Sagamore Beach MA	58.41%
8.65	7	3		Lynda Hirst, Vancouver WA; Douglas Jansen, Happy Valley OR	58.27%
7.15	8			Christopher Cowan - Debbie Feldman, Oakville ON	57.69%
5.20	9			Jim Leary - Pat Leary, Livermore CA	57.13%
6.49	10	4		Caryn Villalon, Bonsall CA; Lance Eddy, Fallbrook CA	57.03%
5.13	11	5		Robyn Hedly, Denver CO; Margaret Glasner, Yuma AZ	56.55%
4.39	12	6		Sin Orensztein, North Hollywood CA; Mark Peters, Van Nuys CA	56.34%
3.71	13			Mac Busby, San Diego CA; Gregory Chaffee, La Jolla CA	55.47%
3.85	14	7		Gamil Tadros - Helen Dillen, Calgary AB	55.17%
3.25	15			Lech Ekert, Bluffton SC; Mac Raczkiewicz, Hilton Head SC	54.88%
3.06	16			Caroline Pascoe - Michelle Golden, Sarasota FL	54.76%
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3.06	16			Caroline Pascoe - Michelle Golden, Sarasota FL	54.76%
2.89	17			John Ide, Winston Salem NC; George Watkins, Austin TX	54.69%
5.01	18			Donald Berman - Rose Berman, Laurel MD	54.52%
3.58	19	8		Harry Rogers, Wailuku HI; Alan Arakawa, Kahului HI	54.46%
3.08	20	9		Michael Farber, Carlsbad CA; Theodore Greenberg, Zafat Israel	54.18%
2.36	21			Corey Krantz - Rhoda Kratenstein, Delray Beach FL	54.12%
3.08		10		Tanaaz Timblo - Jayendu Patel, Vista CA	53.80%
6.04		11	1	Jakob Karstens, Berkeley CA; Stuart Treworgy, Cumberland RI	53.62%
2.37		12		Derald Keetch - Sue Keetch, Livingston TX	53.42%
2.20		13		Ross L Rossman, El Cajon CA; Douglas McCalla, Kalaheo HI	53.40%
4.53		14	2	James Scofield, Chula Vista CA; Bruce Bauer, Murrieta CA	53.00%
3.40		15	3	Matthew Kidd - Robert Brobst, San Diego CA	52.99%
2.55			4	Daniel Gornel - Susan Gornel, Los Angeles CA	50.04%

FRIDAY AFTERNOON 299ER PAIRS

John Coulombe, Valley Center CA; Dorothea Williams, Escondido CA

49.54%

49.51%

Maryann Diesburg - Daniel Diesburg, Mooresville NC

	Α	D	C		
4.20	1			Ralph Schindler Jr, Burr Ridge IL; Leah Laurie, Chicago IL	63.39%
3.83	2	1		Patrick Staley, San Diego CA; Gerald Kibbey, La Mesa CA	63.10%
2.53	3/4	2/3	1	Carol Macleod - Virginia Griffiths, Vancouver WA	56.55%
2.51	3/4	2/3		Sally Rea - Tim Rea, Ventura CA	56.55%
1.90	5	4	2	Peter Koenig - Susan Koenig, Tarzana CA	56.25%
1.00	6			Constance Leichner - Richard Leichner, Bermuda Dunes CA	55.95%
1.21		5		Edward Kaufman, San Diego CA; Bill Osgood, Jamul CA	55.65%
0.91		6		Terry Cleary - Dave Cleary, Bonita CA	55.06%
1.42			3	Barbara Starrett - Jo Ann Ellison, Tucson AZ	54.76%
1.07			4	Neil Lasley - Jean Lasley, Lewiston ID	54.46%
0.80			5	Douglas Schrock - Pam Schrock, Kenwood CA	51.49%

FRIDAY AFTERNOON 49ER PAIRS

7.0 Tal	bles				
	A	В	C		
1.98	1	1	1	Kelly Kerr - Katharine Kerr, Vancouver BC	66.80%
1.49	2	2		Don Wemple - Margaret Sohn, San Diego CA	62.04%
1.11	3			Lila Levine - Don Levine, Playa Del Rey CA	59.26%
0.99	4	3	2	Susan Weinberg - Kathryne Ann Kinsey, Richmond CA	58.40%
0.68	5	4		Mary Rea - Jan Janecki, San Diego CA	52.71%

				SATURDAY MORNING SIDE PAIRS	
20.0 Ta	bles				
	A	В	C		
6.50	1			S. Reese Koppel, Metairie LA; Chuck Wong, Danville CA	64.44%
4.88	2			Karol Monroe - Guy Monroe, Palm Desert CA	59.19%
5.42	3	1		Michael Thorpe, Montrose CO; Martyn Cooper, Katy TX	58.65%
4.07	4	2	1	Warren Cummings, Bonsall CA; Roberta Macomber, Mesa AZ	58.17%
2.06	5			Andrew Risman, Toronto ON; Merryl Chin, North York ON	57.92%
2.45	6			Joe Houde, Vista CA; Greg House, San Diego CA	56.96%
3.05	7	3		Christine Barkley, Modesto CA; Raymond Adams Jr, Turlock CA	56.05%
2.29		4		Frank Morgan, Allentown PA; Doree Sobel, Fair Lawn NJ	55.81%
1.71		5		Sin Orensztein, North Hollywood CA; Mark Peters, Van Nuys CA	55.65%
1.29		6		John White - Lynne White, Lincoln CA	54.24%
1.97			2	Peter Hirschmiller, Vernon BC; Stephen Raffel, Salmon Arm BC	52.78%
1.48			3	James Scofield, Chula Vista CA; David Koble, Bartlesville OK	49.27%
1.11			4	Sharon Beynon - Elisabeth Jereski, Los Angeles CA	48.62%

18.0 Ta	ables		SATURDAY MORNING 299ER PAIRS		EDUC 7 Tab
	A	В	С		20.78
4.20	1	1	Jewel Daniels, San Diego CA; Charles Mann, San Francisco CA	62.45%	Feigent
3.15	2	2	Jerome Sheldon - Patricia Sheldon, La Jolla CA	61.17%	Kingwo 14.55
2.36	3	3	1 Peter Koenig - Susan Koenig, Tarzana CA	60.66%	Sengok
1.77	4	4	Tony Marshall, Seattle WA; Brian Turner, Carlsbad CA	58.47%	_
1.33	5	5	P. Kambourian - Jo Ann Ellison, Tucson AZ	57.63%	FRIDA
1.00	6	6	Grace Fagin - Michael Pinney, Chesterfield MO	56.06%	9 Tab
1.70			2 Laura Hammaker, Fort Mill SC; Robert Rodriguez, Palm Springs CA	54.11%	11.69 Donn, I
1.28			3 Linda Smith, Wildomar CA; Kathleen Heckathorn, Murrieta CA	52.98%	Smith,
0.96			4 Karen Eddy - Renee Theiler-Reichle, Fallbrook CA	52.65%	8.18
0.72			5 Nancy Mogck, La Jolla CA; Jeff Weien, San Diego CA	51.46%	Albert S
					Austria
			SATURDAY MORNING 49ER PAIRS		5.26
6.0 Ta	bles				Spring Redmon
	A	В			4.09
1.87	1		Richard Coulter, San Luis Obispo CA; Ed Becker, Saratoga CA	63.33%	Hemert
1.40	2	1	Levi Katriel, Del Mar CA; Johnathan Trader, Chula Vista CA	59.58%	San Die
1.05	3	2	Polly Bell - William Purcell, Los Angeles CA	56.25%	
0.79	4	_	Leslie Dean, Santa Monica CA; Nancy Rosser, Los Angeles CA	53.75%	FRIDA
****	-				12 Tab 5.33
			SATURDAY BRIDGE PLUS+		- Dickie
3.0 Ta	bles				3.73
	A	В			San Die
1.22	1/2	1/2	Ruth Herman - Bill Herman, Washington DC	52.08%	2.40
1.22	1/2	1/2	Jane Houston Jones, Monrovia CA; Helen Stokes, Chatsworth CA	52.08%	Hecht - 1.87
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(1.1		SATURDAY AFTERNOON 49ER PAIRS		
6.5 Ta		D	С		
1.00	A	В		(0.000/	
1.98	1	1	Mary Rea - Jan Janecki, San Diego CA	60.00%	If
1.49	2		Jimmy Stevens, La Mesa CA; Michael Sloane, La Jolla CA	56.82%	
1.11	3	2	Les Nakasaki, Montebello CA; Wanda Yao, Redondo Beach CA	55.46%	please
1.34	4	2	1 William Purcell - Polly Bell, Los Angeles CA	55.00%	publis
0.84	5	3	Pat Lenowsky, Ramona CA; Alan Turner, San Diego CA	54.58%	Daily
1.01			2 Jan Ladd - Tomoko Stock, Valencia CA	47.72%	secon

EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION KO

7 Tables Howard Parker III, Clements CA; Ellis Feigenbaum - Marjorie Michelin, Laguna Woods CA; Tom Breed,

Kingwood TX Hiroki Yokoi - Kotomi Asakoshi - Kyoko 14.55 Sengoku - Hiroaki Miura, Tokyo Japan

FRIDAY-SATURDAY MORNING COMPACT KO 1

11.69 Sudhakar Divakaruni. Scottsdale AZ: Joshua Donn, Las Vegas NV; Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio TX; Ron Smith, Chicago IL

Ken Gee, Regina SK; Hannah Moon, Prince Albert SK; Gerald Lackner, Furstenfeld Austria; Senta Lackner, Austria 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

FRIDAY-SATURDAY MORNING COMPACT KO 2

12 Tables

5.33 Craig Thorsen, Kailua Kona HI; Richard Robbins · Dickie Motherwell - Gail Buck, Pahoa HI

3.73 Peter Moyer - Anita Hammersley - Louis Block, San Diego CA; Chebli Jada, La Jolla CA

Alvan Silverberg - Trisha Silverberg - Jeffrey Hecht - Dottie Hecht, Dana Point CA

Keith Hibbert - Holly Boudreau - Esther Wiebe -Jean-Philipp Weber, Victoria BC

New LM Alert!

If you make Life Master at this tournament, please share! We'd love to take your picture and publish your achievement in the Daily Bulletin. The Daily Bulletin office is located in Balboa A on the second floor of the Seaport tower.

Tournament Terminology

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Victory points (VPs): a method of scoring Swiss Team matches. After the scores are compared and converted to IMPs, the IMP total is converted

to Victory Points. A team's VP total may be used to determine its next opponents and its final standing.

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

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

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

The masterpoint holdings of the players determine their flight. If one player is quite expert while his partner is new to the game, the pair must compete in Flight A.

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

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

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

Example, a game might be stratified in this

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

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

The game proceeds normally; the difference

comes when the scores are tabulated and ranked.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Turnabout By Barry Rigal

On this deal from the first qualifying session of the Nail Life Master Open Pairs, Ron Lien (North) was dealt a choice of attractive leads, each of which would cost a trick. He and his partner, Subba Ravipudi, played against Kit Woolsey and Bart Bramley.

Dlr: South	♠ Q	10	
Vul: E-W	♥ K	10 9 2	
	♦ K	10 9 6	
	♣ Q	6 5	
♦ A K 8 6 2	2	♠ 7	4
♥ Q 4		♥ A	AJ 63
♦ Q 8 3		♦ A	7 2
♣ K 10 9		♣ A	A 8 3 2
	♦ J 9	5 3	
	♥8′	7 5	
	♦ J 5	5 4	
	♣ J ′	7 4	
West	North	East	South
Woolsey	Lien	Bramley	Ravipudi
			Pass
1♠	Pass	2♣	Pass
2NT	Pass	3NT	All Pass

Against 3NT, Lien led the ♥10, which traveled around to Woolsey's queen. Declarer now ducked a spade; Lien did very well to win the ♠10 and infer that his partner must have four spades to the jack and therefore virtually nothing else, so he returned the ♠Q.

Woolsey won and cleared spades as Lien discarded a club, then a diamond, as did dummy. When Ravipudi returned a low diamond, the crux of the deal had been reached. If South had the ◆K, declarer should play his ◆Q, which would win. If North had that card, Woolsey should play low and hope for a squeeze. When he put up the ◆Q and Lien covered, Woolsey ducked, but he had no real pressure in the ending. South could keep the minor, North the hearts.

Making 3NT was about average. Bringing home the overtrick would have been better than an 80% result.

On the next deal, Woolsey won the battle for the extra trick.

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Dlr: West
                ♣ J 10 2
 Vul: Both
                ♥ K J 2
                ♦ A J 6 5 3
                ♣ A 5
                              ♠985
 A K 7 4 3
 ♥ A 9 5
                              ♥ 10 8 4
 ♦ 7
                              ♦ 10 2
 ♣ K J 7 4
                              ♣ Q 10 8 6 3
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                ♦ K Q 9 8 4
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West
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            North
                       East
Woolsey
                       Bramley
                                   Ravipudi
            Lien
1♠
            Pass
                       2♠
                                   Pass
3♣
            Pass
                       3♠
                                   All Pass
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None of the new-fangled constructive raises for Bramley. Lien led a low trump, and when South played the queen, Woolsey might have found the duck? The defense should still prevail but must shift to hearts at once. In fact, Woolsey cashed his top trumps and played the &K. Lien won and thoughtfully played a low heart to the queen and ace. When Woolsey exited in trumps, the defenders had to cash out correctly to defeat 3. South pitched an encouraging diamond and North now tried to cash two diamonds. It was not a success. It works best for South to itch an uposide-down ♥7 to suggest a remaining three-card ending. Alternatively, if North cashes the ◆A then the ♥J, South should be able to signal his remaining count in the suit and let North work out what to do next.

Smoking Policy

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

SATURDAY DAYLIGHT OPEN PAIRS					
	ibles / B A	ased or B	176 T C	ables	
38.36 28.77	1			Jeff Hand - Gail Greenberg, New York NY Steve Chen, San Jose CA; Lynn Shannon, Campbell CA	69.25% 65.39%
28.77	2 3			Bruce Horiguchi, Gardena CA; Steve Mager, Hermosa Beach CA	63.39% 64.69%
16.18	4			Harold Feldheim, Hamden CT; Henry Nelson, Zelienople PA	61.83%
12.79	5			Peter Lit, Elk CA; Scott Hiller, Naples FL	61.81%
10.96 9.59	6 7			V. Jay Tipton - Linda Tipton, Irvine CA Stephen Goldstein, Anaheim CA; William Rogers, Santa Fe NM	61.29% 60.70%
23.63	8	1		Justine Hancock - Barbara Mikkelson, Las Vegas NV	59.42%
7.67	9			Patricia Griffin - James Griffin, Sausalito CA	59.38%
6.97 6.39	10 11			Paul Foster, Oceanside CA; Leia Berla, Greenwich CT Richard Dubrovsky - Leora Dubrovsky, Howell NJ	59.00% 58.04%
17.72	12	2		Paul Ryan - Elizabeth Ryan, El Segundo CA	57.96%
6.29	13			Cathy Strauch - Riggs Thayer Jr, San Diego CA	57.74%
5.11 13.29	14 15	3		Lance Chamberlain, Rochester MN; Edward Schwartz, Pasadena CA David Sterling, Murrieta CA; Ching Chao, Danville CA	57.73% 57.68%
5.16	16	3		Janice Seamon-Molson, Hollywood FL; Peter Mosheim, Miami FL	57.65%
7.44	17			John Kissinger - Susan Kissinger, San Clemente CA	57.17%
4.04 3.84	18 19			Ljudmila Kamenova, South Setauket NY; Tom Kniest, Brentwood MO Sue Himel, New Orleans LA; Deana Liddy, Omaha NE	56.83% 56.59%
9.97	20/21	4		Carolyn Kish - Rita Sorgi, San Diego CA	56.38%
5.98	20/21			Gregory Vance, Pacifica CA; Grant Vance, Oakland CA	56.38%
3.34 3.20	22 23			Ray Boehne, Oceanside CA; Betty Jackson, Pebble Beach CA Valentin Kovachev, Las Vegas NV; Diana Marquardt, Del Mar CA	56.24% 56.23%
3.20	23 24			Clayton Parker - Edith Parker, Surprise AZ	55.91%
2.95	25			Jack Shartsis, Huntington Wds MI; William Winokur, West Bloomfield MI	55.38%
7.88	26	5		Robyn Hedly, Denver CO; Margaret Glasner, Yuma AZ	55.23%
7.73 7.88	27 28	6	1	Pat McDevitt, Brookline MA; Lloyd Arvedon, Woburn MA Richard Katz, Sharon MA; David Katz, Newport Beach CA	55.05% 55.01%
5.58	29/30	7/8	•	Gamil Tadros - Helen Dillen, Calgary AB	54.81%
5.91	29/30	7/8	2	Dwaine Hawley, Huntington Beach CA; Gary Zoss, Coronado CA	54.81%
5.63 2.32	31 32	9		Bruce Greenspan - Judy Cardin, Bonita Springs FL Carole Liss, San Rafael CA; Penny Berman, Poway CA	54.79% 54.63%
4.30	33	10		Alan Rowen - Ray Rowen, Coronado CA	54.44%
2.19	34			Jan George - Bob Lafleur, Las Vegas NV	54.29%
3.87 3.87	35 36			Philip Pearl, Fountain Valley CA; Paul Gelb, Palm Springs CA Samuel Jordan - Yoko Jordan, Cardiff CA	54.17% 54.08%
2.02	37			Wallace Goldban, Palm Desert CA; Rhoda Walsh, Carlsbad CA	54.05%
4.06	38	11		Elizabeth Erling, Phoenix AZ; Kelly Aanenson, Scottsdale AZ	54.05%
3.93		12		William Thorp, Dana Point CA; Dorothy Conway, Ottawa ON	53.96%
3.38 3.15		13 14		Margaret Breeden - James Breeden, Carson City NV William Smith, Seal Beach CA; Marilyn Anderson, Carlsbad CA	53.74% 53.62%
2.95		15		Dan Lubesnik - Sandra Franciscus, Pasadena CA	53.57%
2.78		16		Polly Schoning, Wichita KS; Edward Cowan Jr, Laguna Woods CA	53.31%
2.63 4.48		17 18		Sandra Macpherson, Halifax NS; James Keegan, Cambridge MA Burton Voorhees - Kinga Voorhees, Victoria BC	53.27% 53.23%
2.31		19/20		Sheila Puz, Kitchener ON; Clem Bribitzer, Richmond VA	52.54%
4.43		19/20	3	Donald Bierman, San Ramon CA; Shailesh Shah, Hayward CA	52.54%
2.15 2.01		21 22/23		Dan Stern, Denver CO; Donna Barrow, Littleton CO Moises Saul - Elizabeth Saul, Bellevue WA	52.35% 52.35%
3.71		22/23	4	Donald Thomas, San Diego CA; Carrie Margolin, Olympia WA	52.35%
1.89		24		Julian Wernick, Birmingham England; Sally McKinney, Henderson NV	52.32%
2.24		25		Lorraine Gordon, Carlsbad CA; Maria Marshall, Oceanside CA	52.25%
2.98 1.70		26 27		Susan Haas, Redding CA; Ricki Rogers, Mount Laurel NJ Cathy Hildebrand, Williamsburg VA; Stan Chow, San Francisco CA	51.92% 51.83%
2.63			5	John Coulombe, Valley Center CA; Dorothea Williams, Escondido CA	50.01%
2.25			6	Charee Estes - Sally Rosoff, Laguna Woods CA	49.85%
1.97 1.82			7 8	Damon Suden - Anthony Chiocchi, New York NY Janet Dunlap, Cardiff CA; Chrissy Fried, Del Mar CA	48.88% 48.85%
1.58			9	William Bartley, San Diego CA; Wayne Sottosanti, La Jolla CA	48.77%
1.45			10	Lynn Hull - Gary Miyata, San Diego CA	48.46%
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8.91 6.68	1 2			Junko Hemus, Windermere FL; Alfred Lee, San Mateo CA Sharon Anderson - Roger Anderson, Eagan MN	65.76% 64.58%
7.01	3	1		Robert Walton, Santa Ana CA; Nadine Levine, Alameda CA	63.95%
5.26	4	2		Paul Hochfeld - Terrance Hill, Corvallis OR	62.38%
3.94 2.96	5 6	3 4		Raluca Dobrescu, New York NY; Marilyn Fedak, Boca Raton FL Nancy Spelke - Tish Gainey, Santa Barbara CA	60.68% 59.72%
1.84	7	7		Ron Beall - Jennifer Beall, Bellingham WA	59.32%
3.52	8	5	1	Glenn Grotheim - Petter Tondel, Trondheim Northern Ireland	59.19%
1.66 2.64		6 7	2	Daniel McIntyre, Saint Paul MN; John Miller, Stillwater MN Carol Swenson, Stanford CA; Robert Horowitz, Los Altos CA	58.47% 57.85%
1.98		/	2	Benjamin Levy, Vancouver WA; Timothy Maloney, Palo Alto CA	54.17%
1.49			4	Bejai Higgins - Dan Higgins, Poway CA	53.65%
1.61			5	Jane Marland, Switzerland; Pierre Fougerouse, Villard, France	52.72%
0.84			6	Thuy Tran, San Franciso CA; Tony Greenberg, Malibu CA	49.46%
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3.04	2	2		Tony Marshall, Seattle WA; Brian Turner, Carlsbad CA	66.96%
2.28	3	3	1	Alex Martelli - Anna Ravenscroft, Sunnyvale CA	64.58%
1.71 1.12	4 5/6	4 5/6	2	Neil Lasley - Jean Lasley, Lewiston ID Thomas Wilson, Chula Vista CA; Roberta Vanwart, San Diego CA	57.14% 56.55%
1.18	5/6	5/6		Bonnie Cox, Glendale CA; Angela Peters, Pasadena CA	56.55%
1.20			3	Alyce Grissom, Tucson AZ; Kristin Steinmetz, Portland OR	55.95%
0.90			4	Bill Osgood, Jamul CA; Dan Gercke, San Diego CA	55.65%

				SATURDAY A/X/Y EVENING SWISS	
25 Tal	oles				
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7.47	1			James Cayne, Boca Raton FL; Alan Sontag, Gaithersburg MD;	
				Alfredo Versace - Lorenzo Lauria, Rome Italy; Mustafa Cem Tokay,	
				Rome, Italy; Giovanni Donati, Italy	66.00
5.60	2			Jacek Pszczola - Josef Blass, Chapel Hill NC; Jacek Kalita,	
				Warsaw Poland; Michal Nowosadzki, Wrocław Poland; Sjoert Brink,	
				Rotterdam; Bas Drijver, Capelle Aan Den	64.00
3.68	3/4			Jim Mahaffey, Winter Park FL; Sam Lev - Daniel Lev, New York NY;	
				Piotr Gawrys, Warsaw Poland; Michal Klukowski, Dolnoslaskie Poland	58.00
5.76	3/4	1		Romain Zaleski, Paris, France; Bernard Cabanes - Eric	
				Gautret, Paris; Philippe Cronier, Paris, France	58.00
4.32	5	2		Marusa Basa, London N31SN; Ranald Davidson, Montreal QC; Andrew	
				Russell, St Catharines ON; David Yoon, Bayside NY	51.00
4.69	6	3	1	Becky Bien, Little Rock AR; Linda Gross, Lafayette CA; Robert	
				Munson - Nancy Munson, Danville CA	49.00
3.08		4/5	2/3	Alexander Prairie, Mountain View CA; Jennifer Prairie - Michael	
				Mezin, San Diego CA; Elaine Chan, La Jolla CA	43.00
3.08		4/5	2/3	Robert Hill, Anchorage AK; Monica Roberts, Eagle River AK; Saul	
				Priever - Patricia Bessone, Los Angeles CA	43.00
1.98			4	Deborah Davis - Martha Hawley, Carmel Valley CA; Lucia Enica,	
				Belmont MA; Jan Garthe, Suttons Bay MI	41.00
20 T 1	1			SATURDAY B/C/D EVENING SWISS	
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6.00	1			Carol Bertz, Cherry Hills CO; Linda Kleinsasser, Bellevue WA;	(1.00
4.50	2	1		Maureen Schroder, Kirkland WA; Judith Pogge, Greenwood Village CO	61.00
4.50	2	1		W Oates - P Oates, Brighton MI; Kenneth Geisler - Arlene	55.00
2.20	2			Geisler, Clarkston MI	55.00
3.38	3			Anne Beaurivage - Jack Conway, Lincoln NE; Gina Austin Fresh -	52.00
2.24	4	2		Robert Ellison, Wichita KS	52.00
3.24	4	2		Alan Sparrow - Nancy Sparrow - Steven Towner, Salt Lake City UT;	49.00
2.04	516	2/4	1	Richard Towner, Surprise AZ	48.00
2.94	5/6	3/4	1	Michael Koscielski, El Cajon CA; Elizabeth Granby, San Diego CA;	47.00
2 12	F 16	2/4		Darrick Chee, Orange CA; Nancy Alvarado, Yucaipa CA	47.00
2.13	5/6	3/4		Charles Pierce - Wesley Albinger, New York NY; James Utter -	47.00
2.21		_	2	Eileen Utter, Sun Lakes AZ	47.00
2.21		5	2	Toby McEvoy - Christopher Hahn, Henderson NV; Rolf Houtkooper -	46.00
1.65			2	Elizabeth Hamilton, Las Vegas NV	46.00
1.65			3	Brenda Griffiths - Doug Darnley, Pickering ON; Douglas	41.00
1.24			4	Schmickrath, Los Altos Hills CA; Grant Griffin, Kirtland OH	41.00
1.24			4	Michael Lotti, The Villages FL; Lisa Karam, Bloomfield MI; Craig	20.00
				Caldwell - Gigette Caldwell, San Diego CA	39.00

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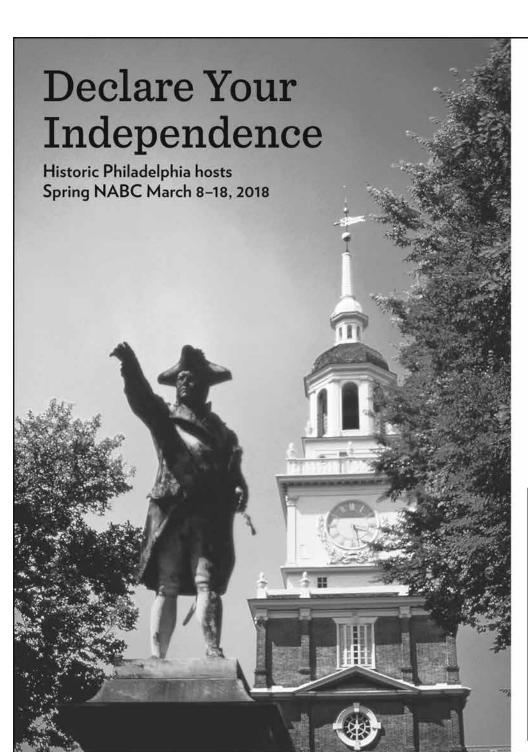


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When using bidding boxes, the ACBL requires that players tap the Alert strip and say "Alert" at the same time.

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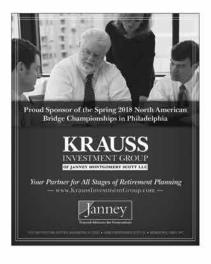
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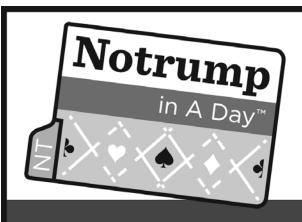


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For the Record

By Robb Gordon, ACBL National Recorder

What is "Active Ethics"?

The concept of Active Ethics rests on four pillars:

* The principle of full disclosure. Bridge is not

The principle of full disclosure. Bridge is not like poker. Your opponents have a right to know

any agreements you have, whether explicit or implicit. The alerting regulations are a guide, and they occasionally change. But if you think a simple Alert (or even non-alert) might fool your opponent, then



over-alert! When you are the declaring side, make sure any undisclosed or misdisclosed agreements are straightened out for the opponents before the opening lead. If it involves a failure to Alert or misinformation, there is still an irregularity that may need to be adjudicated by a director, but at least you have mitigated the damage. If you are the defending side, you may not clarify any misinformation for the opponents until the hand is over. It may well be best to call the director to adjudicate if there was potential damage.

- Conventions Along with the principle of full disclosure, knowing what your agreements are is necessary. How often do we sit down with a new partner and agree to play some convention and never discuss follow-up situations? It is impossible to discuss every situation, but certainly you should know the more common sequences. Not only is this Actively Ethical, it will improve your bridge results in the long run! Of course, bad feelings are created when you get lucky with your misunderstanding and the opponents get fixed! That is not Actively Ethical!
- end the competition can be intense. But unlike many activities, bridge is often played with and against players of unequal ability. The Actively Ethical player is courteous, friendly and always tries to make his opponents feel at ease. The Actively Ethical player compliments opponents on their good play and never humiliates or criticizes partner nor opponents. The Actively Ethical player calls the director in a pleasant tone and accepts rulings with graciousness, even if he does not agree and even if he wishes to appeal the ruling. The keys are respect and the Golden Rule.
- Tempo and Pace of Play Bridge is a thinking game and sometimes a player needs time. But in general, players should maintain a consistent tempo, neither too fast nor too slow, and pausing after skip bid. Also, a player should do his utmost to play within the allotted time. When he does fall behind, it is incumbent on his partnership to catch up as quickly as possible. It is painful to follow a pair who uses three minutes of your

15-minute round every time, and sometimes it slows the entire field!

If your bridge experience rests on these four pillars, you will make the game more pleasant for everyone.

Finally, I would like to reproduce an acronym that promoted the program at its inception 30 years ago:

A primary objective of the ACBL is to

C ontinue the concerted effort begun at

T he Fall 1986 Atlanta NABC to try to

I nstill in all players the concept that

V igorous efforts should be made to insure

E quity and enjoyment are benchmarks of bridge.

E very player should strive to make sure
T hat opponents have in no way been
H armed through incomplete or misleading
I nformation as to the meanings of his pair's
C onventional calls and treatments.
A n aggressive approach along these
L ines on the part of each and every
I ndividual will do much to make sure
T hat bridge remains the game that

Y ou enjoy so much.



Entries



Jim Sternberg with the winners of the 2016 Marsha May Sternberg Women's BAM: Sylvia Shi, Li Yiting, Dori Byrnes, Beth Palmer and Lynn Deas.

Marsha May Sternberg Women's BAM

Play in the Marsha May Sternberg Women's Board-a-Match Teams gets underway today, with two qualifying sessions followed by two final sessions tomorrow.

At stake: the Marsha Sternberg Memorial Trophy, honoring the player who died in 2001 after a six-week battle with cancer.

Her husband, Dr. Jim Sternberg of West Palm Beach FL, donated the trophy.

Marsha Sternberg was a former National Enquirer associate editor and the first female writer for the tabloid. Sternberg, once reported to be the highest paid female journalist in America, left the Enquirer in 1989 and married Sternberg, a radiologist and bridge enthusiast. She joined ACBL in 1990 and became a Life Master in 1997.

Sternberg was outstanding in many fields – she was an excellent pianist and a sailing instructor. She was also very successful in golf and tennis.

Event history

Previously this event was contested for the Coffin Trophy, one of the oldest and most historic trophies in NABC competition. For years there was only one "national" women's team championship – and that was a board-a-match event.

Donated by Charles Emmet Coffin in 1933, the trophy was in play at the "Winter Nationals" in the days when there were only two NABCs – summer and winter. In 1963, the event was moved to the new Spring NABC where it was in play until the format was changed to knockout teams in 1976.

For the next decade, there was no national Women's Board-a-Match championship. Swiss teams had become popular and a Women's Swiss with NABC+ rating was established in the early 1980s.

The Coffin Trophy was revived at the Fall NABC in Atlanta in 1986 and new life was breathed into women's board-a-match play.

Many experts consider board-a-match the most exacting form of the game. Equal weight is accorded each deal and every trick is important when scoring is board-by-board.

Winners and runners-up:

1. Lisa Berkowitz, Dorothy Truscott, Joyce
Lilie, Jan Martel; 2-4. Eunice Portnoy, Halina
Jamner, Genevieve Geiger, Madelynn Treitel;
2-4. Kathie Wei, Judi Radin, Jacqui Mitchell,
Gail Greenberg, Carol Sanders, Betty Ann
Kennedy; 2-4. Rozanne Pollack, Roberta
Epstein, Judy Tucker, Stasha Cohen, Sue
Picus, Karen Allison

1. Shirley Edelson, Donna Bailey, Lynn Blumenthal, Janice Randles; 2-3. Rozanne Pollack, Randi Montin, Stasha Cohen, Pam Wittes, Judy Tucker; 2-3. Lynne Feldman, Ellasue Chaitt, Sharon Osberg, Judi Cody

1988 1. Lynne Feldman, Rozanne Pollack, Lisa Berkowitz, Sharon Osberg; 2-3. Mary Jane Farell, Roberta Epstein, Dorothy Truscott, Gail Greenberg, Kitty Bethe, Susan Green; 2-3. Elspeth Moore, Andy O'Grady, Nancy Passell, Nell Cahn

1989 1. Lynne Schaefer, Suzy Burger, Petra Hamman, Joan Jackson; 2. Beverly Rosenberg, Linda Lewis, Mary Hardy, Carol Pincus 1990 1-2. Jacqui Mitchell, Amalya Kearse, Joyce Lilie, Nancy Alpaugh, Pamela Granovetter, Jo Morse; 1-2. Judy Randel, Sally Woolsey, Broma Lou Reed, Marcia Masterson

1. Juanita Chambers, Cheri Bjerkan, Jill Meyers, Kay Schulle; 2. Kathie Wei, Helen Utegaard, Betty Ann Kennedy, Carol Sanders, Lynn Deas, Beth Palmer

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1. Juanita Chambers, Jan Cohen, Margie Gwozdzinsky, GerriAnne Klafter, Shawn Womack; 2. Sharon Colson, Judy Pede, Jean Anderson, Carreen Hinds

1. Dorothy Truscott, Hjordis Eythorsdottir, Mildred Breed, Tobi Deutsch; 2. June Deutsch, Beverly Rosenberg, Carol Pincus, Lynne Feldman

1995 1. Kathie Wei-Sender, Sue Sachs, Carol Sanders, Betty Ann Kennedy, Lynn Deas, Beth Palmer; 2. Judi Radin, Jacqui Mitchell, Lynn Tarnopol, Rhoda Kratenstein

1. Sherie Greenberg, Jyme Schmieder, Fran Dickman, Diane Shannon; 2. Joann Glasson, Jo Ann Spring, Sue Picus, JoAnna Stansby

1997 1. Sue Picus, Connie Goldberg, Rozanne Pollack, Lisa Berkowitz; 2. Tobi Sokolow, Mildred Breed, Shawn Quinn, Renee Mancuso

1998 1. Judi Radin, Sylvia Moss, Mildred Breed, Shawn Quinn, Petra Hamman, Peggy Sutherlin; 2. Margie Gwozdzinsky, Linda Lewis, Karen Barrett, Susan Wexler

1999 1. Lynn Baker, Tobi Sokolow, Karen McCallum, Jill Meyers, Randi Montin, Janice Seamon-Molson; 2. Susan Miller, Jo Morse, Barbara Sion, Suzy Berger

2000 1. Petra Hamman, Peggy Sutherlin, Joan Jackson, Robin Klar, Shawn Quinn, Mildred Breed; 2. Hjordis Eythorsdottir, Carol Sanders, Libby Fernandez, Judy Wadas, Valerie Westheimer

 Valerie Westheimer, Hjordis Eythorsdottir, Carol Simon, Rozanne Pollack;
 Lynn Deas, Beth Palmer, Jill Meyers, Irina Levitina, Randi Montin, Kerri Sanborn

 Valerie Westheimer, Hjordis Eythorsdottir, Judi Radin, Mildred Breed, Shawn Quinn;
 Lynn Baker, Debby Rosenberg, Karen McCallum, Keri Sanborn, Daniela von Arnim, Sabine Auken

2003 1. Carlyn Steiner, Marinesa Letizia, Jill Meyers, Randi Montin, Janice Seamon-Molson, Tobi Sokolow; 2. Valerie Westheimer, Judi Radin, Mildred Breed, Shawn Quinn

2004 1. Hansa Narasimhan, Sue Picus, Irina Levitina, JoAnna Stansby, Jill Levin, Debbie Rosenberg; 2. Kathy Sulgrove, Pam Wittes, JoAnn Sprung, Renee Mancuso, Karen Allison, Peggy Sutherlin

2005 1. Lynn Baker, Kay Schulle, Lynn Deas, Beth Palmer, Daniela von Arnim, Sabine Auken;
2. Jean Talbot, Joan Van Geffen, Sylvia S.

Caley, Marjorie Michelin

1. Lynn Baker, Karen McCallum, Beth
Palmer, Lynn Deas, Kerri Sanborn, Irina
Levitina: 2. Hansa Narasimhan, JoAnna

Levitina; 2. Hansa Narasimhan, JoAnna Stansby, Debbie Rosenberg, Jill Meyers, Jill Levin, Rozanne Pollack

2007 1. Ping Wang, Shaohong Wu, Jian Wang, Yongmei Zhou; 2. Valerie Westheimer, Migry Zur-Campanile, Hjordis Eythorsdottir, JoAnn Sprung

2008 1. Lynn Baker, Karen McCallum, Beth Palmer, Lynn Deas, Kerri Sanborn, Irina Levitina; 2. Hjordis Eyhtorsdottir, Valerie Westheimer, Marion Michielsen, Meike Wortel

2009 1. Joyce Hampton, Sabine Auken, Daniela von Arnim, Benedicte Cronier, Sylvie Willard, Jenny Wolpert; 2. Geeske Joel, Tobi Sokolow, Jill Meyers, Jill Levin, Debbie Rosenberg, Janice Seamon-Molson

2010 1. Joyce Hampton, Benedicte Cronier, Sylvie Willard, Jenny Wolpert, Daniela von Arnim, Sabine Auken; 2. Geeske Joel, Tobi Sokolow, Jill Levin, Jill Meyers, Debbie Rosenberg, Janice Seamon-Molson

2011 1. Geeske Joel, Tobi Sokolow, Jill Levin, Jill Meyers, Debbie Rosenberg, Janice Seamon-Molson; 2. Marion Michielsen, Lynda Nitabach, Sandra Rimstedt, Emma Sjoberg, Meike Wortel

2012 1. Sylvia Moss, Meike Wortel, Cecilia Rimstedt, Laura Dekkers, Marion Michielsen, Joann Glasson; 2. Geeske Joel, Sylvie Willard, Benedicte Cronier, Jill Meyers, Janice Seamon-Molson, Tobi Sokolow

2013 Phyllis Fireman, Benedicte Cronier, Shannon Cappelletti, Sylvie Willard, Marion Michielsen and Meike Wortel; Bernace De Young, Gigi Simpson, Bronia Jenkins, Gen Geiger

2014 1. Lynn Deas, Toki Sokolow, Janice Seamon-Molson and Beth Palmer; 2. Phyllis Fireman, Shannon Cappelletti, Benedicte Cronier, Sylvie Willard, Marion Michielsen, Meike Wortel

2015 1. Lynda Nitabach, Ida Groenkvist, Cecilia Rimstedt, Sandra Rimstedt, Janice Seamon-Molson, Tobi Sokolow; 2. Barbara Ferm, Juanita Chambers, Victoria Gromova, Tatiana Ponomareva, Jill Meyers, Migry Zur Campanile

2016 1. Dori Byrnes, Beth Palmer, Lynn Deas, Sylvia Shi, Li Yiting; 2. Barbara Ferm, Migry Zur Campanile, Judi Radin, Jill Levin, Jill Meyers

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FRIDAY-SATURDAY KNOCKOUT BRACKET 1

12 Tables 54.17 1 Dano De Falco, Rubano, Italy; Patricia Cayne, Boca Raton FL; Bob Drijver, Rotterdam; Bart Nab, Tilburg; Tim

Verbeek, DrieBergen, Utr; Danny Molenaar, Den Haag
37.92 2 Rose Meltzer, Chapel Hill NC; Nikolay Demirev,
Arlington Hgts IL; Vladimir Marashev, Sofia, Bulgaria; Ivan
Tsonchev, Sofia, Bulgaria; Rosen Gunev, Sofia Bulgaria; Kalin
Karaivanov, Varna Bulgaria

21.67 3/4 Jim Mahaffey, Winter Park FL; Sam Lev - Daniel Lev, New York NY; Piotr Gawrys, Warsaw Poland; Michal Klukowski, Dolnoslaskie Poland

21.67 3/4 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

27.29 1 Justine Cushing - Melih Ozdil, New York NY; Kauko Koistinen, Espoo, Finland; Vesa Fagerlund, Tampere, Finland; Adam Mesbur, Dublin, Ireland

19.10 2 Maximo Crusizio, Argentina; Carlos Pellegrini, Buenos Aires Argentina; Guillermo Minutti, Montevideo Uruguay; Michael Wibley, ; Hansa Narasimhan, Mountain View CA 10.92 3/4 Jerry Murbach - Rae Murbach, Altadena CA; Linda Gruber - Bob Gruber, Camarillo CA

10.92 3/4 Barbara Grantham, Houston TX; Patty Michael, San Mateo CA; Judith Arbus, Toronto ON; Robert Michaud, Sun City West AZ

FRIDAY-SATURDAY KNOCKOUT BRACKET 3

10 Tables

15.32 1 Wesley May, Menlo Park CA; Andrew Van Wye, Orinda CA; Mike Develin - Jennifer Lin, San Francisco CA 10.72 2 Gary Waldron - Carol Foster, Laguna Beach CA; Steven Jackson - Yann Jackson, Laguna Niguel CA

6.13 3/4 Karen Hudesman - Donald Stark - Ann Romeo, Seattle WA; Judy Davis, Beaverton OR

6.13 3/4 Kenneth Geisler - Arlene Geisler, Clarkston MI; W Oates – P. Oates, Brighton MI

FRIDAY-SATURDAY KNOCKOUT BRACKET 4

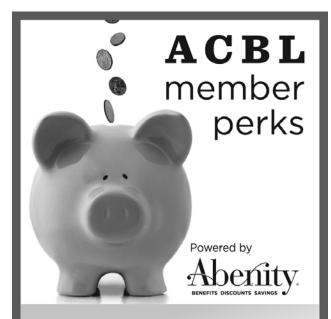
11 Tables

10.77 1 Jake Williams - Luke Williams, San Diego CA; Barbara Hauser - Lawrence Hauser, Rancho Santa Fe CA

7.54 2 Simon Chan - Pei Wai Pao - K L Shum - Alan Tsang,

4.31 3/4 Ann Gruidel - John Crittenden - Marie Groh - Timothy Niebauer, Boulder CO

4.31 3/4 Warren Cummings, Bonsall CA; Roberta Macomber, Mesa AZ; Brenda Griffiths - Doug Darnley, Pickering ON



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Shi

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game.

She remembers her first game vividly.

"The first session I played in was an open club game, and it was unbelievably stressful. I was very concerned that things would happen and I wouldn't know what to do or what the bids meant."

Shi says they were playing Jacoby transfers and both times the convention came up, she forgot it.

"We had a 55% game, which was fourth in our direction, but it would have been a 58% game if I had just cashed an ace at some point in a deal. So I guess what made me want to play again was the thought of being able to do better next time."

Intermediate bridge

Shi grew her game in the Baltimore/Washington DC area, a fertile area for learning players. She played at the Laurel Bridge Club in Laurel MD, which she describes as having some of the strongest club games in the country.

"Also, a lot of top players – like Robinson – play for fun in the DC/Virginia sectionals, which I now realize is very unusual. Usually professional-level players don't play unless they are playing with a sponsor."

The Grand National Teams and North American Pairs events in District 6 are very popular and large events, she adds, "and that really gets you playing a serious and fun event early on in your career."

Shi points out that another advantage to beginning her bridge education in the DC area was that there were a lot of people around her age. She names Noble Shore, Mike Gill, Rob Brady and Steven Drodge, who were all young Flight A players when she was starting.

"It's really a lot more fun to hang out and discuss bridge with people your age," she says.

Shi attributes her meteoric rise in the game to a number of factors.

First, she says she learned "the right way" – and she credits her good bridge education to a number of early partners including Bill Peters, John Miller and John Adams.

"For the first year and change of my bridge life, I played count signals rather than attitude. I think that most new players learn attitude carding, and then learning count is a real struggle. But if you just play count, you'd better start counting the hands out fast or you're not going to do very well or have as much fun.

"Secondly, I played a *lot* of bridge. I played basically whenever I could, sometimes two sessions a day. With my main partner we would play open games, but with my other partner we would just play 299er games. I think it was all useful. Playing in a weaker field teaches you how to win and how to play the psychological part of bridge.

"Third," she continues, "I guess I was really noticeable as a young Asian female who played a lot of bridge and was doing quite well at the clubs and sectionals. This meant that there were some Flight A players who wanted to play with me before I was even close to their level."

Shi singles out fiancee Daniel Korbel with taking her from a Flight A player to a world champion who's playing professionally. "He taught me a lot of good habits."

Shi and Korbel recently moved to Las Vegas.

"I was a little doubtful, but I really liked the dining scene, and now that we have moved, I found that I love the weather," she says. "I do miss the DC area for the bridge. I really like to just play bridge for fun, which is a lot easier in the DC area. But we have

area for the bridge. I really like to just play bridge for fun, which is a lot easier in the DC area. But we have a lot of bridge friends in Las Vegas and come GNT time, hopefully we will be able to put together a good team."

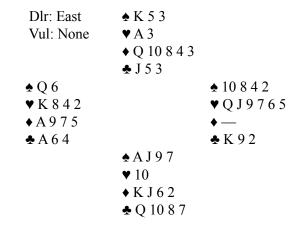
Advanced bridge

Shi says that understanding bridge came pretty easily to her. She sees every hand as a logic problem, and she developed a standard thought process that she applies to the play of most hands.

Shi's golden rule of bridge is, "Do what makes you happy, because it will probably make the opponents unhappy." Most often the rule applies to bidding, and she says the word "pass" with some distaste.

"My bidding is often ... the polite word would be creative, but I think that's giving me too much credit. Of course I enjoy hands where I make a good play, but my favorite hands are when I'm playing with Daniel and whatever happened causes an amusing response from him."

Here's one Shi and Korbel played against Robinson and Peter Boyd (spots approximate):



West	North	East	South
Boyd	Korbel	Robinson	Shi
		2 ♦(1)	Pass
2♠	Pass	3♣ (3)	Pass
4♥	Pass	Pass	4♠
Pass	Pass	Dbl	All Pass

(1) Multi.

- (2) Pass or correct (good hand for hearts).
- (3) Hearts and a good hand.

Sylvia describes the action: "Stevie opened 2♦ multi on my right and I had no convenient bid, so I passed. Peter bid 2♠, pass or correct, and Daniel passed. Stevie now bid 3♣, an artificial bid showing hearts and a good hand. Again, I had no convenient bid, and I wasn't sure if partner might take double here as lead directing, so I passed. Now Peter thought briefly and 4♥ with an air of resignation, and it went two passes to me.

"Having already passed twice, I wasn't sure what double would be. But I knew the opponents were on a 10-card heart fit because of the way Peter bid 4♥: I was sure he was doing it because he had some values and four trumps and it was IMPs. On top of that, he bid 2♠, which meant that he had two or fewer spades, and the 2♥ opener, of course, does not usually have spades. We might have at least a nine-card fit in spades that we never found. Partner was marked with some values, so with the right hand, we might even be making 4♠. After extremely long thought, I bid 4♠.

"Here I am backing into the auction at the four level, and Daniel has three-card support and a 10 count and the pre-empter doubled me! Daniel thought about redoubling, but then he has never seen this auction before, so he used good judgment and passed.

They led a heart, and it was a disappointing dummy for me, actually. Anyway, I thought I have to set up diamonds, so I won and played a diamond as Stevie showed out. They got two diamond ruffs, plus the ♣A K of clubs and the ◆A of diamonds. But then it was easy to draw trumps, so I was minus 300.

"This was the first board of a Swiss match and Daniel was annoyed the whole time because he thought I had gone down in a cold contract. We ended up winning 3 IMPs against 4♥ when our teammates were plus 420."

World class

Korbel calls Shi a natural-born winner.

"One of the reasons it is exciting for me to play with Sylvia is that she has an uncanny ability to bring her A game when it counts," he says. "Whereas a lot of people get nervous under pressure, Sylvia is one of those rare types who is able to focus harder under pressure."

Korbel offers this example from the first time

SATURDAY-SUNDAY KNOCKOUT BRACKET 1

9 Tables

Connie Shapiro - Marion Robertson, San Francisco CA; Mary Bernstein - Tom Bernstein, Omaha NE

Barbara Sonsini, Woodside CA; Daniel Korbel - Curtis Cheek, Las Vegas NV; Huub Bertens, Bend OR; Simon De Wijs, Doorn; Bauke Muller, Hoorn

Andrew Risman, Toronto ON; Merryl Chin, North York ON; Tony Viidik - Joan Viidik, Waterloo ON

Steven Cooper - Kitty Cooper, Lakeside CA; Paul McDaniels, Richmond CA; Sally Woolsey, Kensington CA

SATURDAY-SUNDAY KNOCKOUT BRACKET 2

Jacques Leblanc, Maria QC; Carol Lombardino, Tomball TX; Liz Lin - Iris Libby, Cincinnati OH

Ann Atcheson, Fairfax VA; George Parkins, Vienna VA; Hal Jones Jr, Lorton VA; Marvin Raines, Fort Washington MD

Yuri Wiitala, Kirkland WA; Gert Wiitala, Port Angeles WA; Tim Berta, Sequim WA; Bonnie Broders, Port Townsend WA

Tyrone Loving, Lincoln Park MI; Barbara Kalnick, Lake Wales FL; Sandra Rucker, San Gabriel CA; Jeanne Dea, Sierra Madre CA

SAT-SUN KNOCKOUT BRACKET 3

Michael Ravera - Jennifer Carini, Fremont CA; Jon Greenfield -Lorelei Greenfield, Hillsborough CA

Keith Hibbert - Jean-Philipp Weber - Holly Boudreau - Esther Wiebe, Victoria BC

Judy Alvord, Laguna Niguel CA; Carol Armstrong - Jim George -

Susan George, San Clemente CA Scott Nason, Dallas TX; Alexander Wiles - Karen Byrd - Nancy





The winners of the 2016 Super Senior Pairs were Ed Schulte and Tom Kniest.

Super Senior Pairs starts today

Play begins today in the Super Senior Pairs, open to players age 70 and older.

The event begins with a two-session qualifying round today and concludes with a two-session final round tomorrow. Players should note that a win in this NABC contest does not count toward the rank of Grand Life Master.

Past winners and runners up:

- **2010** 1. Ed Lazarus, Jess Stuart;
 - 2. Dan Morse, John Sutherlin
- 2011 1. Harry Gellis, Ed Lazarus;
- 2. Kay Afdahl, Gerald Fox
- **2012** 1. Ed Lazarus, Mark Laken;
 - 2. Loretta Bromberg, Don Friedman
- 2013 1. Ed Lazarus, Mark Laken;
 - 2. Sonja Shiner, Paula Cohen
- **2014** 1. Craig Robinson, Jeff Taylor;
- 2. Leonard Melander, Bert Newman
- 1. Steve Becker, Larry Bausher;
 - 2. Bert Newman, Leonard Melander
- 2016 1. Ed Schulte, Tom Kniest; 2. Pat McDevitt, Richard DeMartino

SATURDAY COMPACT KNOCKOUT BRACKET 1

16 Tables

Russell Samuel, Coram NY; Kyoko Shimamura, Tokyo, Japan; Ira Herman - Allen Kahn, New York NY

Phyllis Yates - Ying Lin Gu - Thomas Herzog, San Diego CA; David Abelow, La Jolla CA

Richard Pavlicek, Fort Lauderdale FL; Peter Friedland, Cupertino CA; Robert Lebi, Toronto ON; Dan Jacob, Vancouver BC

David Binney, Seattle WA; Barton Buffington, North Kingstown RI; Lynne Newman - Randall Dougherty, San Diego CA

SATURDAY COMPACT KNOCKOUT BRACKET 2

Harold Binder, Dana Point CA; Jerry Schreider, Irvine CA; William Velick - Diane Velick, Laguna Beach CA

Barbara Doran, Silver Spring MD; Rose Berman, Laurel MD; Lily

Johannessen, Honolulu HI; Jennifer Ballantyne, Vancouver BC

Pramotton Emanuela, Rome, Italy; Massimo Vassallo - Elisa De Paola, Rome Italy; Bernardo Biondo, Rome, Italy

Jon Downing, Solihull England; Liam Johnstone, Birmingham England; Daniel McGuire - Maria Poh, Las Vegas NV

SATURDAY COMPACT KNOCKOUT BRACKET 3

Rick Jasper - Kathy Jasper, San Jose CA; Cathy Bauer, Anaheim Hills CA; Anthony Trebaol, Milpitas CA

Thomas Fagan - Katie Fagan, Kailua HI; Catherine Hess, Kaneohe HI; Busaba Williams, Honolulu HI

Perrie Kay Avery - Vickie Thomas - Clara Bunning - Kym Zwonitzer, Cheyenne WY

Amy Rhodes - Ofra Blonder - Diane Winiger, New York NY; Nancy Larson, Draper UT

SATURDAY COMPACT KNOCKOUT BRACKET 4

Wayne Tindall, San Juan TX; Sanae Zaveloff, Austin TX; Paul Hoge, Sebastopol CA; Ronald Dixon, Vancouver BC

William Pearman, Honolulu HI; Joan Shafer - David Dodson, Pahoa HI; Renee Hoffman, Seal Beach CA

Laurie Bell, Vernon BC; Dana Sammartino - Deirdre Cole, Coldstream BC; Jeanne Hanrahan, East Norwich NY

Danuta Trafford - Thomas Trafford - Dorothy Mersereau, Calgary AB; Kathryn Von Dohre, Concord CA



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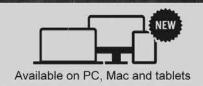
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2016 Mitchell Open BAM champs: (standing) Dror Padon, Stan Tulin, Kevin Dwyer; (seated) Alon Birman, Jacek Kalita and Michal Nowosadzki.

Mitchell Open BAM begins today

Play begins today in the Mitchell Open Board-a-Match Teams. Winners will be honored by the Victor Mitchell Trophy, which is named for one of bridge's most colorful characters – a champion player, philosopher and mentor to the stars.

Mitchell, a Grand Life Master, won five North American championships including the Spingold in 1956 and 1959, the Life Master Men's Pairs in 1962 and the Men's Teams in 1962 and 1963. He was named ACBL Honorary Member in 1988 and inducted into the Bridge Hall of Fame in 1996.

The game

The Open Board-a-Match Teams is a four-session event that consists of two qualifying and two final sessions. It was a men's event until 1990 when it became an open event.

Perhaps the event's high point occurred in 1977 when there were only three winners: Richard Doughty, Ron Smith and Lou Bluhm (plus these players eligible for session awards only: Bruce Ferguson, Sidney Lazard, Leslie West and Irv Kostal).

Lazard was supposed to play with Doughty, but after a good first set Lazard became ill, and Kostal took his place for the evening session.

Lazard was better the next day and in his seat for the first final session. Suddenly he toppled over and a call went out for paramedics. They arrived quickly and rushed Lazard to a hospital.

Meanwhile, Doughty had to find another partner and Ferguson was pressed into service. Ferguson, whose team had not qualified the previous day, was technically ineligible but was allowed to play only in the afternoon.

In the evening, Doughty recruited West – his fourth partner in four sessions — and the team went on to victory by a margin of two full boards.

The winners:

- 1946 1. Maynard Adams, Julius Bank, Arthur Glatt, William McGhee, Albert Weiss; 2. A. Mitchell Barnes, John R. Crawford, Charles H. Goren, George Rapee, Sidney Silodor
- 1947 1. Jeff Glick, Arthur S. Goldsmith, Jack Kravatz, Alvin Landy, Sol Mogal; 2. Joseph Cohan, Dr. Louis Mark, Dr. H. Russ Storr, George Unger
- Jack L. Ankus, Jeff Glick, Alvin Landy, John H. Law, Sol Mogal; 2. John R. Crawford, Edward N. Marcus, George Rapee, Samuel M. Stayman
- 1949 1. Maurice Levin, Alphonse Moyse Jr., Leo Roet, Howard Schenken; 2. Joseph Cohan, Herbert J. Gerst, Jack L. Ankus, William Joseph, Dr. H. Russ Storr
- 1950 1. Edward Burns, John F. Carlin, David Carter, A. Richard Revell; 2. Robert Appleyard, Ned Drucker, Fred Hirsch, Milton Moss, Milton Vernoff
- 1951 1. J. Van Brooks, Eugene Dautell, Jack Denny, Ace Gutowsky, Edwin J. Smith; 2. Fred L. Bickel, Joseph J. Foreacre, Robert Lattomus, Ronald Rosenberg
- 1952 1. Charles H. Goren, Oswald Jacoby, Sidney

Stayman; 2-3. Samuel Katz, Charles Kuhn,
William Seamon, Albert Weiss; 2-3. Harry
J. Fishbein, Harold Harkavy, Alvin Roth,
Tobias Stone, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz
1. Ben Fain, John Gerber, George Heath,
Paul Hodge, Harold Rockaway; 2. Clifford
W. Bishop, Harry J. Fishbein, Arnold Kauder,
John H. Moran, Douglas Steen

Silodor, Charles Solomon, Samuel M.

1. Aaron J. Frank, Jeff Glick, Arthur S. Goldsmith, Alvin Landy, Sol Mogal; 2. Henry Chanin, Dr. John W. Fisher, James Jacoby, Oswald Jacoby, Sidney H. Lazard

1955

1. Richard Freeman, Edgar Kaplan, Ralph Hirschberg, Norman Kay, Alvin Roth;

2. Charles H. Goren, Peter A. Leventritt, Charles J. Solomon, Samuel M. Stayman

1. John R. Crawford, Ben Fain, Paul H. Hodge, Sidney Silodor; 2-3. Paul Allinger, Dr. John W. Fisher, Emanuel Hochfeld, Oswald Jacoby, Sidney H. Lazard; 2-3. Barry Crane, Harold Rockaway, Clarence A. Strouse, John H. Toledano

1957 1. Lewis L. Mathe, Donald A. Oakie, Meyer Schleifer, Edward O. Taylor; 2. Israel Cohen, Richard Freeman, John C. Kunkel, Alvin Roth, Ivar Stakgold

1958 1. Jeff Glick, Arthur S. Goldsmith, Alvin Landy, Elmer I. Schwartz, Vic D. Zeve;
2. Richard Freeman, Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay, Ralph Hirschberg

 Ollie Adams, Ivan Erdos, Oswald Jacoby, Robert G. Sharp;
 B. Jay Becker, John R. Crawford, Sidney Silodor, Tobias Stone

1. Charles Denby, Burrell I. Humphreys, Alan W. Messer, Marty Scheinberg, Robert P. Wakeman; 2-4. Harry J. Fishbein, John Gerber, Paul H. Hodge, Charles J. Solomon; 2-4 Wilfred Dumas, Donald McGee, John Siverts, Jerzy Zawisza; 2-4. James R. Hughes, Marvin Paulshock, Eli Reich, David R. Treadwell

1. John R. Crawford, Norman Kay, Alvin Roth, Sidney Silodor, Tobias Stone; 2. Edgar Kaplan, Mervin Key, Sidney H. Lazard, G. Robert Nail

1962 1-2. Phil Feldesman, Richard Freeman,
 Victor Mitchell, Eric R. Murray, Samuel
 M. Stayman; 1-2. Paul Allinger, Harold G.
 Guiver, Lewis L. Mathe, Edward O. Taylor

1963

1. Phil Feldesman, Victor Mitchell, Samuel M. Stayman, Tobias Stone; 2. B. Jay Becker, Norman Kay, William Root, Sol Rubinow, Sidney Silodor

1. Ivan Erdos, Harold B. Guiver, Michael S. Lawrence, Alfred Sheinwold; 2. Charles Coon, G. Robert Nail, Robert Stucker, Frank T. Westcott

1965 1. Harry J. Fishbein, Jeff Rubens, Charles J. Solomon, Roger D. Stern; 2. Phil Feldesman, Sidney H. Lazard, Victor Mitchell, Daniel Rotman, Samuel M. Stayman

1. Philip Feldesman, Richard Freeman, Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay; 2. Anthony Dionisi, Jeremy Flint, Harlow S. Lewis, Peter A. Pender

1. Thomas E. Bussey, Jim R. Dunlap, Lawrence Jolma, Robert P. Patterson, Gary Stark; 2. Edward J. Barlow, Phil Read, Robert Spotts, John C. Sutherlin

1968
1. Ira G. Corn, Jr., Bill Eisenberg, Bobby
Goldman, James Jacoby, Michael S.
Lawrence, Bobby Wolff;
2. Michael
M. Becker, Charles Coon, Joel H. Stuart,
Peter Weichsel, Richard J. Zeckhauser

1. Chuck F. Burger, James Cayne, Alvin Roth, Paul Trent; 2-3. Bill Eisenberg, Bobby Goldman, Bob Hamman, James Jacoby, Michael S. Lawrence, Bobby Wolff; 2-3. Martin J. Cohn, Norman H. Fischer, Charles M. MacCracken, Bill Reister

1. Bernie Bergovoy, Donald P. Krauss, Lewis L. Mathe, Don Pearson, John Swanson, Richard Walsh; 2. Eddie Kantar, Kyle Larsen, Paul Soloway, Ron Von der Porten

- 1971 1. Bernie Chazen, Alvin Roth, Alan Sontag, Paul Trent; 2. Gerald Caravelli, Larry Cohen, Barry Crane, Dr. John Fisher
- 1. Jack Blair, James Jacoby, John Simon, Paul Swanson, Bobby Wolff; 2. Grant S. Baze, William Grieve, Donald P. Krauss, Lewis L. Mathe, Peter A. Pender, George Rapee
- 1. Garey Hayden, James Jacoby, Gaylor Kasle, John Simon, Bobby Wolff; 2-3. Lou Bluhm, Steve Goldberg, Lawrence Gould, Stephen Robinson; 2-3. John R. Crawford, Norm Kurlander, Alvin Roth, Clifford Russell, William Seamon
- 1. Ron E. Andersen, Mark Feldman, Stephen Goldstein, Hugh C. MacLean, Merle Tom; 2-3. Eric Kokish, Stephen Robinson, Mike Shuman, Joseph Silver; 2-3. Harold B. Guiver, Marty Shallon, William Sides, Mike Smolen
- 1975 1. Matt Granovetter, William Grieve, George Rapee, Ron Rubin; 2. Roger Bates, Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay, George Rosenkranz
- 1976 1. David Ashley, Paul Heitner, John Lowenthal, Mike Smolen; 2. Bart Bramley, Marvin Herbert, Howard Piltch, Lou Reich, Ira S. Rubin
- 1977 1. Lou Bluhm, Richard Doughty, Bruce Ferguson, Irv Kostal, Sidney H. Lazard, Ron Smith, Leslie West; 2. Richard Freeman, Alvin Roth, Clifford Russell, Curtis K. Smith, Merle Tom, Art Waldmann
- 1. Neil Chambers, Eric Kokish, Peter Nagy, Stephen Robinson, John Schermer, Kit Woolsey; 2. Steve Garner, Dave Lehman, Dick Melson, Larry Oakey
- 1979 1. Allan Cokin, Steve Sion, Alan Sontag, Jim Sternberg, Peter Weichsel; 2. Mike Cappelletti, Ron Feldman, Gary Hann, David Hoffner, Zeke Jabbour, David Sacks
- 1980 1. Bart Bramley, Ross Grabel, William Rosen, Milton Rosenberg, Samuel Stayman, George Tornay; 2. Ira Corn, Fred Hamilton, Robert D. Hamman, Ira Rubin, Bobby Wolff
- 1981 1. Marty Bergen, Neil Chambers, Joseph Silver, Allan Stauber; 2. Michael Aliotta, Marc Culbertson, Jim Gardner, Bert Newman
- 1. Dave Berkowitz, Matt Granovetter, Harold Lilie, Al Rand; 2. Robert Blanchard, Drew Casen, Chuck Lamprey, Thomas M. Smith
- 1983 1. Tom Sanders, Harold Guiver, Grant Baze, John Sutherlin 2. Cliff Russell, Robert Levin, Richard Freeman, Lou Bluhm, John Solodar, Ron Gerard
- 1984 1. George Rosenkranz, Eddie Wold, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell, Marty Bergen, Larry N. Cohen; 2. Malcolm Brachman, Bobby Wolff, Bob Hamman, Paul Soloway, Ron Andersen, Bobby Goldman
- 1. Hal Mouse, Josh Parker, Ron Gerard, Dan Rotman; 2. Roger Bates, John Mohan, Alan Sontag, John Devine
- 1. Gene Freed, Mike Passell, Ed Manfield, Kit Woolsey, Mark Lair; 2. Don Caton, Robert Kehoe, Gene Simpson, Robert Teel
- 1987 1. George Rosenkranz, Eddie Wold, Ira Chorush, Peter Weichsel, Robert Levin;

- 2. Bart Bramley, Steve Garner, Howard Weinstein, Lou Bluhm
- 1988 1. Jimmy Cayne, Bob Hamman, Bobby Wolff, Mike Passell, Chuck Burger, Mark Lair; 2. Vic Mitchell, Albert Rahmey, Michael Moss, Drew Casen, Howard Hertzberg
- 1989 1. Steve Robinson, Ed Manfield, Peter Boyd, Kit Woolsey; 2. James Cayne, Chuck Burger, Bobby Wolff, Bob Hamman, Lew Stansby, Dave Berkowitz
- 1990 1. Mark Moss, Robert Thompson, Daniel Molochko, Jack Wholey; 2. George Rosenkranz, Eddie Wold, Peter Weichsel, Robert Levin, Marty Bergen, Larry N. Cohen
- 1991 1. Zia Mahmood, Michael Rosenberg, Jeffrey Wolfson, David Berkowitz, Larry N. Cohen;
 2. Jim Hall, Tom Fox, Dick Melson, David Lehman
- 1992 1. Richard Katz, Garey Hayden, Wafik Abdou, Ira Cohen, Mike Whitman (npc);
 2. Drew Cannell, Jeffrey Hand, Claudio Caponi, Steve Hamaoui
- 1993 1. Paul Soloway, Bobby Goldman, Mark Lair, Mike Passell, Jimmy Cayne (npc);2. Jim Hall, Tom Fox, Dave Lehman, Dick Melson
- 1994 1. Andy Goodman, Peter Boyd, Ed Manfield,
 John Mohan, Steve Robinson, Kit Woolsey;
 2. Brian Glubok, Steve Zolotow, Chris
 Compton, Lew Stansby, Ron Smith
- 1995 1. Chip Martel, Lew Stansby, Steve Weinstein, Fred Stewart; 2. Jimmy Cayne; Chuck Burger, Paul Soloway, Mike Passell, Mark Lair, Bobby Goldman
- 1996 1. Robert Baldwin, Robert Levin, Peter Weichsel, Zia Mahmood, Michael Rosenberg;
 2. David Messop, Paul Hackett, Justin
- Hackett, Jason Hackett

 1. Bob Blanchard, Jim Krekorian, Doug
 Doub, John Rengstorff; 2. Allen Hawkins,
- Russ Ekeblad, Jim Foster, John Sutherlin,
 Ron Smith

 1. Grant Baze, Fred Gitelman, George
 Mittelman, Brad Moss, Michael Whitman; 2.
- Nick Nickell, Eric Rodwell, Bob Hamman,
 Paul Soloway, Jeff Meckstroth, Richard
 Freeman

 1999 1. Rita Shugart, Geir Helgemo, Tony
 Forrester, Andrew Robson, 2. Nick Nickell
- Forrester, Andrew Robson; 2. Nick Nickell, Richard Freeman, Eric Rodwell, Jeff Meckstroth, Paul Soloway, Bob Hamman
- 2000 1. Andrew Gromov, Aleksander Petrunin, Cezary Balicki, Adam Zmudzinski; 2. Eddie Wold, George Rosenkranz, Sam Lev, John Mohan, Piotr Gawrys, Jacek Pszczola
- 2001 1. Rose Meltzer, Kyle Larsen, Peter Weichsel, Alan Sontag, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby; 2. George Jacobs, Ralph Katz, Norberto Bocchi, Giorgio Duboin, Alfredo Versace, Lorenza Lauria
- 2002 1. George Jacobs, Ralph Katz, Norberto Bocchi, Giorgio Duboin, Alfredo Versace, Lorenza Lauria; 2. Roy Welland, Bjorn Fallenius, Steve Garner, Howard Weinstein, Fred Gitelman

- 2003 1. George Jacobs, Ralph Katz, Norberto Bocchi, Giorgio Duboin, Alfredo Versace, Lorenza Lauria; 2. Sam Lev, Brian Glubok, Michael Kwiecien, Jacek Pszczola, Reese Milner
- 2004 1. Christal Henner-Welland, Michael Kamil, Fulvio Fantoni, Claudio Nunes, Peter Bertheau, Fredrik Nystrom; 2. Roy Welland, Bjorn Fallenius, Michael Rosenberg, Zia Mahmood, Cezary Balicki, Adam Zmudzinski
- 2005 1. Roy Welland, Bjorn Fallenius, Chip
 Martel, Lew Stansby, Cezary Balicki, Adam
 Zmudzinski; 2. Michael Whitman, Grant
 Baze, Steve Beatty, Sam Lev, Jacek Pszczola
- 2006 1. George Jacobs, Ralph Katz, Michael Rosenberg, Zia Mahmood, Steve Weinstein, Robert Levin; 2. John Onstott, Steve Beatty, Drew Casen, Jim Krekorian, Joergen Molberg, Terje Aa
- 2007 1. Aubrey Strul, Michael Becker, David Berkowitz, Larry Cohen, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby; 2. Andrew Gromov, Aleksander Dubinin, Cezary Balicki, Adam Zmudzinski
- 2008 1. Zia Mahmood, Bob Hamman, Eric Rodwell, Jeff Meckstroth; 2. Aubrey Strul, Michael Becker, David Berkowitz, Larry Cohen, Lew Stansby, Chip Martel
- 2009 1. Jerzy Zaremba, Josef Blass, Andrew Gromov, Cezary Balicki, Aleksander Dubinin, Adam Zmudzinski; 2. Doug Doub, Adam Wildavsky, Michael Polowan, Craig Glover, Alon Apteker, Jacob Morgan
- 2010 1. Marcin Lesniewski, Josef Blass, Andrew Gromov, Cezary Balicki, Aleksander Dubinin, Adam Zmudzinski; 2. Rob Brady, Alan Kleist, Howard Liu, D. Dong.
- 2011 1. James Cayne, Antonio Sementa, Giorgio Duboin, Lorenzo Lauria, Michael Seamon, Alfredo Versace; 2. Jan Jansma, Jared Lilienstein, Michael Polowan, Adam Wildavsky
- 2012 1. Michael Becker, Tarek Sadek, Walid Elahmady, Aubrey Strul, Steve Garner, Howard Weinstein; 2. Ralph Katz, Nick Nickell, Robert Levin, Steve Weinstein, Eric Rodwell
- 2013 1. Jim Mahaffey, Alexander Smirnov, Marc Bompis, Tony Forrester, Jean Quantin and Josef Piekarek; Jill Levin, Jenny Wolpert, Robert Levin, Steve Weinstein
- 2014 1. Andrew Gromov, Grzegorz Narkiewicz, Krzysztof Buras, Michal Nowosadzki, Jacek Kalita and Aleksander Dubinin. 2. Michael Kamil, Stan Tulin, Gary Cohler, Billy Cohen, Dror Padon, Alon Birman
- 2015 1. Richard Schwartz, Allan Graves, Boye Brogeland, Espen Lindqvist, Huub Bertens, Daniel Korbel. 2. Vytautus Vainikonis, Wojtek Olanski, Boguslaw Gierulski, Jerzy Skrzypczak, Ron Pachtmann, Pawel Zatorski
- 2016 1. Stan Tulin, Kevin Dwyer, Alon Birman, Dror Padon, Michal Nowosadzki, Jacek Kalita; 2. Richard Schwartz, Daniel Korbel, Boye Brogeland, Espen Lindqvist, David Bakhshi, David Gold

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SATURDAY COMPACT KNOCKOUT BRACKET 1

16 Tables

25.28 1 Russell Samuel, Coram NY; Kyoko Shimamura, Tokyo, Japan; Ira Herman - Allen Kahn, New York NY

17.70 2 Richard Pavlicek, Fort Lauderdale FL; Peter Friedland, Cupertino CA; Robert Lebi, Toronto ON; Dan Jacob, Vancouver BC

11.38 3 Phyllis Yates - Ying Lin Gu - Thomas Herzog, San Diego CA; David Abelow, La Jolla CA

8.85 4 David Binney, Seattle WA; Barton Buffington, North Kingstown RI; Lynne Newman - Randall Dougherty, San Diego CA

SATURDAY COMPACT KNOCKOUT BRACKET 2

12 Tables

12.49 1 Jon Downing, Solihull England; Liam Johnstone, Birmingham England; Daniel McGuire - Maria Poh, Las Vegas NV 8.74 2 Barbara Doran, Silver Spring MD; Rose Berman, Laurel MD; Lily Johannessen, Honolulu HI; Jennifer Ballantyne, Vancouver BC

5.62 3 Pramotton Emanuela, Rome, Italy; Massimo
 Vassallo - Elisa De Paola, Rome Italy; Bernardo Biondo, Rome, Italy
 4.37 4 Harold Binder, Dana Point CA; Jerry Schreider,
 Irvine CA; William Velick - Diane Velick, Laguna Beach CA

SATURDAY COMPACT KNOCKOUT BRACKET 3

12 Tables

9.38 1 Rick Jasper - Kathy Jasper, San Jose CA; Cathy Bauer, Anaheim Hills CA; Anthony Trebaol, Milpitas CA

6.57 2 Amy Rhodes - Ofra Blonder - Diane Winiger, New York NY; Nancy Larson, Draper UT

4.22 3 Perrie Kay Avery - Vickie Thomas - Clara Bunning - Kym Zwonitzer, Cheyenne WY

3.28 4 Thomas Fagan - Katie Fagan, Kailua HI; Catherine Hess, Kaneohe HI; Busaba Williams, Honolulu HI

SATURDAY COMPACT KNOCKOUT BRACKET 4 16 Tables

16 Tables

8.18 1 Laurie Bell, Vernon BC; Dana Sammartino Deirdre Cole, Coldstream BC; Jeanne Hanrahan, East Norwich NY
5.73 2 William Pearman, Honolulu HI; Joan Shafer -

David Dodson, Pahoa HI; Renee Hoffman, Seal Beach CA 3.68 3 Wayne Tindall, San Juan TX; Sanae Zaveloff, Austin TX; Paul Hoge, Sebastopol CA; Ronald Dixon, Vancouver

2.86 4 Danuta Trafford - Thomas Trafford - Dorothy Mersereau, Calgary AB; Kathryn Von Dohre, Concord CA

Shi

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they played together – "before anybody knew who she was." Sanya in 2014, they sat against two world champions in the mixed pairs:

Dlr: South	★ K Q J 6 5	
Vul: Both	♥ J	
	♦ A J 2	
	♣ 10 7 5 4	
♦ 9432		♠ A 10 8 7
♥ 9 4 3		♥ A 10 8 5 2
♦ Q 7 6		♦ K 5 4
♣ Q 6 2		♣ J
	\$ —	
	♥ K Q 7 6	
	♦ 10 9 8 3	
	♣ A K 9 8 3	

West <i>Korbel</i>	North	East <i>Shi</i>	South
			1♦
Pass	1♠	Pass	2♣
Pass	3♣	Pass	5♣
All Pass			

Korbel led a heart. "Obviously, a diamond would have allowed an easy set," he says. Sylvia won the ▼A and returned a trump.

"Declarer ruffed a heart to dummy and led ♠K, and Sylvia ducked so smoothly I thought I had the ♠A! I was very impressed when declarer ruffed this trick, decided I had the ♠A, and eventually mistimed the play to go down."

Korbel says, "To be able to duck that spade in such easy tempo in a major event when it wasn't a certainty declarer was void showed me a strong self-confidence at the bridge table that I believe is 50 percent of her success. The other 50 percent, of course, is her ability."

Beth Palmer, Shi's partner-in-gold at the 2016

World Championships, says, "Sylvia is a very calm player and partner. She is very easy to play with. She has great bidding judgment and technique and her slam bidding is especially strong."

A nobody no more

Shi's first NABC was the Spring 2011 tournament in Louisville KY. She and her partner played in the Educational Foundation 299er game and came in first in their strat.

"I still have that trophy," she boasts.

They played the Lebhar IMP Pairs and did not qualify, and a Gold Rush pairs event and didn't do well in that either. Then on the last day, they scratched in another 299er game.

"Despite not doing great, we got about 8 points – which was a ton for me back then – and it put me within reach of the Mini McKenney race, which I then decided to try to win."

Shi went on to take the Mini-McKenney Rookie race with 482 points – more than double that of her closest competitor.

While all her wins are meaningful – "and I love them like I would love my children, if I had any" – she says the most exciting one was the IMP Pairs, her first NABC title.

"We came out of like 20th place to win in the final session, and it was really close. And it was totally unexpected for everyone else, I think, because we were nobodies."

She looks back. "Until you win a championship, you have no idea if you will ever win one. Then once you win one, it's like it's a lot easier."





SATURDAY B/C OPEN PAIRS

28.0 Ta	bles / I	Based (on 68 Tables	
	В	C		
14.63	1		Henry Robin, Bartlesville OK; Marilyn LaFleur, Tulsa OK	59.46%
10.97	2	1	Davis Bennett, San Diego CA; James Bennett, Redlands CA	59.19%
8.23	3	2	Anthony Hawks, Bethany Beach DE; Jack Hawks, Walnut Creek CA	57.89%
6.17	4	3	Michael Thorpe, Montrose CO; Martyn Cooper, Katy TX	56.97%
4.88	5	4	Joseph Lieberman, Los Angeles CA; Christopher Welland, New York NY	55.41%
4.18	6		Edwin Seputis, Oakland CA; Dan Wong, Pleasanton CA	55.39%
4.91	7	5	Albert Stock - Roy Ladd, Valencia CA	55.06%
3.25	8		Caryn Villalon, Bonsall CA; Lance Eddy, Fallbrook CA	55.04%
2.93	9		Ken Imboden, San Jose CA; Tsao-Tung Tsai, Cupertino CA	54.38%
2.66	10		J F Lowenstein - Eleanor Onstott, New Orleans LA	54.14%
2.91	11		Martin Margolies - Abbie Margolies, Atlanta GA	53.56%
2.31	12	6	Laurie-Ann Levin, San Antonio TX; Merle Liebesman, Los Angeles CA	53.34%
2.09	13	7	Rory Xiao - Bo Xiao, Fremont CA	53.16%
2.08	14	8	Martha Welte - John Welte, Buffalo NY	52.93%
2.99	15		Lamya Agelidis, La Jolla CA; John Boackle Jr, Poway CA	52.82%

An aside

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By Mark Horton

An aside is a dramatic device in which a character speaks to the audience. By convention, the audience is to realize that the character's speech is unheard by the other characters on stage. It may be addressed to the audience expressly (in character or out) or represent an unspoken thought. An aside is usually a brief comment, rather than a speech, such as a monologue or soliloquy. Unlike a public announcement, it occurs within the context of the play. An aside is, by convention, a true statement of a character's thought; a character may be mistaken in an aside, but may not be dishonest.

It was frequently used by Shakespeare and more recently, by Ian Richardson's character Francis Urquhart in the 1990 BBC mini-series *House of Cards*, as well as Kevin Spacey's character Frank Underwood in the 2013 Netflix original series of the same name.

With so many deals being contested in the course of a major championship it is easy for something of interest to slip through the net. Making the long walk back from the broadcasting booth to the Bulletin office during the World Championships in Lyon, France, I bumped into Alan Sontag, who drew this one to my attention (from the Bermuda Bowl):

Dlr: South Vul: Both	♠ K 8 ♥ K 6 ♦ A K 10 9 5 4 3 ♣ 6 4
A A 7 6 4 2	♠ Q J 3
♥ AQJ54	♥ 7 2
♦ 7	♦ J 6
♣ 10 2	♣ AQJ953
	★ 10 9 5
	♥ 10 9 8 3
	♦ Q 8 2
	♣ K 8 7

At many tables, West played in 4♠. North always led a top diamond.

Aside: I was taught in my cradle that in this type of situation you need get a count signal from partner. The simple (and obvious) way to do this is to lead the ace for attitude and the king for count.

If North continues with another top diamond declarer has more than one way to make 4♠, but the almost universal approach was for declarer to continue with a low spade at trick three after ruffing the second diamond. Looking at the records, you see that 4♠ was made five times in the Bermuda Bowl and Venice Cup but only three times in the Seniors. One way to get home is to play a low spade at trick three. One way to go down is to run the ♣10 instead.

A tough defense is for North to switch to a club at trick two. If declarer finesses, South wins and can switch to a heart. The way to avoid this is for declarer to go up with dummy's ace of clubs and then play a spade to the ace and a spade.

Aside: One player switched to the six of hearts at trick two! The trick came back later when declarer took a heart finesse to go one down. The \bullet 6 is certainly a better card than the \bullet K that was found at another table.

In theory, there is only one way to be certain of defeating 4♠, but you would be doing well to find it - North must underlead his diamonds at trick one so that South can win and switch to a heart.

Aside:
At one table the bidding went:

West	North	East	South
			Pass
1♠	2♦	3 ♦ (1)	Dbl (2)
3♠	Pass	4♠	All Pass

- (1) Spade support
- (2) Diamond honor

The idea of doubling 3• to show a top honor is not a new one, but it can be a useful weapon to have in your armory (I played it with the Rabbi). Here it works to perfection as North can now underlead in diamonds in complete safety – perhaps the nine is the best card, suggesting something in hearts?

North ledthe ace of diamonds. (Luckily declarer found a way to go down.

Exit North, pursued by South.

Disappearing tricks

By Barry Rigal

This deal comes from the first qualifying session of the Nail Life Master Open Pairs. The players were Agustin Madala and Francisco Bernal against Kent Mignocchi and Joan Brady.

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

West	North	East	South
Madala	Mignoc	chi Bernal	Brady
			1NT
Pass	2♦	Pass	2♥
Pass	3♥	All Pass	

The bad trump break coupled with the 4-2 spade break means that West can defeat 3♥ by the lead of a club, but Madala made the natural lead of the ◆J. Bernal inferred this was very unlikely to be from an interior sequence, so he ducked.

Declarer drew three rounds of trumps and played a spade. Bernal took the $\bigstar K$ and shifted to a low club. When declarer played low, Madala could win and revert to spades, letting Bernal cash out for down one and a decent score.

At the next table, Andrew Russell and Ranald Davidson held the North-South cards. They gave their opponents – David Sabourin and Justin Lall – no chance. First, they stopped in 2♥, then on Sabourin's Rusinow ◆10 lead (showing the jack or shortness), Lall also found the duck. Declarer, however, won, played the ♥Q and a second heart, then led a diamond from dummy. East had to win the ace and cash his spades before they got away, but now declarer could pitch dummy's clubs on the spade and diamond winners for plus 140.

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

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

Need to join or renew?

Due to laws preventing ACBL staff from manually recording credit card data, we ask that you renew or reinstate your membership online at acbl. org/join, or call 800-264-2743.



Using ACBL Live to find results

ACBL Live is a section of the ACBL website that allows users to search tournament results in a variety of ways and offers much more data on each event within a tournament than was available before its creation. ACBL Live offers comprehensive results for every player and every session within an event at any ACBL tournament.

Overalls from events at the NABC and qualifiers are still listed in the Daily Bulletin. But the pages of small-print session results are no longer included. This guide will help you find those results online. During NABCs, the main feature on the ACBL home page is a quick link to ACBL Live results for the current tournament.

You can return to this data trove after the tournament is over by clicking on the Live tab, third from left on the home page. From the main ACBL Live landing page, there are two ways you can get started: by searching for a player or a tournament. The quick link available during NABCs bypasses this page.

Viewing session results

Whether you search by player or by event, you come to a page with a list of events broken down by session. In the right column of this page are several blue links that lead to the various results pages for each session. These vary by type of event and stage of progress of the event. Here's a breakdown of the options.

Summary

The summary page has all result information for an event on one page; the other links break out portions of the information on the summary page. At the top of the page you will find Overalls or Leaderboards and Recaps. For pair games, scroll down and you will see the board-by-board scores and hands. For team games, you will see a link to the Bracket.

Overalls and Leaderboards

The Overalls page lists pairs or teams in order of overall score. Pairs or teams who won masterpoints are shown, and the quantity and color of these session awards are listed. These listings may be preliminary.

3 Recaps

The recaps page lists all pairs or teams, split up by section and direction for pairs events. The first section alphabetically will be shown; click on the section letters to see a different section.

4 Hands

The hands page provides a compact view of the hand records for a session. Each board is displayed, with a DoubleDummy hand analysis.

6 Brackets

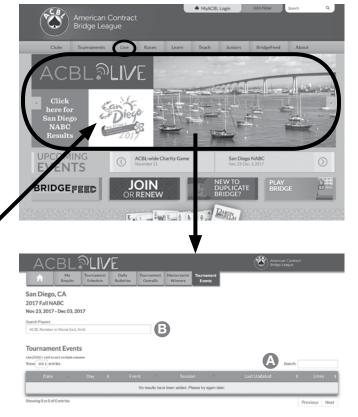
ACBL Live uses FastResults for brackets for Swiss and KO events. Flights and placements are color-coded based on the legend on the top left.

6 Qualifiers

For two- and three-day NABC and NABC+ events, the list of qualifiers you see in the Daily Bulletin is also available on Live.

Personal Scores

Both the overall list and the recap have a Personal Scores column at right with links to scores pages for each pair. Click on the Scores link to see board-by-



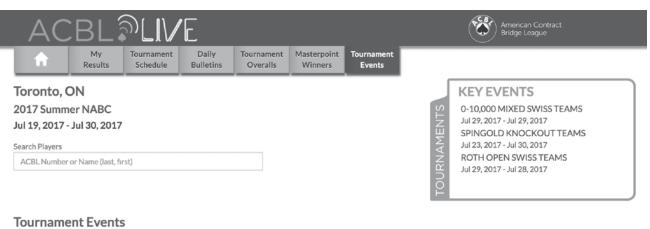
A Searching by event

On the San Diego NABC page of ACBL Live, there are several ways to look for results. The body of the page is a list of events with most recent on top, and pagination tools allow you to page through that list. In the upper right, the key events box highlights those most frequently searched. Below key events is an Event Search box where you can find an event by entering three or more letters of its name. There is also a Player Search box to the left of key events.

Searching by player

The Player Search offers a quick way to find all results for yourself or any player. For those reading at home who can't make it to the San Diego NABC but want to know how your friends here are doing, this is the place to look.

Click in the search box and enter the player's last name, first name. An auto-complete list of players matching your entry will appear below the search box. Click on the line for the player you want. You will be taken to a page that lists all the recent sessions the player participated in, not just those in San Diego.



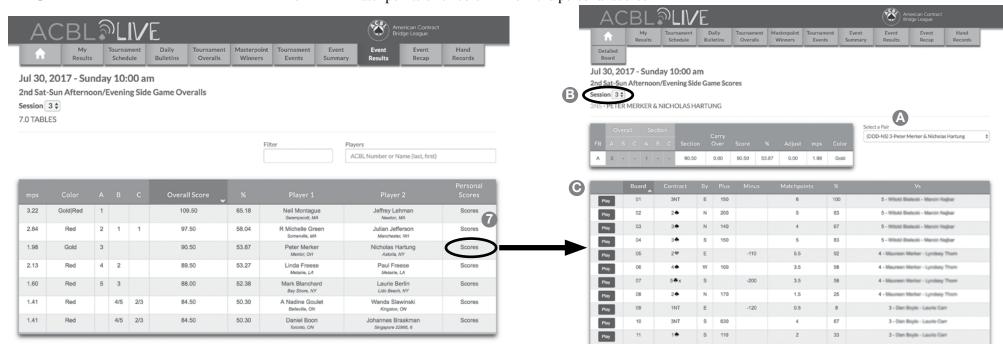
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board results for a particular pair.

- A You can switch which pair you are viewing using the Select a Pair dropdown.
- B For multi-session events, you can also switch to a different session using the dropdown at the top of each results page.
- The results tables on each of these pages can be reordered by clicking on the column header that you want to sort by. So, if you want to see your board results listed from best to worst, click on either the Matchpoints or % column from the personal scores

page. You can also click on a player's name to see other results for that player, which works the same as the Player Search from the Live home page.



Tomorrow's Bridge Events

Goodwill Day

	Monday, November 27, 9	a.m.		
Event	Session	Sold	Entry/player/session ACBL members*	Other
Sunday-Monday Morning Compact Knockout Teams	3-4	Seaport H, second level	\$16	\$20
Monday-Wednesday Morning Knockout Teams	1st	Seaport H, second level	\$16	\$20
Monday-Wednesday Morning Side Game Series	1st single session	Seaport H, second level	\$16	\$20
	Monday, November 27, 10	a.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
	Monday, November 27, 10 a.m	•		
		-		
Daylight A/X Open Pairs (unlimited/6000)	1-2	Harbor A, second level	\$16	\$20
Daylight B/C Pairs (3000/1500)	1-2	Harbor A, second level	\$16	\$20
Daylight Gold Rush Pairs (750/300) Gold points for 0-750.	1-2	Harbor D, second level	\$16	\$20
Monday-Tuesday Daylight Knockout Teams	1-2	Harbor C, second level	\$16	\$20
M	Ionday, November 27, 10:30 a.m	ı. & 3:30 p.m.		
SUPER SENIOR PAIRS	1-2 F	Grand Hall C, lobby level	\$25	_
	Monday, November 27, Noon	& 7 p.m.		
BAZE SENIOR KNOCKOUT TEAMS	Round 4	TBA	\$25	_
	Monday, November 27, 1	p.m.		
Monday-Tuesday Side Game Series	1st single session	Seaport D, second level	\$16	\$20
	Monday, November 27, 1 & 7	7:30 p.m.		
MITCHELL OPEN BOARD-A-MATCH TEAMS	1-2 F	Grand Hall B, lobby level	\$25	_
MARSHA MAY STERNBERG WOMEN'S BOARD-A-MATCH TEAMS	1-2 F	Grand Hall D, lobby level	\$25	_
0-10,000 IMP Pairs	1-2 Q	TBA	\$17	_
2 qualifying & 2 final sessions.				
A/X/Y Open Pairs (unlimited/6000/4000)	1-2	Seaport A, second level	\$16	\$20
B/C/D (3000/1500/750) Pairs	1-2	Seaport A, second level	\$16	\$20
Monday Compact Knockout Teams	1-4	Seaport H, second level	\$16	\$20
Monday-Tuesday Knockout Teams	1-2	Seaport H, second level	\$16	\$20
	Monday, November 27, 3			
Afternoon Side Swiss Teams	single	Harbor C, 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
	Monday, November 27, 7:3			
A/X/Y Evening Swiss Teams	single	Seaport H, second level	\$15	\$19
B/C/D Evening Swiss Teams	single	Seaport H, second level	\$15	\$19
Monday-Tuesday Side Game Series	2nd 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
	Monday, November 27, 11:	-		
Zip Knockout Teams	single	Harbor G, second level	\$12/team/match	

Unless otherwise noted, strata breaks for all stratified events are: A (3000+), B (750-3000), C (0-750). Three-flight events are divided A/X (6000+/0-6000); B/C (1500-3000, 0-1500); Gold Rush (750-300; 0-300). Two-flight events are divided A/X/Y (6000+/4000-6000/0-4000); B/C/D (1500-3000/750-1500/ 0-750) if no Gold Rush OR A/B/C (3000+/1500-3000/0-1500) and Gold Rush (500-750/200-500/0-200). In B flights, no single player may be over 3000. In Gold Rush events, no single player may be over 750. **BOLD, UPPER CASE** = NABC+ events. UPPER CASE = NABC events. *Members whose dues payment is current and Life Masters whose service fee payment is current.

International Fund

In NABC+ events, \$1.50 (per person, per session) of each entry fee will be allocated to the ACBL International Fund. These funds are used to underwrite part of the expenses of ACBL players who participate in international competition.

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.



Fee: \$15 covers both sessions. Sign up at the door.

Date: Tuesday and Wednesday, November 28 and 29

Time: 9 am to noon, both days

Location: Check page 2 of Daily Bulletin

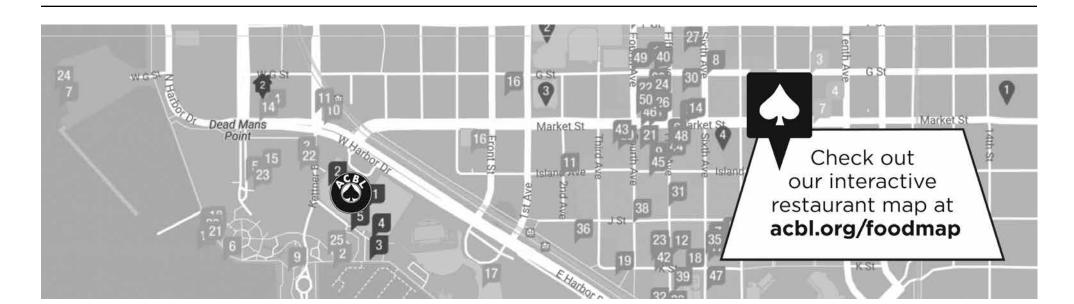
This is a continuing education course for club directors. Topics include advanced rulings, customer service skills, improved ruling delivery and many other issues faced daily at the club level. Participants must attend both sessions (Tuesday and Wednesday).

Today's Bridge Events				
Sunday, November 26, 9 a.m.				
Event	Session	Sold	Entry/player/session ACBL members*	Other
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 Harb				
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
Friday-Sunday Side Game Series		<u>*</u>	\$10	\$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 A, lobby level	\$25	_
Both BAMs: 2 qualifying & 2 final sessions.	1.2 E	Connect A constal local	¢17	
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A/X/Y Swiss Teams (unlimited/6000/4000)	1-2	Seaport H, second level	\$16 \$16	\$20 \$20
B/C/D Swiss Teams (3000/1500/750)	1-2	Seaport H, second level	\$16 \$16	\$20 \$20
Saturday-Sunday Knockout Teams	3-4	Seaport H, second level	\$16	\$20
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Stratified 299er Swiss Teams 299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Harbor G, second level	\$15 \$15	\$19 \$19
0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single single	Harbor G, second level Harbor G, second level	\$15 \$15	\$19 \$15
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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.	(4h sinala sassian	Connect D. coopered lovel	¢1.6	620
Friday-Sunday Side Game Series 299er Swiss Teams	6th single session	Seaport D, second level Harbor G, second level	\$16 \$15	\$20 \$10
299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single single	Harbor G, second level	\$15 \$15	\$19 \$19
0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single	Harbor G, second level	\$15 \$15	\$19 \$15
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Sunday, November 26, 11:30 p.m.				
Zip Knockout Teams	single	Harbor G, second level	\$12/team/match	

Unless otherwise noted, strata breaks for all stratified events are: A (3000+), B (750-3000), C (0-750). Three-flight events are divided A/X (6000+/0-6000); B/C (1500-3000, 0-1500); Gold Rush (750-300; 0-300). Two-flight events are divided A/X/Y (6000+/4000-6000/0-4000); B/C/D (1500-3000/750-1500/ 0-750) if no Gold Rush OR A/B/C (3000+/1500-3000/0-1500) and Gold Rush (500-750/200-500/0-200). In B flights, no single player may be over 3000. In Gold Rush events, no single player may be over 750. **BOLD**, **UPPER CASE** = NABC+ events. **UPPER CASE** = NABC events. *Members whose dues payment is current and Life Masters whose service fee payment is current.

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In NABC+ events, \$1.50 (per person, per session) of each entry fee will be allocated to the ACBL International Fund. These funds are used to underwrite part of the expenses of ACBL players who participate in international competition.



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