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World Bridge Federation President José Damiani shows the IOC letter making Bridge a recognized sport to David Silber, CEO of the American Contract Bridge League.

It's official! Bridge is a sport!

That's the word from the Olympic Committee

by Henry Francis

Just last month — on June 20 to be exact — José Damiani, president of the World Bridge Federation, received an official letter from the International Olympic Committee while he was playing in the European Senior Teams in Malta. This letter stated unequivocally that the WBF has been accepted as a Recognized International Federation.

This made official what Juan Antonio Samaranch, IOC president, said on Sept. 7, 1998, at the opening of the First IOC Grand Prix for Bridge at IOC headquarters in Lausanne, Switzerland:

“Bridge is a sport and as such your place is here like other sports.”

What does this recognition mean? It means that bridge is now on the same level as golf, rugby, squash, karate and polo — all sports that have been recognized but not yet admitted into the Olympic Games.

Bridge can now be part of international associations and will be part of the Olympic Congress. The WBF logo and flag already are being included in IOC publications and displays.

“It was very important to have the confirmation that an intellectual game like bridge (or chess) can be considered a sport,” said Damiani. “This gives us some

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!WIN!

Cash and masterpoints

Want to win some money? Play well in the two-session regionally rated stratiflighted Open Pairs tomorrow (1 p.m. and 8 p.m.) and you'll win your share of the money prizes being offered.

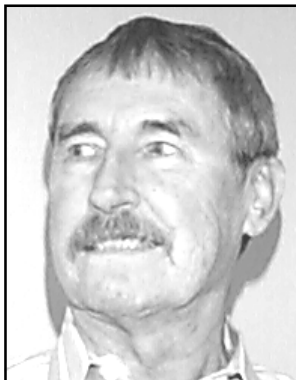
Flight A will have its own prize pool. The stratified portion of the event (B, C and D) will be combined into another prize pool. There will be a cash prize for first and second in each category (A, B, C and D). However there will NOT be a cash prize for the A/X strat.

A pair may win only one overall cash prize (the greater, of course). There also will be cash prizes for section top winners who do not win an overall cash prize.

The ACBL Member entry fee will be \$90 a pair — the regular \$44 entry fee plus \$46 for the prize pool. Yes, you may pay the regular \$44 entry fee and play for masterpoints only.

Jack Coleman becomes Grand Life Master

Jack Coleman of San Francisco became an ACBL Grand Life Master yesterday when his team won their second-round match in the Charity Knockout Teams. A three-time winner of the North American Swiss Teams, Coleman needed only slightly more than five points to reach 10,000. Coleman was playing with Grant Baze, a player for whom he has tremendous respect.



Actually the feeling is mutual — this is what Baze had to say about Coleman: “Jack is fun to play with. He's a non-student, but he's such a natural player that he wins anyway.”

Coleman says he is lucky to have had the opportunity to play with partners like Baze, “and I was espe-

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Southern Cal battles Florida in GNT final

Flight A

It's Florida (District 9) vs. Southern California (District 23) in today's final of the Grand National Teams, Flight A. Florida eliminated Washington DC (District 6), 210-72. Southern California had a tougher time with Portland (District 20), winning, 160-121.

The Florida-Southern Cal match was never close. The Floridians jumped ahead by 24 in the first quarter, then had a sensational second quarter to up their lead to 72. It was even worse in the third quarter — Florida outscored their foes, 67-9.

Playing for Florida are Joseph Shay, Ponte Verde; Michael Seamon, Miami Beach; Robert Levin, Windermere; Jeff Meckstroth, Tampa, and Eric Rodwell, Clearwater. The Washington team consisted of Jeff Roman, Steve Robinson, Marc Umeno, Lou Reich, Peter Boyd and William Cole.

The finalists from Southern California are Iftikhar Baqai, Irvine; Jill Meyers, Santa Monica; Mitch Dunitz, Sherman Oaks, and Ed Davis, Seal Beach. They defeated John Ashton, Eric Stotz, Dennis Metcalf, Tony Glynn and Jon Bartlett.

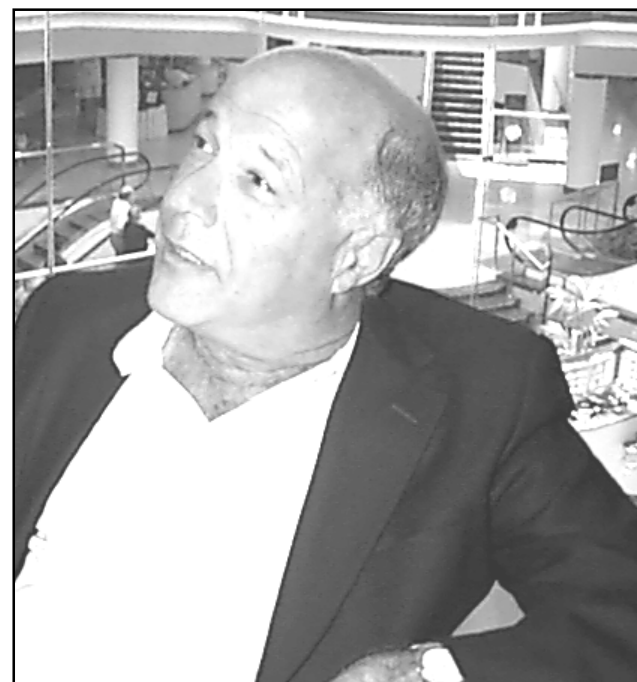
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Kasle, Hayden lead Life Master Pairs

Leading the Life Master Pairs into today's two semifinal sessions are a pair whose names seem to echo from the past — Hayden and Kasle. The Hayden is the same — Gary Hayden of Tucson AZ — but it's a different Kasle, Dennis of Bloomfield MI. Hayden used to play regularly with Dennis' brother Gaylor. They had two good sessions yesterday to take a 46-point lead on the field. This isn't as big as it sounds because top on a board was worth 64 matchpoints. The difference will be cut even further when the carryover formula is applied.

In second place were David Siebert, Little Rock, and Peter Friedland, Los Altos CA. Only 15 points further back were Shou-Ling Wang of Bethesda MD and Brooks Harris of Berwyn PA.

The qualifiers will battle to qualify for tomorrow's two-session final.



Don Krauss

Krauss wows 'em at Hall of Fame dinner

By Brent Manley

Don Krauss is used to surprising people. Thirty-five years ago, he and Bob Hamman shocked the bridge world by winning the pair trials and earning a spot on the U.S. team in the 1964 World Team Olympiad. Most pundits had picked them to be dead last in the field of 16 pairs.

This week, Krauss unexpectedly stole the show at the induction ceremonies for the ACBL Bridge Hall of Fame.

The 62-year-old stockbroker was a last-minute substitute for Nick Nickell, who was to have presented Hamman for induction into the Hall of Fame. Business commitments interfered with Nickell's schedule, so Krauss was summoned at the 11th hour. It wasn't necessary to ask twice.

“It was exciting,” says Krauss. “I was absolutely thrilled to be able to present Bob.”

It was also a treat for the Hall of Fame dinner audience, who roared at the anecdotes Krauss told about his early days of playing bridge with Hamman, the world's No. 1-ranked player for more than a decade

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SPECIAL EVENTS

Friday, July 23

- 9:30 a.m. - Noon Easybridge! Accreditation Course with Easybridge! Creator Edith McMullin, Conference Room 17, Rivercenter. No fee (\$20 for the material). If you are interested in running an Easybridge! Game, this course is a prerequisite. (Note: this course will be offered again on Saturday, Tuesday and Thursday mornings.)
- 9:30 a.m. Competitions and Conventions Committee. Conference Room 14, Rivercenter.
- 10:30 a.m. - Noon Unit Officers Meeting with Jane Johnson, manager of the ACBL Club-Membership Department. Conference Room 2, Rivercenter.
- 12:15 p.m. Intermediate/Newcomer Speakers Program: Harriette Buckman, *The Co-existence of Stayman and Jacoby*, Salon F, Grand Ballroom, Rivercenter. **Buckman**, Lincolnwood IL, is District 13's representative on the ACBL Board of Directors. She is a past president of the Chicago Contract Bridge Association and the ACBL Educational Foundation.
- 7:15 p.m. Intermediate/Newcomer Speakers Program: Audrey Grant, *Three Tips to Improve your Judgment*, Salon F, Grand Ballroom, Rivercenter. **Grant**, Toronto, is a regular columnist for *The Bridge Bulletin* and the author of ACBL's teaching books — the *Club, Diamond, Heart and Spade Series*. She is the editor of ACBL's magazine for newer players, *Better Bridge*.
- 11:30 p.m. - 1:30 a.m. Alamo Ballroom, Marriott Riverwalk. Tune up your vocal cords and sing along with Peter Gloria at the baby grand while enjoying a ham and cheese croissant with potato salad. Cash bar.

Saturday, July 24

- 9:30 a.m. - Noon Easybridge! Accreditation Course with Easybridge! Creator Edith McMullin and Marti Ronemus, Conference Room 3, Rivercenter. No fee (\$20 for the material). If you are interested in running an Easybridge! Game, this course is a prerequisite. (Note: this course will be offered again on Tuesday and Thursday mornings.)
- 9:30 - 10:00 a.m. Coffee and pastry (for players attending the 10 a.m. free bridge lesson), Salons A, B & F, Grand Ballroom, Rivercenter.
- 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. *Coffee with Jane Johnson*, manager of the ACBL Club-Membership Department. Conference Room 17, Rivercenter.
- 10:00 a.m. - Noon Free Bridge Lesson — *Let's Play Bridge* — with Audrey Grant, Salons A, B & F, Grand Ballroom, Rivercenter. This duplicate experience is for new players who want to know more about tournament bridge and plan to participate in the I/N program during the week.
- 11:00 a.m. - Noon ACBLscore Seminar with Jim Lopushinsky, creator of ACBL's scoring program. Conference Room 4, Rivercenter.
- 12:15 p.m. Intermediate/Newcomer Speakers Program: Ken Monzingo, *Counting at Bridge*, Salon F, Grand Ballroom, Rivercenter. **Monzingo**, San Diego CA, is the managing editor of the *Contract Bridge Forum*, the monthly publication of Districts 17, 20, 21 and 22. He is a Diamond Life Master with many regional wins and a member of the National Goodwill Committee.
- 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. Bridge Plus+ Card Play with Audrey Grant, Salons A, B & F, Grand Ballroom, Rivercenter.
- 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. Easybridge! Stage 2 Advanced Accreditation with Easybridge! Creator Edith McMullin. Conference Room 3, Rivercenter.
- 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. Intermediate/Newcomer Reception, Salons A, B & F, Grand Ballroom, Rivercenter.
- 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Junior Dinner Meeting, Conference Rooms 17 & 18, Rivercenter.
- 7:15 p.m. Intermediate/Newcomer Speakers Program: Howard Pilch, *Balance, Baby, Balance*, Salon F, Grand Ballroom, Rivercenter. **Pilch**, Andover MA, represents District 25 (New England) on the ACBL Board of Directors. He was ACBL president in 1997 and chairman of the board in 1998.
- 11:30 p.m. - 1:30 a.m. Alamo Ballroom, Marriott Riverwalk. Enjoy a sparkling revue by Liza Minnelli, Barbra Streisand and Patsy Cline, performed by Judy Cotten. Crab rangoon and a spring roll with honey mustard sauce is the special treat. Cash Bar.

Sunday, July 25

- 9:00 a.m. - Noon Seminar: Bridge Teachers and Bridge Cruises with Arlette Schutte, Conference Room 2, Rivercenter. \$25 fee. Learn to be successful as a bridge teacher/game director on a cruise ship. Tips on how to get assignments. Certificate to participants.
- 9:15 a.m. - Noon Board of Governors meeting, Conference Room 17 & 18, Rivercenter.
- 9:30 a.m. - Noon Marketing and Club Development, presented by Easybridge! Creator Edith McMullin, Marti Ronemus and Priscilla Smith. Conference Room 3, Rivercenter.
- 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. International Team Trials Committee meeting, Conference Room 1, Rivercenter.
- 11:00 a.m. - Noon ACBLscore Seminar with Jim Lopushinsky, creator of ACBL's scoring program. Conference Room 4, Rivercenter.
- Noon - 12:45 p.m. ACBL Membership Meeting, Conference Room 17 & 18, Rivercenter.
- 12:15 p.m. Intermediate/Newcomer Speakers Program: Bill Root, *Negative Doubles*, Salon F, Grand Ballroom, Rivercenter. **Root**, Boca Raton FL, is believed to have taught more students than anyone in the history of bridge. He is also a noted writer and player who has represented the United States in international play and who has won dozens of North American championships.
- 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Accredited Teachers' Dinner Meeting, Conference Room 17 & 18, Rivercenter. \$15 fee, subsidized by ACBL. Join the ACBL Education Department staff for a fun evening.
- 7:15 p.m. Intermediate/Newcomer Speakers Program: Curtis Cheek, *Interstate Bidding*, Salon F, Grand Ballroom, Rivercenter. **Cheek**, Huntsville AL, is a former aerospace engineer who is now a leading professional player. He and partner Billy Miller were second in the recent Cavenish Pairs and third in the Cavendish Teams.

Spoiling the brilliancy

By Barry Rigal

The last thing in the world a journalist wants to do is to spoil an opponent's good play. So I was torn as to how to proceed when playing against Richard Zeckhauser and Jaggy Shivdasani on this deal from the first session of the Life Master Pairs.

Board 9 ♠ 4
 Dealer: North ♥ A Q 4 2
 Vul: E/W ♦ K J 10 6 2
 ♣ K 10 4

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

♠ K Q 9 7 2
 ♥ K 8 7 5
 ♦ 4
 ♣ A 5 3

West	North	East	South
Jaggy	Rigal	Zeckhauser	Cushing
	1♦	Pass	1♠
Pass	1NT	Pass	2♣
Pass	2♥	Pass	4♥
All Pass			

The ♥10 went to the queen as Jaggy played the jack deceptively (the card he was known to hold as the result of the opening lead). Then a spade to the king scored. A diamond to Jaggy's 3 — now what? Since I knew Jaggy was capable of ducking the ♦A, I hopped up with the king. Now I could crossruff for 11 tricks easily enough. If I had ducked the trick, a second round of trumps would have left me very awkwardly placed. Of course if Jaggy had taken his ace I might get 12 tricks!

So everyone was happy — I had my story and Jaggy had his self respect. P.S. — we got 38 of the 64 matchpoints available.

The following board shows how hard you have to work sometimes to get your average minus.

Board 25 ♠ 10 9 2
 Dealer: North ♥ J 8 3
 Vul: E/W ♦ A 10 9 2
 ♣ 9 5 2

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

♠ Q 3
 ♥ A K Q 10 9 5 4
 ♦ K 3
 ♣ 6 4

In third seat you open 4♥ . . . don't you? Now you hear 4♠ to your left, passed back to you. You pass of course and win the ♥3 opening lead. Then what? There is only one defense. You assume that partner has three hearts, not one, so you must try to cash out tricks elsewhere. The only winning defense is to find the shift to the ♦K. A second diamond to the ace and a diamond ruffed with the queen promotes a trump for your partner — for a below average score!

It's a tough game!

Learn to play bridge with free software from ACBL

The ACBL has a new program to teach people how to play this wonderful game of ours. And best of all, it's free! You can get your free copy here in San Antonio.

Pick up a diskette or two and give them to your friends and family and you'll have no trouble finding a fourth for your next game.

Learn To Play Bridge was written by Fred Gitelman of Bridge Base Inc. in Toronto. Fred is a world-class bridge player (with a silver medal from the WBF) as well as a world-class software developer.

The program has received rave reviews from the 2,500 people who have downloaded the program from the ACBL web site at <http://www.acbl.org/notices/ltpb.stm> since it first became available on June 28. You will need a Windows/95 PC to run the program.

The diskettes are available at the ACBL Product Store and the ACBL information desk at either the Marriott Rivercenter or the Convention Center while supplies last. They are also in the I/N registration bags.

Ted Horning

1940-1999

Ted Horning, one of Canada's all-time great players, died early this week in Toronto after a fierce battle with cancer.

Horning's death cut short his quest to fulfill two dreams. One was to retire to South Africa, a country he and his wife Wendy had visited many times and had fallen in love with. The other was to win the Canadian Team Championship. Although he never won, he reached the final in 1991 and the semifinals on several occasions. He also reached the semifinals of the North American Team Championship in 1984 and finished fourth in the Cavendish Pairs in 1997.

In pairs play, Horning won the right to represent Canada in the World Pairs Championship many times. He had many wins and high finishes in North American and Canadian events.

John Carruthers remembers Horning best as a partner, teammate and opponent. "In my 28 years of partnering Ted, he never uttered a critical, contemptuous or angry word at anyone. He was a very ethical, sportsmanlike player who could extract the best from his partner. Everyone simply played better when Ted was their partner. Ted indeed was a class act. Would that there were more like him."

Other than a short stint with IBM in the Sixties and Seventies, Horning made his living from bridge his whole life. His bridge activities were extremely varied — he owned numerous bridge clubs at various times, played professionally, taught bridge classes, directed games, organized travel groups, was the Toronto Star Syndicate's bridge columnist for 21 years, and was a regular contributor to the Bridge Calendar.

Doing what you're told

When partner gives you an unmistakable signal, it's a real good idea to do what you're told. Garey Hayden twice suggested a course of action to partner Dennis Kasle by signaling on this deal from the second qualifying session of the Life Master Pairs.

Board 14 ♠ K Q 10 5 4
 Dealer: East ♥ A 7
 Vul: None ♦ 6
 ♣ A K Q 6 2

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

♠ 9 7
 ♥ J 10 9 2
 ♦ Q J 9 7
 ♣ J 7 3

West <i>Hayden</i>	North	East <i>Kasle</i>	South
		1♥	Pass
1NT	2♣	2♥	Pass
Pass	2♠	Pass	3♣
Pass	3♠	All Pass	

Kasle led his singleton club and Hayden followed with the 4, suggesting a diamond lead if Kasle got in. Declarer won in hand and led the ♠K. Kasle rose with the ace and followed orders — he led a low diamond away from his ace. Hayden won with his king, then led back the TEN of clubs for Kasle to ruff. Kasle read this for a heart return, so he led a low heart to the queen and ace. Now declarer was fixed — he couldn't get to dummy to take a spade finesse against the jack, and there was no place to get rid of his losing heart. So he lost two spades, a heart, a diamond and a club ruff for down one. Since East-West can't do much of anything on offense, the plus was a very fine score.

Who needs 3NT?

When an opponent bids your six-card suit to the A-K-8, you could hardly be blamed for considering a lead-directing double to be safe. On this deal from the semifinal session of the Grand National Teams, Flight A, that seemingly reasonable action backfired — and how. The victim was a member of the District 6 team. The beneficiaries were Jeff Meckstroth and Eric Rodwell, representing District 9.

Dlr: West ♠ Q J 8 6 5
 Vul: Both ♥ 8 7 6 2
 ♦ 5
 ♣ 9 7 4

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

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

West <i>Meckstroth</i>	North	East <i>Rodwell</i>	South
1♣ (1)	Pass	1♠ (2)	Pass
2♣ (3)	Pass	2♦ (4)	Dbf
Pass	Pass	Rdbl	All Pass

- (1) Precision: usually 16+ high-card points.
- (2) Five or more hearts, positive.
- (3) Showing five or more spades.
- (4) Extras without a spade fit.
- (5) Cooperative: West allowed to pass with some diamond cards.

South collected five trump tricks, but that was all, and the Floridians scored up plus 760, good for a 14-IMP gain when East-West played 4♠, down two, at the other table.

Wrong impression right!

Maggie Shenkin managed to convey the wrong message to declarer on this deal from the Life Master Pairs first session.

Board 2 ♠ Q 4 3
 Dealer: East ♥ A 3 2
 Vul: N/S ♦ 9 6 2
 ♣ A K 7 3

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

♠ A 5 2
 ♥ K 10 5
 ♦ K J 10 3
 ♣ Q J 2

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

Barnet Shenkin led the ♠10, and declarer, who prefers to be anonymous although it was he who reported the deal, ducked to his queen as Maggie ducked. He led a diamond, and Barnet rose with the ace to lead a second spade. Declarer rose with dummy's ace since he was sure the suit was 5-2. After cashing four clubs and two hearts, he was faced with the decision about the ♦Q. Maggie had pitched two hearts on the clubs, coming down to the ♦Q and the rest spades. Declarer led a diamond and agonized. Finally he decided that Maggie was trying to give the "erroneous" impression that she had the missing queen, so he finessed. Disaster! The impression was NOT erroneous.

Spingold, Wagar pre-registration

If you wish to play in the Spingold Knockout Teams or the Wagar Knockout Teams, you must register by 8 p.m. Saturday. You may sign up with Steve Bates in Salon I or in the foyer of Salon I on the third floor at the Marriott Rivercenter.



Gift shop

The Marriott Rivercenter Gift Shop welcomes ACBL members to the Alamo City. The shop is open from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. daily. Besides the usual gift shop fare, the Marriott Rivercenter shop sells postage stamps, gift wrap, theme park tickets and floral arrangements in addition.

Garden Cafe

The Garden Cafe on the second floor of the Marriott Rivercenter is open from 6:30 a.m. to 2 a.m. each day.

The breakfast buffet is open from 6:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The lunch buffet operates from noon to 4 p.m. The dinner buffet is open from 5 p.m. to midnight.

Smoking policy

Smoking is permitted only in the designated area on the third floor at the Marriott Rivercenter. At the Convention Center, you must go outside to smoke.



Fourth hand high

On this hand from the semifinal session of the Grand National Teams, Flight A, North had to look deeply into the hand to come up with the winning play against Steve Robinson and Peter Boyd. Fortunately for Robinson, the declarer, North did not find the winning play.

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

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

♠ 9 7 5
 ♥ 10 8 5
 ♦ Q 9 7
 ♣ A K Q 2

West <i>Boyd</i>	North	East <i>Robinson</i>	South
		Pass	Pass
1♦	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♣ (1)	Pass	2♦ (1)	Pass
2♥ (2)	Pass	2♠	All Pass

- (1) Artificial.
- (2) 15+ high-card points and three spades.

South led the ♣A and, opting to attack dummy's strong trumps, continued with the ♣K. Robinson ruffed and came off dummy with a low diamond. North rose with the ace and played another club, forcing another trump honor from dummy. Robinson played a diamond to the king and, perhaps surprising the defenders, ruffed his last club with dummy's ♠A.

Robinson then ruffed a diamond, happily noting that the suit split 3-3, and got out of his hand with one of his low spades. South covered with the 5, a heart was discarded from dummy, and North had reached the crossroads. The winning play — not easy to spot — was to take the trick with the ♠10 and play the ♠8 to South's 9 for a heart switch. When North won the ♠8, the defense was finished. He had no minor suits left for exit cards and cashing his spades would be fruitless since dummy had two good diamonds.

In practice, North got out with the ♥K, but with that suit splitting 3-3 as well, Robinson had eight tricks.

ABTA software award

The American Bridge Teachers Association award for Best Software of the Year went to "Bridge Monitoring Series, Volume I," authored by Bobby Wolff. The software was produced by Bridge Trix, which is owned by Neil and Leah Silverman.



Masterpoint disclaimer

Scores as reported in the Daily Bulletin are subject to change because of score changes or corrections. Therefore, the masterpoint awards as shown are also subject to change.

Morehead Trophy will go to Grand National A winner

Flight A of the Grand National Teams was originally a North American contest with all 25 ACBL districts participating. Now it is a United States event, with only the 23 U.S. districts participating.

In 1985 the event was subdivided into three separate events.

The winners in each event will have their names engraved on the Morehead Trophy, donated by *The New York Times* in memory of its longtime bridge editor Albert H. Morehead.

Albert H. Morehead

Morehead (1909-1966) was born in Flintstone GA and educated at Baylor and Harvard. Ely Culbertson hired him in 1932 because of his outstanding ability as a player and analyst and made him technical editor of *The Bridge World* in 1933. He proved so invaluable that in 1934 he was made general manager of all Culbertson enterprises. He was only 25 when he played on the Culbertson team that defeated the British in the second international match for the Schwab Cup.

Morehead was the first bridge editor of *The New York Times* with a Sunday column from 1935 and a daily column from 1959. He resigned from the *Times* late in 1963 to devote full time to writing, editing and publishing of the dictionaries, encyclopedias and thesauruses that made him one of the foremost American lexicographers.

During those years, Morehead found time for tremendous service to organized bridge. He was an officer of the United States Bridge Association when that organization amalgamated with the American Bridge League in 1937.

He became a governor of the newly formed ACBL and served as president in 1943 and chairman of the board from 1943 to 1945. He was named *ACBL Honorary Member* in 1946.

Morehead was a member of the National Laws Commission and was in charge of production of the International Laws of Contract Bridge. He was also the author of the constitution of the World Bridge Federation — the first formal definition of the scope, structure, powers and duties of that organization.

Morehead was named to the ACBL Bridge Hall of Fame in 1996.

Some insight into the man behind all this talent can be found in his obituary in the November 1966 issue of the *Bridge Bulletin*. Editor Dick Frey wrote:

“No one ever saw him lose his temper at the bridge table or heard him speak an unkind word to a partner. He smiled often, but the only player he ever laughed at was himself. Rarely if ever did he turn down a plea for help. Writing this, I am proud to acknowledge the debt I owe him and to claim that he was my best friend. The secret of his greatness was that there are scores of others who will truly say exactly this of Albert Hodges Morehead.”

Flight A winners and runners-up

1973 1. Russell Arnold, James Beery, Jane Jaeger, Richard Pavlicek, William Seamon, Robert G. Sharp; 2. Brian Economidy, Jerry Levitt, Roger Lord, Norb Kremer, Dave Smith, Ron Smith

1974 1. Larry Cohen, Billy Eisenberg, Eddie Kantar, Richard Katz, Paul Soloway, John Swanson; 2. Chuck Burger, Fred Hamilton, Howard Perlman, Stanley Smith, Jeffrey Starr, Dick Yanko

1975 1. John Fisher, Charles Gabriel, Bob Hamman, Jim Hooker, Charles Weed, Bobby Wolff; 2. Mike Cook, Jim Felts, Doug Hill, Reece Rogers, Ron Smith, Bernie Yomtov

1976 1. Billy Eisenberg, Eddie Kantar, Paul Soloway, John Swanson; 2. Marty Fleisher, Charlie Friedman, Ron Gerard, Halina Jamner, Archie McKellar, Neil Nathanson

1977 1. Bob Hamman, Dan Morse, Curtis Smith, Eddie Wold, Bobby Wolff; 2. Bobby Lipsitz, Steve Parker, Steve Robinson, Kit Woolsey

1978 1. Gerald Caravelli, Charles Peres, William Rosen, Milton Rosenberg, Dan Rotman; 2. Allan Cokin, Bobby Levin, Bud Reinhold, William Seamon, Steve Sion

1979 1. Greg DeFotis, Jerry Goldfein, Arnold Leavitt, Larry Robbins, Claude Vogel; 2. Marty Bergen, Chuck Lamprey, Warren Rosner, Allan Stauber

1980 1. Jack Bitman, Jan Janitschke, Craig Janitschke, Dick Lesko; 2. Russell Arnold, Edith Kemp, William Passell, Cliff Russell, Billy Seamon, Dave Strasberg

1981 1. Ira Chorush, James Jacoby, Mike Passell, George Rosenkranz, Eddie Wold; 2. Mike Becker, Brian Glubok, John Lowenthal, Phillip Martin, Michael Rosenberg, Ron Rubin

1982 1. Ron Von der Porten, Hugh Ross, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby, Kyle Larsen, Peter Pender, Jeff Polisner (npc); 2. Steve Landen, Pratap Rajadhyaksha, Jeff Starr, Frank Bell, Chuck Berger

1983 1. Chip Martel, Hugh Ross, Peter Pender, Lew Stansby; 2. Lew Blumn, Richard Freeman, Larry Gould, Randy Joyce, Nick Nickell

1984 1. Kit Woolsey, Ed Manfield, Peter Boyd, Bob Lipsitz, Steve Robinson; 2. Greg De Fotis, Larry Robbins, Jerry Goldfein, Hal Mouser, Jack Oest, Gerry Caravelli

1985 1. Chip Martel, Hugh Ross, Lew Stansby, Peter Pender, Alfred Sheinwold (npc); 2. Steve Robinson, Eddie Manfield, Peter Boyd, Bobby Lipsitz

1986 1. Seymon Deutsch, Bobby Wolff, Bob Hamman, Jim Jacoby; 2. Milt Rosenberg, Ralph Katz, Hal Mouser, Greg DeFotis, Larry Robbins, Howard Weinstein

1987 1. Chip Martel, Hugh Ross, Peter Pender, Lew Stansby, Mike Lawrence; 2. Frank Hoadley, Sidney Lazard, John Onstott, Jack LaNoue

1988 1. Steve Robinson, Ed Manfield, Peter Boyd, Robert Lipsitz; 2. Jack Oest, Steve Garner, Jerry Goldfein, Bart Bramley, Gerry Caravelli, Howard Weinstein

1989 1. Steve Sion, Robert Barr, Howard Stengel, Bernie Miller; 2. Tony Kasday, Paul Ivaska, Gaylor Kasle, Garey Hayden, Roger Bates

1990 1. Doug Simpson, Walter Johnson, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell, Dennis Clerkin; 2. Kay Larsen, Chris Larsen, Joe Kivel, Robert Rosenblum, Evan Bailey

1991 1. Larry Robbins, Jerry Goldfein, Jack Oest, Peter Nagy, Steve Garner, Howard Weinstein; 2. Marty Bergen, Fred Stewart, Larry Cohen, Steve Weinstein

1992 1. Steve Robinson, Peter Boyd, Robert Lipsitz, Ed Manfield; 2. Michael Becker, Ron Rubin, Richard Pavlicek, William Root, Bobby Levin, Jeff Wolfson

1993 1. Ravindra Murthy, Brad Moss, Lew Stansby, Chip Martel, Hugh Ross, Jeff Ferro; 2. Brian Ellis, Asim Ulke, Florine Walters, Richard Finberg, Jay Apfelbaum, Piyush Vakil

1994 1. Jimmy Cayne, Alan Sontag, Dave Berkowitz, Larry Cohen; 2. Doug Simson, Walter Johnson, Eric Rodwell, Jeff Meckstroth

1995 1. Steve Garner, Jack Oest, Larry Robbins, Jerry Goldfein, Gerald Caravelli, Gay Cohler; 2. Billy Cohen, Marc Jacobus, Harold Lilie, Peter Nagy

1996 1. Ralph Buchalter, Hugh Ross, Kyle Larsen, Ron Smith, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby; 2. Chuck Burger, Geoff Hampson, Allan Falk, Perry Johnson

1997 1. Jeffrey Wolfson, Robert Levin, Jeff Meckstroth, Neil Silverman, Richard Pavlicek, Michael Seamon; 2. Hjordis Eythorsdottir, Curtis Cheek, Steve Beatty, John Onstott

1998 1. Ross Grabel, Jon Wittes, Mark Itabashi, Fred Hamilton, Gene Simpson; 2. Bobby Goldman, John Sutherlin, Malcolm Brachman, Mike Passell, Eddie Wold

Olympic

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hope of becoming an Olympic discipline.”

What happens now?

“Our only chance is to participate in the Winter Games because the Summer Games are totally full,” said Damiani. “As you have seen, golf, for example, is not in the Olympic Games. However, we must obtain a modification in the Olympic Charter where it states that sports which are practiced on snow or ice are considered as winter sports. This change will have to be made before bridge can be accepted as an International Olympic Winter Sports Federation.”

Damiani pointed out that the WBF must accept IOC conditions to comply with their requests concerning doping and the court of arbitration. “We are to stage a good event — the IOC Grand Prix — every year prior to 2002, at which time we hope to be on demonstration in Salt Lake City.”

The first Bridge Grand Prix took place last September in Lausanne. Six top-ranked teams from around the world competed, with Brazil and China tying for the championship. The United States finished third. Another such event will take place in Lausanne in September, with a field of six teams set to compete.

A second event will enhance the Grand Prix. There will be a special competition between four American pairs of women and four European pairs of women.

Damiani told an interesting story about his recent arrival in Trinidad for the Central America-Caribbean Bridge Championship. “I had to fill out an entry form and I ticked the box ‘Conventions’ as the reason for my trip. When I turned the form into the Customs officials, they asked me to be more precise — what convention was I attending? When I told them the CAC Bridge Convention, they told me I would have to tick the ‘sport’ box. Clearly bridge is a sport!”

Coleman

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cially happy to have been playing with Grant when I went over the top.”

Coleman has been playing a long time — he and three of his friends learned the game together when they were in their late teens. About 35 years later he discovered duplicate, and he’s been hooked ever since. He was Rookie of the Year in 1982, and he has won his district masterpoint race three times. His best event is definitely the North American Swiss — in addition to his three wins he has finished second four times.

He likes to play a simple two-over-one system — “that way I can’t get into too much trouble.”

Want to save money?

Beginning with this tournament, non-members and Life Members who have not paid their service fee will have to pay a \$1 surcharge on their entry fee for each session they play. This is true at regionals as well. There will be a 50-cent surcharge per session at sectionals.

Since dues are now \$30 and the Life Member fee is \$27, clearly it won’t take long for the surcharges to mount up higher than the cost of the dues or the service fee.

But there’s an easy answer — join if you’re a non-member; pay your service fee if you’re a Life Member. You’ll save money in the long run.

Section top prizes

Those who earn section tops may pick up their prizes at the Section Top Prize Desk (located next to the Registration Desk, third floor).

Saturday’s hours: 11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m., 6:30 p.m. to 7:45 p.m., 11:15 p.m. to 12:15 a.m. On the desk will be Barbara Frielich, John Faxon, Carol Noble, Joe Nance and Barbara LaVigne.

Sunday’s hours: 11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m., 6:30 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. On the desk will be John Faxon and Ron Hilliard.

Goodwill salutes Juniors

Today is Junior Day, the day we celebrate — and salute — our Junior players. Encourage new players. Today’s Junior player is tomorrow’s Jeff Meckstroth.

Aileen Osofsky, Chairman, Goodwill Committee

A Brief User Guide to Huddles

by Howard Weinstein, Chairman, ACBL Conventions & Competition Committee
and Rich Colker, ACBL Recorder and Appeals Administrator

What is a huddle? How do I prevent them? What do I do when the opponents huddle? These are some of the questions faced by every tournament player. Huddles can lead to anxiety, misunderstandings or even hostility between opponents. This is our guide to help you muddle your way through them.

First, what is a huddle? Thinking is in itself legal and an inevitable part of bridge. The problem occurs when you take longer than normal to make a call. In such cases the extra time may suggest to partner that your hand is flawed for your action. For example, you might have a better hand than he would expect, or you are uncomfortable with the denomination (notrump or suit).

When this happens, this is considered unauthorized information (UI) to your partner. He is not allowed to make a call that was demonstrably suggested by your break in tempo, even if he was going to make that call anyway, unless the call (or bidding on in general) is so clear that everyone — not just you — would make it. At times this may seem unfair, but it's the law.

You can often prevent UI by planning your bidding — a good idea anyway — when taking some extra time is not going to give any relevant information to your partner. For example, you open one spade, raised to two spades by your partner. You make a three club game try and partner bids three hearts. You decide after some deliberation that you don't have enough to bid game on your own. You've just prevented partner from bidding four spades unless he has a really, really clear call, because you have given him UI.

However, if you had planned what you were going to do over three hearts before bidding three clubs and had bid in proper tempo, your partner would not be in this unfortunate position. Similarly, whenever you bid Blackwood, you should know whether you are going to sign off over each of partner's possible responses.

When a preempt occurs, even if it's not your turn to bid, use the enforced time for the pause to plan your own next call rather than twiddling your thumbs. You can't always anticipate problem bids, but make it a practice to anticipate as many as you can without causing the tournament to come to a standstill from slow play.

You should also eliminate UI and give yourself a little more leeway by always bidding in a deliberate, consistent tempo, while carefully studying your hand. Taking a couple of seconds to make a call with your yarborough also means that partner has no information when you take the same couple of seconds with a mild problem.

Other situations: After a skip bid or in a competitive auction, you should always take some time, whether or not you have anything to think about. The key is to be consistent in all similar situations. Partner should not be able to tell whether you were thinking or, if you were thinking, whether it was about bidding slam or where you're going for dinner.

The corollary is that you should never, ever act faster than the situation dictates. You can always bid slower without a problem but it is impossible to bid faster with a problem. A fast

double, bid or pass may create as much UI as a very slow action. "Unwonted speed" is listed in the Laws of Duplicate Contract Bridge right along with "unmistakable hesitation" as a common source of unauthorized information.

Sometimes an unexpected situation occurs in which it is impossible to make a call quickly. Often the skip-bid warning gives adequate time to think about your call. However, at other times it is very difficult to decide on your bid quickly, no matter what your hand. In these situations there should be some leeway given before a slow call becomes unauthorized information.

Here's an example from the 1999 European Team Championships. Your hand is

♠ AJx ♥ KQx ♦ QJ ♣ AJ9xx.

You open a strong club, LHO bids two spades, pard three diamonds showing 8+ HCP and 5+ diamonds, and RHO, the scoundrel, jumps to six spades. Even with a skip-bid warning, it is really tough to decide what to do here in about ten seconds. In fact, it is hard to come up with any likely hand where it isn't difficult to decide what to do quickly. In this case, the context of the bidding automatically creates an extended normal tempo (a much longer than usual window of time within which your action will not provide useful information to your partner). Conversely a double here in what would otherwise be considered normal tempo would be a strong source of UI. A double, here or any other time, should be made in the same tempo, whether it is an unclear action or made holding 150 honors in trumps.

Our last question is, what do I do when the opponents huddle? The laws suggest that you call the Director after a huddle which could result in damage to your side. If an opponent thinks for a long time and then signs off after a Blackwood response, and the other hand then bids on to slam, call the Director.

But we suggest that if the thought lasted for only a couple of seconds, don't. In general, you should decide what would be reasonable, normal, but appropriately deliberate tempo for a call given the context of the current bridge situation and whether the tempo of the call that was made was unmistakably outside this range. Also, decide whether that call made in that tempo carries a clear suggestion that the player's partner take a particular action. If both of these criteria are met, then the Director should be called if the partner takes the suggested action.

But if there was no unmistakable huddle, or if the meaning of the huddle wasn't completely clear, then it probably isn't right to call the Director. If you do call and it later turns out that the partner made a pretty obvious or normal bid, don't call the Director back. If it's close, err on the side of letting it go. It makes for a much more amiable and sportsmanlike contest.

If the opponents are inexperienced, where even the simplest auction can be difficult and huddles are usually meaningless, avoid calling the Director. You'll find that you and your opponents will enjoy the game more, and it will encourage more players to continue playing duplicate bridge.

Krauss

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and one of the great players of all time.

Just before Krauss left San Antonio to return to his home in Los Angeles, he and Hamman made a date to play in the Blue Ribbon Pairs at the Fall NABC in Boston.

That, says Krauss, will prompt him to end his hiatus from serious bridge competition. He wants to be sharp for the date with his longtime friend.

"Actually," says Hamman, "we did best when we never practiced. Don is a terrific player."

That wasn't always the popular opinion of Krauss, who recalls his early days in bridge as a student at Stanford University. He and regular partner Roger Bohne did well in a collegiate contest in the late Fifties, but when they started playing at the Somerton Hotel Bridge Club in San Francisco, regulars at the club were less than favorably impressed.

One night, a couple of the veterans were talking to Krauss and Bohne. "You know, Roger, you're lucky," one of the experts said. "You don't play so well, so you'll lose your money pretty fast and give up bridge and get on with your life. But Don, you play a little better. It will take you longer."

Krauss, of course, defied that prediction, winning the trials and two national team championships with Hamman in a three-year span. They have been friends since the partnership was first formed, and Krauss named his son Robert David after Hamman.

The two had met in Los Angeles after Krauss took his first job at System Development Corp. The company had several expert players who led Krauss to the Los Angeles Bridge Club. It was there that he met Hamman and had the experience of playing against the likes of Meyer Schleifer, Lew Mathe, Ed Taylor, Paul Soloway, Marshall Miles and Eddie Kantar.

Krauss knew his bridge fortunes were on the rise when he got an invitation to play a team game at Mathe's home. "You really had it made when that happened," Krauss recalls.

The partnership with Hamman happened more or less by accident. Hamman was to have played with a fellow named Bill McWilliams, but McWilliams became ill and Hamman asked Krauss to fill in for a practice match. They did well, earning a lucky swing on their very first board when they missed a slam that went down because of a 5-0 trump split. Things got better from there and the two ended up playing together regularly.

At the pair trials in Miami — they had qualified by tying for first in the Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams — Hamman and Krauss started off against their teammates, Kantar and Miles, in a round-robin of head-to-head matches. Hamman and Krauss won the opening set, 58-2, and were off to the races. They were never challenged in winning the event.

The partnership with Hamman ended in 1965, but Krauss stayed in the upper echelons of bridge, playing at various times with Kantar and Mathe, among others. Krauss also represented the U.S. in the Bermuda Bowl in Taipei in 1971, when the Aces (Hamman's team) won their second straight world title.

Krauss also played with Hollywood director Billy Wilder and on occasion with film star Omar Sharif. Says Krauss: "Omar never had trouble finding pretty girls, but he could never find a bridge game. I always had a bridge game but could never find the pretty girls."

With time to get ready, Krauss is anxiously anticipating the Fall NABC and the Blue Ribbon Pairs date with Hamman. Krauss knows from experience that playing with Hamman can have its rewards. "It's so relaxing," Krauss says, "to put down a dummy and know that, if it's at all possible, the contract will be made."



Glossary of bridge terms



New members of ACBL are often confused by the array of terms they hear: knockout teams, red points, rookie. Here's a list of terms and their meanings:

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

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

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

Compact Knockout Teams: a shorter version (fewer boards) of Bracketed KO teams.

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

Pairings for the first round are random. Pairings for succeeding rounds are determined by the teams' win-loss records or Victory Point totals.

International Match Points (IMPs): the most common method of scoring Swiss Team matches. If Team A scores plus 620 for bidding and making 4♣ on Board 4 and Team B scores only plus 170 (they didn't bid the game), the difference is 450 — which converts to 10 IMPs. The IMP chart is shown on the inside of your convention card.

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

Continuous/Side Pairs: single-session pair games that pay red points. The San Antonio Morning Continuous/Side Pairs, for example, will be played at 9:00 a.m. the first Friday, Saturday and Sunday of the Vancouver NABC. Pairs may play in one, two or three sessions. Only pairs who play in at least two sessions are eligible for overall gold points.

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

MPs while Flight C might be 0-300 or 0-500.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

A recent innovation has been stratifying within Flight A. Flight A-1 may be listed as 3000+ MPs while Flight A-2 (or Flight X) may be listed as 0-3000 MPs.

Blame it on Rio

On this deal from the Grand National Teams, Flight A, Eric Rodwell described the situation he arrived at as a Rio de Janeiro squeeze, so named after being described by a Brazilian player. Rodwell and Jeff Meckstroth were representing District 9 in the GNT-A against District 6. The deal helped the Floridians to an impressive victory in the GNT semifinals.

Dlr: South ♠ 8 3
 Vul: E-W ♥ 10 4
 ♦ Q J 8 3
 ♣ Q 7 6 5 3

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

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

West	North	East	South
Meckstroth		Rodwell	
Pass	1NT	2♠	3♠
Dbl (1)	4♣	4♠	Dbl
All Pass			

(1) Showing a spade fit.

South led the ♦A and continued with the ♣A and ♣10. Rodwell won the ♣J and stopped to reflect on what he knew about the opponents' hands — in a word, everything.

Rodwell read the ♦A lead as a singleton, he knew North had at most two hearts and he correctly counted North for five clubs. He also decided that South's heart suit was headed by the top three honors (he probably would have bid 4♥ over 2♠ missing the ♥Q).

With these deductions in mind, Rodwell set about making life miserable for North. At trick three, Rodwell ruffed a club in dummy, ruffed a heart, played a spade to dummy's king, cashed the ♠J and ruffed a second heart. This was the position:

♠ --- ♠ A
 ♥ --- ♥ ---
 ♦ Q J 8 ♦ K 6 4
 ♣ Q 7 ♣ K

♠ --- ♠ 10
 ♥ J 7 ♥ A K Q 9
 ♦ 10 9 7 ♦ ---
 ♣ --- ♣ ---

When Rodwell cashed the ♠A, pitching a heart from dummy, North was dead. If he discarded a diamond, Rodwell could cash the ♦K and another diamond, establishing a long diamond as trick number 10 (North would have to put Rodwell in with a forced club return). When North actually discarded a club, Rodwell cashed his ♣K, stripping North's last club, and played a low diamond to dummy's 10, endplaying North to lead away from the ♦J 8 in the end. Plus 790 was good for a 12-IMP gain because Rodwell's teammates at the other table were minus 50 in 4♥.



Tournament entry fees

Entry fees are shown **per player per session**. ACBL members whose payment of dues is current and Life Members whose service fee is current will pay the regular entry fee. Non-members, members whose payment of dues is not current or Life Members whose service fee is not current will have to pay an extra dollar.

	ACBL Members**	Others
*Life Master Pairs, Spingold and Wagar Women's KO Teams, IMP Pairs and Flight A of the GNT	\$13.50	\$14.50
Other North American Championships	\$12.00	\$13.00
Regional Championships	\$11.00	\$12.00
All other events	\$10.00	\$11.00

* \$1.50 per person per session to benefit the International Fund.

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

If It Hesitates, Shoot It! Part 1

By Rich Colker, ACBL Record and Appeals Administrator

These days we seem to have accepted the axiom that bridge should be played at a pace more suited to automatons than human beings. Some believe that, no matter what the bridge context, players are expected to make their bids and plays in reflex tempo – sometimes even faster.

Dealer: “Skip Bid...”

Dealer’s LHO: “Pass”

Dealer: “...Two Spades.”

If that sounds apocalyptic to you, listen to the bidding at the tables around you the next time you have the opportunity to kibitz.

It’s no coincidence that a joke which made the rounds of a recent tournament went:

Dave: “Why shouldn’t you use your Stop Card?”

Rich: “I don’t know, why?” Dave: “So that you have a fighting chance of making your bid before your left-hand opponent makes his.”

Putting all humor aside for the moment, let me illustrate my point by recounting some appeal cases from recent ACBL and World tournaments. I’ll begin with one of the most extreme decisions I’ve seen in quite some time. It occurred at last month’s 44th Generali European Championships held in Malta. It was Round 4 of the Open Teams competition.

Board 15 ♠ ---

Dir: South ♥ 7 6 4

Vul: Both ♦ A K 10 9 6 5 2

♣ K Q 10

♠ K Q 9 5 2

♠ 10 8 7 6 3

♥ A 10

♥ J 9 8 3 2

♦ 7 3

♦ 8 4

♣ 8 7 6 3

♣ 5

♠ A J 4

♥ K Q 5

♦ Q J

♣ A J 9 4 2

West	North	East	South
2♠	3♦	6♠	1♣ (1)
Pass	7♦	Pass	Dbl (2)
Dbl	All Pass		Pass

(1) Strong, artificial

(2) After 20-30 seconds

7♦ doubled made 13 tricks, +2330 for N/S, when East led a club instead of a heart. 1♣ was strong, and when the tray came back at 6♠, South took some time before doubling. East called the Director after North’s 7♦ bid. The Director established that there had been a break in tempo and considered a pass by North to be a logical alternative to 7♦. He adjusted the score to 6♠ doubled down four, minus 800 for E/W, and N/S appealed.

At the hearing East claimed the tray took at least 30 seconds to come back after South’s double while South admitted that he had paused for some 20 seconds. The Committee told South that the situation “should not pose any problems for experienced players. They should simply accept that they are outbid and double in tempo.” They further stated that the hesitation could only suggest some tolerance for diamonds and that the club lead was insufficiently bad to break the link between the infraction and the damage. The Committee adjusted the score for both sides to 6♠ doubled down four, minus 800 for E/W. At least they returned N/S’s deposit.

Let’s put aside, for the present discussion, the Committee’s highly questionable bridge judgment that “the club lead was insufficiently bad to break the link

between the infraction and the damage.” Rather, let’s look at South’s “break in tempo” before his double of 6♠.

First, put yourself in South’s place. You open a strong, artificial club and before your next chance to bid the auction has reached 6♠. (In fact, it was only at a more-or-less normal 2♠ when you last saw the bidding tray.) You now have to make a crucial decision having implications for the six-versus-seven levels knowing only that your partner has bid 3♦ freely. How long would it take you to grasp the auction and then make your bidding decision? While you’re working this out, consider whether a pass by you is forcing. (Of course it must be.) What are your options? Clearly they include: pass, double, 6NT, 7♣ (well, it’s possible), 7♦ and 7NT.

What kind of hand can you count on for partner’s 3♦ bid? He probably doesn’t need much more than a good six- or seven-card suit for his bid. Even if he can be counted on for a card on the side (the ♥A or the ♣K), he clearly may not hold both of them. In fact, even if he does hold both cards you could still be off a club trick (give partner

♠ x ♥ Axx ♦ AK109xx ♣ Kxx
and West ♣ Q10x).

Given your strong club opening, should a double by you simply show a hand in the minimum 1NT re-bid range (say 17-19 or so)? Or perhaps partner should assume you’re within this range and that a double would show wasted values – something like

♠ KQx ♥ Axx ♦ Qxx ♣ AKxx,

as opposed to

♠ Axx ♥ AKx ♦ QJ ♣ Axxxx

(which will produce 13 tricks opposite the North hand)?

Have you discussed this with your partner? How about at the six/seven level?

What if South held something like

♠ Jxx ♥ AKQx ♦ Qx ♣ Ajxx

(switching South’s and West’s major-suit aces)? Should a forcing-pass of 6♠ guarantee first-round spade control? From the auction South can probably assume that E/W have a combined ten-card spade holding. But one hates to depend on the opponents’ bidding for such decisions. And what if South held

♠ Jx ♥ AKQx ♦ QJx ♣ Ajxxx?

Could he pass 6♠ with confidence? Before you answer, note that opposite the actual North hand 15 tricks would be available in 7♦ (+2140) while only four tricks defending 6♠ (+500).

And what if South held an unbalanced hand such as

♠ Jx ♥ AKQJxxx ♦ Qx ♣ AJ or

♠ KQ ♥ KQJxx ♦ Q ♣ AJ109x?

It’s tough deciding not to bid either of your two good five-card suits or your solid seven-bagger, especially when you suspect that partner may be void in spades. But what if he’s not and he takes your (forcing) pass to show first-round spade control?

Finally, what if South’s major-suit holdings were reversed from his actual hand

(♠ KQx ♥ AJx ♦ QJ ♣ Ajxxx)?

In spite of the massive spade wastage, 13 tricks are still available in diamonds on any lead that is not ruffed (actually, 14 tricks on the virtually guaranteed spade lead).

How long would it have taken you to think through all of this at the table? The opponents have created a tremendous amount of pressure on the first round of an auction where you’ve merely shown a strong hand.

This presents you with almost insurmountable problems. Then they have the nerve to call the cops (uh, Director) when you take 20-30 seconds to decide on your action with the seven level hanging in the balance? Could you reasonably have acted in less than 20-30 seconds?

I find the fact that E/W even called the Director to be unsportsmanlike and distasteful. In case my point is not yet clear, it is that there was no break in tempo in this auction, and wouldn’t have been even if South had gone on vacation to the Bahamas before e-mailing in his double. There are just too many things for South to think about that will not have been discussed previously in this rare auction, and too much complexity for North to know what a huddle in this situation would mean. The Committee, in my opinion, failed to consider the implications of the auction closely enough on their way to this “if it huddles, shoot it” decision.

If you think only Europeans have these blind spots, then be sure to read the next installment.



Grand National

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If Southern California triumphs, it will mark only the second time that a woman has won the Flight A contest. Jane Jaeger was a member of the District 9 team that captured the event the first time it was held in 1973.

Flight B

New Jersey (District 3) and Toronto (District 2) will battle it out for the Flight B championship. New Jersey defeated Southern California (District 22), 83-38, and Toronto eliminated Western Texas (District 16), 75-43.

The District 3 team consists of Dennis Thompson, Lake Hiawatha; Steve Albin, Princeton; David Liss, Morristown, and Jack Brauner, Maplewood. They defeated John Boackle, Diane Miller, David Vier and Deborah Vier.

Henry Casper, Toronto; Tom Battle, Claude King and Ringo Chung, Mississauga, Helen DeWild, Willowdale, and Vinay Sarin, Thornhill, will carry Toronto’s hopes in the final. They defeated Eric Taylor, Neil Cohen, David Hankins and John Pendergrass.

Flight C

The toughest battle of the day pitted New England (District 25) against Iowa (District 14). New England led at the half, 35-21, but Iowa came on strong in the second half. In the other match, Chicago led all the way against Central California, winning 96-64.

Playing for Iowa’s comeback team were Bruce Scott and Thomas Allen, Iowa City, and Paul Hazzard and Jim Boardman, Cedar Rapids. They defeated Dah-Ming Chiu, Gautam Nandi, Lon Sunshine and Ivanie Yeo.

Representing Chicago in today’s final are David Hemmer, Chicago; Jonathan Karasch, Northwood; Robert Alps, Evanston, and Roger Solomon, Riverwoods. They eliminated Henry Sigal, Kerry Abbott, Julie Burnet and Judy Koplan.

BRACKETED KNOCKOUT TEAMS I**Bracket 1**

16 Teams

John Malley, Pascoag RI; Daniel Colatosti, Waltham MA; Paul Kinney, Jamaica Plain MA; Eric Lee Shukan, Somerville MA

vs

Jim Barrow, Lake Charles LA; David Adams, Kennesaw GA; Ed Lewis, Falls Church VA; James Murphy, Chesapeake VA; Larry Griffey, Jacksonville FL; Bernard Miller, Boca Raton FL

Janet Colchamiro - Mel Colchamiro, Merrick NY; Betty Bloom - Steve Bloom, Duanesburg NY

vs

Randy Joyce - Kay Joyce, Raleigh NC; Tom Rutledge, Charleston SC; Bill Wisdom, Salisbury NC

Bracket 2

16 Teams

Ann Brinker Schwall - Stephen Schwall, Houston TX; Joseph Odom - Nancy Odom, Sealy TX

vs

Phillip Grothus, San Antonio TX; James Thurtell, Dallas TX; Rosemary Kelley - Paul Kelley Jr, Austin TX

Rod Van Wyk, Alton IL; Dottie Zike Stoppe, W Palm Beach FL; Richard Stoppe, Saint Louis MO; Richard Holmes, Wichita KS

vs

Robert Epstein, Atlanta GA; Jane Krause, Allentown PA; Charlene Sands, Austin TX; Beatrice Kemp, Tucker GA; Sully Randolph, Doraville GA

Bracket 3

16 Teams

John Johnson - Janet Fisher, Harlingen TX; Ross Robbins, Port Isabel TX; Walter Lauckner, Mission TX

vs

Paul Foster, Scottsdale AZ; Brenda Kristensen, Venice FL; Andy Stark - Martin Hunter, Mississauga ON

Bill St Clair Jr - Geoff Booth - Robert Sandfield, Houston TX; Victor Sitton, Sugar Land TX

vs

Scott Campbell, Sun City CA; Sophie Kulbersh, Boca Raton FL; Myra Ribak, San Antonio TX; Chris Kindt, Middletown CT

Bracket 4

16 Teams

Thomas Corlett - Ethel Buzze, Waco TX; Kathleen Centorino, Chestnut Hill MA; Paula Craven, Peabody MA

vs

Michael Walrath - Carolyn Hill, Fort Worth TX; Allan Mazer - Ruth-Anne Mazer, Towson MD

Bill Morrison - Susy Morrison - Charley Venable Jr - Winston Gunter, Bartlesville OK

vs

Thomas Clark - Bill Land - Oakie Domenech - Bob Eisenschmidt, Houston TX

Bracket 5

16 Teams

Randall Dougherty - Judith Zimmerman, Columbus OH; Lynne Newman, Dublin OH; Kirsten Deutsche, New York NY

vs

Lewis Booker - Elizabeth Booker, College Station TX; W. Viser, Madisonville TX; James Hibbetts, Bryan TX

Judy Hummel - John Ledet - Bonnie Bagley - Jerry Curtright, Colorado Spgs CO

vs

Mary Jane Murphy - Hedwig Barnes - Sally Armstrong - Lisa Hays, San Antonio TX

Bracket 6

16 Teams

Roxana Tom, Campbellton TX; Katherine Gary - Dorothy

LEADING QUALIFIERS IN LIFE MASTER PAIRS

428 Pairs

1	Dennis Kasle, Bloomfield MI; Garey Hayden, Tucson AZ	2104.65
2	David Siebert, Little Rock AR; Peter Friedland, Los Altos CA	2058.66
3	Shou-Ling Wang, Bethesda MD; A Brooks Harris, Berwyn PA	2043.78
4	Farid Assemi, Fresno CA; Edward Wojewoda, Antelope CA	2024.98
5	Drew Casen, Coconut Creek FL; Richard Schwartz, East Elmhurst NY	2009.47
6	Barry Schaffer, Frisco TX; Colby Vernay, Lacon IL	2006.20
7	Mike Cappelletti, Red Bank TN; John Sutherlin, Dallas TX	1992.19
8	Betty Parker - Freerk Polling, Miami FL	1988.25
9	Glenn Smith, Creve Coeur MO; Cecil Cook, Long Beach CA	1984.29
10	Mark Kessler, Springfield IL; Ed Schultz, Chesterfield MO	1972.63
11	Richard Coren - Mark Molson, Miami FL	1964.53
12	Rita Shugart, Pebble Beach CA; Andrew Robson, Carmel CA	1962.54
13	Alan Watson, Malvern PA; David Becher, Swampscott MA	1957.72
14	Richard Pavlicek, Fort Lauderdale FL; Rich Pavlicek Jr, San Mateo CA	1957.57
15	Alan Truscott, Riverdale NY; Ken Barbour, Scottsdale AZ	1946.09
16	John Mohan, Christiansted VI; Sam Lev, New York NY	1942.50
17	John Oakley, Round Rock TX; James Breihan, Austin TX	1936.50
18	Eddie Wold, Houston TX; George Rosenkranz, Mexico	1930.83
19	Mark Bartusek, Manhattan Beach CA; John Jones, Lakewood CA	1930.40
20	Gerald Michaud, Derby KS; Mark Lair, Canyon TX	1924.93
21	Janet Daling - William O'Brien, Seattle WA	1919.21
22	David Treadwell, Wilmington DE; Jay Korobow, Princeton NJ	1917.07
23	Cheri Bjerkan, Elmhurst IL; Sue Weinstein, Las Vegas NV	1908.97
24	Hugh Maclean, Gonzales TX; James Fellows, Omaha NE	1906.81
25	Shannon Lipscomb, Red Bank TN; Jo Ann Sprung, Philadelphia PA	1905.29
26	Michael Becker, Boca Raton FL; Michael Kamil, Holmdel NJ	1901.25
27	Allan Siebert, Little Rock AR; Randall Pettit, Marietta GA	1898.07
28	Dennis Newman, Scarsdale NY; Donald Spaulding, Los Altos CA	1898.03
29	Joseph Silver, Hampstead PQ; Pinhas Romik, Israel	1895.95
30	Jim Krekorian - Robert Blanchard, New York NY	1895.50
31	Bill McCallon, St Augustine FL; Barbara Whalen, Orange Park FL	1887.56
32	Weishu Wu, Camarillo CA; Xiaodong Zhang, San Mateo CA	1885.98
33	Claude Vogel, Chicago IL; George Jacobs, Hinsdale IL	1883.80
34	Roger Doughman - Michael Crawford, San Diego CA	1882.13
35	Tom Kniest, Saint Louis MO; Karen Walker, Champaign IL	1876.95
36	Lanette Moore, Dunwoody GA; Gerald Popkin, Atlanta GA	1876.43
37	Tom Fox, Fargo ND; Walter Schafer Jr, Bloomingdale IL	1875.06
38	Larry La Brecque, Lewisville TX; Mark Bumgardner, Carrollton TX	1871.70
39	David Berkowitz, Old Tappan NJ; Larry Cohen, Boca Raton FL	1870.83
40	Jackie Jarigese - Ross Rainwater, Vancouver WA	1867.78
41	Georgiana Gates - August Plate, Houston TX	1865.43
42	Carl Edwards, Westerville OH; Harry Stratton, Columbus OH	1864.93
43	Steven Huhman - John Erickson, Houston TX	1860.57
44	Jerry Clerkin, North Vernon IN; John Turner, Kansas City MO	1857.86
45	Diana Schuld, Glen Head NY; Cynthia Hinckley, Guayanabo PR	1857.50
46	William Pettis, Silver Spring MD; William Pollack, Warren NJ	1856.24
47	Mildred Breed, Bryan TX; Shawn Quinn, Katy TX	1853.79
48	Michael Schreiber, Costa Mesa CA; Danny Sprung, Philadelphia PA	1847.56
49	Joergen Mulberg, Norway; Ole Toesse, Trondheim	1846.81
50	Robert Schwartz, San Pedro CA; William Hall, Thousand Oaks CA	1845.64

Bid Box Alerts and Announcements

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

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

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

Bridge timers

Attention Club Owners and Tournament Managers!

Tired of fighting the uphill battle against slow play? A solution is in sight. The new intempo2 bridge timer is on display in the concessions area.

Designed and priced for club and small tournament use, it is very easy to use and has a wealth of features. The clocks will be displayed today through Sunday.

GRAND NATIONAL TEAMS FLIGHT A

23 Teams

Joseph Shay, Ponte Vedra FL; Michael Seamon, Miami Beach FL; Robert Levin, Windermere FL; Jeff Meckstroth, Tampa FL; Eric Rodwell, Clearwater FL

vs

Iftikhar Baqai, Irvine CA; Jill Meyers, Santa Monica CA; Mitch Dunitz, Sherman Oaks CA; Ed Davis, Seal Beach CA

50.00 3/4 Jeff Roman - Steve Robinson, Arlington VA; Marc Umeno, Alexandria VA; Lou Reich, Wheaton MD; Peter Boyd, Silver Spring MD; William Cole, Beltsville MD

50.00 3/4 John Ashton - Eric Stoltz - Dennis Metcalf - Tony Glynne - Jon Bartlett, Portland OR

22.50 5/8 Stephen Goldstein, Elkins Park PA; Rich Rothwarf, Philadelphia PA; Dave Smith, Newark DE; Harold Mouser Jr, Glenview IL

22.50 5/8 Randy Joyce - Kay Joyce, Raleigh NC; Bill Wisdom, Salisbury NC; Tom Rutledge, Charleston SC

22.50 5/8 Perry Johnson, Southfield MI; Geoff Hampson, Fenton MI; Allan Falk, Okemos MI; Chuck Burger, W Bloomfield MI

GRAND NATIONAL TEAMS FLIGHT B

24 Teams

Dennis Thompson, Lake Hiawatha NJ; Steve Albin, Princeton NJ; David Liss, Morristown NJ; Jack Brauner, Maplewood NJ

vs

Henry Caspar, Toronto ON; Tom Buttle - Claude King - Ringo P Chung, Mississauga ON; Helen De Wild, Willowdale ON; Vinay Sarin, Thornhill ON

30.00 3/4 Eric Taylor, Leander TX; Neil Cohen, Austin TX; David Hankins, Sugar Land TX; John Pendergrass, Santa Fe NM

30.00 3/4 John Boackle; Diane Miller, Ridgecrest CA; David Vier - Deborah Vier, San Diego CA

GRAND NATIONAL TEAMS FLIGHT C

22 Teams

David Hemmer, Chicago IL; Jonathan Kurasch, Northbrook IL; Robert Alps, Evanston IL; Roger Solomon, Riverwoods IL

vs

Bruce Scott - Thomas Allen, Iowa City IA; Paul Hazzard - Jim Boardman Jr, Cedar Rapids IA

20.00 3/4 Henry Sigal, Berkeley CA; Kerry Abbott - Julie Burnet, Oakland CA; Judy Koplan, San Rafael CA

20.00 3/4 Dah-Ming Chiu, ; Gautam Nandi, Woburn MA; Lon Sunshine, Framingham MA; Ivanie Yeo, Brighton MA

BILL CAMPBELL OPEN PAIRS

94 Pairs

	A	B	C	
30.14	1			Kay Larsen - Chris Larsen, Costa Mesa CA 377.67
22.61	2			Rob Crawford - Ellen Crawford, Lauderhill FL 374.83
16.95	3			John Uhlmann, Shawnee Msn KS; Brad Furnish, Kansas City MO 368.67
12.72	4	1		Libby Boeye - Bill Mac Donald, Corpus Christi TX 367.50
9.54	5	2		Ken Navarro - Fred Jackson, Houston TX 365.30
7.15	6	3		Joe Thomas - Joyce Nakasaki, Redondo Beach CA 364.00
5.36	7			Steven Blomstedt, West Chester PA; Michael Perri, Springfield PA 363.00
4.02	8			Warren Foss, Pierre SD; Claude Chimene, San Antonio TX 359.13
3.64	9			Harold Feldheim, Hamden CT; Jane Burns, Greenwich CT 356.50
3.98	10			Jill Lind, Peoria AZ; Ken Gee, Regina SK 355.00
4.90	11	4		Sue Frishberg, West Hollywood CA; Dick Joseph, Minneapolis MN 354.50
3.68		5		Moises Ganc, Mexico; Walter Maxey, North Andover MA 353.21
3.28		6		Ed Horton - Bill Langendorf, Champaign IL 352.50
5.23			1	Franklin Sax - James Martin, Tucson AZ 339.00
3.92			2	Alvan Bregman - Peter Ashbrook, Champaign IL 337.50
2.94			3	Sandy Johnson, Ho Ho Kus NJ; Dick Hoffman, Ridgewood NJ 332.00
1.93		4/5		Sarah Palmer - Steve Kaplan, Houston TX 319.50
1.93		4/5		Sally Sanders - Sylvie Kramer, San Antonio TX 319.50
1.24		6		Paul Porterfield, Boerne TX; Tom Thomas, Houston TX 318.00

WILLIAM DAVIS SENIOR PAIRS

122 Pairs

	A	B	C	
19.88	1			Norman Coombs, Brookville IN; Herbert Wilton, Fredericksburg TX 427.00
14.91	2			Dale Bennett - N Caruthers, San Antonio TX 394.50
11.18	3	1		Barry Martin - Connie Martin, Dallas TX 391.58
8.39	4			Bill Eisenberg, Perris CA; Diane Jonas, Boca Raton FL 389.00
6.29	5			Alice Wilhide - Dale Frese, Longwood FL 381.50
4.72	6			Mary Tryer, Kingsville TX; Robert Panek, NAS - Lemoore CA 370.55
8.17	7	2		Carol Phillips, Indian Harbor FL; Nancy Perry, Satellite Beach FL 370.25
2.65	8			Ward Johnson, Madison WI; Lizabeth Kennedy, Germantown WI 361.78
6.13		3		Joan Burch, London TX; Jo Ella Bolt, Junction TX 361.50
4.59		4		Carol Joy Spiegel, Palm Beach FL; Carol Kaufmann, Baltimore MD 352.00
3.45		5		B Austin, San Antonio TX; Jon Anthony, Sunrise Beach TX 351.59
2.58		6		Rhoda Cohen, Pikesville MD; Mark Sundelin, Hyannis MA 349.00
1.94		7		Naomi Spicer, Dickinson TX; Marian Osburn, Houston TX 340.50
3.64			1	M Woldoff - Shelly Woldoff, Boca Raton FL 329.50
2.73			2	Cheryl Van Schaik, Dayton OH; Wilma Taylor, Corpus Christi TX 320.17
2.05			3	Dana Nuetzel - Marie Nuetzel, Solon OH 318.00
1.54			4	Nancy Haase - Harold Haase, Hilton Head SC 312.88
1.80			5	William Nelson - Barbara Eaves, Albuquerque NM 308.50
0.86			6	Lee Kirk, Benton MS; R Lee Davis, Jackson MS 300.50

Rippstein, Karnes City TX; Anne Hinton, George West TX

vs

J Davis Jr - Donna Davis, Kingsland TX; Martha McClenagan - Jerry McClenagan, Amarillo TX

Jeri Martin - M Morgan - Lyda Glenn - Darleen Abbott, San Antonio TX

vs

Michael Page, Cottonwood CA; Robert McGill - Carol Ann McGill, Orange TX; Sandra Weber, San Antonio TX

Bracket 7

16 Teams

Betty Hickman - Rosemary Quirk - Madeline Hyman - Virginia Luzania, San Antonio TX

vs

Ross Jernigan, Marietta GA; Pam Feazel, Smyrna GA; Thomas Grabowski - Marie Grabowski, Hockessin DE

Marilyn Halpin - Helene Rudick - Rose Calvin - Shih-Liang Hsu, Houston TX

vs

Joan Torrance - Joyce Seitz - Jean Dula, Austin TX; Mary Jane Von Moss, Gaithersburg MD

Bracket 8

13 Teams

Bruce Bedient, Princeton NJ; Paul Hern, Cincinnati OH; Wayne Dow, San Antonio TX; Marisa Grossi, Seabrook TX

vs

Marilyn Banta, Sunshine LA; Cledith Peterson - Chris Kempling - Shelley Kempling, Baton Rouge LA

Peggy Naughton - Barbara Phillips, Houston TX; Connie Davidson, Friendswood TX; Sara Stewart, Kemah TX

vs

Joanne Young, San Antonio TX; Joanne Way - Delores Dubois, Port Isabel TX; Betty Knigge, Harlingen TX

Bracket 9

12 Teams

Gary Priestman - Eli Fluter - Gordon J Neill - Peter Lysak, Regina SK

vs

Ejaz Qureshi, Scarsdale NY; Waheed Din, Elmsford NY; Deborah Brines - Tracy Brines, Newport News VA

J Caldwell, Lewisville TX; Bobbie Beverung, Fort Worth TX; Olive Wood, Aledo TX; Michael Lombardi, Norman OK

vs

Henry Corwin - Dorothy Rowe, Sarasota FL; David Wetzel - Michelle Wetzel, Mahomet IL

Bracket 10

12 Teams

Jerry Newcomb - Carolyn Newcomb - Maxine Divine - Ilene Matteson, Littleton CO

vs

Lorna Gieber - Leona Rieger - Mary Stafford - Phyllis Tate, Austin TX

Ashim Ghosh - M Baig, Houston TX; Shyamal Bhattacharya, Texas City TX; Walter Martin, Seabrook TX

vs

Terri Tedford - Nancy Harris, Odessa TX; Donnita Cunningham - Wilbur Cunningham, Big Spring TX

JW's Steakhouse

Open 5 p.m. to midnight, JW's Steakhouse features these items specially priced for the tournament. The price includes appetizers, dessert and beverage. Reservations are suggested.

New York Strip Sirloin Steak, \$19.95. 8 oz. grilled New York steak topped with smoked onions, garlic mashed potatoes and sauteed vegetable medley.

Grilled Chicken Breast, \$19.95. 6 oz. grilled chicken breast with garlic mashed potatoes and sauteed vegetable medley.

Ribeye Steak, \$21.95. 8 oz. grilled ribeye steak with smoked onions, garlic mashed potatoes and sauteed vegetable medley.

Grilled Salmon, \$21.95. 4 oz. grilled salmon with sauteed spinach and grilled tomatoes and asparagus.

Surf and Turf, \$28.95. 4 oz. grilled filet and 3 oz. lobster tail with garlic mashed potatoes and sauteed vegetable medley.



CHARITY KNOCKOUT TEAMS**Bracket 1**

16 Teams
 Jim Barrow, Lake Charles LA; Hugh Maclean, Gonzales TX; Peter Friedland, Los Altos CA; Michael White, Atlanta GA; David Siebert, Little Rock AR; David Adams, Kennesaw GA

vs

Joan Stein - Kerry Smith, Milwaukee WI; Dick Benson - Chris Benson, Le Roy IL

Jack Coleman, San Francisco CA; Grant Baze, La Jolla CA; Mike Shuman, Pasadena CA; Nell Cahn, Shreveport LA; Henry Bethe - Varis Carey, Ithaca NY

vs

James Murphy, Chesapeake VA; Ed Lewis, Falls Church VA; Richard De Martino, Riverside CT; Charles Coon, Marshfield MA; John Stiefel, Wethersfield CT; Pat McDevitt, Brookline MA

Bracket 2

16 Teams
 Daniel Boye - Larry Sunser, Syracuse NY; Steven Barcus, Sorrento FL; Samuel Marks, Dunwoody GA; Barrett Raff, Johnson City NY

vs

G S Jade Barrett, Vancouver WA; Anne Hoffman, Peru VT; Brian Meyer, Buffalo NY; Michael Kitces, Great Falls VA; John Hurd, Charleston SC

Barry Turner, Richardson TX; John Schwartz, Plano TX; Jan Assini, Aurora OH; Laurie Kranyak - John Kranyak, Bay Village OH; Gavin Wolpert, Thornhill ON

vs

Kenneth McBride - Donna McBride, Kerrville TX; Sharon Mann - George Mann, Boerne TX

Bracket 3

15 Teams
 Erin Anderson, Regina SK; Jerry Mamer, Stoughton SK; Cecil Cook, Long Beach CA; Charles Halasi, Toronto ON

vs

N Paasch, Moorhead MN; Betsy Downs - Mike Jones, Chicago IL; Daniel Zagorin, Skokie IL

Charles Jefferson, San Antonio TX; Geoff Booth - Robert Sandfield, Houston TX; Paul Spellman, Dallas TX

vs

Ronnie Ferestien, Waban MA; Marina Polestra, Boston MA; Roberto Verthelyi, New York NY; Saeed Shah, Lahore

Bracket 4

16 Teams
 Rene Wallace, Mission TX; Lorraine Barkey, Pharr TX; Helen Worsham, Dallas TX; Chris Kindt, Middletown CT

vs

Harlan Barnard, New York NY; Henry Griffin, South Salem NY; Barbara Hanby, Katy TX; Barbara Courtright, Houston TX

Judy Hummel - Jerry Curtright - Bonnie Bagley - John Ledet - Denis Murphy, Colorado Spgs CO

vs

Laurence Rivkin, Dunwoody GA; Bob Jones, Marietta GA; Nick White, Woodstock GA; Kenneth King, Raleigh NC

Bracket 5

12 Teams
 Wentao Chen - Ying Yuan - Yaqi Zhu, Bellevue WA; Mac Kowalczyk, Newcastle WA

vs

Sanford Lobliner - Jeff Nuttall - Chris Curran, Houston TX; Marsha Bernstein, Sugar Land TX

Michael Lynch - Charles Markowitz - Shih-Liang Hsu - Rose Calvin, Houston TX

vs

Roxana Tom, Campbellton TX; Katherine Gary - Dorothy Rippstein, Karnes City TX; Anne Hinton, George West TX

Bracket 6

11 Teams
 Susan Griffin, Wallis TX; Jill Hendricks, Tomball TX; Mary Lou Fowler - Mary Ann Polk, Houston TX

vs

Robert Bergbower - Joe Howard - Keith Marks, Lake Kiowa TX; Richard Carroll, Gainesville TX

Bobbie Beverung, Fort Worth TX; Michael Lombardi, Norman OK; Olive Wood, Aledo TX; J Caldwell, Lewisville TX

vs

Greg Bruce, Santa Barbara CA; Roger Holyer Black, Tempe AZ; Mary Bushmaier, Nashville TN; Mildred Klarfield, Houston TX

BOSTON MORNING CONTINUOUS PAIRS

36 Pairs

	A	B	
4.25	1		Eric Rodwell, Naperville IL; Charles Reynolds, Cincinnati OH 146.50
2.79	2/3		Ringo P Chung, Mississauga ON; Helen De Wild, Willowdale ON 139.00
2.79	2/3		Ward Johnson, Madison WI; Lizabeth Kennedy, Germantown WI 139.00
3.27	4		Robert Kent, Westlake Vlg CA; Marjorie Michelin, Venice CA 138.50
1.34	5		Chuck Wilkinson, Jackson MS; Raymond Raskin, King Of Prussia PA 137.50
2.29	6		Patricia Hirsch, New York NY; Kent Mignocchi, Bronx NY 131.50
2.73		1	Ed Williams, Dearborn MI; Kurt Dasher, Petersburg MI 125.00
2.05		2	Ross Jernigan, Marietta GA; Pam Feazel, Smyrna GA 120.50
1.35	3/4		Judith Scott - Jane Frank, Sugar Land TX 117.00
1.35	3/4		Franklin Sax - James Martin, Tucson AZ 117.00
0.86	5		Jane Clipson - James Clipson Jr, Eagle Lake TX 116.00

MCLEAN & GOLDSTUCKER BOARD-A-MATCH TEAMS

38 Teams

	A	B	
7.01	1/2		Kaye Mokry, Plano TX; Jeff Olson, Dallas TX; Louise Childs, Los Angeles CA; Derrell Childs, Garland TX 16.50
7.01	1/2		James Koley - Donald Slotter, Omaha NE; William Corliss, Davis CA; K Carpenter, San Antonio TX 16.50
3.95	3/4		William Kronthal - Ellin Kronthal - John Solodar, New York NY; Jill Levin, Bronx NY 16.00
3.95	3/4		Ward Schaumberg, Portland OR; Charles West, Salem OR; Bruce Altshuler, Los Angeles CA; Chris Lubesnik, Glendale CA 16.00
2.22	5/6		John Shufelt, W Bloomfield MI; Barbara Nudelman, Chicago IL; Allan Cokin, Palm Beach FL; Robert Wingard, Colorado Spgs CO 15.00
2.22	5/6		Barry Breakey, Ypsilanti MI; Joanna Brumfiel, Ann Arbor MI; Barbara Tucker, Northville MI; J Gittelman, Houston TX 15.00
3.17		1	Charles Wright Jr, Winnetka IL; Maryann Baumann, Littleton CO; Grace Clay, Marietta GA; Martha Blaine, Hot Springs AR 14.00
2.38		2	George Hauger - J Hauger - V Elliott - Nita Elliott, Tulsa OK 11.50
1.56	3/4		Patrick Hambrick, New Orleans LA; Marlene Catino, Maineville OH; Harriet Spiegel, Cincinnati OH; William Moore, Madison MS 10.50
1.56	3/4		Joyce Richards - Charmaine Mitchell - Irene Faletto, Rockwall TX; Mary Keever, Grayslake IL 10.50

THURSDAY/FRIDAY CONTINUOUS/SIDE PAIRS

104 Pairs

	A	B	
9.40	1	1	Brad Campbell, Smyrna GA; Daniel Zagorin, Skokie IL 220.00
7.05	2		Tom Carter, Cornelia GA; Betty Hoopes, Augusta GA 208.50
5.29	3		Sarah Imig, Sioux City IA; Arline Fulton, Golden CO 207.50
3.97	4		Fred Fason - Milton Freedman, Houston TX 203.00
3.27	5		William Hunter, Reading MA; Shome Mukherjee, Randolph MA 197.50
2.29	6		Jason Feldman, Claremont CA; Lynne Feldman, Champaign IL 196.33
4.10		2	Kalpana Sutaria - Swadesh Mahajan, Austin TX 184.50
3.07		3	Donald Messer Jr - Harold Fremer, San Antonio TX 184.00
2.30		4	Susan Spencer - Anne McCullough, San Antonio TX 173.50
1.73		5	Barton Buffington, N Kingstown RI; Roy Jones, Zionville NC 171.50
1.30		6	Phyllis Brice - Olivia Graham, Roanoke VA 165.50

THURSDAY EVENING 299ER TEAMS

14 Teams

	A	B	C	
3.36	1			Patrick Cardullo, Pasadena CA; Elsie Broussard, Pittsburgh PA; C Bufford, Lauderhill FL; Sharon Hurd, Severn MD 94.00
2.52	2	1		Tom Cox - Sandra Cox - Jo Graves - Billie Graves, Austin TX 80.00
1.89	3	2		David Gist - Johnnie Gist - Robert Morton - Louisa Morton, San Angelo TX 76.00
1.42	4			Betty McQuaid, San Antonio TX; Gloria Giarrizzo, Walnut Creek CA; Marcia Dodge, Raleigh NC; Bobby May, Longview TX 73.00
1.06	5			Norman Gautier - Joyce Gautier, The Woodlands TX; John Johnson - Jeannie Johnson, Houston TX 71.00
1.30		3		Fred Weening - Anne Jedlicka, Edinboro PA; Richard Freitag, Mc Kean PA; Leonard Alecci, Erie PA 64.00
1.63		1		Patricia Braun, Arlington Hts IL; Caroline Cantrell, Memphis TN; Sally Avery - Betty Moore, Houston TX 55.00

MARIE BAILEY EVE 49ER PAIRS

24 Pairs

	C	D	E	
2.31	1	1		Joan M Slaughter - Ruth Millis, Dallas TX 141.50
1.73	2	2	1	Mary Angela Joseph - Hal Joseph, Indian Wells CA 136.00
1.30	3	3	2	Fred Aldrich - Ruby Aldrich, San Antonio TX 128.50
0.97	4	4	3	Gene Haddock - Marie Lucci, San Antonio TX 127.00
0.73	5	5	4	Matt Elbeck, Houston TX; John Minor, Odessa TX 125.00
0.81	6			Dale Kingseed - Grace Kingseed, Kokomo IN 122.50

MARIE BAILEY EVE 199ER PAIRS

28 Pairs

	A	B	
3.08	1		George Schropp, Fort Washington MD; Robert Reinman, Colorado Spgs CO 157.00
2.31	2		Francis Blevins - Lillian Laas, Kerrville TX 155.00
1.73	3		Wayne Miller - Shirley Miller, Garland TX 153.00
1.98	4	1	Mary Craig - Josephine Carter, San Antonio TX 152.00
0.85	5/6		Houston Holmes, Dallas TX; Mecha Mattson, Austin TX 148.50
1.49	5/6	2	Bonnie Hill, Wichita Falls TX; Beth Mahler, Henrietta TX 148.50
0.98		3/4	Marvin Bufford, Lauderhill FL; Bill White, Aledo TX 142.50
0.98		3/4	Diane Sobolak, Austin TX; Bill Ferguson, Georgetown TX 142.50
0.63		5	Betty Mayes - Marilyn Hansen, Dallas TX 141.00

MARIE BAILEY 0-5 PAIRS

8 Pairs				
0.72	1/2	Jackie Richards - Colleen Richards, Abilene TX		39.00
0.72	1/2	Mary Miller - Robert Miller, Manchester CT		39.00
0.46	3	Jim Eberwine - Joy Eberwine, San Antonio TX		36.00

MARIE BAILEY 49ER PAIRS

20 Pairs				
	C	D		
2.10	1	Roland McWhorter, Lawton OK; Leland Kerby, Uvalde TX		105.14
1.58	2	1 Ruth Millis - Joan Slaughter, Dallas TX		99.21
1.18	3	Dale Kingseed - Grace Kingseed, Kokomo IN		99.07
0.89	4	Roy Marsh, Conroe TX; June White, Spring TX		95.14
1.05	5	2 Robert Kleinman - Madelaine Kleinman, Chicago IL		94.21
0.79	6	3 James Kasee - Beverley Kasee, Valencia CA		91.00
0.59	4	Mary Tice, La Mesa CA; Patsy Lord, San Diego CA		87.00

MARIE BAILEY 199ER PAIRS

34 Pairs				
	A	B		
3.34	1	Louis Navin - Sharon Navin, Naples FL		167.50
2.51	2	Sharon Hurd, Severn MD; David Idleman, Odenton MD		166.73
1.88	3	Eugene Cavanaugh - Robert Pflugbell, Austin TX		165.50
1.41	4	Ingrid Kelly, Universal City TX; Rebecca Burson, San Antonio TX		160.09
1.06	5	Morton Weldy - Judith Weldy, Saginaw MI		157.95
2.10	6	1 Joe Howard, Lake Kiowa TX; Richard Carroll, Gainesville TX		154.41
1.58	2	Bette Hollister, Stafford TX; Anna Holzner, Houston TX		145.27
1.18	3	Diane Sobolak, Austin TX; Bill Ferguson, Georgetown TX		143.09
0.89	4	Angela Nacke - James Lennon, Austin TX		141.05
0.66	5	Robert Hardy - Marjorie Hardy, San Antonio TX		139.59

THURSDAY AFTERNOON CONTINUOUS PAIRS

34 Pairs				
	A	B		
4.10	1	Ernest Gordon, Madison MS; Thomas Schmidt, Brandon MS		204.46
3.15	2	1 K Voges, Converse TX; Ronald Hilliard, San Antonio TX		188.58
2.31	3	Helen Cunningham, Winter Haven FL; Joy Balsler, Tempe AZ		187.25
2.21	4	Peggy Rogers, Jackson MS; Karen Gordon, Ridgeland MS		180.88
1.58	5	Charles Jefferson, San Antonio TX; Paul Spellman, Dallas TX		180.67
1.58	6	Lindsay Pearlman, Trumbull CT; Kent Mignocchi, Bronx NY		178.46
2.16	2	Darlene Gilmore, Smithville TX; Shirley Henry, Austin TX		177.25
1.62	3	Steven Goodman, Kansas City MO; Lou Davis, Hereford TX		176.79
1.55	4	Don Holland - Barbara Ridgeway, San Antonio TX		169.08
1.09	5	Tom Codey, Malibu CA; Betty Mednick, Santa Monica CA		163.87

NEW BRAUNFELS BC 199ER PAIRS

18 Pairs				
	A	B	C	
2.44	1	1	1	Frances Finkel, Lambertville NJ; Leo Naeger, Lake Kiowale TX
1.83	2	2	2	Gary Martin, Spring Hill FL; Dennis Martin, Omaha NE
1.37	3			Mark Backus, San Antonio TX; Robert Reinman, Colorado Spgs CO
1.22	4	3	3	Robert Houston, Victoria TX; Glen Tolle, Plano TX
0.85	5	4		Mary Stafford - Phyllis Tate, Austin TX

Everyday resolutions

Note: This list of 10 resolutions appeared in the Daily Bulletin at the 1992 Fall NABC in Orlando.

1. I will not criticize or express disapproval of an opponent's play or bid.
2. I will politely call "Director, please" whenever there is an irregularity.
3. I will not comment that an opponent's error was anticipated or needed for my action to succeed.
4. I will refrain from offering unsolicited advice.
5. I will not discuss previously played boards with my partner in the presence of new opponents.
6. I will stop all cross table conversation as soon as one hand is removed from the next board.
7. I will not engage in lengthy postmortems between hands and between rounds.
8. I will keep cards in my hand until it is my turn to play.
9. I will not take the cards of other players from the board after play.
10. I will remain at the table until the next round is called and will pass the boards immediately.

Appeals process

Once again the directing staff will handle appeals except for those involving NABC+ (nationally rated) events, which will be heard and ruled upon by the Appeals Committee. This process was tested for the first time at the Vancouver NABC last spring.



Child care

Child care is available in Conference Room 12 at the Marriott River Center twice daily — from 12:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. and from 7:45 p.m. to 12:45 a.m. A limited number of walk-ins will be accommodated. Cost varies according to the turnout. The best estimate of cost is in the \$15 to \$20 per session area. The child care program is an independent operation.

MARIE BAILEY EVE 49ER PAIRS THURSDAY EVENING

NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION CCC			EAST-WEST		
C	D	E	C	D	E	C	D	E
1	1	1	128.50	1	1	Joan M Slaughter - Ruth Millis, Dallas TX		141.50
2			122.50	2	2	1 Mary Angela Joseph - Hal Joseph, Indian Wells CA		136.00
3			117.00	3	3	2 Gene Haddock - Marie Lucci, San Antonio TX		127.00
4	2		115.50	4		Matt Elbeck, Houston TX; John Minor, Odessa TX		125.00
5			113.50	5		Eileen Perrin, Trinity TX; Jeannine Huber, San Diego CA		119.00
	3	2	108.50					

MARIE BAILEY EVE 199ER PAIRS THURSDAY EVENING

NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION DDD			EAST-WEST		
A	B		A	B		A	B	
1			155.00	1		George Schropp, Fort Washington MD; Robert Reinman, Colorado Spgs CO		157.00
2	1		152.00	2		Wayne Miller - Shirley Miller, Garland TX		153.00
3			148.50	3	1	Bonnie Hill, Wichita Falls TX; Beth Mahler, Henrietta TX		148.50
4			144.50	4	2	Diane Sobolak, Austin TX; Bill Ferguson, Georgetown TX		142.50
5/6			142.50	5		Verlyn Stahlecker - Doug Cross, San Antonio TX		141.00
5/6	2		142.50	6		Jennifer Stocker - Diana Rogers, Austin TX		137.00
	3		141.00					

MARIE BAILEY 0-5 PAIRS THURSDAY AFTERNOON

SECTION AAA		
1/2	Jackie Richards - Colleen Richards, Abilene TX	39.00
1/2	Mary Miller - Robert Miller, Manchester CT	39.00
3	Jim Eberwine - Joy Eberwine, San Antonio TX	36.00

MARIE BAILEY 49ER PAIRS THURSDAY AFTERNOON

NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION CCC			EAST-WEST		
C	D		C	D		C	D	
1			105.14	1	1	Ruth Millis - Joan Slaughter, Dallas TX		99.21
2			99.07	2	2	Robert Kleinman - Madelaine Kleinman, Chicago IL		94.21
3			95.14	3		James Kasee - Beverley Kasee, Valencia CA		91.00
4			90.43	4		Gary Martin, Spring Hill FL; Dennis Martin, Omaha NE		88.36
	1		84.50					
	2		71.00					

NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION DDD			EAST-WEST		
A	B		A	B		A	B	
1			166.73	1		Louis Navin - Sharon Navin, Naples FL		167.50
2	1		154.41	2		Eugene Cavanaugh - Robert Pflugbell, Austin TX		165.50
3			153.41	3		Ingrid Kelly, Universal City TX; Rebecca Burson, San Antonio TX		160.09
4			142.00	4		Morton Weldy - Judith Weldy, Saginaw MI		157.95
4	2		141.05	5	1	Bette Hollister, Stafford TX; Anna Holzner, Houston TX		145.27
5	3		138.50	6		Wayne Miller - Shirley Miller, Garland TX		145.09
6			134.91	7	2	Diane Sobolak, Austin TX; Bill Ferguson, Georgetown TX		143.09
7			133.91	3		Robert Hardy - Marjorie Hardy, San Antonio TX		139.59

NEW BRAUNFELS BC 199ER PAIR THURSDAY MORNING

NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION CCC			EAST-WEST		
A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C
1	1	1	95.50	1	1	1	Frances Finkel, Lambertville NJ; Leo Naeger, Lake Kiowale TX	109.00
2	2		95.00	2	2	2	Gary Martin, Spring Hill FL; Dennis Martin, Omaha NE	98.50
3			90.00	3			Mark Backus, San Antonio TX; Robert Reinman, Colorado Spgs CO	97.00
4			89.50	4			Gary Priestman - Diane Neill, Regina SK	87.00

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

*Unless otherwise indicated, Strati-Flighted Open events are divided: A/X (3000+, 0-3000); separate from B/C/D (750-1500, 300-750, 0-300). Strat breaks for Stratified Open and Stratified Senior events are: A (1500+), B (500-1500), C (0-500). For Continuous Pairs and single-session open events, strat breaks are: A (750+), B (0-750).

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

Friday, July 23, 1999, 9:00 a.m.

Event	Session	Entry/player/session		Sold
		ACBL members**	Others	
Charity Bracketed KO Teams	3rd	\$11	\$12	Conv Ctr South Exhibit Hall
Boston Morning Continuous/Side Pairs I*	2nd single session	\$11	\$12	Conv Ctr South Exhibit Hall
Stratified 199er Pairs	single session	\$10	\$11	Conv Ctr South Exhibit Hall

Friday, July 23, 1999, 10:00 a.m. & 3:00 p.m.

Magic Valley Unit 237 Stratified Senior Pairs*	two sessions	\$11	\$12	Marriott Salon E
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Friday, July 23, 1999, 1:00 p.m.

LIFE MASTER PAIRS	2 semi-final sessions	\$13.50	\$14.50	Marriott Salon I (inside)
GRAND NATIONAL TEAMS-A	2 final sessions	\$13.50	N/A	Marriott Conference Rm 1
GRAND NATIONAL TEAMS-B&C	2 final sessions	\$12	N/A	Marriott Conference Rm 1
Strati-Flighted Open Pairs*				
Flight A/X	two sessions	\$11	\$12	Marriott Salon I Foyer
Flight B/C/D	two sessions	\$11	\$12	Conv Ctr S. Exhibit Hall, front end
Bracketed KO Teams I	sessions 3-4	\$11	\$12	Conv Ctr S. Exhibit Hall, far end
Bracketed KO Teams II (Continues Saturday)	sessions 1-2	\$11	\$12	Conv Ctr S. Exhibit Hall, far end
Charity Pairs (Continuous pairs)*	3rd single session	\$11	\$12	Conv Ctr S. Exhibit Hall, front end
Boston 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single session	\$10	\$11	Marriott Salon A
Boston 0-20 & 0-5 Pairs	single session	\$10	\$10	Marriott Salon A

Friday, July 23, 1999, 8:00 p.m.

Stratified Board-a-Match Teams*	single session	\$10	\$11	Conv Ctr S. Exhibit Hall, center
International Fund Pairs (Continuous Pairs)*	4th single session	\$11	\$12	Conv Ctr S. Exhibit Hall, front end
299er Stratified Swiss Teams	single session	\$10	\$11	Marriott Salon A
Boston 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single session	\$10	\$11	Marriott Salon A
Boston 0-20 & 0-5 Pairs	single session	\$10	\$10	Marriott Salon A

Friday, July 23, 1999, midnight

International Fund Zip Swiss Teams*	single session	\$10	\$11	Marriott Salon A
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TOMORROW'S SCHEDULE

Houston Day & Dress-up Night

*Unless otherwise indicated, Strati-Flighted Open events are divided: A/X (3000+, 0-3000); separate from B/C/D (750-1500, 300-750, 0-300). Strat breaks for Stratified Open and Stratified Senior events are: A (1500+), B (500-1500), C (0-500). For Continuous Pairs and single-session open events, strat breaks are: A (750+), B (0-750).

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

Saturday, July 24, 1999, 9:00 a.m.

Event	Session	Entry/player/session		Sold
		ACBL members**	Others	
Charity Bracketed KO Teams	4th	\$11	\$12	Conv Ctr South Exhibit Hall
Boston Morning Continuous/Side Pairs I*	3rd single session	\$11	\$12	Conv Ctr South Exhibit Hall
Houston New Player Svces Stratified 199er Pairs	single session	\$10	\$11	Conv Ctr South Exhibit Hall
Houston New Player Services	single session	\$10	\$11	Conv Ctr South Exhibit Hall
Stratified 299er Swiss Teams				

Saturday, July 24, 1999, 10:00 a.m. & 3:00 p.m.

Murrell Wood Memorial Stratified Senior Pairs*	two sessions	\$11	\$12	Marriott Salon E
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Saturday, July 24, 1999, 1:00 p.m.

LIFE MASTER PAIRS	two final sessions	\$13.50	\$14.50	Marriott Salon J
Houston Unit 174 Strati-Flighted Open Pairs*				
Flight A/X	two sessions	\$11	\$12	Marriott Salon I Foyer
Flight B/C/D	two sessions	\$11	\$12	Conv Ctr S. Exhibit Hall, front end
Bracketed KO Teams II	sessions 3-4	\$11	\$12	Conv Ctr S. Exhibit Hall, far end
Bracketed KO Teams III (Continues Sunday)	sessions 1-2	\$11	\$12	Conv Ctr S. Exhibit Hall, far end
Saturday-Sunday Continuous/Side Pairs*	1st single session	\$11	\$12	Conv Ctr S. Exhibit Hall, front end
Houston New Player Svces 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single session	\$10	\$11	Marriott Salon A
Houston New Player Svces 0-20 & 0-5 Pairs	single session	\$10	\$10	Marriott Salon A

Saturday, July 24, 1999, 8:00 p.m.

Saturday-Sunday Continuous/Side Pairs*	2nd single session	\$11	\$12	Conv Ctr S. Exhibit Hall, front end
Houston New Player Svces 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single session	\$10	\$11	Marriott Salon A
Houston New Player Services 0-20 & 0-5 Pairs	single session	\$10	\$10	Marriott Salon A
Houston 2002 Summer NABC	single session	\$10	\$11	Conv Ctr S. Exhibit Hall, center
Stratified Board-a-Match Teams*				
299er Stratified Swiss Teams	single session	\$10	\$11	Marriott Salon A

Saturday, July 24, 1999, midnight

Meredith's Midnight Zip KO Teams	single session	\$10	\$11	Marriott Salon A
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Pre-registration for the Spingold and Wagar Women's Knockout Teams required by 8:00 p.m. Saturday.