

Daily Bulletin



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Dutch duos prevail in IMP Pairs



Winners of the Lebhar IMP Pairs: Luc Tijssen and Tim Van De Paverd

Dutch players Tim Van De Paverd and Luc Tijssen won the Lebhar IMP Pairs, posting a final score of 83.31 IMPs. It was the first NABC victory for the duo, who have played in several NABC contests.

In second place with 76.88 IMPs were fellow countrymen Guy Mendes De Leon and Thibo Sprinkhuizen.

Van De Paverd and Tijssen qualified 19th after Sunday's opening round; Mendes De Leon and Sprinkhuizen stood 26th.

The four players – all friends – came to the U.S. to play in the Jacoby Open Swiss Teams later this week as part of Allison Wilson's squad, and they're even sharing hotel accommodations during their stay in Reno.

In third with 75.65 IMPs was Jacek Pszczola of Chapel Hill NC and May Sakr of Weston FL.

Coming back to Goodwill

About 80 members of the Aileen Osofsky ACBL Goodwill Committee gathered Monday for the Goodwill Reception, where awards were presented to the Nadine Wood Volunteers of the Year and the host District 21 Goodwill Member of the Year.

It was the first reception hosted by new Goodwill Chair Roger Smith, who greeted members at the entrance and introduced the speakers and awards. With little time between the end of the 3 p.m. game around 6:30 and the start of the 7:30 session, speeches were short.

"You guys are the good guys," said Joe Jones, the ACBL's executive director. "As we get back to face-to-face bridge, it's more important than ever to have our goodwill ambassadors."

ACBL President Joann Glasson: "I can't tell you how great it is to be here in Reno playing face-to-face at the table."

They moved quickly to the awards.

Volunteers of the Year

The Volunteers of the Year were selected by 2020-21 ACBL President Georgia Heth, who was



Al Bender and Ann Romeo of Seattle are the Nadine Wood Volunteers of the Year.

not present. The honorees, Ann Romeo and Al Bender, were announced during the Austin NABC and presented with the award on Monday. Both are involved in the Seattle area's youth program, Bridge For Youth, and the ACBL Educational

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Charity Foundation boosts local groups

At each NABC, the ACBL Charity Foundation contributes \$5000 to a qualified local charity with the local tournament committee deciding the recipient. At the Spring Reno NABC, the \$5000 gift was split between two charities chosen by the District 21 NABC staff: Honor Flight Nevada and Casa de Vida Reno.

Honor Flight Nevada provides veterans with

all expense-paid travel for Nevada Veterans to visit memorials and museums for veterans of all wars and conflicts. Also under their umbrella is the nonprofit Quilts of Valor that provides patriotic quilts to veterans that take the Honor Flight. Their website is honorflightNV.org.

Casa de Vida Reno is a home and support

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ACBL Charity Foundation President Nancy Strohmer presents a \$2500 check to Jim Forbus and Dawn Forbus of Honor Flight Nevada. With them are Reno Tournament Chair Jackie Zayac and Reno NABC Charity Committee Chair Diane Todd.

Vandy Round of 32 begins today

Forty-eight teams entered the Vanderbilt Knockout Teams this year, and yesterday's opening round pared the field down to 32 squads.

The two top seeds received byes (No. 1 Wolfson and No. 2 Nickell), while the next nine seeds played head-to-head matches against lower-seeded teams to advance nine squads. None of these matches resulted in an upset.

The remaining 28 squads played four-way matches, from which 21 teams advanced to today's round.

Pairings in the 0-10K Knockout

In today's semifinal of the 0-10,000 Knockout Teams, the team captained by Michael Ranis of Aventura FL will face the team led by Barton Buffington of North Kingstown RI.

In the other bracket, the team captained by Kyle Rockoff of Gilbert AZ will play the team captained by Lisa Mita of Berwyn PA.

Thirteen teams entered the event; the first round had two head-to-head matches and three round robins to reduce the field to eight teams for the second round.

Limerick contest

In honor of St. Patrick's Day later this week (Thursday, March 17), the Daily Bulletin staff is hosting a limerick contest. Members may submit entries to the Daily Bulletin office (Platinum Room, Expo [lower] level, Silver Legacy) or by email to NABCDailyBulletin@acbl.org.



The best and the worst of the entries will be featured in Thursday's issue, so the deadline for all

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0-2500 Swiss debuts

The 0-2500 Swiss Teams, a new event on the ACBL calendar, makes its debut today. This four-session event is limited to players with less than 2500 masterpoints. Approximately half of the teams entering will qualify for the final tomorrow.

Mask policy

The ACBL's mask policy evaluates whether masks are required day by day depending on conditions in the area where the tournament is being held. Today's COVID-19 Community Level in Washoe County, Nevada, is Low (Green), and masks are optional.



However, if you are seated at a table with a player who asks for tablemates to wear masks, please be courteous and do so. Discourteous refusals will be subject to discipline through the application of Zero Tolerance penalties.

Face masks will be available in the playing area, though players should still have their own on hand.

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ATTENDANCE through Monday 2606 tables

SPECIAL EVENTS

MEETINGS / SEMINARS / RECEPTIONS

All meetings are in The Row – Circus Circus, Silver Legacy and Eldorado.

TBA

Saturday, March 19
Peter Pender Memorial Vugraph. (Room TBA)

CELEBRITY SPEAKER PROGRAM

Don't miss these free lectures by some of the best-known players in the game! Expo Hall C on the lower floor of Silver Legacy. Speakers and topics are subject to change.

9:15 a.m.

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Tuesday, March 15
Donna Compton *Discover the Vacant Space*
Wednesday, March 16
Jeff Hand *Play These Trump Contracts*

HOSPITALITY AND ENTERTAINMENT

Late-night snacks are offered at the Reno Ballroom.

Tuesday, March 15
Housemade cinnamon rolls

Wednesday, March 16
Assorted popcorn flavors

Updated safety protocols

Staff will be checking wristbands and/or verifying vaccination status and issuing wristbands at each of the playing areas starting one hour prior to game time. Staff will remain in place until five minutes after game time.

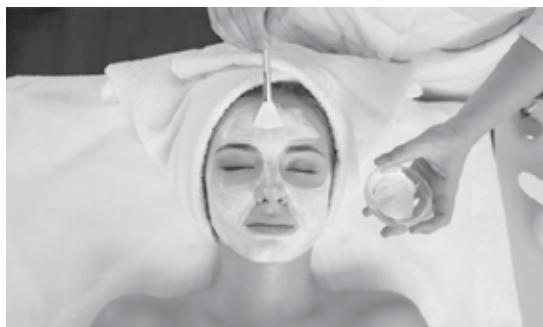
Signage is now posted at each of the main playing areas informing players that wristbands are required to enter.

Wristbands must be worn on wrists OR kept on a person and attached, i.e., to a purse, walker, lanyard, belt loop, etc. This is for individuals with plastic allergies, skin and/or sensory issues. Wristbands that are damaged or broken will be replaced.

Tournament Directors will make announcements prior to and at game time that wristbands are required to be in the playing area.

Anyone found stealing ACBL property (wristbands, entry forms, devices, etc.) will be brought up on disciplinary charges.

There will continue to be mask announcements and updates in the Daily Bulletin.



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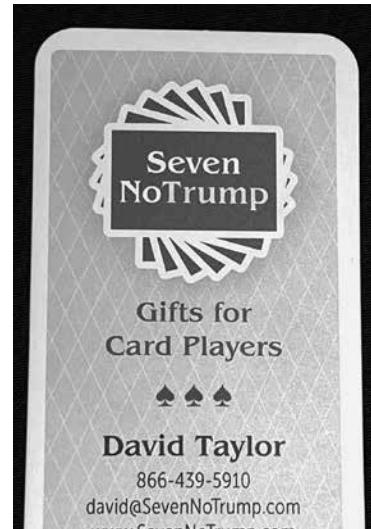
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Salon and Spa Retail Boutique.

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or promotions. All purchases qualify for
Caesar's Rewards Program.

Book seller

The book seller at the Reno NABC is located in the foyer of the Expo Hall on the lower level of the Silver Legacy. See David Taylor's booth "Seven Notrump: Gifts for Card Players."

The booth is open before and after the 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. sessions, as well as before the 7:30 p.m. session each day.



Entry fees

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

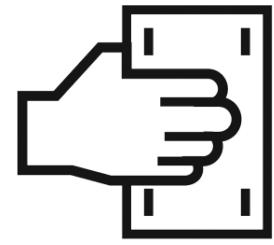
Players must be members whose service fees or dues are current in order to compete in any of the following NABC+ events: Kay Platinum Pairs, Leventritt Silver Ribbon Pairs, Lebhar IMP Pairs, Vanderbilt Knockout Teams, Rockwell Mixed Pairs, Silodor Open Pairs, Smith Life Master Women's Pairs, NABC+ Fast Pairs and the Jacoby Open Swiss Teams. The entry fees for these contests are \$30 per player per session. For team events, this means \$120 per team per session for four-person teams, \$150 per team per session for five-person teams, and \$180 per team per session for six-person teams.

Note: \$1.50 per person per session benefits the International Fund.

Players must also be current ACBL members to play in the 0–10,000 Swiss Teams, 0–10,000 Knockout Teams, 0–2500 Swiss Teams and 0–2500 Pairs. The entry fee is \$22 per player per session. This means \$88 per team per session for teams of four, \$110 per team per session for teams of five, and \$132 per team per session for teams of six. In late stages of some NABC and NABC+ events, there is an additional screen fee of \$20 per team per session or \$10 per pair per session.

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

Other events are \$15 per player per session for current members, \$19 for inactive members. (There is no entry fee for any flight of North American Pairs.)



Vaccination required

While we are excited to bring players back together to the bridge table, we will still approach the tournament with an abundance of caution. All NABC attendees, staff and volunteers must be fully vaccinated per the Centers for Disease Control guidelines. Booster shots are not required but highly recommended. Attendees who are unable or unwilling to comply with these guidelines will not be admitted to the tournament.

We have procured VOW Digital Health to manage the verification process for vaccinations. For more information you can go here: acbl.org/portfolio/reno-nabc/#safety.

Before you are permitted to play at any playing area, you will need to show a wristband. You can get a wristband by showing your Vow passkey at the Vaccine Verification Station at the Silver Mine. (The other locations have been discontinued.)

Starting today the desk is open 9 a.m.–1 p.m. only.

To keep the length of lines down at each vaccination verification station, please pre-clear your vaccination status via Vow before getting in line. Show your blue pass and ID, and you will get a wristband to wear for the entire stay.

Convention card reminder

Each player is required to have a convention card filled out legibly and on the table throughout a session. The convention card must include the first and last name of each member of the partnership, and the cards must be identical. Please note that other types of convention cards, such as the WBF convention card or homemade cards that do not sufficiently resemble the ACBL convention card, are not acceptable substitutes.

If a director determines that neither player has a substantially completed card, the partnership may play only the Standard American Yellow Card and may use only standard carding. This restriction may be lifted only at the beginning of a subsequent round after convention cards have been properly prepared and approved by the director. Further, the partnership will receive a 1/6-board matchpoint penalty for each board played, commencing with the next round and continuing until the restriction is lifted. In IMP team games, penalties shall be at the discretion of the director.

If the director determines the partnership has at least one substantially completed convention card but has not fully complied with ACBL regulations, the director may give warnings or assign such penalties as he deems to be appropriate under the circumstances.

The objective of these warnings and penalties is the encouragement of full compliance with ACBL regulations.





JUST FOR NEW PLAYERS

Take All Your Chances

By Eddie Kantar

Dlr: South North (Dummy)

♠ 10 9 8 6

Vul: Both ♠ K 6 2

♦ Q J

IMPs ♣ A 7 4 2

South (You)

♠ A Q J 5 4

♥ A 5 4

♦ K 7 4

♣ Q J

You have no trouble getting to 4♠ after partner makes a limit raise of your 1♠ opening bid.

West leads the ♦3, fourth best. Plan the play.

Optimistically, you could make an overtrick if both black finesses work. Realistically, you could go down if both finesses lose – and you misplay the hand.

Your first concern should be that “slow” heart loser. If the opponents get in twice before you can get rid of your heart loser, that slow heart loser becomes a fast heart loser. Worse, you could go down if both black kings are offside. The bottom line is that you don’t have time to take the spade finesse. If it loses and a heart comes back, down you go if the club finesse also loses.

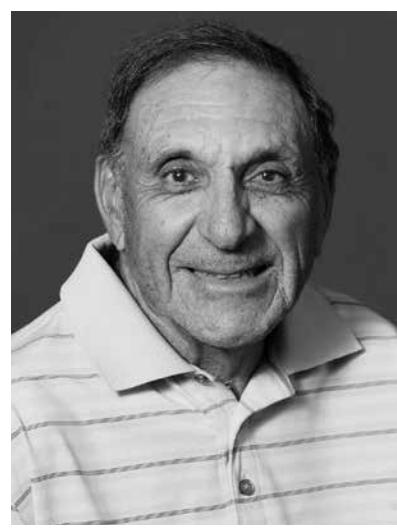
What you have to do is start with one of the minor suits to get rid of your slow heart loser, but which one? And did you notice that both minor suits are blocked?

When you see a blocked suit, think entries. After a suit has been unblocked, there must be an entry to the hand where the established trick(s) resides.

Say you win the lead in your hand and

take the club finesse. Say it loses and a heart comes back, driving out dummy’s king. After you unblock the ♣A you can’t get back to dummy to cash the ♠A unless the ♠K is singleton. Do not hold your breath.

Now look at the other blocked suit, diamonds. Say you win the opening lead in dummy with the king, drive out the ♦A, and another heart comes back driving out your ace. Good defense, but you will prevail. Unblock the ♦J and cross to the ♠A – no finesse please! Why put your contract at risk for no good reason? Remember, this is IMPs, the scoring used in team games, so overtricks aren’t critical, but game bonuses are!



After the ♠A, cash the ♦K, discarding a heart from dummy. Assuming nothing too cruel has happened like someone ruffing the ♦K with a low spade and East having the ♣K to boot, you are home free, losing a diamond, a spade, and maybe a club, but not a heart.

The full deal:

♠ 10 9 8 6

♥ K 6 2

♦ Q J

♣ A 7 4 2

♠ 7 2

♥ J 9 7

♦ 10 9 5 3

♣ K 9 6 5

♠ A Q J 5 4

♥ A 5 4

♦ K 7 4

♣ Q J

Getting rid of a slow loser usually boils down to winning a race: Can they set up a trick in your slow-loser suit before you can get rid of it safely?



Wray Brett and Laura Starkey are from Dayton NV, near Carson City. Starkey is a pilot who recently built a single-engine plane with her husband. She's been playing for about four years – once a week at the club in Carson City – and has about 25 masterpoints. Brett dabbled in bridge for about 10 years and then started learning a more structured version of the game 10 years ago. She went to some tournaments when she lived in California, but not much since she retired and moved to Nevada five years ago. An author, she has published a murder mystery novel – "Begotten" by Sheridan Wray Brett. One more thing, she said. "Put down that I'm a wonderful person." They love to entertain their opponents. "We're just a lot of fun here," Starkey said.

Limericks

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submissions is Wednesday, March 16, at 1 p.m.

Keep in mind that the Daily Bulletin is a family publication: Submissions don't have to be G-rated, but they can't be R-rated.

Mask Policy

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If the COVID-19 Community Level as determined by the CDC is High (Red), face masks

will be required. Masks will be optional (though they are always recommended) if the Community Level is Low or Medium (Yellow) as indicated by the CDC.

This change in policy is due to the CDC's updated recommendations released on Feb. 25. These standards apply to all tournaments – sectionals, regionals and NABCs.

The COVID vaccination requirement is still in place.

At this NABC in Reno, we will note in each Daily Bulletin and in signage onsite what the day's community level is. To check the community level for yourself, visit [cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/)

[your-health/covid-by-county.html](https://www.your-health/covid-by-county.html) and search by county. Reno is located in Washoe County, Nevada.

Be prepared by bringing masks to the tournament playing areas in the event the Community Level rate changes to High.

Masks are still recommended for attendees who are at high risk for severe illness or otherwise are a member of a vulnerable population.



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If your teacher has enthusiasm and passion for bridge, and you and your fellow students would like the world to know, here's your chance! Nominate your teacher for the 2022 American Bridge Teachers' Association TEACHER OF THE YEAR Award.



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Questions? Email toy@abtahome.com

X-Ray Specs

By Owen Lien

Barbara Kasle and I were playing against Per-Ola Cullin and Marion Michielsen on this deal from the second semifinal session of the Platinum Pairs:

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

West	North	East	South
<i>O. Lien</i>	<i>Cullin</i>	<i>B. Kasle</i>	<i>Michielsen</i>
		Pass	1♣ ⁽¹⁾
Dbl ⁽²⁾	Rdbl ⁽³⁾	1♠	Pass
Pass	2♦	Pass	3♣
Pass	3♥	Pass	3♠
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

(1) = 16 or more HCP, forcing

(2) = Both majors

(3) = 8 or more HCP, game force, typically somewhat balanced or penalty oriented

The vagaries of the auction put East on lead, and Barbara made the normal choice of a low spade to my ace. I cashed the ♥K at trick two to clarify my holding with the hopes of getting partner back on lead for a heart through, and then continued spades. Cullin won trick three with the ♠K and proceeded to play the hand as if he had X-ray vision. He led the ♣10 at trick four, covered by East and won in the South. He then proceeded to cash five rounds of diamonds. The final diamond forced East to discard in this five-card ending:

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

When the ♦2 was led, East had to keep all three clubs in order to prevent clubs from running, and had to keep the ♣Q, or else North's 10 would become a winner, so she discarded her small spade. Cullin read the position perfectly, deducing why East had discarded as she had. Backing his judgment, he led the ♣8, finessing against East's 9. He then led the ♣10 to East's queen at trick 11, and East was forced to yield the last two tricks to dummy's K-J of clubs for making four. Plus 430 was worth 24 out of 25 matchpoints.

Appealing a ruling

Players in NABC+ events who want to appeal a director's ruling initiate the process by speaking with the director who delivered the original ruling. The table director will fill out paperwork regarding the appeal, and the appellants will explain what they believe to be wrong with the initial ruling. From there, the case may be handled by a variety of means. When the appeals reviewer receives the case, the circumstances of that particular case will determine whether the case can be resolved by the original staff (in the case of misapplication of Law or regulation, for instance), a panel of directors, or even a committee-type hearing which could include bridge experts.

LEBHAR IMP PAIRS

56.0 Tables / Based on 114 Tables			
100.00	1	Tim Van De Paverd, Leiden Netherlands; Luc Tijssen, Tilburg Netherlands	83.09
75.00	2	Guy Mendes De Leon, Amsterdam Netherlands; Thibo Sprinkhuizen, Rotterdam Netherlands	77.10
56.25	3	Jacek Pszczola, Chapel Hill NC; May Sakr, Weston FL	75.43
44.44	4	Dori Cohen – Rob Gordon, Woodbury NY	74.28
40.00	5	Michael Radin – Kelley Hwang, New York NY	68.00
36.36	6	Robert Cappelli, Sanibel FL; Mark Aquino, Jamaica Plain MA	67.45
33.33	7	George Jacobs, Hinsdale IL; Arti Bhargava, Mill Valley CA	60.92
30.77	8	Alan Watson, Lexington MA; Rick Binder, Waltham MA	60.17
28.57	9	Bryan Delfs, Seattle WA; Stanford Christie, Kirkland WA	57.60
26.67	10	Tod Moses, St. Louis MO; Jack Zhao, Boca Raton FL	57.39
25.00	11	Anam Tebha, Charlotte NC; Steve Zolotow, Las Vegas NV	55.35
23.53	12	Ron Gerard – Richard Oshlag, White Plains NY	53.60
22.22	13	Ken Gee, Regina SK; Alfred Lee, Foster City CA	52.04
21.05	14	Steven Smolen – Vicki Lerner, San Francisco CA	51.18
20.00	15	Georgiana Gates, Houston TX; Mark Lair, Canyon TX	44.42
19.05	16	Mark Itabashi, Murrieta CA; Weishu Wu, Irvine CA	44.36
18.18	17	Alejandro Bianchedi – Margie Cole, New York NY	43.45
17.39	18	Steven Wallis, Wesley Chapel FL; Ed Schulte, Tampa FL	43.29
16.67	19	Gary Kessler, Springfield IL; Barbara Heller, Knoxville TN	43.11
21.92	20	Henri Farhi, Chula Vista CA; Norman Schwartz, Carlsbad CA	42.80
15.38	21	Josh Sinnett, Bellingham WA; Thomas Devine, Ferndale WA	42.55
14.81	22	Abe Pineles, Jackson NJ; Alexander Allen, Annandale NJ	42.16
28.12	23	Cliff Campbell, Thunder Bay ON; Richard Chan, Markham ON	40.76
13.79	24	Jim Looby, Las Vegas NV; Ed Ulman, Portland OR	40.57
14.62	25	Jakob Kristinsson, Delray Beach FL; Peter Jargowsky, Boca Raton FL	31.38
12.90	26	Jiang Gu, Mountain Lakes NJ; Glenn Robbins, New York NY	31.18
12.50	27	David Caprera – Anne Brenner, Denver CO	30.35
12.12	28	Mark McCarthy, San Francisco CA; Stephen McConnell, Evanston IL	28.11
11.76	29	Caryn Villalon, Bonsall CA; Fred Hamilton, Las Vegas NV	27.46
11.43	30	Tracy Sherman – David Sherman, Manchester UK	27.32
11.11	31	Edward Piken, Palos Verdes Peninsula CA; Ron Feldman, Redondo Beach CA	27.04
10.81	32	Richard Temkin, Farmington MI; Michael Crane, West Bloomfield MI	26.51
10.53	33	Jeff Overby, Boynton Beach FL; David Rogers, Clearwater FL	25.44
10.26	34	Roger Bates, Las Vegas NV; Steven Love, La Jolla CA	22.72
10.00	35	Richard Reitman, Los Gatos CA; Cameron Doner, Surrey BC	21.78
9.76	36	Valentin Kovachev, Las Vegas NV; Douglas Fjare, Estes Park CO	21.06
9.52	37	Douglas Simson, Columbus OH; Shan Au, Westerville OH	20.67
9.30	38	Aaron Jones, North Bethesda MD; Marc Franklin, Newport Beach CA	20.06
9.09	39	Aldo Gerli, Padova Italy; John Overdeck, Short Hills NJ	19.40
8.89	40	Natalie Bassil, Boston MA; Bill Irvine, Delray Beach FL	13.46
8.70	41	Joyce Goldstein, Brooklyn NY; Jian Wang, Hopatcong NJ	12.54
18.97	42	Robert Todd, Tallahassee FL; Bill Cook, Louisville KY	11.91
8.33	43	Clark Millikan, Santa Clara CA; Arif Janjua, Saratoga CA	10.83
8.16	44	Don Stack, Kansas City KS; Donald Brooker, Fairway KS	9.83
8.00	45	Glen Anderson, Raleigh NC; Martin Causley, Chapel Hill NC	9.44
7.84	46	Russell Samuel, Coram NY; Chris Moll, Cary NC	9.30
7.69	47	Jessica Larsson, Heimdal Sweden; William Bailey, Reston VA	7.88
16.34	48	Bryan Howard, Nashville TN; Jim Foster, Vestavia AL	7.70
7.41	49	Sally Wheeler – Buddy Hanby, The Woodlands TX	7.52
7.27	50	Joel Datloff, Vancouver WA; Roger McNay, Beaverton OR	6.69
22.16	51	William Neumann, Columbia MD; Jeff Hand, New York NY	6.67
8.27	52	Leo Bell, Carlsbad CA; Crispin Barrere, Berkeley CA	6.44
8.83	53	Jack Lipson, East Meadow NY; Tom Trachuk, Walnut Creek CA	5.87
6.78	54	Don Bell, Vernon BC; Kelly Meenagh, Kelowna BC	4.99
6.67	55	Brenda Bryant, Ferndale MI; Barry Ko, Washington DC	4.98
6.56	56	Lynne Feldman, San Diego CA; Kitty Cooper, Lakeside CA	4.87
6.45	57	Eric Mayefsky, Washington DC; Victor Chubukov, Somerville MA	4.07

KAY PLATINUM PAIRS - REVISED

14.0 Tables / Based on 52 Tables			
200.00	1	Zachary Grossack, Newton MA; Michael Rosenberg, Sunnyvale CA	434.32
150.00	2	Eric Greco, Frisco TX; Jeff Meckstroth, Clearwater Beach FL	413.05
112.50	3	Jan Jansma - Chris Willenken, New York NY	400.94
92.31	4	Per-Ola Cullin, Enskededalen Sweden; Marion Michielsen, Stockholm Sweden	396.44
85.71	5	Kevin Dwyer, Jacksonville FL; Shan Huang, Palm Beach Garden FL	396.19
80.00	6	Thomas Bessis, Paris France; Frederic Volcker, Issy Les Moulin France	394.81
75.00	7	Joe Grue, New York NY; Brad Moss, Denver CO	393.03
70.59	8	Christian Bakke, Bergen Norway; Boye Brogeland, Flekkefjord Norway	390.57
66.67	9	Joshua Donn, Las Vegas NV; Greg Hinze, San Antonio TX	389.36
63.16	10	Ami Zamir, Hod Hasharon Israel; Oren Toledano, Jerusalem Israel	386.23
60.00	11	Joel Wooldridge, Jackson Heights NY; Kent Mignocchi, Bronx NY	380.39
57.14	12	Mike Cappelletti - Allison L. Cappelletti, Delray Beach FL	376.61
54.55	13	David Berkowitz, Boca Raton FL; William Pollack, New York NY	376.37
52.17	14	Dennis Bilde, Aarhus Denmark; Finn Kolesnik, Los Angeles CA	375.58
50.00	15	Ray Miller - Michael Christensen, Seattle WA	365.58
48.00	16	Nabil Edgton, Sydney Australia; Andy Hung, Brisbane Australia	365.13
46.15	17	Geir Helgemo, Heimdal Norway; Eddie Wold, Houston TX	361.11
44.44	18	Marc Jacobus, Las Vegas NV; Jeffrey Juster, New York NY	359.64
42.86	19	Geoff Hampson, Las Vegas NV; Martin Fleisher, New York NY	354.29
41.38	20	Jerome Rombaut, Hem France; Leo Rombaut, Lys Lez Lannoy France	352.21
40.00	21	Asaf Yekutieli, Tel Aviv Israel; Adam Wildavsky, New York NY	343.12
38.71	22	Mikael Rimstedt, Halmstad Sweden; John McAllister, Charlottesville VA	341.00
37.50	23	Michael Becker, Boca Raton FL; Steve Garner, Chicago IL	330.53
36.36	24	Mike Passell, Plano TX; Andy Goodman, Carmel CA	317.07
35.29	25	Steve Robinson, Arlington VA; Peter Boyd, Darnestown MD	305.88
34.29	26	Tien-Chun Yang, San Jose CA; Stephen Tu, Milpitas CA	302.75
33.33	27	Ross Grabel, Palm Desert CA; Mitch Dunitz, Sherman Oaks CA	279.95
32.43	28	Corey Krantz, Delray Beach FL; Bruce Lang, Palm Beach Gardens FL	248.60

Goodwill*continued from page 1*

Foundation's program, BridgeWhiz.

These programs have had a lot of success in recruiting and developing young players. Romeo was originally asked to join Bridge For Youth to help run an annual summer camp when it was starting out in 2012. After drawing around 20 kids a year for in-person camps, they started growing by leaps and bounds when the pandemic forced them online. The 2020 virtual camp drew 60 kids, and by 2021 the group had 110 students.

This experience with online teaching and youth development led them to take their act nationwide with BridgeWhiz. Several hundred kids have already taken classes through BridgeWhiz, and thousands more are expected.

Both programs rely on many volunteers, but Romeo and Bender stood out.

Romeo learned bridge from her grandmother in 1998 and was asked to join the Seattle unit board in the early 2000s. She helps out in more ways than practically anyone can count.

"I'm an ultimate volunteer," Romeo says. "I'll do whatever you need me to do: Bake cookies, make coffee, run partnership, negotiate venues, lift tables. If I'm responsible for getting more butts in the chairs, that's fabulous." She'll even spend hours creating bylaws if someone has to. She also does publicity, gets prizes for the kids, writes encouraging notes and picks out bridge books for them. And she never shows any sign of stopping.

"It's a blast working with kids," she said while accepting the award. She proudly noted that all three of the pairs representing District 19 in the North American Pairs Flight C this weekend are young players who started out in her Bridge For Youth camp.

Bender is the program manager for BridgeWhiz, coordinating dozens of teachers and assistants. He learned bridge as a child and eagerly taught it wherever life took him: workplaces, temples and bridge clubs in cities across the



Goodwill Chair Roger Smith greets committee members as they enter the reception.



Joe Jones, ACBL executive director

eastern and southern U.S. before retiring to Seattle in 2017. He joined Seattle NextGen Bridge in 2019, just before it merged into Bridge For Youth. While driving around to Seattle area schools in September 2020 with a stack of flyers trying to recruit kids for his beginner classes, he learned about PeachJar, an online platform for organizing after-school activities.

This was the key that enabled the program to expand. Through PeachJar, they could reach schools anywhere that the platform is used, not just in Seattle. But when his student base scaled up, so did his workload. Moreso than he wanted, but he realized he's glad BridgeWhiz is his life now.

"It gives me a reason to get up in the morning," he said.

At the ceremony, Bender used his time at the mic to recruit volunteers for the program. "We need all the help we can get."

District 21 Goodwill Member of the Year

The host district of each NABC presents a special award. District 21 Director Stu Goodgold presented the district's Goodwill Member of the Year to Ray Yuenger.

Yuenger, a legal research attorney, was the president of Silicon Valley Unit 507 for 11 years and has been its unit reporter for the Western Conference Forum and later the D21 Diamond in the Ruff since 1999. He's been the district disciplinary chair since 2008, except



Joann Glasson, ACBL president



Ray Yuenger was honored as District 21's Goodwill Member of the Year.



Stu Goodgold, District 21 director



Roger Smith presents the volunteer award to Ann Romeo and Al Bender.

in 2020 when he was president, with terms as vice president in the years preceding his presidency and as secretary in the years after. When the Western Conference Forum shut down in 2018, he became the editor of the Diamond in the Ruff for three years.

"If there's a hole that needs to be filled, I go ahead and fill it," Yuenger said.

He also serves as an advisor to the Online Ethical Oversight Committee – the volunteer role he enjoys the most – and as secretary for the All-Western 99er NiteClub, a virtual club for players with under 100 masterpoints in Districts 17, 19, 21, 22 and 23. In that capacity he hosts and records Zoom meetings where teachers give post-game lessons and uploads them to an online newsletter.

When the district hosted its first regional since 2020 in Monterey in January, a wave of late cancellations meant they failed to meet their room block, Goodgold said, subjecting the district to an \$87,000 penalty. "He negotiated it down to \$10,000," Goodgold said.

One more thing: "He won a poll as the most useful commenter on Bridge Winners," where Yuenger is known for being a voice of reason pushing back on the cesspool of negativity.

"People dump on the ACBL more than they should," Yuenger said. "In real life I'm not that confrontational."

Goodwill et cetera

Attendees received bookmarks, featuring Smith on one side and a top 10 list of goodwill gestures on the other.

Smith opened the ceremony by asking about a dozen new members attending their first meeting to introduce themselves. Then, noting he has been a member of the committee since 1978, he asked if anyone in the room had been a Goodwill member longer. There was one: Gail Greenberg, since circa 1972.

"I was a good friend of Aileen Osofsky," Greenberg said. "I think the Goodwill Committee is wonderful. I think it's having a good effect on the average player."

Please be scent-sitive!

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

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

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

Vugraph operators needed

Anyone who's interested in being a vugraph operator for the Vanderbilt KO Teams, please email Jan Martel (marteljan at gmail dot com). Sessions will start at noon and 7 p.m. each day.

Martel is especially looking for people to work Wednesday and Thursday. She offers training for new operators.

ACBL pays operators \$200 per day.

Unit 507 President Sigrid Price presents the D21 award to Ray Yuenger.



Attendees at Monday's ABTA breakfast meeting included David Taylor, Kim Gilman, Elaine Woodruff and Deborah Murphy.

ABTA hosts breakfast for teachers

The American Bridge Teachers Association hosted a breakfast for teachers Monday morning in Reno for 50 attendees. The event was sponsored by a grant from the ACBL Educational Foundation and additional support from MasterPoint Press and Baron Barclay Bridge Supplies.

Longtime bridge teacher Betty Starzec explained the purpose of the breakfast.

"With ACBL Best Practices (the League's teacher certification program) not focusing on any particular teaching material, it seemed logical to offer something to teachers that provides a sample of various teaching materials with a demonstration by ABTA Master Teachers. Hence, the breakfasts."

The ABTA had planned to begin these get-togethers in 2020, but COVID delayed starting the breakfasts. Additionally, the ACBL launched its online teacher certification program during the pandemic, so the focus of the events expanded.

"The addition of online teaching to the options of way teachers can present material to prospective students, our mission has grown. But the big emphasis is networking and what the three organizations – ACBL, ABTA and the Educational Foundation – can do to help our teachers," said Starzec.

The first 20 teachers who signed up for this week's event received some special teaching materials including Audrey Grant's 2/1 book and an ebook discount of Jeff Bayonne's "A Taste of Bridge." All teachers received a copy of one of Master Teacher Barbara Seagram's newest book, and any teacher who was not a member of the ABTA received a free one-year membership.

The ABTA breakfasts will be held at each Spring and Fall NABC; the Summer NABC is when the full ABTA convention is held each year.

Monitoring

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

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



KUNIO OKUI MEMORIAL MONDAY TOP-FLIGHT PAIRS

35.0 Tables / Based on 99 Tables

	A	X		
41.81	1		Mark Jones, Birmingham AL; Clay Hall, Vestavia AL	63.40%
31.36	2		Rozanne Pollack – William Pollack, New York NY	58.76%
23.52	3		Lew Walter – Marin Marinov, New York NY	57.53%
17.64	4		Robert Shore, Los Angeles CA; Kent Hartman, San Diego CA	56.89%
13.94	5		Robert Munson, Danville CA; Bruce Tuttle, Berkeley CA	56.60%
11.95	6		Happoldt Neuffer, Columbia SC; Robert Fendrick, Marietta GA	56.47%
10.45	7		Mike Bandler, Alamo CA; Thomas Riley, Concord CA	56.37%
9.29	8		Neil Silverman, Fort Lauderdale FL; Linda Epstein, Delray Beach FL	56.10%
8.36	9		Anne Stein, Mill Valley CA; Paul Darin, San Diego CA	55.80%
14.22	10	1	Juan Felipe Cuervo, Bogota Colombia; Daniel Jablonski, Stoneham MA	55.39%
6.97	11		Allan Deserpa, Tempe AZ; Bruce Ruskin, Modesto CA	55.30%
10.67	12	2	Frank Xie, Sunnyvale CA; Ying Liu, Palo Alto CA	55.04%
5.97	13		Fred Schenker, Pittsburgh PA; Bernie Greenspan, Beachwood OH	54.63%
5.57	14		Sheryl Nagy – Edward Nagy, Danville CA	54.61%
5.23	15		John Gram – Suzanne St. Thomas, Boise ID	54.20%
4.92	16		Diane Graese, Jacksonville FL; Martin Caley, Montreal QC	53.83%
4.65	17		Marc Lachapelle, St.-Laurent QC; Xavier Combey, Dol-Des-Ormeaux QC	53.45%
4.40	18		Cole Powell, Oakland CA; Teri Smoot, Placerville CA	53.43%
8.00	3		Giorgia Botta, Brooklyn NY; David Marker, Chicago IL	52.71%
6.00	4		Joel Kramer, Minneapolis MN; Michael Flader, Eagan MN	52.47%
4.74	5		Daniel Kroll, Berkeley CA; Lauren Friedman, Daly City CA	52.30%
4.06	6		Richard Scoggin, Reno NV; William Glass, Clovis CA	51.69%
3.56	7		Zheng Zhang – Lucy Zhang, Arcadia CA	51.53%

MONDAY MID-FLIGHT PAIRS

24.0 Tables / Based on 64 Tables

	B	C		
27.09	1	1	Henry Shi – Ping Hu, Naperville IL	63.19%
20.32	2		Donald Parsons – Susan Powell, Reno NV	59.49%
15.24	3	2	Peter Bush – David Kovacs, Chicago IL	58.62%
11.43	4		Dennis Schultz, Harrison OH; Larry Newman, Amberley OH	57.49%
9.03	5	3	Kats Cannell – Jeannene Levitre, Reno NV	57.01%
7.74	6	4	Terry Nagel – Harriett Kessinger, Eugene OR	56.44%
6.77	7		Priscilla Smith, Atlanta GA; Judith Cotterman, Kokomo IN	55.75%
6.02	8		David Alan Smithfield – Nancy Smithfield, Clarksville TN	55.29%
5.42	9		Arjun Singh, Lakewood CO; Robert Baltz, Santa Clara CA	54.22%
4.93	10		Peter Attwood, Sarnia ON; H. Paul Davis, Cupertino CA	54.19%
4.52	11	5	Robert Barnes, Concord CA; Sam Earnhardt, Walnut Creek CA	53.42%
4.17	12	6	Kimberly Johnson, Olympia WA; Paul Thompson, Chehalis WA	53.29%

STU GOODGOLD MONDAY GOLD RUSH PAIRS

40.0 Tables

	7	B	C	
13.13	1	1	1	Laurie Steuri – Chris Steuri, Denver CO
9.85	2	2	2	Kenneth Hui – Siuling Ku, San Mateo CA
7.39	3	3		Rolando Grijalva – Marie Ernst, Reno NV
5.54	4			Ken Pelowski – Lori Mirek, Atherton CA
4.38	5	4	3	Marie Parfitt Pattie, Moss Beach CA; Debbie Carey, Emerald Hills CA
3.75	6	5		Roy Tsai – Li Zhang, San Jose CA
3.28	7			Linda Gaston, Pflugerville TX; Terrie Kolvoord, Austin TX
2.92	8			Joseph Kivel, Pine City MN; Gregory Stromath, Lake Elmo MN
2.63	9			Robert Flor – Marcia Lapp, Sun City Center FL
2.64	10	6		Peter Dollinger – Diane Dollinger, Los Altos CA
2.30	11	7	4	Patricia Kassinger, Henderson NV; Jean Long, Las Vegas NV
2.07	12			Jane Maloney, Incline Village NV; Jim Brown, Pinehurst NC
1.88	13			Elliott Zeller, Albany CA; Guy Archambault, Reno NV
1.85	14	8		Donald Nelson, El Dorado Hills CA; John Bowman, Placerville CA
1.84	15	9		David Ow, Salinas CA; Neville Kirby, Monterey CA
2.07	16			Shazia Makhdumi – Rhian Davies, San Francisco CA
1.84	17			Harriet Lewit, Upper Marlboro MD; Arvind Bhand, Centreville VA
2.26	18	10		Garrard Marsh, Modesto CA; Cal Gabriel, San Marcos CA
1.31	19			Walter Driscoll III, Cambridge MA; Judith Reed, Albuquerque NM
2.30	20			Pamela Mann, San Francisco CA; Dianne Giancarlo, Atherton CA
2.36		11	5	David Welch – Kathryn Welch, Truckee CA
1.28		12		Hong Coolidge – Trevor Coolidge, Oceanside CA
1.61		13		Steven Schroeder – Mary Schroeder, Lincoln NE
1.25		6		Cynthia Birk – Linda Frye, Reno NV

CAROLE DIETZ MEMORIAL MONDAY FAST PAIRS

28.0 Tables

	A	B	C	
19.00	1			Gabriele Zanasi, Palermo Italy; Bella Ionis-Sorren, Fort Lauderdale FL
14.25	2	1		Christopher Gibson, Tigard OR; Jeffrey Ford, Redmond WA
10.69	3			Dawn Campbell, Portland OR; Bjorgvin Kristinsson, Mesa AZ
7.18	4/5			Bruce Lang, Palm Beach Gardens FL; Corey Krantz, Delray Beach FL
7.18	4/5			Hendrik Sharples, Brush Prairie WA; Gerry Marshall, Calgary AB
7.01	6	2		Jack Mahoney, Brunswick ME; Laura Lipman, Bonita Springs FL
4.75	7			Steve Gross, Camarillo CA; Robert Bass, Woodland Hills CA
4.22	8			Ray Miller – Michael Christensen, Seattle WA
3.80	9			Debbie Gailfus – Alan Gailfus, Carlsbad CA
3.45	10			Paul Meerschaert, Long Lake MN; Carole Miner, Rochester MN
5.26	11	3	1	Aaron Mohrman – Kevin Cline, Seattle WA
3.74	12			Patricia Tucker, Atlanta GA; Kevin Collins, Dunwoody GA
2.71	13			Kyle I. Larson – Will Engel, Rockford IL
4.15	14	4	2	Gail Shaps – Jack Bierig, Chicago IL
3.12		5		Max Mohan Arora, Carmel IN; Ching Chao, Danville CA
2.67		6		Kim Eng – Eric Sieg, Issaquah WA
2.95		3		Joe Veal, Oklahoma City OK; Marilyn Lafleur, Rio Rancho NM
2.21		4		Chris Brewer – Stuart Dombey, Ann Arbor MI

6.5 Tables

	A	B	C		
3.68	1	1		Jim Cheney, Hilo HI; Joan Shafer, Chicago IL	62.91%
2.76	2			Scott Humphrey, Pflugerville TX; Kathryn Bailey, Dripping Spring TX	60.63%
2.07	3			Carl Dahl Jr., Sun City Center FL; Wally Erbes, Denver CO	59.09%
1.55	4			Joan Cremin, Paradise Valley AZ; Martha Savin, New York NY	59.00%
1.16	5			Laura Brill, Delray Beach FL; Nancy Molesworth, White Plains NY	53.91%
2.12		2		Patrick Campbell – Bob Robbins, Reno NV	50.47%

MONDAY MORNING SIDE PAIRS

5.0 Tables

	A	B	C		
2.25	1			Patrice Gorton – Karen Dunmore, Spokane WA	67.50%
1.91	2	1		Eileen Digiorgio, San Carlos CA; Carol Lashman, Redwood City CA	55.83%
1.27	3			Roberta Elliott, South Orange NJ; Gary Meece, Long Beach MS	54.17%
1.43	4	2		Elaine Sforza, Las Vegas NV; Steven Austin, Scottsdale AZ	52.50%
1.22		3	2	Mark Stuhlman – Amber Stuhlman, Clearfield UT	51.67%

MONDAY MORNING 299ER PAIRS

22.0 Tables

	A	B	C		
6.93	1			Bernardo Biondo, Rome Italy; Francesco Mazzadi, Parma Italy	69.17%
5.20	2	1	1	Sam Litovsky, Los Angeles CA; Victor Galis, Fremont CA	65.69%
3.90	3			Michael Shedd, Brighton CO; Paul McEleney, Menlo Park CA	65.00%
2.92	4			Howard Parker III, Clements CA; Emily Harrell, Birmingham AL	63.89%
3.90	5	2		Richard Rogers – Stephanie Rogers, San Francisco CA	63.19%
1.64	6			Martin Singer, West Palm Beach FL; Lawrence Derito, Jupiter FL	61.11%
1.72	7			Ellen Kent – Robert Kent, Chicago IL	59.44%
2.93		3		Arleen Gimbel – Barbara Lemke, San Diego CA	57.08%
2.19		4	2	Santhe Niedner – Linda Thielen, Scottsdale AZ	56.39%
1.65			5	Katherine Weisberg, Los Angeles CA; Mori Taylor, Marina Del Rey CA	55.00%
1.63		6		Jacqueline Zayac, Lafayette CA; Kathy Fernbacher, Orinda CA	54.72%
1.48			3	Katherine Kwong – Jeanie Kwong, Foster City CA	51.94%
1.11			4	Patricia Anderson, Kensington CA; Ray Barber, Lafayette CA	48.61%

MONDAY AFTERNOON SIDE PAIRS

6.5 Tables

	A	B	C		
2.40	1	1		Steven Austin, Scottsdale AZ; Gary Meece, Long Beach MS	61.08%
2.00	2	2	1	Eileen Digiorgio, San Carlos CA; Carol Lashman, Redwood City CA	57.00%
1.50	3	3	2	Wray Brett – Laura Starkey, Dayton NV	54.83%
1.01	4	4		Patrice Gorton – Karen Dunmore, Spokane WA	54.00%
1.13			3	Ali Tognoni, Sparks NV; Pamela Miller, Reno NV	52.60%
0.84			4	Alison Slattery, San Marino CA; Lynn Dotts, La Canada CA	52.00%

MONDAY AFTERNOON 299ER PAIRS

9 Tables

25.56	1			Samuel Ehrlichman, Brooklyn NY; Richard Popper, Wilmington DE; Sheila Gabay, Newton MA; Pat McDevitt, Falmouth MA	119.00
19.17	2			Ahmed Yousry – Diane Gordy, Palm Beach FL; Sandra Macpherson, Halifax NS; James Keegan, Boston MA	94.00
14.38	3			John Cox, Bayfield CO; Richard D'Litzenberger, Leavenworth WA; Lea Rogers, Spokane WA; Rodney Paxton, Las Vegas NV	90.00
10.78	4			Howard Epley – Karen Epley, Kent WA; Barbara Nist, Seatac WA; Dave Grubbs, Seattle WA	87.00

MONDAY BRACKETED ROUND ROBIN TEAMS BKT 1

9 Tables

17.24	1			Brigitte Sandifer, Sugar Land TX; Roslyn Miller – Kristen Onsgard, Dallas TX; Nancy Strohmer, Houston TX	98.00
12.93	2			Brenda Pugsley – Paul Pugsley, Carson City NV; Virginia Kellermeyer – Don Rogers, Reno NV	90.00
9.70	3			Rick Panter – Susan Panter – Dawn Ligon – Carol Carpenter, Santa Barbara CA	86.00
7.27	4			Randal Gentillon – James Milam – Beth Milam, Idaho Falls ID; Gavin McGimpsey, University City MO	85.00

MONDAY BRACKETED ROUND ROBIN TEAMS BKT 2

9 Tables

14.17	1			Jon Olson – Randolph Ossstyn – Karen Reese – Cerona Stevens, Marquette MI	116.00
10.63	2			Jack Blyskal, Folsom CA; Joe Fischer, Newcastle CA; Susan Boyers, Reno NV; David Snyder, Emeryville CA	112.00
7.97	3			Mary Ose, Incline Village NV; Harold George, Wichita KS; Anne Hollingsworth, Walnut Creek CA; Mark Marty, Oakley CA	88.00
5.98	4			Michael Klemens – Nancy Klemens, Tarzana CA; Jerry Miller, San Diego CA; Janice Joerger, Rancho Santa Fe CA	86.00

MONDAY BRACKETED ROUND ROBIN TEAMS BKT 3

9 Tables

11.89	1			Patrick Staley, San Diego CA; Brian Castle – Linda Atkinson, Poway CA; Ramey Farah, La Jolla CA	118.00
8.92	2			Mary Levine, Piedmont CA; Libby Silver – Sandi Davis, Oakland CA; Marion Robertson, San Francisco CA	99.00
6.69	3			Kenneth Geisler – Arlene Geisler, Clarkston MI; Suzanne McIlhenny, Dearborn MI; Kathy Twomey, Bloomfield Village MI	88.00
5.02	4			Don Lycette, Bend OR; Maria Hakki, Marco Island FL; Barbara Morgan, New Braunfels TX; Phyllis Sutter, West Linn OR	80.00

MONDAY BRACKETED ROUND ROBIN TEAMS BKT 4

9 Tables

11.89	1			Patrick Staley, San Diego CA; Brian Castle – Linda Atkinson, Poway CA; Ramey Farah, La Jolla CA	118.00
8.92	2			Mary Levine, Piedmont CA; Libby Silver – Sandi Davis, Oakland CA; Marion Robertson, San Francisco CA	99.00
6.69	3			Kenneth Geisler – Arlene Geisler, Clarkston MI; Suzanne McIlhenny, Dearborn MI; Kathy Twomey, Bloomfield Village MI	88.00
5.02	4			Don Lycette, Bend OR; Maria Hakki, Marco Island FL; Barbara Morgan, New Braunfels TX; Phyllis Sutter, West Linn OR	80.00

New Life Master

Aldo Gerli
qualified for today's final sessions in the Lebhar IMP Pairs, earning 6.18 Platinum points and becoming a Life Master.



Gerli joined the ACBL in the summer of 2020 so that he could play in the NAOBCs (North American Online Bridge Championships) and the online regional events the ACBL has offered during the pandemic. He won the Spring NAOCB Premier Pairs playing with Andrea Boldrini, who is also from Italy.

New Silver Life Master

Jerry Mednick of San Rafael CA became a Silver Life Master playing in Monday's Bracketed Round Robin Teams with teammates Cindy Blum, Nancy Kuhn and Frank Mainzer.



Mednick, who needed 1.5 points to advance, earned 6 gold points in the contest.

Kibitzing

Kibitzing is allowed for NABC and NABC+ events, but kibitzers must follow the same safety protocols regarding vaccines and masks as the players.

Smoking Policy

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



American Bridge Teachers' Association

Call for Entries

The American Bridge Teachers' Association welcomes submissions for our annual book and technology awards. Presentation will be made at our annual convention, to be held in conjunction with the 2022 ACBL Summer NABC in Providence.

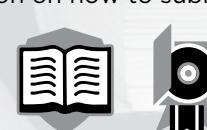
Winners are determined based on the value of the product to bridge teachers and/or students. A winner may be selected in each of the following categories:

Beginner/Novice Book of the Year

Intermediate to Advanced Book of the Year

Technology of the Year
(software, media, etc.)

Works published since May 1, 2021, are eligible. Reprints will not be considered unless there are substantial revisions. Authors or publishers may contact Awards Committee chair, Karen Walker, bookoftheyear@abtahome.com for information on how to submit an entry.



Entries close on May 1, 2022

abtahome.com



Second in the Lebhar IMP Pairs:
Guy Mendes De Leon and Thibo Sprinkhuizen

Youth and Junior entries

Coupons will be made available for Youth and Junior members in good standing for entry into events at North American Bridge Championships:

Youth players under 21 years old may play free in regionally rated events, including Gold Rush and Intermediate-Newcomer games. The card fees for a Youth player are \$10 per session for NABC+ events and \$7 per session for NABC events.

A Junior player under the age of 26 years must be a full-time student and provide proof of eligibility for discounted card fees. Per-person, per-session entries are \$10 for NABC+ events, \$7 for NABC events, \$5 for regional events and free for I/N games.

Any player under 26 named to teams representing the U.S., Canada and Mexico in world competitions for NABCs occurring between the time they are named to the team and the world championship may play free at NABCs when playing with members of their team or members of another team representing Zone 2.

Player Memos

Many ways to file:



Fill out a player memo at a computer station outside of the Expo and Reno Ballrooms.



Use your own computer.
acbl.org/player-memo



Use your smart phone.
Scan the QR code above.



Steve Sanborn and Kerri Sanborn won the Rockwell Mixed Pairs in 2019.

Rockwell Mixed Pairs

The Mixed Pairs is a four-session event with two qualifying and two final sessions. Each pair must consist of a male and female partnership. The Rockwell Trophy, donated by Helen Rockwell in 1946, honors the winners.

The record holder in the Mixed Pairs is Sidney Silodor, who won the event five times – including 1955 and 1956 with Helen Sobel. John Crawford won the event three times – in 1948 and 1949 with Margaret Wagar and in 1959 with Dorothy Truscott, the first time they had ever played together.

Previous winners:

1946	Anne Burnstein, Alvin Roth
1947	Evelyn Ansin, Charles Goren
1948	John Crawford, Margaret Wagar
1949	John Crawford, Margaret Wagar
1950	Peter Leventritt, Ruth Sherman
1951	Edith Rosenbloom, Sidney Silodor
1952	Anne Burnstein, Alvin Roth
1953	Jewel Hodge, Paul Hodge
1954	Said Haddad, Betty Windley
1955	Sidney Silodor, Helen Sobel
1956	Sidney Silodor, Helen Sobel
1957	Bee Gale, Howard Schenken
1958	Carol Ross, Edwin Smith
1959	John Crawford, Dorothy Hayden
1960	Elsie Abrams, William Passell
1961	Art Comstock, Margaret Muirhead
1962	Clarice Holt, Paul Levitt

A similar, three-session event was held at the Spring NABC from 1958 to 1962. Winners:

1958	Mrs. M. J. Novak, John Gerber
1959	Mary Jane Farrell, Al Roth
1960	Shirlee Harris, Edward Rosen
1961	Carol Sanders, Tommy Sanders
1962	1-2. Jessie Cook, Grant Marsee 1-2. Shirlee Harris, Edward Rosen

1963	Agnes Gordon, Eric Murray
1964	Dan Morse, Mary Margaret Swan

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

1965	Betty Kaplan, Edgar Kaplan
1966	Robert Sharp, Louise Sharp
1967	Gertrude Machlin, Kit Woolsey
1968	Marilyn Johnson, Peter Rank
1969	Peggy Parker, Steve Parker
1970	George Dawkins, Carolyn Flournoy
1971	Eugenie Mathe, Lew Mathe
1972	John Mohan, Peggy Sutherlin
1973	Bernie Chazen, Marilyn Johnson
1974	Gerald Caravelli, Helen Utegaard
1975	Barry Crane, Kerri Shuman
1976	Peggy Lipsitz, Steve Parker
1977	Joel Friedberg, Nancy Gruver
1978	Ahmed Hussein, Gail Moss
1979	Juanita Skelton, Mike Smolen
1980	Jeff Meckstroth, Patty Meckstroth
1981	Esta Van Zandt, Jim Zimmerman
1982	Barry Crane, Kerri Shuman
1983	John Gustafson, Helen Gustafson
1984	Kathy Sulgrove, Larry Rock
1985	Beth Palmer, Steve Robinson
1986	Lisa Berkowitz, David Berkowitz
1987	Lisa Berkowitz, David Berkowitz
1988	Claire Tornay, Michael Moss
1989	Dorothy Truscott, Alan Truscott
1990	Jo Ann Manfield, Ken Cohen
1991	Jo Ann Manfield, Danny Sprung
1992	Kitty Bethe, Larry Mori
1993	Libby Fernandez, Happoldt Neuffer
1994	Jillian Blanchard, Geoff Hampson
1995	Cindy Bernstein, Bob Bernstein
1996	Margery Tamres, Joseph Brady
1997	Phyllis Quinn, Wafik Abdou
1998	Joan Eaton, Leslie Amoils
1999	Shannon Lipscomb, Mike Cappelletti
2000	Linda Gordon, Bernie Chazen
2001	Barbara Shaw, Mark Shaw
2002	Linda Webb, Richard Ekstrum
2003	Jim Kirkham, Corinne Kirkham
2004	Peggy Kaplan, Bill Kent
2005	John Kranyak, Laurie Kranyak
2006	Tom Kniest, Karen Walker
2007	Mildred Breed, Richard Zeckhauser
2008	Gail Greenberg, Jeffrey Hand
2009	Karen Walker, Tom Kniest
2010	Scott Levine, Judi Radin
2011	Lloyd Arvedon, Carolyn Sessler
2012	Sheila Gabay, Pat McDevitt
2013	Paul Lewis, Linda Lewis
2014	Richard Coren, Janice Seamon-Molson
2015	Susan Stubinski, Bruce Wick
2016	Jenni Carmichael, Greg Humphreys
2017	Cristal Nell, Igor Savchenko
2018	Pat McDevitt, Sheila Gabay
2019	Stephen Sanborn, Kerri Sanborn
2020	Not held
2021	Not held

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.

SEMIFINAL PAIRINGS IN THE NABC 0-10,000 KNOCKOUT

13 Tables

Michael Ranis, Aventura FL; Carlos Hoyos, Bogota Colombia; Michael Wolf, Fort Lauderdale FL; Lee Bukstel, Boca Raton FL
 vs
 Barton Buffington, North Kingstown RI; David Binney, Seattle WA; Suzanne Cook, McKinleyville CA; Theo Lichtenstein, Tallahassee FL

Kyle Rockoff, Gilbert AZ; Sarik Goyal, Worcester MA; Eric Xiao - Guanghao Xiao - Jeff Xiao, Shrewsbury MA
 vs
 Lisa Mita, Berwyn PA; Alison Shoemaker, Wyndmoor PA; Barbara Devaney, Washington DC; Alexander Stille, Bethesda MD

1. Ranis
 vs.
 4. Buffington

2.(10) Rockoff
 vs.
 3.(11) Mita

Charity checks

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services organization for pregnant young women. They provide residents with a safe home, caring staff, 24-hour supervision and assistance, nutritious meals, pregnancy and childbirth education, social

service assistance and so much more. Their goal is to build healthy families either by helping residents to become the best parents possible or by supporting them in their efforts to find a loving, adoptive family for their child. Their website is casadevidreno.org.



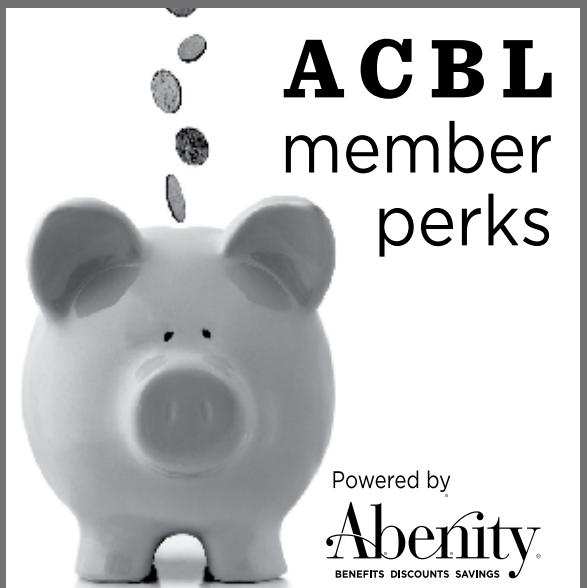
Maddy Browne and Katie Metz of Casa de Vida Reno (center) receive a \$2500 check from ACBL Charity Foundation President Nancy Strohmer (left) and Reno Tournament Chair Jackie Zayac and Reno NABC Charity Committee Chair Diane Todd (right).

Concessions

Cash concessions are available outside Expo Hall C in the Silver Legacy and in the Reno Ballroom foyer from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Here is a menu.

Hotdog and soft drink	\$5
Sandwich or wrap	\$5
Salad	\$6
Soup of the day	\$4
Assorted candy	\$2
Whole fruit	\$2.50
Granola bar	\$2
Soda	\$2
Bottled water	\$2.50
Juice	\$3
Coffee or tea	\$2
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MONDAY BRACKETED ROUND ROBIN TEAMS BKT 5

9 Tables		MONDAY BRACKETED ROUND ROBIN TEAMS BKT 5	
10.43	1	Kirk Freyermuth, Beaumont CA; Anne Goodman, Fairview TX; Hugh McSheffrey, Nelson BC; Neill Ray, Santa Rosa CA	90.00
6.85	2/3	Karen Jachetta, Trabuco Canyon CA; Brenda Biermann, Roseburg OR; Alvan Silverberg – Trisha Silverberg, Dana Point CA	88.00
6.85	2/3	Cindy Blum – Nancy Kuhn, Novato CA; Jerry Mednick, San Rafael CA; Frank Mainzer, San Francisco CA	88.00
3.94	4/5	Mee Warren, Brooklyn NY; Siqing Yu – Nicole Hudak – Jordan Lampe, New York NY	80.00
3.94	4/5	William Cook, Twin Falls ID; Clyde Coon, Boise ID; Helen Spalding, San Francisco CA; Christiane Turner, Ketchum ID	80.00

MONDAY BRACKETED ROUND ROBIN TEAMS BKT 6

9 Tables		MONDAY BRACKETED ROUND ROBIN TEAMS BKT 6	
8.53	1	Michael Wells – Mary Wells, Copperopolis CA; Robert Solomon – Lydia Solomon, Sonora CA	107.00
6.40	2	Francis Wallis, Anchorage AK; Richard Abell, Rio Verde AZ; Roswitha Frerichs – Craig Frerichs, Lincoln NE	102.00
4.80	3	Mark Burton – Jennifer Burton, Aurora CO; Mary Ann Rose, Westminster CO; Judith Repp, Evergreen CO	91.00
3.60	4	Michael Shelton – Julie Shelton, Tucson AZ; Jack Shoemaker – Cindy Shoemaker, Marana AZ	83.00

MONDAY BRACKETED ROUND ROBIN TEAMS BKT 7

9 Tables		MONDAY BRACKETED ROUND ROBIN TEAMS BKT 7	
6.42	1	Rohan Srivastava, Piedmont CA; Lucas Strammello, Carmel IN; Yizhe Wang – Jinhao Zhao, St. Louis MO	103.00
4.82	2	Don Garka – Rajani Chandrasekar – Norman Bregman, Livermore CA; Jenny Zhou, Pleasanton CA	96.00
3.61	3	Alice Kaye Guyer, Boise ID; Donna Janicek, Eagle ID; Bobbie Tobias, San Diego CA; Julie Wong, Truckee CA	91.00
2.71	4	Bradford Stone, Reno NV; Brigitte Sandquist, San Francisco CA; Kirsten Beda, Wilson WY; Donna Neff, Sparks NV	90.00

PAIRINGS IN THE VANDERBILT

48 Tables

Jeffrey Wolfson - Michael Becker, Boca Raton FL; Steve Garner, Chicago IL; Michael Kamil, San Antonio TX; Louk Verhees Jr., Voorhout Netherlands; Cornelis Van Prooijen, Nieuw Vennep Netherlands

vs

Jason Feldman, San Diego CA; Adam Parrish, New York NY; Leonard Holtz, West Hollywood CA; Jeffrey Ferro, San Francisco CA; Wafik Abdou, Bakersfield CA; Larry Sealy, Owens Cross Roads AL

Nick Nickell, New York NY; Ralph Katz, Burr Ridge IL; Robert Levin, Henderson NV; Steve Weinstein, Cedar Grove NJ; Geoff Hampson, Las Vegas NV; Eric Greco, Frisco TX

vs

Peter Crouch, Surrey England; Espen Erichsen, Tunbridge Wells UK; Glyn Liggins, London UK; Erik Berg, Meldal Sor-Tron Norway; Richard Plackett, Oxted UK; Andrew Dyson, New York NY

Mike Levine - David Berkowitz, Boca Raton FL; Eddie Wold, Houston TX; Geir Helgemo, Heimdal Norway; Tor Helness, Monaco; Jeff Meckstroth, Clearwater Beach FL

vs

Vinita Gupta, Woodside CA; Morten Bilde, Hovedgaard Denmark; Simon Cope, Hertfordshire UK; Emil Jepsen, Aarhus Denmark; Andreas Meister, Copenhagen Denmark

Pierre Zimmermann, Monaco; Sjoert Brink - Sebastiaan Drijver - Michal Klukowski, Geneva Switzerland; Fernando Piedra, Zurich Switzerland; Piotr Gawrys, Warsaw Poland

vs

Lynn Baker, Austin TX; Karen McCallum, Exeter NH; Kerri Sanborn, Delray Beach FL; Jill Meyers, Santa Monica CA; Janice Seamon-Molson, Hollywood FL; Sandra Rimstedt, New York NY



1. Wolfson
32. (33) Feldman

16. Hamman
17. Dwyer

9. Amoils
24. Kasle

25. Goodman
8. Rosenthal

5. Spector
28. Nistor

21. Smith
12. Lall

13. Fireman
20. Multon

29. Baker
4. Zimmermann

KNOCKOUT TEAMS, ROUND OF 32

Warren Spector, Palm Beach FL; Gavin Wolpert - Vincent Demuy - Kevin Bathurst, Palm Beach Gardens FL; John Kranyak, Greenville SC; John Hurd, New York NY
vs

Radu Nistor, Aventura FL; Iulian Rotaru, New York NY; Finn Kolesnik, Los Angeles CA; Ishmael Del'Monte, Las Vegas NV

Laurence Lebowitz, Boston MA; Adam Grossack - Zachary Grossack, Newton MA; Agustin Madala, Buenos Aires Argentina; Dennis Bilde, Aarhus Denmark; Michael Rosenberg, Sunnyvale CA

vs
Jeffrey Rothstein - Allen Kahn - David Gurvich, New York NY; Michael Lipkin, Brooklyn NY

Sylvia Moss, Boca Raton FL; Roger Lee, Las Vegas NV; Antonio Sementa, Parma Italy; Alfredo Versace, Rome Italy; Jacek Kalita, Warsaw Poland; Michal Nowosadzki, Wejherowo Poland

vs
Franco Baseggio, Sharon CT; Alexander Kolesnik, Los Angeles CA; Jeff Roman, Bend OR; Ralph Buchalter, South Orange NJ; John Lusky - Eric Stoltz, Portland OR

Andrew Rosenthal - Chris Willenken - Jan Jansma, New York NY; Aaron Silverstein, Ridgefield CT; Boye Brogeland, Flekkefjor Norway; Christian Bakke, Bergen Norway

vs
Andy Goodman, Carmel CA; Mike Passell, Plano TX; Chris Compton, Dallas TX; Giovanni Donati, Italy; Giacomo Percario, Livorno Italy

Leslie Amoils, Toronto ON; Tom Hanlon, Dublin Ireland; Thomas Bessis, Paris France; Frederic Volcker, Issy Les Moulin France; Chip Martel, Davis CA; Martin Fleisher, New York NY

vs

Gaylor Kasle - Haig Tchamitch, Paradise Valley AZ; Piotr Tuczynski - Włodzimierz Starkowski, Poznan Poland; Bartosz Chmurski, Lomianki Poland; Michal Kwiecien, Lublin Poland

Gary Donner, Bluffton SC; Cecilia Rimstedt, Jacksonville FL; Joe Grue, New York NY; Brad Moss, Denver CO; Per-Ola Cullin, Enskededalen Sweden; Marion Michielsen, Stockholm Sweden

vs

Peter Bertheau, Taby Sweden; Daniel Zagorin, Chicago IL; Oren Toledo, Jerusalem Israel; Ami Zamir, Hod Hasharon Israel

Chen Zhao, Greenbelt MD; Zia Mahmood - David Gold, London England; Bauke Muller, Zwaag Netherlands; Simon De Wijs, Doorn Netherlands

vs

Mike Rippey, Orinda CA; Kamil Nowak, Kielce Poland; Piotr Marcinowski, Wroclaw Poland; Piotr Nawrocki, Warsaw Poland; Piotr Wiankowski, Gdansk Poland; Grzegorz Narkiewicz, Chapel Hill NC

Hemant Lall, Dallas TX; Reese Milner, Sarasota FL; Roy Welland, New York NY; Sabine Auken, Charlottenlund Denmark; Wojciech Gawel, Wroclaw Poland; Rafal Jagiewski, Legionowo Poland

vs

Ron Smith, Chicago IL; Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio TX; John Schermer, Seattle WA; Asaf Yekutieli, Tel Aviv Israel

Phyllis Fireman, Chestnut Hill MA; Jenny Wolpert, Palm Beach Gardens FL; Joel Wooldridge, Jackson Heights NY; David Grainger, Etobicoke ON; Joshua Donn, Las Vegas NV; Greg Hinze, San Antonio TX

vs

Franck Multon, Monaco Monaco; Kiki Ward-Platt, Fayence France; Nikolaos Delimpaltadakis - Vasileios Vroustis, Athens Greece

Adam Wildavsky, New York NY; Douglas Doub, West Hartford CT; Peter Boyd, Darnestown MD; Steve Robinson, Arlington VA

vs

Jeffrey Juster, New York NY; Marc Jacobus - Drew Casen, Las Vegas NV; James Krekorian, Pensacola FL

Paul Street, Delray Beach FL; Nicolas L'Eucuyer, Montreal QC; Ron Pachtmann, Kfar Saba Israel; Piotr Pawel Zatorski, Gdansk Poland; Massimiliano Di Franco, Italy; Andrea Manno, Palermo Italy

vs

Robert Hollman, Santa Barbara CA; Billy Cohen, Sherman Oaks CA; Joris van Lankveld, Amsterdam Netherlands; Berend Van Den Bos, Den Haag Netherlands; Diego Brenner, Barcelona Spain; Miguel Villas-Boas, Salvador Brazil

Bob Hamman - Bart Bramley, Dallas TX; Peter Weichsel, Carlsbad CA; Kit Woolsey, Kensington CA; Nabil Edgton, Sydney Australia; Andy Hung, Brisbane Australia

vs

Kevin Dwyer, Jacksonville FL; Shan Huang, Palm Beach Gardens FL; Mikael Rimstedt - Ola Rimstedt, Halmstad Sweden

2. Nickell
31. (34) Crouch

18. Hollmann
15. Street

10. Donner
23. Berthau

26. (39) Baseggio
7. Moss

6. Lebowitz
27. (38) Rothstein

22. Rippey
11. Zhao

14. Wildavsky
19. Juster

30. Gupta
3. Levine

For the Record

**By Robb Gordon,
ACBL National Recorder**

Video Security

The ACBL employs video security at the NABCs. Currently, this involves several small at-table cameras for later stages of high-level events. In addition, there are small cameras placed around the playing areas and PTZ ("eye in the sky") cameras. These scan the playing areas, focusing on areas of interest.

These cameras help us watch for ethical breaches and can assist TDs with rulings when facts are in dispute.

Look for this program to expand in the future.

Shh!

Many of us have spent the past two years playing from home. It was great to be able to yell at the screen, keep open scorecards and other behavior that might be less socially acceptable.

We know you will remember to come fully dressed. (We hope!) But you might have forgotten the need to keep discussions quiet and to a minimum. You might have forgotten to keep your private score private.

Please remember that you are back in the real world – don't give other competitors unwanted help with loud postmortems, open scorecards or discussing hands in front of pairs that may not have played those hands.

Consider this a part of Active Ethics.

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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 eight to 16, 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 matches of six to nine boards. Team A sits North-South at Table 1 and East-West at Table 2 while Team B sits East-West at Table 1 and North-South at Table 2. The results are compared and scored by International Match Points (IMPs).

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

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

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

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

Flighted pairs: When flighting is used, the field is divided by expertise or experience or both into several separate games. Flight A ("unlimited masterpoints") will be open to all players while the remaining flights will be limited. Flight B might be 0–1500 MPs or 0–3000 MPs while Flight C might be 0–300 or 0–500.

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

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

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

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

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

Example, a game might be stratified in this manner:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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



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CHUCK MATHEWSON MEMORIAL MONDAY EVENING SIDE PAIRS

18.0 Tables	A	B	C				
6.07	1	1		Mary Doyle, Lincoln NE; Carolyn Drozdiak, Los Gatos CA		63.64%	
4.55	2	2		Richard Rogers - Stephanie Rogers, San Francisco CA		61.93%	
3.41	3			Robert Kent - Ellen Kent, Chicago IL		57.58%	
3.27	4	3	1	Walter Driscoll III, Cambridge MA; Judith Sarris Edson, Incline Village NV		57.20%	
2.19	5	4	2	Peter Bush - David Kovacs, Chicago IL		57.01%	
1.44	6			Jesse Laird, Davie FL; Rosemary Boden, Fort Lauderdale FL		55.87%	
2.29	7	5		Bill Longfellow, South Fork CO; Eva Johnson, Colorado Springs CO		55.73%	
1.23	6			Linda Nemmer, San Jose CA; Arun Desouza, Troy MI		55.49%	
1.48		3		Pamela Mann, San Francisco CA; Dianne Giancarlo, Atherton CA		52.39%	
1.11		4		Susan Garner, Lynchburg VA; William Rusby, Camano Island WA		49.84%	

MONDAY EVENING ZIP SWISS TEAMS

11 Tables	A	B	C				
4.48	1			Anthony Barre, Sunnyvale CA; Donald Dalpe, Fort Myers FL; Thomas Andrews, Utica NY; Jim McKeown, State College PA		63.00	
3.36	2			Gabriele Zanasi, Palermo Italy; Bella Ionis-Sorren, Fort Lauderdale FL; Bernardo Biondo, Rome Italy; Francesco Mazzadi, Parma Italy		53.00	
4.05	3	1		Paddy Fiorino, Missouri City TX; Carol Huston - Steve Kaessner, Chico CA; Victor Galis, Fremont CA		46.00	
2.34	4/6	2/4		Jeffrey Chapman - Donna Chapman, Hopkinsville KY; Larry Newman, Amberley OH; Dennis Schultz, Harrison OH		42.00	
2.40	4/6	2/4	1	Rohan Srivastava, Piedmont CA; Lucas Strammello, Carmel IN; Yizhe Wang - Jinhao Zhao, St. Louis MO		42.00	
2.34	4/6	2/4		Bill Bradshaw - Ann Zorn - Doris Holzer - Joseph Barrett, Billings MT		42.00	
1.80		2		Mee Warren, Brooklyn NY; Siqing Yu - Jordan Lampe, New York NY; David Yoon, Bayside NY; Lee Lin - Pei Lin, New York City NY		41.00	

DINING AT THE ROW

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	14-Mar	15-Mar	16-Mar	17-Mar	18-Mar	19-Mar	20-Mar

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Eldorado Coffee Company Ext. 4153	6 AM to 2 PM 3:30 PM- 9 PM	6 AM to 2 PM 3:30 PM- 9 PM	6 AM to 2 PM 3:30 PM- 9 PM	6 AM to 2 PM 3:30 PM- 9 PM		6 AM to 10 PM	6 AM to 10 PM
Hidden Pizza Ext. 7492							
Ichiban 775-323-5550	4:30 PM to 9 PM	4:30 PM to 9:30PM	4:30 PM to 9:30PM	4:30 PM to 9 PM			
La Strada 775-348-3401	4:30 PM to 9PM	4:30 PM to 10PM	4:30 PM to 10PM	5 PM to 9 PM			
Millies 775-348-3155	7 AM to 2 PM	CLOSED		7 AM to 2 PM	7 AM to 2 PM	7 AM to 2 PM	7 AM to 2 PM
Roxy 775-785-9066	CLOSED	4:30 PM to 9PM	4:30 PM to 9PM	4:30 PM to 9PM	4:30 PM to 10PM	4:30 PM to 10PM	CLOSED
Sushi-Sake Ext. 7485	CLOSED	4 PM to 9 PM	4 PM to 9 PM	4 PM to 9 PM	4 PM to 10 PM	4 PM to 10 PM	CLOSED
Starbucks Ext. 3357	6 AM to 8 PM	6 AM to 10 PM	6 AM to 11 PM	6 AM to 8 PM			

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Ruth's Chris 775-325-7573	4 PM to 10 PM	4 PM to 10:30 PM	4 PM to 10:30 PM	4 PM to 9 PM			
Sips Coffee Ext. 7980	6 AM- 9 PM	6 AM- 10 PM	6 AM- 10 PM	6 AM- 9 PM			
Starbucks Ext. 7412	6 AM- 8 PM	6 AM- 10 PM	6AM- 10 PM	6 AM to 8 PM			

CIRCUS CIRCUS

Habit Burger	CLOSED	2 PM - 9 PM	2 PM - 9 PM	2 PM - 10 PM	2 PM - 10 PM	2 PM - 9 PM	
Panda Express	2 PM to 9 PM	10:30 AM to 10:30 PM	10:30 AM to 10:30 PM	2 PM to 10 PM			
Piezzetta 775-328-9564	10:30 AM to 12 AM	10:30 AM to 12 AM	10:30 AM to 12 AM				
Port of Subs	10 AM-10 PM	9 AM-10 PM	9 AM-10 PM	9 AM-12 AM	9 AM-12 AM	9 AM-12 AM	9 AM-10 PM
El Jefe's	5 PM - 10 PM	CLOSED		5 PM-10 PM	4 PM- 9:30 PM	4 PM- 9:30 PM	4 PM- 9:30 PM
Ramen Bar inside El Jefe's		CLOSED		5 PM-10 PM	4 PM- 9:30 PM	4 PM- 9:30 PM	4 PM- 9:30 PM
Sips Coffee	6 AM to 12 PM	CLOSED		6 AM to 1 PM	6 AM to 2 PM	6 AM to 2 PM	6 AM to 2 PM
Yogurt Beach		CLOSED		2 PM 9 PM	2 PM - 10 PM	2 PM - 10 PM	2 PM - 9 PM
Madame Butterworks	7 AM - 2 PM	7 AM - 2 PM	7 AM - 2 PM	CLOSED	7 AM - 2 PM	7 AM - 2 PM	

Purchase options

All monetary transactions are cashless, including entries for NABC and regional games. All major credit cards are accepted wherever entries are sold.

If you have paper Bridge Bucks, please turn them in at the Bridge Bucks table to upgrade to a Bridge Buck card that our credit card machines will accept. The Bridge Bucks table is open from 9:15–10 a.m. outside the Expo Hall and from 12:15–1 p.m. at the Reno Ballroom through Saturday, March 19.

Advance entries are available through different channels depending on the type of event.

For all national-level events, entries may be purchased through Bridge Winners, as in the past. See below for details.

For regional and I/N events, entries may be purchased online through the ACBL's new Entry Express system or on site at the Advance Purchase Station next to the Vaccine Verification Station at the Silver Mine. Hours are the same for both desks.

Starting today the Advance Purchase Station will be open 9 a.m.–1 p.m. only.

To use Entry Express from your own device, go to members.acbl.org/tournaments. This may be done until midnight the preceding day. See page 14 for more information.

Entries may also be purchased at the event location in the hour before the start time.

Buying early is especially recommended for NABC+ pairs events. In an effort to speed up the start of these events, please buy entries at least 15 minutes before game time – especially if you expect to be a seeded pair.

Buying NABC entries on BridgeWinners

Buy your entries in advance for all national-level events in Reno at BridgeWinners.com.

Entries must be purchased by 10 a.m. the day of the event EXCEPT for events that require pre-registration, in which case the ACBL deadline, or the earlier of the two, applies.

A nice feature: You can buy entries in advance and be charged for the total number of sessions played after the event is over.



Coup, coup, kachoo

By Larry Sealy

In a first-round Vanderbilt match, I picked up:

♦2 ♦Q 4 ♦J 9 7 2 ♦Q J 9 8 5 3.

Playing with Wafik Abdou, I was first to speak at favorable vulnerability and risked 3♦. Partner raised to 5♦ and all passed.

West led the ♦Q. Here's the full deal:

♦ 8 7 4 3
♥ A K 9
♦ A Q 10 8
♣ K 4

♦ Q J 10 9 6
♥ J 10 7 6 2
♦ K 4
♣ 7

♦ 2
♥ Q 4
♦ J 9 7 2
♣ Q J 9 8 5 3

East overtook the ♦Q and played another high spade. I ruffed and saw that I could get home if the diamond finesse worked, as long as clubs came in for one loser. I played a club to the king, all following low. A club to the queen, however, saw LHO show out. Taking stock again, I saw I could still make on a trump coup if East, with the long clubs, had three or four low diamonds and at least two hearts. But I had to time the play properly.

I passed the ♦9, which held. A low diamond then went to the king and ace. I played a third round of diamonds, with East following, ruffed a spade, and played the ♥Q and a heart to the king. East followed to that, leaving this ending:

♦ 8
♥ A
♦ 10
♣ —

♦ J
♥ J 10
♦ —
♣ —
♦ —
♥ —
♦ J
♣ J 9

♦ —
♥ 8
♦ —
♣ A 10

I played the ♥A (intending to pitch my fourth diamond, retaining the lead in dummy) and East conceded.

Although scoring plus 400 won 6 IMPs, we lost the match by 16.

Use of the bidding box – Alerts and Announcements

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

When making an Announcement, use the Announcement word (such as "spades" if your partner has transferred, or "forcing" after a forcing 1NT bid) and tap the Alert strip at the same time. A player who Alerts or Announces a bid must make sure his opponents are aware that an Alert or Announcement has been made.

ACBL Electronic Device Policy

Effective immediately

This policy applies to all events at NABCs and events where ACBL is the Sponsoring Organization. Regional and Sectional tournaments are encouraged to adopt and apply this policy or one more well-suited to their players. A violation of any of the restrictions below will result in an automatic penalty, pursuant to Law 91 of the Laws of Duplicate Bridge.

1. Any electronic equipment must be kept in silent mode (except for health-related equipment, where silent mode is unavailable or could constitute a health risk).

It is recommended, though not mandatory, that any such equipment remain switched off while in the playing area during a session.

Penalties: If it is determined that an electronic device is not compliant with (1) above, the penalty for the first offense is 1/8 of a board, 1.5 IMPs, or 1/2 VP. For each subsequent offense during an event, the penalty will be doubled. Beginning with the third offense, the player may be subject to disqualification, upon approval of the Sponsoring Organization.

2. Players are expected to be paying attention to the game. While at the table, players may not use or interact with their electronic devices during bridge play. When between rounds or sitting out, use or interaction with electronic devices is permitted, provided it is inaudible. For other situations, permission to use or interact with an electronic device will be granted upon the director's judgment and on a case-by-case basis.

Penalties: If it is determined that an electronic device was operated in violation of (2) above, the penalty for the first offense is 1/2 of a board, 6 IMPs, or 2 VP. For each subsequent offense during an event, the penalty will be doubled. Beginning with the second offense, the player may be subject to disqualification, upon approval of the Sponsoring Organization.

The above restrictions apply to all players, captains, coaches and kibitzers, except those persons granted permission by the ACBL, and are in force throughout any playing session or segment of play.

A kibitzer in violation of these policies must leave the playing area and may be readmitted only by permission of the tournament director.

Penalties for captains and coaches: Same as for players.

For the purpose of this policy, each day of a multi-day event is treated independently.

Further restrictions and requirements may apply in events involving live internet and/or vugraph coverage and/or instruction from the Sponsoring Organization.

For the purpose of this policy, Sponsoring Organization is the ACBL for NABCs, the organizing District for Regionals, and the organizing Unit for Sectionals.



Entry Express FAQ

I've never had to purchase entries for a tournament in advance. Why should I do this now?

In an effort to maximize efficiency and provide tournament hosts a more accurate estimate on attendance numbers, we are moving to Entry Express, an online entry portal for all tournaments. We are beta-testing this application, and your input and feedback is important. This system will help reduce lines at tournaments, streamline the entry purchasing process and make event days smoother for participants.

How do I purchase entries for a tournament event in advance?

Online entry purchase via Entry Express is currently only open for a few select tournaments, and can be accessed by visiting: <https://members.acbl.org/tournaments>

How do I sign up for an event?

To sign up for a pair or team event, you will need the ACBL member number for each participant. When you register for a specific game, you'll be asked to input these numbers. You will be asked to pay for you, your partner, and/or your team per event at the time of registration, and you will all receive confirmation emails once your purchase is complete. ACBL accepts all major credit cards through the Entry Express Application.

Can I still register my partner and me to play in an event even if I don't know my partner's ACBL Membership number?

Unfortunately, you will need your partner's ACBL number in order to purchase entries. Please have this information on hand before beginning the Entry Express process.

If my partner signs me up for a tournament event to play with them without my knowledge, what will happen if I try to register for the same event?

Because ACBL numbers are required for all participants when purchasing entries, that tournament event will have a record that you are registered, and the system will prevent you from purchasing entries twice for the same event. We recommend communicating with your partner first before either of you begin the entry purchase process.

Why are some tournament events not available for selection?

Upon signing in, the system will automatically block events that you are not eligible for based on your masterpoints.

Who can I contact if I have a problem using Entry Express?

As our online advanced entry system is still in the beta testing phase, we kindly ask you to please share any issues or feedback at the Registration Desk onsite at the tournament, or email marketing@acbl.org.

I purchased entries for a tournament event, but I can no longer attend. Can I get a refund?

Registrations can be canceled and refunded up until midnight (12 a.m.) the night before the event start time through the application. To cancel and request a refund closer to the event time, please visit the Registration Desk onsite at the tournament. We will be honoring refunds during beta testing.



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You oughta be in pictures

If you achieve a new masterpoint milestone here in Reno – Life Master and upwards – please come by the Bulletin office (Platinum Room, lower level, Silver Legacy) and let us take your picture. We're eager to congratulate you and share your achievement in the Daily Bulletin.

Tomorrow's Bridge Events					
Event	Session	Wednesday, March 16		Entry/player/session	
		Sold		ACBL members*	Other
Wednesday Morning Side Pairs <i>Wed-Thu Daylight Series</i>	single	10 am	Expo Hall B, lower level, Silver Legacy	\$20	\$24
299er Pairs	single		Expo Hall C, lower level, Silver Legacy	\$15	\$19
Open Pairs (<i>unlim./3000/1500</i>)	1-2	10 am & 3 pm	Expo Hall A, lower level, Silver Legacy	\$20	\$24
Gold Rush Pairs (<i>750/400/200</i>)	1-2		Expo Hall C, lower level, Silver Legacy	\$20	\$24
Top-Flight Swiss Teams (<i>unlim./6000/4000</i>)	1-2		Silver Baron A, mezzanine, Silver Legacy	\$20	\$24
0-3000 Bracketed Round Robin Teams (<i>0-3000</i>)	1-2		Silver Baron A, mezzanine, Silver Legacy	\$20	\$24
VANDERBILT KNOCKOUT TEAMS					
Fast Open Pairs	Rd. of 32	noon & 7 pm	Reno Ballroom (1/2 block on E 4th St)	\$30*	—
	1-2	1 & 4 pm	Reno Ballroom (1/2 block on E 4th St)	\$20	\$24
		1 & 7:30 pm	Reno Ballroom (1/2 block on E 4th St)	\$30*	—
			Reno Ballroom (1/2 block on E 4th St)	\$30	—
			Reno Ballroom (1/2 block on E 4th St)	\$22*	—
			Reno Ballroom (1/2 block on E 4th St)	\$20	\$24
ROCKWELL MIXED PAIRS					
0-10,000 KNOCKOUT TEAMS	1-2 F	3 pm	Expo Hall B, lower level, Silver Legacy	\$20	\$24
0-2500 SWISS TEAMS	1-2 F		Expo Hall C, lower level, Silver Legacy	\$15	\$19
Open Pairs	1-2 F		Expo Hall C, lower level, Silver Legacy	\$15	\$19
Rosenberg Family Wednesday Afternoon Side Pairs <i>Wed-Thu Daylight Series</i>	single	7:30 pm	Expo Hall B, lower level, Silver Legacy	\$20	\$24
299er Pairs	single		Expo Hall B, lower level, Silver Legacy	\$15	\$19
All-Western 99er NiteClub 99er Pairs	single				
Chuck Mathewson Memorial Wednesday Evening Side Pairs <i>Mon-Wed Evening Series</i>	single				
Wednesday Evening Zip Swiss Teams	single				

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Letting the opps do the work

On this deal from the second qualifying session of the Kay Platinum Pairs, David Berkowitz found an interesting way to guarantee his partscore contract. Berkowitz was playing with William Pollack against Steve Weinstein and Robert Levin. (Deal rotated.)

Dlr: South	♠ J 10 6 2	♦ A 7			
Vul: None	♥ K 6	♥ —			
Bd: 17	♦ J 10 5 4	♦ 7			
	♣ Q 6 4	♣ 10 8			
	♠ K Q 9	♠ —			
	♥ 9 5 3 2	♥ J 8 7			
	♦ K Q 9 6 2	♦ —			
	♣ 2	♣ J 9			
	♠ 8 3				
	♥ A J 8 7 4				
	♦ A				
	♣ K J 9 7 5				
West	North	East	South		
Weinstein	Pollack	Levin	Berkowitz		
Pass	1♦	Pass	1♥		
Pass	2♥	All Pass	2♣		

Weinstein led the ♦K to declarer's ace. A heart to the king and a heart to the ace saw the ♥Q 10 appear from East, suggesting that West started with four hearts to the 9. Berkowitz next played the ♣K, ducked, followed by a club to the queen, on which Weinstein pitched a diamond as Levin won the ace.

On the diamond exit by East, Berkowitz pitched a spade as Weinstein won the queen. The ♣K was next followed by the ♠Q. Rather than ruff this, however, Berkowitz pitched a club. This was the ending:

♦ J 10

—

♦ J 10

—

♣ 6

♦ A 7

—

♦ 7

—

♣ 10 8

When West continued with the ♠9 to the 10 and ace, declarer ruffed. Next came the ♥J and another trump, endplaying East. Regardless of whether East held the last spade and a diamond or (as in the diagram) two diamonds, Weinstein would be forced to lead to dummy's good jacks.

Milestones

Grand Life Master

Steve Smolen

of San Francisco became a Grand Life Master on Monday, earning 21.05 platinum points in the Lebhar IMP Pairs (playing with Vicki Lerner) to cross the 10,000 mark – just barely. Smolen, who won the Amateur Swiss Teams in 1977, ended the day with 10,000.87 points.



Ruby Life Master

Richard Rogers

of San Francisco became a Ruby Life Master on Saturday, going over 1500 points playing in the Afternoon Side Game with his wife, Stephanie Rogers.



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Open Pairs (<i>unlim./3000/1500</i>)	1-2	10 am & 3 pm	Expo Hall A, lower level, Silver Legacy	\$20	\$24
Gold Rush Pairs (<i>750/400/200</i>)	1-2		Expo Hall C, lower level, Silver Legacy	\$20	\$24
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	1-2	1 & 4 pm	Reno Ballroom (1/2 block on E 4th St)	\$20	\$24
		1 & 7:30 pm	Reno Ballroom (1/2 block on E 4th St)	\$30*	—
			Reno Ballroom (1/2 block on E 4th St)	\$30	—
			Reno Ballroom (1/2 block on E 4th St)	\$22*	—
			Reno Ballroom (1/2 block on E 4th St)	\$20	\$24
ROCKWELL MIXED PAIRS					
0-10,000 KNOCKOUT TEAMS	1-2 F	3 pm	Expo Hall B, lower level, Silver Legacy	\$20	\$24
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Today's Bridge Events

Tuesday, March 15

Event	Session	Sold	Entry/player/session ACBL members*	Other
Loreta Flynn Memorial Tuesday Morning Side Pairs <i>Mon-Tue Daylight Series</i> 299er Pairs	single	10 am Expo Hall B, lower level, Silver Legacy	\$20	\$24
	single	Expo Hall C, lower level, Silver Legacy	\$15	\$19
Mindy Foos Memorial Open Pairs (<i>unlim./3000/1500</i>) Gold Rush Pairs (<i>750/400/200</i>) Bracketed Round Robin Teams	1-2 1-2 1-2	10 am & 3 pm Expo Hall A, lower level, Silver Legacy Expo Hall C, lower level, Silver Legacy Silver Baron A, mezzanine, Silver Legacy	\$20 \$20 \$20	\$24 \$24 \$24
VANDERBILT KNOCKOUT TEAMS	Rd. of 32	11 am & 7 pm Reno Ballroom (1/2 block on E 4th St)	\$30*	—
ROCKWELL MIXED PAIRS 0-10,000 KNOCKOUT TEAMS 0-2500 SWISS TEAMS <i>2 qualifying & 2 final sessions</i>	1-2 Q 1-2 SF 1-2 Q	1 & 7:30 pm Reno Ballroom (1/2 block on E 4th St) Reno Ballroom (1/2 block on E 4th St) Reno Ballroom (1/2 block on E 4th St)	\$30* \$30 \$22*	—
Tuesday Afternoon Side Pairs <i>Mon-Tue Daylight Series</i> 299er Pairs	single single	3 pm Expo Hall B, lower level, Silver Legacy Expo Hall C, lower level, Silver Legacy	\$20 \$15	\$24 \$19
Chuck Mathewson Memorial Tuesday Evening Side Pairs <i>Mon-Wed Evening Series</i>	single	7:30 pm Expo Hall B, lower level, Silver Legacy	\$20	\$24

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Remaining 2022 Regionals-at-Sea Schedule



August 24 - September 7
Alaska with Robert Todd and Michael Berkowitz
Regent Seven Seas Mariner

October 15-25
Mexican Riviera with Larry Cohen
Regent Seven Seas Mariner

October 29 - November 5
Caribbean Getaway with Michael Berkowitz
Royal Caribbean Symphony of the Seas

December 20, 2022 - January 7, 2023
Rio de Janeiro to Miami with Larry Cohen
Regent Seven Seas Mariner

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Today's Sponsors

Mindy Foos Memorial Open Pairs
By Michael Fleisher

My partner in life and bridge, Mindy Foos, passed away on May 7, 2021, after a long battle with cancer. I met her at the bridge table when I moved to the Bay Area in 2001. I immediately noticed her and made it a plan to partner her as soon as I found the opportunity.

One of her repeated questions was, "What do people who don't have bridge do with their time?" She loved the game, and was good at it. We



played hundreds of bridge sessions as a pair, and I enjoyed every moment competing with her as my partner across the table. Her competitive nature, mixed with her sensitivity led to what can only be described as excellent table feel. She used it well.

I am thankful for the years we had together and the loving relationship that materialized for us as a result of playing bridge.

Naming an event after her is a very fitting tribute and I am happy for the ability to do so!

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