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MAGINE YOURSELF IN 6NT on the following hand:

NORTH

- ♠ AKQ62
- **♥** A8
- **♦** 63
- ♣ AQ52

SOUTH

- **♠** JT9
- **∀** KQ73
- ♦ KQ2
- **♣** KJ6

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But first, a word about the bidding. South opens 1NT strong, and North needs to consider whether to bid six or seven in Spades, Clubs or NT. So North transfers to Spades and bids Three Clubs. South bids Three Spades confirming that fit. North then asks for Aces and finds out they are off One Ace. Since the game is Matchpoints, North correctly bids 6NT.

Such was the case for Glenn Fidler of Indianapolis, who was South on this hand. He was now left to play it. After West led the J of Hearts, Glenn could count Twelve top tricks, Five Spades, Four Clubs and Three Hearts. So, no problem making Six NT, but how do you make the best play for seven?

Well, Glenn figured that out as well, win the Heart lead in dummy with the Ace, and run your nine black suit winners ending perforce in dummy and you have a positional squeeze on RHO who has both the Ace of Diamonds and the Four Hearts. Thirteen tricks made for a cold top! Well done indeed on both the bidding and the play.

This hand was played at the Indianapolis Bridge Center. Denny and I were both on lead against 6 NT on this hand at different tables. We both led the J of Hearts, but at my table the declarer did not find the squeeze. Thus I was able to avoid that sickening feeling that happens when your opponents bid to the top spot and play it perfectly. Well done, Glenn.

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9 не Reno Committee put on a great NABC. The playing areas were spread out among three connected casinos, but once you got the hang of it, getting around was easy peasy—and the signage provided by the "Ask Me" crew was fabu. The final table count was a tad short of the 12,000 estimated, but lower local costs assured a profitable NABC. I saw lots of District 11 friends and everyone seemed to be doing well and having a great time!

Great Showing in NAP - B & C for District 11!!!

District 11 finished in first and second place in the North American Pairs, Flight B championship finals and second in the NAP - C finals!! The NAP - B was a triumph for the Cincinnati area, home to both 1st place finishers A.J. Stephani and Ryan Schultz and runners-up Steve Moese and Mike Ma.

Runners-up in the President's Cup North American Pairs Flight C were James and Laurie Herchenroeder of Harrodsburg, KY.

ELECTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

ACBL Treasurer

Claire Jones, District 18, was elected for a one-year term.

C & C COMMITTEE

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Peter Boyd, Al Levy, Howard Weinstein

ADVANCES ON STRATEGIC PLANNING

The Board spent a significant amount of time at this meeting in open discussion, rather than the usual motion-driven format of most meetings. This is something I've been promoting for many years and was very pleased that President Ken Monzingo made it happen. I have kept you up to date on the strategic planning process on which the Board embarked over three years ago, the plan that emerged from that process and the progress of the plan. At this meeting, the Board as a whole spent time reviewing our goals, seeing what had changed and needed to be updated either through adding new goals or reprioritizing current goals. During the formation of the Strategic Plan three years ago, the Board adopted a Mission Statement for the ACBL:

The mission of the ACBL is to promote and sustain the game of bridge and to serve the bridge-related interests of our Members.

At this meeting, we added a Vision Statement to guide and inspire all who work to fulfill our mission:

Bridge is regarded as the World's most rewarding and enjoyable card game.

With the guidance of the Strategic Review Committee, the Board agreed on the following summary of its Four Strategic Priorities:

- 1. Increase Membership Acquisition and Retention.
- 2. Develop and accelerate tournament director training and recruitment.
- 3. Build the confidence of ACBL members through dealing effectively with cheating and maintaining financial health.
- 4. Upgrade technology and secure our infrastructure while establishing the future architecture of ACBL Score.

The Board then discussed how these priorities should be dealt with in the areas of Finance, Technology, Strategic in general and the WBF. Each Committee is tasked with developing specific goals to help meet our strategic priorities. Giving the full Board a chance to discuss these issues and share views on longrange priorities should be the primary task of any Board and I hope to do my part, in leading the Finance and Governance Committees.

At the same time, the new Board Composition Committee began work. As you may remember, the BCC was authorized in Denver and counts BOD, BOG, members-at large and Management representatives as its members. It intends to take a hard look at the current composition of the BOD and see if there's a better way to do it—a smaller Board; a more professional Board; a powerful Executive Committee—all of these options are open for discussion and the Committee is required to bring us their conclusions and suggested actions by the Fall Meeting.

LEGAL

The Legal Services Review Committee recommended that upon League Counsel Peter Rank's retirement after the Summer meeting, that his position be eliminated in favor of hiring a full time In-House Counsel in Horn Lake.

The standard of proof in cases involving severe discipline was changed from "preponderance of the evidence" to "comfortable satisfaction". Contact me if you would like a more in-depth explanation.

Attorneys will now be permitted in hearings at the Appeals and Charges level, but not in Unit or District hearings.

NABC+ APPEALS

ACBL Tournament Directors shall hear and rule upon all appeals filed at North American Bridge Championships. All Conduct and Ethics or Disciplinary matters shall continue to be referred to and heard by the NABC Tournament Committee or to its assignees. The issue of whether top players should be judged by their peers or by professional TDs remains controversial, but the above motion passed with my support.

COST-CUTTING

A motion to excuse the BOD from attending the BOG meeting three days after the close of the BOD meeting failed; a motion to allow the Host NABC Committee to decide whether it wanted a Volunteer Dinner (with reduced BOD attendance) held the night before the start or \$5000 in cash to recognize its volunteers in any way it wished passed.

A motion to relieve NABC Host Committees from the obligation to entertain BOD spouses with a day or two of excursions failed.

A motion to cut the ACBL President's budget passed.

The amount paid by the ACBL under the Cooperative Advertising Program was reduced to 50% from 75% of the cost of the add with a cap of \$500 reduced from \$750. The reason for the reduction is that the expense is openended and completely unpredictable.

OTHER ACTIONS

The motion passed in Denver and submitted for reconsideration by the BOG pursuant to which clubs that run Limited or Invitational games may not convert those to Open games during STaCs passed again. This was the subject of some disagreement even at our District Board Meeting.

Several technical changes were made to election procedures. One substantive change, however, was requiring the Director of Elections to keep the Unit votes confidential in a District Director election. This action was taken in response to complaints from Units that, especially in the case of small Units or those that went unanimously for a candidate, making the Unit vote public essentially violated the privacy of individual voters. This motion has been sent back to the BOD by the BOG for reconsideration.

In order to give flexibility to teachers and club owners, the following motion was adopted: 3.2 A newcomer game is conducted to acquaint new players with duplicate bridge and to encourage participation by inexperienced players. At the discretion of club management, players may ask for advice, refer to notes and have help on any hand.

FINANCE

After a lot of hard work and cost-cutting by Management and the Board, the proposed Operating Budget for 2016 approved in Denver showing an excess of expenditures over revenues of (\$61,534) was wrangled to a positive of \$101,486 excess of revenues over expenses. As 2016 should be an unusual year of three "bumper" NABCs, this gives us breathing room for future years as well as restoring some of the reserves recently depleted by ACBLScore+ and the termination of the pension plan. The Capital Budget of \$497,000 was also approved. Although this number is higher than the tentative budget approved in Denver, the increase is attributable to prior year projects for which the allocated budget has not been spent.

PLEASE FEEL FREE TO EMAIL ME AT:

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WITH ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS OR SUGGESTIONS OR HEYHOWAREYAS YOU WISH AND I'LL DO MY BEST TO RESPOND PROMPTLY!

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(w/o Gold Rush):

😓 Open Pairs & Swiss

	10:00 AM	2:30 рм	7:30 РМ		
Monday May 30		Pro Am Pairs* (reservation required – see details in sidebar) Open Pairs Side Series I*	Open Pairs Evening Side Series I		
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Tuesday May 31	Miss Piggy KO (Round 1) Open Pairs Side Series I NLM Pairs	Miss Piggy KO (Round 2) Open Pairs Side Series I Piglet Single Session Swiss	KO (Round 1) Open Pairs Evening Side Series I NLM Pairs		
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Wednesday June 1	Miss Piggy KO (Round 3) Open Pairs Side Series II NLM Pairs	Miss Piggy KO (Round 4) Open Pairs Side Series II	Hogwash Horizontal Swiss (Round 1) Open Pairs Evening Side Series I		
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Thursday June 2	Baby Back KO (Round 1) Open Pairs Side Series II NLM Pairs	Baby Back KO (Round 2) Open Pairs Side Series II Piglet Single Session Swiss	Hogwash Horizontal Swiss (Round 2) Open Pairs Evening Side Series II NLM Pairs		
	Hog Heaven Gold and Open Swiss T	Pig in Mud Evening			

KO (Round 4) Friday Open Pairs Evening Baby Back KO (Round 3) Baby Back KO (Round 4) June 3 Side Series II Open Pairs Side Series III Open Pairs Side Series III

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Saturday

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June 5

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Swiss Teams in Red **NLM Events in Blue**

Side Series II

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> (with Gold Rush): 0-1500/1500-3000/3000+ Gold Rush Pairs & Swiss: 0-100/100-300/300-750

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Monday			
Education Fund Stratified Pairs		1:00	
American Pharoah KO (Rd. 1 & 2)		1:00	7:00
Stratified Swiss			7:00
Stratified Side Game Series 1			7:00
Tuesday			
Stratified Side Game Series 1	9:00	1:00	7:00
American Pharoah KO (Rd. 3 & 4)		1:00	7:00
Keeneland Bracketed KO (Rd. 1 & 2)		1:00	7:00
Ft. Knox Gold Rush Pairs (100/300/750)		1:00	7:00
Open Pairs (0/1500/3000+)		1:00	7:00
Stratified Swiss (single sessions)	9:00		7:00
Wednesday			
AM Compact KO 1 (4 people)	9:00		
(Continue Thursday morning)			
Stratified Side Game Series AM	9:00		
Open Pairs (0/1500/3000+)		1:00	7:00
Ft. Knox Gold Rush Pairs (100/300/750)		1:00	7:00
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Keeneland KO (Rd. 3 & 4)		1:00	7:00
Stratified Side Game Series 2		1:00	7:00
IMP Pairs			7:00
Thursday			
AM Compact KO 1 (Cont.)	9:00		
Stratified Side Game Series AM	9:00		
Stratified Swiss	9:00		
Stratiflighted Swiss (1500/3000/Open)	0.00	1:00	7:00
Ft. Knox Gold Rush Swiss Teams (100/300/7	'50)	1:00	7:00
Barbaro KO 2 (Rd. 3 & 4)		1:00	7:00
Stratified Side Game Series 2		1:00	7:00
Stratified Swiss			7:00
Friday			
Stratified Side Game Series AM	9:00		
AM Compact KO2 (4 people)	9:00		
(Continue Sat AM)	3.00		
Open Pairs (0/1500/3000+)		1:00	7:00
Ft. Knox Gold Rush Pairs (100/300/750)		1:00	7:00
Churchill Downs KO (Rd 1 & 2)		1:00	7:00
Stratified Side Game Series 3		1:00	7:00
Stratified Swiss			7:00
Saturday			
Stratified Swiss	9:00		
Stratified Side Game Series AM	9:00		
AM Compact KO 2 (Cont'd)	9:00		
Churchill Downs Knockouts (Rd 3 & 4)	3.00	1:00	7:00
Stratified Side Game Series 3		1:00	7:00
Open Pairs (0/1500/3000+)		1:00	7:00
Ft. Knox Gold Rush Pairs (100/300/750)		1:00	7:00
Compact KO 3 (4 people)		1:00	7:00
Stratified B-A-M			7:00
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REETINGS! I HOPE many of you were able to attend the Reno NABC. As usual, here are a couple bidding hands to ponder before getting to the nitty-gritty.

Hand #1: Matchpoints, they are vulnerable and you are not. You hold: 8743 A - AKQ97432. Your right hand opponent deals and opens 1D. Over to you. What do you bid and what is your plan? Would you do the same at IMPs?

Hand #2: Matchpoints, you are vulnerable and they are not. You hold: K95 AKQJ9732 - J7 (What's up with all of these diamond voids?) Left hand opponent deals and passes, partner opens 1C, right hand opponent passes, and you bid what? Options include a strong jump shift so let's say you bid 2H and Partner now bids 2N (opponents pass all the way through). Now what? And your plan is ...?

Our winter sectional was well attended. We were hoping to have it at the new bridge center but it was not quite ready. Our summer sectional will be the first held at the new center so make plans now to attend. I have several sets of results to report. Only the winners of each flight are listed but I do wish to congratulate all who managed to finish overall.

Louisville Winter Sectional - February 19-21, 2016:

Friday Afternoon

Stratified Open Pairs - Flight A: Karen Overpeck - Susan Christian, Louisville

Stratified Open Pairs - Flight B(Tie): Matthew Just - A. Beth Reid, Louisville

Stratified Open Pairs – Flight B(Tie): James Bottom – Charlie Anderson, Russell Springs KY

Stratified Open Pairs - Flight C: Dennis O'Brien - Mehmed Kantardzic, Louisville KY

299'er Stratified Pairs - Flight A,B,C: Stanley Perry - Mary Perry, Louisville KY

Friday Night

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Stratified Open Pairs - Flight A,B: Mary Ann Clark - Connie Crockett, Louisville KY

Stratified Open Pairs – Flight C: John Peake – Michael Davidson, Louisville KY 299'er Stratified Pairs – Flight A,B: Robert Boden – Jayne Arnold, Frankfort KY 299'er Stratified Pairs - Flight C: Mary Gataky - Candace Conway, Louisville KY

Handicapped KO Bracket 1: Gary Peterson - Verna Goldberg; Dallas Moore, Trotwood, OH - Brian Ross

Handicapped KO Bracket 2: Paul Moss, Millersburg KY; Laurie Herchenroeder - James Herchenroeder, Harrodsburg KY; Laura Guthrie, Georgetown KY

Handicapped KO Bracket 3: Mary Thorp - Joseph Thorp -Nancy Walker, Louisville KY; Mary Gillim, Masonic Home ΚY

Saturday Afternoon

Stratified Open Pairs - Flight A: H Gordon - Susan Bullard, Lexington KY

Stratified Open Pairs - Flight B,C: Myra Garon - Herschel Smith, Louisville KY

299'er Stratified Pairs - Flight A: Carol Armstrong - Ellen Thomas, Louisville KY

299'er Stratified Pairs - Flight B,C: Mark Winter, Edina MN; Donald Winter, Louisville KY

Saturday Night

Stratified Open Pairs - Flight A,B,C: Michael Davidson -John Peake, Louisville KY

299'er Stratified Pairs - Flight A,B: Susan Dance, Frankfort KY; Norma Hampton, Lexington KY

Sunday

Stratified Swiss - Flight A: Thomas Reece - Steven Blank - William Toutant - Gary Peterson - Frank Collecchia, Louisville KY

Stratified Swiss - Flight B: Paul Moss, Millersburg KY; Laura Guthrie, Georgetown KY; Laurie Herchenroeder -James Herchenroeder, Harrodsburg KY

Stratified Swiss - Flight C: Rex Swauger - Ronald Straub - Charles Fassler, Louisville KY; David Toth, Prospect KY Stratified 299er Swiss - Flight A: Jane Alexander, Anchorage KY; Patty Williamson - Ellen Thomas - Carol Armstrong, Louisville KY

Stratified 299er Swiss - Flight B: Mark Wiljanen - Karen Shedlofsky - Ellen Hume - Susan Mattingly, Lexington KY Stratified 299er Swiss - Flight C: Barbara Slade - James Merkel - Linda Dillion-Watt - Larry Watt, Lexington KY

Congratulations to all of you!

The Unit 177 Board met at the Winter Sectional to discuss moving the annual Barren River tournament to Louisville due to poor attendance and general lack of interest. I am very sorry to see this tournament go. It has always been one of my "must attend" ventures every year and was a great venue for a weekend of peace, quiet and relaxation. It has not yet been decided where it will be relocated so keep an eye open for the new venue and date. After some months of

work we finally got our revamped web site off the ground. There is still a lot to be done, and not all of the features are active, but everything that was active on the old site is also active on the new plus much more. I highly welcome suggestions for improvement or change. My primary goal is to make the site easy to access and navigate, as well as maintain. Over time, we will be adding many new features including a history page with many old photos and stories, a bridge problem page where anyone can share a story involving a bridge problem, a forum and blogs, and much, much more. Check out www.louisvillebridgeclub.com or www.lbaunit117.com. Both point to the new site.

I would like to dedicate the new site to Joe Wright. Joe is a long-time LBA member who tirelessly toiled for many years to ensure that members had a way to look up game times and results, as well as receive timely news. This is not an easy job and all of us owe Joe a big THANK YOU for everything he has done over the years.

Finally, I also want to give a huge shout-out to Bill Toutant for agreeing to be the site administrator. We would not even have this site out there if not for him since so much maintenance involved, and Bill took responsibility for it. Thank you Bill for all you do.

Still thinking about those bidding problems? There are some pedestrian options on hand 1, for example, some number of clubs all the way up to 6, or even a double or a very weird looking Michael's cue bid. But how about 3D? Now I know some of you are wondering what in the world that could be. I and most of my partners play that as asking them to bid 3N with a diamond stopper. The rest probably take it as some kind of strong takeout or splinter. In any case, it is at least forcing to game so you have the luxury of bidding below game until there. The actual auction would probably go 3H by partner. Now if you know, that your partner knows you have a long solid club suit then you can bid 3S. Partner would bid four and that would be the optimum spot (you really don't think this is a slam hand, or do you???).

On hand two, since you set trumps with your 2H bid and have also forced to game, you have lots of room to investigate for slam. The question is how? This is the perfect hand for exclusion Blackwood and you should take advantage of it. Don't play exclusion Blackwood? You could try three hearts, and now partner will bid 3 spades which should be a cue bid. The only thing left is to find partner with a key club card, or just gamble it out. I am wide open to suggestions on how to better place this hand. One thing I see it is a good hand for transfer responses and getting the lead coming into partner's hand could be advantageous if he holds the king of clubs.

Well, that's all for now. Hope to see everyone soon at the next D11 regional.

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LOUISVILLE SUMMER SECTIONAL **JUNE 24-26, 2016**

For ALL events Strat A = 2000 plus; Strat B = 750 - 2000; Strat C = 0 - 750 and are stratified by average points of partners/teammates

FRIDAY

Stratified Open Pairs (Single Ses	sions)1:00pm and 7:00pm
299er Pairs* (Single Session)	1:00pm and 7:00pm

SATURDAY

Handicapped Knockouts (3 sessions)	9:00am, 1:00pm and 7:00pm
Stratified Open Pairs (Single Sessions)	1:00pm and 7:00pm
299er Pairs* (Single Sessions)	1:00pm and 7:00pm
*299er nairs – if attendance s	warrants

SUNDAY

Stratified Swiss Teams	10:00am & TBD
299er Swiss Teams	10:00am & TBD
There will be a break for lunch.	Several fast food restaurants are nearby
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Saturday, August 20
Stratified Pairs......1:00 & 7:00 P.M.
Games will be stratified as warranted.
Registration gifts, raffles, and refreshments all day

Sunday, August 21
Stratified Swiss Teams......10:00 A.M.
Stratification based on team's average masterpoints
Stratifications: 0-200-C, 200-300-B; 300-500-A
Play thru-lunch available

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everal of us just got back from the Reno Nationals. Our most successful player there was Doug Simson. Playing with none other than Eric Rodwell, he earned 54.55 points in the Kay Platinum Pairs. He was also in the overalls in the Jacoby Swiss Teams and came home with a total of 101 points, almost all of which were platinum! The Gladfelters also had a good tournament, ending up with sixty-five points. Cheryl Schneider and Anita Torrence did well in the Women's Pairs, as did Toni Bales and her partner Kamala Chawla. Congratulations to all!

Our Life Master Awards Dinner is April 23rd. The Owen C. Obetz Trophy is awarded to the member of our Unit who earns the most points at our sectionals. This year it went to Anita Torrence, who had an amazing total of 61.99 points! The John Davis Trophy is awarded to the Non-Life Master who earns the most points at our sectionals. Congratulations to Daniel Loveland, who earned 18.82 points.

This year, we again had eight Unit members in the Barry Crane Top 500. I think the average is two per Unit, so this is awesome! Kudos to Doug Millsap, Larry Jones, Suman Agarwal, Jim Bachelder, George St. Pierre, Cheryl Schneider, Judy Auer, and Doug Simson.

The following individuals came in first in their category in either the Mini-McKenney or the Ace of Clubs: Dominic Nickoloff, Bob Davis, Daniel Loveland, Frank Paynter, Nancy Medley, Christy Coupland, Eva Allen, Siva Copal, Tim Kohl, Alex Khrakovsky, Kim Music, Kevin Cadmus, Judy Auer, Doug Millsap, Gary Shade, Cheryl Schneider, Bill Lipton, George St. Pierre, and Jim Bachelder.

We are celebrating eight new Life Masters. They are Eva Allen, Sherry Allison, Michele Brosius, Trish Jones, Alex Khrakovsky, Prakash Mulchandani, Rick Ramey and Michele Ruf. We are so proud of all of them.

Trish Jones is unable to attend the dinner because she will be in London for a wedding (is that a good excuse?!) So I'd like to tell you a little bit about her. Trish was a librarian for an investment firm, worked for a business forms company, and then had her own business forms business in Toronto for 15 years. She now works as a librarian for Wagnalls Memorial.

As a kid, she played some euchre but didn't start playing bridge until 1993, when she met and married Larry Jones. She went to her first National in 1994 in Atlanta, playing in the 99ers. Also in 1994, she went to the Canadian Nationals and was really excited to win her first bridge trophy, playing in the 0-20 category with a pick up partner.

She didn't play much for several years because of work commitments. She went to the Louisville National, to see if she wanted to get back into bridge. Going to the partnership desk, she was paired up with a woman she didn't know, but happened to be from Columbus, Gina Johnson. And they had a great time.

One of her best memories is playing in Myrtle Beach a few years ago. She played with Larry on a knockout team with me, and Janelle Courtright. Much to our surprise, we kept winning! We went home with 33 gold points. Trish made Life Master last June, playing with Molly Snell at the Columbus Sectional. Congratulations to Trish and to all the other new Life Masters!



















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Friday, July 8

9:00 AM BridgePlusBrunch

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Sunday Swiss game.

1:30 PM Strati-Flighted A/X Pairs (unlimited / 3000)

Strati-Flighted B/C/D Pairs (1500 / 1000 / 500)*

Stratified 299er Pairs**

7:00 PM ACBL GRASS ROOTS CHARITY GAMES

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Stratified 299er Pairs**

Saturday, July 9

10:00 AM Stratified Open Pairs (Unlimited / 2000 / 750)

& Stratified 299er Pairs**

3:00 PM (single sessions)

Sunday, July 10

10:30 AM Bracketed Swiss Teams (Unlimited/2000/750)

Play through – Lunch may be purchased on site.

Teams divided into brackets of 8.

General Information

Stratification for all games is based on average masterpoints *No player above 1500/**No player above 300 masterpoints Tournament Chair: Bob Jiobu - jiobu.1@osu.edu - 614.570.0508 Partnership Chair: Tim Kohl - 419.439.1129 - kohlt@roadrunner.com

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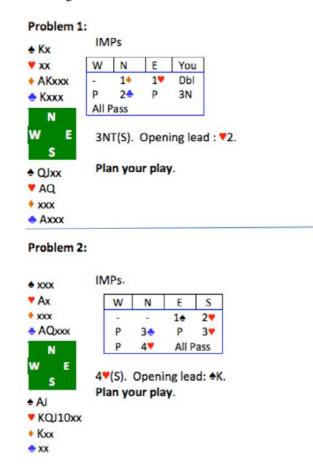
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o survive Midwest winters, we have several choices. If we are lucky enough, some of us have a chance to visit warmer parts of our world, be it Florida, the Southwest, or parts of the Southern Hemisphere. For bridge players, we also have the choice of solving bridge problems. Unit 124 is lucky to have Eugene Siutsau translating and sharing problems from the Polish Bridge Magazine in Alert - Unit 124's Quarterly Newsletter, available at www.cincybridge.com

Here are two recent stumpers, with the answers at the end of this update:

Polish Bridge Magazine - Bridge Problems



District 11 GNT Finals

The District 11 GNT Finals were held at the Cincinnati Bridge Center on January 30 & 31. Unit 124 members were on all four winning teams. Here are the winners of each flight:

Championship Flight

William Higgins, Yauheni Siutsau, Marc Low, Robert Sulgrove, Scott Gates, and Russell Shoup

Peter Whipple, John Hinton, Craig Satersmoen, and Ryan Schulz

Flight B

Isaac Stephani, Vijay Vasudevan, Michael Gladfelter, and Mary Jane Gladfelter

Flight C

Julian Kurtzman, John Williams, Reeta Brendamour, and Barry Wauligman

Congratulations to all the District 11 GNT Finals winners.

Milestones

We have a number of Unit 124 members reaching new milestones in the 1st quarter of 2016

Ruby Life Master – Bobby Carter

Silver Life Master - David Dressman and Dennis Schultz Bronze Life Master - Robert Frey and Mickey Dasenbrock Life Master - Harriet Edwards

James Bond and The Cheating Scandal

The Bridge world has been rocked by the recent accusations of cheating by world class bridge players. There are three recent articles written about these accusations in nonbridge magazines. Specifically, the articles are:

Is the Competitive Bridge World Rife with Cheaters? by John Colapinto in Vanity Fair, March 2016

Dirty Hands by David Owen in The New Yorker Magazine, March 7, 2016

Tricks, Tics, Taps: The Cheating Scandal Rocking Professional Bridge by Jonah Keri in Rolling Stone Magazine, March 9, 2016

As with any game, there is a history of cheating. Ian Fleming's 3rd book, Moonraker (1955), featured James Bond playing bridge with M against the arch-villain, Sir Hugo Drax. M asked Bond to play because M suspected Drax cheated continually. Bond discerned that Drax kept his silver cigarette case on the bridge table whenever he dealt, allowing Drax to see the reflection of his opponents' cards. Bond turned the tables on Drax by substituting a rigged pack of cards when it was his turn to deal, using a variation of the "Duke of Cumberland" hand. Bond held AQxxx of clubs and Qxxxxxxx of diamonds. M was void of diamonds, but had five clubs. Drax had AKQI in both spades and hearts, AK in diamonds, and KJ in clubs. Bond, as the dealer, immediately bid seven clubs. After two

passes, Drax doubled, holding thirty-one high card points. Bond calmly redoubled. (NB: the bridge hand appears in the Moonraker book, but not the 1997 movie. The James Bond "Duke of Cumberland" hand is noted in the ACBL Encyclopedia of Bridge under "Distributional Values".)

Regardless of the lead from Drax's partner, Bond will win, either trumping in dummy with a diamond lead or trumping in his hand with any other lead. Bond sets up his diamonds, always finessing Drax for the outstanding trump, and wins the hand.

The most memorable line from Moonraker is when M says to Bond before the match, "And don't forget that cheating at cards can still smash a man."

Cincinnati Regional: May 30 – June 5, 2016

The Cincinnati Flying Pig Regional starts at 2:30 P.M. at the Sharonville Convention Center with easy access from I-275 and I-75. The 2:30 P.M. session is for Pro Am Pairs. Details are available at www.cincvbridge.com

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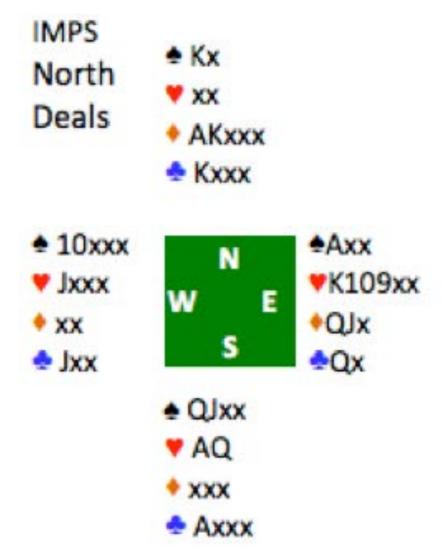
Solution 1:

We have Six top tricks: Two hearts + Two diamonds + Two clubs; so we need to eastablish Three more. Diamonds can provide only two extra tricks (if they are 3-2); besides, if we give up third diamond, opponents will knock out our last stopper in hearts and we will be one trick short.

Spade can provide two tricks as well, but, if we play small spade from the right hand, defense must duck, otherwise we will get Three tricks (in other words, we don't want defender with the ace of spades to capture our spade honor). And if we steal one trick in spades we can revert back to diamonds since we need only Two extra tricks now.

Where is the ace of spades? Since E has made an overcall, it would be reasonable to assume that he's got it.

Let's look at the full deal:



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We should win first trick, cross to dummy using ace of diamonds and play small spade.

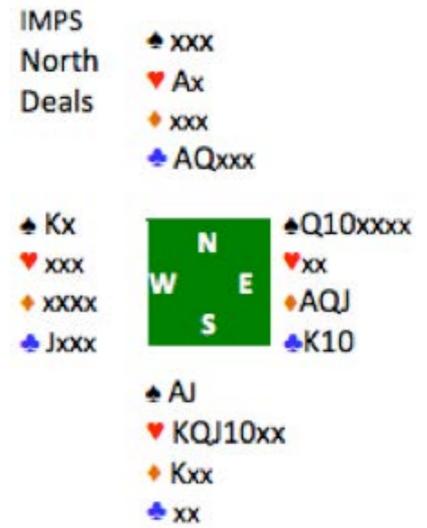
If E plays ace of spades, we have Three spades + Two hearts + Two diamonds + Two clubs = Nine tricks. If E ducks, we win Queen of spades and give up a diamond (One spade + Two hearts + Four diamonds + Two clubs = Nine tricks).

Solution 2:

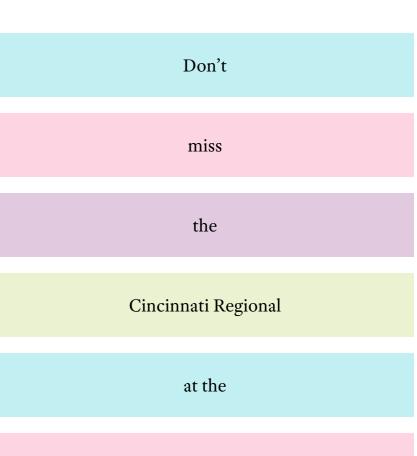
We have 14 + 10 = 24 HCPs. Defense has 16 HCPs. E opens and W has King of spades. Conclusion: E has the ace of diamonds and king of clubs.

It looks like we have to lose four tricks: spade, two diamonds, and a club. We can't establish and use long club suit in dummy since we don't have an entry. Our only hope is to get two club tricks in addition to one spade, one diamond, and six hearts. We can do it if E has singleton or doubleton king of clubs.

Let's look at the full deal:



We should win first trick, draw trumps, and duck a club. E will probably cash queen of spades, and play a spade. We ruff, club to the ace of clubs (king of clubs falls), queen of clubs pitching a diamond and small diamond to the king of diamonds.





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Summer Getaway Sectional July 15-17, 2016

Schedule

Friday

Stratified Open Pairs (single sessions) 10AM. 2:30PM Stratified NLM Pairs (single sessions) 10AM. 2:30PM Open Swiss Teams (2 sessions) both 10AM and 2:30PM

Saturday

Stratified Open Pairs (single sessions) 10AM, 2:30PM Stratified NLM Pairs (single sessions) 10AM, 2:30PM both 10AM and 2:30PM Bracketed Compact KOs (2 sessions) (may be handicapped)

Sunday

Stratiflighted Play-Through Swiss Teams 10AM (lunch may be purchased)

> All events stratified by average masterpoints Stratified pairs: 0-750, 750-2000, 2000+ Stratiflights: A/X: open/0-2500 B/C/D: 750-1500/300-750/0-300

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HE INDIANAPOLIS CROSSROADS of America Regional which took place in February was one of the most successful tournaments to have taken place in Indy in recent years. A total of 939 tables were played during the week, and everyone agreed that the Wyndham Hotel provided an extraordinarily nice playing site, rooms and food service. Hats off to tournament organizers and volunteers including Tournament Co-chairs Liz Brown and Maribeth Ransel, Partnership Co-chairs Peggy Kramer and Sheila Baker, Hospitality Co-chairs Joan Flynn and Judy Sosin, and Newcomers Chair Maureen Clerkin. And, a huge round of applause is deserved for the CIBA clubs who sponsored an evening in the hospitality suite. We can't say enough about Bloomington DBC, Cyndy at Indy DBC, The Indianapolis Bridge Center, Indianapolis West Side DBC, Indianapolis Women's Contract, Muncie DBC, and the Woodstock Club DBC. Your clubs and your volunteers showed our visitors what it is like to receive great Hoosier Hospitality.

During the tourney, several individuals became Life Masters. Congrats to CIBA players John Burns, Audrey and Martin Grossman, Nancy Meadows and Barbara Porter, as well as Judy Williamson who serves as the Columbus, Ohio representative to the District 11 Board, all of whom attained the Life Master rank during the week.

CIBA members came home with lots of gold at the regional. Scoring forty points and higher were: Kendra Bridges, Mitch Pote, Curtis Farley, Mike Hellmer, Jerry Clerkin, Linda Leedy, Dennis Clerkin, Geoff Bridges, Randy Helmink, Noel Helmink, Wagner Van Vlack, and Bob Lyon.

Based on last year's attendance, organizers are hoping for a strong turnout at the summer Youth Bridge Camp which is sponsored by CIBA. This year's camp is being coordinated by Wanda Cole and Mona Loft, and will take place July 12th - 14th at the Indianapolis Bridge Center. The camp is open to young people between the ages of 9 and 18 and offers a great opportunity for students to learn the beginning elements of duplicate bridge. See the CIBA website (www.cibabridge.com) for additional information and a registration form.

There is plenty of opportunity for tournament play during 2016 in Central Indiana including The Indianapolis Spring Sectional which will honor our 2015 Mini McKenney and Ace of Clubs Winners, along with our 2015 new Life Masters, Gold Life Masters and Diamond Life Masters (May 20-22 at the Indianapolis Northside Knights of Columbus); The Terre Haute Banks of the Wabash Sectional September 9-11 at the International Union of Operating Engineers Hall in Terre Haute; and the Indianapolis Fall Sectional and Business Meeting (November 18-20 at the Indianapolis Northside Knights of Columbus.) In addition to these annual events, CIBA will host its first 299er Sectional

August 27-28 at the Indianapolis Bridge Center. The flyer will be available soon on the CIBA website.

At the beginning of 2016, ACBL announced the formation of two new Life Master categories. For those who have reached at least 1500 MPs (of which 300 must be silver, red, gold or platinum), ACBL has created the title Ruby Life Master. Similarly, for those reaching 3500 MPs (700 being red, gold or platinum, and at least 350 are gold or platinum), ACBL created the title Sapphire Life Master. Many of our CIBA players were "grandfathered in" as they had already reached the requirements. Those named Ruby Life Masters were Linda Andreas; W.F. Armstrong; Chuck Arnold; Craig Asbury; Al Barnes; Brad Bartol; Rollin Benbow; John Berg; Russ Black; Beverly Boughman-Boxley; David Boxley; Joyce Brandt; Geoff Bridges; Pat Buffie; Eleanor Cinkoske; Wanda Cole; Tom Cone; Robert Cummins; Eloise Cure; Jeff David; Steve Davis; Frank Desanto; Daniel Dorney; Chuck Ellison; Marcia Fidler; Sharon Fletcher; Joan Gray; Jan Hammond (who has now reached Gold LM); Judy Harris; Bonnie Hertzog; Ron Hobbs; Janie Hodge; Phil Humbles; Patsy Jones; Sid Kilsheimer; Claudia Kober; Eugene Kober; Frank LaMaster; Nancy LaMaster; Avi Lagu; Joanne Lashmet; Harrison Marsh; Sue May; Jean McLeish; Eileen Miller; Deanna Nesbit; Mary Lou Pogosoff; Maribeth Ransel; Donald Richardson; Marsha Sandersen; George Schmid; Shannon Schneider; William Segar; Dale Sims; Yudaya Sivathanu; Sandy Slavin; Pam Strack; Sharon Wallack; Susie Wells; Elsa Wild; and Steve Zimmerman.

Reaching the Sapphire achievement level are: Loren Anderson, Kay Beck; John Bridgewater; Annette Clark; Patty Cole; Jim Cunningham; Tom Feeney; Glen Fidler; Jim Gormong; Joanna Hebermehl; Randy Helmink; John Hinton; Linda Leedy; Rajan Mehta; Chuck Stimming; Wagner Van Vlack; Fred Wilson; and Ray Zoller. Congratulations to all!

The Indianapolis West Side Club is excited to report that their new 199er game, started at the beginning of the year, has been a great success. With at least twelve new ACBL members produced from the game, the 199er section (7:00pm Tuesday evenings at 700 North High School Road in Indianapolis) running along side the open game, has gotten as high as four tables, and promises to continue growing as the weather gets better. Come join the fun!



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FR ▶	IDAY - MAY 20 Open Stratified Swiss 2 Sessions	1:30	7:00
•	Stratified Open Pairs	1:30	7:00
•	299ers Pairs	1:30	7:00
>	0-20 Pairs Pay for your first game, and your second game is free	1:30	7:00

SATURDAY - MAY 21	
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- CYNDY CRADICK Bracketed KO Teams 1:30 7:00 Sessions 1, 2 and 3 of 3
- 99 ers Pairs 9:00 (If attendance warrants)
- **Stratified Open Pairs** 9:00 "BEAT THE COMPUTER!"
- **BOB WALLACE Stratified Open Pairs** 1:30 7:00 2 Sessions
 - 299ers Pairs 1:30 7:00

SUNDAY - MAY 22

10:45 CIBA Awards Day **Bracketed Swiss Teams** 11:00

Play through. Teams will be seeded into brackets based on average MPs. You will only play teams in your bracket. Box lunches can be ordered all day Friday, or Saturday until 1:45 pm.

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Open: A = 2000+ B = 750-2000 C = 0-750299ers: A = 100-300 B = 50-100 C = 0-50

- All events stratified by average MPs except when event has upper limit. Then all players must have fewer than that limit.
- KO Teams may be handicapped.
- Sunday Swiss is bracketed teams play only in their own brackets.

Table fees: \$11 per person/per session Add \$3 per person/per session if ACBL dues are unpaid or if you are a non-ACBL member

•	Friday evening	Snacks provided	by the CIBA Board and Friends

- Saturday AM Coffee and doughnuts provided
- Saturday AM "Beat the Computer Open Pairs"

Outdo the computer on three successive boards and win a "Free Play" (one free play per player). Beat the computer

on four successive boards and add your name to the "Beat the Computer Honor Board."

Saturday PM After your evening meal, come back for desserts provided by the

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All weekend Players 21 and under, with ACBL membership, play for \$6 per session

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Sunday Before the Help us honor our 2015 Mini McKenney and Ace of Clubs winners

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The camp will be led by Wanda Cole and Mona Loft, retired public school teachers.

Camp fee is \$15. Make checks payable to: **Central Indiana Bridge Association**. Limited space available and will be filled on first-come, first-served basis. Registration deadline is July 1st.

CAMPER AND PRIMARY CONTACT INFORMATION

Name of Student:	Date of Birth	: Age: (at time of camp)
Name you prefer to be called (if differen		
Name of Parent/Guardian/Primary Con		
Mailing Address:		
City:	State:	Zip Code:
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Friday, Sept. 9	
Stratified Open Pairs7:30pm	
Stratified 299er Pairs7:30pm	
Saturday, Sept.10	
Stratified Open Pairs(single session)10:00)am
Stratified 299 Pairs(single session)10:00)am

Lunch served between sessions

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Stratified Open Pairs (single session)......2:30pm
Stratified 299er Pairs (single session)......2:30pm
Emerging Players Game, 0-100 pts (\$5)......2:30pm

Sunday, Sept.11

 Stratifications

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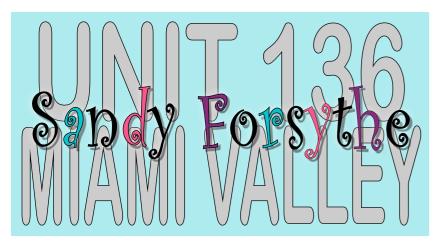
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FEES: \$10.00 PER SESSION (\$13.00 non-members)

Stratified Swiss Teams......10:30am

\$27.00 PER PERSON FOR SWISS (\$30.00 non-members)

Lunch included both days



HAT'S NEW IN Unit 136 this year? Plenty! New Year's Day saw the debut of "Fun-Filled Fridays" at Miami Valley Bridge Center, presided over by the new directing team of Steve Forsythe, Bill Gottschall and Stu Petersen. Fridays now feature either wine and cheese, Bill's homemade soup, or occasionally another special menu - perhaps they should be called "food-filled Fridays!" An extended hospitality break mid-game gives players time to eat, relax, and enjoy each other's company, and adds to the friendly atmosphere. After the game, an expert player is usually on hand to answer questions about the deals just played.

Also new this year: almost all MVBC games have a standby available, the better to keep the tables full and accommodate anyone who, for whatever reason, finds themselves without a partner. Plus, several games are now participating in the Common Game. Common Game deals are played at many clubs across the country, allowing players to compare their results across the wider field (though no additional masterpoints are awarded). Players who have registered their email address with FastResults get results automatically by email, including postmortem analysis of some of the deals.

March 1st brought another innovation: an IMP pairs game on the first Tuesday evening of the month, directed by Darin Campo. IMP pairs scoring is similar to Swiss team (and "party bridge") scoring in that overtricks are not that important, while making your game or slam, especially vulnerable, can be significant. Some players find this method of scoring to be more relaxed. Jeff Gargrave and Darin Campo were the winners of the initial four-table IMP game.

The old year ended with the District 11 STaC from December 26th through January 1st. With no more presents under the tree, Unit 136 players headed back to the tables to look for gifts from their opponents! New Year's Eve festivities at MVBC included refreshments, noise makers, hats, champagne at midnight, and of course, bridge. Dallas Moore and Jeff Gargrave were the winners of the fivetable game. Dallas also won the final STaC game on New Year's Day, a six-table contest, with partner Steve Forsythe. Scott Gates earned the most masterpoints of any Unit player for the week.

Several Unit players traveled to Cincinnati for the Grand National Teams District 11 finals on January 30th and 31st. Unit players Marc Low, Bob Sulgrove, Scott Gates and Russell Shoup are two-thirds of the winning Championship Flight team, and Craig Satersmoen and Ryan Schultz are half of the winning Flight A team. They will go on to represent our District at the Summer NABC in Washington. (Congratulations to Ryan and partner A.J. Stepani, for winning

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the Flight B North American pairs at the Spring NABC in Reno!) In Flight B, Stu Petersen, Bill Hartung, Joe Keim, Bill Gottschall, Steve Forsythe and Sandy Forsythe finished second by a very narrow margin! In Flight C, the team of Brian Clausing, Joe Camillus, Stephen (Kelly) Keys and David Whitesell tied for 3rd/4th place.

Presidential Way has been the site of several inter-club and ACBL-wide contests this quarter, starting with an Inter-Club Championship game on January 12th. Lois Gschwender and Ed Synder were first East-West of eight tables at the club, and 16th overall, with 101 tables in play across North America. Rosie and Dave Sullivan, first North-South at the club, were 17th overall, and Bill Wild and John Griffin were second East-West at the club and sixth in Flight C overall.

On February 6th, MVBC hosted an ACBL-wide International Fund game. Ron Babcock and Conrad Rennemann were the winners of an eight-and-a-half-table game locally. With their 64.89% game, they have a good chance to finish on top District-wide! Ditto for our winners of the ACBL-wide Senior game, held on March 7th: Audrey Dybvad and Vickie Sebastian posted a very impressive 67.19% with five and a half tables in play.

Did you hear that? It's the sound of Jim Rash firing up the grill in Logan County! Jim hosts Bridge in the Barn on the last Sunday of the month from April through September. Bring your team for lunch at 12:30 followed by a Swiss team game at 1:30, and cap off the afternoon with homemade ice cream! At just \$5 per person, it's a deal that can't be beat. Contact Jim at jrash308@yahoo.com for more information.

Another sign of spring: The Dayton Spring Sectional is just around the corner, April 29th to May 1st. I'll see you there!

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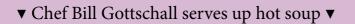
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▲ Audrey Dybvad, Wayne O'Connor, Janet Lee, Ulker Mutlu and Ernie Dalton line up for soup ▲





▲ ACBL-wide Senior game winners Vickie Sebastian and Audrey Dybvad ▲

▼ Steve Forsythe presents the wine-and-cheese lunch spread ▼



▲ Marilyn Gans, Joyce Dennis and Connie Rennemann say cheese! ▲

▼ Georgia Banziger and Lee Monnin ▼



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A...200 - 500B...50 - 200

2000 +

C = 0.50

500 - 2000

* if attendance warrants

*750-2000 when NLM game is scheduled at same time

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Friday – April 29, 2016

11:00 AM Non Life Master Pairs & *Open Pairs 4:00 PM Non Life Master Pairs & *Open Pairs

Saturday – April 30, 2016

11:00 AM Non Life Master Pairs & *Open Pairs 4:00 PM Non Life Master Pairs & *Open Pairs **Sunday – May 1, 2016**

11:00 AM Stratified Swiss Teams (play through)

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June 11 & 12, 2016

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A... Non-Life Master 0 - 750 B... 100 - 200 C... 0 - 100

Saturday – June 11, 2016

11:00 AM Non-Life Master Stratified Pairs

4:00 PM Non-Life Master Stratified Pairs

Sunday – June 12, 2016

11:00 AM Stratified Swiss Teams (play through) Based on Team Avg MPs

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D. L. Proctor - New Gold Life Master



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t's been about ten years since D. L. Proctor traveled any distance to play Tournament Bridge. His career as an Equine Veterinarian keeps him in the Bluegrass, although he has been able to play more day games in the past year since he became "semi-retired." When asked how he had achieved the distinction of Gold Life Master working fulltime and raising a family he responded, "I was lucky in the beginning."

D. L., a life-long resident of Lexington, did his prevet work at the University of Kentucky. He then went to Columbus, Ohio to The Ohio State's College of Veterinarian Medicine, graduating in 1974. It was during his years at Ohio State that he began playing bridge. D. L. played as a novice against Jeff Meckstroth (who is from Columbus) and Eric Rodwell who was attending Purdue University. He remembers when the two started playing together and we all know how that turned out!

When he returned to Lexington after Veterinarian School he found his way to the Bell House where duplicate games were played only two nights a week. "I was lucky to find really good partners. I played with Steve Bullard, Art Moore, Dennis Hesthaven and the Blonde Barron - Russ Holzclaw."

D. L. also got very involved in the business end of duplicate bridge. He became a Director and directed the games at the Bell House. He was Unit 164 President and ran the Regional Tournament in 1986 that was held at Lexington's Continental Inn. "That was the same year the Challenger exploded," D. L. pointed out.

Along with directing and presiding over Unit 164, D. L. wrote the Midwest Monitor article for our Unit. "I was very interested in the game of bridge and I enjoyed reporting interesting hands - how they could play out," he said.

His wife, Laura, suggested he take some time off bridge to help raise their children, Melonie and Del. D. L. agreed and when he returned about twelve years later, duplicate bridge in Lexington had changed dramatically. There were two groups - one in Chevy Chase and one in Park Hills. "The Holt's had gotten involved and all the great innovations were starting," he said. The upgraded facilities, comfortable chairs and computers made bridge so much more enjoyable. "We used to manually score the games and post them on a blackboard. Took forever."

D. L. started playing with Glen Lilly, Win Schaefer and Joel Haywood. "They were all B-players - math-type grad students. Charlie Seelbach reminds me of them. We had tee shirts printed that we wore to games. Theirs said - Obnoxious Young Men," he laughed. "Mine said -Obnoxious Middle-Aged Man!"

They were a team to be reckoned with. The "Obnoxious Team" made the trip to the Chicago NABC where they placed 1st and 2nd in all the B-team games. "At that point I had more Gold points than Black points,"

reflected D. L.

D. L. also had great success playing pairs games. He played in three NAP's with Nancy Gordon, Henry Sun, a 6 foot 6 Chinese player, and a young Dan Neil, consecutively.

Currently D. L. partners with Jerry Hess, Naresh Shah, Paul Moss and Ed Cottrell. He is proud that his younger brother, Mike, has started playing at the Club.

Tournament Bridge may not take D. L. outside of the Bluegrass but family does. He travels to Northern Kentucky to visit his daughter, Melonie, a doctor in Family Practice and to Cleveland, Ohio to visit his son, Del, who is an Anesthesiologist at the Cleveland Clinic and his first grandchild, Delano Lightner "Leo" Proctor V.

The Bridge Club of Lexington held a reception on February 3rd to celebrate D. L's Gold Life Master achievement. His advise to new players was:

> "Keep at it. Keep playing. Develop skills. Play opponents better than yourself. And try to find partners a little better than yourself."

Great advise. Congratulations, D. L.!

2016 Cabin Fever Sectional Tournament January 22-24, 2016

The big snowstorm of the winter of 2016 – Jonas – coincided with the Lexington Cabin Fever Sectional Tournament. Lexington awoke early on Friday morning to heavy snow that continued all day into the night. By the end of the day up to twelve inches had fallen in parts of Central Kentucky. North bound I75 was closed for several hours due to semitractor trailer trucks getting stuck south of Richmond. The mayor of Lexington urged citizens to stay home so that streets could be plowed. Many businesses closed, including Spaldings Donuts (which negatively effected the Saturday morning refreshments!). All of these things impacted the attendance for our tournament, especially on Friday.

Thank goodness several teams from Louisville and one team from Russell Springs arrived Thursday night! A few players from Lexington checked into the hotel on Thursday in anticipation of the big storm.

Co-chairs Leon Pauley and Michael Jones were on hand around the clock to help in any way. Hospitality Chair Andra Gyor made sure there was coffee and refreshments thanks to Subway and caterer, Bibie Cook, who came through with lunches for the tournament attendees.

A total of sixty people played in the Friday Afternoon Pairs games - eleven tables in the Open Pairs game and four tables in the 299er's Pairs game. The folks who came from out of town were rewarded. Placing 1st in A were Christopher Overpeck and Vangie Smith of Lousiville. 1st in B were Charlie Anderson and James Bottom of Russell

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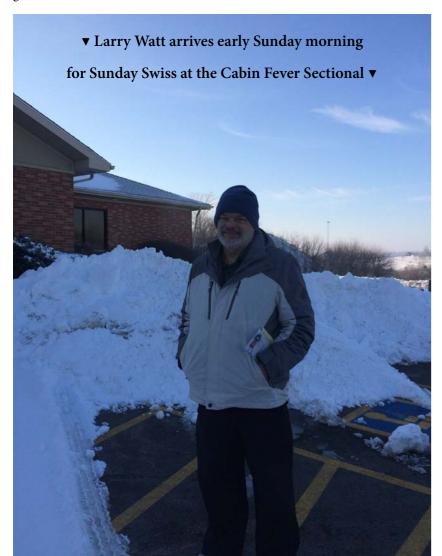
Springs. Tournament co-chairs Pauley and Jones were 1st in C.

Friday Evening Open Pairs game (ten tables) saw the trend continue. 1^{st} in A were Marsha Kyle of Louisville and Brian Ross of Charleston IN. 1^{st} in C – Charlie Anderson and James Bottom of Russell Springs.

In the Friday 299er's Pairs game both Afternoon and Evening sessions had four tables. Placing 1st in the Afternoon game were Charlene Drury of Louisville and Lloyd Moulton of Goshen KY. 1st in E were Bradley Beck and James Merkel of Lexington. Placing 1st in the Evening game were Debbie and Wes Bottom of Russell Springs.

Saturday Morning Knock Outs had only eight tables showing up to play. Basically everyone who had spent the night at the Clarion! The game was handicapped due to the wide range of players in the small game. The Louisville team of Christopher Overpeck, Vangie Smith, Diane and Jim Hughenard won the Knock Out. The C-team from Lexington, Bradley Beck, Larry Watt, James Merkel, Barbara Slade and Michael Proctor (Richmond), placed 2nd.

By Saturday afternoon the main roads were plowed and the bridge players showed up for the game giving the tournament's "Cabin Fever" name true relevance! The Afternoon Pairs games had a total of 25½ tables and the Evening games had fourteen tables.



Afternoon Open Pairs (17 tables) winners were:

1st in A – Sue Bullard and Harry Gordon of Lexington

1st in B - Charlie Anderson and James Bottom of Russell Springs

1st in C - Kathlene and Jonathan Crosmer of Lexington

Evening Open Pairs (11 tables) winners were:

1st in A - David Fleischaker and Patricia Buckley of Prospect KY

1st in B – Betty Dues and Thomas Lepping of Louisville

299er's Afternoon Pairs (81/2 tables) winners were:

1st place – Ellen and Jack Hume of Lexington

1st in F - Shirley Wilson of Midway KY and Marshall Robertson of Lexington

299er's Evening Pairs (3 tables) winners were:

1st place – Judith and Gerald Seebach of Lexington

The Sunday Swiss game had a big crowd in spite of the snow with thirty-one tables in play!

The Sunday Open Swiss game winners were:

 $1^{\rm st}$ in A – Sue Bullard and Harry Gordon of Lexington with Amy and Joe Fisher of Cincinnati OH

1st in B – Thomas Spielman of Danville KY, Ross Fleming of Nicholasville, James Bottom of Russell Springs and Tom Beardsley of Richmond KY

1st in C – Michael Kanotz of Nicholasville, Charlotta Helton of Frankfort, Georgia Ringo of Lexington and Philip Wysong of Danville.

The Sunday 299er's Swiss game winners were:

1st place - Judith and Gerald Seebach, Beverly Sparrow and Ginny May of Lexington

1st in E – Susan Dance of Frankfort, Norma Hampton, Michael Music and Morgan Schreffler of Lexington

The overall masterpoints winners for the tournament were Sue Bullard and Harry Gordon with a total of 27.23 silver points. Their first place wins in the Sunday Swiss game and the Saturday Afternoon Pairs along with two 2nd place and one 3rd place finishes in the other Open Pairs games put them on top. Well done!

"We appreciate everyone who showed up and played in this extreme weather," said co-chairs Jones and Pauley, "Especially all the out-of-towners and the large crowd from Louisville!"

Laurie Herchenroeder - New Life Master

On Friday morning, February 5th the Bridge Club of Lexington held a Pot Luck luncheon to celebrate Laurie Herchenroeder as a New Life Master. Fifteen tables were there for the team game. Laurie played with her husband, Jim and partners Chuck Dean and Marilyn Hynson.

Laurie made Life Master at the November Louisville/Lexington Regional at the Horseshoe Casino so her name will appear on the "Winner's Circle" trophy. Congratulations, Laurie!

Herchenroeder's Place 2nd in Flight C in NAP's Reno, Nevada NABC

Laurie and Jim Herchenroeder traveled to Reno, Nevada in March to represent District 11 in the Presidents' Cup NAP's – Flight C at the Spring NABC. "Jim figured out there was probably close to 1000 pairs who competed in the NAP process, with each District sending four pairs in each Flight to the Nationals," Laurie said.

The two-day game was played on Sunday and Monday and consisted of a

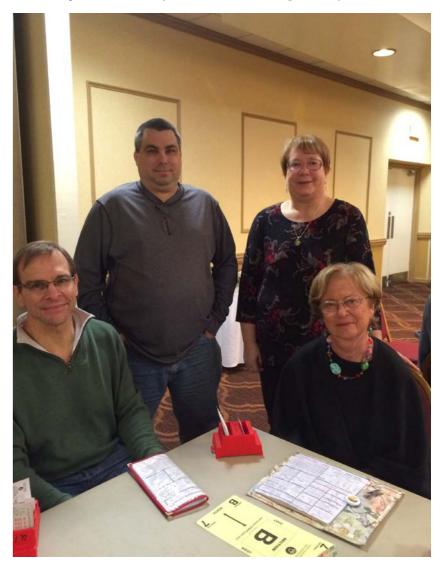
two-session qualification game followed the next day with a two-session finals game. "We were in 5th place after the qualification game," said Laurie.

Going into the final session the Herchenroeder's were in $1^{\rm st}$ place. "I think it would have been better if we'd been in $4^{\rm th}$ or $5^{\rm th}$ place and had to work our way up," Laurie said, "Because every time a new pair came to our table they would say, 'You know who THESE guys are!' It was like we were celebrities—at least for one session anyway!"

The Herchenroeder's celebrated their impressive 2^{nd} Place finish in Flight C after the competition with fellow Lexington Bridge Club members Sandra and Mike Marlin. They had a nightcap and rehashed a couple of bridge hands. Joining them in the celebration were the Flight B pairs from District 11 who finished in 1^{st} and 2^{nd} Place – A. J. Stephani (Cincinnati OH) and Ryan Schultz (Dayton OH) and Mike Ma (Cincinnati OH) and Stephen Moese (West Chester OH), respectively.

The celebration couldn't go on long because Jim and Laurie had to catch a 4 a.m. shuttle for the airport the next morning. "We needed to get back home to family," explained Laurie. "Competing at the Reno NABC was a great experience!"

Congratulations! Everyone "back home" is so proud of you both!



▲ Jim Hughenard, Christopher Overpeck, Diane Huggenard and Vangie Smith - Louisville Team wins Knock Outs ▲

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ACBL Creates Two New Life Master Categories Ruby and Sapphire

The ACBL created two more Life Master categories – Ruby and Sapphire – to fill the large gaps between Silver and Gold Life Master categories and Gold and Diamond Life Master categories. These new goals should also encourage players to keep up tournament play. The Ruby and Sapphire Life Master distinctions went into effect on January 1, 2016. Twenty-six members of our Unit 164 were awarded (see list in New Life Masters Milestones below).

The qualifications for the Ruby Life Master are 1500 or more masterpoints of which at least 300 must be Silver, Red, Gold or Platinum. Twenty-one members from Unit 164 qualified on January 1st.

The qualifications for Sapphire Life Master are 3500 or more masterpoints of which at least 350 must be Gold or Platinum. Five members from Unit 164 qualified.

Upcoming Tournaments

Make plans to attend these Unit 164 tournaments:

Lexington Mid-Summer NLM Sectional July 30-31, 2016

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Sizzling Swiss Sectional September 10-11, 2016

Clarion Conference Center 5532 Athens-Boonesboro Road Lexington KY 40509

Tournament Chair

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Life Master Milestones

Congratulations to the following individuals who have achieved these Life Master Milestones!

New Life Master Laurie Herchenroeder

Bronze Life Master

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Ruby Life Master

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Gold Life Master D. L. Proctor

Judy Wright

Sapphire Life Master

Sheila Bello Sue Bullard Nancy Gordon Jerry Hess Sondra Holt 2015 New Life Masters

Receive their commemorative

coffee cup

Michael Jones,

Jean Addleton,

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Laurie Herchenroeder

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FRIDAY
Stratified Open Pairs—2 Single sessions 1:00, 7:00 PM
299'er Pairs-2 Single sessions1:00, 7:00 PM
SATURDAY
Bracketed Knockouts9:00 AM, 1:00, 7:00 PM
Stratified Open Pairs—2 single sessions1:00, 7:00 PM
299'er Pairs*1:00, 7:00 PM
*As attendance warrants
SUNDAY
Stratified Swiss Teams—2 sessions10:00 AM & TBD
299'er Swiss Teams-2 sessions10:00 AM & tbd
*Based on team averages

On Friday and Saturday, the second pairs session is FREE for any player With 0-50 master points.

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LEXINGTON MID-SUMMER NON-LIFE MASTER (0-500MP) SECTIONAL TOURNAMENT

July 30 and 31, 2016

Saturday, July 30

Stratified Pairs Game • 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Door Prizes & Raffle. Free coffee, sodas, and snacks all day.

Sunday, July 31

Stratified Swiss Teams • 10 a.m. Stratified based on team's average masterpoints. Play through. Boxed lunch available.

Stratifications: 0-100 (C), 100-200 (B), 200-500 (A)

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Club is on right side in the back.

Lexington Swiss Sectional September 10 - 11, 2016

Clarion Conference Center

Lexington, KY 40509

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LEXINGTON SIZZLING SILVER SWISS SECTIONAL

Lexington, Kentucky SEPTEMBER 10 and 11, 2016

SATURDAY AND SUNDAY

Stratified Swiss Teams - 2 sessions 10:00 & TBD 299er Swiss Teams - 2 sessions 10:00 & TBD Saturday and Sunday are separate, 2-session events

Stratified based on team's average masterpoints

Open session strats: A 2500+ B 750-2500 C 0-750 299er session strats: A 100-300 B 50-100 C 0-50 5 free games for tournament top winners in each strat: A, B, C & 299er

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uplicate Bridge is more than a game. It is also a social gathering of people with like minds—a place where we can keep our minds healthy and alert. It is a club that reaches out to help worthy organizations. It is a place where we can come together to think, to play, to support one another and to become friends.

The Dream Center - Evansville Duplicate Bridge Club 2016 Charity:

It all began in 1998 with the challenge from one individual to improve the life of just one young man. Today, eighteen years later, that challenge has grown to an organization that provides after school assistance to hundreds of families within the Jacobsville area of Evansville. Its services include serving nutritious meals, helping with schoolwork and offering guidance. The programs provide a sense of safety, love and community as well as helping the youth build their lives on Christian values. The EDBC Board has chosen this organization, *The Dream Center*, to be the recipient of our 2016 local charity games. A very good decision for a very worthy organization.

Owensboro Duplicate Bridge Club Board News:

On December 28, 2015 at a Special Meeting of the ODBC, the Board, upon the retirement of Carol Krehbiel as Club Manager, appointed Doris Mills Club Manager as of January 1, 2016. On January 4, the Board honored Carol Krehbiel for her twenty years of service to the club with a celebration and the presentation of a plaque inscribed with her new position as Club Manager Emeritus.

At the first meeting of 2016 prior to the party, the ODBC directors elected 2016 officers. David Lilly was reelected president; other elected officers are: Mike Heflin, vice president; Vicki Helms, secretary; Rita Jo Holtzman, treasurer with Julia Mesplay serving as member-at-large. The Board also voted to host STaC games April 4 & 6 and August 8 & 10.

Sweetheart Swiss Tournament - ODBC:

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The annual Sweetheart Swiss Sectional Tournament was hosted by the ODBC February13 & 14. It opened with twenty-eight tables but due to a wintery advisory for area highways, closed with fifteen. However, nothing dampened the brave and enthusiastic players with one team on Valentine's Day winning **First in A and B** helping their teammate, Vicki Helm complete her master point requirements for Life Master.

► ACBL Life Master Vicki Helms, left, with her partner, Dian Fleming, right and teammates, Jeff and Donna Chapman ►

D11 ACBL SITE SITE Vicki is the first member of the ODBC to meet the new ACBL requirements of 500 points to achieve her Life Master. She accomplished this in less than three years. Never having played bridge, she completed the EasyBridge! program in April 2013 and began playing in local games and in tournaments.

Other First Place Winners were:

Saturday:

A. Pete Lambert, Richard Roiseman, Elaine Said, Bernard Kay

B: Don Hayes, Dale Hill, Gary Gentry, Stu Hoffherr

C: Karen Nunn, Ann Cornette, Pat Long, Julia Mesplay Sunday:

C: Don Hayes, John Fullenwider, Jerry Holtzman, Rita Jo Holtzman

Diamond Life Master & Silver Life Master:

Congratulations is extended to John Fullenwider of the ODBC. John has attained the rank of Diamond Life Master. Congratulations also to Doris Mills of ODBC who recently received her Silver Life Master. The Club is planning a celebratory party on March 28 for Vicki, Doris and John.

New Life Masters at Jasper & Madisonville & Evansville:

Kitty Recker, a member of the Jasper Duplicate Bridge Club has attained the rank of Life Master. She achieved her goal while playing in the December STaC games in Evansville. We are looking forward to helping her celebrate with a party this summer. Congratulations, Kitty!

Jeanne Hines sailed the high seas to achieve her dream of becoming a Life Master. Jeanne, a member of the Madisonville Duplicate Bridge Club, received a Christmas gift from her devoted husband that would make us all envious —a Western Caribbean cruise with Larry Cohen! On board, Jeanne and her husband teamed with a couple from New York and together they accomplished her goal of becoming a Life Master on February 13. Her new-found friends and husband celebrated by showering her with a party and trophy. Her bridge family in Madisonville rejoiced with her at a catered dinner on March 10. Congratulations to Jeanne. We love the drama and joy you bring to our Clubs!

Janet Wempe of the EDBC was elated to reach her goal of Life Master on November 4, 2015 at the Lexington/Louisville regional. Her EDBC friends will help her celebrate with a pot luck luncheon on March 19.



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Owensboro Sweetheart Swiss February 13 - 14, 2016

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New & Continuing Classes at Henderson & EDBC:

Henderson Duplicate Bridge Club has started beginning bridge lessens. Thanks to ACBL Cooperative Advertising Program, they were able to run a two week ad in the local newspaper. Eighteen students registered! Hopefully, a few of the students will be interested enough to try duplicate bridge.

Under the expert tutelage of Jan Tucker, Easybridge! at EDBC can only be called exceptional. Since Jan began teaching four years ago, approximately thirty EasyBridge! students have continued playing duplicate. For the past two months, Jan has conducted an EasyBridge2 class attended by twelve to sixteen players. Starting March 22 a new series of Easybridge! 1 daytime classes will begin. Also, an evening class of Easybridge Lite! will be offered starting March 17 accommodate working folks. Jan, along with her helpers, Betty Hahn and Bud Farmer and director Lon Bell, make the learning of bridge fun.

Mentoring Games:

Based on the attendance of the mentoring games at the Evansville Duplicate Bridge Club, one can conclude the game is quite popular. The number of tables ranges from five to eight. One game each month is scheduled as a mentoring game, giving the novice player an opportunity to pair with a partner who has 300+ points. This has proven to be a good learning experience for the beginning player. It has also provided an avenue to become acquainted with players of different levels. The mentoring game at EDBC has been a win-win situation for everyone involved!

Henderson Game at EDBC:

Henderson is still holding its games at the Evansville Club with increased attendance. The closer proximity is probably the main contributing factor.

New President and Board Members at EDBC

Effective February 5, 2016 Jim George assumed the role of President of the Evansville Duplicate Bridge Club. Also, two new Board members were chosen to fill vacancies. The new Board members are Stu Hoffher and Phyllis Kincaid. We wish Jim and the new members much success. We would also like to thank Pat and Ray Andersen for their leadership and dedication while serving as members of the Board this past year.

Ceramicist at EDBC:

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The EDBC is very honored and proud to have Les Miley, an internationally known ceramicist, as one of our members. His passion for the arts led him to become an art instructor at Evansville College in 1961, and later to head of the Art Dept. Due to his success as an educator, Les was named the 1996 Artist of the Year and the 2000 Arts Educator of the Year by the Arts Council of Southwestern IN – just two of his many awards. Perhaps Les's greatest testimony to his teaching is the many students who have also become award winning artists. Les's pieces have been exhibited in 27 U.S. states and abroad in Canada, England and Japan. An award he is especially proud of is being a finalist in the "25th Ceramic National" at the Everson Museum, Syracuse, N.Y.

A mild-mannered man of exceptional talent, Les Miley and his wife, JoAnne, can usually be found playing together at the EDBC bridge club on Tuesday afternoon. We are always happy to see you enjoying the game of bridge, Les!

► Les Miley with one of his ceramic pieces ►

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Life Master/Hall of Famer

John Titzer, a well-respected and frequent player at EDBC, became a Life Master in September, 2015. Surely that was cause for celebration, but John can now claim another distinguished honor. On January 23, 2016, John was inducted into the Reitz Memorial High School Football Hall of Fame. During his sports career in high school, John played on the varsity teams of basketball and football beginning in his sophomore year. The year of 1958 proved quite a season, as the Memorial Tigers were the undefeated State Champs. In 1959 John held the title of All/City/All State football player as a fullback. Following his high school graduation in 1959, John was a 3 year starter in football for Evansville College. He also was a head basketball coach and an assistant football coach for a high school in Ft. Wayne, IN. Congratulations to John for this award. The entire EDBC family is very proud of your accomplishments, both in bridge and football!

■ John Titzer at his Hall of Fame induction Ceremony ■

Game Winners:

Winners in the Unit and Club Championship games are as follows:

Unit Championship Games:

January 5th – N/S1ST – Marian Major & Bev Nikolajewski

2nd – Lon & Jeanne Bell

3rd---Connie Gustafson & Peggy Dunkel 1st - John Fullenwider & Leroy Breimeier

2nd – Jerlene Peach & Bonnie Mount

3rd – Jane Kempen & Jane Staton

February 20: N/S 1st - Peggy Dunkel & John Lawler

2nd - Nancy Erwin & Janice Wheeler

3rd – Jane Perkins & Peggy Kincaid

E/W 1st – John Fullenwider & Bernice Cornette

2nd – Leroy Breimeier & Jason Liao

3rd - Katie Brown & Patti Lodato

Henderson Unit Championship Game:

March 12: Flight A

1st – Susan Hill & Richard Cornett

2nd – Katie Brown & Bill Lea

3rd - Peggy Dunkel & Connie Gustafson

Flight B

1st – Janet Wempe & Dorothy Parsons

2nd – Judy Donahue & Bud Farmer

3rd – Donna & Jeff Chapman

Flight C

1st – Janet Wempe & Dorothy Parsons

2nd – Donna & Jeff Chapman

3rd - Tookie Watson & Joannie Lockyear

Club Championship Games:

January 23: 1st – John Lawler & Patti Lodato

2nd - Dale Hill & Susan Hill

3rd – Marian Major & Bev Nikolajewski 1st - Bernard Kay & Pete Lambert

2nd – Linda Edds & Richard Edds

3rd – Steve Early & Jef Franklin

1st – Connie Gustafson & Jack Davis January 24:

2nd – Lon Bell & Jeanne Bell

3rd - Joannie Lockyear & Peggy Kincaid

1st - Bernard Kay & Pete Lambert

2nd – Stu Hoffher & Gary Gentry

3rd – Carolyn Stephens & Sandra Altheide

February 29 (open game)

N/S 1st – Katie Brown & Bill Lea

2nd – Duane Morrow & Connie Gustafson

3rd – Steve Early & Gloria Bridges

E/W 1st – Pete Lambert & Betsy Becker

2nd – Leroy Breimeier & Jason Liao

3rd – Linda Palmer & Phil Fassett

February 29 (0-800)

1st – Ahmet Percinell & Stephen Miller

2nd – Jef Franklin & Phil Fisher

3rd – Melba Patberg & Thorton Patberg

Outstanding Games:

80.61% game - Bernard Kay & Pete Lambert on December 12 (EDBC) 70% Games at EDBC:

12/10	Stu Hoffher & Chris Huus	70.60%
12/18	Steve Early & Pete Lambert	70.83%
01/15	Stu Hoffher & Gary Gentry	72.45%
01/18	Lon Bell & Jeanne Bell	72.09%
01/28	K.C. Jain & Paulina Anderson	75.0%
01/29	Bernard Kay & Pete Lambert	72.22%
02/18	Stu Hoffher & Betsy Becker	70.93%
02/22	Philip Olinger & Michael Olinger (Jasper Duplicate) 77.8%	
03/07	Kitty Recker & Carol Olinger (Ja	sper Duplicate) 70.0%

The following players scored 70%+ during their Easybridge! games: Gary Case, Bob Haag, David Julien, Mary Lucas, Bob Messick, Mark Meyer, Betsy Barth Sterns, Joe Theby.

Congratulations to all!

Unit 193 Board Members:

The following persons have been elected to serve as officers in Unit 193 for 20016-2017.

President	Billie Kathleen Brown
Vice President	Richard Sarles
Secretary	Vicki Helms
Treasurer	William Lea, Jr

Appointed members:

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E-Contact	William Lea, Jr.
Recorder	Dale Hill
Tournament & Events Coordinator	Lon Bell

Representatives from the respective clubs of Unit 193 serving on the Board are as follows: Evansville – Bud Farmer, Bernard Kay, Phyllis Kincaid, pat Probst, John Titzer; Henderson – Dale Hill; Hopkinsville – Elbert Moore; Jasper – Richard Smith; Madisonville – Jeff Chapman; Owensboro – David Lilly, Pat Schmied; Vincennes Leroy Breimeier.

The Unit Board held their first meeting at EDBC on March 12. President Billie Brown announced there would be a split regional with Dayton, Ohio in

D11 ACBL SITE SITE September, 20018.

2015 Ace of Clubs Winners:

Prior to the Henderson Unit Championship game on March 12, Unit President Billie K. Brown, presented certificates to the following persons for placing first in their respective divisions in the Unit 193 Ace of Clubs race for 2015. Congratulations to all!

<u>Division</u>	<u>Winner</u>	<u>Club</u>
0-5	Jim Matthews	Evansville
5-20	Donna Chapman	Madisonville
20-50	Bob Bastin	Owensboro
50-100	Jane Perkins	Evansville
100-200	Vicki Helms	Owensboro
200-300	Melba Patberg	Evansville
300-500	Jef Franklin	Evansville
500-1000	Jeanne Bell	Evansville
1000-2000	Leroy Breimeier	Vincennes
2000-5000	John Fullenwider	Owensboro
5000-7500	Pete Lambert	Henderson

Thank you: During the past two years, Phyllis Kincaid—and most recently Patti Lodato—have written the articles for the *Midwest Monitor*. I would like take this opportunity to thank them both for the outstanding job they have done. Applause! \bigcirc



Evansville Sectional • July 15 - 17, 2016 • Holitzer Banquet Hall

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- ♠Free Coffee/Tea at all sessions
- *Lunch included with Swiss Team entry on Sunday
- **♠** Four Tutorials

All 0-20 Players: Special Reduced Entry for all games

All 0-5 Players: Play two sessions for the price of one on Friday

Schedule

Please note earlier start times on Saturday

Friday

299er (0-100, 100-200, 200-300) 12:30 pm CDT Stratified Open Pairs (0-750, 750-2000, 2000+) 12:30 pm CDT

299er(0-100, 100-200, 200-300) 6:30 pm CDT Stratified Open Pairs (0-750, 750-2000, 2000+) 6:30 pm CDT

Saturday

299er(0-100, 100-200, 200-300) 10:30 am CDT Stratified Open Pairs (0-750, 750-2000, 2000+) 10:30 am CDT

299er(0-100, 100-200, 200-300) 3:30 pm CDT Stratified Open Pairs (0-750, 750-2000, 2000+) 3:30 pm CDT

Sunday - 2 Session Swiss 10:00 am

\$299er Swiss Teams if numbers permit (0-100, 100,200 200-300) ♦ Stratified Swiss Teams (20 Victory Points) (0-750, 750-2000, 2000+ based on the average of all team members)

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Fees

\$20/pair for pairs games \$15/pair for 0-20 players \$3 additional per session for unpaid or non-ACBL members

> \$120/team for Swiss Teams (\$100/team for 0-20 players) (includes lunch)

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Friday

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OWENSBORO BRIDGE TOURNAMENT

Western Kentucky Sectional • ACBL Sanction Unit # S1610033 October 7, 8 and 9, 2016



EVENTS

FRI. 1:00 PM

199er Newcomers (0-50) (50-100) (100-200) Open Pairs (0-750) (750 – 2000) (2000 +)

RI. 6:30 PM

199er Newcomers (0-50) (50-100) (100-200) Open Pairs (0-750) (750 – 2000) (2000+)

SAT. 10:30 AM

199er Newcomers (0-50) (50-100) (100-200) Open Pairs (0-750) (750 – 2000) (2000+)

BREAK

Lunch Available on Site

SAT. PM Session Startup Time: 3:15

199er Newcomers (0-50) (50-100) (100-200) Open Pairs (0-750) (750 – 2000) (2000+)

SUN. 10:30 AM

Open Swiss Teams * (0-750) (750-2000) (2000+)

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