



# Daily Bulletin



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## Danny Sprung is 2024 Honorary Member of the Year



The ACBL's annual Honorary Member award is the League's way of recognizing an individual who has given freely of their time and ability, without thought of reward and in the interest and welfare of the organization. This year, the award was bestowed on Danny Sprung of Las

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## Wheeler-Hanby lead Senior Mixed

Sally Wheeler and Buddy Hanby of The Woodlands TX are in the pole position in the Senior Mixed Pairs after yesterday's qualifying round. In second place are Jerry Clerkin of Bloomington IL and Julia Bomalaski of Melbourne FL, while third place is occupied by Will Ehlers of Boynton Beach FL and Bella Ionis-Sorren of Fort Lauderdale FL.

## Sanakaran-George lead 10K Fast

Baskaran Sankaran and Varghese George of Alpharetta GA are the leaders in the 0-10,000 Fast Pairs. The duo averaged 61% in Thursday's qualifying sessions.

In second are Oleg Rubinchik of Brooklyn NY and George Krizel of Hollywood FL, while third place belongs to Sofie Sjodal of Norway and Arti Bhargava of Mill Valley CA.

**ATTENDANCE through THURSDAY**  
**4922 tables**



### Goodwill Message

A bridge player who spreads goodwill enriches the entire bridge community.

*Nancy Strohmer, Chair*

*Aileen Osofsky Goodwill Committee*

## Zimmermann wins Soloway KO Teams



*Winners of the Soloway Knockout Teams (from left): Fernando Piedra, Michal Klukowski, Michal Nowosadzki, team captain Pierre Zimmermann, Jacek Kalita, Sebastiaan Drijver and Sjoert Brink*

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## Gerli-Boldrini are Blue Ribbon champs



*Winners of the Kaplan Blue Ribbon Pairs Aldo Gerli and Andrea Boldini*

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## Canadians win Mini-Blues



*Winners of the 0-6000 Mini-Blue Ribbon Pairs: Ronald Carriere and Michel Lorber*

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## Today's Bridge Events

### Friday, Dec. 1

Event	Session	Sold	Entry/player/session Members	Other
<b>9:30 am &amp; 3:30 pm</b>				
<b>REISINGER BOARD-A-MATCH TEAMS</b>	1-2 Q	Salon 4, International Level	\$30*	—
<i>Pre-registration required by 8pm Thursday; 2 qualifying, 2 semifinal &amp; 2 final sessions</i>				
<b>10 am</b>				
Friday Morning Side Pairs <i>Fri-Sun Daylight Series</i>	single	Marquis Ballroom B, Marquis Level	\$20	\$24
299er Pairs	single	Marquis Ballroom C, Marquis Level	\$15	\$19
99er Pairs	single	Marquis Ballroom C, Marquis Level	\$15	\$19
<b>10 am &amp; 1 pm</b>				
Fast Pairs	1-2	A602, Atrium Level	\$20	\$24
<b>10 am &amp; 1:30 pm</b>				
NABC 0–10,000 FAST PAIRS	1-2 F	M103, Marquis Level	\$22	—
<b>10 am &amp; 3 pm</b>				
<b>SENIOR MIXED PAIRS</b>	1-2 F	A707, Atrium Level	\$30	—
Top-Flight Pairs ( <i>unlim./5000</i> )	1-2	Marquis Ballroom B, Marquis Level	\$20	\$24
Mid-Flight Pairs ( <i>4000/1250</i> )	1-2	Marquis Ballroom B, Marquis Level	\$20	\$24
Gold Rush Pairs	1-2	Marquis Ballroom C, Marquis Level	\$20	\$24
Will Boynton Memorial Bracketed Round Robin Teams	1-2	Imperial Ballroom, Marquis Level	\$20	\$24
<b>10 am &amp; 3:30 pm</b>				
<b>KEOHANE NORTH AMERICAN SWISS TEAMS</b>	1-2 Q	Atrium Ballroom B, Atrium Level	\$30	—
<i>2 qualifying, 2 semifinal &amp; 2 final sessions</i>				
<b>3 pm</b>				
Friday Afternoon Side Pairs <i>Fri-Sun Daylight Series</i>	single	Marquis Ballroom B, Marquis Level	\$20	\$24
299er Pairs	single	Marquis Ballroom C, Marquis Level	\$15	\$19
<b>7:30 pm</b>				
Betty Malin Memorial Friday Evening Side Pairs <i>Tue-Fri Evening Series</i>	single	Marquis Ballroom B, Marquis Level	\$20	\$24

\* In addition, there is a screen fee of \$10/pair/session or \$20/team/session.

Unless otherwise noted, strata breaks for all stratified events are: A (2500+), B (750-2500), C (0-750). Three-flight events are divided A/X (6000+/0-6000); B/C (1500-3000, 0-1500); Gold Rush (400-750/200-400/0-200). Two-flight events are divided A/X/Y (6000+/4000-6000/0-4000); B/C/D (1500-3000/750-1500/ 0-750) if no Gold Rush OR A/B/C (3000+/1500-3000/0-1500) and Gold Rush (400-750/200-400/0-200). In B flights, no single player may be over 3000. In Gold Rush events, no single player may be over 750. **BOLD, UPPER CASE = NABC+ events.** UPPER CASE = NABC events. **Green = Regional events (gold and red points).** **Blue = Gold Rush events (gold and red points).** **Red = Intermediate/Newcomer 299er events (red points).**

### International Fund

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

## Today's Sponsors

### Will Boynton By Lisa Jacobs

Most tributes to those we've lost in the bridge community start with their ranking and all they achieved in this game we all love. But that doesn't seem quite fitting when remembering Will. So, I will start with what seems right.



Will Boynton, from Tallahassee FL, moved to Asheville NC just two days before the COVID lockdown in 2020. His isolation in a new home shifted when Jane Champion created a small Zoom group so Will could learn Precision and help create a community for him and for all of us.

From there, Will and I formed a

friendship. At first meeting, Will could seem abrasive to some, but we all came to know Will for who he was at his core – kind, generous, nurturing, witty and incredibly intelligent. His grasp of bridge was superior to most. He was a Sapphire Life Master who had started learning the game from his grandmother. Will was a mentor to me and many others; patient, understanding and generous with his time and explanations. He and I both loved the language of bridge and worked together to develop new conventions.

Shortly before he died, Will was accepted to the University of Florida. He planned to pursue a career in education, to help others like himself with mental illness. Mental illness is a disease like any other, but in this country, we don't treat it as an equal. Will helped reverse this stigma by owning it and learning how to

successfully manage his symptoms. With courage and vision, he strove to change the system. But consequences of his mental illness caused his early passing. Will Boynton died July 18, 2022, at the age of 40. He is missed by all that knew him and had the joy of sharing time across the table with him.

If you are so inclined, I know Will would appreciate a donation made in his honor to NAMI, National Alliance of Mental Illness: [nami.org](http://nami.org).

Submitted on behalf of fellow Pandemic Precision Club members Jane Champion, Marty Friedman, Debbie Monroe, Tim Prime, Norm Rosenstein, Bruce Southard and Fran Tewkesbury.

**COME PLAY  
SPADES  
WITH US**

**COME ONE, COME ALL  
for a FREE Spades Event!**

Saturday, Dec. 2, 2-6:30 p.m.  
Marquis Ballroom, Marquis Level  
[acbl.org/spades](http://acbl.org/spades)



#### Host hotels

**InterContinental Toronto Centre**  
225 Front Street West  
Toronto, ON M5V 2X3, Canada  
\$209 CAD + tax per night

**Sheraton Centre Toronto**  
123 Queen Street West  
Toronto, ON M5H 2M9, Canada  
\$203 CAD + tax per night

**The Westin Harbour Castle**  
1 Harbour Square  
Toronto, ON M5J 1A6, Canada  
\$203 CAD + tax per night

Reservations will open on January 16, 2024. We will be sending out emails and post a direct link, phone number, and email address of our housing provider for you to use to book your room. Please do not contact the hotel directly.

#### Don't Forget Your Passport!

Players from the U.S. are reminded that travel to the Toronto NABC requires up-to-date travel documents. Need to update your passport? Do so early to avoid last-minute travel headaches.



[acbl.org/toronto](http://acbl.org/toronto)

# SPECIAL EVENTS

## MEETINGS / SEMINARS / RECEPTIONS

Meetings are at the Atlanta Marriott Marquis.

9-11 pm	<b>Friday, December 1</b> <b>Karaoke.</b>	7:30-11 pm	<b>Strolling magician and board games.</b> <i>A701, Atrium level</i>
2-6:30 pm	<b>Saturday, December 2</b> <b>Come Play Spades With Us.</b> <i>Marquis Ballroom A, Marquis level</i>	7:15 pm-midnight	<b>ACBL Educational Foundation Junior Night.</b> For those 30 and under. <i>A703, Atrium level</i>

## CELEBRITY SPEAKER PROGRAM

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

<b>Friday, Dec. 2</b>		<b>Saturday, Dec. 3</b>	
9:15 am	Marjorie Michelin <i>Rules of 9 and 17</i>	9:15 am	Robert Todd <i>Trick-Showing</i>
2:15 pm	Jeff Hand <i>Notrump Contracts</i>		<i>Bids</i>

## HOSPITALITY

Grab-and-go items are available starting at 9 a.m. and again at 2:30 p.m. on the Marquis and Atrium levels.

**Friday, Dec. 1**  
Morning: Dunkin' Donuts  
Afternoon: Assorted cookies

**Saturday, Dec. 2**  
Morning: Juice smoothies  
Afternoon: Ice cream bars

## Evening entertainment

Atlanta's host committee, District 7 and the ACBL have teamed up to provide you with some interesting and fun evening entertainment for the Fall NABC. The Hospitality Room (*A701, Atrium Level*) opens around 7:30 p.m. each night. **A top player will discuss the hands of the day.**

**Friday, Dec. 1**

Karaoke night

**Saturday Dec. 2**

Hospitality: games and a strolling magician.

## Wanted: RV rental/purchase

My wife and I (and our little boy) would like to go for an adventure and drive from Los Angeles up to Canada between the two NABCs next year. We are looking for an RV between end of March/April and July 2024.

If you are interested to sell/rent your RV, or if you have any other recommendation, please contact me. Thank you!

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## Special Dining Hours at the Marriot Marquis

*Friday, Dec. 1*

**Sear** 6:30 a.m.–3 p.m. Breakfast and lunch buffet only. No a la carte. Lunch buffet \$22.

**Sear** 4–10 p.m. Dinner buffet only. No a la carte. Dinner buffet \$28.

**Concessions** Marquis Level:

8–11 a.m. Breakfast. Two hot items.

11:30 a.m.–4 p.m. Lunch. One hot soup.

**Starbucks** Offering drip coffee station; Normal hours.

**High Velocity** 2 p.m.–midnight

**Pulse** Normal hours.

## You oughta be in pictures

If you achieve a new masterpoint milestone here in Atlanta – Life Masters and upwards – please come by the Bulletin office, Marquis Level, Room M301, and let us take your picture. We're eager to congratulate you and share your achievement in the Daily Bulletin.

## Toronto NABC Freebies

Free promos and info for the 2024 Summer NABC in Toronto are available at the Toronto NABC information table on the Marquis Level foyer. Volunteers will be manning the table from 8:45 to 9:45 a.m. and 2:15 to 2:45 p.m.





# JUST FOR NEW PLAYERS

**Kyra Helmbold of Los Gatos CA met Kathryn Miller of Tega Cay SC at the partnership desk. The duo played in the Bruce Tyler Memorial Gold Rush Pairs on Tuesday.**

**Helmbold is a computer science student at Carleton College in Northfield MN where she's the vice president of the bridge club. Being from the Bay Area, Helmbold is active with Silicon Vally Youth Bridge and also is a member of the United States Bridge Federation's Junior program.**

**Miller is very close to becoming a Life Master – she only needs 9.59 more gold points!**



## Tips for New Players

*By Frank Stewart*

### Assumptions on defense

Good defenders often make assumptions. Some assumptions may be supported by inferences from the bidding and play; others may amount to speculation, but the defenders must make them anyway because the alternative is to concede that the contract can't be set.



Dlr: South      ♠ K Q 4  
Vul: None      ♥ A K J  
IMPs            ♦ K Q 10 9 8  
                 ♣ 4 3

♠ 9 8 5  
♥ 10 5 4 2  
♦ 2  
♣ A 10 8 5 2

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

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

West	North	East	South
Pass	4♠	All Pass	2♠

Against 4♠, West leads the ♦2: king, ace, 5. East knows his partner has led a singleton, and a diamond return will give him a ruff. But to beat the contract – the defenders' goal at IMPs – they will surely need two club tricks.

At trick two, East must lead the ♣Q, assuming that West has the ♣A. If declarer's king covers, West wins and returns a club, and East wins and gives West a diamond ruff for

down one. How does East know that West has the ♣A? He doesn't, but he must make that assumption if the defense is to have a chance.

At matchpoint scoring, there would be some excuse for East to return a diamond; if declarer had the ♣A, a club return might let him make two overtricks. Still, I would favor a club return at matchpoints; it would be a shame to let declarer make an unmakeable game.

How would you defend here as West?

Dlr: West      ♠ J 3  
Vul: Both      ♥ J 8 6 2  
IMPs            ♦ K J 10 4 3  
                 ♣ K 6

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

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

You try a low club lead: 6 from dummy, queen, ace. At trick two declarer leads the ♦Q. You take your ace, and East follows with the 9 (signaling "count" – an even number of diamonds). What do you lead next?

The correct play is counterintuitive. You need five tricks. You will get no clubs, no more diamonds and at most two spades. You need two trump tricks and must assume East has the ace. Lead the ♥4. Declarer's hand is:

♠K 9 6 2   ♥Q 10 9 7 5 3   ♦Q   ♣A 5.

If you lead, say, another club, declarer will win and hasten to discard three spades on dummy's high diamonds. You can ruff the fourth diamond with your low trump, but the defense will win only four tricks in all.

## Honorary Member

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Vegas NV.

Sprung has most notably served on the ACBL's Competition and Conventions Committee, a powerful, all-player committee that sets the course for competitive bridge. They review conventions, convention charts, the Alert procedure, convention cards, conditions of contest and any other competitive aspect of bridge.

"He works for the whole bridge world," said the ACBL's executive director Bronia Jenkins. "He's charming, pleasant to be around, smart, calm. He is kind. He works on an important committee and is easy to work with, knowledgeable and not controversial."

Jenkins thinks of Sprung as a person to consult. "Absolutely you would seek out Danny's opinion on a bridge matter. You would want to find out what Danny thinks. If Danny thinks something, it's a reasoned thought," she said.

Sprung joined the C&C Committee in 2015, the same year Norwegian

expert Boye Brogeland made a breakthrough on several major cheating scandals. "One of the first things I was thinking about was, what are we going to do about the cheaters? I remember working on an agenda item in the spring of 2015, trying to make the late rounds of top-level events more secure because we knew that there were a bunch of cheaters winning events."

Sprung also thought the convention rules were stagnant. "There hadn't been an overhaul of the convention charts since the late '90s," he said. "Bridge had evolved significantly since the old charts.

"My two goals were bringing the game forward to the modern era and doing something about the cheating. I was well-suited because I'm not a professional, I don't hire teams, I don't get paid. I don't have a financial interest."

In 2018, Tom Carmichael tapped Sprung to replace him as chair of the C&C committee. "Danny had strong opinions and championed a few different things – issues that the C&C had to deal with," recalled Carmichael. "He was a positive force for change."

Jenkins agrees. "He's willing to listen, be flexible and collaborate. The C&C is a big committee with a lot of big personalities, so chairing that for five years is not a small feat. He's willing to adapt, which I think is really important in today's world."

Since becoming chair, Sprung has changed the composition of the committee, bringing on a number of

younger players and members who are experts but not full-time professionals.

Sprung had been involved in other ways, too. He served on the Unit 141 (Philadelphia) board, the National Appeals Committee, the NABC Seeding Committee and as Unit 373 (Las Vegas) Recorder. He has been on the United States Bridge Federation's Appeals Committee and Nominating Committee, serving as chair, and on the Technical and Tournament Committee. He has also mentored and coached for the USBF Junior Program and does vugraph commentary.

Sprung got into bridge because his parents played. "They didn't like duplicate, so they played at home," he said, "which worked out for me, because I got to watch them play. I got the bug when I was pretty young." His mom offered to bring him to lessons at the local club. "I was lucky, living in an area in northern New Jersey that had a lot of good bridge players and a good bridge club. I was able to play at night."

Sprung says it was a long road from beginner to expert. "It was a lot of work, reading, talking to players. I benefited from joining the players going to the bar after the game and talking about the hands. That's how I learned: osmosis, talking, playing with better players."

In 1985, Sprung met his future wife, JoAnn, who was also a top player. District 4 Director and outgoing Board president Joann Glasson knew them both well. "Danny was married to one

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### District 7 Bridge

### 2024 Holiday and Spring Tournaments

**MYRTLE BEACH, SC**  
**DEC 27, 2023 — JAN 2, 2024**  
 Embassy Suites - Kingston Plantation  
*New Year's Eve Party*  
 Co-Chair: Blondelle Grant  
 Phone: (843) 240-5236  
 Email: bgrant535@yahoo.com

**HILTON HEAD, SC**  
**FEB 5 — 11, 2024**  
 Marriott Resort & Spa  
*Bridge and Beach!*  
 Co-Chair: Ted David  
 Phone: (843) 321-1810  
 Email: tedtuff@aol.com

**GATLINBURG, TN**  
**APR 15 — 21, 2024**  
 Gatlinburg Convention Center  
*America's Favorite Regional*  
 Co-Chairs: Julia & Pete Misslin  
 Phone: (423) 884-3550  
[www.gatlinburgregional.org](http://www.gatlinburgregional.org)

**RALIEGH, NC**  
**MAY 20 — 26, 2024**  
 Hilton Raleigh North  
*Friday Late Night KO!*  
 Co-Chair: Glen Anderson  
 Phone: (919) 880-8107  
 Email: gander723@gmail.com

## More on Entry Express

When buying entries for multi-day events on Entry Express, you will need to purchase each day separately (except for the first two days of the Soloway, which are a single stage). This is unlike the system in place this past summer in Chicago, when the entire event could be purchased at once. Any member of a pair or team can purchase subsequent days; it need not be the same one who purchased the first day.

Note that it is possible to pre-purchase entries for conflicting events with qualifying stages. If you fail to qualify for the first event, your entry to the second event is ready. But if you do qualify for the first event, it

is necessary to go back into Entry Express and cancel your entry for the second event before midnight.

Stages of team events that are on screens will not be available for purchase through Entry Express for the Atlanta NABC. See the director on site to purchase.

Entry Express accepts only one payment per event for the entire pair or team. You will be asked to pay for you, your partner and/or your team at the time of registration, and you will all receive confirmation emails once your purchase is complete.

For more information, see [acbl.org/eefaq](http://acbl.org/eefaq).

## New Sapphire Life Master

**Randal Gentillon** of Idaho Falls ID became a Sapphire Life Master playing in the 0–10,000 Swiss Teams with Ray Fink of Jackson WY, Renae White and Tim White of Mercer Island WA. The team came in fourth, winning 26.32 gold points, far more than the 3.53 Gentillon needed.



## Wanted: Vugraph Operators

As usual, the ACBL is broadcasting various sessions of NABC team events on BBO. We are looking for people to take on the fun and challenge of being a vugraph operator.

A few operators are still needed for the Reisinger Board-A-Match Teams final, Sunday, Dec. 3.

Remuneration is \$100 per session.

For more information, contact Ross Driedger by email at [ross@earz.ca](mailto:ross@earz.ca) or by text at 226–239–2860.

## Purchase options

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

Advance entries are now available through the ACBL's online Entry Express system.

To use Entry Express from your own device, go to [members.acbl.org/tournaments/2312001/detail](http://members.acbl.org/tournaments/2312001/detail) or scan the QR code above. This may be done until midnight the day before the event begins.

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

When screen fees apply, they will be charged outside of Entry Express. Entries for NABC events are no longer available on Bridge Winners.

Buying early is especially recommended for NABC+ pairs events. All entries must be purchased at least 15 minutes before game time. Pairs who expect to be seeded should buy at least 30 minutes in advance.



## Soloway

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**Runners-up in the Soloway Knockout Teams (from left): Andrea Manno, Nicolas L'Ecuyer, Ron Pachtmann, Massimiliano Di Franco, Piotr Pawel Zatorski and team captain Paul Street**

The Zimmermann squad defeated Street in the Soloway Knockout Teams 108–83.

The week-long contest culminated in a tight showdown through the first three quarters.

At the half, Zimmermann was ahead by 18 IMPs. Street cut the lead to 12 and then, after seven flat boards, picked up 11 IMPs on a game swing to cut the lead to 2 IMPs. The next two boards, however, put 31 IMPs on the Zimmermann side and the score after three quarters was 80–53.

Street won the fourth quarter but only by 2 IMPs.

Last year, the Zimmermann team won the Spingold and the Riesinger and was second in this event.

## Patron Lounge

The ACBL invites all Patron Members to visit the Patron Lounge in the Pulse Loft from 1 to 3 p.m. through Friday, Dec. 1.

Lunch and coffee are provided.

You must have become a Patron Member prior to Nov. 1 to take advantage of Patron Lounge benefits. This ensures the proper amount of food is ordered.

## Friday, Dec. 1

Veggie Brunswick stew



## Honorary Member

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of my best friends in the whole world, JoAnn,” said Glasson. “I won my first national championship with JoAnn, my first world medal with JoAnn. They celebrated their wedding at my home. Danny started my son in business. He’s been a dear family friend forever. They were a significant couple, and one of the best bridge relationships.”

In 2010, when the world championships in St. Petersburg fell through, Sprung got the idea to bring the tournament to Philadelphia. “I take credit for the idea, but I give all the credit for the hard work to JoAnn because she was the one on the phone with the city, with the Marriott, with anyone you can imagine.” Even with all that work, JoAnn won the Mixed Teams that year.

The Sprungs won the Rockwell Mixed Pairs in 1991 and came in second in the NABC+ Mixed Swiss Teams in 2019, playing with Anne Brenner and Dave Caprera – the last national event Danny and JoAnn played together.

When JoAnn died in May of 2022, the bridge world mourned. Sprung admits that, without JoAnn, “nationals are not the same from what I’m used to them being. It’s something we did together since 1990. I’m not sure where my future of bridge lies. I still have the game’s best interest at heart.”

During that difficult time, Sprung’s close friend and former business

partner, Brian Platnick, was working on developing the anti-cheating program EDGAR. “We were on the phone for hours and hours talking about EDGAR,” remembered Sprung. “‘What footprints would a cheating pair leave?’ ‘What would they get right or wrong?’ He would bounce ideas. It was of great interest to me, too. I’m glad to see it’s going forward. I hope the ACBL can make the game more secure for people online to feel like they’re getting a fair shake.”

Glasson summed it up: “As a contributor to our game, Danny is a star,” she said. “Anything you needed Danny to do, he would do. He is a model of ethics and deportment.”

### That new card, though

There have been many controversies in the bridge world. The new convention card, unveiled in March of 2022, was certainly one of them. While it’s often said bridge players are resistant to change, this particular change was especially polarizing.

“When we changed the Alert procedure, we had to change the card because the colors were wrong,” explained Sprung. “There were things we wanted to do to make the card better as far as more disclosure on defensive carding and such. That was probably the biggest other change.”

Recently, the committee announced a compromise – both cards will stay in rotation for the foreseeable future – an indication of Sprung’s ability to listen and be flexible.

Sprung is stepping down as chair and will be replaced by Jeff Ford of Redmond WA, who has served on the committee since 2014. “Danny has done a great job during his tenure as chair of the Competitions and Conventions Committee,” said Ford. “We have moved forward on modernizing the game, with fewer restrictions on methods at the top level, and with a new Alert procedure that more closely matches what is and is not expected. He has also helped us move to clearer definitions and rules so that it is easier for players to know exactly what is allowed and for directors to be consistent in similar situations.”

Ford said that Sprung does a great job of channeling the group’s ideas into productive discussions at the meetings. “People are given every opportunity to convey their point of view, but he prevents people from continuing to rehash the same points. It makes us more effective as a committee. His leadership will be missed.”

Although Sprung has stepped down as chair, he isn’t going anywhere. “I’ve always wanted to try to help the game get better and see the game progress and evolve and do what I could to give back in all the ways that I could,” said Sprung. “My hope is to remain on the committee as long as they’ll have me.”

## Book seller

The book seller at the Atlanta NABC is located on the Marquis Level near the concession stand.



## We Share the Air

**Please keep it healthy and fragrance-free**

The chemicals used in scented products can make some people sick, especially those with fragrance sensitivities, asthma, allergies and other respiratory ailments.

**Be Sensitive to Others**

### Please

DO NOT wear perfume, cologne, lotion, aftershave and other fragrances.

USE unscented personal care products.



## Mini-Blue Ribbon Pairs

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**Runners-up in the 0-6000 Mini-Blue Ribbon Pairs: Jerry Barrett and Wiley McMinn III**

The winners of the 0-6000 Mini-Blue Ribbon Pairs are Ronald Carriere of St.-Hippolyte QC and Michel Lorber of Baie-D'urfe QC. The three-day pair event is limited to those with less than 6000 masterpoints.

Carriere and Lorber qualified for

the final in third place. Their first final session score of 61.26% boosted them into first, and they held on comfortably with a 57.69%. Their combined score was 446.17, about 40 matchpoints ahead of second place (12 top).

The second-place pair, Jerry Barrett and Wiley McMinn III, both of Austin TX, qualified in second place but fell to ninth place after a below-average first final session. Their last session score of 59.76% was good enough to get them back to second – barely. Their combined score of 406.61 was just a whisper above third-place Martha Meyer and Mark Meyer, both of Winston Salem NC who had 405.90.

The winning pair are longtime friends. “We played a lot in our younger days,” said Carriere. “We have busy family lives but always loved the game.” They stopped by the Atlanta NABC because they are “sort of retired and on their way to Florida” for some warmer weather.

Kelley and Mark Hanson, all of the Atlanta area.

## Blue Ribbon Pairs

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**Second in the Kaplan Blue Ribbon Pairs: Tom Townsend and Ben Hadley-Pritchard.**

Italy's Aldo Gerli and Andrea Boldrini are the winners of the three-day Kaplan Blue Ribbon Pairs. The duo, who led the contest after Thursday's semifinal round, maintained control in the two-session final, posting 58.64% in the morning session and 53.23% in the afternoon to win the contest by a half board over runners-up Tom Townsend and Ben Hadley-Pritchard of the UK.

This is the first NABC title for Boldrini, but the second for Gerli: He won the Wernher Open Pairs this year at the Summer NABC in Chicago.

Both Gerli and Boldrini have won various Italian and European championship titles.

In third place were Liam Milne and James Coutts of Australia.

## New Life Master

**Carolyn Bliven**

of St. Simons Island GA earned her gold card this week in Atlanta. The new Life Master earned more than the 15 gold points she needed to advance in the Bracketed Round Robin Teams on Monday and Tuesday.

Bliven is playing with partner William Layng of Smyrna GA. Her rotating cast of teammates have been Lynn Ricketts, Joanna Quillen, Becky



## New Ruby Life Master

**Brian Castle**

of San Diego CA topped the 1500-masterpoint milestone at the Atlanta NABC.

Castle, who need almost 40 masterpoints to become a Ruby LM, has so far amassed more than 55. Castle is playing with Patrick Staley, also of San Diego.



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## All in a day's work

**By George Jacobs**

In the second semifinal session of the Kaplan Blue Ribbon Pairs, Jay Barron went to work on the opponents. On board 26, holding:

♠A Q 4 ♥K Q 8 6 4 3 ♦A 5 ♣A 7,

Jay opened 2NT!

Holding:

♠K 7 5 ♥J 9 7 2 ♦7 6 4 ♣K J 4

and no ruffing values, I saw no reason to look for a major-suit fit and raised to 3NT. A diamond lead would have spelled disaster, but the poor opponents led a club. When the jack held at trick one, Jay claimed 12 tricks, good for a 91% board, helping us qualify for the final.

The full deal:

Dlr: East	♠ A Q 4	
Vul: Both	♥ K Q 8 6 4 3	
Bd. 26	♦ A 5	
	♣ A 7	
♠ J 10 9 3		♠ 8 6 2
♥ 10 5		♥ A
♦ Q J 9 8 3		♦ K 10 2
♣ 10 3		♣ Q 9 8 6 5 2
	♠ K 7 5	
	♥ J 9 7 2	
	♦ 7 6 4	
	♣ K J 4	

West	North	East	South
	<i>Barron</i>		<i>Jacobs</i>
Pass	2NT	Pass	Pass
All Pass		Pass	3NT

## Eligibility points

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## Where are the diamonds?

Shawn Quinn of Sugar Land TX won the Whitehead Women's Pairs on Wednesday playing with Nancy Passell of Plano TX. The two have been partners and friends for many years but only began playing together again recently. "Nancy is such a good, solid player," said Quinn. "She is a pleasure to play with."

Quinn has not been actively playing tournament bridge – she and her husband, Joe, have a 13-year-old daughter – so for her, coming to the Atlanta NABC was an opportunity to see old friends as much as it was to play competitively.

Even though she said she felt "a little rusty," here's a deal from the final session where Quinn was able to use her experience at the table.

Dlr: South	♠ K 10 3	
Vul: N-S	♥ Q 9 6 5	
Bd. 15	♦ A 9 6	
	♣ K 10 3	
♠ Q 6 5		♠ 8 2
♥ 7		♥ K J 10 8 3
♦ Q J 10 7 5		♦ K 8 4 3 2
♣ A 7 6 5		♣ 8
	♠ A J 9 7 4	
	♥ A 4 2	
	♦ —	
	♣ Q J 9 4 2	

West	North	East	South
	<i>Passell</i>		<i>Quinn</i>
Pass	3♣ <sup>(1)</sup>	3♥	1♠
All Pass			4♠

(1) Three-card limit raise

A note on the bidding, this raise structure –3♣ to show a three-card limit raise and 3♦ to show a four-card limit raise – was something Passell wanted to play that was new for Quinn. "It has some preemptive advantages and it's not too difficult to remember," said Quinn.

Quinn, declaring 4♠ in the South, stopped to analyze the distribution. "Where's the diamond suit?" she thought. "My left-hand opponent, white against red, took no action. So, I deduced that there were not seven diamonds on my left. I assigned diamonds to be 6-4 or 5-5. That gives my RHO nine or 10 red cards – not a lot of room for black cards." Fearing a club ruff, Quinn thought it best to attack spades, being mindful of the potential of getting tapped with diamond ruffs if they split poorly. She ran the ♠J at trick two. When that held, she continued with a spade to the 10 and, when they split 3-2, pulled the last trump, cashed the ♦A, pitching a heart, and drove out the ♣A to come to 11 tricks for an 88% board.

Her advice: "Make good, solid plays, take your tricks and keep your basket open for the opponents' gifts."

**KAPLAN BLUE RIBBON PAIRS**

32.0 Tables / Based on 134 Tables

190.00	1	Andrea Boldrini, Roma Italy; Aldo Gerli, Padova Italy	968.54
142.50	2	Ben Handley-Pritchard, Stroud United Kingdom; Tom Townsend, London England	955.72
106.88	3	Liam Milne – James Coutts, Sydney Australia	940.40
87.69	4	Erik Berg, Meldal Sor-Tron Norway; Peter Crouch, Surrey England	919.74
81.43	5	Stefano Tommasini, Santa Catarina Brazil; Ben Norton, Loughborough United Kingdom	918.27
76.00	6	Yanong Han, Milpitas CA; Wanfeng Mou, Sugar Land TX	917.12
71.25	7	Kent Mignocchi, Bronx NY; Joel Wooldridge, Jackson Heights NY	916.07
67.06	8	Jeff Roman, Bend OR; Ralph Buchalter, South Orange NJ	901.59
63.33	9	Richard Zeckhauser, Hobe Sound FL; Geir Helgemo, Heimdal Norway	900.83
60.00	10	David Yang, Darien IL; Alex Perlin, Metuchen NJ	900.35
57.00	11	Eldad Ginossar, Sanibel FL; Asaf Yekutieli, Tel Aviv Israel	893.49
54.29	12	Brian Zhang, Dublin CA; Yinghao Liu, Hoboken NJ	892.30
51.82	13	Jeff Meckstroth, Clearwater Beach FL; David Berkowitz, Boca Raton FL	889.48
49.57	14	Kaustubh Bendre, Pune India; P. Sridhar, Chennai India	888.35
47.50	15	Sanna Clementsson, Stockholm Sweden; Kathrine Bertheau, Taby Sweden	886.86
45.60	16	Ayako Miyakuni – Kenji Miyakuni, Tokyo Japan	879.63
43.85	17	Xiaojing Deng, Richmond BC; Difan Wang, Unionville ON	877.35
42.22	18	Robert Fendrick, Marietta GA; Richard Potter, Black Mountain NC	876.22
40.71	19	Rafal Jagniewski, Legionowo Poland; Wojciech Gawel, Wroclaw Poland	873.05
39.31	20	Ola Rimstedt, Sweden; Alon Birman, Tel Aviv Israel	870.20
38.00	21	Viktor Aronov, Sofia Bulgaria; Ahu Zobu, Tarabya Istanbul Turkey	862.41
36.77	22	William Pollack, Boca Raton FL; Sam Lev, New York NY	860.31
35.63	23	Mikael Rimstedt, Halmstad Sweden; Dror Padon, Tel Aviv Israel	859.06
34.55	24	Cynthia Huang, Las Vegas NV; Brian Platnick, Evanston IL	857.31
33.53	25	Lionel Sebbane, Clichy France; Paul Segueineau, New York NY	856.52
32.57	26	John Hurd, New York NY; Kevin Bathurst, Palm Bch Gdns FL	856.11
31.67	27	Christian Bakke, Bergen Norway; Chris Willenken, New York NY	855.54
30.81	28	Jerome Rombaut, France; Leo Rombaut, Lys Lez Lannoy France	850.37
30.00	29	Alexander Allfrey, Dorset England; Andrew Robson, Wiltshire United Kingdom	850.16
29.23	30	Shan Huang, Jacksonville FL; Harrison Luba, Lynnfield MA	849.08
28.50	31	Richard Plackett, Oxted United Kingdom; Tor Eivind Grude, Trondheim Norway	842.14
27.80	32	Pierre Bedouet, Corna France; Esteban Vallet, Rixheim France	838.91
27.14	33	Mark Dahl, Richmond VA; William Neumann, Columbia MD	838.73
26.51	34	Jing Liu, Forest Hills NY; Hong Ding, New York NY	836.60
25.91	35	Claudia Feagin – Jack Feagin Jr., Atlanta GA	831.14
25.33	36	Weizhong Bao, Herndon VA; Hailong Ao, Ashburn VA	828.24
24.78	37	Richard Popper, Wilmington DE; Daniel Boye, East Syracuse NY	826.87
24.26	38	Jan Jansma, New York NY; Joshua Donn, Las Vegas NV	825.24
23.75	39	Adam Kaplan, New York NY; David Grainger, Etobicoke ON	820.02
23.27	40	Glenn Robbins, New York NY; Jiang Gu, Mountain Lakes NJ	818.16
22.80	41	Tom Carmichael, Marysville WA; Arthur Gong, Sammamish WA	817.83
22.35	42	Lapt Chan, Forest Hills NY; Elizabeth Reich, New York NY	812.57
21.92	43	Glyn Liggins, London United Kingdom; Andrew Dyson, New York NY	811.16
21.51	44	Maggie Knottenbelt – Zia Mahmood, London United Kingdom	808.47
21.11	45	Haig Tchamitch, Paradise Valley AZ; Billy Cohen, Sherman Oaks CA	806.28
20.73	46	Vincent Demuy, Palm Beach Gardens FL; John Kranyak, San Francisco CA	802.87
20.36	47	Jonathan Steinberg, Toronto ON; Alex Hudson, Morrisville NC	785.66
20.00	48	Jay Barron, Norman OK; George Jacobs, Hinsdale IL	784.84
19.66	49	Leo Bell, Carlsbad CA; Rick Roeder, La Mesa CA	779.49
19.32	50	Josh Sher, Dublin OH; Alexander Kolesnik, Los Angeles CA	772.45
19.00	51	Eric Rodwell, Clearwater FL; Douglas Simson, Columbus OH	765.92
18.69	52	Dwight Meredith, Greensboro NC; George Woltman, Blowing Rock NC	765.33
18.39	53	Aaron Silverstein, Ridgefield CT; Andrew Rosenthal, New York NY	759.39
18.10	54	Jerry Helms, Charlotte NC; Mark Yaeger, Hollywood FL	753.23
17.81	55	Gary Macgregor, Portola Valley CA; Mike Cailean, Santa Clara CA	747.99



17.54	56	Kevin Dwyer, Jacksonville FL; Tod Moses, St. Louis MO	741.73
17.27	57	Eugene Saxe, Briarcliff NY; Brady Richter, Summit NJ	739.64
17.01	58	Joan Lewis – Robert Hopkins Jr., Arlington VA	724.48
16.76	59	James Fox, Virginia Beach VA; Maximo Crusizio, Fort Lauderdale FL	713.92
16.52	60	Robert McCaw, Jasper GA; Mark Aquino, Jamaica Plain MA	698.54
16.29	61	Marusa Gold, Leeds United Kingdom; Signe Buus Thomsen, Valby Denmark	688.87
16.45	62	Luc Tijssen, Tilburg Netherlands; Steven Ashe, Tampa FL	679.49
15.83	63	John Carruthers, Kingsville ON; Robert Lebi, Toronto ON	664.10
15.62	64	John Hassett, Johns Creek GA; Charles Davis, Duluth GA	627.38



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## Weinstein Wins Beta Season of IntoBridge's Ranked Games

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Ranked Games, the unique bridge mode offered on IntoBridge.com, has concluded its Beta season with Steve Weinstein, a multiple world champion, claiming the top spot!

The Beta season began Aug. 13 and ran for approximately three months. Over 3000 players participated, collectively playing 2.5 million hands!

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Here are the top 10 scorers from the Beta season, each player putting up a fierce fight, often competing against each other:

1. Steve Weinstein, USA  
(username: CatchGav)
2. Gavin Wolpert, USA (Gavin)
3. Adam Kaplan, USA (mtvesuvius)
4. Sebastian Atisen, UK (SebastianA)
5. Ove Hjeltvik, Norway (nullve)
6. Sriram Narasimhan, USA (sri)
7. Finn Kolesnik, USA (CatchSteve)
8. Artur Wasiak, Poland (ArturW)
9. Kamel Fergani, Canada  
(username: Rakham)
10. Victor Aronov, Bulgaria (ryangiggs)

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**0-6000 BLUE RIBBON PAIRS**

14.0 Tables / Based on 45 Tables

75.00	1	Ronald Carriere, St.-Hippolyte QC; Michel Lorber, Baie-D'urfe QC	446.17
56.25	2	Jerry Barrett – Wiley McMinn III, Austin TX	406.61
42.19	3	Martha Meyer – Mark Meyer, Winston-Salem NC	405.90
34.62	4	Nicolas Hammond, Alpharetta GA; Edward Foran, Acworth GA	403.84
32.14	5	Daniel Neill, Hillsboro OR; Paul Heller, Marietta GA	403.65
30.00	6	Andre Asbury, Brookhaven GA; Gabriel Fadel, Alpharetta GA	394.11
28.13	7	R. Muggia – Venky Venkataramani, Andover MA	393.38
26.47	8	Peter Martin, Kennesaw GA; Mason Barge, Atlanta GA	381.18
25.00	9	Michael Krevor, Port Washington NY; Charles Bilich, Hewlett NY	379.00
23.68	10	Shazia Makhdumi, San Francisco CA; Daniel Kroll, Berkeley CA	375.63
22.50	11	Rick Jasper – Kathy Jasper, San Jose CA	371.10
27.66	12	Somers Collins, Little Rock AR; Bo Liu, Irvine CA	368.68
20.45	13	Paul Chan – Lily Chan, Columbia MO	362.46
21.80	14	Martin Friedman – Richard Pepper, Greensboro NC	358.51
18.75	15	Ethan Wood, Dover MA; Jane McLaughlin, San Francisco CA	352.15
18.00	16	Erik Hansson, Helsinki Finland; Anne Hollingsworth, Walnut Creek CA	350.31
17.31	17	Jack Alhale – Rozi Alhale, New York NY	350.22
16.67	18	Barbara Rhoades, Wilmington DE; Roy Perry, St John's NL	348.05
16.07	19	Anne Taylor, Rehoboth Beach DE; Paul Amer, Newark DE	345.01
15.52	20	Clifford Wilson Jr., Princeton NJ; Steven Gewirtzman, Ambler PA	345.00
15.00	21	Franklin Fine – Carol Crawford, Albuquerque NM	343.12
16.75	22	Matthew Gordon, Huntington NY; Tim Archdeacon, Key Biscayne FL	339.44
14.06	23	Richard Lowens – Elaine Lowens, Durham NC	332.91
13.64	24	Stephen Zenk, St. Louis MO; Hong Liu, Frontenac MO	331.58
13.24	25	David Braverman, Overland Park KS; Alan Hierseman, Olathe KS	328.69
12.86	26	Glenn Reider, Louisville TN; Brad Vander Zanden, Knoxville TN	324.37
12.50	27	Winston Legge Jr. – Jennie Legge, Pensacola FL	320.98
12.16	28	Joseph Sackett – Jill Sackett, Winchendon MA	277.50

**QUALIFIERS IN THE SENIOR MIXED PAIRS**

39.0 Tables

Carryover

1	Sally Wheeler – Buddy Hanby, The Woodlands TX	132.43
2	Jerry Clerkin, Bloomington IN; Julia Bomalaski, Melbourne FL	112.10
3	Will Ehlers, Boynton Beach FL; Bella Ionis-Sorren, Fort Lauderdale FL	109.04
4	Mark Itabashi, Newport Beach CA; Laura Brill, White Plains NY	91.93
5	Michael Heymann, Fort Worth TX; Pamela Nisbet, Dunedin New Zealand	89.74
6	Bonnie Gellas – Erez Hendelman, New York NY	87.86
7	Richard Oshlag, White Plains NY; Lynne Feldman, San Diego CA	83.52
8	Sheila Gabay, Newton MA; Alan Watson, Lexington MA	81.15
9	David Rogers, Clearwater FL; Sharon Horton, Lakeland FL	80.70
10	Fred King, McLean VA; Patricia Dovell, Gainesville FL	79.03
11	Marjorie O'Malley – Charles O'Malley III, San Diego CA	77.94
12	Melih Ozdil, New York NY; Sharon Goldman, Miami FL	76.27
13	James Parker – Darcy Parker, Hendersonville NC	68.42
14	Jim Johnsen, San Diego CA; Margaret Peterson, Larkspur CA	66.66
15	Ernest Triplett, Miami Beach FL; Carol Clifford, Miami FL	63.56
16	Sally Meckstroth, Clearwater Beach FL; Michael Wolf, Fort Lauderdale FL	62.29
17	Joyce Goldstein, Brooklyn NY; Stuart Goodgold, San Jose CA	61.87
18	Jan Assini – Frank Cymerman, Pittsburgh PA	61.66
19	Brenda Bryant, Ferndale MI; Michael Curley, Rockford MI	61.31
20	Toni Bales, Pickerington OH; Richard Chan, Markham ON	60.22
21	Clara Hetz, Ramath Gan Israel; Nathan Hetz, Ramath-Gah Israel	59.85
22	Molly O'Neill, Fort Lauderdale FL; Dennis Clerkin, Bloomington IN	59.64
23	Les Bart – Gloria Bart, Sarasota FL	59.19
24	Joan Jackson – Norman Beck, Dallas TX	55.18
25	Wayne Burt, Pembroke NH; Marina Polestra, Boston MA	54.92
26	Neil Silverman, Fort Lauderdale FL; Linda Epstein, Delray Beach FL	54.50

27	Jian Wang, Myrtle Beach SC; Hanna Zhuang, Alhambra CA	54.41
28	Bernard Fudor, Pittsburgh PA; Myriam Milgrom, Vero Beach FL	53.09
29	Elizabeth Wachowicz – Zenon Wachowicz, Clearwater FL	49.66
30	Michael Prahin – Elena Prahin, Irvington NY	47.76
31	Douglas Doub, Oak Ridge TN; Linda Lewis, Sioux Falls SD	45.45
32	David Caprera – Anne Brenner, Denver CO	43.68
33	Mary Ose, Incline Village NV; Harold George, Wichita KS	43.54
34	Alan Schwartz – Annie Schwartz, Fairfax VA	41.82
35	Linda Bush Lundy, Peachtree City GA; Paul Wright Jr., Mount Pleasant SC	41.43
36	David Birnbaum, Pegram TN; Linda Murdock, Nashville TN	38.09
37	Bob Glasson – Joann Glasson, Pennington NJ	37.62
38	John Dickenson, North Wales PA; Susan Morse, Flourtown PA	36.44
39	Ellen Hessel – Ira Hessel, San Antonio TX	36.42
40	Nancy Kornegay – Stephen Kornegay, North Richland Hills TX	35.14
41	Jane Dillenberg – Jerry Goldberg, New York NY	34.23
42	Sandrea Friedman, Flushing NY; Michael Rosen, New York NY	33.91
43	Emily Harrell, Birmingham AL; Kevin Dybvig, Alabaster AL	33.77
44	Gen Geiger – Terry McHenry, Sarasota FL	32.77
45	Charles Miner, Orlando FL; Janice Seamon-Molson, Hollywood FL	31.79
46	Jan Soules – Gary Soules, Elk Grove CA	29.39
47/48	Jeff Schuett, Riverwoods IL; Marie Smerjac, Castle Rock CO	27.45
47/48	Candace Fowler, Vero Beach FL; Steven Jackson, Fort Wayne IN	27.45
49	Pam Wittes, Venice CA; Robert Perlsweig, Pacific Palisades CA	27.38
50	Frances Schneider, Riverside CT; H. Jay Sloofman, Tarrytown NY	26.82
51	Michelle Golden – Gerald Ungar, Sarasota FL	26.54
52	Patrick Williams, Greenbrier TN; Karen Kendrick, Nashville TN	26.48
53	Martin Johnson Jr., Folly Beach SC; Terry Jones, Falls Church VA	25.85
54	Linda Robinson, Arlington MA; Jan Popiel, Lexington MA	22.16
55	Ronald Kral, Reston VA; Lucy McCoy, Annandale VA	20.78
56	Chuck Greenslit, Framingham MA; Natalie Bassil, Boston MA	19.60
57	Bruce Southard – Deborah Monroe, Greensboro NC	18.72
58	Dennis Glazer, Bronxville NY; Gail Cannold, Rye NY	18.18
59	Joe Rickman, Maryville TN; Barbara Heller, Knoxville TN	18.12
60	Michael Dalton, Palm Coast FL; Lynn Leisy, Amelia Island FL	16.77
61	Dolores Aquino, Houston TX; Bill Cook Jr., Madison MS	14.85
62	Melanie Schaengold – Neil Selvin, Naples FL	14.42
63	Victoria Gregory, Pittsburg KS; Russell Samuel, Coram NY	13.56
64/65	Diana Schuld, Glen Head NY; Bill Dinner, Sands Pointe NY	13.44
64/65	Margot Hennings, Annandale VA; Bob Heller, Knoxville TN	13.44
66	Gary Kessler, Springfield IL; Harriette Buckman, Sarasota FL	11.15
67	Sondra Schubiner – Joseph Machotka, Boca Raton FL	10.22
68	Scott Nason, Dallas TX; Tomi Storey, Frisco TX	8.44
69	Harold Bickham, Carmel IN; Gloria Christler, Atlanta GA	7.73
70	Martha Lucas Kaplan, Monroe LA; Dan Mathieson, Regina SK	6.97
71	Gary Schwartz, Huntsville AL; Faye Marino, Greenwich CT	6.18
72	Gary Hillenbrand, Lehigh PA; Lillian Range, New Orleans LA	6.04
73	Lily Andre – James Andre, Allyn WA	5.73
74	Douglas Dye, Wyndmoor PA; Patricia Civala, Chesterfield NJ	5.59
75	Carol Frank, San Diego CA; John Howard, La Mesa CA	4.37
76	Marjorie Michelin, Laguna Woods CA; Jim Darvey, Rancho Mirage CA	3.48
77	Kerry Smith, Milwaukee WI; Nancy Frank, Glencoe IL	1.67
78	Max Rutherford, Mississauga ON; Jane Jennings, St. Catharines ON	0.00



**QUALIFIERS IN THE NABC 0-10,000 FAST PAIRS**

18.0 Tables / Based on 27 Tables

Carryover

1	Baskaran Sankaran, Alpharetta GA; Varghese George, Milton GA	68.00
2	Oleg Rubinchik, Brooklyn NY; George Krizel, Hollywood FL	65.45
3	Sofie Sjodal, Oslo Norway; Arti Bhargava, Mill Valley CA	57.72
4	Todd Wachsman – Janis Wachsman, Delray Beach FL	44.44
5	Rob Gordon – Dori Cohen, Woodbury NY	41.14
6	Christine Denny, Encinitas CA; Thomas Rush, Houston TX	39.77
7	John Krah, Seattle WA; Arjun Dhir, Johns Creek GA	39.25
8	Samuel Phillips, Largo FL; Tom Breur, Belmont MA	32.43
9	Craig Allen, Glen Ellyn IL; Stephen Donahue, Riverwoods IL	29.69
10	Danning Lu, Goleta CA; Lucy He, Ottawa ON	29.55
11	Michael Hartnett, Bloomington IN; Mark Peterson, Larkspur CA	28.63
12	Martin Nathan – William Rittenberg, Atlanta GA	28.59
13	Joseph Byrnes, Long Beach NY; Dina Schechter, Glen Cove NY	27.61
14	Peter Stein, Hillsborough NJ; Himanshu Joshi, Chester NJ	25.74
15	Howard Engle, Highland Park IL; Mark Friedlander, Deerfield IL	25.66
16	Lynne Newman – Randall Dougherty, San Diego CA	25.06
17	Douglas Dolbear – Keith Heckley, Hamilton ON	25.03
18	Gila Guttman – Gail Bell, Boca Raton FL	24.80
19	Hua Yang – Yan Song, Plano TX	24.00
20	Cheryl Schneider, Columbus OH; Terry James, Upper Arlington OH	20.82
21	Michael McGuire, Hot Springs Village AR; Russ Jones, Russellville AR	20.75
22	Weishu Wu – Alberto Feilhaber, Irvine CA	19.99
23	David Rodney, Ashburn VA; Rusty Krauss, Vienna VA	19.65
24	Judy Hansen, Eagan MN; Curt Kristensen, Duluth MN	18.83
25	Jay Segarra, Ocean Springs MS; Michael Moses, Gulfport MS	18.20
26	Gregory Klinker – Susan Miguel, Tiverton RI	14.01
27	Henri Farhi – Kit Humphrey, Chula Vista CA	13.30
28	Michael Christensen – Becky Stevens, Seattle WA	12.51
29	Michael Gladfelter – Mary Jane Gladfelter, Columbus OH	12.25
30	George Mansour, Scranton PA; Michael Zeller, Dallastown PA	11.85
31	Gail Schargel, New York NY; Lorraine Cable, Greenfield IN	6.86
32	Wenmin Chen, Richmond BC; Yimei Cao, North York ON	6.65
33	Hal Hindman, Centreville VA; Amy Brisson, Arlington VA	2.32
34	Catherine Harris, New York NY; Jocelyn Startz, San Francisco CA	1.06
35	Renee Getz, Cary NC; Glen Anderson, Raleigh NC	0.52
36	Rick Ramey – Sherry Allison, Columbus OH	0.00

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7 Street            168

2 (7) Street        122  
3 (19) Fleisher    106

6 (11) Amoils     100  
3 (19) Fleisher    114

2 Knottenbelt     124  
15 Bremark        151

2 Knottenbelt     99  
31 Rippey          90

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26 Venkatesh      116

6 (27) Juster      113  
11 Amoils          127

6 Bailey            114  
27 Juster           137

11 Amoils          148  
22 Dyson           116

14 (19) Fleisher   134  
3 Wademark        95

14 Nickell          86  
19 Fleisher         117

3 Wademark        214  
30 Rodrigues       99



92.00	1	Nancy Passell, Plano TX; Shawn Quinn, Sugar Land TX	891.84
69.00	2	Linda Marshall, Bethesda MD; Monique Smith, Arlington VA	849.50
51.75	3	Sofie Sjodal, Oslo Norway; Arti Bhargava, Mill Valley CA	835.13
40.89	4	Linda Lewis, Sioux Falls SD; Cecilia Dwyer Rimstedt, Jacksonville FL	832.48
36.80	5	Hjordis Eythorsdottir, Huntsville AL; Maureen McLaughlin, Princeton NJ	823.38
33.45	6	Ida Groenkvist, Bromma Sweden; Margie Cole, New York NY	811.29
30.67	7	Sylvia Shi, San Francisco CA; Susan Zhang, Los Altos Hills CA	789.17
28.31	8	Allison L. Cappelletti, Delray Beach FL; Paula Coleman, Oakville ON	776.74
26.29	9	Sheila Gabay, Newton MA; Linda Robinson, Arlington MA	756.93
24.53	10	Amy Casanova, Portland OR; Kamla Chawla, Longmeadow MA	751.11
23.00	11	Irene Baroni, Paris France; Gerrianne Mason, Crossville TN	746.02
21.65	12	Jung Hu, San Jose CA; Yimei Cao, North York ON	745.62
20.44	13	Migry Zur Campanile – Nancy Katz, New York NY	744.98
19.37	14	Faye Marino, Greenwich CT; Silvana Rojko, Maribor Slovenia	739.48
18.40	15	Fran Tewkesbury – Deborah Monroe, Greensboro NC	725.54
17.52	16	Jenny Wolpert, Palm Beach Gardens FL; Phyllis Fireman, Chestnut Hill MA	717.25
16.73	17	Shirley Berent, Aventura FL; Carol Clifford, Miami FL	704.45
16.00	18	Stella Rainey, Tuscaloosa AL; Barbara Heller, Knoxville TN	700.86
15.33	19	Amy Rhodes, New York NY; Chantal Dube, Montreal QC	697.33
14.72	20	Kristina Oliver, Birmingham AL; Carolyn Neyman, Hoover AL	694.18
14.15	21	Katarzyna Dufurat, Wroclaw Poland; Claire Alpert, Miami FL	691.05
13.63	22	Rhoda Prager, Boca Raton FL; Nancy Molesworth, White Plains NY	688.53

**THURSDAY TOP-FLIGHT PAIRS**

41.0 Tables / Based on 101 Tables

	A	X		
42.07	1		Richard Pavlicek, Fort Lauderdale FL; Walter Lee, Framingham MA	62.70%
31.55	2	1	Robert Bell, Gig Harbor WA; Ben Tucker, Vashon WA	57.83%
23.66	3		Yusuf Sohtorik, Istanbul Turkey; Can Berktaş, Katy TX	57.09%
17.75	4	2	James Geist, Olney MD; Paul Block, West Simsbury CT	56.61%
14.02	5		Paul Meerschaert, Long Lake MN; Pierre Flatowicz, Omaha NE	56.46%
12.02	6	3	James Scott, Wellington FL; Peter Sugerman, Glastonbury CT	56.44%
10.52	7	4	Pierre Fougereuse, Villard France; Jane Marland, Gy Switzerland	55.54%
9.35	8		Steve Garner, Chicago IL; Michael Whitman, San Francisco CA	55.29%
8.41	9		Michael Ranis, Aventura FL; Steven Huhman, Woodstock GA	55.24%
7.65	10	5	Paul Freen – David Parsons, New York NY	55.09%
7.01	11		David Ruderman, Burtonsville MD; Elisa Donohoe, Fulton MD	55.07%
6.47	12		Jan Van Cleeff, Maastricht Netherlands; Bob Drake, Wassenaar Netherlands	54.98%
6.01	13	6	Suyan Liu – Greg Leblanc, Charlotte NC	54.96%
5.61	14		Mark Bendure, Grosse Pointe MI; Robert Bitterman, Harbor Springs MI	54.95%
5.26	15		Kurt Dasher, Petersburg MI; Michael D. Alioto, Birmingham MI	54.59%
4.95	16		Curtis Cheek, Las Vegas NV; Seth Cohen, Brooklyn NY	54.39%
4.67	17	7	Steve Callaham, Alpharetta GA; Bob Fisk, Cincinnati OH	54.07%
4.43	18		Mark Lair, Canyon TX; Stephen Swatek, Platte City MO	53.92%
4.33	19		Xin Ge, Cupertino CA; Ming Sheng, Los Altos CA	53.78%
4.01	20		Ishmael Del'Monte, Baton Rouge LA; Robert Shore, Los Angeles CA	53.52%
4.06		8	Jason Ji, Kendall Park NJ; Don Chillrud, Schenectady NY	53.27%

**THURSDAY MID-FLIGHT PAIRS**

21.0 Tables / Based on 61 Tables

	B	C		
28.40	1		Raluca Dobrescu, Aventura FL; Brooke Cohen, New York NY	62.74%
21.30	2		Ash Gupta, New York NY; Santosh Gangwal, Cary NC	61.51%
15.98	3		Thomas Dale – Richard Lash, St. John's NL	60.29%
11.98	4		Paul Hattis, Newton MA; Howard Booth, Cornelius NC	59.52%
9.47	5		Ilene Grabel, Palm Desert CA; Irene Harlow, Atlanta GA	58.71%
8.11	6		Bruce Antman, Chattanooga TN; Matt Gellman, Crossville TN	56.93%
8.75	7	1	Denise DeAngelo, Atlanta GA; Colleen Di Iorio, Woodstock GA	55.97%
6.31	8		Helen Browdy – Virginia Saul, Atlanta GA	54.61%
5.68	9		Nicholas Frost, Swannanoa NC; Lee Wilcox, Black Mountain NC	54.38%
5.16	10		Evelyn Gilliard, Atlanta GA; Josie Mitchell, Decatur GA	54.00%
4.73	11		Lawrence Strominger, Tampa FL; Mark Langer, Racine WI	53.94%
6.56		2	Paul Jacobson – Karen Roll, Marietta GA	51.66%
4.92		3	Gail Holzer – Gil Holzer, Atlanta GA	51.60%
3.69		4	Yi Xiong, Lawrenceville GA; Terry Wu, Duluth GA	50.66%
2.92		5	Ellen Luchette, Limerick PA; Marc Topaz, Flourtown PA	49.51%



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**THURSDAY GOLD RUSH PAIRS**

30.0 Tables

A	B	C		
10.50	1	1	Nicole Swain, Burke VA; Judy Rockwell, Columbia SC	62.90%
7.88	2		Barbara Hitt – Jenny Hornby, Huntsville AL	59.92%
5.91	3		Gil Krawitz, Great Falls VA; Pete Goldsmith, Hillsborough CA	59.62%
4.99	4	2	1 M Prebula – Adam Wilkinson, Henderson NV	58.71%
3.50	5		Janet Meyer, Dallas TX; Jacqueline Brown, Frisco TX	57.61%
3.74	6	3	2 James Ray – James Rich, Nashville TN	57.19%
2.81	7	4	Terri Smith, Greenville SC; David Potts, Townville SC	56.19%
2.33	8		Richard Patterson, Atlanta GA; Walter Severin, Acworth GA	56.13%
2.10	9		Allyson Welsh, Monroe WA; Sam Goodman, Naples FL	55.58%
2.34	10	5	3 J. Puett, Blue Ridge GA; Bobbie Mace, Hayesville NC	55.35%
3.02	11	6	Marilyn Shultz, Marietta GA; Judy Moran, Atlanta GA	55.20%
1.75	12		Aubrey Fowler, Lagrange GA; Cathy Kratz, Pocatello ID	53.77%
1.75	13	7	Cathy Skowronski – Mark Skowronski, Marietta GA	53.19%
1.90	14	8	4 Patsy Stubbs – Reade White Spinner, Marietta GA	53.14%
1.31	15		Ann Munoz – Richard Munoz, Pocatello ID	52.97%
1.75		9	Judy Aube, Hiawassee GA; Susan Wall, Hayesville NC	52.40%
1.39		5	David Fritzsche, Kildeer IL; Kathy Myers, Arlington Heights IL	51.58%

**BETTY MALIN MEMORIAL WEDNESDAY EVENING SIDE PAIRS**

17.5 Tables

A	B	C		
6.07	1		Armand Grassi, Lynn Haven FL; Chris Panagopoulos, Santa Rosa Beach FL	67.23%
4.55	2		Dian Petrov, Buffalo NY; Rumen Dimitrov, East Greenwich RI	66.64%
3.41	3		Frederic Wrang, Stockholm Sweden; Goran Hammarstrom, Spanga Sweden	60.22%
2.56	4		Jan Soules – Gary Soules, Elk Grove CA	59.79%
1.92	5		Steve Brown – Caryl Brown, Highland Park IL	58.50%
4.33	6	1	James Mosley – Harry Potter, Falls Church VA	57.23%
1.11	7		Stefan Thorpe, Leiden Netherlands; Rajath Shourie, Pacific Palisades CA	56.82%
3.25		2	Kohur Gowrisankaran, Pointe-Claire QC; William Golush, Denville NJ	54.63%
2.80	3	1	Eric Johnson, Charlotte NC; Steven Hamburg, Troutman NC	52.08%
1.83	4		Sarah Caldwell, Chamblee GA; Peter Clay, Wellesley MA	51.64%
1.43	5		Candyce Clanton, Grovetown GA; Diane Alexander, Alexandria VA	50.88%
1.03	6		Stephen Pozez, Tucson AZ; Clyde Johnson, Duluth MN	50.82%
2.10		2	James Rich – James Ray, Nashville TN	49.08%
1.58		3	James Hinch, Athens AL; Carla Makowski, Huntsville AL	48.97%
1.18		4	Neha Shah, Marietta GA; Laura Spinks, Mill Spring NC	47.56%

**THURSDAY MORNING SIDE PAIRS**

6.0 Tables

A	B	C		
3.47	1		Peter Clark, Gatindau QC; Vicki Bell, Brookhaven GA	57.92%
2.60	2		Barbara Clark, West Orange NJ; Vijay Ahuja, Montclair NJ	57.08%
1.95	3		Nicholas Hartung, Astoria NY; Peter Merker, Mentor OH	56.67%
1.46	4		Joseph Shull, New Haven IN; Dimi Cooklev, Fort Wayne IN	55.42%

**THURSDAY MORNING 299ER PAIRS**

7.0 Tables

A	B	C		
2.55	1	1	Bill Harper – Victoria Bonnington, Sonoma CA	64.82%
1.91	2		Emily Craft, Huntsville AL; Joan Morehead, Owens Cross Roads AL	59.18%
1.60	3	2	1 Nathan Lipsett, Brookhaven GA; Bonnie Whitman, Atlanta GA	59.09%
1.91	4	3	Elizabeth Sands, Marble NC; Patricia Quinn, Blue Ridge GA	55.09%
1.20	5	4	2 Mary Wiley, Charlottesville VA; Cole Mills, Tryon NC	54.36%

**THURSDAY AFTERNOON SIDE PAIRS**

7.0 Tables

	A	B	C		
3.68	1			Carol Duffy, Chicago IL; Elizabeth Ambler, Atlanta GA	65.00%
2.76	2			Berend Van Den Bos, Den Haag Netherlands; Gillian Minter, New York NY	59.58%
2.07	3			Niall Igoe – Bjorn Tiller, Richmond United Kingdom	56.25%
1.55	4			Morten Bilde, Hovedgaard Denmark; Vinita Gupta, Woodside CA	55.42%
1.16	5			Jan Noll, Dunwoody GA; Anne Ballard, Atlanta GA	51.67%

**THURSDAY AFTERNOON 299ER PAIRS**

3.0 Tables

	A	B	C		
1.95	1	1		Elizabeth Sands, Marble NC; Patricia Quinn, Blue Ridge GA	68.13%
1.46	2	2		Maria Palumbo – John Clifford, Southampton NJ	54.38%

**WEDNESDAY-THURSDAY DAYLIGHT SIDE SERIES**

31.50 Tables / Based on 15 Tables

8.75	1/2		Grace Charron, Fall River MA	118.75%
8.75	1/2		Susan Miguel, Tiverton RI	118.75%
6.76	3/4		Bjorn Tiller, Richmond London	117.05%
6.76	3/4		Niall Igoe, Richmond	117.05%
3.10	5/6		Stefanie Scott, Carrollton TX	112.12%
3.10	5/6		Petra Hamman, Carrollton TX	112.12%
2.36	7/8		Steven Jackson, Fort Wayne IN	109.47%
2.36	7/8		Candace Fowler, Vero Beach FL	109.47%

**WEDNESDAY TOP-FLIGHT PAIRS – Revised**

57.0 Tables / Based on 114 Tables

	A	X		
43.65	1		Phil Clayton, Bentonville AR; Ira Hessel, San Antonio TX	64.42%
32.74	2		Stephen Goldstein, Anaheim CA; William Rogers, Santa Fe NM	63.37%
24.55	3		Joann Glasson – Bob Glasson, Pennington NJ	59.63%
18.41	4		Douglas Dolbear – Keith Heckley, Hamilton ON	59.31%
14.55	5	1	Michael Christensen – Becky Stevens, Seattle WA	58.42%
12.47	6		Bruce Rogoff, Boca Raton FL; Alexander Ornstein, New York NY	58.30%
10.91	7		Robert Bitterman, Harbor Springs MI; Mark Bendure, Grosse Pointe MI	57.81%
9.70	8	2	Ben Tucker, Vashon WA; Robert Bell, Gig Harbor WA	57.40%
8.73	9		Walter Schafer Jr., Long Beach CA; Nina Huang, Pasadena CA	56.77%
7.94	10		Jan Van Cleeff, Maastricht Netherlands; Bob Drake, Wassenaar Netherlands	56.36%
7.28	11		Sandra Rimstedt, Jupiter FL; Melanie Tucker, New York NY	55.44%
6.72	12		Daniel Korbel, Las Vegas NV; William Bailey, Mill Valley CA	55.27%
6.24	13		Li-Hsiang Kuo – Ho-Yee So, Taipei City Taiwan	55.20%
5.82	14		Linlin Hu, People's Republic of China; Ada Ding, Beijing China	55.05%
5.46	15		Lynne Feldman, San Diego CA; Richard Oshlag, White Plains NY	55.04%
5.54	16		Mark Itabashi, Newport Beach CA; Laura Brill, White Plains NY	54.65%
5.50	17	3	John Howard, La Mesa CA; Carol Frank, San Diego CA	54.54%
4.75	18	4	Evan Marti, Houston TX; Randy Pearson, Pittsburgh PA	54.49%
4.37	19		Iulian Rotaru – Jacqueline Chang, New York NY	54.36%
4.16	20		Mark Peterson, Larkspur CA; Greg Hinze, San Antonio TX	53.83%
3.97	21		Mark Lair, Canyon TX; Stephen Swatek, Platte City MO	53.67%
3.80	22	5	Ying Zhang, Longmont CO; Rick Clelland, Boulder CO	53.58%
3.64	23		Steven Huhman, Woodstock GA; Michael Ranis, Aventura FL	53.42%
3.69	24		Jeff Hand – Cynthia Colin, New York NY	53.33%
3.36	25		Irina Kislitsyna – Tina Tessaro, Miami FL	53.17%
3.23	26	6	Rory Xiao, Fremont CA; Michael Hu, San Jose CA	53.12%
3.12	27		Melissa Fawer – Mustafa Cem Tokay, New York NY	53.05%
3.69	28		Adam Grossack, Newton MA; Laurence Lebowitz, Boston MA	53.03%
2.91	29		Lee Ohliger – Joyce Menezes, Bradenton FL	52.80%
3.14		7	Jane Marland, Gy Switzerland; Pierre Fougereuse, Villard France	52.16%



**THURSDAY TOP-FLIGHT SWISS TEAMS**

59 Tables / Based on 162 Tables

	A	X	Y		
38.58	1			Lars Arthur Johansen, Trondheim Norway; Nils Kvangraven, Kristiansand Norway; Barnet Shenkin, Glasgow Scotland; Steve Levinson, Highland Beach FL	101.00
28.94	2			Adriano Rodrigues, Rio de Janeiro Brazil; Mauricio Figueiredo – Joao Paulo Campos, Sao Paulo Brazil; Marcos Toma, Sao Paulo Brazil	89.00
21.70	3			Samuel Gillis, London United Kingdom; Erik Saelensminde – Arild Rassmussen, Bergen Norway; Per Erik Austberg, Norway	88.00
16.28	4			Hemant Lall, Marina Del Rey CA; Reese Milner, Sarasota FL; Michal Kwiecien, Lublin Poland; Wlodzimierz Starkowski, Poznan Poland; Peter Fredin, Malmo Sweden; Alon Apteker, Johannesburg South Africa	85.00
12.95	5	1		Ben Kristensen, Duluth MN; Stella Wan, Palo Alto CA; Amber Lin – Kevin Rosenberg, Millbrae CA	84.00
11.02	6			Kelvin Ng, Singapore; Ho-Yee So – Li-Hsiang Kuo, Taipei City Taiwan; Ethan Liu, Fremont CA	83.00
9.65	7			Allen Kahn – Jeffrey Rothstein, New York NY; Richard Reitman, Los Gatos CA; Phil Clayton, Bentonville AR	82.00
8.57	8			Bronia Jenkins, Vero Beach FL; Gary Cohler, Delray Beach FL; Zachary Grossack, Newton MA; Jeffrey Ferro, St. Helena CA; Stefan Thorpe, Leiden Netherlands; Ron Smith, Astoria NY	81.00
7.72	9			Francisco Bernal, Miami FL; Franck Multon, Monaco; Marc Bompis, Bourg La Reine France; Miguel Villas-Boas, Salvador Brazil; Giorgio Duboin, Torino Italy; Leonardo Cima, Roma Italy	79.00
9.71	10	2		Jennifer Williams – Michelle Alterman – David Zeckets, Atlanta GA; Ernie Eayrs, Dunwoody GA	77.00
7.28	11	3		Daniel Weiss, New York NY; Kyle Rockoff, Gilbert AZ; Shireen Mohandes – Andy Bowles, London England	76.00
5.94	12			Michael Shuster, Collegeville PA; Morgan Johnstone, Atlanta GA; Ai-Tai Lo, Reston VA; Franco Baseggio, New York NY; Dan Jacob, Vancouver BC; Allan Graves, St. Johnsbury VT	75.00
5.33	13/14			Aly El-Selehdar, Minnetonka MN; Ahmed Yousry, West Palm Beach FL; Diane Gordy, Palm Beach FL; Jack Zhao, Boca Raton FL; Ivan Nanev Ivanov, Sofia Bulgaria	74.00
5.46	13/14	4		Joyce Neville, White Marsh VA; Thomas Musso, Charleston SC; Kathrine Loh, Walnut Creek CA; Tracy Brines, Smithfield VA	74.00
4.82	15			Lars Blakset, Skodsborg Denmark; Sabine Auken, Charlottenlund Denmark; Roy Welland, New York NY; Knut Blakset, Frederiksberg Denmark; Emil Jepsen, Aarhus Denmark; Simon Ekenberg, Kalmar Sweden	71.00
4.32		5		Carolyn Bitetti, Belmont MA; Juan Felipe Cuervo, Bogota Colombia; Todd Werby, Tiburon CA; Aaron Jones, Los Angeles CA	64.00
8.25		6	1	Richard Overholt – William Burks III, Sandy Springs GA; Rick Clelland, Boulder CO; Ying Zhang, Longmont CO	63.00
6.19			2	Yan Wang, Richmond Hill ON; Lisa Chen, Stouffville ON; Edward Xu – Peter Wong, North York ON	62.00
4.64			3	Zain Mahmood, London United Kingdom; Rory Xiao, Fremont CA; Kenneth Chan, Goleta CA; Michael Hu, San Jose CA	60.00
3.48			4	Farley Mawyer, Port Chester NY; Frank Morgan, Ocean City NJ; Steven Siegel, Mendham NJ; Larry Gordon, West Orange NJ	59.00
2.75			5	Hua Chen – Kyo Chen, Sugar Land TX; Andrew Chen – Steve Chen, Austin TX	57.00

**RON NIU MEMORIAL THURSDAY 0-4000 BRACKETED ROUND ROBIN TEAMS BKT 1**

7 Tables

14.19	1	Diane Landry – Jean Trudelle, Laval QC; Robert Guerard, Brossard QC; Chantal Dube, Montreal QC	92.00
10.64	2	Roderic Kerr, Palm City FL; Phillip Yorston, Abiquiu NM; Liliane Kirchhoff, La Mesa CA; Marion Tumen, Pacific Palisades CA	64.00
7.98	3	Beverly Pogoda Meyers – Joseph Meyers – Elleri Melnick, Hilton Head SC; Michael Melnick, Hilton Head Island SC	63.00

**RON NIU MEMORIAL THURSDAY 0-4000 BRACKETED ROUND ROBIN TEAMS BKT 2**

7 Tables

13.08	1	Richard Underwood – Joanne Schlang, Voorheesville NY; Rene Frayman – Susan Frayman, Auburn MA	81.00
9.81	2	Yves Decelles – Denise Leclerc – Luc Gagnon – Sylvie Levesque, Baie-Comeau QC	79.00
7.36	3	Malcolm Todd, Sandy Springs GA; Sara Tuohy, Hoschton GA; Mil Clyburn Jr., Cleveland GA; Lisa Decarlo, Gainesville GA	72.00

**RON NIU MEMORIAL THURSDAY 0-4000 BRACKETED ROUND ROBIN TEAMS BKT 3**

7 Tables

11.53	1	Kohur Gowrisankaran, Pointe-Claire QC; William Golush, Denville NJ; Jo Shah – Sam Shah, Irving TX	75.00
8.65	2	Rebecca Brown – Cynthia Rivet, Lakeway TX; Brian Mc Namara – Raymond Borrego, Austin TX	74.00
6.49	3	Don Lycette, Bend OR; Mary Rita de Hoyos – Barbara Morgan, New Braunfels TX; Fred Wardwell Jr., Wellesley MA	68.00

**RON NIU MEMORIAL THURSDAY 0-4000 BRACKETED ROUND ROBIN TEAMS BKT 4**

7 Tables

10.84	1	Karen Tabak Nussbaum, Houston TX; Kathleen McDougall, Richmond TX; Sarah Springer, Katy TX; Joe Brockington, Charleston SC	85.00
8.13	2	James Knirsch – Sue Knirsch, Chagrin Falls OH; Clyde Bruce Baldwin, Statesboro GA; Joan Blinn, Hollidaysburg PA	77.00
6.10	3	Sam Maloy, Alpharetta GA; Robert McFarland, Cumming GA; Douglas Roberts, Woodstock GA; J. Wesley Clements, Flowood MS	59.00

**RON NIU MEMORIAL THURSDAY 0-4000 BRACKETED ROUND ROBIN TEAMS BKT 5**

7 Tables

10.26	1	Matti Hietalahti, Belle Chasse LA; Nelson Daigle, Metairie LA; Rahul Chandra, St. John's NL; Dan Grabski, Portland OR	76.00
7.70	2	Jane Melby – Lynn Ricketts – Merrie Edelman, Atlanta GA; Clyde Johnson, Duluth MN	74.00
5.77	3	Richard Spangler – Myra Reneau – Margie Moses – Susan Crouch, Chattanooga TN	70.00

**RON NIU MEMORIAL THURSDAY 0-4000 BRACKETED ROUND ROBIN TEAMS BKT 6**

7 Tables

9.60	1	David Cancian, Lincoln MA; Richard Giles, Andover MA; Rob Russell, Middleton MA; Rob Jones, Acton MA	78.00
7.20	2	Kenneth Geisler – Arlene Geisler, Clarkston MI; Robert Nowikowski – Barbara Nowikowski, Bloomfield Hills MI	65.00
5.40	3	William Layng Jr., Smyrna GA; Carolyn Bliven, Saint Simons Is GA; Robert Dokson – James Knight, Atlanta GA	62.00



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**RON NIU MEMORIAL THURSDAY 0-4000 BRACKETED ROUND ROBIN TEAMS BKT 7**

7 Tables

8.97	1	Sarah Van Rens – Kimberly Exum, Wilmington NC; Sydney Cardone, Greensboro NC; Wendy Joyner, Raleigh NC	89.00
6.73	2	Richard Jacoby, Stamford CT; Jackie Scott, Norwalk CT; Michele Grindal, Minneapolis MN; Keith Thompson, St. Paul MN	83.00
5.05	3	Malcolm Millar – Rosalyn Millar, Summerside PE; Jeffrey Gourley, Evertt PA; Diana Beaver, Sidman PA	62.00

**RON NIU MEMORIAL THURSDAY 0-4000 BRACKETED ROUND ROBIN TEAMS BKT 8**

7 Tables

8.54	1	Bert Emma, Gainesville GA; Judith Lapolla, Cumming GA; David Dean, Watkinsville GA; Shawn Miller, Dacula GA	91.00
6.41	2	Sam Wardwell, Wellesley Hills MA; John Adonai, Hartsdale NY; Diana Lam, Boston MA; Yumiko Hough, Barnstable MA	64.00
4.80	3	Dennis Viner, Kapaa HI; Gary Sheerer, Los Altos CA; David Leaver, Los Altos Hills CA; Sherrie Barakatt, Modesto CA	61.00

**RON NIU MEMORIAL THURSDAY 0-4000 BRACKETED ROUND ROBIN TEAMS BKT 9**

7 Tables

7.74	1	Timothy Ellis – Mike Finnin, Edwards CO; Kaye Summers, Shawnee Mission KS; Mitchell Hayne, Eagle CO	82.00
5.81	2	Frank Moore, Roswell GA; Phyllis Ward – Ann Gronewald, Marietta GA; Barbara Frech, Kennesaw GA	81.00
4.35	3	Elizabeth Johnson, Georgetown KY; Ellen Hume, Lexington KY; Barbara Pomer – Judy Piper, Greensboro NC	69.00

**RON NIU MEMORIAL THURSDAY 0-4000 BRACKETED ROUND ROBIN TEAMS BKT 10**

8 Tables

6.93	1	Jichong Chai, Fairfax VA; R. Mani, Lanham MD; Lisa Eklund – Jim Dickson, Baltimore MD	84.00
5.20	2	Laura Spinks, Mill Spring NC; Lisa Shelton, Landrum SC; Jan Loring – Chuck Loring, Charlotte NC	67.00
3.90	3	Amy Fieldman, Henderson NV; Kevin Freund, Princeton NJ; Hope Campbell, Bel Air MD; Roger Reese, Johnstown PA	66.00

**RON NIU MEMORIAL THURSDAY 0-4000 BRACKETED ROUND ROBIN TEAMS BKT 11**

7 Tables

6.10	1	Janet Daniel – Nell McAnelly – Elaine Frisbie – Kathy Adamek, Baton Rouge LA	72.00
4.58	2	Karen Kupersmith, Warwick RI; Barry Gilbert, Lincoln RI; Maris Gordon – Lori Rothberg, Sands Pointe NY	70.00
3.43	3	Pamela Nuccio – Jay 'John' Nuccio, Hilton Head SC; Karen Kelly – Colin Kelly, Newport Coast CA	68.00

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*The winners of last year's North American Swiss Teams were Nikolaos Delimpaltadakis, Kiki Ward-Platt, captain Franck Multon, Giacomo Percario, Vasileios Vrousti and Giovanni Donati.*

Play begins today in the six-session Keohane North American Swiss Teams, with semifinal matches on Saturday and the final matches on Sunday.

Players will be vying for the Keohane Trophy, donated by Ethel Keohane in 1973 in memory of her husband, William H. Keohane, one of the leading New England bridge personalities.

Bill Keohane (1896–1972) was a consulting engineer, bridge teacher and bridge administrator. He served as chairman of the 1970 Summer NABC in Boston and, for many years, was chairman of the New England Individual Championship.

Keohane was elected in 1972 to a one-year term as the first District Director of the newly created District 25 (New England). He died later that year, just before he was to attend his first Board meeting.

The Keohane Trophy was presented for the Open Individual Championship until it was re-designated in 1995 by the ACBL Board of Directors for the North American Swiss Teams.

## Previous winners and runners-up:

- 1977** 1. Neil Chambers, Jim Donaldson, Bruce Ferguson, Clarence Goppert, John Schermer; 2. Dennis Clerkin, Jerry Clerkin, John Herrmann, Ken Schutze
- 1978** 1. Barry Crane, Bob Kehoe, Mike Smolen, Charles Weed, Billy Cohen; 2. Ira Chorush, Thomas Peters, Ely Solomon,

- 1979** John Zilic, Virginia Zilic  
1. Hermine Baron, R. Jay Becker, Paul Ivaska, Jim Robison; 2. Gerald Caravelli, Mark Cohen, Ralph Katz, Harvey Miller, Ken Schutze, Russell Shoup
- 1980** 1-2. Steve Becker, Philip Cowan, Rich DeMartino, Judy Rich; 1-2. Dale Beers, William Epperson, Dave Furman, Dave Treitel
- 1981** 1. Ron Beall, Bob Etter, Ann Jacobson, Bob Thomson; 2. Lea duPont, Benito Garozzo, Glenn Lublin, Claire Tornay
- 1982** 1. Gaylor Kasle, Garey Hayden, Garnet Snyder, Martha Beecher, David Ashley, Dave Treadwell; 2. Andy Bernstein, Jim Foster, Tom Sanders, John Sutherlin
- 1983** 1. Sylvia Summers, Harve Waken, Robert Radwin, Gene Simpson, Steve Sturm; 2-3. Philip Cowan, Michael Kapera, Alan Miller, John Heller, George Berger; 2-3. Richard Capps, John Onstott, Dan Requard, Syd Levey
- 1984** 1. Grant Baze, Rhoda Walsh, Lea duPont, Benito Garozzo; 2. William Laubenheimer, Stephen Kanzee, Marc Renson, Hamish Bennett
- 1985** 1. Jack Coleman, Rhoda Walsh, Jim Jacoby, Gaylor Kasle, Garey Hayden; 2. Nadine Wood, Jonathan Steinberg, Eric Hochman, Mike Cappelletti

- 1986** 1. Marc Jacobus, Joey Silver, Jim McDonough, George Mittelman, Allan Graves; 2. Jack Coleman, Rhoda Walsh, Mark Itabashi, Gaylor Kasle, Garey Hayden
- 1987** 1. Henry Bethe, Kitty Bethe, Alan Truscott, Dorothy Hayden Truscott; 2. Jill Meyers, Beverly Rosenberg, Stelios Touchtidis, Steve Cohen, Pan Wittes, Carol Pincus
- 1988** 1. John Zilic, David Siebert, Allan Siebert, Sylvia Summers, Paul Munafio; 2. Rita Rand, Gerald Caravelli, Joel Friedberg, Ethan Stein, Jerry Goldfein
- 1989** 1. Eugene Gardner, Kenneth Meyer, Ed Shapiro, Bruce

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<b>1990</b>	1-2. Larry Mori, Kitty Bethe, Juanita Chambers, Jim Robison; 1-2. George Rosenkranz, Miguel Reygadas, Gaylor Kasle, Garey Hayden, Roger Bates, John Grantham	<b>1999</b>	1. David Berkowitz, Larry Cohen, Jeff Wolfson, Neil Silverman; 2. Billy Miller, Curtis Cheek, Brian Gunnell, Kyle Larsen		Kelley Hwang, Leonard Melander; 2. William Watson, Ed Barlow, Bill Harker, Ronald Powell, Yul Inn, Rob Stevens
<b>1991</b>	1. Keith Wilson, Gary Peterson, Dennis Hesthaven, Ralph Letizia, Benton Wheeler; 2. Jack Coleman, Judi Radin, Fred Hamilton, Dennis Sorensen, Mike Shuman	<b>2000</b>	1. Steven Cooper, Kitty Munson-Cooper, Mel Colchamiro, Janet Colchamiro, Betty Bloom, Steve Bloom; 2. Benito Garozzo, Lea Dupont, Steve Levinson, Barnett Shinkin	<b>2008</b>	1. Carolyn Lynch, Mike Passell, Eddie Wold, Bart Bramley, Joe Grue, Curtis Cheek; 2. Jacek Kalita, Krzysztof Kotorowicz, Ron Zambonini, Waldemar Frukacz
<b>1992</b>	1. Lewis Kaplan, Boris Baran, Geoff Hampson, Mark Molson, Mark Stein; 2. Jack Coleman, Mike Shuman, Larry Cohen, Dan Rotman, Fred Hamilton	<b>2001</b>	1. Richard Coren, Billy Eisenberg, Larry Cohen, Drew Casen; 2. Richard Haplerin, Colin Revell, Leonard Ernst, Paul Erb, George Pisk	<b>2009</b>	1. Carolyn Lynch, Mike Passell, Andrew Gromov, Cezary Balicki, Aleksander Dubinin, Adam Zmudzinski; 2. Judith Bianco, Justin Lall, Winthrop Allegaert, Hemant Lall, Jaggy Shivdisani, Lapt Chan
<b>1993</b>	1. Alan Le Bendig, Tom Clarke, Joe Quinn, Shawn Womack; 2. Lynn Blumenthal, Steve Bruno, Loren Hawkins, Darrell Keel, Sue Lyski	<b>2002</b>	1. Mark Gordon, Richard Zucker, Winthrop Allegaert, Jaggy Shivdasani, Mark Molson, Boris Baran; 2. Robert Hollman, Marc Jacobus, Gaylor Kasle, Eric Greco, Geoff Hampson	<b>2010</b>	1. Mike Levine, Dennis McGarry, David Siebert, Jerry Clerkin, Dennis Clerkin, Chuck Said; 2. Michal Kwiecien, Rafal Jagniewski, Krzysztof Martens, Krzysztof Jassem
<b>1994</b>	1. Jack Coleman, Drew Cannell, Mark Molson, Boris Baran, Mark Stein; 2. Barry Rigal, JoAnn Manfield, Alan Truscott, Dorothy Truscott	<b>2003</b>	1. David Siebert, Allan Siebert, Greg Hinze, Nagy Kamel; 2. Ron Feldman, B. Wayne Stuart, Steve Cohen, Drew Casen, Larry Cohen, Wafik Abdou	<b>2011</b>	1. Les Bart, Gloria Bart, Nader Hanna, Piotr Klimowicz; 2. Justine Cushing, Jiang Gu, Meilh Ozdil, Xiaodong Shi, Jian-Jian Wang
<b>1995</b>	1. Jack Coleman, Drew Cannell, Mark Molson, Boris Baran, Mark Stein; 2. Irina Levitina, Judy Tucker, Benito Garozzo, Lea Dupont, Karen Allison, Mike Ledeen	<b>2004</b>	1. Larry Mori, Venkatrao Koneru, Marty Fleisher, Vincent Demuy, Barnett Shinkin, Gavin Wolpert; 2. Piotr Tuszynski, Jaroslaw Piasecki, Farid Assemi, Eduard Wojewoda, Waldemar Frukacz, Apolinary Kowalski	<b>2012</b>	1. Reese Milner, Apolinary Kowalski, Dennis Bilde, Jacek Romanski, Anders Hagen, Lars Blakset; 2. Paul Fireman, Gavin Wolpert, John Kranyak, Krzysztof Buras, Grzegorz Narkiewicz, Vincent Demuy
<b>1996</b>	1. Rita Rand, Gerald Caravelli, Arnie Fisher, Steve Garner, Richard Colker; 2. John Begley, Mike Lawrence, John Sutherlin, Dan Morse, Hugh Ross	<b>2005</b>	1. Barry Rigal, Pam Granovetter, Joe Quinn, Shawn Quinn, Becky Rogers, Renee Mancuso; 2. Dan Morse, Ira Hessel, Nagy Kamel, Greg Hinze	<b>2013</b>	1. Rose Meltzer, John Mohan, Steve Robinson, Peter Boyd, Carlos Pellegrini, Diego Brenner; 2. Ron Zambonini, Jan Jansma, John Valliant, Michael Polowan, Darren Wolpert, Shan Huang
<b>1997</b>	1. John Malley, Dan Colatosti, Bill Hunter, Shome Mukherjee; 2. Jacob Podbilevich, Gonzalo Herrera, Jim Looby, Cameron Doner	<b>2006</b>	1. Tony Kasday, Disa Eythorsdottir, Jon Baldursson, Thorlakur Jonsson, Bjarni Einarsson, Sigurbjorn Haraldsson; 2. Carolyn Lynch, Dennis Dawson, Eddie Wold, Mike Passell, Larry Cohen, David Berkowitz	<b>2014</b>	1. Carolyn Lynch, Mike Passell, Cezary Balicki, Adam Zmudzinski, Garey Hayden; 2. Marcin Lesiewski, Jacek Kalita, Josef Blass, Piotr Tuczynski, Bartosz Chmurski, Michal Nowosadzki
<b>1998</b>	1. Steve Beatty, John Onstott, Bobby Goldman, Mark Lair ; 2. Jack Coleman, Chris Compton, Boris Baran, Mike Shuman, Mark Molson Henry	<b>2007</b>	1. Larry Mori, Rick Kaye, Kazuo Furuta, Hiroki Yokoi,	<b>2015</b>	1. Stan Tulin, Kevin Dwyer, Alon Birman, Dror Padon,

- 2016** Jacek Kalita, Michal Nowosadzki; 2. Josef Blass, Marcin Lesniewski, Piotr Tuczynski, Bartosz Chmurski, Marc Jacobus, Mike Passell
- 2017** 1. Mike Levine, Louk Verhees Jr., Cornelis Van Prooijen, Jerry Clerkin, Dennis Clerkin, Eddie Wold; 2. Stan Tulin, Kevin Dwyer, Alon Birman, Dror Padon, Michal Nowosadzki, Jacek Kalita
- 2018** 1. Agnes Snellers, Wubbo De Boer, Joris van Lankveld, Berend Van Den Bos; 2. Tim Verbeek, Danny Molenaar, Bob Drijver, Bart Nab, Patricia Cayne, Dano De Falco
- 2019** 1. Nikolay Demirev, Rose Meltzer, Arthur Wasik, Andrzej Knap, Piotr Wankowski, Piotr Nawrocki; 2. Alison Wilson, Thibo Sprinkhuizen, Luc Tijssen, Veri Kiljan, Guy Mendes De Leon
- 2020** Not held
- 2021** 1. Paul Street, Nicolas L'Ecuyer, Ron Pachtmann, Piotr Pawel Zatorski, Andrea Manno, Massimiliano Di Franco; 2. Gary Donner, Cecilia Rimstedt, Per-Ola Cullin, Marion Michielsen, Joe Grue, Brad Moss
- 2022** 1. Franck Multon, Vasileios Vroustis, Nikolaos Delimpaltadakis, Kiki Ward-Platt, Fayence France; Giacomo Percario, Giovanni Donati; 2. Mike Levine, Eddie Wold, David Berkowitz, Jeff Meckstroth, Geir Helgemo, Fredrik Nystrom



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**ACBL President Joann Glasson presents the Reisinger trophy to team captain Pierre Zimmermann and his teammates (from left): Sjoert Brink, Michal Klukowski, Fernando Piedra, Sebastiaan Drijver and Piotr Gawrys.**

Competition for the Reisinger Trophy (the Chicago Trophy until 1965) starts today. The event is a six-session open team event scored by board-a-match with two qualifying sessions, two semifinal sessions and two final sessions. It was contested as a four-session championship until 1966. The event is generally thought to be the toughest on the ACBL tournament calendar.



The event began in 1929 as the North American Open Team Championship and the prize was the Chicago Trophy, donated by the Auction Bridge Club of Chicago. (In 1928, the open team competition was for the Harold S. Vanderbilt Cup.)

The Chicago Trophy was replaced in 1965 by the Reisinger Memorial Trophy, donated by the Greater New York Bridge Association in memory of Curt H. Reisinger.

Reisinger (1891–1964), of New York City, was a principal patron of contract bridge and the American Contract Bridge League in the early years of both.

Reisinger was a great-grandson of Anheuser and a grandson of Busch, co-founders of the brewery from which he inherited great wealth. That wealth enabled him to become a stalwart financial supporter of the game, as well as a noted philanthropist on a far larger

scale.

In the years when there was often a struggle to meet the League's modest payroll, Reisinger was often called upon and never failed to help with a loan or an outright gift. His support made possible several early contract bridge tournaments, clubs and books.

Among the positions in which he served were director of the United States Bridge Association, president of the Greater New York Bridge Association and chairman of the ACBL. In 1953, Reisinger was named ACBL Honorary Member.

## Winners and runners-up:

- 1929** 1. Max M. Cohen, Louis J. Haddad, Robert W. Halpin, Nils M. Wester; 2. Carlton R. Drake, James Kelly, Paul D. Parcells, Charles Rilling
- 1930** 1. William K. Barrett, W. James Carpenter, Ely Culbertson, Johnny Rau; 2. Mary Clement, Dorothy Rice Sims, P. Hal Sims, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz
- 1931** 1. Elizabeth Banfield, Cmdr. Winfield S. Liggett Jr., Frances Newman, George Unger; 2. David Burnstine, Oswald Jacoby, Willard S. Karn, P. Hal Sims
- 1932** 1. B. Jay Becker, S. Garton Churchill, George Reith, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz; 2. Ely Culbertson, Michael T. Gottlieb, Oswald Jacoby, Theodore A. Lightner

- 1933** 1. Charles A. Hall, Albert Steiner, Philip Steiner, Richard M. Wildberg; 2. B. Jay Becker, S. Garton Churchill, P. Hal Sims, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz
- 1934** 1. Henry S. Dinkelspiel Jr., Lewis Jaeger, Bernard Rabinowitz, Maurice Seiler; 2. Theodore A. Lightner, Merwyn D. Maier, Jean P. Mattheys, Sherman Stearns
- 1935** 1. F. Roland Buck, Joseph E. Cain, Lawrence J. Welch, Edson T. Wood; 2. Ely Culbertson, Josephine Culbertson, Richard L. Frey, Albert H. Morehead
- 1936** 1. Marge Anderson, Donald G. Farquharson, Mrs. J.A. Faulkner, Percy E. Sheardown; 2. Arthur Glatt, Laura Heiner, John R. Smith, Albert Weiss
- 1937** 1. John R. Crawford, Charles H. Goren, Charles J. Solomon, Sally Young; 2. Oscar J. Brotman, William Perry, Alvin Roth, S.S. Vorzimer
- 1938** 1. John R. Crawford, Charles H. Goren, Charles J. Solomon, Sally Young; 2. A. Mitchell Barnes, Mary Clement, Benedict Jarmel, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz
- 1939** 1. B. Jay Becker, John R. Crawford, Charles H. Goren, Charles J. Solomon, Sally Young; 2-4. Jay Cushing, Seymour Kaplan, Al Leibowitz, Edward N. Marcus; 2-4. Oswald Jacoby, Merwyn D. Maier, Robert A. McPherran, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz; 2-4. Henry Auslander, Joseph Davis, Jacob D. Lindy, Catherine W. Samberg
- 1940** 1. Henry Feinberg, Jeff Glick, Maury J. Glick, Louis Newman; 2. Alfred R. Dick, C. William Potts, James Sheern, Edward R. Thomas

- 1941** 1. Peter A. Leventritt, Simon Rossant, Helen Sobel, Margaret Wagar; 2. A. Mitchel Barnes, S. Garton Churchill, Lee Hazen, Charles S. Lockridge, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz
- 1942** 1. B. Jay Becker, Charles H. Goren, Sidney Silodor, John R. Crawford; 2. S. Garton Churchill, Harry J. Fishbein, Lee Hazen, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz
- 1943** 1. B. Jay Becker, Charles H. Goren, Sidney Silodor, Helen Sobel; 2. Samuel Katz, Bertram Lebharr Jr., Peter A. Leventritt, Simon Rossant
- 1944** 1. Simon Becker, Peggy Golder, Ruth Sherman, Charles J. Solomon; 2. B. Jay Becker, Charles H. Goren, Sidney Silodor, Helen Sobel
- 1945** 1. Lee Hazen, George Rapee, Samuel M. Stayman, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz; 2. Ambrose Casner, Harold J. Harkavy, Ralph Hirschberg, Harold A. Ogust, Jack Shore
- 1946** 1. A. Mitchel Barnes, John R. Crawford, Alvin Roth, Edith Seligman; 2. Simon Becker, Stanley O. Fenkel, Fred D. Karpin, Louis Newman
- 1947** 1-3. Paula Bacher, Jane Jaeger, Kay Rhodes, Sally Young; 1-3. John R. Crawford, Theodore A. Lightner, George Rapee, Samuel M. Stayman; 1-3. Robert Appleyard, Morris Berliant, Malcolm A. Lightman, Simon Rossant
- 1948** 1. George Boeckh, C. Bruce Elliott, Agnes Gordon, Charlotte Sidway; 2. John R. Crawford, George Rapee, Sidney Silodor, Samuel M. Stayman
- 1949** 1. Lee Hazen, Larry Hirsch, Richard Kahn, Peter A. Leventritt, Jack Shore; 2-3. Sidney Aronson, Emily Folline, Benjamin O. Johnson, Ludwig J. Kabakjian, Edward N. Marcus; 2-3. Jeff Glick, Arthur S. Goldsmith, Alvin Landy, Sol Mogal, Elmer I. Schwartz
- 1950** 1. B. Jay Becker, Myron F. Field, Charles H. Goren, Sidney Silodor, Helen Sobel; 2. John R. Crawford, George Rapee, Edward N. Marcus, Howard Schenken, Samuel M. Stayman
- 1951** 1. Corti Boland, C. Bruce Elliot, Micky M. Miller, Percy E. Sheardown; 2. B. Jay Becker, Charles H. Goren, Myron F. Field, Sidney Silodor, Helen Sobel
- 1952** 1. Harold Harkavy, Edith Kemp, Alvin Roth, Tobias Stone; 2. Edward H. Cohen, Jeff Glick, Arthur S. Goldsmith, Elmer I. Schwartz
- 1953** 1. B. Jay Becker, John R. Crawford, George Rapee, Samuel M. Stayman; 2. Harry J. Fishbein, Peter A. Leventritt, Ruth Sherman, Charles J. Solomon, Peggy Solomon
- 1954** 1. B. Jay Becker, John R. Crawford, George Rapee, Sidney Silodor; 2. Israel Cohen, Paul Kibler, Alvin Roth, William Seamon
- 1955** 1. Ben Fain, George Heath, Paul Hodge, James Jacoby, Oswald Jacoby; 2. William V. Lipton, Victor Mitchell, W. Miller Nelson, Joseph G. Ripstra
- 1956** 1. B. Jay Becker, John R. Crawford, George Rapee, Sidney Silodor; 2. Ben Fain, Paul Hodge, Oswald Jacoby, Dick Sutton
- 1957** 1. Charles H. Goren, Harold A. Ogust, William S. Root, Howard Schenken, Helen Sobel; 2. Robert Y. Barrett, Ben Fain, Harry J. Fishbein, John Gerber, Paul Hodge
- 1958** 1. Leonard B. Harmon, Ralph Hirschberg, Edgar Kaplan, Alfred Sheinwold, Ivar Stakgold; 2. Arthur M. Miller, John H. Moran, David Strasberg, Jay Wendt
- 1959** 1. Lewis L. Mathe, Donald A. Oakie, Meyer Schleifer, Edward O. Taylor; 2. Harry J. Fishbein, John Gerber, Paul Hodge, Charles J. Solomon
- 1960** 1. Ollie Adams, William Hanna, Sidney H. Lazard, Lewis L. Mathe; 2. Oswald Jacoby, Mervin Key, G. Robert Nail, Curtis Smith
- 1961** 1. John R. Crawford, Norman Kay, Alvin Roth, Sidney Silodor, Tobias Stone; 2-3. Charles Coon, Robert F. Jordan, Eric R. Murray, Arthur G. Robinson; 2-3. Harold B. Guiver, Carol Sanders, Thomas K. Sanders, Michael Shuman
- 1962** 1-2. Paul Allinger, Harold B. Guiver, Lewis L. Mathe, Ron Von der Porten, Erik Paulsen, Edward O. Taylor; 1-2. Robert D. Hamman, Eddie Kantar, Donald P. Krauss, Marshall Miles, Bill Eisenberg
- 1963** 1. Charles H. Goren, Peter A. Leventritt, Harold A. Ogust, Howard Schenken; 2. Donald R. Faskow, William L. Flannery, Herbert Sachs, Paul Swanson
- 1964** 1. John Gerber, Paul Hodge, Mervin Key, Harold Rockaway; 2. Harold Harkavy, Edith Kemp, Cliff Russell, Curtis K. Smith, Bobby Wolff, Waldemar K. von Zedtwitz
- 1965** 1. Eddie Kantar, Michael S. Lawrence, Marshall Miles, Lew Stansby; 2. Michael Engel, Phil Feldesman, Richard Freeman, Ira S. Rubin
- 1966** 1. Robert F. Jordan, Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay, Arthur G. Robinson; 2-3. Gerald W. Bare, Harold B. Guiver, Lewis L. Mathe, Mike McMahan, Erik Paulsen, Hugh Ross; 2-3. William S. Root, Alvin Roth, Bee Schenken, Howard Schenken



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800 W. Main St. • [sluggermuseum.com](http://sluggermuseum.com)

#### Muhammad Ali Center

Just two blocks from The Galt House, this museum features award-winning exhibits on Ali's life and legacy of creating change, pursuing justice and inspiring greatness. The center includes Civil Rights-era media footage, videos of Ali fights, hands-on boxing fun and art galleries.

144 N. Sixth St. • [alicenter.org](http://alicenter.org)

#### Frazier History Museum

An affiliate of the Smithsonian Institution, this museum of Kentucky history spotlights notable figures from the Bluegrass State, from Daniel Boone to current rapper Jack Harlow; depicts the lives of indigenous and later residents from the Ice Age to the present; and offers a visual guide to the history, craft and culture of bourbon. It is also home to a massive collection of toy soldiers.

829 W. Main St. • [fraziermuseum.org](http://fraziermuseum.org)

<b>1978</b>	1. Ira G. Corn Jr., Fred Hamilton, Robert D. Hamman, Ira S. Rubin, Bobby Wolff; 2. Allan Graves, Gaylor Kastle, Mark Lair, George Mittelman, Barney O'Malia, Ron Smith	<b>1985</b>	1-2. Chip Martel, Peter Pender, Hugh Ross, Lew Stansby; 1-2. George Rosenkranz, Eddie Wold, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell, Marty Bergen, Larry N. Cohen		Bobby Wolff, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell; 2. Jimmy Cayne, Chuck Burger, Mike Passell, Paul Soloway, Bobby Goldman, Mark Lair
<b>1979</b>	1-2. Russ Arnold, Robert Levin, Jeff Meckstroth, Bud Reinhold, Eric Rodwell; 1-2. Ira G. Corn Jr., Fred Hamilton, Robert D. Hamman, Ira S. Rubin, Bobby Wolff	<b>1986</b>	1. Steve Robinson, Chip Martel, Hugh Ross, Peter Boyd, Peter Pender, Lew Stansby; 2. Bud Reinhold, Ron Andersen, Tom Sanders, Paul Soloway, Bobby Goldman	<b>1994</b>	1. Nick Nickell, Richard Freeman, Bob Hamman, Bobby Wolff, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell; 2. James Cayne, Bobby Goldman, Mark Lair, Mike Passell, Chuck Burger, Paul Soloway
<b>1980</b>	1. Ron E. Andersen, Malcolm K. Brachman, Bobby Goldman, Eddie Kantar, Michael S. Lawrence, Paul Soloway; 2-3. Mark Lair, Jeff Meckstroth, Mike Passell, Eric Rodwell, George Rosenkranz, Eddie Wold; 2-3. Roy Fox, Ed Manfield, Paul Swanson, Kit Woolsey	<b>1987</b>	1. Zia Mahmood, Jaggy Shivdasani, Billy Cohen, Ron Smith; 2. Walter Johnson, Mark Cohen, Ralph Katz, Bill Pollack, Dave Berkowitz, Howard Weinstein	<b>1995</b>	1. Nick Nickell, Richard Freeman, Bob Hamman, Bobby Wolff, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell; 2. Peter Nagy, Bruce Ferguson, Howard Weinstein, Ralph Katz, Fred Stewart, Steve Weinstein
<b>1981</b>	1. Chip Martel, Peter A. Pender, Hugh Ross, Lew Stansby; 2-3. Roger Bates, Chuck F. Burger, Jim Cayne, Bill Eisenberg, Alan Greenberg; 2-3. Evan Bailey, L. Andrew Campbell, Joel Hoersch, David J. Weiss	<b>1988</b>	1. Jimmy Cayne, Bob Hamman, Mike Passell, Mark Lair, Chuck Berger, Bobby Wolff; 2. Tom Fox, Dick Melson, Jim Hall, David Lehman	<b>1996</b>	1. Zia Mahmood, Michael Rosenberg, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby; 2. James Cayne, Mark Feldman, Chuck Burger, Michael Seamon, Mike Passell, Alan Sontag
<b>1982</b>	1. Bill Root, Richard Pavlicek, Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay; 2. Mark Molson, Eric Kokish, Paul Lewis, Robert Lebi, George Mittelman, Drew Cannell	<b>1989</b>	1. Zia Mahmood, Michael Rosenberg, Sam Lev, Chris Compton, Mark Molson; 2. Jillian Blanchard, Robert Blanchard, Jon Greenspan, Kerri Shuman, Margie Gwozdzensky, Glenn Eisenstein	<b>1997</b>	1. Bart Bramley, Howard Weinstein, Sidney Lazard, Steve Garner; 2. George Rosenkranz, Eddie Wold, Adam Zmudzinski, Marek Szymanowski, Marcin Lesniewski, Cezary Balicki
<b>1983</b>	1. Oswald Jacoby, Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay, Bill Root, Richard Pavlicek; 2-3. Ron Rubin, Mike Becker, Bill Eisenberg, Eddie Kantar, Mike Lawrence, Peter Weichsel; 2-3. Chip Martel, Lew Stansby, Peter Pender, Hugh Ross	<b>1990</b>	1. Richard Pavlicek, William Root, Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay, Brian Glubok; 2. Malcolm Brachman, Mike Passell, Paul Soloway, Bobby Goldman, Mark Lair, Eddie Wold	<b>1998</b>	1. Rita Shugart, Andrew Robson, Geir Helgemo, Tony Forrester; 2. George Jacobs, Ralph Katz, Lorenzo Lauria, Alfredo Versace, Peter Weichsel, Alan Sontag
<b>1984</b>	1-4. Bill Root, Richard Pavlicek, Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay; 1-4. Fred Stewart, Steve Weinstein, Allan Stauber, Mike Smolen; 1-4. Sam Stayman, Richard Reisig, George Tornay, Saul Bronstein; 1-4. Jim Robison, Jon Wittes, Ross Grabel, Stelios Touchtidis	<b>1991</b>	1. Cliff Russell, Sam Lev, Larry N. Cohen, David Berkowitz, Marty Bergen, Bjorn Fallenius; 2. Mike Cappelletti Jr., Mike Cappelletti Sr., Lawrence Hicks, Rob Crawford	<b>1999</b>	1. Rita Shugart, Andrew Robson, Geir Helgemo, Tony Forrester; 2. Dano DeFalco, Giorgio Duboin, Guido Ferraro, Norberto Bocchi
		<b>1992</b>	1. James Cayne, Mike Passell, Mark Lair, Chuck Burger, Gabriel Chagas, Marcelo Branco; 2. Jim Mahaffey, Alan Sontag, Eddie Kantar, Ron Andersen, Tony Forrester	<b>2000</b>	1. George Jacobs, Alfredo Versace, Lorenzo Lauria, Ralph Katz, Norberto Bocchi, Giorgio Duboin; 2. Mike Cappelletti Jr., Gary Cohler, Richard Finberg, Mark Lair, Jerry Goldfein
		<b>1993</b>	1. Nick Nickell, Richard Freeman, Bob Hamman,	<b>2001</b>	1. Roy Welland, Bjorn Fallenius, Brad Moss, Fred Gitelman, Steve Garner, Howard Weinstein; 2. George

	Jacobs, Alfredo Versace, Lorenzo Lauria, Ralph Katz, Norberto Bocchi, Giorgio Duboin		Smirnov, Rafal Jagniewski, Josek Piekarek	
<b>2002</b>	1. Steve Landen, Dan Morse, Bobby Wolff, Pratap Rajadhyaksha, Adam Wildavsky, Doug Doub; 2. Richard Schwartz, Michael Becker, Larry Cohen, David Berkowitz, Zia Mahmood, Michael Rosenberg	<b>2010</b>	1. James Cayne, Giorgio Duboin, Alfredo Versace, Antonio Sementa, Lorenzo Lauria, Michael Seamon; 2. Josef Piekarek, Steve Garner, Howard Weinstein, Roy Welland, Alexander Smirnov, Cristal Henner-Welland	
<b>2003</b>	1. Malcolm Brachman, Mike Passell, Eddie Wold, Eric Greco, Geoff Hampson; 2. Roy Welland, Bjorn Fallenius, Zia Mahmood, Michael Rosenberg, Cezary Balicki, Adam Zmudzinski	<b>2011</b>	1. James Cayne, Giorgio Duboin, Alfredo Versace, Antonio Sementa, Lorenzo Lauria, Michael Seamon; 2.* Geir Helgemo, Tor Helness, Franck Multon, Pierre Zimmerman	
<b>2004</b>	1. Nick Nickell, Richard Freeman, Bob Hamman, Paul Soloway, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell; 2.* Richard Schwartz, Michael Becker, Larry Cohen, David Berkowitz	<b>2012</b>	1.* Pierre Zimmermann, Franck Multon, Tor Helness, Geir Helgemo; 2. Roy Welland, Sabine Auken, Lew Stansby, Bart Bramley.	
<b>2005</b>	1. Nick Nickell, Richard Freeman, Bob Hamman, Paul Soloway, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell; 2. George Jacobs, Alfredo Versace, Lorenzo Lauria, Ralph Katz, Zia Mahmood, Michael Rosenberg	<b>2013</b>	1.* Pierre Zimmermann, Franck Multon, Tor Helness, Geir Helgemo; 2. Nick Nickell, Ralph Katz, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell, Robert Levin, Steve Weinstein	
<b>2006</b>	1. Jacek Pszczola, Gary Cohler, Curtis Cheek, Joe Grue; 2. Russ Ekeblad, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby, Fred Gitelman, Brad Moss	<b>2014</b>	1.* Allan Graves, Richard Schwartz, Espen Lindqvist, Boye Brogeland; 2. Nick Nickell, Ralph Katz, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell, Robert Levin, Steve Weinstein	
<b>2007</b>	1.* James Cayne, Michael Seamon, Alfredo Versace, Lorenzo Lauria; 2. Aubrey Strul, Michael Becker, Larry Cohen, David Berkowitz, Lew Stansby, Chip Martel	<b>2015</b>	1. Vytautas Vainikonis, Wojtek Olanski, Boguslaw Gierulski, Jerzy Skrzypczak, Pawel Zatorski, Ron Pachtmann; 2. Mark Gordon, Pratap Rajadhyaksha, David Berkowitz, Alan Sontag, Michael Rosenberg, Jacek Pszczola	
<b>2008</b>	1. Nick Nickell, Richard Freeman, Bob Hamman, Zia Mahmood, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell; 2. Roy Welland, Brian Glubok, Ron Smith, Billy Cohen, Howard Weinstein, Steve Garner	<b>2016</b>	1. Michael Becker, Aubrey Strul, Tarek Sadek, Walid Elahmady, Michael Kamil, Richard Coren; 2. Geoff Hampson, Eric Greco, John Diamond, Brian Platnick, Kevin Bathurst, Justin Lall	
<b>2009</b>	1. Nick Nickell, Ralph Katz, Bob Hamman, Zia Mahmood, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell; 2. Michal Kwiecien, Alexander	<b>2017</b>	1. Yuxiong Shen, Zijian Shao, Jack Zhao, Yinghao Liu; 2. George Mittelman, Ken Bercuson, Ron Pachtmann,	

## New Ruby Life Master

**Helen Spalding** of San Francisco CA

became a Ruby Life Master here in Atlanta. She needed 14.15

pigmented points. Spalding played Bracketed Round Robin Teams Tuesday and Wednesday, winning her bracket both times. Her team was Phil Reynolds of Jackson MI, James Gundell of New York NY and Sandra Whitman of the Bahamas.



	Piotr Pawl Zatorski	
<b>2018</b>	1. Josef Blass npc, Jacek Pszczola, Jacek Kalita, Michal Nowosadzki, Sjoert Brink, Bas Drijver; 2. George Mittelman, Ken Bercuson, Ron Pachtmann, Piotr Pawel Zatorski	
<b>2019</b>	1. Norberto Bocchi, Dennis Bilde, Philippe Cronier, Giorgio Duboin, Antonio Sementa, Agustin Madala; 2. Josef Blass npc, Jacek Pszczola, Jacek Kalita, Michal Nowosadzki, Sjoert Brink, Bas Drijver	
<b>2020</b>	Not held	
<b>2021</b>	1. Nick Nickell, Ralph Katz, Eric Greco, Geoff Hampson, Steve Weinstein, Robert Levin; 2. Sylvia Moss, Lorenzo Lauria, Alfredo Versace, Jacek Kalita, Michal Nowosadzki	
<b>2022</b>	1. Pierre Zimmermann, Piotr Gawrys, Michal Klukowski, Sjoert Brink, Sebastiaan Drijver, Fernando Piedra; 2. Roger Lee, Simon Ekenberg, Kevin Rosenberg, Simon Cope	

*\* This team originally contained other members were later stripped of their titles.*

# No Time for Losers

By Mark Horton

If you reach the semifinal of a major event in any sport, the last thing you want to do is miss out on a chance to win the big prize.

With both teams playing the same deals, it was just about possible to cover both matches.

Board 4. Dealer West. All Vul.

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

## Goodman v Zimmermann

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Klukowski</i>	<i>Donati</i>	<i>Kalita</i>	<i>Percario</i>
Pass	Pass	1♦	Pass
1♥	Pass	2♥	All Pass

The Polish 1♦ opening is 11–17 HCP with at least five diamonds or four diamonds in a 4–4–4–1 hand, or 11–15 HCP with four diamonds and five clubs.

North led the ♥2. South won and switched to the ♣7, declarer winning with dummy's queen and playing a heart to the 10 and ace. North returned a heart and declarer won and played three rounds of clubs, making nine tricks for +140.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Passell</i>	<i>Nowosadzki</i>	<i>Goodman</i>	<i>Zimmermann</i>
Pass	Pass	1♦	Pass
1♥	Pass	2♥	Dbl
Redbl	3♣	Pass	Pass
Dbl	All Pass		

You might think South was unlucky. Perhaps, but if West was about to pass 2♥, then North would be in a position to take some action if he deemed it appropriate.

East led the ♥5 to dummy's king and declarer played a low diamond, East winning with the queen and switching to the ♠4. West won with the queen and played back a diamond, East winning, cashing the ♠A and exiting with the

♣Q. When that held he played the ♦3, ruffed and overruffed by declarer, who still had to lose to the top trumps, three down, -800 and 12 IMPs to Goodman.

East can do better by playing the ♣Q before playing a low spade. If declarer fails to go up with dummy's king West can win and play three rounds of trumps for a very big number as long as East discards diamonds.

Board 5. Dealer North. N/S Vul.

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

## Goodman v Zimmermann

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Klukowski</i>	<i>Donati</i>	<i>Kalita</i>	<i>Percario</i>
	Pass	Pass	1♣
1♦	Dbl	1♠	2♣
3♠	5♣	Dbl	All Pass

West led the ♠K and switched to the ♦9, East winning with the ace and returning the ♥3 to dummy's 10. Declarer continued with dummy's ♣Q, but when East followed with the ♣4, he made the Rabbinical play of putting up the ace and was one down, -200.

If you would have led a diamond at trick one, I salute you!

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Passell</i>	<i>Nowosadzki</i>	<i>Goodman</i>	<i>Zimmermann</i>
	Pass	2♠	3♣
4♠	5♣	All Pass	

The defense was similar, but here declarer took the heart switch with the ace, ruffed a spade and ran the ♣Q, +600 and 13 IMPs to Zimmermann.

## Board 6. Dealer East. E/W Vul.

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

## Street v Fleisher

## Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Lorenzini</i>	<i>L'Ecuyer</i>	<i>Bessis</i>	<i>Street</i>
		1♠	Pass
1NT	2♣	2NT	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

North led the ♣Q and when it held, he continued with the ♣J, declarer winning and playing a diamond to the king and ace. South returned the ♥2 and declarer won with the 10 and played a heart, North winning with the ace and exiting with the ♣3. Having taken dummy's king, declarer cashed the ♦Q and played a spade to the queen. Misreading the position, he continued with a spade and had only eight tricks, -100.

## Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Manno</i>	<i>Sementa</i>	<i>Di Franco</i>	<i>Versace</i>
		1NT	2♣ <sup>(1)</sup>
Dbl	Pass	2♠	Pass
2NT	Pass	3NT	All Pass

(1) Majors

South led the ♣6 and declarer won with the king and played the ♥Q, North taking the ace and continuing with the ♣Q. Declarer won, played a diamond to the king and ace and easily secured nine tricks, taking three spades, two hearts, two diamond and two clubs, +600 and 12 IMPs for Street, pitching a shutout after eight boards.

## Board 10. Dealer East. All Vul.

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

## Goodman v Zimmermann

## Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Klukowski</i>	<i>Donati</i>	<i>Kalita</i>	<i>Percario</i>
		1♣ <sup>(1)</sup>	Pass
1♦ <sup>(2)</sup>	1♠	Dbl <sup>(3)</sup>	3♠
5♣	All Pass		

(1) Polish Club: 11–14 balanced, or 15+ with long clubs, or 18+ any pattern

(2) 0–6, any shape

(3) Strong, takeout

South led the ♠K followed by the ♠2 and declarer ruffed, played the ♣J to dummy's king, ruffed a spade with the ♣A, went to dummy with a club and played the ♥10 to the king for an effortless +600.

## Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Passell</i>	<i>Nowosadzki</i>	<i>Goodman</i>	<i>Zimmermann</i>
		1♦	Pass
Pass	1♠	Dbl	3♠
4♣	All Pass		

North led the ♠A and switched to the ♥5, but declarer put up dummy's king and soon had 11 tricks, +150, but it was 10 IMPs that gave Zimmermann the lead for the first time, 24–19.

## Street v Fleisher

## Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Lorenzini</i>	<i>L'Ecuyer</i>	<i>Bessis</i>	<i>Street</i>
		1♣	Pass
1♠	Pass	3♦	Pass
5♣	All Pass		

South led the ♠2 and North won with the ace and played the ♥5. Up went the king for +600.



## Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Manno</i>	<i>Sementa</i>	<i>Di Franco</i>	<i>Versace</i>
		1♣ <sup>(1)</sup>	Pass
2♣ <sup>(2)</sup>	Pass	2♦ <sup>(3)</sup>	Pass
2♠ <sup>(4)</sup>	Pass	5♣	All Pass

(1) 2+♣

(2) Clubs, weak or 5+ ♠ 4+ ♥, weak

(3) Which?

(4) Clubs

South led the ♠7 and North won and returned the ♠5, South dropping the jack as declarer ruffed. Having drawn trumps while ruffing another spade, declarer eventually ran the ♥10 and was one down, -100 and a 12-IMP loss.

Board 11. Dealer South. None Vul.

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

## Goodman v Zimmermann

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Klukowski</i>	<i>Donati</i>	<i>Kalita</i>	<i>Percario</i>
			Pass
1NT	2♠ <sup>(1)</sup>	2NT <sup>(2)</sup>	Dbl
3♣	Pass	3♥	3♠
Pass	4♠	All Pass	

(1) Spades and a minor

(2) Unspecified long suit

East led the ♣5, and when West took the ♠A at trick two, he returned the ♣2 at trick three, East ruffing and switching to the ♦7 which ensured one down, -50.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Passell</i>	<i>Nowosadzki</i>	<i>Goodman</i>	<i>Zimmermann</i>
			Pass
1♣	1♠	Pass	2♣ <sup>(1)</sup>
Pass	4♠	All Pass	

(1) Spade raise

East led the ♣5 to the 7, 10 and king, and declarer played the ♠K, West taking the ace and switching to the ♦J. When that held, he continued with the ♦K and declarer won with dummy's ace, drew trumps and exited with a diamond. He took the heart return with dummy's ace and ran the ♣J for +420 and a somewhat fortuitous 10 IMPs.

## Street v Fleisher

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Lorenzini</i>	<i>L'Ecuyer</i>	<i>Bessis</i>	<i>Street</i>
			1♣
Pass	1♠	Pass	1NT
Dbl	Redbl	4♥	Pass
Pass	5♣	Pass	Pass
Dbl	All Pass		

When West led the ♥8, declarer was in the game. He won with the ♥Q, pitching a diamond from dummy, but then need to get the trumps right. He played the ♣3, putting up dummy's ace, continued with the ♣K, and then played a diamond to the ace and pitched a diamond on the ♥A before playing on spades. West took the second round and exited with the ♥K and declarer was three down, -800.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Manno</i>	<i>Sementa</i>	<i>Di Franco</i>	<i>Versace</i>
			1NT
Pass	2♥ <sup>(1)</sup>	Pass	2♠
Pass	3♣	Pass	3♦
Pass	3NT	Pass	4♠
All Pass			

(1) Spades

West started with two rounds of spades, and declarer drew the outstanding trump and ducked a diamond to West's jack. When West switched to the ♣2, declarer let it run to his 7 and was soon claiming, +420 and 14 IMPs for Fleisher, who now led 28–24.

Board 13. Dealer North. All Vul.

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

**Goodman v Zimmermann**

## Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Klukowski</i>	<i>Donati</i>	<i>Kalita</i>	<i>Percario</i>
	Pass	Pass	1♦
4♠	5♦	Pass	Pass
5♠	Dbl	All Pass	

North led the ♦K and switched to the ♥4, but there was nothing to be done, +850.

## Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Passell</i>	<i>Nowosadzki</i>	<i>Goodman</i>	<i>Zimmermann</i>
	1♦	Pass	2♦ <sup>(1)</sup>
4♠	Pass	Pass	Dbl
Pass	5♦	Pass	6♦
Dbl	Pass	Pass	6NT
Dbl	All Pass		

(1) Inverted raise

Declarer managed six tricks so that was -1700 and 13 IMPs for Goodman, now down by only 2 IMPs, 32–34, which was how the set finished.

Board 14. Dealer East. None Vul.

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

**Street v Fleisher**

## Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Lorenzini</i>	<i>L'Ecuyer</i>	<i>Bessis</i>	<i>Street</i>
		Pass	1♠
2♥	3♥ <sup>(1)</sup>	Dbl <sup>(2)</sup>	4♠
Pass	5♠	All Pass	

(1) Spade raise

(2) High heart honor

There were 12 tricks, +480.

## Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Manno</i>	<i>Sementa</i>	<i>Di Franco</i>	<i>Versace</i>
		Pass	1♠
2♥	4♣ <sup>(1)</sup>	Pass	4♥
Pass	5♣	Pass	5♠
Pass	6♠	All Pass	

(1) Splinter

If West had passed, North's options included 3♦ to show any splinter, with 3NT, 4♣ and 4♦ promising voids. It was a painless +980 and 11 IMPs.

The set ended with Fleisher leading 39–31.



**After a tie was declared for the winners of the NABC 0–10,000 Swiss Teams which concluded on Sunday, this team became the official second-place squad: Omer Ekinci, “official kibitzer” Lorin Ekinci, Claire Alpert, Carlos Hoyos and Barbara Dessi.**

## Inaugural WBF Online Women's Team Event

The Inaugural WBF Online Women's Team Event

The World Bridge Federation has introduced a new online women's team event. Organized by the WBF Women's Committee with the support of the online platform RealBridge, this three-day event will be contested on RealBridge, Feb. 16–18, 2024.

The intent is to provide an opportunity for an international competitive bridge without the potential limitations of cost or travel. In the past, it's been a challenge to bring women from across the globe to play competitively.

Up to eight members can be on a team. The cost is 40 euros per team; entries close on Jan. 16. The tournament will be played over three calendar days with matches timed so that teams will meet others from around the world at mutually convenient times. Each player on the team must be registered in the WBF database. The same rules, system cards and commitment forms as a live championship event are in place. WBF Online masterpoints will be awarded. Full details can be found at [wbfwomenbridgeclub.org/OnlineWomensTeams.html](http://wbfwomenbridgeclub.org/OnlineWomensTeams.html) or by emailing Mary Kelly-Rogers at [wbfwomen@worldbridgefed.com](mailto:wbfwomen@worldbridgefed.com).



## Tomorrow's Bridge Events

### Saturday, Dec. 2

Event	Session	Sold	Entry/player/session Members	Other
<b>9:30 am &amp; 3:30 pm</b>				
<b>REISINGER BOARD-A-MATCH TEAMS</b>	1-2 SF	Salon 4, International Level	\$30*	—
<b>10 am</b>				
<b>Saturday Morning Side Pairs</b> <i>Fri-Sun Daylight Series</i>	single	Marquis Ballroom B, Marquis Level	\$20	\$24
<b>299er Pairs</b>	single	Marquis Ballroom C, Marquis Level	\$15	\$19
<b>10 am &amp; 1 pm</b>				
<b>Fast Pairs</b>	1-2	A602, Atrium Level	\$20	\$24
<b>10 am &amp; 3 pm</b>				
<b>NABC 0–6000 PAIRS</b> <i>2 qualifying &amp; 2 final sessions</i>	1-2 Q	A707, Atrium Level	\$22	—
<b>Open Pairs</b> (unlim./4000/1500)	1-2	Marquis Ballroom B, Marquis Level	\$20	\$24
<b>Gold Rush Pairs</b>	1-2	Marquis Ballroom C, Marquis Level	\$20	\$24
<b>Top-Flight Swiss Teams</b> (unlim./6000/4500)	1-2	Imperial Ballroom, Marquis Level	\$20	\$24
<b>Charles Pierson Bracketed Round Robin Teams</b> (0–4000)	1-2	Imperial Ballroom, Marquis Level	\$20	\$24
<b>10 am &amp; 3:30 pm</b>				
<b>KEOHANE NORTH AMERICAN SWISS TEAMS</b>	1-2 SF	Atrium Ballroom A, Atrium Level	\$30	—
<b>MIXED SWISS TEAMS</b> <i>2 qualifying &amp; 2 final sessions</i>	1-2 Q	Atrium Ballroom B, Atrium Level	\$30	—
<b>3 pm</b>				
<b>Saturday Afternoon Side Pairs</b> <i>Fri-Sun Daylight Series</i>	single	Marquis Ballroom C, Marquis Level	\$20	\$24
<b>299er Pairs</b>	single	Marquis Ballroom C, Marquis Level	\$15	\$19

\* In addition, there is a screen fee of \$10/pair/session or \$20/team/session.

Unless otherwise noted, strata breaks for all stratified events are: A (2500+), B (750-2500), C (0-750). Three-flight events are divided A/X (6000+/0-6000); B/C (1500-3000, 0-1500); Gold Rush (300-750/200-300/0-200). Two-flight events are divided A/X/Y (6000+/4000-6000/0-4000); B/C/D (1500-3000/750-1500/ 0-750) if no Gold Rush OR A/B/C (3000+/1500-3000/0-1500) and Gold Rush (300-750/200-300/0-200). In B flights, no single player may be over 3000. In Gold Rush events, no single player may be over 750. **BOLD, UPPER CASE = NABC+ events.** UPPER CASE = NABC events. **Green = Regional events (gold and red points).** **Blue = Gold Rush events (gold and red points).** **Red = Intermediate/Newcomer 299er events (red points).**

### International Fund

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