

# I/N News ... especially for you!

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## Defensive Play by Jim O'Neil

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### Counting

As opening leader, we have nothing more to go on than the auction and our own 13 cards. Sometimes that is enough to determine the best lead; sometimes it is little more than a guess. Subsequent defensive plays are a little easier. Not only do we have that auction and our own cards, to go on, but we can also see the dummy. Sometimes this gives us enough information to know the best line of defense - often it just gives us a better idea of how to proceed.

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After the opening lead has been made, the first thing defender should do is begin to count. How many high-card points do we have in our hand? How many high-card points are in Dummy?

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If we know how many points Declarer ought to have for his bidding, we know how many points partner should have. At the very least, we should be able to place Declarer's and Partner's point count into a fairly narrow range.

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The same can be applied to the length of each suit. How many Spades, Hearts, Diamonds, Clubs do we have? How many are in Dummy? How many should be in Declarer's hand, and thus, how many in Partner's hand?

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It is frequently easier for the Defenders to count a hand than for Declarer; most often, the Declaring side has done most of the bidding.

Sometimes the opponents have had a revealing auction. For example:

1) The auction has proceeded:

<u>LHO</u>	<u>Partner</u>	<u>RHO</u>	<u>You</u>
1NT (15-17)	pass	2♣ (Stayman)	pass
2♠	pass	2NT	pass
3NT			

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Partner leads the Club 2. Declarer plays Dummy's 7. What is our best defense?

### Dummy

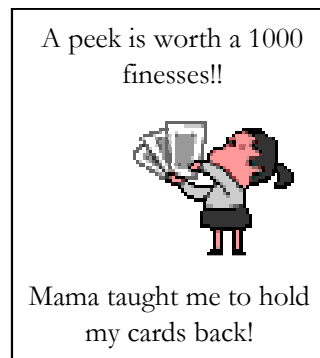
- ♠ - 643
- ♥ - KQ96
- ♦ - T84
- ♣ - KJ7

### You

- ♠ - A972
- ♥ - 542
- ♦ - J763
- ♣ - A6

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It is probably right to win the Ace, but how to continue? Returning partner's suit is often best - if we keep attacking Clubs, Declarer will get the two Club tricks he is going to get anyway. Partner may then be able to win the 4<sup>th</sup> club. In any case, a Club looks safe. A Spade up to dummy's weakness could also be right, and is unlikely to present declarer with a trick he wasn't going to get anyway. A Heart won't give up anything, but won't gain anything. A Diamond has possibilities, but is less safe. If partner's Diamonds are something like A9x or K9x, Declarer can get 2 tricks if we lead the suit for him, but only 1 if he has to lead it himself.

What do we know about the hand?

We can see that dummy has 9 high card points, and that we have 9. That makes 18 high-card points that we can see. Declarer will have 16 or 17 for his bidding. That accounts for 34-35 HCP; since there are exactly 40 HCP in the deck, partner will have 5 or 6 points.

Also, we know from the auction that declarer has 4 Spades (perhaps 5; but with 5 Spades Declarer would probably bid 3S rather than 3NT to give partner a choice) - and 2 or 3 Hearts (with 4 Hearts he would have bid 4H, not 3NT). So partner has 2 Spades and 3 or 4 Hearts.

From the opening lead, we can tell that partner has 4 Clubs. So Declarer also has 4 Clubs. What does that leave in Diamonds? 3 or 4 Diamonds for Partner, and 3 or 4 for Declarer - Partner is 2-3-4-4 or 2-4-3-4 and Declarer is 4-3-2-4 or 4-2-3-4.

Partner's low Club lead implies an honor, so he probably has the Club Queen and one other high card, or, perhaps 4 Clubs to the Ten and 2 high cards. If partner has the Club Queen and the Heart Ace, Declarer will be home free; we will get at most 2 Clubs and 2 Aces. If partner has the Club Queen and Spade King we will get at most 2 Clubs and 2 Spades. If partner has no Club Queen, but instead the Spade King and Heart Ace, we will get 2 Spades, 1 Club and 1 Heart. In each of these cases Declarer has time to get 9 tricks before we can get 5.

Could Partner have the King-Jack of Spades and the Club Queen? Might we be able to get 3 Spades and 2 Clubs? If that is the case, we won't be able to untangle all of our tricks, and Declarer will have 3 Diamond tricks, 4 Heart tricks and 2 Club tricks before we can get our 5 tricks.

So partner will need to have a Diamond card for us to succeed. Partner's Diamonds will have to 4 Diamonds to the A or K, or at least 3 to the AQ or KQ, and we can take 3 Diamonds and 2 Aces before Declarer can get his 9 tricks.

We must win and switch to a low Diamond at trick 2. Say Declarer plays the Queen, and Partner wins the King and returns the 2. We play Declarer for Ace-Queen doubleton and must not play the Jack.

The full hand:

♠ 643  
♥ KQ96  
♦ T84  
♣ KJ7

♠ T8  
♥ T87  
♦ K952  
♣ Q842



♠ A972  
♥ 542  
♦ J763  
♣ A6

♠ KQJ5  
♥ AJ3  
♦ AQ  
♣ T953

We might find the Diamond switch without counting, but counting the hand - both high-cards and distribution - led us to find the only defense to beat the contract.

This hand was easy to count; Declarer defined his strength and distribution into a very narrow range. Most hands are not this easy.

As the play progresses, we get a better count on the hand. We get more of an idea where the high cards are, and what the distribution is. But often we need to make the crucial play early in the hand. As Defenders, we must use every bit of information available to us. What information can we use to help us place cards in Declarer's and Partner's hands?

The Auction

The opponent's auction is often the greatest source of information. If Declarer has opened 1NT, we can count him for a specific number of HCP, such as 15-17. This range may be narrowed further should he accept or refuse an invitation. He is also known to have a relatively balanced hand, usually 4333, 4432, or 5332. His distribution may be known even further as the auction progresses - perhaps Responder uses Stayman or a Jacoby transfer.

While auctions that begin with a 1NT opening are fairly specific, we can gain a lot of information from other auctions.

Some examples:

Declarer            Dummy  
1♠                    3♠ (limit)  
pass

Declarer has a bare minimum opening, about 12-13 points.

Declarer            Dummy  
1♣                    1♥  
1NT

Assuming that a 1NT opening would show 15-17, here Declarer has about 12-14 HCP and no 4-card major. He

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will have 4 or 5 Clubs. (If Dummy invites with 2NT and Declarer passes, he will have 12 or a bad 13; if Declarer accepts, he will have a good 13 or 14).

<u>Declarer</u>	<u>Dummy</u>
	1♣
1♥	1♠
1NT	

Declarer should have 4 or 5 hearts and fewer than 4 spades. He probably has fewer than 5 clubs. He should have anywhere from a good 7 to about 10 points. (If Dummy invites with 2NT and Declarer passes, he will have about 7-8; if Declarer accepts with 3NT, he will have about 9-10.)

<u>Declarer</u>	<u>Dummy</u>
1♠	2♥
2NT	

Declarer should have exactly 5 Spades, and fewer than 3 Hearts. In Standard American, most pairs play that this sequence shows a minimum point count, about 12 to a bad 14. Some pairs do play that it shows extras - a good 14 to 15 or so. (Playing a 2/1 system, the range may be more broad. On a sequence such as this, Defenders should ask the meaning of the 2NT bid.) We are entitled to know the specific meaning of any bid used by our opponents. Before playing to trick one, defenders should ask the meaning of any bid or bids they do not completely understand.

The Lead

When we are partner of the opening leader, we can get a lot of information from the opening lead. Usually, we can tell partner's approximate holding in a suit from his lead. If partner leads a low card, we can assume it is his 4<sup>th</sup> highest, and that he has an honor, but not a good honor sequence, in that suit. Against a suit contract, we can assume that he does not have the Ace. If partner leads an honor, it is probably from a sequence. Looking at Dummy's holding and our own holding in that suit, we can often tell what partner has.

Some examples:

	<u>Dummy</u>	<u>You</u>
<u>Partner</u>	K43	AJ92
7 led		

The 3 is played from Dummy. If partner's 7 is fourth best, he must have QT87. Play small and the 7 will hold the trick. Partner can continue the suit.

	<u>Dummy</u>	<u>You</u>
<u>Partner</u>	A643	K2
Q led		

Partner has QJT or QJ9. Play the K so as not to block the suit.

	<u>Dummy</u>	<u>You</u>
<u>Partner</u>	Q72	KT6
4 led		

The 2 is played from Dummy. Against a suit contract: Part-

ner is leading from an honor, but would not underlead an Ace. He should have the Jack. Play the Ten. To play the King would give Declarer 2 tricks in the suit instead of 1. If partner happens to be leading from 5 small (leaving A-J doubleton for Declarer) playing the King would give Declarer 3 tricks instead of 2.

Against a Notrump contract: The Ten is still the best play. Partner may be underleading an Ace Against Notrump, but if that is the case, declarer has one stopper whether you play the King or Ten. Playing the Ten saves a trick whenever Partner has the Jack; playing the Ten also preserves communication when partner has the Ace.

Combining the information from the auction with the information from partner's lead can often lead us to the right defense:

2) The auction has proceeded:

<u>LHO</u>	<u>Partner</u>	<u>RHO</u>	<u>You</u>
1♦	pass	1♥	pass
1♠	pass	2♣*	pass
2NT	pass	3NT	
*"4 <sup>th</sup> suit forcing"			

Partner leads the ♣2. Declarer plays Dummy's 7. What is out best defense?

Dummy  
 ♠ - 6  
 ♥ - A6432  
 ♦ - AQ94  
 ♣ - K87


You  
 ♠ - A972  
 ♥ - KT85  
 ♦ - 863  
 ♣ - A6

What do we know about the hand? Dummy has 13 high-card points and we have 11. That leaves 16 for Partner and Declarer. Declarer opened the bidding, so Partner won't have much. Since Declarer has opened an Aceless hand, he should have the full 13 HCP. Partner could have the Club Queen or Jack, and perhaps another Queen or Jack - no more. From the lead, Partner should have 4 Clubs. So Declarer also has 4 Clubs. But Declarer opened 1♦ and rebid 1♠. Declarer is probably 4-1-4-4 with a singleton honor. Declarer might have rebid 3♣, rather than 2NT, with 4-0-5-4, or even 4-1-4-4 with a small singleton, so he likely has a singleton honor. In any case, declarer will have no more than 1 Heart. With a little counting, the Defense becomes clear - lead the Heart King to smother Declarer's Heart, whatever it is. Now we can take 3 Hearts and 2 Aces.

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The full hand:

<p>♠ T843 ♥ J97 ♦ T7 ♣ J952</p>		<p>♠ 6 ♥ A6432 ♦ AQ94 ♣ K87</p>
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<p>♠ KQJ5 ♥ Q ♦ KJ52 ♣ QT43</p>	<p>♠ A972 ♥ KT85 ♦ 863 ♣ A6</p>
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Any other defense allows Declarer the time to get 9 tricks: 4 Diamonds, 2 Clubs, 2 Spades and 1 Heart. A low Heart at trick 2 lets Declarer make an overtrick.

Negative Inferences  
Negative inferences can help us count a hand. We must consider what was bid and what wasn't bid; what was led and what wasn't led.

When partner fails to open the bidding, or

to overcall, or to double, he has limited his hand. Regardless of his later bidding, he does not have a hand worth an opening bid, overcall or double.

When partner leads from a poor suit, he probably does not have a sequence in and other suit. If he is known to have, say, about 6-7 HCP in a suit he did not lead, his holding is probably AQ or AQJ.

3) The auction has proceeded:

Declarer	Partner	Dummy	You
1♥	pass	2♥	pass
pass	2♠	3♥	all pass

Partner leads the 4 of Diamonds and Declarer plays low from Dummy. What is our best defense?


<p><u>Dummy</u> ♠ - AJ2 ♥ - K964 ♦ - T3 ♣ - 7643</p>	<p><u>You</u> ♠ - T43 ♥ - T2 ♦ - A9765 ♣ - QT2</p>
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We win the Ace at trick 1. Declarer plays low. We are probably on lead for the first and last time; what should we do? We can count points. We have 6 high-card points and Dummy has 8. That adds up to 14, leaving 26 for Partner and Declarer. Declarer did not try for game, so he likely has no more than 15 points. Partner should have about 11. Partner should have 5 spades on this auction, yet he did not overcall 1♠. His

Spade suit must not be very good. He should have a Diamond honor, but not a sequence, since he led a low one. He will not have an honor sequence in Clubs, either. He likely has the Heart Ace and an honor in Clubs and Diamonds, or perhaps no Heart Ace and a couple of Club honors.

Declarer probably has Kx or KQ in Spades, and can pitch a loser on the Dummy's third Spade. We could return a Diamond; if Declarer has Qx, he can get rid of his other Diamond on the Spade. Or We could return a Club; if Partner needs a Club through, this is our only chance. Even if Partner has the Diamond King, we will get no more than 2 Diamond tricks. We are probably not getting any Spade tricks. We can get 1 Heart if Partner has the Ace. In that case we will need 2 Club tricks. We could lead a Diamond to partner's King and wait for our 2 Club tricks. Partner's clubs would need to have the Ace and Jack of Clubs (unlikely that partner will have that good a hand) or KJ doubleton (if Declarer has only Axx in Clubs he has a pitch coming) for that to work. Ace only might be enough if declarer misguesses. If partner does not have the Heart Ace we will need 3 Club tricks. This actually seems most likely. If Partner's clubs are as good as Ace-Jack-small, we can get our 3 Clubs. It is probably best to switch to a Club at trick 2. In order to avoid blocking the suit, we must lead a Club honor - the Queen is best; Partner might misinterpret the Ten.

The full hand:

<p>♠ Q8752 ♥ J7 ♦ K84 ♣ AJ5</p>		<p>♠ AJ2 ♥ K964 ♦ T3 ♣ 7643</p>
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<p>♠ K9 ♥ AQ853 ♦ QJ2 ♣ K98</p>	<p>♠ T43 ♥ T2 ♦ A9765 ♣ QT2</p>
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A Club honor gives us 3 Clubs and 2 Diamonds to beat the contract. If we don't lead a Club through at trick 2, Declarer will make 3 Hearts; he will be able draw trumps and take the take Spade finesse to discard a Club. (Declarer will get 5 Hearts, 3 Spades and a Diamond - we will get 2 Clubs and 2 Diamonds).

When partner holds ♠ xxxxx ♥ Ax ♦ Qxx ♣ Ajx and Declarer holds ♠ KQ ♥ QJxxx ♦ Kx ♣ Kxxx, a club is still right.

It is possible, but less likely, that we need to return a Diamond. If Partner had held ♠ xxxxx ♥ Ax ♦ KJxx ♣ KJ and Declarer ♠ KQ ♥ QJxxx ♦ Qx ♣ Axxx, a Diamond return at trick 2 is necessary to beat the contract. Even if Partner had

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held ♠xxxxx ♥Ax ♦KJxx ♣K9 and Declarer ♠KQ ♥QJxxx ♦Qx ♣AJxx, Declarer can make the contract if he can correctly read the situation. If Partner had held ♠Qxxxx ♥Jx ♦KJxx ♣Kx, and Declarer ♠Kx ♥AQxxx ♦Qx ♣AJxx, we would need to lead another Diamond at trick 2 to hold Declarer to 3, but Declarer is always making his contract.

The Early Play

Sometimes we can place cards based on the play to the first trick, or first few tricks. We can often do this by imagining we are declarer. How would we play the hand?

Dummy  
QT65

You  
K9

Declarer, with plenty of entries to Dummy, starts this suit by leading the Ace and a low one. Partner follows small both times. What is going on in this suit? Partner should have the Jack. If Declarer had the Jack, he would probably finesse against the King by starting this suit from Dummy.

Another common situation:

Partner                      Dummy                      You  
2 led                      Q7                      4 cards in the suit

Declarer plays Dummy's 7.

What are Partner's and Declarer's holding in this suit? We have 4 cards in the suit, Dummy has 2. Partner should have 4, so Declarer should have 3. With Axx, Declarer would surely play Dummy's Q, hoping that our partner led away from the King. Declarer must have AJx, ATx, or Jxx.

Partner                      Dummy                      You  
2 led                      J7                      4 cards in the suit

Declarer plays Dummy's Jack.

Again, we have 4 cards in the suit, and Dummy has 2. Partner should have 4, so Declarer should have 3. With ATx, Declarer would play low to insure 2 tricks in the suit. With Qxx, Declarer would play low to insure 1 trick in the suit. Declarer's most likely holding is AKx or AQx. With Axx, the Jack is also the best play, especially in Notrump. QTx is also possible.

4) The auction has proceeded:

Declarer                      Partner                      Dummy                      You  
2NT (20-21)                      pass                      3NT                      all pass

Partner leads the 3 of Diamonds and Declarer plays low from Dummy. We play the Jack, and Declarer wins the Ace. Declarer now leads the Heart King, partner following with the 3.

What is our best defense?

Dummy

♠ - 32  
♥ - 765  
♦ - Q6  
♣ - KT7653

You

♠ - JT64  
♥ - A82  
♦ - J752  
♣ - 92

What is going on here? Why isn't Declarer setting up those Clubs? Probably because they are ready to run. Declarer, from his play at trick one, should have a double Diamond stopper. With 6 Club tricks, Declarer is trying to set up his ninth trick quickly.

We can see a total of 11 points in our hand and Dummy; Declarer has 20-21, so Partner will have 8 or 9. Partner should have the Diamond King and very little in Hearts or Clubs. He has something in Spades; our best hope is that he has the AQ, and that we can take at least 3 Spades, 1 Heart and 1 Diamond.

The full hand:

♠ 32  
♥ 765  
♦ Q6  
♣ KT7653

A Spade at trick 3 sets the contract 2 tricks; a Diamond continuation allows Declarer to make 4 or 5.

♠ AQ97  
♥ T43  
♦ K983  
♣ 84



♠ JT64  
♥ A82  
♦ J752  
♣ 92

Partner's Signals

During the hand, we will rely on help from partner to do our counting. There are three types of signals we can use: Attitude, Count, & Suit Preference.

Attitude Signals:

The most important signal we can use is the "Attitude Signal". It is generally used when partner leads a suit, or when we are discarding. We can tell partner whether or not we are interested in the suit by the size of the card we play. A high card is an encouraging signal - it tells partner we have something in the suit, or that we would like the suit continued. We may have a high honor, or may have shortness and can get a ruff - We want partner to lead that suit. A low card is discouraging - it tells partner we have no interest in the suit and that he should consider leading a different suit.

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### Count Signals:

Another important signal is the "Count Signal". Count signals are most often used when Declarer leads a suit, or when playing to partner's lead or discarding when our attitude is already known. Playing high, then low in the same suit shows an even number of cards in that suit; playing low, then high shows an odd number of cards. This will help partner get an accurate count on the hand.

### Suit Preference Signals:

Once our attitude and count are known, or are not relevant, we can use the "Suit Preference Signal". Suit preference signals are often used when leading a suit, or when following suit or discarding. A high card indicates interest in the higher-ranking of the two possible suits; a low card indicates interest in the lower ranking. It is important not to confuse Suit Preference signals with Attitude or Count signals.

## Ms. Information

Dear Ms.,

I was taught that you need to hold 8 HCP to bid Stayman over a 15-17 point no-trump. In a recent Sectional, my partner opened 1NT. I held: ♠5432 ♥8765 ♦T987 ♣T.

Instinctively, I wanted to Stayman. I figured I could pass partner's two diamonds if he didn't hold a four card major. At the table, however, I passed and the opponents took the first SIX club tricks and a couple of side aces.

What if I'd bid Stayman? Would it be allowed or would the opponents have called the director on me?

Trying to do the Right Thing in Wisconsin

Dear Trying,

You should have followed your instincts. It might not have worked out, but you deserve credit for even considering the action. Playing in suit, your hand rates to take at least two extra tricks.

You can handle most of partner's club losers (and if partner holds high clubs, he can throw some of your other losers and later use your trumps to ruff the suit from which he makes his discards.) And (this is a big plus), by ruffing partner's losers in your hand, he has badly needed entries to take finesses. Having opened 1NT, he is bound to have tenaces in his hand, and leading toward them will produce more tricks than leading from them.

As for the opponents calling the director, they shouldn't, but they could. If they do, the director will explain to them that you are allowed to use judgment in bridge and you are perfectly within your rights to make your bid. Ms.

## Milwaukee Fallfest Sectional

September 28-30, 2007

Cardinal Stritch University  
Kliebhan Conference Center - Bonaventure Hall  
6801 N. Yates Rd. Glendale, WI

### Friday, September 28

10:00 AM 1:30 PM 7:00 PM

Stratified 299er Pairs

### Saturday, September 29

9:00 AM 1:30 PM 7:00 PM

Stratified 299er Pairs

### Sunday, September 30

10:00 AM (Note early start!)

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Strat A 2000+, Strat B 300-2000, Strat C 0-300

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## Playing Your Peers by Suzi Subeck

We had an interesting discussion during a Knockout Round at Chicago's recent Arlington Heights Regional. It was said somewhat tongue in cheek, but it brought up some valid points for consideration.

We were playing against Larry "the Law of Total Tricks" Cohen and David Berkowitz, both arguably great players. I signaled partner by high-lowing on a hand in an effort to get him to duck the necessary rounds of a suit so declarer could not get back to dummy to enjoy the long cards there. Partner ignored (my words not his) my signal and failed to duck twice. Declarer was able to get to dummy and run his tricks.

I was upset, of course, and I said, rather nastily, "I can't afford to signal. The only ones watching what I play are my opponents." David Berkowitz laughed and made some comment about husband and wife partnerships.

Still, it got me to thinking. Signaling is an important phase of the game. Besides bidding, it is the only way you have to tell partner what is in your hand. Signals should not be DEMANDS. Rather, they should give partner information so he can make a reasonable decision about which suits to play and when to play them, when to rise and when to duck.

If you, as an intermediate or novice, is playing against your peers, it is really important to signal. In most cases, I/N's watch their partners' signals but not their opponents. In that situation, you can only benefit by signaling.

As declarer, you should make an extra effort to watch your opponents' signals. They can be very helpful. In the simplest sense, they can tell you where the missing high cards are, and in the more complex sense, they can give you a near perfect count on the hand.

If you find that when declaring, your opponents are of the variety who watch carefully what you do, you might find it is best only to signal in situations where it matters to partner. That way you do not risk giving away information that declarer does not need to have. This is how we usually play. In Flight A games, everyone watches what everyone else does and takes full advantage of it.

Signaling only when necessary is especially important when your opponents are in high level contracts like slams. In those instances, it is often best to just "throw cards" ... in other words, follow suit randomly UNLESS partner needs to know your holdings.

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**Weber Leisure Center, 9300 Weber Park Place, Skokie IL**

#### Friday, August 31

10:30 "I/N" Stratified Pairs

3:30 "I/N" Stratified Pairs

7:30 "I/N" Stratified Pairs

#### Saturday, September 1

1:30 "I/N" Stratified Pairs

7:30 "I/N" Stratified Pairs

#### Sunday, September 2

1:30 "I/N" Stratified Pairs

7:30 "I/N" Stratified Pairs

#### Monday, September 3

11:00 299er Stratified Swiss Teams

(Stratified 0-100/100-200/200-300)

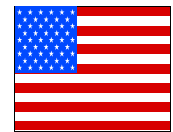
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#### Friday, Sept 7

1:30 pm Stratified Open Pairs

7:00 pm Stratified Open Charity Pairs

#### Saturday, Sept 8

9:00 am Stratified Open Pairs

1:30 pm Stratified Open Pairs

Compact KO's (Session 1)

4:30 pm Wine & Cheese Social

7:00 pm Stratified Open Pairs

Compact KO's (Session 2)

#### Sunday, Sept 9

10:00 am Stratified Swiss Teams (Event 1)

(Team Averaged - Lunch)

2:00 pm Stratified Swiss Teams (Event 2)

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## Local Bridge News

The Chicago Cultural Center ran a "bridge event" on July 18th. It was part of a month long program of 'all-weather activities to do in the city.' Rich and Ellen Gabriel, local experts, supervised the event for the Center.

In Ellen's words, "Rich and I were somewhat pleased. We had about 6-8 people who came to 'play'. Rich and I played with them. At the same time we tried to encourage onlookers to find out about the game. We had hoped to have more of a crowd.....maybe next time there will be more publicity."

Though, turnout was small, the event was successful. Hopefully, next year, with more publicity, it will be even more successful. Next time there is such an event, we will get word of it earlier and let you know so you can take part in it too.

**More news...** Summerfest featured a spectacular free lecture series for Intermediate/Novices. We were privileged to have world and national champions Larry "the Law" Cohen, David Berkowitz, Jerry Helms (columnist for the National Bulletin), and well-known local, George Jacobs, each speak for 45 minutes between sessions on different days of the week. The lectures were well attended with upwards of 50 people in each audience.

Tom Sucher, tournament chairman, gets a round of applause for arranging this amazing array of speakers. If you didn't take advantage of the lectures at this Regional, plan to do so at the next one. You will be glad you did.

### Eau Claire Sectional

Senior Center (NEW location!)

1616 Bellinger Street

October 12-14, 2007

Schedule of Events:

Date	Time	Events
Friday, October 12	2:00 pm	Stratified Pair/Team
	7:30 pm	Stratified Pairs Stratified 0-199
Saturday, October 13	9:30 am	Stratified Pair/Team
	2:30 pm	Stratified Pairs
Sunday, October 14	7:30 pm	Stratified IMP Pairs
	10:00 am	Stratified Swiss Teams (Stratified by Team Average)

All pair games are SINGLE session

Chairman: Walt Klein, (715) 834-3243

Non-Smoking Building



### Darien 299er Tournament

Earn Silver Points

Darien Sportsplex, 451 Plainfield Road

Saturday, October 6

10:00 a.m. Compact Knockout, Sessions 1 & 2

Stratified 299er Pairs (0-100, 100-200, 200-300)

Stratified 49er Pairs (0-5, 5-20, 20-50)

3:00 p.m. Compact Knockout, Sessions 3 & 4

Stratified 299er Pairs (0-100, 100-200, 200-300)

49er Pairs (0-5, 5-20, 20-50)

For information: Call Jackie Addis, 630-515-0101

or e-mail jackieaddis@comcast.net

FREE LUNCH

## Central States Regional

October 22-28, 2007

Grand Geneva Resort and Spa, Lake Geneva, Wisconsin  
on Route 50, one-half mile east of Route 12.

Ask for the Special Bridge Room Rate of  
\$96 plus \$12 resort fee, single or double.

Call 262-248-8811 or 800-558-3417 before September 28

Intermediate/Newcomer Program

(I/N) Events for 299er Players

♦ ACBL members with 0-5 masterpoints play free in all events.

♦ Entry fees for I/N games are \$10.00/person/session.

♦ All masterpoints are red points.

♦ Guest Speaker Program. See *Daily Bulletin* for details.

Monday 7:30 I/N Stratified Charity Pairs  
Stratified Pairs 0-20, 20-50, 50-100, 100-200, 200-300

Tuesday through Friday

1:30 & 7:30 pm Single Sessions

Stratified Pairs 0-20, 20-50, 50-100, 100-200, 200-300

Saturday 1:30 & 7:30 pm Single Sessions

49er Pairs Stratified 0-20, 20-50

299er Stratified Pairs 0-100, 100-200, 200-300

Sunday 11 am & 2 pm 299er Stratified Swiss Teams,  
0-50, 50-100, 100-200, 200-300

2 Single Sessions, More Points

Special Party and Registration Gift

Jan Churchwell, I/N Chairman

jan8242@gmail.com



### 0-199 "I/N" Schedule

Friday, November 9

10:30 a.m. I/N Stratified Pairs

3:30 p.m. I/N Stratified Pairs

7:30 p.m. I/N Stratified Pairs

Saturday, November 10

1:00 p.m. I/N Stratified Pairs

6:30 p.m. SI/N Stratified Pairs

Sunday, November 11

11:00 a.m. 299er Stratified Swiss Teams

0-100, 100-200, 200-300



### Fallfest Sectional,

11/9-11/11

Lindner Center

610 Butterfield Rd

Lombard

Blythe Olshan-Finley

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Tom Sucher

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co-chairman



## What Do You Lead?

Dealer: East

North/South Vulnerable

You, West, hold: ♠QT875 ♥A4 ♦432 ♣J65.

The auction:


South	West	North	East
			1♣
4♥	Pass	Pass	Double
Pass	4♠	Pass	Pass
5♥	Pass	Pass	Pass

This a real hand from World Masters Generali Individual, held in Verona this past September. Fulvio Fantoni, a well-known Italian expert, was holding your cards... or rather, you are holding his! What do you lead and why?

### Solution:

While it is rare to lead the ace of trump, Fantoni chose that lead. What was his logic? He didn't know which of his thirteen cards would be best for his side, and the ace of trump gave him an edge: **He would see dummy before deciding how to proceed!**

Fantoni reasoned that declarer was almost certainly holding solid hearts and the lead of the ace was unlikely to blow a trump trick. The full hand:

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

As Fantoni anticipated, South had a strange hand with solid trumps for his four heart preempt and rebid of five.

Fantoni switched to a club and defeated the contract.

As you can see, a spade lead will be devastating, as it will allow declarer

to pitch his club loser on the ace of spades. Give yourself a pat on the back if you found the winning defense.

## All Time Bridge Great: Eli Culbertson from the 18th European Youth Bridge Championship

Harold S. Vanderbilt may have invented the game of Contract Bridge, but the biggest single name in the history of the game is not that of Vanderbilt but, without doubt, that of Ely Culbertson.

Culbertson (1891 - 1955) was born in Romania, the son of an American father, a mining engineer, and a Russian mother, the daughter of a Cossack chieftain. An American citizen from birth, he spent much of his youth pursuing revolutionary ideas in labor disputes in the American North-West, Mexico and Spain, and being involved in one of the minor Russian revolutions.

The Russian Revolution of 1917 wiped out his family's substantial assets there and for the next few years he made a living in various European cities, notably Paris, by utilizing his skill at cards. In 1921 he returned to the USA, continuing to make his living from cards. Two years later he married his first wife, Josephine, a highly regarded bridge teacher in New York. Together they became a successful tournament pair.

Then came Contract. Culbertson saw that the new game gave him an opportunity to displace the entrenched authorities on Auction Bridge and began a long-term plan with the aim of making himself the king of bridge. Culbertson was a fine bridge player, let there be no doubt of that, but his true genius was in marketing, and as a self-publicist it is hard to find his equal in any walk of life.

By the mid-1930s the name Culbertson was almost synonymous with Contract to the ordinary player. 1929 saw the publication of *The Blue Book*, which he marketed as the first systematic presentation of the principles of winning at Contract. The same year Culbertson founded his magazine, *The Bridge World*, which is still going strong today. He ran an organization of bridge teachers who all taught the Culbertson system, sold bridge stationery and other supplies including the new Kem playing cards, and conducted bridge competitions, both at home and abroad. His success can be illustrated by the fact that in 1937, its best year, *The Bridge World* grossed over \$1,000,000, of which some \$220,000 were royalties which went to Culbertson before profits were calculated. Translate those figures into today's money and we can see that Ely Culbertson was doing very well for himself.

But to reach this pre-eminent position Culbertson needed not only ability and a willingness to work hard, he needed the life blood of publicity and to eliminate the opposition. No opportunity to get publicity was overlooked. He once claimed that, though he had never played golf, he would

break 90 at his first attempt. Of course he failed, but it still got him more news coverage.

But the biggest and best publicity of all came at the end of 1931. Alarmed at Culbertson's success, a group of the old established authorities of Auction Bridge, who did not wish to lose their position to this young upstart, had got together and produced 'The Official System'. Culbertson badgered and provoked Sidney Lenz, leader of this group, until he finally agreed to play a challenge match of 150 rubbers. Culbertson had offered to bet \$5,000 to Lenz's \$1,000 on the outcome with the winnings to go to charity.

The match began at the Hotel Chatham but was later moved to the Waldorf Astoria to accommodate the growing crowd of onlookers. Lenz partnered Oswald Jacoby, already a fine player at the age of 29 and destined to be in the top echelon of players for half a century to come. Culbertson partnered his wife, Jo. During the match, Lenz fell out with Jacoby and the latter was replaced by Commander Wingfield Liggett Jr. Several players stood in at various times for Jo, whose stamina was not quite up to that of Ely. The result of the contest was a win for Culbertson by almost 9,000 total points, confirming him as number one.

Not only did the match confirm Culbertson's position at the top of the bridge world, but it also made him rich in a more direct fashion. During the month-long 'Battle of the Century', he was earning \$10,000 a week for network radio broadcasts, he and Jo both acquired contracts for widely syndicated newspaper columns, and he made a series of movie shorts for \$360,000.

Culbertson's success was now assured and he continued to milk his position for all it was worth, producing new books, giving radio lessons and lectures, endorsing products and opening his own bridge club, Crockford's. All the time, he was alive to the importance of publicity. He was frank about his approach. He once said in a speech:

'I have formed the greatest advertising and publicity organization in the world. I have sold bridge by appealing to the instincts of sex and fear and by false representation of my own character and that of my wife. I am not the cocky smart-alec, conceited and ready to fight person I have tried to make the world believe. My wife is not the shy, diffident, cool, calculating woman I have tried to make the public believe. It is all a stunt calculated to make the name Culbertson synonymous with Contract Bridge.

First we had to build a system. That took six years. Then we had to sell the system. We appealed to women, to their natural inferiority complex. Bridge was an opportunity for them to gain intellectual parity with their husbands. We worked on their fear instincts. We made it almost tantamount to shame

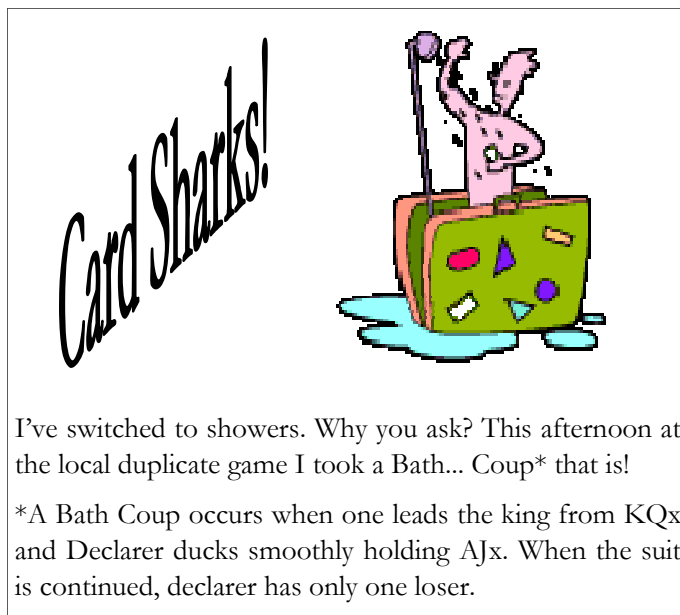
not to play Contract. I have sold bridge through sex - the game brought men and women together. I used the words 'forcing bid' and 'approach forcing' because there is a connotation of sex in them.'

In 1935, Culbertson played and won the last of his great challenge matches, against P. Hal Sims. Shortly afterwards he retired from competitive bridge. The competition was getting tougher and to continue to play but without success would risk eroding his dominant position in the minds of onlookers. He continued, however, to play high-stakes rubber bridge for most of his life.

Ely and Jo were divorced in 1938. He was remarried in 1947, to Dorothy, a non-player, 35 years his junior. He had two children from each marriage.

In his later years, his principal interest turned to the quest for world peace. As early as 1938, with war looming in Europe, he proposed arms limitation and international control of decisive weapons of war. After World War Two, some of Culbertson's ideas made a discernible mark when the United Nations was established.

But, whatever his interest in politics as a young man and in later years, it is as a bridge player and publicist that Culbertson really made his mark. As a player, he claimed to play his opponents rather than the cards, but it cannot be disputed that he was a fine technician and was responsible for many valuable contributions to bidding theory. Some of his 'playing the man' was, at best, gamesmanship. As appropriate for a particular opponent, he would play quickly or with exaggerated slowness, goad and taunt his opponents, etc. For the match against Lenz he would regularly turn up late, then eat at the table, claiming that 'his public gave him no time to do otherwise'.



I've switched to showers. Why you ask? This afternoon at the local duplicate game I took a Bath... Coup\* that is!

\*A Bath Coup occurs when one leads the king from KQx and Declarer ducks smoothly holding AJx. When the suit is continued, declarer has only one loser.

**Tournament Results:**

**Summerfest Regional, Arlington Heights, IL**

**Monday Evening 299er Pairs 3.5 Tables**

MPs	A	B	C	Names
1.98	1	1	1	Inez Petersen, Vernon Hills IL; Mary Galoto, Long Grove IL
1.49	2			Richard Edholm - Sue Edholm, Libertyville IL
1.30	3	2	2	Gerald Schwartz, Deerfield IL; Ron Sackheim, Highland Park IL

**Tuesday Aft 299er Pairs - 7.0 Tables**

MPs	A	B	C	Names
2.40	1	1		Linda Brubaker, Geneva IL; Neil Whittle, Carol Stream IL
1.80	2			Marion Young - David Young, Skokie IL
1.35	3			Loretta Sullivan - D Kelly Sullivan, Elmhurst IL
1.37	4	2	1	Stanley Rosenbloom - Jordan Hecktman, Northbrook IL
1.01	5	3		Edward Siegel, Northbrook IL; Jess Schessel, Boynton Beach FL
1.03		4	2	Relli Miller, Lincolnwood IL; Joan Pielet, Boca Raton FL

**Weds Afternoon 299er Pair - 6.0 Tables**

MPs	A	B	C	Names
2.26	1	1	1	Sheila Stillman, Highland Park IL; Fran Schwartz, Arlington Hgts IL
1.70	2	2	2	Grace Tampa - Claudia Dunn, Wheaton IL
1.27	3	3		Bill Duncker - Carol Duncker, Dunnellon FL
0.95	4	4	3	Merle Levy, Northbrook IL; Ilse Bridges, Winnetka IL

**Wednesday Eve 299er - 8.0 Tables**

MPs	A	B	C	Names
2.54	1	1	1	Lawrence Wolfson - Genio Staranczak, Schaumburg IL
1.91	2	2	2	Timothy Kleimeyer, Sleepy Hollow IL; Robert Judd, Algonquin IL
1.43	3	3		Theresa Schneider, Northbrook IL; Cindy Henderson, Northfield IL
1.14	4	4	3	Michael Kramer - Vicki Kramer, Addison IL
0.75	5/7	5/7	4/5	Grace Tampa - Claudia Dunn, Wheaton IL
0.66	5/7	5/7		Barbara Chasnoff, Park Ridge IL; Marlene Beranek, Glenview IL
0.75	5/7	5/7	4/5	Jay Heitman - Lisa Heitman, Wilmette IL

**Thurs Eve 299er Pairs - 5.0 Tables**

MPs	A	B	C	Names
2.12	1	1	1	Marilyn Steffan - John Steffan, Wilmette IL
1.59	2	2	2	Bill Duncker - Carol Duncker, Dunnellon FL
1.19	3	3	3	Merle Levy, Northbrook IL; Ilse Bridges, Winnetka IL
0.89	4	4		Judy Anderson - Bunny Hultman, Chicago IL

**Friday Aft 299er - 10.0 Tables**

MPs	A	B	C	Names
2.83	1	1	1	Dolores Lewis, Indian Head Prk IL; Rosemarie Mochel, La Grange IL
2.12	2	2	2	Gerald Schwartz - Michael Stein, Highland Park IL
1.59	3	3	3	Joe Kitzes, Highland Park IL; Robert Heller, Northbrook IL
1.19	4	4		Barbara Morgan, Salem WI; Fred Johnston, Chicago IL
0.90	5			Phyllis Chambers, Winnetka IL; Dee Coats, Houston TX
0.90	6	5	4	Brian Buzzell, Naperville IL; Catherine Westbrook, Winnetka IL
0.68		6	5	J Bradner - Norma Bradner, Addison IL

**Friday Eve 299er Pairs - 7.5 Tables**

MPs	A	B	C	Names
2.54	1	1	1	Eugene Chung, Chicago IL; William Ng, Ann Arbor MI
1.91	2	2	2	Michael Stein - Gerald Schwartz, Highland Park IL
1.43	3	3	3	Lawrence Wolfson, Schaumburg IL; Gemo Staranczak, Schaumburg IL
1.07	4	4	4	Jeff Hao - Jin Hu, Ann Arbor MI
0.80	5			Kenneth Prouty, Geneva IL; Jonathan Fry, Oak Park IL
0.72		5	5	Sam Hull - Barbara Hull, Lake Forest IL

**Saturday Aft 299er Pairs - 7.0 Tables**

MPs	A	B	C	Names
2.40	1			Robert Block, Deerfield IL; William Anspach, Chicago IL
2.13	2	1	1	Michele Pockross - James Pockross, Wilmette IL
1.60	3	2	2	Alice Leuffgen, Indian Head Pk IL; June Dostal, Naperville IL
1.05	4/5	3/4		Lynne Seffren, Northbrook IL; Harriet Fowler, Deerfield IL
1.05	4/5	3/4		Paul Silberman, Mishawaka IN; Huixin Pan, Bolingbrook IL
0.94		3		Jordan Hecktman - Marlene Hecktman, Northbrook IL

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Words of Wisdom:

Bridge Axiom:

**Eight Ever, Nine Never**

Finesse holding eight trumps and play for the drop holding nine!

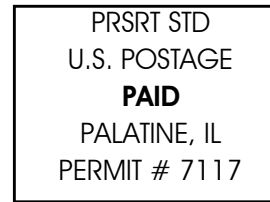
**Top Masterpoint Winners at the Stars of Tomorrow Sectional, May 5-6, 2007**  
Total masterpoints: 118.20 earned by 78 players.

- 1 3.48 Sue Edholm, Libertyville IL
- 2 3.48 Richard Edholm, Libertyville IL
- 3 3.48 Jerry Campeau, Libertyville IL
- 4 3.48 Jan Nichol, Libertyville IL
- 5 2.88 J Thomas Johnson, Park Ridge IL
- 6 2.88 Demaris Johnson, Aurora IL
- 7 2.88 Craig Wakefield, Des Plaines IL
- 8 2.88 Charles Johnson, Aurora IL
- 9 2.88 Carol Cue, Oswego IL
- 10 2.88 Barbara Chasnoff, Park Ridge IL
- 11 2.73 Lynne Seffren, Northbrook IL
- 12 2.73 Harriet Fowler, Deerfield IL
- 13 2.73 Fred Johnston, Chicago IL
- 14 2.73 Cory Perkers, Chicago IL
- 15 2.60 Shelia Sittinger, Lombard IL
- 16 2.60 Michael Sittinger, Lombard IL
- 17 2.53 Michelle Winand, Glenview IL
- 18 2.53 Mary Hilman, Mt Prospect IL
- 19 2.53 Marlene Beranek, Glenview IL
- 20 2.53 Marilyn Richards, Wilmette IL
- 21 2.40 Roger Tweed, Mundelein IL
- 22 2.40 John Hansen, Mundelein IL
- 23 2.35 Richard Steck, Chicago IL
- 24 2.35 Bindiganavel Srivatsan, Elk Grove
- 25 2.12 Holly London, Woodridge IL
- 26 2.12 Harland London, Woodridge IL
- 27 1.92 Walter Krueger, Glenview IL
- 28 1.92 Bonnie Franklin, Highland Park IL
- 29 1.88 Karin Tappendorf, Kenilworth IL
- 30 1.88 Jackie Mitchell, Northfield IL
- 31 1.86 Nancy Kisten, Hawthorn Woods IL
- 32 1.86 Linda Rough, Lake Zurich IL
- 33 1.85 Joseph Fratianni, Clinton IA
- 34 1.85 James Carey, Clinton IA
- 35 1.72 Thomas Brandt, Park Ridge IL
- 36 1.72 Stephen Bell, Warrenville IL
- 37 1.72 Ronald Kohn, Schaumburg IL
- 38 1.72 Robert Kucaba, Downers Grove IL
- 39 1.72 Michael Hagerty, Arlington Hts IL
- 40 1.72 Jo Kohn, Schaumburg IL
- 41 1.72 Gil Powell, IL
- 42 1.72 Bill Fitzgerald, Elk Grove Vlg IL
- 43 1.24 Mary Walters, Oak Park IL
- 44 1.24 Honor Mogul, Northfield IL
- 45 0.97 Suzanne Friedman, Glencoe IL
- 46 0.97 Lois Colberg, Kenilworth IL
- 47 0.97 Krysia Miller, Winnetka IL
- 48 0.97 Elizabeth Staehlin, Wilmette IL
- 49 0.84 Loretta Wexler, Skokie IL
- 50 0.84 Lois Manaster, Glencoe IL

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**Upcoming Tournaments**

- WUMBA Regional, Escanaba, MI, Aug 20 – Aug 26
- Labor Day Sectional, Skokie, IL, Aug 31 – Sept 3
- Three Lakes Sectional, Three Lakes, WI, Sept 7 – 9
- FallFest Sectional, Glendale, WI, Sept 28 - Sept 30
- Darien 299er, Darien, October 6
- Pro-Am, Darien, IL, October 7
- Eau Claire Sectional, Eau Claire, WI, Oct 12-14
- Central States, Lake Geneva, WI, Oct 23 – Oct 29
- Fallfest Sectional, Lombard, IL, Nov 9-11
- Holiday Sectional, State Fair Park, WI, Dec 27 - Dec 30

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- 1.60 3 2 2 Alice Leuffgen, Indian Head Pk IL; June Dostal, Naperville IL
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- 1.05 4/5 3/4 Paul Silberman, Mishawaka IN; Huixin Pan, Bolingbrook IL
- 0.94 3 Jordan Heckman - Marlene Heckman, Northbrook IL

**Stars of Tomorrow Sectional, Palatine, IL**

**299er Pairs Sat Morn - 9.5 Tables**

- MPs A B C Names
- 2.02 1 1 J Thomas Johnson - Barbara Chasoff, Park Ridge IL
- 1.52 2 2 Linda Rough, Lake Zurich IL; Nancy Kisten, Hawthorn Woods IL
- 1.14 3 Joseph Fratianni - James Carey, Clinton IA
- 1.21 4 3 1 Richard Steck, Chicago IL; Bindiganavel Srivatsan, Elk Grove Villa IL
- 0.91 5 4 2 Karin Tappendorf, Kenilworth IL; Jackie Mitchell, Northfield IL
- 0.68 6 5 3 Lois Manaster, Glencoe IL; Loretta Wexler, Skokie IL

**299er Sunday Swiss - 13 Tables**

- MPs A B C Names
- 3.48 1 1 Richard Edholm - Sue Edholm - Jan Nichol - Jerry Campeau, Libertyville IL
- 2.61 2 Craig Wakefield, Des Plaines IL; Carol Cue, Oswego IL; Demaris Johnson - Charles Johnson, Aurora IL
- 1.72 3/4 Stephen Bell, Warrenville IL; Robert Kucaba, Downers Grove IL; Ronald Kohn - Jo Kohn, Schaumburg IL
- 1.72 3/4 2 1 Michael Hagerty, Arlington Hts IL; Thomas Brandt, Park Ridge IL; Gil Powell, IL; Bill Fitzgerald, Elk Grove Vlg IL
- 0.97 5/6 Lois Colberg - Karin Tappendorf, Kenilworth IL; Krysia Miller, Winnetka IL; Jackie Mitchell, Northfield IL
- 0.97 5/6 Elizabeth Staehlin, Wilmette IL; Suzanne Friedman, Glencoe IL; Mary Walters, Oak Park IL; Honor Mogul, Northfield IL

**Consolation Compact - 4 Tables**

- MPs Rank Names
- 2.12 1 Harland London - Holly London, Woodridge IL; Michael Sittinger - Shelia Sittinger, Lombard IL

**Compact Knockout - 8 Tables**

- MPs Rank Names
- 2.73 1 Lynne Seffren, Northbrook IL; Harriet Fowler, Deerfield IL; Fred Johnston - Cory Perkers, Chicago IL
- 2.05 2 Marlene Beranek - Michelle Winand, Glenview IL; Mary Hilman, Mt Prospect IL; Marilyn Richards, Wilmette IL

**299er Pairs - 9.0 Tables**

- MPs A B C Names
- 1.92 1 1 1 Roger Tweed - John Hansen, Mundelein IL
- 1.44 2 Bonnie Franklin, Highland Park IL; Walter Krueger, Glenview IL
- 1.14 3 2 2 Richard Steck, Chicago IL; Bindiganavel Srivatsan, Elk Grove Villa IL
- 0.71 4/5 George Brandt, Palatine IL; Elizabeth Sibbach, Hoffman Estates IL
- 0.71 4/5 Joseph Fratianni - James Carey, Clinton IA
- 0.86 3 J Thomas Johnson - Barbara Chasoff, Park Ridge IL
- 0.64 4 Inez Petersen, Vernon Hills IL; Jane Brown, Libertyville IL

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