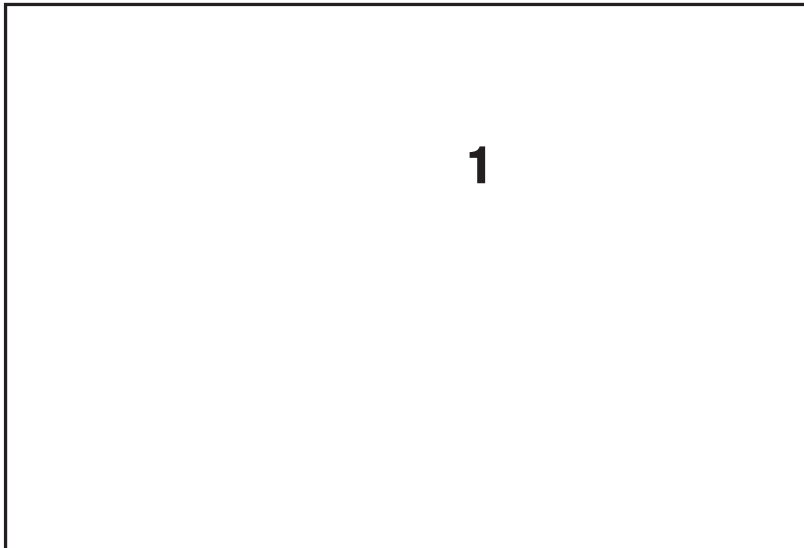


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The winners of the 1997 Vanderbilt Knockout Teams were presented with their Vanderbilt Trophy replicas here. Harold Vanderbilt, inventor of contract bridge, left a legacy in his will which provides for sterling silver trophies to be given to all Vanderbilt winners each year. Displaying their trophies are, seated, left to right: Mark Lair, Richie Schwartz and Peter Boyd; standing, Bobby Goldman, Paul Soloway and Steve Robinson.

Bramley foursome in Reisinger BAM lead

The squad captained by Bart Bramley held a lead of approximately two and a half boards with two sessions left to play in the Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams.

Bramley is playing with Sidney Lazard, Howard Weinstein and Steve Garner. After four qualifying sessions, their score was 37.91.

In second place with 35.48 were Steve Zolotow, Harold Lilie, Marc Jacobus, Ron Smith and Bob Crossley.

In a virtual tie for third and fourth were two teams with strong Chicago connections: Tom Fox, Walter Schafer (both from Chicago suburbs), John Sutherlin and Russ Ekeblad (34.19) and Jerry Goldfein, Larry Robbins and Gary Cohler (suburban Chicago), playing with Dan Rotman (34.13).

Missing from the final is the team that has won three of the last four Reisingers -- Nick Nickell, Richard Freeman, Bob Hamman, Bobby Wolff, Jeff Meckstroth and Eric Rodwell.

Blue Ribbon final is exciting for newcomer

Until about a year and a half ago, Richard Riezman's only contact with bridge was remembering how much he played during his college days in the Sixties. At the Fall NABC, the relative newcomer to the ACBL found himself smack in the middle of the Blue Ribbon Pairs final.

"It was quite a thrill," said the 53-year-old St. Louis attorney who started the NABC with the grand total of 65 masterpoints. In fact, Riezman was the only non-Life Master (or foreign equivalent) out of the 288 pairs to enter the Blue Ribbon. His partner was Roger Lord, who also happens to be Riezman's bridge mentor.

Lord, also of St. Louis, said he and Riezman were matched up by a mutual friend, attorney Alan Popkin.

Says Lord: "Richard is more than a good student. He has a knack for figuring things out, and he's a perfect gentleman at the table."

Riezman says he decided to return to bridge

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Systems and conventions: what's fair and reasonable?

Among ACBL members, there are strong feelings on both sides of the issue of conventions and Alerts. Many ACBL players simply do not enjoy events where the opponents Alert frequently or the conventions are difficult to fathom. The issues are more complex in high-level competition, particularly in international competition, but the viewpoints expressed in the following two pieces should be of interest to, and possibly enlightening for, all players.

Bridge needs simplicity for public acceptance

By Bob Hamman

The most successful bridge team of this decade has been the French team consisting of Paul Chemla, Michel Perron, Hervé Mouiel, Alain Lévy and, in the last Bermuda Bowl, Christian Mari and Frank Multon.

Every pair on the winning team in the 1997 Bermuda Bowl plays a natural system with none of the destructive conventions that require specialized defenses. In fact, in international competition many of the most successful partnerships reject destructive systems.

In order for any sport to rise above the niche level, it must be comprehensible to a public of amateur enthusiasts. This means that bridge -- from the world championships on down -- must be understandable to existing fans and to potential fans.

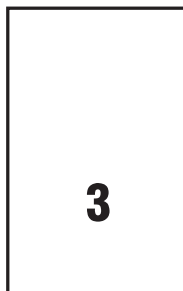
If we consider that one of our game's most serious problems is lack of comprehension by the public, where do we go for a remedy? These are my recommendations:

1. Outlaw all conventions except weak notrumps, where the values promised are less than that of a minimum traditional opening bid and no suit is dis-

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Bob Hamman



Chip Martel

Coleman maintains lead in NA Swiss

Bidding to lead the event from start to finish, the squad captained by Jack Coleman put more distance between themselves and second place after the second day of qualifying play in the North American Swiss Teams.

Coleman, Matt Granovetter, Mark Molson, Boris Baran, Mark Stein and Drew Cannell ended the day Saturday with 132 Victory Points. In second place with 113.3 VPs were Jeff Schuett, Craig Gardner, Mary Gardner, Kerry Smith and Dick Bruno.

Coleman's team, minus Granovetter, has won the North American Swiss two of the last three years.

In third place after two days of play were Edith Rosenkranz, Robert Morris, Bob Etter, Curtis Cheek and Hjordis Eythorsdottir.



Karen Allison

Vugraph to feature Reisinger matches

A key table during each three-board round in the Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams final will be featured throughout the afternoon and evening sessions today. The show will take place, starting at noon, in Ballrooms A-B-C-D on the fourth level of the Adam's Mark.

Karen Allison, who has made major strides in putting bridge matches on the Internet, will be the chief commentator, assisted by George Jacobs. As usual, many great players will take the mike as well from time to time.

Tunisian residents?

Henry and Dorthy Francis missed their Air France flight when they were attempting to leave Tunisia -- their bus left the hotel almost an hour late and their seats were canceled and sold to someone else. They spent three of the most frustrating hours of their life in Tunis Airport on Sunday trying to find some way to leave Tunisia before Wednesday. For a moment it appeared they could get out on Tunis Air for 903 dinar apiece (that's \$803 American). But that fizzled too. Finally they gave up and took a taxi to a downtown Tunis hotel.

The rest of the story has "Pretty Woman" accents -- remember the hotel manager who took such good care of Julia Roberts? Well, Henry and Dorthy found that kind of hotel manager. First he reduced their room rate when he heard their sad story. Then he called Air France -- no luck, the earliest was Wednesday. But then he said he had a travel agent friend who might help -- "See me when I come on duty tomorrow morning."

On Monday morning, he saw Henry in the lobby and said, "Let's go." They walked a few blocks to a travel office, and he told

his friend about Henry's problem. The agent went to work on his computer, and an hour and a half later he announced he had found a flight -- Tunis Air to Barcelona, then Lufthansa to Frankfurt. "I'll take it," Henry said quickly. "How much?"

"438 dinar (\$390) each."

"Yesterday they told me 903 dinar," said Henry.

"Ah," said the hotel manager. "But yesterday you were a foreigner. Today you're a Tunisian resident."

The tickets were round-trip of course -- after all Henry and Dorthy were Tunisian residents! Then Henry tried to pay with a credit card.

"You can't use that," said the hotel manager. "That credit card identifies you as an American resident. You'll have to pay cash. Come with me. I have a friend in the money business."

So off they went, and Henry got the money even though he didn't have his passport. "He's a friend of mine from America," the hotel manager told the money man.

A happy ending to a sad story. It's going to be a long time before Henry and Dorthy forget that hotel manager.

Just an overtrick

By Adam Wildavsky

My sweetheart, Ann Raymond, taught me that "it's only the last board that counts." That was never more true for me than Thursday night in the second final session of the Blue Ribbon Pairs. After 25 boards, I thought Allan Falk and I were only a board or so above average, and while we were leading by a small margin after the fifth session, I was not confident that we were in contention.

Dir: East ♠A 9 5 4

Vul: Both ♥Q 9

♦A J 9

♣K 10 9 5

♠8 7 2

♥10 8 5

♦8 7 6 4 3

♣A 2

♠Q J 6 3

♥K 7 4

♦Q 10 2

♣Q 6 3

♠K 10

♥A J 6 3 2

♦K 5

♣J 8 7 4

West	North <i>Me</i>	East	South <i>Allan</i>
Pass	2NT	Pass	3NT
All Pass			1♥

With the North hand, I had to decide what to respond. 1♥ is reasonable but I chose an equally reasonable 2NT, showing a balanced 12-15 high-card points (game forcing). I didn't want to have the same auction as the field, since I didn't want an average on the board, and I knew we'd be one of the only pairs in the field to have a natural 2NT available.

As it turns out, our game was a little better than I had hoped and our opponents' games a little worse than I had feared, so an average on the board would have been enough to win the event for us.

Average on the board was not available, however. We could be plus 400 for 8 out of 25 or plus 430 for 18.

I was mildly concerned about wrong-siding the contract on account of my spade holding. Tough! My fears were realized when East led the ♠3. As it turns out, we had actually right-sided the contract. Allan would have been hard-pressed to make even nine tricks after the likely lead of the ♠8 by West.

In any case, I passed the first hurdle by ducking in dummy after much thought -- West followed with the ♠2. Once the ♠10 held, my contract was secure and I could consider overtricks. The ♣8 seemed the right card to lead at trick two.

West went up with the ace to lead back the ♠8. I should have thought more about West's play. Often a player will play the ace second hand when holding the queen as well, but there was a live possibility that her partner held the ♣10. On the other hand it looked as though spades were 4-3 and there seemed no pressing reason to part with the ♣A since if East won the trick and continued spades West would still have one to lead when she did score the ♣A. Had I switched my attention to hearts, I could have made 11 tricks, hopefully by taking the percentage play in the suit of low to the 9.

In any case, it was late, I was tired and I took a second club finesse by playing the 4 to the 10. East won and exited with the ♠Q. I won and led the ♥Q, covered by the king and ace. After more thought, I decided that the diamond finesse was my best play for 10 tricks without risking holding myself to nine. I could force one more discard first, though, so I led the ♠J to the king (West pitched a diamond). Then I led the ♦9, covered by East with the 10. This was a suspicious card. While it could be from three to the 10, most players wouldn't think of the play, and I decided to play East for the ♠Q as well.

I cashed the ♥A and played the ♣4 to the 9. West pitched a heart and East was squeezed on this trick. She discarded a heart, so I could throw her in with a spade to lead into my diamond tenace. I like to think that I would have guessed correctly had she discarded the ♠2. In any case, plus 430 was good enough to win the event. Plus 400 would have put us second.

Three roads to ruin

We have all heard of Morton's Fork, a picturesque way to describe a situation where a player (usually a defender) has two options, both of which lose. Fred Gitelman engineered a fascinating ending on this hand from the second final session of the Blue Ribbon Pairs, where the defender had three losing options.

Dir: East ♠K 9 7
Vul: E-W ♥7 4 3 2
♦Q 7 6 4
♣K 2

♠Q 10 6 4 3

♥J 6

♦A 8 5 3

♣10 5

♠A 8

♥A Q 5

♦K J 9 2

♣9 8 7 4

♠J 5 2

♥K 10 9 8

♦10

♣A Q J 6 3

Gitelman, North, ended up as declarer in ♥ after and opening 1♦ from East. A club was led, won by the king, and Gitelman led a heart to the king and played another round of trumps. East won the ♥Q, cashed the ♥A and led a diamond to his partner's ace. West did well not to touch spades now, exiting with a club to dummy.

Three more rounds of clubs followed, putting the defenders under some pressure. Gitelman read the position correctly and took the bold step of giving up on his chances of finding West with the ♠A, coming down to a singleton ♠K. Meanwhile, West made the small but fatal error of keeping two diamonds, resulting in this ending:

♠K
♥7
♦Q 7
♣---

♠Q 10

♥---

♦8 5

♣---

♠A 8

♥---

♦K J

♣---

♠J 5 2

♥8

♦---

♣---

Now a spade to the 10, king, and ace left East with three equally unpalatable choices. The ♦J would be ducked to the queen, the ♠K would be ruffed, establishing the queen, and a spade would be ruffed in hand, setting up dummy's ♠J when West's queen fell. Now we need a name for this kind of maneuver: maybe the Cerberus Coup?

Little things mean a lot

By Barry Rigal

The late great Jean Besse of Switzerland won a Bols Bridge Tip prize by pointing out the importance of what he called Neutrinos. By this he meant the significance of not discarding ALL your cards in a side suit to led declarer count out the hand.

Wynn Allegert showed me this hand, which actually relates to the theme.

♠ K Q 7

♥ Q 6 4

♦ J 9 3 2

♣ K 5 2

♠ --

♥ K 8 5

♦ K 10 8 7 5 4

♣ J 9 4 3

♠ A 10 9 8 5 3

♥ 9 7 3 2

♦ 6

♣ Q 8

♠ J 6 4 2

♥ A J 10

♦ A Q

♣ A 10 8 7

You play 3NT with a combined 28 high card points -- normally enough! On a diamond lead to the queen, you play a spade to the king and West throws a diamond. East wins and returns a spade -- you win in dummy to run the ♥Q. West wins and returns a diamond, and you get another piece of the picture when East throws a heart.

You run the ♠7 to East who plays a third spade to your jack as West pitches the ♦10 and you now take your heart winners. This is the position:

♠ --

♥ --

♦ J 9

♣ K 5

♠ --

♥ --

♦ K

♣ J 9 4

♠ 9 8 5

♥ --

♦ --

♣ 6

♠ 6

♥ --

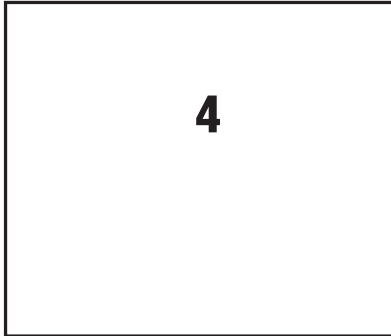
♦ --

♣ A 10 8

Now the significance of East's innocent discard of a low heart becomes apparent. Had he retained it, you would have to guess if West was 6-4-0-3 or 6-3-0-4 originally. As it is, you can cash the ♠K and exit with a diamond. West is endplayed at trick 12 to lead a club into your tenace.

Newcomer

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Roger Lord and quick learner Richard Riezman

after 30 years because in playing bridge it is necessary to employ some of the same problem-solving skills he uses in his law practice.

"I thought it would be great recreation as I get older," Riezman says.

The attorney praised Lord for his tutoring skills. "Roger is extremely diligent," says Riezman. "He has high standards of play and high ethical standards."

Riezman says he and Lord did not expect to go as far as they did in the Blue Ribbon Pairs, but they started the event with a section top and went on from there.

Riezman says he was surprised at how much stamina he needed to play six sessions of bridge in three days, the length of the Blue Ribbon. "It was intense," he says. "I'm just starting to recover."

Sender Defense Award

Swedish Count Gunnar Hallberg won the Sender Defense Award for his performance as East on this hand. He found the right play by using the most important tool of defense, counting the declarer's tricks. The journalist who reported this deal was Robert Sheehan of Great Britain.

Dr: South ♠ J 8 7 3

Vul: None ♥ A 2

♦ K Q J 5

♣ J 6 4

♠ A 6 5

♥ 6 5 4 3

♦ 3 2

♣ K 10 8 2

♠ Q 4

♥ Q J 10 9

♦ A 6 4

♣ A 9 7 3

South	West	North	East
INT (12-14)	Pass	2♣	Pass
2♥	Pass	3NT	All Pass

Declarer played low from dummy on the ♣2 lead, East played the queen and declarer won the ace. Declarer played on hearts, East winning the third round with dummy discarding a spade. At this point many players would return a club. Now after West takes his king declarer has nine tricks.

When Hallberg won the ♥K, he counted declarer's tricks. South was bound to have the ♦A -- else why wouldn't he be playing on diamonds, rather than removing the ♥A as an entry to them? Hence it was clear that South had seven tricks in the red suits to go with the ♠A, and a club return would obviously set up his ninth trick. South needed the ♠Q to make up his 12-14 INT, which meant that the defense couldn't make more than two tricks there.

So East returned a diamond. This innocuous looking play scrambled the declarer's entries. If he won in hand to lead a club, he would never be able to cash his fourth heart. If he cashed the fourth heart first, what was dummy to discard? One spade had already gone on the third heart, and if he discarded another the defense could take four spade tricks when they came in with the ♠K. The only other choice was to discard a diamond, but that would leave declarer a trick short.

No Charity

By Roger Lord

♠ 10 4

♥ A Q 9 7 4

♦ Q 6

♣ K 9 8 3

♠ 9 7 5

♥ J 10 6 5

♦ J 9 8

♣ J 4 2

♠ K 8 6 2

♥ K 8 2

♦ 10 5 4 3

♣ 10 5

♠ A Q J 3

♥ 3

♦ A K 7 2

♣ A Q 7 6

Larry Kolker, North, upon seeing dummy thought he'd better play for the maximum number of tricks to salvage a few matchpoints after missing the club slam. He let the opening spade lead ride to his 10, then finessed the jack and cashed the ace, pitching a heart. Next he ran clubs. East could afford one heart discard, but the fourth round of clubs squeezed him in three suits. He elected to unguard diamonds.

Then the run of the established diamond suit squeezed East again. Protecting his high spade, East blanked the ♥K. At trick 12 Kolker guessed right -- he went up with the ♥A to score all 13 tricks.

As East left the table he was heard to mutter, "I've never been squeezed like that before."

Sad story

Tadashi Yoshida of Tokyo had a sad tale to tell from the second session of the Tuesday Stratified Open Pairs. Yoshida and his partner sat East-West.

Dr: East ♠ A Q J 10 8 6

Vul: None ♥ J 7 4 3

♦ 4

♣ A 2

♠ 9 7

♥ A K 5

♦ 8 7 6 5

♣ 9 8 6 3

♠ 3 2

♥ 10 2

♦ K 10 9 3 2

♣ Q J 7 5

♠ K 5 4

♥ Q 9 8 6

♦ A Q J

♣ K 10 4

West	North	East	South
Pass	4♥ (1)	Pass	INT

(1) Intended as a Texas transfer.

South forgot what the partnership was playing, so North ended up in the serendipitous 4-4 heart fit despite the snafu. East led a club, won in dummy with the king. Declarer then called for the ♥Q, taken by West with the king. A club came back to declarer's ace. An instant later, the ♥J was on the table, smothering the 10 and picking up the suit for two losers.

Yoshida and his partner could only lament their bad luck. At virtually every other table, of course, South was declarer in 4♣. The normal lead of a top heart would quickly produce a heart ruff for the defenders, holding declarer to 10 tricks. Minus 450 for Yoshida was a tie for bottom.

Machine vs. man

Players often complain about computer-dealt hands, saying they're too far out of the norm to be real. Then how about this one, dealt by humans in a bracketed knockout teams on Saturday afternoon? Mike Jinks of Greenville SC held these cards:

♠ ---

♥ A K J 8 7 5 3

♦ A K Q 6 5 3

♣ ---

He and partner Ed Word of Monroe LA quickly reached 7♦ despite interference by the opponents. Partner put down three diamond to the jack and a singleton heart in dummy -- and the ♥Q was doubleton onside -- so 7♦ rolled home for plus 2140, a 16-IMP gain since East-West stopped in 4♥ at the other table.

Home away from home

Eight players from Winnipeg jumped into a motor home last Saturday, drove 1100 miles to St. Louis, and played bridge for a week. Tonight they'll climb back into the huge vehicle and drive through the night -- and day -- back to Winnipeg. Four of the eight lived in the motor home throughout the tournament, and four decided to stay in the Holiday Inn, in front of which the motor home has been parked.

The "togetherness" group includes Gail Arnott, Ron Heron, Bob Waite, Ron Sawiak, Andrew Petrick, Bill Trebel, Len Doerksen and Ferd Bernjak. Gail, Ron, Andrew and Ferd shared the group's most successful venture of the week -- a victory in one of the bracketed knockouts.

Ron is heavily into Junior bridge -- he teaches 11 classes to schoolchildren from the sixth grade through high school.

All the news that's fit to print

By Barry Rigal

Michael Einberg, playing with David Sokolov in the North American Swiss qualifier, found a neat defense. Although the play may seem obvious, it defeated the many-time champion in the West seat at the other table.

♠ A J 5

♥ K 7 6 5 2

♦ Q 9 7 4

♣ J

♠ 10 8 4 2

♥ A 9

♦ K 2

♣ A Q 8 5 2

♠ 6

♥ J 8 4 3

♦ J 8 6 5

♣ 9 7 6 4

♠ K Q 9 7 3

♥ Q 10

♦ A 10 3

♣ K 10 3

Both tables reached 4♠ from the South seat, and both declarers received a trump lead, won in dummy. They passed the ♣J and West won to play a second trump, won cheaply in hand. Now came the ♠K, and at one table West covered this. Declarer ruffed and played a heart to the queen. West took this and played a third club, but declarer won it, drew trumps and gave up a diamond. Ten tricks made.

Einberg ducked the ♠K, forcing declarer to ruff a club in dummy. Now he got in with the ♦K and forced declarer with another club. South could draw trumps, but when diamonds did not behave and with the ♥A in West who had a long club ready to cash, declarer was down down no matter what he did.

One-track mind

Chuck and Elaine Said of Nashville were about to sit down for dinner at Tony's Friday night between sessions when they spotted Rita Shugart, who had just finished her meal after an afternoon playing in the Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams.

Chuck was hoping to get a hint about a good dish, so he asked Shugart, "What did you have?"

Without missing a beat, Shugart replied, "Fourteen."

Truly international

Players from at least 17 countries are competing at this NABC. Of course we have players from the four ACBL countries -- United States, Canada, Mexico and Bermuda. In addition, we have players from Argentina, Australia, New Zealand, Japan, Barbados, Great Britain, Netherlands, Sweden, Norway, Finland, Iceland, Poland and Germany.

How our members feel about *Bulletin* format

The object of the survey was to determine how members feel about a change in the format of *The Bridge Bulletin*, from the current digest size to that of *Time* or *Newsweek*.

The first part of the project involved production of a magazine in the new size -- 8.5 by 11 inches -- with better-quality paper and revamped design inside.

That was accomplished and the new-style magazines were displayed during the 1997 Summer NABC in Albuquerque with a questionnaire asking the opinions of ACBL members.

Members are asked to examine the magazine and answer the following questions (responders' options were Yes, No and No Opinion):

1. *Do you prefer the appearance of the large-size magazine to that of the present-size Bridge Bulletin?*

2. *Does the layout of the large-size magazine appeal to you?*

3. *Do you think the type size of the Bridge Bulletin is large enough, considering the high average age of our membership?* (The type size was increased by about 5% about a year ago.)

4. *If we were to change to the large-size magazine, the cost of producing the Bridge Bulletin would rise significantly. Would you be willing to earmark approximately \$2 per year to finance this change?*

In Albuquerque, 255 questionnaires were completed.

The next part of the project was to produce more *Bridge Bulletins* in the new format and to make them available to members who frequent bridge clubs in North America.

Twenty clubs were recruited to participate in the survey. Their mission was to display the sample magazines and to make the questionnaires available -- with exactly the same questions that were posed in Albuquerque. After the magazines and surveys were mailed, a club owner in Los Angeles asked if he could take part, and he was included.

Although the questions were the same, there were two additions to the survey.

First, there was a notice that only ACBL members were invited to take part in the survey.

Second, those who filled out the questionnaires were encouraged to include their player numbers. The reason for this was that we hoped to be able to gather some demographic information about those who responded through the use of the membership files in our main computer. Most of the membership entries have such information as age, the date the person joined the ACBL, masterpoints, etc.

To hold down expenses, the sample magazines in Albuquerque and the ones sent to clubs were only 24 pages and were thus only one-third the size the magazine would be in the new format.

To illustrate what the magazine would look and feel like at 72 pages, each club was sent a 72-page magazine with the same cover as the others but blank pages inside. These were not available in Albuquerque.

Nineteen of the 21 clubs returned completed surveys. The two clubs which did not return surveys are located in Canada, the problem owing no doubt to slow mail service.

A total of 1326 ACBL members completed the survey sent to clubs. The results of those surveys, plus the one in Albuquerque, can be found in attached documents.

Survey results

From the 1997 Summer NABC in Albuquerque 255 responses (percentages are rounded)

1. *Do you prefer the appearance of the large-size magazine to that of the present-size Bridge Bulletin?*

Yes	No	No opinion
180	70	5
70.5%	27.5%	2%

2. *Does the layout of the large-size magazine appeal to you?*

Yes	No	No opinion
183	50	22
72%	20%	8%

3. *Do you think the type size of the Bridge Bulletin is large enough, considering the high average age of our membership?* (The type size was increased by about 5% about a year ago.)

Yes	No	No opinion
185	44	26
72%	17%	10%

4. *If we were to change to the large-size magazine, the cost of producing the Bridge Bulletin would rise significantly. Would you be willing to earmark approximately \$2 per year to finance this change?*

Yes	No	No opinion
139	109	7
54.5%	42.5%	3%

From the mail survey of 19 ACBL-affiliated bridge clubs:

1326 responses (percentages are rounded)

1. *Do you prefer the appearance of the large-size magazine to that of the present-size Bridge Bulletin?*

Yes	No	No opinion
560	690	76
42%	52%	6%

2. *Does the layout of the large-size magazine appeal to you?*

Yes	No	No opinion
637	550	139
48%	41.5%	10.5%

3. *Do you think the type size of the Bridge Bulletin is large enough, considering the high average age of our membership?* (The type size was increased by about 5% about a year ago.)

Yes	No	No opinion
1060	151	115
80%	11%	9%

4. *If we were to change to the large-size magazine, the cost of producing the Bridge Bulletin would rise significantly. Would you be willing to earmark approximately \$2 per year to finance this change?*

Yes	No	No opinion
418	803	105
31.5%	60.5%	8%

Demographic information

Using player numbers, we attempted to compile some demographic information on the members who responded to the surveys. Because some of the surveys arrived at Headquarters late, only 13 sets of surveys were researched in this fashion. These 13 involved 833 total responses, 606 of which contained information about the players' ages.

Breakdown by sex (833 responders)

Women: 498 (59.8%).

Men: 335 (40.2%).

Average age of the 606 responders: 63.8.

Survey-specific information

Average age of players who answered yes to Question 1: **62.1**

Average age of players who answered no to Question 1: **65.2**.

Average length of ACBL membership, yes to Question 1: **10.9**.

Average length of ACBL membership, no to Question 1: **13.8**.

Average masterpoint holding, yes to Question 1: **450.5**.

Average masterpoint holding, yes to Question 1: **858.9**.

Commentary and conclusions

It was apparent from reading the surveys -- many contained comments by the responders -- that some members did not understand the questions.

For example, some appeared to think that in the new format, *The Bridge Bulletin* would be only 24 pages. This no doubt influenced at least some to vote against the change who might otherwise have chosen yes for Question 1. Some, in fact,

indicated this in so many words.

A frequent comment among those who voted no to Question 1 was that the small size is preferred because it fits in a purse, or because the new size would not fit in with a collection of *Bridge Bulletins* that is many years old (the spines can be displayed on a bookshelf to show the month and year of publication, unlike the new format).

Others said they did not like the "shiny" (glossy) paper.

There was also an apparent misunderstanding of Question 4. Many responders appeared to believe the survey was asking whether the member would approve a \$2 increase in dues. This question elicited the strongest negative reaction among club members to any of the questions.

The stark contrast in results between the Albuquerque survey and the club survey may be the product of the way in which the survey at the NABC was done. In Albuquerque, a strong advocate of the change to the new format oversaw at least some of the survey process and was there to explain points that were unclear -- and to lobby for a particular point of view. This was not the case at the clubs.

The negative vote on Question 1 -- the key issue in the survey -- may have been influenced by the resistance to change which is part of human nature. Even people who don't save their magazines feel the way one survey responder put it: "If it ain't broke, don't fix it."

One who favored the change, however, also had a strong opinion, voiced in this manner: "Let's get modern!"

This survey is not at all scientific and was without controls of any kind to assure uniformity or comprehension on the part of the participants.

The information does provide a rough guideline as to the mood of the membership at the club level, which constitutes the majority of the ACBL membership.

Accidents will happen

(But why do they always happen to me?)

By Barry Rigal

The quote is not mine -- it's the quote of the players who played this hand against Jill Mellstrom. While I was playing in the North American Swiss qualifying, a mournful figure came up to me and presented me with the following deal:

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

	♠ --		
	♥ A 5 4 3 2		
	♦ 10 6 4		
	♣ 10 8 7 5 2		
West	North	East	South
	INT	Pass	2♦
Pass	2♠	Pass	3♥
Pass	4♣	Pass	4♥
All Pass			

Yes, North was playing forcing Stayman, and South, Jill Mellstrom of Sweden, had forgotten -- she thought it was a transfer. On the diamond lead South hopped up with the ace, ruffed a spade, then crossed back to dummy three more times with dummy's top cards to ruff spades.

Having taken the first eight tricks, she exited with a diamond. The defense won and played a heart to her bare ace. She got out a club, won by West, who put her to the guess with the 13th diamond. But Jill got it right, ruffing with the 10, taking the queen and making her game.

That was the only swing of the seven-board match -- for some reason they missed game in the other room!

TOURNAMENT APPEALS

CASE SIXTEEN

Subject: Tempo
Event: Blue Ribbon Pairs, 26 Nov 97, Second Session

Board: 21 *Michael Rosenberg*
Dealer: North ♠ J 10 8 7 6 5 4 2
Vul: N/S ♥ 8 3 2
♦ 2
♣ 4

Dan Marcus *Petra Hamman*
♠ Q ♠ 9 3
♥ K 9 ♥ A J 10 6 4
♦ K Q 9 6 5 ♦ J 8
♣ A Q J 10 3 ♣ K 9 7 2

Bob Hamman
♠ A K
♥ Q 7 5
♦ A 10 7 4 3
♣ 8 6 5

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
	Pass	Pass	1♦
2♣	3♠	4♥	4♠
Dbl (1)	Pass	5♣	All Pass

(1) Break in tempo

The Facts: 5♣ made five, plus 400 for E/W. The opening lead was the ♦2 that was won by South with the ace. South played the ♠A and North played the ♠2. South then attempted to cash the ♠K. Declarer ruffed and won the rest of the tricks. The Director was called after the hand was over and ruled that West broke tempo before he doubled 4♠. E/W did not agree. The Director ruled that pass was a logical alternative to the 5♣ bid and changed the contract to 4♠ doubled down one, plus 200 for E/W.

The Appeal: E/W appealed the Director's ruling. North, East, and West attended the hearing. North stated South had a previous commitment and could not attend. East stated that she asked about the 3♠ bid, South told her that the bid showed good spades and she paused another five seconds and then passed. East stated that she almost bid 5♣ over 3♠ but decided to bid 4♥ in case each side had a double fit. E/W stated that the 5♣ contract should have gone down. The Committee discovered that E/W play weak two-bids but their discussion had been that in first and second seat they showed a six-card suit. They had not discussed jumps in competition.

North stated that he believed West's break in tempo was about eight seconds. He also stated that since East was a passed hand which denied very long hearts, a club fit was implied and that passing an in-tempo double of 4♠ was a logical alternative. East did not immediately pull the double to 5♣; she had paused for a "little while." North stated that he realized the Director should have been called immediately after the break in tempo, but because his opponent was his partner's wife, he had hoped there would not be a need for the Director. The Committee inquired about N/S's carding agreement and were told their agreement is primarily attitude -- the only time they would ever give count would be if the opponents had led the suit.

The Committee Decision: The Committee first discussed the defense of the 5♣ contract. Some believed that the ♠A was a peculiar play at trick two. The ♠2 said "don't continue". The Committee unanimously agreed that N/S, two of the greatest players in the world should get this right. It was decided that the damage they had suffered was subsequent to, not consequent of any infraction that may have occurred. Their result was decided to be 5♣ made five, minus 400.

The Committee next considered the 5♣ bid. The auction had been unusual and complicated; a passed hand had jumped to 3♠ and a passed hand had bid 4♥. A slow double in this situation would tend to make removal a more attractive alternative. In theory East had shown a club tolerance, but the fourth club was definitely an offensive defect, as were the doubleton spade and doubleton diamond. East was aware that the double had not been made with a trump stack since she had been told that North had a good spade suit. It was certainly possible that East would exchange a plus score for a minus score by bidding (and, in fact, should have.) The Committee finally decided, in a split decision, that the tempo of the

double, because of the unusual auction, did not suggest one logical alternative over another and allowed the table result, 5♣ made five, plus 400 for E/W to stand.

Dissenting Opinion (Henry Bethé): I have no problem, in fact strongly support the decision to give N/S minus 400 under the particular circumstances: that beating 5♣ should have been easy and that plus 50 was a better score than they could have achieved in 4♠ doubled. I also firmly believe that East "always intended" to bid 5♣. The question, however, is whether there was an undue hesitation by West over 4♠ and then whether a slow double demonstrably suggests that bidding 5♣ will be more successful than passing 4♠ doubled. (There is also the question of what tempo would be acceptable to this particular North!) I do believe that complex competitive auctions create the same sorts of problems as skip bids and that players have similar responsibilities not to act particularly quickly or slowly when involved in such auctions. But there are pregnant pauses and virginal ones, and pregnant pauses of any length create onus for partner to act appropriately. This pause was an undoubtedly pregnant. Just look at West's hand, and while bidding was reasonable it became more reasonable after the pause. Since I would probably have changed the contract for both sides if 4♠ doubled would make, I would change it here to give E/W plus 200.

Chairman: Karen Allison
Committee Members: Henry Bethé, Bart Bramley, Jerry Gaer, Barry Rigal, (scribe: Linda Weinstein)

CASE SEVENTEEN

Subject: Tempo
Event: NABC Senior KO Teams, 23 Nov 97, First Session

Board: 8 *Paul White*
Dealer: West ♠ 7
Vul: None ♥ 7 2
♦ K 9 5 3
♣ A Q J 10 6 4

Jack Bryant *Rod Van Wyk*
♠ A 10 8 2 ♠ K Q J 9 6 5 4 3
♥ K J 10 8 6 ♥ Q
♦ J 10 6 4 ♦ Q2
♣ --- ♣ 8 2

Tom Brown
♠ ---
♥ A 9 5 4 3
♦ A 8 7
♣ K 9 7 5 3

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Pass	Pass	4♣	Pass (1)
Pass	5♣	Pass	Pass
5♠	All Pass		

(1) Break in tempo

The Facts: 5♣ went down one, plus 50 for N/S. The Director was called after North's 5♣ bid. All four players agreed that South hesitated before passing 4♣. No Stop card was used, but the table Director was never informed of this. The Director ruled, based on the player's agreement that there had been a "significant break in tempo," that there had been unauthorized information and disallowed North's 5♣ bid. The contract was changed to 4♠ made four, plus 420 for E/W.

The Appeal: N/S appealed the Director's ruling. All four players appeared at the hearing. All agreed with the facts as presented, although there was some disagreement as to the length of the hesitation; everyone agreed that it was no longer than 15-20 seconds. North stated that, although he had passed originally, he did not want to be passive with his hand considering they were behind in the match. The Committee determined that N/S played that a double of 4♣ would have been for takeout.

The Committee Decision: The Committee decided that the failure to use the Stop Card was the critical factor. The hesitation, estimated by the various players as ten to fifteen seconds (South), about fifteen seconds (West and North), and fifteen to twenty seconds (East) was about the time which would be provided by the Stop Card. E/W could not force South to bid in less time by not using the Stop Card. Any "unauthorized" information had become "authorized" by East's failure to follow proper pro-

cedure.

The Committee determined that even had South's hesitation been considered unauthorized information, it would not have suggested bidding over other actions such as pass or double. In a split decision the Committee decided to allow the 5♣ bid and changed the contract to 5♠ down one, plus 50 for N/S. They returned N/S's deposit and strongly suggested that E/W protect themselves by using the Stop Card.

Dissenting Opinion (Jeff Meckstroth, Ed Lazarus): We believe that the agreed upon hesitation by South made it much easier for North to find an equal vulnerability 5♣ bid. While we agree with the majority that many would make the 5♣ bid, the lengthy hesitation makes the bid appear to have a much greater likelihood to be successful and we would have changed the contract to 4♠ made four, plus 420 for E/W.

Chairman: Henry Bethé
Committee Members: Bob Gookin, Bob Hamman, Ed Lazarus, Jeff Meckstroth

CASE EIGHTEEN

Subject: Tempo
Event: Life Master Pairs, 22 Nov 97, First Session

Board: 7 *Michael Penick*
Dealer: South ♠ 8 2
Vul: Both ♥ 8 5 4 3
♦ 8 6 2
♣ K J 8 5

Bob Gookin *Richard Popper*
♠ 10 7 4 ♠ A Q J 9 5 3
♥ K J 7 ♥ 2
♦ K 4 ♦ Q 9 5
♣ 10 9 7 4 2 ♣ A Q 3

Jack Bryant
♠ K 6
♥ A Q 10 9 6
♦ A J 10 7 3
♣ 6

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
	2♥	2♠	1♥
Pass	3♥	Pass (1)	3♦
Dbl	All Pass		Pass

(1) Break in tempo

The Facts: 3♥ doubled went down two, plus 500 for E/W. All players except West acknowledged the presence of a slight break in tempo after the 3♥ bid. The Director ruled that East's break in tempo could suggest full values for his 2♠ bid, thus suggesting action with West's (admittedly well-placed) minimal values. The Director removed the double (Laws 73F1 and 16A) and changed the contract to 3♥ down two, plus 200 for E/W.

The Appeal: E/W appealed the Director's ruling. Only E/W appeared. East acknowledged that he broke tempo, taking "about five seconds" longer than usual before he passed. West said he noticed no hitch, and that at matchpoints it was clear to double with three defensive tricks and partner's known values for a two-level vulnerable overcall. West also argued that a break in tempo would more likely be based on a desire to bid more spades than on extra high cards.

The Committee Decision: The Committee determined that a break in tempo had occurred. The Committee rejected West's argument that partner's break in tempo would more likely be based on the desire to bid more spades, and noted that East had considerably more in high cards than he might have held on the auction. One Committee member liked West's argument defending his double, but the others felt that pass was a strong logical alternative when there was a danger that the ♥Q or, less likely, the ♥A10, might be in the dummy. Thus, damage had occurred. The Committee changed the contract to 3♥ down two, plus 200 for E/W.

The Committee considered changing the contract to 3♠, but since N/S had not appealed, and West had not bid 3♠ over 3♦, they decided against doing so. However, the Committee noted that West's pass over 3♦ did not necessarily indicate unwillingness to compete to 3♠, but may have been intended not to induce partner to save over 4♥.

Chairman: Bart Bramley
Committee Members: Doug Heron, Steve Onderwyzer, Judy Randel, Phil Warden

closed.

For example:

- The Multi 2♦ bid. As played in the U.S., this is a weak two-bid in either major.
- 2NT or 2♠ opening showing a random minor-suit preempt.

One of the major points of contention in today's bridge world is the issue of which systems and conventions should be allowed. For many years, bidding theorists contented themselves with building better mousetraps, designed to improve constructive bidding.

In recent years the innovations have been in the direction of methods which are extremely difficult to defend against. This problem is magnified by proprietary innovations which put an unusual spin on these complicated gadgets.

The net result of the use of differing response structures and treatments is that the opponents need different defenses for each of the many complex variations of the same conventions.

One solution to this problem is to require that players who use the conventions provide opponents with written defenses, but these cannot cope with all treatments.

• Defenses to 1NT openers involving a bid higher than 2♣ where no suit has been promised or denied unless substantial values are promised.

2. Outlaw any psychic bids where the system in use creates a controlled psychic operating system, for example:

- Psychic responses to 10-12 INT openers where opener is not allowed to raise.
- Psychic responses to weak two-bids in suits where raises in competition are not allowed.
- Psychic responses to opening bids, such as 2/1 responses, where the use of a forcing 1♣ system virtually precludes opener's driving to slam.

Here is an example of a problem with the Multi 2♦ and the booklet prepared by the ACBL which purports to offer defenses to this convention.

Suppose the bidding goes:

West	North	East	South
2♦ (1)	Dbl	3♠	Dbl

(1) Multi: weak two-bid in either major. What does South's double mean in this situation? The suggested defenses in the booklet do not even attempt to cover this type of situation.

There are many other variations and permutations of problems caused by not knowing opener's suit.

The bottom line is that every variation of the Multi 2♦ changes the defenses that should be used. It is not possible to prepare for multiple variations of weak artificial bids. A book of prepared defenses is something that you would expect in postal chess. The sum total of all this is an abomination and has no place in a fair and open game.

Pairs who do not use these methods are at a disadvantage to those who do because those who do not use such methods cannot require all pairs who will play against the Multi, for example, to prepare for it. The result is that the Multi users will score a significant number of windfall results because their opponents have disasters that arise because of confusion and lack of preparation.

Considering what we have now, we would be better off to do away with convention cards and allow all pairs who are asked questions about their bidding to respond, "It's none of your business."

An IMP tax?

The following is a letter sent by Chip Martel to the Systems Committee of the World Bridge Federation during the 1997 Bermuda Bowl in Hammamet, Tunisia. Martel is a member of that committee. The letter is entitled "Basic Principles of the Systems Policy" with the subtitle "Consistent with the objectives of the WBF systems policy."

1. Players must have a reasonable opportunity to prepare defenses to their opponents' methods (particularly weak conventional calls).

2. Players should have a free choice of bidding methods as long as it does not conflict with #1.

3. We want to promote a congenial atmosphere at WBF events and avoid conflicts between players. Currently, we are failing point #1 badly in the

Bermuda Bowl and Venice Cup. With 54 pairs competing and playing a wide array of weak conventional bids, it is impractical to prepare adequate defenses against all opposing teams.

In an event this large, a pair playing unusual methods will gain an unfair edge. Since it is unlikely any given bid will come up in a 20-board match, it is tempting not to bother to do much defensive preparation. In effect, the pair playing these methods collects a small "IMP tax" from each unprepared opponent they face.

Since the "IMP tax" collected from each opposing team is small, it isn't a big deal to them, but over 17 matches it does matter to the pair playing these methods.

The effort required to prepare properly for a bid such as 2♠ (a weak preempt in any suit) is substantial. I have three pages of notes for dealing with this and really should have more. In addition, even this "one" convention is really a host of different ones depending on the style of opening and follow-up used -- Do they usually correct to partner's suit? Does passing 2♠ show spades or just no desire to bid? What do bids mean after 2♠-(Dbl)? Bids such as this 2♠ bid, which could have length in the suit opened, are by far the most complex to defend against and require the most careful disclosure.

For this Bermuda Bowl not one pair playing brown-sticker conventions gave a complete description of both their bids and the follow-ups. (Note: by WBF regulations, brown-sticker conventions can be used only if the WBF is informed of their use; they can be used only in certain events, and written defenses must be made available for the opponents.) A small minority gave descriptions which were reasonable. Most were woefully inadequate.

In fact, it may be impossible for a pair to provide an adequate description of some of these bids, for two reasons.

First, many of the bids have a low frequency, thus the pairs playing these bids have not had much experience concerning what sort of hands they open or what happens in the subsequent auction. One of the pairs, in clarification of a bid, commented honestly: "It might also be a random hand non-vulnerable against vulnerable -- but my partner and I have actually never made that bid in serious bridge!"

Second, developments in competitive auctions will depend on the meaning of the opposition bidding (for example, whether double is card-showing or takeout), and because of the difficulty of developing defenses, the pairs playing the brown-sticker bids have had little exposure to different defenses against them.

Thus, I would suggest the following three policy changes:

1. Brown-sticker openings and overcalls which could have length in the suit bid should be reclassified as HUM bids (highly unusual methods), including such bids as 2♠ and 2♦ showing any hand with 0-7 high-card points, 2♥ to show a weak hand with hearts or spades, the 2♠ opening mentioned above, and so forth.

2. HUM bids should not be allowed in matches which are shorter than a full day (64 boards).

3. Written defenses should be allowed to any conventional opening which may not be strong and to any conventional bid on the first round of the auction (the first four calls, starting with the opening bid) which could be weak.

If item #3 is not endorsed, I would favor sharply restricting what is allowed in any match of fewer than 64 boards. It is totally unreasonable to expect players to memorize defenses to literally dozens of different bids, most of which are unlikely to arise. In addition, I doubt if there are five players out of the 220-plus competing who consider memorizing defenses an enjoyable part of bridge. Making the competitors miserable should not be a goal of a system policy.

Finally, with regard to the third principle above, I should point out that at this tournament, it is my belief that any time an opponent made a brown-sticker bid which I had trouble defending against, I could have called the director and asked that the result be adjusted because of the inadequate description provided. Such actions would certainly not promote the enjoyable and friendly atmosphere at the table that is one of the positive features of the WBF championships.

Bowles (sic) bridge tip

Andy Bowles, who has been playing all week, dropped by the *Daily Bulletin* office to offer a bridge tip in the spirit (pun intended) of the Bols Co., the Dutch liqueur company that used to sponsor the bridge tips competition.

"If you're trying to decide whether to finesse or play for the drop," said Bowles, a London resident who represented England as a Junior player, "look at the clock (timing the round). If it's on an even number, finesse. If it's an odd number, play for the drop."

Bowles applied the tip Friday night against former world champion Billy Eisenberg. Bowles had these cards in a side suit:

A K 8 2

J 10 2

He played the jack and let it ride. Next came the 10, covered by the queen and ace. Bowles returned to his hand and played the 3. Eisenberg followed low and Bowles looked at the clock. There were 12 minutes left in the round, so Bowles played the 8. Success! Four tricks taken and a bridge tip born.

Neat endplay

By Barry Rigal

Mark Lair found a neat way to endplay his opponents on a hand from the pairs game a few days ago.

Dlr East	♠ K 7 5 2
Vul None	♥ Q 10 3
	♦ A K 10 4
	♣ K 5

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

♠ Q 10 6 3
♥ 6
♦ 7 5
♣ A Q 10 7 6 4

West	North	East	South
Pass	3NT	1♥	3♣
All Pass		4♦	4♠

Mark made a weak jump overall, then introduced his spades at the four level. Richie Schwartz had no reason to look any further.

On the lead of the ♦8 Lair put up the king and led a low trump to the queen, followed by a second spade, intending to duck this to East's presumed ace doubleton. When the jack forced the king, East was known to have 3-5-5-0 shape. At this point East erred by cashing the ♥A on which West played the 9. Back came the ♦Q to the ace, and now Mark drew the last trump, forcing West to release a small heart.

Lair crossed to the ♣K and played the ♥Q, covered and ruffed. The ♣A and a club ruff, followed by the ♥10, endplayed West to lead into the ♠Q-10 at trick 12. Contract made.

Sorry, Bill!

After the Thursday piece on national tournament directors, it was necessary to follow up with the name of a director who was left off the list of inactive or former national TDs.

Our faces are slightly red, but there's one more we must add -- Bill "Tornado" Adams, late of the ACBL Headquarters office in Memphis and now a resident of Wichita KS.

REISINGER BOARD-A-MATCH

21 Teams

1	Bart Bramley - Howard Weinstein, Chicago IL; Sidney Lazard Sr, New Orleans LA; Steve Garner, Northfield IL	37.91
2	Steve Zolotov - Harold Lillie - Marc Jacobus, Las Vegas NV; Ronald Smith, San Francisco CA; Bob Crossley, Greenbrae CA	35.48
3	Tom Fox, Glenview IL; Walter Schafer Jr, Bloomingdale IL; John Sutherlin, Dallas TX; Russell Ekeblad, Providence RI	34.19
4	Jerry Goldfein, Lincolnwood IL; Larry Robbins, Deerfield IL; Daniel Rotman, Aventura FL; Gary Cohler, Highland Park IL	34.13
5	Richard Schwartz, E Elmhurst NY; Mark Lair, Canyon TX; Chip Martel, Davis CA; Lew Stansby, Castro Valley CA; Paul Soloway, Mill Creek WA; Bobby Goldman, Highland Village TX	33.93
6	George Rosenkranz, Mexico City; Eddie Wold, Houston TX; Adam Zmudzinski - Merek Szymanowski - Marcin Lesniewski - Cezary Balicki, Poland	32.48
7	Allan Graves, Vancouver BC; Dan Jacob, Burnaby BC; Gordon McOrmond, Delta BC; Bryan Maksymetz, Coquitlam BC	32.43
8/9	Paul Hackett - Jason Hackett - Justin Hackett, Manchester England; Brigitte Mavromichalis, Martigny; John Armstrong - John Holland, England	31.45
8/9	Jim Krekorian - Robert Blanchard, New York NY; Bob Richman - Paul Marston, Australia	31.45
10	Ralph Katz - George Jacobs, Burr Ridge IL; Peter Weichsel, Encinitas CA; Robert Levin, Orlando FL; Fred Stewart, West Hurley NY; Steve Weinstein, Glen Ridge NJ	31.00

NORTHAMERICAN SWISS

40 Teams

1	Jack Coleman, San Francisco CA; Matt Granovetter, Richmond Hgts. OH; J Markland Molson, Cote St Luc PQ; Boris Baran, Montreal PQ; P Drew Cannell, Winnipeg MB; Mark Stein, Ottawa ON	132.00
2	Jeff Schuett - Ginny Schuett, Riverwoods IL; Craig Gardner - Mary Gardner, Streamwood IL; Kerry Smith, Milwaukee WI; Dick Bruno, Chicago IL	113.30
3	Edith Rosenkranz, Mexico City; Robert Morris, Houston TX; Bob Etter, Sacramento CA; Curtis Cheek - Hjordis Eythorsdottir, Huntsville AL	111.80
4	John Malley, Pascoag RI; Shome Mukherjee, Randolph MA; William Hunter, Reading MA; Daniel Colatosti, Waltham MA	110.10
5	Howard Hertzberg, Alpine NJ; Robert Ryder, Caldwell NJ; William Esberg, Elberon NJ; Amalya Kears - Jacqui Mitchell, New York NY	108.10
6	Allan Siebert - David Siebert, Little Rock AR; Randall Pettit, Marietta GA; Paul Munafo, Huntsville AL	103.70
7	Perry Van Hook - Sidney Brownstein, Santa Monica CA; Mary Oshlag - Richard Oshlag, Germantown TN	101.50
8	Richard Gabriel, Chicago IL; Jim Burt, Darien IL; Stanton Subeck, Olympia Fld IL; Suzi Subeck, Olympia Flds IL; Les Perlmutter, La Jolla CA; Mark Perlmutter, San Francisco CA	101.20
9	Tony Ames - Peggy Kaplan, Minnetonka MN; Joan Remy Moore, Troy MI; Corina Iukovici, Saint Louis MO	100.20
10	Douglas Heron, Ottawa ON; Barry Rigal, New York NY; Jerry Helms, Charlotte NC; Michael White, Atlanta GA	97.40
11	Jacobo Podbilevich, Huixquilucan 53 95; Gonzalo Herrera, Mexico Df 11200; Jim Looby, Burbank CA; Cameron Doner, Richmond BC	95.70
12	Harvey Brody, San Francisco CA; Martin Miller, Rochester NY; Ken Monzingo, San Diego CA; Charles Coon, Marshfield MA	95.30
13	David Adams, Kennesaw GA; Rose Mary Pace, Memphis TN; Rashid Khan, Fredericton NB; Sandra Fox, Sackville NB	95.00
14/15	Barry Schaffer, Dallas TX; Colby Vernay, Lacon IL; Mark Kessler, Springfield IL; Ed Schultz, Chesterfield MO	93.70
14/15	Robin Klar, Spring TX; Michael Lawrence, Berkeley CA; Jeanne Rahmey, Brooklyn NY; Alan Sontag, Gaithersburg MD; Norman Kurlander, Flushing NY	93.70
16	John Kissinger - Becky Kissinger, La Jolla CA; Weishu Wu, Santa Barbara CA; Vivian Ding Li, Emeryville CA	92.10

SATURDAY EVENING 20/50/200 PAIRS

20 Pairs

	A	B	C		
2.57	1	1		Barbara Russo, Cary IL; Melissa Silvestre, St Louis MO	97.50
1.93	2	2		Bill Willis, El Dorado AR; Beverly Marshall, Mt Vernon MO	96.50
1.45	3	3	1	Leah Maddox, Florissant MO; Brian Rodewald, St Louis MO	95.00
1.08	4	4	2	Ronald Koritz, Springfield IL; David Thomas, Riverton IL	94.50
0.81	5	5		David Nagler, La Pointe WI; Joe Sharp, Noblesville IN	94.00
0.74	6	3		Mark Brightfield, St Louis MO; Ellen Volpe, Clayton MO	92.00

99ER TROPHY PAIRS

12 Pairs

2.80	1	Yi-Der Chen - Martha Chen, Potomac MD	126.00
2.10	2	Jay Ponder - Kathy Ponder, Clayton MO	123.00
1.58	3	Ruth Gurwell - Allen Gurwell, Leawood KS	104.00
1.04	4/5	Charles Fleisher - Eugenia Fleisher, St Charles MO	102.00
1.04	4/5	Daniel Parsons, Webster Grove MO; Nolan Ulla, St Charles MO	102.00

Reisinger omission

In the list of former Reisinger winners printed in Friday's Daily Bulletin, Billy Cohen was inadvertently omitted from the winning team in the 1978 event.

Don't forget Chip

Last week, in listing the international accomplishments of Life Master Open Pairs leaders Chip Martel and Michael Rosenberg, the fact that Martel was on the winning squad in the 1994 Rosenblum Knockout Teams was inadvertently omitted from the report.

New Life Master

ROY C. LEWIS became a Life Master by placing third overall in the Senior Stratified Pairs yesterday. His partner was Roland Boehm.

Attendance disappointing

It appears likely that the total attendance for this tournament will be somewhat less than 8800. This is quite a bit below the original estimate. Apparently the problem is the fact that people went home for Thanksgiving and didn't come back.

The total to date is 8238 tables. Chances are attendance will be under 300 tables each session today.

Soloway adds to lead in lifetime points

Three-time world champion and professional player Paul Soloway continues to pile on the masterpoints, maintaining his position as the top masterpoint holder of all time.

Soloway inherited the top spot with the death of Barry Crane in 1985 and has not relinquished it. Soloway led #2 Mike Passell by 6133 points last year. This year, he has stretched the lead to 6557 points through the November cycle. Points from this tournament are not included.

With the death of Ron Andersen in July, Mark Lair took over the #3 position. There are only five players with more than 30,000 masterpoints (the same as last year), but the number of players with more than 20,000 masterpoints has increased from 19 in 1996 to 24 in 1997.

Mary Jane Farrell, the woman player with the greatest masterpoint holding, was poised to return to the top 10 but was overtaken by Eric Rodwell, who leapfrogged from the #15 position last year to the #10 position this year.

Deceased players whose masterpoint totals would have placed them in the top 100 are commemorated in the list.

It took 12,248 masterpoints to make the top 100 list this year, 306 more than last year.

1.	Paul Soloway, Mill Creek WA	47,615
2.	Mike Passell, Dallas TX	41,058
	*Ron Andersen (July 1997)	38,338
3.	Mark Lair, Canyon TX	37,526
	*Barry Crane (July 1985)	35,138
4.	Eddie Wold, Houston TX	33,470
5.	Jeff Meckstroth, Tampa FL	31,452
6.	Grant Baze, La Jolla CA	29,362
	*Jim Jacoby (Feb. 1991)	25,226
7.	Fred Hamilton, Fresno CA	25,071
8.	Gaylor Kastle, Boca Raton FL	24,642
9.	Bobby Goldman, Highland Village TX	23,895
	*Hermine Baron (Sept. 1996)	22,646
10.	Eric Rodwell, Naperville IL	22,577
11.	Mary Jane Farrell, Los Angeles CA	22,572
12.	Mark Itabashi, Murrieta CA	22,016
13.	Bobby Wolff, Dallas TX	21,928
14.	Steve Robinson, Arlington VA	21,868
15.	Zeke Jabbour, Boca Raton FL	21,581
16.	Lynn Deas, Schenectady NY	21,287
17.	Gene Freed, Los Angeles CA	21,106
18.	Alan Bell, Fullerton CA	20,975
19.	David Treadwell, Wilmington DE	20,813
20.	Bob Hamman, Dallas TX	20,660
21.	Chuck Said, Nashville TN	20,362
22.	Mike Lawrence, Berkeley CA	20,280
23.	Peter Weichsel, Encinitas CA	20,012
24.	Mike Shuman, Pasadena CA	20,010
25.	Glenn Lublin, Silver Spring MD	19,806
26.	Garey Hayden, Tucson AZ	19,669
27.	David Adams, Kennesaw GA	19,192
	*Jim Becker (April 1994)	18,818
28.	Joan Remy Moore, Troy MI	18,528
29.	Robert Levin, Orlando FL	18,481
30.	Alan Stout, Lisbon IA	18,286
31.	Kerri Sanborn, Stony Point NY	18,062
	*Howard Chandross (April 1996)	17,933
32.	John Fisher, Dallas TX	17,528
33.	John Sutherlin, Dallas TX	17,483
	*Mike Smolen (Nov. 1992)	17,417
34.	Jo Morse, Palm Beach Gardens FL	16,984
35.	David Siebert, Little Rock AR	16,735
36.	Allan Siebert, Little Rock AR	16,694
37.	David Berkowitz, Old Tappan NJ	16,666
38.	Peter Boyd, Silver Spring MD	16,646
39.	Carol Sanders, Nashville TN	16,630
40.	John Mohan, Santa Monica CA	16,406
41.	Michael Seamon, Miami Beach FL	16,325
42.	Alan Sontag, Gaithersburg MD	16,300
43.	Tom Sanders, Nashville TN	15,978
44.	Kit Woolsey, Kensington CA	15,926
45.	Gerald Caravelli, Des Plaines IL	15,857
46.	Mike Cappelletti, Alexandria VA	15,817
	*Morris Portugal (July 1997)	15,539
47.	Dennis Clerkin, Bloomington IN	15,091
48.	Helen Shanbrom, Tamarac FL	14,970

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49. Rhoda Walsh, Beverly Hills CA	14,894
*Bob Glenn (June 1994)	14,892
50. Dennis Sorensen, Gresham OR	14,830
51. John Anderson, Sixes OR	14,632
52. Richard Pavlicek, Fort Lauderdale FL	14,554
53. Bernie Chazen, Tamarac FL	14,544
54. George Bloomer, Pittsboro NC	14,374
55. Jim Kirkham, San Bernardino CA	14,373
56. Frank King, Alexandria VA	14,288
57. Bill Passell, Coral Springs FL	14,283
58. John Zilic, Houston TX	14,149
59. Allan Cokin, Palm Beach FL	14,111
60. Malcolm Brachman, Dallas TX	14,060
*Edgar Kaplan (Sept. 1997)	13,975
61. Gene Simpson, Redlands CA	13,721
62. Ross Rainwater, Portland OR	13,699
63. Steve Lawrence, Athens TX	13,671
64. Kathie Wei-Sender, Nashville TN	13,629
65. Jim Linhart, Piscataway NJ	13,562
66. Marc Jacobus, Las Vegas NV	13,543
67. Marty Baff, Beachwood OH	13,541
68. Jan Weyant, Cincinnati OH	13,512
69. David Ashley, Las Vegas NV	13,497
70. Lew Stansby, Castro Valley CA	13,461
71. Ron Smith, Chattanooga TN	13,409
72. Phil Leon, Grosse Pointe MI	13,337
73. Roger Bates, Mesa AZ	13,322
74. Gail Greenberg, New York NY	13,264
75. Norman Kay, Narberth PA	13,177
76. Rick Henderson, Los Angeles CA	13,170
77. Russ Arnold, Miami FL	13,094
78. Sidney Lazard, New Orleans LA	13,036
79. Ron Smith, San Francisco CA	13,019
80. Charles Coon, Marshfield MA	13,008
*Lou Bluhm (April 1990)	12,932
81. Jan Janitschke, Littleton CO	12,912
82. Syd Levey, Valley Village CA	12,873
83. Beverly Rosenberg, Sherman Oaks CA	12,855
84. Mark Molson, Cote St. Luc PQ	12,845
85. Jacqui Mitchell, New York NY	12,742
86. Betty Ann Kennedy, Shreveport LA	12,723
*Oswald Jacoby (June 1984)	12,666
87. Ed Manfield, Hyattsville MD	12,642
88. Frank Hoadley, New Orleans LA	12,640
89. Marinesa Letizia, Louisville KY	12,577
90. Judi Radin, New York NY	12,558
91. Alvin Roth, Boca Raton FL	12,549
92. Paul Ivaska, Las Vegas NV	12,468
93. Chris Compton, Oklahoma City OK	12,434
94. George Rosenkranz, Mexico City	12,386
95. Hugh MacLean, Gonzales TX	12,385
96. Marshall Miles, Redlands CA	12,383
97. George Dawkins, Austin TX	12,378
98. Marty Bergen, Farmingdale NY	12,344
99. Robert Lipsitz, Palm Harbor FL	12,294
100. Jerry Clerkin, North Vernon IN	12,248

The above list is published each year to confirm those players who have automatic entry into the Blue Ribbon Pairs at the Fall NABC in November. For interest, the second 100 are also listed.

101. Larry Cohen, Boca Raton FL	12,227
102. Bruce Ferguson, Boise ID	12,168
103. Howard Piltch, Andover MA	12,167
104. Ron Sukoneck, Annandale VA	12,005
105. Ellen Allen, Summerville SC	11,901
106. Jim Robison, Las Vegas NV	11,861
107. Corinne Kirkham, San Bernardino CA	11,822
108. Ellasue Chaitt, Palm Beach Gardens FL	11,821
109. Ed Lewis, Falls Church VA	11,805
110. E X Snovel, San Antonio TX	11,778
111. Jim Krekorian, New York NY	11,735
112. Mike Aliotta, Oklahoma City OK	11,716
113. Larry Allen, Summerville SC	11,706
114. Gerald Bare, Pacific Palisades CA	11,660
115. John Onstott, New Orleans LA	11,624
116. Norman Coombs, Brookville IN	11,599
117. Ralph Katz, Burr Ridge IL	11,591
118. Hugh Ross, Oakland CA	11,591
119. George Pisk, Manchaca TX	11,580
120. Erik Paulsen, Upland CA	11,542
121. Cliff Russell, Miami FL	11,540
122. Kay Schulle, Santa Monica CA	11,536
123. Arnie Fisher, Clementon NJ	11,519
124. Jon Wittes, Claremont CA	11,508
125. John Gustafson, Des Moines IA	11,507
126. Mike Moss, New York NY	11,493
127. Bart Bramley, Chicago IL	11,491
128. Jim Zimmerman, Shaker Heights OH	11,459

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FRIDAY-SATURDAY CONTINUOUS/SIDE PAIRS

36 Pairs		A	B		
4.25	1			Garey Hayden, Tucson AZ; James Tucker Jr, Alexander City AL	221.50
3.27	2	1		Richard Edwards Jr, Chesterfield MO; Carole Burt, Saint Louis MO	195.00
2.39	3			Harold Emme - Carol Emme, Carbondale IL	189.50
2.29	4	2		Marcel Maupin, Edmond OK; Patrick Shaw, Olean NY	188.00
1.64	5			Nannell Edmunds - Linda Smith, Annapolis MD	187.00
1.64	6			Charlotte Cohen, St Louis MO; Larry Kolker, Saint Louis MO	179.00
1.45		3		Gwyneth Abts, Geneva IL; John Schnoor, Altoona IA	176.00
1.09	4			Roger Buck - James Zimmer, Bloomington IN	166.00
0.82	5			Jurgen Rensenkampff - Barbara Stevenson, Portland ME	163.00

2ND SATURDAY STRATIFIED SENIOR PAIRS

42 Pairs		A	B	C		
8.96	1				Bill McCallon, St Augustine FL; Richard Holmes, Wichita KS	558.18
6.72	2				Jacque Tucker - Ziggy Tucker, San Antonio TX	549.80
5.04	3	1	1		Joseph McAdam - Phillip Tinch, Decatur IL	549.18
4.39	4				Nancy Caraway, Ballwin MO; Lois Greenman, St Louis MO	541.32
2.84	5				Ward Johnson - Diane Vaughan, Madison WI	533.76
2.62	6				Bob Bratcher, Vista CA; Lowell Andrews, Huntington Beach CA	529.68
3.31		2			John Williams - Olga Williams, Okatie SC	492.32
2.48	3				Roy Lewis, St Charles MO; Roland Boehm, Florissant MO	477.24
1.86	4				Naomi Wandel - Hans Wandel, Lake Oswego OR	476.32
1.49	5				Virginia Toberman - Mildred Azar, Belleville IL	469.03
1.44	6				Garry Gardiner, Don Mills ON; William Pate, Etobicoke ON	462.18
1.89		2			Joan Tinch - Mildred McAdam, Decatur IL	461.76
1.42	3				Lynn Rattinger, Roanoke VA; Grace Dillingham, Chevy Chase MD	451.50
1.06	4				Floyd Sherry - Phillip Kenney, Eureka IL	432.97

FRIDAY-SATURDAY KNOCKOUT TEAMS

15 Teams		Bracket 1			
43.70	1			Glenn Lublin - William Pettis, Silver Spring MD; Barbara Benbow - Mark Shaw, Laurel MD; Ron Sukoneck, Annandale VA	
32.78	2			John Blubaugh, Indianapolis IN; Pete Robey, Buena Vista VA; Russ Holtzclaw, Somerset KY; Merrilee McKenna, Madison WI; John Bridgewater II, Columbus IN	
21.51	3/4			Mary Green - Thomas Turgeon - Roy Green, Memphis TN; Alan Oaks, Germantown TN	
21.51	3/4			Jonathan Steinberg, Toronto ON; Bert Eccles, Montreal PQ; Joe Rickman, Louisville TN; Suzanne Trull, Los Angeles CA; Elaine Said, Nashville TN	
16 Teams		Bracket 2			
28.75	1			David Will - Brad Carmichael - John Carmichael - Daniel Till, Lincoln NE; Pamela Wild, Daytona Beach FL	
21.56	2			Robert Rinehart, Northumberland PA; Ronald Schacht, Bayside NY; Sam Graham, Oakland CA; Don Riethmiller, Lancaster CA	
14.15	3/4			Nick Rogers - Jill Kostick, Harrod OH; Evan Kostick, Rock Rapids IA; Sheila Lu - Richard O'Bara, Huber Heights OH	
14.15	3/4			Jerome Hurley, Mansfield OH; Christine Renner, Ashland OH; Jim Dick, Alexandria VA; Nicholas France, Spring Valley NY	
16 Teams		Bracket 3			
19.32	1			Bernice Gee, Regina SK; David Jeffries, Manzanita OR; Lawrence Diamond, Barbican London E; Mark Krusemeyer, Northfield MN	
14.49	2			James Chiszar, Naperville IL; Jackie Price, Chicago IL; Marcin Szumowski - Monika Szumowska, Urbana IL	
9.51	3/4			Russ Jones - Bob Cohen, Jonesboro AR; Alan Goldenberg, Oak Ridge TN; Thomas Strand, Newport TN	
9.51	3/4			Don Define - John Fitzgerald, St Louis MO; Carol Koterba, Florissant MO; Arbha Vongsvivut, Godfrey IL	
4.18	5/8			Dean Stow - Bruce Gardner, Paducah KY; Suzi Shymanski - Doug Moore, Ballwin MO	
4.18	5/8			Theo Lichtenstein, Goddard KS; Leslie Bays, Church Hill TN; Craig Bontjes, Oregon IL; Frances Doss, Harvard IL	
16 Teams		Bracket 4			
13.03	1			Robert Sievers - John Brandeberry - Carroll Drablos - Arlene Drablos, Champaign IL	
9.77	2			Kenneth Baher, Calgary AB; Joe Riccardo, Burbank IL; Virginia Murman, Connellsville PA; Rose Harrison, New York NY	
6.42	3/4			Claudia Beaty, Hazelwood MO; Eve Goodknight, Ballwin MO; Helen Thalhammer - Jeannine Owen, St Louis MO	
6.42	3/4			Robert Trenary, Mendon MI; Philip Moss, Mattawan MI; Robert McGill - Carol McGill, Orange TX	
15 Teams		Bracket 5			
7.67	1			Mark Gilje - Sasanka Ramanadham, St Louis MO; Charles Gilje, Jamestown ND; Gregory Barnes, Jefferson Cy MO	
5.75	2			James Bochsler, London UK; Byron Crittenden, Surrey UK; Richard Hagenlocker, Fredericksburg VA; Charles Hays, Lawrenceville GA	
3.78	3/4			Cameron Barbian - Donna Barbian, Sherman IL; James Bruner - Ann Bruner, Springfield IL	
3.78	3/4			Monica Heseman - Cal Heseman - E Jean Voice - Ed Voice, Decatur IL	

FRIDAY-SATURDAY CONTINUOUS PAIRS

54 Pairs		A	B		
5.61	1			Harold Emme - Carol Emme, Carbondale IL	209.00
4.21	2			Marion Gebhardt, Richardson TX; Jack Smith, Dallas TX	204.00
3.16	3			Gail Carns - Mary Paulone Carns, Export PA	200.00
3.34	4	1		John Moore - Roxann Swenson, Austin TX	191.00
2.68	5			Chuck Said, Nashville TN; John Russell, N Barrington IL	189.50
1.34	6			Robert Teel Jr, Rockford AL; James Tucker Jr, Alexander City AL	183.00
2.51	2			Richard Edwards Jr, Chesterfield MO; Carole Burt, Saint Louis MO	169.00
1.96	3			John Fitzgerald, St Louis MO; Arbha Vongsvivut, Godfrey IL	168.50
1.41	4			Bob Waite, Ile Des Chennes MB; Andrew Petrick, Winnipeg MB	168.00
1.06	5			Ronda O'Farrell, St Louis MO; Lois Vaaler, Bridgeton MO	165.50
0.79	6			James Bruner - Ann Bruner, Springfield IL	160.50

ORLANDO MORNING CONTINUOUS PAIRS OVERALLS

108 Players					
5.64	1/2	Marie Filandro, Smyrna DE			120.56
5.64	1/2	Peter Filandro, Smyrna DE			120.56
3.21	3/4	David Jeffries, Manzanita OR			119.99
3.21	3/4	Ken Gee, Regina SK			119.99
4.45	5	Sigis Keras, Toronto ON			119.91
3.77	6/7	John Schapflin, Florissant MO			110.89
3.77	6/7	Vincent Lopiccolo, Ballwin MO			110.89

2ND FRIDAY STRATIFIED ZIP SWISS

26 Teams	A	B	C		
4.78	1/2			Howard Weber, Las Vegas NV; Michael Weber, San Diego CA; Robert Rinehart, Northumberland PA; Sam Graham, Oakland CA	4.00
4.78	1/2			Daniel Levin, Wheaton IL; Samuel Hirschman, Southfield MI; Gavin Wolpert, Thornhill ON; John Kranyak, Bay Village OH; Kent Mignocchi, Los Angeles CA; Ari Greenberg, Malibu CA	4.00
3.34	3/6	1	1	Marcelo Camberos, Durham NC; Jason Rotenberg, Hanover NH; Daniel Kieffer, Cincinnati OH; K King, Carbondale IL	3.00
2.10	3/6			Tom Fung, San Diego CA; Peter Munro, St Louis MO; Roberto Verthelyi, New York NY; Craig Schallert, Kansas City MO	3.00
2.10	3/6			Robert McPhee, Belleville ON; Steve Rutledge, ; John Anderson, Baton Rouge LA; R Elwin Brown, Gloucester ON	3.00
2.10	3/6			Spike Lay, Ormond Beach FL; Marilyn Garcia, Daytona Beach FL; Amelia Fraser - Marcia Greenstein, Miami FL	3.00
2.51	2			Vijay A Bal - Dileep Bal, Fair Oaks CA; Bernice Mamroth, Houston TX; Vince D' Souza, Stratford CT	2.75
1.88	3	2		Ronald Trimmer, Granite City IL; Helene Katz, Louisville KY; Parames Laosinchai, Ballwin MO; Martin Compton, Bloomington IL	2.50
1.41	4			Jurgen Rennenkampff - Barbara Stevenson, Portland ME; Cookie Apichairuk, Champaign IL; Jonathan Rivet, Lombard IL	2.25

2ND SATURDAY MORNING CONTINUOUS PAIRS

20 Pairs	A	B	C		
3.03	1	1		John Schapflin, Florissant MO; Vincent Lopiccolo, Ballwin MO	101.50
2.27	2			Ken Gee, Regina SK; David Jeffries, Manzanita OR	101.00
2.33	3			Arne Maki, Albany OR; Max Limbocker, Louisville KY	96.00
1.63	4			Alma Karas - Yangling Zhang, Batavia IL	95.00
1.17	5			Benjamin Lev - Debbie Lev, W. Bloomfield MI	93.50
1.17	6			Art Ardy Bakshian, Plymouth MN; Steven Gaynor, St. Louis Park MN	91.50
1.71		2		Andy Smith - Flo Beck, Anchorage AK	88.50
1.28		3		Paul Theroff, Kansas City KS; Jason Smith, Brooklyn NY	86.00
0.96		4		Louise Kavall, Halesite NY; Daniel Rhodes, Novato CA	84.50

2ND SATURDAY MORNING 299ER SWISS TEAMS

11 Teams					
2.94	1			Bobbie Beverung - Anna Box, Ft Worth TX; J Caldwell, Highland Vill. TX; Michael Lombardi, Shamong NJ	58.00
2.21	2			Curtis Jacobson, Detroit MI; Robert Ellison, Fort Worth TX; Pat Cole, Glenview KY; Connie Noel, Anchorage KY	53.00
1.65	3			Donald Bladow, Anchorage AK; Ed Bladow, Wales WI; Lois Vaaler, Bridgeton MO; Ronda O'Farrell, St Louis MO	51.00
1.09	4/5			Leslie Bays, Church Hill TN; Theo Lichtenstein, Goddard KS; Mary Larkins - David Larkins, Des Moines IA	43.00
1.09	4/5			Charles Hays, Lawrenceville GA; James Bochsler, London Se19 1qg; Byron Crittenden, Kingswood Surre Y; Richard Hagenlocker, Fredericksbrg VA	43.00

MORNING KNOCKOUT TEAMS II

16 Teams	Bracket 1				
20.85	1			G S Jade Barrett - Karen Barrett, Vancouver WA; Charles Coon, Marshfield MA; Thomas Carmichael, Middletown NJ; Joel Woodridge, Williamsville NY; David Wiegand, Portland OR	
15.64	2			Jean Cole, Richards TX; Ron Woodsum, Houston TX; Alexander Kolesnik, Austin TX; Ken Monzingo, San Diego CA	
10.27	3/4			D Howard - Robert Carstedt, Wichita KS; Britain Beezley, Oklahoma City OK; Shelba Parmley, Oklahoma Cty OK	
10.27	3/4			Kenneth Marcroft - Carole Marcroft, Dayton OH; Jerry Strack - Pam Strack, Indianapolis IN	
4.51	5/8			John Blubaugh, Indianapolis IN; Art Ardy Bakshian, Plymouth MN; Steven Gaynor, St. Louis Park MN; Glenn Smith, Creve Coeur MO; Pete Robey, Buena Vista VA; John Bridgewater II, Columbus IN	
4.51	5/8			Floyd Derkat, Edmondton AB; Kendall Keely, Palm Beach FL; William Hugenberg Jr, Grand Jct CO; Geoffrey Mallette, Christiansbrg VA	
16 Teams	Bracket 2				
10.37	1			Daniel Levin - Matt Johnson, Wheaton IL; Samuel Hirschman, Southfield MI; Roman Shapiro, Fair Lawn NJ; Diana Tenery, Fairfax VA	
7.78	2			Nathaniel Reid - Barbara Boswell, Cincinnati OH; Frank Aquila, Akron OH; Patrick Shaw, Olean NY	
5.10	3/4			Paul Chan - Lily Chan - Marcus Rodhouse, Columbia MO; Marilyn Keating, Fulton MO	
5.10	3/4			Philip Moss, Mattawan MI; Robert Trenary, Mendon MI; Robert McGill - Carol McGill, Orange TX	
2.24	5/8			Jan Garber, West Chester PA; Cetin Okcuoglu, Riverton NJ; Brendan Doyle, Bala Cynwyd PA; Louise Kavall, Halesite NY	

SATURDAY AFTERNOON 20/50/200 PAIRS

30 Pairs	D	E	F		
3.21	1	1	1	Ralph Claypool - Rita Claypool, St Louis MO	178.00
2.41	2			Robert Pommer - Anne Lee Pommer, St Louis MO	168.50
1.81	3			Jeanne Beck - Mary Ponciroli, St Louis MO	167.00
1.35	4			Allen Groh - Jerry Groh, Maineville OH	166.00
1.02	5			Ed Sobolak - Diane Sobolak, Austin TX	157.00
1.58	6	2	2	Carol Simon - Marcia Broddon, St Louis MO	154.50
1.18		3	3	Margaret Baldwin, Saint Louis MO; Kathleen Pendleton, Macon GA	150.00
1.05		4		John Ackenhusen - Anne Ackenhusen, South Charleston WV	141.50
0.66		5		Duane Beisner - Doris Beisner, Las Vegas NV	135.50
0.74		6	4	James Scott - Rose Scott, Rantoul IL	134.50

MIKE SHANNON KNOCKOUT TEAMS

16 Teams	Bracket 1				
				Rita Shugart, Pebble Beach CA; Michael Rosenberg, Tuckahoe NY; Zia Mahmood, New York NY; Geir G Helgemo, Trondheim, Norway; Tony Forrester, Boston MA; Andrew Robson, Carmel CA	
				vs	
				Charles Bantz, West Allis WI; Joshua Stark, Grayslake IL; William Malesevich, Mayville WI; Suzanne Dunn, Crystal Lake IL	

Jim Linhart, Piscataway NJ; Dorothy Francis, Memphis TN; Sharon Jabbour - Zeke Jabbour, Boca Raton FL; Arnold Fisher, Clementon NJ; Per Olov Sundelin, Stockholm Sweden

vs
James Koley, Omaha NE; Gene Simpson, Redlands CA; Clay Brooke Mc Farland, Owego NY; Paul Erb, Scottsdale AZ

16 Teams Bracket 2
Susan Perez, St Louis MO; Bob Bainter, San Antonio TX; Walter Dedio, Morden MB; Zenon Rowicki, Lambertville MI

vs
Lilly Lachter, Culver City CA; John Wong, Rowland Hgts CA; Richard Bender - Patrick McCammon, Springfield MO

Joseph Machotka, Chicago IL; Larry Bass, Urbana IL; Bert Newman - Kathy Newman, West Bloomfield MI

vs
Dennis Daley, Stamford CT; Stephen Shane, White Plains NY; Walter Smith, W Sand Lake NY; Mary Savko, Pittsford VT

16 Teams Bracket 3
Daniel Levin - Matt Johnson, Wheaton IL; Jeffrey David, Lisle IL; Bob Fashingbauer, Waukegan IL; Linda Ivanoff - Joe Aramowicz, Harrisburg PA

vs
Thomas Ahmann Sr, Mexico MO; Tarokh Taefi, Dunwoody GA; Kendall Keely, Palm Beach FL; Floyd Berkat, Edmonton AB

Jason Meyer - Barbara Doran, Silver Spring MD; Helene Bauman, Arlington VA; Jim Alison, Huntsville AL

vs
S. Gail Arnott - Ronald Heron - William Treble - Leonard Doerksen, Winnipeg MB

15 Teams Bracket 4
Douglas Dougherty - Carol Dougherty, Chicago IL; Dennis O'Dowd, Burbank IL; Jack Russell, Lyons IL

vs
Kathleen Burt, Darien IL; Ruth Goodpasture, Bourbonnais IL; Judith Gidden, Chicago IL; Ivor McGloughlin, Pittsburgh PA

Kenton Hayes Jr - Leonard Schmidt Jr - Betty Mattison, Louisville KY; Mike Sloan, Marengo IN

vs
Michael Tomlianovich, Bloomington IL; Ron Sawiak, Winnipeg MB; Jennie Scott - Claudia Zimmermann, Keokuk IA

Goodwill message

As we prepare to leave St. Louis and the 1997 Fall NABC, take a moment to say "thank you" to our hosts. They've done a wonderful job.

See you in Reno at the 1998 Spring NABC.

Aileen Osofsky

Chairman, Goodwill Committee

Well done, Daley

Members of the Daley team from the second bracket of the Mike Shannon Knockout Teams deserve congratulations for their active ethics. As they were comparing results of their quarterfinal match, their opponents came over and conceded a 2-IMP victory to Daley. When they finished their comparison, the Daley team had the match scored as a tie. The other team had left the playing area.

The Daley team told the director of their dilemma and followed his suggestion that they search the hotel. They located one pair in the bar and the other in their hotel room. A four-board playoff ensued. Appropriately, Dennis Daley, Mary Savko, Walter Smith and Stephen Shane were the winners.

John Ashton
KO Teams director

2ND SATURDAY MORNING CONTINUOUS PAIRS									
NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION EE			EAST-WEST			
A	B	C		A	B	C			
1	1	John Schapflin, Florissant MO; Vincent Lopiccolo, Ballwin MO	101.50	1				Arne Maki, Albany OR; Max Limbocker, Louisville KY	96.00
2		Ken Gee, Regina SK; David Jeffries, Manzanita OR	101.00	2				Alma Karas - Yangling Zhang, Batavia IL	95.00
3		Benjamin Lev - Debbie Lev, W. Bloomfield MI	93.50	3				Art Ardy Bakshian, Plymouth MN; Steven Gaylor, St. Louis Park MN	91.50
4/5		Peter Filandro - Marie Filandro, Smyrna DE	87.00	4	1			Andy Smith - Flo Beck, Anchorage AK	88.50
4/5	2	Tadashi Teramoto, Japan; Kotomi Asakoshi, Tokyo Japan	87.00	2				Paul Theroff, Kansas City KS; Jason Smith, Brooklyn NY	86.00
		Louise Kavall, Halesite NY; Daniel Rhodes, Novato CA	84.50			1		Simone Prager, U City MO; Michael Sberberg, University City MO	77.50
						2		Jason Rotenberg, Hanover NH; Beverly Marshall, Mt Vernon MO	76.00

2ND SATURDAY STRATIFIED SENIOR PAIRS 1ST SESSION									
NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION CCC, DDD			EAST-WEST			
A	B	C		A	B	C			
1		Jacque Tucker - Ziggy Tucker, San Antonio TX	289.50	1				Bill McCallon, St Augustine FL; Richard Holmes, Wichita KS	285.50
2		Bryan Rapson, Dartmouth NS; Bram Schwartz, Sydney NS	274.00	2				Charles Clickner, Clearwater FL; Richard Gibbons, Princeton IL	277.50
3	1	Joseph McAdam - Phillip Tinch, Decatur IL	270.00	3				Nancy Caraway, Ballwin MO; Lois Greenman, St Louis MO	270.00
4		Jerry Aceti, Sudbury ON; John Currie, Halifax NS	258.50	4				Richard Au, Honolulu HI; Ken Lindsay, Laie HI	267.00
5		Bob Bratcher, Vista CA; Lowell Andrews, Huntingtn Beach CA	253.00	5				Ward Johnson - Diane Vaughan, Madison WI	264.00
6	2	Roy Lewis, St Charles MO; Roland Boehm, Florissant MO	251.00	6				Harry Ross, Des Moines IA; Don Brock, Brampton ON	263.50
7		Virginia Krueger, Bushnell IL; Charles Woodruff, Burlington IA	247.50	7	1			John Williams - Olga Williams, Okatie SC	244.00
8		Dean Berger, Leola PA; Ethel Reed, Hagerstown MD	242.50	8	2			Naomi Wandel - Hans Wandel, Lake Oswego OR	241.50
9		Lin Chen - Juh Chen, Murphysboro IL	242.00	9/10				Richard Budd, Portland ME; Dudley Brown, Grandview WA	233.00
	3	John Whitehead - Jessie Brown, Charleston MO	232.50	9/10				Bobbie Carrick - Wayne Carrick, Long Grove IL	233.00
	4	Virginia Toberman - Mildred Azar, Belleville IL	231.00			3		Garry Gardiner, Don Mills ON; William Pate, Etobicoke ON	227.00
		J T DeBerry, Cookeville TN; Madonna Fisher, Kokomo IN	227.00			4	1	Joan Tinch - Mildred McAdam, Decatur IL	218.00

FRIDAY-SATURDAY CONTINUOUS/SIDE PAIRS									
NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION FF			EAST-WEST			
A	B	C		A	B	C			
1	1	Richard Edwards Jr, Chesterfield MO; Carole Burt, Saint Louis MO	195.00	1				Garey Hayden, Tucson AZ; James Tucker Jr, Alexander City AL	221.50
2		Harold Emme - Carol Emme, Carbondale IL	189.50	2	1			Marcel Maupin, Edmond OK; Patrick Shaw, Olean NY	188.00
3		Nannell Edmunds - Linda Smith, Annapolis MD	187.00	3				Charlotte Cohen, St Louis MO; Larry Kolker, Saint Louis MO	179.00
4	2	Gwyneth Absis, Geneva IL; John Schnoor, Altoona IA	176.00	4				Rod Van Wyk, Alton IL; Randall Leeper, Murphysboro IL	177.50
5		Connie Noel, Anchorage KY; Patsy London, Louisville KY	173.00	5				Jean Cole, Richards TX; Ron Woodsum, Houston TX	175.00
6		James Douglas - Doreen Douglas, Oakland CA	166.50	6				James Hammond, Florissant MO; Mary Hruby, Maryland Hgts MO	171.00
7		Shannon Lipscomb, Red Bank TN; Gladys Collier, E Hampton NY	162.50	7	2			Roger Buck - James Zimmer, Bloomington IN	166.00
	3	Nan Presser - Robert Harris, Columbia MO	161.50			3		Jurgen Rennenkampf - Barbara Stevenson, Portland ME	163.00

2ND SATURDAY STRATIFIED SENIOR PAIRS 2ND SESSION									
NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION CCC, DDD			EAST-WEST			
A	B	C		A	B	C			
1		Nancy Caraway, Ballwin MO; Lois Greenman, St Louis MO	271.32	1	1	1		Joseph McAdam - Phillip Tinch, Decatur IL	279.18
2		Jerry Aceti, Sudbury ON; John Currie, Halifax NS	270.76	2				Bob Bratcher, Vista CA; Lowell Andrews, Huntingtn Beach CA	276.68
3		Ward Johnson - Diane Vaughan, Madison WI	269.76	3				Bill McCallon, St Augustine FL; Richard Holmes, Wichita KS	272.68
4		John Gustafson - Helen Gustafson, Des Moines IA	269.32	4				Jacque Tucker - Ziggy Tucker, San Antonio TX	260.30
5	1	John Williams - Olga Williams, Okatie SC	248.32	5				Virginia Krueger, Bushnell IL; Charles Woodruff, Burlington IA	246.68
6		Mary Adrignola - Jerome Sommer, St Louis MO	245.32	6				Bobbie Carrick - Wayne Carrick, Long Grove IL	242.18
7	2	Joan Tinch - Mildred McAdam, Decatur IL	243.76	7				Aralyn Rosenberg - Carrie Lopata, St Louis MO	239.18
8		Dean Berger, Leola PA; Ethel Reed, Hagerstown MD	243.50	8	2			Virginia Toberman - Mildred Azar, Belleville IL	238.03
	3	Naomi Wandel - Hans Wandel, Lake Oswego OR	234.82	3				Garry Gardiner, Don Mills ON; William Pate, Etobicoke ON	235.18
	4	Sammy House, Ballwin MO; Dorothy Krahl, St Louis MO	231.26	4	2			Lynn Rattinger, Roanoke VA; Grace Dillingham, Chevy Chase MD	232.00
		Robert Ellis, St Louis MO; Janice Kennedy, St Charles MO	227.03						

2ND SATURDAY FLIGHT A PAIRS FIRST SESSION									
NORTH-SOUTH			SECTIONS A, B, D			EAST-WEST			
A	B	C		A	B	C			
1	X	John Onstott, New Orleans LA; George Pisk, Manchaca TX	588.29	1	X			Raija Lassila - Richard Reisig, Delray Beach FL	564.40
2	1	Lee De Simone, Alexandria VA; Michael Walrath, Fort Worth TX	555.12	2	1			Barbara Seagram - Alex Kornel, Toronto ON	557.13
3	2	Curtis Hastings, Chesterfield MO; Denny O'Connor, St Louis MO	539.67	3	2			Malle Andrade - Elizabeth Dvorkin, New York NY	554.54
4	3	Michael Carmen, St Louis MO; John Dicks, St Charles MO	523.90	4	3			Cathy Baldysz - Mark Baldysz, Chicago IL	552.98
5		Linda Spangler, Duncanville TX; Jay Gibson, Plano TX	521.83	5				Gloria Silverman, Toronto ON; Jan Shane, White Plains NY	547.38
6		Patrick Dunn - Polly Dunn, Bellevue WA	516.12	6				Yoshiyuki Nakamura - Haruko Koshi, Tokyo, Japan	545.84
7		Tom Clarke, Lake Charles LA; Alan Le Bendig, Los Angeles CA	513.11	7				Jon Brissman, San Bernardino CA; Marshall Miles, Redlands CA	514.38
8		Shirley Presberg, Norfolk VA; Gloria Brown, Virginia Bch VA	498.12	8	4			Andy Bowles, London, England; Shireen Mohandes, London, England	506.77
9	4	Hlene Morgan - James Morgan, Rolla MO	490.00	9	5			Sherry Nichols, Scottsdale AZ; Frank Aquila, Akron OH	500.02
10		James Kreis, Tulsa OK; Chris Compton, Oklahoma City OK	483.60	10	6			Sakiko Naito, Tokyo; Ayako Amano, Tokyo Japan	488.60
11		Vickie Davis - Mary Dusek, Dallas TX	480.81	11				Henry Bethe, Ithaca NY; Haig Tchamitch, Peoria AZ	486.00
12	5	David Marshall - Donna Marshall, Reading MA	478.73	12	7			Jian-Jian Wang, Champaign IL; Jun Shi, Fremont CA	485.48
13		Robert Giles, Marion IL; David Kahane, Evansville IN	476.66	13				Michael Yuen, Winnipeg MB; Sylvia Summers, Pasadena CA	475.10
14	6	Ronald Spath, Severna Park MD; Julian Boyce, Silver Spring MD	474.58	14				Kenn Bradley, Tulsa OK; Ed Groner, Duncan OK	473.02
15		Larry Mori, Charlton NY; Allan Falk, Okemos MI	469.38	15				Kotomi Asakoshi, Tokyo, Japan; Tadashi Teramoto, Yokohama, Japan	462.12
	7	Silvana Bellini, Tierra Verde FL; Kiyoshi Asai, Toride Japan	461.60			8		Edward Horton, Champaign IL; Ann Faget, Houston TX	451.73
	8	Jacqueline Sincoff, St Louis MO; Leo Weniger, Halifax NS	456.21			9		Gail Hawkins, St. Charles MO; Mic Weiss, Chesterfield MO	447.06
	9	Bobbie Holmes, Saint Louis MO; Patricia Shine, Chesterfield MO	454.33						

LAVERNE MAGEE MEMORIAL PAIRS 1ST SESSION									
NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION AA			EAST-WEST			
B	C	D		B	C	D			
1	1	Donald Weber, St Louis MO; David Eckhardt, Chesterfield MO	200.00	1	1	1		Roger Dybvig - Jean Walsh, Dayton OH	179.00
2	2	Jeanie Pearson - J Ann Bouchard, Columbia MO	183.00	2				Jim Hoffmann, Covington GA; Max Limbocker, Louisville KY	178.00
3	3	Richard Page - Mike Giacaman, St Louis MO	178.00	3	2			George Bogacki - Marilyn Bogacki, Ballwin MO	174.00
4		Gerty Grotte, Miami Beach FL; John Mincher, Aventura FL	175.00	4				Buz Zeman - Maureen Zeman, St Louis MO	172.50
5		Carl Sharp, Chicago IL; Cathy Hunt, Elmhurst IL	171.00	5	3			Catherine Joyce, St Louis MO; Peggy Stewart, Manchester MO	166.00
6		Muffin Gur, Rumson NJ; Reha Gur, Red Bank NJ	170.00	6	4			Katharine Wallenberg - David Rabinowitz, New York NY	165.50
	4	Rhoda Pollock, Middletown NY; Lorrie Smith, W Sand Lake NY	151.50			2		James Num, Kirkwood MO; Tommye Fleming, St Louis MO	146.00

NORTH-SOUTH									
SECTION BB			SECTION CC			EAST-WEST			
B	C	D		B	C	D			
1	1	Sali Ma, Cincinnati OH; Gordon Adkins, West Chester OH	181.00	1				Robert Seaholm, Coralville IA; Nancy Wittwer, Falls City NE	187.50
2	2	Nathaniel Reid - Barbara Boswell, Cincinnati OH	180.50	2				Barbara Jur, Warren MI; Gargi French, Ann Arbor MI	169.50
3		Michael Kuhnle, Indianapolis IN; Jerry Fairfax, Carmel IN	177.00	3	1			Elizabeth Fay, Chesterfield MO; Jennifer Luner, Saint Louis MO	169.00
4		William Borengasser - Wally Franck Jr, Columbia MO	176.50	4	2	1		Tracy Sloan, Tulsa OK; Parames Laosinchai, Ballwin MO	168.50
5		Yvette Neary - Liga Byrne, Mequon WI	170.00	5	3			Michael Schenker - Susan Rangeley, New York NY	167.50
6/7	3/4	Gabriel Azzam, Chesterfield MO; Craig Schallert, Kansas City MO	163.50	6	3			Kent Burghard, Cordova TN; Larry Huiras, Chicago IL	165.50
6/7	3/4	Richard Rowen, Leesburg VA; Jimmie Massengill, Birmingham AL	163.50						

NORTH-SOUTH									
SECTION DD			SECTION EE			EAST-WEST			
B	C	D		B	C	D			
1/2	1/2	Dave Schouweiler - Zanne Chambers, Bismarck ND	171.50	1				David Shipman, Olathe KS; John Turner, Kansas City MO	199.00
1/2	1/2	Alan Cole, Council Bluffs IA; Gloria Krusemeyer, Northfield MN	171.50	2	1			Bobby Maynard, Houston TX; Don Gowans, Snow Lake MB	184.00
3		Mary Anne Conway, Steamboat Sprng CO; Patti Lee, Toronto ON	170.00	3	2			Robert Lyon - Peter Aldenderfer, Indianapolis IN	181.00
4		Patricia Rasmus - Richard Rasmus, Hamburg NY	167.00	4				Helen Keri - Myra Abrams, Montreal PQ	179.00
5		Warren Olson - Annetta Olson, Dallas TX	164.50	5				William Higbee - Colleen McCabe, Madison WI	175.50
6/7	3	Joan Cherry - Gwyn Morgan, Toronto ON	163.00	6	3			Mark De Garcia, Columbia MO; Steven Erickson, Jefferson Cy MO	174.00
6/7		Joseph Brown, Maplewood MN; Anne Jones, Saint Paul MN	163.00			1		Marcus Feldman - Susan Feldman, Kirkwood MO	139.00

NORTH-SOUTH									
SECTION FF			SECTION GG			EAST-WEST			
B	C	D		B	C	D			
1	1	Marie Sander Bolego, St Louis MO; John Bolego, Saint Louis MO	190.67	1	1			Arlene Jones, Denver CO; Nathan Banker, Woodhaven MI	189.22
2		George Nett, Macomb IL; S Chitogeapkar, Bloomington IL	181.28	2	2			Thomas Shedlock, Danville IL; Stephen Zenk, Maryland Hgts. MO	175.50
3		Mary Anne Pixley, Littleton CO; Skip Carson, Lakewood CO	173.33	3	3			Jason Smith, Brooklyn NY; Paul Theroff, Kansas City KS	172.61
4	2	Ralph Cruickshank - Margaret Robbins, Louisville KY	164.67	4				Katharine Feiock - Rhoda Cohen, Baltimore MD	161.78
	3	Robert Lake, Montgomery AL; Letha Couch, Chula Vista CA	157.44			1		R Cramer - Nell Jane Cramer, Davenport IA	127.11
		Robert McKinney - Sharon McKinney, Greenwood AR	148.06						

SATURDAY AFTERNOON 20/50/200 PAIRS									
NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION O			EAST-WEST			
D	E	F		D	E	F			
1		Robert Pommer - Anne Lee Pommer, St Louis MO	168.50	1	1	1		Ralph Claypool - Rita Claypool, St Louis MO	178.00
2		Jeanne Beck - Mary Ponciroli, St Louis MO	167.00	2				Allen Groh - Jerry Groh, Maineville OH	166.00
3		Carole Zang - Gerald Zang, Lake St Louis MO	150.00	3				Ed Sobolak - Diane Sobolak, Austin TX	157.00
4	1	John Ackenhusen - Anne Ackenhusen, South Charleston WV	141.50	4	2	2		Carol Simon - Marcia Broddon, St Louis MO	154.50
5		Robert Wheeler, Florissant MO; Jack Hileman, McKinleyville CA	138.50	5	3	3		Margaret Baldwin, Saint Louis MO; Kathleen Pendleton, Macon GA	150.00
6		Thelma Schrier, Saint Louis MO; Annie Schrier, St Louis MO	136.50	6	4			Duane Beisner - Doris Beisner, Las Vegas NV	135.50
	2	James Scott - Rose Scott, Rantoul IL	134.50						
	3	Ashley Szymanski, Westmont IL; Beverly Marshall, Mt Vernon MO	132.50						
	4	David Larkins - Mary Larkins, Des Moines IA	131.50						

SATURDAY 99ER TROPHY PAIRS 1ST SESSION									
NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION Q			EAST-WEST			
1	2			1	2				
		Daniel Parsons, Webster Grove MO; Nolan Ulla, St Charles MO	56.00	1				Yi-Der Chen - Martha Chen, Potomac MD	64.50
		Jay Ponder - Kathy Ponder, Clayton MO	55.50	2				Allyson Wolfe, Brentwood MO; Kimberley Wolfe, Clarendon Hills IL	52.00

		2ND SATURDAY FLIGHT A PAIRS SECOND SESSION			
		SECTIONS A, B, D		EAST-WEST	
A	X	NORTH-SOUTH			
1		Charles Davis, Dunwoody GA; Donald Blum, Atlanta GA	589.85	1	Tom Clarke, Lake Charles LA; Alan Le Bendig, Los Angeles CA
2	1	Peter Filandro - Marie Filandro, Smyrna DE	579.98	2	David Marshall - Donna Marshall, Reading MA
3		Charles Stenger, Bethesda MD; Joan Cohen, Memphis TN	553.11	3	Hene Morgan - James Morgan, Rolla MO
4	2	Ruth Schneck - Carol Meyer, Columbia MO	526.95	4	James Kraft, Tulsa OK; Chris Compton, Oklahoma City OK
5		Milton Haley, Dayton OH; Ulker Mutlu, Springfield OH	518.71	5	Curtis Hastings, Chesterfield MO; Denny O'Connor, St Louis MO
6		Rajia Lassila - Richard Reissig, Delray Beach FL	513.52	6	Larry Mori, Charlton NY; Allan Falk, Okemos MI
7		Yoshiyuki Nakamura - Haruko Koshi, Tokyo, Japan	509.37	7	John Onstott, New Orleans LA; George Pisk, Manchaca TX
8	3	Jian-Jian Wang, Champaign IL; Jun Shi, Fremont CA	508.00	8	Lon Sunshine, Framingham MA; Ivanie Yeo, Boston MA
9	4	Thomas Allan - A Allan, Broken Arrow OK	507.81	9	Ralph Behrens, Kirkwood MO; Peggy Wald, Chesterfield MO
10	5	Richard Williams - Jody Williams, San Carlos CA	506.77	10	Shirley Presberg, Norfolk VA; Gloria Brown, Virginia Bch VA
11		Anne Simon, Syracuse NY; Michael Huston, Joplin MO	494.31	11	Ronald Spath, Severna Park MD; Julian Boyce, Silver Spring MD
12	6	Cathy Baldysz - Mark Baldysz, Chicago IL	479.00	12	Malle Andrade - Elizabeth Dvorkin, New York NY
13		Jon Brissman, San Bernardino CA; Marshall Miles, Redlands CA	477.17	13	Paul Benedict, Pikesville MD; Sheldon Kravitz, Baltimore MD
14	7	Debby Stahl - Joseph Erlanger, Saint Louis MO	472.50	14	Michael Carmen, St Louis MO; John Dicks, St Charles MO
15	8	Edward Horton, Champaign IL; Ann Faget, Houston TX	468.35	15	Hans Iukovici, St Louis MO; Paul Pressly, Overland Park KS
FRIDAY-SATURDAY CONTINUOUS PAIRS					
		SECTION EE		EAST-WEST	
A	B	NORTH-SOUTH			
1		Chuck Said, Nashville TN; John Russell, N Barrington IL	189.50	1	Gail Carns - Mary Paulone Carns, Export PA
2		Tom Miller - Gay Miller, Centerville OH	182.00	2	John Moore - Roxann Swenson, Austin TX
3		Red Van Wyk, Alton IL; Randall Leeper, Murphysboro IL	172.00	3	Robert Teel Jr, Rockford AL; James Tucker Jr, Alexander City AL
4		Sondra Caplin - Donald Caplin, Waltham MA	171.00	4	James Hammond, Florissant MO; Mary Hruby, Maryland Hgts MO
5		Michael Weber, San Diego CA; Howard Weber, Las Vegas NV	169.50	5	Charles Eastin - Paul Stefano, Westlake OH
1		Claudia Beaty, Hazelwood MO; Jeannine Owen, St Louis MO	156.00	2	Bill McAvinue, Louisville KY; Pat Cole, Glenview KY
2		Mary Hawk, Lima OH; Marie Mittel, Louisville KY	154.00		
		NORTH-SOUTH		EAST-WEST	
A	B				
1		Marion Gebhardt, Richardson TX; Jack Smith, Dallas TX	204.00	1	Harold Emme - Carol Emme, Carbondale IL
2		Charlotte Cohen, St Louis MO; Larry Kolker, Saint Louis MO	181.50	2	John Fitzgerald, St Louis MO; Arbha Vongsvivut, Godfrey IL
3		Jack Leach - Louallen Leach, Cedar Park TX	174.00	3	Diane Vaughan - Ward Johnson, Madison WI
4		E Jane Schaffer - Daniel Schaffer, St Charles MO	169.50	4	Ronda O'Farrell, St Louis MO; Lois Vaaler, Bridgeton MO
5	1	Richard Edwards Jr, Chesterfield MO; Carole Burt, Saint Louis MO	169.00	5	Marcie Stauder, St Charles MO; Fran Scheffler, St Louis MO
6	2	Bob Waite, Ile Des Cheneses MB; Andrew Petrick, Winnipeg MB	168.00	6	Stephen Goldstein - Wonjoo Goldstein, Cheltenham PA
3		James Bruner - Ann Bruner, Springfield IL	160.50	3	Nan Presser - Robert Harris, Columbia MO
2ND SATURDAY BOARD-A-MATCH TEAMS					
		SECTIONS GG, HH			
A	B	C			
1		Hal Stern, Rolling Meadows IL; Jim Humphrey, Wheeling IL; Sharon Pobloske - Robert Jackson, Bensenville IL		19.00	
2/3		Michael Kovacich, Stone Mt GA; Robert White, Raleigh NC; Patrick Horton, Tallahassee FL; Hank Youngerman, Longwood FL		16.50	
2/3		Alan Oaks, Germantown TN; Thomas Turgson - Roy Green - Mary Green, Memphis TN		16.50	
4/5		James Murphy, Chesapeake VA; Franklin Silver, Las Vegas NV; Steve Levinson, Fort Lauderdale FL; Michael Rajhen, Mt Pleasant SC		15.50	
4/5		Lynne Schaeffer, Farmington Hill MI; Samuel Hirschman - Martin Hirschman, Southfield MI; Roman Shapiro, Fair Lawn NJ		15.50	
6		Kent Mignocchi - Brian Trent, Los Angeles CA; Linda Weinstein, Pinehurst NC; Ari Greenberg, Malibu CA		15.00	
7		Keith Harrison - Joan Webb - Patricia Glasnap, Clearwater FL; Donna Rodwell, Naperville IL		14.00	
8/9		John Cole, Richards TX; Ron Woodsum, Houston TX; Carole Dawkins, Austin TX; Michael Daignault, Webster Groves MO		14.50	
8/9		Jerry Pletscher, Albuquerque NM; Dick Yarrington, Seattle WA; Jackie Buroker, Bellevue WA; Dudley Brown, Grandview WA		14.00	
10/11		Melanie Manfield, Philadelphia PA; Ed Manfield, Hyattsville MD; David Treadwell, Wilmington DE; Ed Lazarus, Baltimore MD		13.50	
10/11	1	Carol McGill - Robert McGill, Orange TX; Robert Trenary, Mendon MI; Philip Moss, Mattawan MI		13.50	
	2	Amal Dasgupta, Wilmington DE; James Paschal, Reno NV; Rachelle Romanick, Sparks NV; Fay Entler, York PA		11.00	
	1	Celia Meyer - Lana Lu Hull, Manchester MO; Patricia Gibson - Sara Parks M.D., Owensboro KY		8.00	
LAVERNE MAGEE MEMORIAL PAIRS 2ND SESSION					
		SECTION AA		EAST-WEST	
B	C	D			
1		Benjamin Lev - Debbie Lev, W. Bloomfield MI	185.00	1	Gerty Grotte, Miami Beach FL; John Mincher, Aventura FL
2	1	Robert Lyon - Peter Aldenderfer, Indianapolis IN	179.50	2	Richard Page - Mike Giacaman, St Louis MO
3	2	R Cramer - Nell Jane Cramer, Davenport IA	172.00	3	Muffin Gur, Rumson NJ; Reha Gur, Red Bank NJ
4		Katharine Feiock - Rhoda Cohen, Baltimore MD	171.00	4	E Burns - G Burns, Memphis TN
5		Donna Pedrotti, Maryland Hgts MO; Frances Christman, Ballwin MO	169.50	5	Jeanie Pearson - J Ann Bouchard, Columbia MO
6		Heleen Keri - Myra Abrams, Montreal PQ	167.00	6	Tracy Sloan, Tulsa OK; Parames Laosinchai, Ballwin MO
	3	J Humphrey, Lake St Louis MO; Linda Bryant, St Louis MO	166.50		
		NORTH-SOUTH		EAST-WEST	
B	C	D			
1	1	Katherine Wallenberg - David Rabinowitz, New York NY	181.50	1	Michael Kuhnle, Indianapolis IN; Jerry Fairfax, Carmel IN
2		Louise Ellebracht, St Ann MO; R Nelson, Edwardsville IL	174.50	2	William Borengasser - Wally Franck Jr, Columbia MO
3	2	Daniel Dorney, Robinson IL; Ray Sigler, Trenton IL	172.00	3	Douglas Sanford, Stoughton WI; Nancy Grimes, Cleveland WI
4		Buz Zeman - Maureen Zeman, St Louis MO	170.50	4	Lucille Y Wong - Daniel Wong, Honolulu HI
5	3	James Nunn, Kirkwood MO; Tommye Fleming, St Louis MO	166.50	5	Yvette Neary - Liga Byrne, Mequon WI
6	4	Joanne Rierson, Birmingham AL; Janette Card, Brimingham AL	163.00	6	Arline Sands - Bob Deters, Chicago IL
				3	Sali Ma, Cincinnati OH; Gordon Adkins, West Chester OH
				4	Mark Bullimore - Randall Dougherty, Columbus OH
		NORTH-SOUTH		EAST-WEST	
B	C	D			
1	1	Harriet Gilbert - Jan Lane, Chicago IL	189.50	1	Dave Schouweiler - Zanne Chambers, Bismarck ND
2		Robert Seaholm, Coralville IA; Nancy Wittwer, Falls City NE	177.42	2	Joseph Brown, Maplewood MN; Anne Jones, Saint Paul MN
3	2	Denise Wallis - Monika Plumb, Carbondale IL	173.67	3	James Brune, Chapin IL; Keith Lawson, Jacksonville IL
4	3	Michael Schenker - Susan Rangeley, New York NY	168.38	4	Alma Karas - Yangling Zhang, Batavia IL
5		John Brumfield - James Willemet, New Orleans LA	167.67	5	R Forchee, Kansas City MO; Bob Stienen, Locust Grove VA
6		Kent Burghard, Cordova TN; Larry Huiras, Chicago IL	165.38	6	Mary Anne Conway, Steamboat Sprng CO; Patti Lee, Toronto ON
	1	Richard Rowen, Leesburg VA; Jimmie Massengill, Birmingham AL	159.80		
		NORTH-SOUTH		EAST-WEST	
B	C	D			
1/2	1/2	David Rhea - Christie Thomas, Overland Park KS	187.06	1	George Nett, Macomb IL; S Chitgopekar, Bloomington IL
1/2	1/2	Mark De Garcia, Columbia MO; Steven Erickson, Jefferson Cy MO	187.06	2	Brenda Hoffman, St Louis MO; David Shanahan, St Ann MO
3		Hans Wandel - Naomi Wandel, Lake Oswego OR	181.28	3	J Hughes, Waterloo IA; Gary Foutch, Stillwater OK
4	1	Marcus Feldman - Susan Feldman, Kirkwood MO	166.11	4	Robert McKinney - Sharon McKinney, Greenwood AR
				3	Barry Margolin, Arlington MA; Andrea Malone, Sunnyvale CA
SATURDAY EVENING 20/50/200 PAIRS					
		SECTION O		EAST-WEST	
A	B	C			
1	1	Barbara Russo, Cary IL; Melissa Silvestre, St Louis MO	97.50	1	Bill Willis, El Dorado AR; Beverly Marshall, Mt Vernon MO
2	2	Ronald Koritz, Springfield IL; David Thomas, Riverton IL	94.50	2	Leah Maddox, Florissant MO; Brian Rodewald, St Louis MO
3	3	Stan Davis, St Louis MO; John Abernathy, St Louis MO	90.00	3	David Nagler, La Pointe WI; Joe Sharp, Noblesville IN
4		Jessica Hayman, New York NY; Pete Cressy, San Jose CA	87.00	4	Mark Brightfield, St Louis MO; Ellen Volpe, Clayton MO
SATURDAY 99ER TROPHY PAIRS 2ND SESSION					
		SECTION Q		EAST-WEST	
1		Jay Ponder - Kathy Ponder, Clayton MO	67.50	1	Yi-Der Chen - Martha Chen, Potomac MD
2		Irene Sprinkle - Larry Sprinkle, Dayton OH	54.50	2	Charles Fleisher - Eugenia Fleisher, St Charles MO

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

Sunday, November 30, 1997, 11:00 a.m. & 3:00 p.m.

Event	MP Limit	Session	Entry Fee	Sold
St. Louis Cardinals Stratified Fast Open Pairs*		1st & 2nd	\$40 pair	Level 4 Adam's Mark

Sunday, November 30, 1997, 11:00 a.m. & 4:00 p.m.

Dick Edwards Memorial				
Stratflighted Open Swiss Teams* (30 VP)		1st & 2nd	\$80 team	Level 2 Adam's Mark
Jerry Levitt Stratified Senior Swiss Teams* (30 VP)		1st & 2nd	\$80 team	Marriott Pavilion Ballroom
Mike Shannon's Restaurant Bracketed KO Teams V		3rd & 4th	\$40 team	Level 2 Adam's Mark
Stratified Open Side Game*		single	\$18 pair	Level 4 Adam's Mark Salon F
199er Pairs, 99er Pairs, 49er Pairs		single	\$18 pair	Level 4 Adam's Mark Salon F
Non Master Pairs		single	\$18 pair	Level 4 Adam's Mark Salon F
Newcomer Pairs		single	\$18 pair	Level 4 Adam's Mark Salon F
Stratified 99er Swiss Teams (100/50/20)		single	\$36 team	Level 4 Adam's Mark Salon F

Sunday, November 30, 1997, 12:00 Noon & 7:00 p.m.

REISINGER BOARD-A-MATCH TEAMS		1st & 2nd F	\$96 team	Level 2 Adam's Mark Salon B**
NORTHAMERICAN SWISS TEAMS		1st & 2nd F	\$88 team	Level 4 Adam's Mark Rose Garden**

**Note location change

*Unless otherwise indicated, Stratflighted Open events are divided: A (unlimited and separate); B, C & D stratified -- B (750-1500), C (300-750), D (0-300). Strat breaks for Open and Senior Stratified Pairs and Teams are: A (1000+), B (300-1000), C (0-300). Strat breaks for Continuous/Side Pairs and Zip Swiss teams are: A (750+), B (0-750).

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129. Evan Bailey, San Diego CA	11,450
130. James Nash, Omaha NE	11,416
131. Tom Rutledge, Charleston SC	11,373
132. Randy Joyce, Raleigh NC	11,346
133. Al Childs, Little Rock AR	11,288
134. Linda Lewis, Las Vegas NV	11,283
135. Edith Freilich, Miami Beach FL	11,145
136. Marty Arndt, Houston TX	11,130
137. Ed Davis, Seal Beach CA	11,101
138. Helen Utegaard, Las Vegas NV	11,099
139. David King, Miami FL	11,066
140. Dan Morse, Houston TX	11,032
141. Alan LeBendig, Los Angeles CA	11,027
142. Chip Martel, Davis CA	11,019
143. Dorothy Truscott, Riverdale NY	10,948
144. Tom Hodapp, Cincinnati OH	10,948
145. Veronica McMurdie, Sacramento CA	10,918
146. George Steiner, Seattle WA	10,911
147. Larry Cohen, Las Vegas NV	10,820
148. Robert Morris, Cincinnati OH	10,799
149. Mary Chilcote, Cleveland OH	10,798
150. John Fox, Whittier CA	10,700
151. John Griscorn, Nashville TN	10,663
152. Juanita Chambers, Schenectady NY	10,648
153. Hamish Bennett, Menlo Park CA	10,644
154. Mary Hardy, Las Vegas NV	10,639
155. Boris Baran, Montreal PQ	10,636
156. Jim Reiman, Mansfield OH	10,622
157. Craig Janitschke, Olympia WA	10,605
158. Gary Ullman, Van Nuys CA	10,604
159. Colby Vernay, Lacon IL	10,553
160. Jerry Helms, Charlotte NC	10,545
161. Eddie Kantar, Santa Monica CA	10,512
162. Richard Taube, Marietta GA	10,511
163. Curtis Cheek, Huntsville AL	10,485
164. Jack Schwencke, N. Palm Beach FL	10,455
165. Judy Tucker, New York NY	10,439
166. Jim Barrow, Lake Charles LA	10,421
167. Chuck Lamprey, White Plains NY	10,396
168. Richard Freeman, Atlanta GA	10,347
169. Joe Jabon, Bellevue WA	10,299
170. Dan Rotman, Aventura FL	10,264
171. Chuck Burger, West Bloomfield MI	10,233
172. Lloyd Arvedon, Medford MA	10,223
173. Phil Brady, Philadelphia PA	10,221
174. Michael Schreiber, Los Angeles CA	10,201
175. Stephen Swearingen, Arlington VA	10,185
176. Max Hardy, Las Vegas NV	10,150
177. Peter Rank, Los Angeles CA	10,119
178. Mike Albert, Omaha NE	10,111
179. Janet Daling, Seattle WA	10,105
180. Bob Etter, Sacramento CA	10,101
181. Ken Cohen, Philadelphia PA	10,067
182. Cliff Campbell, Thunder Bay ON	10,066
183. Harry Ross, Des Moines IA	10,011
184. Chet Davis, Osterville MA	9943
185. Jill Meyers, Santa Monica CA	9940
186. Jeanne Stenger, Bethesda MD	9939
187. Dick Yarrington, Seattle WA	9916
188. Larry Mori, Charlton NY	9906
189. Jerry Gaer, Scottsdale AZ	9889
190. Jim Hall, Minneapolis MN	9861
191. James Leary, Pasadena CA	9859
192. Wayne Hascall, Grandville MI	9822
193. Andy O'Grady, Miami FL	9810
194. Bill Wisdom, Salisbury NC	9800
195. Harvey Brody, San Francisco CA	9787
196. Sue Sachs, Baltimore MD	9786
197. Beth Palmer, Silver Spring MD	9749
198. Harold Guiver, Beverly Hills CA	9741
199. Liane Turner, Kansas City MO	9697
200. Andy Bernstein, Memphis TN	9692

76 Pairs				2ND SATURDAY FLIGHT A PAIRS		
30.94	1	X		John Onstott, New Orleans LA; George Pisk, Manchaca TX	1100.77	
23.21	2			Tom Clarke, Lake Charles LA; Alan Le Bendig, Los Angeles CA	1099.32	
17.40	3			Rajja Lassila - Richard Reisig, Delray Beach FL	1077.92	
24.17	4	1		Curtis Hastings, Chesterfield MO; Denny O'Connor, St Louis MO	1073.44	
9.79	5			Yoshiyuki Nakamura - Haruko Koshi, Tokyo, Japan	1055.21	
18.13	6	2		Ilene Morgan - James Morgan, Rolla MO	1050.77	
13.60	7	3		Malle Andrade - Elizabeth Dvorkin, New York NY	1044.54	
10.20	8	4		David Marshall - Donna Marshall, Reading MA	1040.02	
7.65	9	5		Cathy Baldysz - Mark Baldysz, Chicago IL	1031.98	
5.74	10	6		Peter Filandro - Marie Filandro, Smyrna DE	1026.48	
5.60	11			Charles Davis, Dunwoody GA; Donald Blum, Atlanta GA	1024.45	
2.58	12			James Kraft, Tulsa OK; Chris Compton, Oklahoma City OK	1018.73	
4.30	7			Michael Carmen, St Louis MO; John Dicks, St Charles MO	1006.78	
3.23	8			Jian-Jian Wang, Champaign IL; Jun Shi, Fremont CA	993.48	
2.69	9			Ruth Schneck - Carol Meyer, Columbia MO	970.89	

24 Teams				2ND SATURDAY BOARD-A-MATCH TEAMS		
5.67	1	A	B C	Hal Stern, Rolling Meadows IL; Jim Humphrey, Wheeling IL; Sharon Pobloske - Robert Jackson, Bensenville IL	19.00	
3.72	2/3			Michael Kovacich, Stone Mtn GA; Robert White, Raleigh NC; Patrick Horton, Tallahassee FL; Hank Youngerman, Longwood FL	16.50	
3.72	2/3			Alan Oaks, Germantown TN; Thomas Turgeon - Roy Green - Mary Green, Memphis TN	16.50	
2.09	4/5			James Murphy, Chesapeake VA; Franklin Silver, Las Vegas NV; Steve Levinson, Fort Lauderdale FL; Michael Rahtjen, Mt Pleasant SC	15.50	
2.09	4/5			Lynne Schaeffer, Farmington Hill MI; Samuel Hirschman - Martin Hirschman, Southfield MI; Roman Shapiro, Fair Lawn NJ	15.50	
1.35	6			Kent Mignocchi - Brian Trent, Los Angeles CA; Linda Weinstein, Pinehurst NC; Ari Greenberg, Malibu CA	15.00	
2.67	1			Carol McGill - Robert McGill, Orange TX; Robert Trenary, Mendon MI; Philip Moss, Mattawan MI	13.50	
2.00	2			Amal Dasgupta, Wilmington DE; James Paschal, Reno NV; Rachaelle Romanick, Sparks NV; Fay Entler, York PA	11.00	

106 Pairs				LAVERNE MAGEE MEMORIAL PAIRS		
17.86	1	B	C D	Michael Kuhnle, Indianapolis IN; Jerry Fairfax, Carmel IN	379.00	
13.40	2			Gerty Grotte, Miami Beach FL; John Mincher, Aventura FL	375.50	
10.05	3			George Nett, Macomb IL; S Chitgopekar, Bloomington IL	374.84	
7.53	4			William Borengasser - Wally Franck Jr, Columbia MO	371.00	
10.54	5	1		Richard Page - Mike Giacaman, St Louis MO	368.50	
4.24	6			Robert Seaholm, Coralville IA; Nancy Wittwer, Falls City NE	364.92	
7.91	7	2		Mark De Garcia, Columbia MO; Steven Erickson, Jefferson Cy MO	361.06	
5.93	8	3		Robert Lyon - Peter Aldenderfer, Indianapolis IN	360.50	
4.45	4			Dave Schouweiler - Zanne Chambers, Bismarck ND	358.63	
3.34	5			Donald Weber, St Louis MO; David Eckhardt, Chesterfield MO	350.50	
2.84	6			Katherine Wallenberg - David Rabinowitz, New York NY	347.00	
4.41	1			Tracy Sloan, Tulsa OK; Parames Laosinchai, Ballwin MO	325.50	
3.31	2			Robert McKinney - Sharon McKinney, Greenwood AR	324.28	
2.48	3			Richard Rowen, Leesburg VA; Jimmie Massengill, Birmingham AL	323.30	
1.86	4			James Brune, Chapin IL; Keith Lawson, Jacksonville IL	314.83	
1.40	5			Lucille Y Wong - Daniel Wong, Honolulu HI	313.50	
1.53	6			James Nunn, Kirkwood MO; Tommy Fleming, St Louis MO	312.50	

266 Players				FRIDAY-SATURDAY CONTINUOUS PAIRS		
11.20	1			James Tucker Jr, Alexander City AL	129.64	
8.00	2/3			Harold Emme, Carbondale IL	127.73	
8.00	2/3			Carol Emme, Carbondale IL	127.73	
5.85	4/5			Jack Smith, Dallas TX	124.23	
5.85	4/5			Marion Gebhardt, Richardson TX	124.23	
6.20	6/7			Keith Harrison, Clearwater FL	123.85	
6.20	6/7			Joan Webb, Clearwater FL	123.85	