

Vancouver Unit 430



# UNIT GAME NORTHSHORE WINTER CLUB

7:00 PM Single Session

PARTNERSHIPS GUARANTEED A member of the Unit Board will be on hand to make sure everyone has a partner and fill in if need be!

FREE PLAYS GIVEN AWAY Winners will receive a free play to future unit games. There is also a door prize draw of a free play.

TROPHY RACE Compete to win the Unit Game Trophy race!

COFFEE \* GOODIES \* CASH BAR \* FUN \*\* NON SMOKING \*\* OPEN PAIRS
NEXT GAMES: MAY 7th JUNE 4th

### MARCH UNIT GAME WINNERS

- 1: Alison Durosh & Ian Gardener
- 2: Paul Sontag & Bill Terzianoff
- 3: Cam Doner & Bob Santa
- 4: Anne Scott & Derek Ward
- 5: Phyllis Barrington & Andrew Ross
- 6: Catriona Brown and Murdock Smith

# APRIL UNIT GAME WINNERS

- 1: Aidan Ballantyne & John Lepage
- 2: Doug Cowan & Anne Scott
- 3: Ron Groome & Thony Stiennon
- 4: Alison Durosh & Ian Gardener
- 5: Judy Strebinger & Lisa Strebinger
- 6: John Mullen & Terry Scott

# 1. Alison Durosh 2.69 2. Ian Gardener 2.69 3. Aidan Ballantyne 2.43 4. Anne Scott 2.33 5. Tom Cross 2.11

6. Jo Elliott

7. John Lepage

1.92

1.87

### LANDAU & LANDAU FIRST RECIPIENTS!

As was announced in the last issue, the Mixed Pairs event, Friday night of our Winter Sectionals is now officially the Jean Turnbull Mixed Pairs. After the announcement a group of Jean's friends decided that an attractive trophy should be obtained. Many of Jean's many friends in the Vancouver area contributed to the purchase of an attractive silver bowl which has been appropriately engraved. This trophy will be presented to Pat and Louis Landau, the first winners of this annual event. The presentation will take place at the B.C.Championships



AN IMPORTANT MEETING OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS:
JULY 23, BETWEEN SESSION, SUNDAY SWISS
at the VALLEY SUMMER SECTIONAL
South Delta Recreation Center

Meet your Unit Board of Directors, Old and New.
Review and approve the Year-end Financial Statement.
Have your say on issues of importance to you.
Be there.....
Time of meeting will be announced at sectional.

# ELECTIONS

Every year, six Unit Directors step down and the Unit Membership elects six more to take their places.

YOU CAN RUN FOR ELECTION!

If you enjoy the game, and wish to be more involved in its organization, submit your name to our ELECTION OFFICIAL: Sandy McIlwain 263-2152

Your term will run for two years. You are required to attend a monthly Unit Meeting. There are 12 Directors, so the work load is pretty evenly divided. Your share will not be that great! You will have a choice of duties from a list such as: New Membership Promotion; Membership Chairperson; Sectional Tournament Co-Chairperson; Special Events Chairperson; Unit Games Co-ordinator; Supplies and Trophies; Statistics; Publicity Chairperson; and etc. Whatever your duties involve, you will have lots of help and a written description of the job.

We are looking for interested and lively people but you don't have to be an expert bridge player! Don't hesitate.... call Sandy now!

YOU CAN VOTE FOR THE NEW EXECUTIVE MEMBERS!

Your vote is important!

LIST OF CANDIDATES: Will be published at the end of MAY. ELECTIONS: Will be held at the B.C. CHAMPIONSHIPS SECTIONAL

at the Royal Towers, New Westminster June 9-11th. (Persons unable to attend the sectional may request a BALLOT BY MAIL - contact Sandy)

BE INVOLVED! You can take part and support the game of Bridge in our Unit... maybe run for election, make sure to vote and attend your Annual General Meeting!

\*\*\* UPCOMING EVENTS \*\*\* This issue's upcoming events calendars can be found at the BACK instead of the middle of the newsletter...........

# BOOK REVIEWS

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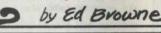
BETTER BIDDING WITH BERGEN Vol I by Marty Bergen

"Bergen raises, what is the world coming to" writes Edgar Kaplan in his introduction, which says much about Marty Bergen and Kaplan himself. The book touches on a wide variety of subjects in bidding; many gadgets and other ideas which will be of use to most levels of players. One can agree that bidding has certainly become more competitive and the search goes on for more fits and better defensive auctions.

Volume II is value added and then some. Again Edgar Kaplan adds spice with his astringent comments yet acceding that there is wide acceptance for Bergen's methods. Volume II is full of items of interest, some of which are hard to follow and hard to evaluate. They point out the results of an active and keen mind who has had much experience in highly competitive fields. As in Volume I, there are also topical subjects such as 'doubles', each given full explications.

THE LEBENSOHL CONVENTION by Ron Andersen

For established partnerships and bridge buffs this monograph will be of more than academic interest. It is written by one with many credits; a great contender who is known more for his combative style than his passivity. Explications are very good and there are lots of examples to help you out. The last chapter, 'Other Lebensohl Applications' could be the most interesting. In his 'Post Mortem' (which might better be called 'what's past is prologue') Ron remarks that Lebensohl will simplify one's bidding rather than complicate it.



# QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

WHY DO WE NOT HAVE A FLIGHT C IN OUR SECTIONAL SWISS GAMES?

Swiss teams has always been a popular way for our newer players to win master points. You only need to win a match to add to your total. However, the number of points you win for each match depends on the number of teams in the event. If we further divide the field into a 3rd flight, the table count would go down and so would your match awards! Further, in a swiss event, after each match, you are pitted against another team with the same total as yours. making it quite possible to win your matches no matter how new your team might be. At a regional, with its greater attendance, a FLT C is more reasonable, but at a sectional, we feel you would be disappointed with the results!

WHERE IS THE SOUTH DELTA RECREATION CENTER?

They tell me it is EASY to find! Drive straight toward Tsawwassen and when you see the big 'golden arches' (MacDonald's) the rec centre in on your left! (before you get to Tsawwassen, of course)

WHY ARE THERE NO UNIT GAMES LISTED AFTER JUNE?

The original 'trial' period was six months. We are currently hammering out the next six month with the North Shore Winter Clubs administration. We will keep you posted....

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Your Unit

BORG & STREBINGER BIG WINNERS!

Congratulations to RON BORG and MICHAEL STREBINGER who won the CANADIAN OPEN PAIRS NATIONAL TITLE! Ron and Michael won our Unit Final and full subsidy to the Nationals in Toronto, March 24-25th. What is next for these two? Well, they just recently qualified for the CNTC National Final as well, along with team mates Aidan Ballantyne and Greg Arbour. Will it be a double-header? Good work both of you and GOOD LUCK again!

# ISFELD & DIETRICH IN RENO

What is worse than playing in a Consolation Event? NOT WINNING THE EVENT! Dianne Isfeld and Ernie Dietrich were up to the challenge however! Placing 5th in the overall consolations, of the NORTH AMERICAN OPEN PAIRS NATIONAL FINALS in Reno, they WON FIRST OVERALL IN THE NON LIFE MASTER CATEGORY. A bit unlucky in the Qualifying rounds, Ernie and Dianne came back strongly the next day with a 2-session total of 362.00. Good work!

PAUL SONTAG and GREG ARBOUR, playing in the OPEN CATEGORY, did qualify for the finals, an admirable showing.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS! Mrs.Maria Hunt. W.Vancouver Bud MacKinnon, Sardis Carol Penner, Coquitlam Arthur Schmidt, N. Vancouver Antoinette Schefield, Vancouver WELCOME TO OUR UNIT! The following players have recently transferred into our Unit from other places: David Dewey Trent Valley Lorne Hannah Bellingham Ken Kiakowich Lethbridge Cedillia & John Pain Ouesnel

We hope you enjoy your new home!

E.Ontario

Mrs.Lvnn Price Parksville

Mrs. Vincent

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ATTENTION BRIDGE TEACHERS AND CLUB OWNERS OR MANAGERS!

Our Unit will be running an exciting new contest this fall to help encourage our newer players to play in the OCTOBER FUTURE STARS SECTIONAL.

Here is how it goes:

You send a player to the sectional. He or she writes your name on the back of their entry slip, at the sectional.

At the end of the tournament, the TEACHER'S NAME or CLUB NAME with the greatest TOTAL wins the prize.

URGE YOUR UNDER 100 PLAYERS AND STUDENTS TO ATTEND THE FUTURE STARS SECTIONAL! And tell them to write you name on their entry slips. If you represent a CLUB, they should write the CLUB NAME. If you are a TEACHER, they should write YOUR NAME.

We strongly believe that the personal attention the new players will receive as a result of this contest will encourage them to turn out at the sectional and ENJOY THEMSELVES.

THE WINNER'S PRIZE WILL BE SUBSTANTIAL We have yet to officially approve a prize but I can guarantee it will not be a mere token. Look to the next issue of the Matchpointer (August) to find out more!

FOR INFORMATION CALL JIM McEVOY 591-2251 OCTOBER FUTURE STARS SECTIONAL October 20-22 Oakridge Auditorium Oakridge Shopping Center Chairpersons: Jim McEvoy Dawn Kingsland

NEW COLOURS FOR OLD LIFE MASTERS
Congratultions to the following members
on their moving into a higher LM bracket.
NEW BRONZE LIFE MASTER (500+ mps)
Rolf Lowinger
NEW SILVER LIFE MASTERS (1000+ mps)
Tom Cross
Phyllis Gerber





In spite of Reno, Toronto, Victoria and Kamloops (CNTC Zone finals) and amid rumours of a delay-of-game conspiracy (paranoia strikes deep), we have some results to report!

# \* WINNERS FLIGHT C \*

It was a very close race in Flight C to see which two teams would go on to the finals. At the end of the regular season, BALCOM was only one VP ahead of two teams tied for second, KINGSLAND & KERR. Since KINGSLAND had beaten KERR in their round robin match (11-9 VPs) they went to the final... losing to BALCOLM by 12 IMPS. Congratulations to Jim Balcom, Deidre Cole, Jane Skinner and Bob Jess.

# \* CONTENDERS FLIGHT B \*

This wasn't even a race! Bodlak was so far ahead of everybody else that there were fears at one point they would be called to testify at the Dubin inquiry. They won the first half, won the second half, had 6 blitzes in a row and ended with 167 VPs out of a possible 200. That's 83.5% for you statisticians.

Second and third overall for the year were STIENNON (114 vps) and LEPAGE (112). Lepage, fresh from victory in Victoria but playing with different teammates, may have a shot at it, but whoever wins the semi-final will have their work cut out for them! (winner of the semi-final plays Bodlak in the finals for the Imp League Flt.B title... ed)

# \* STILL HOPEFULS FLIGHT A \*

With people flitting around all over the continent, things have fallen a bit behind schedule in FLT A and we still don't know who is going to the playoffs. At this time, HOUSE leads with 122 VPs, LINDSAY has 117, DIVINSKY 113, TAKEMORI has 100 and JOHNSON 94. Johnson and Divinsky have yet to play and if Johnson wins by enough, they could pass Takemori.

Will a team with a 3 and 6 record (Takemor) squeak into the playoffs? Who will the winners choose to play in the semi-final? Who will the winners be? Will we know before the pennant race is over? Stay tuned.....

Also, watch for the post-season post mortem (or obituaries!) by the perspicacious Mae Thorpe in the next issue of the Matchpointer. Hopefully, trophies will be presented at the JUNE B.C.CHAMPIONSHIPS sectional so get your speeches ready!

# FINAL RESULTS OR THE JOY OF VICTORY POINTS

Divinsky beat Johnson in their final match of the season, thus knocking them out and dragging TAKEMORI in by the scruff of their (for the most part thick) necks. Final standings of the Flight A Imp League Round Robin are:

- 1. DIVINSKY, Nathan Aidan Ballantyne Don Brazeau Dan Jacob Gord McOrmond Michael Strebinger
- 2. HOUSE, Dave Greg Arbour Adrian Hicks Anne Nagy Elliott Netto, Paul Sontag
- 3. LINDSAY. Cam Bob Connop Ron Borg Paul Hagen
- 4. TAKEMORI, Mike John Bryden Dennis DOhl Martin O'Reilly Ben Takemori Steven Vincent

THERE ARE SIX basic multi-level events each season, usually running through one year and ending in the spring or summer of the next.

THE BASIC CONCEPT of multi-level events is that of GRASS ROOTS. Players may enter the event in their local clubs, and if they do well, can qualify for higher and higher levels. By the time there would be a great deal of travel involved, most events have some kind of subsidy. Another reason for the multi-level format is the generation of funds. The more people entering at the lower levels, the more money there is available to help pay expenses for those qualifying for highest levels.



HERE IS A LIST of the six multi-level events with a brief description and an idea of when, during the year, their various stages are held:

# NORTH AMERICAN OPEN PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIPS (NAOPC)

Formerly the Grand National Pairs, this is an ACBL event. It is an unrestricted Pairs event. People qualify out of the clubs as individuals. Conditions of Contest can be found in the May issue of the Bulletin. The ACBL contacts the clubs directly and your unit board does not get involved until the Unit stage. There is no subsidy up to the District level. Usually 3 pairs qualify out of the District and are subsidized to the Nationals.

NORTH AMERICAN NON LIFE MASTER PAIRS (NA non LMP) Formerly the Grand National Pairs, FLT B, another ACBL event. Restricted to NON LIFE MASTERS. Details are much the same as above. Conditions of Contest can probably be found in the July issue of the Bulletin , if not the May.

GRAND NATIONAL TEAMS FLIGHT B (GNT-B) An ACBL event, Team game, Restricted to NON LIFE MASTERS. Players qualify at the club level as individuals. The ACBL contacts the clubs directly and the unit gets involved at the unit level. Your club will have received the Conditions of Contest prior to the club level. Subsidy is available only for those qualifying at the District stage for the Nationals.

CANADIAN OPEN PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIP (COPC) This is a CANADIAN BRIDGE FEDERATION EVENT (although ACBL sanctioned). It is open to all players. There is a ZONE co-ordinator and a UNIT co-ordinator. Conditions of Contest can be had from either of these two people. CLUBS are contacted by the co-ordinators (not the ACBL). There is NO ZONE LEVEL (the equivalent of district). Qualifiers from the Unit level go directly to the Nationals. There is almost full subsidy for 1st place pair and

JUNE
OCTOBER NOVEMBER
DECEMBER JANUARY

NANLMP	MANAGEMENT AND
CLUB LEVEL	AUGUST
UNIT LEVEL	OCTOBER NOVEMBER
DISTRICT LEVEL	DECEMBER JANUARY
GNT-B	
CLUB LEVEL	OCTOBER to JANUARY
UNIT LEVEL	FEBRUARY
DISTRICT LEVEL	APRIL

COPC	WEIGHT.
CLUB LEVEL	SEPTEMBER OCTOBER
UNIT LEVEL	JANUARY FEBRUARY
NO ZONE LEVEL	

# THE CANADIAN NATIONAL TEAM CHAMPTONSHIPS (CNTC)

This is the Canadian Bridge Federation's premier event. It is run by the CBF, not the ACBL. It is the Canadian player's alternative to the Grand National Teams (no longer held in Canada). As with other CBF events, there is a UNIT co-ordinator and a ZONE co-ordinator, Conditions of Contest are available from either of these two persons. The CLUBS are contacted by the Unit co-ordinator. NOT the ACBL. There is sometimes some confusion here because the ACBL sends club managers information on the Grand National Teams, along with the GNT-B. but \*\* WE DO NOT HOLD THE GRAND NATIONAL TEAMS IN CANADA \*\*. Club managers should take note!



CNTC				
CLUB LEVEL	OCTOBER to JANUARY			
UNIT LEVEL	MARCH			
ZONE LEVEL	APRIL			
NATIONALS	JUNE			

The CNTC is a fun event with a long-running club qualifying period. Players qualify as individuals from the club level. After the Unit Level, qualifyers go on to play the ZONE level (we are zone 6). In the past, this zone level final has been split between two sites so as to make it easier for our BC Interior and Northern BC players, as far as travel and 'grass roots' considerations are concerned. Currently, the Zone final is not split, but rather, moves around the province. A further effort to promote 'grass roots' has led to the rule that the top three qualifyers may NOT come from ONE UNIT. Should three teams from one unit take the top 3 spots, the 3rd team is not eligible. Rather, the next team down the overall list that is not from that unit will qualify for the National Level. The idea here is that a major center (i.e. Vancouver) with better access to more bridge and superior competition, has too much advantage over the lesser bridge centers. The smaller units were uninterested in supporting an event through participation and financing , which repeatedly sent the same unit's players to the National. Thus the 'grass roots' rule of qualification was invented. First place from the Zone level receives a major subsidy. Other subsidies depend on the amount of money generated at the lower levels.

THE CANADIAN WOMEN'S TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS (CWTC) This is another Canadian Bridge Federation event. It is a team event restricted to women. The popularity of this event has varied over the years, largely due to lack of information and promotion. For many years this event was run by the women themselves although a recent motion by your unit board states that in future the event will be run in a fashion similar to the CNTC. As with other CBF events, there is a Unit and a Zone co-ordinator. The Conditions of Contest, which should be available from either of these two persons, are much the same as the Conditions for the CNTC. Players qualify as individuals from the club level. The 'grass roots' rule of qualification (see above) applies to the Zone level. There is major subsidy for the Zone level first place team and partial subsidy for other qualifiers, depending on the amount of money generated at the lower levels.

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CLUB LEVEL	NOVEMBER to JANUARY
UNIT LEVEL	MARCH
ZONE LEVEL	APRIL
NATIONAL	JULY

OTHER SUBSIDY Your unit board has agreed to pay the TABLE FEES of ANY PAIR or TEAM who has qualified, through any multi-level event, to play in a National Final. Also, money generated from the sale of Entertainment books is designated to help subsidize players and teams for multi-level playoffs.

# Ace of Clubs

# Winners

CONGRATULATIONS to the winners of Unit 430's annual ACE OF CLUBS race. These results are based on total masterpoints won AT THE CLUB LEVEL ONLY during 1988.

ROOKIE OF THE YEAR		JUNIOR MASTER OF THE YEAR	
1. KEN LYLE.Surrey	11.67	1. REKAH SHAH, Langley	32.14
2. Bill Henderson,	10.79	2. Elizabeth Robson,	20.32
Maple Ridge		W. Vancouver	
3. Roland Kalnins.	10.67	3. Dona Costello, Langley	17.36
Vancouver	20.01		
CLUB MASTER OF THE YE	AR	SECTIONAL MASTER OF THE YEAR	
1. DOROTHY CARNEGIE	46.72	1. BARBARA STACHOWSKI.	42.97
Langley		Surrey	
2. Charles Bremner	21.88	2. Larry Snelling, Surrey	35.83
Vancouver			
3. Thelma Hofstede	17.43	3. Harold Hammell, Surrey	34.91
Delta			
REGIONAL MASTER OF TH	E YEAR	NAC MASTER OF THE YEAR	
1. BILL KENNEDY.	34.91	1. ERNIE DIETRICH, Coquitlam	71.40
Surrey			
2. Ian Gardner .Van	26.67	2. Dianne Isfeld, PoCo	33.33
3. Stan Bodlak, Van	26.49	3. Dianne Wilson, Burnaby	26.61
LIFE MASTER OF THE YE	AR	One would think that Vancouver, wi	th its

One would think that Vancouver, with its full-time club, would have a fair share of placings on these lists - or N.Vancouver for that matter.... but NO! Our winners come mostly from out-of-town areas where obviously our clubs are thriving.

WILF MAY continues a 3 year streak as winner of the Ace of Clubs Life Master category. He won in 1987, 1986 and placed 3rd in 1985. In fact, the top three in this category were also the top three in 1987! ERNIE DIETRICH remains steady as well winning 1988, 3rd in 1987, and winning in 1986 in the NAC category. Chances are good he will be out of this category soon, if not already—how about it Ernie? Rookie of the Year, KEN LYLE, had an easy go of it for his title in 1988 with the score of 11.67. In 1987 it was won by Steve Clements with 23.38, and in 1986 by Eugene Chan with 21.05. This year's rookies are either finding the competition a little tougher (more rookie members) or playing largely in non-club events.



1. WILF MAY, Surrey

2. Ev Hodge, Burnaby

3. Pat Landau, N. Van

The following teams qualified at the Unit Level to play in the GNT-B, District Finals. Good work and Good Luck!

FIRST: Bill Terzianoff, Steve Clements, Dennis McMahon, Duane Tilden, Marguerite Chiarenza

SECOND: Gray McMullin, Mel Hoff, John Reay, Jack Hopwood THIRD: Eugene Chan, Nigel Fullbrook, Ken LoChang, Ian Gardner FOURTH: Frank Kelley, Larry Snelling, Terry Vallean Jim McEvoy

91.35

71.80

66.04

Mini McKenney

# Winners

results are based on TOTAL MA	STERPOI	NIS WUN during the year	1988.
ROOKIE OF THE YEAR (0-5 mps)	1.	RICH WILLIAMS	70.08
	2.	Gray McMullin	30.61
	3.	Richard Gorman	22.72
JUNIOR MASTER OF THE YEAR	1.	NIGEL FULLBROOK	45.57
(5-20 mps)	2.	Rekah Shah	37,08
	3.	Eileen Van Pelt	24.55
CLUB MASTER OF THE YEAR	1.	ALISON DOROSH	64.72
(20-50 mps)	2.	Dorothy Carnegie	58.42
	3.	Daisy Neilson	35.76
SECTIONAL MASTER (50-100)	1.	STEVE CLEMENTS	256.13
	2.	John Reay	95.89
	3.	Eugene Chan	89.85
REGIONAL MASTER (100-200)	1.	IAN GARDNER	88.08
	2.	Brenda Robson	74.75
NAC MASTER (200-300)	1.	DENNIS MCMAHON	105.66
	2.	Dianne Isfeld	89.69
LIFE MASTER (300+)	1.	ROB CRAWFORD	1400.01
	2.	Larry Hicks	1198.38
	3.	Cam Doner	516.27

STAN BODLAK was the original winner of the Regional Master Category, with a total of 94.36 but withdrew from the race claiming unrecorded masterpoints which would take him out of that category. DAVE GLEN thought he had become and LM after the start of 1988, but the ACBL thinks otherwise. Although he handily won the NAC Master category, (822.34), he was disqualified from the lists altogether when the ACBL discovered unrecorded masterpoints from 1985 to 1987. When asked, Dave explained that he had not been a member of the ACBL during those years and so had not expected points won during that time to be counted! ROB CRAWFORD's total of 1400.01 placed him 8TH OVERALL on the North American wide Barry Crane Top 500 list and gave him an easy FIRST OVERALL on the Canadian RICHMOND TROPHY list. A newcomer to the lists in 1987. Rob increased his yearly total by 999 masterpoints. LARRY HICKS, with his admirable total of 1198.38, was 302 mps behind Rob, to place not only 2nd on our mini-lists but 2ND OVERALL on the Canadian RICHMOND TROPHY lists and 9TH OVERALL on the Barry Crane TOP 500 lists.. (More on Richmond Trophy elsewhere). RICHMOND WILLIAMS, our Rookie of the Year had a good total for someone just starting out, besting not only everyone in his category, but everyone in the two categories above him! Over the last few years in our unit, this has become quite common, and Rich has good company! In 1987, Steve Clements won the title with 83.47 mps. In 1986, Rob Crawford won with 66.45 mps. If statistics hold any weight, Rich has a bright future!

SAN DIEGO REGIONAL (local results)

MEN'S PAIRS: 2ND: Mike Rahtjen

5TH: Rob Crawford

GTRATIFIED PAIRS: 2ND FLT B & 13TH FLT A: Steve Clements

CALIFORNIA OPEN PAIRS: 6TH: Rob Crawford KOS FLIGHT A: Steve Clements, Rob Crawford

FLIGHT A OPEN: 7TH: Mike Rahtjen 13TH: Larry Hicks

FRIDAY MIDNIGHT SWISS: Gray McMullin

# RICHNONDROPHY



This is the Canadian OVERALL POINTS race, and is based on the accummulation of masterpoints in the given year from any kind of bridge event. We can be proud of our unit's players who had a very strong representation on the list!

FIRST:	Rob Crawford, Vancouver	1400.01
2ND:	Larry Hicks, New West	1198.38
4TH:	Dave GLen, Port Mooday	822
9TH:	Cam Doner, Richmond	516
10TH:	Leo Steil, Vancouver	484
13TH:	Aidan Ballantyne, Vancouver	404
23RD:	June Stenning, Burnaby	314

BC players have climbed steadily in Canadian Bridge over the past few years. In 1986, we shared only 16% of the list's placings and now we hold 30% of the spots. Still finding tough competition with Ontario (55% of Top Placings), BC now ranks 2nd in Canada.



CANADIAN NATIONAL TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS - ZONE FINALS

Vancouver stars.....

The battle which started at the Unit level waged even more desperately at the Zone Finals. The McAVOY team (Jim McAvoy, Duncan Smith, Dan Jacob, Gord McOrmond, Jim Dickie, Peter Herold ) won the Unit final handily (475 VPS) and although I am not in possession of the actual VP total from the Zonals, they also won that event and the FIRST qualifying spot. It was, however, the SECOND spot that was to taunt our other two top Vancouver teams. As you now 'know (see article page 9 ) the 'grass roots rule of qualification' does not allow three Vancouver Unit teams to qualify for the Nationals! The DIMICH team, (Michael Dimich, Mike Takemori, Don Brazeau, Dave Waterman) placed SECOND at the UNIT finals but led the BALLANTYNE team (Aidan Ballantyne, Ron Borg, Michael Strebinger, Greg Arbour) by only 4 VPS (366-362). The battle seemed even and although these two teams did place SECOND and THIRD once again at the ZONAL level, unfortunately for the DIMICH team, they traded places. The result is that 'qualification' moved down the list until it found a team from outside the Vancouver Unit. Fourth place, the TURNHAM team (Barrie Turnham, Mike Hargreaves, John Keech, David Todd ) from Victoria, was able to snag the 3rd qualifying spot. There is, however, some consolation for the Dimich team. They must be able to appreciate their team's consistent performance (over seven sessions ) and they will be first alternate. Already rumours are flying that one or more of the three qualifying teams may not be able to attend the National finals. Congratulations for a good showning to our top three teams!



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Many of our members had big wins and good overall placings at the recent regional in Victoria. The sun shone, the new convention center was beautiful, and the playing conditions were perfect... except, perhaps, for the lack of a bar! Regionals are such a good time for renewing old acquaintances, making new ones, catching up on all the gossip, new jokes and funny stories... and for some, a time to beef up the old game and rake in a few points. We never really found out if Shirley Isfeld won the golds she needed to become our latest Life Master, or if Dave Glen truly played the same board twice, or if any of our novices were at the table that played to trick 4 before realizing there was NO DUNMY! But what we do know is this:

OPENING DAY SWISS	FIRST: Peter Herold, Vancouver 3/4: Wilf May, Gordon Estrada, Brian Dixon, John MacDonald 10/11: Cam Doner, Pete Walton
SWISS CONSOLATION	FIRST: Jim McCully, Derek Ward, North Vancouver 2: Grace Wakabayashi Tomie Yamanouchi Lorraine Hardy 4/8: Steve Clements, Vancouver 4/8: Joyce Turner, W. Vancouver 4/8: John Reay, Marguerite Chiarenza, John LePage
SENIOR SWISS SENIOR SWISS CONSO	5/7: Joyce Peters, Bodil Moller, Pat Landau, Joan MacDonald
CHARITY PAIRS	3RD: Garry Skoropada, Maple Ridge Dianne Isfeld, Poco
OPEN PAIRS	3RD: Aidan Ballantyne, Vancouver 4TH: Sandy McIlwain, Vancouver Michael Newcombe
WOMEN'S PAIRS	2ND: Patricia Glen, N. Van Doris Frizzell, W. Van 4TH: Rose Wrean, W. Van Julie Cowan, W. Van 6TH: Patricia Landau, N. Van Joyce Turner, W. Van 7TH: Stella Alliston, W. Van Mary Fines, N. Van 9TH: June Stenning, White Rock Roz Richardson, Coquitlam
OPEN PAIRS FINAL	1ST: Aidan Ballantyne, Vancouver 3RD: John Mullen, Vancouver Marian Zarychta, Garibaldi Hg 6TH: Jude Goodwin-Hanson
OPEN CONSO	4TH: Rob Crawford, Vancouver 6/7: Keith Miller, N.Van Rose Wrean, W.Vancouver 6/7: Dennis McMahon, Vancouver John LePage, Vancouver
SPEEDBALL SWISS	3/4: Steve Clements, Vancouver
KNOCKOUTS FLT A	3/4: Leo Steil, Derek Ward Jim McCully John Maki Brian Ell: 6th: Cam Doner, Vancouver
STRATIFIED PAIRS	FLT A: 2ND: Wilf May, Surrey BIll Osborne, N. Vancouver

6th: Rob Crawford Larry Hicks 9/10: Leo Steil, Vancouver

9/10: Karel Van Renesse, W. Van

13/14: John LePage, Vancouver

11: Aidan Ballantyne, Vancouver

17: Michael Rahtjen, Vancouver 20: Tom Cross, W.Vancouver

FLIGHT B: 4TH: John Lepage 7TH: Eugene Chan

7TH: Eugene Chan 13: V.Van Boxtel, Tom Young 14: Dan Watson, Monica Angus

FLIGHT C: 1ST: John Lepage 5TH: Stew & Andrea Dresch 6: John Mullen & Ian Gardner

8: Yvonne Klan, N. Vancouver 13

21: Gerry McCully, Surrey Jim McCully, N. Vancouver

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## VICTORIA REGIONAL Continued

### SUPER OPEN FLIGHT A

FIRST: Linda Sims and Lauren Miller, Vancouver

8: Chris Diamond & Ben Takemori, Vancouver

10: Cam Lindsay, Surrey & Bob Connop, Burnaby

11: Martin Johnson, Vancouver & B.Christofferson, Coq

12: Phyllis Barrington and Rom Dixon, Vancouver

### SUPER OPEN FLIGHT B

6: Donald Sache, Delta Rose Wrean, W. Vancouver

7: Tom Young, Vancouver

12/13: Roz Richardson, Coquitlam Pat Carruthers, Surrey

# SUPER OPEN FLIGHT C

3: Malcolm Tindale, N. Vancouver

5: Yvonne Klan, N. Vancouver

6: Doe Stockdale, N.Burnaby

## FLIGHT B KNOCKOUTS

FIRST: Marguerite Chiarenza John Reay Brian Tkatch John Lepage

2ND: Dennis McMahon Don Stainton

3/4: Donald Sache, Brenda Robson, Rolf Lowinger, Laureen Holly

## SPEEDBALL SWISS:

FIRST: Leo Steil, Martin Johnson, Chris Christofferson

2/7: Steve Clements, Cam Doner

2/7: Pete Walton, Surrey

We regret that we cannot include the SUNDAY team results. We have not received them yet!

RENO NATIONALS! Spring NABC Many of our players did well at the recent Spring Nationals in Reno. Here are some of the results:

### STATE OF NEVADA SWISS TEAMS FLIGHT A

4TH: Pauline McClafferty, Gray McMullin, Ian Gardner

STATE OF NEVADA SWISS TEAMS FLIGHT B

1ST: Steve Clements, Vancouver

UNIT 491 OPEN PAIRS FLT B

17/19: John Reid, Mission

SENIOR SWISS

6/8: M.Duane Meador, Vancouver

ACBL GEN. CONVENTION CARD OPEN PAIRS

1ST: Larry Hicks, New Westminster

MORNING KNOCKOUTS ATLANTIC CITY BRACKET

3/4: Eugene Chan, Vancouver

MORNING KNOCKOUTS LANCASTER BRACKET

5/8: Larry Hicks & Aidan Ballantyne

MORNING KNOCKOUTS FORT WORTH BRACKET

2ND: Gordon Estrada, Wilf May, Surrey

John McDonald, Delta Paul Sontag

0-2000 KOS LACEY DIVISION

2ND: Wilf May, Surrey Gray McMullin

199ER PAIRS

3RD: Eugene Chan, Vancouver

5TH: Nicola Charleson, Richmond

B-A-M SWISS TEAMS

4TH: Pauline McClafferty, Graham Putnam Dennis Groden, Steve Clements all Van

5/6: Karel VanRanesse, Vancouver



# JUST ANOTHER AVERAGE ROUND!

**MGAME** 

It is not often that a hand you played is written up in the Daily Bulletin, so I was greatly excited upon seeing an article in the Sunday, March 19, 1989 edition of the Daily Bulletin at the Spring Nationals in Reno entitled "Zia in Action".

This was a hand played several days earlier during the National Open Pairs Qualifying round:

	Tom Sanders S- 108 H- QJ42 D- AK865					ps not as indicated)
Graham Putnam S- 654 H- K1098 D- Q32 C- AK8	Zia Mahmood S- KQ9 H- A65 D- J1074 C- J106	Eugene Chan S- AJ732 H- 73 D- 9 C- Q7532	DBL P	E 2S P P P	S P 3NT	W/P/P

I play 'disciplined' weak twos in first and second seat. However, by definition, 'disciplined' only means that a hand should not have aces, voids, or four card majors on the side. In all respects then, the East hand clearly qualified as a two spade opening hand. So what if it only has 5 spades...

When two classy types, along with kibitzers, arrived at my table, I snuck a peek at their convention cards and found I was playing against the famous Zia Mahmood and Tom Sanders. Now any other reservations I might have had against opening two spades quickly vanished. The bidding ended at 3NT by Zia as indicated. Here follows "Zia in Action" as reported in the bulletin:

(continued next page)

Consistent matchpoint success requires polished card play skills, a thorough understanding of matchpoint strategy and an innate ability to size up one's at-the-table opponents and adjust to their skill

level. Test your own matchpoint abilities on this deal from the recent Victoria Regional. The hand is presented as a BRIDGE MOVIE in which the reader is asked to answer questions at various points of the narrative. I invite you to formulate your response to a particular question before turning to the answer. Of course, the analysis reflects my own matchpoint theory, with which you may or may not approxi

	SOUTH
BOTH	S- 10542
VUL.	H- AQ
	D-J953
	C- J42

You are playing against a formidable first seed pair. Your opponents respect you also, no doubt. You decide to pass in first seat and the bidding proceeds:

 $\frac{S}{P}$   $\frac{W}{1S}$   $\frac{N}{2C}$   $\frac{E}{2H}$ 

What do you call?

by AIDAN BALLANTYNE ----

JUST AN AVERAGE ROUND (continued)

\*GAME

"Zia Mahmood found himself in a horrible notrump game, but he attacked the deal with

his usual flair and wound up with nine tricks. West led a spade which rode to Zia's nine. He decided that the HK probably was with West, so he led a heart and the Jack won when West ducked. The clubs, of course, were a major threat, so Zia took steps to lessen the danger - he led the C9 off dummy. This went to West's King and he continued spades, East taking his Ace this time. East, of course, went back to clubs and Zia's 10 lost to the Ace. But West, still remembering that his partner bid spades and that Zia attacked clubs, led his last spade and Zia finally had a chance. All he had to do was guess the diamonds. He of course knew East had bid 2Spades with five spades, so he decided that East had a two-suiter. Based on that, he finessed in diamonds and racked up nine tricks."

I will be the first to admit I had no inkling of the club situation. When partner led the second round of spades. I rose with the Ace because there appeared no future in this suit for the defense. With five apparent tricks in diamonds shown in dummy and hearts stacked behind partner, the prospects of setting 3NT were dim. In any event, it couldn't hurt to cut declarer's communications with dummy, so I led a second club— and struck gold!

I am glad partner did not return a club for if that was the case, there would be no story. In bridge, as in life, a little notoriety is just as valuable as talent. But the story does not end there. The Bridge version of Newton's Law says that 'for every good/bad result there is usually an equal and opposite good/bad result'. Finding Zia later, he readily consented to publication of the 2nd board of our round. Here follows:

"ZIA IN ACTION- THE UNTOLD STORY"
(continued on next page)

A MATCHPOINT MOVIE part II

SCORE: PASS 5 points 3 CLUBS 2 points

Raising partner has little or nothing to gain and much to lose. Opposite a passed hand, partner has some license to bid your values! Your partner may have overcalled for a

number of good reasons: 1. To pave the way to a makeable contract.

- 2. To discover a fit in order to lever the opponents into an unmakeable contract.
- 3. To sabotage their auction.
  - 4. To suggest a lead.

Reason #1 is unlikely given your opponents' strong-sounding auction—believable since you are playing the top seed. Reason #2 is irrelevant since the opponents appear ready to bid 'em up on their own. Reasons #3 and #4 would seem most probable in which case the overcall will have achieved its purpose without your contribution. Raising could lose in many ways. For example, partner could overbid, expecting a more offensive dummy. Or, you might cause partner to make the wrong lead against 4S (partner should make the right lead against 3NT whether you bid or not). Or, showing values may help your able opponents in the play, assuming you end up defending. The bidding continues:

S	W	N	E	
P	ĪS	2C	2H	Should you PASS or DOUBLE?
P	3H	P	4H	
9				

"ZIA IN ACTION- THE UNTOLD STORY"

S- A2

Tom Sanders

S- 010984

H- 87542

D- J6

C- 10

\*GAME

of the alerts. When dummy showed.

as a Woolf Signoff. (Partner is

Zia commented that 3 Clubs was meant

expected to pass the next bid made by the 3 Club bidder after relaying

	-H- AK D- K84 C- KQ9863		S P	$\frac{W}{P}$	N TC	$\frac{E}{P}$
Graham P.		Eugene	18	P	2N	P
S- J73		S- K65	3C*	P	3D*	P
H- QJ10		H- 963	3H	P	3N	P
D- 0107532		D- A9	4H	P	P	P
C- 5		C- AJ742				
	Zia Mahmood		We d:	id not	bother	to ask the meaning

to 3 Diamonds).
Whether encouraged by the defense to the previous hand or by partnership misunderstanding, Zia found himself declaring another horrible contract. However, this time the card gods struck back with vengeance.

The opening diamond lead was ducked to Zia's Jack. He floated the C10, losing to my Jack. Before sending back another club, I cashed my diamond ace. Partner over-ruffed Zia on the club continuation and returned a spade. Desperate for tricks, Zia played low from dummy, my King winning. After another club ruff, my partner finally returned a diamond. Ruffing with my H9, I was surprised when Zia pitched, unable to overruff. Another club ruff set the contract four tricks.

What a way to an average round!

A MATCHPOINT MOVIE Part III

SCORE: PASS 3 points DOUBLE 1 point

A double would be relevant in these two cases:

1: Most pairs your way are making a club contract and 4 Hearts will be a good score from them unless you double.

2: 4 Hearts doubled is a popular spot.

These scenarios are unlikely here. More probable is that others your way are defending 3 Hearts or 4 Hearts, in which case you can gain on your field without doubling, simply by putting up a good defense. Doubling would cost if the contract makes and -620 would be an average result. Nevertheless, doubling gets a point because if the contract is defeated, +200 should be a near top. Such a result might shake up your opponents and create another good score on the second deal of the set.

WHAT IS YOUR LEAD AGAINST 4 HEARTS (undoubled)?

# deadline MATCHPOINTER AUGUST 15T

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Pauline McClafferty Dave Schmidt Eugene Chan Ted Trites Aidan Ballantyne Ed Browne

Submissions are always welcome and considered for publication.....

# OH DEAR! ITS THAT DARNED ESTROGEN AGAIN...

Bridge is an example of pure, biological advantage...



Studies have proven that hormonal differences affect pre-natal brain development. There is a marked gender difference in left-side and right-side patterns. Conclusion? Men, as a group, have a slight advantage in funtions involving SPATIAL relationships and mathematical reasoning. Women, as a group, have a natural advantage in VERBAL functions and muscular co-ordination.

SPATIAL skills include the ability to analyze mental arrays or visualize a matrix of cards. They include matematical reasoning and other problems such as mentally rotating objects drawn on paper. Spatial type pursuits would be architecture, engineering, mathematics and chess.

VERBAL skills include language functions, word games, tongue twisters, precise hand movements and pursuits such as psychiatry, law and politics.

These are the facts, jack, and when all cultural and environmental factors are equalized, you can expect to see women and men, as a whole, predominant in their respective right-side, left-side fields.

HOWEVER! New studies by two Canadian psychologists have demonstrated that a woman's ESTROGEN CYCLE and her ability to perform certain tasks may be related! When her cycle is high, her Verbal skills increase and her Spatial skills are at their weakest. When her cycle is low, her Spatial skills increase, dramatically narrowing the gap between male & female abilities. The difference between the male/female spatial skill level is quoted as 'slight' to begin with and on LOW ESTROGEN DAYS, that difference can close about half that gap.

Reference: ACBL Bulletin, April 1989, page 20

by succe goodwin

I just loved this article! It explains everything... I predict that the above recent discovery is going to change the role of women in bridge forever, but not, however, in the way the article implies!

The writers and psychologist make the huge assumption that bridge is a purely SPATIAL game. In my mind, this would appear to be a rather 'spatial' conclusion and one we all know to be simply not true. Since its genesis, the game of bridge has been understood as a largely psychological battle. All science aside, it is the confident and aggressive player that succeeds. Of course, this attitude must be backed by good spatial support, and verbal skill support as well!

For years the male player has had a marked psychological advantage over the female. And why not? Their game remains the same steady, consistent and reliable confidence-builder session after session, week after week. The female, by contrast, with her ever-changing, unpredictable and sporadic development, would naturally question herself and her innate bridge ability time and time again! This self-doubt would have to have a debilitating affect on her general attitude, outlook and table manner, especially if she secretly believes it to be a personal flaw. The popular comment "she plays just like a man" illustrates my point. This is not said when a woman executes a squeeze, endplay or other spatial coup. It is said when a woman sits there exuding confidence, doubles, competes, plays smoothly and fully expects to win!

Perhaps this is a woman who subconsciously knows and accepts her cyclic differences and related skills. Now we can all be that woman. We have the facts and we can begin to construct a plan. We are different from the male player, yes. But our skills and cyclic combinations can certainly be used, consciously, to our own strong advantage.

I challenge the next, and there will be a next, battle of the sexes to be set up in the following fashion. Take at least a year, for preparation. Pick the women. Sit down and work out their cycles. Get them working on their spatial skills furing low cycles, and verbal skills during high cycles. Work on their knowledge and understanding of their own minds as well as the game. A year should be enough to produce dramatic changes in their attitudes. Then, when the battle is due, schedule the women according to their cycles! Women have a lifetime of psychological disadvantage to overcome, but even in one short year I predict a marked difference in results.

### AND THERE'S MORE!

Is there not a time in every woman's life when Estrogen ceases to play such a great and fickle role? For years I have lived in fear of 40, the time when, I have been told, a bridge player reaches their peak. Ah ha! This is no longer a practical truism for women. We, as a group, must actually begin to peak sometime around 50 or even later. One look at the majority of our more famous and expert female players seems to support this notion. The older woman has the advantage of not only better or more consistent spatial skills, than her younger peers, and better language skills than her male peers, but certainly a more positive and confident attitude as well. One need only think back to our early days as a player, male or female. Of all the intimidating players you met, were not a goodly portion of them older women?

I would like to submit the following comparisons. They were taken from two recent regionals, using OPEN and SENIORS overall placings. The events ran concurrently, so we know that a large portion of players over 55 entered the senior's event.

SPOKANE REGIONAL	OPEN PAIRS	77% Ma	ale 2	3% Female
	SR PAIRS	34% Ma	ale 60	% Female
VICTORIA REGIONAL	OPEN PAIRS	78% Ma	ale 22	2% Female
	SR PAIRS	40% Ma	ale 60	0% Female
	OPEN TEAMS	78% Ma	ale 23	2% Female
	SR TEAMS	33% Ma	ale 66	% Female

My goodness, there is a PATTERN here'. In age flighted events, the FEMALE player group shows a definite edge over the male player group. Obviously this is a very rough and incomplete study. Some may say that there were probably more females playing in the Senior event than males, and this is likely true. However, the female edge seems marked enough to imply that women over 55 are at least EQUAL to men of that age group.

The recent findings open a huge arena for the psychologist, statistician, theorist, bridge teacher and captains alike. We are standing on a threshold and it is exciting!

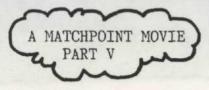
Forgive me as I end with what the 'church lady' might say at this moment: "Well! Isn't that all just spatial...."



SCORE: 2 Clubs 1 point

You may be a great player, but bridge is still a partnership game! Lead partner's suit. The dummy is

WEST (dummy)		The play develops as follows:
S- AKQ73		Trick 1: Club 2,3.0.A
H- J85		2: Spade 6,2,0,9
)- 862		3: Spade K,J,8,4
2- 103	SOUTH (you) S- 10542	4: Spade A, Heart 9, Heart 10, Spade 5 5: Heart 2, Q, 5, 3
	H- AQ D- J953 C- J42	You are now on lead with the Queen of Hearts. WHAT DO YOU DO NEXT?



SCORE: J Clubs- 4 pts 4C- 1pt
You should definitely try to

cash a club trick. The Jack of clubs is best since it is most flexible. Partner can overtake or let you hold the trick depending on his analysis of what has to be done. This is an especially good card to play if you yourself have not yet worked out the complete defense.... Have you?

Trick 6: Club J, 10, 9, 5 What next?

### TROUBLE WITH PREEMPTS

bu David Schmidt



We've all heard how wonderful preempts are, how difficult they make things for the opposition. Don't believe it! How often have your preempts had the opposite effect, driving your opponents into a difficult-to-find contract and giving them just enough information to make it. Take this hand from the Sunday Swiss teams in Bellingham:

Yul: N/S		S: KQxx	
DIr: E		H: ATXXX	
		D: Qxx	
		C: J	
	S: Axx		S:Jxx
	H: KJxxx		H: x
	D: xx		D: xx
	C: Txx		C: KQXXXXX
		S: xxx	
		H: Qx	
		D: AKJXXX	
		C: Ax	

# The bidding was as follows:

	North	East	South	West
Table 1:	Brian	David	Shiela	Dianne
	Badger	Schmidt	Girotto	Isfeld
	olk minera	30	3D	P
	40	P	4N	P
	50	P	6D	All Pass
Table 2:	Larry	Donna	June	Ev
	Pocock	Morrison	Stenning	Hodge
	-	P	10	1H
	X(Neg)	P	20	P
	2H	30	3H	Р
	3N	All Pass		

Given the favorable vulnerability, I thought I'd make things difficult with a preempt. How wrong I was! Shiela simply overcalled and Brian, looking at both majors, diamond tolerance and no wasted values, made an aggressive cuebid. Since Shiela was full value for her overcall, she wasted little time getting to the slam. Dianne naturally led a club (leading hearts would be no better as South would cross her fingers and duck to the queen). After taking trump out, Shiela led a spade and Dianne hopped up with her Ace. Shiela pitched her heart on the fourth spade and claimed. So easy! If West ducks the first spade (better) South can get back to her hand with the board's last trump to lead a second spade. As long as spades split 3-3, no defence beats the slam.

Our partners, who had to contend with a more normal heart overcall and a delayed club bid, struggled to a very iffy 3NT contract which became ice cold when Larry chose to let Donna's opening 4th-best club lead ride around to his singleton Jack. It wasn't enough, as the vulnerable slam swing gave Badger enough IMP's to remain unbeaten at the half.

There's trouble with preempts, alright, but unfortunately for us, the trouble was ours. 20





SCORE: 10 Spades- 7 pts 2 Diamonds- 2 pts A Hearts- 1 point

Your play to trick seven makes or breaks you and this is reflected in the scoring. Your analysis should follow these lines:

- 1: What is declarer's distribution? Partner ruffed the third spade with the Heart 9 and then played the Heart 2 on the first round of trumps. The play of the Heart 9 was likely the beginning of a trump echo (showing three trumps) rather than an attempt to promote your trump cards. Declarer therefore has five hearts. Declarer also is known to have two spades. Partner would hardly have overcalled on a suit as poor as KQxxx, so declarer has two, rather than three, clubs. Thus declarer's distribution is 2-5-4-2
- 2: What is the meaning of the 9 of clubs? The Club 9 could be residual count ("I have an even number of clubs left") or suit preference ("Of the two obvious continuations, I prefer the higher-ranking suit, spades, to the lower-ranking suit, diamonds"). The signal cannot be count since partner would then be indicating an original 5-card club suit and this is unlikely given his vulnerable overcall. The signal is therefore suit preference, asking for a spade continuation. Can you see why?

The complete deal is:

	NORTH S- J9 H- K93 D- 104 C- K09876	
WEST		EAST
S- AKQ73		S- 86
H- J85		H- 107642
D- 862		D- AKQ7
C- 103		C- A5
	SOUTH	
	S- 10542	
	H- AQ	
	D- J953	
	C- 142	

The 10 of spades allows partner to trump with his now singleton King of hearts and the defense scores 3 Heart tricks (the A,K,Q) and a Club (J) trick for down one. If you play a diamond or club, declarer wins and leads another round of trumps, crashing your A and partner's King. Declarer then trumps his losing diamond, making 10 tricks.

POST MORTEM Defeating 4 Hearts, doubled or undoubled, yields a top. -620 scores 1 m.p. Note that the play of the Jack of Clubs at trick 6 is critical, for South must retain the lead to play the spade. If a spade is played at trick 6, instead of the CJ, the declarer discards his losing club when North trumps with the K.He then loses only 3 heart tricks.

# HOW DID YOU FARE?

20 Points: You have all the tools; work on consistency
15-20 Points: Good analysis and technique
10-15 Points: You'll need luck to win, more often than not
less than 10: Keep working on your fundamentals!

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# THE VALLEY CLUBS

Bob Percher 792-4389 Louis Vervoort 858-7934 PARTNERS GUARANTEED!

### ABBOTSFORD

McCallum Activity Center 2478 McCallum Road FRIDAY 7:30 PM UPCOMING EVENTS May 26 Membership Game JULY 14 Club Championship

RECENT WINNERS CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP (Feb 24)

Terry Tereposky & Uno Metz ACBL CHARITY GAME (Mar 10) Jim Sache & Aaron Wolfe

# MAPLE RIDGE

Leisure Centre 11963 Haney Place WEDNESDAY 7:30 PM

UPCOMING EVENTS May 10 Club Championship

RECENT WINNERS

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP (Mar 1 ) Mary Douville & Bob Percher

New Contact: Doris Dring

463-3707

# CHILLIWACK

Senior Recreation Center 9400 College Street MONDAY 7:30 PM UPCOMING EVENTS June 5 Club Championship

RECENT WINNERS HINDS MEMORIAL TROPHY (3 week aggregate) Ray Rocher CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP (March 20)

Jim Sache & Doug Coxson

MISSION Leisure Centre 7621 Taulbut Avenue THURSDAY 7:30 PM UPCOMING EVENTS

June 22 Membership Game August 10 Club Championship

ACBL WIDE CHARITY GAME (Mar 16) Fred Michaelis & Louis Vervoort

WHITE ROCK DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB Sunnyside Community Centre 1845 154th St. W.R.

\*\* NEW PRESIDENT : Larry Snelling 596-5537 (h) 520-1511 (w)

PARTNERSHIPS : Harold Hammell 594-7736

GAME TIME: WEDNESDAY 7:30 PM Non Smoking with Smoking Breaks

# UPCOMING EVENTS:

MAY 17 Swiss Teams JUNE

14 \*1:00 PM ACBL Seniors Game \*7:30 PM ACBL Charity Game

Quarterly Club Championship

AUG Local Charity Game

\*\* Handicap games last Wednesday of each month

# RECENT WINNERS

OLYMPIAD FUND GAME (Feb 8) Colin Collin & Norm Treleaven MEMBERSHIP GAME (Mar 22)

N/S: Colin & Margarette Sabiston

E/W: Frank Kelley & Jim McEvoy QUARTERLY CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP (Apr 12)

N/S: Colin & Margarette Sabiston E/W: Eleanor Kaufmann & Larry Snelling

EAST RICHMOND DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB Corner of Cambie Rd & Sexsmith, Richmond Directors: Sandi White and Ida Goodlad (278-2896)

GAME TIME: Sundays 1:00 PM \*\* PARTNERSHIPS GUARANTEED \*\*

Closed JUNE 11

Smoking & Non-smoking sections Guaranteed

### PEMBERTON BRIDGE CLUB

1520 Pemberton Ave N. Vancouver Phone: 987-3733

# UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY

Novice Club Championship 10 Open Pairs Club Championship 12 Party Nite!

22

Victoria Day- Club Open 25 99er Club Championship

26 Swiss Teams

EPSON WORLD PAIRS JUNE 9 CHAMPIONSHIP

> Unmixed Club Championship 16 21

NORTH AMERICAN OPEN PAIRS CLUB QUALIFYING ROUND

23 Swiss Teams

30 Regular Game (not Swiss!)

10 Open Pairs Club Championship JULY 14

Party Nite

28 ACBL International Fund Game 11 Party Nite! AUG

16 Mixed Pairs Club Championship

24 NORTH AMERICAN NON LM PAIRS CLUB OUALIFYING ROUND

Swiss Teams

# SOMETHING NEW!

STRATIFIED 199ER PAIRS THURSDAYS FLIGHT A: 100-200 Masterpoints FLIGHT B: 50-100 Masterpoints FLIGHT C: 0-50 Masterpoints

This is a fun kind of event where, although you play against everyone, you place (and win points) overall in your flight! Of course, if your're good, you can place overall in higher flights as well. There are lots of points to be won in this kind of game!

THURSDAY 7:30 PM Non Smoking

OTHER GAMES:

John Gildersleeve & Gorde McPherson

Mel Grant & Ron Smith

Mel Grant & Ron Smith

Keith Miller & Rose Wrean

Marion Crowhurst & Clair Burns

Open Monday, Wednesday & Friday

7:45 PM

Novice Tuesday (non smoking)

7:30 PM

Handicap 1st & 3rd Mondays Swiss last Friday (subject to change-see schedule)

PARTY NITE! 2nd Friday each mo.

# RECENT WINNERS

NOVICE CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP (Tuesday Jan 24)

OLYMPIAD FUND GAME (Novice)

(Tuesday Feb 7) OPEN PAIRS CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

(Wednesday Feb 22)

99ER CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP (Thursday Feb23)

99ER CHARITY PAIRS

(Thursday Mar 16)

SWISS TEAM CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS Tom & Gerry Cross Mary Fines Terry Scott (Friday Mar 31)

HANDICAP CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

(Monday Apr 17)

Stella Alliston & Joyce Peters

DISTRICT WIDE CHARITY GAME (NOVICE) Lucy Gordon & Ellen Holden (Tuesday April 18)

SUNNYSIDE DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB \*\* Non Smoking \*\*

Sunnyside Community Center 1745 154th St South Surrey, BC Barb Stachoski 531-0457

GAME TIME: TUESDAY AFTERNOONS 12:30 SHARP

ENTRY FEE: \$3.00 Includes Refreshments

HANDICAP GAMES: 1ST Tuesday Each Month

RECENT WINNERS:

MEMBERSHIP GAME March 21

R.Peel & M.Musial



HAIDA BRIDGE CLUB

#203-456 W. Broadway 875-1714 Anne Nagy

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MAY	11	Beat The Experts
	13	Club Championship
	19	Club Championship
	23	Hot Dog C.C.(AM)
	29	Club Championship
JUNE	8	Beat the Experts
	9	EPSON WORLD PAIRS
	13	NORTH AMERICAN OPEN
		PATRS Club Qualify

ACBL-WIDE SENIORS (55+) \*\* 1:00 PM Club Championship

22 Club Championship 23 NORTH AMERICAN OPEN PAIRS Club Qualify

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PAIRS Club Qualifying

# CLUB GAME TIMES

MONDAY	7:30		Novice (0-20
TUESDAY	11:30	AM	Open Game
TUESDAY	8:00		Open Game
WEDNESDAY	7:30		Intermediate
THURSDAY	8:00		Open Game
FRIDAY	8:00		Open Game
SATURDAY	8:00		Open Game

# CONGRATULATIONS TO RECENT WINNERS

OLYMPIAD FUND GAME (Feb 7) Bill Terzianoff & Bob Santa BEAT THE EXPERTS (Mar 9)

Nigel Fullbrook & Anne Nagy CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP (Mar 11)

Dr. Christopherson & Nancy Friedman ACBL CHARITY GAME (Mar 16)

Dennis McMahon & John Reav HOT DOG CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP (Mar 21) Paul Sontag & Chris Diamond

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP (Mar 27)

Don McCarthy & Gjerluf Mortensen BEAT THE EXPERTS (April 13)

Ken Danielsen & Doug Hansford

### SPECIAL CLUB FEATURES

\*Computer Scoring \* Partnerships \* Lessons \* THURSDAY NIGHT JACK POT winner take all FRIDAY NIGHT RANDOM SCORE JACK POT

If your score matches the Computer's. you win. Pot carried over if no winner. TGIF LAST FRIDAY EVERY MONTH

Hot dogs, bar, and post game fun! \*Senior rates for those 65 years young + \*

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

	25	(non smoking)(0-300,300
JUNE	1	Bi-monthly Swiss Teams

MAY 11 Master/Non Master Pairs

NAOPC CLUB QUALIFYING

(Open Flight) JULY Charity Championship (for Can. Cancer Soc)

AUG NA non LM CLUB QUALIFYING 10 (non Life Masters Only)

# RECENT WINNERS

FIRST ANNUAL JACK RITCH TROPHY February 23 Mixed Pairs 1: Dianne Wilson & Ernie Dietrich 2/3: Sandi White & Stan Bodlak 2/3: Beryl Hamilton & Ray Morrison

CONTINENT-WIDE CHARITY GAME March 16

1: Hobart & Hanna Liang

2: Grace Wakabayashi & Arlene Browning

\*\*\* GAME TIME: THURSDAY 7:15 PM SHARP (Open Game) \*\*\* Entry Fee: \$3.50 each (includes refreshments ) for regular games

# SUR/DEL BRIDGE CLUB

We have been officially informed that the Sur/Del club is once again SANCTIONED by the ACBL as of March 1st, 1989. Rating Points issued since that time WILL BE HONOURED, We have no recent submission from this club but here is what do have: Manager: Ray Morrison Game Time: Friday 7:30 PM

# CLUB QUALIFYING ROUNDS THIS SUMMER

The month of JUNE: North American Open Pairs (NAOPC) The month of AUGUST: North American Non LM Pairs (NANLMP)

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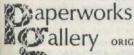


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WOMEN!

EVENTS

Congratulations to the following women for having qualified at the club level to play in the Unit Stage of the Canadian Women's Team Championships.

UNIT STAGE: Haida Club May 7th 12 NOON
ZONE LEVEL: Haida Club May 27 & 28th 12 NOON
CANADIAN LEVEL: Calgary Alberta July 21-25

Ina Anderson
Isabelle Anderson
Monica Angus
Rhonda Betts
Sandra Borg
Catriona Brown
Arlene Browning
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Marguerite Chiarenza
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Pearl Minkoff
Lilli Musil
Anne Nagy
Margie Neate
Jennifer Paynter
Joyce Peters
Marg Schulmann
Julie Smith
June Stenning
Rhoda Taffler

All of the above have qualified as INDIVIDUALS and may reform to make up teams for the unit final. HOPEFULLY we will have 7-10 teams......

# \* SPECIAL EVENT! \*

THE EPSON WORLD PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIP JUNE 9th: For those of you who are unfamiliar with this very popular event here's the scoop: An Open Pairs played simultaneously around the world. INSTANT SCORING: After each board is played, the traveller tells you what your matchpoint award is for that hand. SERPENTINE OVER-ALLS: To prevent a bias favoring either N/S pairs or E/W pairs, if the top scoring pair is seated N/S, the 2nd place will be seated E/W, and vice versa and so on. SOUVENIR BOOK: full colour, with commentary on the deals by Omar Sharif. CONTESTS: Best Played Hand Award- prizes for the 'player' and the person who writes it up and submits it! World Bidding Challenge- solvers are given both the E/W hands and are asked to state the best complete sequence, using simple methods described on the entry forms. PRIZES PRIZES: For either of the above contests or for high percentage games include Epson Computers, printers and Seiko products.

\*\*\*84,352 players entered last year's Epson Pairs, making it the world's biggest-ever bridge tournament!

# WHERE CAN I PLAY?

There are three sites available for those of you wishing to enter the 1989 EPSON WORLD PAIRS.

B.C.CHAMPIONSHIPS JUNE SECTIONAL Royal Towers Hotel, New Westminster

Sectional fun, large playing area Free coffee, non-smoking with hospitality breaks. Concurrent Junior Pairs (0-20) with Trophy awarded. Entry Fee: \$10.00 per person

HAIDA BRIDGE CLUB 875-1714 PEMBERTON BRIDGE CLUB 987-3733

These two clubs are also holding the Epson Pairs event, for those of you who cannot or do not wish to travel to the sectional. Please note STARTING TIME: 8PM Entry fees will most likely be lower than that stated above.

# EVENTS

MAY	6-7 7 9 10 10 11 11 11 13 12 17 19 23 25 25 26 26 27-28 29	CANADIAN WOMEN'S TEAMS UNIT FINAL UNIT GAME Novice Club Championship Open Fairs Club Championship Club Championship Beat the Experts Master/Non Master Pairs Club Championship Party Nite'. Swiss Teams Club Championship Hot Dog Club Championship (AM) Handicap Game 99er Club Championship Swiss Teams Membership Game CANADIAN WOMEN'S TEAMS ZONE FINAL Club Championship	Haida Bridge Club North Shore Winter Club Pemberton Bridge Club Pemberton Bridge Club Maple Ridge Bridge Club Haida Bridge Club Fraser Valley Bridge C. Pemberton Bridge Club Pemberton Bridge Club Abbotsford Bridge Club Haida Bridge Club Haida Bridge Club Haida Bridge Club Haida Bridge Club
JU	1 4 5 8 9	Bi-monthly Swiss Teams UNIT GAME Club Championship Beat The Experts EPSON WORLD PAIRS EPSON WORLD PAIRS EPSON WORLD PAIRS EPSON WORLD PAIRS EDSON WORLD PAIRS	Fraser Valley Club North Shore Winter Club Chilliwack Bridge Club Haida Bridge Club Royal Towers Hotel, N.W. Haida Bridge Club Pemberton Bridge Club
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	16 21 22 22 22 23 23	Club Qualifying Round Unmixed Club Championship NORTH AMERICAN OPEN PAIRS Club Qualifying Round Club Championship Membership Game Swiss Teams NORTH AMERICAN OPEN PAIRS Club Qualifying Round	Pemberton Bridge Club Pemberton Bridge Club Haida Bridge Club Mission Bridge Club Pemberton Bridge Club Haida Bridge Club

\*\* SPECIAL CALENDAR FEATURES \*\*

ACBL-WIDE SENIORS GAME Two clubs are holding this game. It is a new event played across the ACBL on the same day. It is run at 1:00 PM. Both clubs are holding a special game in order to bring you this event... support your clubs! It is a PAIRS game restricted to those players 55 years young or over.....

JUNE 13,15,21 & 23 NORTH AMERICAN OPEN PAIRS CLUB QUALIFYING ROUNDS Be sure to enter the club stage!

JUNE 9-11 B.C.CHAMPIONSHIPS SECTIONAL Royal Towers Hotel, New West.
Don't miss our own sectional, open to everyone.......

# EVENTS

R	6 10 12 14	Charity Club Championship Open Pairs Club Championship Quarterly Club Championship Party Nite!	Fraser Valley Bridge Club Pemberton Bridge Club White Rock Bridge Club Pemberton Bridge Club
	14	Club Championship	Abbotsford Bridge Club
П	21-23	VALLEY SUMMER SECTIONAL South Delta Recreation Center, South	n Delta B.C.
	23	★ ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING South Delta Rec Centre, Between Se	essions Sunday
	28 28	International Fund Game International Fund Game	Haida Bridge Club Pemberton Bridge Club
	10	Club Championship	Mission Bridge CLub
	10	NORTH AMERICAN NON LIFE MASTER PAIRS Club Qualifying Round	Fraser Valley Bridge Club
4	11	Party Nite!	Pemberton Bridge Club
H	11 16 16	Party Nite! Mixed Pairs Club Championship Local Charity Game	Pemberton Bridge Club Pemberton Bridge CLub White Rock Bridge Club
Ü	70.00	Mixed Pairs Club Championship	Pemberton Bridge CLub White Rock Bridge Club
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** SPECIAL CALENDAR	FEATURES **
	NORTH AMERICAN NON LIFE MASTER PAIRS Club Qualifying Rounds. Be sure to enter the club stage!
	SUMMER SECTIONAL IN SOUTH DELTA Lot's of fun at our own summer sectional

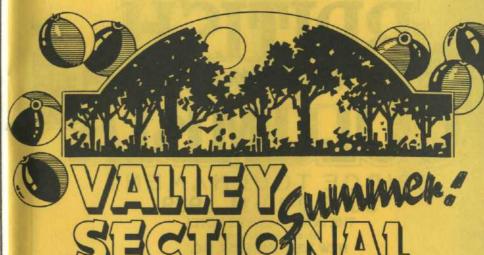
MA	Y 5-7	Prince George Sectional
	12-14	Vernon Sectional (note new dates!)
	19-22	Tri-cities Sectional, Harry Kramer Ctr., Richland WA
	26-29	Seattle Sectional, Seattle Trade Center
JUI	N 2-4	Spokane Sectional, Holiday Inn, Downtown
	9-11	B.C.CHAMPIONSHIPS Royal Towers, New Westminster
	24-25	Strawberry Sectional, Mount Vernon
	28-4	SEATTLE FREEDOM REGIONAL
JUI	10-16	Red Deer Regional
	21-25	
	21-23	SUMMER SECTIONAL South Delta Rec Center, S.Delta BC
	28-30	Nanaimo Sectional
	28-30	Wenatchee Apple Tree Sectional
	28-6	Summer Nationals, Chicago
AUG		Ocean Shores Sectional
AUG	11-13	Rossland Summer Sectional, Uplander Hotel, Rossland
	21-27	PASCO SUN/FUN REGIONAL
	21-21	TABOO SON/TON KESTOWAL

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OPEN PAIRS Single Session SENIOR PAIRS 55 years +

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# JULY 22 SATURDAY

SATURDAY

OPEN PAIRS 1st Session Playthrough JUNIOR PAIRS

0 - 20 mps 1:30 PM

OPEN PAIRS 2nd Session 49ER PAIRS 0 - 50 mps 7:30 PM

# JULY 23

SUNDAY

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# FRIDAY, JUNE 9

1:30 OPEN PAIRS Single Session

1:30 WOMEN'S PAIRS Single Session

7:30 EPSON WORLD PAIRS

7:30 JUNIOR PAIRS (0 - 20) Trophy Event

# SATURDAY, JUNE 10

SUPER OPEN PAIRS

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Flight B 0 - 1000 Masterpoints Flight C 0 - 100 Masterpoints

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# SUNDAY, JUNE 11

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