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Blanchard Wins 2002 John “Jocko” Roberts Teams

The team captained by Bob Blanchard (Piotr Gawrys, Krzysztof Jassem, Sam Lev) began Day 2 in second place, 19 VPs behind the leaders whom they played in the first match of the day. When the smoke had cleared, Blanchard emerged in first place and never looked back, finishing the event with 198 VPs. In second place with 177 VPs was the French team captained by Alain Levy (Herve Mouiel, Pierres Saporta and Zimmerman), while the Malcolm Brachman team (Mike Cappelletti, Jr., Geir Helgemo, Mike Passell, Eddie Wold) finished third with 172 VPs. All of the match-by-match results and the final standings can be found on page 3, along with the prize awards. The auction results and team rosters are on page 2.



Bob Blanchard, Sam Lev, Piotr Gawrys, Krzysztof Jassem

Berkowitz-Cohen Top Money Getters in Pairs Auction

Yesterday's Cavendish Invitational Pairs auction topped the \$1M mark once again, taking in a cool \$1,070,500. The top pair, Berkowitz-Cohen, went for \$41,000 while other top pairs were last year's winners, Kwiecien-Pszczola (\$39,000), Helgemo-Wold (\$36,000) and Garner-Weinstein and Greco-Hampson (both at \$33,000). The complete auction results can be found on p. 4.

Gamblers Non-Anonymous

Those intending to gamble at the Rio during their stay are advised to register at the Total Award desk located in the casino area. It will be in your own best interest and that of the WBP for you to do so.

Conditions of Contest: Expansions and Clarifications

In general, it is our intent to allow methods with which other contestants are expected to be familiar. It is also our intent to allow reasonable artificiality in auctions where the bidding side has guaranteed sufficient (high-card) values to invite game. If you have any questions about your own or your opponents' methods, the person to see is Barry Rigal.

Schedule

Day	Time	Activity	Location
Friday, May 10	12:30 PM	1 st Session, Pairs	Miranda Ballroom
	7:30 PM	2 nd Session, Pairs	Miranda Ballroom
Saturday, May 11	10:30 AM	WBP Brunch (all invited)	Pavilion 11
	11:00 AM	WBP Auction	Pavilion 11
	12:30 PM	3 rd Session, Pairs	Miranda Ballroom
	12:30 PM	1 st Session, WBP Pairs	Pavilion 6
	7:30 PM	4 th Session, Pairs	Miranda Ballroom
	7:30 PM	2 nd Session, WBP Pairs	Pavilion 6
Sunday, May 12	12:30 PM	5 th Session, Pairs	Miranda Ballroom
	12:30 PM	3 rd Session, WBP Pairs	Pavilion 6
	5:00 PM	Closing Cocktail Party	Miranda Veranda

John "Jocko" Roberts Teams: Rosters and Auction Results

Team#	Members	Auction Price
1	Aleksander Petrunin , Andrei Gromov, Michal Kwiecien, Jacek Pszczola	\$18,000
2	Roy Welland , Bjorn Fallenius, Steve Garner, Fred Gitelman, Brad Moss, Howard Weinstein	17,000
3	Perry Johnson , Eric Greco, Geoff Hampson, Jeff Meckstroth, Eric Rodwell	15,000
4	Bob Blanchard , Piotr Gawrys, Krzysztof Jassem, Sam Lev	10,000
5	Rose Meltzer , Kyle Larsen, Chip Martel, Lew Stansby, Peter Weischel	9,000
6	George Jacobs , David Berkowitz, Larry Cohen, Bob Hamman, Ralph Katz, Zia Mahmood	8,500
7	Lou Ann O'Rourke , Curtis Cheek, Peter Fredin, Magnus Lindkvist, Billy Miller	8,000
8	Kit Woolsey , Bart Bramley, Sidney Lazard, Fred Stewart	8,000
9	Malcolm Brachman , Mike Cappelletti, Jr., Geir Helgemo, Mike Passell, Eddie Wold	8,000
10	Michael Moss , Chuck Burger, Giorgio Duboin, Guido Ferraro	7,000
11	Rita Shugart , Paul Chemla, Philippe Cronier, Andrew Robson	6,500
12	Simon Deutsch , Billy Cohen, Fred Hamilton, Ron Smith, Paul Soloway	6,500
13	Alain Levy , Herve Mouiel, Pierre Saporta, Pierre Zimmerman	6,250
14	Jim Mahaffey , Gary Cohler, Brian Glubok, Mark Lair, John Mohan, John Sutherlin	6,250
15	John Onstott , Ross Grabel, Garey Hayden, Jon Wittes	6,000
16	Russ Ekeblad , Sheila Ekeblad, Bobby Levin, Mark Molson, Michael Seamon	6,000
17	Gaylor Kasle , Steve Beatty, Marc Jacobus, George Steiner	5,500
18	Drew Casen , Richard Coren, Billy Eisenberg, Larry Cohen	5,000
19	Ishmael Del'Monte , Hector Camberos, Neville Eber, Pablo Lambardi	5,000
20	Jose Ventin , Antonio Frances, Luis Lantaron, Juan Torres	4,500
21	Lionel Wright , Michael Cornell, Gunner Hallberg, Nick Sandquist	4,500
22	Bruce Ferguson , Brenda Keller, Peter Schneider, Rick Whitworth	4,000
23	Mike Whitman , Grant Baze, Doug Doub, Adam Wildavsky	4,000
24	Dan Mordecai , Roger Bates, Chris Compton, Sylvia Moss, Sue Picus	4,000

Auction Total: \$182,500

John "Jocko" Roberts Teams: Final Standings

(Team Rosters on p. 2)

Team #	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	Total	Rank
1		21	7					0		18	26		1	21		5				18					117	18
2	9				8	0	18				37*			25	2				27						126	15
3	23			20		14*				4		20			8	28			11						128	14
4			10		25		26	24					24				23			30				36*	198	1
5		22		5		40*				0				16				7		22		19			131	12/13
6		0	43*		20*				9						14	12								2	103	20
7		12		4				15		30		26	7		18					27				30	169	4
8	30			6			15		26				0	29							43*			6	155	5
9						21		4		12		20	5				24				26	30		30	172	3
10	12		26		30		0		18		22				15		1				0				124	16
11	4	23*								8		9		10				22				18	0		94	23
12			10				4		10		21			24		36*			21		8				134	11
13	29			6			23	30	25					17			27				12			8	177	2
14	9	5			14			1			20	6	13					5				28			101	21
15		28	22				12			5						8	0	19	30		6				140	9/10
16	25		2			16						24*			22				12		23		30		154	6/7
17				7		18			6	29			3		30			53*						8	154	6/7
18					23						8			25	11	18	7*		16				23		131	12/13
19		3	19									9			0			14		30*		28	18		121	17
20	12			0	8		3													30*			11	31*	95	22
21								17*	4	30		22	18		24	7						18			140	9/10
22					11				0	12				2					2	19	12		50*		108	19
23											30					0		7	12	29*		10*		5	93	24
24				24*		28	0	24	0				22				22						25		145	8

* Score based on two matches.

John "Jocko" Roberts Teams Prize Awards



	Auction	Players
1 st	\$54,120	\$20,196
2 nd	\$36,080	\$13,464
3 rd	\$26,240	\$9,792
4 th	\$19,680	\$7,344
5 th	\$16,400	\$6,120
6 th	\$11,480	\$4,284



Entrants for the WBP Pairs 2002

(Based on information available at press time. This is unofficial. Updates will be published as they become available.)

Pair #	Pair #
1 Russ Samuel – Shawn Samuel	18 Brenda Keller – Rick Whitworth
2 Bill Jacobson – Keith Woolf	19 Peter Grover – Richard Halperin
3 Lou Ann O'Rourke – Jeff Roman	20 Richard Coren – Billy Eisenberg
4 Lynn Baker – Kerri Sanborn	21 Roger Lord – Jacklyn Sincoff
5 Barry Schaffer – Colby Vernay	22 Victor Chernoff – Nels Erickson
6 Sheila Ekeblad – Mark Molson	23 Jon Greenspan – Krzysztof Jassem
7 Bruce Ferguson – Brenda Jacobus	24 Fred Hamilton – Rhoda Walsh
8 Larry Cohen – ?	25 Leonard Holtz – Renee Mancuso
9 Steve Scott – Haig Tchamitch	26 Kent Mignocchi – Beverly Perry
10 Derrell Childs – Louise Freed	27 Kyle Larsen – Jo Morse
11 Don Lusskey – ?	28 Jim Robison – Jerry Weinstein
12 Rob Crawford – Dan Jacob	29 George Mittelman – Peter Nagy
13 Bill Doroshow – Nate Ward	30 Roy Hoppe – Mike McCarthy
14 Paul Erb – Leonard Ernst	31 Les Amoils – Disa Cheek
15 Marty Baff – Phil Becker	32 Wirt Gilligham – Marjorie Michelin
16 Mike McNamara – David Yates	33 Irving Litvack – Darren Wolpert
17 Leszek Rabięga – Edward Wojewoda	

Rosters and Auction Results for the 2002 Cavendish Pairs

Rank	Pair	Auction Price	Rank	Pair	Auction Price
1	David Berkowitz – Larry Cohen	\$41,000	31	Chuck Berger – Michael Moss	13,500
2	Michal Kwiecien – Jacek Pszczola	39,000	32/33	Jim Krekorian – Rick Zucker	13,000
3	Geir Helgemo – Eddie Wold	36,000	32/33	Walid Alhamadi – Tarek Sadek	13,000
4/5	Steve Garner – Howard Weinstein	33,000	34	Steve Landen – Pratap Rajadhyaksha	12,500
4/5	Eric Greco – Geoff Hampson	33,000	35/36	Christian Mari – Herve Vinciguerra	12,000
6/9	Alain Levy – Herve Mouiel	30,000	35/36	Joanna Stansby – Lew Stansby	12,000
6/9	Peter Fredin – Magnus Lindkvist	30,000	37/40	Drew Casen – Bill Pollack	11,000
6/9	Bob Hamman – Zia Mahmood	30,000	37/40	Hector Camberos – Pablo Lambardi	11,000
6/9	Bobby Levin – Steve Weinstein	30,000	37/40	George Jacobs – Ralph Katz	11,000
10/11	Paul Chemla – Philippe Cronier	29,000	37/40	Tom Hanlon – Hugh McGann	11,000
10/11	Roger Bates – John Mohan	29,000	41/60	Seymon Deutsch – Paul Soloway	10,000
12	Andrei Gromov – Aleksander Petrunin	28,000	41/60	Steve Beatty – George Steiner	10,000
13/14	Curtis Cheek – Billy Miller	26,000	41/60	Linda Lewis – Paul Lewis	10,000
13/14	Fred Gitelman – Brad Moss	26,000	41/60	Andrew Robson – Rita Shugart	10,000
15	Bob Blanchard – Sam Lev	25,500	41/60	Michael Courtney – Charles Wigoder	10,000
16	Boye Brogeland – Espen Erichsen	25,000	41/60	Rose Meltzer – Peter Weischel	10,000
17/18	Georgio Duboin – Guido Ferraro	23,000	41/60	Mike Cornell – Lionel Wright	10,000
17/18	Perry Johnson – Jeff Meckstroth	23,000	41/60	Antonio Frances – Jose Torres	10,000
19	Billy Cohen – Ron Smith	22,000	41/60	Doug Doub – Adam Wildavsky	10,000
20	Bart Bramley – Sidney Lazard	21,000	41/60	Jared Lilienstein – Glenn Milgrim	10,000
21	Marty Fleisher – Eric Rodwell	20,500	41/60	Pierre Saporta – Pierre Zimmerman	10,000
22/23	Gunnar Hallberg – Nick Sandquist	18,000	41/60	Steve Levinson – Barnet Shenkin	10,000
22/23	Bjorn Fallenus – Roy Welland	18,000	41/60	Ishmael Del'Monte – Neville Eber	10,000
24	Mike Cappelletti, Jr. – Mike Passell	17,500	41/60	Fulvio Fantoni – Claudio Nunes	10,000
25/27	Fred Stewart – Kit Woolsey	17,000	41/60	Grant Baze – Michael Whitman	10,000
25/27	Michel Abecassis – Michel Eidi	17,000	41/60	Luis Lantaron – Juan Ventin	10,000
25/27	Russ Ekeblad – Michael Seamon	17,000	41/60	Garey Hayden – John Onstott	10,000
28/29	Ross Grabel – Jon Wittes	15,500	41/60	Piotr Gawrys – Amos Kaminsk	10,000
28/29	Gary Cohler – Mark Lair	15,500	41/60	Gene Freed – Jeff Olson	10,000
30	Marc Jacobus – Gaylor Kasle	15,000	41/60	Brian Glubok – Jim Mahaffey	10,000

Auction Total: \$1,070,500

One More From Day One

In this deal from Wednesday's Match Five, Billy Miller found a neat way to bring home ten tricks in a 4♥ contract on a deal where a current World Champion went down in 2♥!

Bd: 12	♠ 8432		
Dir: West	♥ KQJ109		
Vul: N/S	♦ 3		
	♣ A84		
♠ AKJ106		♠ 97	
♥ 8		♥ 76432	
♦ 965		♦ AQ74	
♣ Q532		♣ 97	
	♠ Q5		
	♥ A5		
	♦ KJ1082		
	♣ KJ106		
West	North	East	South
	Miller		Cheek
2♠	Pass	3♠	Pass
Pass	4♥	All Pass	

On the ♠9 lead West judged to continue with three rounds of the suit, East pitching a diamond as Miller ruffed high in dummy. Miller then ran five rounds of trumps. On the last trump this was the position:

	♠ 8	
	♥ 9	
	♦ 3	
	♣ A84	
♠ J		♠ ---
♥ ---		♥ 7
♦ 96		♦ AQ7
♣ Q53		♣ 97
	♠ ---	
	♥ ---	
	♦ KJ10	
	♣ KJ10	

East followed suit, Miller pitched a diamond from dummy and West also pitched a diamond. Now Miller led a diamond up and East won and returned a diamond. When Miller played the king West was forced to let go of a club to keep the ♠J. So Miller knew both defenders were down to doubleton clubs and could play the suit from the top.

Best defense in the five-card ending is for East to duck the diamond—but best of all is for East to play the ♦Q!. Declarer can still make the hand without finding the ♣Q if he can guess West's shape, coming back to hand with the ♣A and exiting with a spade and endplaying West to lead clubs into dummy's tenace. But that would have been a tough play to find after the ♦Q falsecard.

All's Well That Ends Well

by Sam Leckie

For many years Scotland has exported its top players all over the world. The two best known to you are Michael Rosenberg and Barnet Shenkin. Barnet comes from a family of bridge players. His dad Louis and uncle Lennie represented Scotland on many occasions. They were both very good players but their real strength lay in their confidence and belief in their own ability. No matter the reputation of their opponents, Louis and Lennie firmly believed they could beat them.

I am indebted to my good friend Albert Benjamin (now 93 years young) for this story about another pair of Scottish brothers, Harry and Solly, who not only had similar confidence but who would never admit to having a bad set. Albert played with them in a Scottish Cup match (our main team-of-four event). In this particular match the brothers had an abysmal second half and knew they had lost by a huge margin.

Before their teammates were finished in the other room,

Harry, volatile and never a good loser, announced "There is no point in waiting. I'm going home." And after shaking hands with his opponents he promptly left the room. Solly dashed after him and loud exchanges were heard between them (not unusual). After some minutes Harry was persuaded to return and await the official result from the other table. Little did Harry and Solly know that their teammates, Albert and his partner, had a fabulous game and thought they had won easily.

Well, after the smoke had cleared Albert's team did in fact win—by 1 imp. The brothers were overjoyed. As they were leaving the club a kibitzer who had not been present the comparison came over to them and asked how they had done. "We won by 1 imp." said Harry. Then, turning to Solly, he added, "You know, I believe it was that 1NT that I made on the last board.,the one where I threw him in for an overtrick." Solly nodded his head in agreement and added, "Surely no one would begrudge us our narrow win, Harry, with card play like that."

The John "Jocko" Roberts Teams: Day Two

Match Seven:

Pierre Zimmerman and Pierre Saporta have come fresh from the French Trials, where they narrowly missed out on winning a spot on the French team for the next European Championships. As they demonstrated in their match against Brachman, their style is considerably more aggressive than some of their French counterparts.

Bd: 1	♠ J4		
Dlr: North	♥ ---		
Vul: None	♦ KJ1062		
	♣ QJ7653		
♠ Q107532		♠ A96	
♥ AQ5		♥ KJ1098742	
♦ Q3		♦ 8	
♣ 42		♣ 8	
	♠ K8		
	♥ 63		
	♦ A9754		
	♣ AK109		
West	North	East	South
Passell	Z'merman	Cappelletti	Saporta
	Pass	4♥	Pass
Pass	4NT	Pass	5♦
5♥	6♦!	Dbl	All Pass

Zimmerman's 6♦ bid looks exceptionally forward, but no doubt Saporta would have bid 6♣ once the heart void in North was established by the auction. Passell guessed to lead a spade rather than a club, which held Saporta to twelve tricks; +1090.

Meanwhile, in the O'Rourke-Moss match...

West	North	East	South
Lindkvist	Duboin	Fredin	Ferraro
	Pass	4♥	Pass
Pass	4NT	Dbl	Pass
Pass	5♣	Pass	Pass
5♥	Pass	Pass	6♣
All Pass			

Maybe Ferraro might have bid 6♣ but it did not appear that he had any honors to protect. Wrong! Ferdin underled the ♠A at trick one and Duboin misguessed. Down one.

Match Eight:

Those of you familiar with "The Musical Joke" by Mozart will recall that this is a work where everything goes perfectly until three discordant crashing notes at the end. The following hand may remind you of that.

Bd: 10	♠ A10983		
Dlr: East	♥ 6		
Vul: Both	♦ K953		
	♣ 1063		
♠ KQ5		♠ J7642	
♥ QJ10983		♥ A4	
♦ J		♦ A1084	
♣ A84		♣ KJ	
	♠ ---		
	♥ K752		
	♦ Q762		
	♣ Q9752		

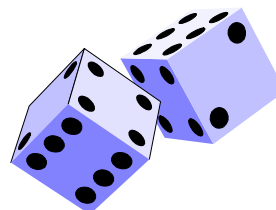
How many down should 4♠ by East go? With three trumps and a heart to lose off the top, even down one is far from trivial. On a club lead our hero embarked on a line that suggested he could see through the backs of the cards.

He won the club cheaply in hand, cashed the ♦A and ruffed a diamond. Then came a club to the king, a diamond ruff, the ♣A pitching a heart, a heart to the ace, and a diamond ruff with dummy's last trump. This was the position at trick nine:

	♠ A10983		
	♥ ---		
	♦ ---		
	♣ ---		
♠ ---		♠ J7642	
♥ QJ1098		♥ ---	
♦ ---		♦ ---	
♣ ---		♣ ---	
	♠ ---		
	♥ K75		
	♦ ---		
	♣ Q9		

Declarer led a heart, ruffed by North with the nine and overruffed with the jack. Now one would have thought declarer would lead a top spade and claim...but no, out came the ♠2! and it was North who claimed down one!

John Mohan (and Bart Bramley also) made no mistake on a very similar line, both reading the equivalent ending and exiting with an intermediate spade to insure their tenth trick.



A couple of boards later it was more a case of pearls before swine...

Bd: 15	♠ AJ10943	
Dlr: South	♥ 2	
Vul: N/S	♦ Q85	
	♣ 753	
♠ K76		♠ Q5
♥ 765		♥ Q109
♦ K642		♦ AJ109
♣ KQ2		♣ AJ108
	♠ 82	
	♥ AKJ843	
	♦ 73	
	♣ 964	

When Fred Stewart opened 2♥ as South it was passed around to Cornell, who reopened with 2NT and was raised to 3NT by Wright. Stewart had a horrible guess on lead, and apparently did very well to select the ♠8. But can you blame Woolsey for ducking this? Cornell guessed the diamonds to take the first nine tricks. Had Stewart guessed less well which suit to lead (for example by starting with a revealing diamond) declarer has only eight tricks. Now when he leads a low spade from dummy Woolsey might just be able to get it right and rise with the ace to play a heart through. But even that would be no sure thing.

A couple of boards later it was time for this jollity.

Bd: 15	♠ AJ10943	
Dlr: South	♥ 2	
Vul: N/S	♦ Q85	
	♣ 753	
♠ K76		♠ Q5
♥ 765		♥ Q109
♦ K642		♦ AJ109
♣ KQ2		♣ AJ108
	♠ 82	
	♥ AKJ843	
	♦ 73	
	♣ 964	

How do you play the auction:

West	North	East	South
	Wright		Cornell
			Pass
1♦	1♠	Pass	1NT
Pass	2♦?		

Does it matter if the 1♦ opening is Precision? While there is clearly a case to play 2♦ as artificial if 1♦ is natural, when 1♦ is Precision, 2♦ sounds natural. That was what Cornell

thought and it led to a 2♦ contract on a four-one fit. Wright scrambled +90 but that was poor return for the +420 available in 4♥. But not to worry. At the other table Cornell-Wright's teammates defeated 4♣ for a rather fortunate pickup of 4 imps.

Match Nine:

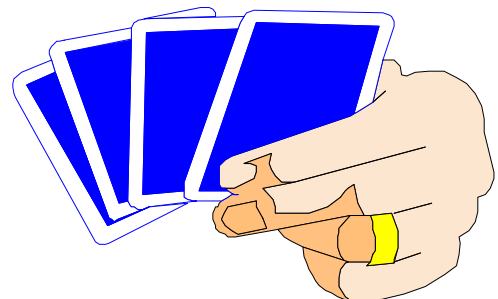
The two leading teams met, with Blanchard 7 VPs in front of O'Rourke and thus the latter needing a 19-11 win (in VPs) to take home the big prize. This was the critical board of the match.

Bd: 20	♠ K972	
Dlr: West	♥ K1072	
Vul: Both	♦ KQ	
	♣ KQJ	
♠ A86		♠ Q1054
♥ AQ9865		♥ 3
♦ 953		♦ 1076
♣ 2		♣ A10865
	♠ J3	
	♥ J4	
	♦ AJ842	
	♣ 9743	

Miller and Cheek (N/S) stopped in 1NT when Cheek did not make a try over Miller's 1NT overcall. Gawrys (East) led a club which did no harm at all, and Miller simply ran the diamonds, then led a heart up to his hand. Jassem hopped up with the ace to play ace and another spade, and Gawrys had two spades and a club to cash in the end game to hold Miller to eight tricks; +120. The key to the hand was for Gawrys to keep winners (spades) and not losers (clubs).

By contrast, at the other table Lev (North) reached 3NT doubled and Fredin led a club as well. Lev won and returned the suit. Now Fredin had to shift to the ♠Q to give declarer any problem. When he played a third club Lev won and ran the diamonds, reducing to ♠Kx and ♥K10x. Then he led the ♥J and whatever Lindkvist did, he had to concede one additional trick in a major to Lev for +750 and what in the end was a comfortable win for Blanchard.

Note that if East shifts to the ♠Q at trick three declarer can still survive. As the cards lie, with the ♠8 outside, he can win and exit in spades, then get back on lead to play the ♠9 to set up a spade trick by force. But if he wins the spade and runs his diamonds, he ends up squeezing his own hand.



New Appeals Procedure

This year appeals will be conducted without the Appeals Committee knowing the identities of the parties involved. All information will be conveyed to and from the AC by a Director. Points and counterpoints will be in writing, if so requested by any party to the appeal.

However, the ultimate goal of the appeal is to arrive at

the best possible decision. If the AC decides that face-to-face contact with the involved parties is necessary, it will be free to arrange it.

We hope this new procedure will prove satisfactory to everyone involved. We invite your cooperation.

Special Notice: World Bridge Productions Pairs Pre-Auction

In order to generate interest and facilitate the live WBP Pairs auction, to be held on Saturday morning, May 11, provisions have been made to accept bids prior to the start of the live auction. Here's how it will work:

Arrayed around the Registration Desk will be preliminary owners' cards for all expected participants. (Not all of these pairs may attend, but the vast majority is expected.) If you wish to bid on a pair you may do so by entering the amount of your bid on the pair's card and signing your

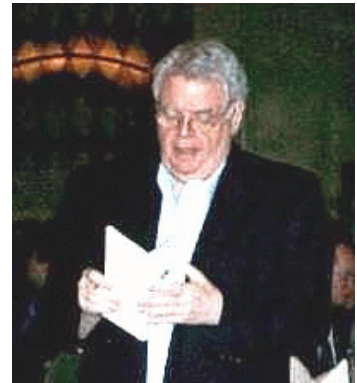
name opposite the bid amount (minimum bid = \$1000). These bids will be considered binding, just as if they had been made in the live auction. If your bid is not topped in either the pre- or live auctions you will become the owner of the pair and have all of the attendant rights and responsibilities. Remember, each pair must buy back 10% of their purchase price and may buy back up to 40% of themselves if they are so inclined.

Please confirm your bids with the appropriate parties at



"I tell you, they are great players."

Images of Our Game



"Let's see, 15% of Helgemo..."



"I have 10,000. Do I hear 25,000?"



"I tell you, I can get 10,000 for them with no trouble."