

**WINTER 2015 UNIT 430**

# **Matchpointer**



**PLAYERS OF THE YEAR**  
**BRYAN MAKSYMETZ                      KAI ZHOU**

## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - DECEMBER 2014**

### **Best wishes to all for 2015.**

I thought it would be appropriate to highlight all of the 2015 events which the unit would be sponsoring in the coming year.

In addition to our four Sectional tournaments which are open to all players, there are two Future Stars tournaments (for Non-Life Masters with less than 500 masterpoints), the 12 monthly Unit Games and four Mentor-Mentee Games. The dates, times and locations of these events may be found by referring to the appropriate segments of the Unit website at [www.vancouverbridge.com](http://www.vancouverbridge.com)

After holding all of our recent sectionals at the Engineers' Hall, we will be having the May and September Sectionals at the Queensborough Community Centre, which is located between the Queensborough Bridge and the Alex Fraser Bridge. This site, which we have used a number of times in the past, has been significantly modified and should be an excellent venue. We have had some problems at the Engineers' Hall with construction and other conflicts, but we expect to be back there for the November Sectional.

Our Mentor-Mentee games continue to draw well, usually exceeding 20 tables. The contributions by the Mentors of their time to advance the bridge knowledge of the less experienced Mentees is greatly appreciated. Please sign up for these games when registration is opened on the website if you would like to play as either a Mentor or a Mentee.

For non-Life Masters with less than 500 masterpoints, the foregoing list of events adds up to 50 sessions of Unit Board sponsored events over the next 12 months. For all other players, it amounts to 42 sessions of Unit Board sponsored events.

This involves a lot of work by the Members of the Unit Board who are always helping out at tournaments even if their Board duties are of a different nature. And there are many other local players who help us out with the transporting of supplies, set up and take down for the Sectionals, selling of 50-50 tickets, and other necessary tasks. Thank you to everyone who participates in these activities.

And a big thank you to Director Bruce McIntyre for handling both the Monthly Unit Games and Future Stars Sectionals, as well as for displaying IMP league display of results, and to McIntyre and Cathy Miller for all of their work at the very busy Mentor-Mentee games.

## The Colorado Springs Power Ratings

The Colorado Springs Power rating system is comparable to ratings systems developed to evaluate players of other games of skill such as golf and tennis. Its name is based on the fact that it was developed by Colorado Springs bridge expert Chris Champion. It seeks to measure the performance of a player by taking into consideration his or her partner's level of competency while at the same time considering the effectiveness of the opponents they are facing.

Champion explained why he thought such an evaluation system filled a need: "When I bowled, no one ever asked me what the total number of pins I knocked down was, but a lot of bowlers wanted to know what my average was. Master Points is the total number of points. Power ratings is the bowling average."

In a July, 2011 article in [Contract Bridge Forum](#), Champion states: "Everyone has an average level of play. Power ratings looks at all of your partners and calculates their average level of play. That average is subtracted from your average game percentage and what is left is your average level of play. Double that and you have your Power Rating which is your average game percentage when you are your own partner."

The two Unit 430 players who rank highest on the national list are Bryan Maksymetz and Kai Zhou, having been rated at 64.50 and 64.48 respectively as of December 13. These ratings are so close that, being based on statistical models with variables subject to interpretation, they effectively constitute a tie.

Bryan Maksymetz, is a four-time Canadian champion who this year coached the Canadian youth team in the World Championships at Istanbul. He also represented Canada in the Commonwealth Games at Glasgow in September where the team reached the quarter finals. He also represented Canada in the World Championships in October, held at Sanya on the Chinese island of Hainan where the team made the top 16 of well over 100 entrants.

Kai Zhou's achievement of a 64.48 rating is particularly impressive since he has accomplished this while engaging in a full-time professional business management career which sets strict limits on the amount of time and effort he can dedicate to outside pursuits such as bridge playing.

## Women's Teams Wanted for CWTC Event

In 2015 the Canadian Women's Team Championships (CWTC) will be held in conjunction with the CBF regional at Kingston, Ontario, July 28 to August 3. The deadline for entering a team, however, is much sooner, on **February 28**, 2015. If six or more teams are entered, the Canadian Bridge Federation will go forward with a team round robin and KO. If fewer than six teams register, there will be a pair registration for an IMP pairs event, which will allow for registration up until

April 30. If less than 12 pairs enter, then a selection committee will be formed to determine the pairs forming the Canadian team. A team's entry must include a deposit of \$300 per team -- the total entry fee will be approximately \$740 for a team event, and is yet to be determined if it ends up being a pairs event.

In 2014 eight teams competed in the CWTC event held at Edmonton. The local organizers did a great job promoting the event and provided a great tournament for the participants with excellent hospitality. We hope that in 2015, we can have an even better turnout and build on the success of the 2014 event.

### **In Memoriam: Grace Fumiko Wakabayashi, 1936-2014.**

One of the top North Shore players, Grace Wakabayashi, née Hamade, died on November 4. She lived her whole life in the Vancouver area, having been born to a family of seven which suffered internment at the hands of government authorities during World War II. She had a long successful marriage to her husband Jim, who died in 1993. She left three daughters and five grandchildren. Trained as a secretary, she worked for a time with BC hydro after the relatively early death of her husband.

An effective player and long-time life master, she kept her bidding systems simple and gained success through her superior card playing ability and her ability to evaluate hands. She had an elegant manner and a vibrant sense of humour. Despite a difficult final illness, she continued playing successfully until within weeks of her untimely death.

### **Bridge of Donkeys - by Greg Morse**



The term "pons asinorum" means "bridge of donkeys" In Latin. It refers to a problem that separates the good thinkers (who can cross the bridge) from the "donkeys" (who can't).

This "pons asinorum" problem came up at a club game. I did not do so well. (Hee Haw!) Can you do better?

Playing matchpoints, nobody vulnerable, you pick up:

**♠AJ2          ♥J          ♦Q9743          ♣KJT8.**

Pard deals and opens 1♥. Somewhat conservatively, you downgrade your hand and respond 1NT (forcing), rather than make a 2/1 game force. Partner continues with 2♦ and you invite with 2NT since that describes your hand better than 3D would and that becomes the final contract.

They lead a spade, and this is what you see:

<b>Dummy</b>	<b>♠Q97</b>	<b>♥KT954</b>	<b>♦AJ6</b>	<b>♣Q7</b>
<b>You</b>	<b>♠AJ2</b>	<b>♥J</b>	<b>♦Q9743</b>	<b>♣KJT8</b>





By the way, a fourth round of hearts could result in the scoring of the singleton king. If this occurs, you should throw your losing club and thereby still obtain your eight tricks.

### **Gray McMullin's Draft Report to the CBF on Team Canada in Commonwealth Games, Glasgow, Sept. 8-15 2014**

After placing second in our group, behind England but ahead of the Chairman's team, and Scotland, in the four day round-robin, we thought that we were well positioned to do well in the playoffs. The 28 team field was divided into two brackets; India, Australia, Wales, and the Scottish President's Team made the cut on the other side (the teams also included so-called "sponsored teams" that paid to play, but did not represent a country, and were not able to win the Gold Medal. They were, however, eligible to win the event and the Gold Cup, which is actually what happened, as the Chairman's Team won). We had heard that the Scottish President's team were quite strong, reputedly stronger than Wales. I was envisioning England and ourselves advancing, along with India and Australia. England would then meet Australia, while we would face India. This would then set up an Australian-Canadian final. We loved Australia; Tom Walsh got to know their team a little, as a few of them had also played at the Youth World Championship at Istanbul, Turkey, two weeks prior to the Commonwealth event.

Team Canada was made up of Bryan Maksymetz playing with Daniel Korbel, Tom Walsh with Samantha Nystrom, and myself with Rock Shi Yan. Daniel was an addition to our five man team, making the partnerships more workable. Though Sam and Tom were our strongest pair at the Canadian Nationals, I believe Bryan and Daniel supplanted them in Scotland. I thank Daniel very much for playing with us. He was a real asset to the team. I played well in the quarter finals, but made two ugly errors in the first half of the Scottish President's match that haunt me still. Hats off to Rock Shi Yan, who played virtually error free throughout the playoffs.

Unfortunately, we got beat by Wales in the quarter finals, and all of our hopes and dreams got washed away by the cold North Sea tide. Wales did play well, but they weren't THAT good. My attestment to that:

**BOARD 7: Bidding: Wales N/S playing ACOL**

<b>S</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>E</b>
1♥	P	P	2♦
P	P	2♥	X
P	P	P	

**The hand was as follows: N: ♠9763 ♥T632 ♦Q7 ♣875**

**W: ♠852 ♥AQJ97 ♦T9 ♣J32**

**E: ♠KQ4 ♥- ♦AJ6542 ♣A964**

**S: ♠AJT ♥K854 ♦K83 ♣KQT**

Down 2; 500 and 9 IMP's to us against empty air. 2♦ may not even make.

Slams played a big part in things (as always);

**BOARD 10: Bidding: Wales sitting N/S**

S	W	N	E
1♦	P	1♠	P
2NT	P	3♣	P
3♦	P		

At this point, North asked for Key Card for Diamonds, and following a favourable response asked for the Diamond Queen and confidently bid 7NT.

The hand:

**N: ♠KQJ95 ♥KQ2 ♦J43 ♣A8**

**W: (me) ♠T ♥9753 ♦T765 ♣K942**

**E: ♠76432 ♥J84 ♦9 ♣Q653**

**S: ♠A8 ♥AT6 ♦AKQ82 ♣JT7**

I didn't even twig over this hand. I would have bet a dollar that my team-mates would bid a grand slam as well; unfortunately, I would have lost. 13 IMP's for Wales. Of the eight pairs who played this hand, this Wales pair was the only one to bid it.

**BOARD 15: CANADA N/S vs. WALES E/W**

**N: ♠6 ♥AKQT85 ♦AQT87 ♣6**

**W: ♠KJT9 ♥963 ♦4 ♣KQ752**

**E: ♠8542 ♥742 ♦3 ♣AT843**

**S: ♠AQ73 ♥J ♦KJ9652 ♣J9**

Our team-mates, in a competitive auction, had a misunderstanding regarding key-cards and only got to 5 Diamonds.

**BOARD 19: CANADA N/S vs. WALES E/W**

**N: ♠AJ2 ♥A7 ♦J87 ♣Q9876**

**W: ♠K96 ♥KJT93 ♦KQT3 ♣K**

**E: ♠QT863 ♥Q ♦9652 ♣AT5**

**S: ♠74 ♥86542 ♦A4 ♣J432**

Wales were the only ones bidding 4♣. Diamond Ace and another beats the hand, but our lead, the third highest club, was favourable. The key to the hand is the

bidding. Specifically, over West's 1♥ bid a "double" by North, alerts South to the fact they have values. Then an A♦ lead is reasonable. I don't know if this is actually what happened at the other table (our play was not recorded by vugraph,) but it is a reasonable guess. However, a "double" by North is by no means automatic. It is the vulnerability that makes it work.

Rock and I left the first half with our team-mates up by 9 IMP's, and as team-mates, that is all that we are required to do. We then lost 39 IMP's (on 12 boards) to lose by 30. (Note: the homepage of the Commonwealth Website has it wrong.) But the playing road can be a hard one, and the Welsh peaked at just the right time. I considered England the stronger team. Fortunately (for Wales), the Chairman's Team knocked them out, giving the Gold Medal to Wales. The Chairman's Team then went on to beat Wales and win the competition.

### The Transnational Teams

After beating Australia by one half an IMP (due to a carryover from the qualifying rounds), we faced the Scottish President's Team in the final. This was a crazy match, two grand slams going down on different hands by both sides (some experts claim that you should NEVER bid grand slams unless you are able to count 14 tricks), an impossible 4NT contract "doubled" that made (we are still trying to figure that one out), and a 2♦ opener by one of the Scottish ladies (her name was also Samantha), on Ten fifth of diamonds, which got them to three making and out of trouble.

Though we left our team-mates up by an IMP at the half, I made two horrific mistakes, or at least one really bad one, and one that I should have got right. This would have gained us over 20 IMP's and may have won us the match (we ended up losing by 10 IMP's).

### BOARD 5: SCOTTISH PRESIDENTS N/S; CANADA E/W

**N: ♠A4 ♥Q6 ♦KQT6 ♣AQ862**

**W: ( Me) ♠72 ♥A32 ♦93 ♣KJT975**

**E: (Rock)♠KT65 ♥T754 ♦A72 ♣43**

**S: ♠QJ983 ♥KJ98 ♦J854 ♣-**

The bidding starts at 1♣(N) 1♠(S) 2♦(N); South ends up bidding 3NT. What do you lead with West's hand? Hmm. Well, despite the reverse, a club looks right. I very cleverly led the Club King! Well, I thought it was clever. Stupid is as stupid does, though. I thought declarer should duck, but he didn't. he knocks out the Diamond Ace, and my partner continues with a club, which declarer takes. The declarer then goes Queen of Hearts (ducked), heart to the King. I take one club trick (on which my partner plays the spade T, declarer the Heart 9); and now the hand is at a crossroads.

What I did not realize was that every time I played a club, declarer had to find a discard. He was squeezed. He played two spades at first, then faced a choice of a heart or a spade on the third one. My partner's spade 10 was a *discouraging* signal (upside down, but also Lavinthal). If declarer understood the significance of my partner's discard, he probably should have kept the Heart 9. A blindly trusting partner heart return would then give declarer the contract.

After declarer threw the Heart 9, it actually psyched me out. Why would he do that when he knows my partner is calling for a heart? He must have the spade King, or so I thought, and he will have my partner squeezed, and make an overtrick if I don't take my club trick now. So I took my extra "IMP". Oops, gave them the contract. My wonderful partner Rock was steamed.

### **BOARD 8: SCOTTISH PRESIDENTS N/S; CANADA E/W**

**N: ♠83 ♥A94 ♦AT875 ♣982**

**W: (me) ♠T642 ♥- ♦KQJ96 ♣KT65**

**E:(Rock) ♠AKQ7 ♥T8753 ♦4 ♣J74**

**S: ♠J96 ♥KQJ62 ♦32 ♣AQ3**

After a short auction, I find myself in Four Spades, on a combined 19. The opponents absolutely giftwrap this one for me. The Ace of Diamonds lead (oops!) followed by the 9 of Clubs to partner's ace (more and more help) followed by the Heart Ace, which I ruff. Now I was a little giddy over the brazenness of the contract. "Count your tricks," Bryan Maks would coach me. "Take your tricks". Well, all I have to do is a spade to the board, heart ruff, spade to the board, draw trumps and claim. INSTEAD .. I counted my Diamond suit as four tricks, so I merely pulled trump. I didn't even attempt hooking the club Queen, which also works. This was very very bad on me. It still haunts my sleepless nights.

Rock and I left the first half with our team up by 1 IMP. We then lost 11 in the second half to lose by 10.

Glasgow, Scotland was absolutely spectacular. The people were fabulous and the play was great. My team-mates and myself would like to thank the CBF for the opportunity to represent CANADA in this wonderful competition.

### **The Team goes on to China for the World Championships (based on interview with Gray McMullin)**

Following the Commonwealth Games, Team Canada went on to Sanya, China, on the Island of Hainan, the southernmost part of the middle kingdom. Gray had to miss his planned flight because the above draft report did not meet the format

requirements of the Canadian Bridge Federation, so he had to reformulate the report to match their guidelines.

After missing his first planned flight, he ended up arriving several days later in China, still prior to the date of the world championships, and, in the end, probably slightly better rested than he might have been. The Chinese teams appeared even more effective than the international teams. They were super-aggressive. Even the weaker teams were formidable. Almost all of them played precision-based systems. Precision was, of course, developed in China in the 1960s.

Team Canada qualified in the Chinese event as 8th out of 128. The team finished in the top 16 of the international event. Gray's impression was that things were expensive for tourists, particularly the food. As a visitor, one had to slum with Kentucky fried chicken to avoid big expenses.

## **UNIT 430 LEADERS**

**Local Leaders: Colorado Springs Power Ratings:** Bryan Maksymetz, Kai Zhou, Dan Jacob, Brad Bart, James Wu, Lawrence Betts, Martin Henneberger

**Seaside, Oregon Regional, Sept. 2014:** Dan Jacob, Rock Shi Yan, Jack Lee, Gustav Axen, Dee Steil, Vicky Moffatt, Michael Moffatt, Isabel Chernoff

**Olympia Regional, October, 2014:** Cam Doner, Doug Hansford, Susan Peters, David Schmidt, Sandra Robson

**Evergreen Sectional, Aug-Sept. 2014:** Susan Peters, Doug Hansford, Bjarne Christofferson, Jack Lee, Michael Strebinger, Laurence Betts, James Wu, Katrin Litwin, Aidan Ballantyne, Jullie Smith, Baixiang Liu, Sid Segal, Les Fouks, Barry Yamanouchi, Nick Stock

**Roundup Sectional, Nov. 2014:** Michael Moffatt, Michael Yuen, Katrin Litwin, Aidan Ballantyne, June Pocock, James Wu, Ben Takemori, Baixiang Liu, Vicki Moffatt, Jack Lee, Long Xie, Andrew Krywaniuk, Kathy Adachi

**Monthly Unit Games Jan-Dec. 2014:** Joel Martineau, Michael Dimich, Steve Vincent, David Yu, Jack Lee, Eric Pan, Kai Zhou, Mike Wilson,, Yue Su, Nicholas Stock, Diana Jing, Baixiang Liu.

**McKenney (Overall Masterpoints: 2014: Jan 6, 2015 report. Some key clubs, including Vancouver Bridge Centre, unreported for December; we will update again when final report comes in.**

**0-20 Masterpoints:** Stephanie Williams, Keith Lee, Janice Avis, Darien Cozart, Kevin Contzen, Terie Grad, Min Wu, Peter Wong, James Harris, Kory Stevens, Adelaine Miller, Jijun Liu, Alex Clapp, Name Withheld, Frances Adam.

**20-50 Masterpoints:** Cindy Oishi, Stanley Gray, Glenda Affleck, Jerry Shapiro, Lucian Popescu, David Norton, Robert Dillon, David Yuen, Joanne Emerman, John Zohrab.

**50-100 Masterpoints:** Marlene Sumi, Peter Lockwood, Judy Chang, Marlene Bawn, Raymond Perell, Susan McEvoy, Kehrin Zohrab, Mike Stewart, Norie Schmid, Valerie Wilson

**100-300 Masterpoints:** Tom Jen Kwan, Debbie Martignago, Thomas Anderson, Maryellen Gallo, Jim Garnier, John Maunsell, Bill Matheson, Marilyn Knipp, Paul Fournier, David Herbert, Jan Bromley, Jim Glanville, Dennis Peacock, Susan Jonvik, Nita Dalal, David Butler.

**300-500 Masterpoints:** Jacques Printz, Leatha Dudra, Jack Johnson, Win Bromley, Ted Dagan, L. Ralph Buckley, Richard Syrnyk. Pamela Rattenbury, Kathryn Shannon, Eve Jensen.

**500-1000 Masterpoints:** Yinsheng Tu, Diana Jing, Diane Griffiths, Shelley Burns, Richard Nelson, Amy Gao, Edgar L'Heureux, James Wu, David Gabel, Marta Zahorecz

**1000-2500 Masterpoints:** Susan Peters, John Teschke, Tao Feng, Yue Su, Baixiang Liu, Andrew Lee, Chuck Irwin, Bjarne Chistofferson, Jane Youngberg, Anita Morse

**2500-5000 Masterpoints:** Jack Lee, Doug Hansford, Monica Angus, Eric Pan, Monica Angus, Ben Takemori, Dennis Groden, Kai Zhou, Nicholas Stock, Julie Smith, Vicki Moffatt

**5000+ Masterpoints:** **Dan Jacob**, Cameron Doner, Rock Shi Yan, Sandra Robson, Kathy Adachi, Michael Yuen, Larry Pocock, Aidan Ballantyne, Katrin Litwin, Bryan Maksymetz, William Ge, Peter Morse, Donald Sache, June Pocock.

**Overall Leaders: Dan Jacob**, Cameron Doner, Jack Lee, Doug Hansford, Rock Shi Yan, Monica Angus, Eric Pan, Susan Peters, Ben Takemori, Dennis Groden, Sandra Robson, Kai Zhou, Nicholas Stock, Julie Smith, Vicky Moffatt.



Dan Jacob

**Ace of Clubs (Black Points awarded in Club Games: Overall 2014 as reported by Jan. 6; Further update will occur when final figures are released by ACBL)**

**0-20 Masterpoints:** Janice Avis, Stephanie Williams, Kevin Contzen, Terie Grad, Name Withheld, Keith Lee, Doris Frost James Harris, Alex Clapp, Damien Cozart, Nancy Ruegg, Robin Adams, Cory McCaig, David Stuart, Dianne Bignell,

**20-50 Masterpoints:** Cindy Oishi, Robert Dillon, Stanley Gray, Jerry Shapiro, Bruna Giacomezzi, David Yuen, David Norton, Joanne Emerman, Elaine Busch, John Zohrab.

**50-100 Masterpoints:** Marlene Sumi, Peter Lockwood, Judy Chang, Kathleen Allard, Mike Stewart, Lucy Zhong, Lorraine Usher, Kerin Zohrab, Mike Foster, Marlene Bawn

**100-300 Masterpoints:** Tom Jen Kwan, Bill Matheson, Jim Glanville, David Butler, Debbie Martignago, Thomas Anderson, Maryellen Gallo, Sue Glanville, John Maunsell, Craig Wilson, Daniel Allard, Rich Schmid

**300-500 Masterpoints:** Leatha Dudra, L. Ralph Buckley, Richard Syrnyk, Ted Dagan, Jack Johnson, Maureen McAllister, Andra Mary Thomson, Pamela Rattenbury, Win Bromley, Eve Jensen.

**500-1000 Masterpoints:** Diane Griffiths, Siavosh Siassi, Diana Jing, Robert Colavecchio, James Wu, Neil McAllister, Edee Rumley, Andrew Krywaniuk, Fred Baldwin, Marta Zahorecz.

**1000-2500 Masterpoints:** John Teschke, Bjarne Christofferson, Chuck Irwin, Jim Walker, Anne Smith, Andrew Lee, Suzette Bahar, Barry Yamanouchi, Marla Gropper, Anita Morse.

**2500-5000 Masterpoints:** Les Fouks, Ben Takemori, John DeMeulemeester, Tai Eng, John Lien, Michael Strebinger, Amirali Alibhai, Al French, Liz Stoneman, Rhoda Tafler

**5000 + Masterpoints:** Kathy Adachi, Sandra Robson, Ernie Dietrich, Peter Morse, June Pocock, Donald Sache, Bryan Maksymetz, Larry Pocock, William Ge, Don Brazeau, Aidan Ballantyne, Wilf May

**Overall Leaders:** John Teschke, Kathy Adachi, Les Fouks, Ben Takemori, John DeMeulemeester, Tai Eng, John Lien, Michael Strebinger, Diane Griffiths, Amirali Alibhai, Al French, Liz Stoneman, Rhoda Tafler, Bjarne Christofferson.

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### Unit 430 Trophies 2014

**Henry Smilie Trophy: Board-a-Match Mixed Teams:** Katrin Litwin, Aidan Ballantyne, Trudy Hurdle, John Hurdle

**Adrian & June Budd Hicks Trophy: (Open Pairs:** Michael Dimich, Zoran Peca

**Willie Weinstein Trophy: (Flight "A" Swiss Teams):** Aidan Ballantyne, Katrin Litwin, Julie Smith, Peter Cooper

**Ben Lapidus Trophy: (Knockout Teams)** Michael Yuen, June Pocock, Zoran Peca, John Anthony

**Ev Hodge Trophy: (open pairs):** Aidan Ballantyne, Katrin Litwin

**Jean Turnbull Trophy: (mixed pairs):** June Pocock, Michael Yuen

**Gordie Davis Trophy: (Flight A IMP League Playoffs) :** Katrin Litwin, Aidan Ballantyne, Dan Jacob, Don Brazeau, Larry Hicks

**Monthly Unit Game Leaders (Flighted): A Flight:** Joel Martineau; **B Flight:** Eric Pan; **C Flight:** Bill Angus

**Rocket Rookie (non-life masters playing with other non-life masters or with mentors in Mentor-Mentee games):** Bill Matheson

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**Sectional Trophy winners  
(points gained in Unit 430 Sectionals):**

**Phil Wood Under 200 Trophy: (Under 200 Masterpoints):** Tom Anderson

**Edie Bonnell Trophy: (top woman in Unit 430 sectionals):** Katrin Litwin

**Phil Wood Trophy: (All participants):** *(tied)* Katrin Litwin, Aidan Ballantyne

## **UNIT 430 CLUBS**

**NORTH SHORE BRIDGE CLUB**, Stephen Beaton Director, manages it with co-owners Sandy Whites, and Tai Eng; 10AM Mondays, Jaycee Centre, 1251 Lillooet Rd. North Vancouver, BC Tel: 604 767 5974. We congratulate the club on its over 10 years existence. It now has predealt hands and records.

**NORTH SHORE WINTER CLUB**, Stephen Beaton, Director, Bernice Mulock, Mgr. Tuesday, 7PM, 1325 E. Keith Rd. North Vancouver, BC Tel: 604 767 5974; Mulock Tel: 604 987 8289.

**HOLLYBURN COUNTRY CLUB**, Stephen Beaton, Director, 7PM Mondays (Open) Thursday, 9:30AM (members only) 950 Cross Creek Rd. West Vancouver, BC. Tel: 604 767 5974.

**CAPILANO COUNTRY CLUB**, Tuesday, 9:15 AM (members only; not in summer months) Bruce McIntyre, Director, 420 Southborough, West Vancouver, BC; tel: 604 438 9735.

**VANCOUVER BRIDGE CLUB**, Monday, 10AM, Wednesday, 10AM. Homa Boustani, Director, St Davids United Church, 1525 Taylor Way, West Vancouver, BC; Tel: 604 922 8577; biggest combined North Shore weekly table count.

**VANCOUVER BRIDGE CENTRE**, 2776 E. Broadway, Vancouver, BC; Tel: 604-255 2564. Ken LoChang, proprietor; Directors: Bruce McIntyre, Sunday, 1PM; Wed. 7PM; (Wednesday Series) Friday, 7PM (Jackpot: reduced price for those who play day games during week; "beat the expert pair" designated by Bruce and you get a free play. Cathy Miller, Director, Wed. & Fri. 10:30 AM; Theresa Kong, Director, Thurs. 10:30AM. Other games: Mon. 7PM (\$5 special) Tues. 10AM: (now \$8). District 430 Monthly Unit (MUG) Games held at site, first Saturday of the month, 7PM; other special events sponsored by the unit and others held occasionally on Saturday.

**BURNABY DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB**, 2776 E. Broadway, Vancouver, BC; Gilbert Lambert, Director, Tuesday, 7PM; team games, last Tuesday of every month. Tel: 604 817 6612.

**NEW WESTMINSTER BRIDGE CLUB (New West)** Gilbert Lambert, Director, Thursdays 7PM; Tel: 604 817 6612; Team games 2nd and last Thursdays each month; friendly game with good competition.

**EC BRIDGE CLUB**, 2776 E. Broadway, Vancouver BC; Thursday 7:PM Eugene Chan, Director, Bryan Maksymetz does lectures; continuing special offers. Tel: 778 837 2228.

**MARJORIE GROBERMAN DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB (Jewish Community Centre Duplicate)** 850 W. 41st St. Vancouver, BC; Tues. & Thurs 11AM, Cathy Miller, Director; Tel 604 257 5111. Games rescheduled for Vancouver Bridge Centre on days JCC is closed. Now with predealt hands and hand records.

**SHAUGHNESSY GOLD COUNTRY CLUB**, Bruce McIntyre, Director; 9:15 AM Thurs. (Members only) 4300 SW Marine Dr. Vancouver, BC; Tel: 604 438 9735.

**RICHMOND COUNTRY CLUB**, Monday, 1PM; Bryan Maksymetz, Director; Ramona Josephson, Mgr. (primarily members only) 9100 Steveston Hwy, Richmond, BC Tel: 604 277 3141.

**BETH TIKVAH BRIDGE (Richmond)** Bryan Maksymetz, Director, Larry Meyer, Mgr. Monday, 7PM. Beth Tikvah Synagogue, 9711 Geal Rd. Richmond, BC; Tel: 604 271 8692; successor to Tsawwassen Bridge Club.

**DUPLICATE LITE IN SURREY**, John DeMeulemeester, Jane Youngberg, Directors. Thursday, 9:45 AM, Elgin Hall, 14250 Crescent Rd. Surrey, BC; Tel: 604 298 2765. Check with club for Harrison teaching outing in September.

**WHITE ROCK DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB**, Arlene Browning, Director, Wednesday, 7PM, 1845 154 St, Surrey BC; Tel 604 870 9300. Well run, friendly, cooperatively owned; applies to all South Surrey and White Rock games.

**PEACE ARCH DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB**, John W. Lien, Director, Tuesday 11AM, Elgin Hall, 14250 Crescent Rd. Surrey, BC; Tel: 604 603 5436. Game is moving from old location in White Rock to the new one in Surrey, BC

**SOUTH SURREY DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB**, Arlene Browning, Director, Mon. 7PM, 14831 28 Ave. Surrey, BC; Tel. 604 870 9300.

**GOLDEN EARS BRIDGE CLUB**, Garry Skoropada, Director, Wed. 12:30PM, Ridge Meadows Senior Ctr. 12150 224th St. Maple Ridge, BC Tel: 604 462 7320

**MISSION DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB**, Murray Clements, Director, Thurs. 7PM, 32700 7th Ave. Mission, BC Tel: 604 825 3557

**CHILLIWACK BRIDGE CLUB**, David Peppar, Director, Monday, 7PM, 9168 Corbould St. Chilliwack, BC Tel: 604 702 9890

**SQUAMISH BRIDGE CLUB**, Colin Ransom and Doreen Ransom, Directors, Monday 6PM, Friday, 1PM, Howe Sound Golf and Curling, 2458 Mamquam Rd. Squamish, BC; Tel: 604 896 1522. Friendly, welcoming game.

**WHISTLER DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB**, Gillian Schramm, Director, Wed. 1:30PM (long summer break) at Maurice Young Millenium Palace, 4336 Blackcomb Way, Whistler, BC; Tel: 604 932 5791

## **UNIT 430 CALENDAR FOR 2015**

**Jan. 2-4: Trophy Sectional, Engineers' Hall, Burnaby BC**

**Jan. 10: Monthly Unit Game VBC**

**Jan. 9-11, 2015: Sectional, Port Townsend, WA**

**Jan. 19-25, 2015: Regional, Honolulu, Hawaii**

**Jan. 31, Mentor-Mentee Game, VBC**

**Feb. 6-8: Sectional, Bellingham, WA**

**Feb. 7: Monthly Unit Game, VBC**

**Feb. 13-15: Sectional, Bellevue, WA**

**Feb. 21: Victoria BC Ace of Hearts (0-200 MP) at St. Aidans**

**Feb. 16-22: Canada Wide STaC**

**March 7: Monthly Unit Game VBC**

**March 6-8: Sectional, Duncan, BC**

**March 21-22: Future Stars, VBC**

**March 12-22, 2015: National at New Orleans, LA**

**March 27-29: Sectional, Victoria, BC**

**April 4: Monthly Unit Game VBC**

**April 11-12: Sectional, Kamloops, BC**

**April 13-19: Regional, Saanich (Victoria), BC**

**April 24-26: Sectional, Vernon, BC**

**May 1-3: Sectional, Qualicum BC**

**May 1-3: Sectional, Cranbrook, BC**

**May 2: Monthly Unit Game VBC**

**May 4-10, 2015: STaC incl. District 19**

**May 9: Mentor-Mentee Game, VBC**

**May 12-17: Regional at Anchorage, AK**

**May 15-18, 2015: Spring Sectional, Queensborough Community Centre Annacis Island, New West (note change in location)**

**May 23-30: Canadian Bridge Championships, Montreal, QC**

**May 22-24, Sectional, Summerland, BC,**

**May 22-25: Sectional, Kent, WA**

**June 6: Monthly Unit Game VBC**

**June 8-14, 2015: STaC Dist 19 (organized by Unit 430)**

**June 15-21, Regional: Penticton, BC**

**June 22-28, Regional: Las Vegas, NV**

**June 26-28: Sectional, Sequim, WA**

**July 4: Monthly Unit Game VBC**

**July 10-12: Sectional, Anacortes, WA**

**July 13-19: Regional, Calgary, AB**  
**July 24-26, Sectional, Nanaimo, BC;**  
**July 24-26: Sectional, Bellevue, WA**  
**July 27-Aug. 2: Regional, Eugene, OR**  
**July 28-Aug. 3: Canadian Bridge Fed. Regional, Kingston, ON**  
**July 31-Aug. 2: Sectional, Bremerton, WA**

**Aug. 1: Monthly Unit Game VBC**  
**Aug. 8: Mentor-Mentee Game, VBC**  
**Aug 6-16, National at Chicago, IL**  
**Aug. 17-23: STaC incl. District 19;**  
**Aug. 17-23: Regional, Lynnwood, WA**  
**Aug. 24-30: Regional, Regina, SK**

**Sept. 4-6: Evergreen Sectional, Queensborough Community Centre, Annacis Island, New Westminster (Note location change)**  
**Sept. 11-13: Sectional, Victoria (Saanich) BC**  
**Sept. 12: Monthly Unit Game, VBC**  
**Sept. 18-20: Sectional, Powell River, BC**  
**Sept. 25-27: Sectional, Kelowna, BC**  
**Sept. 28-Oct 4: Regional, Seaside, OR**

**Oct. 3: Monthly Unit Game, VBC**  
**Oct. 16-18: Sectional, Bellevue, WA**  
**Oct. 17: Non Life Master Sectional, Victoria, BC**  
**Oct. 23-25: Sectionals at Kamloops BC, Courtenay BC**  
**Oct. 24-25: Future Stars Sectional, VBC**  
**Oct. 26-Nov. 1: Regional at Leavenworth, WA**

**Nov. 6-8: Roundup Sectional, Engineers Hall, Burnaby BC**  
**Nov. 14: Monthly Unit Game, VBC**  
**Nov. 14-15: 0-200 Sectional Tournament, Vernon, BC**  
**Nov. 21: Mentor-Mentee Game, VBC**  
**Nov. 26-Dec. 6: National at Denver, CO**

**Dec. 5: Monthly Unit Game**  
**Dec. 7-13: STaC (Incl. Dist. 19)**

**Generic Sectional Tournament Schedule (updated by Angela Fenton, as accepted by the Unit 430 Board)**

**UNIT 430 Generic Sectional Schedule for 2015** **Based on Dec. 2014 Update****Trophy Sectional**

Jan 2-4	Friday 1:00 (CBF)*	Open Pairs	0-750 Pairs
Speaker Sat 11:20	Fri. 6:30: H. Smilie Mixed BAM	Open Pairs	0-750 Pairs
Trophies:	Sat. 12:30 A&JB Hicks Qual	Open Pairs	0-750 Pairs
Prior to Sat Eve.	Sat. 6:30 A&JB Hicks Final	Open Pairs	0-750 Pairs
	Sun: 10 AM&TBA: W. W. & M.C. Swiss		

**Spring Sectional**

May 15-18	Friday 1:00 (CBF)*	Open Pairs	0-750 Pairs
Speaker Sat 11:20	Fri. 7PM: B.L. Ko's 1 of 3	Open Pairs	0-750 Pairs
AGM: 4PM Sat	Sat. 12:30 B.L. Ko's 2 of 3	Imp Pairs 1st	0-750 Pairs
A♣&Mckenney Pres.	Sat. 6:30 B.L. Ko's 3 of 3	Imp Pairs 2nd	0-750 Pairs
Sunday eve.	Sun. 12:30 A/X pairs, 1st	B/C/D Pairs: 1st	
	Sun. 6:30 A/X pairs, 2nd	B/C/D Pairs, 2nd	
	Mon: 10AM &TBA: Strat open Swiss	NLM Swiss	

**Evergreen Sectional**

Sept. 4-6	Friday 1:00 (CBF)*	Open Pairs	0-750 Pairs
	Friday 7PM Ko's 1 of 3	Open Pairs	0-750 Pairs
Speaker 11:20AM	Sat. 12:30 Ko's 2 of 3	Open: first	0-750 Pairs
Saturday	Sat. 6:30 Ko's 3 of 3	Open: 2nd	0-750 Pairs
	Sun. 10AM&TBA	A/X Swiss	B/C/D Swiss

**Roundup Sectional**

Nov. 6-8	Fri. 1:00 PM Ev Hodge	Open Pairs	0-750 Pairs
	Fri. 7PM J. Turnbull Mixed Pairs	Open Pairs	0-750 Pairs
Speaker Sat 11:20	Sat. 12:30 A/X Pairs 1 of 2	B/C/D Pairs 1 of 2	
	Sat. 6:30 A/X Pairs, 2 of 2	B/C/D Pairs, 2 of 2	
	Sun 10AM&TBA: Strat open Swiss	NLM Swiss	

**Future Stars Sectionals: March 21-22 2015 and October 24-25, 2015**

Lesson: 10AM-12:15	Sat, 1:15PM, 6:15 PM: Pairs
Lesson: 10AM-12:15	Sun. 1:15 PM (Pairs) 6:15PM: Swiss

\*CBF: means \$1 contributed by Unit to CBF for each entry.

Open events are stratified based on average MP's between two players but no single player to have more than Event's top strata limit.

In stratified events: 0-1250; 1250-2500; 2500+. All open events are stratified other than the Jean Turnbull Mixed Pairs.

In Stratiflighted events: A: Unlimited; X0-2500; B 500-2500; C 200-500; D 0-200.

KO events are 28 board matches (boards may be removed in slower matches).

Brackets are based on team average.

IMP pairs are scored by Average or total IMP'S (Not Butler or Datum scoring)

2 Mixed pairs required for Henry Smilie BAM and single mixed pairs for Jean Turnbull event.



# 2015 CANADIAN BRIDGE CHAMPIONSHIPS



**MAY 23 - MAY 30, 2015**  
**Montreal, QC**

McGill New Residence Hall

CNTC-A MAY 23 - MAY 30

CNTC-B MAY 24 - 28 - <2500 mpts on Sept. 1, 2014

CNTC-C May 27 - 29 - <1000 mpts on Sept. 1, 2014

Canadian Open Pairs Championship May 29-30

Canadian IMP Pairs Championship May 28

Chartwell Canadian Senior Teams Championships May 27-30

**PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED FOR CNTC-A, CNTC-B and CNTC-C  
TEAMS BY MARCH 23, 2015**

REGISTRATION MUST INCLUDE:

- TEAM CAPTAIN'S NAME & ACBL NUMBER
- CAPTAIN'S ADDRESS, PHONE # & EMAIL
- NAME & ACBL # FOR ALL TEAM MEMBERS
- ROUND ROBIN ENTRY FEE (NON-REFUNDABLE)  
CNTC-A: \$924.00    CNTC-B: \$540.00    CNTC-C: \$300.00

ALL TEAM MEMBERS MUST BE PAID UP MEMBERS OF THE CBF  
FOR CNTC-A, CNTC-B and CNTC-C - ALL TEAM MEMBERS MUST HAVE CLUB ROUND  
QUALIFICATION - EARNED IN A CLUB GAME OR PURCHASED FROM CBF OFFICE PRIOR  
TO BEING LISTED ON A TEAM.

**FORM YOUR TEAMS & ENTER BY MARCH 23, 2015**



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# VANCOUVER UNIT 430 SPRING SECTIONAL



## May 15, 16, 17 & 18, 2015

*New location!* **Queensborough Community Centre**  
**920 Ewen Ave, New Westminster**

### **Friday Afternoon**

**1:00 pm**

Stratified Open Pairs\*  
0-750 Pairs\*

(\*CBF events with 40% more silver points)

### **May 15**

( 0-1250 / 1250-2500 / 2500+ )  
( 0-100 / 100-300 / 300-750 )

### **Friday Evening**

**7:00 pm**

Ben Lapidus Trophy Bracketed KO'S (1 of 3)  
Stratified Open Pairs  
0-750 Pairs

Brackets by MP totals  
( 0-1250 / 1250-2500 / 2500+ )  
( 0-100 / 100-300 / 300-750 )

**Saturday May 16, 11:20am – 12:10pm**

**“Troubles with Doubles” - Celebrity Instructor: Nick Stock**

(Interactive – Audience Participation – Handouts provided)

### **Saturday Afternoon**

**12:30 pm**

Ben Lapidus Trophy KO'S (2 of 3)

Stratified IMP Pairs (1 of 2 sessions, single session accepted)  
0-750 Pairs

### **May 16**

( 0-1250 / 1250-2500 / 2500+ )  
( 0-100 / 100-300 / 300-750 )

*The Unit 430 Annual General meeting will commence immediately after the afternoon session*  
*Members will provide input and nominations will take place for new board members*

### **Saturday Evening**

**6:30 pm**

Ben Lapidus Trophy KO'S (3 of 3)

Stratified IMP Pairs (2 of 2 sessions, single session accepted)  
0-750 Pairs

### **May 16**

( 0-1250 / 1250-2500 / 2500+ )  
( 0-100 / 100-300 / 300-750 )

### **Sunday Afternoon**

**12:30 pm**

A/X Pairs (1 of 2 sessions, single session accepted)

B/C/D Pairs

### **May 17**

( 0-2500 / 2500+ )  
( 0-200 / 200-500 / 500-1500 )

### **Sunday Evening**

**6:30 pm**

A/X Pairs (2 of 2 sessions, single session accepted)

B/C/D Pairs

( 0-2500 / 2500+ )  
( 0-200 / 200-500 / 500-1500 )

### **Monday 10:00 am & Afternoon (TBA)**

Stratified Open Swiss Teams  
Non Life Master Swiss Teams

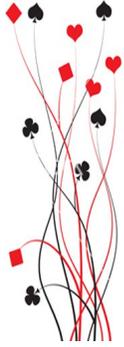
### **May 18**

( 0-1250 / 1250-2500 / 2500+ )  
( 0-100 / 100-300 / 300-NLM )

*Buffet luncheon is included in the Sunday entrance fee*

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Fees: \$10.00 per player for Pairs session. \$1 contributed by Unit 430 to CBF for CBF events. \$100 per team for Sunday Swiss. \$3 (\$4 if CBF event) additional per person/session for non or unpaid ACBL members.  
Stratification: By average (each player must be below event limit). KO Events may be handicapped if only 1 bracket.  
Coffee / Tea: FREE if you bring your own cup, or cups are available by donation

**Smoke free playing site – Please be considerate and avoid the use of scented products**



# VANCOUVER UNIT 430 TROPHY SECTIONAL



**January 2-4, 2015**  
**Engineers Hall, 4333 Ledger Avenue, Burnaby**

**Friday Afternoon**

Open Pairs  
0-750 Pairs  
(Both stratified Pairs with 40% more silver points)

**January 2, 1:00 pm**

(0-750 / 750-2000 / 2000+)  
(0-100 / 100-300 / 300-750)

**Friday Evening**

Henry Smilie Trophy – Mixed Teams B.A.M  
Stratified Open Pairs  
0-750 Pairs

**January 2, 7:00 pm**

(0-750 / 750-2000 / 2000+)  
(0-750 / 750-2000 / 2000+)  
(0-100 / 100-300 / 300-750)

**Saturday January 3, 11:20am – 12:10pm**

**Celebrity instructor: Larry Pocock**  
**“Count To Win”**

(Interactive – Audience Participation - Handouts)

**Saturday Afternoon**

Adrian and June Budd Hicks Open Pairs Trophy  
(Qualifying, single session accepted)  
0-750 Pairs single session

**January 3, 12:30 pm**

(0-750 / 750-2000 / 2000+)  
(0-100 / 100-300 / 300-750)

**Saturday Evening**

Adrian and June Budd Hicks final  
Consolation Pairs- single session accepted  
0-750 Pairs

**January 3, 6:30 pm**

(0-750 / 750-2000 / 2000+)  
(0-750 / 750-2000 / 2000+)  
(0-100 / 100-300 / 300-750)

**Sunday Morning & Afternoon**

Willie Weinstein Trophy Flight A/X Swiss Teams  
Mary Clarke Trophy Flight B/C/D Swiss Teams

**January 4, 10:00 am & TBA**

(0-2000 / 2000+)  
(0-200 / 200-500 / 500-1500)

**Buffet luncheon is included in the Sunday entrance fee**

**Notices:**

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**Fees:**

\$10.00 per player for Pairs session. \$100 per team Sunday Swiss  
\$3.00 additional per person, per session for non or unpaid ACBL members

**Stratification:**

By average, but each player must be below the event limit

**Coffee / Tea:**

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**Tournament Results:**

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