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# The Daily Hand-Out

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Daily Hand-Out!  
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## Tournament Schedule:

### MONDAY, October 24

7:30 0—500 Non-LM Stratified Charity Pairs  
7:30 Stratified Grass Roots Fund Pairs  
7:30 Grass Roots Charity Knockout

### TUESDAY, October 25

9:30 Morning Side Game Series  
9:30, 2:00, 7:30 Players' Choice (PC) Stratified Pairs (A/AX)\*\*  
**9:30, 2:00, 7:30 PC Gold Rush Pairs\*\***  
**(B: 300-750, C: 100-300; D: 0-300)**  
2:00, 7:30 Side Game Series I, Sessions 1 & 2  
7:30 Stratified Swiss Teams, 1 Session

### WEDNESDAY, October 26

9:30 Morning Side Game Series  
9:30, 2:00, 7:30 PC Stratified Pairs (A/AX)\*\*  
**9:30, 2:00, 7:30 PC Gold Rush Pairs\*\***  
**(B: 300-750, C: 100-300; D: 0-300)**  
2:00, 7:30 Side Game Series I, Sessions 3 & 4  
7:30 Stratified Swiss Teams 1 session

### THURSDAY, October 27

9:30 Morning Side Game Series  
2:00, 7:30 Stratified Swiss Teams  
2:00, 7:30 Side Game Series II, Sessions 1 & 2  
7:30 Stratified Swiss Teams, 1 Session

### FRIDAY, October 28

9:30 Morning Side Game Series  
9:30, 2:00, 7:30 PC Stratiflighted Pairs (A & AX)\*\*  
**9:30, 2:00, 7:30 PC Gold Rush Pairs\*\***  
**(B: 300-750, C: 100-300; D: 0-300)**  
2:00, 7:30 Side Game Series II, Sessions 3 & 4  
7:30 Stratified Swiss Teams, 1 session

### SATURDAY, October 29

9:30 Morning Side Game Series  
9:30, 2:00, 7:30 PC Stratiflighted Pairs, (A/AX)\*\*  
**9:30, 2:00, 7:30 PC Gold Rush Pairs\*\***  
**(B: 300-750, C: 100-300; D: 0-300)**  
2:00, 7:30 Side Game Series II, Sessions 5 & 6  
7:30 Stratified Swiss Teams, 1 Session

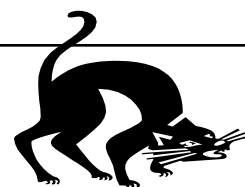
### SUNDAY, October 30

10:00 Stratiflighted AX Swiss Teams, Playthrough, 20 VP\*  
B/C/D Swiss Teams\*

\*\*9:30, 2:00, 7:30 Players' Choice (PC) Pairs  
*Play any 2 of the 3 sessions...You must  
specify which two when purchasing your entry!*

Stratification: A 2000+, B:  
750-2000, C: 0-750

\*Stratiflighted: A: 3000+,  
AX: 0-3000 Play Separately;  
\*B: 750-2000; C: 300-750;  
D: 0-300



## Intermediate/ Novice

### Monday 7:30 pm

I/N Stratified Charity Grass Roots Pairs  
Stratified Pairs 0-100, 100-300, 300—500

### Thursday 9:30, 2:00 & 7:30 pm

Single Sessions  
Stratified Pairs 0-100, 100-300, 300-500

### Free Intermediate/Novice Dinner (Thursday between sessions)

Reservations Required...  
\$5.00 fee to hold reservation returned

**Chairman:** Suzi Subeck

**Editor:** Suzi Subeck

**I/N /Chairman:** Steve Brown

**Hospitality:** Adrienne Cohen

Masterpoint Averaging is in effect for all  
Pair Games and Swiss Team Events  
where permitted.

### Saturday, October 29:

#### District 13 Board Meeting

**BOD members are invited to a buffet  
breakfast in the coffee shop at 10 am!**

**The District 13 Board Meeting will  
follow in the Westgate Rooms at 10:55  
am. All members of District Board are  
expected to attend the meeting.**



## Regional Knockout Schedule

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
<b>9:30</b>		A2				
<b>2:00</b>		A3 B1	C1 B3	C3	D1	D3 Compact KO 2
<b>7:30</b>	A1	A4 B2	C2 B4	C4	D2	D4 Compact KO 2
<b>One-Session Evening Games</b>						
<b>7:30</b>		Swiss	Swiss	Swiss	Swiss	Swiss

## Where to Eat in Lake Geneva



**Kent's Café**, 526 Wells St., 414-248-8181: Multi-cultural menu features Chinese, Italian entrees. Daily specials. Open Tuesday-Saturday 6am-8pm, Sunday 7am-2pm, closed Monday. Prices are inexpensive.

**Mars Resort**, Hwy 50 West, 414-245-5689: Open daily at 11:30am. Overlooks Lake Como. Prices are inexpensive to moderate.

**Papa Cory's Restaurant and Bar**, N2062 Hwy. 120, next to Big Foot Beach State Park, 414-249-1511: Open Wednesday-Saturday 11am-10pm, Sunday 11am-9pm. Traditional cuisine features pizzas, pastas, ribs, chicken. Prices are inexpensive to moderate.

**The tournament hotel restaurants often feature specials for players. Be sure to ask about them and check the boards in the foyer to see if they are announced there! These specials change daily and are usually quite good and reasonably priced.**

**The Board Room**, 642 West Main St., 414-248-8323: Open daily 11am-midnight for pizzas, salads, sandwiches. Enclosed porch for outdoor dining. Tavern setting. Prices are inexpensive.

**Tempura House**, 306 Center St., 414-249-8822: Japanese cuisine including crab rangoon appetizers, Hibachi chicken, shrimp and steak. Some Chinese entrees. Reservations are suggested. Prices are moderate.

**Su-Wing Chinese Restaurant**, 743 North St., 414-248-1178: Open at 11:30am; closed on Mondays. Chinese cuisine. Dine-in, carryout, drive through pick-up. Inexpensive to moderate prices. Decent food.

**Stein Steakhouse and Emporium**, 999 North Bloomfield Rd., 414-248-7997: Open Wednesday-Sunday at 5pm. Steaks, ribs, seafood. Moderate to expensive prices.

**Ristorante Brissago**, Grand Geneva Resort and Spa, 414-248-8811. Regional Italian cuisine from Northern Italy. Extensive wine list. Open for dinner 5pm-10pm Tuesday through Sunday. Closed Monday. The menu has changed in the last couple of years. Service is spotty. Make reservations.

**Original Chicago Pizza Company**, 150 Center St., 414-248-8544. Thin, pan, and stuffed style pizza for dine in, carryout, or local delivery. Menu also features salads, sandwiches, appetizers. Open at 11am daily. Inexpensive and excellent.

**Hogs and Kisses**, 149 Broad St., 414-248-7447: Sandwiches, barbecue pork, burgers, salads, appetizers, "macho nachos" Prices are reasonable.

**Harry's Café and Place**, 808 West Main St., 414-248-3494: Open 6:30am daily. American cuisine, breakfast specials. Prices are inexpensive.

**La Gustosa Pizza**, 820 Williams St., 414-248-8514: Closed Monday. Carryout and delivery of pizza and sandwiches. Inexpensive.

**Lake Aire Restaurant**, 804 Main St., 414-248-9913: Breakfast served all day. Gourmet coffees, cappuccino, and espresso. Open 7am - 9pm Sunday through Thursday. Open till 10pm on Friday and Saturday. Inexpensive. Serves beer and wine.

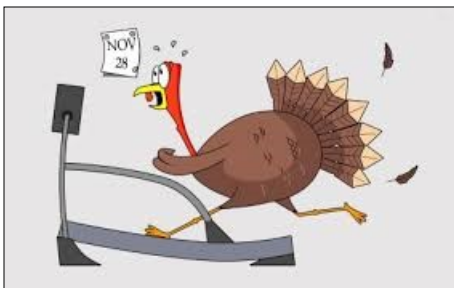
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**Isabella's Victorian Coffee**, 835 Geneva St., 414-249-9141: Vegetarian specialties including sandwiches, soups, and hot entrees. Fresh pressed vegetable juices, organic coffees and tea. Open 8am-6pm Monday-Thursday, 8am-9pm Friday, 9am - 9pm Saturday, and 9am-4pm Sunday. Prices are inexpensive.

**The Grandview** at the Geneva Inn, Hwy 120 S., 414-248-5690: Elegant, romantic atmosphere and fine gourmet dining including seafood, steak, pastas, and daily specials. Open for lunch 11:30am - 2:30pm. Champagne Sunday brunch 10:30am - 2pm. Dinner from 5pm Monday-Saturday, 3pm Sunday. Piano entertainment. Extensive wine list. Dressy casual attire requested. Prices are moderate.

## Halloween Humor...





# District 13 2016/2017 Grand National Teams

Saturday, February 25, 2017, 11:00 and TBA & Sunday, February 26, 2017, 11:00 and TBA

Hilton Northbrook, 2855 North Milwaukee Avenue, Northbrook, IL  
 Telephone: (847) 480-7500 Call for Bridge Rate!

The Championship Flight and Flight A events will take place over four sessions and will be concluded in a single weekend. **\*\*In Flight B alone, there may be two teams remaining at conclusion of play on Sunday. These teams will be responsible to determine a final date and place (area club) at which to play their Final. The Coordinator will work with the teams to find suitable arrangements for Final.\*\*** (See CoC on the District 13 website for more information.) 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	None
Flight A	Fewer than 6000 points	None
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 2016 masterpoint cycle**. This information was produced on August 6, 2016 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 may be required at the discretion of each Unit. 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 Zwiasek 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, 2017 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> if and 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 buying an entry.*

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

## At Griffins Club By Victor Mollo

We play quickly, for we feel that it is more dignified to make mistakes through lack of forethought than after mature deliberation.

	Rabbit	
	♠ 9873	
	♥ J	
	♦ AKQ	
	♣ AQ874	
N.P.		Papa
♠ KJ10		♠ Q4
♥ 10987		♥ 5432
♦ 432		♦ 108765
♣ J102		♣ 93
	Hog	
	♠ A652	
	♥ AKQ6	
	♦ J9	
	♣ K65	

Victor Mollo introduces us to the Griffins Club in *Bridge in the Menagerie* (1965), (T. Batswood Ltd, London, 1990). On this present occasion, the Hideous Hog (the best player in the club), is playing with the Rueful Rabbit (perhaps the worst player in the Western Hemisphere, and certainly the luckiest) Through a series of bumbling, blustering, blundering bidding, they arrive, in the following hand, at a final contract of 7♦. No, that is not a typo. The contract is 7♦ !!! You will be spared the bidding.

To make 13 tricks, the Hog has to take 4 heart tricks, the Ace of spades, Ace, King, Queen of clubs and ruff separately with all 5 diamonds. However, the 3rd club trick is going to be ruffed!! So here's how the cunning and crafty old Hog goes about it.

The lead of the ♥10 is taken with the ♥J. Over to the ♠A. He then plays AKQ of hearts, discarding dummy's spades. He now pretends a club finesse. But he wants to make sure West doesn't play any card that might suggest to East that something fishy is going on. So, as he leads a low club to the ♣Q, he offers West a cigarette, thrusting the packet right into his face. Non-smoking West, disconcerted, automatically plays low, and the Q holds!!! ♣A from dummy, followed by a low club. East, convinced by the "finesse", that his partner has the ♣K, and wishing to hold on to his diamonds, discards a spade. The Hog wins with the King, ruffs a ♠ in dummy, then a ♣ with his ♦9. He continues to cross ruff, over-ruffing East all the way, for 13 tricks.

Of course, with correct bidding, he could have made 7 clubs or 7 no trump, but, as he said, 7 diamonds was far more exhilarating.

Extraordinary upon extraordinary are the bridge happenings at the Griffins Club. Senior Kibitzer, Oscar the Owl, maintains a running commentary:

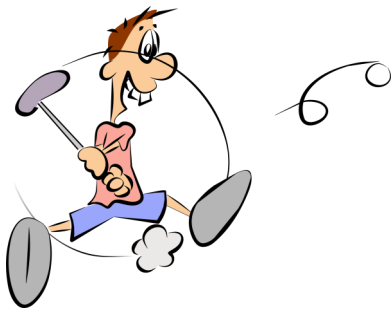
*Curious hand. Both sides can make 4 hearts.*

*An unusual hand. Both the best defense and the best dummy play, it seems, consist in blocking one's suits.*

# A bunker shot By Zia Mahmood Thursday 12 February 2009

The term “bunker shot” is not exclusive to golf. When a bridge player is in a perilous position, he can sometimes extricate himself with a delicate maneuver.

Today’s deal saw Robert Sheehan play a bunker shot of which Ernie Els would have been proud, and as his opponent I had to applaud his technique.



	<b>N</b>	
	♠	
	♥AQ732	
<b>W</b>	♦	<b>E</b>
♠Q75	♣AKQ109854	♠109832
♥K96	<b>S</b>	♥J105
♦QJ10973	♠AKJ64	♦K84
♣J	♥84	♣76
	♦A652	
	♣32	

Love all, dealer: North

Freak hands such as North’s do occur but advice on how to bid them is thin on the ground, and North chose to open with a game-forcing two clubs rather than a quiet one club. This auction ensued:

West	North	East	South
Zia			Sheehan
	2♣	Pass	2♠
Pass	3♣	Pass	3♦
Double	3♥	Pass	6NT
Pass	Pass	Pass	

The obvious lead from the West hand is the “safe” Queen of spades that would have left Sheehan easy access to the three top tricks in his hand to go with dummy’s nine winners. After bidding such as this, though, it can often be a winning play to lead dummy’s long suit, so I chose Jack of clubs. Sheehan won in dummy and my partner contributed the seven. When Sheehan went into a profound study, I knew I had a good lead – declarer did not have the 6 of clubs to cross to his hand, nor the Jack of hearts because the play would be automatic if he did. Stuck in dummy, Sheehan would have to concede two heart tricks for one down.

Instead, declarer cashed dummy’s clubs, discarding various things from his hand, then he called for a low heart from the dummy and the defenders were fixed. Either of us could win the heart lead, but would have to return a spades or a diamond, giving declarer access to the winners in his hand, or a heart to the four winners in dummy. Out of the bunker and into the hole – no need even to putt.



## Tournament Information

**No Smoking Policy:** No smoking is allowed in the convention center, lobby, washrooms, fire exits, or service areas. Smokers must go outside to puff.

**Partnerships:** Singles should check in at the partnership desk 45 minutes before game time to allow those attending to arrange partnerships. **The Partnership Volunteer** is in charge of the partnership desk and will do his best to arrange suitable liaisons. The desk will be open prior to the morning, afternoon, and evening sessions. If no one is at the desk, leave a note, or contact Sharon in person please.

**Partnership Desk/Daily Bulletin Distribution:** Check the Partnership Desk for hand records, tournament schedules, area info, and pick up your copy of the **Daily Hand-Out** each morning.

A bulletin box on the table is available for you to submit any interesting hands, amusing bridge-related stories, or puzzles for publication in the daily bulletins. If you become a new life master while at the tournament, please drop a note in the bulletin box. Include your name, home town, and the event in which you went over please.

Check your *Daily Hand-out* for specific hospitality information for the weekend and any other special events or tournament news during your stay.

**Recorder Slips**, should you need them (and we hope you don't), are available from the directors.

**Score Corrections:** For pair events, the score correction period expires at the start of the next session. For the last session of an event, the correction period expires after twenty-four hours or thirty minutes after the end of the tournament, whichever is earlier. See the director as soon as possible if you discover an error in your score. The appeal period for a director's ruling expires thirty minutes after the completion of the session.



Tournament Chairman:

Suzi Subeck

Hospitality: Adrienne Cohen

Partnerships: Jan Churchwell

Daily **Hand-Out** Editor: Suzi Subeck

# Bridge Yesterday: A Vienna Coup by Paul F. Zweifel

I frequently go over to visit my friend (and sometime partner) Lewis Barnett to thumb through his huge collection of old bridge magazines, including Bridge World back to year one. On a recent browsing expedition I was struck by the relative lack of sophistication of the analyses of yesteryear compared to those of today. Here is a good example, but it's not from Lewis's collection. Rather it's a hand I played in a sectional tournament in Amsterdam, New York back in 1954. The tournament director liked the hand so much that he passed it on to Florence Osborn, bridge editor of the New York Herald Tribune, who used it in her daily column.

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

♠ 10 9 6 2  
♥ 7 5  
♦ J 10 9 3  
♣ 7 5 2

♠ K Q 8 4  
♥ A J 8 6 4 3  
♦ 8 5  
♣ T

♠ J 7  
♥ 9 2  
♦ A K Q 4  
♣ A Q 9 8 4

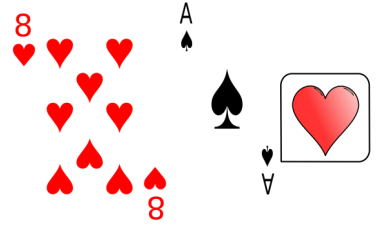
(NS were vulnerable.) Sitting South I opened one club which my partner raised to three—a 1954 bid, but certainly effective in this case! East chanced a three-heart overcall (today she might have tried a non-vulnerable four hearts, which would have made the auction much more difficult for us). Over the actual three-heart call, I bid four diamonds, partner cued four hearts and I put it in six clubs.

West led the heart seven; East topped the king with her ace and after some thought shifted to a diamond. The cards made a spade-heart squeeze against East look possible, although there's also that fourth diamond to worry about. After the ace and king of clubs revealed the three-one break I played off three rounds of diamonds and happily West, who held the last trump, had to follow suit. After ruffing the fourth diamond in dummy, I cashed the spade ace and returned to my hand with a trump. The last trump then squeezed East.





**What am I?**



**Card Shark,  
of course!!**

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**<http://acbl-district13.org/RegionalHandouts.htm>**

Lost or Found items should be taken to the Information Desk and a form should be completed to insure proper return of items. Thank you. The tournament committee

**Remember:** Bridge is a timed event. Keep up the pace of the event. You will have more time for dinner, drinks and discussion after the session!



**Come to the Hospitality Suite:**

**Tuesday night through Saturday night, Room 2120 will serve as our hospitality suite from 10:30 p.m. to midnight. Please join us for a drink and snack food and a chance to discuss the day's hands!**

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A nicely played hand, if I do say so myself. The unblocking play of the ace of spades in known as the “Vienna Coup” in the bridge literature; it converts a positional squeeze, which would work only against West, to an “automatic squeeze,” i.e. one which works against either opponent. But it’s crucial to play the diamonds before drawing the third round of trumps; otherwise there’s no entry back to the closed hand to play the last club, the squeeze card.

I was so pleased with Florence Osborn’s accolades on my play that it was some time before I realized that East had blown the defense at trick one by not ducking! Usually (but not always) a squeeze works only if declarer can take all but one of the remaining tricks; losing a trick or tricks to arrive at such a position is called “rectifying the count.” Frequently defenders can defend against a squeeze position by refusing to help declarer rectify, and this was just such a case. There’s just no play for the contract if East ducks the heart lead. Since “MUD” leads were popular in those days (middle from three) East may have been worried that I had a singleton heart and six clubs, but then I would have ducked the heart lead and later ruffed out the ace to provide a discard for my losing spade. Today most players lead third best from three so there would be no problem reading the lead as a doubleton or singleton. But if declarer held three hearts he was dead from the get-go.) Note that if I had held the Qx of spades rather than Jx I can always make the hand, even after the duck, on a throw-in. And if I had held the QJ, I might have opted for the simple finesse instead of the squeeze. But perhaps not... One of my long-ago partners, the legendary Jack Hancock, advised me that if given a choice between two equally promising lines of play I should always choose the more elegant. How else to make the newspapers?

And why didn’t East double the slam, telling partner not to lead a heart? And why didn’t West lead a spade anyway when East failed to double the four-heart cue bid? East, who was actually a very fine player, perhaps felt that her failure to double four hearts was an adequate lead indicator. A double of the final bid, calling for an “unusual lead” could then conceivably ask for a heart lead after all.

In retrospect, I think that East played too fast to trick one, and realized a split second too late that she should have ducked the opening lead. She can now easily visualize the end position. After four rounds of diamonds and five rounds of clubs, East will be down to K of spades and Jx of hearts. Her only hope is that declarer will have forgotten to make the Vienna coup play of unblocking the spade ace from dummy. That must be the reason she returned a diamond at trick two, instead of the obvious King of spades; why make it easy for declarer to make the right play? If the spade king is returned at trick two, East will have to hope that her partner holds the spade Jack.

Today the declarer play might be considered so routine as not to merit comment in a bridge column. The ducking play in hearts would probably be discussed at length, and there might be some dispute as to the proper way for East to coax a spade lead from partner. This is simply a reflection of how much bridge has improved in the past 50 years.

	8		7			6
				6		3
2				9		5
7						
5						8
	2	4	5			
	5	8	3			2
4		9				7
				5		9

Sudoku 1

3				8		5
					4	
	2				6	9
8		2			5	
	9			6		1
5					7	
	8		2			
	3		5			7

Sudoku 2

# Medium Sudoku

**Windy City  
Limousine  
the official  
Limo Company  
of District 13**



**It's about time!**

Solution: Puzzle 2

2	3	4	5	9	8	7	1	6
6	8	7	2	4	1	5	3	9
5	1	9	6	3	7	2	8	4
4	9	5	8	6	3	1	2	7
8	7	2	9	1	5	4	6	3
1	6	3	4	7	2	8	9	5
7	2	8	3	5	6	9	4	1
9	5	6	1	2	4	3	7	8
3	4	1	7	8	9	6	5	2

Solution: Puzzle 1

6	7	2	1	5	4	8	3	9
4	3	9	6	8	2	5	7	1
1	5	8	3	9	7	6	2	4
8	2	4	5	6	3	9	1	7
5	9	3	7	2	1	4	6	8
7	1	6	9	4	8	3	5	2
2	6	7	8	3	9	1	4	5
9	4	5	2	1	6	7	8	3
3	8	1	4	7	5	2	9	6



# Puzzle Page ...

## Puzzle Details:

During a recent police investigation, Chief Inspector Stone was interviewing five local villains to try and identify who stole Mrs Archer's cake from the mid-summers fayre. Below is a summary of their statements:

Arnold: it wasn't Edward  
it was Brian

Brian: it wasn't Charles  
it wasn't Edward

Charles: it was Edward  
it wasn't Arnold

Derek: it was Charles  
it was Brian

Edward: it was Derek  
it wasn't Arnold

It was well known that each suspect told exactly one lie. Can you determine who stole the cake?

**The District 13 I/N Newsletters are available at:**

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

## **Answer to Puzzle...**

### **No Peeking!**

Therefore it must have been Charles who committed the crime. Double checking this against the other statements confirms this.

Looking at Derek's statements, for the same reason, it was either Charles or Brian.

Looking at Brian's statements, one of the statements was a lie and the other was the truth. Therefore it must have been either Charles or Edward.

**Answer:** Charles committed the terrible crime.

**Hint:** Look at Brian's statements first.

# How light should an opening bid be? by Gordon Bower

## Part I

### ***Part I: First and second seat openings***

#### ***The traditional view***

When people talk about opening light, they usually are talking about opening in third seat, after partner and right-hand opponent have already passed. There are still many people who adhere to the old Goren rule: “open all hands with 14 or more points, and those with 13 points and a good rebid.” (Traditional Goren adds points for short suits as opener, so his minimum strength was 12-13 HCP for 4432 and 5332 distribution, 11-12 HCP with 5422 or 5431 shape, and 10-11HCP with 5-5 or 6-4 hands.) The modern equivalent of Goren’s guideline is the “rule of twenty:”

#### **The rule of twenty:**

Add your HCP and the number of cards you hold in your two longest suits. If the total is 20 or more, open the bidding; if not, pass.

In fact many people play *sounder* opening bids than the Rule of Twenty recommends. Max Hardy’s *Two Over One Game Force* says this: “All hands with 13 HCP should be opened. Hands with 12 HCP are opening bids when they have two defensive tricks and no rebid problem. Hands with 11 HCP are opening bids if the high cards are primary and placed in the long suits (it would be criminal to pass with AKxxx-Axxx). . . the guide to whether or not to open with marginal high card holdings is the shape of the hand and placement of the high cards. Do not open with a bad balanced 12 count in first or second seat, but a distributional 10 count with combinations of primary cards in long suits should be opened.” This is “rule of 20.5 or 21” — only the most exceptional rule-of-20 hands are opening bids. The Roth-Stone system, a predecessor of modern 2/1, was even stricter.

Traditional Precision allows openings on 11 HCP and a good 5-card suit, or 13HCP with a flat hand. This is essentially rule of 20 with a few rare exceptions.

Some modern systems (rarely seen in North America, and uncommon in most of the rest of the world) take a wildly different approach, opening many or even all hands in the 8-12 HCP range in first seat, but using a completely different, usually highly artificial, set of responses. [I need to add some links here to examples] However this article is aimed only at natural 5-card major systems like Standard American and 2/1.

#### ***What are the rest of your agreements?***

Exactly which hands you should open in first and second seat depends in part on what treatments you use in the rest of your system. Before you read on, ask yourself which of these popular methods do you and your regular partner use:

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- 1NT Forcing response to 1♥ or 1♠ opening
- 2/1 Game Forcing responses
- Drury (Regular, Reverse, Two-Way, etc.)
- Fourth Suit Forcing
- Delayed Stayman or New Minor Forcing

It may not be obvious to you at first — but you have to consider *your whole system* when deciding which hands to open. If you start by rigidly adhering to a guide like the Rule of 20 and then try to decide what response and rebid methods to play, you're going to give yourself some unnecessary headaches. This isn't an area that the textbooks talk about much, and it's one that I see cause disasters every day in tournaments even for experienced partnerships.

### ***The Key Question***

Any time you're in a borderline situation and can't decide whether to open the bidding or not in first or second seat, there is a question you should ask yourself. First, imagine you decide to open; think of what your partner's most likely responses are, and decide how happy you will be about finding a rebid in that auction. Then, imagine you decide to pass; think of what your partner is most likely to open, and decide how you'd respond to him. Which half of that exercise was easier for you?

*If you aren't sure whether to open the bidding or not, ask yourself—*

***Which will be easier — opening and having to find a rebid, or passing and having to find a response to my partner's opening bid?***

If you have a hand that's easy to bid either way, go ahead and open; no reason not to take up some bidding space and make your opponents' lives a little tougher.

If you have a hand that can open and then rebid easily, but can't think of any response that will do justice to your hand if partner opens, then *open yourself* and prevent partner from posing an impossible problem to you.

If you won't have a good rebid if you open, but you *do* know how to describe your hand as responder, pass — don't create trouble for yourself by opening, let partner make your life easy for you.

Hopefully, you won't run across many hands that you can't describe adequately whether you are opener or responder. If you do, you have just identified a flaw in your current bidding system. No bidding system is perfect; but if you find this happens to you frequently — it's time to look for ways to improve your methods, not just bemoan your bad luck.



## Examples

Now let's look at some typical hands you might be faced with as the dealer, and decide whether or not they should be opened, by asking ourselves that key question. Be warned — some of the answers may surprise you! It's not as simple as just saying "2/1 players need sounder opening bids than Standard players do." Think back to the list of conventions I mentioned:

- *1NT Forcing* means that a 1♥ or 1♠ opener *always* has to find a second bid — passing with a weak hand and 5332 shape isn't allowed anymore.
- *2/1 Game Forcing* is based on the principle that to make a 2/1 response, you're certain the partnership's assets will produce a game. That means the weaker opener is allowed to be, the stronger responder will have to be to bid a 2/1, and the more often responder will have to resort to using 1NT Forcing.
- *Drury* makes it easier to show an 11-point hand with 3-card trump support after passing, but makes it harder to show a club suit (or a diamond suit, if you play 2-way Drury).
- *Fourth Suit Forcing* and *New Minor Forcing* give responder more flexibility and make it easier to handle wider-ranging opening bids. Some people use opener's 3rd bid in a NMF auction to distinguish between minimum and maximum hands for the 1m-1M-1NT sequence.

## Two-suited hands

These are probably the most clear-cut cases of how your shape influences whether to be aggressive or conservative in first or second seat. Look at these six hands, and see how much difference it makes which of your suits is longer:

1. ♠ JT9xx ♥ KQxx ♦ Axx ♣ x
2. ♠ xx ♥ Kxxxx ♦ KQxx ♣ Kx
3. ♠ KJxx ♥ Qxx ♦ x ♣ AJxxx
4. ♠ KQxx ♥ Kxxxx ♦ Kxx ♣ x
5. ♠ x ♥ Axxx ♦ KJxxx ♣ Kxx
5. ♠ Jxx ♥ x ♦ QJxx ♣ AQJxx

With the first three hands, it's easy for you to open in your longest suit and rebid in your second suit. Hand 1 might not be too bad if you pass; partner will probably open a minor and rebid 1NT, and you just have to decide if this is a weak or an invitational hand, and figure out if you can distinguish 5-4 and 5-5 hands after 1♣-1♠-1NT. You won't find many books telling you to open hand 2, but I don't know why not: if you pass and partner opens a spade — or if the opponents bid spades — you have no hope

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of describing this hand to your partner. (This opening is safer in SA than 2/1, because a 2♣ response is less likely to get you too high; but the risks of passing are so great I'd open Hand 2 playing either system.) Hand 3 has an easy 1♠ rebid if you open, and if you play FSF you'll still be able to find a 5-3 heart fit. If you pass, you'll have to pass again after it goes 1♦-1♠-1NT, or overbid and lose your 4-4 spade fit with 1♦-2♣. If you pass and partner has hearts, people who don't play Drury will be miserable.

Hands 4-6 are just the opposite of the first three. If you open Hand 4 with 1♥ and your partner says anything other than 1♠, I can promise you won't like how the rest of the auction unfolds.

With Hand 5 you have no rebid if it starts 1♦-1♠, but over partner's 1♠ opening you have an easy 2♦ and will be happy with whatever your partner rebids. IF your partner starts with 1♣ and RHO overcalls 1♠ you can make a negative double and then introduce the diamonds if partner fails to show enthusiasm for the hearts.

Hand 6 is the worst of both worlds. If you open 1♣, you're going to be stuck raising 1♠ on Jxx, rebidding your 5-card club suit, or contemplating a ugly 1NT over 1♥. If partner opens 1♥, Standard players are happy with 2♣ but Drury people are up a creek; if partner opens 1♠, it's the other way round. At least if you pass, the opponents might bid and raise a major and let you come back in with 2NT.

With non-touching suits, it's not so clear what to do, because partner might bid either of your two short suits. Go with your gut instincts, but here are my personal preferences:

- 4 hearts and 5 clubs: Pass. 1♣-1♠ is a problem.
- 5 hearts and 4 clubs: Open; partner is more likely to respond 1♠ than 2♦. If you pass and partner opens 1♠ it's bad, if he opens 1♦ you might still find hearts via FSF/NMF.
- 4 spades and 5 diamonds, or 5 spades and 4 diamonds: tossup. (Can you see a reflection in your partner's eyeglasses to tell you how many hearts he has?)
- 5 spades and 5 diamonds: I tend to pass, since I have the master suit and will probably have a chance to bid it however the auction develops. You'll find plenty of experts who disagree, and are eager to open these hands to preempt.
- 5 hearts and 5 clubs: I tend to bid, to get the hearts into the auction before the opponents mention the spades, and again, I am more likely to hear 1♠ than 2♦ from partner.

In summary, with two-suiters, rather than "rule of 20 always", think "rule of 20 if my second suit is easy to show, wait for full opening high-card values if not."

## Balanced hands

This section of the article will strike some of you as heretical. But bear with me. Especially if you can open 1♣ and not 1♦, you should be *happy* to open many 4333 and 4432 hands in first seat with only a bad 12 or even 11 HCP! Why? The same reason as before ... look ahead to the second round of the bidding.

With a weak balanced hand, you always have an easy rebid: if partner responds in a major and you have 4-card support, raise him to two; if not, rebid 1NT. If you pass as dealer with these hands, here is a sampling of what might happen on the second round:

If partner opens a major and you have 4-card support for it, everything is fine: you will give him a limit raise. Similarly, if partner opens 1♥ and you have 4 spades and 2 hearts, you have an easy 1♠ response. Hands like these don't give you response problems when your partner opens and they aren't too bad if the opponents open and you or your partner makes a takeout double. With *these* four hand patterns (4432, 4423, 4234, 4243) you are not under pressure to open the bidding in first seat with a subminimum hand.

With other distributions it's not so pretty. If partner opens 1♠ and you have 2443, 2434, or 2344 and 11-12 points, your textbook bid is a jump to 2NT. If partner opened light you now have only one way to escape in a partscore — passing 2NT. If partner is strong, he has limited bidding room to decide which suit is your best fit and consider slam exploration. Wouldn't you be so much better off if you'd opened 1 of a minor, partner had responded 1♣, and you had rebid 1NT?

What if you have 3-card support for your partner's major after you pass and he opens? You need one more trump to give a limit raise. If you bid 2 of a new suit, partner might pass, since you're a passed hand. Even if you play 1NT Forcing, that probably doesn't apply either now that you are a passed hand. You really have three choices:

- You can adopt Drury. Now you can respond an artificial 2♣ when you have a 3-card limit raise for partner's 3rd-set opening. The down side is that you have traded one problem for another: now it is hands with a club suit that are hard to bid. People use various workarounds: opening the club hands light (but should they rebid 1NT or 2♣ after partner's 1M response?); using the jump shift to 3♣ by a passed hand (but do you really want to be that high with your ♠Jx ♥AQx ♦xx ♣KJxxx after partner opens 1♠?); or sticking a bunch of semibalanced and unbalanced hands into your 1NT and 2NT responses.
- You can agree that 1NT and/or 2m by a passed hand is still absolutely forcing on opener. This is playable, with the same plusses and minuses as 1NT Forcing by an unpassed hand. The down side: it limits your ability to open light in 3rd seat, which we'll come to in Part II of this series. Especially newer players might like the simplicity of this approach. Almost no experts currently use it, though.

Yes, you guessed it ... *open* all your weak balanced hands including a 3-card major with 11 or 12 points, instead of waiting for partner to open them! The catch here is that you need to have a mechanism to uncover the 5-3 fit after 1m-1M-1NT. That



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means playing some form of Delayed Stayman or New Minor Forcing. Ideally a form that allows opener to show both whether he is minimum or maximum for his 1NT bid and whether he has 3-card support for responder's suit.

Not surprisingly, the last is my personal recommendation. In a later article, I will describe my preferred form of Delayed Stayman which I use to handle my 11-14 1NT rebid. If you play this way, you'll open many flat hands that don't meet the rule of 20, and even some that don't meet the rule of 19.

### **One-suited hands**

One-suited hands (6331, 6322, and more extreme shapes) have the best of both worlds. If you open 1 of your suit, you are guaranteed to have an easy rebid: 2 of your suit, to show minimum values and six cards! The choice with these hands is not *whether* to open, but *what* to open. Hands with 11 HCP and a 6-card suit meet the textbook requirements for a 1-bid *and* for a weak two-bid.

Playing classic Standard American, my advice is to open with a weak two if you have only one side suit stopped, but open at the 1-level with two side suits stopped (and a correspondingly weaker long suit.) In fact with one of my regular partners, I play Ogust over weak twos, modified so that instead of a vague "good or bad hand, good or bad suit quality," I show specifically "side stopper or not, 2 of top 3 trump honors or not."

If you play 2/1 you have to be a bit more careful: do you really want to open 1M on your 10- or 11-count and hear your partner force to game by bidding two of your singleton? For 2/1 players, I recommend the same rule for your weak twos, but to *pass* the questionable hands with scattered values and a weak 6-card suit. You'll show these hands the same way you would if they had a good 5-card suit.

Of course, with a 6331 or 6322 hand with 3 cards in the other major, the problems described in the balanced hands section above still apply.

People who play Standard American might well choose to open 1 of a suit — especially 1♥, which is likely to be shut out by the opponents bidding spades — with 5332 shape and only 11 points, planning to escape by passing a non-forcing 1NT response or by rebidding 1NT over 1♠ themselves. If you play 1NT Forcing (and especially if you play 2/1GF), this becomes too dangerous, and you'll have to plan on showing these as a responder on the second round. Provided you have good FSF/NMF agreements and they still apply to a passed hand, this isn't anything to worry about. Playing 2/1 *without* having FSF(1 round) or NMF still apply to a passed hand is dangerous, because a lot of 24HCP games on 5-3 major fits get lost if you can't describe these 11-point 5332s.

*Ed. note: In light of the recent happenings at the World Bridge Championships, this seemed like a timely article for posting. There is much controversy about light third seat openers especially in combination with strong club hands and nebulous 1D opening bids... Just some food for thought!*

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				WED PC GOLD RUSH PAIRS 2ND OF 3 SESSION							
				NORTH-SOUTH	SECTIONS I J L	EAST-WEST					
3.45	7	3	1	Linda Ankers, Virginia Beach VA; Charles	65.22%	3.45	7	3	1	J Thomas Johnson - Barbara Chasnoff, Chicago IL	64.76%
2.42	2			Forrest Schneider, Northbrook IL;	63.41%	2.42	2	1		Peter Fox, Denver CO; Michael Barth, Washington DC	64.58%
1.73	3			Barton Blum, Waupaca WI; Eugene Trieglaff, Patricia	60.14%	1.73	3			Paul Kubala Jr, Huntley IL; Judy Bonardi,	62.23%
1.77	4	1		Sarasota FL; Eric Ray Parnell, Wonder Lake IL; Neil Kazaross, Kris Stephens, Hilton Head Is SC; Winona	59.51%	1.21	4			Sandy Fisher, Plymouth MN; Diane Fansler, Lois Smith, Milwaukee WI; Dianne Kiehl,	58.06%
1.24	5	2		Michael Matthies - Stewart Margolis, Bonnie Clarke, Franklin TN; Ginger Griffin, Catherine Wright, Rockford IL;	59.06%	0.92	5			Ann Martin, Oregon IL; Sherry Heidenreich, Davis IL	57.16%
0.79	6			Robert Larson, Rob Apel, East Dubuque IL; William Baum,	57.61%	1.29	6	2		Gregory Peticara, Westchester IL; Ted Pristash - William Sommerfield,	55.07%
0.70	7			Barbara Gomberg, Highland Park IL;	57.34%	0.70	7			Karen Ann Miller - Raymond Tower Jr, Crystal Lake IL	54.98%
0.63	8				55.98%	0.63	8			Gregg Underheim, Oshkosh WI; Anthony Prieue,	54.71%
0.58	9				54.08%	0.92	9	3	1	Deborah Christian, Hot	53.08%
0.53	10				53.99%	0.64	10/11	4			52.17%
0.89	11	3	1			0.51	10/11				

0.46	12		Sherry Goldberg, Robert Lee Jr, Newark IL;	53.26%	0.46	12		Springs Vlg AR; Charles Shoham, Madison WI;	52.17%
0.62	13	4	Gregory Linda Odette - Joyce Werner, Bloomington IL	52.54%	0.43	13	5	Michael Reedy, Diane Ogradowski, Peoria AZ; James Degener, Norwalk WI	51.81%
0.41	14		Barbara Worden - Linda Murphy, Rockford IL	52.36%	0.41	14		Barbara Swansby, Pewaukee WI;	51.72%
0.33	5/6		Leah Laurie, Chicago IL; Ralph Schindler Jr,	50.82%	0.31		6	Betty McDermott, Helen Rugowski, Madison WI;	51.63%
0.57	5/6	2	Donna Katz, Prairie Village KS; Patricia	50.63%	0.26		7	Charles Sandra Karnatz, Mount Prospect IL; Emily Davis,	51.45%
0.25	7		Michael Swiontek, Kaukauna WI; Wayne Peters,	50.63%	0.57		2	Mary Ellen Laue, Wilmette IL;	50.82%
				49.28%				Kristin Brennan,	47.74%

WED PC PAIRS 2ND OF 3 SESSION											
NORTH-SOUTH			SECTIONS	G	H	EAST-WEST					
A	B	C				A	B	C			
4.96	1	1	David Bogolub, Deerfield IL;			4.96	1		Serdar Ogut, Darien IL; Larry Cohen, Elmhurst IL	64.32%	
3.47	2		Rick Schoenfield, Rosanne Schabinger, Mount Prospect IL; Gail	61.08%		3.47	2		Paolo Ranaldi, Eau Claire WI;	60.99%	
2.48	3		Sandi Leavitt - Army Leavitt, Highland Park IL	60.20%		2.84	3	1	1	Serge Bondar, Wheeling IL; Kazi Farooqui,	60.07%
1.74	4		David Raitt, Madison WI; Nancy Ogreenc, Wautoma WI	57.79%		1.74	4		Peter Petruzzellis, Pickering ON; Sue	58.97%	
0.99	5		David Lehman, Glenview IL; Dick Melson, Chicago IL	56.31%		0.99	5		Robert Gardner, Glenview IL; Ron Smith, Chicago IL	58.28%	
0.83	6		John Russell, N Barrington IL;	56.04%		1.99	6	2	2	Elizabeth Meffert, Madison WI; Jan Cobb,	55.13%
0.71	7		Norman Coombs, Terry Beckman, Brooklyn Park MN;	55.21%		1.42	7	3		Diane Clark, Elgin IL; Platt Hill, Saint	54.59%
0.62	8		John Koch, Saint Suzi Subeck, Glenview Nas IL;	53.39%		0.99	8	4	3	Norman Rosenstein, Winnetka IL;	52.79%
0.55	9		Stanton Subeck, Judy Zhu - Jack Snyder, Naperville IL	52.01%		0.55	9		Jacob Morgan, Madison WI; James Melville,	52.11%	
0.50	10		Thomas Ahmann Sr, Mexico MO; Connie Pugh, Columbia MO	51.92%		0.50	10		William Wickham, Naperville IL;	51.01%	
1.46		2	Judith Freeman - Theresa Schneider,	51.01%		0.61		5	4	Robert Maxson, Patricia Wittmaack -	49.73%
1.31		3	1	Mark Holle, Downers Grove IL;	50.62%				6	Olivia Harrison, Bonnie Hartwig, Oakwood GA; Doris Needham, Navarre FL	47.81%
0.92		4	2	Michael Ellgass, Joanne Rattan, Kenosha WI; Paul Dorsey, Racine WI	50.27%						
					50.19%						

WED PC PAIRS 1ST OF 3 SESSION										
NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION	G		EAST-WEST				
A	B	C				A	B	C		
3.65	1		Suzanne Dunaway, Oak Park IL;			3.65	1		Robert Gardner, Glenview IL; Ron Smith, Chicago IL	72.28%
2.56	2		Michael Kutska, Judy Zhu - Jack Snyder, Naperville IL	63.78%		2.56	2		David Raitt, Madison WI; Nancy Ogreenc, Wautoma WI	57.21%
1.83	3		John Russell, N Barrington IL;	56.73%		1.97	3	1	John Weber, Watseka IL;	53.21%
1.28	4		Norman Coombs, Terry Beckman,	55.77%					Loring Knoblauch,	

0.73	5			Brooklyn Park MN; John Koch, Saint Jacob Morgan, Madison WI; James Melville,	54.17%	1.38	4	2	1	Robert Kruger - Janet Brandt, Elgin IL	52.72%
1.64	6	1	1	Mark Holle, Downers Grove IL; Michael Ellgass, Mary Persinger, Winfield IL; Vicki Sosnay,	51.76%	0.73	5			Adrienne Muslin, Tampa FL; Joe Angermeier, St	52.56%
1.15		2			50.64%	0.92	6/7	3/4	2	Barry Erlich, Glen Ellyn IL; Leonard Nelson, Diane Clark, Elgin IL; Platt Hill, Saint	50.16%
					47.76%	0.84	6/7	3/4			50.16%

WED PC GOLD RUSH PAIRS 1ST OF 3 SESSION  
NORTH-SOUTH                      SECTIONS I J L                      EAST-WEST

3.29	7	3	1	Gregory Perticara, Westchester IL; Gregg Underheim, Oshkosh WI; Anthony Priewe, Deborah Christian, Hot Springs Vlg AR; Lois Michaels, Northbrook IL; Fern Emmerman, Paul Kubala Jr, Huntley IL; Judy Bonardi, Charles Shoham, Madison WI; Michael Reedy, June Mutchler, Rockford IL; Laurence Catherine Westbrook, Winnetka IL; Helen Rugowski, Madison WI; Charles Ted Pristash - William Sommerfield, Karen Ann Miller - Raymond Tower Jr, Crystal Lake IL Richard Frier, Crystal Lake IL; Phyllis Kenseth, Richard Simonds - Bonnie Simonds, Kenilworth IL Sharon May, Waukesha WI; Charles Congo, Lee Petzold - Nishat Chishti, Kenosha WI Genny Cesario, Elmhurst IL; Carol Gross, Carol Knoblauch, Chicago IL; Missy Ravid, Winnetka IL	62.71%	3.29	1	7	3	1	Barbara Gomberg, Highland Park IL; Sherry Goldberg, David Germaine - Philip Cummata, Huntley IL Jeffrey Copsy - James Bloedorn, La Crosse WI Linda Odette - Joyce Werner, Bloomington IL Barbara Flaxman, Chicago IL; Eleanor Bloom, Michael Matthies - Stewart Margolis, Fran Fey - Karen Girardy, Rockford IL Janice Koerner, Huntley IL; Susan Powers, N Kris Stephens, Hilton Head Is SC; Winona Leah Laurie, Chicago IL; Ralph Schindler Jr, Curtis Wehling, Glenview IL; Maryann Salsbury, Margaret Majewski, Oak Brook IL; Carolyn Bonnie Clarke, Franklin TN; Ginger Griffin, Michael Swiontek, Kaukauna WI; Wayne Peters, Sharon Jane Goggins, Oconomowoc WI;	62.80%
2.30	2	1			62.43%	2.30	2				61.69%	
1.65	3				61.72%	1.65	3				60.82%	
1.15	4				59.41%	1.20	4	2			56.81%	
0.87	5				58.91%	0.87	5				55.83%	
0.76	6				55.26%	0.76	6				54.92%	
1.29	7	2			55.05%	0.86	7	3			54.19%	
0.60	8				54.96%	0.60	8				53.77%	
0.92	9	3			54.67%	0.55	9				52.98%	
0.51	10				54.51%	0.60	10	4			52.60%	
0.82	11	4	1		51.99%	0.47	11	5			52.07%	
0.44	12				51.91%	0.44	12				51.79%	
0.41	13	5			51.64%	0.41	13				51.57%	
0.39	14				51.29%	0.39	14	6			51.31%	
0.31		6			50.70%	0.57			2		50.27%	
0.26		7			50.50%							
0.57		2			46.46%							

TUES PC PAIRS 27.0 Tables / Based on 67 Tables

	A	X	Y								
32.13	1			John Russell, N Barrington IL; Norman Coombs, Brookville IN						61.82%	
24.10	2			David Raitt, Madison WI; Nancy Ogreenc, Wautoma WI						60.24%	

18.07	3			Judy Zhu - Jack Snyder, Naperville IL	60.04%
13.55	4			Howard Engle, Highland Park IL; Mark Friedlander, Deerfield IL	59.32%
10.71	5			David Lehman, Glenview IL; Dick Melson, Chicago IL	59.15%
9.18	6			Serdar Ogut, Darien IL; Carol Crossman, Wheaton IL	58.75%
8.03	7			James Melville, Springfield IL; Jacob Morgan, Madison WI	58.33%
7.14	8			Daniel Levin, Deerfield IL; David Langer, Buffalo Grove IL	57.96%
11.60	9	1	1	Victor Johnson, Evansville WI; Cindy Strohm, Madison WI	55.68%
5.84	10			Terry Beckman, Brooklyn Park MN; John Koch, Saint Cloud MN	55.48%
8.70	11	2		David Bogolub, Deerfield IL; Rick Schoenfield, Westchester IL	55.40%
4.94	12			Peter Petruzzellis, Pickering ON; Sue Lan Ma, Kirtland Hills OH	54.98%
6.53	13	3		Diane Clark, Elgin IL; Platt Hill, Saint Charles IL	54.91%
4.28	14			Bob Meixner - Gordon Decker, Hinsdale IL	54.87%
4.89	4			Fred Clayton, Carol Stream IL; Simon Sellers, Tower Lakes IL	54.16%
4.73	5	2		Robert Kruger - Janet Brandt, Elgin IL	53.57%
3.31	6			Theresa Schneider - Julie Koslow, Northbrook IL	52.51%
3.51	7			Gayle Marr, Ft Walton Beach FL; Karen Couch, Destin FL	50.27%
2.81		3		Thomas Aldrich III, Palatine IL; Gordon Parks, Long Grove IL	48.30%
2.11		4		Carol Knoblauch - Loring Knoblauch, Chicago IL	46.97%
2.19		5		Judy Bonardi, Arlington Hgts IL; Kathy Preziosi, Prospect Hgts IL	46.88%

TUE PC GOLD RUSH PAIRS 31.5 Tables / Based on 30 Tables

9.19	7	3	1	Gregg Underheim, Oshkosh WI; Anthony Priewe, Green Bay WI	61.73%
6.89	1	1		Dianne Kiehl, Muskego WI; Thomas Louchbaum, Milwaukee WI	60.21%
5.17	2			Margaret Young, Elmhurst IL; Arlene Doyle, La Grange IL	58.30%
3.88	3			Catherine Westbrook, Winnetka IL; Dolores Baumgart, Chicago IL	57.45%
4.13	4	2		Patricia Schroeder, Sarasota FL; Eric Mayer, Richmond IL	57.35%
3.10	5	3		Ann Martin, Oregon IL; Fran Fey, Rockford IL	56.90%
2.30	6			Laina Marsh - Monica Ansay, Oconomowoc WI	56.60%
2.80	7	4	1	Michael Dunn, Downers Grove IL; Monte Lamb, Hinsdale IL	55.71%
3.14	8			Sandy Fisher, Plymouth MN; Diane Fansler, Edina MN	55.63%
1.67	9			Marvin Oldenburger - Sharon Oldenburger, Antioch IL	54.73%
2.20	10			Jeffrey Copsey - James Bloedorn, La Crosse WI	54.50%
2.10	11	5	2	Gwen Rieser, Madison WI; Vera King, Waunakee WI	54.40%
1.84	12	6		Ralph Schindler Jr, Hinsdale IL; Leah Laurie, Chicago IL	54.21%
2.09	13	7		Caron Espinosa, Mokena IL; Patrice Princehorn, Homewood IL	54.17%
1.58		3		Tracy Nolan, Winnetka IL; Vicki Walker, Kenilworth IL	50.91%
1.18		4		Martha Adams, Barrington Hls IL; Greg Maccoubrey, Crystal Lake IL	50.05%



WED PC PAIRS 24.0 Tables / Based on 63 Tables

	A	B	C	
31.43	1			Serdar Ogut, Darien IL; Larry Cohen, Elmhurst IL 65.17%
23.57	2			Robert Gardner, Glenview IL; Ron Smith, Chicago IL 65.15%
17.68	3	1		David Bogolub, Deerfield IL; Rick Schoenfield, Westchester IL 58.14%
13.26	4			David Raitt, Madison WI; Nancy Ogreenc, Wautoma WI 56.75%
10.48	5			John Russell, N Barrington IL; Norman Coombs, Brookville IN 55.48%
8.98	6			Suzanne Dunaway, Oak Park IL; Michael Kutska, River Forest IL 55.23%
7.86	7	2	1	Serge Bondar, Wheeling IL; Kazi Farooqui, Grayslake IL 54.80%
6.98	8			Peter Petruzzellis, Pickering ON; Sue Lan Ma, Kirtland Hills OH 54.49%
6.29	9			Paolo Ranaldi, Eau Claire WI; Tony Ames, Minnetonka MN 54.38%
5.71	10			Judy Zhu - Jack Snyder, Naperville IL 54.33%
5.24	11			Judy Riehs - David Langer, Buffalo Grove IL 54.17%
4.84	12			David Lehman, Glenview IL; Dick Melson, Chicago IL 53.79%
4.25		3		Diane Clark, Elgin IL; Platt Hill, Saint Charles IL 52.42%
3.55		4	2	Elizabeth Meffert, Madison WI; Jan Cobb, Verona WI 51.82%
2.52		5		Matthew Campbell - Gerald Larson, Lincoln NE 50.74%
2.95		6	3	Mark Holle, Downers Grove IL; Michael Ellgass, Niles IL 50.46%
2.00		7	4	Joanne Rattan, Kenosha WI; Paul Dorsey, Racine WI 49.78%
1.58			5	Norman Rosenstein, Winnetka IL; Michael Stein, Highland Park IL 49.44%
				WED PC GOLD RUSH PAIRS 31.5 Tables
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9.65	1			Paul Kubala Jr, Huntley IL; Judy Bonardi, Arlington Hgts IL 60.68%
7.24	2			Gregory Perticara, Westchester IL; Daniel Wright, Deerfield IL 58.85%
5.43	3			J Thomas Johnson - Barbara Chasnoff, Chicago IL 58.49%
5.12	4	1	1	Barbara Gomberg, Highland Park IL; Sherry Goldberg, Riverwoods IL 58.03%
3.84	5	2		Gregg Underheim, Oshkosh WI; Anthony Priewe, Green Bay WI 57.30%
2.76	6			Robert Lee Jr, Newark IL; Gregory Rozborski, Plano IL 57.24%
2.41	7			Deborah Christian, Hot Springs Vlg AR; Wally Johnson, Hot Springs AR 56.95%
2.14	8			Lois Smith, Milwaukee WI; Dianne Kiehl, Muskego WI 56.46%
1.93	9			Michael Matthies - Stewart Margolis, Mundelein IL 56.13%
2.42	10			Forrest Schneider, Northbrook IL; Donald Grenesko, Winnetka IL 56.10%
1.73	11			Barton Blum, Waupaca WI; Eugene Trieglaff, Wild Rose WI 55.39%
1.48	12			Kris Stephens, Hilton Head Is SC; Winona Wilson, Thiensville WI 55.30%
2.30	13			David Germaine - Philip Cummuta, Huntley IL 55.26%
1.29	14			Sandy Fisher, Plymouth MN; Diane Fansler, Edina MN 54.73%
2.88	15	3		Peter Fox, Denver CO; Michael Barth, Washington DC 54.62%
1.14	16			Ted Pristash - William Sommerfield, Grayslake IL 54.61%
2.16		4		Linda Odette - Joyce Werner, Bloomington IL 54.59%
1.71		5		Ray Parnell, Wonder Lake IL; Neil

				Kazaross, Barrington IL				54.51%	
1.46		6		Helen Rugowski, Madison WI; Charles Vierthaler, Monroe WI				53.06%	
1.38		7		Genny Cesario, Elmhurst IL; Carol Gross, Naples FL				51.63%	
1.14		8		Leah Laurie, Chicago IL; Ralph Schindler Jr, Hinsdale IL				51.62%	
1.71		2		Donna Katz, Prairie Village KS; Patricia Chasnoff, Fairway KS				49.54%	
WED PC PAIRS EVENING SESSION									
				NORTH-SOUTH	SECTION GG	EAST-WEST			
	A	B	C			A	B	C	
3.21	1			Serdar Ogut, Darien IL; Larry Cohen, Elmhurst IL	66.13%	3.21	1	Judy Riehs - David Langer, Buffalo Grove IL	62.55%
2.25	2	1	1	Mike Jones, Villa Park IL; Herman Hersh, Milwaukee WI	56.55%	2.25	2	Richard Nordeng - Ann Nordeng, Waunakee WI	56.64%
1.61	3	2		Matthew Campbell - Gerald Larson, Lincoln NE	56.36%	1.86	3	1 David Bogolub, Deerfield IL; Rick Schoenfield, Glenview IL; Dick Melson, Chicago IL	51.35%
1.12	4	3		Gayle Marr, Ft Walton Beach FL; Karen Couch, Peter	53.75%	1.12	4	David Lehman, Madison WI; Martha Brusegar, Thomas Aldrich III, Palatine IL; Gordon Parks, Elizabeth Meffert, Madison WI; Jan Cobb,	48.23%
0.64	5			Petruzzellis, Pickering ON; Sue	53.11%	1.30	5	2 Nancy Hegna, Madison WI; Martha Brusegar, Thomas Aldrich III, Palatine IL; Gordon Parks, Elizabeth Meffert, Madison WI; Jan Cobb,	48.23%
0.92		2		Serge Bondar, Wheeling IL; Kazi Farooqui,	49.09%	1.23	3	1 Thomas Aldrich III, Palatine IL; Gordon Parks, Elizabeth Meffert, Madison WI; Jan Cobb,	48.23%
						0.86		2 Elizabeth Meffert, Madison WI; Jan Cobb,	48.23%
WED PC GOLD RUSH PAIRS EVENING SESSION									
SECTION LL									
	7	3	1						
1.91	1			Norma Postudensek - Jim Postudensek, Duluth MN				63.64%	
1.34	2			Robert Lee Jr, Newark IL; Gregory Rozborski, Plano IL				62.36%	
0.96	3			Margaret Majewski, Oak Brook IL; Carolyn Koehler, Indian Head Pk IL				56.91%	
0.67	4			Lois Smith, Milwaukee WI; Dianne Kiehl, Muskego WI				55.75%	
1.12	5	1		Genny Cesario, Elmhurst IL; Carol Gross, Naples FL				52.75%	
0.32	6			J Thomas Johnson - Barbara Chasnoff, Chicago IL				51.64%	
0.78		2	1	Elise Pechek - Phillip Pechek, Duluth MN				50.45%	
0.56		3		Robert Judd, Algonquin IL; Timothy Kleimeyer, Sleepy Hollow IL				48.82%	



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