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Entry Express and 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 for events are available through the ACBL's online Entry Express system. It is necessary for eligible players

to use this system in order to receive the host discount of \$10 per session

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Evening entertainment

Two nights of fun evening entertainment are planned. These events will be held in the second floor conference rooms 7-13 of the Westgate, accessed from the stairs or elevator near FedEx.

Light food and cash bar at both.

Monday, Dec. 2

Beyond Bridge: Karaoke, board games, activities, photo booth, cornhole, etc. 8:30 p.m.

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Goodwill Message

Goodwill is the secret ingredient to a successful bridge partnership.

Lamya Agelidis, Chair

Aileen Osofsky Goodwill Committee

Berkowitz-Meckstroth hammer Nail LM Pairs



Winners of the Nail Life Master Pairs
David Berkowitz and Jeff Meckstroth

Jeff Meckstroth of Clearwater Beach FL and David Berkowitz of Boca Raton FL are the winners of the Nail Life Master Pairs. Although they have close to 100 national championships between them, this is their first pair win playing together.

After qualifying in third place, their first final session score of 67.34% saw them take the lead by about a board and a half (64 top). Their second final

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Turn the table

An interview with John McAllister

In the relatively short amount of time that John McAllister has been in the bridge world (he joined the ACBL in late 2003), he has made an impact – at the table and away. A proud resident of Charlottesville VA, McAllister has two NABC+ wins and one second-place finish. He has served on the national Goodwill committee and serves on the board of the ACBL Educational Foundation. He is the executive producer of “Double Dummy,” a documentary about the U.S. Under-21 team's run in the 2012 World Youth Team Championships in Taicang, China. To promote the

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Ron Smith 1947-2024

Grand Life Master Ronald L. Smith, 77, of Chattanooga TN passed away Oct. 16.

Smith won the Mitchell Open Board-a-Match Teams in 1977 and the Nail Life Master Pairs in 1996. He had three second-place finishes in NABC contests: Grand National Teams Championship Flight (1975), Mitchell Open BAM Teams (1997); Freeman Mixed Board-a-Match Teams (2009). Smith accumulated more than 30,000 masterpoints during his career.

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Today's Bridge Events

Sunday, Dec. 1				
9:30 am & 3:30 pm				
Event	Session	Sold	Entry/player/session*	
			Members with host discount	Members without discount
SOLOWAY KNOCKOUT TEAMS	Rd of 32	Pavilion 4	\$40	\$50
10 am				
Sunday Morning Side Pairs <i>Sun-Tue Daylight Series</i>	single	Paradise South	\$22	\$32
299er Pairs	single	Pavilion 11	\$18	\$28
Bridge Plus <i>Free: 12 deals (0-20), follows 8 am lesson</i>	single	Ballroom F	Free	Free
10 am & 3 pm				
MITCHELL OPEN	1-2 Q	Ballroom C	\$35	\$45
BOARD-A-MATCH TEAMS <i>2 qualifying & 2 final sessions</i>				
SUPER SENIOR PAIRS <i>Must be 75 or older; 2 qualifying & 2 final sessions</i>	1-2 Q	Ballroom C	\$35	\$45
NABC 0-2500 PAIRS	1-2 F	Paradise South	\$25	\$35
Open Pairs	1-2	Paradise South	\$22	\$32
Top-Flight Swiss Teams (unlim./5000)	1-2	Paradise North	\$22	\$32
Mid-Flight Swiss Teams (4000/1250)	1-2	Paradise North	\$22	\$32
Gold Rush Swiss Teams	1-2	Pavilion 11	\$22	\$32
10 am & 3:30 pm				
NABC 0-10,000 SWISS TEAMS	1-2 F	Pavilion 9	\$25	\$35
3 pm				
Sunday Afternoon Side Pairs <i>Sun-Tue Daylight Series</i>	single	Paradise South	\$22	\$32
299er Pairs	single	Pavilion 11	\$18	\$28
7:30 pm				
Sunday Evening Side Pairs <i>Fri-Mon Evening Series</i>	single	Pavilion 11	\$22	\$22

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.

McAllister

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movie, McAllister started a podcast called “*The Setting Trick*” in which he interviews bridge players. Nearing the end of its seventh season, McAllister has recorded over 80 episodes.

Because the Daily Bulletin is now online, we’ve linked to the websites and episodes mentioned for your convenience.

How have these conversations changed your approach to bridge?

I’m not sure that they’ve really changed how I approach bridge. I thought it might be a chance to learn from the best players when I started. An early guest, *Adam Wildavsky*, told me that he didn’t think the podcast was a good format for doing bidding problems, specifically. So, I rarely do those. But I do think it’s helped me better connect with other bridge players. It has given me an opportunity to become closer to other bridge players, which makes for richer relationships. I know I have better friends in the bridge world because of it.

What do you do to grow as a player?

I think playing a lot is huge. I’m lucky to have dated a fellow player who also loves to play. I like to read books too. “*The Art of Declarer Play*” forces you to really visualize a winning layout. That kind of work is easier to train at away from the table. I also like to bid a lot of hands with my partner before a big event. We use *Cue Bids* for that and also hire Joyjit Sensarma to give us difficult bidding situations.

What is the biggest improvement in your game that you’ve noticed?

The ability to see a winning position. I had a double squeeze in an online game the other day and it came so easily to me. It was really gratifying.



McAllister’s first NACB+ win was the Mitchell Board-a-Match Teams at the Fall 2022 Phoenix NABC (from left): Jovanka Smederevac, John McAllister, Alexander Wernle and Sveinn Eiriksson.

What are the top 10 Greatest Hits from TST?

Our *18th episode* was a “best of.” It took a lot of work to create it. But we haven’t done one since. The first one that very readily comes to mind is from *Gavin Wolpert*. On our very first episode, he talks about ducking a king in tempo on opening lead. This ended up creating like a five-trick swing in the play because the declarer thought that this side suit was running.

Bobby Levin likes to joke with me about my laughing on the show. If he is the guest, he says he’ll give me \$1,000. But every time I laugh, I have to give him \$100. A lot of my stronger memories come from interactions with listeners.

The podcast was originally a way to promote the movie *Double Dummy*. What were your expectations for *Double Dummy*? If you could go back and do it over, what would you do differently?

Love this question! I thought once we had a finished film, it would be way easier to get it out into the world and seen. There’s a push and pull between getting the film seen but also wanting to profit/make some of the money back. I learned so many lessons in the process of making it.

From the competition itself, we didn’t even have cameras overhead at each table from the event we featured. I think the WBF does that on its own

now. We wasted so many man hours recording random bridge footage. Yet, we had to fake some of the things in the film, because we didn’t have coverage of the actual play we’re discussing.

I’d spend much more time embedding with the teams. That’s the footage that people want to see.

You mentioned when *Hinze interviewed you* that some of the podcast material was too “inside baseball” for non-bridge players, and some of it might be too deep for casual players. Is expert bridge too elite? What type of player could benefit the most from listening to TST?

My sister recently got married and drove across the country for her honeymoon. They listened to a couple of episodes, which was really a pleasant surprise.

I definitely don’t think expert bridge is too elite. Think about the Soloway. Can’t any ACBL member enter? They can play a Swiss match against the best in the world.

What might be the biggest benefit for a listener is to see that they belong. That these icons make mistakes too. They get excited when they do well. I certainly had a lot of imposter syndrome playing in my first NABC. But there’s also a path of learning, getting better. I hope we talk about that a fair bit on the show.

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SPECIAL EVENTS

MEETINGS / SEMINARS / RECEPTIONS

Meetings are at the Westgate.

Sunday, December 1		assessment during this time. <i>Conference Room 11, second floor</i>	
8 am–noon	Best Practices Teacher Workshop. Session three of three. ACBL’s interactive seminar for people interested in learning how to teach bridge. <i>Conference Room 11, second floor</i>		
8–9:45 am	Free Bridge Lesson with Donna Compton, “Slam Bidding,” followed by a special game for newer players. <i>Ballroom F</i>	7:30–9:30 am	Monday, December 2 ABTA Teacher Breakfast. Open discussion for veteran and new teachers learning from each other and developing a network. <i>Conference Room 7, second floor</i>
1–5 pm	Doubles in a Day. Learn two useful doubles that come up every time you play. Fee: \$25 if you preregister (acbl.org/reglbiad), \$30 at the door. <i>Ballroom F</i>	8 am–noon	Best Practices Teacher Assessments. People who complete the Best Practices Teacher Workshop can sign up for an assessment during this time. <i>Conference Room 11, second floor</i>
2–6 pm	Best Practices Teacher Assessments. People who complete the Best Practices Teacher Workshop can sign up for an	8:30–11 pm	Beyond Bridge. Karaoke, board games, activities, photo booth. Light food and cash bar. <i>Conference Rooms 7–13, second floor</i>

CELEBRITY SPEAKER PROGRAM

Don’t miss these free lectures by some of the best-known players in the game! *Talks will be held in Pavilion 11. Speakers and topics are subject to change.*

Sunday, Dec. 1		Monday, Dec. 2	
9:15 am	Patty Tucker <i>When Do I Pass?</i> <i>When Do I Bid?</i>	9:15 am	GS Jade Barrett <i>The Power of Fits</i>
2:15 pm	Marjorie Michelin <i>Rules of 9 and 17</i>	2:15 pm	Vic Quiros <i>Practice Your Bidding</i>

HOSPITALITY

Food will be served starting at 9 a.m. in the Pavilion hall. On three selected dates, courtesy of the host committee, dessert items are available at 2:30 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 1 Morning: assorted muffins. Afternoon: assorted cookies		Monday, Dec. 2 Mini-burritos	
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PATRON LOUNGE

Patron Members are invited to visit the Patron Lounge in Pavilion 7 (off the passway) from 1 to 3 p.m. today through Friday, Dec. 6, for light lunch and coffee. The Patron Lounge is also open for coffee from 9 to 10 a.m.

Sunday, Dec. 1 Baked chicken pot pie casseroles, cookies		Monday, Dec. 2 Mini-pizzas, Caesar salad, blondies	
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Evening Entertainment

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Wednesday, Dec. 4

Bridge Mania: Jeopardy, Family Feud and other bridge-themed games. 8:30 p.m.



JUST FOR NEW PLAYERS

In the Friday afternoon 299er game, Tien Vo of Boulder CO and Dan Ehrmann of Buffalo Grove IL were first in Flight B and third overall.

Ryan Wolpert of Palm Beach Gardens FL and Kaining Sheng of Northbrook IL were first in Flight C.

In the Saturday morning 299er game, Ryan and



Ryan Wolpert and Kaining Sheng

Kai played again, this time winning the event with a 65.39% game. They play 2/1 forcing to game and their favorite conventions are Stayman and transfers. Here's to many 1NT openings – and trophies – in their future.



Tien Vo



Kaining Sheng and Ryan Wolpert

Tips for New Players

By Frank Stewart

Making assumptions

Players must often make assumptions about the way the cards lie. Some assumptions – inferences – may be supported by clues from the bidding or play. Other assumptions may be speculative, but you must make them anyway because the alternative is to concede that the contract cannot be made or defeated.



Suppose you are declarer at this 4♠:

Dlr: West ♠ A J 9 4
Vul: N-S ♥ K J
IMPs ♦ J 7
♣ K Q 10 8 4

♠ Q 10 8 7
♥ 9 6
♦ 10 6 2
♣ A J 9 3

West	North	East	South
Pass	1♣	Pass	1♠
Pass	3♠	Pass	4♠
All Pass			

North's jump to 3♠ was hungry – some might say famished – and your 4♠ was bold though you have help for North's clubs. But your side is vulnerable, with more to gain by making a game. West leads the ♦K and ♦Q. He shifts to the ♥2, and you must guess. Do you play the jack or king from dummy?

Assume the contract is makeable, so you will hope West

holds the ♠K so that the trump finesse will win. But then you can't play West for the ♥A also; with 12 good high-card points, he would have opened the bidding or acted at his second turn. Play the ♥J, hoping West held this:

♠K x x ♥Q x x x ♦K Q x ♣x x x.

Here's a tougher example:

Dlr: North ♠ 8 6 4 3
Vul: Both ♥ A 7
IMPs ♦ A Q 3 2
♣ K 6 5

♠ K
♥ K J 6 4 3 2
♦ K 8 4
♣ 8 4 2

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

I wouldn't endorse the bidding. It seems South had a choice between defending against 2♠ or trying to make 4♥.

West leads the ♠2, and East takes the ace and shifts to the ♣9. West takes the ace and returns the ♣Q, and East ruffs dummy's king with the ♥5 and leads another spade. You ruff and lead a trump: 10, ace, 6. On the next trump, East follows with the 8. Do you finesse with the jack or put up the king?

To make your game, you need a discard for your club loser, and only a 3–3 diamond break will help. On the bidding, East started with five spades, West with three. East had one club. If you assume that diamonds will break, you must give East 5–4–3–1 shape. It is right to play the ♥J.

Mostly Texan team top 10K

The squad led by Kalyan Venkat of Round Rock TX have a tenuous lead in the NABC 0–10,000 Swiss Teams. They finished Saturday's qualifying sessions with a total Victory Point score of 86.43 and will have a carryover of 20.24 for today's final.

In second place with a VP total of 85.50 are the Canadian crew led by David Cohen of Thornhill ON. Their carryover is 19.53.

In third is captain Barry Margolin of Arlington MA's team with a carryover of 19.37.

Forty-two teams entered the event, 22 qualified to play in the final.

Gu – Gossiaux grab lead in 0–2500 Pairs

The inaugural Fall NABC 0–2500 Pairs saw 52 pairs enter. In first place after two qualifying sessions are Belinda Gu and Ryan Gossiaux, both of San Francisco CA. They had a 59.92% first qualifying session and a 65.54% second qualifying session to finish with a combined score of 815.50. They will have a carryover of 68.00 going into tomorrow's two-session final (25 top).

In second place with a carryover of 59.15 are Mark Mackenzie of Portland OR and Kevin Marnell of Milwaukie OR. In third are Robert Larson of Sherwood Park AB and Kevin Noble of Fort Saskatchewan AB with a carryover of 52.91.

Twenty-six pairs will play in today's final.

Soloway KO Teams

The Soloway Knockout Teams have reached the KO stage, reducing from 103 teams to 32 after two days of round-robin play. See pages 12–13 for the bracket and page 14 for the roster of qualifying teams.

Nail LM Pairs

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Runners-up in the Nail Life Master Pairs Janice Seamon-Molson and Sylvia Shi

score of 56.61% was more than good enough; they won by almost two boards, finishing with a combined score of 2224.36.

In second placer were Janice Seamon-Molson of Hollywood FL and Sylvia Shi of San Francisco CA. They had their work cut out for them, qualifying in 111th place out of 130 pairs. A 58.30% first final session moved them up to 26th, and a strong 66.62% final nudged them over third place Mark Itabashi and Neil Silverman by 5.75 matchpoints. Their combined scores were 2097.13 and 2091.39, respectively.

Smith obit

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Smith studied at Auburn and received a bachelor of science in mathematics, graduating summa cum laude. He then studied at University of California at Riverside, where he earned his master's degree in mathematics before returning to Auburn. While at Auburn, he went on to obtain both a master's in industrial engineering, and his doctorate. in mathematics.

He taught at Northern Arizona University in Flagstaff for four years before returning to the southeast to work at the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga, where he taught for 35 more years, retiring as professor emeritus. He was passionate about his research and published 37 papers

and two books, and was named to the Thompson-Reuters Original List of Highly Cited Researchers. In addition, he delivered 26 presentations, refereed six journals and organized three conferences. In honor of his retirement, colleagues organized a conference in his honor, "Recent Advances in Linear Algebra and Graph Theory."

Expert and author Mike Lawrence wrote, "Normally, it is easy to remember negative things about someone. In Ron's case, I can recall no such moments.

"Here's a story that Ron's wife, Linda, passed on to me. A student of Ron's told him he just couldn't understand calculus. Ron told him he could do it and spent extra time with him until he did. The student, who went on to get a master's degree said, 'That made a big difference in my life.' Ron would help anyone willing to put in the work. He had the ability to make students want to learn.

"In Ron's world of mathematics, he was a giant. But Ron had another talent: bridge. My world.

"Unknown to me, Ron won two national events and more than 300 regional tournaments. He and Linda were fixtures on the tour. They were a pair who didn't give an inch, as I learned many times.

"I'm sad that I never played with Ron. We did play as teammates on many occasions. I would have enjoyed being his partner. I miss you, Ron."

Smith was preceded in death by two brothers, Richard Smith and Robert Smith, and one sister, Ruth Johnson. He is survived by his wife of 39 years, Linda Smith; his children Kevin George, Brad George, Reid Smith and Sarah Adams; his grandchildren Jeremy George, Samantha George, Hayden Adams, Oscar Deist, Wynn Deist and Marshall Adams; and his great-granddaughter Marietta Grant.

Those wishing to make memorial contributions in his honor can make those to the Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research at michaelfox.org.

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NAIL LIFE MASTER PAIRS

65.0 Tables / Based on 132 Tables

125.00	1	Jeff Meckstroth, Clearwater Beach FL; David Berkowitz, Boca Raton FL	2224.36
93.75	2	Janice Seamon-Molson, Hollywood FL; Sylvia Shi, San Francisco CA	2097.13
70.31	3	Mark Itabashi, Newport Beach CA; Neil Silverman, Fort Lauderdale FL	2091.39
55.56	4	Jeff Roman, Bend OR; Peter J. Boyd-Bowman, Greensboro NC	2082.01
50.00	5	Ahu Zobu, Istanbul Turkey; Viktor Aronov, Sofia Bulgaria	2064.92
45.45	6	Thomas Paske, Manhattan NY; Simon Cope, United Kingdom	2052.58
41.67	7	Spencer Jones – Peggy Ware, Denver CO	2001.30
38.46	8	Stefan Iancu, Iasi Romania; Bogdan Vulcan, Sammamish WA	1996.88
35.71	9	Simonetta Paoluzi, Rome Italy; Gabriele Zanasi, Palermo Italy	1982.92
33.33	10	Edward Nagy, Danville CA; Gary Soules, Elk Grove CA	1979.70
31.25	11	Robert Schachter, Eden Prairie MN; Paul Meerschaert, Long Lake MN	1977.57
29.41	12	Steve Raine, Nottingham United Kingdom; Matthew Weingarten, Seattle WA	1970.31
27.78	13	Perry Van Hook, Surprise AZ; Tom Trachuk, Walnut Creek CA	1968.22
26.32	14	Ebru Ates, Pennington NJ; Ugurcan Suzer, Istanbul Turkey	1963.81
25.00	15	Ishmael Del'Monte, Baton Rouge LA; Jay Barron, Norman OK	1959.14
23.81	16	Mark Lair, Canyon TX; Ron Gerard, White Plains NY	1958.73
22.73	17	Paul Darin – Phyllis Yates, San Diego CA	1958.31
21.74	18	Stella Wan, San Francisco CA; Johan Saefsten, Uppsala Sweden	1952.60
20.83	19	Gregor Rus, Velenje Slovenia; Tina Drnovsek, Ljubljana Slovenia	1946.08
20.00	20	David Yang, Darien IL; Alex Perlin, Metuchen NJ	1921.84
19.23	21	Varghese George, Milton GA; James Gentry Jr., North Augusta SC	1921.14
18.52	22	Jean-Louis Counil, Laudun-Lardoise France; Alain Benoit, Tresses France	1917.31
17.86	23	Hailong Ao, Ashburn VA; Jiang Gu, Mountain Lakes NJ	1903.58
17.24	24	Rita Shugart, Carmel CA; Miguel Villas-Boas, Salvador Brazil	1892.43
16.67	25	George Jacobs, Hinsdale IL; Jordan Chodorow, West Hollywood CA	1881.25
16.13	26	Kun He, North Potomac MD; Xun Zhang, Longueuil QC	1865.85
15.63	27	Dean Panagopoulos, Lynn MA; Louis Glasthal, Berwyn PA	1835.89
15.15	28	Richard Pavlicek, Fort Lauderdale FL; Jim Munday, Albuquerque NM	1828.69
14.71	29	Adi Asulin, Rishon Lezion Israel; Amit Winkler, Reut Israel	1826.59
14.29	30	Brad Bart, Coquitlam BC; Lorraine Cable, Greenfield IN	1812.93
13.89	31	Iftikhar Baqai, Irvine CA; Mitch Dunitz, Sherman Oaks CA	1812.82
13.51	32	Phil Clayton, Bella Vista AR; Danny Sprung, Las Vegas NV	1811.69
13.16	33	Richard Oshlag, White Plains NY; Mark Dahl, Richmond VA	1811.60
12.82	34	Robert Katz, Ann Arbor MI; Frank Treiber III, Toledo OH	1805.81
12.50	35	Omer Ekinci, Astoria NY; Russell Samuel, Coram NY	1802.04
12.20	36	Brian Gilbert, Irvine CA; Jim Darvey, Rancho Mirage CA	1796.54
11.90	37	Arjune Bose, Albuquerque NM; Eddie Wold, Houston TX	1795.39
11.77	38	Jeff Schuett, Riverwoods IL; Kerry Smith, Milwaukee WI	1794.19
11.36	39	Ari Sippola, Richardson TX; Pawel Hanus, Carrollton TX	1792.98
11.11	40	Marshall Lewis, Bloomington IN; Richard Reitman, Los Gatos CA	1789.18
10.87	41	Peter Knee, Canyon Country CA; Stephen Gladyszak, Chelsea MA	1788.59
10.64	42	John Pendergrass, Albuquerque NM; Richard McCombs, Santa Fe NM	1780.99
10.42	43	Jonathan Fleischmann, Canton MI; Michael Curley, Rockford MI	1779.68
10.20	44	Joachim Cappeller, Hamburg Germany; Barbara Hackett, Manchester Denmark	1775.72
10.00	45	Xin Ge, Cupertino CA; Ming Sheng, Los Altos CA	1773.40
9.80	46	Piotr Klimowicz, Edmonton AB; Dan Jacob, Vancouver BC	1770.56
9.62	47	Fred Stewart, Bradenton FL; James Holzhauer, Las Vegas NV	1761.95
9.43	48	James Breihan, Houston TX; Greg Hinze, San Antonio TX	1761.91
14.61	49	Jonathan Steinberg, Toronto ON; Alex Hudson, Morrisville NC	1759.60
9.09	50	Xiaojing Deng, Richmond BC; Difan Wang, Unionville ON	1758.99
8.93	51	Brandon Ge, Cupertino CA; Arthur Gong, Sammamish WA	1758.70
8.77	52	Leo Bell, Carlsbad CA; Crispin Barrere, Berkeley CA	1755.97
8.62	53	Mike Cappelletti, Delray Beach FL; Michael Gamble, Shawnigan Lake BC	1754.76
12.11	54	Eldad Ginossar, Sanibel FL; Joseph Stokes, Chicago IL	1753.18
8.33	55	Robert Fendrick, Marietta GA; Hugh Brown Jr., McCormick SC	1751.64
8.20	56	Victor Chubukov, Seattle WA; Eric Mayefsky, Washington DC	1746.64
8.06	57	Randy Zeibert – Charles Finch, Las Vegas NV	1744.85

7.94	58	Richard Chan, Markham ON; Yizhuo Zhang, Beijing China	1740.88
7.81	59	Joe Quinn, Sugar Land TX; Ira Hessel, San Antonio TX	1740.49
7.69	60	Nunzio Martorina, Lake Elsinore CA; Barbara Morgan, New Braunfels TX	1727.74
7.58	61	Bruce Lang, Palm Beach Gardens FL; Corey Krantz, Boynton Beach FL	1725.92
7.46	62	Ben Bomber, Grandview WA; Dewitt (Hal) Montgomery III, Portland OR	1725.65
7.35	63	William Neumann, Columbia MD; Brian Glubok, Brooklyn NY	1724.49
7.25	64	Allison L. Cappelletti, Delray Beach FL; Bryan Howard, Nashville TN	1722.90
7.14	65	Iulian Rotaru, New York NY; Samuel Kuang, Woodside NY	1722.80
7.04	66	Virginie Bonnet – Ga Rard Salliere, Annecy France	1721.21

QUALIFIERS IN THE NABC 0–2500 PAIRS

18.0 Tables / Based on 26 Tables			Carryover
1	Belinda Gu – Ryan Gossiaux, San Francisco CA	68.00	
2	Mark Mackenzie, Portland OR; Kevin Marnell, Milwaukie OR	59.15	
3	Robert Larson, Sherwood Park AB; Kevin Noble, Fort Saskatchewan AB	52.91	
4	Donald Perry, Deer Park WA; Frank Grzegorzewski, Erie PA	49.27	
5	Richard Ross, Gilroy CA; Yanlai Yang, Jersey City NJ	47.88	
6	Stephanie Singer, Belmont CA; Carol Kemper, Portola Valley CA	39.03	
7	Zain Mahmood, London United Kingdom; S. Reese Koppel, Metairie LA	37.64	
8	Joseph Lieberman, Brooklyn NY; Christopher Welland, New York NY	36.08	
9	Yiran Liu – Kaiwen Wang, Fort Lee NJ	35.39	
10	Arif Janjua, Saratoga CA; Rich Nielsen, Los Altos CA	34.52	
11	Rolf Swenson, Silver Spring MD; Peter Van Zijl, Hanover MD	34.17	
12	Henry Zhang – Peng Cheng, Saratoga CA	32.09	
13/14	Howard Coren – Chris Wuerschler, Calgary AB	30.53	
13/14	Kenneth Mandel – Andrew Jeanguenat, New York NY	30.53	
15	Matthew Wilkins – Maura Pennington, Clovis CA	29.32	
16	Patrick Thompson, Lakewood Ranch FL; Richard Aufmann, Bradenton FL	28.28	
17	Diana Blithe – Gary Gilbert, Silver Spring MD	28.10	
18	Lelvin Crowe, Colorado Springs CO; Laurie Carr, Honolulu HI	27.06	
19	Don Rogers, Reno NV; Rolando Grijalva, Las Vegas NV	26.19	
20	Joel Koransky, Saratoga CA; Henry Koransky, San Jose CA	25.85	
21	Duane Myres, Mesquite NV; Clysta Lundgreen, Leeds UT	21.51	
22	Steve Horton – Barbara Mikkelsen, Las Vegas NV	17.69	
23	Jefri Donovan, Reno NV; Theresa Choma, Hailey ID	14.40	
24	Eddie Bishop, Lacey WA; Kimberly Johnson, Olympia WA	11.28	
25	Tom Shannon, Toronto ON; Rebecca Anspach, St. Paul MN	10.23	
26	Lisa Hebert – Maurice Brazeau, Ottawa ON	7.11	
27	Damon Suden – Anthony Chiocchi, New York NY	6.42	
28	Joel Schwartz, Las Vegas NV; Yi Xiong, Lawrenceville GA	5.90	
29/30	Benjamin Levine, Hartford CT; Nicole Hudak, New York NY	5.20	
29/30	Lewis Hutchinson, Chantilly VA; Leqin Shi, Sterling VA	5.20	
31	Bridget Poizner – Donald Xu, San Diego CA	4.86	
32	Rick Ramey – Sherry Allison, Columbus OH	2.60	
33	Phil Reynolds, Jackson MI; James Gundell, New York NY	2.43	
34	Brenda Hatton, San Jose CA; Jacqueline Zayac, Lafayette CA	1.73	
35	Li Chen, Fairfax VA; Fanjun Kong, Sterling VA	1.56	
36	Diane Strategos, Sacramento CA; Robert Leach, Haines City FL	0.00	

QUALIFIERS IN THE NABC 0–10,000 SWISS TEAMS

22 Tables / Based on 42 Tables		Carryover
1	Kalyan Venkat, Round Rock TX; Eddie Bass, Brookeland TX; Jin Chu, Plano TX; Kenneth Chan, Goleta CA	20.24
2	David Cohen, Thornhill ON; Ken Collins, Aurora ON; Ana Kovacevic – Miroslav Kovacevic, Woodbridge ON	19.53
3	Barry Margolin, Arlington MA; Joyce Goldstein, Brooklyn NY; Lisa Mita, Downingtown PA; John Dickenson, North Wales PA	19.37
4	David Rodney – Avril Rodney, Ashburn VA; Margot Hennings, Annandale VA; Lamya Agelidis, San Diego CA	15.45
5	Margaret Peterson, Larkspur CA; Louis-Amaury Beauchet, Larmor-Plage France; Lynne Castoldi, La Quinta CA; Aly El-Selehdar, Minnetonka MN	14.96
6	Tie Jun Song – Weidong Guo, Beijing China; Yan Zhang, Zheng Zhou; Zhenzhong Guo, Issaquah WA	13.63
7	Norm Gordon, Montreal QC; Donna Johnson, Lawrence KS; Allan Karro – Yen Karro, White Rock BC	10.58
8	Roy Perry – Thomas Dale – Richard Lash, St John's NL; Barbara Rhoades, Wilmington DE	9.31
9	Ethan Wood, Dover MA; Arti Bhargava, Mill Valley CA; Erik Hansson, Helsinki Finland; Castor Mann, Lund Sweden	8.93
10	Floyd McWilliams, Sunnyvale CA; Scott Benson, Mountain View CA; Joel Singer, Santa Clara CA; Michael Cohen, Seattle WA	6.94
11	James Andre – Lily Andre, Allyn WA; Xingping Kang, El Monte CA; Milton Kalikman, Thousand Palms CA	6.42
12	Steven Adelson, Scottsdale AZ; Martin Wewerka, Gilbert AZ; Richard Logan, Diamondhead MS; Guss Ginsburg, New Orleans LA	6.31
13	Craig Symington – Tim Edwards-Davies, Ottawa ON; Romain Jacques, Gatineau QC; Barbara Stewart, Victoria BC	6.03
14	Marc Boisvert, Laval QC; Normand Houle, St.-Hubert QC; Robert Guerard, Brossard QC; Jean La Traverse, Montreal QC	5.38
15	Don Chillrud, Schenectady NY; Judy Fox, Virginia Beach VA; James Barnes, Timonium MD; Tobey Roland, Baltimore MD	4.40
16	Ryohei Orihara – Naoko Orihara, Tokyo Japan; Kiyoshi Asai, Shinagawa-Ku; Katsumi Tokiwa, Chiba Japan	4.08
17	Daniel Neill, Hillsboro OR; Paul Heller, Marietta GA; Jonathan Cohn, Elkhorn NE; Jeffrey Buckwalter, Omaha NE	3.61
18	Guillermo Minutti – Roberto Martinez – Jorge Rossolino, Montevideo Uruguay; C. Valerie Gamio, Rolling Hills Estates CA; Juan Carve, Miami FL	2.00
19	Andrea Nilsson, Varberg Sweden; Erleta Plana, Sandnes Norway; John Wachsmann – Rick Jasper, San Jose CA	1.29
20	Ettore Bianchi, Stamford CT; Federico Iavicoli, Roma Italy; Cristiano Valsega, Aosta Italy; Michele Cammarata, Massa Italy	1.23
21	Denny Cahan – David Schulman, Atlanta GA; Roy Martin, Vestavia Hills AL; Steve Callahan, Alpharetta GA	0.29
22	Bradley Komsthoef, Clayton CA; Bonnie Macbride, Kensington CA; Thomas Musso, Charleston SC; Kathrine Loh, Walnut Creek CA	0.00

Eligibility points

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SOLOWAY KO TEAMS, ROSTERS

- 1 Martin Fleisher, New York NY; Chip Martel, Davis CA; Cedric Lorenzini, Cachan France; Thomas Bessis, Paris France; Alfredo Versace, Rome Italy; Antonio Sementa, Parma Italy
- 2 Migry Zur Campanile, New York NY; Parag Saxena, Rye NY; Zia Mahmood – David Gold, London United Kingdom; Veri Kiljan – Bart Nab, Tilburg Netherlands
- 3 John Overdeck, Short Hills NJ; Aldo Gerli, Padova Italy; Norberto Bocchi, Barcelona Spain; Leonardo Fruscoloni, Brooklyn NY
- 4 Bart Bramley, Avon CT; Kit Woolsey, Kensington CA; Peter Weichsel, Carlsbad CA; James Krekorian, Pensacola FL
- 5 Mike Rippey, San Francisco CA; Kamil Nowak, Kielce Poland; Piotr Marcinowski, Wroclaw Poland; Irene Baroni, Paris France; Alessandro Gandolia, Rome Italy
- 6 Andrew Rosenthal – Chris Willenken, New York NY; Aaron Silverstein, Ridgefield CT; Boye Brogeland, Flekkefjor Norway; Christian Bakke, Bergen Norway; Geir Helgemo, Heimdal Norway
- 7 William Bailey, Mill Valley CA; Daniel Korbel – Joshua Donn, Las Vegas NV; Jan Jansma, New York NY; Dror Padon – Alon Birman, Tel Aviv Israel
- 8 Paul Street, Delray Beach FL; Nicolas L'Ecuyer, Montreal QC; Ron Pachtmann, Kfar Saba Israel; Piotr Pawel Zatorski, Gdansk Poland; Andrea Manno – Massimiliano Di Franco, Palermo Italy
- 9 David Pelka, Los Angeles CA; Piotr Bizon, Cracow Poland; Marek Blat, Bielsko-Biala Poland; Michal Kwiecien, Lublin Poland; Wlodzimierz Starkowski – Danuta Kazmucha, Poznan Poland
- 10 Alexander Allfrey, Dorset England; Andrew Robson, Wiltshire United Kingdom; Patrick Lawrence – Oliver Lawrence, London United Kingdom
- 11 Connie Goldberg, Gladwyne PA; Hua Poon, Singapore; Per-Ola Cullin, Enskededalen Sweden; Jing Liu, Forest Hills NY; Marion Michielsen, Stockholm Sweden
- 12 Robert Hollman, Santa Barbara CA; Billy Cohen, Sherman Oaks CA; Oscar Nijssen, Rotterdam Netherlands; Tim Van De Pavverd, Leiden Netherlands; Agnes Snellers – Wubbo De Boer, Groeneka Netherlands
- 13 Sriram Ganesan, Sunnyvale CA; Linus Lee, Waterloo ON; Bryan Yang, Atlanta GA; Sheldon Tan, New York NY
- 14 Hemant Lall, Marina Del Rey CA; Reese Milner, Sarasota FL; Brad Moss, Denver CO; Joe Grue, New York NY; Brian Platnick, Evanston IL; Kevin Rosenberg, Millbrae CA
- 15 Eric Leong, Oakland CA; Jacob Morgan, Madison WI; Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio TX; John Schermer, Seattle WA; Barry Rigal, New York NY; Ron Rubin, Las Vegas NV
- 16 Sergio Bianchi, Cesena Italy; Federico Porta Tadolini, Roma Italy; Franceso Mazzadi, Parma Italy; Fabio Lo Presti, Bergamo Italy
- 17 Daniel Zagorin, Chicago IL; Peter Bertheau, Taby Sweden; Oren Toledano, Jerusalem Israel; Ami Zamir, Hod Hasharon Israel
- 18 Stephane Messika, Paris France; Lionel Sebbane, Clichy France; Paul Segueineau, New York NY; Frederic Volcker, Issy Les Moulin France
- 19 Sam Dinkin, Austin TX; Jacob Freeman, New York NY; Owen Lien, Oak Park MI; Ulf Nilsson, Dalby Sweden; Jason Feldman, Revelstoke BC; Louk Verhees Jr., Leiden Netherlands
- 20 Pierre Zimmermann – Michal Nowosadzki – Sebastiaan Drijver – Sjoert Brink, Geneva Switzerland; Michal Klukowski – Jacek Kalita, Geneve Switzerland
- 21 Adam Grossack, Newton MA; Laurence Lebowitz, Boston MA; Agustin Madala, Buenos Aires Argentina; Dennis Bilde, Horsens Denmark; Ola Rimstedt – Mikael Rimstedt, Halmstad Sweden
- 22 Marcel Verhaegen, Netherlands; Martin Schaltz – Gus Hansen, Copenhagen Denmark; Nikolaj Hammelev, Aarhus Denmark; Daniel Tylvad, Denmark
- 23 Stefano Tommasini, Santa Catarina Brazil; Maggie Knottenbelt, London United Kingdom; Ben Norton, Loughborough United Kingdom; Michael Byrne, Manchester United Kingdom
- 24 Timucin Erkoc, Katy TX; Yusuf Sohtorik, Istanbul Turkey; Turker Tarhan, Istanbul Turkey; Burak Baskan, Amesbury MA
- 25 Andrew Dyson – Glyn Liggins, London United Kingdom; Ben Handley-Pritchard, Stroud United Kingdom; Tom Townsend, London England
- 26 Jerome Rombaut, France; Leo Rombaut, Lys Lez Lannoy France; Christian Lahrmann, Virum Denmark; Nicolai Heiberg-Evenstd, Finnsnes Norway; Roy Welland, New York NY; Sabine Auken, Charlottenlund Denmark
- 27 Adam Kaplan, New York NY; Gary Cohler, Wellington FL; Matthew Brown, Pokeno New Zealand; William Pollack, Boca Raton FL; Sam Lev, Aventura FL
- 28 Vinita Gupta, Woodside CA; Morten Bilde – Soren Bilde, Hovedgaard Denmark; Emil Jepsen, Aarhus Denmark; Simon Ekenberg, Kalmar Sweden
- 29 Yanong Han, Milpitas CA; Xin Li, Guangdong China; Jie Li, Beijing China; Wanfeng Mou, Sugar Land TX; Jeff Fang – Yong Ge Zhang, Rowland Heights CA
- 30 Berk Basaran – Tuna Elmas, Istanbul Turkey; Dilek Yavas, Bursa Turkey; Bulent Aslan, Izmir Turkey
- 31 Anne Brenner – David Caprera, Denver CO; Jovanka Smederevac – Alexander Wernle, Vienna Austria
- 32 Michael Roche – Daniel Lyder – Michael Hargreaves, Victoria BC; Gordon McOrmond, Sidney BC

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SOLOWAY KNOCKOUT TEAMS ROUND OF 32

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vs

Michael Roche – Daniel Lyder – Michael Hargreaves, Victoria BC; Gordon McOrmond, Sidney BC

Migry Zur Campanile, New York NY; Parag Saxena, Rye NY; Zia Mahmood – David Gold, London United Kingdom; Veri Kiljan – Bart Nab, Tilburg Netherlands

vs

Anne Brenner – David Caprera, Denver CO; Jovanka Smederevac – Alexander Wernle, Vienna Austria

John Overdeck, Short Hills NJ; Aldo Gerli, Padova Italy; Norberto Bocchi, Barcelona Spain; Leonardo Fruscoloni, Brooklyn NY

vs

Berk Basaran – Tuna Elmas, Istanbul Turkey; Dilek Yavas, Bursa Turkey; Bulent Aslan, Izmir Turkey

Bart Bramley, Avon CT; Kit Woolsey, Kensington CA; Peter Weichsel, Carlsbad CA; James Krekorian, Pensacola FL

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vs

Vinita Gupta, Woodside CA; Morten Bilde – Soren Bilde, Hovedgaard Denmark; Emil Jepsen, Aarhus Denmark; Simon Ekenberg, Kalmar Sweden

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vs

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vs

Jerome Rombaut, France; Leo Rombaut, Lys Lez Lannoy France; Christian Lahrmann, Virum Denmark; Nicolai Heiberg-Evenstd, Finnsnes Norway; Roy Welland, New York NY; Sabine Auken, Charlottenlund Denmark

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vs

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David Pelka, Los Angeles CA; Piotr Bizon, Cracow Poland; Marek Blat, Bielsko-Biala Poland; Michal Kwiecien, Lublin Poland; Wlodzimierz Starkowski – Danuta Kazmucha, Poznan Poland

vs

Timucin Erkoc, Katy TX; Yusuf Sohtorik, Istanbul Turkey; Turker Tarhan, Istanbul Turkey; Burak Baskan, Amesbury MA

Alexander Allfrey, Dorset England; Andrew Robson, Wiltshire United Kingdom; Patrick Lawrence – Oliver Lawrence, London United Kingdom

vs

Stefano Tommasini, Santa Catarina Brazil; Maggie Knottenbelt, London United Kingdom; Ben Norton, Loughborough United Kingdom; Michael Byrne, Manchester United Kingdom

Connie Goldberg, Gladwyne PA; Hua Poon, Singapore; Per-Ola Cullin, Enskededalen Sweden; Jing Liu, Forest Hills NY; Marion Michielsen, Stockholm Sweden

vs

Marcel Verhaegen, Netherlands; Martin Schaltz – Gus Hansen, Copenhagen Denmark; Nikolaj Hammelev, Aarhus Denmark; Daniel Tylvad, Denmark

Robert Hollman, Santa Barbara CA; Billy Cohen, Sherman Oaks CA; Oscar Nijssen, Rotterdam Netherlands; Tim Van De Pavverd, Leiden Netherlands; Agnes Snellers – Wubbo De Boer, Groenekan Netherlands

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Sriram Ganesan, Sunnyvale CA; Linus Lee, Waterloo ON; Bryan Yang, Atlanta GA; Sheldon Tan, New York NY

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Sergio Bianchi, Cesena Italy; Federico Porta Tadolini, Roma Italy; Francesco Mazzadi, Parma Italy; Fabio Lo Presti, Bergamo Italy

vs

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

1ST SATURDAY TOP-FLIGHT PAIRS

46.0 Tables / Based on 112 Tables

	A	B		
43.41	1		Katarzyna Dufrat, Wroclaw Poland; Linda Robinson, Arlington MA	60.27%
32.56	2		Jeff McKee, Livingston TX; Greg Resz, Weatherford TX	59.12%
24.42	3		Joseph Machotka – Joy Scher, Boca Raton FL	57.71%
18.31	4		Maryse Hambrick – Sarko Kassabian, St.-Laurent QC	57.57%
14.47	5		Valentin Kovachev, Las Vegas NV; Dave Schouweiler, Bismarck ND	57.29%
12.40	6		Hendrik Sharples, Brush Prairie WA; J. Jay Roll, Kelso WA	57.06%
10.85	7		Don Bell, Vernon BC; Kelly Meenagh, Kelowna BC	56.73%
9.65	8		Adam Pawlowski, Kutno Poland; Mariusz Krasnicki, Lodz Poland	56.52%
8.68	9		Tracey Bauer, San Rafael CA; Mark McCarthy, San Francisco CA	56.14%
7.89	10		Phillip Grothus, Bucerias Mexico; Chris Kollenberg, Houston TX	56.00%
7.24	11		Rhoda Walsh, Carlsbad CA; Paulo Brum, Columbus Brazil	55.99%
6.68	12		Michael Gladfelter – Mary Jane Gladfelter, Columbus OH	55.82%
7.65	13	1	Tanaaz Timblo – Jayendu Patel, Carlsbad CA	55.22%
5.79	14		Steve Beatty, Mill Creek WA; Mark Feldman, Austin TX	54.94%
5.43	15		Roger Bates, Las Vegas NV; Steven Love, La Jolla CA	54.92%
5.11	16		Chris Moll, Cary NC; Kelley Hwang, New York NY	54.73%
4.82	17		Jane Marland, Gy Switzerland; Pierre Fougerouse, Villard France	54.55%
4.57	18		Lapt Chan – Eva Graczyk, Forest Hills NY	54.26%
4.34	19		Lloyda Jones – Tim Rilling, Sun City West AZ	53.84%
4.13	20		Monique Smith, Arlington VA; Merril Hirsh, Washington DC	53.55%
3.95	21		Mark Pensler, Los Gatos CA; Anne Wilson, Campbell CA	53.35%
3.77	22		Richard Gabriel – Michael Kieli, Naples FL	53.33%
3.62	23		Robert Bass, Woodland Hills CA; Steve Gross, Camarillo CA	53.19%
5.74		2	Andrew Gumperz, Berkeley CA; Qing Lu, San Jose CA	52.67%
4.30		3	Aaron Cavender, Sandy UT; Steven Towner, Salt Lake City UT	50.19%
3.23		4	Mark Blanchard, Bay Shore NY; Amy Rhodes, New York NY	49.55%
2.71		5	Lu Ann Walker, Dublin CA; Robert Brunkhorst, Sunnyvale CA	49.45%

1ST SATURDAY MID-FLIGHT PAIRS

26.0 Tables / Based on 66 Tables

	A	B		
29.22	1		Rebecca Brown, Lakeway TX; Forrest Gray, Hendersonville NC	60.69%
21.92	2	1	Ioana Galis – Victor Galis, Fremont CA	59.77%
16.44	3		Kurt Fritz, San Diego CA; Ronald Resnick, Portland OR	59.23%
12.33	4		Bryan Delfs, Vancouver WA; JC Chupack, Seattle WA	59.19%
9.74	5		Joseph Thomas – Joyce Nakasaki, Redondo Beach CA	57.81%
8.35	6		Darryl Depew – James Logan, Henderson NV	57.73%
7.31	7	2	Chen Peng, San Ramon CA; Dave Tong, Brentwood CA	57.19%
6.49	8		Phillip Yorston, Albuquerque NM; Scott McClure, Peyton CO	56.50%
5.84	9		Julie Clark, Aurora CO; Marion Brum de Barros, Denver CO	55.73%
5.31	10	3	Carolyn Overland – Heather Overland Bonk, Toronto ON	55.19%
4.87	11		Terry Sappah – Mary Knopf, Anchorage AK	54.81%
4.50	12		Roger Roemmich, Roswell GA; Pam Van Patton, Smyrna GA	53.92%
4.17	13	4	Frank Mazzucco – Sue Mazzucco, Frisco TX	53.88%
2.69		5	Roberta Francis, Wellesley MA; Emily Francis, San Francisco CA	52.04%
2.31		6	Li Zhang, San Jose CA; Jay Wang, San Leandro CA	51.31%

SATURDAY BRIDGE PLUS

3.0 Tables

	A	B		
1.39	1	1	Carla Short – Randy Edwards, Las Vegas NV	62.50%
0.91	2/3	2/3	Patricia Robbins – Sue Ellen Knieper, Las Vegas NV	43.75%
0.91	2/3	2/3	Blakely Meyers, Wendell NC; Michael Reed, Addison VT	43.75%

1ST SATURDAY GOLD RUSH PAIRS

28.0 Tables

7	4	2		
9.98	1	1	Bill McBride, Corona Del Mar CA; Steven Anthony, Escondido CA	63.59%
7.49	2	2	David Gin – Brad Carson, Oakland CA	60.02%
5.61	3	3	1 Noman Siddiqui, Ottawa ON; Adil Mujtaba, Mission Viejo CA	59.54%
4.21	4		Edward Kelley IV, Modesto CA; Benjamin Kelley, Gig Harbor WA	59.53%
3.33	5	4	2 Wanda Yao, Redondo Beach CA; Les Nakasaki, Montebello CA	59.03%
2.85	6		Cindy Watt – Andrew Melton, Calgary AB	58.93%
2.52	7		Mahadevan Krishnaswamy, Simpsonville SC; Kamal Das, Arlington TX	58.45%
2.22	8		Judith Hackett, North York ON; Bernie Fernandes, Toronto ON	57.87%
2.47	9		Hope Campbell, Ellendale DE; Amy Fieldman, Henderson NV	57.72%
1.81	10		W. Lyle Markowski – Janet Markowski, Saskatoon SK	57.04%
1.66	11	5	3 John Naber, Clark NJ; Sandra Naber, Victoria BC	56.80%
1.61	12	6	Donald Lickei – Jayne Carney, Washington UT	56.56%
1.43	13		Vera Dodson, Freeland WA; Joy Pearson, Flower Mound TX	55.62%
2.18	14		Julie Graham-Johnson – Scott Johnson, Little Rock AR	55.11%
2.14		4	Bernie Hedges – June Hedges, Roseville CA	54.60%
1.79		5	Jonathan Fuhrman – Susan Kane, Pasadena CA	53.89%
1.48		6	Cherene Birkholz, Long Beach CA; Mary McIntyre, Torrance CA	53.62%

FRIDAY EVENING SIDE PAIRS

14.0 Tables

A	B	C		
5.20	1		Eric Xiao, Shrewsbury MA; Jiang Gu, Mountain Lakes NJ	67.23%
3.42	2/3		Fredy Minter – Lulu Minter, Glendora CA	63.45%
3.42	2/3		Phyllis Siegel, St. Louis MO; Kathy Rolfe, Lake Winnebago MO	63.45%
4.12	4	1	Jeff Xiao – Guanghao Xiao, Shrewsbury MA	60.61%
3.09	5	2	Dorothy Whittome – Nancy Merry, Duncan BC	59.47%
1.23	6		Milton Kalikman, Thousand Palms CA; Xingping Kang, El Monte CA	58.90%
2.32		3	Patricia Mayer – Eric Mayer, Sarasota FL	55.49%
2.63		4	1 Timothy Maloney, Palo Alto CA; Benjamin Levy, Vancouver WA	53.79%
1.30		5	Kohur Gowrisankaran, Pointe-Claire QC; David Barbour, Albuquerque NM	51.52%
1.97			2 Laurie Steuri – Chris Steuri, Denver CO	50.57%
1.48			3 Emil Cornejo – Joseph Campbell, Las Vegas NV	48.67%
1.11			4 Aaron Gossage – Tim Gossage, Grand Junction CO	46.97%

1ST SATURDAY MORNING SIDE GAME

17.0 Tables

A	B	C		
5.85	1		Elaine DeShaw – Steve Bruno, Federal Way WA	67.86%
4.39	2		Saul Agranoff – Stuart Whittle, Waltham MA	63.48%
3.29	3		Chuck Said, Nashville TN; Linda Gross Halpern, Palm Beach Gardens FL	59.14%
2.47	4		Lee Hausner – Viktor Anikovich, Los Angeles CA	58.80%
1.85	5		Fred Hamilton, Las Vegas NV; Elliott Mazur, Pasadena CA	58.46%
1.55	6		Bing Wong – Mary Wong, Whitby ON	58.33%
1.05	7		Jane Rubin – Bruce Rubin, Las Vegas NV	57.14%
3.90		1	1 Xi Xing – Jeffrey Zhang, Princeton NJ	52.08%
2.56	2/3	2/3	John Heaton – Ann Heaton, The Villages FL	50.60%
2.56	2/3	2/3	Timothy Maloney, Palo Alto CA; Benjamin Levy, Vancouver WA	50.60%
1.65	4		Richard Gerke – Carole Gerke, Las Vegas NV	49.70%
1.23	5	4	Janelle Coulson – J. Philip Coulson, Edwards CO	49.40%

1ST SATURDAY AFTERNOON 299ER PAIRS

8.5 Tables

D	E	F		
2.85	1	1	1 Issac Rabi, Boynton Beach FL; Vicki Stringfellow, Bryant AR	62.39%
2.14	2	2	2 Michelle Gossage, Grand Junction CO; Sam Bellows, Brooklyn NY	56.35%
1.60	3	3	Deneys Purcell – Polly Bell, Santa Barbara CA	56.30%
1.25	4	4	3 Jeff Swanlund, Las Vegas NV; Mark Jenkins, Henderson NV	56.27%
0.90	5	5	Arlyce Anderson, North Mankato MN; Erik Anderson, Sparks NV	53.30%
0.90			4 Ellie Gossage, New York NY; William Ruden, Lompoc CA	50.97%

1ST SATURDAY MORNING 299ER PAIRS

11.0 Tables

	D	E	F		
3.15	1	1	1	Kaining Sheng, Northbrook IL; Ryan Wolpert, Palm Beach Gardens FL	65.39%
2.36	2	2	2	Michelle Gossage, Grand Junction CO; Ellie Gossage, New York NY	63.82%
1.77	3	3	3	Aaron Gossage, Grand Junction CO; Gary Gossage, Colorado Springs CO	59.02%
1.38	4	4		Arlyce Anderson, North Mankato MN; Erik Anderson, Sparks NV	56.15%
1.00	5	5		Philip Hinkle – Arianne Hinkle, Columbus OH	55.48%
1.07	6	6	4	Jacob Moore, Las Vegas NV; Max Lardent, Henderson NV	54.93%
0.80			5	Jeff Harry – Jody Harry, El Paso TX	53.57%

1ST SATURDAY AFTERNOON SIDE GAME

25.0 Tables

	A	B	C		
7.58	1			Kim Koski – William Koski, Gilford ON	71.97%
5.69	2	1		Orhan Casur – Gul Gokce, Istanbul Turkey	70.08%
4.26	3			Andy Bowles, London England; Graham Hazel, Cambridge United Kingdom	68.56%
3.20	4			Cathy Baldysz – Sam Baldysz, Mieroslawskiego Poland	65.72%
2.40	5			Lynne Newman – Randall Dougherty, San Diego CA	59.85%
1.80	6			Viktor Anikovich – Lee Hausner, Los Angeles CA	57.77%
3.74	7	2		Lorne Burns, North Vancouver BC; Kathy Rolfe, Lake Winnebago MO	57.01%
2.68	8/9			Rebecca Rogers, Henderson NV; Mac Busby, San Diego CA	56.82%
1.29	8/9			Ann Hudson – Randolph Johnson, Hadley MA	56.82%
2.80		3		Carol Smith – David Cartwright, Oakland CA	55.11%
2.10		4		Gina Kirk, San Luis Obispo CA; Andrzej Bednarczyk, Lemont IL	53.98%
1.74		5		Ke Zhao, Edison NJ; Xi Xing, Princeton NJ	53.79%
2.63		6	1	David Wolfe, Halifax NS; Shari Metcalf, Newton MA	50.57%
1.97			2	Kathy Vita – Jan Pfiffner, San Jose CA	48.48%
1.48			3	Douglas Schrock – Pam Schrock, Kenwood CA	43.94%
1.11			4	Marcia Lindsey, Bellaire TX; Betty Cartmell, Houston TX	42.23%

1ST THU-SAT SIDE SERIES

102.50 Tables / Based on 35 Tables

18.00	1	Jiang Gu, Mountain Lakes NJ	135.58%
11.82	2/3	William Koski, Gilford ON	133.67%
11.82	2/3	Kim Koski, Gilford ON	133.67%
11.63	4/5	Brian Senior, Nottingham United Kingdom	129.13%
11.63	4/5	Nigel Bird, London United Kingdom	129.13%
10.83	6/7	Steve Bruno, Federal Way WA	127.37%
10.83	6/7	Elaine DeShaw, Federal Way WA	127.37%
9.99	8/9	Adi Asulin, Rishon Lezion, Israel	125.95%
9.99	8/9	Amit Winkler, Reut, Israel	125.95%
4.77	10	Andy Bowles, London United Kingdom	123.83%
4.48	11/12	Paola Di Giulio, Roma Italy	122.68%
4.48	11/12	Mustafa Cem Tokay, New York NY	122.68%
9.43	13/14	Nancy Passell, Plano TX	122.47%
9.43	13/14	Ellen Hessel, San Antonio TX	122.47%
8.13	15/16	Lynne Newman, San Diego CA	121.67%
8.13	15/16	Randall Dougherty, San Diego CA	121.67%
6.92	17	Jian Wang, Myrtle Beach SC	117.15%
3.09	18/19	Alexander Weiland, Las Vegas NV	116.68%
3.09	18/19	John Jeffrey, Las Vegas NV	116.68%

1ST FRIDAY OPEN PAIRS – REVISED

32.0 Tables / Based on 72 Tables

	A	B	C		
37.66	1			Gunnar Helgason, Reykjavik Iceland; Hjordis Eythorsdottir, Huntsville AL	64.61%
28.25	2	1		Adolfo Madala, Buenos Aires Argentina; Clara Feintuch, Argentina	60.61%
21.18	3			Christopher Cowan – Debbie Feldman, Oakville ON	59.62%
16.94	4	2		Mike D'Aguiar – Jadwiga Polujan, Calgary AB	59.55%
12.55	5			Steven Adelson, Scottsdale AZ; Martin Wewerka, Gilbert AZ	59.49%
10.76	6			Mark Pensler, Los Gatos CA; Anne Wilson, Campbell CA	57.72%
9.42	7			Mac Busby, San Diego CA; Rebecca Rogers, Henderson NV	56.48%
8.37	8			Jeff Hand, New York NY; William May, Shepherdstown WV	56.36%
12.71	9	3	1	Ella Su, Redmond WA; Jason Yao, Bellevue WA	56.02%
6.85	10			Eugene Chan, Richmond BC; Gary Tomczyk, Las Vegas NV	55.83%
9.53	11	4		Ken Collins, Aurora ON; David Cohen, Thornhill ON	54.84%
5.79	12			Erik Hansson, Helsinki ; Arti Bhargava, Mill Valley CA	54.50%
5.38	13			Michael Botwin, Rockville Center NY; Barry Plotkin, Baldwin NY	54.09%
7.53	14	5		Norm Gordon, Montreal QC; Donna Johnson, Lawrence KS	53.99%
7.42	15	6	2	Kazi Farooqui, Round Lake IL; David Spring, Maryville TN	53.88%
5.65	16	7		Norman Beck – Burton Shepherd, Dallas TX	53.75%
5.56		8	3	Robert Larson, Sherwood Park AB; Kevin Noble, Fort Saskatchewan AB	53.38%
4.52		9	4	Fredrik Kronmarker, Stockholm Sweden; Annsophie Andersson, Rimbo Sweden	53.26%
4.11		10		Joyce Nakasaki – Joseph Thomas, Redondo Beach CA	52.64%
3.63		11/12		Lisa Hebert – Maurice Brazeau, Ottawa ON	52.61%
3.63		11/12		Barton Buffington, North Kingstown RI; Stuart Treworgy, Cumberland RI	52.61%
3.30		5		Devra Drysdale, Calgary AB; Roy Livingstone, Whiterock BC	52.08%
2.83		6		Melinda Johnson – Marie Allison, Las Vegas NV	51.27%
2.47		7		Yiran Liu – Kaiwen Wang, Fort Lee NJ	50.68%

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9 Tables

33.31	1	Kyle Rockoff, Gilbert AZ; Benjamin Kompa, Jamaica Plain MA; Guanghao Xiao – Jeff Xiao, Shrewsbury MA	110.00
24.98	2	Benjamin Klauder – Finn Kolesnik, Austin TX; Radu Nistor, Aventura FL; Emma Kolesnik, Newton Center MA; Michael Xu, Palo Alto CA	108.00
18.74	3	Arnaud Flecchia, London United Kingdom; Stefan Skorchev, Sofia Bulgaria; Oscar Selby, Crestview FL; Aleksandar Lishkov, Kenilworth IL	98.00
14.05	4	Fred King, McLean VA; David Rogers, Clearwater FL; Sharon Horton, Lakeland FL; Richard Popper, Wilmington DE	81.00

1ST SATURDAY OPEN BRACKETED ROUND ROBIN TEAMS BKT 2

7 Tables

22.35	1	Kenneth Titow – Harvinder Sidhu, Scottsdale AZ; Marc Franklin, Newport Beach CA; Matthew Franklin, Berkeley CA	84.00
16.76	2	Don Steedman, Albany CA; Vicki Chang, Berkeley CA; Prudence Saunders, Palo Alto CA; Cole Powell, Oakland CA	64.00
12.57	3	Roger Lee, Las Vegas NV; Mohnish Pabrai, Austin TX; Paola Di Giulio, Roma Italy; Mustafa Cem Tokay, New York NY	59.00

1ST SATURDAY OPEN BRACKETED ROUND ROBIN TEAMS BKT 3

7 Tables

17.34	1	Jadwiga Polujan – Mike D'Aguiar – Janet Galbraith – David Johnson, Calgary AB	90.00
13.01	2	Yasmine Guenancia – Ofra Blonder – Stephannie Culbertson – Rachael Moller, New York NY	81.00
9.75	3	Phillip Goatz – Cynthia Goatz – Bob Lafleur, Las Vegas NV; Roland Miller, Bowdoin ME	70.00

1ST SATURDAY OPEN BRACKETED ROUND ROBIN TEAMS BKT 4

7 Tables

16.47	1	Marc-Andre Fourcaudot – Sylvie Labelle, Montreal QC; Yimei Cao, Aurora ON; Maureen Beyrouiti, St.-Laurent QC	91.00
12.35	2	Ketil Olsen, Norway; Elisabeth Sjodal, Nesodden Norway; Mona Lindstrom, Stavanger Norway; Maria Ingebrigtsen, Kristiansand Norway	90.00
9.26	3	Lily Johannessen – Wallace Young, Honolulu HI; Penny Kallaus, Holualoa HI; Keunjoo Kim, New York NY	53.00

1ST SATURDAY OPEN BRACKETED ROUND ROBIN TEAMS BKT 5

7 Tables

14.22	1	Freddie Mykytyshyn – Raymond Hornby – Marielle Brentnall, Winnipeg MB; Marcia Andreychuk, Calgary AB	75.00
10.67	2	Nancy Speer – Ellen Coffield – Byron Southern – Tom Wahl, Little Rock AR	73.00
8.00	3	Gregory Klinker – Susan Miguel, Tiverton RI; Jeff Grotenhuis, Redondo Beach CA; William Taylor, Rancho Palo Verdes CA	68.00

1ST SATURDAY OPEN BRACKETED ROUND ROBIN TEAMS BKT 6

7 Tables

12.96	1	Tim Berta – Kevin Hopton, Apple Valley CA; Paul Schwaighart, Normandy Park WA; Susan Waggoner, Mercer Island WA	94.00
9.72	2	Barry Balof – Claire Valente, Walla Walla WA; Thomas Anderson, North Vancouver BC; Cindy Oishi, West Vancouver BC	87.00
7.29	3	David Koble, Bartlesville OK; Luca Crone – Jason Doyle, Dublin Ireland; Kathryn Kimmerling, Blythewood SC	63.00

1ST SATURDAY OPEN BRACKETED ROUND ROBIN TEAMS BKT 7

7 Tables

12.21	1	Malcolm Millar – Rosalyn Millar, Summerside PE; Betsy Aaron – Michelle Murphy, London ON	79.00
9.16	2	Ramey Farah, La Jolla CA; Linda Atkinson – Brian Castle, Poway CA; Patrick Staley, San Diego CA	75.00
6.87	3	Jeffrey Lamparter – Donald Dimmel, Prescott AZ; Robert Macneal – William Wolf, Prescott Valley AZ	65.00

1ST SATURDAY OPEN BRACKETED ROUND ROBIN TEAMS BKT 8

7 Tables

11.18	1	Jim Tucker – Luraette Tucker – Travis Atterberry – Janice Atterberry, Little Rock AR	81.00
8.39	2	Andrew Perry, Fredericton NB; Lorna Johnson, Keswick Ridge NB; Marc Topaz, Flourtown PA; Ellen Luchette, Limerick PA	76.00
6.29	3	Keith Thompson, Bloomington MN; Michele Grindal, Minneapolis MN; Shirley Liss, Fairbanks AK; Kathie Hoehne, Anchorage AK	64.00

1ST SATURDAY OPEN BRACKETED ROUND ROBIN TEAMS BKT 9

7 Tables

10.32	1	Deborah Lackey, Washougal WA; Richard Rodeman – Jonathan Harvey, Vancouver WA; Kathy Rodeman, Indio CA	90.00
7.74	2	Doris Brammer – Suzanne Peters – Karen Derrick, Lynchburg VA; Andrea Palm, Forest VA	68.00
5.81	3	Julie Bosserman – Mary Rehfeldt, Scottsdale AZ; Arjun Singh, Lakewood CO; Diane Elliott, Torrance CA	64.00

1ST SATURDAY OPEN BRACKETED ROUND ROBIN TEAMS BKT 10

7 Tables

8.95	1	Susan Dugas – Greg Bohn – Ingrid Sturm – Renee Hall, Las Vegas NV	81.00
6.71	2	Andriy Kosynskyy – Irina Kosynskyy, Richmond Hill ON; Stan Fong, Toronto ON; Fima Rakhinshteyn, Thornhill ON	80.00
5.03	3	Shakti Chandra – Alice Collins – Heidi Janes, St John's NL; David Worrall, Quitman TX	64.00

1ST SATURDAY OPEN BRACKETED ROUND ROBIN TEAMS BKT 11

7 Tables

7.27	1	Arvind Sharma – Linnie Sharma, Southlake TX; Rohit Dubey – Shalini Dubey, Irvine CA	99.00
5.45	2	Laurie Steuri – Chris Steuri, Denver CO; Vard Nelson – Frances Nelson, Evergreen CO	67.00
4.09	3	Cyndy Sidore – Sarah Rogers, Kapaa HI; Sherrie Barakatt, Modesto CA; Michelle Nordyke, Honolulu HI	63.00

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There is now a lot of bridge content on the internet. Do you watch or listen to anything?

Sometimes, I'll invite a player to be interviewed, only to find out after they've already been on "Sorry Partner." I definitely listen to those episodes, so we won't be repeating ourselves. My friend, *Steve Raine*, recently launched a series called "Table Talks." I was the third guest. Just finished watching that.

Steve does vlogs from the NABCs, so I've watched a handful of those. *Matt Brown* was my partner for a couple of those tournaments, and Steve and I were occasionally teammates too. Matt and Steve are good friends. So, a lot of the deals he featured were personal to me. Which is always fun.

Finally, I do the daily celebrity challenge on *IntoBridge* pretty

regularly. So, I'll watch the *Celebrity Challenge* video sometimes, in an effort to learn something new.

If you could host a bridge party with two tables, who would you want there?

One of my dreams is to introduce bridge to retired professional athletes. We just started publishing trial episodes with friends for a web series called "Bridge with Ballers." I've heard that Lebron James counts cards. Not sure in what game. Maybe booray, which is a very popular gambling game in the NBA. J.J. Reddick used to talk about that on his podcast.

So, I'd want J.J., Lebron, Peyton Manning and Dwyane Wade. I'm envisioning a format like "Dancing with the Stars." Maybe *Olivia Schireson*, *Selena Pepic*, *Bob Hamman* and *Joe Grue*. I'd be the host. Still need a female athlete. *Serena Williams* and *Caitlin Clark* come to mind. Not sure who I'm getting rid of though.

Did you get your covid booster? (A reference from the *Richard Zeckhauser* episode.)

Indeed, a couple weeks post. Felt terrible for an hour or two that afternoon. Took some Advil and all was well.

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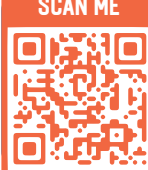
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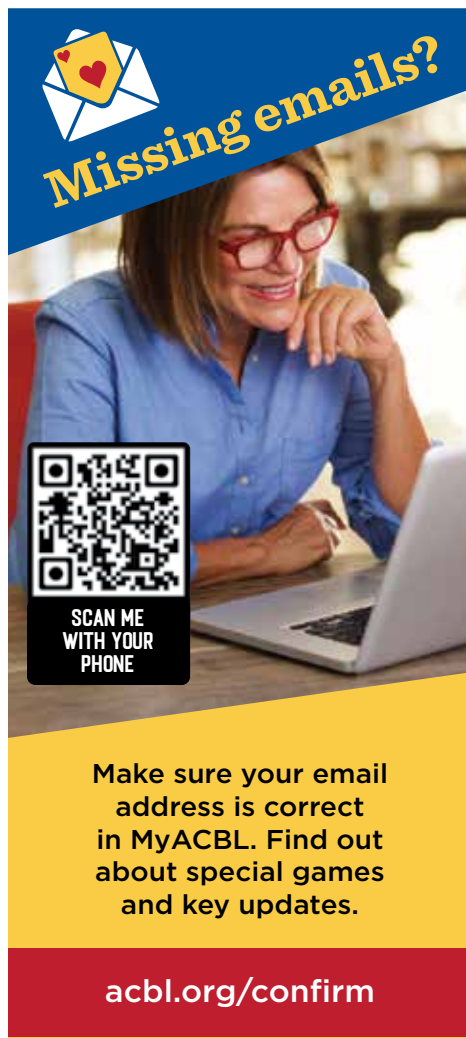
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Regional events are \$32 per player per session for current members without discount, \$37 for inactive members. For team events of one or two sessions, the entry fee is \$128 per session regardless of the number of team members. Evening events are \$22 per player per session.

Events with a limit of 300 masterpoints or lower are \$28 per player per session for current members without discount, \$33 for inactive members.

New Ruby Life Master

Patrick Staley of San Diego CA needed .09 masterpoints to become a Ruby Life Master. "It wasn't a very big step," he noted.

After placing second in Saturday's Bracketed Round Robin Teams 7 with Ramey Farah of La Jolla CA, Linda Atkinson of Poway CA and Brian Castle of Poway CA, Staley got more than enough: 9.16 gold points.




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Mitchell Open BAM begins today



Last year's Mitchell Open BAM champs: Mikael Rimstedt, Shan Huang, Cecilia Dwyer Rimstedt, Kevin Dwyer, Ola Rimstedt and (inset) npc Joyce Hill.

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

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

The game

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

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

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

Lazard was better the next day and in his seat for the first final session. Suddenly he toppled over and a

call went out for paramedics. They arrived quickly and rushed Lazard to a hospital.

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

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

The winners:

- 1946** Maynard Adams, Julius Bank, Arthur Glatt, William McGhee, Albert Weiss
- 1947** Jeff Glick, Arthur Goldsmith, Jack Kravatz, Alvin Landy, Sol Mogal
- 1948** Jack Ankus, Jeff Glick, Alvin Landy, John Law, Sol Mogal
- 1949** Maurice Levin, Alphonse Moyse Jr., Leo Roet, Howard Schenken
- 1950** Edward Burns, John Carlin, David Carter, A. Richard Revell
- 1951** J. Van Brooks, Eugene Dautell, Jack Denny, Ace Gutowsky, Edwin Smith
- 1952** Charles Goren, Oswald Jacoby, Sidney Silodor, Charles Solomon, Samuel Stayman
- 1953** Ben Fain, John Gerber, George

Heath, Paul Hodge, Harold Rockaway

- 1954** Aaron Frank, Jeff Glick, Arthur Goldsmith, Alvin Landy, Sol Mogal
- 1955** Richard Freeman, Edgar Kaplan, Ralph Hirschberg, Norman Kay, Alvin Roth
- 1956** John Crawford, Ben Fain, Paul Hodge, Sidney Silodor
- 1957** Lewis Mathe, Donald Oakie, Meyer Schleifer, Edward Taylor
- 1958** Jeff Glick, Arthur Goldsmith, Alvin Landy, Elmer Schwartz, Vic Zeve
- 1959** Ollie Adams, Ivan Erdos, Oswald Jacoby, Robert Sharp
- 1960** Charles Denby, Burrell Humphreys, Alan Messer, Marty Scheinberg, Robert Wakeman
- 1961** John Crawford, Norman Kay, Alvin Roth, Sidney Silodor, Tobias Stone
- 1962** 1-2. Phil Feldesman, Richard Freeman, Victor Mitchell, Eric Murray, Samuel Stayman; 1-2. Paul Allinger, Harold Guiver, Lewis Mathe, Edward Taylor
- 1963** Phil Feldesman, Victor Mitchell, Samuel Stayman, Tobias Stone
- 1964** Ivan Erdos, Harold Guiver, Mike Lawrence, Alfred Sheinwold
- 1965** Harry Fishbein, Jeff Rubens, Charles Solomon, Roger Stern
- 1966** Philip Feldesman, Richard Freeman, Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay
- 1967** Thomas Bussey, Jim Dunlap, Lawrence Jolma, Robert Patterson, Gary Stark
- 1968** Ira Corn Jr., Bill Eisenberg, Bobby Goldman, James Jacoby, Mike Lawrence, Bobby Wolff
- 1969** Chuck Burger, James Cayne, Alvin Roth, Paul Trent
- 1970** Bernie Bergovoy, Donald Krauss, Lewis Mathe, Don

	Pearson, John Swanson, Richard Walsh	1983	Tom Sanders, Harold Guiver, Grant Baze, John Sutherlin	1996	Robert Baldwin, Robert Levin, Peter Weichsel, Zia Mahmood, Michael Rosenberg
1971	Bernie Chazen, Alvin Roth, Alan Sontag, Paul Trent	1984	George Rosenkranz, Eddie Wold, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell, Marty Bergen, Larry Cohen	1997	Bob Blanchard, Jim Krekorian, Doug Doub, John Rengstorff
1972	Jack Blair, James Jacoby, John Simon, Paul Swanson, Bobby Wolff	1985	Hal Mouse, Josh Parker, Ron Gerard, Dan Rotman	1998	Grant Baze, Fred Gitelman, George Mittelman, Brad Moss, Michael Whitman
1973	Garey Hayden, James Jacoby, Gaylor Kasle, John Simon, Bobby Wolff	1986	Gene Freed, Mike Passell, Ed Manfield, Kit Woolsey, Mark Lair	1999	Rita Shugart, Geir Helgemo, Tony Forrester, Andrew Robson
1974	Ron Andersen, Mark Feldman, Stephen Goldstein, Hugh MacLean, Merle Tom	1987	George Rosenkranz, Eddie Wold, Ira Chorush, Peter Weichsel, Robert Levin	2000	Andrew Gromov, Aleksander Petrinin, Cezary Balicki, Adam Zmudzinski
1975	Matt Granovetter, William Grieve, George Rapee, Ron Rubin	1988	Jimmy Cayne, Bob Hamman, Bobby Wolff, Mike Passell, Chuck Burger, Mark Lair	2001	Rose Meltzer, Kyle Larsen, Peter Weichsel, Alan Sontag, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby
1976	David Ashley, Paul Heitner, John Lowenthal, Mike Smolen	1989	Steve Robinson, Ed Manfield, Peter Boyd, Kit Woolsey	2002	George Jacobs, Ralph Katz, Norberto Bocchi, Giorgio Duboin, Alfredo Versace, Lorenza Lauria
1977	Lou Bluhm, Ron Smith, Richard Doughty, Bruce Ferguson, Irv Kostal, Sidney Lazard, Leslie West	1990	Mark Moss, Robert Thompson, Daniel Molochko, Jack Wholey	2003	George Jacobs, Ralph Katz, Norberto Bocchi, Giorgio Duboin, Alfredo Versace, Lorenza Lauria
1978	Neil Chambers, Eric Kokish, Peter Nagy, Stephen Robinson, John Schermer, Kit Woolsey	1991	Zia Mahmood, Michael Rosenberg, Jeffrey Wolfson, David Berkowitz, Larry Cohen;	2004	Christal Henner-Welland, Michael Kamil, Fulvio Fantoni, Claudio Nunes, Peter Bertheau, Fredrik Nystrom
1979	Allan Cokin, Steve Sion, Alan Sontag, Jim Sternberg, Peter Weichsel	1992	Richard Katz, Garey Hayden, Wafik Abdou, Ira Cohen, Mike Whitman (npc)	2005	Roy Welland, Bjorn Fallenius, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby, Cezary Balicki, Adam Zmudzinski
1980	Bart Bramley, Ross Grabel, William Rosen, Milton Rosenberg, Samuel Stayman, George Tornay	1993	Paul Soloway, Bobby Goldman, Mark Lair, Mike Passell, Jimmy Cayne (npc)	2006	George Jacobs, Ralph Katz, Michael Rosenberg, Zia Mahmood, Steve Weinstein, Robert Levin
1981	Marty Bergen, Neil Chambers, Joseph Silver, Allan Stauber	1994	Andy Goodman, Peter Boyd, Ed Manfield, John Mohan, Steve Robinson, Kit Woolsey		
1982	Dave Berkowitz, Matt Granovetter, Harold Lilie, Al Rand	1995	Chip Martel, Lew Stansby, Steve Weinstein, Fred Stewart		

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Super Senior Pairs starts today



The winners of last year's Super Senior Pairs were Dave Willis and John Valliant.

Play begins today in the Super Senior Pairs, open to players age 75 and older.

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

Past winners and runners up:

2010	Ed Lazarus, Jess Stuart
2011	Harry Gellis, Ed Lazarus
2012	Ed Lazarus, Mark Laken
2013	Ed Lazarus, Mark Laken
2014	Craig Robinson, Jeff Taylor
2015	Steve Becker, Larry Bausher
2016	Ed Schulte, Tom Kniest
2017	Mark Jones, Patricia Dovell
2018	Steve Gross, Ellen Anten
2019	Veronica McMurdie, Dick Jones
2020	Not held
2021	Richard Budd, John Hrones Jr.
2022	Bruce Ferguson, Brenda Keller
2023	John Valliant, Dave Willis

Don't be a pig

Players are reminded to strive for a neat playing environment. Please pick up trash around your table, especially after the session.

Being a hand hog is one thing; being a pig at the table is another. Please clean up!

New Platinum Life Master

John Hogan Jr. of Rehoboth Beach DE is the ACBL's newest Platinum Life Master. "It took a long time," he said. Hogan was the winner of the 2011 Mini Blue Ribbon Pairs.



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4 players use a 52-card deck (no jokers). Choose a **Dealer**, who deals all the cards.

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The opposing partnership are the **Defenders**.



THE TWIST?

At their turn, Dealer's partner lays their entire hand face-up on the table, this is the "**Dummy**."

Dealer is now in charge and commands Dummy which card to play at each turn.



Defender left of Dealer strikes first by playing any card (the "lead.")

Each player in turn must now play a card in the same suit, if possible.





Spades were led, so the ♠8 wins the trick.

Tactical Clue: Who holds the ♠K?

Whoever wins the first trick leads to the next one.

They can “lead” any card in any suit.



If a player cannot follow suit, they play any other card – but only cards in the same suit as the “lead” can win.

The highest card in the suit led wins the “trick.”

Ace is the highest card in each suit, then King, Queen, Jack...



After each trick, players place their card face down in front of them pointing (lengthwise) towards the winning team.

Count your tricks at the end – did you win the war?

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A Fun Squeeze from Toronto's Summer NABC

By Thomas Rush

My partner, Sorina Negulescu, and I played this interesting deal in the third session of the von Zedtwitz Life Master Pairs at the recent Summer NABC in Toronto. It features a guard squeeze.

Dir: North ♠ Q 5
 Vul: Both ♥ Q J 8 2
 ♦ A 5 3 2
 ♣ K 10 4

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

♠ A J 7 4
 ♥ A 9
 ♦ K 9 8 7 4
 ♣ A 9

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
	1♦	1♠	3NT
All Pass			

As it played out, this squeeze turned out to be almost automatic, which surprised me. I didn't have to do more than take a heart finesse and give up a trick early to rectify the count (squeeze talk for "get into a position where I had all but one of the remaining tricks").

When RHO bid 1♠, I gave up on Great Things, and settled for the 3NT that I expected to make. (Bad decision: 6♦ is a very reasonable contract, and 7♦ makes on this lie of the cards.) West led the ♠9 as you'd expect, and I covered with the queen. East played his king, and I won the ace.

At trick two, I led the ♦K and all followed. At trick three, I led the ♦9 to the ace and was happy to see the suit split 2-2. At trick four I led the ♥Q, which was ducked all around. Now I stopped to take stock. At this point I have four tricks in the bag. I have these sure tricks to come: ♠J, ♥A, three diamonds, and two top clubs, bringing my total to 11. There aren't any legit chances for a finesse for a 12th trick, but I might be able to find a squeeze if the cards lie right. As a general rule, for a squeeze to work, you need to have all but one of the remaining tricks, here I have 11 of 13, or all but two.

Because I have stoppers in all the suits, I can afford to give up a spade trick, so I next led the ♠5. East played the 8, and I ducked to rectify the count; now I've got all but one of the last tricks:

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

With eight cards in the diagram above, it's a bit complicated, but let's break it down by suit:

- I have the good ♠J. East can't lead a spade because I'll take the finesse and claim. (My J-7 sits over his 10-6). East must keep two spades to keep my 7 from becoming a winner.
- I have the ♥A which will soon be played, establishing East's king as a winner and my jack in dummy as a threat card. Clearly, East must keep his ♥K.
- I have the ♣A K. The 10 is a threat, but I can't come to three club tricks on my own – if I try to finesse, West will win the jack or East will win the queen. East's ♣Q isn't a winner on its own, though, as it will fall under the ace and king if I cash them. East's problem is that if he pitches the ♣5, his queen falls under the ace, and his partner's jack can now be finessed when I lead toward the K-10 in dummy.
- I have three good diamond tricks ready to run, which will put pressure on East.

Final thought: I'm starting to like this hand.

East made the logical play of returning a heart to the next trick: 4, ace, 6, 2. I then cashed two diamonds. West pitched two low clubs, while East discarded the ♥7 and ♠3:

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

When I cashed my last diamond winner, West pitched

a club, and I discarded the ♥8 from dummy. But what can East pitch? If he plays a spade, I cash the ♠J and the now the good ♠7 and the ♣A K.

If he lets go of the ♥K, I cash the ♠J, the ♣A and then the ♣K, followed by the good ♥J.

East eventually chose to drop his ♣5, as most would. This is the essence of the guard squeeze; East's clubs aren't winners, but he's got to keep the lowly 5 to protect his partner from being finessed out of his jack – but he can't do so without directly giving up the 12th trick in hearts or spades.

At trick 10 I cashed the ♣A and saw the 7, 4, and queen dropped from East. Now we are all down to three cards, and I know East has the ♠10 8 and the ♥K. He cannot have another club.

Therefore, on trick 11 I cashed the ♠J, as West pitched his heart and I threw the now useless ♥J from dummy. East played his low spade. And at trick 12, I put the ♣9 on the table, and was 100% certain that the finesse was working, so I played the 10 from dummy and took 12 tricks (losing only the spade I ducked on trick five).

If you'd like to walk through the play of the hand, you

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Learn Bridge In A Day?

Below are some of the attendees of Patty Tucker’s Learn Bridge In A Day? class, including ACBL Executive Director Bronia Jenkins, who helped out at the tables.



Junior Bridge Night

The ACBL Educational Foundation sponsored a Junior Bridge Night on Saturday. Over 50 Juniors and mentors who participate in the United States Bridge Federation’s Junior program attended.



Tomorrow's Bridge Events

Monday, Dec. 2 GOODWILL DAY 9:30 am & 3:30 pm

Event	Session	Sold	Entry/player/session*	
			Members with host discount	Members without discount
SOLOWAY KNOCKOUT TEAMS	Rd of 16	Pavilion 4	\$40	\$50
10 am				
Monday Morning Side Pairs <i>Sun-Tue Daylight Series</i>	single	Paradise South	\$22	\$32
299er Pairs	single	Pavilion 11	\$18	\$28
10 am & 3 pm				
SUPER SENIOR PAIRS	1-2 F	Ballroom F	\$35	\$45
MITCHELL OPEN	1-2 F	Ballroom C	\$35	\$45
BOARD-A-MATCH TEAMS				
NABC 0-10,000 IMP PAIRS <i>2 qualifying & 2 final sessions</i>	1-2 Q	Pavilion 9	\$25	\$35
Top-Flight Pairs (unlim./5000)	1-2	Paradise South	\$22	\$32
Mid-Flight Pairs (4000/1250)	1-2	Paradise South	\$22	\$32
Gold Rush Pairs	1-2	Pavilion 11	\$22	\$32
Top-Flight Swiss Teams (unlim./6000/4500)	1-2	Paradise North	\$22	\$32
Jay Silberberg Bracketed Round Robin Teams (0-4000)	1-2	Paradise North	\$22	\$32
3 pm				
Monday Afternoon Side Pairs <i>Sun-Tue Daylight Series</i>	single	Paradise South	\$22	\$32
299er Pairs	single	Pavilion 11	\$18	\$28
7:30 pm				
Monday Evening Side Pairs <i>Fri-Mon Evening Series</i>	single	Pavilion 11	\$22	\$22

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).**

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