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Entrepreneurs -
Audrey Grant and
Barbara Seagram -
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Have in Common?
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Above - Barbara Seagram
Left - Audrey Grant and
husband David Lindop



**Canadian Bridge
Legend Percy
"Shorty" Sheardown
Elected to Bridge
Hall of Fame - See
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Editor's Note:

November has been a good month for Canadian bridge players. First, Shorty Sheardown has been elected to the ACBL's Bridge Hall of Fame, the third Canadian to be so honoured, following Eric Murray and Sami Kehela. Sheardown will be inducted into the Hall in the Atlanta Summer NABC. Second, Gavin Wolpert and Vincent Demuy have won the National Open Swiss Teams in the Fall NABC in Orlando. And third, Eric Kokish has once again coached the Nickell Team to victory, this time in the Reisinger, again in Orlando. Congratulations to all of them.

What do Audrey Grant and Barbara Seagram have in common? More than you might think. Read about them on page 10.

Perhaps the Kibitzer will develop a reputation opposite to that of Sports Illustrated. An SI cover is viewed by many as the 'kiss of death' to a career - on the other hand, our Fall 2003 cover of the Kibitzer featured Gavin Wolpert and Vincent Demuy, who subsequently came second in the Spingold and won the National Open Swiss Teams. Then Percy Sheardown was elected to the Hall of Fame after his appearance on last issue's cover. Can Bruce Elliott be far behind?

John Carruthers, Editor

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Unit 166 Elections



Every year at the Toronto Regional tournament at Easter, there is an election to fill vacancies on the board of directors of Unit 166. In the event that there are more nominated candidates than there are vacant positions on the board, the election will take place at the tournament at the Royal York from Wednesday to Saturday, one hour before each session.

The by-laws of Unit 166 have been amended to allow for advance polls at various Unit bridge clubs in the two weeks leading up to the tournament. This is to allow all members of the Unit an opportunity to vote even if they are unable to attend the Easter Regional.

If an election is required, advance polls will be arranged at the following locations dates and times:

Monday, March 7 & Tuesday, March 8	Mississauga-Oakville Bridge Centre 3105 Winston Churchill Blvd., Mississauga	7:00-7:30 pm
Thursday, March 10	Brampton Bridge Club Brampton Recreation Centre Mary Street, Brampton	7:00-7:30 pm
Friday, March 11	Hamilton Bridge Centre 100 Ray Street North, Hamilton	7:00-7:30 pm
Monday, March 14	Kate Buckman's Bridge Studio Roehampton Hotel 808 Mount Pleasant Road, Toronto	12:00-12:30pm 7:00-7:30 pm
Wednesday, March 16	Welland D.B.C. Rose City Senior's Centre Lincoln Street (at King), Welland	7:00-7:30 pm
Thursday, March 17	Bridge Centre of Niagara 2E Tremont Drive, Unit 6, St. Catharines	7:00-7:30 pm
Friday, March 18	Niagara D.B.C. Glenridge Lawn Bowling Club 84 Glen Morris Drive, St. Catharines	12:30-1:00 pm

**Check the Unit 166 website for updates to
the advance poll schedule
www.toronto-bridge.com**

Candidates for Unit 166 Board of Directors

(Declared as of December 15, 2004. Nominations will be accepted by the Unit Secretary until March 1, 2005.)

Joan Eaton

Bridge has been a major, positive influence in my life. I'd like the opportunity to give something back. I've been an ACBL member for almost 30 years, and I've been lucky enough to win two NABC titles, two CWTCs and have played for Canada in pair and team events.



Jerry Smee

I have been playing bridge since the 1960s. I have experience as a player, Certified Director, bridge club owner, tournament organizer, Daily Bulletin editor (2004 Bridge Week, 2005 Toronto Regional). I have recently completed the ACBL Easy Bridge Program, the Teacher Accreditation Program and the Tournament Assistant exam. I look forward to using my varied background to serve the Unit 166 Board.

Sally Rewbotham

I am once again asking for your support to represent you on the Unit 166 Board of directors. As a player, teacher and organizer I share your love of the game, its challenges and its rewards. Please cast your ballot for me to represent your interests on the Unit 166 Board of Directors.



Nancy Strachan

I have enjoyed being part of the energetic Unit 166 Board for two years. I was the Chairperson for the 2005 Toronto Sectional and am the Unit Tournament Chair. Current teaching and directing is broadening my abilities. Thanks for your support.



Joan Richardson

First elected to the Board in 1983. Have served as President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Caddy Master. Was the 2001 winner of the Kate Buckman Award and have Chaired that Committee since. I am presently the Treasurer of Unit 166.



Marilyn White

I have served on the Unit 166 Board for several years. I am a representative on the District Board of Directors, CWTC Zone Coordinator, Chair of the CBF Charitable Foundation, and Kibitzer Chair. I am the smiling face you usually see behind the Prize Desk at the Royal York. I would appreciate your vote.



Toronto's Dynamic Duo

There is little question that the two most successful, dynamic entrepreneurs in the world of bridge are right here in Southern Ontario. It will come as no surprise to anyone who knows them that they are Audrey Grant and Barbara Seagram. That they have succeeded in what some still view as a male-dominated environment says a lot for their drive and determination. The two have the utmost respect for each other and their accomplishments.

Audrey came into the bridge world in the early 1970's where she encountered an ex-high school sweetheart, Ted Horning. They were soon an item, and as Ted was about to take the plunge into full-time bridge professionalism, Audrey joined in.



They opened a bridge club together, and although Audrey retained her profession as a high school teacher, she had been bitten by the bug.

Audrey's curriculum vitae currently reads like a compendium of jobs for bridge

professionals: bridge club owner, lecturer, columnist, publisher, author, cruise director, educational consultant, editor. Player? Although a Life Master, with all her business interests, Audrey has no time to play the game. She generates so much work that husband David Lindop had to give up his job as a computer professional some years ago in order to support the Grant Empire.

These days the empire includes Better Bridge, the umbrella firm that organises the lecture tours, the cruises, the magazine and everything else Grant. Business partnerships with the ACBL and Baron Barclay Books, the world's largest vendor of bridge supplies keep Audrey busier than ever. She has sold more bridge books than anyone whose name is not Sheinwold.

Barbara discovered bridge a little later, in

the Eighties, and soon became a force with her dynamic teaching style. When the Kate Buckman Bridge Club became available, Barbara leapt at the chance to buy it, and has continued Kate's legacy of bringing thousands of new players to the game.



Together with husband Alex Kornel, Barbara continues to maintain Kate's as the most successful bridge club in Toronto. Uniquely, Barbara engages such illustrious player/writers such as Eddie Kantar, Marty Bergen, Bill Root and Mike Lawrence to come to Kate Buckman's for lectures.

Barbara has also taken up the pen, and together with such illustrious writers as David Bird, has published many successful bridge books. She is also a popular cruise host, escorting bridge trips all over the world every year.

Some of the similarities between these two extraordinary women are understandable: they are both driven, have little time to actually play bridge, have extensive business and teaching expertise, are incredibly diversified, and both maintain a workload few could match.

There are some eerie similarities however: both are married to husbands who prefer to work in the background and let their wives take centre stage; both have retained the name of their first husband; and both have adult children. They live in the same neighbourhood in north Toronto. Both have won Unit awards for distinguished service: Barbara won the Kate Buckman Award as the "person who contributes most to others' enjoyment of bridge," and Audrey will in 2005 be the initial recipient of the award named in her honour, the Audrey Grant Award, for "professional excellence."

We are fortunate to have them.

Percy Sheardown Elected to Bridge Hall of Fame



Percy Sheardown

After years of quietly campaigning behind the scenes, Canadians were delighted to learn that one of their own, Toronto's Percy Sheardown, known to all as "Shorty," had finally been elected to the ACBL's Bridge Hall of Fame. Percy will be inducted into the Hall next summer in Atlanta, during the Summer North American Bridge Championships. The election to the Hall was long overdue in the opinion of many.

The announcement that Sheardown had won the von Zedtwitz Award was made in the Daily Bulletin of the Orlando NABCs on November 28. The von Zedtwitz Award is given to an outstanding player who has been out of the public eye for many years. Percy joins Eric Murray and Sami Kehela as the only Canadians to be inducted into the Hall of Fame.

Sheardown was winning countless bridge events even before the advent of masterpoints. He won his first North American championship in 1936 - the Chicago, now known as the Reisinger, the toughest event in bridge. He became a Life Master in 1948, the first Canadian to make the grade.

"Percy Sheardown was the greatest player Canada ever produced," said Ralph Cohen of Memphis, a mighty good Canadian player in his own right. "Sheardown was one of the greatest players in the Thirties, Forties and Fifties. He was brilliant. He was also a fine teacher, and he was a mentor to many of Canada's leading players."

Cohen recalled kibitzing Sheardown in a Spingold in 1947. "He played with two women as partners, Charlotte Sidway and Mildred Cunningham. He was absolutely imperturbable. No matter what happened, he never made a wrong bid, never made a wrong play. His performance was awe-inspiring."

Sheardown represented Canada in two Olympiads - 1960 and 1968, winning the bronze medal on the latter occasion. He won two Chicagos, two Spingolds (back-to-back), the Life Master Pairs and the Fishbein Trophy plus many other titles back in the early years of contract bridge.

Most of Sheardown's triumphs in the Fifties and Sixties came with long-time partner Bruce Elliott, including the Spingolds, Chicago and three Olympiads. Shorty died in 1993.



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Query - Rick Willson has sent us the Official Souvenir Programme of the 1935 Canadian National Exhibition in Toronto, at which there was the "First Annual Canadian National Contract Bridge Tournament," held from Aug. 23 to Sep 7. Do any of our readers have more information about this event? We would be interested to hear from you if you do.



Canadian National Team Championship

CNTC 2005 - Zone 3 Finals



Saturday, February 26, 2:00 p.m., and Sunday, February 27, 2005

Mississauga-Oakville Bridge Centre, 3105 Winston Churchill Blvd., Mississauga

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Doug Wilson

Doug Wilson's sudden and untimely death has deprived Unit 246 of one of its 'character' players...and a darn good one.

Doug lived in Keswick with his wife Anne, a devoted Salvation Army officer. He also leaves two sons, Rob and Patrick. Rob is married to Ann and is a sergeant in the Canadian Forces, based in Pembroke; they have two children. Doug was very proud of his grandchildren, Emily and Owen. Patrick is single and lives in Newmarket.

Doug had a tremendous number of friends from all walks of life. He was a guy you wanted on your Trivial Pursuit team.

At the funeral, Harold Baba (Doug's long-time bridge partner) and I were honoured to be asked to be pall bearers, along with six rather large and strong (thank goodness) former police co-workers of Doug's. One wag was overheard to say, "Can you believe that? Harold is *still* carrying Doug, right to the end!"

Tom Kinnear

Vivian Chrom, M.D.

1931 – 2004

Vivian Chrom died on September 25 after bravely suffering through a lengthy illness caused by heart problems.

Viv was born in London England and his family moved to Palestine when he was six and a half years old, where he attended the outstanding Reali school in Haifa. He graduated at age 17 and served for 2 years in the Israeli army during the war of independence. He subsequently received a B.Sc. from McGill University and an M.D. from the University of Toronto. He served on the staff of Scarborough General Hospital, in a medical partnership, worked in emergency wards and donated his time to assist needy patients.

Viv is survived by his wife Eleanor, his daughter Leah (Michael) and son Sol, his siblings and nieces and nephews and grandchildren. He loved Jewish tradition and was known for his fine voice in religious services and family Seders.

Viv was an enthusiastic bridge player, a silver life master, a student of the game, a thoughtful and deliberate player, a courteous opponent and a considerate partner. He enjoyed bridge tournaments and won a senior event in Niagara Falls.

Viv's passion for bridge and enjoyment of the game sustained him during the months of ill health leading up to his death.

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Lessons from Early Retirement

Andy Stark, Lethbridge, AB

This is a long-winded, hot-aired account of my 2000 year, during which I didn't work, got fat, and had a ball playing a ton of bridge. I am sure it is much too long to put in the Kibitzer, but perhaps there is one aspect or episode that might strike your fancy. (*While it's not published here verbatim, this is pretty much as Andy wrote it. – Ed.*)

Just over four years ago, on the third day of the National Open Swiss Teams in Birmingham, I picked up:

♠ K 4
♥ Q J 8
♦ A Q 7
♣ A Q 9 7 3

My partner, John Duquette, opened the bidding with one heart. I responded two clubs and he re-bid two hearts. I raised to three hearts and he cue-bid four clubs. I bid four no trump, Roman Key Card in our methods, and John showed two controls without the heart queen. I then placed the contract by making what I thought was the 'normal bridge bid.'

A friend who was kibitzing at the time decided to leave the table just as we were replacing our bids back into the bid boxes. But before she left, before she saw the dummy or even the opening lead, she whispered, "But this is IMPs, Andy." Well, exactly, I thought. Plus scores are good at IMPs, too. Especially in slams.

I don't remember fretting about my decision at the time; it just felt like the right thing to do. I bid six no trump - not to be a hand hog - but to protect the spade king. Maybe the tip-off was that partner cue-bid clubs and not spades. It sure sounded to me like he held the king

of clubs along with his values in the red suits. If it were Challenge the Champs we'd be chalking up a perfect 12, wouldn't we?

It took a long time in the year 2000 to get to where it felt like there was a flow to my bridge game. I had decided to shirk all responsibilities and go 'on the trail' that year - kind of like replacing a year from my retirement and living it in my Thirties. I attended all the Nationals and numerous Regional tournaments throughout the US and Canada. The hardest part was constantly lining up partners, making travel and accommodation arrangements, and above all, staying focussed at the table. I don't know how the pros do it.

Then again, my goal was different than theirs: "Neither an employer nor an employee be." I played every deal with a regular partner or friend, all in an attempt to wrest the Richmond Trophy (awarded annually to the top Canadian master point-winner in a calendar year) away from Ken Gee. Thanks to my friend Liz Randall who, luckily for me, saved over 50 of my emails from that year, I can now document some of those lessons learned during my Year on the Trail. Here are just a few.

1. Great plays can make you look silly. I once read about how Michael Rosenberg made an impossible three no trump contract. He had attacked his *weakest* suit in an attempt to feign strength, thereby prompting the opponents to break another suit for him. Duly impressed, I couldn't wait to give that play a try; and so, just a couple weeks later, playing with Don Brock in a club game, I found myself in three no trump, looking at only eight tricks.

Mulling over the whereabouts of trick nine, the Rosenberg Ruse finally dawned

on me, so with ten-five of hearts in dummy opposite the jack-nine-three in hand, I boldly called for the ten of hearts. My LOL RHO pounced on that little ol' ten with her big bad ace and proceeded to cash four more heart tricks to scupper the contract. Donny B took it as well as he could have; in fact, he still loves to tell that story today, even to the good folks who have already heard it seventeen times.

2. Bridge is a game of logic. Playing with one of my all-time favorite partners, John Rayner, I needed to play the following trump holding for two losers: Q J 8 7 5 3 opposite 9 6 2. Due to entry problems, I needed to get the trumps going at trick two by playing from my hand. I had never encountered this problem before, so I felt satisfied in working out to play a low trump from hand towards the nine, thus catering for a singleton ace or king. I was

prepared to look silly if the ten were singleton but the odds were 2:1 in my favor. It didn't matter what I did if the trumps were divided two-two, so I felt pretty good about my play.

Well, after playing the three from hand at trick two, it went four-two-ten. I won trick three and played a trump from hand. It went king-six-show out. What a putz. Rayner couldn't restrain himself from one of his famous vociferous smoke-tinged chortles, and this suit combination play became the focus of the post mortem in the bar afterwards. If I recall, the final consensus was: "Yes, bridge is a game of logic, but . . . just do the right thing."

3. Do the right thing. While playing against two friends of mine, John Ross and Martin Hunter, in the Toronto Hart House Sectional, I got a chance to figure out a cute little maneuver with this trump

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combination: Q J 10 8 6 3 opposite A 4. Needing to play for no losers, I started with the ten from hand, and Hunter immediately covered with the king. I won the ace in dummy and finessed for the nine on the way back to my hand. Hunter showed out. It was especially rewarding to win 12 imps with this result. The declarer at the other table had tabled the queen so he didn't know to finesse for the nine on the way back to his hand. And there were no trump coups happening either.

4. Never knife. In a Montréal Regional, I played with former Bols winner Bernard Marcoux. We had arranged to play in a Swiss Teams with a pair from Ottawa, but the morning of the event we got cut – 'knifed,' as it were. Luckily, we got added to a team-of-four that was happy to have us. Even after losing two matches in the first half our team found itself contending for the win after reeling off the next four matches.

Any bridge player who has ever been around knows what's coming next: we drew the knifers in match seven. This was the key deal.

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

Bernard sat west and was on lead against three no trump. Clubs had been opened on his right, hearts bid on his left. He chose the passive lead of the heart seven. It went four-five-jack. Declarer played a

club to the queen and a club back to his king. Bernard won the ace of clubs, cashed the ace of hearts and exited with a heart. Declarer won in dummy perforce and cashed the thirteenth heart. I pitched a diamond while low spades were discarded by South and West.

Next, declarer tried a spade to the queen in his hand but Bernard won the king and exited with a spade. My jack forced the ace. Declarer cashed a club, got the bad news and was soon conceding down one.

At the other table, our teammate, Nicolas l'Ecuyer, declared three no trump from the North side. A low diamond was led. Nic won the ace and played the queen of clubs. When it held, he played the queen of hearts. It held too. He then played a low heart to the jack, which lost to west's ace. A heart was returned. Nic popped the king (good move), dropping the ten, and then he cashed the last heart. East pitched a diamond, dummy a club and West a small spade. Nic then played a club to the king, which lost to the ace and back came a diamond. Nic won the diamond king. Needing three tricks and with the lead in North, here was the five-card end position:

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

After much thought, l'Ecuyer made the only winning series of plays: spade to the ace, jack of clubs cashed, club exit.

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North was end-played, forced to give a
trick to the queen of spades at trick
thirteen. Bravo.

Thanks to this result we went on to win
the match by 7 - and really, what better
retribution than a starkly served strip-
squeeze and endplay? Alas, we did not
triumphantly go on to win the Regional
event. We placed second, but it sure felt
like a win. Smiles and handshakes all
around: a combination of our six-match
winning streak and yes, just a smidgeon
of *Schadenfreude*.

5. Bid 'em up. Another great deal with
Rayner came up in a Niagara Falls
Regional. As dealer, I picked up:

♠ —
♥ A K Q J 10 9 6 4
♦ —
♣ K Q 9 7 3

What would be your choice of opening
bids? It's IMP scoring and everybody's
vulnerable. I chose six hearts. My LHO
overcalled six spades and Rayner

doubled. We beat it two tricks. At the other
table, the player in my seat also opened
six hearts, but my teammate, Doug Ross,
doubled. Then he and his partner, Danny
Boye, proceeded to collect 500
themselves. Team total: a cool grand.

6. Go with the flow. By the time the
2000 Fall Nationals came around I was
feeling both mentally drained and yet,
conversely, sharp as a tack. How else to
explain it? Battle weary, but ready to go.
Duquette and I had teamed up with Doug
Heron and Bob Gwirtzman and entered
the Open Swiss. We survived the first cut
by finishing in the top ten the first day.
We fell back a bit on the second day but
managed to hang on by winning our final
match by 1 IMP. Starting the third day in
thirteenth place we drew the team we
had finished against the evening before.

But instead of eking out another 1 IMP
victory we won by 46.

I will never forget comparing scores at
the end of round two, a match we handily

won by 35 IMPs for another 20 Victory Points. As I left my team to agree on the score with our opponents, I heard Gwirtzman utter in his quintessential Brooklyn accent, "This is scary."

Scary is right because round three saw us draw Benito Garozzo et al. But we gained two 10 IMP swings, lost an IMP on another board and pushed the other four for a 20-1 VP win.

What a head rush - we went from thirteenth to second in three moves; it's like stampeding into the enemy's headquarters, guns-a-blazing, finding the general with his knickers down and not having a clue what to do. Unfortunately for us, we freaked out. In our fourth match we lost to the leaders, (got thrashed actually). But in the evening, a tie, a small loss and another win gave us hope of finishing fairly high up in the standings of a National event. If we could blitz our final opponents we could finish as high as third.

We drew George Rosencranz and a bevy of professional players as opponents for the last match, so it looked bleak. But again, Duquette and I were playing with confidence and our teammates were bringing back solid cards. A few boards into our match, Duquette opened one heart with the west hand and we bid up to six no trump:

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

The opening lead was made and pretty soon I was claiming twelve tricks. Sure enough a heart slam would have been doomed by a spade lead; and that is exactly what the Brooklyn Bomber found at the other table to beat six hearts. Thanks to this result we won our last match.

It wasn't the first-place finish we were hoping for, (dreaming for actually), but it

was a stellar day and we finished on a high note—a solid fourth overall. The field was rife with professionals and excellent players. My Year on the Trail was pretty much over; save for a Regional in California, and I would go on to my second consecutive second-place finish in the Richmond race, again to Kenny Gee.

If I could offer one last piece of advice, something I learned during 2000, it would be this:

7. Play up. While there are days where you might fear the young hotshot or the wily veteran who always seems to deal you nothing but bottom boards, you will never feel the pure joy that bridge has to offer unless you get in there with the lions and offer them the chance to take a piece of you; because on some days those lions aren't lions - they're pussycats - and you will take a piece of them. Give yourself a chance to feel the adrenaline rush.

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Peter Mollemet 1943 – 2004

Longtime ACBL employee Peter Mollemet died of heart failure Nov. 18 in Memphis. The 61-year-old Mollemet, who had battled heart problems for years, arrived for work at ACBL Headquarters Thursday morning complaining of shortness of breath. He was taken to a Memphis-area hospital, where he died shortly thereafter.

The unexpected death sent shock waves through the ACBL family, particularly in the office at Memphis, where Mollemet was well liked for his dry wit and easy-going manner.

Mollemet was best known to ACBL members for his decades of service as a tournament director, especially in District 5 (western New York state

and Pennsylvania, northeast Ohio and northern West Virginia) and District 2. His directing career began in 1975. He achieved the rank of National Tournament Director in 1988 and was the area field representative for Districts 2, 4, 5, 11 and 12.

Mollemet's role with the ACBL changed in March 2001, when he relocated to Memphis from his native New York to become the Internet Services manager. He was instrumental in helping to organize the enormous content of the ACBL web site. Mollemet's dedication to his work was evident even as he departed for the hospital, enjoining fellow employees to make sure the Orlando Daily Bulletins were taken care of. Tributes from around the ACBL poured in, and many recalled Mollemet's preferred style of humor as the intelligent wise-guy.

Henry Cukoff: "My good friend Peter died today, the reason still unknown. As always, he had kept whatever was bothering him a secret. That was typical Peter."

Sol Weinstein: "Peter and I practically lived together during the late Eighties and the early Nineties. The masterpoint system needed fixing, and we did the fixing at my house."

Jonathan Steinberg: "He was super reliable. If you sent him a problem in the evening, you'd have your answer in the morning — every time."

Mollemet leaves a sister, a niece and a nephew.

Eve Side Series: Fred Andreychuk
Sat Eve Zip KO: Janine Bibb; Peter Petruzzellis; David Kawashima; Jerry Geiger

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Mazel Tov !!!



Congratulations to the following locals who won events in the Ottawa Regional recently: **John Gell & Ron Smith** - Open Pairs; **Jonathan Steinberg** - KO & Open Swiss Teams

News from the Fall NABC in Orlando

2005 appointments to the ACBL Goodwill Committee:

- **Fred Andreychuk**, St. Catharines
- **Patti Lee**, Toronto
- **Steve Mackay**, Markham

Top 10s in National events:

- **Gavin Wolpert**, Thornhill, won the North American Swiss Teams
- **David Grainger**, Etobicoke, 4th, North American Swiss Teams
- **Joan Eaton**, Willowdale, 4th, Marsha May Sternberg Board-a-Match
- **Arno Hobart & George Mittelman**, 9th, Reisinger Board-a-Match

Winners of Regional events:

- **Don Piafsky**, Toronto, won the Charity Pairs with his son Barry, New York City
- **Doug Baxter**, Toronto, & **Ron Bishop**, Thornhill, won the final Sunday Swiss Teams

Andrew Pedersen, an independent film producer from Halifax, was filming and interviewing Canadian bridge players in the Reisinger and North American Swiss Teams events. Canadian bridge experts **George Mittelman** and **Fred Gitelman**, and junior stars **Gavin Wolpert** and **Vincent Demuy** were featured. Based on his Orlando experience and the trailer he is producing, Pedersen is hoping that CTV will fund a one-hour documentary on bridge.

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You Can Fool Some of the People

David Lindop

(From *Better Bridge* - reprinted by permission of the Editor, Audrey Grant. Continuing the series aimed at newer players.)

We may be model citizens in our daily lives, but when we sit down at the bridge table we need to have a little larceny in our hearts. Sure it's fun to bid to a sound contract and make it using good technique, but there can be an added thrill in getting to a poor contract and making it by pulling the wool over our opponents' eyes.

We can't usually afford to be deceptive during the bidding or defence because we may mislead our partner. When it comes to declarer play, however, we can have a clear conscience. "One of declarer's greatest assets is that he has no partner," declared Victor Mollo and Nico Gardener in *Card Play Technique*.

Let's look at how we can lead the opponents astray, starting with this three no trump contract where West leads the four of hearts to the jack.

♠ 10 5 4

♥ 9 6 3

♦ K Q 6

♣ A J 5 3

♠ 9 7 2

♥ A K 5 4 2

♦ J 9 4

♣ 7 4

♠ A 8 6 3

♥ J 7

♦ 10 7 3 2

♣ 10 8 2

♠ K Q J

♥ Q 10 8

♦ A 8 5

♣ K Q 9 6

The good news is that we get to win the first trick with the heart queen. The bad news is that we still need a ninth trick. That's easy enough to develop in spades, but if we lead the spade king, East will grab the ace and return his partner's suit.

West can take enough heart winners to defeat the contract.

How can we persuade East not to take the ace of spades? A common guideline for the defenders is second hand low (See *Winter 2004 Kibitzer* - Ed.). If we lead a spade from dummy, perhaps it won't be so obvious for East to hop up with the ace of spades. After winning the queen of hearts, we should play a low diamond to dummy and lead a spade toward our hand. If East plays low, we win a spade trick and scamper home with our contract.

Which spade should we lead from dummy? The ten has a lot of appeal. It adds to the illusion that we are taking a finesse rather than trying to steal our ninth trick.

Will East be fooled by our little deception? Who knows? For all he knows, we may have to guess spades for our contract.

Here are some tips for making deceptive plays:

1. **Always play confidently.** Do not look worried or make negative remarks about the bidding.

2. **Make the deceptive play as early as possible.** Don't give the defenders a chance to exchange a lot of information, or to figure out how many tricks you have.

3. **Try to create an illusion.** The art of being deceptive is to hide our real purpose by making the defenders think we are doing something else. Like a magician, we want to divert the audience's eyes at the crucial moment. On our example deal, by going to dummy and leading a spade, we hope to create the illusion in East's mind that we are planning to take a finesse.

Let's look at another example. This time we find ourselves in four spades with four top losers. Fortunately, West leads the four of diamonds:

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

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

There's not much we can do about the three club losers, so we need to get away without losing a heart trick. We could play three rounds of diamonds to discard one of dummy's hearts, but that won't do any good. Now the opponents will be sure to take their ace of hearts and wait around for their club winners.

Our best chance is to win the diamond lead and play a low heart. If West plays low, we win dummy's queen, draw trumps, and now play our other diamond winners to discard dummy's other heart. We can then ruff our remaining heart losers in dummy.

Can we lull West into playing low on the first round of hearts? Maybe, but we have to be careful to win the diamond lead with the king, not the ace or queen. If we play the ace, West may place East with the king-queen-jack, thinking his lead has struck gold, and rise with the heart ace to continue diamonds. And if we play the queen, West will know we have the ace and king as well (East would play third-hand-high on our lead).

Let's see if we can work some magic on the next deal. (*See top of next column.*)

Once again we reach a contract with four top losers. This time it's four hearts, and West appears to have the defence off to a good start by leading the king of clubs. How can we throw in a little misdirection?

If we follow with the three of clubs, West will take the ace next and we'll have no way of avoiding two spade losers. Instead we should try the effect of dropping the queen of clubs at trick one. West may be aware that we could be making a deceptive play, but may be reluctant to play the ace of clubs for fear of our ruffing it and setting up dummy's jack.

Will it work? It sure can't hurt to try. If West takes the bait and switches to a diamond, we are home free.

On this next deal, West leads the queen of hearts against our three no trump. Do we have any chance?

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

We have eight top tricks and it's hard to imagine where our ninth is coming from. West's lead makes it unlikely that hearts are breaking favourably. Should we run our eight winners and hope the opponents discard poorly?

No way, not when we can lay a trap for West. Instead of winning the first trick, why not try the effect of ducking the heart in both hands. Look at it from West's point of view. He may believe his partner has the ace of hearts and he has made the killing lead. If West continues the attack on hearts, we'll surprise him by taking three heart tricks and nine tricks in all.

If West doesn't fall for our little subterfuge and switches to a spade, we'll go down an extra trick, but that will be nothing compared to the euphoria we'll feel if West does make a misstep.

Poor West. It's lucky for us that we haven't been the one holding those hands against a declarer with a larcenous streak. Although I'm certain we wouldn't have been fooled...at least not all of the time.



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The Bridge Trip

By Debbie Bennett

I recently returned from the North American Bridge Championships in Orlando. One of my commitments as a result of being on the Board of Governors is to attend at least one meeting (held at each NABC) per year. Orlando seemed to me to be the perfect reason to attend the Fall NABC and to turn the trip into a holiday. If you ever plan on attending a Nationals, Orlando provides a great facility, lots of bridge and an endless supply of fun and exciting attractions to make your stay one to remember.

On our drive down, my partner and I took a detour to see some of the sights along the I-75. Coincidentally, a column appeared in the Daily Bulletin entitled, "*The Bridge Trip*." I would like to quote some of it courtesy of Gary King.

A student had a dispute with her partner about a particular hand and asked for an opinion. After a few minutes of discussion, she sighed, and with a little frustration said, "Do you ever think I will get this game?"

How would you answer that question? Have you ever felt that

way? My answer was very straightforward. I would reply, "You are thinking about this game all wrong! There is no Nirvana. There is no plateau at which you arrive and realize that you know everything that you need to know. There is no heaven-like existence where you never make mistakes and can play with little or no effort."

"You must realize - and learn - that the enjoyment of this game is the trip itself. Learn to enjoy your travels along the path to becoming an accomplished player. Enjoy the scenery, the people and the experience. It is the trip that is the fun. Do not be like the vacationer who is in such a hurry to get to his final destination that he views the Grand Canyon from the car while passing by."

"Stop and take in the enjoyment and pleasure this game has to offer. Enjoy the game, enjoy the people, enjoy making good decisions, enjoy your wins and enjoy the wins of others. If you think about this game for a minute, it is beautiful in its simplicity."

"Remember, it is the trip that is fun. Enjoy the ride!"

Correspondence



Dear Editor:

I feel obliged to publicly acknowledge Irene Warner at the Partnership Desk at the recent Niagara Falls Regional.

After having been away from bridge and the ACBL for quite some time (since 1975), I find myself with more time now and attended the tournament alone. I checked in with Irene and played with several different people winning more than 50 master points!

Thanks Irene,
Brady Hinnegan

To the Editor:

On Sunday, October 24, we went to the Collingwood tournament at the Beaver Valley Community Centre in Thornbury, about 15 minutes west of Collingwood. The playing site was large and very well-lighted, the atmosphere was friendly and the hospitality was fantastic. The Tournament Manager. Apples and coffee were provided free of charge during the day and a sandwich and

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cookies were included in the cost of the entry. Thanks to the staff at Collingwood for making the day so pleasant.

Debbie Bennett

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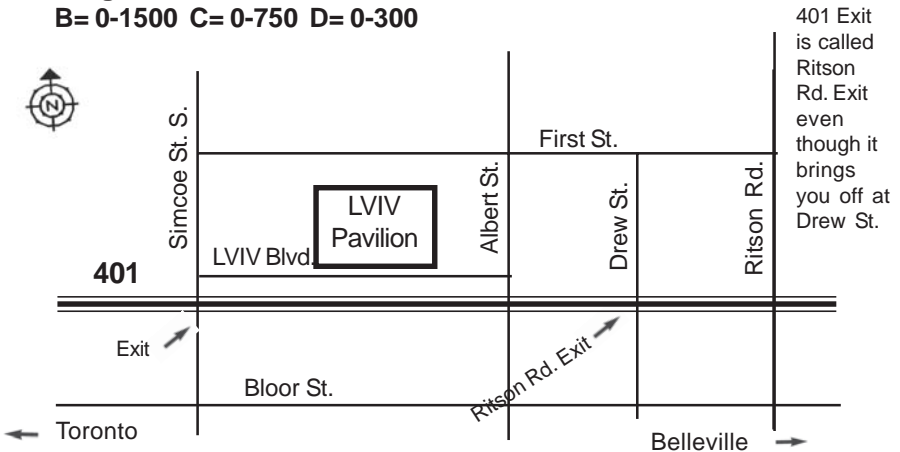
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0-300 Pairs 1 & 7 pm
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Wednesday March 23

Open Swiss Teams 1 & 7 pm
Open Pairs 1 & 7 pm
First Bracketed KOs (cont'd) 1 & 7 pm
Senior Swiss Teams 10 am & 3 pm
Side Game Series I 1 pm
Side Game Series I 7 pm

I-N Games (separate sessions)

0-300 Pairs 1 & 7 pm
0-20 Pairs 1 & 7 pm

Thursday March 24

Bracketed Morning KOs 9 am
(Continues Fri. and Sat.)
Senior Pairs 10 am & 3 pm
>Percy Sheardown KOs < 1 & 7 pm
(Swiss qualifying for KOs Fri. & Sat.)
Open Pairs 1 & 7 pm
Side Game Series I 1 pm
Side Game Series I 7 pm

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0-20 Pairs 1 & 7 pm
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Friday March 25

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Side Game Series II 9 am
Senior Pairs 10 am & 3 pm
Fast Pairs 10 am & 1:30 pm
Second Bracketed KOs 1 & 7 pm
(Continue Saturday)

Side Game Series II 1 pm
Stratflighted Pairs 1 & 7 pm
(A/X IMPs, B/C matchpoints)

>Percy Sheardown KOs < (cont'd) 1 & 7 pm

B-A-M Teams (single session) 7 pm
Side Game Series II 7 pm

I-N Games (separate sessions)

0-300 Pairs 9 am, 1 & 7 pm
0-20 Pairs 1 & 7 pm

Saturday March 26

Bracketed Morning KOs (cont'd) 9 am
Side Game Series II 9 am
Senior Pairs 10 am & 3 pm
Side Game Series II 1 pm
Swiss Combo Teams 1 & 7 pm
(new event, stratified by average MPs)

>Percy Sheardown KOs < (cont'd) 1 & 7 pm

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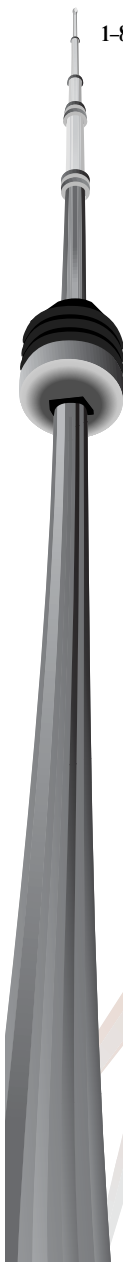
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Stratflighted Events A=3000+ X=0-3000
B/C/D B=1000-2000 C=500-1000 D=0-500
I-N Events A=200-300 B=50-200 C=0-50
A=10-20 B=5-10 C=0-5



DISTRICT 2 GRAND NATIONAL TEAMS

APRIL 15 – 17, 2005

Holiday Inn Oakville Centre, 590 Argus Road, Oakville

GNT SCHEDULE

Friday, April 15: First Qualifying Session.....7:30 p.m.
Saturday, April 16: Second & Third Qualifying Sessions.....11:00 a.m. & 3:30 p.m.
Sunday, April 17: Semi-Final and Final.....11:00 a.m. & 3:30 p.m.

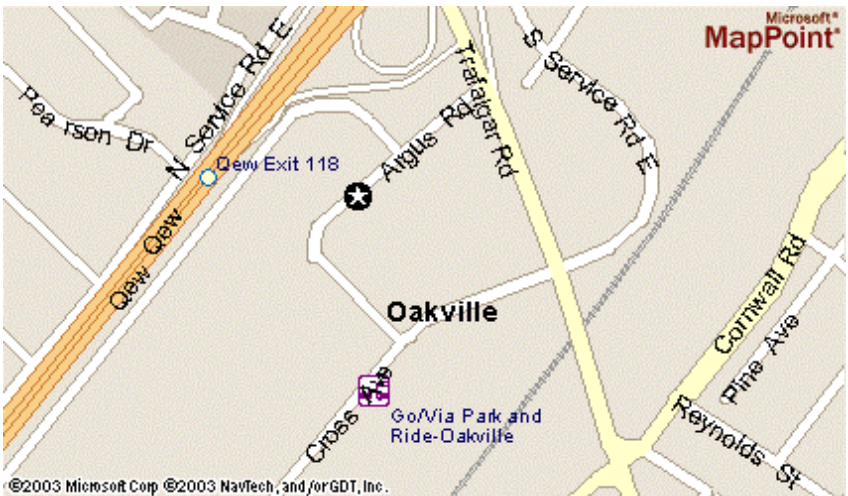
- There will be 4 separate Flights. This event will NOT be stratified. Championship:
0 - unlimited masterpoints Flight A: 0 - 5000 masterpoints Flight B: 0 - 2000 masterpoints Flight C: Non-Life Masters under 500 masterpoints
- NO PRE-QUALIFICATION - ALL TEAMS ARE ELIGIBLE TO PLAY
- Opening Captain's meeting will be held at 7:15 pm Friday.
- Entry Fee is \$250 per team, but winners of a Unit Final play for free
- Mid chart conventions are allowed in Open and A Flights
- Reservations are suggested
- CONDITIONS OF CONTEST see www.toronto-bridge.com

NEW EVENT FOR 2005: District 2 Charity IMP Pairs Championship

Sunday, April 17: Two Sessions11:00 a.m. & 3:30 p.m.
Each session will be 24 boards; Entry fee is \$40 per pair; If you play on Friday and Saturday, Sunday is FREE; Regionally rated, 1/2 Red, 1/2 Black Points; Stratified: A: 2001 - unlimited, B = 501 - 2000, C= 0 - 500; Reservations are suggested

Tournament Reservations and Information:
Eric Platt 416.464.7474 eric.platt@rogers.com

Host Hotel: Holiday Inn Oakville Centre, 590 Argus Road, Oakville, Ontario L6J 3J3
Tel: 905.842.5000, Bridge rate: \$99.00 until March 27, 2005, Free Parking
Holiday Inn is located 1 block west of Trafalgar, directly south of the QEW



60th Grand Valley Sectional

BRANTFORD

April 15, 16 and 17 - 2005

FRIDAY, APRIL 15

Grand Valley Pairs.....1:30

Brant County Pairs.....7:30

Single Sessions

A:0+; B:300-1000; C:0-300



SATURDAY, APRIL 16

Open Pairs Qualifying.....1:30

Open Pairs Championship.....7:30

A:0+; B:300-1000;

C:0-300; D:0-50

Refreshments Saturday evening after play

SUNDAY, APRIL 17

Swiss Teams.....11am & TBA

A:0+; B:300-1000; C:0-300

Flights A, B & C may be stratified together, depending upon turnout.

Short break in mid-session with food available to be purchased if desired.

NO SMOKING IN THE BUILDING

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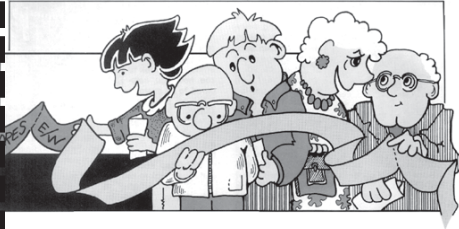
Tournament Manager:

Paul Stillman 519-756-5800

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NORTH BAY DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB
QUONTA UNIT 238
SECTIONAL BRIDGE TOURNAMENT
North Bay Elks Club - April 15, 16, 17, 2005



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Games are at 1:30 and 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday.
Sunday Swiss Teams - 10:00 a.m.

PRICES

\$10.00 per player/per session for Open games
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\$80.00 per team for Sunday Swiss

Tournament Director - Gerry Browning

Tournament Chairperson - Joanne Salmonson
705-476-3262 jo.salmonson@sympatico.ca

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SARNIA

April 30 - May 1, 2005



SATURDAY APRIL 30

Flighted Pairs - Single Session 1:00 pm
 Flights: A = 1250+, B = 0-1250, C = 0-500
 Stratified Pairs - Single Session 7:00 pm

Girl Guide Centre

1121 Wellington St., Sarnia
 Corner of Wellington & Murphy
 (Additional parking in high school to south
 of Girl Guide Centre)

SUNDAY MAY 1

Bracketed Swiss Teams 11:00 am
 Brackets as warranted
Lunch provided at break

Tournament Chairpersons

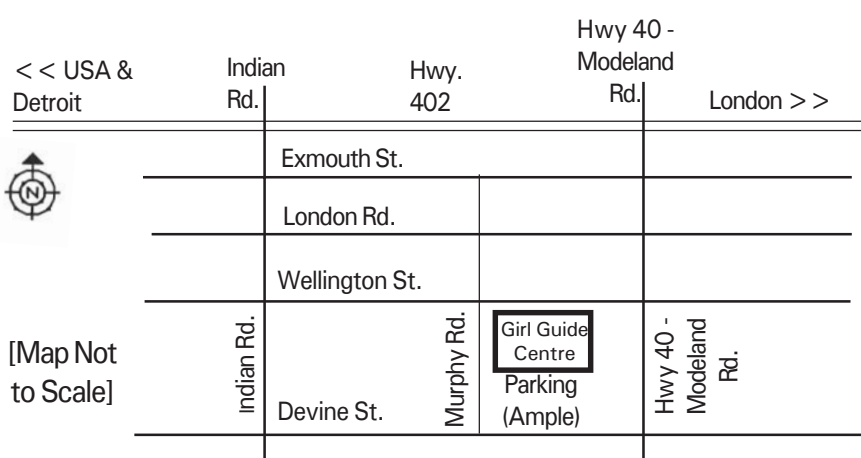
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The Peterborough Lifflock Sectional

May 27, 28 & 29th, 2005

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1875 Lansdowne Street West (705) 742-8807

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FRIDAY MAY 27 - 8:00 PM

Josee Monette Pairs A: 1000+ B: 500-1000 C: 0-500
 Friends of Bridge..... A: 100-200 B: 50-100 C: 0-50

SATURDAY MAY 28 - 1:30 PM

Stratified Pairs A/X (Separate)

Stratified Pairs..... B: 500-1000 C: 0-500
 Stratified 199er Pairs..... A: 100-200 B: 50-100 C: 0-50

SATURDAY MAY 28 - 7:30 PM

Peterborough Bridge Club Pairs..... A: 1000+ B: 500-1000 C: 0-500
 Stratified 199er Pairs..... A: 100-200 B: 50-100 C: 0-50

SUNDAY MAY 29 - 11:00 AM and TBA

Open Swiss Teams (2 Sessions) A: 1000+ B: 500-1000 C: 0-500
 Stratified 199er Pairs..... A: 100-200 B: 50-199 C: 0-50

Hospitality following each evening session.

Free on-site indoor barbecue

Sunday between sessions.

Accommodations at site.

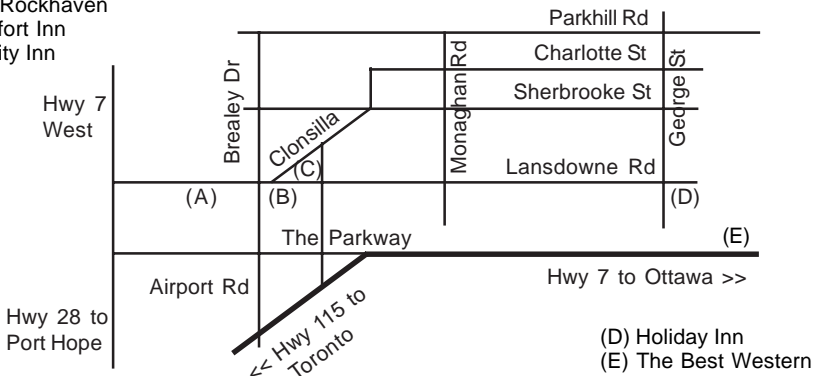
Please reserve early for special rates.

No outside food or beverages permitted

*Tournament Manager & Partnerships:
 Marja Hutchinson (705) 745-2127*



- (A) The Rockhaven
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- (C) Quality Inn



- (D) Holiday Inn
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New Residence Hall : McGill University

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CNTC-A: May 28 - June 4, 2005

Round Robin : Saturday, May 28 : Tuesday, May 31, 2005

Quarter-Final : Wednesday, June 1, 2005

Semi-Final : Thursday, June 2, 2005

Final : Friday, June 3 and Saturday, June 4, 2005

CNTC-B: May 29 - June 2, 2005

Round Robin : Sunday, May 29 : Tuesday, May 31, 2005

Semi-Final : Wednesday, June 1, 2005

Final : Thursday, June 2, 2005

CWTC: May 29 - June 2, 2005

Round Robin : Sunday, May 29 : Tuesday, May 31, 2005

Semi-Final : Wednesday, June 1, 2005

Final : Thursday, June 2, 2005

NOTE : If more than 16 teams enter the event a Quarter-Final will be held on Wednesday, June 1 and the Semi-Final will move to Thursday, June 2 and the Final to Friday, June 3

CSTC: June 1 - 4, 2005

Day 1 Qualifier : Wednesday, June 1, 2005

Day 2 Qualifier : Thursday, June 2, 2005

Day 3 : Friday, June 3, 2005

Day 4 : Final : Saturday, June 4, 2005

CIPC: June 2, 2005

New, one-day event

COPC: June 3 - 4, 2005

Day 1: Friday, June 3, 2005

Day 2: Final : Saturday, June 4, 2005

Visit the CBF Website at www.cbf.ca





AURORA BRIDGE CLUB'S Annual Friendship Day - Swiss Teams

Sunday, June 5th, 2005

Start time - 12:00 noon at the

Royal Canadian Legion Hall

105 Industrial Parkway North
Aurora, Ontario.

*\$40.00 per person - includes your bridge fee plus a great meal - consisting of -
salads, succulent roast beef, gravy, potatoes, vegetables, meatballs & sauce,
cold meat tray, cheeses, dessert and tea or coffee [2 serving Lines]
(vegetarian meal available - please advise us when registering)
Tea/Coffee/Water available throughout the day as well as a cash bar.*

Players of all levels are welcome. Please come and enjoy the friendly atmosphere.

Important :

Mike MacNeil 1 - 877 - 678 - 0798 or
<mmikermac@aol.ca>

Register

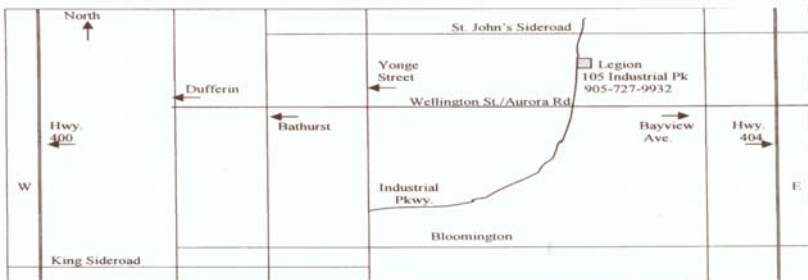
by May 21st through:
Marg Burt 905 - 895 - 3882
MargBurt1@rogers.com

STRATIFIED (2 session play through)

A = 1250+; B = 500 - 1250; C = 0 - 499

199'ers

2 single sessions



K-W SUMMERFEST



Sectional Tournament June 11 and 12, 2005



Waterloo Memorial Recreational Complex
101 Father David Bauer Drive, Waterloo, Ontario

Saturday, June 11

Morning Knock Outs 9:00; 1:30 & 7:30

Stratified Open Pairs 1:30 & 7:30

(A: 1000+; B: 500 -1000; C: 0 -500)

Also: Separate Single Session Stratified
Open Pair gamess at both 1:30 & 7:30 pm

199er Game - Special Prices! 1:30 & 7:30

Single Sessions - Stratified \$13/pair

Munchies following the evening game

Sunday, June 12

Stratified Swiss Team 11:00 & TBA

(A: 1000+; B: 500 -1000; C: 0 -500)

199er Game - Special Prices

Separate stratified section 11:00 & TBA

\$64/team includes lunch

Sandwich lunch included in entry fee

Free coffee and doughnuts before the game

Local Hotels

Comfort Inn Waterloo

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Waterloo Inn

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Destination Inn

800-222-9175

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Kandis Smith

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PORT FRANKS SECTIONAL

Saturday, June 25 and Sunday, June 26, 2005

Saturday June 25

Open Pairs (2 sessions) 1:30 & 7:30
Pairs (under 300 MP, 1 session) 1:30
Pairs (under 300 MP, 1 session, stratified) 7:30

Sunday, June 26

Open Swiss Teams 10:30 AM & TBA
Swiss Teams (under 300 MP) 10:30 AM & TBA

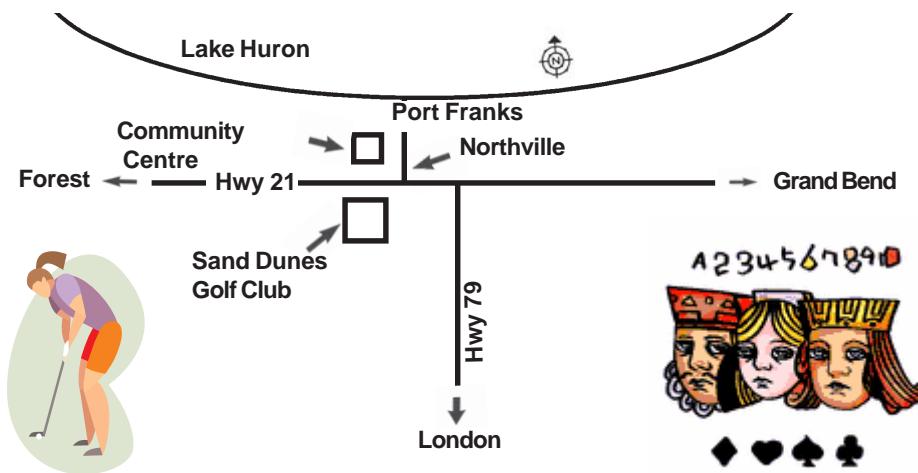
Free coffee & refreshments after game Saturday and before game Sunday.
Light lunch Sunday between sessions.

Partnerships: Mavis Reffell, 519-238-1239 or seth@ezlink.on.ca

Tournament Chair: Shirley Jones, 519-786-4330 or snjones@mnsi.net

Web Site: www.ezlink.on.ca/~seth/

TOURNAMENT SITE: COMMUNITY CENTRE, PORT FRANKS, ONTARIO



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Tournament Trail

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- 12-14 Tillsonburg

16-21 Sudbury Regional

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- 9-11 St. Thomas
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- 30-Oct 2 Parry Sound
- 30-Oct 2 Windsor

October

- 5-10 **Ottawa Regional**
- 14-16 Collingwood/Thornbury
- 17-23 **Farmington Hills MI Regional**
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- 25-30 **Buffalo NY Regional**

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