

I/N News ... especially for you!

Learning Bridge by Reading...

This issue of the I/N News focuses on "Bridge Columns." Years ago, I learned the game by reading about it. I looked forward to reading the "daily hand" in the newspaper with breakfast. Print newspapers and magazines are becoming harder and harder to find, but you can still find bridge columns on-line and read them any time. Here are some sample columns to whet your whistle... Hope you enjoy them as much as I do.

Unlucky Louie says it's not hard to live beyond your means. All you have to do is pay all your bills each month.

Louie was today's South in a penny game. He was hardly living beyond his means when he bid four hearts: He had at least nine tricks in his own hand. All passed, and West led the king and ace of clubs (not best). When East's queen fell, West shifted to the queen of diamonds.

Louie won with the ace and raced off six rounds of trumps. West threw black-suit cards and clung to his diamonds, so Louie lost two diamonds at the end. Down one.

BLACK ACE

"Next time maybe you'll hold the other black ace," Louie told North. "Anyhow, they could make four spades."

Louie can make four hearts. After he wins West's diamond shift at Trick Three, he takes the A-K-Q of trumps, then leads the king of diamonds. If East refuses to ruff, Louie exits with his deuce of trumps to East, who must lead a spade. Louie then discards his low diamonds on the ace of spades and jack of clubs.

DAILY QUESTION

You hold: ♠ A J 6 2 ♥ 8 4
♦ 9 7 2 ♣ J 6 5 2. Your partner opens one heart, you respond one

spade and he bids two diamonds. What do you say?

ANSWER: A two-heart preference would be defensible, especially at matchpoint duplicate where playing in the higher-scoring strain is desirable. At other forms of scoring, a case exists for passing. Your hand couldn't be any weaker, and if you bid again, you will give partner a chance to bid again and get too high.

West dealer

Both sides vulnerable

NORTH

♠ A J 6 2
♥ 8 4
♦ 9 7 2
♣ J 6 5 2

WEST

♠ Q 8 4
♥ None
♦ Q J 10 8 4
♣ A K 10 9 3

EAST

♠ K 10 9 7 5 3
♥ 10 9 6 3
♦ 5
♣ Q 8

SOUTH

♠ None
♥ A K Q J 7 5 2
♦ A K 6 3
♣ 7 4

West	North	East	South
1 ♦	Pass	1 ♠	4 ♥
All Pass			

Opening lead — ♣ K

Ways and Means by Frank Stewart

The Fifth Diamond by Frank Stewart

Today's South responded one diamond to partner's one club. North then jumped to 2NT, and South rebid three diamonds.

When North persisted with 3NT, South gritted his teeth: "I bid the fourth and final diamond."

"Five diamonds," North bellowed. "Just to teach you a lesson."

Irate, South took the ace of spades and cashed the A-K of trumps. When West showed out, South glumly conceded a trump, a heart and a spade for down one. Then came the recriminations, with South contending he'd had a choice of playing the deal at either one club or five diamonds.

TRICK TWO

I suppose North might have passed four diamonds, but five was cold. South should return a spade at Trick Two.

Say East wins and leads a trump to dummy. South ruffs a spade, leads a trump to dummy, ruffs a spade, goes to the ace of clubs and ruffs a club. He leads a heart to the ace, ruffs a club, leads a heart to the king and returns the last club. He is sure to score his jack of trumps for his 11th trick.

DAILY QUESTION

You hold: ♠ 9 6 4 3 ♥ A K 5
♦ A K ♣ A J 9 2. You open one club, and your partner responds one

spade. The opponents pass. What do you say?

ANSWER: You have a hand worth about 20 points with four-card spade support — enough strength to attempt game even if your partner has a minimum six-point response. Bid four spades. This is not a "shut-out" call. If partner has extra strength, he is welcome to try for slam or bid slam.

North dealer

Both sides vulnerable

NORTH

♠ 9 6 4 3

♥ A K 5

♦ A K

♣ A J 9 2

WEST

♠ Q J 10 5

♥ J 9 7 4

♦ 4

♣ K 10 8 4

EAST

♠ K 7 2

♥ Q 10 2

♦ Q 10 3

♣ Q 6 5 3

SOUTH

♠ A 8

♥ 8 6 3

♦ J 9 8 7 6 5 2

♣ 7

North

1 ♣

2 NT

3 NT

5 ♦

East

Pass

Pass

Pass

All Pass

South

1 ♦

3 ♦

4 ♦

West

Pass

Pass

Pass

Opening lead — ♠ Q

The Aces on Bridge: Tuesday, March 17, 2009 by Bobby Wolff

Dealer: South

Vul: E/W

North

♠ K 8 4
♥ A 10 8 4 2
♦ J 7 3
♣ 9 4

West

♠ 7 6 3
♥ Q 9
♦ Q 9 8 4
♣ K Q 10 8

East

♠ Q J 10 9
♥ J 7 3
♦ A K 5
♣ 6 5 3

South

♠ A 5 2
♥ K 6 5
♦ 10 6 2
♣ A J 7 2

West

North

East

South

Pass

1♥

Pass

1NT

All Pass

Opening Lead: ♦4

"Some people fear gaining fame the way pigs fear gaining weight."

Let's look at the three little pigs at work on defense, from the qualifying session of the Life Master Pairs in Detroit. In one no-trump, the lead of the diamond four goes to East's king, South playing the two.

Little pig number one played the diamond ace and another diamond. When West shifted to the club king, it was allowed to hold. Declarer ended up with seven tricks and a near top.

Little pig number two shifts boldly to a club to West's 10. West takes his club king (South ducking again), then returns his lowest diamond. Now another club from East through South's tenace produces plus 100 for the defense. North-South would score a near-bottom now.

But what if declarer had begun life with the heart king and the three top clubs? This line of defense would concede the contract, when a spade shift would have defeated it easily. How can you know which way to go?

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Little pig number three goes for a middle-of-the-road defense. At trick two, he returns a low diamond to the queen and waits for his partner's suit preference from the remaining two diamonds. He will shift to a club to ensure that his side defeats the contract by at least one trick, which will score well enough for his side.

At teams, this last defense is best, but at pairs, number two's defense has the biggest upside. Moreover, if partner has K-Q-x or K-J-x of clubs, East must play clubs through declarer twice to defeat the contract.

BID WITH THE ACES

South Holds:

♠ A 5 2

♥ K 6 5

♦ 10 6 2

♣ A J 7 2

West	North	East	South
	1♥	Pass	2♣
2♦	Dbl.	Pass	?

ANSWER: This is an unambiguous penalty double by your partner (suggesting four diamonds, and no fit for clubs) because a pass would be forcing. Without intervention, you would have played in four hearts; but the risk of bad trump splits and diamond ruffs now argues strongly for defending two diamonds. Take the sure plus; you may get more than the value of your game — and your game might not be making!

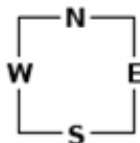
One great thing about Bridge Columns: They never age-out!

Dealer: South

Vul: All

North

♠ J 10 4 2
♥ 10 5 4
♦ A 10 9 6
♣ 8 5



West

♠ Q 9 7 5 3
♥ K 3 2
♦ Q 7 4 3
♣ 9

East

♠ 8 6
♥ A J 9 6
♦ J 5 2
♣ Q 10 6 3

South

♠ A K
♥ Q 8 7
♦ K 8
♣ A K J 7 4 2

South

2 ♣
3 ♣ *
3 NT

West

Pass
Pass
All Pass

North

2 ♦
3 ♦ *

East

Pass
Pass

*Waiting

Opening Lead: ♠ 5

"An umbrella is of no avail against a Scotch mist."

— James Lowell

Today's deal, from the Senior Teams at the 2006 World Championships, featured a textbook defense by two English players, Ian Panto and Irving Gordon. Gordon, irreverently known throughout the bridge world as "Haggis" because of his Scots origins, was the winner of the 1998 World Senior Pairs in partnership with Boris Schapiro, who was then 90 years old.

Against three no-trump West led his fourth-highest spade to the two, eight and ace. South immediately set about clubs, the ace fetching the nine from West. The diamond eight to the ace for a finesse of the club jack brought good news — the jack held — but also bad news, that there would eventually be a club loser.

Declarer cashed the club king, then led a fourth round of the suit to Panto's 10, who now found the only defense to set the hand when he wisely returned the heart jack. This is known as a surrounding play, and it forced South to cover with the queen, captured by West's king. The heart return through dummy's 10 gave the defenders the four heart tricks they needed to set the contract, whatever declarer did.

Note that East's shift to the jack is the only card to prevent declarer from making a heart trick, "surrounding" dummy's 10. If East plays a low heart, declarer might guess to duck and thus build a heart trick for himself. (Of course, if East had the ace-king, he might do best to underlead them, but would an untrusting declarer now guess to rise with the queen?)

LEAD WITH THE ACES

South Holds:

♠ 9 6 3
♥ K J 5 3 2
♦ Q 7 3
♣ A 4

South	West	North	East
			1 ♣
1 ♥	Dbl.	Pass	2 NT
Pass	3 NT	All Pass	

ANSWER: It feels right to lead a spade rather than a heart, in the hope that partner can win and lead hearts through declarer. My choice would be to lead the nine, which may temporarily mislead partner into thinking I have only two, but will not mislead him about the honor location.

**A Good Way to Benefit from Bridge Columns is to give Partner North's Hand and You bid as South!
Compare your Result to the Experts!**

Welcome to the World of Duplicate from the ACBL

Your first club game is like your first day at a new school. You walk through the door and find that everyone knows one another. Don't hesitate to tell others that you are a newcomer. You'll find many players eager to show you the ropes.

Find the person selling entries — the cost for a club game varies but is usually about the same as a movie ticket. You'll probably want an East-West entry so you don't have to keep the official score (that's the job for the player sitting North). The entry will show your direction and table number.

The Convention Card

Before you play, you and your partner need to fill out a convention card. A convention card is just that: a card that shows the conventions you use along with your general approach to bidding (aggressive, conservative, traditional, scientific, etc.) and goes into some detail about your offensive and defensive bidding methods. The card also includes sections about your defensive carding agreements — your opening leads and signals. The card serves two purposes: One, it tells your opponents what you play. Your opponents are the only people allowed to look at your card during the game (though clubs are somewhat lenient about this rule for the new player.) Two, making out a card allows you and your partner to get your understandings straight. Many longtime partnerships have improved just on this alone.

At first sight, the convention card can be intimidating. Don't worry about filling it out in detail. You'll see that it already has common conventions such as Stayman and Blackwood used by many social players. Dozens of other conventions have been invented to describe various hands, and you'll discover some you enjoy using. Unusual conventions are shown in red on the card. Your opponents will "Alert" them by saying the word or using the "Alert" card in the bidding box. You may ask for an explanation when it is your turn to call. Bids shown in blue require an "Announcement." For example, when your partner opens 1NT, you "announce" to your opponents your agreed notrump range. Most pairs use 15-17 or 16-18 high-card points; some pairs use more unusual methods.

Bidding Boxes

Most games use bidding boxes filled with cards designating every possible call. The director or one of your opponents will show you how to use the box. The cards provide an instant review of the bidding and eliminate the possibility of mishearing an auction.

Shuffle, Deal & Play

You've found your table and greeted your opponents. The director will place duplicate boards on your table

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Note: We are no longer snail mailing any issues of this newsletter. Snail mail has become cost prohibitive. The newsletters are available online only at the District 13 website.

To access the site and find the newsletters, go to:

<http://acbl-district13.org/ArticlesAndNewsletters.htm>

Newsletters at this address go back to 2001. You can read them, print them, and enjoy them from there.

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and ask you to shuffle and deal the cards. Instead of dealing them to a player, deal them in front of you and insert each hand into one of the slots in the boards. Cards are dealt for the first round only. No more shuffling!

To keep each deal intact for the next round, place each card face down in front of you on the table, pointing toward your partner if you win the trick, toward the opponents if you lose the trick.

As declarer, you will tell your partner which card to play instead of pulling the dummy yourself.

As more clubs and tournaments gain access to dealing machines, the boards are mechanically shuffled and dealt in advance. The director will distribute these boards saying, "Ready to play." Do not reshuffle these boards. Just pick up your hand, noting from the board instructions who is dealer, and play bridge. If your club is using pre-dealt boards, hand records will generally be available after the game.

Get into the habit of making your opening lead face down. This helps prevent irregularities such as leading when it is not your turn to do so and allows questions about the auction and any Alerts to be answered.

Recording the Score

Many clubs have invested in electronic scoring devices. The devices look like oversized calculators. There is one on each table.

After the auction, North enters the contract and, when play of the hand is complete, enters the result and offers the device to one of the opponents to verify. After the opponent agrees the score, it is transmitted directly to the director's computer. When the final score of the session is entered, the complete results are available for printout.

If your club scores manually, using pick-up slips or travelers, North enters the contract and the result and East-West approves it.

Move for the Next Round

You will play two to four boards at each table and a total of 20-28 for the entire session. To keep the game going smoothly, each round is timed. You are allowed an average of about seven and a half minutes for each board, so you will want to learn to use your time wisely.

When you have finished all of your boards at a given table, the director will call the round and direct the movement of the boards and players. Generally, North-South remain stationary while East-West "get older"—move to the next higher table—and the boards "get younger,"—move to the next lower table.

"Director, Please"

Duplicate bridge is a sport, and sports have rules. The rules ensure that the game is fair for everyone. You're not expected to memorize the entire "Laws of Duplicate Contract Bridge," but don't hesitate to politely call

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the director to your table if you think there has been an irregularity. Never be intimidated when the director is called because of something you might have done. A good director will assess the situation and present a solution in a manner that doesn't embarrass or offend anyone. Do players always agree with the director? Does LeBron James always agree with the referee? Accept rulings with grace.

How Did You Do?

You don't have to hold a lot of aces to win in duplicate bridge. Your score is the result of a comparison between how well you did with the cards when you held them and how each of the other pairs did with those same cards.

Matchpoints are awarded for the results on each board. You receive one matchpoint for each pair whose result you beat and one-half a point for each pair whose result you tie.

When you add up all of your matchpoints, you will be able to see whether you did better or worse than average. You will also be able to see which boards you found troublesome. Don't be afraid to ask one of the better players about one or two of your problem deals. Every club has experienced players eager to help newcomers sharpen their bidding and their play of the cards. Look for these friendly faces and seek their advice. You'll meet a lot of interesting people this way.

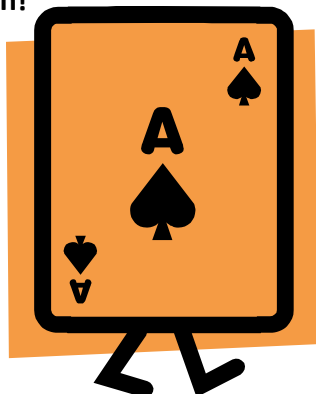
Are You a Winner?

Play well and you will be awarded a prize: masterpoints, the coin of the duplicate bridge realm. Masterpoints appeal to members because it allows them to track their growth in the game by achieving new ranks on their way to becoming a Life Master.

Thank You, Partner

Bridge is as friendly as the players, and it's important to be a good partner and opponent. Introduce your partner and yourself to the opponents at the start of each round. Thank your partner when she puts down the dummy. Wish the opponents good luck before you start the game. Don't get upset about a bad result — you get to start fresh with the next 13 cards. Successful partnerships will discuss difficult hands and situations where something went wrong after the session in private.

Bridge is a game. Have fun!



Aces are 4 points!
Nothing to dump...
You only beat us
If you can trump!

District 13 Spring Regional

April 8 - April 14, 2019

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Monday, April 8

1:30, 7:00 **Two Session Stratified Open Pairs to benefit the Grass Roots Fund**

Tuesday, April 9

10:00 & 3:00 **Open Pairs (0-1500; 1500-3000; 3000+)**

10:00 & 3:00 **Gold Rush Pairs (0-100; 100-300; 300-750)**

Wednesday, April 10

10:00 & 3:00 **Open Pairs (0-1500; 1500-3000; 3000+)**

10:00 & 3:00 **Gold Rush Pairs (0-100; 100-300; 300-750)**

Thursday, April 11

10:00 & 3:00 **Stratified Single Session Side Games to benefit the Grass Roots Fund**

10:00 & 3:00 **Open Swiss Team ((0-1500; 1500-3000; 3000+)**

10:00 & 3:00 **Gold Rush Teams (0-100; 100-300; 300-750)**

Friday, April 12

10:00 & 3:00 **Open Pairs (0-1500; 1500-3000; 3000+)**

10:00 & 3:00 **Gold Rush Pairs (0-100; 100-300; 300-750)**

Saturday, April 13

10:00 & 3:00 **Bracketed Swiss Teams**

10:00 & 3:00 **Open Pairs (0-1500; 1500-3000; 3000+)**

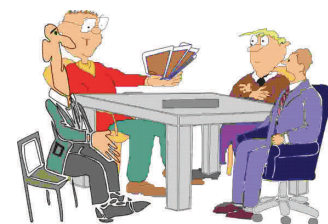
10:00 & 3:00 **Gold Rush Pairs (0-100; 100-300; 300-750)**

Sunday, April 14

10:00 **Stratiflighted Swiss Teams Playthrough ... Lunch Included**

Flight A/X/Y

B/C/D Stratified



Open+ Chart for Sunday Flight A/X/Y Swiss Teams

Stratified Games: A: 2000+; B: 750-2000; C: 0-750

Stratiflighted Teams:

A: 5000+; X: 3000-5000; Y: 0-3000

B: 750-1500; C: 300-750; D: 0-300

Open Teams:

A: 3000+ B: 1500-3000 C: 0-1500

Open Pairs: 0-1500; 1500-3000; 3000+

Gold Rush Pairs: 0-100; 100-300; 300-750

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10:00 a.m. Stratified Pairs/Teams
2:30 p.m. Stratified Pairs/Teams

Saturday, November 10

10 a.m. Stratified Pairs/Teams
2:30 p.m. Stratified Pairs/Teams

Sunday, November 11

10:00 a.m. Stratified Swiss Teams
Play through with lunch served
0-100, 100-300, 300-500

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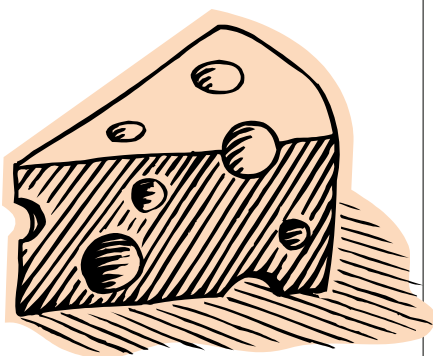


Silver Point Sectional November 9-11, 2018

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Ask for Chicago Bridge Association Rate (\$82 king bed, \$89 for 2 double beds)



WUMBA Sectional — Silver Points

Thursday-Saturday, November 29-December 1, 2018

Thursday, Nov. 29

9:00 499er Pair Game
Open Pair/Team Game*
1:30 499er Pair Game
Open Pair/Team Game*
6:30 Short Match Swiss

Friday, Nov. 30

9:00 499er Pair Game
Open Pair/Team Game*
1:30 499er Pair Game
Open Pair/Team Game*
6:30 Short Match Swiss

Saturday, Dec. 1

9:00 AM SWISS TEAMS
2-Session Play-thru

499er Swiss, if sufficient teams
Lunch included in entry fee

*All pair-team of four events will allow
you to buy a team-of-four entry
with partners of your choice

Stratification by director
(generally 0-1000, 1000-3000, 3000+)

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Partners guaranteed up to ½ hour before game time

Total masterpoints: 317.86 earned by 115 players.
Total attendance: 123 tables.

- 1 9.25 Lynn Clemmons, Freeport IL
- 2 9.25 Jon Clemmons, Freeport IL
- 3 8.90 Mary Sharp, Aurora CO
- 4 8.90 Leslie Forester, Wausau WI
- 5 8.56 Howard Gesbeck, Madison WI
- 6 7.35 Philip Klein, Madison WI
- 7 6.93 Tony Blasczyk, Madison WI
- 8 6.93 Robert Breun, Verona WI
- 9 6.85 Mary Bolen, La Crosse WI
- 10 6.85 Marla Engbloom, La Crosse WI
- 11 6.63 Vera King, Waunakee WI
- 12 6.63 Gwen Rieser, Madison WI
- 13 5.93 John Hathaway, De Pere WI
- 14 5.93 Betty Jo Hathaway, De Pere WI
- 15 5.88 Ray Kalinowski, Waukesha WI
- 16 5.66 Patricia Mayer, Sarasota FL
- 17 5.66 Eric Mayer, Sarasota FL
- 18 5.36 Valerie Maragos, Glenview IL
- 19 5.36 Eric Kraskian, Gurnee IL
- 20 5.17 Terrence Liska, Wautoma WI
- 21 5.17 Janet Liska, Wautoma WI
- 22 5.09 La Verne Swiggum, Madison WI
- 23 4.75 Charles Robinson, Wausau WI
- 24 4.70 Susan Leah Sachtjen, AZ
- 25 4.70 Cathy Mc Guire, Madison WI
- 26 4.50 Mary Kocevar, Hobart IN
- 27 4.50 Carol Miller, Valparaiso IN
- 28 3.88 Mary Reiss, Ixonia WI

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Masterpoint Winners at our I/N Regional in Fitchburg, WI Congrats to All!

Milwaukee Holiday Sectional
December 26 - 29, 2018

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DIRECTIONS: I-94 to the Airport Spur (WI-119)
Airport Spur East to Howell Ave. Exit & turn left on Howell Ave.
Turn left at first light onto W. Grange Ave. (Hotel is on the right)
Follow signs to Convention Center and park in West lot.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 26
10:00 AM Single Stratified Pair/Teams
Stratified 299er Pairs
2:30 PM Single Stratified Single Pair/Teams
Stratified 299er Pairs

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 27
10:00 AM Single Stratified Pair/Teams
Stratified 299er Pairs
2:30 PM Single Stratified Pair/Teams
Stratified 299er Pairs

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 28
10:00 AM Single Stratified Pair/Teams
Stratified 299er Pairs
2:30 PM Single Stratified Pair/Teams
Stratified 299er Pairs

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29
10:00 AM Single Stratified Pair/Teams
Stratified 299er Pairs
2:30 PM Single Stratified Pair/Teams
Stratified 299er Pairs

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IN Chair: Judy Burzynski (414-228-3470)

STRATA: Open Games 0-750/750-2500/2500+
299er Games 0-50/50-100/100-300

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Enter through the main door (#1) and follow the signs to the Club.

Wednesday - 2/6: 9:30 a.m. Pair/Team Game & 299er Pair Game
2:00 p.m. Pair/Team Game & 299er Pair Game

Thursday - 2/7: 9:30 a.m. Pair/Team Game & 299er Pair Game
2:00 p.m. Pair/Team Game & 299er Pair Game

Friday - 2/8: 9:30 a.m. Pair/Team Game & 299er Pair Game
2:00 p.m. Pair/Team Game & 299er Pair Game

Saturday - 2/9: 9:30 a.m. & 2:00 p.m. **BRUCE BROWN CUP OPEN PAIRS**
9:30 a.m. & 2:00 p.m. - 299er Pair Game (Single Sessions)

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Strata for all open games: 0-750, 750-2500, 2500+
Strata for 299er games: 0-50, 50-100, 100-300
(Strata may be adjusted as attendance warrants)

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29 3.75 June Lamb Kmiecik, Rochester MN
30 3.75 Jacque Ekhoﬀ, Rochester MN
31 3.42 Jeanne Reber, Eau Claire WI
32 3.42 Gary Reber, Eau Claire WI
33 3.22 Margaret Parsons, Delafield WI
34 3.22 Janice Kellogg, Stoughton WI
35 3.15 Maggie Dugan, Madison WI
36 3.15 Leah Creswell, Madison WI
37 3.09 John Munson, Onalaska WI
38 3.09 Janet Munson, Onalaska WI
39 3.01 Gregory Harding, Verona WI
40 2.93 Marvin Ganser, Verona WI
41 2.93 Eileen Ganser, Verona WI
42 2.87 Margaret Meyer, Madison WI
43 2.85 Melanie Pecher, Salt Lake City UT
44 2.85 Carol Gepner, Madison WI
45 2.74 David Israelstam, Madison WI
46 2.71 Sal Weingarten, Bradenton FL
47 2.44 Kathleen Allen, Pewaukee WI
48 2.41 Barbara Hospel, Stoughton WI
49 2.40 David Cappel, Sun Prairie WI
50 2.35 Terry Gehrke, Winnebago IL
51 2.35 Richard Pleniewicz, Byron IL
52 2.32 Mark Outzen, La Crosse WI
53 2.32 Laurie Gabrielson, Onalaska WI
54 2.10 James Ellis, Brookfield WI
55 2.10 Bhadra Chheda, New Berlin WI
56 2.08 Jane Leahy, Madison WI
57 2.07 Nancy Spencer, Madison WI
58 2.05 Helen Ippel, Wausau WI
59 1.96 Alice Peterson, Waunakee WI
60 1.90 Rod Johnson, Huntley IL
61 1.90 Patrick Radcliffe, Rockford IL
62 1.90 Dorothy Johnson, Huntley IL
63 1.90 Barbara Ellingson, Rockford IL
64 1.77 Sandra Cooper, Oconomowoc WI
65 1.77 Margaret Bohanon, Oconomowoc WI
66 1.76 Cynthia Musser, Winnebago IL
67 1.68 Sonya Dailey, Lake Geneva WI
68 1.68 Richard Gschwend, Mc Farland WI
69 1.66 Marcy Gookin, Chicago IL
70 1.66 Judi Katz, Chicago IL
71 1.65 Julia Douglas, Suamico WI
72 1.65 Elizabeth Anderson, De Pere WI
73 1.57 Douglas Babcock, Fitchburg WI
74 1.55 William Omdahl, Madison WI
75 1.50 Karen Ann Pleuss, Wausau WI
76 1.50 Barbara Lonsdorf, Wausau WI
77 1.47 Harry Ribbke, Madison WI
78 1.47 Errol Hartman, Madison WI
79 1.44 Bryan Rainey, Middleton WI
80 1.29 Cindy Alvarez, Madison WI
81 1.22 Ann Martin, Oregon IL
82 1.20 Tom Drouin, Glen Ellyn IL
83 1.20 Shirley Buss, Madison WI
84 1.20 Doug Shuman, Saint Charles IL
85 1.18 Sally Gleason, Monona WI
86 1.18 Rob Gleason, Madison WI
87 1.12 Ginger Bryers, Waupaca WI
88 1.12 Carol Peotter, Waupaca WI

89 1.07 Vincent DeConti, Naperville IL
90 0.88 Judith King, Mesa AZ
91 0.88 John Mehl, Fitchburg WI
92 0.82 Ray Hellmer, Madison WI
93 0.82 Jill Hellmer, Madison WI
94 0.66 Sherwin Rudman, Madison WI
95 0.66 Marion Tuttle, Palatine IL
96 0.62 Sandy Testin, Waupaca WI
97 0.62 Logan Rathjen, Madison WI
98 0.57 Patricia Thomas, Fitchburg WI
99 0.57 Nanci McKeon, Lake Geneva WI
100 0.57 Barbara Franks, Naples FL
101 0.56 Janet Gordon, Madison WI
102 0.54 Fran Fey, Rockford IL
103 0.44 Anne Kelley, Oconomowoc WI
104 0.34 Paul Klein, Cedar Rapids IA
105 0.34 Nancy Klein, Cedar Rapids IA
106 0.34 Charles Vierthaler, Monroe WI
107 0.32 Mary Jane Schindler, Rockford IL
108 0.32 Bobbie Brown, Rockford IL
109 0.32 Beice Rongstad, Middleton WI
110 0.19 Tom Kuehne, Falls Church VA
111 0.19 Thomas Bolger, Madison WI
112 0.19 Michael Gingrich, Madison WI
113 0.19 Mary Schommer, Waupaca WI
114 0.19 Mary Ann Kuehne, Falls Church VA
115 0.19 Daniel Schommer, Waupaca WI

**Thanks to
Glenna Shanahan
for organizing
and running
this great tournament...
October 12-14!**

District 13 2018/2019 Grand National Teams

Saturday, February 23, 2019, 11:00 and TBA & Sunday, February 24, 2019, 11:00 and TBA

Hilton Northbrook, 2855 North Milwaukee Avenue, Northbrook, IL
Telephone: (847) 480-7500 Bridge Rate: \$89+tax by February 1, 2019

The Championship Flight, Flight A, and Flight B events will take place over four sessions and will be concluded in a single weekend.

Flight C will be a two-session Swiss Team event played to conclusion on **Sunday only**.

There will be no competition among flights. Players must choose the flight in which they plan to play.

Flight	Masterpoints	Club Qualifying
Championship	Unlimited	Determined by Unit
Flight A	Fewer than 6000 points	Determined by Unit
Flight B	Fewer than 2500 points	Determined by Unit
Flight C	Non Life Master and fewer than 500 points	Determined by Unit

Flight eligibility is established by **ACBL's September 2018 masterpoint cycle**. This information was produced on August 6, 2018 in Horn Lake, MS. **Masterpoints won after this cycle will not impact flight eligibility for these events.**

Players must reside in District 13. Each member of the team must be a paid member in good standing with the ACBL. Club qualifying games are permitted at Unit discretion but are not required at any level of competition. A Flight B or C team may qualify under the rules of any Unit where a plurality of team members reside.

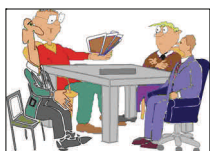
In addition, players who are currently, or have ever been in the past, members of another bridge organization, whether domestic (e.g., American Bridge Association) or foreign (e.g., Polski Związek Brydza Sportowego), must submit information on their past and/or current ranking in that organization. Submissions must be in writing (email is fine) and must be received by the District GNT Coordinator or District 13 Director at the time of registration for the event. The information submitted may be used to assign a conversion to ACBL masterpoints for purposes of verifying flight eligibility.

****An entry in the CHAMPIONSHIP Flight is a commitment to play in the National Final. Entries in lower flights may play to conclusion before declaring intent. We understand your reluctance to commit in advance.****

GNT Coordinator:

Stan Subeck
847-509-0311

stansubeck@prodigy.net



Registration:

PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED FOR THIS EVENT.

All teams wishing to enter must provide notification by noon on February 18, 2019 by contacting:

Suzi Subeck, District 13 Director, (847)-509-0311 Home, (708) 927-6819 Cell, stansubeck@prodigy.net, or by registering on line at <http://bridgeinchicago.com> when it is available

Entering teams must have a written confirmation either by email or letter. No team without such a written confirmation should assume that entry has been verified. It is important to know in advance the teams entered. Captains should bring the confirmation with them to the site and be prepared to present it when purchasing an entry.

For more complete information,
please consult your conditions of contest on the District 13 website at <http://acbl-district13.org/>