



Daily Bulletin



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Beyond Bridge

ACBL staffers ham it up at Beyond Bridge's photo booth. More photos to come in Tuesday's Daily Bulletin.



Play in our special ZIP KO social bridge event featuring short rounds and big fun! Just six boards each, up to four rounds and a special prize on the line. No masterpoints but plenty of excitement!

Monday, July 13 • 8:30 p.m.
 Room 200B, Minneapolis Convention Center



Goodwill Message

Today is Goodwill Day! Goodwill builds bridges by connecting hearts and minds through the game we love.

Lamya Agelidis, Chair

Aileen Osofsky Goodwill Committee

Pollack wins GNT Champ Flight



Winners of the Morehead Grand National Teams Championship Flight, from District 9 (Florida): David Berkowitz, Rozanne Pollack, team captain William Pollack, Janice Seamon-Molson, Gary Cohler and Sam Lev

The District 9 squad captained by William Pollack defeated Yanong Han's D21 squad in the final 123–114.

See other GNT winners, page 7

Bakke–Abragi win von Zedtwitz LM Pairs



Winners of the von Zedtwitz LM Pairs: Christian Bakke and Andreas Abragi

Norway's Christian Bakke and Sweden's Andreas Abragi, playing together for the first time live, captured the prestigious von Zedtwitz Life

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See other national pairs event winners, page 8



Winners of the NABC+ Open Pairs: Oren Kriegel and Ron Smith

Smith–Kriegel win Open Pairs

Ron Smith and Oren Kriegel of Chicago IL won the NABC+ Open Pairs on Sunday. It's the first NABC+ win for Kriegel and the 10th for Smith.

Smith and Kriegel scored 65.80% and 60.33% on Saturday to lead the

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Today's Bridge Events

Monday, July 13 Goodwill Day / Twin City Group Day 10 am

Event	Session	Sold	Entry/player/session*	
			Members with discount	Members without discount
Bill Voedisch Monday Morning Side Pairs <i>Sun-Tue Daylight Series</i>	single	Exhibit Hall A, lower level	\$22	\$32
299er Pairs	single	Exhibit Hall A, lower level	\$18	\$28
Robert Crosby Memorial 0–20 Pairs	single	Exhibit Hall A, lower level	\$18	\$28
10 am & 3 pm				
WAGAR WOMEN'S PAIRS <i>2 qualifying & 2 final sessions</i>	1-2 Q	200D, level 2	\$38	\$48
Teri Blu Top-Flight Pairs (unlim./5000)	1-2	Exhibit Hall A, lower level	\$22	\$32
Stan Birnbaum Memorial Mid-Flight Pairs (4000/1250)	1-2	Exhibit Hall A, lower level	\$22	\$32
Rosemary Thomspen Carpenter Memorial Gold Rush Pairs	1-2	Exhibit Hall A, lower level	\$22	\$32
Mon-Tue Mini-Soloway Style Bracketed Knockout Teams <i>Two-session Swiss qual; two-session KO final</i>	1-2 Q	Exhibit Hall A, lower level	\$22	\$32
Becky Rogers Top-Flight Swiss Teams (unlim./6000/4500)	1-2	Exhibit Hall A, lower level	\$22	\$32
Peter Solberg Mid-Flight Swiss Teams (4000/2000/750)	1-2	Exhibit Hall A, lower level	\$22	\$32

10 am & 3:30 pm

SPINGOLD KNOCKOUT TEAMS	Rd 1	Ballroom B, ground level	\$43	\$53
<i>Full-day knockout matches ending Sunday 7/19; Pre-registration required by 3:30 pm Sun 7/12</i>				
TRUSCOTT/USPC SENIOR SWISS TEAMS	1-2 Q	Ballroom A, ground level	\$38	\$48
<i>Must be 65 or older; 2 qualifying & 2 final sessions</i>				

3 pm

Monday Afternoon Side Pairs <i>Sun-Tue Daylight Series</i>	single	Exhibit Hall A, lower level	\$22	\$32
299er Pairs	single	Exhibit Hall A, lower level	\$18	\$28

7:30 pm

Monday Evening Side Pairs <i>Fri-Mon Evening Series</i>	single	200D, level 2	\$22	\$22
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* Players must be full ACBL members whose dues are current in order to compete in any Premier NABC+, NABC+ or NABC events. Except in the few events where guest members are expressly permitted, players must also be full ACBL members and up-to-date on dues to play in regional events. Guest members are allowed only in events with an upper masterpoint limit of 20. 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, \$3 (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

Twin City Group Day

Twin City Group, based in Eden Prairie MN, is a 113-year-old independent insurance agency, delivering "grand slam" solutions for your business and personal insurance needs. When it comes to customer service, no one trumps us.



Teri Blu

Teri Blu is being honored for her decades of contributions to the duplicate bridge world of the Twin Cities. Teri joined the ACBL at an



early age after her grandmother taught her to play duplicate bridge. As she sharpened her skills, she played with many experienced partners at sectional and regional tournaments, where the conversations often centered on listening to experts discuss bridge hands.

In 1999, Teri opened the Twin City Bridge Center. The games there drew many players who forged strong partnerships and friendships. Growing the games and improving the level of play led Teri to start teaching duplicate bridge. She loves teaching and was named the District 14 Teacher of the Year in 2017. Today, Teri continues to teach duplicate bridge to dozens of

students each week, covering popular bridge conventions, defense and the play of the hand.

Stan Birnbaum

Stan was a knowledgeable, passionate and successful bridge player who played from the mid-'80's to the mid-'90s, mostly with his favorite partner, Richard Lawson. Stan quit playing competitive bridge after the birth of his daughter in 1994. A quarter of a century later, he joined a group of beginners called the 2019 Group to share his knowledge and love of the game. Stan was a mentor, teacher and cheerleader to this group until his untimely death in June of 2024.

The 2019 Group and his many other bridge friends would like to honor Stan by naming today's Mid-Flight Pairs for him.

Rosemary Thompson Carpenter

By Keith Thompson

Rose, my sister, came from a card-playing family. Her mother-in-law was a longtime bridge player. Rose and her husband Bill took the Learn Bridge in a Day? class and were hooked. After that, she and Bill attended every class that I was able to set up. Rose was my strongest supporter, and today's Gold Rush Pairs is in her memory.

Becky Rogers

Rebecca (Becky) Rogers is a Grand Life master with multiple national championships and a world

championship.

Known as Becky to her friends, she has been a national tournament director, an ACBL employee, chairman of

a WBF Championship, member of the Laws Commission, member of the President's Advisory Committee, member of the Online Ethical Oversight Committee, member of the District 17 Board of Directors. and a generous friend to many. Becky was also the 2020 Honorary Member of the Year and has spent her life giving to the game she loves.



Peter Solberg

By Tom Owens

Several years ago, after learning the difference between a king and an ace, I attended an open game at the Bridge Center of St. Paul. Peter agreed to partner with me, and we have partnered ever since. Over the years, he taught me and encouraged me. Thank you, Peter.

Bill Voedisch

By Dan Ganter

Bill coached my partner Ravi and me for a couple of years. During that time, Bill spent dozens of hours coaching us online. I know he has also coached many others from the Bridge Center of St. Paul. I suspect he has devoted probably thousands of hours to this coaching.

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Thanks to our Major Sponsors for the Summer NABC in Minneapolis: Joel & Laurie Kramer • Bill Voedisch and Laurie Carlson • District 14

A big thank you to our Silver Level Sponsors who supported the NABC by naming a game for their friends, teachers, partners, and in honor of those we have lost. We also thank those who donated anonymously.

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Minneapolis Grand
Slam Club
Rochester Bridge Club
St. Paul Bridge Club
Gopher Unit 103

Viking Unit 178
Hawkeye Unit 216
Cornhusker Unit 241

SPECIAL EVENTS

MEETINGS / SEMINARS / RECEPTIONS

Meetings are at either the Sheraton or Minneapolis Convention Center.

Monday, July 13

Goodwill Day / Twin City Group Day

- 7–8:30 pm **Goodwill Reception.** Aileen Osofsky
ACBL Goodwill Committee members
only. *Mill City Ballroom, lobby level,*
Sheraton
- 8:30–10 pm **It's Midnight Somewhere Zip KO.**
Social bridge; no masterpoints, big fun.
Room 200B, level 2, MCC

Tuesday, July 14

- 9–9:30 am **Foundation for the Preservation and
Advancement of Bridge meeting.**
Room 204A, level 2 MCC
- 6:30–10 pm **Educational Foundation board
meeting.** *Boardroom, lobby level,*
Sheraton
- 8:30–10 pm **General Membership meeting.** All
members of the
ACBL are invited
to attend this
meeting on Zoom.
Online only;
NOTE CHANGE



CELEBRITY SPEAKER PROGRAM

Don't miss these free lectures by some of the best-known players in the game!
Exhibit Hall A, back right corner, on the lower level of the Convention Center.

Monday, July 13

- 9:15 a.m. Barbara Seagram *Opening Leads*
2:15 p.m. Jade Barrett *How to Beat Everyone*

Tuesday, July 14

- 9:15 a.m. Corey Krantz *Forcing vs. Nonforcing*
2:15 p.m. Donna Compton *Defenders' Number Rules*

HOSPITALITY

Food will be served mornings beginning at 9 a.m. and, courtesy of the host committee, selected afternoons at 2 p.m. on each floor of the Minneapolis Convention Center that games are being held that day. Coffee is not available on the lower level. Stop at Dunn Brothers Coffee on the ground level before going down to the lower level.

Monday, July 13

Morning: housemade granola bars. Afternoon: cookies.

Tuesday, July 14

Bagels

PATRON LOUNGE

Patron Members are invited to visit the Patron Lounge in the Craft Bar above the Convention Center lobby from 1 to 3 p.m. today through Wednesday, July 15, for light lunch and coffee. Coffee, tea, water and freshly baked bread are available each day. The lounge is NOT open in the mornings. Additional seating is available on the second floor.

Monday, July 13

Choice of entrée salads (chicken salad or portabella salad),
chocolate turtle cake

Tuesday, July 14

Caesar salad, Southwest beef pot pie, carrot cake (plated)

Evening entertainment

Monday, July 13

It's Midnight Somewhere Zip KO: Social bridge, no
masterpoints. 8:30 p.m. *Room 200B, level 2, MCC*

Wednesday, July 15

Bridge Mania: Jeopardy, Family Feud and other bridge-
themed games. Light food and cash bar. 8:30 p.m. *Mill City
Ballroom, lobby level, Sheraton*

Friday, July 17

Crazy Bridge: Chaos-inducing rule changes lighten the
game. Get ready to laugh, play and think on your feet. 8:30
p.m. *Room 200B, level 2, MCC*



JUST FOR NEW PLAYERS

Phil Kronebusch, Kim Hellier, Janet Tilstra and David Tilstra have been taking bridge lessons in St. Cloud MN, for about a year and a half.

“Our club has been sponsoring a lot of learn to play bridge events,” Janet said. “They advertised them through our community education program, and we gradually got sucked in – maybe that’s a bad word – but now we’re immersed.”

Like many Midwesterners, Janet grew up playing euchre, another trick-taking game.

“I thought, ‘Well, it’s a trick-taking game. How hard can it be?’” she laughed. “Really hard. It’s the game you’ll never master.”

When asked what they enjoy most about learning bridge, each member of

the group offered a different answer.

For David, it’s the challenge. “I think it’s just trying to do better than I did the last time.”

Phil enjoys the game’s endless mental puzzles. “I love it. Every hand is an intellectual puzzle that I’m trying to solve. Some people do crosswords. I like solving a bridge hand.”

For Kim, the game is as much about people as cards. “It’s been a way to make friends. We’ve got the nicest people in our club. And when we think about traveling or spending time away in the winter, we’re now looking at where the bridge clubs are. It’s a great way to connect with a community.”

Janet sees bridge as something even larger. “It feels like it can be so much more than just the game,” she said.



“There is a man in our club who is caring for a spouse with dementia, and bridge is his night off – his chance to step away for a little while.

“I also think that being married and being partners and learning a new skill together, there aren’t many opportunities to do that. That’s been a really fun challenge for us.”

Thinking Bridge

By *Eddie Kantar*

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

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	1♠
Pass	2♠	Pass	4♠
All Pass			

Opening lead: ♦3.

Bidding commentary: As North, with this distribution, if you are not strong enough to open 1NT, you are not strong enough to jump raise partner’s 1♥ or 1♠ response to 3♥ or 3♠. You must content yourself with a single raise.

Lead commentary: As West, with a choice of two unbid suits to lead, lead the stronger. If one of the suits is headed by an ace, lead the other.

Play commentary: As South, considering diamonds in

isolation, you would play low at trick one, hoping West has led from the king. Looking at the deal as a unit, you should notice that you have a “heart problem,” meaning you would rather the opponents lead hearts first. You can force a heart lead by using an equally divided suit (diamonds) as your throw-in suit after you have made the proper preparations in the play.

Play commentary No. 2: Win the ♦A, draw trumps, play three rounds of clubs, and exit with the ♦Q. No matter who wins the trick, that defender must lead a heart, limiting your heart losses to two tricks, or concede a ruff and sluff. If given a ruff and sluff, discard a heart from South, the shorter heart hand, and ruff in North, the longer heart hand.

Defensive commentary: Hearts is the critical suit. Whichever side breaks hearts first loses a trick. If declarer misplays the hand and winds up leading hearts first, second hand plays low if a low heart is led and covers if an honor is led.

Eddie Kantar (1932–2022) was an accomplished player with two world championships and 17 NABC titles. Kantar is probably best known as a teacher and author of over 35 bridge books. He was a longtime contributor to the ACBL’s Bridge Bulletin.



Sponsors

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Bill is a great addition to the Minnesota bridge community and a great mentor.

Since 1967, Bill has partnered with Denny Cerkvenik (among others). Bill and Denny started out playing on a Cargill team in the Minneapolis Industrial Bridge League, featuring teams from Honeywell, Pillsbury and others. Bill earned his first fractional masterpoint playing with Denny (at the time he had about 3 masterpoints playing with others) and could only think: “I’ll never catch him!”

This year, Bill and Denny are playing together here at the Summer NABC, marking 59 years as a bridge partnership. They’ve had success over the years, representing District 14 in the finals of the NAP and GNT. And, at this point, well into their 80s, they’re happy to be alive and to follow suit.

Bill is also a world-class fisherman and keeps the entire fish population of Lake Superior on high alert as a founding member of the Throttle Jammers club.

Robert Crosby

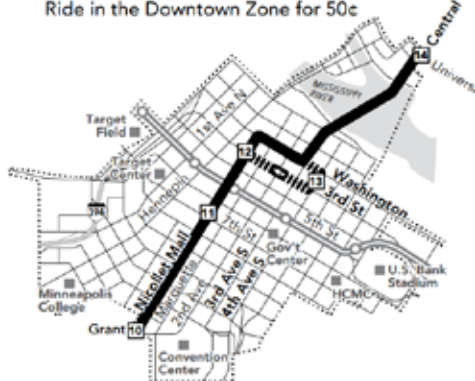
Bob Crosby was a member of the Minikahda Men’s Bridge Club, president in 1985, and a part of the family who founded General Mills and WCCO radio. He died in July of 2025 at the age of 93. His wry wit, wonderful sense of humor, and personal dignity will be sorely missed.

Bob was born in Omaha NE on Jan. 31, 1932. When he was a boy, Bob’s parents, Lew and Irene, moved him and his sister, Carolyn (Carrie) to the Twin Cities. Bob excelled in school, graduating from Yale and then Harvard Law School.

In the early 1960s, Bob met Gretchen Kerkhof. They married in 1965 and spent the next 55 years together. They complemented each other perfectly: he was steady and reserved; she was outgoing and boisterous. They loved entertaining, travel, golf, socializing with friends and being parents and grandparents to their three children.

Round Round Get Around: Via Bus

Travel inside the Metro Transit Downtown Zone for **\$0.50**. The #10, #25 and the **Free Bus** from the river stop at the Convention Center .. Northbound the #10 & #17 cross the Mississippi at 3rd Av. if you want to visit the St. Anthony restaurants (still in the downtown .50 zone). Either the #17 or #18 head South on Nicollet to Eat Street (<10’ away). A short walk to Nicollet gets you to them or you can board the Free Bus.

#17 \$0.50 will get you to the St. Anthony restaurants as well as near some in downtown East. The #17 continues South to Eat Street on Nicollet outside the .50 zone.  Ride in the Downtown Zone for 50c	#18 Travels up and down Nicollet with a jog into Downtown East. Eat Street restaurants are beyond the downtown .50 zone heading South.  Please note: Between 11:45 p.m. - 5:15 a.m., buses will be timed to facilitate transfers between routes on Nicollet Mall and 5th St - 9th St.
#10&25&FREE stop at the Convention Center. UPDATE: 7/9 FOR EFFICIENCY’S SAKE WALK THE 2 BLOCKS TO NICOLLET WHERE BUS FREQUENCY IS LESS FRUSTRATING The 10&25 head East at Washington before crossing into the St. Anthony area on 3rdAv.  The Free Bus heading going toward the River stops just across from the main tourney entrance....but frequency makes a stroll to Nicollet more efficient.	#4 After riding up Nicollet on any of the free, #17,18,or 25 buses you can transfer to the Westbound #4 to go into the heart of the North Loop or the Eastbound #4 toward the Downtown East restaurants. 

Round Round Get Around Dining Restaurant Week

The Minneapolis–St. Paul Restaurant Weeks are a great opportunity to visit places you might not normally afford. Almost all of them offer a prix fixe menu with at least three options for each of three courses: appetizer, entrée, dessert. The portions tend to be a bit smaller which suits many of us just fine.

The information desk and hotels have copies of those spots in our Restaurant Guide that are participating with all the necessary links including their prices and their posted menu options.

Winners in the GNT Flights



Flight A

D14's Caranicas trailed Chicago's D13 Smid by 1 IMP after the opening quarter but surged to a 33-IMP halftime lead. They maintained that advantage the rest of the way, winning 150–123.

Winners of the Goldman Flight A, from District 14 (Upper Midwest): Richard Lawson, Charles Carroll, team captain Andrew Caranicas, Jackson Wahl, Paul Gutterman

Flight B

The Jonas-Silver squad from New York jumped out to a 34–3 first-quarter lead over Chicago's Daniels and still led by 30 IMPs at halftime. Daniels mounted a strong comeback in the third quarter, trimming the deficit to just 11 IMPs, but Jonas-Silver held on for a 93–72 victory.

Winners of the Sheinwold Grand National Teams, Flight B from District 24 (New York): Kenneth Mandel, Andrew Jeanguenat, Jack Latta, team captain Maya Jonas-Silver



Flight C

The New York team from D24 captained by David Long had a slight advantage over the local D14 Anderson squad after the first and second quarters. A strong third quarter gave them a 37-IMP lead they never relinquished. The final score was 184–116.

Winners of the MacNab Grand National Teams, Flight C from District 24 (New York): Sam Bellows, Aaron Igra, Vincent Zheng, team captain David Long



Runners-up in the von Zedtwitz LM Pairs: Ola Rimstedt and Signe Buus Thomsen

von Zedtwitz Pairs

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Master Pairs title. Bakke, 30, is a member of Norway's national team, and has two previous NABC wins: the 2019 Jacoby Open Swiss Teams and the 2022 Vanderbilt KO Teams. For Abragi, 22, this was his first North American victory. He is a member of Sweden's national Mixed teams squad.

Abragi said, "Christian and I played once online two years ago. But I call him all the time to talk about bridge. He is one of my very best friends."

Bakke and Abragi stood fourth after Saturday's semifinal round, scored 57.09% in the first final session and a strong 64.57% in the second set to win.

A half board behind the winners were Sweden's Ola Rimstedt and Signe Bus Thomsen of Denmark, while Polish duo Wojciech Gawel and Rafal Jagniewski were third.



Runners-up in the NABC+ Open Pairs: Adam Wildavsky and Doug Doub

NABC+ Open Pairs

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qualifying round, then 59.66% and 60.89% Sunday to win by one and two-thirds boards.

"It didn't feel great," Kreigel said. "We were swimming through this session."

Kreigel began playing in 2008 at age 14 and was soon among the top Junior players of the time. But after the 2019 Summer NABC in Las Vegas, he quit playing full time to go to law school and then work as a lawyer. The only NABC he has attended since then before this one was in 2023 when it was in his hometown. He's about 1500 points short of making Grand Life Master.

Smith was relieved to not add another second place to his record – he said there were more than he could count. He has 13 of them.

It was Adam Wildavsky and Doug Doub who finished second following a late score correction.



Lisa Mita and Bharat Rao are the Bruce LM Pairs champions.

Mita-Rao are Bruce LM Pairs champs

The Philadelphia-based duo of Lisa Mita and Bharat Rao are the winners of the Bruce LM-6000 Pairs. Mita and Rao scored 61.55% and 63.18% in yesterday's final session. Their strong showing, coupled with the carryover from their second-place standing after the semifinal session, put them in the winners' circle. The champions finished a whopping four boards ahead of the field.

In second place were Xiaoyu Cheng and Peng Cheng of Saratoga CA. Narrowly in third place were Floridians Samuel Phillips and Rajasekhar Menon.



Winners of the Young 0-3000 Pairs: Chris Chung and Ewan McNay.

McNay-Chung take Young Pairs title

Combining a strong carryover with two solid performances in the final, Ewan McNay and Chris Chung are the winners of the Young 0-3000 Pairs. McNay of Glenmont NY and Chung of Palo Alto CA stood in second place after Saturday's semifinal round, but moved into the top spot after scoring 56.48% in the first final session and 60.29% in the second.

The winners originally met at the Spring NABC in St. Louis this year as opponents, but they had never played together as partners before.

Second place went to the Connecticut-based duo of Peter Sugerman and Douglas Deacon. They trailed the leaders by a board and a half.

In third – two boards behind the winners – were Dan Small and Lloyd Mandell of New York City.

VON ZEDTWITZ LIFE MASTER PAIRS

39.0 Tables / Based on 132 Tables

190.00	1	Christian Bakke, Bergen Norway; Andreas Abragi, Huddinge Sweden	1280.62
142.50	2	Ola Rimstedt, Sweden; Signe Buus Thomsen, Valby Denmark	1262.16
106.88	3	Wojciech Gawel, Wroclaw Poland; Rafal Jagniewski, Legionowo Poland	1225.78
87.69	4	Zachary Grossack, Newton MA; Andrew Rosenthal, New York NY	1187.51
81.43	5	John McLaughlin, Melrose MA; Adam Grossack, Brooklyn NY	1171.76
76.00	6	Bart Bramley, Avon CT; Zia Mahmood, London United Kingdom	1157.62
71.25	7	Adam Kaplan, New York NY; Debbie Rosenberg, Foster City CA	1141.60
67.06	8	Pablo Ravenna – Carlos Pellegrini, Buenos Aires Argentina	1140.24
63.33	9	Alan Sontag, Gaithersburg MD; Ralph Katz, Burr Ridge IL	1134.09
60.00	10	Larry Robbins, Glenview IL; Howard Weinstein, Midway UT	1133.44
57.00	11	Finn Kolesnik, Austin TX; Harrison Luba, Lynnfield MA	1129.72
54.29	12	Viktor Aronov, Sofia Bulgaria; Ahu Zobu, Istanbul Turkey	1129.23
51.82	13	Mike Passell, Plano TX; Andy Goodman, Carmel CA	1129.15
49.57	14	Steven Ashe, Tampa FL; Simon Hult, Wastervik Sweden	1127.66
47.50	15	Joshua Donn, Las Vegas NV; Brian Platnick, Evanston IL	1127.53
45.60	16	Joel Wooldridge, Jackson Heights NY; Kent Mignocchi, Bronx NY	1118.49
43.85	17	Per-Ola Cullin, Enskededalen Sweden; Marion Michielsen, Sweden	1117.18
42.22	18	Ioannis Oikonomopoulos, Hatboro PA; Will Ehlers, Lancaster PA	1111.22
40.71	19	Jerome Rombaut – Leo Rombaut, Lys Lez Lannoy France	1108.63
39.31	20	Eric Mayefsky, Arlington VA; Victor Chubukov, Seattle WA	1108.21
38.00	21	Jason Feldman, Palm Beach Gardens FL; Jeffrey Smith, Ottawa ON	1102.88
36.77	22	Avery Silverstein, Austin TX; Aaron Silverstein, Ridgefield CT	1098.86
35.63	23	Jeff Xiao – Guanghao Xiao, Shrewsbury MA	1089.51
34.55	24	Jie Li, Beijing China; Eric Xiao, Shrewsbury MA	1076.58
33.53	25	Edward Zuckerberg, Los Altos Hills CA; Brian Glubok, Brooklyn NY	1071.71
32.57	26	Mark Aquino, Jamaica Plain MA; Robert Cappelli, Naples FL	1069.54
31.67	27	Dan Jacob, Vancouver BC; Tom Carmichael, Marysville WA	1068.06
30.81	28	Peter Bertheau, Taby Sweden; John McAllister, Charlottesville VA	1062.84
30.00	29	Peter Knee, Canyon Country CA; Stelios Touchtidis, Parrish FL	1061.17
29.23	30	Sally Wheeler – Buddy Hanby, The Woodlands TX	1051.15
28.50	31	Benjie Miao, La Jolla CA; Tianyang Chen, Plainsboro NJ	1049.37
27.80	32	John Ramos, Los Angeles CA; Sibrand van Oosten, Leiden Netherlands	1044.54
27.14	33	Larry Sealy, Owens Cross Roads AL; Wafik Abdou, Bakersfield CA	1036.30
26.51	34	Tracy Brines, Richland WA; Joyce Goldstein, Brooklyn NY	1035.34
25.91	35	Ofek Sabbah – Yonatan Sliwowiec, Petah Tikva Israel	1032.33
25.33	36	Eric Greco, Frisco TX; Geoff Hampson, Las Vegas NV	1024.85
24.78	37	John Overdeck, Palm Beach FL; Aldo Gerli, Padova Italy	1019.45
24.26	38	Mark Bendure, Grosse Pointe MI; Brenda Bryant, Ferndale MI	1016.84
23.75	39	Drew Cavalier, Pensacola FL; Christian Jolly, New Hudson MI	1010.21
23.27	40	Steven Wallis, Tampa FL; Jacob Morgan, Madison WI	1004.25
22.89	41	Phillip Becker, Beachwood OH; John Bacon, Mayfield Heights OH	1002.52
22.35	42	Peter Weichsel, Carlsbad CA; James Krekorian, Pensacola FL	998.37
21.92	43	Michael Lipkin, Brooklyn NY; David Gurvich, New York NY	993.70
21.51	44	Daniel Gerstman, Buffalo NY; John Carruthers, Kingsville ON	992.21
21.11	45	Frederic Pollack, Laval QC; Peter Jargowsky, Boca Raton FL	991.52
20.73	46	Jeff Meckstroth, Clearwater Beach FL; Norman Beck, Dallas TX	988.96
20.36	47	Leo Lasota, Ewa Beach HI; Bruce Cuthbertson, Vancouver WA	988.01
20.00	48	Mark Caplan, Mulmur ON; Fred Gitelman, Las Vegas NV	983.56
19.66	49	Pedro Miguel Durao, Lisbon Portugal; Thomas Peters, Dayton MD	982.79
19.32	50	Alan Watson, Lexington MA; Geoffrey Brod, Newington CT	975.80
19.00	51	Hemant Lall, Marina Del Rey CA; Michael Penick, Dallas TX	971.48
18.69	52	Aaron Jones, Las Vegas NV; Todd Werby, Tiburon CA	968.12
18.39	53	Uday Ivatury, New York City NY; Christal Henner, New York NY	966.57
18.10	54	Douglas Simson, Columbus OH; Shan Au, Westerville OH	965.32
17.81	55	Brian Zhang – Qiang Zhang, Dublin CA	961.94
17.54	56	Bob Hamman, Dallas TX; Jack Oest, Chicago IL	959.34
17.27	57	Rory Xiao, Fremont CA; Jonathan Yue, Chicago IL	953.90
17.01	58	Louis-Amaury Beauchet, Larmor-Plage France; Daniel Hoekstra, Portland OR	946.99

16.76	59	Michael Christensen, Seattle WA; T. Brian Zaugg, Burien WA	946.29
16.52	60	Guy Mendes de Leon, Leiden Netherlands; Luc Tijssen, Tilburg Netherlands	933.67
16.29	61	Eldad Ginossar, Sanibel FL; Joseph Stokes, Chicago IL	929.80
16.06	62	Michael Gamble, Shawnigan Lake BC; Radu Nistor, New York NY	925.36
15.83	63	Rajagopal Sriraman, Louisville KY; Bob Fisk, Cincinnati OH	920.32
15.62	64	Jacqueline Chang, New York NY; Iulian Rotaru, Sunnyside NY	913.86
15.41	65	Jonathan Steinberg, Toronto ON; Santiago Semberoiz, Fort Lauderdale FL	910.82
15.20	66	JoAnna Stansby, Dublin CA; Kit Woolsey, Kensington CA	908.14
15.00	67	Alejandro Bianchedi, Buenos Aires Argentina; Margie Cole, New York NY	907.88
14.81	68	Lucy Zhang, Brooklyn NY; David Soukup, Philadelphia PA	903.98
14.62	69	Kevin Rosenberg – Amber Lin, Mountain View CA	900.44
14.43	70	Owen Lien, Oak Park MI; R. Muggia, Andover MA	897.10
14.25	71	Robert Robinson, Severna Park MD; Alexander Sandin, Horn Lake MS	895.00
14.07	72	Michael Rosenberg, Foster City CA; Stewart Rubenstein, Chestnut Hill MA	886.66
13.90	73	Ron Gerard, White Plains NY; Mark Lair, Amarillo TX	886.06
13.73	74	Wayne Ohlrich, Carrboro NC; Jordan Lampe, New York NY	863.29
13.57	75	Juan Felipe Cuervo, Bogota Colombia; Robert Ives, Bethesda MD	854.54
13.41	76	Richard Zucker, Dobbs Ferry NY; Eric Richelson, Fort Pierce FL	813.67
13.26	77	Kim Eng – Eric Sieg, Issaquah WA	788.48
13.10	78	Barry Margolin, Arlington MA; John Hogan Jr., Rehoboth Beach DE	754.64

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10.0 Tables

75.00	1	Lisa Mita, Downingtown PA; Bharat Rao, Berwyn PA	333.04
56.25	2	Peng Cheng – Xiaoyu Cheng, Saratoga CA	301.65
42.19	3	Mark Blanchard, Bay Shore NY; Amy Rhodes, New York NY	289.18
34.62	4	Brian Koblenz, Leavenworth WA; Pete Cowles, Tucson AZ	286.49
32.14	5	Samuel Phillips, Largo FL; Rajasekhar Menon, Lutz FL	285.58
30.00	6	Jim Gaarder, Columbia MD; Jimmy Ritzenberg, Bethesda MD	284.89
28.13	7	Dave Hoffman, Melbourne FL; Michael Heins, Fond du lac WI	268.03
26.47	8	Chantal Dube, Montreal QC; Charles Faille, Saint-Constant QC	267.62
25.00	9	Jeffrey Schwartz, Fairfax VA; Cynthia Ogden, New York NY	266.18
23.68	10	John Boackle Jr., Poway CA; Lamy Agelidis, San Diego CA	264.15
22.50	11	Gary Croland, Delray Beach FL; Peter Levathes, Palm Beach Gardens FL	262.56
21.43	12	Paul Chan – Lily Chan, Columbia MO	259.57
20.45	13	Barry Dehlin, Dresher PA; Matt Sherman, Rochester NY	249.17
19.57	14	Henry Shi – Ping Hu, Naperville IL	249.12
18.75	15	Alexander Stille, Bethesda MD; Barbara Devaney, Washington DC	248.32
18.00	16	Jeff Dater, Dallas TX; Kathryn Aliotta, St. Paul MN	248.00
17.31	17	Li Zhang, San Jose CA; Jay Wang, San Leandro CA	246.16
16.67	18	Murat Berk, Potomac MD; Peter van Zijl, Hanover MD	231.89
16.07	19	Anne Hollingsworth, Walnut Creek CA; Ethan Wood, Dover MA	231.87
15.52	20	Jennifer O'Neill, Greenwood Village CO; Denise Klein, Denver CO	201.74

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10.0 Tables

50.00	1	Ewan McNay, Glenmont NY; Chris Chung, Palo Alto CA	313.21
37.50	2	Peter Sugerman, South Windsor CT; Douglas Deacon, East Hartford CT	297.28
28.13	3	Dan Small – Lloyd Mandell, New York NY	293.82
23.08	4	Pradip Gandhi, Hillsborough NJ; Sandy Johnson, Ho-Ho-Kus NJ	292.20
21.43	5	Joel Steinberg, Princeton Junction NJ; Robert Goldbloom, Hastings-on-Hudson NY	283.65
20.00	6	Manning Rountree, Lyme NH; Mark Webb, Rome GA	280.72
18.75	7	Rita Vachani, Lexington MA; Stan Piltch, Plymouth MA	270.98
17.65	8	Shen Duan, Andover MA; Marin Hirono, New York NY	269.21
16.67	9	Donna Marino, Denver CO; Daniel Lev, New York NY	267.07
15.79	10	Qing Xia, Short Hills NJ; Xuhua Lin, Edison NJ	262.70
15.00	11	Janet McGlynn – Thomas McGlynn, Catonsville MD	262.50
14.29	12	Matthew Bribitzer-Stull – Jason Bribitzer-Stull, Bloomington MN	258.77
13.64	13	Stephen Silvius, Wilmington DE; Elizabeth Silvius, San Bernardino CA	257.48
13.04	14	Nancy Marshall, Edgewater NJ; William Sigward, Pelham NY	256.82
12.50	15	Melanie Appelbaum, Armonk NY; Gina Davanzo, Eastchester NY	250.70
12.00	16	Mark Throop – Eleanor Throop, Framingham MA	250.59
11.54	17	Jayson Lee – Katherine Lee, Hillsborough CA	230.29
11.11	18	Dorie Isaacson, Northbrook IL; Lee Nykaza, Scottsdale AZ	227.17
10.71	19	Clarende Duby – John Prance, Calgary AB	222.57
10.34	20	Stephen Mast – Holli Mast, Stanley NC	204.31

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93.75	2	Douglas Doub, Oak Ridge TN; Adam Wildavsky, New York NY	2164.95
70.31	3	Andrew Gumperz, Berkeley CA; David desJardins, Burlingame CA	2095.13
55.56	4	Ton Bakkeren, Oisterwijk Netherlands; Frank Bakkeren, Netherlands	2091.97
50.00	5	Mark Itabashi, Newport Beach CA; Laura Brill, White Plains NY	2079.01
45.45	6	Jiang Gu, Mountain Lakes NJ; Glenn Robbins, New York NY	2056.33
41.67	7	Alan Yu, Herndon VA; Lixin Zheng, Greenbelt MD	2054.82
38.46	8	Terry Beckman, Brooklyn Park MN; David Collins, Fridley MN	2038.14
35.71	9	Stephen Donahue, Riverwoods IL; Craig Allen, Glen Ellyn IL	2031.77
33.33	10	Hugh Brown, McCormick SC; Olin Hubert, Atlanta GA	2011.92
31.25	11	Joe Quinn, Sugar Land TX; Ira Hessel, San Antonio TX	2007.59
29.41	12	Edward Foran, Acworth GA; Nicolas Hammond, Alpharetta GA	1989.82
27.78	13	Zaira Davide, Rho Italy; Renee Cooper, Perth Australia	1989.12
26.32	14	Vladislav Isporski, Sofia Bulgaria; Ronald Kral, Reston VA	1981.24
25.00	15	Leon Fisher, Clearwater FL; Richard Reitman, Los Gatos CA	1980.85
23.81	16	Thomas Mac Cormac – Peter Pigot, Dublin Ireland	1952.09
22.73	17	Glenn Eisenstein – John Rengstorff, New York NY	1947.32
21.74	18	Lapt Chan, Forest Hills NY; Elizabeth Brimberg, New York NY	1945.48
20.83	19	Zygmunt Marcinski, Barbados; Michel Lorber, Baie-D'urfe QC	1924.62
20.00	20	Nikolaj Hammelev, Aarhus Denmark; Arif Janjua, Saratoga CA	1918.68
19.23	21	Lin-Huan Chen – Ding-Hwa Hsieh, Kirksville MO	1901.55
18.52	22	Xiaojing Deng – Xiaoming Shen, Richmond BC	1898.69
17.86	23	Daniel Boye, Baldwinsville NY; Alex Hudson, Cary NC	1897.01
17.24	24	Andrew Chen – Charlie Chen, Austin TX	1880.91
16.67	25	Jing Liu, Forest Hills NY; Jian-Jian Wang, Clarksville MD	1872.71
16.13	26	Lynn Baker, Austin TX; Kerri Sanborn, Delray Beach FL	1869.49
15.63	27	Ryan Wolpert – Jenny Wolpert, Palm Beach Gardens FL	1863.65
15.15	28	Spencer Jones – Anant Rathi, Denver CO	1858.87
14.82	29	Mark Shaw, Columbia MD; Steve Robinson, Ashburn VA	1855.77
14.29	30	Melissa Baker, West Harrison NY; H. Jay Sloofman, Tarrytown NY	1854.64
19.24	31	Eric Genheimer, Edmond OK; Zachary Wasserman, Farmington Hls MI	1853.15
13.51	32	Jennifer Richter – Brady Richter, Summit NJ	1848.94
13.16	33	James Breihan, Houston TX; Linda Drake, Georgetown TX	1847.90
12.82	34	Franco Baseggio, New York NY; Ho-Yee So, Taipei City Taiwan	1847.02
12.50	35	Neil Montague, Swampscott MA; David Dobrin, Cambridge MA	1845.64
12.20	36	Nancy Molesworth, White Plains NY; Rhoda Prager, Boca Raton FL	1842.03
11.90	37	Hua Yang – Yan Song, Plano TX	1830.88
11.63	38	Frank Feng, Basking Ridge NJ; Jason Ji, Jersey City NJ	1825.17
11.36	39	Yifu Ouyang, Dallas TX; Zhenling Wang, Berkeley CA	1820.37
11.11	40	Alexander Allen, Annandale NJ; Abe Pineles, Jackson NJ	1817.14
10.87	41	Robert Winters, McMurray PA; Craig Biddle, Pittsburgh PA	1816.44
10.64	42	Dave Schouweiler, Bismarck ND; Valentin Kovachev, Las Vegas NV	1815.59
10.42	43	William Neumann, Columbia MD; Jeff Hand, New York NY	1811.25
12.28	44	Steve Chen, Austin TX; Danny Feng, Frisco TX	1806.35
10.00	45	Donna Johnson, Olathe KS; James Flesher, Topeka KS	1801.34
9.80	46	Elliot Sternlicht, New York NY; Dilek Yavas, Bursa Turkey	1795.50
33.72	47	Daiva Vitukynaite – Gediminas Poska, Palos Hills IL	1792.61
9.43	48	Guillermo Minutti – C. Valerie Gamio, Rolling Hills Estates CA	1791.55
9.26	49	Tom Trachuk, Walnut Creek CA; Kenneth Titow, Scottsdale AZ	1784.88
9.09	50	Gary Soules, Elk Grove CA; Edward Nagy, Danville CA	1784.14
13.76	51	Sheng Dou, Brentwood CA; Chin Huang, Foster City CA	1783.08
8.77	52	Jacob Freeman, Jersey City NJ; Sam Dinkin, Austin TX	1782.05
10.08	53	Jodi Edmonds, New York NY; Michal Klukowski, Geneva Switzerland	1775.54
8.47	54	Joe Grue – Gillian Miniter, New York NY	1773.73
8.33	55	Vern Swing, Minneapolis MN; Keith Connolly, St. Paul MN	1754.50
8.20	56	Joel Datloff, Vancouver WA; Roger McNay, Beaverton OR	1750.12
8.06	57	Aly El-Selehdar, Pembroke NH; Junko Hemus, Los Angeles CA	1747.76
7.94	58	Ghassan Menachi, Fabreville QC; Clement Maamarbachi, Montreal QC	1745.02

GNT CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT

16 Tables

120.00 1 District 9: William Pollack – Rozanne Pollack – David Berkowitz, Boca Raton FL; Sam Lev, Aventura FL; Janice Seamon-Molson, Hollywood FL; Gary Cohler, Wellington FL

90.00 2 District 21: Yanong Han, Milpitas CA; Tien-Chun Yang, San Jose CA; Ethan Liu, Fremont CA; Ming Sheng, Los Altos CA; Jun Shi, Halfmoon Bay CA

60.00 3/4 District 8: Tod Moses, St. Louis MO; Will Engel, Freeport IL; Joshua Stark, Grayslake IL; George Jacobs, Geneva IL; Michael Halvorsen, Champaign IL; Tom Oppenheimer, Clayton MO

60.00 3/4 District 23: Walter Schafer Jr., Inglewood CA; Mitch Dunitz, Sherman Oaks CA; Iftikhar Baqai, Irvine CA; Alexander Kolesnik, Los Angeles CA

27.00 5/8 District 6: Steve Robinson, Ashburn VA; Mark Shaw – Michael Gill, Columbia MD; William Cole, Silver Spring MD; Alan Schwartz, Fairfax VA; Ai-Tai Lo, Reston VA

27.00 5/8 District 13: Craig Allen, Glen Ellyn IL; Stephen Donahue, Riverwoods IL; Ron Smith, Glenview IL; Craig Gardner, Streamwood IL; Jeff Schuett, Lincolnshire IL; Oren Kriegel, Chicago IL

27.00 5/8 District 16: Steve Chen – Charlie Chen – Andrew Chen, Austin TX; Danny Feng, Frisco TX

27.00 5/8 District 17: Spencer Jones – Anant Rathi – Brad Moss – Garth Yettick, Denver CO

GNT FLIGHT A

16 Tables

85.00 1 District 14: Andrew Caranicas – Charles Carroll, St. Paul MN; Paul Gutterman, Palmetto FL; Jackson Wahl, Minneapolis MN; Richard Lawson, Plymouth MN

63.75 2 District 13: Ariel Smid, Huixquilucan Mexico; Rahul Garga – Ben Fisk – Charles Holmes, Chicago IL

42.50 3/4 District 16: Jessie Lee – James Zhan – Ying Peng, Sugar Land TX; Sarah Chen, Austin TX; Mark Pan, Celina TX

42.50 3/4 District 9: AJ Stephani, Daytona Beach FL; Greg Moniz, Debary FL; Per Berg – Lynn Ostergaard, Flagler Beach FL; Stephan Juliusburger, Big Pine Key FL; Jack Brawner Jr, Palm Harbor FL

19.13 5/8 District 21: Bob Sanner – Mukund Thapa, Palo Alto CA; Thomas Stern, San Francisco CA; Scott Benson, Mountain View CA; Floyd McWilliams – Frank Xie, Sunnyvale CA

19.13 5/8 District 11: Stuart Petersen – Robert Bradford, Dayton OH; Darrow Neves – Jeff David, Indianapolis IN; Thomas Koralewski, Avon IN; David Whitesell, Yellow Springs OH

19.13 5/8 District 19: John Krah – Aaron Mohrman – David Taylor – John Aslin, Seattle WA

19.13 5/8 District 17: Kyle Rockoff, Gilbert AZ; Matthew Haag, Henderson NV; Perry Van Hook, Surprise AZ; Ronald Vickery, Oro Valley AZ

GNT FLIGHT B

16 Tables

75.00 1 District 24: Maya Jonas-Silver – Jack Latta, Brooklyn NY; Andrew Jeanguenat – Kenneth Mandel, New York NY

56.25 2 District 13: Ryan Daniels, Vernon Hills IL; Mark Pinkowski – Nic Hristea – James Abbott, Chicago IL

37.50 3/4 District 1: Simon-Pierre Goulet – Ashot Harutyunyan – Shih-Chieh Fuh, Montreal QC; Frederic Belanger, Verdun QC

37.50 3/4 District 20: Alan Kosansky, Kailua HI; Kevin Marnell, Milwaukie OR; Alex Clapp, Kihei HI; Jack Patnode, Kula HI

16.88 5/8 District 6: Alan Munro, Vienna VA; Colin Schloss – Jichong Chai, Falls Church VA; Haoyi You, Berwyn Heights MD

16.88 5/8 District 7: Diane Henson – Larry Henson, Chapel Hill NC; Gil Vinzani – Robert Dunas – Vladimir Stemkovski – Tatyana Stemkovski, Raleigh NC

16.88 5/8 District 8: Peter Ashbrook, Urbana IL; Lisa Bievenue – Anthony Curtis – Kyle Blocher – Lee Blocher, Champaign IL

16.88 5/8 District 16: Lysa Nguyen – Jarek Langer, Austin TX; Stuart Litwin, Round Rock TX; Benjamin Klauder, Houston TX

GNT FLIGHT C

16 Tables

50.00 1 District 24: David Long – Vincent Zheng – Aaron Igra, New York NY; Sam Bellows, Brooklyn NY

37.50 2 District 14: Ross Anderson, Woodbury MN; Linus Bendel-Stenzel, Richfield MN; Mark Feld, Bondurant IA; Thomas Lee, St. Paul MN

25.00 3/4 District 4: Seulky McInneshein, Elkins Park PA; Devika Chakraborty, Bryn Mawr PA; Yaacov Garini, Narberth PA; Lou Primavera, Norristown PA

25.00 3/4 District 21: Milind Girkar, Sunnyvale CA; Shailesh Sampat, San Jose CA; Maggie Zhao, Palo Alto CA; Henry Zhang, Saratoga CA

11.25 5/8 District 6: Jack Coleman, Forest VA; Anthony Wang, Vienna VA; Luke Brezak, Arlington VA; Hamilton Sawczuk, Baltimore MD

11.25 5/8 District 21: Emily Francis – Henry Zhang – Raymond Ochoa – David Murray, San Francisco CA

11.25 5/8 District 9: Sean Chen – Sue Su, Poinciana FL; Maolong Cai – Huimin Shen, Kissimmee FL

11.25 5/8 District 2: Denys Skalskyi – Louis Daigneault, Mississauga ON; Dena Jones – Brian Jones, Beamsville ON

It's a Grand Life

By Mark Horton

Each of the ACBL's 25 Districts can qualify teams to the Grand National Teams, which nowadays has four flights. The focus of attention is on the Championship Flight, which always includes some of the biggest stars. Previous winners include Bob Hamman, Bobby Wolff, Paul Soloway, Eddie Kantar, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby, Mike Lawrence, Joe Grue, John Hurd, Joel Wooldridge and many others. In 1990, the winning team from District 11 included a young pair, Jeff Meckstroth and Eric Rodwell, and they have dominated the event ever since, Eric recording 13 wins and his erstwhile partner Jeff 16.

The 2026 semifinals saw District 21 (Yanong Han–Ethan Liu–Ming Sheng–Tien-Chun Yang–Jun Shi) take on District 23 (Walter Schafer–Alex Kolesnik–Mitch Dunitz–Iftikhar Baqai) while District 8 (Tod Moses–George Jacobs–Joshua Stark–Will Engel–Michael Halvorsen–Tom Oppenheimer) faced off against District 9 (William Pollack–Rozanne Pollack–Janice Seamon–Molson–Gary Cohler–Sam Lev–David Berkowitz).

Board 31. Dealer North. None Vul.

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

HAN vs. SCHAFER
Open Room

West	North	East	South
Dunitz	Han	Baqai	Sheng
4♥	Pass	1♥	Dbl
	All Pass		

On this benign layout, declarer lost only to the three missing aces, +420.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Shi	Kolesnik	Yang	Schafer
1♠	Pass	Pass	1♦
	3♦	All Pass	

With East taking no active part in the proceedings, N/S stole the pot.

West led the ♥Q. Declarer won with the ♥A and played a diamond to the king and ace, East cashing the ♦Q J and switching to the ♣7 to the nine and queen. A heart to the king saw East play a second club, and declarer went up with the ♣A and exited with the ♣J to endplay West. That was two down, -100, but 8 IMPs to SCHAFER. That meant the scores were tied, but it proved to be SCHAFER's high-water mark.

Board 33. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

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

HAN vs. SCHAFER
Open Room

West	North	East	South
Dunitz	Han	Baqai	Sheng
2♦ ⁽¹⁾	Pass	2♠ ⁽²⁾	All Pass

- (1) Weak in a major
(2) Pass or correct

South led the ♣J, and declarer won with the ♣A and ran the ♠9, North winning and switching to the ♦2. Declarer won with dummy's ♦9 and played the ♠Q, South winning as North pitched the ♣6. When South returned the ♥6, declarer put up dummy's ♥A, played a heart to the king, pitched a heart on the ♣K and played the ♥8, ruffed by South with the ♠5 and overruffed by dummy's ♠6. Two rounds of diamonds were followed by another heart, and all South could score was the ♠A, +170.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Shi	Kolesnik	Yang	Schafer
Pass	3♣ ⁽¹⁾	Dbl	2♠
			All Pass

- (1) Nonforcing

East led the ♠9 and declarer won with dummy's ♠A and pitched a heart on the ♠K. East ruffed and switched to the ♥2, West winning and returning the ♠J, ruffed by the ♣8 and overruffed by East who continued with the ♥K, forcing declarer to ruff. A club saw East win and continue hearts, declarer ruffing and exiting with a club to East's ♣A. Declarer pitched a diamond on the heart return, but when East produced the remaining heart, declarer could only ruff and surrender two diamond tricks for four down, -800 and 12 IMPs to HAN.

Board 37. Dealer South. All Vul.

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

HAN vs. SCHAFER

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Dunitz</i>	<i>Han</i>	<i>Baqai</i>	<i>Sheng</i>
1♣ ⁽¹⁾	4♠	Pass	Pass
5♦	Pass	Pass	Dbl
All Pass			

(1) Precision, 16+ unbalanced or 17+ balanced

North led the ♠A and continued with the ♠K, declarer ruffing and cashing the ♦A K, both defenders following upwards. When declarer played the ♥K it held the trick, so he cashed the ♦Q and followed with his remaining trumps, forcing South to come down to ♥A 9 4 and ♣K Q. A heart to the 10 saw South win and return the ♣Q, but declarer won and exited with a club forcing a return into the ♥Q 7. That was one down, -200.

There are some points worth mentioning. Some partnerships play that leading a king and switching to a new suit suggests a singleton. That would have been useful here.

When North continued with the ♠K, South could have ruffed with the ♦J, promoting partner's ♦10. A defensive pter in the trump suit can be used to suggest that a ruff is a possibility.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Shi</i>	<i>Kolesnik</i>	<i>Yang</i>	<i>Schafer</i>
1♦	3♠	Pass	Pass
Dbl	All Pass		

East led the ♦2. West won with the ♦Q and switched to the ♥K, declarer winning, cashing dummy's top spades and playing a club to the 9, king and ace. He was up to eight tricks, one down, -200, and 9 IMPs to HAN.

If West continues diamonds, cashing the king and ace, he can then play the ♦4. East ruffs with the ♠9 and returns a club to partner's ♣A, after which a fifth diamond promotes a second trump trick for -500.

Board 41. Dealer South. None Vul.

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

HAN vs. SCHAFER

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Dunitz</i>	<i>Han</i>	<i>Baqai</i>	<i>Sheng</i>
1♠	2♦	Dbl	Pass
3♣	Pass	3♦	Pass
3♠	Pass	3NT	Pass
4♣	Pass	6♣	All Pass

North led the ♦K and declarer won with dummy's ♦A, cashed the ♣A and played a club to the 10, queen and king. North cashed the ♦Q and switched to the ♥9, and that was three down, -150.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Shi</i>	<i>Kolesnik</i>	<i>Yang</i>	<i>Schafer</i>
1♠	Pass	2♣	Pass
2♠	Pass	2NT	Pass
3♣	Pass	4NT	All Pass

South led the ♥5, and when dummy's ♥Q held, declarer unblocked the spades, cashed the ♣A and played a club to

the queen and king, establishing a 10th trick, +430 and 11 IMPs to HAN.

Board 43. Dealer North. All Vul.

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

HAN vs. SCHAFER

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Dunitz</i>	<i>Han</i>	<i>Baqai</i>	<i>Sheng</i>
1♠	Pass	2NT ⁽¹⁾	3♠
Pass	3♥ ⁽²⁾	Pass	3♠
Pass	4♠	All Pass	

(1) GF spade support

(2) Shortness

East led the ♥8. West won and returned the ♥2, declarer ruffing with the ♠4 and pitching a club from dummy. A spade to the 10 held, East discarding the ♥10 and declarer unblocked the ♦A J and continued with the ♠J followed by the ♠K. West took the ♠A and exited with the ♠9, declarer losing a club at the end for +620.

If East finds a low club lead, declarer must put up dummy's ♣A and play three rounds of diamonds discarding the ♥J.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Shi</i>	<i>Kolesnik</i>	<i>Yang</i>	<i>Schafer</i>
4♥	Pass	2♥	Dbl
5♥	4♠	Pass	Pass
	All Pass		

South led the ♠8. Declarer pitched a diamond on dummy's ♠A and lost two diamonds and a club for -100, 11 IMPs to HAN.

The last five deals of the session delivered 43 IMPs to HAN, and with the score at 147–82, SCHAFER decided to shake hands.

In the other semifinal, POLLACK outscored MOSES 45–8 to lead 104–59.

Board 48. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Engel</i>	<i>Berkowitz</i>	<i>Stark</i>	<i>Seamon-Molson</i>
1♠	2♥	1♦	Pass
Pass	3♣	Dbl	2♠ ⁽¹⁾
All Pass		Pass	4♥

(1) Heart support

East led the ♠4. Declarer won with the ♠Q, cashed the ♥A, crossed to dummy with the ♠K, pitched the ♦J on the ♠A and played a heart to the 9, 10 and jack. East cashed the ♥K and played the ♦A followed by the ♦Q. When declarer ruffed that, he was three down, -300.

East must have been close to doubling 4♥, but if he does, declarer may have enough information to escape for one down.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Lev</i>	<i>Moses</i>	<i>Cohler</i>	<i>Halvorsen</i>
1♠	Dbl	1♦	Pass
Pass	2♥	2♦	Pass
3♦	All Pass	Pass	Pass

South led the ♥6, and North won with the ♥A and switched to the ♦J. Declarer elected to win with the ♦A and play the ♠7. South won with the ♠K and continued with the ♦10, North winning and playing the ♠Q followed by the ♥10. Declarer won with the ♥J and cashed the ♦Q. That looks like two down, but the score was entered as -50, 8 IMPs to MOSES.

Board 49. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Engel</i>	<i>Berkowitz</i>	<i>Stark</i>	<i>Seamon-Molson</i>
Pass	Pass	3♣	2♥
3♥	3♠	Pass	3♦
3NT	4♦	Dbl	All Pass

West led the ♣5. Declarer ruffed East's ♣A and played a heart to the 9 followed by a diamond to the 8 and king. She had to lose to the ♥A and the ♦A Q, but that was only one down, -100.

Could/should East have preferred 4NT to double?

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Lev</i>	<i>Moses</i>	<i>Cohler</i>	<i>Halvorsen</i>
Pass	Pass	Dbl	3♥
4♠	All Pass		Pass

North led the ♥9, and declarer won with the ♥A and played a spade to dummy's jack. When it held, he continued with a second spade to the 10, king and ace and North cashed the ♠Q and then went back to hearts. Declarer ruffed the fifth round of the suit, promoting North's ♠7, and unblocked the ♦K. A club to the ace was followed by a diamond, and North ruffed and exited with the ♣Q, pinning dummy's ♣J, so the last trick went to the ♣9. That looks like four down, but the result was 4♠ down 3, -300, so 9 IMPs to MOSES.

Do you see how declarer could have made 4♠? Once the ♠J holds, you come to hand with the ♦K, ruff a heart, pitch two hearts on the ♦A Q and then play a spade to the 10, king and ace. The only way to prevent this is for North to win the first spade with the queen and then switch to a club allowing South to score a ruff. Then a diamond exit will be enough, provided North does not take the ♠A too quickly.

One final thought: When you hold the ace in a suit in which an opponent has preempted, playing in notrumps has some attraction, as you can decide when to win a trick in the suit. Bidding 3NT would have worked well here.

Board 50. Dealer North. N/S Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Engel</i>	<i>Berkowitz</i>	<i>Stark</i>	<i>Seamon-Molson</i>
Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass
1NT	Pass	2♦ ⁽¹⁾	Pass
2♥	Pass	3♦	Pass
3♠	Pass	5♦	All Pass

(1) Hearts

South led the ♣9. North took dummy's ♣K with the ♣A and returned the ♣6 to dummy's ♣Q, declarer discarding a spade. Another spade went on the ♣J and declarer cashed the ♠A, ruffed a spade and played a heart to the king. Another spade ruff was followed by a heart, and North won and exited with a diamond. Declarer won, ruffed a heart and could take the remaining tricks with a high crossruff, +400.

I imagine Brother Hubert will already be showing the deal to the Abbot, pointing out the advantage of leading a trump!

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Lev</i>	<i>Moses</i>	<i>Cohler</i>	<i>Halvorsen</i>
Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass
1NT	Pass	2♦ ⁽¹⁾	Pass
2♥	Pass	2NT	All Pass

(1) Hearts

North led the ♣3, and declarer won with the ♣K, played a diamond to the king and the ♥10, putting up the ♥K. That was followed by the ♣Q, establishing an eighth trick, +120 but 7 IMPs to MOSES, taking the session score to 25-0.

Board 56. Dealer East. All Vul.

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

Open Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Engel</i>	<i>Berkowitz</i>	<i>Stark</i>	<i>Seamon-Molson</i>
Pass	1NT	Pass	Pass
Pass	2♠	Pass	2♣
All Pass			4♠

East led the ♦Q. Declarer won with dummy's ♦K and played a spade to the 10, East winning and continuing with the ♦J. Declarer won with the ♦A, cashed the ♠A and

played two rounds of clubs, West winning with the ♣K and returning the ♦7. East won and played two rounds of hearts, so two down, -200.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
<i>Lev</i>	<i>Moses</i>	<i>Cohler</i>	<i>Halvorsen</i>
Pass	1NT	Pass	Pass
Pass	2♠	Pass	2♣
All Pass			4♠

Here, too, East led the ♦Q and declarer won with dummy's ♦K and played the ♣5, West going up with the ♣K and returning the ♦3. Declarer won, played a club to the ace, a spade to the ace, pitched a diamond on the ♣Q and cashed the ♠K. When that collected the ♠Q, declarer could have drawn the outstanding trump and played on hearts. However, he ruffed a diamond and then played a heart. If West goes up with the ♥K he will be able to score a ruff, but when he played the ♥2, the defense was over, +620 and 13 IMPs to MOSES.

MOSES had closed to within 12 IMPs, but the last four deals offered no opportunities, and POLLACK advanced to the final, winning 113-98.

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Douglas Deacon and Peter Sugerman were second in the Young 0-3000 Pairs.



Second in the Bruce LM Pairs: Xiaoyu Cheng and Peng Cheng.

LORNA NORDLINDER MEMORIAL SUNDAY OPEN PAIRS

62.0 Tables / Based on 102 Tables

	A	B	C		
42.20	1			Mark Patton, Dubuque IA; Walter Schafer Jr., Inglewood CA	63.74%
31.65	2			Eric Rodwell, Clearwater FL; Mark Bartusek, Santa Barbara CA	63.62%
23.74	3			Michael Bodell – Mike Cailean, Santa Clara CA	61.03%
17.80	4			Richard Newell, West Des Moines IA; Toby White, Des Moines IA	60.37%
14.07	5			Donald Tofte, Portland OR; David Green, Sherwood OR	59.76%
12.06	6			Jonathan Fleischmann, Canton MI; Michael Curley, Rockford MI	59.72%
10.55	7			Hjordis Eythorsdottir, Huntsville AL; Arti Bhargava, Mill Valley CA	58.94%
19.60	8	1		Michael Smith – Susan Smith, Alexandria VA	58.92%
14.70	9	2		Dan Knier, Waite Park MN; Thomas Knier, Burnsville MN	58.12%
7.67	10			Louis Goldsmith, Indio CA; David Peim, Palm Desert CA	57.65%
11.03	11	3		Raluca Nistor, New York NY; Melissa Fawer, New York NY	57.61%
6.49	12			David Yang, Darien IL; Alex Perlin, Metuchen NJ	57.58%
8.27	13	4		Kerry Hanlon, Cass Lake MN; Mark Hanlon, Bismarck ND	57.52%
5.63	14			Michael Ranis, Aventura FL; Michael Wolf, Fort Lauderdale FL	57.31%
5.28	15			Zheng Jiang Liao, Chengdu ; Haijin Li, Lisle IL	57.08%
4.96	16			Ann Karin Fuglestad, Farsund Norway; Daniel Rubinfeld, Rockville MD	56.59%
4.69	17			Dorothy Kelleher, Westbrook ME; Dan Morgenstern, Brunswick ME	56.32%
4.44	18			Eileen Cripps Stenberg, Asbury IA; Ann Nordeng, Waunakee WI	55.97%
6.53	19	5		Lynn Ostergaard – Per Berg, Flagler Beach FL	55.96%
4.02	20			Anthony Wang, Vienna VA; Muh-Sha Crawford, Hampton VA	55.85%
7.50	21	6	1	Caroline Zhao, Boston MA; Jasmine Bakhshi, United Kingdom	55.80%
4.42	22			Mike Cappelletti, Delray Beach FL; Steven Caplan, Boca Raton FL	55.42%
3.52	23			Jan Assini – Frank Cymerman, Pittsburgh PA	55.21%
4.90	24	7		Kristi Fjare, Estes Park CO; Greg Smith, Denver CO	55.19%
3.65	25			Shan Huang, Jupiter FL; Joan Millens, Kingston NY	54.99%
3.13	26			Sarik Goyal, Jersey City NJ; Kelley Hwang, New York NY	54.97%
3.79	27			Judy Zhu, Romeoville IL; Fengming Chen, Dorval QC	54.78%
5.63	28	8	2	Louis Daigneault – Denys Skalskyi, Mississauga ON	54.41%
4.22	29	9	3	Hamilton Sawczuk, Baltimore MD; Luke Brezak, Arlington VA	54.33%
3.38	30			Michael Crane, West Bloomfield MI; John Koschik, Livonia MI	54.24%
3.56	31	10		Ying Peng – James Zhan, Sugar Land TX	54.05%
3.27		11		Bridget Poizner – Marina Fomenkova, San Diego CA	53.33%
3.02		12		Daniel Finn, Simsbury CT; Thomas Gerchman, Avon CT	53.01%
2.80		13		Bill Rose, Seattle WA; Howard Kahlenberg, Philadelphia PA	52.77%
2.95		14		Timur Aydin, Bloomfield Hills MI; Cristina Tita, Northville MI	52.59%
3.16		15	4	la Verne Swiggum – William Omdahl, Madison WI	52.43%
2.31		16		Karie Willyerd, Windsor CO; Fiona Freeseaman, Fort Collins CO	52.41%
2.18		17		Anu Goodman, Toronto ON; Cheryl Macintosh, Orleans ON	52.36%
2.33		18		Jeffrey Lehman, Newton MA; Robert Boudreau, Edina MN	52.21%
2.50			5	Phil Reynolds, Jackson MI; Jackie Thomas, San Ramon CA	52.10%
2.14			6	Cooper Smith, Grand Rapids MI; Marley Cedrone, Durham NH	51.84%
2.92			7	Zeyu Wang, Evanston IL; Ash Gupta, New York NY	51.13%
3.79			8	Thomas Zelnio, Hampton IL; Margaret Wolf, Clinton IA	50.81%

1ST SUNDAY GOLD RUSH PAIRS

17.0 Tables

	A	B	C		
7.09	1	1	1	Keith Davies, St. Augustine FL; Michael Brent, St. Louis MO	59.39%
5.32	2	2		Kimberly Segar, Burnsville MN; Lisa Ihrke, Rochester MN	59.38%
3.99	3	3		Chris Rasmussen, Monroeville PA; Henry Mauer, Madison WI	58.93%
2.99	4	4	2	Ethan Lynch – John Lynch, Blaine MN	56.53%
2.36	5			Ralph Pinto, Watertown MA; Vipin Mayar, Brookline MA	56.39%
2.13	6			Bruce Tepper – Earl Rivers, Cincinnati OH	54.07%
1.85	7	5		Sue Su – Sean Chen, Poinciana FL	53.91%
1.58	8	6		Amar Nath – Bill Wallace, Des Moines IA	52.84%
1.56	9			Peter Hellekjaer – Jean Hellekjaer, Beverly Hills MI	52.63%
1.68			3	Deirdre Brekke, Chicago IL; Lori Schretzman, Highland Park IL	51.64%

YVONNE CARROLL SUNDAY FAST PAIRS

11.0 Tables

A	B	C		
9.19	1		Joshua Stark, Grayslake IL; Will Engel, Freeport IL	60.65%
6.89	2		Raymond Depew, Naples FL; Sheila Katz, Bonita Springs FL	56.44%
5.25	3	1	Janine Buss, Port Washington NY; Melanie Petsch, New York NY	55.78%
3.88	4		Patti Stuhlman, Minneapolis MN; Peg Waller, Edina MN	54.72%
4.59	5	2	1 Jan Borowski, New York NY; Magnus Weiman, Lynchburg VA	54.18%
2.95	6	3	2 Ashot Harutyunyan – Shih-Chieh Fuh, Montreal QC	53.43%
2.21		4	Andrew Chou, Guttenberg NJ; Andrey Sidelnikov, Fort Lauderdale FL	51.56%

SATURDAY EVENING SIDE GAME

11.0 Tables

A	B	C		
4.55	1		Chris Moll – Mariee Walton, Raleigh NC	74.32%
3.68	2	1	1 Ross Richardson, Traverse City MI; Barry Scott Boring, Port St. Lucie FL	61.36%
2.76	3	2	Peter Clay – Roberta Francis, Wellesley MA	60.68%
2.07	4	3	2 Jonathan Klinker, Tiverton RI; Lynn Chapin, Manasquan NJ	60.00%
1.55	5	4	Kathy Twomey, Bloomfield Village MI; Constance Klein, Traverse City MI	58.86%
1.08	6		Cynthia Mazzaferro, Naples FL; Karen Jennings, Lafayette LA	58.64%
1.23		5	Anthony Curtis – Lisa Bievenue, Champaign IL	58.41%
1.45		3	Anthony Wang, Vienna VA; Jack Coleman, Forest VA	56.36%

DENNIS CARMAN SUNDAY MORNING SIDE GAME

9.0 Tables

A	B	C		
4.12	1		Ken Gee, Regina SK; Hannah Moon, Sasakatoon SK	64.29%
3.68	2	1	Cynthia Polayes, Chicago IL; Michael Dunn, Downers Grove IL	62.80%
2.76	3	2	Diana Serban, Bucuresti Romania; Michael O’Leary, Green Isle MN	61.01%
1.74	4		Amy Casanova, Inglewood CA; Toby Craig, Beaverton OR	57.14%
1.55	5		Jerry Helms, Charlotte NC; Betty Sue el Gammal, Hoover AL	53.27%
2.38		3/4	1 Paula DeSanto – Jim Snapp, Minneapolis MN	52.38%
1.81		3/4	Kenneth Olson – Karen Olson, Detroit Lakes MN	52.38%
1.57		5/6	2/3 Howard Waldman, Acton MA; Nancy Klemens, Tarzana CA	51.19%
1.57		5/6	2/3 Lisa Brock – Craig Mills, Kirkland WA	51.19%

ST. CLOUD DBC SUNDAY MORNING 299ER PAIRS

6.0 Tables

A	B	C		
2.40	1	1	1 Scott Woodward – Karen Woodward, Apple Valley MN	63.75%
1.80	2		Marion Gagnon – Scott Gagnon, Racine WI	58.33%
1.35	3	2	2 Michael Sharpe, MN; Sherry Enzler, St. Paul MN	54.17%
1.01	4	3	Navin Jaipuriyar, Blaine MN; Karl Knight, South St. Paul MN	52.08%
0.74		4	Stephen Cohen, Minneapolis MN; Mary Stoiber, Plymouth MN	50.83%

SUNDAY BRIDGE PLUS

5.0 Tables

A	B	C		
1.60	1	1	Sarah Armstrong, Mendota Heights MN; Brian Keogh, Marine On Saint MN	65.75%
1.32	2	2	1 Jared Frandson – Esther Cervantes, Minneapolis MN	63.61%
0.90	3	3	Kelly Heuschkel, Cupertino CA; Sandy Nakata, CA	61.11%
0.68	4	4	Ping Wen – James Eby, Cupertino CA	54.61%
0.99		2	Sarah Watkins – Kristel Barber, MN	52.03%

1ST SUNDAY AFTERNOON SIDE GAME

15.0 Tables

	A	B	C		
5.42	1			Alan Kudisch – Jeanne Hanrahan, Savannah GA	60.98%
4.07	2			Subba Ravipudi, Dana Point CA; Gale Senter, San Clemente CA	60.61%
3.05	3			Gonzalo Guridi – Francisca Nacur, Ithaca NY	59.28%
2.29	4			Martha Katz, Burr Ridge IL; Lynne Schaefer, Ellicott City MD	57.20%
4.12	5	1	1	Lou Primavera, Norristown PA; Jeffrey Rohrbeck, Berwyn PA	57.01%
3.09	6	2	2	Anthony Chiocchi – Damon Suden, New York NY	56.82%
2.32		3		Brad Halfpap – Beth Loehnen, Missoula MT	55.11%
1.74		4		Debbie Enna – Gainor Eisenlohr, Charlotte NC	54.92%
1.30		5		David Whitesell, Yellow Springs OH; Bruce Miller, Surprise AZ	54.36%
1.38			3	Seulky McInneshin, Elkins Park PA; Devika Chakraborty, Bryn Mawr PA	50.95%

ST. CLOUD DBC SUNDAY AFTERNOON 299ER PAIRS

8.0 Tables

	A	B	C		
2.70	1	1	1	Matthew Yelle, Edina MN; David Ha, Minneapolis MN	66.37%
2.03	2			Lars Christensen – Maclore Christensen, St. Paul MN	64.88%
1.60	3	2		Michael Hoagland – Joseph Hoagland, Redwood City CA	61.61%
1.14	4			Donald Bailey – Judith Bratton, Port Angeles WA	56.25%
1.22	5	3	2	James Eby – Ping Wen, Cupertino CA	55.36%
0.90		4		Gretchen Bartzen, San Francisco CA; Chris Terajewicz, Ponte Vedra FL	53.57%
0.92			3	Allen Trempe – Tommy Trempe, MN	53.27%

PEG KAPLAN SUNDAY TOP-FLIGHT SWISS TEAMS

67 Tables / Based on 184 Tables

	A	X	Y		
39.91	1			Parag Saxena, Rye NY; Veri Kiljan – Bart Nab, Tilburg Netherlands; Migry Zur Campanile, New York NY	92.00
29.93	2			Hong Ding, New York NY; Martin Schaltz, Denmark; Jui Wang, Cary NC; Peter J. Boyd-Bowman, Greensboro NC	90.00
22.45	3			Tod Moses, St. Louis MO; Michael Halvorsen, Champaign IL; Kevin Dwyer Rimstedt, Jupiter FL; Tom Oppenheimer, Clayton MO	88.00
16.84	4			Xin Ge, Cupertino CA; Fu Zhong, Beijing China; Zhaobin Xie, Chengdu China; Sarah Chen, Austin TX	87.00
13.30	5			Dale Remmers, Plano TX; Cenk Tuncok, Dallas TX; Jay Barron, Norman OK; George Jacobs, Geneva IL	82.00
11.40	6			Bernie Greenspan, Beachwood OH; Fred Schenker, Pittsburgh PA; Barry Bragin, Silver Spring MD; Mark Laken, Baltimore MD	81.00
9.98	7			Catherine Williams – Anam Tebha, New York NY; Brad Moss – Garth Yettick, Denver CO; Leslie Amoils, North York ON	79.00
15.96	8/9	1	1	Floyd McWilliams – Frank Xie, Sunnyvale CA; Scott Benson, Mountain View CA; Mukund Thapa, Palo Alto CA	78.00
8.43	8/9			Lynne Castoldi, Minnetonka MN; Christian Lahrman, Virum Denmark; Nicolai Heiberg-Evenstad, Finnsnes Norway; Mathias Bruun, Hellerup Denmark	78.00
7.26	10			Robb Gordon, Mesa AZ; Richard Oshlag, White Plains NY; Robert Bitterman, Harbor Springs MI; Kenneth Kranyak, Parma OH	76.00
6.16	11/13			David Bakhshi, London United Kingdom; Patricia Cayne, Boca Raton FL; Danny Molenaar – Berend van den Bos, Den Haag Netherlands; Tim Verbeek, Utrecht Netherlands; Joris van Lankveld, Castricum Netherlands	75.00
6.16	11/13			Steve Levinson, Highland Beach FL; Nils Kvangraven, Norway; Allison L. Cappelletti, Delray Beach FL; Oyvind Saur, Gja Vik Norway; Alessandro Gandoglia, Rome Italy; Massimiliano Di Franco, Palermo Italy	75.00
6.16	11/13			Bruce Lang, Palm Beach Gardens FL; Corey Krantz, Boynton Beach FL; Tim Archdeacon, Key Biscayne FL; Kevin Bathurst, Palm Beach Gardens FL	75.00
10.48	14/15	2/3	2/3	Anne Kao, Bellevue WA; Robert Munger – David Binney – Chris Morris-Lent, Seattle WA	74.00
10.48	14/15	2/3	2/3	Paul Michaels – Vicki Mace, Bonita Springs FL; Roberto Verthelyi, Hoboken NJ; Paul Frean, New York NY	74.00

4.57	16/17		Bogdan Vulcan, Sammamish WA; Jeffrey Ford, Redmond WA; Stefan Skorchev, Suvorovo Bulgaria; James Holzhauer, Seattle WA	72.00
4.57	16/17		Caru Vidigal, Rio De Janeiro Brazil; Diego Brenner, Barcelona Spain; Paulo Brum, Columbus Brazil; James Schatzman, Aurora CO	72.00
6.73	4	4	Feng Liu – Jacinda Liu, Sandy UT; Alberto Feilhaber – Weishu Wu, Irvine CA	68.00
5.32	5	5	Ryan Connors, Alexandria VA; Marc Sylvester, Edinboro PA; Randi Adelman, Teaneck NJ; Jess Jurkovic, New York NY	67.00
4.56	6	6	Murat Alaybeyi, Saratoga CA; Ugur Ergun, Ankara Turkey; Cagliyan Kurdak, Ann Arbor MI; Gokhan Yilmaz, Istanbul Turkey	66.00
3.99	7	7	Leon Meier, Christ Church New Zealand; Lysandra Zheng, Auckland New Zealand; Benjamin Levine, Hartford CT; Nicole Hudak, New York NY	65.00
3.55	8		Michael Keller, Yellowstone National Park WY; Thomas Romine – Ann Zorn – Joseph Barrett, Billings MT	64.00

TOM BOTTEN MEMORIAL SUNDAY 0–4000 BRACKETED ROUND ROBIN TEAMS BKT 1

9 Tables

13.63	1	Huang-Chia Chang – John Altman – Kevin Henry, Cincinnati OH; Beth Dlutowski, Louisville KY	121.00
10.22	2	Robert Dunas – Vladimir Stemkovski – Tatyana Stemkovski, Raleigh NC; Nancy Sparks, St. Joseph MN	90.00
6.71	3/4	Kathy Rolfe, Lake Winnebago MO; Phyllis Siegel, St. Louis MO; Lois Sherwood, Norton NB; Larry Sumner, The Villages FL	88.00
6.71	3/4	Harold Nordstrom, Reading MA; Susan Lincoln, Boxford MA; Peter Clay - Kathleen Clay, Wellesley MA	88.00

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9 Tables

12.17	1	Michael Berard, Glenn Dale MD; Todd Thorsen, Lititz PA; Rolf Swenson, Silver Spring MD; Art McCann, Finksburg MD	119.00
9.13	2	David Sloane, Glen Cove NY; Jared Egerer, Mount Arlington NJ; Tiger Lili Williams, Fair Lawn NJ; Susan Calabro, Roslyn NY	98.00
6.85	3	Hongbo Li, Baltimore MD; Weiling Zhao, Los Angeles CA; Steven Hamburg, Troutman NC; Lee Dowell Jr, Denver NC	90.00
5.13	4	Carol Bertz – Marion Brum de Barros, Denver CO; Judith Pogge, Greenwood Village CO; Julie Clark, Aurora CO	84.00

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9 Tables

11.12	1	Jack Patnode, Kula HI; Alex Clapp, Kihei HI; Alan Kosansky, Kailua HI; Kevin Marnell, Milwaukie OR	101.00
8.34	2	Renee Waas, Heber City UT; Kim Ebner, Pasadena CA; Lisa Walker, La Canada Flintridge CA; Sarah Deschenes, Altadena CA	100.00
6.26	3	Connie Scott, Gunter TX; Judy Thompson, McKinney TX; Jan Miyake – Josh Levy, Oberlin OH	88.00
4.69	4	Deborah Crisfield, Philadelphia PA; Karen Haines, Summit NJ; Brendan O'Malley – Linda O'Malley, Lafayette Hill PA	86.00



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9 Tables

10.15	1	Nathan Yee, Spring TX; David McDonald, Baton Rouge LA; Matti Hietalahti, Belle Chasse LA; Henry Zhang, San Francisco CA	125.00
7.61	2	Ann Johnson, Framingham MA; Ramona Bienstock – Cherry Blevins, Oklahoma City OK; Dori Senerchia, Billerica MA	100.00
5.71	3	Muriel Murphy – Laurel Ludden, Bluffton SC; Cathie Bonnell, Maricopa AZ; Damian Birnstihl, Gilbert AZ	92.00
4.28	4	William Taylor, Rancho Palos Ver CA; Diane Elliott, Torrance CA; Penny Hennessy – Lynn Goldblatt, St. Simons Island GA	86.00

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9 Tables

8.49	1	Greg Thesenvitz – Sarah Thesenvitz, Black Diamond WA; Fred Yu – Chungli C. Wang, Bellevue WA	108.00
6.37	2	Richard Trachy, Golden Valley MN; Kristine Verdin, St. Paul MN; Paul Wehrman – Catherine Wehrman, Shoreview MN	98.00
4.78	3	Larry Junck – Matthew Evett – Susan Evett, Ann Arbor MI; Janice Rush, Houston TX	96.00
3.58	4	Tommy Howard – Jason Howard, Hawthorne CA; Alan Flower, Downey CA; John Bakovic, San Pedro CA	83.00

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7 Tables

6.11	1	Jessica Yu – Rose Gong, Irvine CA; John Heideman, Grand Junction CO; Frank Moore, Roswell GA	91.00
4.58	2	Mary Bonneau – William Bonneau, Omaha NE; Amy Dutton, Mendota Heights MN; Les Hassler, Shoreview MN	80.00
3.44	3	John Pelegano – Mark Tafel, St. Paul MN; Fay Debellis, North Oaks MN; Earl Conner, Woodbury MN	78.00

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7 Tables

5.55	1	Justin Young – Susan Bennett, East Hartford CT; Jason Grove, Glastonbury CT; Chris Westermeyer, Falcon Heights MN	85.00
4.16	2	Linda Schubert – Lorelee Berg, Dallas TX; Heather Shearouse – Alexandra Whiddon, Savannah GA	73.00
3.12	3	Cathy Duncan, Cordova TN; John Baga, Sun City West AZ; Lawrence Levine, Leavenworth KS; Maurice Chesney, Jacksonville FL	60.00

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7 Tables

3.29	1	Zinnia Meyer – Graham Meyer, Chicago IL; Adam Hemmer, Houghton MI; Alexander Xu, Lisle IL	104.00
2.47	2	Jeffrey Boitnott, Columbia MD; Owen Barnett, Mc Lean VA; Elliot Heyman, Shorewood MN; Sophia Maymudes, Seattle WA	84.00
1.85	3	Mary Staahl – Gloria Emerson – Mary Rutten – Barbara Johnson, Fargo ND	64.00

Bronze Life Master

Matti

Heitalahti of Belle Chase LA became a Bronze Life Master on Sunday. He was about 25 points short coming in, then picked up 16.26 placing third in Saturday's Mid-Flight Pairs with David McDonald of Baton Rouge LA. On Sunday, they paired with Nathan Yee of Spring TX and Henry Zhang of San Francisco CA to win Bracket 4 of the 0-4000 Bracketed Teams for another 10.15.



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Minneapolis Kibitzing from Afar: Vugraph & Bridgecasts

By Jan Martel

Vugraph

We have a very complete schedule of vugraph from the 2026 Summer NABC in Minneapolis. We'll be covering the Grand National Team Championship Flight semifinal round on Saturday, July 11, and the final on Sunday, July 12.

From Monday, July 13, until Sunday, July 19, we'll be covering the Spingold. And just in case this isn't enough, on Friday, July 17, we'll also cover the College Bridge Bowl final in the afternoon.

Kibitz on RealBridge

Vugraph will be shown on RealBridge, which provides reliable delayed broadcasts, as well as a wealth of information for those of you who want to see what happened at other vugraph tables, and a bunch of statistics. Operators can now chat to spectators to give you inside information on what is happening at

the table, e.g., if the director has been called, if a player is really thinking this long, etc. Operator chat will appear as each board is played. You can't respond or ask the operators questions, as by the time you see something on the kibitz site, the operator will be following a future board.

To kibitz on RealBridge, go to kibitz.realbridge.online/ and click on the event you want to watch. RealBridge has helpful information for spectators to help you find what you're interested in.

Schedule

- Monday–Sunday, July 13–19: We will cover the Spingold from start to finish. On Monday and Tuesday, when there will be too many teams for screens, the vugraph morning session will start at 10:30 a.m. and the afternoon session at 4 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday, the morning session will start at

10 a.m. and the afternoon session at 4 p.m.

- Friday, July 17: At 3:30 p.m., we will cover the final of the Collegiate Bridge Bowl Championship.

Bridgecasts

Rob Barrington and friends will be hosting live commentary on the ACBL YouTube channel. The current plan is as follows:

- Monday–Friday, July 13–17: Spingold rounds of 128, 64, 32, 16, and 8. A summary of the first half of play each day and full live coverage of the second half, starting at 4 p.m. CT each day.
- Saturday–Sunday, July 18–19: Spingold semifinal & final matches. Full-day coverage of the play, starting at 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. CT each day.



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Players must be full ACBL members whose dues are current in order to compete in any Premier NABC+, NABC+ or NABC events. Except in the few events where guest members are expressly permitted, players must also be full ACBL members and up-to-date on dues to play in regional events. Guest members are allowed only in events with an upper masterpoint limit of 20 (and in the 299er events held Friday, July 10).

Premier NABC+ events are the Grand National Teams (Championship Flight), von Zedtwitz Life Master Pairs, Spingold Knockout Teams and the Roth Open Swiss Teams. The undiscounted entry fees for these contests are \$53 per player per session. For team events, this means \$212 per team per session for four-person teams, \$265 per team per session for five-person teams and \$318 per team per session for six-person teams.

NABC+ events are the NABC+ Open Pairs, Wagar Women's Pairs, Truscott/USPC Senior Swiss Teams, Wernher Open Pairs, Freeman Mixed Board-A-Match Teams and the Oshlag Fast Pairs. The undiscounted entry fees for these contests are \$48 per person per session. For team events, this means \$192 per team per session for four-person teams, \$240 per team per session for five-person teams and \$288 per team per session for six-person teams.

Note: \$1.50 per person per session benefits the International Fund for all of the above events.

NABC event are the Grand National Teams (Flights A, B & C), the Bruce LM-6000 Pairs, the Young 0-3000 Pairs, the 0-6000 and 0-3000 Mini-Spingold Knockouts, the NABC 0-10,000 Pairs, the 0-10,000 Mixed Swiss Teams and the Bean Red Ribbon Pairs. The undiscounted entry fee for these events is \$35 per player per session. For the team events, this means \$140 per team per session for teams of four, \$175 per team per session for teams of five and \$210 per team per session for teams of six. (All flights of the GNT have no fee the first two days of the contest.)

Regional events are \$32 per player per session. For team events of one or two sessions, the entry fee is \$128 per session. Evening events are \$22 per session.

Events with a masterpoint limit of 500 or lower are \$28 per player per session.



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Truscott/USPC Senior Swiss Teams begins play today



Winners of the 2025 Truscott/USPC Senior Swiss Teams: Peter Weichsel, team captain Jim Krekorian, Fred Chang and Sam Lev

Two qualifying sessions are scheduled today in the Truscott/U.S. Playing Card Senior Swiss Teams with two final rounds slated for tomorrow. Players age 65 and older are eligible to participate.

The trophy for the contest honors ACBL Hall of Fame member and former bridge editor of The New York Times Alan Truscott. It was put into play in 2006 by the United States Playing Card Company.



Previous winners:

1997 Harry Ross, John Gustafson, Helen Gustafson, Jerry Gaer, Marilyn Hemenway, Mike Albert
1998 Mike Levine, Zeke Jabbour, Richard Reisig, Fred Hamilton, Arnie Fisher, P.O. Sundelin
1999 Corinne Kirkham, Jim Kirkham, Richard Potter, John Potter, Marc Low, Sandra Low
2000 Trudi Nugit, Hamish Bennett, Gene Simpson, Mike Shuman
2001 Mike Levine, P.O. Sundelin, Zeke Jabbour, Arnie Fisher, Randy Pettit, Allan Siebert
2002 Roger Clough, Rebecca Clough, Louise Freed, Gene Freed, Derrell Childs, Nels Erickson

2003 Carolyn Bjorklund, Fred Hamilton, Ed Barlow, Evan Bailey, Arnie Fisher
2004 Hamish Bennett, Gene Simpson, Bruce Noda, Fran Dickman, Mike Shuman
2005 Jerry Bare, Gene Freed, Jim Murphy, Mike Savage
2006 Geof Brod, Steve Earl, Richard DeMartino, John Stiefel
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2008 Mark Lair, Fred Hamilton, John Carruthers, Reanette Frobouck, Allan Graves
2009 Karen Allison, Michael Ledeen, Lea Dupont, Benito Garozzo, Beta Nahapetian (npc)
2010 Rick Rowland, Neal Satten, Thomas Weik, Ken Cohen
2011 Leonard Melander, Mark Dahl, Richard Oshlag, Mary Oshlag
2012 Bob Heller, Robert Fendrick, John Herriot, Larry Harding
2013 Dee Adams, Mark Itabashi, John Sutherlin, Al Stone, Fred Hamilton, Dan Morse
2014 Stephen McConnell, Warren Cederborg, Jeff Schuett, Kerry Smith, Robert Gardner, Dick Bruno
2015 Haven Sharaf, Bill Irvine, Robert Lurie, John Hrones Jr., Melvin Marcus, Rena Lieberman

2016 Glenn Eisenstein, Richard Reitman, John Rengstorff, Geoffrey Brod
2017 Bob Glasson, Joann Glasson, Rick Rowland, Martin Rabinowitz
2018 Crispin Barrere, Bruce Noda, Mark Ralph, William Harker
2019 Steve Bruno, Ben Blacik, Sundaresan Ram, Marty Schiff Jr.
2020 Not held
2021 Not held
2022 Meyer Kotkin, Alexander Allen, Abe Pineles, Daniel Boye
2023 Hemant Lall, Michael Penick, Iftikhar Baqai, Ross Grabel
2024 Barry Bragin, Robert Cappelli, Mark Laken, Mark Aquino
2025 Jim Krekorian, Peter Weichsel, Sam Lev, Fred Chang



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Winners of last year's Wagar Women's Pairs: Shawn Quinn and Pam Wittes

The Wagar Women's Pairs gets underway today. The event has been through several format and name changes; after decades as a knockout, it was run as a pairs contest for the first time in 2017. In some ways a relatively new event, it is tied to the history of the longest running women's event on the ACBL calendar.

Margaret Wagar (1902–1990), inducted into the ACBL Bridge Hall of Fame in 1999, became Life Master No. 37 in 1943, the



fifth woman to earn the rank. She and Kay Rhodes share one of the most remarkable achievements in ACBL history – they won the Women's Pairs four consecutive years: 1955, 1956, 1957 and 1958.

Wagar Pairs starts today

Wagar and Rhodes share another record – one of frustration. They were second in the Women's Teams for seven consecutive years, 1952–1958.

Wagar's impressive record spans three decades and includes wins in women's and open competition. Her open wins include the Reisinger in 1941, the Open Pairs (the forerunner of the Blue Ribbon Pairs) in 1947 and 1948 and the Spingold in 1946 and 1948.

Wagar served on the ACBL Board of Directors from 1960 to 1972 and was named ACBL Honorary Member in 1979. She was non-playing captain of the U.S. World Women's Teams in 1968 and 1972.

Before being named for Wagar, the event was contested for the Coffin Trophy.

Winners

Wagar Women's Teams

- 1933** Mrs. Greene Fenley Jr., Mrs. Richard Field, Mrs. John W. Friedlander, Jane Wallace;
- 1934** Gail Hamilton, Marguerite Hoffmeier, Helen Pendelton Rockwell, Anne Rosenfeld
- 1935** Doris Fuller, Angela Quigley, Florence Stratford, Helen White
- 1936** Doris Fuller, Angela Quigley, Florence Stratford, Helen White
- 1937** Martha Lemon, Mrs. A. Philip Stockvis, Mrs. Martin West, Sally Young

- 1938** Mrs. Galloway Morris, Lillian Peck, Olive Peterson, Mrs. Donald B. Tansill
- 1939** Mabel Ervin, Doris Fuller, Helen Mitchell, Helen Sobel, Sally Young
- 1940** Helen Levy, Adelaide Neuwirth, Margaret Wagar, Lottie Zetosch
- 1941** Inez Buchanan, Mae Dickens, Mabel Scott, Linda Terry
- 1942** Peggy Golder, Olga Hilliard, Olive Peterson, Ruth Sherman
- 1943** Emily Folline, Helen Sobel, Margaret Wagar, Sally Young
- 1944** Emily Folline, Helen Sobel, Margaret Wagar, Sally Young
- 1945** Emily Folline, Helen Sobel, Margaret Wagar, Sally Young
- 1946** Emily Folline, Helen Sobel, Margaret Wagar, Sally Young
- 1947** 1-2. Marge Anderson, Ruby Lyons, Mimi Roncarelli, Jane Wallace; 1-2. Cass Illig, Frances Robinson, Alma Stewart, Carolyn Sondheim
- 1948** Ruth Gordon, Gratian Goldstein, Josephine Gutman, Charlotte Sidway
- 1949** 1-2. Hortense Evans, Frances Robinson, Mrs. Henry Sabatt, Carolyn Sondheim; 1-2. Marianne Boschan, Catherine Cotter, Gertrude Ebersson, Katherine McNutt
- 1950** Marge Anderson, Mary Bowden, Ruth Gordon, G. Eloise Neil

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1951	Paula Bacher, Anne Burnstein, Dolly Rosenfeld, Edith Seligman, Sally Young	1969	Karen Allison, Virginia Heckel, Edith Kemp, Alicia Kempner, Helen Portugal, Jan Stone		Helen Utegaard, Beverly Rosenberg, Carol Pincus
1952	Jackie Begin, Sally Herman, Jessie S. Moore, Norma Matz	1970	Mary Jane Farell, Emma Jean Hawes, Dorothy Hayden, Marilyn Johnson, Jacqui Mitchell, Peggy Solomon	1985	Rama Linz, Lynn Deas, Beth Palmer, Kay Schulle, Barbara Hamman, Juanita Skelton
1953	Gretchen Feldstein, Vera Glick, Gratian Goldstein, Lucille Schwarz	1971	Judi Friedenberg, Gail Moss, Marietta Passell, Helen Utegaard, Kathie Wei	1986	Jo Morse, Evelyn Levitt, Sharon Osberg, Peggy Sutherlin, Cindy Bernstein, Sally Wheeler
1954	Wynne Ecker, Doris Fuller, Marguerite Harris, Norma Matz	1972	Mary Jane Farell, Emma Jean Hawes, Dorothy Hayden, Sue Picus	1987	Kathie Wei, Judi Radin, Jacqui Mitchell, Amalya Kears, Carol Sanders, Betty Ann Kennedy
1955	Peggy Adams, Carolyn Brall, Louise Eisenman, Shirley Johnson, Juanita Strich	1973	Nancy Gruver, Terry Michaels, Jo Morse, Helen Utegaard	1988	Beverly Rosenberg, Helen Utegaard, Sue Weinstein, Janice Seamon, Carol Pincus, Pat Schor
1956	Peggy Rotzell, Jan Stone, Charlotte Sidway, Mary Elizabeth Tiernan	1974	Mary Jane Farell, Emma Jean Hawes, Marilyn Johnson, Jacqui Mitchell, Gail Moss, Dorothy Hayden Truscott	1989	Juanita Chambers, Kay Schulle, Cheri Bjerkan, Randi Montin, Pam Wittes, Jill Meyers
1957	Marie Cohn, Mary Jane Kauder, Stella Rebner, Peggy Solomon	1975	Mary Jane Farell, Emma Jean Hawes, Marilyn Johnson, Jacqui Mitchell, Gail Moss, Dorothy Hayden Truscott	1990	Mary Jane Farell, Roberta Epstein, Dorothy Truscott, Gail Greenberg, Lisa Berkowitz, Rozanne Pollack
1958	Carolyn Brall, Bee Gale, Sally Johnson, Peggy Rotzell	1976	Mary Jane Farell, Emma Jean Hawes, Marilyn Johnson, Jacqui Mitchell, Gail Moss, Dorothy Hayden Truscott	1991	Nancy Passell, Nell Cahn, Sue Picus, Stasha Cohen, Susan Green, Sharon Osberg
1959	Margaret Alcorn, Lee Kasle, Josephine Sharp, Adelaide Simon, Garner McDaniel	1977	Betty Adler, Jo Morse, Judi Radin, Sue Sachs	1992	Juanita Chambers, Cheri Bjerkan, Marinesa Letizia, Janice Seamon
1960	Roberta Erde, Sally Johnson, Barbara Kachmar, Bee Schenken	1978	Nancy Alpaugh, Nancy Gruver, Betty Ann Kennedy, Evelyn Levitt, Carol Sanders, Kerri Shuman	1993	Gail Greenberg, Dorothy Truscott, Judy Tucker, Stasha Cohen, Irina Levitina, Rozanne Pollack
1961	Roberta Erde, Sally Johnson, Barbara Kachmar, Bee Schenken	1979	Betty Adler, Anne Burnstein, Edith Kemp, Terry Michaels, Jo Morse, Sue Sachs	1994	Sally Woolsey, Georgiana Gates, Jo Anne Casen, Jan Martel, Joann Glasson, Jo Ann Manfield
1962	Anne Burnstein, Edith Kemp, Alicia Kempner, Stella Rebner, Teddie Warner	1980	Nancy Gruver, Edith Kemp, Betty Ann Kennedy, Judi Radin, Carol Sanders, Kathie Wei	1995	Juanita Chambers, Lila Perlstein, Gail Greenberg, Jillian Blanchard, Irina Levitina, Shawn Womack
1963	Pat Adler, Terry Michaels, Garner McDaniel, Carol Sanders, Sylvia Stein	1981	June Deutsch, Pat Lapides, Sandi Leavitt, Evelyn Levitt, Jo Morse, Helen Utegaard	1996	Pam Wittes, Cheri Bjerkan, Sue Weinstein, Stasha Cohen, Shawn Quinn, Judy Wadas
1964	Hermine Baron, Mary Jane Farell, Peggy Solomon, Bee Schenken	1982	Stasha Cohen, Mary Jane Farell, Nancy Gruver, Edith Kemp, Randi Montin, Dorothy Hayden Truscott	1997	Jill Meyers, Randi Montin, Mildred Breed, Tobi Sokolow, Renee Mancuso, Shawn Quinn
1965	Virginia Heckel, Betty Kaplan, Edith Kemp, Jacqui Mitchell	1983	Kathie Wei, Judi Radin, Jacqui Mitchell, Gail Moss, Carol Sanders, Betty Ann Kennedy, Jim Zimmerman (npc)	1998	Kitty Munson, Carol Simon, Margie Gwozdzensky, Susan Wexler, Linda Lewis, Karen Barrett
1966	1-2. Frieda Arst, June Deutsch, Sylvia Stein, Carol Stoklin; 1-2. Nancy Gruver, Garner McDaniel, Terry Michaels, Sue Sachs	1984	Edith Kemp Freilich, Nancy Gruver, Mary Jane Farell,		
1967	Dorothy Hayden, Emma Jean Hawes, Agnes Gordon, Margaret Wagar				
1968	Hermine Baron, Mary Jane Farell, Sally Johnson, Bee Schenken, Peggy Solomon, Rhoda Walsh				

1999	Beth Palmer, Lynn Deas, Rozanne Pollack, Connie Goldberg, Carol Sanders, Lisa Berkowitz	2007	Phyllis Fireman, Mildred Breed, Janice Seamon-Molson, Tobi Sokolow, Daniela von Arnim, Sabine Auken	2015	Lynn Baker, Karen McCallum, Kerri Sanborn, Irina Levitina, JoAnna Stansby, Pamela Granovetter
2000	Kathie Wei-Sender, Betty Ann Kennedy, Juanita Chambers, Jill Levin, Tobi Sokolow, Janice Seamon-Molson	2008	Lynn Baker, Kerri Sanborn, Lynn Deas, Beth Palmer, Karen McCallum, Irina Levitina	2016	Ling Gu, Tao Zhou, Jingrong Ran, Wen Hu, Ling Gan, Juyu Wang
2001	Kathie Wei-Sender, Betty Ann Kennedy, Juanita Chambers, Jill Levin, Tobi Sokolow, Janice Seamon-Molson	2009	Val Covalciuc, Linda Lewis, Joann Galsson, Lisa Berkowitz, Betty Ann Kennedy, Cindy Bernstein	2017	Wagar Women's Pairs Julie Smith, Susan Humphries
2002	Cheri Bjerkan, Stasha Cohen, Pam Wittes, Renee Mancuso, Lynn Deas, Beth Palmer	2010	Lynn Baker, Karen McCallum, Beth Palmer, Lynn Deas, Irina Levitina, Kerri Sanborn, Sam Dinkin (npc)	2018	Sondra Schubiner, Linda Wynston
2003	Disa Eythorsdottir (npc), Lynn Baker, Karen McCallum, Kerri Sanborn, Debbie Rosenberg, Lynn Deas, Beth Palmer	2011	Joyce Hampton, Jenny Wolpert, Sabine Auken, Daniela von Arnim, Benedicte Cronier, Sylvie Willard	2019	Bronia Jenkins, Benedicte Cronier
2004	Kathy Sulgrove, Pam Wittes, Renee Mancuso, JoAnn Sprung, Peggy Sutherlin, Karen Allison	2012	Jenny Wolpert, Jill Levin, Mildred Breed, Valerie Westheimer, Hjordis Eythorsdottir, Shawn Quinn	2020	Not held
2005	Lynn Baker, Kerri Sanborn, Lynn Deas, Beth Palmer, Daniela von Arnim, Sabine Auken	2013	Sylvia Moss, Joann Glasson, Catherine D'Ovidio, Beth Palmer, Lynn Deas and Janice Seamon-Molson	2021	Not held
2006	Judi Radin, Sylvia Moss, Pamela Granovetter, Migry Zur-Campanile, Mildred Breed, Shawn Quinn	2014	Lu Yan, Ran Jingrong, Wu Shao Hong, Wenfei Wang, Zhang Yu and Wang Hongli	2022	Sandra Rimstedt, Margie Cole
				2023	Sondra Schubiner, Linda Wynston
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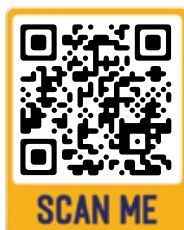
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start time.

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Spingold Knockout Teams

The Spingold Master Knockout Teams was originally known as the Masters Teams-of-Four, and it was first contested in September 1934 as a separate event held in conjunction with the Masters Individual. Although not played in 1935, it was again contested with the Masters Individual in 1936 and 1937. In 1938, the event became known as the Spingold Master Knockout Teams and was included in the summer schedule.

At one time the Spingold was a double elimination event scored by total points, usually lasting nine or ten sessions, restricted to players of Senior Master rank (100 or more masterpoints) and higher. Beginning in 1958, all matches were scored by IMPs (international matchpoints). In 1965, the double elimination method was replaced by three qualifying sessions (subsequently reduced to two), followed by single elimination knockout matches. The preliminary qualifying sessions were dropped in 1970.

The Spingold Trophy, donated by Nathan B. Spingold in 1934, is among the ACBL's most highly prized team trophies.

Spingold (1886–1958), a New York publicist, motion picture executive and patron of the arts, was one of the most influential men in bridge administration from 1937 to 1943.

Born in Chicago, he became a reporter on The Chicago Examiner, The Chicago Record Herald and The Chicago Tribune. Spingold's interest in show business brought him to New York City in the 1930s.

In 1932 he joined Columbia Pictures in a public relations capacity. He was named to the board of directors in 1940 and three years later took charge of advertising, publicity and development. He became a vice president of the company in 1954.

Active in bridge from its earliest days, Spingold was named ABL Honorary Member in 1936. He was



ACBL Executive Director Bronia Jenkins presents the Spingold Trophy to 2025 winners, Yinghao Liu, Kevin Rosenberg, Brian Platnick, captain Jeff Wolfson, Yichao Chen and (inset) Steve Garner.

instrumental in effecting a peaceful merger between the American Bridge League and the United States Bridge Association in 1937 and became president of the newly formed American Contract Bridge League the following year.

He served for many years on the League's Board of Governors and Board of Directors. Spingold was also president of the Cavendish Club in New York.

Previous winners

Winners, Asbury Park Trophy

- 1930** 1. Ely Culbertson, Josephine Culbertson, Theodore Lightner, Waldemar von Zedtwitz; 2. Michael Gottlieb, Willard Karn, Lee Langdon, P. Hal Sims
- 1931** 1. David Burnstine, Oswald Jacoby, Willard Karn, P. Hal Sims; 2. S. Garton Churchill, Travers LeGros, Dorothy Roberts, Phillip Stockvis
- 1932** 1. Michael Gottlieb, Oswald Jacoby, Theodore Lightner, Louis H. Watson; 2. B. Jay Becker, Herbert Lent, George Reith, Anne Rosenfield
- 1933** 1. David Burnstine, Oswald Jacoby, Richard Frey, Howard Schenken; 2. Sam Fry, Edward Hymes, Louis H. Watson,

- 1934** Waldemar von Zedtwitz
1. Aaron Frank, Jeff Glick, William Hopkins, Charles Porter; 2. Josephine Culbertson, Theodore Lightner, Alphonse Moyse Jr., Sherman Stearns
- 1935** 1. Sam Fry, Edward Hymes, Theodore Lightner, Merwyn Maier, Louis H. Watson; 2. Mitch Barnes, Hubert Boscowitz, Charles Lochridge, Johnny Rau
- 1936** 1. Lewis Bernard, Louis Haddad, Alvin Landy, Matthew Reilly, Philip Steiner; 2. Melvin Goddard, Sidney Silodor, Henry Vogel, Sir Derrick Wernher
- 1937** 1. David Burnstine, Charles Goren, Oswald Jacoby, Merwyn Maier, Howard Schenken; 2. Phil Abrams, Mitch Barnes, Henry Chanin, Morrie Elis, Fred Kaplan

Winners, Masters Teams-of-Four

- 1934** 1. David Burnstine, Richard Frey, Michael Gottlieb, Oswald Jacoby, Howard Schenken; 2. Aaron Frank, Jeff Glick, Louis Haddad, Charles Hall

1936	1. B. Jay Becker, David Burnstine, Oswald Jacoby, Howard Schenken; 2. Sam Fry, Edward Hymes, Merwyn Maier, Waldemar von Zedtwitz				
1937	1. Sam Fry, Edward Hymes, Theodore Lightner, Waldemar von Zedtwitz; 2. Phil Abramsohn, Lewis Bernard, Morrie Elis, Harry Fishbein, Herbert Goldberg	1946	1. William Christian, Mark Hodges, Sol Mogal, Margaret Wagar; 2. Jeff Glick, Arthur Goldsmith, Alvin Landy, Elmer Schwartz	1954	1. Clifford Bishop, Milton Ellenby, Lew Mathe, John Moran, William Rosen; 2-4. F. Ayers Bombeck, David Carter, John Gerber, John Hubbell, Harold Rockaway; 2-4. Eddie Burns, Ambrose Casner, Allen Harvey, Cliff Russell; 2-4. Sidney Lazard, Cyrus Newman, Lewis Rosen, Julius Rosenblum, Robert Rothlein
Winners, Spingold Knockout Teams					
1938	1. B. Jay Becker, David Burnstine, Oswald Jacoby, Merwyn Maier, Howard Schenken; 2. Mitch Barnes, Morrie Elis, Fred Kaplan, Charles Lochridge	1947	1. B. Jay Becker, Charles Goren, Lee Hazen, Helen Sobel, Waldemar von Zedtwitz; 2. John Crawford, George Rapee, Howard Schenken, Sidney Silodor, Sam Stayman	1955	1. Myron Field, Lee Hazen, Richard Kahn, Charles Solomon, Sam Stayman; 2. B. Jay Becker, John Crawford, George Rapee, Howard Schenken, Sidney Silodor
1939	1. Oswald Jacoby, Theodore Lightner, Merwyn Maier, Robert McPherran, Howard Schenken; 2. John Crawford, Myron Fuchs, Charles Goren, Charles Solomon, Sally Young	1948	1. John Crawford, George Rapee, Howard Schenken, Sam Stayman, Margaret Wagar; 2. Julius Bank, Arthur Glatt, Robert Halpin, Oswald Jacoby, Ralph Kempner	1956	1-3. Charles Goren, Peter Leventritt, Boris Koytchou, Harold Ogust, William Seamon, Helen Sobel; 1-3. Harold Harkavy, Victor Mitchell, Alvin Roth, Ira Rubin, Tobias Stone; 1-3. Robert Abeles, Kalman Apfel, Francis Begley, Louis Kelner, Ronald Rosenberg
1940	1. Oscar Brotman, Bertram Lebhar, Samuel Katz, Alvin Roth; 2. Sam Fry, Myron Fuchs, Edward Hymes, Charles Lochridge, Waldemar von Zedtwitz	1949	1. Jeff Glick, Arthur Goldsmith, Bruce Gowdy, Alvin Landy, Sol Mogal; 2. Henry Chanin, David Clarren, Oswald Jacoby, Jack Krause, Waldemar von Zedtwitz		1957
1941	1. Mitch Barnes, Sam Fry, Edward Hymes, Waldemar von Zedtwitz; 2. B. Jay Becker, Oswald Jacoby, Theodore Lightner, Merwyn Maier, Howard Schenken	1950	1. John Crawford, Oswald Jacoby, George Rapee, Howard Schenken, Sam Stayman; 2. B. Jay Becker, Charles Goren, Sidney Silodor, Helen Sobel, Waldemar von Zedtwitz		1. B. Jay Becker, John Crawford, George Rapee, Alvin Roth, Sidney Silodor, Tobias Stone; 2. Milton Ellenby, Ivan Erdos, Emanuel Hochfeld, Jim Jacoby, Oswald Jacoby, Ira Rubin
1942	1. Sigmund Dornbusch, Richard Frey, Lee Hazen, Sam Stayman; 2. Jay Feigus, Charles Harvey, Samuel Katz, Edward Marcus	1951	1. Myron Field, Charles Goren, Sidney Silodor, Helen Sobel; 2. Ambrose Casner, Charles Hall, Allen Harvey, Frank Weisbach	1958	1. Paul Allinger, William Hanna, Sidney Lazard, Cyrus Neuman, Robert Rothlein; 2. Harry Fishbein, Sam Fry, Leonard Harmon, Lee Hazen, Ivar Stakold
1943	1. John Crawford, Charles Goren, Edward Hymes, Howard Schenken, Sidney Silodor; 2. B. Jay Becker, Harry Fishbein, George Rapee, Alvin Roth, Helen Sobel	1952	1. B. Jay Becker, John Crawford, George Rapee, Howard Schenken, Sam Stayman; 2. Jeff Glick, Arthur Goldsmith, Alvin Landy, Sol Mogal, Edwin Smith	1959	1. William Grieve, Oswald Jacoby, Victor Mitchell, Ira Rubin, Morton Rubinow, Sam Stayman; 2. Richard Freeman, Andy Gabrilovitch, Frank Hoadley, Mike Michaels, Jan Stone, Richard Walsh
1944	1. B. Jay Becker, George Rapee, Helen Sobel, Sam Stayman; 2. Simon Becker, Edward Ellenbogen, Stanley Frenkel, Peggy Golder	1953	1. Clifford Bishop, Milton Ellenby, Don Oakie, William Rosen, Doug Steen; 2-5. Ed Burns, David Clarren, Bertram Lebhar, Sam Katz, Albert Weiss; 2-5. F. Ayers Bombeck, David Carter, John Hubbell, Arthur Kincaid,		
1945	1. Sam Fry, Edward Hymes, Oswald Jacoby, Theodore				

1960	1. Charles Goren, Peter Leventritt, Boris Koytchou, Harold Ogust, Howard Schenken, Helen Sobel; 2. B. Jay Becker, William Grieve, Ralph Hirschberg, Norman Kay, George Rapee, Sidney Silodor	1964	1. Bruce Elliott, Sami Kehela, Eric Murray, Percy Sheardown; 2. Marvin Altman, Bruce Gowdy, Fred Hoffer, Ray Jotcham	1969	1. Billy Eisenberg, Bobby Goldman, Bob Hamman, Mike Lawrence, Jim Jacoby, Bobby Wolff; 2. Phil Feldesman, William Grieve, Victor Mitchell, Ira Rubin, Sam Stayman, Jeff Westheimer
1961	1. Andy Gabrilovitch, Eddie Kantar, Marshall Miles, William Root; 2. John Crawford, Norman Kay, Alvin Roth, George Rapee, Sidney Silodor, Tobias Stone	1965	1. Bruce Elliott, Sami Kehela, Eric Murray, Percy Sheardown; 2. B. Jay Becker, Dorothy Hayden, Norman Kay, Edgar Kaplan	1970	1. Steve Altman, Tom Smith, Dave Strasberg, Joel Stuart, Peter Weichsel; 2. Billy Eisenberg, Bobby Goldman, Bob Hamman, Jim Jacoby, Mike Lawrence, Bobby Wolff
1962	1. Leonard Harmon, Eddie Kantar, Marshall Miles, Ivar Stakgold; 2. David Carter, John Hubbell, Jim Jacoby, Gerald Michaud, Bobby Nail	1966	1. William Root, Alvin Roth, Ira Rubin, Curtis Smith; 2. William Grieve, Sidney Lazard, Paul Levitt, Harold Ogust, George Rapee	1971	1. Steve Altman, Eugene Neiger, Tom Smith, Joel Stuart, Peter Weichsel; 2. Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay, Don Krauss, Lew Mathe
1963	1. Russ Arnold, Harold Harkavy, Edith Kemp, Alvin Roth, Cliff Russell, William Seamon; 2. Sami Kehela, Richard Kahn, William Root, Tommy Sanders, Tobias Stone, Waldemar von Zedtwitz	1967	1. Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay, William Root, Alvin Roth; 2. John Gerber, Paul Hodge, Dan Morse, George Rosenkranz, Bobby Wolff	1972	1. B. Jay Becker, Michael Becker, Andy Bernstein, Jeff Rubens; 2. Pat Brennan, Byron Greenberg, Edith Kemp, Cliff Russell, Curtis Smith, Albert Weiss
		1968	1. Sami Kehela, Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay, Sidney Lazard, Eric Murray, George Rapee; 2. Steve Altman, B. Jay Becker, Michael Becker, Dorothy Hayden		



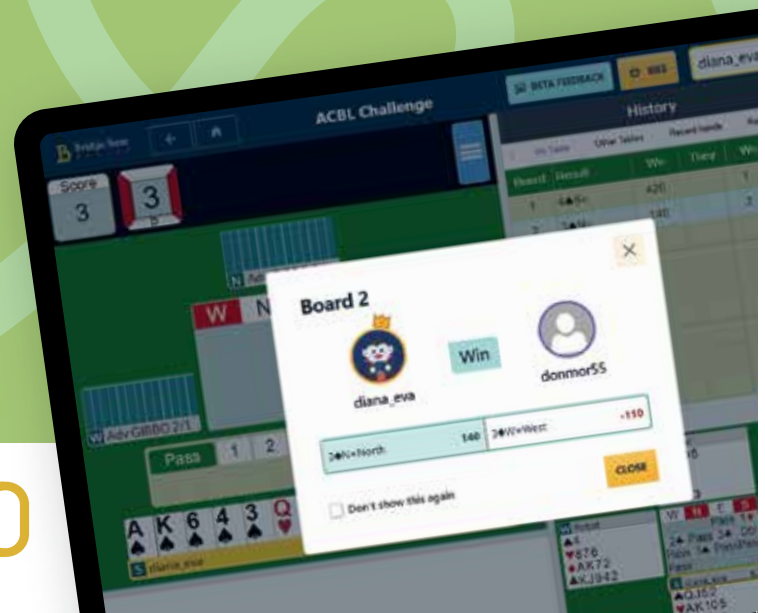
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1974	1. Lou Bluhm, Larry Gould, Steve Goldberg, Richard Shepherd; 2. Harlow Lewis, Lew Mathe, Peter Pender, William Root, Harry Stappenbeck, Arthur Waldman	1983	1. Malcolm Brachman, Bobby Wolff, Bobby Goldman, Bob Hamman, Paul Soloway, Ron Andersen; 2. Luella Slaner, Marty Bergen, Brian Glubok, Larry Cohen, Mark Cohen, Jerry Goldfein		1992	1. Ron Rubin, Russ Ekeblad, Mike Becker, Ron Sukoneck, Robert Levin, Peter Weichsel; 2. Steve Robinson, Peter Boyd, Lew Stansby, Kit Woolsey, Neil Silverman, Chip Martel
1975	1. Grant Baze, John Fejervary, Lew Stansby, Piyush Vakil, Ron Von der Porten; 2. Ira Cohen, Harold Guiver, Marty Shallon, Bill Sides	1984	1. George Rosenkranz, Eddie Wold, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell, Marty Bergen, Larry Cohen; 2. Alan Sontag, Allan Cokin, Jim Sternberg, Bernie Chazen, Steve Sion		1993	1. Richard Freeman, Nick Nickell, Eric Rodwell, Jeff Meckstroth, Bobby Wolff, Bob Hamman; 2. Zia Mahmood, Michael Rosenberg, Seymon Deutsch, Hemant Lall, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby
1976	1. Roger Bates, Larry Cohen, Richard Katz, John Mohan, George Rosenkranz; 2. Dave Berkowitz, Mark Blumenthal, Jim Jacoby, Mike Lawrence, George Rapee, John Solodar	1985	1. Tom Mahaffey, Jack Denny, Bill Passell, Russ Arnold, Ira Rubin, Chuck Burger; 2. Ron Rubin, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell, Mike Lawrence, Peter Weichsel		1994	1. Richard Freeman, Nick Nickell, Bob Hamman, Bobby Wolff, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell; 2. Jimmy Cayne, Chuck Burger, Mark Lair, Mike Passell, Paul Soloway, Bobby Goldman
1977	1. Lou Bluhm, Dan Morse, Cliff Russell, Curtis Smith, Tommy Sanders, Eddie Wold; 2. Ken Cohen, Larry Gould, Larry Kozlove, John Sheridan	1986	1. Malcolm Brachman, Bobby Goldman, Ron Andersen, Mike Passell, Mark Lair, Paul Soloway; 2. Brian Glubok, Billy Cohen, John Schermer, Neil Chambers		1995	1. Richard Freeman, Nick Nickell, Bob Hamman, Bobby Wolff, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell; 2. Zia Mahmood, Michael Rosenberg, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby
1978	1. Malcolm Brachman, Bobby Goldman, Eddie Kantar, Mike Passell, Paul Soloway; 2. Steve Altman, Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay, Richard Pavlicek, William Root, Tom Smith	1987	1. Brian Glubok, Dan Rotman, Harry Stappenbeck, Jaggy Shivdasani; 2. Tom Mahaffey, Jack Denny, Russ Arnold, Bernie Chazen, Roy Fox, Michael Seamon		1996	1. Richard Freeman, Nick Nickell, Bob Hamman, Bobby Wolff, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell; 2. Richard Schwartz, Paul Soloway, Bobby Goldman, Steve Robinson, Alan Sontag, Ron Smith
1979	1. Fred Hamilton, Bob Hamman, Ira Rubin, Bobby Wolff; 2. Ed Manfield, Steve Robinson, Eric Rodwell, John Sheridan, Kit Woolsey	1988	1. Jim Mahaffey, Ron Andersen, Paul Soloway, Bobby Goldman, Eric Rodwell, Jeff Meckstroth; 2. Ron Rubin, Michael Becker, Peter Weichsel, Bart Bramley, Robert Levin, Lou Bluhm		1997	1. Grant Baze, Tipton Golias, Adam Zmudzinski, Marek Szymanowski, Marcin Lesniewski, Cezary Balicki; 2. Jimmy Cayne, Chuck Burger, Mike Passell, Michael Seamon, Mark Feldman, Alan Sontag
1980	1. Mike Becker, Kyle Larsen, Ron Rubin, Alan Sontag, Ron Von der Porten, Peter Weichsel; 2. Rich Friesner, Brian Glubok, Mike Lawrence, George Rapee, Michael Rosenberg, John Solodar	1989	1. Jimmy Cayne, Chuck Burger, Bob Hamman, Bobby Wolff, Mike Passell, Mark Lair; 2. Jon Wittes, Ross Grabel, Mark Cohen, Mark Feldman		1998	1. Nick Nickell, Richard Freeman, Bob Hamman, Paul Soloway, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell; 2. Grant Baze, Michael Whitman, Adam Zmudzinski, Marek
1981	1. Larry Cohen, Ron Gerard, Ralph Katz, Warren Rosener, Allan Stauber, John Sutherland; 2. Bart Bramley, Rich Friesner, Ed Manfield, Kit Woolsey	1990	1. Jimmy Cayne, Chuck Burger, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby, Bob Hamman, Bobby Wolff; 2. Jim Mahaffey, Paul Soloway, Bobby Goldman, Ron Andersen, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell			
1982	1. Ron Rubin, Mike Becker, Bob Hamman, Bobby Wolff,					

	Szymanowski, Marcin Lesniewski, Cezary Balicki				
1999	1. Nick Nickell, Richard Freeman, Bob Hamman, Paul Soloway, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell; 2. John Onstott, Steve Beatty, Billy Eisenberg, Garey Hayden	2003	Moss, Martin Shifko, Allan Graves, Bryan Maksymetz 1. Roy Welland, Bjorn Fallenius, Zia Mahmood, Michael Rosenberg, Cezary Balicki, Adam Zdmudzinski; 2. Rose Meltzer, Peter Weichsel, Kyle Larsen, Alan Sontag, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby	2006	1. Nick Nickell, Richard Freeman, Bob Hamman, Paul Soloway, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell; 2. James Cayne, Michael Seamon, Alfredo Versace, Lorenzo Lauria
2000	1. Rose Meltzer, Peter Weichsel, Alan Sontag, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby, Kyle Larsen; 2. Roy Welland, Brad Moss, Marc Jacobus, Fred Gitelman, Magnus Lindkvist, Peter Fredin	2004	1. Nick Nickell, Richard Freeman, Bob Hamman, Paul Soloway, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell; 2. Mark Feldman, Billy Cohen, Ron Smith, Gavin Wolpert, Warren Spector, Vincent Demuy	2007	1. Nick Nickell, Hemant Lall, Bob Hamman, Paul Soloway, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell; 2. Andrew Gromov, Aleksander Dubinin, Cezary Balicki, Adam Zmudzinski
2001	1. George Jacobs, Ralph Katz, Giorgio Duboin, Norberto Bocchi, Lorenzo Lauria, Alfredo Versace; 2. Mike Moss, Fred Chang, Kerry Smith, Jeff Schuett	2005	1. Russ Ekeblad, Ron Rubin, Eric Greco, Geoff Hampson, Fred Gitelman, Brad Moss; 2. Tom Carmichael, Michael White, Joel Wooldridge, John Hurd, Bryan Maksymetz, Dan Gerstman	2008	1. Andrew Gromov, Aleksander Dubinin, Adam Zmudzinski, Cezary Balicki; 2. Roy Welland, Brian Glubok, Billy Cohen, Ron Smith, Steve Garner, Howard Weinstein
2002	1. George Jacobs, Ralph Katz, Giorgio Duboin, Norberto Bocchi, Lorenzo Lauria, Alfredo Versace; 2. Mike			2009	1. Russ Ekeblad, Jan Jansma, Matthew Granovetter, Ron Rubin, Ricco van Prooijen, Louk Verhees; 2. Rose Meltzer, Kyle Larsen, Alan Sontag, Tor Helness, Larry Cohen, David Berkowitz



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- 2010** 1. John Diamond, Brian Platnick, Fred Gitelman, Brad Moss, Eric Greco, Geoff Hampson; 2. Rose Meltzer, Kyle Larsen, Alan Sontag, David Berkowitz
- 2011** 1. Pierre Zimmermann, Tor Helness, Gier Helgemo, Franck Multon; 2. Nick Nickell, Eric Rodwell, Ralph Katz, Bob Hamman, Jeff Meckstroth, Zia Mahmood, Donna Compton (npc), Eric Kokish (coach)
- 2012** 1. Tor Helness, Franck Multon, Pierre Zimmermann, Geir Hegemo; 2. Eric Rodwell, Jeff Meckstroth, Nick Nickell, Ralph Katz, Steve Weinstein, Robert Levin
- 2013** 1. Jacek Kalita, Rafal Jagniewski, Michal Nowosadzki, Wojciech Gawel; 2. Joe Grue, Jacob Morgan, Peter Bertheau, Thomas Bessis, Les Amoils, Brad Moss
- 2014** 1. Richard Schwartz, Allan Graves, Espen Lindqvist, Boye Brogeland; 2. Pierre Zimmermann, Tor Helness, Gier Helgemo, Franck Multon
- 2015** 1. vacated; 2. vacated
- 2016** 1. Martin Fleisher, Joe Grue, Roy Welland, Chip Martel, Sabine Auken, Brad Moss; 2. Pierre Zimmermann, Franck Multon, Geir Helgemo, Krzysztof Martens, Dominik Filipowicz
- 2017** 1. John Diamond, Brian Platnick, Boye Brogeland,

Espen Lindqvist; 2. Lavazza: Norberto Bocchi, Antonio Sementa, Giorgio Duboin, Dennis Bilde, Agustin Madala, Alejandro Bianchedi

- 2018** 1. Piotr Gawrys, Michal Klukowski, Pierre Zimmermann, Franck Multon, Geir Helgemo, – Tor Helness; 2. Andrew Rosenthal, Aaron Silverstein, Migry Zur Campanile, Chris Willenken, David Berkowitz, Eldad Ginossar

- 2019** 1. Jacek Pszczola, Jacek Kalita, Michal Nowosadzki, Sjoert Brink, Bas Drijver; 2. Pierre Zimmermann, Franck Multon, Piotr Gawrys, Michal Klukowski, Krzysztof Martens, Tor Helness

2020 Not held

2021 Not held

- 2022** 1. Pierre Zimmermann, Fernando Piedra, Michal Klukowski, Piotr Gawrys, Sebastiaan Drijver, Sjoert Brink; 2. Paul Street, Nicholas

L'Ecuyer, Ron Pachtmann, Piotr Pawel Zatorski, Andrea Manno, Massimiliano Di Franco

- 2023** 1. Martin Fleisher, Chip Martel, Cedric Lorenzini, Thomas Bessis, Alfredo Versace, Antonio Sementa; 2. Leif Bremark, Fredrik Nystrom, Johan Upmark, Frederic Wrang, Simon Hult, Antonio Palma

- 2024** 1. Paul Street, Nicolas L'Ecuyer, Ron Pachtmann, Piotr Pawl Zatorski, Andrea Manno, Massimiliano Di Franco; 2. Nikolaos Delimpaltadakis, Vasileios Vroustis, Kiki Ward-Platt, Patryk Patreuha, Giorgio Duboin, Leonardo Cima

- 2025** 1. Jeffrey Wolson, Steve Garner, Kevin Rosenberg, Brian Platnick, Yinghao Liu, Yichao Chen; 2. Stewart Rubenstein, Zachary Grossack, Michael Rosenberg, Joe Grue, Brad Moss, Geir Helgemo



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Tomorrow's Bridge Events

Tuesday, July 14 Jon Frederic Voedisch Memorial Day 10 am

Event	Session	Sold	Entry/player/session*	
			Members with discount	Members without discount
Nelsine Stuhlman Christensen Tuesday Morning Side Pairs <i>Sun-Tue Daylight Series</i>	single	Exhibit Hall A, lower level	\$22	\$32
299er Pairs	single	Exhibit Hall A, lower level	\$18	\$28
10 am & 3 pm				
WAGAR WOMEN'S PAIRS	1-2 F	200D, level 2	\$38	\$48
Peder Langsetmo Memorial Top-Flight Pairs (<i>unlim./5000</i>)	1-2	Exhibit Hall A, lower level	\$22	\$32
Detroit Lakes DBC Mid-Flight Pairs (<i>4000/1250</i>)	1-2	Exhibit Hall A, lower level	\$22	\$32
The Best Hour of Bridge WMT Gold Rush Pairs	1-2	Exhibit Hall A, lower level	\$22	\$32
Mon-Tue Mini-Soloway Style B racketed Knockout Teams	1-2 F	Exhibit Hall A, lower level	\$22	\$32
Jon Frederic Voedisch Memorial Top-Flight Swiss Teams (<i>unlim./6000/4500</i>)	1-2	Exhibit Hall A, lower level	\$22	\$32
Detroit Lakes DBC 0-4000 Bracketed Round Robin Teams	1-2	Exhibit Hall A, lower level	\$22	\$32
10 am & 3:30 pm				
SPINGOLD KNOCKOUT TEAMS	Rd of 64	Ballroom A, ground level	\$43	\$53
TRUSCOTT/USPC SENIOR SWISS TEAMS	1-2 F	Ballroom B, ground level	\$38	\$48
0-6000 MINI-SPINGOLD KNOCKOUT TEAMS	Rd 1	200B, level 2	\$25	\$35
<i>Full-day knockout matches until complete; Pre-registration required by 3:30 pm Mon 7/13***</i>				
3 pm				
Bruce Wachsman Tuesday Afternoon Side Pairs <i>Sun-Tue Daylight Series</i>	single	Exhibit Hall A, lower level	\$22	\$32
299er Pairs	single	Exhibit Hall A, lower level	\$18	\$28
7:30 pm				
Tuesday Evening Side Pairs <i>Tue-Fri Evening Series</i>	single	200D, level 2	\$22	\$22

* Players must be full ACBL members whose dues are current in order to compete in any Premier NABC+, NABC+ or NABC events. Except in the few events where guest members are expressly permitted, players must also be full ACBL members and up-to-date on dues to play in regional events. Guest members are allowed only in events with an upper masterpoint limit of 20. 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).**

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