

# DAILY NEWS



**Montréal** World Bridge Championships  
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## USA recapture McConnell Cup



An American team won the inaugural McConnell Cup contest in Albuquerque in 1994 and now eight years later the trophy returns to its native soil. The all American final saw Irina Levitina, Kerri Sanborn, Lynn Deas, Beth Palmer, Randi Montin and Jill Meyers (pictured above) comfortably outscore Judi Radin, Shawn Quinn, Mildred Breed, Rozanne Pollack, Hjordis Eythorsdottir and Valerie Westheimer.

In the Power Rosenblum, after two scintillating semi finals, Lavazza meet Munawar in today's final.



**VuGraph**

Salle François ground floor  
Munawar - Lavazza



**ATTENTION!!!**

All events begin at 10.00

### Open and Women's Pairs

152 pairs play in the Open Pairs Semi-final. Approximately 66 of these will qualify for the final, where about six more pairs are expected to drop in from the Rosenblum semi-finals and final to make a 72-pair final. 52 pairs play in the Women's Pairs Semi-final. We expect 21 to qualify for the final, with another 11 pairs joining them from the McConnell semi-finals and final to make a field of 32 pairs for the final.

Both finals will be played over five sessions commencing on Thursday morning at 10.00 a.m.

### Seniors Pairs

There are 72 pairs playing in the Seniors Pairs Qualifying stage, of which 28 will go through to the final. This is a three-session event that starts at 10.00 a.m. on Thursday morning.

All non-qualifiers for their respective finals may join the IMP Pairs event.

# POWER ROSENBLUM CUP

## (Semi-Finals)

1	Burgay	POL	Munawar	INA	30	29	40	37	38	37	3	23	111	126
2	Lavazza	ITA	Fredin	SWE	50	6	13	42	21	35	39	19	123	102

# McCONNELL CUP

## (Play-Off)

1	Bessis	FRA	Vriend	NED	64	10	10	12					74	22
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## (Final)

1	Sanborn	USA	Radin	USA	57	20	35	2	13	18	47	12	152	52
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## Schedule of Events

*Subject to Confirmation*

### Power Rosenblum Cup (Queen Eliz.)

Final 10.00-12.20, 12.40-15.00  
15.50-18.10, 18.30-20.50

### Qualifying Senior Pairs - Hiron Trophy

3rd Session 10.00  
4th Session 16.00

### Open and Women Pairs (Semi-Finals)

3rd Session 10.00  
4th Session 16.00

### Open and Women Pairs (Hilton) (Zonal)

3rd Session 10.00  
4th Session 16.00

## Power Rosenblum Final

Munawar INA - Lavazza ITA

## 6th World Computer Bridge Championship

The ACBL's sixth annual World Computer-Bridge Championship will be decided today. Jack (The Netherlands) and WBridge5 (France) have advanced to the 64-board finals with decisive wins in the semifinals. Both programs have preformed well. Jack was first in the round robin and WBridge5 was second and has yet to lose a match. The 20-board round robin results were:

Jack (The Netherlands)	134
WBridge5 (France)	121
Micro Bridge (Japan)	115
Q-Plus Bridge (Germany)	99
Blue Chip Bridge (UK)	75
Meadowlark Bridge (USA)	49
GIB (USA)	(W/D) 108

GIB withdrew from the tournament during the last round robin match because of technical difficulties.

The 48-board semifinals were completed on Sunday.

Jack defeated Q-Plus Bridge **176-96**  
Wbridge5 defeated Micro Bridge **215-46**

For more details, go to [www.ny-bridge.com/allevy/Montreal](http://www.ny-bridge.com/allevy/Montreal)

## SCHEDULE OF CAN-AM 2002

Wednesday August 28

09.00	Bracketed Morning KO#5	4th Session
	Bracketed Morning KO#6	2nd Session
	Morning Contin. Pairs#2	6th Session
13.00	Olympic Stratified Triathlon Teams	3rd Session
	Imp Pairs	1st Session
	Ladies Pairs	1st Session
	Random Draw KO	1st Session
	Continuous Pairs#5	1st Session
19.30	Olympic Stratified Triathlon Teams	4th Session
	Imp Pairs	2nd Session
	Ladies Pairs	2nd Session
	Random Draw KO	2nd Session
	Continuous Pairs#5	2nd Session
	Horizontal Swiss#2	1st Session

## VICTORY BANQUET



The Victory Banquet will take place on Saturday, 31st August 2002 at 6.00 p.m in the Grand Ballroom of the Queen Elizabeth Hotel, followed by dancing to the music of one of the most renowned bands in Montreal.

Medal presentations will take place during dinner. All players who participated in the World Bridge Championship events are entitled to attend together with their spouse or partner.

Players may collect their invitations from the Hospitality Desk on the Mezzanine floor of the Queen Elizabeth Hotel on Thursday. Only invitation holders will be admitted to the Banquet.

# How the mighty fall

The powerful Nick Nickell team is always among the favorites in any event they enter, and their record in major ACBL and world championships speaks for itself.

No team, however, is unbeatable, which was demonstrated yet again in the Power Rosenblum round of 16 when the Italian Attanasio squad upset Nickell in a high-scoring match to move into the quarterfinals.

Nickell led 59-52 after one quarter but fell behind when the Italians posted a 62-21 second quarter. As expected, Nickell stormed back in the third quarter 68-31 to enter the last set ahead by 3 IMPs.

In the open room, Jeff Meckstroth and Eric Rodwell faced Stelio Di Bello and Mario D'Avossa. In the closed room, Bob Hamman and Paul Soloway faced Giampaolo Rinaldi and Ruggero Pulga. It was a wild set right from the beginning.

Attanasio scored first.

Board 19. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

♠ A 9 7 6 5 3 ♥ 7 ♦ A ♣ A K 10 7 2	<table style="border: 1px solid black; width: 80px; height: 80px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">W</td><td style="text-align: center;">E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td style="text-align: center;">S</td></tr> </table>	N		W	E		S	♠ 10 ♥ K J 10 ♦ Q J 8 7 6 5 2 ♣ 6 3	♠ Q J 8 2 ♥ A Q 9 6 5 4 ♦ K ♣ 9 8
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Stelio Di Bello

West	North	East	South
Rodwell	D'Avossa	Meckstroth	Di Bello
1♣ <sup>(1)</sup>	3♦	3♥	Pass
Pass	Pass	Dble	5♦
			All Pass

<sup>(1)</sup> Precision

Any strong club system is vulnerable to the kind of interference the Meckstroth and Rodwell encountered. Rodwell had a great hand but he had yet to show his spade suit and the auction was at the five level by the time he had his second chance to bid. You can see Rodwell's dilemma. He has no support for his partner's suit and no guarantee that bidding spades would be any better.

Meckstroth and Rodwell exacted the full penalty against D'Avossa. Meckstroth led the ♠Q to the king and ace, and Rodwell switched to his singleton heart. A third round of hearts was ruffed with the ♦A and there were still two club tricks and the ♦K to come. That was down five for plus 1100 but still an 8-IMP loss since East-West at the other table found their way to the unbeatable spade slam.

Aggressive bidding earned another 11 IMPs for the Italians on this deal.

Board 23. Dealer South. All Vul.

♠ K 10 6 5 ♥ A 2 ♦ 5 3 2 ♣ J 9 4 3	<table style="border: 1px solid black; width: 80px; height: 80px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">W</td><td style="text-align: center;">E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td style="text-align: center;">S</td></tr> </table>	N		W	E		S	♠ A J 9 4 ♥ 9 7 6 5 3 ♦ J 8 7 ♣ 5	♠ Q 7 2 ♥ J 10 4 ♦ K 6 ♣ K 10 8 7 2
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W	E								
	S								
	♠ 8 3 ♥ K Q 8 ♦ A Q 10 9 4 ♣ A Q 6								

West	North	East	South
Rodwell	D'Avossa	Meckstroth	Di Bello
Pass	2♦ <sup>(2)</sup>	Pass	2♣ <sup>(1)</sup>
Pass	3♠ <sup>(3)</sup>	Pass	2♥
Pass	4♥	All Pass	4♣

<sup>(1)</sup> Balanced 18-20.

<sup>(2)</sup> Puppet to 2♥.

<sup>(3)</sup> Five or more hearts, four or more spades.

Rodwell led a club to the king and ace and Di Bello played the ♥Q to Rodwell's ace. A diamond play picked up Meckstroth's king and Di Bello was able to claim 11 tricks after cashing the ♥K - dummy's spades were going on the ♣Q and two diamonds.

At the other table, Hamman and Soloway played 3♦ making four for plus 130.

The next board was another tough one for Meckstroth and Rodwell.

Board 24. Dealer West. None Vul.

<p>♠ A K 8 6 3 2 ♥ 5 2 ♦ K Q J ♣ 10 3</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: 60px; margin: 0 auto;">             N W     E S           </div>	<p>♠ 9 ♥ 6 4 3 ♦ 10 9 6 5 4 3 ♣ K 9 2</p>	<p>♠ Q J 10 7 5 ♥ A Q 10 ♦ A 7 ♣ J 7 4</p>
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<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Rodwell</i>	<i>D'Avossa</i>	<i>Meckstroth</i>	<i>Di Bello</i>
1♠	Pass	2NT <sup>(1)</sup>	3♥
4♦	Pass	4♥ <sup>(2)</sup>	Dble <sup>(3)</sup>
Pass	Pass	Redbl <sup>(4)</sup>	Pass
4NT	Pass	5♠	Pass
6♠	All Pass		

- <sup>(1)</sup> Limit raise or better, usually four trumps  
<sup>(2)</sup> "Last train" slam try  
<sup>(3)</sup> Okay not to lead hearts  
<sup>(4)</sup> Confirming heart control

Perhaps Rodwell envisioned Meckstroth with a singleton or void in hearts and some useful cards in clubs. Once he passed the four level, however, Rodwell was destined for a minus. Even after the opening lead of a diamond, Rodwell had nowhere to put his



Mario D'Avossa

losers and he was down two for an 11-IMP loss since the contract was a more reasonable 4♠, making, at the other table.

The Italians picked up another 6 IMPs on this deal when Di Bello played boldly to land an aggressive 3NT not bid at the other table.

Board 25. Dealer North. E/W Vul.

<p>♠ J 8 ♥ 9 5 ♦ A 10 8 6 4 3 2 ♣ Q 7</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: 60px; margin: 0 auto;">             N W     E S           </div>	<p>♠ A 10 9 5 3 ♥ Q 8 7 4 3 ♦ — ♣ K 6 4</p>	<p>♠ K Q 4 2 ♥ K J 6 2 ♦ J 9 5 ♣ 5 2</p>
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<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Rodwell</i>	<i>D'Avossa</i>	<i>Meckstroth</i>	<i>Di Bello</i>
Pass	1♠	Pass	2♣
All Pass	2♥	Pass	3NT

The Italians' light opening style paid off on this deal when Di Bello risked down four to bring home the shaky game.

Rodwell led the ♦6. Di Bello pitched a heart from dummy and took Meckstroth's jack with the king. He played a club to dummy's king as Meckstroth played the 5. A low club from dummy fetched the 2 from Meckstroth and Di Bello asked the significance of the high-low. Rodwell explained that he and Meckstroth play reverse Smith echo, so Meckstroth was indicating he did not like diamonds.

Di Bello could have taken the club finesse to protect his diamond holding, but he didn't have enough tricks if the finesse lost, so he boldly went up with his ace, felling the queen for plus 400. Hamman and Soloway didn't get past 3♣, making five for plus 150. Attanasio was now leading 182-153.

Nickell gained 2 overtrick IMPs on the next deal, then struck for 11 on this one.

Board 27. Dealer South. None Vul.

<p>♠ K 10 9 8 3 ♥ Q J 5 2 ♦ Q ♣ Q 8 6</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: 60px; margin: 0 auto;">             N W     E S           </div>	<p>♠ J 5 4 2 ♥ A 8 6 ♦ 6 4 3 2 ♣ 9 5</p>	<p>♠ A ♥ — ♦ A K 10 9 7 5 ♣ A 10 7 4 3 2</p>
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<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
<i>Rodwell</i>	<i>D'Avossa</i>	<i>Meckstroth</i>	<i>Di Bello</i>
Pass	1♠	Pass	2♣
All Pass	2♥	Pass	3NT

<b>West</b> Rodwell	<b>North</b> D'Avossa	<b>East</b> Meckstroth	<b>South</b> Di Bello
1♠	2♥	Dble	1♥
Pass	Pass	Dble	3♥
			All Pass

Meckstroth's first double was responsive, the second simply showing a good hand. Rodwell did not envision 6-6 in the minors with his partner, nor, apparently, did Di Bello in the play.

Rodwell started with the ♦Q, overtaken by the king. Meckstroth cashed the ♦A, then the ♠A, continuing with the ♦10. Di Bello ruffed with the ♥K and played a heart to the ace, followed by a spade to the queen and king. De Bello won the spade continuation in dummy and played a club. Meckstroth went in with the ace and played a fourth diamond. Rodwell's heart spots were not good enough to earn promotion, but the defense still had seven tricks for plus 500.

At the other table:

<b>West</b> Rinaldi	<b>North</b> Hamman	<b>East</b> Pulga	<b>South</b> Soloway
2♠	3♥	4♦	2♥
4♠	Pass	6♣	Pass
			All Pass

Soloway started with the ♥K, a brilliant stroke. Declarer ruffed and entered dummy with ♦Q. On Soloway's lead, declarer figured him for the ♥A K, so it was more likely that Hamman held the ♣K. Accordingly, Pulga ran the ♣Q to Soloway's king. A spade went to declarer's bare ace, and he ruffed a diamond to play a club to his 10. That was plus 50 and 11 IMPs to Nickell, now down by 16 IMPs. Another swing went Nickell's way when Hamman and Soloway recorded plus 1100 against 2♠ doubled while Di Bello and D'Avossa took 10 tricks in 3NT for plus 630. That was 10 more to the Americans, trailing by only 6 IMPs at that point with two boards to go. Nickell took the lead on the next-to-last deal with a 13-IMP swing thanks to a defensive slip by Di Bello.

Board 30. Dealer East. None Vul.

	♠ –		
	♥ J 8 7 3		
	♦ A K Q 9 8 4		
	♣ 8 7 2		
♠ J 6 2		♠ K 9 7 5 4	
♥ A 10 6		♥ K 9 4	
♦ J 7		♦ 10 5 2	
♣ K J 10 5 3		♣ A Q	
	♠ A Q 10 8 3		
	♥ Q 5 2		
	♦ 6 3		
	♣ 9 6 4		
<b>West</b> Rodwell	<b>North</b> D'Avossa	<b>East</b> Meckstroth	<b>South</b> Di Bello
		1♠	Pass
1NT	2♦	Pass	Pass
2♠	Pass	Pass	Dble
All Pass			

Di Bello led the ♦6 and the defense got off to a good start when D'Avossa played three rounds of diamonds, allowing Di Bello to pitch a low club. Meckstroth ruffed in dummy, played a

club to his ace and put a low spade on the table. This was the moment of truth for Di Bello, and he erred by playing low. Meckstroth made him pay for the slip, winning the ♠J, then cashing the ♣K and ♣J, pitching a heart from his hand. Di Bello ruffed and got out with the ♥Q, but it was too late for the defense as Meckstroth won in hand, played a heart to the ace, ruffed a heart and exited with a low trump. Di Bello had nothing but trumps left, so he had to give Meckstroth his eighth trick with the ♠K. That was plus 470.

Di Bello could have defeated the contract by playing the ♠Q at trick five. He could then cash the ♠A, defensive trick number four, and exit with a club. He would still have a natural trump trick coming, plus a heart trick or a club ruff. At the other table, the contract was 3♠ doubled, but Soloway didn't slip on defense and he and Hamman collected all their tricks for plus 300.

Nickell had surged into the lead at 189-192 with one board to play. It turned out to be Nickell's undoing.

Board 31. Dealer South. N/S Vul.

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

In the closed room, the Italian East-West played 5♥ doubled, going one down for minus 100.

In the open room:

<b>West</b> Rodwell	<b>North</b> D'Avossa	<b>East</b> Meckstroth	<b>South</b> Di Bello
			1♠
Dble	3♠	4♥	Pass
Pass	4♠	Dble	All Pass

The defenders had only two tricks against this contract, and Di Bello racked up plus 990. That was 13 IMPs to Italy, enough to send them into the quarterfinal round.

Meckstroth complained to the directors after the match that D'Avossa had broken tempo before bidding 4♠ and that he had also engaged in some histrionics designed to make it appear he had a bridge problem he clearly did not have with the North hand. D'Avossa denied breaking tempo or any charade designed to deceive Meckstroth.

The matter went to an appeals committee, but the result was allowed to stand and Nickell, one of the pre-tournament favorites, was on the sidelines. The final score was 195-189 for the Italians.

## Symmetrical cards



The symmetrical cards in use in this championship - with the WBF logo - can be bought at Baron Barclay shop for a price of 5 USD a pack.

## Quarter-final Set One

# Power Rosenblum Cup

## Lavazza v Kowalski

The pick of the quarter-final matches in the Power Rosenblum looked to be the encounter between the powerful Lavazza team from Italy and Kowalski's Polish squad. The first session on vugraph featured some excellent bridge, particularly from Bocchi/Duboin for Italy.

*Board 1. Dealer North. None Vul.*

<p>♠ A 7 ♥ 9 3 2 ♦ J 9 7 ♣ A 9 8 5 2</p>	<table style="margin: auto;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		<p>♠ K Q 10 9 4 ♥ 8 ♦ K Q 5 2 ♣ J 6 4</p>	<p>♠ J 8 6 3 2 ♥ K J 10 ♦ A 8 4 ♣ K 7</p>
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W		E										
	S											
	<p>♠ 5 ♥ A Q 7 6 5 4 ♦ 10 6 3 ♣ Q 10 3</p>											

West	North	East	South
Szymanowski	Bocchi	Romanski	Duboin
Pass	1♠	Pass	INT
All Pass	2♦	Pass	2♥

West	North	East	South
Versace	Tuszynski	Lauria	Kowalski
Pass	1♠	Pass	INT
Pass	2♦	Pass	2♥
All Pass	2♠	Pass	3♦

We clearly play a different game as both Norths gave serious consideration to bidding over 2♥ and Piotr Tuszynski actually did so, when in normal style pass is completely routine. It appears that 2♥ is a much better spot than 3♦, which drifted two off in the Closed Room, but Szymanowski/Romanski defended beautifully to flatten the board.

Marek Szymanowski led the ♣5 against 2♥ and Jacek Romanski won the king and returned the seven. Though Giorgio Duboin falsecarded twice with the ten and queen, Szymanowski judged correctly to give his partner a club ruff. Now it was essential to take the diamond entry out of dummy to prevent declarer's third diamond going away on a spade. Sure enough, Romanski switched to the ♦8 for the ten, jack and queen. Duboin played a heart to the queen then cashed the ♥A before leading a spade up. Szymanows-

ki went up with the ace and led the ♦9 and the defence took two diamond tricks for down two; no swing.

*Board 2. Dealer East. N/S Vul.*

<p>♠ 9 5 3 ♥ J 8 7 3 ♦ J 9 5 4 ♣ J 2</p>	<table style="margin: auto;"> <tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		<p>♠ K Q J 2 ♥ 9 6 ♦ 10 6 ♣ A K 10 9 3</p>	<p>♠ A 10 4 ♥ A K Q 10 4 ♦ A 2 ♣ 8 5 4</p>
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West	North	East	South
Szymanowski	Bocchi	Romanski	Duboin
Versace	Tuszynski	Lauria	Kowalski
3♥	Dble	1♥	Pass
		4♥	All Pass



*Jacek Romanski*

That looks like a pre-emptive raise to me, but the problem with raising on such weak hands is that partner is sometimes tempted to go on in case you just have a little more. That is what happened at both tables. For the Poles, Apolinary Kowalski led a spade, and now there was no way to avoid down two for -100. Duboin led a diamond honour. Romanski won the ace and drew trumps before playing his remaining diamond towards the dummy. Duboin got it right, playing low, so the defensive diamond winner was lost but there were still four black winners to come; down one for -50 but 2 IMPs to KOWALSKI.

There were one or two tables at which 4♥ was let through after the lead of a diamond honour when South failed to duck at trick four.

Board 5. Dealer North. N/S Vul.

♠ 10 ♥ 10 9 6 5 2 ♦ K 10 6 ♣ Q 9 7 6	<table style="border: 1px solid black; width: 60px; height: 60px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td></td><td style="text-align: center;">N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">W</td><td></td><td style="text-align: center;">E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td style="text-align: center;">S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		♠ A J 9 7 6 4 ♥ 8 ♦ 8 7 4 3 2 ♣ 4	♠ Q 8 5 3 ♥ K Q 7 ♦ A J ♣ A K 3 2
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	S											
	♠ K 2 ♥ A J 4 3 ♦ Q 9 5 ♣ J 10 8 5											

West	North	East	South
Szymanowski	Bocchi	Romanski	Duboin
3♥	2♠ Pass	Dble 4♥	Pass All Pass



Alfredo Versace

West	North	East	South
Versace	Tuszynski	Lauria	Kowalski
Pass 3♥	2♠ 3♦ All Pass	2NT Pass	3♣ Pass

Tuszynski's 2♠ opening was weak with spades and another, so Kowalski competed with a pass or correct 3♣ over Lorenzo Lauria's 2NT overcall. Alfredo Versace waited to see which second suit was held on his left then competed in turn with 3♥, where he played. Tuszynski led his singleton club to the ten and queen. Versace led a heart to the king and ace and Kowalski, needing something very good to happen if he were to beat 3♥, cashed the ♠K then switched to the ♦Q. From here Versace could arrange to pitch a club on the ♦10 and take a club ruff in dummy; +170.

Norberto Bocchi's 2♠ was simply a weak two bid in spades. Szymanowski's response to the double showed some values, so Romanski raised to 4♥. The lead was again the four of clubs to the ten and queen. Szymanowski led a heart to the king but Duboin allowed that to hold. From there it seems that the contract cannot be made. Even supposing that declarer gets the diamond position right to allow a club discard, he cannot do everything without letting the defence in, and now South can simply play ace and a low heart to prevent the ruff, without giving up his second trump trick. In practice, Szymanowski played ♦A then ♦J, covered. He continued with a heart to the queen and ace and was one down for -50 and 6 IMPs to LAVAZZA.

Board 9. Dealer North. E/W Vul.

♠ Q ♥ A Q 9 7 6 ♦ J 10 8 6 ♣ K 8 4	<table style="border: 1px solid black; width: 60px; height: 60px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td></td><td style="text-align: center;">N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">W</td><td></td><td style="text-align: center;">E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td style="text-align: center;">S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		♠ J 10 9 7 4 ♥ 8 2 ♦ 7 3 ♣ J 9 6 2	♠ A K 8 6 3 ♥ K 5 3 ♦ K 9 4 ♣ Q 3
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	S											
	♠ 5 2 ♥ J 10 4 ♦ A Q 5 2 ♣ A 10 7 5											

West	North	East	South
Szymanowski	Bocchi	Romanski	Duboin
2♥ 4♥	Pass Pass All Pass	1♠ 3♥	Pass Pass

West	North	East	South
Versace	Tuszynski	Lauria	Kowalski
2♥ 3♣ Pass	Pass Pass Pass	1♠ 2NT 3♦ 3NT	Pass Pass Dble All Pass

The entirely normal looking Polish auction to 4♥ left the fate of the contract in the hands of the opening leader. Bocchi found the diamond lead and three rounds allowed him to ruff. He switched to a club to Duboin's ace and now came the fourth diamond to the ♥8 and ♥K. Szymanowski had to finesse against the ♥J 10 now and, not surprisingly, failed to do so, and was down two; -200.

Lauria/Versace started naturally but 3♣ and 3♦ were artificial. When Kowalski doubled 3♦, Lauria saw an advantage in becoming declarer to protect his diamond holding. The low club lead gave a trick away but 3NT was always secure. Lauria made ten tricks for +630 and 13 IMPs to LAVAZZA.

Board 10. Dealer East. All Vul.

<p>♠ K J 4 3 2 ♥ K 10 9 2 ♦ K 8 7 ♣ 3</p>	<table style="border: 1px solid black; width: 60px; height: 60px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td></td><td style="text-align: center;">N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">W</td><td></td><td style="text-align: center;">E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td style="text-align: center;">S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		<p>♠ — ♥ Q 7 6 4 ♦ Q J 6 5 4 ♣ A K 10 5</p>	<p>♠ A 9 6 ♥ J 8 5 ♦ A 3 ♣ Q J 8 6 4</p>
	N											
W		E										
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<p>♠ Q 10 8 7 5 ♥ A 3 ♦ 10 9 2 ♣ 9 7 2</p>												

West	North	East	South
Szymanowski	Bocchi	Romanski	Duboin
1♠	Pass	1♦	Pass
2♦	All Pass	2♣	Pass

West	North	East	South
Versace	Tuszynski	Lauria	Kowalski
1♠	Pass	1♦	Pass
3♦	Pass	2♣	Pass
3NT	Pass	3♥	Pass
		5♦	All Pass

Natural methods do not handle this combination well, as we can see from the fact that neither E/W pair were able to get to a heart contract. Facing a limited opening, Szymanowski chose a cautious 2♦ preference over the 2♣ rebid and hearts were never mentioned at all. After ace and another heart lead, Romanski played a trump to the king and ace. Duboin got his heart ruff and returned his remaining trump, restricting declarer to one club ruff in dummy and nine tricks in all; +110.

Versace made an invitational jump to 3♦ in the other room and Lauria tried 3♥ but, of course, that was fourth-suit-forcing. When Versace showed his heart stopper, could Lauria have bid 4♥ on the way to 5♦ to complete his pattern, or would that have been a cue-bid? In practice he jumped to the diamond game and that seemed doomed to failure when Kowalski cashed the ace of hearts. However, he did not like what he saw and switched to the ten of spades for the jack, ace and ruff. Now Lauria could play to ruff one club in the dummy and discard one on the ♠K; +600 and 10 IMPs to LAVAZZA.

Board 12. Dealer West. N/S Vul.

<p>♠ Q 10 7 5 2 ♥ 6 5 ♦ Q 9 6 4 2 ♣ 5</p>	<table style="border: 1px solid black; width: 60px; height: 60px; margin: auto;"> <tr><td></td><td style="text-align: center;">N</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td style="text-align: center;">W</td><td></td><td style="text-align: center;">E</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td style="text-align: center;">S</td><td></td></tr> </table>		N		W		E		S		<p>♠ 9 ♥ K 10 9 2 ♦ J 7 3 ♣ K J 8 7 6</p>	<p>♠ A K 8 6 4 ♥ 3 ♦ A K 10 5 ♣ A 4 3</p>
	N											
W		E										
	S											

West	North	East	South
Szymanowski	Bocchi	Romanski	Duboin
Pass	1♠	Pass	1NT
Pass	2♣	Pass	2♦
Pass	3♣	Pass	3♦
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

West	North	East	South
Versace	Tuszynski	Lauria	Kowalski
Pass	1♣	Pass	1♥
1♠	Pass	Pass	3♥
Pass	4♥	All Pass	

The Italian auction was artificial, with 2♣ showing either clubs or a good hand and 2♣ being a relay which promised game values facing the latter type. Three Clubs showed four diamonds and 3♦ was a further relay. When Bocchi now bid 3NT to show his exact shape, Duboin left him to play there. The lead was a low spade, run to the jack, and Duboin basically made the hand with his play to the next two tricks - ♣A and a club to the nine. He crossed to the ♠A to play a third club to the king. Romanski returned a club and Duboin cashed out for nine tricks; +600.

In the other room, the 1♣ opening was Polish, often a weak no trump but this time the artificial strong version. One Heart showed four hearts and normal responding values and Tuszynski passed over that as he had no good descriptive call available. Kowalski jumped to 3♥, invitational facing a weak no trump type, and Tuszynski judged to raise to game rather than try 3NT from his side. When Versace led his singleton club, declarer's first play was critical. Ducking would have led to a ruff and one down, as there are also two trump losers. But Kowalski rose with the ♣A and took the heart finesse. After cashing the ♥A he could use his dummy entries to lead up to the clubs and had ten tricks for +620 and 1 IMP to KOWALSKI. Well done.

The set ended with LAVAZZA ahead by 48-10 IMPs after a strong display in both rooms.

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# Two Sides of the Game Story

One of the better played hands from the fourth qualifying session of the Open Pairs features USA's Billy Miller. This was the deal:

Board 10. Dealer East. All Vul.

♠ A K 4 ♥ 4 3 ♦ 9 7 5 ♣ A K 10 7 2	♠ Q 10 8 7 ♥ A Q J 6 ♦ J 2 ♣ J 9 8 <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 40px; height: 40px; margin: 5px auto; display: flex; flex-direction: column; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> <span style="margin-bottom: 5px;">N</span> <span style="margin-bottom: 5px;">W</span> <span style="margin-bottom: 5px;">E</span> <span style="margin-bottom: 5px;">S</span> </div> ♠ 6 ♥ 8 7 2 ♦ K Q 10 8 3 ♣ Q 5 4 3	♠ J 9 5 3 2 ♥ K 10 9 5 ♦ A 6 4 ♣ 6	
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West	North	East	South
<i>Cheek</i>		<i>Miller</i>	
		Pass	Pass
1♣	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♠	Pass	3♥	Pass
4♠	All Pass		

Aggressive bidding saw Billy and partner Curtis Cheek get to a low point-count game that many of the field stayed out of. South led the king of diamonds and, when Billy ducked, switched to his trump. Billy rose with the ace of trumps and played a heart to North's ace. Back came the ♦J. Declarer won the ace and played three rounds of clubs, pitching the diamond loser then ruffing. The club ruff was the key play on the hand. Next came the ♥K and a heart ruff, followed by dummy's last diamond. Had North discarded, Billy would have been in a position to ruff low, ruff his last heart with the king of spades, and be in dummy to lead for the trump coup at trick twelve. In practice, North ruffed in with the queen and the heart went away, after which declarer's trumps were high. Note that the trump coup would not work without the earlier club ruff to reduce declarer's trump length.

If playing a trump coup can be quite pretty, defending against one is that little bit more so. Nick Krnjevic and Xun Zhang were defending against a spade partscore after this auction:

West	North	East	South
	<i>Zhang</i>		<i>Krnjevic</i>
		Pass	Pass
1♣	Pass	1♠	2♦
Dble	Pass	2♥	Pass
2♠	All Pass		

West's double showed three-card spade support. Krnjevic led the king of diamonds and declarer won immediately and took the top clubs, pitching a diamond. Next he led a heart to the queen and king and crossed to the ♠A to lead a second heart up. Zhang won the jack and returned the jack of diamonds. Krnjevic overtook and played another diamond. What should North discard?

Declarer is about to ruff the diamond, ruff a heart low, then ruff a club. After that a heart ruff with the ♠K puts him in dummy for the trump coup and ten tricks. So Zhang threw the ace of hearts in the hope of drawing declarer away from the winning line. Sure enough, declarer ruffed the diamond but then ruffed the heart high, looking a bit put out when North followed. He could no longer play the trump coup and was held to nine tricks - a swing of quite a few matchpoints.

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# The World Senior Teams

by Patrick Jourdain (Wales)

Jose Damiani, the President of the WBF, has been taking a rare opportunity to play by competing in the World Senior Teams. His partner is Henri Szwarc and their team-mates are Pinhas Romik, Yeshayu Levit, and Nissan Rand. Rand is the only player present from the team successful four years ago in Lille. His crown has been relinquished as the team did not make the semifinals.

Szwarc and Damiani gained a slam swing in an early match with this effort:

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

Dealer North, All Vul.

♠ 4	N W E S	♠ J 9 2
♥ A 8 4 3		♥ K Q 10 7 2
♦ K 10 6		♦ 5 3
♣ 10 8 6 4 3		♣ 9 7 2
		♠ A K 10 7 6
		♥ 9 6 5
		♦ A J 8 7 2
		♣ None

At one table the auction was: 2♣-2♦-4♠-Pass

Two diamonds was a negative. Declarer made 12 tricks.

Szwarc and Damiani show aces after a Two Club opening and this was their auction:

West	East
Damiani	Szwarc
2♣	3♦
3♠	3NT
4♠	5♣
6♠	Pass

West	North	East	South
Rosen	Levit	O'Grady	Rand
	1♣	1♥	1♠
3♦	4♠	Pass	Pass
5♥	Pass	Pass	6♠
All Pass			

The Three Diamond response showed the ace of diamonds, and West's slow route to Four Spades was more encouraging than a quick one. This encouraged East to cuebid clubs, known as a second round control, and this was the information needed for West to bid the good slam.

North managed to avoid leading hearts, starting with a trump. Damiani ran six rounds, tested the clubs by playing ace, king and a ruff. With a master club still out, he crossed to dummy with the diamond and led a heart, South following low. Reading the defenders' signals accurately, declarer put in the jack, fetching the ace, for a 12 IMP gain.

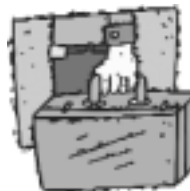
When the team met your reporter's the result was a 15-15 draw, but Nissan Rand could claim some bad luck on this deal:

Rand's 1♠ was natural and forcing showing five. Bob Rosen's Three Diamonds showed a heart raise. When West was prepared to go the five level Rand took the inference that the opponents held at least nine cards in the suit and partner would therefore have at most a singleton.

On the lead of ace and another heart the first part of the logic was rewarded when declarer could ruff in dummy. If the trumps broke 2-2 there were 12 top tricks, so Rand began with ace, king of spades. When they proved to be 3-1 he was forced to use dummy's queen to draw East's last trump in order to run the clubs. If this suit was breaking declarer would have the five discards needed, but East showed out on the fourth round, and declarer was only able to discard his last heart and three diamonds. Declarer's last chance was the diamond finesse through the overcaller, but that failed as well. At the other table Martin Hoffman and Ross Harper had stopped in Five Spades for Rand's team to lose 13 IMPs instead of gaining the same amount.



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# e-bridge to open web site for tournaments with money prizes



*e-bridge is providing on line Vu-Graph during the latter stages of the Championship and Mark Horton took the opportunity to interview e-bridge's CEO, Pinhas Romik, who revealed that a second e-bridge web site, e-bridge4prizes.com will shortly be going online.*

## **What special services e-bridge will be offering to its players at the new web site?**

www.e-bridge4prizes.com, is a new web site that will offer to bridge players at all levels an opportunity to play in pairs or individuals tournaments and win money prizes. This type of activity is very popular in Europe in live bridge. In many European bridge clubs and bridge festivals during the year there are tournaments in which money prizes are awarded. The ACBL has traditionally stayed away from tournaments with money prizes, but recently private entrepreneurs have organized bridge tournaments in the USA with money prizes, the Pro Bridge Tour. This activity is becoming more popular on the West Coast, and attracts many players. So we decided to offer this service to online players.

## **It's an interesting idea but not entirely new. How will e-bridge deal with security of the online games, so the players will not be able to get information about their partners' hands?**

e-bridge has invested significant effort to develop the software that will make cheating very difficult, and alert us to possible cheaters. The pairs are formed randomly by the computer, the information on players' identities and board identifications is concealed, the movement is special, and there are more features that make the illegal transfer of information very difficult. We have also developed special software that alerts us when we see players who win prizes in "strangely successful" ways. I definitely advise players not to try to cheat on us, because we will quickly catch them and report them to their NBOs.

## **Can you explain how the prize system will work?**

Each player pays entry fee to the tournament, typically \$5 US. 80% of the entry fees are returned to the players as prizes. The rest is to fund the site's operation and provide some profit. Typical prizes are 20\$ to 200\$, and there are up to 10 prizes per tournament for the top ranking pairs. The prize amount and number of prizes will depend on the size of the tournament.

## **Can you play with your regular partner in the tournament?**

No, presently you cannot, as this opens too wide a possibility for cheating. e-bridge's responsibility as a service provider is to en-

sure a fair and safe playing environment for everybody. The computer will randomly assign a partner for you. This is a disadvantage for the players who like to play with their normal partner, but it's also an advantage for the less skilled players who can be paired with a stronger partner, so they will also have a chance to win prizes. It will also even the field, so not only strong pairs will win the prizes all the time.

## **How do you pay the entry fee to the tournament, and how do I get my prize?**

You purchase tournaments tickets online using your Credit Card. We mail check prizes to the winners. A very safe system.

## **Why are you offering this service through a new web site? Why can't it be a service that is available from your present, e-bridgemaster.com web site?**

We wanted to separate very clearly pay-and-win-prizes activities from playing for masterpoint activities. Although duplicate bridge tournaments are considered a game of skill, in several states in the US there is some ambiguity on the legal status of online pay-and-win-prizes tournaments. We want to avoid any possible legal problems about crossing the borders of online gambling.

*Thanks Pinhas and good luck with e-bridge4prizes.com*



*Pinhas Romik*

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		1st	2nd	Total							
1	Schwartz - Becker	USA	65.92	56.00	60.96	71	Del Monte - Fruewirth	AUS	53.03	48.15	50.59
2	Finberg - Lair	USA	56.26	62.27	59.27	72	Demuy - Wolpert	CAN	45.70	55.42	50.56
3	Gieruski - Skrzypczak	POL	52.80	61.71	57.25	73	Hackett - Waterlow	ENG	46.32	54.73	50.52
4	Bakkeren - Bertens	NED	50.06	64.20	57.13	74	Le Poder - Mus	FRA	45.94	54.80	50.37
5	Stoppa - Stretz	FRA	58.68	54.74	56.71	75	Robinson - Boyd	USA	49.01	51.69	50.35
6	Levin - Weinstein	USA	49.76	63.47	56.61	76	Cannell - Carruthers	CAN	48.64	52.04	50.34
7	Levy - Armstrong	ENG	59.88	53.19	56.54	77	Soloway - Hamman	USA	46.98	53.64	50.31
8	Olanski - Starkowski	POL	55.75	56.86	56.30	78	Simson - Rodwell	USA	48.72	51.66	50.19
9	Atabey - Kolata	TUR	56.62	55.60	56.11	79	Padye - Ray	INA	44.43	55.80	50.11
10	Paulissen - Nab	NED	57.09	55.13	56.11	80	Gawrys - Jassem	POL	55.66	44.50	50.08
11	Bareket - Roll	ISR	55.66	56.41	56.04	81	Samuel - Samuel	USA	43.81	56.33	50.07
12	Eber - Sapire	RSA	55.57	56.46	56.02	82	Lev - Glubok	USA	46.71	53.38	50.05
13	Sprung - Stansby	USA	59.63	51.46	55.54	83	Goldsmith - Schuster	USA	54.06	46.01	50.03
14	Berkowitz - Cohen	USA	54.73	56.20	55.46	84	Zen - Wan	HKG	46.44	53.66	49.98
15	Bussek - Rohowsky	GER	53.53	57.40	55.46	85	Woolsey - Stewart	USA	43.83	56.25	49.92
16	Brink - van Prooijen	NED	55.77	54.82	55.29	86	Lortz - Ohlrich	USA	51.06	48.72	49.89
17	Delmouly - Renouard	FRA	53.78	56.75	55.27	87	Prokhorov - Curlin	RUS	50.27	49.40	49.84
18	Zorlu - Assael	TUR	54.31	56.06	55.18	88	Petterson - Palmgren	SWE	50.86	48.72	49.79
19	Ravenna - Madala	ARG	55.85	54.44	55.14	89	Fouillet - Kremer	FRA	52.04	47.52	49.78
20	Eisenberg - Kass	FRA	53.90	56.14	55.02	90	Panina - Rosenblum	RUS	53.56	45.73	49.65
21	Frukacz - Iglewski	CAN	49.94	59.90	54.92	91	Jaroslav - Moszynski	POL	51.16	48.10	49.63
22	Kowalski - Tuszynski	POL	57.29	51.70	54.49	92	Vernay - Schaffer	USA	48.50	50.55	49.53
23	Bianchedi - Muzzio	ARG	49.44	59.25	54.34	93	Burn - Sandqvist	ENG	49.00	49.78	49.39
24	Efraimsson - Morath	SWE	57.85	50.82	54.34	94	Tatarkin - Khazanov	RUS	53.12	45.17	49.15
25	Gotard - Piekarek	GER	44.61	63.72	54.16	95	Kirobakaramoorthy-Prabakar	INA	45.94	52.33	49.13
26	Mahmood - Rosenberg	USA	55.53	52.78	54.15	96	Garozzo - Dupont	ITA	44.75	53.26	49.01
27	Bizon - Kowalski	POL	65.84	42.34	54.09	97	Castellani - Catarsi	ITA	54.09	43.82	48.95
28	Levy - Mouiel	FRA	50.39	57.68	54.03	98	Romanski - Szymanowski	POL	45.07	52.80	48.93
29	Rajadhyaksha - Landen	USA	54.27	53.75	54.01	99	Piganeau - Lalanne	FRA	47.70	49.97	48.84
30	El Ahmady - Sadek	EGY	58.38	49.51	53.94	100	Hanayama - Hirata	JPN	45.43	52.18	48.80
31	Li - Sun	CHI	55.50	51.91	53.71	101	Ladizhenski - Ladizhenski	RUS	51.31	46.09	48.70
32	Smith - Willenken	USA	55.66	50.84	53.25	102	Shivdasani - Shenkin	USA	52.18	45.09	48.64
33	Roren - Svendsen	NOR	52.57	53.72	53.15	103	Teramoto - Morimura	JPN	47.84	49.42	48.63
34	Wright - Hallberg	ENG	54.63	51.64	53.14	104	Miller - Cheek	USA	54.73	42.24	48.48
35	Bompis - Mari	FRA	57.87	47.95	53.01	105	Multon - Quantin	FRA	47.45	49.33	48.39
36	Fantoni - Nunes	ITA	57.98	47.73	52.86	106	Zimmerman - Saporta	FRA	51.44	44.92	48.18
37	Zhang - Krnjevic	CAN	53.10	52.58	52.84	107	Morse - Ross	USA	54.41	41.95	48.18
38	Katz - Cohler	USA	55.86	49.80	52.83	108	Wold - Zeckhauser	USA	45.95	50.19	48.07
39	Maas - Ramondt	NED	51.32	54.21	52.77	109	Grue - Moss	USA	44.63	51.05	47.84
40	Gitelman - Moss	USA	51.65	53.30	52.48	110	Pilon - Izisel	FRA	46.56	49.06	47.81
41	Abram - Van Cleeff	NED	51.27	53.64	52.45	111	Meltzer - Larsen	USA	47.18	48.23	47.70
42	Brenning - Flodqvist	SWE	50.69	54.07	52.38	112	McIntosh - King	ENG	48.65	46.75	47.70
43	Carriere - Marcinsky	CAN/POL	51.78	52.94	52.36	113	Cornell - Mayer	NZL	51.68	43.54	47.61
44	Potier - Cuenca	FRA	51.69	52.60	52.14	114	Chagas - Brenner	BRA	49.29	45.92	47.60
45	Baqai - Dunitz	USA	47.12	57.15	52.14	115	Stirbu - Serpoi	ROM	52.52	42.23	47.37
46	Meckstroth - Johnson	USA	52.69	51.35	52.02	116	Gromov - Petrunin	RUS	45.80	48.81	47.31
47	Jansma - Verhees jr.	NED	55.55	48.43	51.99	117	Lewaciak - Krysztofiak	POL	47.54	46.94	47.24
48	Weichsel - Sontag	USA	51.61	52.08	51.85	118	Hargreaves - Fraser	CAN	50.72	43.56	47.14
49	Jafer - Sultan	PAK	53.02	50.60	51.81	119	Toffier - Dechelette	FRA	44.43	49.84	47.14
50	Forrester - Robson	ENG	50.34	53.26	51.80	120	D'Avossa - Di Bello	ITA	49.18	44.98	47.08
51	Thuillez - Sebbane	FRA	52.57	50.81	51.70	121	Ino - Imakura	JPN	49.55	44.57	47.06
52	Marks - Popper	USA	55.64	47.52	51.58	122	Hampson - Greco	USA	50.34	43.61	46.98
53	Aagaard - Jepsen	DEN	49.72	53.28	51.50	123	Clerkin - Cranmer	USA	41.06	52.85	46.95
54	Feldman - Osberg	USA	51.01	51.98	51.49	124	Smith - Czerniewski	ENG	43.64	50.07	46.85
55	Kushari - Mukherjee	INA	55.84	46.80	51.32	125	Mignocchi - Bathurst	USA	49.72	43.54	46.63
56	Allfrey - Bakhshi	ENG	50.86	51.73	51.29	126	Herbst - Herbst	ISR	44.98	48.10	46.54
57	Jones - Kjekorian	USA	51.97	50.53	51.25	127	Caplan - Caplan	CAN	47.91	45.06	46.49
58	Andersson - Bergdahl	SWE	51.17	51.30	51.24	128	Jacob - Jedrychowski	NZL	50.94	41.83	46.39
59	Bates - Klar	USA	46.49	55.92	51.20	129	Chemla - Cronier	FRA	52.10	40.45	46.28
60	Rombaut - Bessis	FRA	50.29	52.04	51.17	130	Attanasio - Failla	ITA	49.67	42.72	46.20
61	Nicolodi - Sbarigia	ITA	58.82	43.41	51.12	131	Kanningat - Bardhan	INA	47.94	44.22	46.08
62	Bruggeman - De Groot	NED	57.81	44.35	51.08	132	Ekeblad - Molson	USA	40.06	52.04	46.05
63	Richman - Prescott	AUS	49.67	52.28	50.98	133	Crozet - Huiban	FRA	44.85	46.88	45.86
64	Bramley - Weinstein	USA	41.48	60.41	50.95	134	MacKenzie - Weniger	CAN	44.63	46.87	45.75
65	Remedios - Barszcs	CAN	44.91	56.74	50.82	135	Bart - Dimich	CAN	45.79	45.68	45.73
66	Seamon - Passell	USA	56.08	45.43	50.76	136	Goldberg - Sprung	USA	50.89	40.34	45.61
67	Cohen - Gertner	USA	57.53	43.78	50.65	137	Guariglia - Di Bello	ITA	38.39	52.53	45.46
68	Shimizu - Miyakuni	JPN	52.79	48.49	50.64	138	Shek - Calderwood	ENG	38.86	51.92	45.39
69	Zein - Naguib	EGY	43.34	57.92	50.63	139	Antoff - Dyke	AUS	41.66	48.81	45.23
70	Chokshi - Venkatraman	IND	51.12	50.13	50.62	140	Bitran - Pacault	FRA	46.76	42.72	44.74
						141	Tchamitch - Chkaibane	LEB	44.29	44.72	44.50

142	Dalal - Gupta	IND	49.54	39.47	44.50	150	Stansby - Martel	USA	44.35	42.07	43.21
143	Allegrini - Palau	FRA	43.70	44.05	43.88	151	Apteker - Donde	RSA	42.32	43.25	42.79
144	Lo - Schwartz	USA	39.22	48.40	43.81	152	Destoc - Bonny	FRA	36.03	48.56	42.29
145	Lambardi - Camberos	ARG	39.93	47.43	43.68	153	Stahl - Krishnan	INA	41.05	43.06	42.06
146	Hackett - Hackett	ENG	49.88	37.43	43.66	154	Awad - Awad	FRA	41.67	41.39	41.53
147	Nadar - Satyanarayan	IND	40.90	46.41	43.66	155	Milner - Jacobus	USA	39.71	42.51	41.11
148	Clement - Bessis	FRA	49.44	37.71	43.57	156	Raff - Sunser	USA	39.35	36.27	37.81
149	Yang - Gu	USA	45.40	41.47	43.44						

## WOMEN PAIRS - (SEMI-FINALS)

			1st	2nd	Total						
1	Levy - De Heredia	FRA	60.24	59.28	59.76	27	Gordon - Moss	USA	52.93	47.25	50.09
2	Ohta - Setoguchi	JPN	58.62	59.76	59.19	28	Hamman - Jackson	USA	48.18	51.89	50.04
3	Berkowitz - Glasson	USA	51.82	63.18	57.50	29	Weinstein - Bjerkan	USA	43.75	55.75	49.75
4	Sutherlin - Allison	USA	52.77	60.44	56.60	30	Naito - Takashi	JPN	53.82	45.21	49.52
5	Poplilov - Zur-Campanile	ISR	62.18	50.51	56.35	31	Sokolow - Molson	USA	48.45	50.25	49.35
6	Steiner - Letizia	USA	50.80	61.42	56.11	32	Spiro - Stevenson	USA	51.45	46.41	48.93
7	Eaton - Clinton	CAN	50.78	60.79	55.78	33	Amano - Sekizawa	JPN	45.76	52.02	48.89
8	Capriata - Rosetta	ITA	59.30	51.48	55.39	34	Renoux - Menil	FRA	50.18	47.52	48.85
9	Brock - James	ENG	51.52	58.64	55.08	35	Sanders - Fernandez	USA	52.12	45.05	48.59
10	Ling - Zhang	CHI	56.05	53.82	54.93	36	Morse - Miller	USA	43.63	53.41	48.52
11	Clement - Dumon	FRA	57.61	51.90	54.75	37	Moretti - Blouquit	FRA	50.16	46.87	48.52
12	Hugon - Varenne	FRA	56.68	51.90	54.29	38	Wei-Sender - Kennedy	USA	45.58	50.79	48.19
13	McCallum - Rosenberg	USA	61.89	45.41	53.65	39	Jeanin-Naltet - Lemaitre	FRA	42.55	52.82	47.68
14	De Lucchi - Rosetta	ITA	56.42	48.64	52.53	40	Gordon - Reus	CAN	45.92	47.90	46.91
15	Gwozdzinsky - Wexler	USA	52.56	51.82	52.19	41	Vogel - Greenberg	USA	52.48	39.78	46.13
16	Wang - Sun	CHI	45.07	59.25	52.16	42	Morcos - Sarwat	EGY	42.24	48.33	45.28
17	Baker - Schulle	USA	51.05	53.21	52.13	43	Lily - Maud	EGY	47.87	41.67	44.77
18	Wood - Michaels	USA	48.62	55.56	52.09	44	Birman - Sagiv	ISR	38.31	49.72	44.02
19	Zhang - Wang	CHI	50.30	53.59	51.95	45	Nehmert - Auken	GER	40.20	46.56	43.38
20	Miroslaw - Vecchiatto	GER	48.62	54.67	51.65	46	Weber - Gromann	GER	39.85	46.36	43.10
21	Arrigoni - Olivieri	ITA	57.47	45.26	51.37	47	Florin - Parain	FRA	43.95	41.97	42.96
22	Ehrhardt - Weighkright	AUS	51.92	49.98	50.95	48	Wheeler - Gates	USA	44.62	40.49	42.56
23	Lalanne - Riberol	FRA	57.30	44.41	50.85	49	Savolainen - Reisig	FIN	42.30	42.67	42.48
24	Lourie - Epstein	USA	43.92	57.02	50.47	50	Mahfood - Reid	JAM	49.10	34.52	41.81
25	Wenning - Heinrichs	GER	49.55	50.97	50.26	51	Lesur - De Guillebon	FRA	42.62	40.82	41.72
26	Godel - Werner	CAN	56.38	43.95	50.16	52	Bryant - Summers	CAN	43.28	37.10	40.19

## QUALIFYING SENIOR PAIRS - (After 2 sessions)

			1st	2nd	Total						
1	Russyan - Klapper	POL	67.89	59.51	63.70	31	Szenberg - Zaremba	ITA/POL	46.73	54.26	50.49
2	Delorme - Benbassat	SWI	63.72	61.14	62.43	32	Miller - Finkel	USA	57.24	43.75	50.49
3	Holt - Schulte	USA	58.07	59.51	58.79	33	Chevalier - Hirsch	N/A	52.33	48.10	50.21
4	Marsal - Wladow	GER	59.09	56.34	57.71	34	Spengler - Boesiger	SWI	57.22	42.93	50.08
5	Damiani - Swarc	FRA	59.53	53.35	56.44	35	Kutner - Terrettaz	SWI	46.92	52.99	49.95
6	Lord - Kremer	USA	57.45	53.44	55.44	36	Weisman - Solodar	USA	44.45	55.43	49.94
7	Mohan - Vogel	USA	53.28	57.34	55.31	37	Kamerbeek - Borst	NED	54.12	45.56	49.84
8	Malasky - Wegman	USA	56.61	53.89	55.25	38	McCormack - McCormack	USA	46.43	52.45	49.44
9	Jabbour - Rumelhart	USA	57.18	52.81	55.00	39	Hallen - Bystrom	SWE	47.78	50.82	49.30
10	Markowicz - Klukowski	POL	51.81	56.97	54.39	40	Bomhof - Ramer	NED	41.94	56.52	49.23
11	Rand - Levit	ISR	48.22	59.96	54.09	41	Jabbour - Gordon	USA	42.34	55.53	48.93
12	Schippers - Schippers	NED	47.73	59.96	53.85	42	Autrey - Cokeon	USA	48.41	49.37	48.89
13	Drumev - Tanev	BUL	59.90	47.55	53.73	43	Ellis - Keidan	USA	51.44	46.11	48.77
14	Mattsson - Humburg	GER	53.70	53.35	53.52	44	Schneider - Michlmayr	USA	47.43	50.09	48.76
15	Neklan - Klumpp	GER	56.58	50.27	53.42	45	Gromoeller - Schneider	GER	49.72	47.64	48.68
16	Bennett - Simpson	USA	56.83	50.00	53.41	46	Harper - Hoffman	ENG	46.43	50.45	48.44
17	Fisher - Paul	USA	55.15	51.63	53.39	47	Shapiro - Cohen	USA	54.48	41.30	47.89
18	Hoffer - Piafsky	CAN	58.65	48.10	53.37	48	Baldwin - St Pierre	USA	41.12	54.53	47.83
19	Freed - Erickson	USA	60.81	45.65	53.23	49	Hendrickx - Smeets	BEL	52.02	42.93	47.48
20	Franken - Verhees	NED	55.67	50.63	53.15	50	Sowter - Rue	ENG	50.12	44.57	47.34
21	Gowdy - Hobart	CAN	51.32	54.89	53.11	51	Cobham - Laflamme	CAN	45.52	49.00	47.26
22	Ligat - Fren	SCO	56.88	49.28	53.08	52	Mortelmans - Saintgeorges	BEL	46.55	47.92	47.23
23	Korkut - Sarimsaky	TUR	59.89	46.11	53.00	53	Richardson - Lee	CAN	51.57	42.66	47.12
24	Scott - Forsyth	SCO	49.07	56.70	52.89	54	Ramnik - Samani	ENG	53.96	39.95	46.95
25	Zeligman - Melman	ISR	55.86	49.28	52.57	55	Borewicz - Otvosi	POL	42.93	49.55	46.24
26	Noble - Bilski	AUS	47.39	57.16	52.27	56	Benson - Revill	USA/CAN	40.19	51.99	46.09
27	Gagne - Harris	WAL	44.97	59.33	52.15	57	Hoeger - von Alvensleben	GER	44.79	47.37	46.08
28	Rogers - Shuman	USA	49.47	54.53	52.00	58	Hart - Hart	USA	42.94	48.91	45.93
29	Nathan - Mager	USA	49.46	54.35	51.90	59	Baxter - McGowan	SCO	44.20	47.46	45.83
30	Larson - Kivel	USA	58.68	44.57	51.62	60	Dowling - Power	IRE	48.39	42.84	45.62
						61	Ciocca - Morelli	N/A	40.74	49.46	45.10

62	Munoz - Feldheim	USA	42.62	47.46	45.04	68	Chavannaz - Morin	FRA	37.36	48.82	43.09
63	v Stuyvenberg-Nordgren	SWI/SWE	50.11	39.58	44.85	69	Rosen - O'Grady	USA	43.03	42.66	42.84
64	Weisman - Felton	USA	39.71	49.73	44.72	70	Schwartz - Fleming	CAN	46.02	37.86	41.94
65	Stack - Kniest	USA	42.55	44.93	43.74	71	Nurdin - Akbar	KEN/CAN	38.09	45.20	41.64
66	Imhof - Frei	SWI	41.61	44.84	43.22	72	Hiron - Monachan	SPA/ENG	30.84	48.01	39.42
67	Collin - van Hoestenbergh	BEL	45.51	40.85	43.18						

## ZONAL PAIRS - (After 2 sessions)

			1st	2nd	Total						
1	Dubus - Parain	FRA	59.96	63.02	61.49	64	Beresiner - Essex	ENG	52.90	46.23	49.57
2	Pluhta - Westfall	USA	58.64	60.62	59.63	65	Raffali - Cadi Tazi	MOR	39.13	59.95	49.54
3	Gue - Brown	AUS	51.15	66.56	58.86	66	Dahlberg - Andersson	SWE	52.73	46.13	49.43
4	De Saint Pastou-Faigenbaum	FRA	60.75	56.42	58.58	67	Weinstock - Popilov	ISR	55.02	43.81	49.42
5	Cohner - Schroeder	GER	56.36	60.18	58.27	68	Viola - Viola	ITA	48.52	50.08	49.33
6	Voinescu - Taciuc	ROM	53.28	62.67	57.97	69	Lungu - Rotaru	ROM	42.79	55.48	49.13
7	Coquille - Moscow	USA	58.19	57.75	57.97	70	Delestre - Lobry	FRA	50.27	47.68	48.97
8	Blackman - Watkins	BAR	61.12	54.66	57.89	71	(L) Farr-Jones - Grenside	AUS	52.06	45.74	48.90
9	Gottlieb - Zucker	USA	56.19	58.69	57.44	72	Tylman - Weisz	CAN	41.81	55.81	48.81
10	Steinberg - Eccles	CAN	51.35	62.86	57.10	73	(L) Schwartz - Hall	USA	51.94	45.62	48.78
11	(L) Bloon - Halroyd	SFA	53.14	61.07	57.10	74	De Miguel - Knap	SPA	48.59	48.82	48.71
12	Tache - Dohnert	VEN	48.34	65.52	56.93	75	Sagin - Birman	ISR	49.19	47.65	48.42
13	Klimowicz - Fung	CAN	52.17	61.31	56.74	76	Bove - Schwarz	ITA/CAN	45.59	51.07	48.33
14	Crossley - Passal	USA	58.52	54.26	56.39	77	Nakamura - Kosht	JPN	49.30	47.32	48.31
15	Gladyszak - Saxe	USA	53.56	59.03	56.30	78	(L) Nakao - Nishida	JPN	45.85	50.57	48.30
16	Frerichs - Wenning	GER	59.38	51.72	55.55	79	Ahmirata - Pasquin	VEN	50.38	46.08	48.23
17	Goodman - McDevitt	WAL/USA	47.87	62.75	55.31	80	Douglas - Harvey	BER	40.39	56.00	48.20
18	Lara - Capucho	POR	54.75	55.71	55.25	81	(L) Burn - King	ENG	48.46	47.54	48.00
19	Ladewig - Janicki	CAN	57.95	52.40	55.18	82	(L) Spanou - Maglara	GRE	46.74	48.75	47.74
20	Henri - Lafourcade	BEL	58.52	51.76	55.14	83	Afanson - Polishchuk	RUS	54.49	40.78	47.64
21	Sinno - Fahs	CAN	55.75	54.34	55.05	84	Efraim - Schnayder	CAN	44.79	50.24	47.51
22	Herrera - Herrera	MEX	56.29	53.75	55.02	85	Gartaganis - Gartaganis	CAN	47.44		47.44
23	Niemeijer - Trouwborst	NED	58.59	50.63	54.61	86	Pacheco - Gusso	VEN	49.41	45.28	47.35
24	Kielichowski - Zak	POL	49.67	59.26	54.47	87	Marcoux - Marcoux	CAN	43.86	50.53	47.33
25	Daigheault - Kent	CAN	54.64	54.14	54.39	88	Sutherland - Sutherland	CAN	43.16	51.13	47.14
26	Youngerman - Milton	USA	48.49	60.25	54.37	89	(L) Key - Brown	USA	52.51	41.72	47.12
27	Maeda - Hayashz	JPN	58.18	50.43	54.30	90	Bonaccorsi - Frazetto	ITA	52.28	41.93	47.10
28	Lorber - Szavey	CAN	52.61	55.68	54.14	91	Steeves - Hynes	CAN	48.82	45.20	47.01
29	(L) Mott - Frazier	AUS	49.83	58.12	53.97	92	Cucuiu - Mincu	ROM	49.56	44.41	46.98
30	Yven - Drew	CAN	49.44	58.48	53.96	93	(L) Rosenberg - Yanez	MEX	47.29	46.12	46.70
31	Prokopiou - Chadjopoulos	GRE	50.15	57.40	53.78	94	Hammond - Lane	ENG	53.68	39.67	46.68
32	Baff - Secher	USA	55.88	51.64	53.76	95	Rosen - Kaufman	ENG	53.66	39.62	46.64
33	Hertz - Kaplan	FRA	54.81	52.30	53.55	96	Veron - Mathieu	GUA	42.64	50.61	46.62
34	Candura - Scalabrino	ITA	53.24	53.50	53.37	97	Tariq - Basiony	BAH	52.16	40.94	46.55
35	Ortmann - Ortmann	DEN	53.83	52.60	53.21	98	(L) Mitropoulou - Kotronarou	GRE	47.67	45.37	46.52
36	Benoit - Giard	FRA	58.21	48.12	53.17	99	Allix - Mauberquez	FRA	40.65	52.16	46.41
37	Mosca - Pasquarella	ITA	49.08	57.20	53.14	100	Gravel - Mayer	CAN	46.59	45.58	46.09
38	Davidson - Glickman	CAN	52.57	53.67	53.12	101	Picard - Garnier	FRA	49.12	42.66	45.89
39	Reghaye - Barrada	MOR	52.33	53.76	53.05	102	leong - leong	HKG	48.67	42.90	45.67
40	Meshaka - Galtier	FRA	52.64	53.28	52.96	103	Shah - Shah	ENG	39.96	51.22	45.59
41	Barett - Miles	USA	60.74	44.87	52.80	104	Wallis - Konig	AUS	46.23	44.76	45.49
42	Auken - Bruun	DEN	51.13	54.29	52.71	105	Torre - Torre	FRA	48.06	42.69	45.38
43	Wilsmore - Wyner	AUS	53.18	51.90	52.54	106	Cyr - Michaux	CAN	46.97	43.53	45.18
44	Maitra - D'souza	CAN	53.73	51.24	52.49	107	Zobu - Haramati	ISR	45.54	44.15	44.85
45	Sengupta - Arvedon	USA	49.93	54.52	52.22	108	Ansari - Ansari	PAK/CAN	45.56	44.09	44.82
46	Ballweg - Cyeler	CAN	51.18	53.24	52.21	109	(L) Rodwell - Hyatt	USA	44.34	45.02	44.68
47	Maidman - Marinov	USA	51.60	52.65	52.12	110	Reygadas - Rosenkranz	MEX	44.62	44.08	44.34
48	Bineau - Droulez	FRA	52.17	51.94	52.05	111	(L) Berlage-Smit - Kugler	CAN	49.63	38.57	44.10
49	Liugaard - Dybdahl	NOR	53.42	50.66	51.99	112	Merkel - Collins	CAN	44.11	43.82	43.97
50	(L) Hanlou - Savko	USA	55.44	48.50	51.97	113	Cotterman - Rexford	USA	43.51	43.87	43.69
51	Golebiowski - Kaniewski	FRA	49.58	53.46	51.60	114	Turk - Cousin	FRA	36.40	50.76	43.58
52	Khandelwal - Khandelwal	IND	54.59	47.96	51.27	115	(L) Asakoshi - Kosaka	JPN	37.82	48.42	43.12
53	Rosenkranz - Morris	MEX/USA	49.32	53.10	51.21	116	(L) Paulsson - Redrupp	CAN	46.30	40.18	43.12
54	(L) Curetti - Rainbault	FRA	51.34	50.98	51.16	117	(L) Fulford - Cools-Lartique	JAM	41.07	44.73	42.90
55	Keaveney - Quinn	IRE	55.53	46.34	50.94	118	Faguet - Delcourt	MAR	43.48	41.78	42.63
56	Patel - Shah	IND	54.47	47.23	50.85	119	Paul - Hodgson	CAN	38.12	46.56	42.51
57	Berton - Bishop	CAN	56.58	44.90	50.74	120	(L) Toshiko - Toyoko	JPN	41.81	42.74	42.27
58	Rayner - Shephard	CAN	56.84	44.64	50.74	121	(L) Bonaventure - Colin	CAN/USA	43.53	40.62	42.08
59	Bombardieri - Muller	ITA	51.79	49.71	50.71	122	Nakano - Yarinton	USA	47.98	35.85	41.92
60	Deaves - Lafferty	CAN	52.14	49.25	50.70	123	(L) Rossard - Bitran	FRA	36.64	46.19	41.42
61	Frencken - Vandervorst	BEL	51.84	48.54	50.19	124	Castano - Joffe	BRA	33.82	48.86	41.34
62	Gonfreville - Schulmann	FRA	55.45	44.71	50.08	125	Braia - Szakacs	ROM	39.93	41.58	40.79
63	Standig - Gerb	USA	53.07	46.88	49.98	126	(L) Mc Cartney - Lyons	AUS	42.67	38.57	40.62
						127	(L) Beringer - Delestre	FRA	37.40	41.17	39.29



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## LE PARTAGE DES ATOUTS

par Julie Fajgelzon

Avec un peu de prévoyance, Serge Chevalier a réussi le contrat suivant dans le Suisse de lundi :

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Les enchères :

Sud	Ouest	Nord	Est
<i>Chevalier</i>			
1♦	Passe	1♥	Passe
1♠	Passe	4♠	Passe
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L'entame: 5 de trèfle (4ème meilleur) pour la dame et l'as de Chevalier qui a poursuivi par in cœur pour le roi et l'as d'Est. Celui-ci est revenu du 2 de trèfle pour le valet de son partenaire qui a retourné le 3 de carreau au 8 et 10 de Sud. Chevalier a continué avec un autre carreau au roi et à l'as d'Est pendant qu'Ouest a joué le 2 montrant un doubleton. Est est revenu du 10 de cœur et Chevalier a décidé de prendre ses précautions contre un partage 4-2 des atouts. Il a joué un pique vers sa main et a pris note du 10 d'Ouest.

Il avait, par inférence, un compte de la main. Est et Ouest avait montré 4 trèfles chacun. Ouest a montré 2 carreaux en jouant le 3 suivi du 2, et Est en avait donc 4. Est avait joué un 2ème coup de cœur, chose dont il se serait méfié s'il n'en avait que 3. Donc il en avait probablement 4 - 4 cœurs, 4 carreaux, 4 trèfles - alors...il avait juste 1 atout.

Serge a continué avec un atout au 7 du mort. Il a encaissé ses 2 cœurs maîtres, défaussant un trèfle et un carreau de sa main. Ensuite il a coupé un cœur avec le 9 de pique et a joué son carreau maître. Ouest n'avait pas de recours. S'il coupait, Serge surcouperait et ferait ses cœurs maîtres. S'il défaussait Serge défilerait ses carreaux maîtres jusqu'à ce qu'il coupe. Voilà une main bien jouée.

## UNE ENTAME MEURTRIÈRE

par Julie Fajgelzon

Nous avons tous bénéficié du conseil "Contre un contrat à la couleur, n'entamez pas sous un as". Cela est vrai la plupart du temps mais, comme à toute règle, il peut y avoir des exceptions à celle-ci aussi.

L'équipe de Mike Young (André Chartrand, Serge Chevalier, et Christian Houle) a gagné le tournoi Suisse dimanche en partie grâce à Mike Young qui n'a pas suivi cette règle lorsqu'il entama sur la donne suivante.

Don : Nord, Vul: Tous

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Nord	Est	Sud	Ouest
	<i>Chartrand</i>		<i>Young</i>
1♣	Passe	1♥	Passe
3♣	Passe	3♦	Passe
3♥	Passe	4♥	Passe
Passe	Passe		

Les enchères suggéraient, certes, une entame à pique, mais à quel pique? Cette décision était importante pour la défaite de la main. Mike a raisonné qu'il trouverait probablement le roi chez son partenaire puisque les adversaires cherchaient un fit et ont choisi de jouer à cœur au lieu de sans atout. Encore s'est-il dit que si son partenaire avait le roi de pique il n'aurait pas grand chose d'autre. Il lui faudrait donc une coupe pour battre la main, alors autant le jouer pour le roi doubleton. Il a donc entamé petit pique vers le roi de son partenaire qui est revenu de son second pique. Mike a alors encaissé son as de carreau, et a donné la coupe à son partenaire. -1 et 13 imps pour l'équipe de Mike, comme le contrat a été réussi à l'autre table sur une entame moins inspirée.

### OIE, OIE, OIE

Bien des joueurs éprouvent des difficultés avec les enchères de réveil. Kevin Grégoire va essayer de vous éclairer sur ce sujet aujourd'hui à 12h20 dans le salon Frontenac au Hilton Bonaventure. Cette conférence se tiendra en français.

Many players have difficulties dealing with balancing actions. Kevin Grégoire will try to help with this problem today at 12:20 in the salon Frontenac at the Hilton Bonaventure. This session will be in French.

LUNDI MATIN PAIRES CONTINUES

8 Pairs

	A	B	C	
2.12	1			Joyce Sillins - Jonathan Greenspan, New York 43.00

MONDAY/LUN AFT SIDE GAME

54 Pairs

	A	B	C	
5.61	1			Gerald La Flamme - Linda Cobham, Grnd-Bay-Wfld NB 165.00
4.25	3	1		Melanie Parker, Toronto ON; Haisam Osman, Fullerton CA 160.00
2.66	3	1		Maurice Morand, Sillery PQ; Marie-Laure Tremblay, Quebec PQ 152.00

LUNDI SOIR/MONDAY EVE SIDEGAME

55 Pairs

	A	B	C	
5.76	1			Jeanne Fisher, Clementon NJ; Janis Rush, Fort Lee NJ 192.03
4.70	2	1		Gary Rosenthal - Charles Wexler, Westmount PQ 188.50
2.66	5	1		James Dulmage, Regina SK; Gordon Zind, Ottawa ON 173.18

MONDAY/LUNDI SENIOR PAIRS

34 Pairs

	A	B	C	
7.56	1			Edouard Schouela, Mount Royal PQ; Elie Douek, Montreal PQ 366.29
5.67	2			Jan Nathan, Manhattan Beach CA; Steve Mager, Hermosa Beach CA 358.00
4.99	3	1		Alain Blaise, St Colomban PQ; Francois Falardeau, Repentigny PQ 347.00
3.74	5	2	1	Bomsu Wadia, Bombay IN; Adi Kalianiwala, 334.93
2.81	3			A Shatilla-Georgia Shamie, Mont-Royal PQ 326.00
1.77		2		Therese Lambert, Saint-Lambert PQ; Jeannine Gagne, St Hubert PQ 312.36
1.32		3		Denis Galarneau - Josette Galarneau, Greenfield Pk PQ 298.50

LUNDI/MONDAY SWISS

23 Teams

	A	B	C	
23.10	1			Jean Castonguay, Lery PQ; Roger Dunn, Brossard PQ; Michael Young, Chateauguay PQ; Serge Chevalier, Montreal PQ 114.00
17.33	2			Glenn Eisenstein - Bernard Sillins, New York NY; Mary Gorkin, Liverpool NY; Gordon Walker, Naples FL 113.00
12.99	3	1		Gillian Cook, Oceanside CA; Monroe Miller, Cote Saint-Luc PQ; Manzoor Ahmad, Montreal PQ; Albert Zagury, Mont-Royal PQ 101.00
9.75	4	2	1	Gilbert Baillargeon, Montreal-Nord PQ; Lucie Fortin, Montreal PQ; Gisele Denault, QC; Robert Guerin, Saint-Laurent PQ 96.00
5.48	6	3	2	Sylvie Duval - Liliane Theberge, Montreal PQ; Suzanne S Messier, Dorval PQ; Lise Michaud, Lasalle PQ 93.00

LUNDI/MONDAY EQUIPES DE DAMES

16 Teams

	A	B	C	
7.28	1			Goldye Raphael, Montreal PQ; Deena Garfinkle - Carol Jast, Cote Saint-Luc PQ; Dorothy Marcus, Westmount PQ 112.00
5.46	2	1		Elisabeth Smits - Marcelle, Cousineau - Mary Salmon, Pierrefonds PQ; Doris Dollinger, Dol-des-Ormea PQ 97.00

3.23	2			Ruth Friedman - Shirley Fox, Cote Saint-Luc PQ; Evelyn Shrier, Westmount PQ; Doreen Kizner, Lyon Mountain NY 87.00
2.74	4	1		Mary Jane Brown - Dorothy Riteman, Bedford NS; Evelyn May Campbell, Halifax NS; Barbara Paton, Scottsdale AZ 68.00

## LES IMPASSES

par Julie Fajgelzon

Nous savons tous qu'une impasse nous offre une chance sur deux de réussir notre coup. Nous savons également gagner une impasse sur deux possède 75% de chance de réussite. Voici une main, qui me parvient des équipes Suisses, pour ceux qui sont passionnés par les impasses.

Est	Sud	Ouest	Nord
1♦	1♠	Passe	2♠
Passe	4♠	Passe	Passe
Passe			

♠ D 5 4 3 2

♥ 7 4 2

♦ 8 6

♣ R 10 5



♠ A R 10 9 6

♥ A R V

♦ 3

♣ D 9 6 4

L'entame: 2 de carreau pour le roi, et Est revient du 3 de cœur.

Vous avez une perdante à cœur, une à carreau et 2 possibles à trèfle. Vous pouvez faire l'impasse à cœur, et/ou devinez l'impasse pour le valet de carreau. Quelle impasse faites-vous?

a) l'impasse à cœur?, b) l'impasse à carreau?, c) les deux?

L'impasse à trèfle semble supérieure puisqu'elle pourrait vous apporter une levée supplémentaire pour défausser votre cœur si les trèfles sont partagés 3-3. Cependant la réponse à ma question est d) aucune. Les impasses vous donnent de très bonnes chances de réussir votre contrat mais il y a une ligne de jeu qui vous donne 100% de chance de réussite. La voici:

Vous prenez l'as de cœur. Vous jouez l'as de pique et le 10 de pique pour la dame. Vous coupez un carreau et vous jouez ensuite le roi de cœur et le valet de cœur. Il vous reste juste les trèfles et les piques maintenant. Peu importe qui prend de la dame de cœur, il est obligé de vous donner une coupe et défausse ou de jouer les trèfles pour vous, vous évitant la nécessité de deviner qui a le valet.

Les impasses ne sont pas toujours avantageuses. On en fait juste quand il n'y a pas d'alternative.