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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 for being a guest of one of the host hotels or resident of the host district.

To use Entry Express, go to members.acbl.org/tournaments/2503001/detail or scan the QR code at right. This may be done until midnight the day before the event begins.

Hotel guests are assigned two

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**ATTENDANCE through
FRIDAY
5518.5 tables**



Goodwill Message

Accept defeat and victory with grace; practice active ethics.

*Lamy Agelidis, Chair
Aileen Osofsky Goodwill Committee*

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Chambers–Hamman win Silodor Pairs



Silodor Open Pairs champions Neil Chambers and Bob Hamman

Overcoming a poor qualifying carryover, Neil Chambers of Schenectady NY and Bob Hamman of Dallas TX posted a 64.37% game in the first final session of the Silodor Open Pairs and followed up with a 62.75% score in the second set to win the four-session event by over one board.

This is the seventh NABC title for Chambers. For Hall of Famer Hamman, it's his 55th NABC title.

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Turkish champs win Women's Pairs

Dilek Yavas of Bursa, Turkiye, and Irem Ozbay of Weehawken NJ – both world champions – are the winners of the Smith Women's Pairs. After topping the list of qualifiers, the duo scored 58.62% in the first final session to stay there with a slim lead: 10.60 matchpoints on a 25 top. Their final session score was 65.62%, making their combined score 900.59, a little over two boards ahead. It's the first

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Winners of the Smith Women's Pairs: Irem Ozbay and Dilek Yavas

St. Louis duo wins 0–2500 Pairs



Winners of the 0–2500 Pairs: Rick Londeree and Sandy Bigg

Rick Londeree and Sandy Bigg of the St. Louis area won the 0–2500 Pairs on Friday by less than one matchpoint. It was their first time playing in the event. Bigg won the Grand National Teams as a Flight C player in 2008.

They scored 57.69% and 56.57% on Thursday to qualify in fourth place, then 53.16% and 57.25% on Friday.

"I felt like there were a lot of really strong pairs," Bigg said. "I was

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Today's Bridge Events

Saturday, March 22

Event	Session	Sold	Entry/player/session*	
			Members with discount	Members without discount
VANDERBILT KNOCKOUT TEAMS		9:30 am & 3:30 pm		
	1-2 F	Ballroom A	\$40	\$50
Saturday Morning Side Pairs <i>Fri-Sun Daylight Series</i>	single	10 am	\$22	\$32
Hal Greer Memorial 299er Pairs	single	East Hall, top of escalator	\$18	\$28
Fast Pairs	1-2	10 am & 1 pm	\$22	\$32
GOLDER NORTH AMERICAN PAIRS FLIGHT B <i>2 qualifying & 2 final sessions; Pre-qualification required</i>	1-2 Q	10 am & 3 pm	Free	Free
PRESIDENT'S CUP NORTH AMERICAN PAIRS FLIGHT C <i>2 qualifying & 2 final sessions; Pre-qualification required</i>	1-2 Q	Ballroom B	Free	Free
Top-Flight Pairs (unlim./6000/4500)	1-2	East Hall, top of escalator	\$22	\$32
Mid-Flight Pairs (4000/1500/750)	1-2	East Hall, top of escalator	\$22	\$32
Open Bracketed Round Robin Teams	1-2	inside East Hall, back of room	\$22	\$32
JACOBY OPEN SWISS TEAMS <i>2 qualifying & 2 final sessions</i>	1-2 Q	10 am & 3:30 pm	\$35	\$45
WOMEN'S OPEN SWISS TEAMS <i>2 qualifying & 2 final sessions</i>	1-2 Q	Southwest Hall	\$35	\$45
Saturday Afternoon Side Pairs <i>Fri-Sun Daylight Series</i>	single	3 pm	\$22	\$32
299er Pairs	single	East Hall, top of escalator	\$18	\$28

* For premier, NABC+ and NABC events, participants must be full ACBL members and up-to-date with their membership dues or service fees. For all other events, participants must be ACBL members (or guest members). Inactive members may renew or pay a \$5 upcharge per 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

Hal Greer By Alan Greer

Let's play one more!

Hal Greer had a natural gift at cards, which he fine-tuned by beating his little brother (me), over and over again. As kids, he would finesse me in different card games, but never told me how he was doing it! Hal lived a blessed life. He and his wife, Martha, had three children and a quiver full of grandchildren. He had a prosperous career as a stockbroker for UBS. He was an avid golfer, an Ole Miss fan, a lover of board games and all card games. He could occasionally be seen at Vanderbilt Bridge Club. Brentwood TN lost a good friend on Feb. 10, 2019, when he passed.

A friend of Hal's always says that



when you finished a game of any kind with Hal, he would say, "Let's play one more!"

He was a great big brother.

Entry Express

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discount coupons per night of stay plus one (e.g., six nights gets 14 coupons).

For help with Entry Express, visit the ACBL Help Desk located in Ballroom C.

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

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.

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SPECIAL EVENTS

MEETINGS / SEMINARS / RECEPTIONS

All meetings are in the Renasant Convention Center or the Sheraton.

Saturday, March 22

7:30 pm–
midnight

Junior Night. ACBL Educational
Foundation-sponsored event; Juniors only. *Nashville, second floor, Sheraton*

CELEBRITY SPEAKER PROGRAM

Don't miss these free lectures by some of the best-known players in the game! *GRIN Room, East Hall behind escalator.*
Speakers and topics are subject to change.

Saturday, March 22

9:15 am Norman Beck *Odd Things and Bridge*

HOSPITALITY

Grab-and-go items are available starting at 9 a.m. on the upper level of the Convention Center outside East Hall and Southwest Hall. The host committee is providing afternoon hospitality at 2:30 p.m. on selected days.

Saturday, March 22

Assorted pastries

Sunday, March 23

Quiche Lorraine

FOOD TRUCKS

Food trucks will be on Main Street outside the Convention Center every day except Thursday, March 20, when they will be a few blocks away in Court Square. Some trucks are available daily, others only on certain days.

Saturday, March 22

Champs BBQ, Clay's Smoked Tuna, Mexico in Memphis, Smoke n Ice, Tacotitlan, Wingz n Things, K&L, Nihsay

Sunday, March 23

Champs BBQ, Clay's Smoked Tuna, Mexico in Memphis, Smoke n Ice, Tacotitlan, Wingz n Things

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

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

Concessions

Concessions are located in the hallway outside Southwest Hall. Additional seating is located in the Riverview Lobby, just around the corner.

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JUST FOR NEW PLAYERS

Bidding Basics by Larry Cohen

Good bidding habits start with understanding the basics. Author, teacher and many-time national champion Larry Cohen takes newer players on a tour of the bidding box.

The series first appeared in the Bridge Bulletin beginning in the January 2017 issue, and it can also be found on Cohen's website at larryco.com.

Opening bids at the four level or higher

A four-level preempt uses all the same principles as a two- or three-level preempt. The main difference is that an eight-card suit is expected. So an opening of 4♣, 4♦, 4♥ or 4♠ typically shows a decent eight-card suit, but not enough strength for a one-level opening. Here are some examples:

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

Don't preempt with a strong hand. A common mistake made by inexperienced players is to open four of a major on hands such as:

♠A K Q J 10 7 6 5 ♥A Q J ♦— ♣3 2
or

♠2 ♥K Q J 10 9 8 7 6 ♦A K Q ♣2.

This makes it too likely you will miss a slam because your partner won't expect you to have game in your own hand.

The Rule of 2, 3 and 4 is a reasonable guideline for evaluating if you should preempt. This refers to how many tricks you think you have in your hand. When vulnerable against not ("unfavorable"), be within two tricks of your four-level preempt. So a probable eight-trick hand such as either of these would be representative:

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

If the vulnerability is "equal" (neither side vul or both sides vul), be within three tricks of your bid:

♠5 4 ♥K Q J 9 6 5 4 2 ♦J 4 ♣2

or

♠3 ♥6 5 ♦4 3 ♣A Q J 10 8 7 5 4.

At favorable vulnerability (white versus red), be aggressive. Either of these hands, within about four tricks of your

bid, would be about right:

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

All the same thinking as in the previous articles (on two- and three-level preempts) applies. Try to have most of the points in your long suit, but there is no exact rule. Be more disciplined when vulnerable. Pay attention to position. In second seat, be sound. In third seat, especially at favorable vulnerability, be more aggressive. In fourth seat, pass the hand out if you have lots of garbage.

Is an eight-card suit required? No. It is the norm, but it is more than acceptable to try a 4♠ opening on either of these hands:

♠K Q J 10 8 7 3 ♥3 ♦2 ♣Q J 10 8

or

♠Q J 10 9 8 7 6 ♥— ♦2 ♣K Q J 3 2.

Opening 4NT

Don't try this at home. Your partner won't know if it is (a) Blackwood, (b) natural, or (c) something else. Even if you agree to one of these choices, will you and your partner both remember what you agreed to when it actually comes up two years later?

Opening on the five level

A five-of-a-minor opening is also "preemptive" in nature, but shows quite a few tricks. After all, nobody wants to go for 800. You can apply the same Rule of 2, 3 and 4 as a guideline. So with nobody vulnerable, I'd expect to have about eight tricks. For example:

♠7 ♥5 ♦K Q 10 ♣K Q J 9 7 6 5 4

or

♠— ♥Q 4 3 ♦K Q J 10 9 7 6 5 4 ♣2.



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Five of a major

According to “the book,” this isn’t a preempt. It shows 11 tricks, missing only the ace–king of trumps. Something like:

♠Q J 10 9 8 7 6 4 ♥— ♦— ♣A K Q J 2.

Don’t hold your breath waiting for this. (I did actually open 5♠ on a similar hand in 1980. That was a long time ago!)

Six- or seven-level openings

I’m still waiting for one.



Mary McIntyre of Torrance CA and **Cherene Birkholz** of Long Beach CA are here in Memphis to represent District 23 in the North American Pairs, Flight C. It’s Mary’s first NABC; Cherene has attended three.

“We’ve been playing together for about a year,” said Mary. They both have a goal: Life Master. “But not this year,” said Cherene.

“We need too many gold and silver points,” added Mary.

They both agreed that getting to the next level this year is a good goal.

Quiz

You deal with nobody vulnerable. What is your action with:

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

You are in second seat, vulnerable against not. What is your action with:

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

Answers

1. 1♠. Way too strong for a preempt (2♣ is also possible).
2. 5♣.
3. 4♥.
4. 3♥. No reason to preempt on the four level with only a seven-card suit and nothing extraordinary.
5. Pass (or an aggressive 3♦). Not enough strength for a four-level vulnerable preempt.
6. 4♥.
7. 3♣.
8. 5♥. The once-in-a-lifetime hand, asking partner to raise one level for each top heart.

Fleisher meets Wolfson in Vandy final

The teams captained by Marty Fleisher and Jeff Wolfson face off in today's final of the Vanderbilt Knockout Teams.

In the semifinal match, Fleisher (Chip Martel, Alfredo Versace, Antonio Sementa, Cedric Lorenzini, Thomas Bassis) defeated Pierre Zimmermann's squad 128–119.

In the other bracket, Wolfson (Steve Garner, David Berkowitz, Eldad Ginossar, Frederic Wrang and Simon Ekenberg) beat Sam Dinkin's team 127–119. Wolfson, who trailed throughout the first three quarters of the match, rallied in the final set to win.



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Silodor Pairs

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Second in the Silodor Open Pairs were Peter Friedland and (inset) Matt Granovetter.

Hamman, 86, won his first NABC event – the Reisinger – in 1962(!).

“It’s a good thing that luck is an inexhaustible resource,” quipped Hamman after the win. “We certainly had a lot of it today.”

In second were Peter Friedland of Cupertino CA and Matt Granovetter of Cincinnati OH.

Use of Multi 2♦

In events where the Multi 2♦ convention is allowed, pairs playing Multi are required to have the ACBL official suggested defenses available.

This is unlike the new WBF policy.

Women's Pairs

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Runners-up in the Smith Women's Pairs: Wenfei Wang and Bo Fu

NABC win for both, and the first time attending one for Yavas. “It’s very interesting playing here in the U.S.,”

0-2500 Pairs

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Runners-up in the 0-2500 Pairs: Peter Van Zijl and Rolf Swenson
shocked that we won.”

Rolf Swenson and Peter Van Zijl of Maryland were second.

First-day leaders Virginia Wailes and Jackie Zayac of the San Francisco area had been leading with a round to go but dropped to third, just 2.03 matchpoints out of first place on a 13 top. Zayac, a member of the ACBL Board, authored the motion that created this event.

Like many of those in the field, limited to players with less than 2500 masterpoints, the winners are playing in the North American Pairs Flight B today.

she said. “The people are very kind.”

Ozbay said it's her second time playing at an NABC but her first with her regular partner. The two have an extensive and impressive playing record for their home country, including winning the Women's Teams in the World Bridge Games held in Buenos Aires last October.

In second place with a combined score of 848.99 were Wenfei Wang of Northbrook IL and Bo Fu of Shanghai, China. “I’m so proud to play with Wenfei,” said Fu. “She is my team leader, and this is the first time we played in the Women’s.”

New Life Master

Bob Enyeart of Fort Wayne IN became one the ACBL's newest Life Masters on Thursday when his squad won their bracket in the Bracketed Round Robin Teams. Enyeart, who needed about 10 gold points to advance, picked up more than 14 in the contest.



Playing with Enyeart were Dimi Cooklev, Joseph Shull and Michael Clegg, all of Indiana.

New Bronze Life Master

R. Mani of Lanham MD crossed the 750-masterpoint threshold at the Memphis NABC to become a Bronze Life Master. Mani needed nine masterpoints to attain the new rank, and he earned more than 33 at the Spring NABC.



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SILODOR OPEN PAIRS

52.0 Tables / Based on 111 Tables

125.00	1	Neil Chambers, Schenectady NY; Bob Hamman, Dallas TX	1701.34
93.75	2	Peter Friedland, Cupertino CA; Matt Granovetter, Cincinnati OH	1640.67
70.31	3	Adam Grossack, Newton MA; Mikael Rimstedt, Halmstad Sweden	1635.92
55.56	4	Eddie Wold, Houston TX; Harrison Luba, Lynnfield MA	1632.05
50.00	5	Mark Itabashi, Newport Beach CA; Neil Silverman, Fort Lauderdale FL	1631.99
45.45	6	Michael Rosenberg – Debbie Rosenberg, Foster City CA	1630.82
41.67	7	Kevin Rosenberg, Millbrae CA; Brian Platnick, Evanston IL	1579.28
38.46	8	Geoff Hampson, Las Vegas NV; Steve Weinstein, Up Saddle River NJ	1579.10
35.71	9	Przemyslaw Janiszewski, Warsaw Poland; Piotr Marcinowski, Wroclaw Poland	1573.57
33.33	10	Alon Birman – Dror Padon, Tel Aviv Israel	1547.23
31.25	11	Vic Quiros, Phoenix AZ; Thomas Rush, Houston TX	1536.00
29.41	12	Dean Panagopoulos, Lynn MA; Louis Glasthal, Berwyn PA	1522.75
27.78	13	Uttam Gupta, Bangalore India; Uday Maitra, Mississauga ON	1487.42
26.32	14	Carlos Pellegrini, Buenos Aires Argentina; Gary Kessler, Springfield IL	1486.82
25.00	15	William Neumann, Columbia MD; Jeff Hand, New York NY	1484.22
23.81	16	Pierre Franceschetti – Baptiste Combescure, Paris France	1481.82
22.73	17	Michael Gamble, Shawnigan Lake BC; Ishmael Del'Monte, Baton Rouge LA	1481.55
21.74	18	Lionel Sebbane, Clichy France; Frederic Volcker, Issy Les Moulin France	1480.24
20.83	19	Bart Bramley, Avon CT; Kit Woolsey, Kensington CA	1472.48
20.16	20	Jerome Rombaut, France; Leo Rombaut, Lys Lez Lannoy France	1467.41
19.23	21	Adam Kaplan, New York NY; Finn Kolesnik, Austin TX	1466.90
18.52	22	Jian-Ping Chen, Yorktown VA; Shihong You, Boyds MD	1451.50
17.86	23	Douglas Doub, Oak Ridge TN; Adam Wildavsky, New York NY	1449.53
17.24	24	Zheng Zhang, Toronto ON; Yan Wang, Richmond Hill ON	1447.38
16.67	25	Aaron Jones, Las Vegas NV; Todd Werby, Tiburon CA	1446.35
16.13	26	Lin-Huan Chen – Ding-Hwa Hsieh, Kirksville MO	1442.87
15.63	27	Alan Schwartz – Annie Schwartz, Fairfax VA	1441.04
15.15	28	Tom Townsend, London England; Ben Handley-Pritchard, Stroud United Kingdom	1432.12
14.71	29	Simon Hult, Wastervik Sweden; Steven Ashe, Tampa FL	1424.65
14.29	30	Federico Porta Tadolini, Roma Italy; Sergio Bianchi, Cesena Italy	1423.01
20.00	31	Normand Houle, St.-Hubert QC; Peter Pigot, Dublin Ireland	1422.95
13.51	32	Mark Aquino, Jamaica Plain MA; Richard Oshlag, White Plains NY	1421.87
13.16	33	Weizhong Bao, Herndon VA; Frank Feng, Basking Ridge NJ	1418.15
12.82	34	Zhaobin Xie, Chengdu China; Xin Ge, Cupertino CA	1416.41
12.50	35	Cenk Tuncok, Amesbury MA; Selen Hotamisligil, Weston MA	1415.46
12.20	36	Steve Chen – Charlie Chen, Austin TX	1415.14
14.83	37	Maxim Siline, Hudson MA; Kevin Collins, Dunwoody GA	1414.28
11.63	38	Ahu Zobu, Istanbul Turkey; Viktor Aronov, Sofia Bulgaria	1412.33
11.36	39	Robert Shore, Los Angeles CA; Kent Hartman, San Diego CA	1406.58
11.11	40	Ritobrata Bagchi, Orleans ON; Bharat Rao, Berwyn PA	1405.62
10.87	41	Brian Glubok, Brooklyn NY; Richard Zucker, Dobbs Ferry NY	1402.26
10.64	42	Joel Wooldridge, Jackson Heights NY; David Grainger, Etobicoke ON	1400.15
11.96	43	Colin Deheeger, Les Vlis France; Pierre Bedouet, Corna France	1391.21
10.20	44	Jay Kelkar, Oak Hill VA; James Geist, Olney MD	1386.91
10.00	45	Chris Moll, Cary NC; Kelley Hwang, New York NY	1382.77
9.80	46	Alexander Kolesnik, Los Angeles CA; Ettore Bianchi, Stamford CT	1382.04
9.62	47	David Caprera, Denver CO; Jack Oest, Chicago IL	1381.67
9.43	48	Jeffrey Smith, Ottawa ON; Frederic Pollack, Laval QC	1374.60
10.47	49	Glyn Liggins – Andrew Dyson, London United Kingdom	1373.42
9.09	50	Glenn Robbins, New York NY; Jiang Gu, Mountain Lakes NJ	1363.62
8.93	51	Robert Levin – Jill Levin, Henderson NV	1357.02
8.77	52	Iftikhar Baqai, Irvine CA; Mitch Dunitz, Sherman Oaks CA	1352.26
8.62	53	Mark Perlmutter, San Diego CA; Rick Roeder, La Mesa CA	1351.85
8.47	54	Roger Lee – Joshua Donn, Las Vegas NV	1348.69
8.33	55	William Bailey, Mill Valley CA; Daniel Korbel, Las Vegas NV	1346.41
8.20	56	Kerri Sanborn, Delray Beach FL; Jill Meyers, Santa Monica CA	1345.61

SMITH WOMEN'S PAIRS

26.0 Tables / Based on 51 Tables

100.00	1	Dilek Yavas, Bursa Turkey; Irem Ozbay, Weehawken NJ	900.59
75.00	2	Wenfei Wang, Northbrook IL; Bo Fu, Shanghai China	848.99
56.25	3	Yoko Sobel, Brooklyn NY; Desislava Malakova, Sofia Bulgaria	818.07
44.44	4	Gen Geiger – Gigi Simpson, Sarasota FL	776.57
40.00	5	Jodi Edmonds, New York NY; Sandra Rimstedt, Jupiter FL	767.86
36.36	6	Gerrianne Mason, Crossville TN; Allison L Cappelletti, Delray Beach FL	764.93
33.33	7	Sara Rothmuller, Occidental CA; Rebecca Rogers, Henderson NV	763.71
30.77	8	Erleta Plana – Maren Idland Saegrov, Sandnes Norway	757.77
28.57	9	Cheri Bjerkan, Elmhurst IL; Rozanne Pollack, Boca Raton FL	752.17
26.67	10	Julie Marina Sigsgaard, Denmark; Ella Rosthoej, Frederiksberg Denmark	743.12
25.00	11	Lilly Justman, Austin TX; Melody Euler, Scottsdale AZ	741.13
23.53	12	Lynne Castoldi, La Quinta CA; Ann Karin Fuglestad, Farsund Norway	740.66
22.22	13	Anam Tebha, New York NY; Christina Parker, Chestnut Hill MA	737.35
21.05	14	Ellen Kozlove, Louisville KY; Susan Miller, Boca Raton FL	736.46
20.00	15	Cheryl Schneider, Columbus OH; Terry James, Upper Arlington OH	730.94
19.05	16	Sofie Sjodal, Oslo Norway; Elisabeth Sjodal, Nesodden Norway	701.24
18.18	17	Amy Casanova, Portland OR; Arti Bhargava, Mill Valley CA	699.77
17.39	18	Qing Lu, San Jose CA; Zuo Xiao Xue, Horn Lake MS	699.67
16.67	19	K. Fung, Edmonton AB; Sondra Blank, L'Ile Bizard QC	697.13
16.00	20	Barbara Heller, Knoxville TN; Stella Rainey, Tuscaloosa AL	692.59
15.38	21	Sylvia Shi, San Francisco CA; Susan Zhang, Los Altos Hills CA	690.27
14.81	22	Lisa Mita, Downingtown PA; Alison Shoemaker, Wyndmoor PA	686.84
14.29	23	Karen Popovich, Hillsborough NC; Leslie Blair, Raleigh NC	684.22
13.79	24	Justyna Zmuda, Skawina Poland; Mindy Fine-Fleder, New York NY	683.80
13.33	25	Jui Wang, Morrisville NC; Tszz in Tang, Hong Kong Hong Kong	681.52
12.90	26	Nancy Molesworth, White Plains NY; Rhoda Prager, Boca Raton FL	680.54

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29.70	1	Rick Londeree, Maryland Heights MO; Sandy Bigg, St. Louis MO	415.67
22.28	2	Rolf Swenson, Silver Spring MD; Peter Van Zijl, Hanover MD	414.96
16.71	3	Virginia Wailes, Hillsborough CA; Jacqueline Zayac, Lafayette CA	413.64
13.20	4	Larry Denneau Jr., Honolulu HI; Alan Kosansky, Kailua HI	406.20
11.88	5	Deepak Abbhi, Miami FL; Ritambhar Burman, Memphis TN	402.99
10.80	6	Stuart Litwin, Round Rock TX; Linda Gaston, Pflugerville TX	401.68
9.90	7	Sean Casey, Atlantic Highlands NJ; Jason Tokuda, Livingston NJ	395.91
9.14	8	Anthony Curtis, Champaign IL; Peter Ashbrook, Urbana IL	391.67
9.29	9	Stephen Mast, Huntersville NC; Holli Mast, Corning NY	391.42
9.59	10	Debra Osborn, Little Neck NY; Barry Port, Atlantic Beach NY	385.59
7.43	11	Domenico Sneider, Carmel IN; Thomas Frank, Indianapolis IN	380.98
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50.00 9/16 Nick Nickell,
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Ridge IL; Robert Levin, Henderson
NV; Steve Weinstein, Up Saddle River
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50.00 9/16 Sartaj Hans,
Goulburn Australia; Andy Hung,
Brisbane Australia; Michael Whibley,
Auckland New Zealand; Nabil
Edgton, Sydney Australia

50.00 9/16 Andy
Goodman, Carmel CA; Mike Passell,
Plano TX; Giacomo Percario, Livorno
Italy; Giovanni Donati, Rimini Italy;
Simon De Wijs, Doorn Netherlands;
Bauke Muller, Zwaag Netherlands

50.00 9/16 Douglas
Simson, Columbus OH; Eric Rodwell,
Clearwater FL; Eddie Wold, Houston
TX; Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio
TX; David Grainger, Etobicoke ON;
Joel Wooldridge, Jackson Heights NY

50.00 9/16 William
Bailey, Mill Valley CA; Daniel Korbel
– Joshua Donn – Roger Lee, Las Vegas
NV; Dror Padon – Alon Birman, Tel
Aviv Israel

50.00 9/16 Parag Saxena,
Rye NY; Migry Zur Campanile, New
York NY; Bart Nab – Veri Kiljan,
Tilburg Netherlands; Oren Toledano,
Jerusalem Israel; Ami Zamir, Hod
Hasharon Israel

50.00 9/16 Lynn Baker,
Austin TX; Cenk Tuncok, Amesbury
MA; Harrison Luba, Lynnfield MA;
Olivia Schireson, Stanford CA; Johan
Saefsten, Uppsala Sweden; Per-Erik
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1. Nickell	151
32. Rippey	119

1. Nickell	78
16. Goldberg	115

16. Goldberg	131
17. Nitabach	75

1. (16) Goldberg	92
8. (24) Dinkin	142

9. Lall	85
24. Dinkin	151

9. (24) Dinkin	154
8. (51) Silversetin Destroyers	94

8. (51) Silversetin Destroyers	144
25. Helle	112

1. (12) Wolfson	
2. (3) Fleisher	

5. Lebowitz	135
28. Vedanta	174

1. (24) Dinkin	37
4. (12) Wolfson	63
	84
	119
16	33
76	127

12. Wolfson	155
21. Cayne	108

5. (28) Vedanta	128
12. Wolfson	157

13. (46) Baker	218
20. Overdeck	66

5. (12) Wolfson	134
4. Rosenthal	109

4. Rosenthal	92
29. Dyson	83

13. (46) Baker	97
4. Rosenthal	119

VANDERBILT KNOCKOUT TEAMS – ROUND OF 32 PAIRINGS

2. Zimmermann **152**
31. Rombaut 123

2. Zimmermann **127**
15. (18) Simson 91

15. Ward-Platt 80
18. Simson **140**

2. Zimmermann **139**
7. Street 134

10. Hans **137**
23. Plackett 127

10. Hans 103
7. Street **140**

7. Street **150**
26. Bramley 92

2. Zimmermann 19 38 94 119
3. Fleisher 48 73 100 **128**

6. Shourie **178**
27. Millens 74

6. Shourie **121**
11. Goodman 89

11. Goodman **113**
22. Roman 96

6. Shourie 135
3. Fleisher **152**

14. Hanlon 100
19. Bailey **132**

14. (19) Bailey 86
3. Fleisher **119**

3. Fleisher **137**
30. Ashe 99

Open Swiss teams begin play today



Winners of last year's Jacoby Open Swiss Teams: Simon De Wijs, Giacomo Percario, Giovanni Donati, Bauke Muller and (inset or not pictured) Mike Passell and team captain Andy Goodman.

The Jacoby Open Swiss Teams begin play today with the Jacoby Trophy honoring the winners. This is a four-session event with two qualifying sessions and two final sessions.

The trophy is named for Oswald and Jim Jacoby – one of the premier father-son pairs in ACBL history, the first father-son to win a national championship together and the first father-son to be elected to the ACBL Bridge Hall of Fame.

The senior Jacoby (1902–1984) won his first major title – the National Team Championship of the American Whist League – in 1929 and his last major title – the Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams – in 1983.

In between, he won the McKenney Trophy (now the Barry Crane Top 500) four times. He was the first player to win 1000 masterpoints in a single year and the first player to earn 10,000 masterpoints.

Oswald Jacoby won seven Spingolds, seven Vanderbilts, two Reisingers and more than a dozen



other major titles. He was named to the ACBL Bridge Hall of Fame in 1965.

He and son Jim are the co-authors of Jacoby transfer bids, Jacoby 2NT and other bidding ideas. Together, they won the Reisinger in 1955 – when Jim was 22 – and the Vanderbilt in 1965.

Jim Jacoby (1933–1991), elected to the Hall of Fame in 1997, won the Bermuda Bowl in 1970 and 1971, the World Mixed Teams in 1972 and the World Team Olympiad in 1988. He won more than 14 NABC titles and captured the Barry Crane Top 500 in 1988 – the same year he won the Olympiad title.

The history of the event became more complicated in 2015, when it was one by a team including a pair who were later convicted of cheating and stripped of the title. The other members of the team announced they wished to renounce the title.

Previous winners:

1982	Allan Stauber, Jan Janitschke, Ross Grabel, Mike Smolen
1983	Mike Albert, Ira Rubin, Grant Baze, Barry Crane
1984	Bart Bramley, Mark Cohen, Milt Rosenberg, Ralph Katz
1985	John Devine, Alan Sontag, John Mohan, Roger Bates
1986	Mark Cohen, Peter Boyd, Steve Robinson, Kit Woolsey
1987	Eddie Kantar, Alan Sontag, Roger Bates, John Mohan,
1988	John Devine Ron Sukoneck, Doug Fraser, Kamel Fergani, Bill Pettis
1989	Jim Mahaffey, Ron Andersen, Paul Soloway, Bobby Goldman, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell (<i>became Open Swiss Teams</i>)
1990	John Sutherlin, Bart Bramley, Gerald Michaud, Larry Richardson, Bob Hamman
1991	George Rosenkranz, Eddie Wold, Mark Lair, Mike Passell, Paul Soloway, Bobby Goldman
1992	Richard Schwartz, Drew Casen, Michael Seamon, Richard Pavlicek, Fred Stewart, Steve Weinstein
1993	Tony Kasday, Michael Seamon, Steve Sion, Billy Cohen, Ron Smith
1994	Perry Johnson, Jeff Meckstroth, Chip Martel, Eric Rodwell
1995	Ralph Cohen, Billy Cohen, Peter Nagy, George Mittelman, Marty Sklar, Hugh Ross
1996	Jimmy Cayne, Bjorn Fallenius, Brian Glubok, Chuck Burger, Mats Nisland, Mike Passell
1997	Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay, Brian Glubok, Bart Bramley, Walter Schafer, Geir Helgemo
1998	Edith Rosenkranz, Ralph Cohen, Ron Smith, Bob Etter, Bob Morris
1999	Sam Lev, Brian Glubok, Michael Polowan, John Mohan, Barnet Shenkin
2000	Mike Cappelletti Jr., Gary Cohler, Mark Lair, Richard Finberg
2001	George Jacobs, Ralph Katz, Alfredo Versace, Lorenzo Lauria, Norberto Bocchi, Giorgio Duboin
2002	Perry Johnson, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell, Paul Soloway
2003	Peter Bertheau, Fredrik Nystrom, Christal Henner-Welland, Fred Gitelman

2004	Jacek Pszczola, Michal Kwiecien, Piotr Gawrys, Sam Lev, Michael Polowan, Chris Willenken
2005	James Cayne, Michael Seamon, Geir Helgemo, Tor Helness, Robert Levin, Steve Weinstein
2006	Bob Hamman, Robert Levin, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell, Paul Soloway, Steve Weinstein
2007	David Maidman, Marin Marinov, Kalin Karaivanov, Ruman Tredafilov
2008	Perry Johnson, Chris Compton, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell
2009	Bob Hamman, Zia Mahmood, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell
2010	John Diamond, Brian Platnick, Brad Moss, Fred Gittleman, Eric Greco, Geoff Hampson
2011	Greg Hinze, Dan Morse, Jacob Morgan, Michael Polowan, Steve Shirey, David Yang
2012	Gaylor Kasle, Larry Kozlove, Peter Boyd, Steve Robinson, Fred Stewart, Kit Woolsey
2013	Richard Schwartz, Allan Graves, Jon Baldursson, Thorlakur Jonsson, Espen Lindqvist, Boye Brogeland
2014	Sabine Auken, Josef Piekarek, Christina Madsen, Alexander Smirnov, Roy Welland
2015	Richard Schwartz, Allan Graves, Boye Brogeland, Espen Lindqvist
2016	Richard Schwartz, Allan Graves, Boye Brogeland, Espen Lindqvist, Daniel Korbel, Huub Bertens
2017	Tim Verbeek, Danny Molenaar, Bob Drijver, Bart Nab, Dano De Falco, Patricia Cayne
2018	Jacek Pszczola, Josef Blass, Jacek Kalita, Michal Nowosadzki, Sjoret Brink, Bas Drijver
2019	Espen Erichsen, Tony Liebowitz, Christian Bakke, Tor Eivind Grude
2020	Not held
2021	Not held

2022	Laurence Lebowitz, Adam Grossack, Agustin Madala, Dennis Bilde, Michael Rosenberg, Zachary Grossack
2023	Stan Tulin, Dror Padon, Alon Birman, David Bakhshi, Cornelis Van Prooijen, Louk Verhees Jr.
2024	Andy Goodman, Mike Passell, Simon De Wijs, Bauke Muller, Giacomo Percario, Giovanni Donati

You oughta be in pictures

If you achieve a new masterpoint milestone here in Memphis – Life Masters and upwards – please come by the Bulletin office, Room 105, ground floor, and let us take your picture. We're eager to congratulate you and share your achievement in the Daily Bulletin.

Women's Swiss starts today



Last year's winners of the Women's Open Swiss Teams: Irene Baroni, Janice Seamon-Molson, team captain Susan Zhang and Sylvia Shi

The Women's Open Swiss Teams, an event that debuted on the spring calendar last year, begins today.

Between 1982 and 2017, the Machlin Women's Swiss Teams was held in the spring. It was discontinued due to lack of participation.

To help make the new event viable, more than half the field will qualify for the second day.

2024 Susan Zhang, Sylvia Shi, Janice Seamon-Molson, Irene Baroni

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Golder North American Flight B champs from last year: Colin Schloss and Alan Munro, representing District 6

Golder NAP Flight B begins play today

Competition begins today in the Golder North American Pairs, Flight B – a grassroots event limited to players with 0–2500 masterpoints.

The first stage is conducted at the local club level and qualifiers advance to unit competition. Those qualifiers then advance to the district finals where three pairs – more, depending

upon attendance – qualify for the North American final.

Winners are honored by the Golder Cup and will also receive a certificate of recognition.

The trophy is presented in memory of Benjamin M. Golder (1894–1946) of Philadelphia, who died the day before the close of his term as 1946 ACBL president. He was named ACBL Honorary Member of the Year for 1947.

The event was not held in 2020, but those who qualified in 2019 for the 2020 event competed online in 2021.

Previous winners:

1992	Peter Worley, Kevin Young (D18)	1999	Gilbert (D22) Andy Kaufman, Greg Burch (D4)
1993	Robert Sewell, Paul Janicki (D2)	2000	Hal Hindman, Mark Chen (D6)
1994	Brendan Dempsey, Ian Crowe (D1)	2001	Walter Lee, Jonathan Weinstein (D25)
1995	Jay Levy, William Rushmore (D5)	2002	Wieslaw Kalita, Marian Krasowski (D13)
1996	Robert Johnson, David Rosenstein (D20)	2003	Jordan Chodorow, Harvey Katz (D23)
1997	Bill Drewett, Kirk Twiss (D13)	B	Jim Alison, Dayn Beam (D10)
1998	Adam Beneschan, Brian	2005	Pete Whipple, Jamie Radcliffe (D14)
		2006	Fletcher Thompson, Bruce Todd (D6)
		2007	Mark Golding, Rob Kitchen (D1)
		2008	Sidney Kanter, Ron Nelken (D3)
		2009	Robert McCaw, Lewis Gamerman (D25)
		2010	Fred Schenker, Dian Petrov (D5)
		2011	Roger Webb, Philippe Galaski (D25)
		2012	Joseph Rice, Bjorgvin Kristinsson (D14)

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2013	Daniel Jackson, Bill McCarty (D16)	2016	Ryan Schultz, A.J. Stephani (D11)	2021	Morris Chen, John Lai (D19)
2014	Miroslav Kovacevic, Aleksandar Vujic (D2)	2017	Murat Veysoglu, Kevin Lane (D23)	2022	Ryan Connors, Rick Bingham (D6)
2015	Richard Jeng, Andrew Jeng (D7)	2018	Jeff Dater, Scott Nason (D16)	2023	James Zhan, Ying Peng (D16)
		2019	Yin Yichen, Chang Liu (D25)	2024	Alan Munro, Colin Schloss (D6)
		2020	Not held		



Yuchen Xu and Music Li, representing District 24, won the North American Pairs, Flight C last year.

NAP-C Pairs compete for President's Cup

Players in the North American Pairs Flight C, a grassroots event limited to players who have not yet become Life Masters and have less than 500 masterpoints, will begin competition today for the President's Cup.

The trophy was presented in 1942 by Morgan Howard, ACBL president that year. The trophy previously honored the winners of the President's Pairs event, held at the Summer NABC.

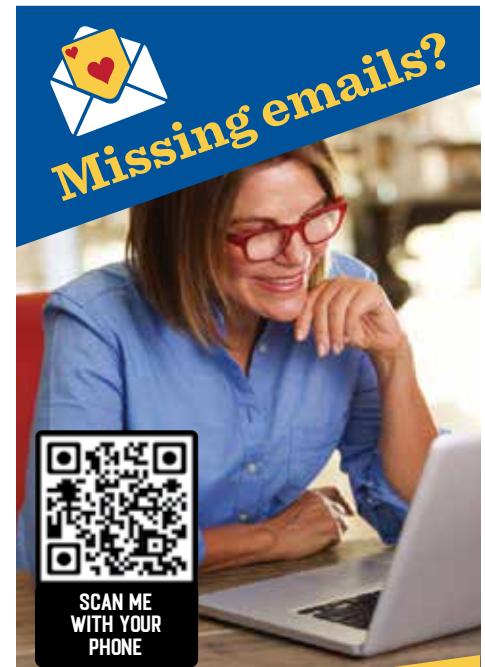
The competition began last summer at the local club level and qualifiers then advanced to unit competition. Those qualifiers advanced to the district finals and three pairs from each district – more, depending upon attendance – qualified for the North American final.

The event was not held in 2020, but those who qualified for that year's contest competed online in 2021.

Previous winners:

1987	1-2. David Deaderick, Bill Thomas (D16)
	1-2. Leo Austern, Bernard Pollack (D24)
1988	Brad Moss, Aaron Silverstein (D24)

1989	Jeffrey Brown, Warren King (D16)	2016	Gann (D6)
1990	Moske Harel, Philip Leung (D21)	2017	Benjamin Kompa, Robert Thorstad (D7)
1991	Eric Greco, Philip Greco (D4)	2018	Yangping Zhang, Henry Zhang (D12)
1992	Gail Joelson, Alan Kasner (D5)	2019	Henry Zhang, Yanping Zhang (D12)
1993	Everett Boyer, Mark Micheli (D21)	2020	Sheila Cesarano, Terry Jonas (D9)
1994	Weizhong Bao, Jingdong Guo (D4)	2021	Not held
1995	Edward Lee, Brett Roby (D21)	2022	Arvind Sharma, Lynnie Sharma (D16)
1996	Ruoyu Fan, Yue Zuo (D13)	2023	Danning Lu, Andrew Rowberg (D22)
1997	Michael Corker, Thomas Franklin (D21)	2024	Bill Shane, Hongsa Situ (D22)
1998	Tien-Chun Yang, Fang Wu (D21)		Yuchen Xu, Music Li, District 24
1999	James Gunn, Harry Shaffer (D15)		
2000	Meredith Beck, John Johnson (D16)		
2001	Hailong Ao, Jian-Jian Wang (D6)		
2002	Jacek Leznicki, Jerry Owczarek (D3)		
2003	John Christensen, Robert Wissman (D6)		
2004	Ryan Connors, Daniel Wilderman (D6)		
2005	Jiang Chen, Nongyu Li (D21)		
2006	Stanislaw Kolesnik, Vladimir Reznik (D13)		
2007	Jon King, Dayou Zhou (D22)		
2008	Dmitri Bourlikov, Abraham Pallas (D9)		
2009	Michael Bodell, Elenalani Lam (D21)		
2010	Vladimir Oudalov, Stanley Weiss (D3)		
2011	Rajeev Bansal, Michael Hughes (D15)		
2012	Chase Bonnette, Jeffrey Tsang (D5)		
2013	Julie Arbit, Jordan Kaye (D12)		
2014	Donald Richards, Sharlene Tyler (D9)		
2015	Blake Schwartzbach, Adam		



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Rendezvous in Memphis – Vanderbilt Quarterfinal (conclusion)

By Mark Horton

There can be no doubt about the match of the day in the quarterfinals of the Vanderbilt. Sit back and enjoy! We rejoin the teams with STREET leading ZIMMERMANN 26–25.

Deals can be found on BBO.

Board 16 Dealer West. E/W Vul.

♠ Q
♥ J 6 5 4
♦ J 8 6 5
♣ Q 10 8 4

♠ A 9 8 2
♥ 9 3
♦ 10 7 4 3
♣ J 9 7

♠ 10 7 5 4 3
♥ K 8
♦ K Q 9 2
♣ 3 2

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Zatorski	Drijver	Pachtmann	Brink
Pass	Pass	1♥	1♠
Pass	Pass	Dbl	Pass
1NT	Pass	3NT	All Pass

North led the ♠Q. Declarer won with the ♠K, cashed the ♣A and the ♠J and took two more spades via the marked finesse, discarding the ♥2 while North pitched two diamonds and the ♣8. The ♣9 was covered by the 10 and king, and declarer exited with a club, North winning and switching to the ♦8. Declarer won, cashed the ♣6 and claimed, +600.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Klukowski	L'Ecuyer	Kalita	Street
Pass	Pass	1♣ ⁽¹⁾	Pass
1♦ ⁽²⁾	Pass	2♥ ⁽³⁾	Pass
4♥	All Pass		

(1) 0+♣, 11–14 balanced or 18+ any
(2) 0–6 HCP any, or 7–11 minor(s), or 16+ balanced
(3) Strong

South led the ♦K, and having won perforce, declarer played the ♣5 to dummy's jack. North won and returned the ♦6, declarer ruffing, and exiting with the ♥10. South went up with the ♥K and ... well I would like to tell you, but the play record stops, the contract failing by three tricks, -100 and a 14-IMP loss.

We can see that the miraculous spade layout means 10 tricks can be made by playing on hearts, but that information was not available to declarer.

Board 18. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

♠ A Q 9 6 3
♥ A 2
♦ J 9
♣ A J 5 2

♠ K J 8 7 2
♥ J 6
♦ Q 5 4 2
♣ Q 7

♠ 10 5
♥ 9 8 5 4 3
♦ K 10 8 7
♣ 8 6

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Zatorski	Drijver	Pachtmann	Brink
Pass	Pass	Pass	1♣ ⁽¹⁾
1♠	2♥ ⁽²⁾	Pass	3♣
Pass	4♣	Pass	4♦ ⁽³⁾
Pass	4NT ⁽⁴⁾	Pass	5♥ ⁽⁵⁾
Pass	5NT ⁽⁶⁾	Pass	7♣
All Pass			
(1) 2+♣			
(2) Transfer			
(3) Control			
(4) RKCB ♣			
(5) Two key cards, no ♣Q			
(6) Grand slam try			

West led the ♥J, and declarer won with dummy's ♥A, cashed the ♣A and played a club to the 9. West's ♣Q meant one down, -100.

A couple of thoughts: If the ♥J was a singleton, could West have started with two of them?

If declarer had played a diamond to the ace at trick two, how would the defenders have signalled?

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Klukowski	L'Ecuyer	Kalita	Street
		Pass	1♣
2♠	3NT	All Pass	

East led the ♠10, and having won with the ♠Q, declarer cashed the ♣A and played a club to the 10. That was +660 and 13 IMPs.

Board 19 Dealer South. E/W Vul.

♠ Q 8 7 6	♣ 4	Open Room
♥ Q 2		West
♦ A Q 3 2		Zatorski
♣ K Q J		Drijver
♠ A K 5	♠ 4	North
♥ K 8 4	♥ A J 9 6 5	East
♦ K J 7	♦ 10 9 8 5	Pachtmann
♣ A 6 4 3	♣ 9 8 5	South
	♠ J 10 9 3 2	Brink
	♥ 10 7 3	Pass
	♦ 6 4	Dbl
	♣ 10 7 2	Pass

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Zatorski	Drijver	Pachtmann	Brink
			Pass
1♣	1NT	Pass	2♥ ⁽¹⁾
Pass	2♠	All Pass	
(1) Spades			

East led the ♦9. Declarer won with the ♦Q and played the ♠8, losing two spades, two hearts and a club for +110.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Klukowski	L'Ecuyer	Kalita	Street
			Pass
1♣ ⁽¹⁾	1NT	Pass	2♥ ⁽²⁾
Pass	2♠	Pass	Pass
Dbl	Redbl	4♥	All Pass
(1) 0+♣, 11-14 balanced or 18+ any			

South led the ♠J. Declarer won in dummy, played the ♥K and a heart, drawing trumps, and a diamond to the jack. He lost two diamonds and a club, +620 and 12 IMPs.

A diamond lead would have been effective and probably the top choice of David Bird's computer.

Board 23. Dealer South. All Vul.

♠ Q 10 9 7 5 4	♠ K 2	Open Room
♥ K 10 7 6 4	♥ A 9 2	West
♦ 5	♦ Q J 10 8	Zatorski
♣ 2	♣ K 10 8 5	Drijver
♠ A J 6		North
♥ J 8		Pass
♦ K 9 6 2		Pass
♣ A 9 6 4		All Pass
♠ 8 3		East
♥ Q 5 3		Pachtmann
♦ A 7 4 3		South
♣ Q J 7 3		Brink

Open Room

1♣	2♦ ⁽¹⁾	2♥ ⁽²⁾	3♥
Pass	Pass	Dbl	Pass
3♠ ⁽³⁾	Pass	3NT	All Pass
(1) Majors			
(2) Diamond support			
(3) Stopper			

South led the ♥3. Declarer took the third round of the suit discarding the ♦2 from dummy and played a diamond, South winning with the ♦A and switching to the ♠8. Declarer won with the ♠K, played a diamond to the king and a club to the 2, 8 and jack, claiming nine tricks, +600.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Klukowski	L'Ecuyer	Kalita	Street
			Pass
1♣ ⁽¹⁾	2♠	3NT	All Pass
(1) 0+♣, 11-14 balanced or 18+ any			

South led the ♠8. Declarer won with the ♠K and played the ♦J followed by the ♦10, overtaking it with dummy's ♦K and playing a third diamond, South winning and returning the ♠3. Declarer took dummy's ♠A, cashed the ♦9 and played a club to the 2, 10 and jack. Back came the ♥3, and declarer won and played a club to the ace, one down, -100 and a 12-IMP loss.

It was the second time in the match that keeping a second suit hidden had paid a dividend.

Board 28. Dealer West. N/S Vul.

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

♠ Q 9 3
♥ A Q
♦ A K 10 7 5
♣ K 5 3

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Zatorski	Drijver	Pachtmann	Brink
Pass	Pass	3♠	3NT
All Pass			

West led the ♣Q, and when it held, he continued with the ♣A followed by the ♣6, declarer winning and playing two rounds of hearts. When East ducked, declarer cashed the ♦A K and played a spade to the jack, East winning and returning the ♠10. Declarer won with dummy's ♠K and claimed – he could play a heart, pitching a spade, and dummy would take the last three tricks, +600.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Klukowski</i>	<i>L'Ecuyer</i>	<i>Kalita</i>	<i>Street</i>
3♣	Pass	3♦ ⁽¹⁾	3NT
Dbl	All Pass		

(1) Puppet to 3♥

Here, too, West led the ♣Q, but this time declarer won, and played a spade to the jack and ace. When East returned the ♥3, declarer won with the ♥A, played a spade to the king and ran the ♦J which meant he was four down, -1100, and 17 IMPs changed hands.

Board 30. Dealer East. None Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Zatorski</i>	<i>Drijver</i>	<i>Pachtmann</i>	<i>Brink</i>
			Pass
Pass	1♠	Pass	2♣ ⁽¹⁾
Pass	2♦ ⁽²⁾	Pass	2♥
Pass	2NT	Pass	4♣ ⁽³⁾
Pass	4♥ ⁽⁴⁾	Pass	4NT ⁽⁵⁾
Pass	5♦ ⁽⁶⁾	Pass	6♠

All Pass

- (1) Two-way Drury
- (2) Sound opening
- (3) Shortage
- (4) Control
- (5) RKCB
- (6) Three key cards

As I understand it, 2♣ promised 10–12 HCP with three spades.

East led the ♦K. Declarer won, played a spade to the king and the ♣10, West taking the ♣A and returning the ♦10. That was two down, -100.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Klukowski</i>	<i>L'Ecuyer</i>	<i>Kalita</i>	<i>Street</i>
Pass	1NT	Pass	2♦ ⁽¹⁾
Pass	2♥	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

(1) Hearts

East led the ♦K, and declarer cashed out for +400 and 11 IMPs.

STREET had taken the session 60–45 to lead 86–70.

Board 33. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Manno</i>	<i>Nowosadzki</i>	<i>Di Franco</i>	<i>Zimmermann</i>
			Pass

1NT All Pass

North led the ♦8. Declarer won with the ♦A and played the ♠8 to the queen and king, South returning the ♣8 to the 10 and jack. North exited with the ♦3 and declarer won, played a spade to the 10 and jack and exited with a spade. North won and switched to the ♥K, going back to diamonds when it was ducked, which meant declarer took eight tricks, +120.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Klukowski</i>	<i>Pachtmann</i>	<i>Kalita</i>	<i>Zatorski</i>
Pass			
1♣ ⁽¹⁾	Pass	1♠ ⁽²⁾	Pass
2♦ ⁽³⁾	Pass	2♠	Pass
2NT	Pass	3NT	All Pass
(1) 0+♣, 11–14 balanced or 18+ any			
(2) 4+♠, 7+ HCP			
(3) Game-forcing relay, 18+, 3+♥/♠			

North led the **♥Q** and switched to the **♣2**, declarer winning with the **♣10** and playing a spade to the queen and king. Back came the **♥5**, and North won with the **♥K** and returned the **♥9**. Declarer won, cashed the **♦A** and played on spades for nine tricks, +600 and 10 IMPs.

Board 40. Dealer East. All Vul.

♠87

♥974

♦K873

♣KQJ8

♠AQ64

♥AK2

♦A942

♣43

♠J5

♥Q8653

♦J10

♣A1052

♠K10932

♥J10

♦Q65

♣976

Board 41. Dealer South. None Vul.

♠AKJ

♥AK943

♦2

♣A974

♠32

♥87

♦KQJ7653

♣63

♠876

♥J1062

♦8

♣KQ1085

♠Q10954

♥Q5

♦A1094

♣J2

Open Room

West	North	East	South	
<i>Manno</i>	<i>Nowosadzki</i>	<i>Di Franco</i>	<i>Zimmermann</i>	<i>Zimmermann</i>
				2♠⁽¹⁾
Pass		2NT ⁽²⁾	Pass	3♦
Pass		3♠	Pass	3NT ⁽³⁾
Pass		4♣ ⁽⁴⁾	Dbl	Pass
Pass		Redbl ⁽⁵⁾	Pass	4♦ ⁽⁴⁾
Pass		4♥ ⁽⁴⁾	Pass	4NT ⁽⁶⁾
Pass		5♦ ⁽⁷⁾	Pass	5NT ⁽⁸⁾
Pass		6♠	All Pass	
(1) 5+♠ and 4+♣/♦, 4–10 HCP				
(2) Asking				
(3) No shortage				
(4) Controls				
(5) First-round club control				
(6) RKCB				
(7) Three key cards				
(8) Grand slam try				

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Manno</i>	<i>Nowosadzki</i>	<i>Di Franco</i>	<i>Zimmermann</i>
1NT	Pass	2♥ ⁽¹⁾	Dbl
2NT ⁽²⁾	Pass	3♦	Pass
4♠	All Pass		

(1) Spades

(2) Maximum, 4+♠

North led the **♣K**, and when South followed with the **♣10**, he continued with the **♣J**, South winning and returning the **♥3**. Declarer let that run to dummy's **♥10**, and he was soon claiming 10 tricks, +620.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Klukowski</i>	<i>Pachtmann</i>	<i>Kalita</i>	<i>Zatorski</i>
1NT	Pass	2♥ ⁽¹⁾	Pass
3♠	All Pass		
(1) Spades			

That meant the loss of 10 IMPs.

West led the **♣6**. Declarer won with dummy's **♣A**, played a diamond to the ace, ruffed a diamond with the **♠A**, came to hand with the **♥Q**, ruffed a diamond with the **♠K**, overtook the **♠J** and ran his trumps, squeezing East for an overtrick, +1010.

Note that on a diamond lead, you don't need the squeeze for the overtrick, as you can establish a long heart, the **♣A** being the vital entry.

No one bid 7♠.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Klukowski</i>	<i>Pachtmann</i>	<i>Kalita</i>	<i>Zatorski</i>
			2♠⁽¹⁾
Pass		2NT ⁽²⁾	Pass
Pass		4♠	All Pass
(1) 5+♠ and 4+♣/♦, 4–10 HCP			
(2) Asking			

West led the $\heartsuit 3$, and with nothing at stake, declarer won with the $\heartsuit Q$ and played a spade to the ace, finishing with 12 tricks, +480, but losing 11 IMPs.

Board 42. Dealer West. N/S Vul.

$\spadesuit 8 5 3 2$	$\spadesuit Q J 7 6$	$\spadesuit A 9 7 3$
$\heartsuit A K Q$	$\heartsuit J 8$	$\heartsuit K Q 9 4 3$
$\diamond A Q 8$	$\diamond J 7 5 2$	$\diamond J 10$
$\clubsuit A 7 5$	$\clubsuit K 10 8$	$\clubsuit J 4$
$\spadesuit K 10 9$		
$\heartsuit 10 6 5 2$		
$\diamond 10 9 3$		
$\clubsuit Q 6 3$		
$\spadesuit A 4$		
$\heartsuit 9 7 4 3$		
$\diamond K 6 4$		
$\clubsuit J 9 4 2$		

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Manno</i>	<i>Nowosadzki</i>	<i>Di Franco</i>	<i>Zimmermann</i>
Pass	1♣	Pass	1♦ ⁽¹⁾
Pass	1♥	Pass	1NT
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

(1) Hearts

West led the $\diamond 10$ and declarer won with dummy's $\diamond A$ and played the $\clubsuit 5$ for the 8, 9 and queen, West switching to the $\spadesuit 10$. When it held he continued with the $\spadesuit K$ and declarer won, played a heart to the ace and exited with the $\spadesuit 5$. East won, cashed the $\spadesuit Q$ and exited with the $\diamond 2$ and there were only eight tricks, -100.

The winning line is to cash all the red suit winners before exiting with a spade (the third heart forces East to pitch a diamond) endplaying East to lead a club.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Klukowski</i>	<i>Pachtmann</i>	<i>Kalita</i>	<i>Zakorski</i>
Pass	1♣	Pass	1♦ ⁽¹⁾
Pass	2NT	Pass	3NT
All Pass			
(1) 4+♥			

East found the lethal lead of the $\spadesuit 6$, and West won with the king but switched to the $\heartsuit 2$. Declarer won with the $\heartsuit K$ and played the $\clubsuit 7$ to the 8, 9 and queen. Back came a heart, and declarer won with the $\heartsuit A$ and played two rounds of clubs, +600, and 12 IMPs.

STREET had won a third session in a row, this one 42-36, and led 128-106.

Board 51. Dealer North. N/S Vul.

$\spadesuit Q 10 8 6 5 4 2$	$\spadesuit —$
$\heartsuit 10 6$	$\heartsuit A J 8 5 2$
$\diamond Q 5$	$\diamond 7 4 3$
$\clubsuit 6 3$	$\clubsuit A K 10 8 5$
$\spadesuit K J$	
$\heartsuit 7$	
$\diamond A K 9 8 6 2$	
$\clubsuit Q 9 7 2$	
$\spadesuit A 9 7 3$	
$\heartsuit K Q 9 4 3$	
$\diamond J 10$	
$\clubsuit J 4$	

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Manno</i>	<i>Drijver</i>	<i>Di Franco</i>	<i>Brink</i>
	2♠	4♣ ⁽¹⁾	Pass
4♠	Pass	4NT	Pass
5♣	All Pass		

(1) Clubs and hearts

If 4♠ was a control, then 4NT was RKCB and 5♣ one key card. However, the partnership also use 4♠ when they have a minor-suit fit, the first response indicating a minimum and other steps in accordance with the Turbo convention.

That was +440, the sort of result that can make you nervous.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Klukowski</i>	<i>Pachtman</i>	<i>Kalita</i>	<i>Zakorski</i>
	Pass	1♥	Pass
2♦	Pass	2♥	Pass
2NT	Pass	3♠	Pass
4♣	Pass	4♠	Dbl
Pass	Pass	Redbl	Pass
5♣	Pass	5♥	Pass
6♣	All Pass		

With diamonds 2-2, that was +940, the sort of result that can make you nervous, in this case worth 11 IMPs.

Board 23. Dealer South. All Vul.

$\spadesuit J 10 7$	$\spadesuit K Q 8 2$
$\heartsuit Q 7 5 2$	$\heartsuit 9 6 4$
$\diamond 2$	$\diamond J 6$
$\clubsuit A K J 10 7$	$\clubsuit Q 5 4 3$
$\spadesuit 9 3$	
$\heartsuit A K J 10 3$	
$\diamond Q 10 9 7 4$	
$\clubsuit 2$	
$\spadesuit A 6 5 4$	
$\heartsuit 8$	
$\diamond A K 8 5 3$	
$\clubsuit 9 8 6$	

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Manno</i>	<i>Drijver</i>	<i>Di Franco</i>	<i>Brink</i>
			1♦
1♥	1♠ ⁽¹⁾	2♥	Pass
Pass	Dbl	Pass	2♠
Pass	3♣	All Pass	
(1) Transfer			

East led the ♥9. West won with the ♥K and switched to the ♣2, declarer winning with the ♣A, ruffing a heart, cashing two diamonds pitching a heart and ruffing a diamond with the ♣10. East overruffed and returned the ♣3, and declarer won with dummy's ♣8 and played a spade to the jack and king. East played a heart, and West won and played the ♦Q. Declarer could ruff and draw the outstanding trump, but had to lose a spade, one down, -100.

As the play went, declarer could have overtaken the ♣8, drawn the outstanding trump and exited with the ♥Q. He ruffs the red-suit return and plays the ♠J, ducking when East covers.

Very neat, but as we are about to see, totally unnecessary.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Klukowski</i>	<i>Pachtmann</i>	<i>Kalita</i>	<i>Zakorski</i>
			1♦
1♥	2♣	Dbl	3♣
All Pass			

West won the heart lead and returned the ♣2. Declarer won with the ♣A, ruffed a heart, cashed two diamonds discarding a heart, took the ♠A, ruffed a diamond with the ♣K and played a heart, claiming, +110 and 5 important IMPs that took the score to 134–118.

On the deal that followed N/S held:

♠Q
♥J 5 4 3
♦A Q J 9 5 4
♣A 10

♠K 6
♥A K 10 7 2
♦6
♣K 9 7 4 3

Both teams stopped in 5♥, West having shown a weak hand with spades, flat at +450. In FLEISHER vs. SHOURIE, Kranyak–Demuy reached 6♥ after West had opened 2♠. If declarer had made it, the No. 3 seed would have been eliminated!

Board 58. Dealer West. N/S Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Manno</i>	<i>Drijver</i>	<i>Di Franco</i>	<i>Brink</i>
1NT	Pass	2NT ⁽¹⁾	Pass
3♥ ⁽²⁾	Pass	4♣	Pass
4♦	Pass	4♠	Pass
4NT	Pass	6♥	Pass
6NT	All Pass		
(1) Puppet Stayman			
(2) 5♥			

North led the ♠J, and declarer won with the ♠A and played a heart to the 9 and king. He won the spade return, discarding the ♣2, and cashed the ♦K Q. When North discarded the ♠6, declarer was a trick short. He crossed to the ♥A, unblocked the ♥Q and played a club to the jack, a heartbreaking four down, -200.

There was no reason for declarer to play for the unlikely squeeze that was available, but if he had passed out 6♥, he would have had no problem, provided he found the winning line if North leads the ♦2. (Helgemo went down in 6♥, finessing the ♥Q at trick two).

Kevin Bathurst made 6NT – North had overcalled 3♠ and declarer took a second-round finesse in diamonds against South.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Klukowski</i>	<i>Pachtmann</i>	<i>Kalita</i>	<i>Zakorski</i>
1NT	2♦ ⁽¹⁾	Dbl	2♥ ⁽²⁾
Dbl	2♠	Pass	Pass
2NT	Pass	3♠	Pass
3NT	All Pass		
(1) One major			
(2) Pass or correct			

Declarer won the spade lead and played a heart to the 9, finishing with 12 tricks, +490, and 12 IMPs that left ZIMMERMANN trailing by 4 IMPs.

After a flat game (the ninth push of the session), the last board arrived on the table:

Board 60. Dealer East. None Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Manno</i>	<i>Drijver</i>	<i>Di Franco</i>	<i>Brink</i>
1♥ ⁽¹⁾	1♠ ⁽²⁾	1♣	Pass
Pass	2♦	Pass	2♥
Pass	3♥	Pass	4♥

All Pass

(1) Spades

(2) Takeout

(3) Good hand

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West led the ♣7. Declarer won with dummy's ♣K and played the ♥Q followed by the ♥4, East winning, cashing the ♠A and ♠Q and exiting with the ♣5. When West followed, declarer claimed, +420.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Klukowski</i>	<i>Pachtmann</i>	<i>Kalita</i>	<i>Zakorski</i>
		1♦	Pass
1♠	Pass	1NT	Pass
2♠	Pass	3♠	All Pass

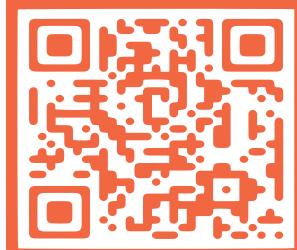
North led the ♥Q and switched to the ♠8. Declarer won with dummy's ♠9, played two rounds of heart ruffing and a diamond, North taking the ♦A and returning the ♠10. Declarer won with the ♠K and played a diamond to the 10, claiming eight tricks when South ruffed, -50, but 9 IMPs that saw ZIMMERMANN regain the lead for the first time since Board 14.

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Rendezvous in Memphis – Vanderbilt Semifinal

By Mark Horton

For the statisticians, the match between the second and third seeds started with over 1800 spectators, 250 preferring the other semifinal.

Board 3. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

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

DINKIN vs. WOLFSON

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Berkowitz	Lien	Ginossar	Nilsson
			1♦
Dbl	Pass	2♦	Pass
2♥	Pass	3♥	Pass
3NT	Pass	4♥	All Pass

North led the ♦7, and declarer won with dummy's ♦A and played a spade to the 2, 7 and 9. North found the now essential switch to a club, and declarer won, played a heart to the queen and a second spade, South winning with the king and returning the ♣7 which ensured one down, -100.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Dinkin	Wolfson	Freeman	Garner
			1♦
Dbl	Pass	2♦	Pass
2♥	Pass	3♥	All Pass

North led the ♦4, and declarer won, drew trumps and played a spade, easily securing nine tricks to win 6 IMPs.

ZIMMERMANN vs. FLEISHER

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Bessis	Nowosadzki	Lorenzini	Zimmermann
			1♦
Dbl	2♦	Dbl	Pass
2♥	Pass	4♥	All Pass

North led the ♦7 to the ace, 9 and 5, and declarer continued with a spade, South going up with the ♠A and playing the ♦Q. Declarer won, drew two rounds of trumps and played another spade. He won, the club switch, drew the outstanding trump and played a spade, claiming when the suit divided, +620.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Klukowski	Sementa	Kalita	Versace
			1NT

Dbl All Pass

West led the ♥2, and the defenders took the first eight tricks, +300, but 8 IMPs away.

Board 4. Dealer West. All Vul.

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

DINKIN vs. WOLFSON

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Berkowitz	Lien	Ginossar	Nilsson
1♥	Pass	1♠ ⁽¹⁾	Pass
2♠	Pass	4♠	Pass
Pass	Dbl	All Pass	

(1) Five spades

South led the ♥K to the ace and a ruff, and North exited with the ♠3, declarer winning with dummy's ♠9, drawing trumps and playing the ♥10 followed by the ♥5. South won, and switched to the ♣10 and that meant two down, -500.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Dinkin	Wolfson	Freeman	Garner
1♥	Pass	4♥	All Pass

Opposite a limited opener, as here, 4♥ can be game forcing or a preempt.

North led the ♠3, and declarer won with dummy's ♠A and played a heart to the ace. With South able to secure a spade ruff, that was two down, -200, but a 7-IMP gain.

Board 7. Dealer South. All Vul.

♠ A Q 8

♥ A K J 8

♦ A 9 4 2

♣ A 6

♠ K J 9 6 5 3

♥ 10 5 2

♦ 3

♣ K Q 10

♠ 10 4

♥ 9 6 4 3

♦ Q 8 7 5

♣ 9 4 3

♠ 7 2

♥ Q 7

♦ K J 10 6

♣ J 8 7 5 2

Board 9. Dealer North. E/W Vul.

♠ 10

♥ 7 6 3

♦ K J 8 2

♣ K J 8 5 4

♠ J 9 6 5 2

♥ A 8

♦ 9 7 4

♣ 10 9 2

♠ A K 8 4 3

♥ Q 4

♦ Q 10 6 5

♣ A 3

♠ Q 7

♥ K J 10 9 5 2

♦ A 3

♣ Q 7 6

ZIMMERMANN vs. FLEISHER

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Bessis</i>	<i>Nowosadzki</i>	<i>Lorenzini</i>	<i>Zimmermann</i>
Pass	Pass	1NT	2♦ ⁽¹⁾
2♠	4♥	4♠	All Pass

(1) One major

North led the ♥3, ensuring one down, -100, but a 3-IMP loss.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Klukowski</i>	<i>Sementa</i>	<i>Kalita</i>	<i>Versace</i>
Pass	Pass	1♠	2♥
4♠	Dbl	All Pass	

South led the ♠7. Declarer won with the ♠A, cashed the ♠K, North discarding the ♣4, played a spade to the 6 and then the ♦9, North putting up the ♦K and accurately switching to the ♥7. Declarer won with dummy's ♥A and played the ♦4, North following with the ♦2. When declarer put in the ♦10 he was one down, -200.

Board 11. Dealer South. None Vul.

♠ K 10 9 5 2

♥ A Q 9 8 2

♦ 9 7

♣ 5

♠ A J 8

♥ J 7

♦ A 8 5 2

♣ Q J 7 6

♠ 6 4 3

♥ K 6

♦ K 10 6

♣ A K 8 3 2

♠ Q 7

♥ 10 5 4 3

♦ Q J 4 3

♣ 10 9 4

ZIMMERMANN vs. FLEISHER

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Bessis</i>	<i>Nowosadzki</i>	<i>Lorenzini</i>	<i>Zimmermann</i>
2♠	Dbl	Pass	3♣
Pass	4NT	All Pass	

East led the ♠10, and declarer took 11 tricks, +660, but a 12-IMP loss.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Klukowski</i>	<i>Sementa</i>	<i>Kalita</i>	<i>Versace</i>
2♦ ⁽¹⁾	Dbl	2♥ ⁽²⁾	Pass
2♠	Dbl	Pass	3♠
Pass	5NT	Pass	6♣
Pass	6♦	All Pass	

(1) 3-10 HCP, 6(5)+ ♥/♠

(2) Pass or correct

East led the ♠10. Declarer won with the ♠Q, cashed the ♦A, played a diamond to the 10 and two rounds of clubs. West won and declarer was soon claiming, +1370.

DINKIN vs. WOLFSON

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Berkowitz</i>	<i>Lien</i>	<i>Ginossar</i>	<i>Nilsson</i>
			Pass
1♦	2♦ ⁽¹⁾	2♥ ⁽²⁾	3♥
4♣	Pass	5♣	All Pass
(1) Majors			
(2) Values, clubs			

North led the ♥A and switched to the ♣5, declarer taking two rounds of trumps, playing a heart to the king, crossing to the ♣Q and claiming 10 tricks, -50.

How to get to 3NT? If you play that 3♠ by West shows a stopper, it works on this hand.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Dinkin</i>	<i>Wolfson</i>	<i>Freeman</i>	<i>Garner</i>
			Pass
1NT ⁽¹⁾	2♣ ⁽²⁾	3NT	All Pass
(1) 12-14 HCP			
(2) Majors			

North led the ♥2, and when dummy's ♥K held, declarer ran for the hills, +400 and 10 IMPs.

ZIMMERMANN vs. FLEISHER

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Bessis</i>	<i>Nowosadzki</i>	<i>Lorenzini</i>	<i>Zimmermann</i>
			Pass
1♦	2♦ ⁽¹⁾	Dbl	4♥
Pass	Pass	Dbl	All Pass
(1) Majors			

West led the ♣Q, and that was two down, -300, but a 3-IMP gain.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Klukowski</i>	<i>Sementa</i>	<i>Kalita</i>	<i>Versace</i>
			Pass
1♣ ⁽¹⁾	2♦ ⁽²⁾	2♠	3♥
3♠	Pass	3NT	All Pass
(1) 0+♣, 11-14 balanced or 18+ any			
(2) Majors			

South led the ♥5, and declarer took his tricks, +400.

Board 12. Dealer West. N/S Vul.

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

DINKIN vs. WOLFSON

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Berkowitz</i>	<i>Lien</i>	<i>Ginossar</i>	<i>Nilsson</i>
Pass	1♠	4♣	4♦
Pass	4NT ⁽¹⁾	Pass	5♣ ⁽²⁾
Pass	5♦ ⁽³⁾	Pass	6♠
All Pass			
(1) RKCB			
(2) One key card			
(3) Queen-ask			

East led the ♣A, +1430.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Dinkin</i>	<i>Wolfson</i>	<i>Freeman</i>	<i>Garner</i>
Pass	1♠	5♣	Dbl
All Pass			

That was three down, -500, but 14 IMPs were in.

ZIMMERMANN vs. FLEISHER

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Bessis</i>	<i>Nowosadzki</i>	<i>Lorenzini</i>	<i>Zimmermann</i>
Pass	1♠	5♣	5♠
All Pass			

That was +680.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Klukowski</i>	<i>Sementa</i>	<i>Kalita</i>	<i>Versace</i>
Pass	1♠	4♣	Dbl
Pass	4♦	Pass	4♠
Pass	5♣	Pass	6♠
All Pass			

That was +1430 and another slam swing for FLEISHER, this time to the tune of 13 IMPs.

Board 13. Dealer North. All Vul.

♠ A K Q 9
♥ A
♦ A 10 8 4 3
♣ J 5 2

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

♠ J 7 6
♥ Q 7 6 3
♦ 9
♣ A K Q 9 8

ZIMMERMANN vs. FLEISHER

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Bessis</i>	<i>Nowosadzki</i>	<i>Lorenzini</i>	<i>Zimmermann</i>
	1♦	Dbl	Pass
2♦	2♠	Pass	3♦
Pass	Pass	3♥	All Pass

South led the ♦2, and North won and played four rounds of spades. Declarer ruffed with dummy's ♥Q and played a heart to the jack and ace, finishing two down, -200.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Klukowski</i>	<i>Sementa</i>	<i>Kalita</i>	<i>Versace</i>
	1♦	Dbl	Pass
2♦	Pass	2♥	Pass
3♥	Pass	4♥	Pass
Pass	Dbl	All Pass	

South led the ♠8 which gives the defenders a shot at three down. However the play record is wrong, so it is unclear how many tricks declarer took – the result was posted as three down, -800, another 12 IMPs for FLEISHER.

Board 14. Dealer East. All Vul.

♠ A J 6 4
♥ Q 5
♦ 6 3 2
♣ J 7 6 2

♠ 5 3
♥ 10 7 4 3 2
♦ J 9 8 4
♣ K 5

♠ K 10 8 2
♥ A J 9 6
♦ A
♣ A 9 4 3

♠ Q 9 7
♥ K 8
♦ K Q 10 7 5
♣ Q 10 8

DINKIN vs. WOLFSON

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Berkowitz</i>	<i>Lien</i>	<i>Ginossar</i>	<i>Nilsson</i>
		1♣	1♦
Pass	1NT	Dbl	Pass
2♥	All Pass		

Declarer took 11 tricks, +200.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Dinkin</i>	<i>Wolfson</i>	<i>Freeman</i>	<i>Garner</i>
		1♦ ⁽¹⁾	Pass
1♠ ⁽²⁾	Pass	Pass	1NT
2♥	Pass	3♥	All Pass

(1) Strong, artificial

(2) 0–5 HCP, non-forcing

There are two reasons why West might bid 4♥. The first is the irritation factor if it makes. The second is that once hearts are supported, West's fifth heart becomes important – think of it in terms of an extra king. It was a missed opportunity, and with declarer taking 10 tricks, an IMP was lost.

ZIMMERMANN vs. FLEISHER

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Bessis</i>	<i>Nowosadzki</i>	<i>Lorenzini</i>	<i>Zimmermann</i>
	1♣	1♦	Pass
Pass	1♠	Pass	2♣
Pass	2♦	Dbl	2♠
3♥	All Pass		

There were 10 easy tricks, +170.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Klukowski</i>	<i>Sementa</i>	<i>Kalita</i>	<i>Versace</i>
		1♣ ⁽¹⁾	1♦
Pass	2♦	Dbl	Pass
3♥	Pass	4♥	All Pass

(1) 0+♣, 11–14 balanced or 18+ any

Those same 10 tricks were worth 6 IMPs.

It had been a great set for Fleisher, leading 48–19, while DINKIN had also started well, ahead by 37–16.

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JACK HUDGINS MEMORIAL FRIDAY TOP-FLIGHT PAIRS

46.0 Tables / Based on 110 Tables

	A	X		
43.18	1		Sheila Gabay, Newton MA; Natalie Bassil, Boston MA	61.06%
32.39	2		Mac Busby – Paul Darin, San Diego CA	59.39%
24.29	3		Chuck Said, Nashville TN; Hugh Brown, McCormick SC	58.32%
18.22	4		Ron Gerard, White Plains NY; Mark Lair, Canyon TX	58.19%
14.39	5		Tracey Bauer, San Rafael CA; Craig Allen, Glen Ellyn IL	57.56%
12.34	6		Tonje Brogeland, Flekkefjord Norway; Boye Brogeland, Norway	55.52%
14.36	7	1	Niraj Jain – Rajeev Jog, San Jose CA	55.43%
9.60	8		Bo Liu, Irvine CA; Sherman Gao, Alhambra CA	55.13%
8.64	9		Andy Kaufman, Upper Gwynedd PA; Michael Cassel, Roseville MN	55.11%
10.77	10	2	Peng Cheng – Henry Zhang, Saratoga CA	54.88%
7.20	11		Nanette Noland, Baton Rouge LA; Marc Jacobus, Las Vegas NV	54.86%
6.64	12		Iulian Rotaru, Sunnyside NY; Melissa Fawer, New York NY	54.84%
6.17	13		Jeff Aker, Briarcliff NY; Mark Bartusek, Santa Barbara CA	54.57%
5.76	14		Robert Cappelli, Sanibel FL; Michael D. Alioto, Birmingham MI	54.52%
5.40	15		Charles Sharf, North Baldwin NY; Mel Colchamiro, East Meadow NY	54.51%
5.08	16		Pamela Granovetter, Cincinnati OH; David Treitel, Ocala FL	54.50%
4.80	17		Rob Gordon – Dori Cohen, Woodbury NY	54.18%
4.55	18		Subba Ravipudi, Dana Point CA; Gale Senter, San Clemente CA	54.14%
4.32	19		Michael Wolf, Fort Lauderdale FL; Benton Wheeler III, Memphis TN	54.04%
4.11	20		Jacob Morgan, Madison WI; Carole Liss, San Rafael CA	53.69%
8.08	21	3	Joan Dziekanski, New York NY; Maya Jonas-Silver, Brooklyn NY	53.62%
6.06	22	4	Yongkang Huang, Los Angeles CA; Haijin Li, Lisle IL	53.29%
4.79	23	5	Paul Martin, Duvall WA; David Roselle, Kirkland WA	52.89%
4.10	6		Fran White, Vista CA; Christine Denny, Oceanside CA	52.58%
3.59	7		Yi Xiong, Lawrenceville GA; Xiao-Qian Wang, Norcross GA	52.53%
3.40	8		Lee Blocher – Lisa Bievenue, Champaign IL	51.68%
3.21	9		Nicole Qian, Evanston IL; Katherine Hwang, New York NY	51.28%

PARTNERS IN CRUISE FRIDAY MID-FLIGHT PAIRS

24.0 Tables / Based on 64 Tables

	B	C		
28.90	1	1	Zhenghong Sun, Kirkland WA; Genie May, Redmond WA	60.34%
21.68	2	2	Jim Dickson, Baltimore MD; Todd Zimnoch, Catonsville MD	58.82%
16.26	3		William Kinney, Flagstaff AZ; Ronald Mohney, Sedona AZ	58.61%
12.19	4	3	Lloyd Mandell – Daniel Small, New York NY	56.99%
9.63	5		Gail Cannold, Rye NY; Dennis Glazer, Bronxville NY	56.02%
8.26	6		Fred Tanzer, Land O'Lakes FL; Rajasekhar Menon, Lutz FL	55.41%
7.23	7		Wilt Cooper – Kevin Stansbury, Littleton CO	54.70%
6.42	8		Raluca Nistor, Aventura FL; Cynthia Ogden, New York NY	54.22%
5.78	9		Steven Forsythe – Sandra Forsythe, Centerville OH	53.92%
5.25	10	4	John Farbarik, Tucson AZ; Allen Ettenger, Oro Valley AZ	53.45%
4.82	11	5	Elizabeth Buck – Roger Buck, Saranac Lake NY	53.27%
4.45	12		Jeff Grotenhuis, Redondo Beach CA; William Taylor, Rancho Palo Verdes CA	52.65%

2ND FRIDAY GOLD RUSH PAIRS

20.0 Tables

	A	B	C		
7.88	1	1		Cathy Skowronski – Mark Skowronski, Marietta GA	65.20%
5.91	2			Steven Angstreich, Cherry Hill NJ; Leslie Heselton III, Moorestown NJ	64.26%
4.43	3			Judith Katz, Old Westbury NY; Stephanie Abada, Woodbury NY	62.24%
4.46	4	2	1	Louis Daigneault – Denys Skalskyi, Mississauga ON	60.27%
3.34	5	3	2	Deepak Joshi – Rama Gupta, Germantown TN	58.15%
2.51	6	4	3	Paul Alford – MacDonald Kempf, Austin TX	57.35%
1.98	7	5		David Ritcey, Halifax NS; Michael Ritcey, Indian Harbour NS	55.49%
1.75	8			Valerie Kazhdan, Fort Lee NJ; Eiko Shimoyama, Wyckoff NJ	55.11%
2.08	9	6		Melissa Rowe – Carl Buck, Huntsville AL	54.58%
1.43	10			Collette Boardley, Alpharetta GA; Pamela Winkler, Sanford FL	53.59%
1.62	7	4		Elizabeth Vivirito, Chesterfield MO; Judith Kuiper, Central Lake MI	52.71%
1.79	8	5		Jesse Rockoff – Dylan Lupo, Rahway NJ	52.51%

THURSDAY EVENING SIDE PAIRS

7.0 Tables

	A	B	C		
3.68	1			Michael Botwin, Rockville Center NY; Barry Plotkin, Baldwin NY	66.67%
3.47	2	1		Michael Berard, Glenn Dale MD; Cindy Havens, Riverview NB	60.42%
2.28	3/4	2/3		Richard Kassar – Shlomit Rind, New York NY	55.42%
2.28	3/4	2/3	1	Prakash Malkani, East Brunswick NJ; Shriram Phadke, Plainsboro NJ	55.42%
1.16	5			Fran Tewkesbury, Greensboro NC; Martin Causley, Chapel Hill NC	54.17%
1.71		4	2	Rahul Garga – Charles Holmes, Chicago IL	49.17%

FRIDAY MORNING SIDE GAME

11.0 Tables

	A	B	C		
4.55	1	1	1	Gregory Harding, Madison WI; Douglas Babcock, Fitchburg WI	67.26%
3.41	2			Joseph Shull, New Haven IN; Michael Clegg, Fort Wayne IN	61.01%
2.56	3			Migry Zur Campanile, New York NY; Parag Saxena, Rye NY	60.71%
2.76	4	2		Susan Flick, Lucas TX; Glenda Cooper, Irving TX	60.42%
2.45	5			Gabriele Zanasi, Palermo Italy; Lynn Leisy, Amelia Island FL	56.85%
2.07	6	3	2	Diane Lahti – Thayer Morrill, Raleigh NC	56.25%
1.55		4	3	Jack Latta, Brooklyn NY; Paul Latta, San Diego CA	53.57%
1.23		5		Prakash Malkani, East Brunswick NJ; Shriram Phadke, Plainsboro NJ	52.38%

FRIDAY MORNING 299ER PAIRS

4.5 Tables

	A	B	C		
2.25	1	1		Chris Thorn – Joan Verdon, Northvale NJ	66.42%
1.73	2	2	1	Renata Serrano, New York NY; Seema Abbhi, Miami FL	65.60%
1.27	3	3		Dorothy Cockrell – William Licht, Allentown PA	60.56%
1.30	4	4	2	Nancy Hoeck – Ken Hoeck, Burlingame CA	58.21%

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SIDE GAME

8.0 Tables

	A	B	C		
3.90	1			Juli Timney, St. Louis MO; Kenneth Kranyak, Parma OH	59.23%
3.03	2	1		James Abbott, Chicago IL; Ryan Daniels, Vernon Hills IL	58.93%
2.27	3	2		Connor Havens, Riverview NB; Clara Brun Pedersen, Bramming Denmark	58.04%
2.10	4			Sonja Smith, Chapel Hill NC; Paul Burnham, Wilton CT	56.85%
1.47	5			Eric Laurant, Overasselt Netherlands; Igor Chalupec, Warsaw Poland	55.06%
2.60		3	1	Ben Umansky, Fairfax VA; Brooks Chupp, Indianapolis IN	50.30%
1.95		2		Jack Latta – Julie Latta, Brooklyn NY	46.13%



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FRIDAY AFTERNOON 299ER PAIRS**4.5 Tables**

	A	B	C		
2.25	1	1	1	Mary Keeney – Karen Atchley, Austin TX	65.87%
1.69	2	2		Susan Sivertson – David Sivertson, Mason OH	57.14%
1.11	3/4	3/4		Susanna Southard – Nina Meyer, Tulsa OK	53.97%
1.30	3/4	3/4	2	Catherine Hultz, Collierville TN; Karen Thomas, Germantown TN	53.97%

2ND FRIDAY TOP-FLIGHT SWISS TEAMS**53 Tables / Based on 146 Tables**

	A	X	Y		
37.50	1			Joan Millens, Kingston NY; Shan Huang, Royal Palm Beach FL; Jing Liu, Forest Hills NY; Linlin Hu, China	98.00
28.13	2			Melih Ozdil, New York NY; Sharon Goldman, Miami FL; Kauko Koistinen, Espoo Finland; Vesa Fagerlund, Helsinki Finland	92.00
21.09	3	1	1	Kyle Rockoff, Gilbert AZ; Daniel Weiss, New York NY; Sarik Goyal, Jersey City NJ; Siqing Yu, San Diego CA	85.00
15.82	4			Margie Cole – Adam Parrish, New York NY; Ida Groenqvist, Sundbyberg Sweden; Greg Humphreys, Charlottesville VA; Irene Baroni, Paris France; Mike Rippey, San Francisco CA	83.00
12.50	5			Kiki Ward-Platt, Cannes France; Nikolaos Delimpaltadakis – Vasileios Vroustis, Athens Greece; Franck Multon, Monaco; Leonardo Cima, Roma Italy; Giorgio Duboin, Torino Italy	79.00
10.71	6			Lynda Nitabach, West Palm Beach FL; Kevin Dwyer Rimstedt, Royal Palm Beach FL; Juan Castillo, Oakland Park FL; Jacek Pszczola, Weston FL; Krzysztof Buras, Warszawa Poland; Jeff Meckstroth, Clearwater Beach FL	78.00
10.03	7/8	2	2	Michael Fleisher, Campbell CA; David Helmbold – Leila Sink, Los Gatos CA; Mukund Thapa, Palo Alto CA	75.00
8.86	7/8			Douglas Simson, Columbus OH; Eric Rodwell, Clearwater FL; Ron Rubin, Las Vegas NV; Barry Rigal, New York NY	75.00
7.16	9/10			Patricia Cayne, Boca Raton FL; David Bakhshi, London England; Tim Verbeek, Utrecht Netherlands; Danny Molenaar – Berend Van Den Bos, Den Haag Netherlands; Joris Van Lankveld, Castricum Netherlands	74.00
7.16	9/10			Danny Sprung – James Holzhauer, Las Vegas NV; Franco Baseggio, New York NY; Stefan Skorchev, Sofia Bulgaria	74.00
6.25	11			Eric Leong, Oakland CA; Alejandro Bianchedi, Buenos Aires Argentina; Ignacio Miquelez, Oakland Park FL; Francisco Guerra, Caba Argentina	72.00
7.52	12	3	3	Daniel Brandgaard, Copenhagen Denmark; Andreas Rolf-Larsen, Brondby Denmark; Leon Meier, Christ Church New Zealand; Sibrand Van Oosten, Leiden Netherlands	71.00
5.36	13			Rose Meltzer, Boynton Beach FL; Saverio Margiotta, Italy; Gabriele Zanasi, Palermo Italy; Giacomo Beretta, Redondo Beach CA; Robert Corry, Palos Verde Estates CA	70.00
5.64		4	4	Christopher Donnelly, Belmont MA; Edgars Olla, Riga Latvia; Ethan Wood, Dover MA; Nikolaj Hammelev, Aarhus Denmark	69.00
4.46		5		Todd Wachsman – Janis Wachsman, Delray Beach FL; Lee Ohliger, Bradenton FL; Steven Wallis, Tampa FL	66.00
3.82		6	5	Shih-Chieh Fuh – Ashot Harutyunyan – Simon-Pierre Goulet, Montreal QC; Frederic Belanger, Verdun QC	65.00

BETH SIMPSON FRIDAY 0-4000 BRACKETED ROUND ROBIN TEAMS BKT 1

12 Tables

16.48	1	Alan Munro, Vienna VA; Colin Schloss, Falls Church VA; Jacob Baron, Philadelphia PA; Hamilton Sawczuk, Baltimore MD	92.00
12.36	2	Carl Wikstrom, Exeter NH; Skip Page, Rye NH; Harold Nordstrom, Reading MA; Susan Lincoln, Boxford MA	83.00
9.27	3	Keith Rodwell – Dennis Butler, Rustburg VA; Maureen Weiman – Magnus Weiman, Lynchburg VA	75.00
6.22	4/5	Andrzej Bednarczyk, Lemont IL; Rick Whitehead, Knoxville TN; Randall Roberts, St. Petersburg FL; Nancy Speer, Little Rock AR	61.00
6.22	4/5	Jackie Haugen, Fort Mohave AZ; Eusebio Menezes, Cupertino CA; Joo-Hee Janicki, Markham ON; Robert Michaud, Sun City West AZ	61.00

BETH SIMPSON FRIDAY 0-4000 BRACKETED ROUND ROBIN TEAMS BKT 2

7 Tables

11.78	1	Brian Castle – Linda Atkinson, Poway CA; Patrick Staley – Bridget Poizner, San Diego CA	87.00
7.74	2/3	Sandy Spears – Katherine Zimmerman, Louisville KY; J. Spencer Emtage, Del Mar CA; Michele Zuniga, San Diego CA	62.00
7.74	2/3	Eli Jolley, Auburn AL; Kenneth Steinhauer, Orlando FL; Robert Gerstle, Altamonte Springs FL; Judith McNutt, Pittsfield MA	62.00

BETH SIMPSON FRIDAY 0-4000 BRACKETED ROUND ROBIN TEAMS BKT 3

7 Tables

10.65	1	Jerry Burford, Clinton MS; Philip Lawes, Greenwood MS; Nelson Daigle, Metairie LA; David Worrall, Quitman TX	87.00
7.99	2	Mark Stein, Skokie IL; Sidney Levin, St. Louis MO; Dorie Isaacson, Northbrook IL; Lee Nykaza, Scottsdale AZ	81.00
5.99	3	Deborah Crisfield, Philadelphia PA; Allison McGeough, St. Augustine FL; Karen Haines – Jane Grewcock, Summit NJ	67.00

BETH SIMPSON FRIDAY 0-4000 BRACKETED ROUND ROBIN TEAMS BKT 4

7 Tables

10.31	1	Dennis Viner, Kapaa HI; Gary Sheerer, Los Altos CA; Douglas Clink, Orange Beach AL; Ramzi Fawaz, Denver CO	86.00
7.73	2	Simeon Prager – Michael Sherberg, Olivette MO; Charles Johnson, St. Louis MO; Aaron Gwin, Chesterfield MO	67.00
5.80	3	Susan Schwartz – Beth Simpson, Memphis TN; Stacy Hancock – Bruce Wachsman, Germantown TN	64.00

BETH SIMPSON FRIDAY 0-4000 BRACKETED ROUND ROBIN TEAMS BKT 5

7 Tables

9.29	1	Brian McClure, Suttons Bay MI; Christopher Gennick – Mike Roeder – Ross Richardson, Traverse City MI	93.00
6.97	2	Mark Webb, Rome GA; Jeffrey Young, Saint Simons Is GA; Roberto Crocenzzi, St. Simons Island GA; Harry Rosenberg, Chicago IL	76.00
5.23	3	Robert Domsalla – Susan Domsalla, Tomball TX; Malcolm Millar – Rosalyn Millar, Summerside PE	64.00

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8.14	1	Vicki Poecker – Leslie Pfeiffer – Jim Pfeiffer – James Renth, Hot Springs Village AR	86.00
6.11	2	Roger Thomas, West Linn OR; James Weider, Portland OR; Kevin Marnell, Milwaukie OR; Angel Almanza, Tualatin OR	67.00
4.01	3/4	Deborah Lackey, Washougal WA; Judy Hardin, Clarkesville GA; Dorothy Fryer, Naples FL; Mickey Gordon, Santa Fe NM	66.00
4.01	3/4	Warren Wurzburg, Memphis TN; Rebecca Barton, Eads TN; Harriet Thomas, Germantown TN; Cappie Saunders, Cordova TN	66.00

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6.39	1	Gary Rowland, Golden Valley MN; James LaFave, Minneapolis MN; Tom Owens, Woodbury MN; Dan Ganter, Maple Grove MN	74.00
4.79	2	David Schatz – Patricia Schatz, Ann Arbor MI; Mark Langer – Daniele Langer, Racine WI	72.00
3.59	3	Al Walton – Vicki Empting, Germantown TN; Ethel Mathews – Laura Bean, Bigfork MT	67.00

Upcoming Events Calendar



Regionals

April 3-5	AL/Huntsville
April 7-13	BC/Victoria
April 8-12	TX/Longview
April 14-20	CA/San Diego
April 14-18	LA/Metairie (New Orleans)
April 15-20	ON/Toronto
April 22-27	MA/Southbridge
April 21-27	TN/Gatlinburg
April 28-May 2	DE/Rehoboth Beach
May 7-12	ON/Kingston (split)
May 9-12	QC/Quebec (split)
May 5-9	WI/Middleton (Madison)
May 12-18	MI/Southfield (Detroit)
May 12-18	OR/Redmond
May 20-26	CO/Denver
May 20-24	IL/Champaign
May 19-24	MN/Bloomington (Minneapolis)
May 22-26	NY/Queens
May 19-24	OK/Edmond
May 19-23	VA/Richmond
May 26-June 1	CA/Sacramento
May 26-June 1	FL/Palm Beach Gardens
June 10-15	BC/Penticton
June 8-12	NJ/Fairfield
June 9-14	NY/Rochester
June 8-14	OH/Cincinnati
June 17-22	AK/Anchorage
June 16-20	IL/Crystal Lake
June 17-22	MA/Newton
June 16-22	SC/Greenville
June 24-28	IA/Urbandale (Des Moines)
June 25-29	NB/Fredericton
June 23-28	OH/Independence
June 30-July 6	CA/Long Beach
June 30-July 6	TX/San Antonio
June 30-July 5	VA/Chantilly (DC)
July 1-6	ON/Waterloo
July 9-13	IL/Niles (Chicago)
July 7-13	SK/Saskatoon
July 13-17	MI/Bay City

Cruises

May 5-23	Singapore to Qatar
May 8-18	Cape Liberty NJ to Martha's Vineyard to Bermuda (rt)
May 18-25	Miami to Western Caribbean (rt)
May 28-June 11	Vancouver to Alaska (rt)
June 6-24	San Francisco to Panama Canal to Miami

Nonchampionship sectionals unless otherwise specified. (rt) = round trip

Summer NABC
July 24-Aug. 3
Marriott

Philadelphia
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Online

April 7-13	Charity Foundation Week
April 14-15	Silver Slivers
May 12-18	Grass Roots Fund Week
May 19-21	Silver Slivers
May 29-June 1	Stardust Weekend
June 5-8	Silver Linings Weekend
June 21-22	The Longest Day
July 9-12	Virtual Vacation
July 12-14	Online Regional
July 21-23	NABC Robot Individual
	Silver Slivers

At the Club

All of April	Charity Games
April 2 Wednesday	Canada-wide Helen Shields
	Rookie/Master Game
April 16 Wednesday afternoon	ACBL-wide Charity Game
All of May	Grass Roots Fund Games
May 5-11	Stardust Week
All of June, July, August	North American Pairs club qualifying games
June 3 Tuesday afternoon	Canada-wide Olympiad Fund Game
June 15-22	The Longest Day
July 16 Wednesday afternoon	ACBL-wide Summer Instant Matchpoint Game

I/N

April 3-6	MS/Gulfport
April 4-6	NE/Waverly
April 11-13	AZ/Fountain Hills
May 2-4	ON/Arnprior
May 22-26	GA/Atlanta
May 30-June 1	OR/Eugene
June 13-14	IA/Waterloo
June 26-28	OK/Oklahoma City
July 9-13	CA/Mountain View
July 11-13	CO/Denver
July 11-12	IL/Bloomington
July 17-19	LA/Lake Charles
July 16-19	NC/Flat Rock



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Tomorrow's Bridge Events

Sunday, March 23

Event	Session	Sold	Entry/player/session*	
			Members with discount	Members without discount
		10 am		
Sunday Morning Side Pairs <i>Fri-Sun Daylight Series</i>	single	East Hall, behind escalator	\$22	\$32
299er Pairs	single	East Hall, behind escalator	\$18	\$28
		10 am & 1 pm		
Fast Pairs	1-2	Ballroom D	\$22	\$32
		10 am & tba		
Top-Flight Swiss Teams (unlim./6000/4500) <i>Playthrough with a short break</i>	1-2	inside East Hall, back of room	\$22	\$32
Bracketed Round Robin Teams (0-4000) <i>Playthrough with a short break</i>	1-2	inside East Hall, back of room	\$22	\$32
		10 am & 3 pm		
GOLDER NORTH AMERICAN PAIRS FLIGHT B	1-2 F	Ballroom B	Free	Free
PRESIDENT'S CUP NORTH AMERICAN PAIRS FLIGHT C		Ballroom B	Free	Free
		10 am & 3:30 pm		
JACOBY OPEN SWISS TEAMS WOMEN'S OPEN SWISS TEAMS	1-2 F	Southwest Hall	\$35	\$45
	1-2 F	Southwest Hall	\$35	\$45
		2 pm		
Sunday Afternoon Side Pairs <i>Fri-Sun Daylight Series</i>	single	East Hall, behind escalator	\$22	\$32
299er Pairs	single	East Hall, behind escalator	\$18	\$28

* For premier, NABC+ and NABC events, participants must be full ACBL members and up-to-date with their membership dues or service fees. For all other events, participants must be ACBL members (or guest members). Inactive members may renew or pay a \$5 upcharge per 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.