



Daily Bulletin



82nd Fall North American Bridge Championships

Editors: Brent Manley and Dave Smith

Four national events kicking off today

The 2009 Fall NABC begins in earnest today with four nationally rated events on the schedule: the Bobby Nail Life Master Open Pairs, the Helen Sobel Smith Life Master Women's Pairs, the Rufus L. "Skinny" Miles Non-Life Master Pairs and the Senior Knockout Teams.

Note that the deadline for entering the Senior KO is 11 a.m. today.

The two Friday sessions in the Nail LM Pairs and the Smith Women's Pairs will qualify competitors to the two final sessions, which take place on Saturday.

The Non-LM Pairs is a two-session event.

There will be one match per day in the Senior KO until a winner is determined. Sessions will begin at 10:30 a.m. each day.

More information on all four events can be found on the inside pages.

George H. Winter 1938 – 2009

George Hugo Winter, one of South California's most popular tournament directors, died of complications from heart disease Nov. 9 at a hospice in Hamilton MT. He was 71.

Winter, a native of Santa Ana CA, was a U.S. Navy veteran and a graduate of the University of California at Riverside. He became a tournament director in 1985. Besides working at tournaments, he ran the Dana Harbor Duplicate Bridge Club for several years. At NABCs, Winter often manned the ACBL Information Desk. He was a Silver Life Master and also enjoyed golf and fishing.

He retired in early 2007 and moved with his wife, Jeannine, to Corvallis MT. "George enjoyed working for the ACBL," said Jeannine. "He left a lot of good friends." A memorial service in Santa Ana attracted dozens of players.

Winter also leaves three children, Robert W. Winter, Melissa Winter and Kristen Walthall; son-in-law Joseph Walthall and grandson Christopher, and stepdaughter Bonnie Jean England and her son Trevor.



Plan to have fun

Welcome to sunny Southern California, where we have the greatest weather in the world. Our theme is *sin fronteras* (without borders) because of our proximity to Mexico and Latin America. Our great country adjoins theirs; we share a common corner of the world.

We are the No. 2 tourist destination in the U.S., and we are proud to accommodate our visitors. During your stay, please check out the legendary attractions of our city. Take a trolley tour of the city to Old Town and witness where California was founded. Between bridge sessions, treat yourself to a very short trip by taxi or trolley (half a mile) to the Historic Gaslamp Quarter and enjoy a multitude of our city's finest eateries. We have an information booth to help you plan your leisure time.

Assistant Chairman Bonnie Bagley and I are so happy you came. We love to share this wonderful city, hotel and weather. Oh, by the way, enjoy the bridge!

Ken Monzingo
Tournament Chairman

Notice to players who live outside North America

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

Participation in the Life Master Open and Women's Pairs is restricted to ACBL members who have achieved the rank of Life Master. Foreign players who do not meet these criteria, but feel they are otherwise eligible, must receive a waiver prior to the commencement of these contests.

Previously granted waivers will be honored.

For waiver information, please see Tournament Director Millard Nachtwey here at the tournament. He may be contacted through the Tournament Headquarters office, and he will also be available at the selling sites.

Goodwill Message

Welcome to the 2009 Fall North American Bridge Championships in San Diego.

Tournament chair Ken Monzingo, co-chair Bonnie Bagley and the San Diego committees have a great

tournament in store for everyone. With first-class bridge contests, great entertainment, late-night food, and celebrity speakers, San Diego will be an NABC you'll remember for years.

Please join me in saying "thank you" to our hosts.

Aileen Osofsky, Chairman
National Goodwill Committee



My Fair (Little Old) Lady opens tonight!

The first of five performances of the famous bridge musical *My Fair (Little Old) Lady* debuts at 11 p.m. tonight at the Randle Ballroom on the fourth floor of the Harbor Tower in the Grand Hyatt Hotel. This Peter Rank Production, which has been seen by tens of thousands of bridge players since the Sixties, has been updated and staged especially for the Fall NABC in San Diego.

A cast made up of San Diego bridge players and family (totaling more than 34,000 masterpoints!) will delight you with a show that contains every aspect of the game we love.

- See Eliza Bidlitttle, the newest Junior in San Diego, as she confronts the trials of playing with expert partner Henry Huddle in the Blue Ribbon Pairs (*I Could Have Played All Night*)
- Feel the agony of Henry Huddle (who holds a record 201,550 masterpoints) as he tries to win with Eliza (*I've Grown Accustomed to Her Bids*)
- Watch Miss Ruling, the most inexperienced director in ACBL-Land, as she runs a local bridge club (*At the Club that I Run*)
- Enjoy Alfa Bidlitttle, Eliza's mother, as she drinks her way through a local game (*With a Little Bit of Luck*)
- Experience the thrill of the San Diego bridge players as they play at their local game (*Get Me to the Game on Time*)
- And, most of all, embrace the game of bridge as you see octogenarian, Mrs. Muzzy, play at her local club.

If you are like Mrs. Muzzy and love the game of bridge, don't miss this show. It will be performed in the Randle Ballroom at 11 p.m. on



Henry Huddle (Nate McCay) and Eliza Bidlitttle (Diana Halliday).



Director David Clark, Producer Peter Rank and Musical Director Tim McKnight.

Friday, Saturday, Monday and Tuesday and at 6:45 p.m. on Sunday. Refreshments will be served in the foyer outside the Randle Ballroom before each performance. No tickets are required.

SPECIAL EVENTS

MEETINGS / SEMINARS / RECEPTIONS

Friday, Nov. 27

- 9:30 a.m. - Noon **ACBL Charity Foundation meeting.** *Room: Molly B.*
 10:30 a.m. - Noon **ACBL Tournament Director meeting.** *Room: Maggie.*
 4:30 - 6 p.m. **Reception for Teachers and Club Officials.** This is the ACBL's "thank you" reception for the teachers and club officials who work so hard to recruit and retain our members. *Room: Cunningham ABC.*
 11:20 a.m. - Noon **ACBL Hall of Fame Committee meeting.** *Room: Ford A.*
 11 - 11:30 p.m. **National Appeals Committee meeting.** *Room: Maggie.*

Saturday, Nov. 28

- 9 a.m. - Noon **Teacher Accreditation Program (TAP).** ACBL's popular 10-hour seminar for people interested in learning how to teach bridge successfully. Pre-registration required. Continues Sunday and Monday. *Room: Ford B.*
 9 a.m. - Noon **ACBL Educational Foundation meeting.** *Room: Annie A.*
 10:00 a.m. - Noon **ACBL Laws Commission meeting.** *Room: Ford C.*
 Noon 9:45 a.m. - Noon **Free Bridge Lesson with Barbara Seagram.** Seagram, well-known teacher and Bridge Bulletin columnist, presents a fun bridge lesson for intermediate and newer players. Her topic is "Become a Feared Opponent." *Room: Manchester D.*
 10 - 11 a.m. **Marketing Tips seminar.** ACBL Marketing Director Vicki Campbell will host a program for those interested in marketing their clubs, bridge lessons, tournaments, etc. Don't miss this chance to meet Vicki and explore your options. *Room: Maggie.*
 11 a.m. - Noon **Club and ACBLscore seminar.** Carol Robertson, Director of Club and Member Services, will be available to answer questions you have on managing your club, and ACBL Tournament Director Dan Plato will be available to answer questions on scoring and reporting your games. *Room: Maggie.*

1 - 3 p.m.

Happy Bridge. Special game for new players (0-49 msaterpoints). 14 boards, no card fee. *Room: Manchester D.*
Junior Reception. All Junior players are invited to attend. *Room: Delmar AB.*

5 - 7 p.m.

11:30 p.m. - 2 a.m.

Women's Team Trials meeting. *Room: Molly B.*

Sunday, Nov. 29

- 9 a.m. - Noon **Teacher Accreditation Program (TAP).** Session two of the ACBL's popular 10-hour seminar for people interested in learning how to teach bridge successfully. Pre-registration required. Continues Monday. *Room: Ford B.*
 10 - 11:30 a.m. **Board of Governors/ACBL Membership Meeting.** This meeting is open to all members. Discussion will include recent actions of the Board of Directors, reports from the CEO and treasurer and new proposals from the Board of Governors. *Room: Douglas.*
 10 a.m. - Noon **Seminar for Teaching Young People.** Teaching bridge to young people now or just thinking about it, this seminar will help you focus on goals, format, course materials and successful practices. Join Patty Tucker, ACBL Youth Coordinator, for an interesting continuing education opportunity. You won't want to miss it. *Room: Maggie.*
 5 - 7 p.m. **Workshop for Teachers of Youth Players.** Informal meeting for anyone interested in teaching the game of bridge to young people or currently teaching young students. Meet with Patty Tucker (ACBL Youth Coordinator) and Julie Greenberg (ACBL Education Department) to exchange ideas, to look at materials available for teachers and to find others interested in pursuing youth bridge activities in their areas. *Room: Maggie.*
 11 p.m. - 1 a.m. **ACBL Patron Member Reception.**

CELEBRITY SPEAKER PROGRAM

Be sure to hear these free expert lectures at the San Diego NABC.

Friday, Nov. 27

- 9:45 am Allan Mazer *2 Club or Not 2 Club*
 6:45 pm Barbara Seagram *Common Pitfalls to Avoid*

9:45 am

Lowell Andrews *Preempt for Profit*

Sunday, Nov. 29

9:45 am
6:45 pm

Linda Trent *Linda's Favorite Rules*
 GS Jade Barrett *The Learning Curve*

ENTERTAINMENT / FOOD

Nov. 27-Dec. 1

- 11 p.m. on Friday, Saturday, Monday, and Tuesday;
 6:45 p.m. on Sunday
 Peter Rank's "My Fair (Little Old) Lady"
 Admission: Free (refreshments at all performances)

10:30 p.m.

Wedding Reception
 In honor of Tammy Pepper & Chris Moll
 Wedding cake for all

Tuesday, Dec. 1

10 a.m.

Rose Meltzer's "Breakfast with the Stars"
 Admission: \$10.00 (limited seating)
 Purchase tickets at Bridge Registration Desk

ACBLscore Q&A for Club Managers & Directors



Dan Plato, ACBL Tournament Director and Carol Robertson, Director of Club and Member Services, will be available to answer your questions on scoring, reporting your games and managing your club.

Location: Manchester Grand Hyatt — Maggie Room

Time: 11:00 a.m. — noon

Fee: FREE

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Date: Sunday, Nov. 29

Location: Manchester Grand Hyatt — Maggie Room

Time: 10:00 a.m. — noon



JUST FOR NEW PLAYERS

By Marti Ronemus

Dear New Player: Well, isn't this exciting? You finally made the big time. And you are even luckier than you know, because you have me to guide you on a daily basis. I have advice on every possible subject and am not shy about sharing it (sometimes I'm even right). I'll tackle problems no one else will, and I promise we're going to have a good time together.



You'll see e-mails I get from you, very strange e-mails, as you'll find out. Yesterday was Thanksgiving. I remember the first time I worked over Turkey Day at an NABC as a newcomer director. I can still recall feeling badly about not being with my assorted family members, being in a strange city (memory fails just where this was) and feeling just a little blue. The hotel offered a sort-of Thanksgiving dinner, but a group of us thought we could do better if we left the hotel and searched out other options.

Naturally, all the restaurants that offered traditional dinners were full, so we ended up in—of all places—a Chinese restaurant. It turned out to be one of my best Thanksgivings ever. The cast of characters (and believe me, they are characters!) included Edith and Paul McMullin and Charlie MacCracken. We ate odd things, laughed at the director calls and players. Yes, we sometimes laugh at you, but trust me, it is with affection. You have to admit you are pretty funny. Come on, admit it. And at the end, it turned out that not being with blood family wasn't so bad ... I was with my bridge family. And that's a good thing. I still prefer turkey over fried dumplings, though.

So, here is some of what I am thankful for. My husband Gary and I own a bridge club. We get to do what we love every day ... play bridge and laugh a lot. It's a little tricky explaining to

new acquaintances what we do for a living: "You play cards? People come to you to play cards?" they ask with confused astonishment. It would be easier to just say we run a drug house. And not entirely inaccurate. After all, people do become addicted to what we sell.

I'm thankful for the hundreds of people who've passed through (and stayed) at our club over our decade-and-a-half, many of whom we've spent more hours with than family. A lot of these people now have a "legend" attached to them. Jane, thinking she was removing a thread from my husband's sweater, yanked out a chest hair, making him yip and scaring him more than a mugger. George, who will *never* bid notrump, in any position, at any time ... and manages to win just fine, thank you. Carol, who escorted Harry into the ladies' room so he could see our freshly painted flowers on the walls ... and then got trapped with him when the door jammed, both of them having to wait for help. Can you hear the explanations?

I'm thankful for all my students, who allow me the joy of seeing the light bulbs go on as they grasp our wonderful game. If it weren't for them, I'd have to get a real job. "Want fries with that?" Enough of this. I have a bridge tip for you to get you started this week. This is guaranteed to improve your game 25% *today!*

No matter what it looks like, when your partner puts down the dummy, say, "Thank you, partner! It's more than I deserve." This serves several purposes. First, it makes your partner feel



good. Trust me when I tell you that a partner who feels good is a partner who plays his best bridge. You may be thinking "Where is the hand you were bidding with?" or "Why can't you remember jump shifts are weak in competition?!" but then only *you* will feel better. Pard will be looking for the exit.

The best reason for thanking Pard, however, is that it confounds the enemy. They will be so confused by your complimenting your partner for that pile of trash that they will fall down on their defense. And, if that dummy is as wacko as I suspect it is, that will be a *good* thing.

So that's it for today. Tomorrow I am going to get up on my well-worn soapbox and share with you one of my bridge pet peeves. Meantime, e-mail me with all your experiences. I actually *want* to hear them! mronemus@comcast.net

Thinking bridge By Eddie Kantar

Dir: South ♠ Q 6 5 4 2
 Vul: Both ♥ K J
 ♦ A K 7
 ♣ 7 5 3

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

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

West	North	East	South
			1♥
Pass	1♠	Pass	3♥
Pass	4♦	Pass	4NT
Pass	5♥	Pass	6♥
All Pass			

Opening lead: ♣Q.

Bidding commentary: South has an eight-winner hand so the jump to 3♥ is justified. 4♦ was a slam try cuebid agreeing hearts and North-South were playing "five-ace Blackwood." In this version, the king of the agreed suit, hearts, counts as an ace. Using this method, the partnership needs at least four of the five "aces" to bid a slam.

Play commentary: Put yourself in declarer's shoes. You see a fast spade loser (a loser either opponent can take when on lead) and a slow club loser (a loser that eventually will be lost if you

don't do something about it). The idea is to work on getting rid of slow losers. Probably the No. 1 technique is to throw them on an established winner(s) in dummy.

Translation: You have to set up dummy's fifth spade to get rid of your losing club. After winning the ♣A, concede a spade immediately while all dummy's entries are in place, and win the likely club return.

Cross to dummy with a heart and ruff a spade high, merrily counting spades. The opponents started with seven. After you concede one, they have five. After you ruff one, they have three. Notice the numbers getting smaller. Return to dummy with a heart and ruff a spade. Now they have one.

Draw the last trump, enter dummy with a diamond and ruff a third spade. They are out of spades and dummy's last spade is high and can be used to discard that slow club loser. Three tips: (1) Start the long suit early, (2) count their remaining cards in the long suit and (3) use trump entries before side-suit entries when establishing a long suit in dummy.

Welcome, IN (Intermediate/ Newcomer) Players, to the 2009 Fall North American Bridge Championships in San Diego!

The San Diego staff has many special events planned for your entertainment and pleasure.

The starting times will be 10:30 a.m., 3 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. on most days. All IN events will be played in the Manchester Ballroom.

Don't forget to pick up your registration gift.

The IN Partnership Desk will guarantee you a partner if you sign up one hour prior to game time.

Celebrity Bridge Speakers will give free mini-lessons at 9:45 a.m. and 6:45 p.m. all week (with the exception of the first Thursday afternoon and the final Sunday). Don't miss these free lessons! On Thursday, Nov. 26 at 6:45 p.m., Barry Harper will discuss "The 30-Point Deck." On Friday, Nov. 27 at 9:45 a.m., Allan Mazer will discuss "2 Club or Not 2 Club," and at 6:45 p.m., Barbara Seagram will present "Common Pitfalls to Avoid."

On Friday, Nov. 27, there will be free Newcomer games (0-5 MPs) at 10:30 a.m., 3 and 7:30 p.m.

On Saturday, Nov. 28, at 9:45 a.m., Bridge Bulletin columnist Barbara Seagram will give a free two-hour lesson.

On Friday, Dec. 4, win gold points in the National 99er Pairs, a two-session event, held at 10:30 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Entry fee special! Players with 0-100 MPs who buy a regular-price entry Nov. 27-29 will receive a half-priced entry for games held Dec. 4-6.

National Appeals Committee Roster and Schedule for the San Diego NABC

Director
Bruce Reeve, Raleigh NC

Chairman
Adam Wildavsky, New York NY

National Appeals Committee Meeting

There will be a meeting of the National Appeals Committee on Friday, Nov. 27, from 11 to 11:30 p.m. in the Maggie Room.

RED TEAM

Team Leaders

Mark Bartusek, Santa Barbara CA
Ron Gerard, White Plains NY
Michael Huston, Joplin MO

Team Members

Darwin Afdahl, Oro Valley AZ
Jeff Aker, Ossining NY
David Berkowitz, Boca Raton, FL
Dick Budd, Portland ME
Curtis Cheek, Las Vegas NV
Gary Cohler, Miami, FL
Jan Jansma, Malden, Netherlands
Ed Lazarus, Baltimore MD
Jeff Meckstroth, Tampa FL
Bill Passell, Coral Springs FL
Marlene Passell, Coral Springs FL
Lou Reich, Wheaton MD
Becky Rogers, Las Vegas NV
Hendrik Sharples, Brush Prairie WA
Patty Tucker, Atlanta GA
Bob White, Raleigh NC
Eddie Wold, Houston TX

On duty

Saturday, Nov. 28
Tuesday, Dec. 1
Friday, Dec. 4

WHITE TEAM

Team Leaders

Doug Doub, West Hartford CT
Richard Popper, Wilmington DE

Team Members

Karen Allison, Las Vegas NV
Ken Barbour, Scottsdale AZ
Migry Zur Campanile, New York NY
Shannon Cappelletti, Hollywood FL
Mark Feldman, New York NY
Gail Greenberg, New York NY
Joe Grue, New York NY
Ellen Kent, Marina Del Ray CA
Zygmunt Marcinski, Westmount QC
Chris Moll, Raleigh NC
Tom Peters, Grapeland TX
Jeff Polisner, Walnut Creek CA
Judy Randel, Albuquerque NM
Jeff Roman, Alexandria VA
Blair Seidler, Fair Lawn NJ
Bob Schwartz, San Pedro CA
JoAnn Sprung, Philadelphia PA
David Stevenson, Liverpool, England
Jim Thurtell, Dallas TX
Chris Willenken, New York NY

On duty

Sunday, Nov. 29
Wednesday, Dec. 2
Saturday, Dec. 5

BLUE TEAM

Team Leaders

Jeff Goldsmith, Pasadena CA
Aaron Silverstein, New York NY

Team Members

Bart Bramley, Dallas TX
Tom Carmichael, Atlanta GA
Lynn Deas, Schenectady NY
Jerry Gaer, Scottsdale AZ
Robb Gordon, Sedona AZ
Abby Heitner, Wheaton MD
E.J. Kales, East Lansing MI
Fred King, Falls Church VA
Nicolas L'Ecuyer, Montreal QC
John Lusky, Portland OR
Jacob Morgan, Madison WI
Mike Passell, Dallas TX
Barry Rigal, New York NY
Bruce Rogoff, Upper Grandview NY
Michael Rosenberg, North Rochelle NY
John Solodar, Palm Beach Gardens FL
Dan Sprung, Philadelphia PA
Kathy Sulgrove, Twinsburg OH
Riggs Thayer, San Diego CA

On duty

Friday, Nov. 27
Monday, Nov. 30
Thursday, Dec. 3



Senior KO begins today

Play begins today in the Senior Knockout Teams with day-long matches scheduled until the event is concluded. Play will begin at 1 and 7:30 p.m. today.

The Senior Knockout Teams is limited to players 55 and older.

The 2008 champs were Reese Milner, Sam Lev, P.O. Sundelin, Matthew Granovetter, Fred Chang and John Carruthers.

Previous winners:

- 1994 1. Zeke Jabbour, Russ Arnold, Richard Hunt, Dan Morse, Chuck Said, John Sutherlin; 2. Duncan Phillips, Robert Ryder, Howard Hertzberg, Hamish Bennett, Joan Remy Moore, William Esberg
1995 1. Zeke Jabbour, Russ Arnold, Mike Levine, Bill Eisenberg, Benito Garozzo, Tommy Sanders; 2. Norm Coombs, Leonard Ernst, Michael Slaven, Richard Hart, Loren Hawkins, Don Brock
1996 1. Zeke Jabbour, Russ Arnold, Tommy Sanders, Bill Eisenberg, Mary Chilcote, Fred Hamilton; 2. Howard Hertzberg, Robert Ryder, William Esberg, Simon Kantor, Marty Baff
1997 1. Bob Carteaux, David Adams, Al Childs,

- Ralph Cohen, Chuck Said; 2. Mike Levine, Zeke Jabbour, Jim Linhart, Russ Arnold, Per Olof Sundelin, Arnold Fisher
1998 1. Mike Levine, Tommy Sanders, Zeke Jabbour, Arnie Fisher, Fred Hamilton, Chuck Said; 2. Gene Freed, Gene Simpson, James Koley, Syd Levey, Simon Kantor
1999 1. Jim Sternberg, Bernie Chazen, Allan Cokin, Billy Eisenberg, Richard Reisig, Robert Lipsitz; 2. Richard Budd, Shome Mukherjee, Robert Ryder, William Hunter
2000 1. Richard Budd, Robert Ryder, William Hunter, Shome Mukherjee, Richard De Martino, Pat McDevitt; 2. Jim Sternberg, Allan Cokin, Chuck Burger, Richard Reisig, Bernie Chazen, Robert Lipsitz
2001 1. Mike Levine, Zeke Jabbour, Randy Pettit, Allan Siebert, Per Olof Sundelin, Arnold Fisher; 2. Gene Simpson, Hamish Bennett, Billy Eisenberg, Joe Kivel, Jim Robison, Chris Larsen
2002 1. Mike Levine, Zeke Jabbour, Bobby Wolff, Dan Morse, Per Olof Sundelin, Arnold Fisher; 2. Lewis Finkel, John Stiefel, Daniel Colatosti, Mel Colchamiro, John Malley, Bernie Miller
2003 1. Dennis Dawson, Clement Jackson, John Sutherlin, Bobby Wolff, John Mohan, Dan

Senior KO Winners:
P.O. Sundelin, Matt Granovetter, Fred Chang and John Sutherlin. Missing are Sam Lev and Reese Milner.

- Morse; 2. Pat McDevitt, John Stiefel, Daniel Colatosti, Mel Colchamiro, John Malley, Richard De Martino
2004 1. Tony Ames, John Koch, Mary Egan, Rod Beery; 2. Hamish Bennett, Frances Dickman, Chris Larsen, Gene Simpson, Michael Shuman, Bruce Noda
2005 1. Morris Chang, Bobby Wolff, Neil Chambers, John Schermer; 2. Don Stack, Alan Stout, Randy Pettit, Allan Siebert, James Nash, Pierre Flatowicz
2006 1. Amos Kaminski, Melih Ozdil, Pinhas Romik, Yeshayahu Levit, George Mitelman; 2. Gene Freed, Fred Hamilton, Arnold Fisher, Jim Tritt, Paul Ivaska, Tony Kasday
2007 1. Robert Hollman, Dennis Clerkin, Jerry Clerkin, Brenda Keller, Bruce Ferguson; 2. Mike Levine, Zeke Jabbour, Bobby Wolff, Dan Morse, Allan Siebert, Chuck Said
2008 1. Reese Milner, Sam Lev, P.O. Sundelin, Matthew Granovetter, Fred Chang, John Carruthers; 2. Richard DeMartino, Geoffrey Brod, Pat McDevitt and John Stiefel

ACBL joins Facebook, Twitter

ACBL members can now discuss their favorite game on Facebook and Twitter, the popular social media web sites. Players can enjoy conversations on these free forums, allowing participants to meet other bridge enthusiasts from around the world, get the inside scoop on bridge news and events, and even leave messages for the ACBL staff.

"This provides a space for players to talk to each other and us," said Vicki Campbell, ACBL's marketing director.

To become a fan of the ACBL on Facebook, go to the ACBL home page and click the "Find us on Facebook" button.

To follow the ACBL on Twitter, go to www.twitter.com and follow @ACBLbridge.



They won the 2008 Smith Life Master Women's Pairs: Betty Ann Kennedy and Lynn Deas.

Play begins today in Smith LM Women's Pairs

Play gets underway today in the four-session Life Master Women's Pairs with the Helen Sobel Smith Trophy going to the winners.

The Smith Trophy recognizes Helen Sobel Smith, the first woman elected to the Bridge Hall of Fame. Smith was an outstanding player and is universally considered the best woman player of all time.

She won 35 North American titles -- the Vanderbilt twice, the Spingold five times and the Reisinger four times -- and the McKenney Trophy (now the Barry Crane Top 500) three times: in 1941, 1942 and 1944.

Past winners and runners-up:

- 1961 1. Dorothy Hayden, Helen Portugal; 2. Gratian Goldstein, Jane Mueller
 1962 1. Barbara Kachmar, Margaret Wagar; 2. Anne Burnstein, Edith Kemp
 1963 1. Anne Burnstein, Hermine Baron; 2. Carrie Arnold, Neva L. Gray
 1964 1. Margaret Alcorn, Betty Kaplan; 2. Agnes Gordon, Sylvia Stein
 1965 1. Ann Sheaber, Jan Stone; 2. Mary Jane Farrell, Peggy Solomon
 1966 1. Emma Jean Hawes, Dorothy Hayden; 2. Mary Jane Farrell, Peggy Solomon
 1967 1. Nancy Gruver, Edith Sachs; 2. Mary Jane Farrell, Peggy Solomon
 1968 1. Dorothy Talmage, Rhoda Walsh; 2. Katherine Blanchard, Mary Jane Farrell
 1969 1. Gratian Goldstein, Sylvia Stein; 2. Karen Allison, Gladys W. Collier
 1970 1. Bette L. Cohn, Marietta Passell; 2. Louise Krauss, Betty Mangan
 1971 1. Ruth Bloomfield, Delle Levinson; 2. Betty Ann Kennedy, Carol Sanders
 1972 1. Amalya Kears, Rhoda Walsh; 2. Emma Jean Hawes, Dorothy Hayden Truscott
 1973 1. Frieda Arst, June Deutsch; 2. Edith Kemp, Barbara Rappaport
 1974 1. Bernice Larson, Joan Stein; 2. Edith Kemp,



- Barbara Rappaport
 1975 1. Dorothy Moore, Marion Weed; 2. Nancy Gruver, Helen Utegaard
 1976 1. Barbara Furbeck, Barbara Herr; 2. Carol Crawford, Joan Remy
 1977 1. Edith Kemp, Barbara Rappaport; 2. Bernadine Jenkins, Joan Remy
 1978 1. Emma Jean Hawes, Dorothy Hayden Truscott; 2. Ann Economidy, Anne Leverone
 1979 1. Nancy Gruver, Edith Kemp; 2. June Deutsch, Sandi Leavitt
 1980 1. Kathie Cappelletti, Claire Tornay; 2. Nancy Gruver, Edith Kemp
 1981 1. Nancy Gruver, Edith Kemp; 2. Betty Ann Kennedy, Carol Sanders
 1982 1. Dorothy Buchanan, Barbara Morris; 2. Mary Albert, Rhoda Walsh
 1983 1. Beth Palmer, Lynn Deas; 2. Sandra Low, Joan Stein
 1984 1. Karen Singer, Sharon Soules; 2. Kathie Wei, Judi Radin
 1985 1. Lynn Deas, Beth Palmer; 2. Rama Linz, Kerri Shuman
 1986 1. Mickie Kivel, Judi Cody; 2. Rama Linz, Kerri Shuman
 1987 1. Jill Meyers, Gaye Herrington; 2. Mary Ann Coyle, Jackie Hess
 1988 1. Nancy Passell, Nell Cahn; 2. Brenda Keller, Renee Mancuso
 1989 1. Rhoda Walsh, Sabine Zenkel; 2. Lynn Deas, Beth Palmer
 1990 1. Carol Sanders, Betty Ann Kennedy; 2. Barbara Sartorius, Marla Chaikin
 1991 1. Sue Weinstein, Tobi Deutsch; 2. Janice Seamon, Cheri Bjerkan
 1992 1. Shawn Womack, Jan Cohen; 2. Sabine Zenkel, Joan Jackson
 1993 1. Janice Seamon, Sabine Zenkel; 2. Sharon David, Trudi Nugit
 1994 1. Lynn Deas, Rhoda Kratenstein; 2. Cynthia Balderson, Peg Waller
 1995 1. Flo Rotman, Susan Miller; 2. Lila Perlstein, Juanita Chambers
 1996 1. Suzy Burger, Barbara Sion; 2. Judy Randel, Linda Lewis
 1997 1. Janice Seamon, Sylvia Moss; 2. Linda Perlman, Hjordis Eythorsdottir
 1998 1. Sharon Hait, Barbara Sartorius; 2. Shannon Lipscomb, Rhoda Walsh
 1999 1. Mildred Breed, Shawn Quinn; 2. Nell Cahn, Ellen Siebert
 2000 1. Mildred Breed, Shawn Quinn; 2. Joan Jackson, Robin Klar
 2001 1. Mildred Breed, Shawn Quinn; 2. Jayne Thomas, Barbara Nudelman
 2002 1. Mildred Breed, Shawn Quinn; 2. Jan George, Roni Gitchel
 2003 1. Lynn Baker, Kerri Sanborn; 2. Joan Jackson, Robin Klar
 2004 1. Cynthia Hinckley, Diana Schuld; 2. Pam Granovetter, Migry Zur-Campanile
 2005 1. Jill Levin, Malle Andrade; 2. Mildred Breed, Claudette Hartman
 2006 1. Sara Sivelind, Cecilia Rimstedt; 2. Janice Seamon-Molson, Gigi Simpson
 2007 1. Lynn Baker, Karen McCallum; 2. YouMei Zhou; Jian Wang
 2008 1. Betty Ann Kennedy, Lynn Deas; 2. Janice Seamon-Molson, Gigi Simpson



Non-LM winners: Debbie Crisfield and Karen Haines.

Non-Life Master Pairs compete for Miles Trophy

Play begins today in the Rufus L. "Skinny" Miles Jr. Non-Life Master Pairs, a two-session event.

At stake is the trophy named for Rufus L. "Skinny" Miles Jr. (1907-1984) of Virginia Beach VA, ACBL president in 1950 and 1956. He was named ACBL Honorary Member in 1952.

Miles, an investment executive, was a member of many ACBL administrative committees for nearly two decades. He served as president of the Mid-Atlantic Bridge Conference and as non-playing captain of the North American Bermuda Bowl team in 1957 and of the U.S. team in the World Team Olympiad in 1960.

Winners:

- 1981 Lin Goldstein, Shirlee Shaw
 1982 Paul Bratton, Robert Bernhard
 1983 Moses Ma, Philips Santosa
 1984 Summer Steinfeldt, Nancy Muehter
 1985 Hank Hristienko, Zbigniew Radwanski
 1986 Lanier Hurdle, Mike Hurdle
 1987 Anthony Trafecanty, Michael Trafecanty
 1988 Sharon Tuggle, Tom Tuggle
 1989 Jay Berke, Thomas Halton
 1990 Metin Uz, Jeffrey Naiman
 1991 Daryl Hicks, Charles Papp
 1992 Cordelia Menges, Audrey Robb
 1993 Bob Ehrlich, Clark Millikan
 1994 Jean-Cheui Hsung, Edmund Chen
 1995 Michael McNamara, David Liss
 1996 Adam Barron, Anthony Hurwitz
 1997 Alan Carpenter, Michael Levin
 1998 John Markey, John Cobb
 1999 Aviv Shahaf, Igor Sauchenko
 2000 Ernie Fusco, Sherry Fusco
 2001 Aaron Craig, Max Minzner
 2002 Edward Wilson, Paul Fagan
 2003 Marie Berggren, Gunnar Gothberg
 2004 Jadwiga Polujan, Bernie Weiss
 2005 Mike Develin, John Barth
 2006 Robert Bertoni, William Nason
 2007 Metin Gokcen, Sadif Arf

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The 2007 winners of the Nail Life Master Pairs Nikolay Demirev and Ralph Katz.

Nail LM Pairs begins today

Play begins today in this four-session event, restricted to Life Masters and played over two qualifying sessions and two final sessions.

Before 1963 the event was restricted to National Masters and players of higher rank. It was a men's event until 1990 when it became an open event.

At stake is the Bobby Nail Trophy, designated by the ACBL Board of Directors to honor the diminutive Texan (1925-95) who won this event in 1974 with longtime friend and partner Gerald Michaud.

Nail, inducted into the Bridge Hall of Fame at the 2001 Summer NABC in Toronto, won four other North American championships and represented North America twice in the Bermuda Bowl. His team was second in 1963.

Past winners and runners-up:

- 1961 1. G. Gard Hays, Max Manchester; 2. Martin J. Cohn, Hampton Hume
 1962 1. Sam Fuoto, Victor Mitchell; 2. Hal Kandler, Kelsey Petterson
 1963 1. Sami R. Kehela, Eric R. Murray; 2. Harry J. Fishbein, Charles J. Solomon
 1964 1. Charles Coon, Bobby Goldman; 2-3. Mervin Key, Harold Rockaway; 2-3. Jack Blair, Col. William Christian
 1965 1. Paul Soloway, Alex Tschekaloff; 2. Edgar Kaplan, Victor Mitchell
 1966 1. Carl J. Hudecek, Ray Zoller; 2. Gaylor Kasle, Ed Theus
 1967 1. Harlow S. Lewis, Peter A. Pender; 2. Donald R. Faskow, William L. Flannery
 1968 1. Henry Bethe, John Solodar; 2. Don Pearson, John Swanson
 1969 1. Chuck F. Burger, James Cayne; 2. Norman H. Fischer, Christopher G. Jeans
 1970 1. Ron E. Andersen, Hugh C. MacLean; 2. Curtis K. Smith, E. Lowell Yost
 1971 1. Alan Sontag, Peter Weichsel; 2. Stephen W. Robinson, Kit Woolsey



- 1972 1. Leslie C. Bart, Marc S. Jacobus; 2. Stephen W. Robinson, Kit Woolsey
 1973 1. Edgar Kaplan, Norman Kay; 2. Roxy Violin, Ed Weiner
 1974 1. Gerald L. Michaud, G. Robert Nail; 2. John Gerber, Daniel Kaim
 1975 1. Steve Lapides, Walt Walvick; 2. Marc Culbertson, Robert Visokey
 1976 1. Roger Bates, John Mohan; 2. Steve Altman, Thomas M. Smith
 1977 1. David Hoffner, David Schroeder; 2. Roger Bates, John Mohan
 1978 1. Norm Coombs, Tom Hodapp; 2. Kevin Castner, Michael S. Lawrence
 1979 1. Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell; 2. Zeke Jabbour, Dennis McGarry
 1980 1. V. Craig Janitschke, Jan Janitschke; 2. Robert D. Hamman, Paul Swanson
 1981 1. Roger Abelson, Mike Levinson; 2. Robert D. Hamman, Donald P. Krauss
 1982 1. Robert Lipsitz, Dan Gerstman; 2. Lew Mathe, Harold Guiver
 1983 1. Marty Bergen, Larry N. Cohen; 2. Mitch Chandler, Cliff Bishop
 1984 1. Per Olov Sundelin, Peter Pender; 2. Jim Becker, Howard Chandross
 1985 1. John Mohan, Roger Bates; 2. Eric Rodwell, Jeff Meckstroth
 1986 1. Jim Krekorian, Paul Kiefer; 2. Marty Bergen, Larry N. Cohen
 1987 1. Bart Bramley, Lou Bluhm; 2. Leslie West, David Ashley
 1988 1. Robert Levin, Larry Cohen; 2. Glen Lublin, Peter Boyd
 1989 1. Steve Lapides, Walt Walvick; 2. Peter Weichsel, Roger Stern

In 1990, the event became the Life Master Open Pairs.

- 1990 1. Zia Mahmood, Hugh Ross; 2. Tommy Gullberg, Michael Polowan
 1991 1. Zia Mahmood, Hugh Ross; 2. Larry N. Cohen, David Berkowitz
 1992 1. Mike Kamil, Michael Rosenberg; 2. Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell
 1993 1. Brad Moss, Ravindra Murthy; 2. Ed Nagy, Jeff Polisner
 1994 1. Robert Levin, Richard Katz; 2. Michael Polowan, Steve Robinson
 1995 1. John Sutherlin, Bart Bramley; 2. Mark Itabashi, Gene Simpson
 1996 1. Walter Schafer, Ron Smith; 2. Michael Schreiber, Curtis Cheek
 1997 1. Kerry Smith, Jeff Schuett; 2. Dennis Kasle, Garey Hayden
 1998 1. JoAnna Stansby, Lew Stansby; 2. Ron Smith, Richard Schwartz
 1999 1. Paul Soloway, Steve Catlett; 2. Lew Stansby, JoAnna Stansby
 2000 1. Jill Meyers, Steve Garner; 2. Zia Mahmood, Chuck Burger
 2001 1. Piotr Gawrys, Jacek Pszczola; 2. Zia Mahmood, Sidney Lazard
 2002 1. Eric Greco, Geoff Hampson; 2. Larry Cohen, Steve Weinstein
 2003 1. Jo Morse, Kyle Larsen; 2. Fred Gitelman, Jay Borker
 2004 1. Richard Pavlicek, Richard Pavlicek Jr.; 2. Jonathan Green, Mark Aquino
 2005 1. Zia Mahmood, Jill Meyers; 2. Robert Levin, Louk Verhees

- 2006 1. Steve Garner, Howard Weinstein; 2. John Armstrong, Paul Hackett
 2007 1. Zia Mahmood, Bjorn Fallenius; 2. Michael Prahin, Alex Perlin
 2008 1. Nikolay Demirev, Ralph Katz; 2. Eric Rodwell, John Diamond

Defenders, Fall North American Championships

Kaplan Blue Ribbon Pairs: Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell

Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams: Nick Nickell, Richard Freeman, Zia Mahmood, Bob Hamman, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell

Keohane North American Swiss Teams: Carolyn Lynch, Mike Passell, Joe Grue, Curtis Cheek, Bart Bramley, Eddie Wold

Marsha May Sternberg Women's Board-a-Match Teams: Lynn Baker, Kerri Sanborn, Karen McCallum, Lynn Deas, Irina Levitina, Beth Palmer

Mitchell Open Board-a-Match Teams: Zia Mahmood, Bob Hamman, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell

Senior Knockout Teams: P.O. Sundelin, Matthew Granovetter, Fred Chang, John Carruthers, Reese Milner, Sam Lev

Nail Life Master Open Pairs: Nikolay Demirev, Ralph Katz

Smith Life Master Women's Pairs: Lynn Deas, Betty Ann Kennedy

Mini-Blue Ribbon Pairs: Chris Coffman, Roger Coffman

Miles Non-Life Master Pairs: Debbie Crisfield, Karen Haines

National 99er Pairs: Stephen Drodge, Andrew Rodriguez

Goren Trophy (formerly Herman Trophy): Eric Rodwell

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Speaking of Seaport Village, if you haven't been there yet, it is just behind the hotel and has a bunch of shops, restaurants and a neat little food court over by the carousel. If you need food, a tee-shirt, whales on blue velvet or hot sauce, this is the place to go. For more upscale offerings, try Roy's next door at the Marriott, Mr. A's just down the street or the cash concessions here at the hotel.

Starting tonight, there will be five performances of My Fair (Little Old) Lady. This is a can't miss musical that you simply must attend – hence the phrase "can't-miss." (And, admission is free!!) Head up to the Randle Ballroom following the evening session. Watch this space tomorrow for a review of the opening night show.



Come to Philadelphia
1st-16th October 2010



Philadelphia, an historic city 1 1/2 hours from New York City and 45 minutes from Atlantic City. For the "World Bridge Series" Championship. Most of the events will be held at the Marriott Hotel Downtown with a few at the Convention Center connected to the Hotel. You will find all the information (dates and schedule of events, entry fees, reservations in partner hotels) on the official websites of the World Bridge Federation www.worldbridge.org and of the USBF www.usbf.org

The order of events: Mixed Pairs; Open Women's and Senior's Teams; Open and Women's Pairs; Mixed Teams. All these events are transnational. The timings - 10:30 and 15:30 - have been chosen to enable participants to have their evenings free. A full 16 Day Regional Schedule will be offered at the same time in the Convention Center.



THURSDAY AFTERNOON SIDE GAME

36.0 Tables		A	B	C		
6.98	1				Sylwia McNamara - Michael McNamara, White Plains NY	73.81%
5.24	2				R Jay Becker, New York NY; Robert Levin, Lake Ariel PA	66.67%
3.93	3				Li-Hsiang Kuo, Taipei City; Kun Chieh Wang, West Lafayette IN	63.85%
2.94	4				Bob Luebke, Walnut Creek CA; Jan Parker, El Cerrito CA	61.31%
4.70	5	1	1		Kim Eng, Issaquah WA; Mitch Towner, Salt Lake City UT	60.12%
3.53	6	2			Michael Bodell, Santa Clara CA; Sheila Puz, Kitchener ON	59.82%
2.64		3	2		Kathy Rolfe, Lake Winnebago MO; Eric Rolfe, Kansas City MO	58.93%
1.98		4			Joan Hamer - Melbourne Hamer, Westcott R England	58.33%
1.79		5	3		Amanda Jeger, Frankfurt Am Ma Germany; Estera Lisker, East Quogue NY	56.97%
1.59		6			Yoon Kim, San Diego CA; Myung Kee Jang-Park, Seoul South Korea	56.85%
2.05			4		James Baker - Gwendolyn Baker, Dunnellon FL	56.55%
1.15			5		Steven Berman, Fountain Valley CA; Terry Brown, Eddyville IA	52.68%
0.67			6/7		Adelina Wong-Chor, Vancouver BC; Wendy McCrea, North Vancouver BC	52.38%
0.67			6/7		Tim White - Renae Gunstone-White, Mercer Island WA	52.38%

THURSDAY AFTERNOON 299ERS

16.0 Tables		A	B	C		
3.67	1	1			John Baldwin, Marquette MI; Jane Romal, Brockport NY	65.72%
2.75	2				Jo Murray - Chuck Abramo, Ketchum ID	61.36%
2.20	3	2			David Solin, San Marino CA; R Hawke, Big Bear City CA	60.42%
1.65	4	3			Pamela Hughes, Bend OR; Laura Hammaker, Sun City Center FL	58.90%
1.29	5	4			Gail Gorman - Robin Beddis, Calgary AB	57.58%
0.92	6				Robert Houghton, Fair Oaks CA; Robert Locke, Sacramento CA	56.82%
1.90		5	1		David Schmidt, San Diego CA; Rodney Herring, La Mesa CA	56.63%
0.61		6/7			Evelyn Wulf - Robert Wulf, Neskowin OR	53.60%
1.43		6/7	2		Robert Marvin - Mary Kay Marvin, Janesville IA	53.60%
1.07			3		Gary Winston - Shari Winston, Houston TX	52.65%
0.80			4		William Leppard - Chris Leppard, Colorado Spring CO	50.95%

INTERNATIONAL FUND SWISS TEAMS

9 Tables		A	B	C		
4.43	1				Michael Kovacich, Stone Mountain GA; Robert Heller, Decatur GA; Bruce Reeve - Chris Moll, Raleigh NC	107.00
3.32	2	1			Donna Simon - Daniel Simon, South Bend IN; Arnold Grushkin - Beverly Grushkin, Indio CA	69.00
2.49	3				Aileen Osofsky, Phoenix AZ; Merle Stetser, Honolulu HI; Elaine Ware, Vernon BC; Barbara Schultz, Shawnigan Lake BC	66.00
2.45	4	2			Dick Wilson - Marilyn Goldman, Rochester NY; Mark Bercuvitz - Judith Bercuvitz, Montreal QC	64.00
2.14			1		Charles Burns, Vancouver WA; Judith Lorber, Long Beach CA; Vernita Davidson, Martinez CA; Elisabeth Rutter, Oakland CA	61.00

EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION SIDE SERIES 1

68.0 Tables		A	B	C		
11.20	1				Harald Nordby, Oslo Norway; Martin Andresen, Oslo Norway	69.13%
7.35	2/3				McKenzie Myers, Portland OR; Jenni Carmichael, Kennesaw GA	64.39%
7.35	2/3				Nunzio Martorina, Midland TX; Berneice Anglea, Pasadena CA	64.39%
4.73	4				Eva Schondorf - William Wickham, Los Angeles CA	63.26%
3.54	5				George Pisk, Manchaca TX; Michael Huston, Joplin MO	62.88%
2.66	6				Sally Chapleau, Tampa FL; Kerri Sanborn, Stony Point NY	62.31%
2.15	7				Lynn Baker, Austin TX; Karen McCallum, Exeter NH	61.36%
6.22		1			James Woodman - Brenda Woodman, Mount Pearl NL	60.23%
4.67		2			Joyce McMonagle, Cordova TN; Kathryn Ritterbush, Albuquerque NM	59.47%
3.50		3			Robert Neuhart, Troy NY; Bernard Neuhart, Niskayuna NY	57.20%
2.62		4			Yoon Kim, San Diego CA; Myung Kee Jang-Park, Seoul South Korea	57.01%
1.97		5			Kathy Swaine - Rand Pinsky, Valencia CA	56.44%
1.48		6			Dewitt Hudson Jr - Elizabeth Hudson, Arlington TX	55.87%
3.34			1		Mitch Miladinovich - Terri Miladinovich, Acampo CA	53.22%
2.51			2		Bert Adams - Carolyn Adams, Steilacoom WA	50.95%
1.88			3		Li-Hsiang Kuo, Taipei City; Kun Chieh Wang, West Lafayette IN	50.00%
1.41			4		Shirley Liss, Fairbanks AK; Steven Berman, Fountain Valley CA	49.62%
1.06			5		Ethan Yi Liu, Chicago IL; Qiang Zhang, Pleasanton CA	49.24%
1.07			6		Joseph Habeich, Portland OR; Charles Burns, Vancouver WA	48.30%

INTERNATIONAL FUND STRATIFIED 299ER PRS

13.0 Tables		A	B	C		
3.25	1				Robert Houghton, Fair Oaks CA; Robert Locke, Sacramento CA	67.20%
2.66	2	1			Marilyn Swadron - Camille Collver, Calgary AB	60.04%
2.00	3	2			William Anderson - Elana Anderson, Seattle WA	57.51%
1.79	4	3	1		William Leppard - Chris Leppard, Colorado Spring CO	56.06%
1.34	5	4	2		John Naber, Somerville MA; Sandra Naber, Victoria BC	55.91%
1.01	6	5	3		Pato Herrera, Mexico Mexico; Paulina Breton, Mexico City Mexico	55.68%
0.82		6			Kathleen Hennessy, Bonita CA; Sharon Gordon, Chula Vista CA	55.30%
0.76			4		Arlen Ryberg - Joan Ryberg, Laguna Niguel CA	55.19%

EDUC FUND KOS BRACKET I

8 Tables
Ken Gee, Regina SK; Hannah Moon, Prince Albert SK; Earl Knipfel, Moose Jaw SK; Bill Parks, Macungie PA; Mike Cappelletti, Winter Park FL; Allison Howard, Cookeville TN
vs
Marcia Shaw - Gerald Soucy - Stuart Eastwood, Halifax NS; Larry Mock, Dartmouth NS

Ali Koray Selcuk, Istanbul Turkey; Valentin Kovachev, Stony Brook NY; Kelley Hwang, New York NY; Karl Hicks, Dominion NS; John Russell, North Barrington IL
vs

Don Nemiro, Hollister CA; G Gard Hays, Veradale WA; Steve Clements, Aliso Viejo CA; Marjorie Michelin, Laguna Hills CA; Robert Kent, Marina Di Rey CA; Ellis Feigenbaum, Petah Tikva Israel

EDUCATIONAL FUND KOS BRACKET II

8 Tables
David Hunt - Randall Dougherty - Wirt Gilliam - Richard Unger, San Diego CA
vs

Dora Lee - Judy Chapman, Edmonton AB; Paul Sorensen - Allan Sorensen, Berwyn AB

Linda Harrison, Calgary AB; Hao Ge, Bay Village OH; Hui Lin Zhu, Chongqing People's Republic of China; Nongyu Li, Sunnyvale CA; Wei-Bung Wang, Riverside CA; Weidong Pei, Brea CA
vs

Tammy Pepper, Raleigh NC; Theresa Andino, Tallahassee FL; Matthew Mallory, San Diego CA; Michael Myers, Ottawa ON

EDUCATIONAL FUND KOS BRACKET III

8 Tables
Jack Cookson - Patty Cookson - Linda Young, Butte MT; Gerald Holland, Fairbanks AK
vs

Ken Collins, Richmond Hill ON; Robert Michaud, Sun City West AZ; Cary Breech, Danville PA; Erby Satter, Incline Village NV
George Delp - April Delp, Gainesville GA; Sandra Boddy - Fred Boddy, Riverview NB
vs

Hazel Turner, San Diego CA; George Sheffield, Los Osos CA; Ken Matson, Poway CA; Warren Cummings, Bonsall CA

EDUCATIONAL FUND KOS BRACKET IV

8 Tables
Sally Ann Rhea, Boulder CO; Robert Vetter, Aurora CO; Jeffrey Wiegel - Christy Wiegel, Wilsonville OR
vs

Paul Silberman, Mishawaka IN; Judith Lorber, Long Beach CA; Thomas Zosel - Cheri Zosel, Sun Lakes AZ

James Utter - Eileen Utter - James Nulty - Randi Nulty, Sun Lakes AZ
vs

Kathy Rolfe, Lake Winnebago MO; Eric Rolfe, Kansas City MO; Danna Dudnick - Solis Dudnick, Northbrook IL

Elk tops 10,000 masterpoints

Rosalind Elk of New Milford NJ has also advanced to the rank of Platinum Life Master. Elk has many high finishes in NABC+ events including third in the 1992 Rockwell Mixed Pairs. She is consistently in the Barry Crane Top 500 list, and is active in bridge governance. Elk is a director and club manager. In 1975, when smoking was the norm, she and her husband started what they think may have been the first non-smoking club in the U.S.



Life Master news

If you achieve Life Master or reach a higher masterpoint milestone, drop by the Daily Bulletin office so we can let others know about it. It's located in Betsy A on the second floor.

Child care available

Child care is available during the Fall NABC from noon to 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. to midnight. Activities include swimming, art and bridge lessons (noon to 12:30 p.m.). There will be a pizza party on Thursday. For more information, contact Donna Compton in Room 631 at the Manchester Grand Hyatt.

Slow Play

Slow play, as opposed to careful or thoughtful play, is discourteous to your opponents -- and to all other competitors as well. Players and pairs who take more than their allotted time are subject to penalty.

In general, pairs who are rarely late will be warned while pairs who are habitually tardy and/or pay no attention to time limits will be penalized.

Masterpoint disclaimer

Scores as reported in the Daily Bulletin are subject to change because of score changes or corrections.

The masterpoint awards as shown are, therefore, also subject to change.

San Diego 1994: A look back

There were 15,879 tables in play the last time an NABC was held here. At that time, it was the 10th largest table-count ever. A new event was announced to be held later that year: the nationally rated Senior Knockouts.

There were trips to the zoo, San Diego Bay cruises, visits to Tijuana, Mexico, and guided city tours. The Public Broadcasting System taped live action and interviewed players for a television special. There were pool-side parties with flamenco dancers, mariachi bands and Mexican dinners.

There was also plenty of bridge. Here are some of the deals reported in the Daily Bulletin.

The right touch

When you're down 43 IMPs, it's time to become aggressive. Ron Andersen and Gerald Caravelli applied that principle in the Flight A Grand National Teams by bidding an aggressive slam. All Caravelli had to do was make it.

Dir: North		♠ 10 8 7 6	
Vul: N-S		♥ A 8 7	
		♦ 9 8 4	
		♣ K J 6	
♠ K J		♠ 5 4	
♥ Q J 10 4		♥ K 9 5 3 2	
♦ J 10 7 6 3		♦ Q 2	
♣ Q 7		♣ 10 8 3 2	
	♠ A Q 9 3 2		
	♥ 6		
	♦ A K 5		
	♣ A 9 5 4		
West	North	East	South
	<i>Andersen</i>		<i>Caravelli</i>
	Pass	Pass	1♠
Pass	2♠	Pass	3♣
Pass	4♠	Pass	5♦
Pass	5♥	Dbl	Pass
Pass	6♠	All Pass	

West led the ♥Q to dummy's ace. Caravelli took the losing spade finesse and West persisted in hearts. Hurdle one was jumped when spades proved to be 2-2. Caravelli then cashed the ♦A and played a club to dummy's jack. Hurdle two crossed. He then ruffed a heart, played a spade to the 10 and cashed the ♠8, discarding the losing diamond from his hand.

He played a diamond from dummy, noting East's queen, and won the king. Caravelli led a club to the queen and king, and, judging correctly, played low from dummy and put in the 9 for 12 tricks, and a well-deserved 13-IMP gain (4♠ was the contract at the other table).

A newspaper hand

By Alfred Sheinwold

I kibitzed Eric Rodwell and got a good example of solid technique — nothing spectacular, but a fine deal for my newspaper column.

Dir: East		♠ A 7 2	
Vul: None		♥ Q 10 5	
		♦ A K Q J 10	
		♣ 9 6	
♠ K		♠ J 10 4	
♥ A 9 3		♥ K J 8 6 4 2	
♦ 9 5 3 2		♦ 7 4	
♣ A Q J 4 3		♣ 10 2	
	♠ Q 9 8 6 5 3		
	♥ 7		
	♦ 8 6		
	♣ K 8 7 5		
West	North	East	South
		2♦ (1)	2♠
3♣	Pass	Pass	3♠
Pass	4♠	All Pass	

(1) A weak two-bid in a major suit.

West led the ♥A and another heart. Rodwell ruffed and led a low trump. West played the king, and Rodwell paused to considered this. He played a low spade from dummy.

South was sure to lose a trump trick, and could

afford to lose it to West. If declarer took the ♠A and ♠Q, East would ruff the third diamond with the spade jack and lead a club to give West two club tricks — enough to defeat the contract.

Rodwell's avoidance play kept East out of the lead. West had no further defense. He continued hearts in the hope that Rodwell had overcalled on a five-card suit, but Rodwell ruffed, drew trumps with the spade ace and queen, then ran the diamonds for 10 tricks.

On target

Larry Cohen can play the spots off the cards, and it's a treat to watch him in action. This deal, from the Grand National Teams Flight A, shows his skill and imagination as declarer. Cohen was playing with David Berkowitz.

Dir: West		♠ Q 6 2	
Vul: N-S		♥ A 9 7 4	
		♦ A 3	
		♣ A Q 9 6	
♠ 4		♠ A K 10 5	
♥ J 6 5		♥ 8 3	
♦ K J 9 8 6 5 4		♦ 2	
♣ 8 5		♣ K 10 7 4 3 2	
	♠ J 9 8 7 3		
	♥ K Q 10 2		
	♦ Q 10 7		
	♣ J		
West	North	East	South
	<i>Berkowitz</i>		<i>Cohen</i>
3♦	Dbl	Pass	4♠
All Pass			

West led the ♣8. Cohen won dummy's ace and floated the ♠6. East won the second round of spades and returned the ♦2. Cohen won the ace and continued spades. East won and got out with his last trump.

Cohen played the ♥K and the ♥10 to dummy's ace. He then called for dummy's ♣Q, discarding a low diamond from his hand when East covered. The defense was helpless. If East played a low club, Cohen would shed his other losing diamond as dummy won the trick. If he played the ♣10, Cohen could ruff, establishing the 9, and get to dummy with the ♥9 after cashing the queen.

Plus 620 was a 10-IMP gain for Cohen's team.

Nail-biter

This deal decided the Flight A Grand National Teams final.

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

With one board to go, the Jimmy Cayne team trailed the Doug Simson team by 7 IMPs. At one table, Eric Rodwell and Jeff Meckstroth had an artificial auction to 4♥, but played by South. Larry Cohen led his diamond — known to be a singleton from the auction — and was given a ruff after David Berkowitz won the first round of trumps. Cohen cashed the ♣A and played a spade to partner's ace for down one.

At the other table:

West	North	East	South
<i>Johnson</i>	<i>Cayne</i>	<i>Simson</i>	<i>Sontag</i>
Pass	1♥	Pass	1♠
Pass	2♥	Pass	4♥
All Pass			

Simson led the ♣3 (third and low). Walter Johnson won the ace and Cayne played the queen. Johnson switched to his singleton diamond, taken

in dummy with the king. Cayne played the ♥10 from dummy. Simson won and played the ♦5 for Johnson to ruff. It was unclear whether Cayne's play of the ♣Q was a true card from a doubleton K-Q or a falsecard from a doubleton queen. If the queen had been a falsecard and Cayne had the ♠A, a club return was needed. When Johnson returned a club, Cayne claimed 10 tricks for plus 420.

Simson could have protected his partner from the error by cashing the ♠A before giving Johnson the ruff. If Cayne was void in spades, there was little or no chance to defeat the contract. Simson knew declarer had the ♣K, which Johnson could not know for sure.

Aggressive bidding pays off

Dir: North		♠ Q J 9 8 7 4	
Vul: E-W		♥ 8 6	
		♦ Q	
		♣ 8 5 4 3	
♠ A 10 6 2		♠ 5	
♥ A K Q 7 5 3		♥ J 9 2	
♦ A 4		♦ 10 9 5 3	
♣ K		♣ A Q 10 6 2	
	♠ K 3		
	♥ 10 4		
	♦ K J 8 7 6 2		
	♣ J 9 7		
West	North	East	South
<i>Sontag</i>	<i>Simson</i>	<i>Cayne</i>	<i>Johnson</i>
	3♥ (1)	Pass	3♠
4♥	All Pass		

(1) Transfer preempt, showing spades.

At one table, a gadget preempt was sufficiently disruptive to mess up the Sontag-Cayne auction and they languished in game.

The auction was different at the other table:

West	North	East	South
<i>Meckstroth</i>	<i>Berkowitz</i>	<i>Rodwell</i>	<i>Cohen</i>
	2♠	Pass	Pass
Dbl	Pass	3♣ (1)	Pass
3♥ (2)	Pass	4♥	Pass
4♠ (3)	Pass	5♣ (4)	Pass
5♠ (5)	Pass	5NT (6)	Pass
6♦ (7)	Pass	7♥	All Pass

(1) Modest values.

(2) Natural and forcing.

(3) Roman Key Card Blackwood.

(4) One key card.

(5) Confirming all the key cards and asking about kings.

(6) No kings.

(7) Still trying for a grand slam.

Both players bid aggressively, but the contract had the virtue of being cold. It turned out that they only gained 4 more IMPs for bidding the grand. They would have won 13 if they stopped in 6♥.

This deal was costly for the GNT losers:

Dir: South		♠ K J 3 2	
Vul: E-W		♥ K Q J 9	
		♦ 10 4	
		♣ A 10 5	
♠ 10 4		♠ Q 7	
♥ A 7 4 3 2		♥ 10 8 6 5	
♦ Q 7 2		♦ A 9 8 6	
♣ K Q 4		♣ 9 3 2	
	♠ A 9 8 6 5		
	♥ —		
	♦ K J 5 3		
	♣ J 8 7 6		
West	North	East	South
<i>Cohen</i>	<i>Rodwell</i>	<i>Berkowitz</i>	<i>Meckstroth</i>
	2♥	Pass	2NT
Pass	4♠	All Pass	

Meckstroth's 9-point opener kept East-West just where they belonged — out of the auction. Meckstroth finished with 10 tricks for plus 420.

At the other table:

West <i>Johnson</i>	North <i>Cayne</i>	East <i>Simson</i>	South <i>Sontag</i>
1♥	Pass	3♥ (1)	Pass
All Pass			DbI

(1) Preemptive.
Johnson's light opener and Simson's preemptive raise courted disaster, which occurred. Cayne was delighted to convert Sontag's passed-hand takeout double to penalty. The result was plus 1100 and a 12-IMP gain.

The dog that didn't bark

Brian Glubok found himself in a touchy slam on this deal from the first session of the Life Master Pairs. He found the winning line of play by listening to what didn't happen in the auction. Glubok was playing with Charles Reich of New York.

Dlr: South ♠ Q 10 3 2
Vul: E-W ♥ A 10 7 3 2
 ♦ 2
 ♣ A 9 3

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

♠ A K J 7 5
♥ Q
♦ A J 10
♣ Q 8 5 2

North <i>Reich</i>	East	South <i>Glubok</i>
		1♠
3♦ (1)		3♥ (2)
3♠ (3)		3NT (4)
4♦ (5)		4♥ (6)
5♠ (7)		6♠
Pass		

(1) High-low splinter: Either 10-12 or 15-plus with an unspecified singleton.
(2) Semi-automatic to determine strength of

partner's hand.
(3) 10-12.
(4) Asking about the singleton.
(5) Diamond stiff.
(6) Last train: Not willing to sign off in 4♠, but no clear-cut action.
(7) Cuebid.

Glubok and Reich were playing the Swedish Club system, which accounts for the somewhat exotic auction.

West lead a trump and Glubok considered his prospects in the pushy slam. Ordinarily, he would have played for East to have the ♣K, but he remembered that East had not doubled Reich's 5♣ cuebid. This strongly suggest to Glubok that playing to the ♣Q wasn't going to work, so he chose another play.

Glubok won the opening lead in hand and advanced the ♥Q, running it when West played low. East won the king and returned a trump. Glubok won in hand again and played the ♦A and ruffed a diamond. He cashed the heart ace and ruffed a heart, claiming when West followed with the jack. Plus 980 was worth 75% of the matchpoints.

Life in the fast track

By Alfred Sheinwold

From a quarterfinal match in the Grand National Teams come nominations for bridge honors, such as Most Diabolical Bid and Unluckiest Slam.

Dlr: North ♠ A 7 5
Vul: N-S ♥ A K 2
 ♦ 9 6 5 4
 ♣ 6 4 3

♠ 8 6 2
♥ J 6 3
♦ 10 8 7 2
♣ J 9 7

♠ 10
♥ Q 9
♦ A K Q J 3
♣ A K 10 8 5

West <i>Becker</i>	North <i>Hamman</i>	East <i>Rubin</i>	South <i>Wolff</i>
Pass	Pass	Pass	1♣ (1)
4♦ (3)	2♣ (2)	3♦	DbI
All Pass	DbI	4♠	6♣

(1) Blue Team club — strong and artificial.

(2) Five controls (two aces and one king or one ace and three kings).

(3) Becker asked what the double was and was told penalty. Becker then bid 4♦ to go along with whatever his partner was doing.

The Most Diabolical Bid was, of course, Ronnie Rubin's psychic jump to 3♦. Because Wolff had shown at least 16 high-card points by the opening bid and Hamman had shown two aces and a king (he'd have opened with three kings and an ace), Rubin felt sure North-South had a slam, probably in diamonds. Rubin threw a spitball to see whose face it would land on.

Mike Becker, with the same information, likewise felt sure the opponents had a slam. Because he had three-card support for any escape suit, he raised the ante to 4♦ — a worthy candidate for Most Diabolical Bid in a Supporting Role.

Hamman's double indicated that he held some modest length in diamonds and no suit worth mentioning. He could feel reasonably sure that Wolff had enough of the top cards to locate the aces and perhaps the king in the North hand.

When Rubin rescued himself at 4♠, Wolff despaired of collecting a penalty big enough to make up for a slam. North probably held fair club length, and a leap to 6♦ might lead to a misunderstanding.

So Wolff took a shot at the likeliest slam, only to win the Unluckiest Slam nomination. Hamman's club support was not great. Rubin ruffed the opening diamond lead, and Becker still had a trump trick.

At the other table, South played at 5♦, scoring 620, expecting to lose a bushel of IMPs for missing

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a cold, laydown slam. Instead he collected 12 IMPs for the net score of 720 points.

A trick from the blue

By Steve Becker

When you've got 40,000 or so masterpoints salted away, you must be doing more than a few things right. In this deal, Paul Soloway showed just how he does it:

Dir: South ♠ 9 7
 Vul: N-S ♥ 9 5
 ♦ K Q J 10
 ♣ J 7 5 4 3

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

♠ A Q
 ♥ A K Q 8 6 3
 ♦ 9 4 3 2
 ♣ —

North South
 1♥
 INT 4♥
 Pass

A glance at the layout would lead one to conclude that declarer must lose a diamond and a spade in 4♥. And that, in fact, is what happened at virtually every table. Every table, that is, but Soloway's.

When Paul was at the helm, a low diamond was led by West to East's ace. East then tried to cash the ♣A, ruffed by Soloway. It may seem that sooner or later declarer will cross to one of dummy's diamonds and take a losing spade finesse, but there is more to the deal than meets the eye.

After ruffing the club ace, Soloway drew trumps, then led a diamond to dummy and ruffed a club, felling East's queen. Another diamond was led to dummy, on which East discarded a spade, and followed by a third club ruff, East discarding another spade.

At this point, Soloway paused to take stock. Thus far, East had shown up with precisely three hearts, the doubleton ace of diamonds and the doubleton A-Q of clubs. East was therefore marked with exactly six spades. If the six spades included the king, Soloway reasoned, East would surely have overcalled with 2♠ at his first turn. So Soloway placed West with the ♠K. Because South was also



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known to have the ♣K, he was a prime candidate for a squeeze.

So Soloway ran off the rest of his hearts, coming down to the ♠A Q and a diamond in his hand, and the ♣J, ♦10 and ♠9 in dummy.

West was meantime reduced to ♠K J and ♣K. When Soloway led a diamond to dummy, West was forced to blank his ♠K in order to hold the ♣K. Soloway then led a spade to the ace to pick up the crucial 12th trick and provide proof positive that those 40,000 masterpoints are certainly no accident.

Down 800, no problem

Aggressive bidding and a serious misjudgment by the opponents led to a 14-IMP gain on this deal:

Dir: East ♠ Q 6 2
 Vul: N-S ♥ A K J 7 4 3
 ♦ —
 ♣ K 8 4 3

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

♠ A J 4
 ♥ 5
 ♦ Q J 8 2
 ♣ A J 9 7 6

West North East South
 1♥ Pass Pass 1♦
 All Pass Pass Pass Dbl

South's opening bid picked off West's best fit, so he decided to overcall his heart suit. North was delighted to convert South's reopening double to penalty. West took three tricks for minus 800. He was surprised to learn his team had made a sizeable gain on the deal.

West North East South
 3♦ Dbl (2) 4♦ 2♣ (1)
 4NT 6♥ Pass Pass
 Pass 7♣ Pass 6♣
 7♦ Dbl All Pass Pass

(1) Precision: natural 11-15.
 (2) Negative

The wild distribution makes any North-South slam a virtually impossible proposition, but the confident bidding by North-South made the non-vulnerable sacrifice attractive. It was a costly venture. North-South netted plus 1700.

NORTH-SOUTH			
A	B	C	
1			Bob Luebke, Walnut Creek CA; Jan Parker, El Cerrito CA
2	1		Bill Harlan - Phyllis Harlan, Oklahoma City OK
3/4			Rodney Paxton, Coeur D'Alene ID; Henriette Mufich, Coeur D'Alene ID
3/4			Midori Sakaguchi, Mitaka Tokyo Japan; Takako Fujimoto, Tokyo 180 Japan
5			Lynn Baker, Austin TX; Karen McCallum, Exeter NH
	2		Matthew Dyer - Rebecca Wernis, Chicago IL
		1	Liliane Kirchhoff, San Francisco CA; Margarete Carioba, Cardiff CA
NORTH-SOUTH			
A	B	C	
1	1	1	James Baker - Gwendolyn Baker, Dunnellon FL
2	2		Matthew Hoskins - Elizabeth Hoskins, Shoreham-By-Sea England
3			Richard Popper, Wilmington DE; Bill Parks, Macungie PA
4			Koko Adachi, Toyko 112-0012 Japan; Hiroki Yokoi, Tokyo Japan
5/6	3		Anne Cohler - Charles Cohler, San Francisco CA
52.38%			
5/6			Nunzio Martorina, Midland TX; Berneice Anglea, Pasadena CA
NORTH-SOUTH			
A	B	C	
1			Sylvia McNamara - Michael McNamara, White Plains NY
2			Carol Stewart, Henderson NV; Paul Ivaska, Las Vegas NV
3	1	1	Amanda Jeger, Frankfurt Am Ma Germany; Estera Lisker, East Quogue NY
4			George Drake - Helene Drake, Phoenix AZ
5	2	2	Barbara Lotief, Duson LA; Lucia Teulecke, Laguna Woods CA

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A	B	C
61.31%	1	
55.06%	2	
54.46%	3	1
54.46%	4	2
53.87%	5	3
52.08%		
46.13%		
SECTION F		
56.55%	1	1
56.25%	2	2
55.95%	3	3
52.98%	4	
51.79%	5/6	

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A	B	C
60.42%	1	1
57.58%	2	
56.82%	3	2
56.63%	4	
53.60%	5	3
51.89%	6	4
50.95%		5

EAST-WEST

R Jay Becker, New York NY; Robert Levin, Lake Ariel PA	66.67%
Serge de Muller, Fribourg Switzerland; Gerard Allier, Carlsbad CA	57.74%
Yoon Kim, San Diego CA; Myung Kee Jang-Park, Seoul South Korea	56.85%
David Walton - Suzi Hutchinson, Thousand Oaks CA	53.87%
Steven Berman, Fountain Valley CA; Terry Brown, Eddyville IA	52.68%
Danna Dudnick - Solis Dudnick, Northbrook IL	44.64%
EAST-WEST	
Kim Eng, Issaquah WA; Mitch Towner, Salt Lake City UT	60.12%
Michael Bodell, Santa Clara CA; Sheila Puz, Kitchener ON	59.82%
Kathy Rolfe, Lake Winnebago MO; Eric Rolfe, Kansas City MO	58.93%
James Melville, Springfield IL; Joshua Stark, Grayslake IL	57.44%
Adelina Wong-Chor, Vancouver BC; Wendy McCrear, North Vancouver BC	
Tim White - Renae Gunstone-White, Mercer Island WA	52.38%
EAST-WEST	
Li-Hsiang Kuo, Taipei City; Kun Chieh Wang, West Lafayette IN	63.85%
Joan Hamer - Melbourne Hamer, Westcott R England	58.33%
Steve Kaessner, Yuba City CA; Irene Harlow, Reno NV	56.72%
Erez Hendelman, New York NY; Shirley Matthews, Lindale TX	55.54%
G S Jade Barrett, Elk Point SD; Diana Marquardt, Del Mar CA	52.55%
Michael Klemens - Nancy Klemens, Tarzana CA	46.73%
Jack Ochs, Chugiak AK; Shirley Liss, Fairbanks AK	44.60%

EAST-WEST

John Baldwin, Marquette MI; Jane Romal, Brockport NY	65.72%
Jo Murray - Chuck Abramo, Ketchum ID	61.36%
Pamela Hughes, Bend OR; Laura Hammaker, Sun City Center FL	58.90%
Christina Mann - David Lading, Appleton WI	54.55%
Robert Marvin - Mary Kay Marvin, Janesville IA	53.60%
Iris Mouton, Lafayette LA; Cyd O'Callaghan, Calgary AB	53.22%
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1			Allan Siebert, Little Rock AR; Diana Schuld, Glen Head NY	59.66%	2		Betty Jackson - Jackie Stewart, Pebble Beach CA	56.82%	
2			Kitty Cooper, Fort Collins CO; Steven Cooper, Ft Collins CO	56.44%	3	2	Debra Cameron, Temecula CA; Robert Hope, Provost AB	55.49%	
3			George Soules, San Diego CA; Bob Hamman, Dallas TX	56.06%	4		Eric Rodwell, Clearwater Bch FL; John Diamond, Boca Raton FL	55.30%	
4			Jack Ochs, Chugiak AK; Walter Pease, Anchorage AK	52.84%	5		Donna Wood - Paul Foster, Vista CA	55.11%	
5			Letha Couch, Chula Vista CA; Billie Greene, San Diego CA	51.52%	6		Pedro Ieong, Hong Kong Hong Kong; Samuel Ieong, Palo Alto CA	53.41%	
6	1		Rosalee Hardin - Jeanette Greenhut, Vancouver BC	50.76%		3/4	Li-Hsiang Kuo, Taipei City; Kun Chieh Wang, West Lafayette IN	50.00%	
	2		Marshall Lewis, Cleveland Hgts OH; Stephanie Russo, New York NY	47.16%		3/4	Martha Hawley, Carmel Valley CA; Michael Bodell, Santa Clara CA	50.00%	
	3		Alene Friedman, Sherman Oaks CA; Carol Bell, Shadow Hills CA	44.70%					
		1	NORTH-SOUTH						
NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION D			EAST-WEST			
A	B	C	McKenzie Myers, Portland OR; Jenni Carmichael, Kennesaw GA	64.39%	1	B	C	David Walker, Salem VA; Kevin Wilson, Knoxville TN	58.71%
1			Sally Chapleau, Tampa FL; Kerri Sanborn, Stony Point NY	62.31%	2			Claire Jones, Regina SK; Alvin Levy, Commack NY	55.11%
2			Yoon Kim, San Diego CA; Myung Kee Jang-Park, Seoul South Korea	57.01%	3/4	1	1	Mitch Miladinovich - Terri Miladinovich, Acampo CA	53.22%
3	1		Sandra DeMartino, Riverside CT; Craig Robinson, Lansdale PA	56.82%	3/4			Don Campbell - Cydney Hayes, Saskatoon SK	53.22%
4			Matthew Hoskins - Elizabeth Hoskins, Shoreham-By-Sea England	54.17%	5			Amanda Carter, Arlington VA; Mike Cappelletti Sr, Alexandria VA	52.65%
5	2		Leonard Helman - James Smock, Santa Fe NM	49.43%	6			Michael McNamara, White Plains NY; Marius Agica, New York NY	52.46%
6			Arne Garvander, Richfield MN; Kelly Moses, Biloxi MS	46.97%		2		Danny Miles, Toronto ON; Jessica Pfafsky, New York NY	51.89%
		1	NORTH-SOUTH					EAST-WEST	
NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION F			EAST-WEST			
A	B	C	Harald Nordby, Oslo Norway; Martin Andresen, 0207 Osl Norway	69.13%	1	B	C	Joyce McMonagle, Cordova TN; Kathryn Ritterbush, Albuquerque NM	59.47%
1			Fay Teal, Kitchener ON; Carol Mahoney, Kokomo IN	60.61%	2			Anita Morse - Peter Morse, North Vancouver BC	57.77%
2			Phyllis Kantar, Santa Monica CA; Don Krauss, Beverly Hills CA	55.49%	3/4			Peter Latkany, Brooklyn NY; Bonnie Britton, Staten Island NY	55.87%
3			Phyllis Yates, San Diego CA; John Toy, Buffalo NY	53.60%	3/4	2		Dewitt Hudson Jr - Elizabeth Hudson, Arlington TX	55.87%
4			William Hall, Thousand Oaks CA; Willo Jean Hall, Lancaster CA	52.46%	5			Mary Vickers, Apex NC; Dudley Brown, Grandview WA	55.11%
5			David Siebert - Suzanne Siebert, Little Rock AR	52.27%	6	3		Helena McGahagan - Owen Roth, Goleta CA	54.73%
6			Joan Richardson, Scarborough ON; Judy Singer, Toronto ON	50.57%			1	Judy Brock, Lincoln CA; Diana McGinn, Tucson AZ	42.05%
	1		Joseph Habeich, Portland OR; Charles Burns, Vancouver WA	48.30%					
	2	1	NORTH-SOUTH						
NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION G			EAST-WEST			
A	B	C	Nunzio Martorina, Midland TX; Berneice Anglea, Pasadena CA	64.39%	1	B	C	Eva Schondorf - William Wickham, Los Angeles CA	63.26%
1			Darina Demirev - Nikolay Demirev, Arlington Hts IL	59.85%	2	1		Robert Neuhart, Troy NY; Bernard Neuhart, Niskayuna NY	57.20%
2			Diane Graese - Leonard Ernst, Las Vegas NV	58.71%	3			William Malesevich, Mayville WI; Michele Foran, Oconomowoc WI	57.01%
3			Buddy Hanby, Spring TX; Cindy Bernstein, Memphis TN	57.95%	4	2		Maxwell Hughes, Greenwich CT; Shirley Eide, Bakersfield CA	52.84%
4			Daniel Korbel, Waterloo ON; Jonathan Steinberg, Toronto ON	55.87%	5			Arve Farstad, Oslo Norway; Jon E F Aabye, Oslo 0368 Norway	50.57%
5			Judith Stein - Ron Mey-Ami, San Francisco CA	45.45%			1	Ted Applegate - Joja Applegate, Carlsbad CA	42.99%
6	1		Anne Cohler - Charles Cohler, San Francisco CA	43.75%					
	2		Elizabeth Arthur - Michael Arthur, Pearl River LA	39.96%					
		1	NORTH-SOUTH						
NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION E			EAST-WEST			
A	B	C	Lynn Baker, Austin TX; Karen McCallum, Exeter NH	61.36%	1	B	C	Robert Levin, Lake Ariel PA; R Jay Becker, New York NY	58.14%
1			Kathy Swaine - Rand Pinsky, Valencia CA	56.44%	2			Gerri Soffa Carlson, Ranch Pls Vrd CA; Steve Mager, Hermosa Beach CA	56.82%
2	1		Teri Atkinson, Bakersfield CA; Janet Wickersham, Sierra Madre CA	52.65%	3			Mac Busby, San Diego CA; Rebecca Rogers, Las Vegas NV	55.49%
3			Chris Moll - Bruce Reeve, Raleigh NC	52.46%	4			Barbara Mackay, Fredericton NB; Barbara Jur, Warren MI	55.11%
4			Koko Adachi, Tokyo 112-0012 Japan; Hiroki Yokoi, Tokyo Japan	50.95%	5			Darlene Shirey - Steve Shirey, Fort Worth TX	53.98%
5			Shirley Liss, Fairbanks AK; Steven Berman, Fountain Valley CA	49.62%		1		Janet Macchi, Statham GA; Marti Masley, Palm City FL	51.89%
	2	1				2	1	Bert Adams - Carolyn Adams, Steilacoom WA	50.95%

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1	1	1	John Naber, Somerville MA; Sandra Naber, Victoria BC	55.91%	2	1		Marilyn Swadron - Camille Collver, Calgary AB	60.04%
2	2	2	Kathleen Hennessy, Bonita CA; Sharon Gordon, Chula Vista CA	55.30%	3	2		William Anderson - Elana Anderson, Seattle WA	57.51%
3	3		Arlen Ryberg - Joan Ryberg, Laguna Niguel CA	55.19%	4	3	1	Pato Herrera, Mexico Mexico; Paulina Breton, Mexico City Mexico	55.68%
4	4		Iris Mouton, Lafayette LA; Lesleigh Holm, Pacific Palisds CA	53.98%	5	4	2	Robert Marvin - Mary Kay Marvin, Janesville IA	52.84%
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Tomorrow's Bridge Events

Junior Day

Saturday, November 28, 9 a.m.

Event	Session	Sold ACBL members*	Entry/player/session	Other
Educational Foundation Bracketed Knockout Teams	3rd	Elizabeth Ballroom, 2 nd Floor	\$16	\$18
Friday-Saturday Morning Bracketed Compact Knockout Teams	3-4	Elizabeth Ballroom, 2 nd Floor	\$16	\$18
Saturday-Sunday Morning Bracketed Compact Knockout Teams	1-2	Elizabeth Ballroom, 2 nd Floor	\$16	\$18
Friday-Sunday Morning Side Game Series	2nd single session	Elizabeth Ballroom, 2 nd Floor	\$16	\$18

Saturday, November 28, 9:45 a.m.

Happy Bridge	single	Manchester Ballroom D, 2 nd Floor	Free	Free
<i>Free lesson, 14 deals, no card fee</i>				

Saturday, November 28, 10 a.m. & 3:30 p.m.

SENIOR KNOCKOUT TEAMS	Round 2	Douglas Ballroom A, 1 st Floor	\$20	--
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Saturday, November 28, 10:30 a.m.

299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Manchester Ballroom G, 2nd Floor	\$15	\$17
0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single	Manchester Ballroom G, 2nd Floor	\$15	\$15

Saturday, November 28, 10:30 a.m. & 3 p.m.

Stratified Daylight Open Pairs	1-2	Manchester Ballroom A, 2nd Floor	\$16	\$18
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Saturday, November 28, 1 p.m.

Saturday-Sunday Side Game Series	1st single session	Elizabeth Ballroom, 2 nd Floor	\$16	\$18
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Saturday, November 28, 1 & 7:30 p.m.

BOBBY NAIL LIFE MASTER OPEN PAIRS	1-2 F	Douglas Ballroom, 1 st Floor	\$20	--
HELEN SOBEL SMITH LIFE MASTER WOMEN'S PAIRS	1-2 F	Douglas Ballroom, 1 st Floor	\$20	--
Wedding Bells Strati-Flighted A/X Pairs	1-2	Douglas Ballroom D, 1 st Floor	\$16	\$18
Wedding Bells Strati-Flighted B/C/D Pairs	1-2	Elizabeth Ballroom, 2nd Floor	\$16	\$18
Saturday-Sunday Bracketed Knockout Teams	1-2	Elizabeth Ballroom, 2 nd Floor	\$16	\$18
Saturday Bracketed Compact KO Teams	1-4	Elizabeth Ballroom, 2 nd Floor	\$16	\$18
Friday-Saturday Bracketed Knockout Teams	3-4	Elizabeth Ballroom, 2 nd Floor	\$16	\$18

Saturday, November 28, 3 p.m.

299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Manchester Ballroom G, 2nd Floor	\$15	\$17
0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single	Manchester Ballroom G, 2nd Floor	\$15	\$15

Saturday, November 28, 7:30 p.m.

Stratified Side Swiss Teams	single	Elizabeth Ballroom, 2nd Floor	\$15	\$17
Saturday-Sunday Side Game Series	2nd single session	Elizabeth Ballroom, 2nd Floor	\$16	\$18
Stratified 299er Swiss Teams	single	Manchester Ballroom G, 2nd Floor	\$15	\$17
299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Manchester Ballroom G, 2nd Floor	\$15	\$17
0-20, 0-5 Pairs	single	Manchester Ballroom G, 2nd Floor	\$15	\$15

Saturday, November 28, 11:30 p.m.

Zip Knockout Teams	single	Manchester Ballroom G, 2nd Floor	\$12/team/match	
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Unless otherwise noted, strata breaks for all stratified events are: A (2500+), B (750-2500), C (0-750). For Strati-Flighted events, A/X are 5000+/0-5000 and play in their own game; B (1500-2500), C (750-1500) and D (0-750) play in their own game.

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

Today's Bridge Events

See page 2 for other events

Friday, November 27, 9 a.m.
0-5 Newcomers play free today!

Event	Session	Sold	Entry/player/session ACBL members**	Other
Educational Foundation Bracketed Knockout Teams	2nd	Elizabeth Ballroom, 2nd Floor	\$16	\$18
Friday-Saturday Morning Bracketed Compact Knockout Teams	1-2	Elizabeth Ballroom, 2nd Floor	\$16	\$18
Friday-Sunday Morning Side Game Series	1st single session	Elizabeth Ballroom, 2nd Floor	\$16	\$18

Friday, November 27, 10:30 a.m.

299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Manchester Ballroom G, 2nd Floor	\$15	\$17
0-20 Pairs	single	Manchester Ballroom G, 2nd Floor	\$15	\$15
0-5 Pairs	single	Manchester Ballroom G, 2nd Floor	Free	Free

Friday, November 27, 10:30 a.m. & 3 p.m.

Stratified Daylight Open Pairs	1-2	Manchester Ballroom A, 2nd Floor	\$16	\$18
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Friday, November 27, 1 p.m.

Thursday-Friday Side Game Series	3rd single session	Elizabeth Ballroom, 2nd Floor	\$16	\$18
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Friday, November 27, 1 & 7:30 p.m.

BOBBY NAIL LIFE MASTER OPEN PAIRS	1-2 Q	Douglas Ballroom, 1 st Floor	\$20	--
HELEN SOBEL SMITH LIFE MASTER WOMEN'S PAIRS	1-2 Q	Douglas Ballroom, 1 st Floor	\$20	--
<i>Both events: 2 qualifying, 2 final sessions.</i>				
Rufus L. "Skinny" Miles Jr. Non-Life Master Pairs	1-2	Elizabeth Ballroom, 2 nd Floor	\$17	--
<i>5% Gold overall</i>				
SENIOR KNOCKOUT TEAMS	Round 1	Douglas Ballroom A, 1 st Floor	\$20	--
<i>Entry required by 11 a.m., Nov. 27. One match per day until complete. Continues daily at 10:30 a.m.</i>				
Eliza Bidlittle Stratified Open Pairs	1-2	Elizabeth Ballroom, 2nd Floor	\$16	\$18
Friday-Saturday Bracketed Knockout Teams	1-2	Elizabeth Ballroom, 2nd Floor	\$16	\$18

Friday, November 27, 3 p.m.

299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Manchester Ballroom G, 2nd Floor	\$15	\$17
0-20 Pairs	single	Manchester Ballroom G, 2nd Floor	\$15	\$15
0-5 Pairs	single	Manchester Ballroom G, 2nd Floor	Free	Free

Friday, November 27, 7:30 p.m.

Stratified Side Swiss Teams	single	Elizabeth Ballroom, 2nd Floor	\$15	\$17
Thursday-Friday Side Game Series	4th single session	Elizabeth Ballroom, 2nd Floor	\$16	\$18
Stratified 299er Swiss Teams	single	Manchester Ballroom G, 2nd Floor	\$15	\$15
\$17				
299er, 199er, 99er & 49er Pairs	single	Manchester Ballroom G, 2nd Floor	\$15	\$17
0-20 Pairs	single	Manchester Ballroom G, 2nd Floor	\$15	\$15
\$15				
0-5 Pairs	single	Manchester Ballroom G, 2nd Floor	Free	Free

Friday, November 27, 11:30 p.m.

Zip Knockout Teams	single	Manchester Ballroom G, 2nd Floor	\$12/team/match	
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Cell Phones and Electronic Devices: Know the Rules

If you're playing in a national-level event:

All electronic devices are banned from the playing area.

"Electronic devices, excluding health-related equipment, capable of sending or receiving communication, including but not limited to, headphones, earphones, cellular phones and minicomputers: (1) shall not be allowed in the playing areas, adjacent hallways, restrooms or accessible break areas; and (2) shall not be used during a session.

These restrictions shall apply to all pairs, team members, captains, coaches, recorders and kibitzers and shall apply throughout any actual playing session or segment.

A violation of this policy shall result in a disciplinary penalty of one full board (or 12 IMPs at

that form of scoring) for the first offense. A second offense shall result in disqualification from the event for the pair/team.

Kibitzers violating this policy shall be removed from the playing area for the remainder of the session."

Participants will be reminded not to approach the playing area with a personal electronic device

in their possession, *even if the device is turned off.*

• If you're playing in a regional or

Intermediate-Newcomer event: Turn those phones and pagers off.

"Cell phones, audible pagers or any similar communication equipment may not be operated or operable in the playing area during a session of play at NABCs except for health-related equipment or by permission of the director-in-charge of the tournament or event."

Entry fees

Players must be ACBL members whose service fees or dues are current in order to compete in any of the following nationally ranked events: Nail Life Master Open Pairs, Smith Life Master Women's Pairs, Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams, Keohane North American Swiss Teams, Kaplan Blue Ribbon Pairs, Mitchell Open Board-a-Match Teams, Marsha May Sternberg Women's Board-a-Match Teams and the Senior Knockouts. The entry fees for these contests are \$20 per player per session.

Players must also be current ACBL members to play in the Mini-Blue Ribbon Pairs, Miles Non-Life Master Pairs or National 99er Pairs. The entry fee is \$17 per player per session.

Regional championships are \$16 per player per session for ACBL members, \$18 for non-members.

All other events are \$15 per player per session for ACBL members, \$17 for non-members.

Convention card reminder

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

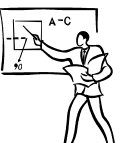
If a director determines that neither player has a substantially completed card, the partnership may play only the Standard American Yellow Card and may use only standard carding. This restriction may be lifted only at the beginning of a subsequent round after convention cards have been properly prepared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

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

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



Teacher Accreditation Program



Join Peg Cundiff, one of ACBL's premier Teacher-Trainers, for this 10-hour interactive learning course. You will leave with the tools needed to develop a successful teaching career.

Dates: Nov. 28-30

Location: Ford B Room

Time: 9 a.m.- 12:30 p.m.

Fee: \$125.00