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DeMartino, Milner in Senior Knockout final

The team captained by Richard DeMartino, down by 44 IMPs with a quarter to go, staged a huge rally in the final set to defeat the Carolyn Lynch squad win by 5 IMPs. That earned DeMartino a spot in the final against the Reese Milner squad, who came from behind against Hamish Bennett and company.

DeMartino, who represents NABC host District 25 on the ACBL Board of Directors, is playing with John Stiefel, Geoffrey Brod and Pat

McDevitt. Milner's team is Sam Lev, Fred Chang, Matt Granovetter, P.O. Sundelin and John Carruthers.

The DeMartino team held a 6-IMP lead at the halfway point of the match with Lynch but suffered a 63-13 pasting in the third quarter. DeMartino turned the tables on their opponents in the last set, winning 63-14.

Milner trailed 93-84 with a quarter to go but won the final set 30-15.

Wolpert, Smith lead Blue Ribbon qualifiers

Gavin Wolpert, Kaplan Blue Ribbon Pairs winner three years ago, and Ron Smith, who won the event in 1979, had two solid games in the first two qualifying sessions to take the lead by less than a board.

Wolpert won the event at the Fall NABC in

Denver with Jenny Ryman, now his wife. Smith won at the Cincinnati NABC with Bobby Levin.

In second place after two sessions were Michael Rosenberg and Richard Zeckhauser, followed closely by Brian Senior and Nigel Bird of England.

Head to Sanremo for sun tans and grand slams

If a trip to the Mediterranean coast of Italy next summer appeals to you and you want to include some bridge play with a world championship atmosphere, Gianarrigo Rona has a suggestion – the 4th European Open Bridge Championships in Sanremo, June 12-27, 2009.

Rona, president of the European Bridge League, is visiting Boston during the Fall NABC with two objectives in mind – promoting the tournament in Sanremo and making contact with other bridge officials.

The European championships were first opened to all players in 2003, in Menton, France, not far from the Sanremo venue. Two other tournaments – in Tenerife, Canary Islands, and Antalya, Turkey – attracted many stars from around the world.

The tournament will be run on a typical European schedule: Most events are played in a

longer, single session starting about 10:30 a.m., leaving evenings free for dining and other activities. All events are transnational and there are no restrictions on the number of entries per national bridge organization.

The scheduled events are Mixed Teams; Mixed Pairs; Open, Women's and Senior Teams, and Open, Women's and Senior Pairs, with cash prizes for



Gianarrigo Rona

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Polisner is Honorary Member of the Year

Jeff Polisner of Lafayette CA has been spent a lifetime serving the bridge community, most notably by using his expertise as an attorney to fill the role of League Counsel for the ACBL for many years. Now, the expert player and volunteer extraordinaire has been recognized for his contributions by being named the 2009 ACBL Honorary Member of the Year.



Polisner, who began playing duplicate in

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Klayman, Lau lead Mini-Blue field

John Klayman of Haymarket VA and Lawrence Lau of Westport CT are the top qualifiers in the Mini-Blue Ribbon Pairs after Tuesday's opening round of play. Klayman and Lau posted a 61.03% in the first session and a 69.69% in the second to lead the field of 206 pairs.

In second are Roger Zellmer and Marvin French of San Diego CA.

Today's two-session final will feature the 103 pairs that made the cut. The Mini-Blue Ribbon Pairs is limited to players with fewer than 5000 masterpoints that have earned a Blue Ribbon qualification.

Goodwill Message

Have you said "thank you" to a caddy during this NABC? The caddies pick up slips each round during pair games and move boards during team games — despite players' best efforts to hide the slips and the boards.

A word of thanks will brighten their day — and yours, too.

Aileen Osofsky

Chairman, Goodwill Committee



SPECIAL EVENTS

MEETINGS / SEMINARS / RECEPTIONS

Wednesday, Nov. 26

11 a.m. - Noon **Open Team Trials meeting.** Room: Westin, Essex NW.
 10 a.m. - Noon **Foundation for the Preservation and Advancement of Bridge meeting.** Room: Westin, Helicon.

Saturday, Nov. 29

10:30 a.m. - Noon **Understanding Changes in the Laws seminar.** Club managers and directors are invited to join ACBL National

Director Rick Beye and the ACBL staff for an overview of the recent changes in the 2008 Laws of Duplicate Bridge. A question-and-answer session will be included. Room: Marriott, Regis.

Sunday, Nov. 30

1 - 6:30 p.m. **Vugraph.** Room: TBA.
 8 p.m. til **Vugraph.** Room: TBA.

CELEBRITY SPEAKER PROGRAM

Wednesday, Nov. 26

9:15 a.m. Haig Tchamitch *Jacoby 2NT*
 6:45 p.m. Bruce Greenspan *Bruce's Top 10 Tips*

Thursday, Nov. 27

9:15 a.m. Mike Flader *Ruling the Game*
 6:45 p.m. Barry Harper *Hand Evaluation and Re-evaluation*

Friday, Nov. 28

9:15 a.m. Phillip Alder *The Dummy and Its Play at Trick One*
 6:45 p.m. Ellen Kent *Director: Why Call?*

Saturday, Nov. 29

9:15 a.m. Jim Priebe *Matchpoint Defense*
 6:45 p.m. Jeff Roman *The Difference Between Pairs and Teams*

LATE NIGHT

Late night food will be served following the evening sessions on the fourth floors of both the Marriott and the Westin.

Wednesday, Nov. 26 New England Clam Chowder

Thursday, Nov. 27

Friday, Nov. 28

Saturday, Nov. 29

(no food tonight)

Cheesecake with Toppings

Chili

Boston-area Tours

All tours will be back at the Marriott before 12:30 p.m. Directions for returning by "T" will be available if longer visits are desired.

Boston City Tour

Saturday, Nov. 29 at 9:30 a.m. Cost: \$20.

For an interesting and informative overview of the city, jump on board the Old Town Trolley. The 135-minute, fully narrated tour covers more than 100 points of interest, including a 30 minute stop at the USS Constitution.

Freedom Trail Guided Tour

Wednesday, Nov. 26 and Friday, Nov. 28 at 9:30 a.m. Cost: \$5 reservation fee (refundable).

Take the "T" to Park Street. Exit onto Boston Common and proceed to Freedom Trail Foundation headquarters (on the right). A knowledgeable guide will accompany you as you experience Boston history from Colonial times through the Revolutionary War period. Highlights: Boston Common, Faneuil Hall, Granary and King's Chapel Burying Grounds, the Old State House and much more. The walking tour takes approximately 1-1/2 hours. It is an outside tour, so dress appropriately.

Put 'em out

Smoking is not permitted in either of the host hotels at the Boston NABC. This is not only a matter of Marriott and Westin policy, but also of ACBL regulation.



Players found smoking (even in stairwells and emergency exits) near any of the playing areas are subject to scoring penalties.

If you want to smoke, please step outside.

Celtics game, anyone?

Get out on the town and see the 2008 World Champion Boston Celtics do battle against the Philadelphia 76ers on Friday, Nov. 28 at 7:30 p.m. The Tour Desk in Boston has a very limited number of tickets available for \$75 each.

Fans will be personally escorted on the "T" just a few quick stops to Banknorth Garden in the shadow of the Leonard Zakim Bunker Hill Bridge, the newly famous landmark on the Boston skyline. They will see All Stars Kevin Garnett, Paul Pierce (2008 World Championship Series MVP), Ray Allen and outstanding Philadelphia guard Andre Miller do battle from fabulous loge seats.

Don't miss out on this great opportunity to join the Boston sports scene! Check with our Tour Desk now for further details.

No respect

In Tuesday's issue of USA Today, sports columnist Mike Lopresti trumpets the success of his alma mater's football squad, the Ball State Cardinals, who are 11-0 this season. The key to the Cardinals' success, according to Lopresti, is scheduling:

"We won last Wednesday, and the Tuesday before that and the Wednesday before that. Our Cardinals have solved the problem of getting lost in the SEC-Big12-Big Ten shuffle on Saturdays: Never play on a Saturday."

Then comes the killing line, one that makes bridge enthusiasts everywhere wince:

"Schedule Tuesdays instead. If it's good enough for bridge clubs and sanitation board hearings, it's good enough for our Cardinals."

For your information, Mr. Smarty-Pants Lopresti, bridge is played every day of the week.

In fact, the winners of the toughest pair game in the world, the Edgar Kaplan Blue Ribbon Pairs, will be announced on . . . umm . . . Thursday.

Child Care

Child care is available daily from noon to 5 pm and 7 pm to midnight.

For more information, contact Donna Compton at the Westin, Room 1527.

The king? That costs a trick!

By Jan van Cleeff

When Jan Jansma gives you a hand, you had better be sharp. Before you know, he destroys your analysis and makes fun of you. This one, from Sunday's Mitchell Open Board-a-Match Teams qualifying session, is typical:

♠ Q 3
♥ A 8 2
♦ K Q 8 6 4
♣ 8 4 3

♠ A K 8 2
♥ K J 5
♦ 10 5 3 2
♣ 7 2

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

(1) Invitational with diamonds.

(2) Invitational with spades.

West led the ♠10, denying the jack. Dummy played low.

"What card do you play?" Jansma asked.

"What's wrong with the king?" I replied. My answer, of course, was naïve, since Jansma is never looking for the obvious. He cheerfully continued: "The king? That costs a trick!"

Still, I had no clue what he was aiming at. Should I play low then? Letting declarer win his jack?

Jansma showed the full deal (spots approximate):

Dlr: South ♠ Q 3
Vul: None ♥ A 8 2
♦ K Q 8 6 4
♣ 8 4 3

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

♠ J 6
♥ 10 7 6
♦ A J 9 7
♣ K Q J 10

From East's point of view, natural defense would be cashing two top spades and then switching to clubs. In this case, that would cost a trick because a heart loser would disappear on a high club. A timely heart switch, however, would lead to the all-important extra undertrick. But how could East know?

Louk Verhees, Jansma's partner, showed the way. He took the first trick with the ace and cashed his king as well. Jansma rightfully understood the message (suit preference for hearts). And then it was his turn to do something intelligent: he contributed the 9. Verhees immediately knew what to do. He tabled a heart.

True, East-West can win 11 tricks in spades, but that is hindsight.

NABC Insider

At the Chicago NABC in the Summer of 2006, Kathy Benjamin came into the Bulletin office to say she was to be one of the co-chairs of the Boston NABC. She had some great ideas for the tournament and was wondering how she could work with ACBL to implement these plans. She and her co-chair, Frank Lombardo, have worked tirelessly since then to put together a team of local volunteers to make those plans the reality you are enjoying this week. The two of them do not agree on any political contest from the presidency to the dog catcher, but they do agree on what it takes to put on a successful bridge tournament. The results speak for themselves. It has been a pleasure working with both of them as well as the scores of helpers they have enlisted.

The Insider also wants to thank the Tournament Services crew. These four guys arrive a couple of days before the tournament to unload 21 tons of equipment needed to put on an NABC, they set everything in place, work throughout the tournament to be sure everything runs smoothly and then pack things to send back to Memphis. They had several special circumstances in Boston that tested even their expertise. First, the equipment that was to arrive on Friday was delivered on the following Monday. Then, the truck that arrived at the Marriott was loaded with everything intended to go to the Westin. Then, when that trailer was re-directed for later delivery to the Westin, it wouldn't fit through the door to the loading dock and had to be unloaded by hand, at night, in a cold drizzle at the end of a 12-hour day. And after all of that, they were back at it early the next morning. If you run into Martin, Brian, David or Ken, thank them for a job well done – one they won't finish until 5 a.m. next Monday.

Tonight, the Best Clam Chowder in Boston. Stay tuned for a review in the morning as the Insider makes the definitive call on which hotel REALLY has the best chowder.

Bid Box Alerts and Announcements

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

When making an Announcement, use the Announcement word — such as "transfer" — and tap the Alert strip at the same time.

A player who Alerts or Announces a bid should make sure his opponents are aware that an Alert or Announcement has been made.



Fred King, Margot Hennings and Don Hennings model tee shirts for the 2009 Summer NABC in Washington DC. (Fred is the assistant chair for the DC tournament, Margot is the chair, and Don is lending moral support!)

Want a DC tee shirt? You can buy one here in Boston. The shirts will be on sale in the Westin in the foyer of the American Ballroom and at the Marriott in the foyer on the third floor. The shirts come in men's and women's cuts in two colors – royal and navy – in all sizes.

Notice to night owls

Players should be advised that the over-street walkway connecting the Westin Hotel with the Copley Place Mall closes at 2 a.m. each evening.

Players that need to cross from the Westin to the Marriott after that hour must do so outside.

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JUST FOR NEW PLAYERS

Director, please

By Bruce Greenspan

If you are new to duplicate, calling the director brings back thoughts of being sent to the principal's office in junior high school. You've done something wrong, and now it's time to pay the piper. This is not the case at all.

The director is there to explain the rules and options and guarantee that both sides receive an equitable result. Even the best players occasionally do something that requires a director. If you need the director, raise your hand and politely – but loudly enough to be heard – say, “Director, please.”

Don't try to sort things out at the table. You may have options available that are quite helpful. Here's an example from an actual occurrence.

My partner opened 1♠. The next player, thinking about dinner or something equally important, did not notice. He bid 1♥. At that point we asked for the director. I held:

♠ 6 4 3
♥ 5 4
♦ Q 6 5
♣ 7 6 5 4

If there is an insufficient bid, the first option is to accept it. I accepted the bid and now I bid 1♠. Partner then knew that I had three spades but a hand that wasn't even good enough to bid at the two level.

Here are a couple of other tips. Always put the opening lead face down on the table and ask partner, “Any questions?” Partner may ask the opponents any questions regarding the bidding, or he just might say that it's his lead, so you can put the card back in your hand without having committed an infraction. You can never lead out of turn if you put the card face down.

If you are in the passout seat, meaning that the auction will end if you pass, do not ask the opponents questions about the bidding. If these questions suggest a lead to partner, the opponents will call the director and you may be penalized. Wait until partner makes the opening lead face down on the table. Now you can ask. Even better, wait until it's your turn to play.

During the auction, if you have no intention of bidding, ask no questions. Don't let the

opponents wake one another up. They may forget an agreement and end up in a terrible contract.

Once the bidding is complete and you're on lead, ask away. Make sure you completely understand the bidding.

As declarer, you are entitled to know the defensive methods employed by the opponents, although in the newcomer games you probably will not encounter much that is esoteric. For example, don't assume that if you are declaring a notrump contract that the opponents are leading fourth best. I play attitude leads. This means if I lead a low card it tells partner to return the suit. A high card says you may return this suit, but look around to see if there is something better.

Players are not allowed to have secret agreements. Make sure you receive a full explanation for any aspect of the opponents' bidding or defensive agreements. For example, partner opens 1NT and the next person bids 2♦, which is Alerted. You ask what your left-hand opponent what it means and he just says, “DONT.” That is not a sufficient explanation. If he says that the bid shows diamonds and a higher-ranking suit, you have all the information that is required.



Cartoons Jude Goodwin, from the book *Go Ahead, Laugh*, published by Master Point Press.

JUST FOR NEW PLAYERS



Thinking bridge

By Eddie Kantar

Rebids by the takeout doubler.

Dir: South ♠ A K Q
 Vul: E-W ♥ 10 8 7
 ♦ A K J 5 3
 ♣ A 4

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

♠ 10 9 8 7 5
 ♥ 6 4 2
 ♦ 7 6
 ♣ K Q 8

West	North	East	South
1♥	Dbl	Pass	1♠
Pass	2♥	Pass	2♠
Pass	3♠	Pass	4♠
All Pass			

Opening lead: ♥A.

Bidding commentary: As North, the 2♥ cuebid after the takeout double shows three-card support for your partner's suit, presumably with 18-19 high-card points. Your 3♠ bid is



You need partner to play a fourth heart to promote your ♠J, so make a negative discard in

invitational and shows 20-21 HCP. Partner could have nothing! As South, you have enough to accept partner's invitation.

Defensive commentary: As East, start a high-low in hearts. On the third heart, discard the ♣ 2.

clubs, the suit partner is likely to lead.

Defensive commentary #2: As West, honor partner's discard of the ♣2, telling you nothing doing there. If there is nothing doing in clubs, the only hope is that partner has the ♠J, in which case you must lead a fourth round of hearts for a trump promotion.

When making a discard in a situation where you need a trump promotion and want partner to give declarer a ruff and sluff, discard negatively in a suit partner is likely to want to lead (clubs). Don't waste a discard in a suit (diamonds) partner is unlikely to want to lead in any case.



David Makey (right) lives in Meridian MS, but is originally from London, England. He came to Boston to visit his son, Ian Makey, who lives here. Father and son have been playing in the Intermediate-Newcomer games this week.

The elder Makey plays in clubs and local tournaments in the South, while the younger Makey plays infrequently at clubs in Boston. This is the first NABC, however, for either player.

Affordable parking options for NABC Players

Several lower cost options are available for players who need to park a car in the vicinity of the Back Bay playing site. Changes have been made to parking information about the two most affordable options, so please note the following, updated information. The first is ideal for players in events that begin at 1 p.m., while the second is compatible with players in events scheduled for 10 a.m. and 3 p.m.:

Garage @ 100 Clarendon

Entrance on Clarendon St. Special: \$20 per day.

Arrive after 11 a.m. and depart by 11:30 p.m. to get special rate. When leaving, show your ticket and convention card at Clarendon St. garage office and your parking ticket will be validated.

Marriott Hotel Parking Garage

Arrive before 9 a.m. and depart by midnight, Monday-Friday ONLY and get a \$20 rate. No ticket validation is required.

Other, more expensive options are available in the vicinity of playing site. Please go to

www.acbl.org and to Boston NABC for more information.

Parking meters suspended during the weekend after Thanksgiving

If you are lucky enough to find a parking spot on the street, it's free during the weekend after Thanksgiving—compliments of Boston Mayor Tom Menino .

Individual Regional not just for Individuals!

The annual Keohane Individual Regional bills itself as "the world's only remaining Individual Tournament." What many players don't know, however, is that the tournament — held at the Boston Marriott in Newton MA Jan. 7-11, 2009 — has a five-day schedule that features typical pairs and teams events unrelated to the Individual contests.

Don't let the "Individual" label keep you away. Come see the tournament for yourself! Visit nebridge.org and make your plans to attend the 65th Keohane Individual Regional in January.

Daily Bridge Puzzle

Composed by Derrick Niederman.
 Solution on page 8.

Teams A, B, and C were in a three-way to open the afternoon Swiss. After both rounds had been played, teams A and B compared results.

"Congratulations, you win by #@&^*% (garbled, not an expletive). Right?"

"I'm sorry, I didn't hear you properly," said the captain of team A. "Was that IMPs or victory points?"

"It doesn't matter," said the captain of Team B.

A couple of minutes later, after the other comparisons had been made, the two captains met again.

"Our other match was better than the one against you," B said.

"So was ours," A replied.

"You know, our total victory point score is now the same as our total IMP score," B said.

"So is ours," A replied.

Assuming a 20 Victory Point scale, how many victory points did Team C win in the three-way?

Rona

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overall finishers. Players entering four events receive a 25% discount on the entry fees.

The hotels, including one five-star and two four-star properties, will offer a special bridge rate for tournament participants.

Rona said the Palafiore Convention Center, a converted flower market, is a modern facility that is fully air conditioned, as are the host hotels.

“We hope to have top players from the U.S.,” said Rona. “We are interested in quality as well as quantity, but all players are welcome.”

Sanremo, he said, is a half hour’s drive from Monaco, where one of the world’s most famous casinos is located. Also within easy driving distance is Genova (Genoa), and Milano is relatively close.

“It’s a good place for a family vacation,” Rona said.

He added that he is encouraged to note that several top players, including Jeff Meckstroth and Eric Rodwell, have already made reservations at the tournament. They won the Open Pairs at Menton in 2003.

For more information, including registration, you can e-mail ebl@federbridge.it.

Rona’s other goal was to meet with ACBL board members, including the new ACBL representatives to the World Bridge Federation. He is also interested in promoting more cooperation between the EBL and the ACBL, especially in the area of technology. “I hope we can learn from each other,” Rona said.

The EBL president said he would like to see some personnel exchanges, perhaps with EBL tournament directors working at ACBL tournaments, with a reciprocal arrangement in Europe for ACBL TDs.

Rona said that in late January and early February there will be a conference in Rome for bridge officials and that the ACBL will be invited to send representatives. One of the key topics for discussion, he said, will be advances in technology.

Ultimately, Rona said, he hopes that the ACBL, EBL and WBF will find a way to work together for the advancement of bridge. “We need to be a real team,” he said. “It is the only way to go forward in my opinion.”

Misbid (some of) these hands with me

By Mark Horton

There is no doubt that slam bidding is one of the most testing areas of the game, even for experienced partnerships. Here are a few adventures from the final of the Mitchell Open Board-a-Match Teams.

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

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

 ♠ J 3
 ♥ A 7 6
 ♦ K J 7 6 2
 ♣ K Q 6

West	North	East	South
	Horton		Helman
		Pass	1♦
2♠	Dbl	4♠	Pass
Pass	6♦	All Pass	

With East-West competing so vigorously in spades, all South’s high cards rated to be useful, hence the jump to 6♦.

On a spade lead, declarer ruffs, draws trumps, plays four rounds of clubs, ruffing when the suit fails to divide and then ruffs a spade. Now, with West counted for a 6-4-2-1 distribution, declarer plays the jack of hearts from dummy, running it if East plays low. When West wins and returns a heart declarer has a decision to make, but should probably get it right.

Dlr: East ♠ A Q 9
 Vul: Both ♥ Q
 ♦ A Q 7 5
 ♣ A Q 8 7 6

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

 ♠ 10 7 6 2
 ♥ 7 6
 ♦ K J 9 8 6 2
 ♣ J

West	North	East	South
	Alder		Helman
		Pass	Pass
Pass	1♣	1♥	2♦
3♥	4NT	Pass	5♣
Pass	6♦	All Pass	

The scientific approach would be for North to bid 4♥ over 3♥, hoping South could produce a black-suit cuebid, but 4NT was an understandable alternative. With the ♠K onside, this contract cannot be defeated.

West	North	East	South
van Cleeff		Kendrick	
		1♥	Pass
4♥	Dbl	Pass	4♠
All Pass			

East-West’s activity saw North-South reach a delicate contract. 4♠ can be made, but declarer lost his way and finished one down.

Dlr: West
 Vul: None

♠ A J 10
 ♥ J 7 4 3
 ♦ A 3
 ♣ A K 7 5

You have the South cards and we can treat this as a two-part problem. First, what do you do if West passes and your partner opens 3♥? Second, suppose the opening bid is 4♥?

In the first case, there is no real reason to do more than raise to game, as for a slam to be good you probably need partner to not only have very good trumps – say, seven to the A-K – but also a second-round diamond control.

In the second case you might simply jump to 6♥, but there must be some risk (and there are others) that a diamond lead will be awkward unless partner has a control in that suit. One way to find out is to bid 5♣ over 4♥. That asks partner to cuebid a first-round diamond control, or jump to 6♥ with a second round control.

If you wanted a spade control you would bid 5♦ over 4♥ – once again bidding the suit below the one that you need partner to control.

However, this is not a perfect solution, as if partner has eight hearts to the A-K and two low diamonds, you clearly want to be in 6♥. But give South two low diamonds and this neat convention may be the only way to reach a laydown slam.

On this occasion, as you will see when I reveal the full deal, anything other than 4♥ is too high if East leads a diamond:

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

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

 ♠ A J 10
 ♥ J 7 4 3
 ♦ A 3
 ♣ A K 7 5

Hard day's night

By Mark Horton

After a tough day at the table and doubtless a restless night's sleep as the deals continue to occupy your thoughts, what better way to get your brain back into gear for today's contests that to tackle a couple of problems over breakfast. Try these two from the final of the Mitchell Open Board-a-Match Teams.

Dlr: West
Vul: All

♠ 6
♥ 10 8 5 4 3 2
♦ A K 8 6
♣ 10 4

After two passes, you decide to open 3♥, and the auction proceeds as follows:

West	North	East	South
Pass	Pass	3♥	3♠
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

What do you lead?

Let's say you opt for a top diamond (in expert circles, the ace asks for attitude).

East
♠ 6
♥ 10 8 5 4 3 2
♦ A K 8 6
♣ 10 4

South
♠ A K J 9 4
♥ A 7 6
♦ Q J 9
♣ J 9

The first trick is completed by the 9, 2 (discouraging) and 3. Now what?

Here is the full deal:

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

If you do anything other than play a club, declarer can get home. For example, suppose you switch to a heart. Declarer wins in hand and knocks out the king of diamonds. He wins the return in dummy, cashes a top spade, unblocks the diamonds, comes to hand with a heart and cashes the ♦10. With all the vital black cards, West has no defense.

You hold these cards as North:

♠ 9 6 5 2
♥ J 10 8 3
♦ 10 6
♣ A K 6

This is the auction:

West	North	East	South
	Pass	1♠	Pass
1NT	Pass	3NT	All Pass

Your lead?

The full deal:

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

If you follow the late Barry Crane's dictum, "God deals you A-K of a suit so you don't have a lead problem," you can play three rounds of clubs to assure your side of four tricks – good enough to win the board at many tables where North led a heart.

Convention card reminder

Each player is required to have a convention card filled out legibly and on the table throughout a session. Both cards of a partnership must be identical and include the first and last names of each member of the partnership.

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

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

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

Notice to players

Each player must have an ACBL convention card filled out and on the table. Please note that other types of convention cards, such as the WBF convention card or homemade cards that do not sufficiently resemble the ACBL convention card, are not acceptable substitutes.

Polisner

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1968, spent his professional career practicing law at his firm in Walnut Creek CA, specializing in water law. He represented governmental agencies and private land owners in real estate litigation involving water issues. He is now semi-retired.

In the world of bridge, Polisner may be best known for his service as ACBL Counsel from 1985 to 2000. Since leaving that position, he has been counsel for the World Bridge Federation.

Polisner, however, has served the game in a variety of roles. He is a past unit and district president, and served several terms on the ACBL Board of Governors. His true interest, however, has been the legal and ethical issues in bridge, leading him to serve as the first chair of the ACBL Disciplinary Committee, as a member of the ACBL Ethical Oversight Committee, as vice-chairman of the National Appeals Committee and as a 25-year member of the ACBL Laws Commission.

At the table, Polisner has three second-place finishes in national-level contests, and held the rank of WBF World Master in 1986. Polisner has two grown children and two grandchildren.

Speaking of the new Honorary Member, ACBL District Director Joan Gerard said, "When a star player like Jeff volunteers his time, it's special. He gave the ACBL the benefit of his knowledge for many years."

In a phone interview, Polisner said, "My hope for bridge is that we are able to make bridge acquire the status of an Olympic sport. Because we all know the survival of the game is dependent on getting young people involved, especially after we have missed several generations since the game's peak in the Fifties, we have to make it attractive for youth. One way to do this is through cooperation with other 'mind sports' (such as what we saw at the world championships in Beijing with games like chess and Go) to show the world that there's a venue for people to compete intellectually, not just physically."

Life Master news

Brenda Harvey of Orange CT made Life Master playing with Robert Klopp of New Haven CT, Elizabeth Fitton of Westport MA and Judy Blish of Rumford RI. The team came in second in Monday's Compact KO.

Marjorie Smink of Newtown Square PA became a Bronze Life Master in the Connecticut Valley (Tuesday-Wednesday) Bracketed KO playing with partner Brigitte Smith of Havertown PA and teammates Robert Smink of Newtown Square PA and Mike Giesler of Philadelphia PA.

Business as usual

By Mark Horton

Unlike much of downtown Boston, we still had power in the hotel, so life could go on as usual in the Daily Bulletin room. The Board-a-Match Teams is a terrific event, with a galaxy of world, European and North American champions taking part. Here are a few deals that contained points of interest:

Dlr: West ♠ A K 7
 Vul: Both ♥ 8 4 3
 ♦ J 4 2
 ♣ K 10 9 7

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

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

West	North	East	South
	<i>Alder</i>		<i>Horton</i>
4♠	Pass	Pass	5♠
Pass	6♣	Pass	6♦
Pass	6♥	All Pass	

East led the ♠9, and declarer had the rare pleasure of playing two aces on the same trick, discarding dummy's club whilst winning in hand. He then played the ♦J, covered by the king and ace. Three rounds of trumps put him in hand to take another diamond finesse.

Solution to the Bridge Puzzle on page 5

The scores were as follows:

A vs. B: A by 16 IMPS. 16VPS for A, 4 for B.
 A vs. C: A by 17 IMPS. 17VPS for A, 3 for C.
 B vs. C: B by 40 IMPS. 20 VPS for B, 0 for C.

Totals

A: plus 33 IMPS, 33 VPS
 B: plus 24 IMPS, 24 VPS
 C: minus 57 IMPS, 3 VPS

Correct answer to Daily Bridge Puzzle in the Tuesday edition (page 5).

We assume a normal Mitchell movement (the wording of the problem precludes a Howell). Since the obnoxious man was entering a score into the traveler, he must have been sitting North. But if North was dealer on the last board of the round, it couldn't have been a two or four-board movement, because North only deals odd-numbered boards. So we assume a three-board movement. In that case, the only time North is dealer at unfavorable vulnerability on the last board of a round would be on Board #21.

West	North	East	South
<i>Van Cleeff</i>		<i>Kendrick</i>	
3♠	Pass	4♠	4NT
All Pass			

The logic behind North's pass was impeccable but badly flawed. On a spade lead, declarer had the consolation of taking all the tricks.

Dlr: South ♠ 8 7
 Vul: None ♥ Q 5 2
 ♦ K 4
 ♣ K 9 6 4 3 2

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

♠ A J 9 5 4 3
 ♥ A 7
 ♦ A 8 3
 ♣ Q J

West	North	East	South
	<i>Alder</i>		<i>Horton</i>
1♥	2♣	2♦	1♣ (1)
3♥	Pass	Pass	2♠
Pass	4♠	All Pass	3♠

(1) Precision.

I'm sure you will agree it's difficult for North to bid 3NT over 3♠.

4♠ is very tricky, and I failed to find the winning line (partner is getting used to it by now). On a diamond lead, declarer must win in hand and play a club. Say West wins and exits with a club. Declarer must put up dummy's king and then play a spade to the 9 (or jack). West wins and has no good move.

One thing I have learnt about this game is that no matter how poor your result, in a team game you should never despair.

Dlr: East ♠ A 9
 Vul: None ♥ K 5 4
 ♦ K Q J 6 4
 ♣ A 7 6

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

♠ 7 6 5 4 3
 ♥ 7 3
 ♦ 10 9 8
 ♣ J 8 4

West	North	East	South
	<i>Alder</i>		<i>Horton</i>
		Pass	Pass
1NT	Dbl	2♦	Pass
2♥	3♦	Pass	3♠
All Pass			

This comedy is easily explained once you know that against a strong 1NT, double would show a major and a minor. Unfortunately, this was a weak 1NT and the double was meant to be for

penalty.

I regret to tell you that declarer did not make the best of the play (again!) and down four, minus 200, did not look too promising.

West	North	East	South
<i>Van Cleeff</i>		<i>Kendrick</i>	
		Pass	Pass
1♣	1NT	Dbl	2♥
Pass	Pass	Dbl	2♠
Pass	Pass	Dbl	All Pass

2♥ was not Alerted at the table, but it was clear to East that South intended it as a transfer. Nevertheless, East was out for blood, and when West found the devastating lead of a low diamond the defenders were assured of all their tricks and a 500 penalty.

I was accused by one of my teammates of making a Bourgeois bid on the next deal, but it brought home the bacon:

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

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

♠ A J 8 5 3
 ♥ A K 5
 ♦ 10 2
 ♣ K 7 4

West	North	East	South
<i>Fredin</i>	<i>Alder</i>	<i>Fallenius</i>	<i>Horton</i>
Pass	Pass	1♣	1NT
2♥	3♠	Pass	4♠
All Pass			

With North as declarer, it was impossible for East to find the lead to hold declarer to 11 tricks, and West was annoyed with himself for bidding, as without the intervention North will transfer and West will be on lead.

Notice to players who live outside North America

Participation in the Kaplan Blue Ribbon Pairs and the 0-5000 Mini Blue Ribbon Pairs is limited to those ACBL members who have earned a Blue Ribbon qualification (or for those members on the Lifetime Top 100 masterpoint list).

Foreign players who do not meet this criteria, but feel they are otherwise eligible, must receive a waiver prior to the commencement of these contests. Note that waivers for qualified foreign players will be given only for the Kaplan Blue Ribbon Pairs and not the 0-5000 Mini-Blue Ribbon Pairs.

Negative inference

This deal from the Sunday morning knockouts was declared (and reported by) Bruce Neiger of Long Island NY. Needing a swing on the last board of a match, Neiger and partner Andrew Skolnick of Westchester NY bid to slam on these cards:

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

West	North	East	South
	Skolnick		Neiger
			1♣ (1)
Pass	1NT (2)	Pass	2♣ (3)
Pass	2♦ (4)	Pass	2NT (5)
Pass	3NT (6)	Pass	6♣ (7)

All Pass

- (1) Strong, artificial, forcing.
- (2) 8-13 HCP, balanced.
- (3) Inquiry.
- (4) Four hearts.
- (5) Further inquiry.
- (6) 11-13 HCP, 3=4=3=3 pattern.
- (7) Needs the IMPs.

West, trying to avoid blowing a trick on the opening lead, began with the ♣7, solving declarer's problem in the trump suit. Dummy's 8 was covered by the queen and king.

With 11 tricks on top, a possible 12th trick was available via the spade finesse, but the passive opening lead made declarer suspicious that the spades were not favorably placed.

Following his hunch, declarer drew trumps ending in dummy (West pitching a diamond) and ran the ♠10 to West's jack. West exited passively with a diamond. Declarer won in the closed hand,

finished the trumps (West pitching a heart and a spade), to leave this position:

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

Declarer played dummy's diamonds, pitching a spade from hand, and West had no answer. West tried baring the ♠K, but declarer made no mistake, playing a spade to the ace, dropping the king and scoring the slam.

Alas, the 13 IMPs won wasn't quite enough to win the match.

Entry fees

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10 Tables
Valentin Kovachev, Stony Brook NY; Bob Carteaux, Fort Wayne IN; Barry Harper, Regina SK; Sara Parks M.D., Owensboro KY; Ellis Feigenbaum, Petah Tikva 493 Israel; Gerald La Flamme, Grnd-Bay-Wfld NB

vs

Garth Yettick, Denver CO; Chris Moll, Lavonia GA; David Caprera, Evergreen CO; Jan Janitschke - Bonnie Smith, Littleton CO; Bruce Reeve, Raleigh NC

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vs

Nancy Maidman - David Maidman - Marin Marinov, New York NY; Rumen Trendafilov - Kalin Karaivanov, Varna Bulgaria

GOODWILL COMMITTEE MORNING KO BRACKET 2

8 Tables
Donna Taylor, Venice FL; Eva Jonas, Harwich Port MA; Nina Dover - Mark Dover, Ottawa ON

vs

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vs

David Copi, Ann Arbor MI; Beatrice Karger, Peabody MA; Eugene Chung, San Francisco CA; Doris Weiser, Katonah NY

MONDAY MIDNIGHT KO BRACKET 1

10 Tables
3.03 1 David Pearlman, Trophy Club TX; Midori Wakabayashi, Philadelphia PA; Harjinder Ajmani, Kula HI; R Bruce Martin, Paia HI
2.12 2 Peter Klebofski, San Carlos CA; Deborah Murphy - Susan Boeing, San Francisco CA; Joe Hertz, Sterling VA
1.21 3/4 Roma Chandra, Silver Spring MD; Lynda Flanger, Gainesville VA; Brian Wyman - Benjamin Weiss, Ann Arbor MI
1.21 3/4 James Osofsky, Florence MA; Michael Heider, Redding CT; Alvin Doo, Innisfail AB; Alice Harper, Winter Park FL

MONDAY MIDNIGHT KO BRACKET 2

8 Tables
2.73 1 Susan Milsky, Eastham MA; Mary Olmsted - Florence Hackman, Chatham MA; Diane Richards, Brewster MA
1.91 2 Sarah Wiener, Fort Lee NJ; Dave DuBois, Westfield NJ; Doree Sobel, Fair Lawn NJ; Betty Cox, Randolph NJ; Ottillie Bello, Short Hills NJ
1.09 3/4 Daniel Neiman, Rowley MA; Robert Brooks, Leverett MA; David Neiman, Minneapolis MN; Carol Rynders, Saint Paul MN
1.09 3/4 Stephen Lynch, Maspeth NY; David Rogers, Southern Pines NC; Michael Klemens, Tarzana CA; Molly O'Neill, Ft Lauderdale FL

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CONNECTICUT RIVER VALLEY KO BRACKET 1

13 Tables
Mary Ann Berg, Atherton CA; John Mohan, Huixquilucan Mexico; Simon De Wijs, Doorn 304G Netherlands; Bauke Muller, Hoorn Netherlands; Ton Bakkeren, Oisterwijk Netherlands; Huub Bertens, Tilburg
50 Netherlands

vs

Jim Mahaffey, Winter Park FL; Fredrik Nystrom, Stockholm 112 Sweden; Peter Bertheau, Taby Sweden; Jie Zhao, Tianjin People's Republic of China; Fu Zhong, Beijing People's Republic of China; Gunnar Hallberg, Brighton United Kingdom

Daniel Colatosti, Boca Raton FL; John Malley, Pascoag RI; Jim Reiman, Mansfield OH; Martin Caley, Montreal QC; Sheila Gabay, Newton MA; Melvin Marcus, Waltham MA

vs

Leonard Melander, West Bloomfield MI; Larry Mori, Clearwater FL; Yukiko Tokunaga, 1800002 Japan; Kenji Miyakuni, Tokyo 167-004 Japan

CONNECTICUT RIVER VALLEY KO BRACKET 2

14 Tables
David Maidman - Marin Marinov, New York NY; Rumen Trendafilov - Kalin Karaivanov, Varna Bulgaria
vs
Sun-O Ho, Brookfield WI; William McFall, New Berlin WI; James Melville, Springfield IL; Joshua Stark, Grayslake IL

Stephen Goldstein, Huntington Bch CA; Leslie Paryzer, Bronx NY; Ahmed Sorathia, Chino CA; Atsuko Kurishima, Newport Beach CA

vs

Joyce Hampton, Blythewood SC; Lucas Lebioda, Columbia SC; Jon Rice - Mike Rice, Raleigh NC; Jenny Wolpert, New York City NY; David Grainger, Etobicoke ON

CONNECTICUT RIVER VALLEY KO BRACKET 3

16 Tables
Eric Schwartz - Linda Robinson, Arlington MA; Gary Schwartz, Huntsville AL; Peter Matthews Jr, Roslindale MA

vs

Richard Oldford - Tom Ottley - Edward Rais, Anchorage AK; Charles Gilje, Billings MT

MONDAY-WEDNESDAY MORNING SIDE SERIES

19.0 Tables

	A	B	C
4.40	1	1	
3.30	2	2	
2.48	3	3	
1.86	4	4	
1.87	5		
2.73	6	5	1
2.05		6	2
1.54			3
1.15			4
0.86			5

Preston Carlisle, Ogdensburg NY; Gordon Mori, Markham ON	61.31%
Gordon Kiernan, New Fairfield CT; Terry Brewster, Trumbull CT	60.46%
Michael Schrage, New York NY; Milton Kalikman, Azusa CA	60.24%
Menashe Cieplinski, Halifax NS; Larry Hudgens, Bass Harbor ME	57.78%
Carleton Lett, New York NY; Merle Stetser, Honolulu HI	57.70%
Jake Olson, Blaine MN; Eli Jolley, Auburn AL	57.10%
Andrew Loh, Solana Beach CA; John Forrest, San Diego CA	56.83%
Stanley Kaplan - Natalie Kaplan, Manchester CT	54.51%
Flora Hall - Susan Milsky, Eastham MA	52.51%
Barbara Murphy, Needham MA; Kyoko Takahashi, Sudbury MA	52.13%

MYSTIC COUNTY FAST OPEN PAIRS

25.0 Tables / Based on 46 Tables

	A	B	C
19.60	1		
14.70	2		
11.03	3		
8.27	4		
6.53	5		
5.60	6		
8.88	7	1	
4.14	8/9		
4.14	8/9		
6.66	10	2	1
5.00	11	3	
3.75	12	4	
2.96	13	5	
2.38		6/7	
2.57		6/7	
2.97			2
2.23			3
2.04			4

Burton Gischner - Janet Gischner, Niantic CT	70.83%
Riva Akerman - Elliot Sternlicht, New York NY	61.76%
Melanie Tucker, New York NY; Joergen Molberg, Trondheim Norway	60.42%
Judi Radin - Lynne Tarnopol, New York NY	60.27%
Michele Foran, Oconomowoc WI; William Malesevich, Mayville WI	59.23%
Suzanne Durst, Katonah NY; Stephen Hess, Rehoboth MA	58.18%
Jeffrey Tarlin, Framingham MA; Wallace Goldban, Palm Desert CA	57.74%
Stacy Jacobs, Hinsdale IL; Shannon Cappelletti, Hollywood FL	57.44%
Glenn Eisenstein - Peggy Ellis, New York NY	57.44%
James Poitras - Patricia Poitras, Narcoossee FL	54.91%
Dennis Ryan - Barbara Tysdahl, Menomonie WI	54.17%
Neil Montague, Swampscott MA; Jerry Manioci, Rochester NY	53.87%
George Kaiser, Tequesta FL; Henry Sokol, Milwaukee WI	53.42%
Leila DeNotaristefani, Mendham NJ; Robert Fischbein, Short Hills NJ	52.23%
Mary McMaster - F Donna Daley, Seminole FL	52.23%
Jonathan Pines, Berkeley CA; Alex Lovejoy, Stanford CA	50.45%
Chris Soares, Swansea MA; Lynda Edson, South Easton MA	49.70%
Jean Bellemarre, Montreal QC; Robert Guerard, Brossard QC	49.55%

TUESDAY AFTERNOON 5/20/50 PAIRS

6.0 Tables

	A	B	C
1.68	1	1	
1.26	2		
0.95	3	2	1
0.71	4		
0.57			2

Margaret Correia - Susan Taylor, Lakeville MA	55.00%
Meryl Bralower - Ronald Agel, Boston MA	54.78%
Peter Clay - Andy Clay, Wellesley MA	54.58%
Mary Beth Stevens - Robert Stevens, Boxford MA	54.17%
Marilyn Kalis - Paul Kalis, Newton MA	52.08%

LITCHFIELD HILLS SENIOR PAIRS

43.0 Tables / Based on 42 Tables

	A	B	C
14.56	1		
10.92	2	1	
8.19	3		
5.50	4/5		
5.50	4/5		
3.90	6/7		
7.35	6/7	2	
4.82	8/9	3/4	
4.82	8/9	3/4	
3.27	10	5	
2.80	11	6	
2.24	12		
4.15		7	1
3.11		8	2
1.96		9	
2.88			3
1.75			4
1.38			5
1.19			6

Betty Levin, New York NY; James Sampson, Lake Worth FL	63.54%
Doreen Scolnick - Robert Scolnick, Carlsbad CA	58.57%
Maurice Emond, Laconia NH; Joan Cook, Bow NH	58.17%
Antonia Okany, Etobicoke ON; Dan McCaw, Toronto ON	57.69%
Allan Clamage, Stamford CT; Kent Vandewater, Bayside NY	57.69%
Barry Bragin, Silver Spring MD; David Abelow, Owings Mills MD	56.81%
Cathleen Speer, Portsmouth RI; Marian Howarth, Sun City Center FL	56.81%
Michael Kauffman, Cranston RI; Walter Morgan, Warwick RI	56.57%
Franceline Leary - Phyllis French, Schenectady NY	56.57%
Thomas Moore, Lynn MA; Robert Bonazoli, South Hamilton MA	56.49%
Carol Joy Spiegel, Palm Beach FL; Barbara Kirtley, Ridgefield CT	56.41%
Karen Snyder, Spicewood TX; Janise Saul, San Antonio TX	56.09%
Joe DeCosta, North Andover MA; Robert Hope, Provost AB	55.45%
Ted Verhagen - Tony Ferroni, Keswick VA	55.37%
Robert Prevoir - Donald Levy, Randolph MA	55.29%
James Windus - Renee Senior, Vancouver WA	52.88%
William Ware, Cataumet MA; Peter Bohan, Walpole MA	51.04%
Francis Minosh - Herbert Shanzer, Westford MA	50.96%
Gordon Markham - Kathy Markham, Sun Lakes AZ	49.44%

TUESDAY AFTERNOON 100/200/300 PAIRS

18.0 Tables

	A	B	C		
3.96	1	1		Sean Gannon, Atlanta GA; Pamela Hughes, Bend OR	67.56%
2.97	2	2	1	Henry Ackermann - Thomas Clancy, Merrimack NH	61.39%
2.23	3	3		Rosanne Catarius, Roslindale MA; Aline Sullivan, Cambridge MA	59.52%
1.67	4	4	2	Lisa Procter, Dover MA; Barbara Greppin, Westwood MA	58.04%
1.25	5			Louise Schellenberger, Middleborough MA; Ann Sparrow, Lakeville MA	57.14%
1.34	6	5		Vivian Wine, Cranston RI; Nancy Clayman, Boston MA	56.55%
1.14		6	3	Maureen Yachimski - George Comeaux, North Easton MA	56.21%
0.85			4	Roger Squire - Gay Squire, Dorset VT	53.87%
0.67			5	Debbie Stavro, Toronto ON; Constance Van Ditzhuyzen, Stouffville ON	53.42%

MONDAY-WEDNESDAY AFT/EVE SIDE SERIES

39.0 Tables

	A	B	C		
7.43	1			John Gustafson - Helen Gustafson, Des Moines IA	73.30%
5.57	2			Arthur Lilly, Londonderry NH; Ted Withers, Windsor NS	64.17%
6.52	3	1		Carol De Koven - Max De Koven, Westmount QC	62.69%
3.13	4			Adrian Schwartz - Kohava Schwartz, New York NY	62.16%
4.89	5	2		Mildred Ring, Woburn MA; Thelma Tibbitts, Burlington MA	61.55%
3.67	6	3		Matthew Hoskins - Elizabeth Hoskins, Shoreham-By-Sea England	61.14%
4.40		4	1	Louis Lipset - Ronald Goodman, San Francisco CA	60.42%
3.30		5	2	Flora Hall, Eastham MA; Kelley Flink, Golden CO	59.69%
1.55		6		Vincent Harackiewicz, Needham MA; Benji Fisher, Wellesley MA	57.82%
2.48			3	Lily Chew, Kanata ON; Daxiong Li, Tianjin People's Republic of China	57.80%
1.86			4	Gayle Tunnell - James Tunnell, San Francisco CA	56.06%
1.87			5	James Green - Jane Green, Mercer Island WA	54.92%
1.04			6	Roy Coplen, Jefferson City MO; Farivar Sahihi, West Vancouver BC	54.17%

TUESDAY EVENING 100/200/300 PAIRS

10.0 Tables

	A	B	C		
2.83	1			Rosanne Catarius, Roslindale MA; Beverly Basile, Chestnut Hill MA	64.29%
2.14	2	1	1	Bill Birkholz - Alan Ehrlich, Westborough MA	61.90%
1.39	3/4			Eniko Fokos - Robert Fokos, Chilmark MA	59.52%
1.61	3/4	2	2	Rubin Gruber, Concord MA; R Sanzo, Westford MA	59.52%
1.20	5	3	3	Mary Beth Stevens - Robert Stevens, Boxford MA	58.63%
0.99	6	4	4	Jack Chu - Rishabh Singh, Cambridge MA	58.33%
0.71		5		Katherine Kane - Carole Cushing, Boston MA	53.27%

TUESDAY EVENING 299ER SWISS TEAMS

8 Tables

	A	B	C		
2.54	1			Sally Newton - John Newton, Richford VT; Sheila Long, Lyndonville VT; Karen Kristiansen, West Burke VT	57.00
2.13	2	1	1	James Smock - Carol Smock, Santa Fe NM; James Overly, Cambridge MA; Richard Healey, Somerville MA	48.00
1.60	3	2		Rodica Elena Cailean, Santa Clara CA; Robert Martin, Saratoga CA; Paul Kelly, Roslindale MA; Ellen Gottlieb, New York NY	47.00

TUESDAY LILAC PAIRS

33.0 Tables

	A	B	C		
10.63	1	2		Bart Bussink, Cambridge MA; Andrew Savitz, Chestnut Hill MA	61.70%
7.97	2			Douglas Hamilton - Carol Hamilton, Halifax NS	59.94%
6.57	3	1		Deborah Crisfield, Summit NJ; Cyndi Sauvage, Englewood CO	59.29%
4.93	4	2		Jonathan Ullman, New York NY; Dana Berkowitz, Boca Raton FL	59.05%
3.70	5	3		Vincent Fish, Westford MA; Daniel Jablonski, Stoneham MA	58.57%
3.04	6	4		Herbert Heller, Pittsburgh PA; Sally Kellar, Willowdale ON	58.25%
2.66	7			Merete Baadsager, Valby Denmark; Henrik Rud Pedersen, Rodovre Denmark	56.81%
2.53	8	5		Lee Weiss, Plymouth Mtng PA; Robert Lass, Chicago IL	56.73%
2.13	9			Leigh Shallenberger, Woodland Park CO; Neal Rechtman, Ossining NY	56.65%
1.88		6		Jennifer Huntsman, Moncton NB; Connie Bartlett, Riverview NB	55.85%

Nov. 26: Rhode Island State Day

Rhode Island, whose official name is the "State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations," consists of five counties (Bristol, Kent, Newport, Providence and Washington), seven cities and 32 towns. Providence, Rhode Island's largest city and the state capital, was founded by Roger Williams in 1636. On May 4, 1776, Rhode Island was the first state to declare its independence from England - and the last of the 13 colonies to ratify the U.S. Constitution. Many buildings, including some private homes, date back to colonial times.



Rhode Island ranks 44th of the 50 states in population and is the smallest state geographically. Yet, Rhode Island has more than 300 miles of coastline and many rivers and lakes within its borders. The most prominent feature of the state is Narragansett Bay, which contains many small islands. Block Island is located 10 miles south of the mainland. The western part of the state is heavily forested, containing many fresh water lakes, ponds and rivers that appeal to the non-seafaring visitor. Historic features include the Blackstone River, considered to be the first industrial river in the state, and the first textile mill in America standing along the banks of the river in Pawtucket. The mill has been converted into a museum.

For bridge trivia enthusiasts our state has something special to share. According to the bridge encyclopedia, Harold S. Vanderbilt of Newport, Rhode Island, was the man who revised the scoring principles of auction bridge into the modern game of contract bridge enjoyed by millions today. Many of the early bidding systems were attributed to Vanderbilt. Come visit our display table on Rhode Island State Day and find out what other interesting facts our small state has to share with you.

Gift bag winners

Congratulations to the winners of the Connecticut State Day gift bags, compliments of Unit 126 (Connecticut): Gerald Avarbock, Middleboro MA; Susan Slusky, Highland Park NJ; and Grace Tanner, Bakersfield CA.

Cynthia Berenson, Boston MA; Leslie Strong, Santa Ynez CA; T
Mc Quade, Portland OR; Steve Clark - Sally Clark, Carlsbad CA

vs

Bob Dale, Pensacola FL; Michael Strong - Johanna Strong,
Winfield IL; Graham Shorrocks, St John S NL

CONNECTICUT RIVER VALLEY KO BRACKET 4

16 Tables

Mary Ellen Lemieux, E Longmeadow MA; Betty Fulton,
Birmingham AL; Nea Willits, Paget Bermuda; Julia Lunn,
Hamilton Bermuda

vs

Mark Yesley - Marlene Yesley, Newton MA; Jori Grossack, Waban
MA; Murthy Ayyagari, North Andover MA

Robert Smink - Marjorie Smink, Newtown Sq PA; Mike Giesler,
Philadelphia PA; Brigitte Smith, Havertown PA

vs

Diane Winiger - Ofra Blonder, New York NY; Bruce Macfarlane,
Quincy MA; Gordon Kiernan, New Fairfield CT

CONNECTICUT RIVER VALLEY KO BRACKET 5

16 Tables

Ken Hardy - Olof Hardy, Selkirk MB; Eileen Grady, Burlington
ON; Helga Baldwinson, Calgary AB

vs

Kathy Rolfe, Lake Winnebago MO; Eric Rolfe, Kansas City MO;
Joan Klause, Linwood NJ; Roger Read, Somers Point NJ

Robert Klopp, New Haven CT; Robert Hawes, Hamden CT; Edith
Blish, Rumford RI; Elizabeth Fitton, Westport MA

vs

Ottmar Danner - Claude Danner, S Yarmouth MA; Ed Kineke -
Joyce Kineke, Harwich Port MA

TODAY'S SENIOR KNOCKOUT PAIRING

39 Tables

Richard DeMartino, Riverside CT; John Stiefel, Wethersfield CT;
Geoffrey Brod, Naples FL; Pat McDevitt, Brookline MA

vs

Reese Milner, Los Angeles CA; Sam Lev, New York NY; Fred
Chang, Flushing NY; Matt Granovetter, Cincinnati OH; Per Olof
Sundelin, Stockholm Sweden; John Carruthers, Toronto ON

70.00 3/4 Hamish Bennett, Menlo Park CA; Gene
Simpson, San Rafael CA; Fred Hamilton, Las Vegas NV; Garey
Hayden, Tucson AZ; Bruce Noda, Corte Madera CA; Mark Ralph,
San Francisco CA

70.00 3/4 Carolyn Lynch, Scottsdale AZ; Mike Passell, Las
Vegas NV; Mark Lair, Canyon TX; Melih Ozdil, Astoria NY; Neil
Chambers, Schenectady NY; John Schermer, Seattle WA

45.00 5/8 Steve Robinson, Arlington VA; Peter Boyd,
Darnestown MD; Kit Woolsey, Kensington CA; Fred Stewart,
Bloomington NY

45.00 5/8 Hansa Narasimhan, Los Altos Hills CA; Eddie
Wold, Houston TX; Bart Bramley - John Sutherlin, Dallas TX; Dan
Gerstman, Buffalo NY

45.00 5/8 Ron Smith - Linda Smith, Hixson TN; Spike Lay,
Daytona Beach FL; Larry Griffey, Vero Beach FL

45.00 5/8 Ken Cohen, Philadelphia PA; Neal Satten,
Wynnewood PA; Rick Rowland - Richard Popper, Wilmington DE

25.00 9/16 Robert Hollman, Santa Barbara CA; Marc
Jacobus, Las Vegas NV; Bruce Ferguson - Brenda Keller, Boise ID;
Dennis Clerkin - Jerry Clerkin, Bloomington IN

25.00 9/16 Pinhas Romik, Nes Zidna 74120 Israel; Adrian
Schwartz - Amos Kaminski, New York NY; Yeshayahu Levit, Tel-
Aviv Israel; George Mittelman, Toronto ON; Arno Hobart, Markham
ON

25.00 9/16 Daniel Colatosti, Boca Raton FL; John Malley,
Pascoag RI; Michael Betts, Moncton NB; Martin Caley, Montreal
QC

25.00 9/16 Kitty Cooper, Fort Collins CO; Steven Cooper, Ft
Collins CO; Murray Melton, Las Vegas NV; Simon Kantor, Agawam
MA

25.00 9/16 Leonard Melander, West Bloomfield MI; Larry
Mori, Clearwater FL; Richard Budd, Portland ME; Michael
Kovacich, Stone Mountain GA; Robert White, Raleigh NC

SCOTT LORING STRATIFIED SWISS TEAMS

44 Tables

A B C

8.19	1		Michael Innes, Portland CT; Joel Wolfe, W Hartford CT; Ellie Hanlon - Mary Savko, Tequesta FL	68.00
6.14	2		Phyllis Bausher, West Haven CT; Joseph Cappannelli, Stoneham MA; Stewart Mackeigan, Wilmington MA; Paul Burnham, Wilton CT	60.00
4.61	3		David Becher, Danvers MA; Alan Watson, Lexington MA; Larry Bausher, West Haven CT; Glenn McIntyre, Bedford MA	59.00
3.46	4		Claire Tornay, Palm Beach Gdns FL; Nadine Wood, Silver Spring MD; Rozanne Pollack, Basking Ridge NJ; Karen McCallum, US Candace Griffey - Larry Griffey, Vero Beach FL; Kathy Baum - Jay Baum, Germantown TN	56.00
2.27	5/6		Constance Sackville, Vero Beach FL; Dick Wilson - Marilyn Goldman, Rochester NY; Jan Stewart, Toronto ON	54.00
5.31	5/6	1	Barbara Glazerman, Newton MA; Fred Zappala, Methuen MA; Allen Post, Wayland MA; Anthony Keats, Framingham MA	50.00
3.98	2		Marise Hambrick, New Orleans LA; Celine Poulin, Chicoutimi QC; Ian Grant, Venice FL; Bonnie Gariglio, Tampa FL	47.00
2.99	3	1	Catherine Miller - Hugh Miller, Houston TX; Art McHaffie - Joy McHaffie, Santa Fe NM	46.00
2.24	4		Claude Tremblay - Muriel Tremblay, Niagara On Lake ON; Tony Viidik - Joan Viidik, Waterloo ON	45.00
1.68	5		C Suzanne Erwin - Robert Erwin, Portsmouth RI; Beverly Grushkin - Arnold Grushkin, Indio CA	39.00
1.26	6		Robert Eachus, Nashua NH; Alice Hall, Upper Saddle Rv NJ; Teresa Martin, Anchorage AK; Barbara McCormick, Polson MT	37.00
1.82		2		

MARK TWAIN STRATIFIED OPEN PAIRS

34.5 Tables / Based on 90 Tables

A B

28.40	1		Lyle Poe Jr, Ellicott City MD; Thomas Weik, Reading PA	62.67%
21.30	2		Lloyd Arvedon, Bedford MA; Tom Macbeth, Westford MA	59.30%
15.98	3		Joan Jackson - Petra Hamman, Dallas TX	58.29%
11.98	4		Arnold Fisher, Clementon NJ; Zeke Jabbour, Boca Raton FL	57.41%
9.47	5		Hansa Narasimhan, Los Altos Hills CA; Eddie Wold, Houston TX	56.65%
8.11	6		Mark Aquino, Jamaica Plain MA; Chandler Gibbs Jr, Poughkeepsie NY	56.35%
7.10	7		Judy Bramley - Bart Bramley, Dallas TX	56.09%
6.31	8		Bonnie Bagley, Colorado Spgs CO; Ken Monzingo, San Diego CA	56.08%
7.08	9	1	Murat Azizoglu, Concord MA; Jan Popiel, Lexington MA	56.08%
5.31	10	2	Marcello Gambacorta - Barbra Arnold, White Plains NY	55.88%
4.73	11		Doris Staubi, White Plains NY; Lawrence Christianson, Pleasantville NY	55.48%
4.37	12	3	Otis Bricker, Wyncote PA; Steven Willner, Needham MA	55.09%
4.06	13		Carlos Munoz - Fred Hawa, White Plains NY	54.87%
3.79	14		Boris Baran, Cote Saint-Luc QC; Richard Zucker, Dobbs Ferry NY	54.67%
3.55	15		Arnold Berman, Rehoboth MA; Walter Fontaine, North Providenc RI	54.51%
3.34	16		Rhonda Foster - Gerry McCully, New Westminster BC	53.88%
3.16	17		Alan Messer, Toledo OH; Amalya Kearsse, New York NY	53.87%
2.99	18		Ronald Burt, Hooksett NH; Doree Sobel, Fair Lawn NJ	53.38%
2.84	19		Jane Segal, Villanova PA; Mary Gorkin, Hallandale Bch FL	52.98%
2.99		4	John Babb, New Paltz NY; Henryk Szejnwald, Los Altos CA	52.64%
2.36		5	Steven Jacob, Birmingham MI; Norm Bash, West Bloomfield MI	52.35%
2.02		6	Cong Shi, Cambridge MA; Mo Chen, Somerville MA	51.79%

MONDAY-WEDNESDAY AFT/EVE SIDE SERIES

29.0 Tables

A B C

5.92	1		John Gustafson - Helen Gustafson, Des Moines IA	65.06%
4.25	2/3	1/2	Chuck Greenslit, Framingham MA; John Pararas, Needham MA	63.30%
4.25	2/3	1/2	Daniel Landry, Hubley NS; Patricia Morrison, Wellington NS	63.30%
2.50	4		Michele Foran, Oconomowoc WI; William Malesevich, Mayville WI	62.66%
2.24	5		Thomas Corlett - Ethel Corlett, Waco TX	62.50%
2.73	6/7	3/4	1 John Byers, Newton MA; Michael Mitzenmacher, Pls Vrds Pnsl CA	61.22%
2.39	6/7	3/4	Debra Wilhelmi - Russell Johnson, Olympia WA	61.22%
1.37		5/6	Anne Derkat - Floyd Derkat, Edmonton AB	60.26%
1.34		5/6	Michael Blaher, Apopka FL; Mara Tuttle, Lake Mary FL	60.26%
2.05		2	Edward Hoffer - Pamela Hoffer, Marion MA	54.01%
1.54		3	Roger Marchand - Junice Marchand, The Villages FL	51.60%
1.15		4	Roy Copen, Jefferson City MO; Rita Brizel, New York NY	50.80%
0.76		5/6	Christopher Gorton - Cynthia Gorton, Roxbury MA	50.64%
1.07		5/6	Shelia Schwab - William Schwab, Boston MA	50.64%

TODAY'S SENIOR KNOCKOUT PAIRING (continued)

25.00 9/16 Lewis Gartner, Brookline MA; Robert McCaw, Sudbury MA; William Hunter, Reading MA; Shome Mukherjee, Randolph MA; Chuck Said, Nashville TN; John Russell, North Barrington IL

25.00 9/16 Ron Gerard, White Plains NY; Mark Feldman, Hoboken NJ; Ernesto Dorsi, Sao Paulo Sp 05 Brazil; Marcelo Branco, Rio De Janeiro Brazil; Marcelo Amaral - Eduardo Vianna, Sao Paulo Brazil

25.00 9/16 James Marsh Sternberg, Palm Bch Grdns FL; John Solodar, Palm Beach Gdns FL; Claude Vogel, Chicago IL; Sangarapil Mohan, Oak Brook IL; Robert Gardner, Glenview IL; Craig Gardner, Streamwood IL

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Charlottesville, VA — Jan. 12-18, DoubleTree Hotel (434) 973-2121. First-time venue near the University of Virginia and all things Jeffersonian. Co-chair: Meg Massie (434) 825-2769, jianantonio@yahoo.com.

Wilmington, NC — Feb. 16-22, Hilton Riverside (910) 763-5900. An early taste of spring on the Cape Fear River. Our host property recently completed a \$10 million renovation. Co-chair: David Klein (910) 763-4079, klein4@earthlink.net.

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Greenville, SC — June 8-14, Hyatt Regency (864) 235-1234. One of our nicest venues, with loads of shops and restaurants a short walk away in a revitalized downtown. Co-chair: Jim Villanueva (864) 322-6153, jaimepvillanueva@aol.com.

Hunt Valley, MD — Aug. 17-23, Baltimore Marriott Hunt Valley Inn (410) 785-7000. The countryside near Baltimore is a major annual draw for bridge players up and down the East Coast. Chair: Patricia Wilson (410) 785-7700, valleybrdg@cs.com.

Atlanta, GA — Sept. 1-7, Crowne Plaza Ravinia (770) 395-7700. This venue always sells out quickly, but there are plenty of other nearby properties. Chair: Jack Feagin (404) 252-9246, jfeagin2@bellsouth.net.

Ocean City, MD — Oct. 19-25, Princess Royale (410) 524-7777. Bring a friend, or friends, and book a two-room suite or condo in Maryland's premier resort community. Chair: Jean McKenney (410) 749-5178, dpgamckenney@cs.com.

Augusta, GA — Oct. 26-Nov. 1, Augusta Marriott Hotel & Suites (706) 722-8900. In springtime, it's the Masters, but in October, enjoy the autumn weather along the Savannah River. Co-chair: Ray Coleman (706) 833-6496, csrabridge@yahoo.com.

Myrtle Beach, SC — Dec. 28-Jan. 3, Marriott Resort at Grande Dunes (843) 449-8880. Begin 2010 on one of the nation's most popular beaches. Host property is an up-scale resort, but the rate is just \$89. Co-chair: Evelyn Brandon (843) 449-3279, cbandon@sc.rr.com.

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Boston 1999: A look back

This is the fifth NABC held in Boston. The Fall of 1999 was the last time an NABC was here, and there were 12,749 tables in play. The previous Boston NABCs were all Summer affairs: 1970, 1981 and 1990.

It was announced that John Mohan was the Player of the Year, winning 832.78 platinum masterpoints at the three NABCs. Chip Martel was named Honorary Member for 2000. Glenn Smith was announced as the 2000 ACBL president. Two players were inducted into the ACBL Hall of Fame: George Rosenkranz and Meyer Schleifer. Jeff Meckstroth was named Player of the Decade.

The final of the Internet World Championship was held in Boston. Without ever touching a card, a United States team defeated a Russian squad 123-69. The U.S. team was Paul Soloway, Eric Rodwell, Marty Seligman, Doug Simson, John Schuler and Michael Crawford. The original field was 172 teams from 33 countries and played online at OKbridge.

Some of the familiar names who won the major events included: Mildred Breed, Shawn Quinn, Paul Soloway, Steve Catlett, the Lynn Baker team, the Rita Shugart team, Jill Meyers, John Mohan, Billy Eisenberg, David Berkowitz and Larry Cohen.

There were many exciting deals played. Here are some of them (rotated):

The paths of glory

By Barry Rigal

They lead but to the grave, as the poet says. The first round of the tournament often is a good indicator of how the event will go. Here, Board 8 was a clue that the gods would not be running my way:

Dir: East ♠ K Q 9 5
Vul: None ♥ A K J
 ♦ 7 4 3
 ♣ A J 8

 ♠ A 7 6 2
 ♥ 10 8 5 2
 ♦ A 9
 ♣ K 10 2

West	North	East	South
	Schneider		Rigal
		Pass	Pass
4♦	Dbf	Pass	4♥
All Pass			

4♥ by South is not such an unreasonable spot, is it? West led the ♦Q, low, king and taken by the ace. West is "known" to be 7-1. I led a heart from

Boston 1999: A look back (continued)

hand and West showed out — ugh! Not to worry — I would still be well placed if the spades were 3–2. I put in the ♥J and East won to return another heart.

I cashed the top hearts, and then cashed the spade king (West dropping the 10) and another spade to my ace. I intended to cash the ♥10 and play winners. Sooner or later, East would ruff and be endplayed in clubs. Spades were 4–1, however, with East holding four. Because West was now known to be 7–5 in the minors, I could still hope to cash three clubs with the aid of the finesse. Again, East could ruff in, but would be endplayed to lead a spade into the tenace. When I took the club finesse, however, East won the ♣Q (doubleton), and I was one down. The spade endplay still held my losses to minus 50, but it was yet another case of what might have been.

Here is the complete deal:

<p>♠ K Q 9 5 ♥ A K J ♦ 7 4 3 ♣ A J 8</p> <p>♠ 10 ♥ — ♦ Q J 10 8 6 5 2 ♣ 7 6 5 4 3</p> <p>♠ A 7 6 2 ♥ 10 8 5 2 ♦ A 9 ♣ K 10 2</p>	<p>♠ J 8 4 3 ♥ Q 9 7 6 4 3 ♦ K ♣ Q 9</p> <p>♠ Q 7 3 ♥ 4 2 ♦ 6 ♣ K 10 9 7 6 5 2</p> <p>♠ K 6 2 ♥ K 9 6 ♦ Q J 8 7 4 ♣ Q J</p>
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What's the worst game contract you've ever seen? Well this one has to come close.

Dlr: South	♠ J 10 9 4
Vul: None	♥ A 5
	♦ A 10 9 5
	♣ 8 4 3

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

You have three top losers in aces and kings, not to mention a couple of finesses. Well, consider 5♦. All you need is a 7–1 club split with West holding the stiff ace — not too much to ask for, is it? Then on a top club lead and a heart shift, you win in hand, draw trumps with the aid of the finesse, and take the spade finesse. So long as the ♠Q is onside and the suit splits, 3–3, you can dispose of your club loser on the fourth spade.

How likely is the game to make? Well, a conservative estimate comes to .0005%. And, of course, if all that comes home, your partner will point out that 3NT would have fetched plus 430!

QUALIFIERS IN THE MINI-BLUE RIBBON PAIRS

52.0 Tables

		Carryover
1	John Klayman, Haymarket VA; Lawrence Lau, Westport CT	199.16
2	Roger Zellmer - Marvin French, San Diego CA	151.13
3	Marina Polestra, Boston MA; K Scott Kimball, Brighton MA	147.24
4	Judith Marshall, Buffalo NY; Marie Wiley, London ON	132.33
5	Susan Jackowitz - Lew Walter, New York NY	125.23
6	David Tuttle - Nancy Tuttle, Reading MA	123.57
7	Chris Coffman, West Palm Bch FL; Roger Coffman, West Palm Beach FL	121.70
8	Estelle Margolin, Rego Park NY; Lance Ribeiro, Hampstead NH	117.67
9	Saul Agranoff, Newton MA; Edward Scolnick, Wayland MA	116.42
10	Evan Markowitz, New York NY; Bruce Neiger, Merrick NY	111.53
11	Ava Grubman - Elliott Grubman, Brooklyn NY	108.69
12	Larry Rosen, Albany NY; Steven Shaye, Slingerlands NY	106.46
13	David Margolin, Rocky Hill CT; Yeong-Long Shiue, Manchester CT	104.05
14	Bernard Neuhart, Niskayuna NY; Robert Neuhart, Troy NY	98.29
15/16	Vonnie Lavender, Burke VA; Edwin Lewis III, Bolton CT	94.02
15/16	Adam Kaplan, New Port Richey FL; Donna Rodwell, Clearwater Bch FL	94.02
17	Wendy Krause - Arnold Krause, Toronto ON	86.86
18	Merle Stetser, Honolulu HI; Edward Hynes, Penobsquis NB	86.55
19	Joanne Antoniou - Jack Weingold, Boca Raton FL	85.05
20	Patricia Chambers - Robin Chambers, Palo Alto CA	82.21
21	Andy Avery, Jamaica VT; Cecily Kohler, Washington DC	81.89
22	Dick Wagman, Acton MA; Richard Freedman, N Billerica MA	80.57
23	Adam Ruprecht, Seattle WA; Andrew Hoskins, Redmond WA	79.77
24	Jack Alhale - Rozi Alhale, New York NY	79.09
25	Debbie Benner - Arthur Crystal, Fairfield CT	69.44
26	Peter Latkany, Brooklyn NY; Bonnie Britton, Staten Island NY	68.20
27	Carolyn Fox - George Fox, Manvel TX	67.89
28	William Watson, West Hartford CT; Kimberly Gilman, Carlisle MA	67.20
29	Philip Lam, North Berwick ME; Shekhar Sengupta, Marlborough MA	66.40
30	Marvin Kolodzik, Cincinnati OH; Linda Gallaher, Morehead KY	65.71
31	David Neiman, Minneapolis MN; Carol Rynders, Saint Paul MN	64.19
32	Susan Grauer - Tom Breed, Aurora CO	63.84
33	Leonard Aberbach, Wayland MA; Robin Hillyard, Carlisle MA	63.77
34	Nathan Glasser, Somerville MA; Stephen McDevitt, Medford MA	63.53
35	Sandra Nyman, Weston MA; Sarah Peeke, Wellesley MA	63.30
36	Linda Green, Westport CT; David Blackburn, Fairfield CT	61.67
37	Robert C.F. Wang, El Monte CA; Shiu-Ming Huang, San Marino CA	61.54
38	Gary Helman, Syosset NY; Malcolm Barker, Chalfont St Gil Great Britain	60.53
39	Mike Bovarnick, Mercer Island WA; Barton Buffington, North Kingstown RI	60.46
40	Serge Aronovich - Marianne Aronovich, Tuxedo Park NY	60.08
41	Albert Shrive, Dalton PA; Jim McKeown, State College PA	59.51
42	Roberta Meadow, New York NY; Michael McNamara, White Plains NY	59.04
43	Jules Schoenberg - Hazel Schoenberg, Plano TX	58.48
44	Terry Jones, Falls Church VA; Alfred Duncker, Alexandria VA	57.15
45	Kevin O'Brien, Arlington VA; Bob Allard, Murfreesboro TN	56.20
46	Daniel Neill, Lexington KY; Jason Rotenberg, Fairfield CT	54.31
47	William Riley - Nancy Riley, Silver Lake OH	51.71
48	Janet Garthe, Suttons Bay MI; Kathy Pollock, Tonawanda NY	51.40
49	Matt Meckstroth, Baltimore MD; Sally Chappleau, Vero Beach FL	50.53
50	Diana Miller, Bluffton SC; Randolph Johnson, Suffield CT	50.47
51	Richard Ekstrum, Crystal MN; Ann Borgschulte, Lexington MA	50.33
52/53	William Heess, Marlborough MA; Merril Hirsh, Washington DC	50.06
52/53	William Allison, Decatur GA; Charles Galloway, Thornhill ON	50.06
54	Paul Eberman - Madi Drimmer, Sarasota FL	47.36
55	Allen McRae, Portland ME; Roland Miller, Bowdoin ME	46.75
56	Ann Lindley, Alexandria VA; Thomas Lavender, Arlington VA	44.87
57	Otto Adamec - Greg Reich, New York NY	44.38
58	Arne Maki - Gene Maki, Dallas OR	44.25
59	Edward Rasmussen, Plymouth MA; Robert Lipton, New York NY	44.04
60	Elaine Ware, Vernon BC; Barbara Schultz, Shawnigan Lake BC	43.71
61	Andrew Skolnick, Bedford Hills NY; Greg Warden, Belmont MA	42.69
62	Russ Jones, Jonesboro AR; Ned Irving, Hot Sprgs Vlg AR	42.49
63	Lorraine Cable, Dorchester MA; Doug Anderson, Quincy MA	42.38

64	Sam Tekbas, Nepean ON; Amal Dasgupta, Wilmington DE	41.55
65	Paul Nason, Los Angeles CA; Joseph De Gaetano, Atkinson NH	40.83
66	Harjinder Ajmani, Kula HI; R Bruce Martin, Paia HI	39.89
67	Mike Develin, Mountain View CA; McKenzie Myers, Charlottesville VA	38.96
68	Paul Wolf II, Shrewsbury MA; Bernard Garbose, Worcester MA	37.71
69	Jack Greenberg - Alene Friedman, New York NY	36.95
70	Peggy Mc Cormick, Arlington TX; Michael McCormick, Fort Worth TX	36.47
71	Katie Scalamandre - Gino Scalamandre, Surfside FL	35.85
72	Natalie Bassil, Boston MA; Roger Johnson, Sarasota FL	35.72
73	Helen Colter - George Colter, Fredericton NB	33.98
74	Andrea Corbett, Tewksbury MA; Donald Caplin, Waltham MA	33.53
75	Kurt Schneider, Hudson NH; Magnus Weiman, Nashua NH	32.09
76	Roger Dunn, Longueuil QC; Richard Lesage, Montreal QC	30.25
77	Paul McDaniels, Richmond CA; Richard Reitman, Los Gatos CA	29.50
78	Stephanie Hamilton-Diesel, Saugus MA; Randy Corn, Kirkland WA	29.42
79	Winston Legge Jr - Jennie Legge, Pensacola FL	28.69
80	Linda Rothstein, New York NY; Anna Bromberg, Brooklyn NY	27.45
81	Jim Dick - Linda Dick, Woodbridge VA	26.83
82	Kimberly Fanady - Steven Kipperman, San Francisco CA	26.52
83	Buddhadeb Biswas, Lexington MA; Jeanne McKenzie, Medford MA	26.20
84	Sonja Smith, North Granby CT; David Rock, Westfield MA	25.27
85	Michael Schrage - Roberto Verthelyi, New York NY	25.11
86/87	Jack Wertheimer - Joyce Goldstein, Brooklyn NY	24.96
86/87	Sara Rothmuller, Santa Rosa CA; Laurence Hansen, Healdsburg CA	24.96
88	Jose Gaztambide, West Hartford CT; Lea Selig, W Hartford CT	22.63
89	Richard Weiss, Swampscott MA; Robert Lurie, Wayland MA	19.85
90	Paul Hattis, Newton MA; Steven Fox, Kensington MD	19.32
91	Cam Meyer, Bend OR; Matthew Mallory, San Diego CA	18.43
92	Lynn Stanley - Anne Mahoney, Moncton NB	16.34
93	Robert Shapley, Chula Vista CA; Fani Hason, San Diego CA	15.04
94	Daniel Lavee, Thornhill ON; Barbara McLendon, New York NY	14.60
95	Nicolas Hammond, Atlanta GA; Joseph Sauro, North Bay ON	13.76
96	Jon Downing, Solihull England; Liam Johnstone, Birmingham England	13.18
97	Edward Wilson, Airmont NY; Paul Fagan, Suffern NY	12.74
98	Hope Wener, Montreal QC; Deanna Godel, Cote Saint-Luc QC	11.29
99	Vera Martson, Norman OK; Robert Michaud, Sun City West AZ	10.81
100	Grant Vance - Gregory Vance, San Leandro CA	9.58
101	A Beth Reid, Louisville KY; Julia Bomalaski, Cocoa Beach FL	8.16
102	Katherine Rabenstein, Washington DC; James Andre, Sugar Land TX	7.54
103	Collis James Jackson, Brookline NH; Alan Frantz, Wayland MA	5.61
104	Mario Mory - Phyllis Mory, Los Angeles CA	0.00

Boston 1999: A look back (continued)**Combine your chances***By Barry Rigal*

While a fair percent of the field reached 4♠ on this deal with mixed success, 2♠ was a sensible partscore:

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

The ♣6 was the usual lead from West, and declarer usually put up the king to muddy the waters. When East takes the ace, he has the problem of whether to play to give partner a ruff or cash the hearts. It looks reasonable to return a club, I think.

Now declarer takes the ♣J and has to decide what to do next. Obviously, he has two potential winners in dummy for his heart losers. If diamonds are 3-3, he might emerge with 11 tricks, but if he plays for 11, he might finish with only nine winners. For example, if he tests diamonds and the suit is 4-2, he might not get the discard on the club in time.

The best play is to enlist the opposition's help by leading the ♦Q before cashing the ♠A K. Both defenders can be relied on to give count, assuming their partner has the ♦A. When the suit seems to be 3-3, declarer can cash the top spades, play two more rounds of diamonds and follow with the ♣Q. When the same hand is long in both black suits, declarer can discard both his hearts for a valuable extra trick.

Lifetime Top MP Holders as of 11.7.08

(Deceased players in italic.)

	<i>Paul Soloway</i>	65,511.92	15.	Bob Hamman, Dallas TX	30,657.56	33.	Marc Jacobus, Las Vegas NV	24,532.48
1.	Mike Passell, Las Vegas NV	61,143.37	16.	Peter Weichsel, Encinitas CA	30,197.61	34.	Peter A. Boyd, Darnestown MD	24,479.93
2.	Jeff Meckstroth, Tampa FL	60,846.18	17.	Robert J. Levin, Bronx NY	29,756.46	35.	David A. Siebert, Little Rock AR	24,070.80
3.	Eddie Wold, Houston TX	53,079.77	18.	Zeke Jabbour, Boca Raton FL	29,552.71	36.	Bruce J. Ferguson, Boise ID	24,067.30
4.	Mark Lair, Canyon TX	52,330.63	19.	David Berkowitz, Boca Raton FL	28,833.30	37.	Jim Kirkham, Leawood KS	24,019.60
5.	Eric Rodwell, Clearwater Bch FL	49,801.22	20.	Bobby Wolff, Las Vegas NV	28,512.40	38.	Lew Stansby, Dublin CA	23,573.62
6.	Grant Baze, San Diego CA	41,250.33	21.	Gaylor L. Kasle, Boca Raton FL	28,411.90	39.	Larry N. Cohen, Boca Raton FL	23,491.26
	<i>Ronald E. Andersen</i>	38,351.00	22.	Gene Freed, Los Angeles CA	28,378.05	40.	George B. Bloomer, Pittsboro NC	23,481.73
7.	Michael Seamon, Hollywood FL	35,205.28	23.	Allan P. Siebert, Little Rock AR	28,109.24	41.	Ron Smith, San Francisco CA	23,191.08
	<i>Barry Crane</i>	35,135.80	24.	Lynn Deas, Schenectady NY	27,085.84		<i>Hermine Baron</i>	22,654.52
8.	Mark Itabashi, Murrieta CA	34,567.40	25.	Geoff T. Hampson, Las Vegas NV	27,040.75	42.	Donald Stack, Overland Park KS	22,650.85
9.	Garey M. Hayden, Tucson AZ	34,201.01	26.	Gene Simpson, San Rafael CA	26,540.28	43.	Jo Morse, Palm Bch Gdns FL	22,643.35
10.	Steve W. Robinson, Arlington VA	34,011.62	27.	Curtis S. Cheek, Las Vegas NV	26,122.99	44.	Michael Lawrence, Brentwood TN	22,566.16
11.	Fred Hamilton, Las Vegas NV	32,762.29		<i>Bobby Goldman</i>	25,925.15	45.	John Mohan, Mexico	22,542.60
12.	Chuck Said, Nashville TN	30,994.52	28.	<i>David L. Adams</i>	25,817.30	46.	Kerri Sanborn, Stony Point NY	22,289.55
13.	Alan M. Sontag, Gaithersburg MD	30,932.58	29.	Michael Shuman, Pasadena CA	25,444.68	47.	Alan C. Bell, Anaheim CA	22,073.16
14.	Alan Stout, Mountain Home AR	30,900.93	30.	David Treadwell, Wilmington DE	25,411.79	48.	Glenn Lublin, Silver Spring MD	21,933.18
			31.	Roger W. Bates, Mesa AZ	25,380.81	49.	Ron L. Smith, Hixson TN	21,885.23
				John C. Sutherlin, Dallas TX	25,371.98	50.	Kyle A. Larsen, San Francisco CA	21,661.11
				<i>Jim Jacoby</i>	25,226.49			
			32.	Mary Jane Farell, Los Angeles CA	24,831.69			

Stansby top MP earner at '07 Fall NABC

Lew Stansby earned 375.28 masterpoints at the Fall NABC in San Francisco, more than any other player in the tournament, to win the Lou Herman Trophy, given in recognition of the feat.



As a member of the winning squad in the Mitchell Open Board-a Match Teams, Stansby earned 140 points. Playing with the same squad, he finished second in the Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams for 150 points. A ninth-place finish in the Nail Life Master Pairs netted him an additional 35.71 masterpoints, and his 14th-place effort in the Blue Ribbon Pairs provided another 49.57 points. Stansby, however, is the last winner of the Herman Trophy: It is being re-christened as the Paul Soloway Trophy and will be awarded annually to the Player of the Year for the individual who earns the most Platinum points in a year.

The new trophy that will be given in honor of the top masterpoint winner at the Fall NABC will now be called the **Goren Trophy**.

Early winners of the Lou Herman Trophy were:

1952	Al Roth
1953	John Crawford
1954	Paul Hodge
1955	Milt Ellenby
1956	Paul Hodge
1957	Lew Mathe
1958	Sylvia Stein
1959	Mort Rubinow
1960	Oswald Jacoby
1961	Phil Feldesman
1962	Marshall Miles

Here are the winners — and their point totals — since 1962. An asterisk indicates the record was broken that year.

1963	Eric Murray	211
1964	Harold Rockaway	180
1965	Mike Lawrence	211
1966	Charles Coon	144
1967	Sami Kehela	155
1968	Henry Bethe	144
1969	Sylvia Stein	150
1970	Ira Rubin, Chuck Burger	154
1971	John Grantham	150
1972	Steve Robinson	181
1973	Larry Cohen	207
1974	Fred Hamilton	202
1975	Walt Walvick	171
1976	Paul Soloway	199
1977	John Mohan	160
1978	Bob Hamman	165
1979	Robert Levin	233*

QUALIFIERS IN THE KAPLAN BLUE RIBBON PAIRS

65.0 Tables

1	Gavin Wolpert, New York NY; Ron Smith, San Francisco CA	705.11
2	Michael Rosenberg, New Rochelle NY; Richard Zeckhauser, Cambridge MA	688.94
3	Brian Senior, Nottingham England; Nigel Bird, London England	677.02
4	Michael Becker, Boca Raton FL; Aubrey Strul, Delray Beach FL	674.47
5	Daniel Wilderman, Brooklyn NY; Kenneth Zuckerberg, Chicago IL	665.53
6	Robert Hampton, Blythewood SC; Steve Weinstein, Andes NY	663.25
7	David Gold, Reading R Great Britain; Sarah Dunn, London United Kingdom	662.98
8	David Hoffner, Smithville NJ; Mark Dahl, Richmond VA	654.89
9	Glenn Milgrim, Forest Hills NY; Robert Levin, Bronx NY	651.91
10	Benito Garozzo - Lea Dupont, Palm Beach FL	648.09
11	Laurie Kranyak - John Kranyak, Bay Village OH	645.11
12	Jerry Helms - Robert Bitterman, Charlotte NC	644.82
13	Alan Osofsky, Palm Beach FL; Alan Sontag, Gaithersburg MD	644.26
14	Bas Drijver - Bob Drijver, Capelle Aan Den Netherlands	642.98
15	Berry Westra, Netherlands; Vincent Ramondt, Alphen Aan Den, Netherlands	641.28
16	Steve Reed, Arlington VA; Jeff Roman, Alexandria VA	640.85
17	Lynn Deas, Schenectady NY; Nikolay Demirev, Arlington Hts IL	638.30
18/19	Gary Macgregor, Portola Valley CA; Mike Cailean, Santa Clara CA	635.32
18/19	David Yang, Chicago IL; Jeff Fang, Arcadia CA	635.32
20	Ahmed Hussein - Tarek Sadek, Cairo Egypt	634.89
21	John Onstott, New Orleans LA; Jim Krekorian, New York NY	632.87
22	Johan Sylvan - Marten Gustawsson, Stockholm Sweden	631.06
23/24	Martin Fleisher, New York NY; Michael Kamil, Holmdel NJ	629.79
23/24	Salvador Assael, Alsancak Turkey; Yalcin Atabey, Selomigesme Ist Turkey	629.79
25	Jon Baldursson, Hafnarfjordur Iceland; Thorlakur Jonsson, 200 Kopavogur Iceland	628.63
26	Harold Feldheim, Hamden CT; Mike Cappelletti Sr, Alexandria VA	627.66
27	David Ewart, London England; Andrew McIntosh, London Wc England	626.81
28	Geoff Hampson, Las Vegas NV; John Diamond, Boca Raton FL	622.98
29	Joanna Stansby - Lew Stansby, Dublin CA	620.85
30/31	Andy Bowles - Shireen Mohandes, London N195lh England	618.30
30/31	Morrie Kleinplatz, Windsor ON; Dwight Bender, London ON	618.30
32/33	John Hurd, New York NY; Joel Wooldridge, Glenside PA	616.60
32/33	Apolinary Kowalski, Warsaw 0 Poland; Piotr Tuszynski, Warsaw Poland	616.60
34	Gerry Marshall, Las Varas Mexico; Hendrik Sharples, Brush Prairie WA	615.11
35	Ai-Tai Lo, Reston VA; Alan Schwartz, Fairfax VA	614.47
36/37	Yeshayahu Levit, Tel-Aviv Israel; Amos Kaminski, New York NY	614.04
36/37	Ellen Kent, Marina Del Rey CA; Robert Kent, Marina DI Rey CA	614.04
38	Kevin Collins, Dunwoody GA; Patricia Tucker, Atlanta GA	612.94
39	Louk Verhees, 2215 SH Voorhou Netherlands; Jan Jansma, Malden Netherlands	611.91
40	Russell Samuel, Glen Cove NY; Sidney Brownstein, Santa Monica CA	611.49
41	Marion Michielsen, 3024 AM Rotterd Netherlands; Meike Wortel, Amsterdam	608.09
42	George Krizel, Fstrvl Trvose PA; Oleg Rubinchik, Brooklyn NY	608.02
43	F Ruth Tate - J Howard Tate, Toronto ON	607.66
44	Kazuo K. Furuta, Kanagawa-Ken 21 Japan; Hiroki Yokoi, Tokyo Japan	607.22
45/46	Eric Rodwell, Clearwater Bch FL; Jeff Meckstroth, Tampa FL	606.81
45/46	Tommy Garvey, Essex Cm145ww England; David Bakhshi, London England	606.81
47	Justin Lall - Kevin Bathurst, New York NY	606.38
48	Robert Lebi, Toronto ON; Dan Jacob, Vancouver BC	605.53
49	Manuel Capucho, Leboa Portugal; Maria Capucho, Esboa Portugal	604.68
50	Richard Popper, Wilmington DE; Stephen McConnell, Evanston IL	603.97
51	Fred King, Falls Church VA; Robert Bell, Washington DC	603.40
52	Linda Smith - Ron Smith, Hixson TN	603.23
53	Jacob Morgan, Madison WI; Michael Polowan, New York NY	602.98
54/55	Michael Gamble, Shawnigan Lake BC; Piotr Klimowicz, Edmonton AB	601.70
54/55	Robert Heitzman Jr, Suffern NY; Warren Rosner, White Plains NY	601.70
56	Jessica Piafsky, New York NY; Johan Upmark, Stockholm Sweden	601.28
57	Farid Assemi, Fresno CA; Edward Wojewoda, Clovis CA	600.00
58	Emma Sjoberg, Linkoping Sweden; Sandra Rimstedt, Haverdal, Sweden	599.15
59	Douglas Doub, W Hartford CT; Adam Wildavsky, New York NY	597.69
60/61	Jaggy Shivdasani - Winthrop Allegaert, New York NY	596.60
60/61	Robb Gordon, Sedona AZ; Steven Cooper, Ft Collins CO	596.60
62	William Pettis, Silver Spring MD; Frederick Allenspach, Plantation FL	595.32
63	Jeffrey Rothstein - Allen Kahn, New York NY	594.04
64/65	Charles Reich - Ron Haack, New York NY	592.77

Carryover

64/65	Julie Kraus, Southfield MI; Chuck Messinger, Kinmount ON	592.77
66	Aaron Silverstein - Andrew Rosenthal, New York NY	592.34
67	Melody Bi, Woodbury MN; Pinpin Deng, Hackettstown NJ	590.89
68/69	Stephen Landen, Ellicott City MD; Pratap Rajadhyaksha, Venice FL	590.64
68/69	Alan Kleist, Cheverly MD; Tim Crank, Cincinnati OH	590.64
70	Daniela von Arnim, Hockenh Germany; Sabine Auken, Charlottenlund Denmark	590.38
71	Roy Welland - Brian Glubok, New York NY	589.79
72	Kit Woolsey, Kensington CA; Fred Stewart, Bloomington NY	589.72
73/74	Ron Zambonini, Nepean ON; Waldemar Frukacz, Gloucester ON	589.36
73/74	Norman Rubin, Monticello NY; Jonathan Green, Kingston NY	589.36
75	Anton Blagov, Richmond Hill ON; Ivan Popivanov, Toronto ON	588.94
76	Peter Boyd, Darnestown MD; Steve Robinson, Arlington VA	588.27
77	Omer Ekinci - Erez Hendelman, New York NY	586.81
78	Bob Gwartzman, Brooklyn NY; Ira Ewen, New York NY	585.53
79	Per-Ola Cullin, Stockholm Sweden; Andrea Hayman, New York NY	584.83
80	Mark Donovan - Shona Donovan, Kingston ON	584.26
81	James Cayne, New York NY; Michael Seamon, Hollywood FL	582.98
82	Sathya Bettadapura, Campbell CA; Ed Freeman, Portland OR	582.55
83	Alison Wilson - Migry Zur Campanile, New York NY	582.13
84/85	Tom Hanlon, Dublin 6 Ireland; Paul Hackett, Manchester England	580.00
84/85	Beata Czachor, Tampa FL; Rahn Smith, Brandon FL	580.00
86	David Berkowitz - Larry Cohen, Boca Raton FL	579.57
87	Kujawa Krzysztof, Lublin Poland; Piotr Kucharski, Poland	578.93
88/89	Ron Pachtmann, Kfar Saba Israel; Eldad Ginossar, Moshav Zofit Israel	578.30
88/89	Thomas Carmichael, Kennesaw GA; Mike Cappelletti, Hixson TN	578.30
90	Gary Philips, Liverpool NY; Richard Hartz, Utica NY	577.45
91	Jacek Poletylo - Mareu Wojcicki, Lublin Poland	576.02
92	Nadia Koch, Copenhagen Denmark; Lars Ritzman, Stockholm Sweden	575.74
93	Martin De Knijff, Las Vegas NV; Frederic Wrang, Stockholm Sweden	574.89
94	Gary Gottlieb, Brooklyn NY; Peter Fredin, Malmo Sweden	573.62
95	Robert White, Raleigh NC; Michael Kovacich, Stone Mountain GA	573.38
96	Lynda Rosenblatt, Passaic NJ; Marvin Rosenblatt, Hartford CT	573.19
97	Tadashi Teramoto, Tokyo Japan; Kyoko Shimamura, Tokyo Japan	572.78
98	Gerald Lackner, San Rafael CA; Hans Kadletz, Graz Austria	572.77
99	Robert McKinnon, Paisley Scotland; Ian Patrick, Wishaw Scotland	571.91
100/101	Michael Moss, New York NY; Nicolas L'Ecuyer, Montreal QC	571.49
100/101	Bronia Jenkins, Vero Beach FL; Linda Perlman, Lake Park FL	571.49
102	Kamla Chawla - David Kowarsky, Longmeadow MA	570.64
103	Marvin Deneroff, North Bergen NJ; Cheryl Porter-Garofalo, Ridgefield Park NJ	570.21
104	Joel Datloff, Vancouver WA; Paul O'Brien, Portland OR	569.96
105	Bob Hamman - Hemant Lall, Dallas TX	568.99
106	Michael Roche, Victoria BC; John Rayner, Mississauga ON	568.51
107	Chip Martel, Davis CA; Zia Mahmood, New York NY	568.09
108	Lynne Schaefer, Ellicott City MD; Martha Katz, Hinsdale IL	567.78
109	Alan Applebaum, Brookline MA; Victor King, Hartford CT	567.66
110	William Rouse - Bert Newman, West Bloomfield MI	567.23
111	Norberto Bocchi, Barcelona Spain; George Jacobs, Hinsdale IL	566.38
112	Shane Blanchard - Robert Blanchard, New York NY	565.53
113	Phyllis Chase, Providence RI; Juan Castillo, Wilton Manors FL	565.11
114	Jiang Gu, Mountain Lakes NJ; Xiaodong Shi, Naperville IL	564.26
115	Marcelo Branco, Rio De Janeiro Brazil; Eduardo Vianna, Sao Paulo Brazil	563.83
116/117	Susan Ostrowski, Burlington MA; Bruce Greenspan, Naples FL	562.55
116/117	Andrew Garnett, Raleigh NC; Haig Tchamitch, Scottsdale AZ	562.55
118	Jill Meyers, Santa Monica CA; Jill Levin, Bronx NY	561.28
119	Barry Rigal, New York NY; Jeff Aker, Briarcliff NY	560.85
120	Jan Van Cleeff, Haag Netherlands; David Kendrick, Royston Herts England	560.00
121	David Lindop - Doug Baxter, Toronto ON	558.30
122/123	John Sutherlin, Dallas TX; Dan Gerstman, Buffalo NY	557.87
122/123	Margot Hennings - Donald Hennings, Annandale VA	557.87
124	Paul Bethe, New York NY; Kitty Cooper, Fort Collins CO	557.45
125/126	Rich Rothwarf, Philadelphia PA; Hank Youngerman, Jacksonville FL	556.17
125/126	Cameron Doner, Richmond BC; Eugene Saxe, Briarcliff NY	556.17
127	Alfredo Versace - Ercole Bove, Rome Italy	554.47
128	Robert Gardner, Glenview IL; Sangarapil Mohan, Oak Brook IL	553.62
129	Jon Sveindal, Bergen Norway; Allan Falk, Okemos MI	551.91
130	Ari Greenberg, San Francisco CA; Rick Roeder, San Diego CA	545.11

Herman Trophy (continued)

1980	Jeff Meckstroth	225
1981	Chip Martel	225
1982	Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell	191
1983	Marty Bergen	233*
1984	Grant Baze	200
1985	Eric Rodwell	364.75*
1986	Kit Woolsey, Ed Manfield	211.55
1987	Jill Meyers	176.00
1988	Bob Hamman	269.55
1989	Mark Molson	253.71
1990	Eddie Wold	276.26
1991	David Berkowitz	356.65
1992	Haig Tchamitch	201.66
1993	Bob Hamman	355.13
1994	Mark Lair	365.06*
1995	Jeff Meckstroth	407.77*
1996	Michael Rosenberg	445.77*
1997	Bart Bramley, Sidney Lazard	320.31
1998	Eric Rodwell	328.59
1999	Geir Helgemo	449.37*
2000	George Jacobs	365.22
2001	George Jacobs, Alfredo Versace	333.75
2002	Dan Morse	388.81
2003	Geoff Hampson	374.79
2004	Jeff Meckstroth	381.16
2005	Zia Mahmood	416.88
2006	Drew Casen, Jim Krekorian	334.13
2007	Lew Stansby	375.28



Second in the Marsha May Sternberg Women's Board-a-Match Teams were Disa Eythorsdottir, Valerie Westheimer, Marion Michielsen and Meike Wortel.

Go to your room to sleep

The NABC organizing committee and the host hotels have requested that bridge players refrain from sleeping in any of the public areas.

Tournament Terminology 101

If you're confused by the terms used to describe the different types of bridge events played at clubs and tournaments, you're not alone. Here's a list of common bridge events with explanations.

Knockout Teams: an event in which a team (of four, five or six players — with four playing at a time) plays another team. The losers are eliminated or “knocked out” while the winners play other winners until only one winning team remains.

The length of a KO match may vary from a single session to a full day (the Vanderbilt and Spingold) to a multi-day event (the Bermuda Bowl).

Bracketed Knockout Teams: a KO event in which teams are divided into groups — usually of 8, 16 or 32 teams — based on their masterpoint holdings. The top group — Bracket I — and all other groups compete in a separate event with their own set of winners.

Compact Knockout Teams: a shorter version of Bracketed KO teams.

Swiss Teams: an event in which a team (of four, five or six players — with four playing at a time) plays other teams in seven-, eight- or nine-board matches. Team A sits North-South at Table 1 and East-West at Table 2 while Team B sits East-West at Table 1 and North-South at Table 2. The results are compared and scored by International Match Points (IMPs).

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

International Match Points (IMPs): the most common method of scoring Swiss Team matches. Scoring example: if Team A scores plus 620 for

bidding and making 4♠ on a particular deal and Team B scores only plus 170 (they didn't bid the game), the difference is 450 — which converts to 10 IMPs. The IMP chart is shown on the inside of your convention card.

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

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

Flighted pairs: When flighting is used, the field is divided by expertise or experience or both into several separate games. Flight A — “unlimited masterpoints” — will be open to all players while the remaining flights will be limited. Flight B might be 0-500 MPs or 0-1000 MPs while Flight C might be 0-300 or 0-500.

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

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

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

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

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

Example: A = 1000+ masterpoints; B = 300-1000; C = 0-300.

Thus, the most experienced players are placed in Strat A, intermediate players in Strat B and less experienced players in Strat C. Masterpoints are awarded for placings in all strats but gold points are awarded only in A and B.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Strati-Flighted Pairs: The top group plays in a game of their own — Flight A. The rest of the field is divided into strats and plays as in a regular stratified pairs.

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

MINI-BLUE RIBBON PAIRS 2ND QUALIFYING SESSION

NORTH-SOUTH		EAST-WEST			
SECTIONS	EE FF GG				
1	Chris Coffman, West Palm Bch FL; Roger Coffman, West Palm Beach FL	61.54%	1	John Klayman, Haymarket VA; Lawrence Lau, Westport CT	69.69%
2	Wendy Krause - Arnold Krause, Toronto ON	59.87%	2	David Tuttle - Nancy Tuttle, Reading MA	64.07%
3	Nathan Glasser, Somerville MA; Stephen McDevitt, Medford MA	59.11%	3	Vonnie Lavender, Burke VA; Edwin Lewis III, Bolton CT	61.08%
4	Clayton Parker - Edith Parker, Surprise AZ	59.01%	4	William Riley - Nancy Riley, Silver Lake OH	58.60%
5	Larry Rosen, Albany NY; Steven Shaye, Slingerlands NY	57.69%	5	Arne Maki - Gene Maki, Dallas OR	57.74%
6	Harjinder Ajmani, Kula HI; R Bruce Martin, Paia HI	57.39%	6	Paul Nason, Los Angeles CA; Joseph De Gaetano, Atkinson NH	57.69%
7	Linda Green, Westport CT; David Blackburn, Fairfield CT	57.29%	7	Adam Kaplan, New Port Richey FL; Donna Rodwell, Clearwater Bch FL	57.34%
8	Lorraine Cable, Dorchester MA; Doug Anderson, Quincy MA	55.36%	8	Saul Agranoff, Newton MA; Edward Scolnick, Wayland MA	57.24%
9	Susan Grauer - Tom Breed, Aurora CO	53.74%	9	Sonja Smith, North Granby CT; David Rock, Westfield MA	56.88%
10	Katherine Rabenstein, Washington DC; James Andre, Sugar Land TX	53.54%	10	Kimberly Fanady - Steven Kipperman, San Francisco CA	56.73%
11	Steven Ansell, Hopkinton MA; Joyce Pearson, Framingham MA	53.49%	11	A Beth Reid, Louisville KY; Julia Bomalaski, Cocoa Beach FL	56.12%
12/13	Marvin Kolodzik, Cincinnati OH; Linda Gallaher, Morehead KY	53.44%	12	Mike Develin, Mountain View CA; McKenzie Myers, Charlottesville VA	55.16%
12/13	Lauren Block, Manhasset NY; Howard Friedman, Great Neck NY	53.44%	13	Glenn Barkey, Nepean ON; Milton Kalikman, Azusa CA	54.66%
14/15	Winston Legge Jr - Jennie Legge, Pensacola FL	53.24%	14	David Binney, Seattle WA; Randy Okubo, Saint Paul MN	53.59%
14/15	Jack Alhale - Rozi Alhale, New York NY	53.24%	15	Ann Lindley, Alexandria VA; Thomas Lavender, Arlington VA	52.88%
16	Peter Latkany, Brooklyn NY; Bonnie Britton, Staten Island NY	52.99%	16	Buddhadev Biswas, Lexington MA; Jeanne McKenzie, Medford MA	52.28%
17	Paul Eberman - Madi Drimmer, Sarasota FL	52.53%	17	Helen Colter - George Colter, Fredericton NB	51.92%
NORTH-SOUTH		EAST-WEST			
SECTIONS	EE FF GG				
1	Janet Garthe, Suttons Bay MI; Kathy Pollock, Tonawanda NY	60.46%	1	Roger Zellmer - Marvin French, San Diego CA	69.46%
2	David Neiman, Minneapolis MN; Carol Rynders, Saint Paul MN	58.31%	2	Marina Polestra, Boston MA; K Scott Kimball, Brighton MA	62.77%
3	William Watson, West Hartford CT; Kimberly Gilman, Carlisle MA	56.92%	3	Philip Lam, North Berwick ME; Shekhar Sengupta, Marlborough MA	57.85%
4	Richard Weiss, Swampscott MA; Robert Lurie, Wayland MA	56.62%	4	Susan Jackowitz - Lew Walter, New York NY	57.46%
5	Doris Salvadore, Johnston RI; Tina Jameson, Providence RI	56.31%	5	Jim Dick - Linda Dick, Woodbridge VA	56.85%
6	Robert C.F. Wang, El Monte CA; Shiu-Ming Huang, San Marino CA	55.31%	6	Andrea Corbett, Tewksbury MA; Donald Caplin, Waltham MA	55.08%
7	Serge Aronovich - Marianne Aronovich, Tuxedo Park NY	54.92%	7	Peter Manzoni, Waltham MA; Suzanne Cunningham, Medfield MA	55.00%
8	Elaine Ware, Vernon BC; Barbara Schultz, Shawnigan Lake BC	52.92%	8/9	Adam Ruprecht, Seattle WA; Andrew Hoskins, Redmond WA	54.46%
9	Rebecca Anspach, Saint Paul MN; Keith Connolly, Minneapolis MN	52.77%	8/9	Mario Mory - Phyllis Mory, Los Angeles CA	54.46%
10	Jules Schoenberg - Hazel Schoenberg, Plano TX	52.23%	10	Natalie Bassil, Boston MA; Roger Johnson, Sarasota FL	52.77%
11	Katie Scalamandre - Gino Scalamandre, Surfside FL	52.08%	11	Dick Wagman, Acton MA; Richard Freedman, N Billerica MA	52.23%
12	Gary Helman, Syosset NY; Malcolm Barker, Chalfont St Gil Great Britain	51.54%	12	David Margolin, Rocky Hill CT; Yeong-Long Shiue, Manchester CT	49.69%

NORTH-SOUTH		SECTIONS KK LL	EAST-WEST		
1	Judith Marshall, Buffalo NY; Marie Wiley, London ON	59.92%	1	William Heess, Marlborough MA; Merrill Hirsh, Washington DC	60.15%
2	Estelle Margolin, Rego Park NY; Lance Ribeiro, Hampstead NH	59.54%	2	Sandra Nymann, Weston MA; Sarah Peeke, Wellesley MA	59.38%
3	Leonard Aberbach, Wayland MA; Robin Hillyard, Carlisle MA	57.15%	3	Mike Bovarnick, Mercer Island WA; Barton Buffington, North Kingstown RI	58.85%
4	Kevin O'Brien, Arlington VA; Bob Allard, Murfreesboro TN	55.31%	4	Bernard Neuhart, Niskayuna NY; Robert Neuhart, Troy NY	57.54%
5	Stephen Dyer, Hudson ME; J Alfred Letourneau, Winslow ME	54.46%	5	Roberta Meadow, New York NY; Michael McNamara, White Plains NY	56.92%
6	Collis James Jackson, Brookline NH; Alan Frantz, Wayland MA	54.31%	6	Albert Shrive, Dalton PA; Jim McKeown, State College PA	55.08%
7	Robert Bertoni, Haverhill MA; P Drew Cannell, Dol-D-Ormeaux QC	54.23%	7	Peter Matthews, Wellesley MA; Charles McLain III, Boston MA	53.31%
8	Allen McRae, Portland ME; Roland Miller, Bowdoin ME	53.69%	8	Terry Jones, Falls Church VA; Alfred Duncker, Alexandria VA	52.69%
9	Evan Markowitz, New York NY; Bruce Neiger, Merrick NY	53.62%	9/10	Gloria Tsoi, Arlington MA; Leo Zelevinsky, Sharon MA	52.62%
10	Vera Martson, Norman OK; Robert Michaud, Sun City West AZ	53.54%	9/10	Frances Schneider - Bernard Schneider, Riverside CT	52.62%
11	Daniel Neill, Lexington KY; Jason Rotenberg, Fairfield CT	52.62%	11	Betty Jane Corbani, New Milford CT; Ann Cady, Roxbury CT	52.31%
12	Russ Jones, Jonesboro AR; Ned Irving, Hot Springs Vlg AR	52.46%	12	Paul Hattis, Newton MA; Steven Fox, Kensington MD	52.00%

BLUE RIBBON PAIRS 2ND QUALIFYING SESSION

NORTH-SOUTH		SECTIONS A J	EAST-WEST		
1	Robert Hampton, Blythewood SC; Steve Weinstein, Andes NY	60.66%	1	Jerry Helms - Robert Bitterman, Charlotte NC	64.72%
2	John Onstott, New Orleans LA; Jim Krekorian, New York NY	60.48%	2	Gerry Marshall, Las Varas Mexico; Hendrik Sharples, Brush Prairie WA	60.19%
3	Kevin Collins, Dunwoody GA; Patricia Tucker, Atlanta GA	56.95%	3	Melody Bi, Woodbury MN; Pipin Deng, Hackettstown NJ	58.66%
4	Bob Hamman - Hemant Lall, Dallas TX	56.01%	4	Jon Baldursson, Hafnarfjardur Iceland; Thorlakur Jonsson, 200 Kopavogur Iceland	58.25%
5	Sarah Wiener, Fort Lee NJ; John Hogan Jr, Wayne NJ	55.97%	5	Eric Greco, Philadelphia PA; Russell Ekeblad, Providence RI	55.18%
6	Peter Boyd, Darnestown MD; Steve Robinson, Arlington VA	54.42%	6	Linda Smith - Ron Smith, Hixson TN	54.43%
7	Daniela von Armim, D-68766 Hockehn Germany; Sabine Auken, Charlottenlund Denmark	52.18%	7	Lynne Schaefer, Ellicott City MD; Martha Katz, Hinsdale IL	53.94%
8	Les Bart - Gloria Silverman Bart, Bradenton FL	51.98%	8	Douglas Doub, W Hartford CT; Adam Wildavsky, New York NY	53.58%
9	Kazuo K. Furuta, Kanagawa-Ken 21 Japan; Hiroki Yokoi, Tokyo Japan	51.84%	9/10	Richard Popper, Wilmington DE; Stephen McConnell, Evanston IL	53.10%
10	Michael Yuen, Vancouver BC; Danny Miles, Toronto ON	50.90%	9/10	Dean Panagopoulos, Lynn MA; Barbara Burgess, Burlington MA	53.10%
11	Robert McKinnon, Paisley Scotland; Ian Patrick, Wishaw Scotland	50.46%	11	Tadashi Teramoto, Tokyo Japan; Kyoko Shimamura, Tokyo 136 Japan	51.39%
NORTH-SOUTH		SECTIONS F G	EAST-WEST		
1	Salvador Assael, Alsancak Turkey; Yalcin Atabey, Selomigesme Ist Turkey	64.15%	1/2	Daniel Wilderman, Brooklyn NY; Kenneth Zuckerberg, Chicago IL	59.69%
2	Geoff Hampson, Las Vegas NV; John Diamond, Boca Raton FL	58.15%	1/2	Mark Donovan - Shona Donovan, Kingston ON	59.69%
3	Nadia Koch, Copenhagen Denmark; Lars Ritzman, Stockholm Sweden	57.15%	3	Julie Kraus, Southfield MI; Chuck Messinger, Kimmont ON	59.46%
4	Bronia Jenkins, Vero Beach FL; Linda Perlman, Lake Park FL	56.62%	4	Robert Heitzman Jr, Suffern NY; Warren Rosner, White Plains NY	58.38%
5	Roberta Trayman - Charles Trayman, Naples FL	55.62%	5	Robb Gordon, Sedona AZ; Steven Cooper, Ft Collins CO	58.31%
6	Marion Michielien, 3024 AM Rotterdam Netherlands; Meike Wortel, Amsterdam	55.46%	6	James Cayne, New York NY; Michael Seamon, Hollywood FL	57.31%
7/8	Michael Gamble, Shawnigan Lake BC; Piotr Klimowicz, Edmonton AB	54.77%	7	Rich Rothwarf, Philadelphia PA; Hank Youngerman, Jacksonville FL	56.69%
7/8	Ai-Tai Lo, Reston VA; Alan Schwartz, Fairfax VA	54.77%	8	Charles Reich - Ron Haack, New York NY	56.46%
9	Bjorn Fallenius, New York NY; Piotr Gawrys, Warsaw Poland	53.38%	9	Benito Garozzo - Lea Dupont, Palm Beach FL	55.69%
10	Marvin Deneroff, North Bergen NJ; Cheryl Porter-Garofalo, Ridgefield Park NJ	51.69%	10	Jessica Pfafsky, New York NY; Johan Uplink, 115 58 Stockho Sweden	52.31%
11	Antonio Palma, Erora Portugal; Joad Barbosa, Porfo Portugal	51.38%	11	Joanna Stansby - Lew Stansby, Dublin CA	51.69%
NORTH-SOUTH		SECTIONS H I	EAST-WEST		
1	Berry Westra, Krmibn Rrn Den Netherlands; Vincent Ramondt, Alphen Aan Den Netherlands	66.54%	1	Ahmed Hussein - Tarek Sadek, Cairo Egypt	60.46%
2	Lynn Deas, Schenectady NY; Nikolay Demirev, Arlington Hts IL	60.69%	2	Beata Czachor, Tampa FL; Rahn Smith, Brandon FL	58.54%
3	Louk Verhees, 2215 SH Voorhou Netherlands; Jan Jansma, Malden Netherlands	59.62%	3	Gary Macgregor, Portola Valley CA; Mike Cailean, Santa Clara CA	58.38%
4	Andy Bowles - Shireen Mohandes, London N195lh England	58.77%	4	David Hoffner, Smithville NJ; Mark Dahl, Richmond VA	58.31%
5	Alan Kleist, Cheverly MD; Tim Crank, Cincinnati OH	58.31%	5	Michael Becker, Boca Raton FL; Aubrey Strul, Delray Beach FL	57.54%
6	Margot Hennings - Donald Hennings, Annandale VA	55.00%	6	Ron Pachtmann, Kfar Saba 44 Israel; Eldad Ginossar, Moshav Zofit Israel	53.92%
7	Manuel Capucho, Leboa Portugal; Maria Capucho, Esboa Portugal	53.46%	7/8	Sigridur Kristjansdottir - Harold Jordan, Wilmington DE	53.46%
8	Alan Sze - Abby Chiu, North Point Hong Kong	52.54%	7/8	Morrie Kleinplatz, Windsor ON; Dwight Bender, London ON	53.46%
9	Chiyo Aihara, Fujisawa Japan; Phoebe Lin, Taipei Taiwan	51.69%	9	James Greer - Maeve Lucey, New Canaan CT	52.77%
10	Donna Morgen, Havertown PA; Ed Bissell, State College PA	51.62%	10/11	Robert Lebi, Toronto ON; Dan Jacob, Vancouver BC	52.31%
11	Fred King, Falls Church VA; Robert Bell, Washington DC	51.54%	10/11	Lynda Rosenblatt, Passaic NJ; Marvin Rosenblatt, Hartford CT	52.31%
NORTH-SOUTH		SECTIONS B C	EAST-WEST		
1	Brian Senior, Nottingham England; Nigel Bird, London England	60.85%	1	Allan Stauber, Palm Bch Grdns FL; George Tornay Jr, Palm Beach Gdns FL	62.15%
2	David Yang, Chicago IL; Jeff Fang, Arcadia CA	60.23%	2	Krishnakumar Vahalia, Bombay India; Jayendu Patel, Somerville MA	58.92%
3	Jan Van Cleeff, Ah Den Haag 250 Netherlands; David Kendrick, Royston Herts England	58.15%	3	David Ewart, London England; Andrew McIntosh, London Wc England	58.23%
4	Michael Rosenberg, New Rochelle NY; Richard Zeckhauser, Cambridge MA	58.00%	4	Martin Fleisher, New York NY; Michael Kamil, Holmdel NJ	57.31%
5	Bob Gwirtzman, Brooklyn NY; Ira Ewen, New York NY	57.62%	5	Jiang Gu, Mountain Lakes NJ; Xiaodong Shi, Naperville IL	56.62%
6	Gerald Lackner, San Rafael CA; Hans Kadletz, Graz Austria	56.15%	6	John Hurd, New York NY; Joel Woodbridge, Glenside PA	56.46%
7	Aaron Silverstein - Andrew Rosenthal, New York NY	55.92%	7	Tom Hanlon, Dublin 6 Ireland; Paul Hackett, Manchester England	54.85%
8	Marcelo Branco, Rio De Janeiro Brazil; Eduardo Vianna, Sao Paulo Brazil	55.38%	8	Alfredo Versace - Ercole Bove, Rome Italy	54.54%
9	Ken Cohen, Philadelphia PA; Neal Satten, Wynnewood PA	53.38%	9	William Pettis, Silver Spring MD; Frederick Allenspach, Plantation FL	54.08%
10	Evelyn Hodge, Burnaby BC; Jadwiga Polujan, Port Coquitlam BC	51.92%	10	Martin De Knijff, Las Vegas NV; Frederic Wrang, Stockholm 1 Sweden	53.38%
11	Lynne Feldman, Champaign IL; Chris Benson, Le Roy IL	51.77%	11	Jacob Morgan, Madison WI; Michael Polowan, New York NY	52.46%
NORTH-SOUTH		SECTIONS D E	EAST-WEST		
1	Steve Reed, Arlington VA; Jeff Roman, Alexandria VA	65.08%	1	Gavin Wolpert, New York NY; Ron Smith, San Francisco CA	64.08%
2	Johan Sylvan - Marten Gustawsson, Stockholm Sweden	60.23%	2	David Gold, Reading R Great Britain; Sarah Dunn, London United Kingdom	62.62%
3	Bas Drijver - Bob Drijver, Capelle Aan Den Netherlands	59.46%	3	Thomas Carmichael, Kennesaw GA; Mike Cappelletti, Hixson TN	59.08%
4	Laurie Kranyak - John Kranyak, Bay Village OH	58.69%	4	Rachael Moller - David Gurvich, Brooklyn NY	58.46%
5	Yeshayahu Levit, Tel-Aviv Israel; Amos Kaminski, New York NY	58.15%	5	Harold Feldheim, Hamden CT; Mike Cappelletti Sr, Alexandria VA	58.31%
6	Anton Blagov, Richmond Hill ON; Ivan Popivanov, Toronto ON	55.85%	6	Alan Applebaum, Brookline MA; Victor King, Hartford CT	58.23%
7	Alan Osofsky, Palm Beach FL; Alan Sontag, Gaithersburg MD	55.69%	7	Eleanor Mullane, Winchester MA; Alfred Landman, Lexington MA	57.46%
8	Dick Yarrington, Seattle WA; Florence Beard, Lake Forest Pk WA	55.54%	8	Alison Wilson - Migry Zur Campanile, New York NY	56.54%
9	Paul Bethe, New York NY; Kitty Cooper, Fort Collins CO	55.08%	9	Omer Ekinci - Erez Hendelman, New York NY	56.31%
10	Susan Ostrowski, Burlington MA; Bruce Greenspan, Naples FL	53.69%	10	Jeffrey Rothstein - Allen Kahn, New York NY	53.46%
11	Richard Ferrin, Washington DC; Eugene Kales, Arlington VA	52.69%	11	Gary Gottlieb, Brooklyn NY; Peter Fredin, Malmo Sweden	51.31%
12	David Stevenson, Wirral England; Ed Lazarus, Baltimore MD	52.54%	12	Jane Dillenberg, New York NY; Jerry Goldberg, Yonkers NY	51.15%

TUESDAY LILAC PAIRS SECOND SESSION

NORTH-SOUTH		SECTION M	EAST-WEST			
1		1	2			
1/2	1/2	Lee Weiss, Plymouth Mtng PA; Robert Lass, Chicago IL	59.78%	1	William Shockley, Westerly RI; Raymond Cieslak, Warwick RI	59.78%
1/2	1/2	Margarita Jaramillo, Miami FL; Alvaro Betancur, Medellin Colombia	59.78%	2	Mary Lovrics, Don Mills ON; Barbara Murray, Caledon ON	57.37%
3		Bart Bussink, Cambridge MA; Andrew Savitz, Chestnut Hill MA	58.49%	3	Christina Valente, Philadelphia PA; Lucia Enica, Belmont MA	56.09%
4		Alan Korpi, Wellesley MA; Dennis Walsh, Mashpee MA	56.89%	4	Thomas Harris, Garden Grove CA; Barbara Frischkorn, Seal Beach CA	55.61%
5		Douglas Hamilton - Carol Hamilton, Halifax NS	56.73%	5	Jonathan Ullman, New York NY; Dana Berkowitz, Boca Raton FL	55.29%
6		Ludmila Antonova, New York NY; Karen Hoffner, Smithville NJ	52.72%	6/7	Robert Derrah - Shirley Derrah, Springfield MA	55.13%
		Edith Alpers - Lois Barbour, Natick MA	52.56%	6/7	Vincent Fish, Westford MA; Daniel Jablonski, Stoneham MA	55.13%
NORTH-SOUTH		SECTION N	EAST-WEST			
1		1	2			
1	1	Deborah Crisfield, Summit NJ; Cyndi Sauvage, Englewood CO	60.58%	1	Jon Rankin - Emily Rankin, Nichols NY	63.62%
2		Neil Macneil, Middleton NS; Neil Balcom, Wolfville NS	60.26%	2	Gerald Hitt, Needham MA; Parul Jain, Wellesley MA	60.10%
3/4		Merete Baadsager, Valby Denmark; Henrik Rud Pedersen, Rodovre Denmark	58.01%	3	Brian Rubenstein - Stewart Rubenstein, Newton MA	58.17%
3/4	2	Selma Baker - Lawrence Baker, Peabody MA	58.01%	4	Leigh Shallenberger, Woodland Park CO; Neal Rechtman, Ossining NY	57.85%
5	3	Herbert Heller, Pittsburgh PA; Sally Kellar, Willowdale ON	56.57%	5	Lucia Denton, New York NY; Midori Wakabayashi, Philadelphia PA	57.69%
6		Immo Von Schroeter - Marietta Von Schroeter, Toronto ON	53.85%	6	Jennifer Huntsman, Moncton NB; Connie Bartlett, Riverview NB	56.89%
7		Catherine Ferguson, Killearn Scotland; Margaret Mac Callum, Killearn Scotland	51.92%	7	Leslie Abbott, Chatham MA; Kathleen Wilson, West Chatham MA	49.52%
	4	Tom Etheridge - Luanne Rolly, Boston MA	48.88%			

MARK TWAIN STRATIFIED OPEN PAIRS SECOND SESSION

NORTH-SOUTH		SECTION O	A	B	EAST-WEST	
A	B					
1		Jim Linhart, Raleigh NC; Richard Budd, Portland ME	61.89%	1	Lloyd Arvedon, Bedford MA; Tom Macbeth, Westford MA	57.91%
2		Joan Jackson - Petra Hamman, Dallas TX	57.73%	2	Judy Bramley - Bart Bramley, Dallas TX	57.86%
3		Arnold Fisher, Clementon NJ; Zeke Jabbour, Boca Raton FL	55.97%	3	Doris Staubi, White Plains NY; Lawrence Christianson, Pleasantville NY	54.34%
4		Bonnie Bagley, Colorado Spgs CO; Ken Monzingo, San Diego CA	55.86%	4	Murat Azizoglu, Concord MA; Jan Popiel, Lexington MA	52.62%
5		Carlos Munoz - Fred Hawa, White Plains NY	54.51%	5	John Babb, New Paltz NY; Henryk Szejnwald, Los Altos CA	50.52%
6	1	Robert Marcus - Kathy Guinyou, Toronto ON	54.46%	6	Cong Shi, Cambridge MA; Mo Chen, Somerville MA	50.50%
7	2	Sandy Stowe, Westwood MA; Stephen Robbins, Kittery ME	53.66%	7	Steve Kaessner, Yuba City CA; Bryan Morgan, Dallas TX	49.57%

NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION P	EAST-WEST				
A	B			A	B			
1		Lyle Poe Jr, Ellicott City MD; Thomas Weik, Reading PA	63.87%	1	1	Marcello Gambacorta - Barbra Arnold, White Plains NY	61.98%	
2		Jane Segal, Villanova PA; Mary Gorkin, Hallandale Bch FL	60.96%	2		Rhonda Foster - Gerry McCully, New Westminster BC	61.30%	
3	1	Otis Bricker, Wyncote PA; Steven Willner, Needham MA	56.96%	3		Frank Blachowski, Windsor Locks CT; Geoffrey Phipps, Manchester NH	59.40%	
4		Terry Currie - Joan Pleason, Houston TX	51.97%	4		Hansa Narasimhan, Los Altos Hills CA; Eddie Wold, Houston TX	57.75%	
5		Natalie Hertz - Dan Hertz, Harrison NY	51.80%	5	2	Mark Koenigsberg, Weehawken NJ; Dilip Thadani, Hoboken NJ	57.00%	
6		Alan Messer, Toledo OH; Amalya Kearse, New York NY	50.81%	6		Yatindra Sahae, Carmel Valley CA; Greg House, S San Fran CA	56.94%	
7		Janis Rush, Austin TX; Paul Nickerson, Morristown NJ	49.14%	7		Arnold Berman, Rehoboth MA; Walter Fontaine, North Providenc RI	56.78%	
	2	Percy Wu, Grand Rapids MI; Jerome Shen, Saint Louis MO	48.46%					
	3	Carolyn Deyett - Elaine Hall, Canton MI	45.09%					
TUESDAY EVENING 100/200/300 PAIRS ONLY SESSION								
NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION ZZ	EAST-WEST				
A	B	C		A	B	C		
1		Rosanne Catarius, Roslindale MA; Beverly Basile, Chestnut Hill MA	64.29%	1	1	1	Rubin Gruber, Concord MA; R Sanzo, Westford MA	59.52%
2	1	1	61.90%	2	2	2	Jack Chu - Rishabh Singh, Cambridge MA	58.33%
3		Eniko Fokos - Robert Fokos, Chilmark MA	59.52%	3	3		Katherine Kane - Carole Cushing, Boston MA	53.27%
4	2	2	58.63%	4			Layne Onufer, Huntington Bch CA; Robert Onufer, Huntington Beac CA	50.89%
	3/4	Linda Blumsack - Deborah Ackerson, Belmont MA	47.02%					
	3/4	O Hackett, Manchester England; Priscilla Loring, Andover MA	47.02%					
MONDAY-WEDNESDAY AFT/EVE SIDE SERIES FOURTH SESSION								
NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION OO	EAST-WEST				
A	B	C		A	B	C		
1		Thomas Corlett - Ethel Corlett, Waco TX	62.50%	1		John Gustafson - Helen Gustafson, Des Moines IA	65.06%	
2	1	1	54.17%	2	1	1	Chuck Greenslit, Framingham MA; John Pararas, Needham MA	63.30%
3	2	1	54.01%	3		Michele Foran, Oconomowoc WI; William Malesevich, Mayville WI	62.66%	
4	3		53.85%	4	2		Anne Derkat - Floyd Derkat, Edmonton AB	60.26%
5		Helen Flanagan, Stoughton MA; Sheila Bender, Randolph MA	53.69%	5		Arthur Lilly, Londonderry NH; Ted Withers, Windsor NS	53.85%	
6	4	4	50.64%	6	3		Anthony Anisowicz - M Foster, Newton MA	51.76%
		Glenn Eisenstein, New York NY; Lynda Nitabach, N Plainfield NJ			4	1	Roger Marchand - Junice Marchand, The Villages FL	51.60%
		Christopher Gorton - Cynthia Gorton, Roxbury MA			2		Joseph Charnock, Somerville MA; Lena Sundgren, Watertown MA	44.71%
NORTH-SOUTH								
SECTION QQ			EAST-WEST					
A	B	C		A	B	C		
1	1	1	63.30%	1/2	1/2	1	John Byers, Newton MA; Michael Mitzenmacher, Pls Vrds Pnsl CA	61.22%
2		Catherine Chell, Ottawa ON; Donald Sondergeld, Hubbardton VT	60.74%	1/2	1/2		Debra Wilhelmi - Russell Johnson, Olympia WA	61.22%
3	2	2	60.26%	3	3		Kimberly Johnson - Ralph Wilhelmi, Olympia WA	58.33%
4		Michael Blaher, Apopka FL; Mara Tuttle, Lake Mary FL	56.89%	4	4		Albert Votolato, Raynham MA; Barry Sullivan, Cumberland RI	55.13%
5		Gary Spongberg - Lucy Spongberg, Niskayuna NY	54.65%	5		Carleton Lett, New York NY; Deborah Drury, Vero Beach FL	54.49%	
6		Ginny O'Toole, Yardley PA; Arnold Selig, Philadelphia PA	51.92%	6	5		Bruce Hunter Reid - Samantha Reid, Mississauga ON	53.69%
	3	1	50.64%		2		Roy Coplen, Jefferson City MO; Rita Brizel, New York NY	50.80%
	4	4	49.36%					
		Shelia Schwab - William Schwab, Boston MA						
		George Charrier - Marian Charrier, West Chester OH						
MYSTIC COUNTY FAST OPEN PAIRS TUESDAY AFTERNOON 2ND SESSION								
NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION BB	EAST-WEST				
A	B	C		A	B	C		
1	1	1	61.90%	1		Melanie Tucker, New York NY; Joergen Molberg, Trondheim Norway	64.29%	
2	2	2	60.12%	2		Judi Radin - Lynne Tarnopol, New York NY	63.69%	
3		Michelle Lattman, New York NY; Lynda Nitabach, N Plainfield NJ	58.93%	3		Michele Foran, Oconomowoc WI; William Malesevich, Mayville WI	54.46%	
4		Riva Akerman - Elliot Sternlicht, New York NY	56.55%	4	1	1	Lawrence Schell, Weymouth MA; Nancy O'Brien, Virginia Beach VA	54.17%
5		Stacy Jacobs, Hinsdale IL; Shannon Cappelletti, Hollywood FL	53.87%	5	2		Neil Montague, Swampscott MA; Jerry Manioci, Rochester NY	53.27%
6		Ruth Stober, Great Neck NY; Joseph Byrnes, West Hempstead NY	52.98%		3		Mary Hill, Oxnard CA; Elinor Levinson Hood, Ventura CA	50.00%
	3	3	51.19%		4/5		Allan Karro, Burnaby BC; Leila Jinnah, Vancouver BC	47.62%
	4	1	50.89%		4/5		Albert Erickson, Colorado Spgs CO; William Morton, Woodland Hills CA	47.62%
		Chris Soares, Swansea MA; Lynda Edson, South Easton MA						
		Peggy Schwartz, New York NY; Mindy White, Scarsdale NY						
NORTH-SOUTH								
SECTION CC			EAST-WEST					
A	B	C		A	B	C		
1/3	1/2	1	55.65%	1		Burton Gischner - Janet Gischner, Niantic CT	76.49%	
1/3		Suzanne Durst, Katonah NY; Stephen Hess, Rehoboth MA	55.65%	2	1		James Hooven, Roanoke VA; Lorraine Holub, Blacksburg VA	55.36%
1/3	1/2	1	55.65%	3		Glenn Eisenstein - Peggy Ellis, New York NY	53.87%	
4	3	1	55.06%	4	2	1	Lana Creal - Douglas Megill, Warren PA	50.60%
5	4	4	54.17%	5	3		Dennis Ryan - Barbara Tysdahl, Menomonie WI	49.70%
		Mary McMaster - F Donna Daley, Seminole FL			4		Susan Saponaro, Winchester MA; Elinore Hildebrandt, Belmont MA	47.02%
		James Poitras - Patricia Poitras, Narcoossee FL						
		Leverett Preble, Winchester MA; David Luteran, Amesbury MA						
TUESDAY AFTERNOON 100/200/300 PAIRS ONLY SESSION								
NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION XX	EAST-WEST				
A	B	C		A	B	C		
1	1	1	58.04%	1	1		Sean Gannon, Atlanta GA; Pamela Hughes, Bend OR	67.56%
2		Lisa Procter, Dover MA; Barbara Greppin, Westwood MA	57.14%	2/3	2/3	1	Roger Squire - Gay Squire, Dorset VT	53.87%
3	2	2	53.27%	2/3	2/3		Barbara Button - David Button, Bloomfield MI	53.87%
4		Arthur Aiken, Glover VT; William Beadle, St Johnsbury VT	51.79%	4			Barbara Olsen, Pickering ON; Catharine Gilmour, Toronto ON	52.98%
		Priscilla Loring, Andover MA; Vanette Aleksic, Winchester MA				2	Stephen Lynch, Maspeth NY; James Stuart III, New York NY	49.70%
NORTH-SOUTH								
SECTION ZZ			EAST-WEST					
A	B	C		A	B	C		
1	1	1	61.39%	1	1		Vivian Wine, Cranston RI; Nancy Clayman, Boston MA	56.55%
2	2	2	59.52%	2	2	1	Maureen Yachimski - George Comeaux, North Easton MA	56.21%
3	3	2	53.42%	3			Nancy Mumford - George Mumford, Westwood MA	54.38%
4		Elizabeth Paige, Duxbury MA; Patricia Cotta, Plymouth MA	53.36%	4	3		Alice Harper, Winter Park FL; Ryan Miller, Tampa FL	51.40%
TUESDAY AFTERNOON 5/20/50 PAIRS ONLY SESSION								
NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION YY	EAST-WEST				
A	B	C		A	B	C		
1	1	1	54.58%	1	1		Margaret Correia - Susan Taylor, Lakeville MA	55.00%
2		Peter Clay - Andy Clay, Wellesley MA	54.17%	2			Meryl Bralower - Ronald Agel, Boston MA	54.78%
		Mary Beth Stevens - Robert Stevens, Boxford MA				1	Marilyn Kalis - Paul Kalis, Newton MA	52.08%
LITCHFIELD HILLS SENIOR PAIRS SECOND SESSION								
NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION OO	EAST-WEST				
A	B	C		A	B	C		
1	1	1	64.90%	1	1		Lowell Eubanks, Newton MA; Peter Lombardo, Stoneham MA	57.85%
2		Doreen Scolnick - Robert Scolnick, Carlsbad CA	62.66%	2			Maurice Emond, Laconia NH; Joan Cook, Bow NH	57.69%
3	2	2	58.01%	3	2		Elizabeth Nagle, Wethersfield CT; Helma Strauss, Hartford CT	54.17%
4		John Pringle - Susan Pringle, Rio Verde AZ	55.29%	4			J Peter Tripp - Penny Lane, Williston VT	53.53%
5	3	3	54.01%	5	3		Patricia Worthley, Andover MA; Curtis Barton, Chelmsford MA	52.88%
6		Ramona Feist, Eastham MA; Judith Murray, Harwich Port MA	51.60%	6/7	4/5		Susan Cohen - Louis Beckerman, Newton MA	50.96%
		Lou Kelleher, Dover MA; Rolf Paul, Needham MA	51.44%	6/7	4/5		Barbara Bates, Westerville OH; Helene Katz, Louisville KY	50.96%
	4	1	48.08%			1	William Ware, Cataumet MA; Peter Bohan, Walpole MA	48.56%
		Ruth Twombly, East Orleans MA; Eva Milofsky, Belmont MA						
		Harvey Rosenthal, Boston MA; James Kingsdale, Crested Butte CO						
NORTH-SOUTH								
SECTION PP			EAST-WEST					
A	B	C		A	B	C		
1/2	1	1	59.78%	1		Kate Aker, Briarcliff NY; Mark Starr, Brookline MA	58.65%	
1/2		Barry Bragin, Silver Spring MD; David Abelow, Owings Mills MD	59.78%	2		Allan Clamage, Stamford CT; Kent Vandewater, Bayside NY	56.89%	
3	2	2	58.33%	3	1		Ruth Hopson, Sault Ste Marie ON; Jean Collins, Thornhill ON	55.93%
4		Thomas Moore, Lynn MA; Robert Bonazoli, South Hamilton MA	56.09%	4	2		Edward Shepherd - Kathy Shepherd, Waterford CT	55.61%
5		Joan Vigdor - Charles Wolpert, Boynton Beach FL	52.24%	5		Karen Snyder, Spicewood TX; Janise Saul, San Antonio TX	53.53%	
6	3	1	50.32%	6	3		Michael Miron - Helene Miron, Tucson AZ	52.08%
	4	4	49.04%		4		Timothy Hill, Wellesley Hills MA; Milton Binder, Needham MA	48.72%
		Francis Minosh - Herbert Shanzer, Westford MA				1	Marlene Mohr, Lodi CA; Mary Ann Reynolds, Ft Myers FL	48.56%
		Nancy O'Donnell, East Greenwich RI; Albert Iapicca, Sonoma CA				2	Ted Verhagen - Tony Ferroni, Keswick VA	46.79%
		Muriel Dane, Longmeadow MA; Alice Hooper, Suffield CT						

NORTH-SOUTH			
A	B	C	
1	1	Cathleen Speer, Portsmouth RI; Marian Howarth, Sun City Center FL	61.70%
2		Ethan Stein, Irvington NY; Koko Adachi, Toyko 112-0012 Japan	59.62%
3	2	Franceline Leary - Phyllis French, Schenectady NY	58.97%
4		Lois Zeisler, Fairfield CT; Norman Leslie, New Orleans LA	56.57%
5	3	1 Joe DeCosta, North Andover MA; Robert Hope, Provost AB	54.97%
6	4	2 Karen Barrett, Norwalk CT; Douglas Thompson, Acton MA	53.53%
		James Windus - Renee Senior, Vancouver WA	47.28%

EAST-WEST			
A	B	C	
1		Betty Levin, New York NY; James Sampson, Lake Worth FL	62.82%
2	1	1 Barbara Barrette, Plainfield CT; Beatrice Meyers, Central Village CT	61.06%
3		Carl Eastman, Toms River NJ; Aaron Cohen, Manchester To NJ	56.41%
4	2	Althea Shirley, Winchester MA; Philip Nyman, Weston MA	55.13%
5	3	C Edward Midgley, Irvington NY; Laura Midgley, Irvington, NY	54.17%
6	4	Shashi Rajpal, Belmont MA; Ravi Bhalla, Berkeley CA	50.32%
		Carol Joy Spiegel, Palm Beach FL; Barbara Kirtley, Ridgefield CT	49.84%

KAPLAN BLUE RIBBON PAIRS FIRST QUALIFYING SESSION

NORTH-SOUTH			
1		Glenn Milgrim, Forest Hills NY; Robert Levin, Bronx NY	67.15%
2		Gavin Wolpert, New York NY; Ron Smith, San Francisco CA	63.38%
3		Chip Martel, Davis CA; Zia Mahmood, New York NY	57.46%
4		David Gold, Reading R Great Britain; Sarah Dunn, London United Kingdom	57.23%
5		Laurie Kranyak - John Kranyak, Bay Village OH	56.38%
6/7		Harold Feldheim, Hamden CT; Mike Cappelletti Sr, Alexandria VA	55.15%
6/7		Jill Meyers, Santa Monica CA; Jill Levin, Bronx NY	55.15%
8		Drew Becker, Chicago IL; Jason Rosenfeld, Stoneham MA	55.08%
9/10		Jeffrey Rothstein - Allen Kahn, New York NY	53.92%
9/10		Phyllis Chase, Providence RI; Juan Castillo, Wilton Manors FL	53.92%
11		Yeshayahu Levit, Tel-Aviv Israel; Amos Kaminski, New York NY	52.85%
12		Barry Schaffer, Frisco TX; Mildred Breed, Austin TX	52.38%

EAST-WEST			
1		David Berkowitz - Larry Cohen, Boca Raton FL	60.85%
2		Alan Osofsky, Palm Beach FL; Alan Sontag, Gaitthersburg MD	60.69%
3		Steve Beatty, Mill Creek WA; William Pollack, Basking Ridge NJ	58.54%
4		Roy Welland - Brian Glubok, New York NY	58.00%
5		Michael Roche, Victoria BC; John Rayner, Mississauga ON	56.85%
6		Bas Drijver - Bob Drijver, Capelle Aan Den Netherlands	56.77%
7		Johan Sylvan - Marten Gustawsson, Stockholm Sweden	53.92%
8		Gary Gottlieb, Brooklyn NY; Peter Fredin, Malmö Sweden	52.23%
9		K Fung, Edmonton AB; Steve Clements, Laguna Mavel CA	52.00%
10		Suresh Mahajan, Del Mar CA; Edward Frymoyer, Half Moon Bay CA	51.31%
11/12		David Lindop - Doug Baxter, Toronto ON	50.77%
11/12		Steve Reed, Arlington VA; Jeff Roman, Alexandria VA	50.77%

NORTH-SOUTH			
1		Ellen Kent, Marina Del Rey CA; Robert Kent, Marina DI Rey CA	64.08%
2		Benito Garozzo - Lea Dupont, Palm Beach FL	61.54%
3		Daniel Wilderman, Brooklyn NY; Kenneth Zuckerberg, Chicago IL	60.85%
4		Joanna Stansby - Lew Stansby, Dublin CA	60.62%
5		Sathya Bettadapura, Campbell CA; Ed Freeman, Portland OR	57.15%
6		Jessica Pfafsky, New York NY; Johan Upmark, 115 58 Stockho Sweden	56.46%
7		David Siebert, Little Rock AR; Frank Mastroia, Swansea MA	54.08%
8		Michael Moss, New York NY; Nicolas L'Eucyer, Montreal QC	52.38%
9		Catherine Teltscher - William Coyle,	52.00%
10		James Senter - Gale Senter, San Clemente CA	51.62%
11		Charles Reich - Ron Haack, New York NY	50.69%

EAST-WEST			
1		Apolinary Kowalski, Warsaw 0 Poland; Piotr Tuszynski, Warsaw Poland	61.31%
2		Jaggy Shivdasani - Winthrop Allegaert, New York NY	59.15%
3		Norman Rubin, Monticello NY; Jonathan Green, Kingston NY	57.46%
4		Shane Blanchard - Robert Blanchard, New York NY	56.54%
5		Ai-Tai Lo, Reston VA; Alan Schwartz, Fairfax VA	56.08%
6/7		Geoff Hampson, Las Vegas NV; John Diamond, Boca Raton FL	54.38%
6/7		Marion Michielsen, 3024 AM Rotterd Netherlands; Meike Wortel, Amsterdam	54.38%
8		Michael Gamble, Shawnigan Lake BC; Piotr Klimowicz, Edmonton AB	53.92%
9		Chuck Lamprey, White Plains NY; Arch McKellar, Dobbs Ferry NY	52.46%
10		Mehmet Kordov - Kutlu Unal, Bogota NJ	51.62%
11		Salvador Assael, Alsancaak Turkey; Yalcin Atabay, Selomigesme Ist Turkey	51.46%

NORTH-SOUTH			
1		Eric Rodwell, Clearwater Bch FL; Jeff Meckstroth, Tampa FL	61.92%
2		Allan Stauber, Palm Bch Grdns FL; George Tornay Jr, Palm Beach Gdns FL	61.00%
3		Russell Samuel, Glen Cove NY; Sidney Brownstein, Santa Monica CA	60.23%
4		Farid Assemi, Fresno CA; Edward Wojewoda, Clovis CA	56.92%
5		Martin Fleisher, New York NY; Michael Kamil, Holmdel NJ	56.54%
6		Jacob Morgan, Madison WI; Michael Polowan, New York NY	56.46%
7		David Ewart, London England; Andrew McIntosh, London Wc England	55.08%
8		John Hurd, New York NY; Joel Wooldridge, Glenside PA	54.92%
9		Kamla Chawla - David Kowarsky, Longmeadow MA	54.77%
10		Krishnakumar Vahalia, Bombay India; Jayendu Patel, Somerville MA	54.31%
11		Charles Rossi, Northborough MA; Scott Nyman, Shrewsbury MA	50.85%

EAST-WEST			
1		Michael Rosenberg, New Rochelle NY; Richard Zeckhauser, Cambridge MA	66.62%
2		Brian Senior, Nottingham England; Nigel Bird, London England	61.54%
3		F Ruth Tate - J Howard Tate, Toronto ON	60.08%
4		Andrew Garnett, Raleigh NC; Haig Tchamitch, Scottsdale AZ	56.46%
5		Stephen Landen, Ellicott City MD; Pratap Rajadhyaksha, Venice FL	56.31%
6		Ron Zamboni, Nepean ON; Waldemar Frukaz, Gloucester ON	56.00%
7		David Yang, Chicago IL; Jeff Fang, Arcadia CA	54.62%
8		Janet Rixon, Kintore Great Britain; Joan Fulton, Wishaw United Kingdom	53.85%
9		William Pettis, Silver Spring MD; Frederick Allenspach, Plantation FL	53.54%
10		Richard Morgen, Havertown PA; Andy Muenz, Brookhaven PA	52.38%
11/12		Robert Gacicia, Weymouth MA; Bill Irvine, Quincy MA	51.15%
11/12		Richard Anderson - Doug Rankin, Regina SK	51.15%

NORTH-SOUTH			
1		Michael Becker, Boca Raton FL; Aubrey Strul, Delray Beach FL	64.46%
2		Justin Lall - Kevin Bathurst, New York NY	60.54%
3		David Hoffner, Smithville NJ; Mark Dahl, Richmond VA	60.08%
4		Morrie Kleinplatz, Windsor ON; Dwight Bender, London ON	58.31%
5		Emma Sjoberg, Linkoping 58431 Sweden; Sandra Rimstedt, Haverdal 310 4 Sweden	57.77%
6		Gary Macgregor, Portola Valley CA; Mike Caillean, Santa Clara CA	56.54%
7		Robert Lebi, Toronto ON; Dan Jacob, Vancouver BC	56.15%
8		Ari Greenberg, San Francisco CA; Rick Roeder, San Diego CA	55.08%
9		Lynn Deas, Schenectady NY; Nikolay Demirev, Arlington Hts IL	54.77%
10		Ahmed Hussein - Tarek Sadek, Cairo Egypt	54.08%
11		Seth Cohen, Stamford CT; Richard Gertner, Ossining NY	52.77%

EAST-WEST			
1		Fred King, Falls Church VA; Robert Bell, Washington DC	57.38%
2		Manuel Capucho, Leboa Portugal; Maria Capucho, Esboa Portugal	55.85%
3		Cameron Doner, Richmond BC; Eugene Saxe, Briarcliff NY	55.54%
4		Denise Zongas - James Tullis, Yarmouth Port MA	55.08%
5		Robert Hopkins Jr - Joan Lewis, Arlington VA	54.23%
6		Gary Phillips, Liverpool NY; Richard Hartz, Utica NY	53.23%
7		George Whitworth, Coarsegold CA; James Tritt, Fresno CA	53.15%
8		Andy Bowles - Shireen Mohandes, London N195lh England	52.92%
9		Robert Gardner, Glenview IL; Sangarapil Mohan, Oak Brook IL	52.46%
10		Paul Sorensen - Allan Sorensen, Berwyn AB	52.08%
11		Janyne Provencher - Sylvain Mayer, Montreal QC	51.23%

NORTH-SOUTH			
1		George Krizel, Fstrvl Trvose PA; Oleg Rubinchik, Brooklyn NY	61.08%
2		Per-Ola Cullin, Stockholm Sweden; Andrea Hayman, New York NY	57.23%
3		Kuiqwa Krusztof, Lublin Poland; Piotw Kuchorski, Poland	56.15%
4/5		Kit Woolsey, Kensington CA; Fred Stewart, Bloomington NY	55.92%
4/5		Richard Popper, Wilmington DE; Stephen McConnell, Evanston IL	55.92%
6		Barry Rigal, New York NY; Jeff Aker, Briarcliff NY	55.54%
7		Jon Baldursson, Hafnarfjordur Iceland; Thorlakur Jonsson, 200 Kopavogur Iceland	55.15%
8		Linda Smith - Ron Smith, Hixson TN	54.46%
9		Douglas Doub, W Hartford CT; Adam Wildavsky, New York NY	54.23%
10		Jerry Helms - Robert Bitterman, Charlotte NC	53.31%
11		Judith Weisman, Englewood NJ; Ronald Felton, New York NY	52.31%

EAST-WEST			
1		Tommy Garvey, Essex Cm145ww England; David Bakhshi, London England	62.85%
2		Robert Hampton, Blythewood SC; Steve Weinstein, Andes NY	59.38%
3		Kazuo K. Furuta, Kanagawa-Ken 21 Japan; Hiroki Yokoi, Tokyo Japan	57.77%
4		Richard Logan, Diamondhead MS; Scott Stearns, Elberta AL	56.92%
5		Robert White, Raleigh NC; Michael Kovacich, Stone Mountain GA	56.62%
6/7		Lon Sunshine, Framingham MA; Ivanie Yeo, Brighton MA	54.77%
6/7		Jacek Poletylo - Mareu Wojcicki, Lublin Poland	54.77%
8		Daniela von Arnim, D-68766 Hockehn Germany; Sabine Auken, Charlottenlund Denmark	54.62%
9		Joel Datloff, Vancouver WA; Paul O'Brien, Portland OR	54.54%
10/11		Kevin Collins, Dunwoody GA; Patricia Tucker, Atlanta GA	54.00%
10/11		John Onstott, New Orleans LA; Jim Krekorian, New York NY	54.00%

LILAC STRATIFIED PAIRS FIRST SESSION

NORTH-SOUTH			
7	3		
1	1	Emily Marcus, Somerville MA; Ira Cooper, Woburn MA	63.30%
2	2	Kathleen Larnard, North Hampton NH; Beverly Conway, Rye NH	57.69%
3		Leigh Shallenberger, Woodland Park CO; Neal Rechtman, Ossining NY	55.45%
4	3	Jennifer Huntsman, Moncton NB; Connie Bartlett, Riverview NB	54.81%
5		Eamon Walsh - Natalie Silverstein, Toronto ON	54.49%
6	4	Leslie Abbott, Chatham MA; Kathleen Wilson, West Chatham MA	52.56%
7		Claire Gardner, Enfield NH; Denise Olson, New London NH	52.40%
	5	Edith Alpers - Lois Barbour, Natick MA	52.24%

EAST-WEST			
7	3		
1	1	Bart Bussink, Cambridge MA; Andrew Savitz, Chestnut Hill MA	64.90%
2	2	Douglas Hamilton - Carol Hamilton, Halifax NS	63.14%
3	1	Adi Chehna, Chelmsford MA; Peter Mudgett, Westford MA	54.97%
4	4	Brian Rubenstein - Stewart Rubenstein, Newton MA	54.65%
5	2	Stephen Drodge, McLean VA; Andrew Rodriguez, Annandale VA	54.33%
6	3	Lee Weiss, Plymouth Mtng PA; Robert Lass, Chicago IL	53.69%
7	4	Susan Robbins, Morristown NJ; Dex Stuber, Seattle WA	52.72%



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NORTH-SOUTH		SECTION R	EAST-WEST			
7	3		7	3		
1		Isaiah Shalom, W Brookfield MA; Steven Goodman, Upton MA	66.35%	1	Herbert Heller, Pittsburgh PA; Sally Kellar, Willowdale ON	59.94%
2	1	Jonathan Ullman, New York NY; Dana Berkowitz, Boca Raton FL	62.82%	2	Deborah Crisfield, Summit NJ; Cyndi Sauvage, Englewood CO	58.01%
3	2	Vincent Fish, Westford MA; Daniel Jablonski, Stoneham MA	62.02%	3	Catherine Ferguson, Killearn Scotland; Margaret Mac Callum, Killearn Scotland	56.41%
4		Frank Farrell, Methuen MA; Paul Harris, Waltham MA	57.53%	4	Otto Kaes, Saugus MA; John Demakes, Marblehead MA	56.25%
5	3	Francoise Han, Cambridge MA; Judith Grace, Brookline MA	55.13%	5	Merete Baadsager, Valby Denmark; Henrik Rud Pedersen, Rodovre Denmark	55.61%
6/7	4/5	William Shockley, Westerly RI; Raymond Cieslak, Warwick RI	51.60%	6/7	Immo Von Schroeter - Marietta Von Schroeter, Toronto ON	54.49%
6/7	4/5	Mary Lovrics, Don Mills ON; Barbara Murray, Caledon ON	51.60%	6/7	Bruce Brown - Elizabeth Brown, Denton TX	54.49%
				3	Marcia McCalden - Thomas McCalden, Wolcott CO	49.84%
				4/5	Ruth Robert, Naples FL; Joan Gass, Toronto ON	49.68%
				4/5	Diogo Teixeira, Wellesley MA; Christine Halkiotis, Wellesley Hills MA	49.68%

MARK TWAIN STRATIFIED OPEN PAIRS FIRST SESSION

NORTH-SOUTH		SECTION P	EAST-WEST			
A	B		A	B		
1		Boris Baran, Cote Saint-Luc QC; Richard Zucker, Dobbs Ferry NY	60.62%	1	Lyle Poe Jr, Ellicott City MD; Thomas Weik, Reading PA	61.46%
2	1	Murat Azizoglu, Concord MA; Jan Popiel, Lexington MA	59.54%	2	Lloyd Arvedon, Bedford MA; Tom Macbeth, Westford MA	60.69%
3	2	John Babb, New Paltz NY; Henryk Szejnwald, Los Altos CA	54.77%	3	Benjamin Eisenberg - Susan Eisenberg, Boca Raton FL	58.92%
4		Judy Bramley - Bart Bramley, Dallas TX	54.31%	4	Alan Messer, Toledo OH; Amalya Kears, New York NY	56.92%
5		Jim Kirkham - Corinne Kirkham, Leawood KS	54.23%	5	Doris Staubi, White Plains NY; Lawrence Christianson, Pleasantville NY	56.62%
6	3	Cong Shi, Cambridge MA; Mo Chen, Somerville MA	53.08%	6	Otis Bricker, Wyncote PA; Steven Willner, Needham MA	53.23%
7		Angela Huang, Toronto ON; Edmund Fok, Scarborough ON	52.85%	7	Janis Rush, Austin TX; Paul Nickerson, Morristown NJ	51.54%
				3	James Osofsky, Florence MA; Michael Heider, Redding CT	49.46%
				EAST-WEST		
A	B		A	B		
1		Robert Hollow, Madoc ON; Malcolm Ewashkiw, Belleville ON	59.92%	1	Mark Aquino, Jamaica Plain MA; Chandler Gibbs Jr, Poughkeepsie NY	61.23%
2		Arnold Fisher, Clementon NJ; Zeke Jabbour, Boca Raton FL	58.85%	2	Joan Jackson - Petra Hamman, Dallas TX	58.85%
3		Tony Petronella, North Kingstown RI; Ronnie Ferestien, Boynton Beach FL	56.46%	3	Bonnie Bagley, Colorado Spgs CO; Ken Monzingo, San Diego CA	56.31%
4		Hansa Narasimhan, Los Altos Hills CA; Eddie Wold, Houston TX	55.54%	4	Carlos Munoz - Fred Hawa, White Plains NY	55.23%
5	1	Linda Leotsakos, Chelsea ME; Patricia Damon, Winslow ME	54.00%	5	Ronald Burt, Hooksett NH; Doree Sobel, Fair Lawn NJ	53.15%
6		Jean Talbot - Joan Van Geffen, Metairie LA	52.23%	6	David Rosenberg, Jackson Heights NY; Andrea Teacher, Waltham MA	52.62%
7	2	Steven Jacob, Birmingham MI; Norm Bash, West Bloomfield MI	51.62%	7/8	Arnold Berman, Rehoboth MA; Walter Fontaine, North Providence RI	52.23%
				7/8	Ellasue Chait, Palm Bch Gdns FL; Martin Chait, West Palm Beach FL	52.23%
				1	Stephen Levine, New York NY; Ralph Tamlyn, Larchmont NY	51.00%
				2	Marilyn Mora, Wakefield RI; Miriam O'Neill, Peace Dale RI	50.00%

MONDAY-WEDNESDAY AFT/EVE SIDE SERIES 3rd SESSION

NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION RRR	EAST-WEST				
A	B	C	A	B	C			
1	1	Mildred Ring, Woburn MA; Thelma Tibbitts, Burlington MA	61.55%	1	1	Carol De Koven - Max De Koven, Westmount QC	62.69%	
2		John Currie, Halifax NS; Annabella Nelken, Clifton NJ	57.95%	2	2	Claus Buchthal, Chilmark MA; Steven Buchthal, Honolulu HI	57.01%	
3		Frank Hacker, Barre VT; Philip Sharpsteen, Jericho VT	55.30%	3		Alice Leicht, San Diego CA; Thomas Corlett, Waco TX	56.82%	
4	2	Jean Johnson - Judith Bussell, Devonshire Bermuda	54.17%	4	3	1	Gayle Tunnell - James Tunnell, San Francisco CA	56.06%
5	3	1	50.57%	5	4	2	Roy Coplen, Jefferson City MO; Farivar Sahihi, West Vancouver BC	54.17%
	4	2	49.81%					
		NORTH-SOUTH			EAST-WEST			
A	B	C	A	B	C			
1		John Gustafson - Helen Gustafson, Des Moines IA	73.30%	1	1	1	Louis Lipset - Ronald Goodman, San Francisco CA	60.42%
2	1	1	54.92%	2			Robert Hickey, East Sandwich MA; Robert Pagliarulo, Roslindale MA	56.25%
3	2	Marilyn Klashman, Waban MA; Barbara Pofcher, Auburndale MA	52.65%	3	2	2	Richard Alpert, Acton MA; David Alpert, Washington DC	53.41%
4	3	2	52.27%	4	3		Nyle Kim, Chestnut Hill MA; Michael Corwin, Brookline MA	52.08%
5		Deborah Murphy, San Francisco CA; Sam Graham, Germantown TN	51.89%	5	4	4	Judy Sandler, Newton MA; Bette Finkelstein, Chestnut Hill MA	50.38%
	4		51.33%					
		NORTH-SOUTH			EAST-WEST			
A	B	C	A	B	C			
1		Adrian Schwartz - Kohava Schwartz, New York NY	62.16%	1			Arthur Lilly, Londonderry NH; Ted Withers, Windsor NS	64.17%
2	1	1	59.69%	2	1		Matthew Hoskins - Elizabeth Hoskins, Shoreham-By-Sea England	61.14%
3	2		57.82%	3	2		Debra Wilhelmi - Russell Johnson, Olympia WA	56.10%
4	3	2	57.80%	4			Mary Green - Roy Green, Carlisle MA	54.89%
5		Lily Chew, Kanata ON; Daxiong Li, Tianjin People's Republic of China	56.66%	5	3		Eddie Bishop, Lacey WA; Ralph Wilhelmi, Olympia WA	54.70%
	4		55.66%	4	1		Lois Belliveau, Lynn MA; Catherine Sallar, Fall River MA	50.16%
		Dale Eadie, West Palm Beach FL; Larry Hudgens, Bass Harbor ME			2		Paul Anderson, Richmond VA; Venky Venkataramani, Andover MA	48.24%
					3		Robert Kleinman - Madeline Kleinman, Vail CO	46.94%

MINI-BLUE RIBBON PAIRS 1ST QUALIFYING SESSION

NORTH-SOUTH			SECTIONS II JJ	EAST-WEST			
1		David Margolin, Rocky Hill CT; Yeong-Long Shiu, Manchester CT	65.55%	1		Gary Helman, Syosset NY; Malcolm Barker, Chalfont St Gil Great Britain	56.63%
2		Susan Jackowitz - Lew Walter, New York NY	61.23%	2		R Muggia, Andover MA; Robert Fogarty, Merrimac MA	56.28%
3		Marina Polestra, Boston MA; K Scott Kimball, Brighton MA	59.50%	3		Jules Schoenberg - Hazel Schoenberg, Plano TX	55.60%
4		Dick Wagman, Acton MA; Richard Freedman, N Billerica MA	59.19%	4		Shirley Tartick - Joan Klap, Toronto ON	55.14%
5		Richard Ekstrum, Crystal MN; Ann Borgschulte, Lexington MA	57.89%	5		Jack Greenberg - Alene Friedman, New York NY	54.94%
6		Adam Ruprecht, Seattle WA; Andrew Hoskins, Redmond WA	56.83%	6		Virgiliu Pavlu, Hanover NH; Florin Constantin, Cambridge MA	54.31%
7		Linda Frank, New York NY; William Palmer, Brooklyn NY	56.16%	7		Edward Rasmussen, Plymouth MA; Robert Lipton, New York NY	54.02%
8		Michael Schrage - Roberto Verthelyi, New York NY	54.94%	8		Danny Kleinman - John Lu, Los Angeles CA	53.99%
9		Stephanie Hamilton-Diesel, Saugus MA; Randy Corn, Kirkland WA	54.80%	9		Serge Aronovich - Marianne Aronovich, Tuxedo Park NY	53.17%
10		Marilyn Godel - Heather Felsky, Hampstead QC	54.00%	10		Robert C.F. Wang, El Monte CA; Shiu-Ming Huang, San Marino CA	53.02%
11		Paul McDaniels, Richmond CA; Richard Reitman, Los Gatos CA	53.89%	11		Elaine Ware, Vernon BC; Barbara Schultz, Shawnigan Lake BC	52.51%
12		Roger Zellmer - Marvin French, San Diego CA	53.44%	12		Shawn Stringer, Silver Spring MD; Jeffrey Boak, Bethesda MD	52.32%
		NORTH-SOUTH			EAST-WEST		
1		Ava Grubman - Elliott Grubman, Brooklyn NY	64.62%	1		Evan Markowitz, New York NY; Bruce Neiger, Merrick NY	62.85%
2		Joanne Antoniou - Jack Weingold, Boca Raton FL	62.46%	2		Judith Marshall, Buffalo NY; Marie Wiley, London ON	59.92%
3		Otto Adamec - Greg Reich, New York NY	58.69%	3		Patricia Chambers - Robin Chambers, Palo Alto CA	59.54%
4		Matt Meckstroth, Baltimore MD; Sally Chapleau, Vero Beach FL	57.77%	4		Estelle Margolin, Rego Park NY; Lance Ribeiro, Hampstead NH	57.92%
5		Bernard Neuhart, Niskayuna NY; Robert Neuhart, Troy NY	56.77%	5		Barry Balof - Claire Valente, Walla Walla WA	56.08%
6		Terry Jones, Falls Church VA; Alfred Duncker, Alexandria VA	54.92%	6		William Allison, Decatur GA; Charles Galloway, Thornhill ON	56.00%
7		Daniel Neill, Lexington KY; Jason Rotenberg, Fairfield CT	54.54%	7		Hope Wener, Montreal QC; Deanna Godel, Cote Saint-Luc QC	55.54%
8		Kirk Elyakin - Marilyn Elyakin, Monroe Twp NJ	53.85%	8		Ellen Dilbert - Christopher Apitz, Waltham MA	53.54%
9/10		Jon Downing, Solihull England; Liam Johnstone, Birmingham England	53.23%	9		Daniel Lavee, Thornhill ON; Barbara McLendon, New York NY	52.92%
9/10		Sam Tekbas, Nepean ON; Amal Dasgupta, Wilmington DE	53.23%	10		Susan Khanna - Deepak Khanna, Shillington PA	52.85%
11		Albert Shrive, Dalton PA; Jim McKeown, State College PA	52.92%	11		Russ Jones, Jonesboro AR; Ned Irving, Hot Sprgs Vlg AR	52.77%
12		Anita Morse - Peter Morse, North Vancouver BC	51.46%	12/13		Allen McRae, Portland ME; Roland Miller, Bowdoin ME	52.23%
				12/13		Jose Gaztambide, West Hartford CT; Lea Selig, W Hartford CT	52.23%
		NORTH-SOUTH			EAST-WEST		
1		Debbie Benner - Arthur Crystal, Fairfield CT	64.02%	1		Andy Avery, Jamaica VT; Cecily Kohler, Washington DC	64.83%
2		Saul Agranoff, Newton MA; Edward Scolnick, Wayland MA	60.02%	2		Merle Stetser, Honolulu HI; Edward Hynes, Penobscus NB	61.44%
3		Adam Kaplan, New Port Richey FL; Donna Rodwell, Clearwater Bch FL	56.28%	3		John Klayman, Haymarket VA; Lawrence Lau, Westport CT	61.03%
4		Jack Wertheimer - Joyce Goldstein, Brooklyn NY	55.01%	4		Diana Miller, Bluffton SC; Randolph Johnson, Suffield CT	59.62%
5		Sara Rothmuller, Santa Rosa CA; Laurence Hansen, Healdsburg CA	54.86%	5/6		Larry Rosen, Albany NY; Steven Shaye, Slingerlands NY	57.95%
6		Michael Sherman, Chickamauga GA; Dian Petrov, Buffalo NY	54.71%	5/6		Jack Alhale - Rozi Alhale, New York NY	57.95%
7		David Tuttle - Nancy Tuttle, Reading MA	54.35%	7		Carolyne Fox - George Fox, Manvel TX	57.54%
8		Andrew Skolnick, Bedford Hills NY; Greg Warden, Belmont MA	53.59%	8		Jonna Robinson, San Jose CA; Austra Geaski, Manchester CT	56.83%
9		Paul Eberman - Madi Drimmer, Sarasota FL	53.49%	9		Chris Coffman, West Palm Bch FL; Roger Coffman, West Palm Beach FL	56.58%
10		Kassie Munoz, White Plains NY; Susan Meyers, Mt Kisco NY	53.34%	10		Peter Latkany, Brooklyn NY; Bonnie Britton, Staten Island NY	56.43%
11		Paul Wolf II, Shrewsbury MA; Bernard Garbose, Worcester MA	53.24%	11		Marvin Kolodzik, Cincinnati OH; Linda Gallaher, Morehead KY	55.57%
12		Ann Lindley, Alexandria VA; Thomas Lavender, Arlington VA	52.73%	12		Susan Grauer - Tom Breed, Aurora CO	54.96%
13		Wendy Krause - Arnold Krause, Toronto ON	52.58%	13		Maureen Johnson, Nashua NH; Jay Tang, Sharon MA	54.86%
14		Vonnie Lavender, Burke VA; Edwin Lewis III, Bolton CT	52.53%	14		Peggy Mc Cormick, Arlington TX; Michael McCormick, Fort Worth TX	54.35%
15/16		Julie Berdock - Michael Kenny, Richmond Hill ON	52.28%	15		Susan E G Slusky, Highland Park NJ; Tom Komline, Easton PA	53.90%
15/16		Roger Dunn, Longueuil QC; Richard Lesage, Montreal QC	52.28%	16		Brenda Glaze - Robert Hill, Anchorage AK	53.19%
17		Helen Colter - George Colter, Fredericton NB	51.92%	17		William Watson, West Hartford CT; Kimberly Gilman, Carlisle MA	52.33%
18		Melissa Baker, West Harrison NY; Tania Reyes Hiller, Shrub Oak NY	51.52%	18		Margot Hirsch, Arlington TX; Mary Skavaril, Columbus OH	51.72%

TODAY'S BRIDGE EVENTS

See page 2 for other events

Rhode Island Day

Wednesday, November 26, 9 a.m.

Event	Session	Sold	Entry/player/session ACBL members**	Other
Ocean State Wednesday-Friday Morning Bracketed Knockout Teams	1st	Marriott Exhibit Hall, 3rd Floor	\$15.50	\$17.50
Nutmeg State Tuesday-Wednesday Morning Bracketed Compact Knockout Teams	3-4	Marriott Exhibit Hall, 3rd Floor	\$15.50	\$17.50
Goodwill Committee Monday-Thursday Morning Bracketed Knockout Teams	3rd	Marriott Exhibit Hall, 3rd Floor	\$15.50	\$17.50
Monday-Wednesday Morning Side Game Series	3rd single session	Marriott Exhibit Hall, 3rd Floor	\$15.50	\$17.50

Wednesday, November 26, 10 a.m.

299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Marriott Ballroom H, 4th Floor	\$14.50	\$16.50
0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single	Marriott Ballroom H, 4th Floor	\$14.50	\$14.50

Wednesday, November 26, 10 a.m. & 3 p.m.

Providence County Stratified Daylight Open Pairs	1-2	Marriott Ballroom F, 4th Floor	\$15.50	\$17.50
Newport County Stratified Senior Pairs	1-2	Marriott Ballroom G, 4th Floor	\$15.50	\$17.50

Wednesday, November 26, 1 p.m.

Monday-Wednesday Side Game Series	5th single session	Marriott Ballroom E, 4th Floor	\$15.50	\$17.50
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Wednesday, November 26, 1 & 7:30 p.m.

EDGAR KAPLAN BLUE RIBBON PAIRS	1-2 SF	Westin America Ballroom, 4th Floor	\$18	—
Mini-Blue Ribbon Pairs	1-2 F	Westin America Ballroom, 4th Floor	\$16.50	—
SENIOR KNOCKOUT TEAMS	1-2 F	Westin, 7th Floor	\$18	—
<i>Second session at 8 p.m.</i>				
Bristol County Stratified Open Pairs	1-2	Marriott Ballroom E, 4th Floor	\$15.50	\$17.50
Kent County A/X Swiss Teams	1-2	Westin Essex Ballroom, 3rd Floor	\$15.50	\$17.50
<i>5000+/0-5000. Eight 7-board matches.</i>				
Washington County Bracketed Flight B Swiss Teams	1-2	Marriott Exhibit Hall, 3rd Floor	\$15.50	\$17.50
<i>No player over 3000 masterpoints. Seven 7-board matches. Must play all seven rounds. Drop-outs not permitted.</i>				
Narragansett Bay Wednesday-Thursday Bracketed Knockout Teams	1-2	Marriott Exhibit Hall, 3rd Floor	\$15.50	\$17.50
Connecticut River Valley Tuesday-Wednesday Bracketed Knockout Teams	3-4	Marriott Exhibit Hall, 3rd Floor	\$15.50	\$17.50

Wednesday, November 26, 3 p.m.

299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Marriott Ballroom H, 4th Floor	\$14.50	\$16.50
0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single	Marriott Ballroom H, 4th Floor	\$14.50	\$14.50

Wednesday, November 26, 7:30 p.m.

Walter Fontaine Stratified Board-a-Match Teams	single	Marriott Ballroom F, 4th Floor	\$14.50	\$16.50
Rose Reiter Stratified IMP Pairs	single	Marriott Ballroom F, 4th Floor	\$14.50	\$16.50
<i>Both events above open to A/X Swiss non-qualifiers and new entrants.</i>				
Monday-Wednesday Side Game Series	6th single session	Marriott Ballroom E, 4th Floor	\$15.50	\$17.50
Chepachet Village Stratified 299er Swiss Teams	single	Marriott Ballroom H, 4th Floor	\$14.50	\$16.50
299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Marriott Ballroom H, 4th Floor	\$14.50	\$16.50
0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single	Marriott Ballroom H, 4th Floor	\$14.50	\$14.50

Wednesday, November 26, 11:30 p.m.

Zip Knockout Teams	single	Marriott Ballroom H, 4th Floor	\$12/team/match	
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Note: Pre-registration for the **REISINGER BOARD-A-MATCH TEAMS** required by 7:30 p.m. Thursday.

Unless otherwise noted, strata breaks for all stratified events are: A (2500+), B (750-2500), C (0-750). For Strati-Flighted events, A/X are 5000+/0-5000 and play in their own game; B (1000-2000), C (500-1000) and D (0-500) play in their own game.

*Members whose dues payment is current and Life Masters whose service fee payment is current.

Today's Sponsorships and Memorials

Walter Fontaine is my brother and my friend. He is also a great bridge player and a Platinum Life Master. He truly loves bridge — he loves to play it and teach it. Walt is a keen mathematician with a phenomenal memory for numbers. He can play among the very best players, but he doesn't intimidate newcomers, thus encouraging novices

to keep playing and improving their game. To me, Walter is "Mr. Bridge!" *Submitted with great fondness by his sister, Barbara Fontaine.*

A lifelong gemologist, store owner and traveler, **Rose Reiter** took her first bridge lessons while in her 60's. A warm, intelligent and spirited woman, she quickly made lifelong friendships with many of the people in her class, most them at least 20 years younger. Many of them, including

Rose, became avid bridge players. Rose quickly became a capable player, and played at least several nights weekly, although she continued to work full-time. Always a lively and generous person, Rose is remembered warmly by all who knew her. *Submitted by her friend, Andrea Teacher.*