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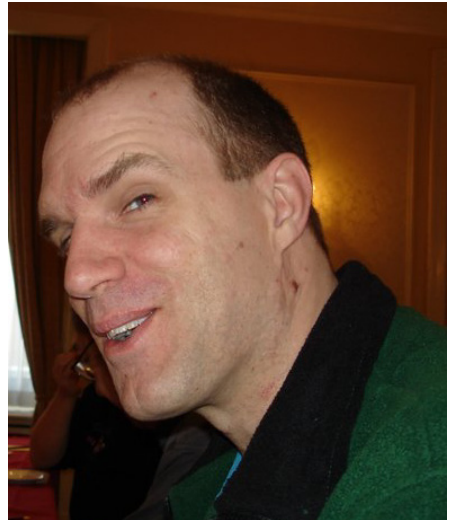
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Feb 12. Fly to Quito, Ecuador. **Feb 13.** City tour of Quito. **Feb 14.** Otovalo Country Tour. **Feb 15.** Cotopaxi National Park. **Feb 16.** Fly to Galapagos - Baltra Island

YOUR SHIP: M/V GALAPAGOS EXPLORER II. Naturalist guides are top-notch and make your Galapagos experience a rewarding education in nature and wildlife. Sit with one of the naturalists one-on-one to discuss anything about the Galapagos. The Galapagos Explorer II is the only vessel in the islands to have one of the scientists from the Darwin Station travel during each departure. This is the most deluxe ship cruising the islands.

Visit Santa Cruz Island, known as Dragon Hill. During almost the whole year, you can see flamingos in marshland lakes as well as some migratory birds. You will also have the opportunity to see Darwin's Finches, Hood mockingbirds & lava lizards. This area has arid vegetation where you will find some oppuntia cactus, palo santo (bursera) and some other endemic plants.

Here, see a wonderful landscape: Rabida Island at the west and Santa Cruz Island at the East. In the beach zone, you can see some endemic coast plants and also some marine iguanas, sea lions, American oystercatchers, pelicans and a small blue-footed boobies colony.

Feb 17: Bartolome Island & James (Santiago) Island: Wildlife viewing, hiking, swimming, snorkelling
Bartolome: an island of varied volcanic formations with a 350-foot summit and a fabulous 360° view. Depending upon the weather, you may be able to spot five other islands, one of the most spectacular views of the archipelago. You'll make a wet landing in a cove to see a small colony of Galapagos penguins-the only penguins north of the equator. Sea lions are also found here. Behind the beach can be found red and white mangroves, salt bush, morning glory and prickly pear cactuses.

Visit Puerto Egas on James (Santiago) Island. The landing is on a black beach with eroded rock formations in the background. The trail crosses the dry interior, where the remains of a salt-mining enterprise can still be seen and then continues along the coast. Intertidal pools are home to a variety of invertebrate organisms. Land iguanas are scattered around feeding on exposed algae while oyster catchers try to capture Sally Lightfoot crabs. The trail then leads to the Fur Seal Grottos, one of the only places in the islands where fur seals can be seen.

Feb 18: Fernandina Island & Isabela Island

Wildlife viewing, hiking, swimming, snorkelling. On the youngest and westernmost island in Galapagos, you'll land at Punta Espinoza, a narrow stretch of land where some of the most unusual Galapagos species can be seen. Look for penguins diving off the rocks into the water. Sally Lightfoot crabs disperse on the lava near the shore and herons, sandpipers and wimbrels explore the mangrove roots. Marine iguanas in abundance. Following a trail inland, two different types of lava flows can be seen and compared. At the tip of one of the small peninsulas, flightless cormorants are found. Without predators on the island, these serpent-necked birds adapted for swimming and not for flight, another example of evolution at work in "nature's laboratory."

Afternoon: Punta Vicente Roca, Isabela Island

The largest of the Galapagos islands, Isabela is composed of six shield volcanoes merged into a single land mass. Wolf Volcano on Isabela is also the highest point in the archipelago. Board a dinghy that skirts 400-500-foot cliff sides. Blue-footed boobies, masked boobies & pelicans can be seen here. Many sea-turtles feed along this shoreline. Reaching a rocky pile of large basalt, there are colonies of fur-seals & marine iguanas in groups, basking in the sun. Sea lions are also present.

Snorkelling at a special cave allows you to see a great variety of marine life, especially marine invertebrates. The water is often murky and very cold as it is called the Galapagos Ice-box. Therefore, one must snorkel very close to the rock in order to see anything but it may produce some of the most exciting snorkelling in Galapagos. Manta rays, sea turtles, sting-rays, many fish, even dolphins & sunfish have been seen and snorkelled with in this bay.

Along the cave there are Galapagos penguins, marine iguanas, swallow-tailed gulls, masked boobies, brown noddys, blue footed boobies and unparalleled breathtaking scenery.

Feb 19. Seymour Norte, Santa Cruz Island. Wildlife viewing, hiking, swimming, snorkelling. North Seymour is a small flat island. There are rocks and then a long sandy stretch where sea lions and marine iguanas hang out next to a surf wave. The interior has a Palo Santo small Opuntia cactus forest with Blue-footed boobies and magnificent Frigate bird colonies. We are here for 1½ hrs.

Afternoon: Visit the Santa Cruz Highlands. Here, about 40 giant tortoises live in the wild. You also hike to tunnels made by cooling lava.

Feb 20. San Cristobal Island. Fly from Galapagos to Guayaquil. Grand Hotel in Guayaquil. Leisure time.

Feb 21. Guayaquil-Lima. Jose Antonio Hotel

Feb 22. Lima

You will drive to the Plaza Mayor, where you will see the Government Palace, the Cathedral, the Archbishop's Palace and the City Hall. Then, you will visit the XVII century church and cloister of San Francisco, a world cultural heritage. The tour continues to the modern residential suburb of San Isidro and to downtown Miraflores, with its Park of Love to enjoy a splendid view of the Pacific Ocean. Drive to Monterrico to visit one of Peru's largest private collections belonging to Miguel Mujica Gallo, the Gold Museum which displays superb examples of pre-Hispanic gold, silver and copper necklaces, bracelets & other jewellery.

Feb 23. Tour of Pachacamac Ruins

The Pilgrimage Centre of Pachacamac is a citadel made of adobe from pre-Inca time. Pilgrims went here to consult the Pachacamac Oracle & later, during the Incas domination time, it was a place to worship the Sun God. When the Spaniards arrived, it became the most important ceremonial centre in the Peruvian coastline. When travelling to this sanctuary, where hundred of years ago the natives surrendered cult to the sun and to the Earth, one can feel the magic attraction of a place that will always be sacred.

Feb 24. Fly to Cuzco

Visit the Imperial City, living example of the mixture of the Andean and Spanish cultures. Visit the Santo Domingo Convent, built over Koricancha, an ancient Inca palace & main worship centre of the Sun God. Main square, Church of La Compania, the Sacsayhuaman Fortress. Explore the archeological sites of Qenko, Puca-Pucara & Tambomachay.

Overnight: Casa Andina Private Collection Cuzco Hotel.

Feb 25. Cuzco-Macchu Picchu

You will take the train to Machu Picchu today. At Machu Picchu, visit one of the most fascinating & important energetic centres of the world. Machu Picchu is commonly referred to as "The Lost City of the Incas". It is a World Heritage Site. The site has a large palace and temples dedicated to Inca deities around a courtyard. It will be an unforgettable experience, where a professional tour guide will tell you the history of this mysterious and charming place. After the guided tour, you will have free time to explore the zone on your own, relax and meditate. Lunch is included. You will overnight in Machu Picchu at the Machu Picchu Pueblo Hotel.

Feb 26. Dawn at Machu Picchu (weather permitting)

This is a phenomenal experience. Later in the day you will return by train back to Cuzco. Enjoy the nightlife in Cuzco. Casa Andina Private Collection Cuzco Hotel.

Feb 27. Cuzco-Lima

Feb 28. Fly to Iquitos (Gateway to the Amazon). Accommodation: Ceiba Tops Lodge

25 mile journey down the Amazon River to Ceiba Tops: air-conditioning and hot water provide all luxury comforts of home. Afternoon hike in the beautiful primary rainforest reserve surrounding Ceiba Tops which includes many huge trees festooned with epiphytes. After dinner, listen to the guides who are always ready to relate some of the many legends of the Amazon forest.

Feb 29. Amazon: Morning boat ride, spotting for dolphins

Visit a small village of Yagua Indians. Learn about the Yagua Indian culture and how it was affected by the arrival of Europeans and the passing of time. Neighboring town of Indiana. Originally a Franciscan mission, Indiana has grown into a large river community with its own market, high school and small hospital.

Mar 1. Amazon: Hike to the spectacular Canopy Walkway

Spanning over 500 metres, connected by tree platforms, and reaching a height of over 35 metres (115 feet) but accessible without any type of climbing skill or equipment. Visit the "ReNuPeRu" Ethnobotanical Garden where over 240 medicinal plants are cultivated by a local shaman who will explain the nature of Amazonian natural healing and the uses of some of the plants.

Mar 2. Ceiba Tops, Amazon / Iquitos / Arrive home Mar 3.

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- June 11: Stockholm, Sweden
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- June 14: Copenhagen, Denmark
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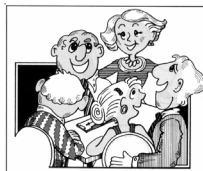
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Editor's Note:

We note with sadness the passing of Irene Warner, the longtime Administrative Assistant of Unit 166 and an enthusiastic volunteer at local tournaments, and Bill Sharpless, proprietor of local bridge clubs. Both Irene and Bill were very popular and prominent figures in Southern Ontario bridge for many years. They will both be missed by their many friends here. Obituaries of both can be found in this issue.

Articles by David Lindop, Andy Stark and Sally Rewbotham also adorn the pages of this issue. A significant new bridge book is also reviewed here. And members of Unit 166 should look over their AGM Minutes and the Unit's Financial Statements.

John Carruthers

Kibitzer Editorial Policy: The Kibitzer is published to promote bridge and to inform members of ACBL Units 166, 238, 246 and 249 about tournaments and special events, as well as to entertain with deals and articles of interest. It is also a forum for the exchange of information and opinion among the members. Opinions expressed in articles or letters to the Editor are those of the contributors and do not necessarily reflect those of the Unit Boards of Directors or the Editor. The Kibitzer reserves the right to exclude or edit submitted material.

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Irene Warner

Longtime bridge administrator Irene Warner passed away at Toronto East Hospital on January 11, 2007.

In 2004, Irene was the recipient of the Kate Buckman Award, given annually by Unit 166 “in recognition of the person who contributes most to others enjoyment of bridge.” The award honoured Irene for her more than 25 years of service to the bridge community.

Irene joined the ACBL in 1975 and quickly established a reputation as a tireless worker, selfless volunteer and efficient administrator. She served as Secretary to the 1978, 1992, and 2001 Toronto Summer NABCs. From 1979 to date, she has been the backbone of Unit 166 and District 2 in her capacity as Secretary and Administrative Assistant. She was also the Executive Secretary for the Canadian Bridge Federation from 1982-1986.

For more than 15 years, Irene has been at Toronto tournaments partnership desks, helping to put together bridge champions! She also helped out with hospitality and served on the local planning committee for the World Junior Bridge Championships in Hamilton in 1997.

Irene was retired from the Fraser, Beatty law firm. She is lovingly remembered by brothers Bill Catton and Don Catton and their families and by her daughter Lynn and husband Hong Mark and grandchildren Jeremy, Tiffany, Andrew and Kevin. She will be greatly missed by all in the Southern Ontario bridge community.

Jonathan Steinberg and the Toronto Star

Unit 166 Annual General Meeting

MINUTES of a meeting of the Members of The Ontario Unit 166 of the American Contract Bridge League held at the Royal York Hotel, 100 Front Street West, Toronto, Ontario, on January 6, 2007, at the hour of 12:00 o'clock Noon.

1. The Chairman declared that as notice of the meeting had been mailed to all Members and a quorum being present, she declared the meeting to be regularly constituted.

The Chairman stated that members in attendance are requested to sign the consent to hold the meeting and hereby directed such consent to be annexed to the minutes of this meeting.

2. Approve Minutes of Meeting held January 7, 2006

ON MOTION by Muriel Allen, seconded by Marilyn White, and carried, the minutes of the meeting of January 7, 2006 are approved as published in the Kibitzer.

3. Auditor's Report

ON MOTION by Joan Eaton, seconded by Wanda Pearce, and carried, that the reading of the Auditor's report be dispensed with.

ON MOTION by Joan Eaton, seconded by Shawn Mahood and carried—BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Statement of Financial Position of the Corporation as at August 31, 2006 and the Statement of Income and Expense and Net Assets for the year ended on the said date, together with the Auditor's Report thereon, be and the same are hereby approved and adopted.

4. Election/Appointment of Directors

ON MOTION by Wanda Pearce, seconded by Fred Andreychuk, and carried—that the election/appointment of Muriel Allen, Andy Brownbill and Paul Cronin to the Board of Directors be and is hereby confirmed.

5. Appointment of Auditor

ON MOTION BY Andy Brownbill, seconded by Marilyn White and carried—BE IT RESOLVED THAT G.J. Westfall, C.A., be and he is hereby appointed Auditor of the Corporation to hold office until the close of the next annual meeting of Members at such remuneration as may be fixed by the Directors.

6. President's Report

Nancy Strachan reported on the events of the past fiscal year.

7. Confirmation of Proceedings

ON MOTION BY Gary Westfall, seconded by Kay Allen, and carried—BE IT RESOLVED THAT all by-laws, resolutions, contracts acts and proceedings of the Board of Directors of Unit 166 enacted, passed, made, done or taken since the last meeting of Members be and the same are hereby approved, ratified and confirmed.

8. Other Business

Nothing to report

The Chairman declared the meeting adjourned.

ONTARIO UNIT 166 OF THE ACBL

Statement of Financial Position

as at August 31, 2006

	2006	2005
	\$	\$
ASSETS		
CURRENT		
Cash in Bank - Canadian	26,661	32,517
Cash in Bank - U.S.	17,512	26,295
Cash held in trust	200	200
Short term investments at market value (Note 2)	64,162	-
Accounts receivable	20,354	20,145
Prepaid expenses	8,000	6,852
	136,889	86,009
CAPITAL ASSETS (Note 3)	3,381	4,508
OTHER ASSETS (Note 4) Long term investments at market value	103,883	168,844
	244,153	259,361
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable	2,100	13,660
GST payable	-	292
Reserve funds - Associations (Note 5)	9,682	9,502
	11,782	23,454
NET ASSETS		
Restricted (Note 6)	58,959	58,176
Unrestricted	173,412	177,731
	232,371	235,907
	244,153	259,361

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

- Note 1. Significant Accounting Policies (available from the Auditor)
- Note 2. Short-Term Investments: Province of Manitoba bonds
- Note 3. Capital Assets (detail available from the Auditor)
- Note 4. Long-Term Investments: Government of Canada bonds
- Note 5. Association Reserves: Niagara District, Central Ontario, & Metropolitan Toronto Bridge Associations
- Note 6. Restricted Net Assets: Reserve fund for future NABCs
- Note 7. Income Taxes: Unit 166 is a non-profit entity and is income tax exempt under section 149(1)(f)
- Note 8. Statement of Cash Flows: Not included

ONTARIO UNIT 166 OF THE ACBL

Statement of Income & Expense & Net Assets

for the year ended August 31, 2006

	2006	2005
	\$	\$
INCOME		
Gross income from tournaments (Schedule 1)	156,581	230,208
Memberships fees	10,643	13,485
Kibitzer table fees	10,157	13,873
Kibitzer advertisements	11,654	14,781
Use of cards and bidding boxes	3,384	-
STAC Fall	2,639	2,244
STAC Spring	2,128	2,398
Interest	3,372	3,786
Miscellaneous - Exchange	2,355	-
	202,913	280,775
EXPENSES		
Tournament expenses (Schedule 1)		
Directing	45,352	63,856
ACBL	13,695	22,125
Unit	6,475	10,329
Site	36,119	39,716
Administration	20,779	35,627
Hospitality	6,891	10,432
Committee	3,000	4,500
Transfer to District 2	3,558	6,256
	135,869	192,841
Directors meetings	3,758	2,540
Fees		
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Play of the Hand

David Lindop

Read the Lead I – Leads Against No Trump

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In trying to defeat our contract, the defenders usually exchange information through their leads and signals. In doing so, they may inadvertently give us the very clue we need to make the contract...if we are paying attention.

One of the most valuable pieces of information is the opening lead. A defender rarely makes a deceptive opening lead since it can be vital to the defence to correctly communicate the holding in the suit. Let's see how we can turn that to our advantage.

Against no trump, with no clue from the auction, the opening leader typically chooses the longest suit and uses the following guidelines to select the card:

- Top of a solid, broken or interior sequence
- Otherwise, fourth highest.

Let's look at a declarer-play problem:

♠ 9 5 3
♥ A 10 6
♦ K 8 5
♣ K J 7 2

♠ K 8 7
♥ K 5 4
♦ A 6 3
♣ A Q 8 6

Suppose West leads the queen of hearts against three no trump after we've bid one no trump – three no trump. We have two sure tricks in hearts, two in diamonds and four in clubs. We need one more.

The spade suit offers a 50% chance of developing an extra trick. We can lead toward our king of spades and hope East holds the ace. However, West's opening lead of the queen of hearts has given us an almost sure thing. To lead the queen, we can assume West also has the heart jack.. Since the ten is in dummy, West has presumably led the top of a broken sequence and the complete layout of the heart suit looks something like:

♥ A 10 6
♥ Q J 9 8 3 ♥ 7 2
♥ K 5 4

If we win the heart king at trick one, dummy's ace-ten will remain a tenace over West's jack-nine. We can lead a low heart from the South hand and finesse dummy's ten. That will provide our ninth trick. We don't have to risk the 50% spade finesse when the complete hand looks like this:

♠ 9 5 3
♥ A 10 6
♦ K 8 5
♣ K J 7 2

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

♠ K 8 7
♥ K 5 4
♦ A 6 3
♣ A Q 8 6

If we lead a low spade from dummy and play the king, West might win the ace and lead another spade. East would take four more spade tricks to defeat the contract.

Suppose we again reach three no trump on the same uninformative auction – one no trump-three no trump – and West leads the two of spades.

♠ A 8 5
♥ 6 3 2
♦ K Q J 3
♣ 8 7 4

♠ K 3
♥ Q J 10 9
♦ A 10 8 5
♣ A Q J

We have two sure spade tricks, four in diamonds and one in clubs. We need two more.

One possibility is the club suit. If East has the king we can lead clubs twice from the dummy and finesse both times, to the queen and the jack. That's a 50% chance, but once again, West's lead has given us a much better choice.

With no clue from the auction, we can assume that West has led fourth highest from his longest and strongest suit. Since West's fourth highest card is the spade two, West has only a four card suit. The defenders can develop at most two winners in the spade suit.

So, it is safe for us to go about promoting heart winners, in case the deal turns out something like this:

♠ A 8 5
♥ 6 3 2
♦ K Q J 3
♣ 8 7 4

♠ Q 10 7 2
♥ A 8 5
♦ 6 4 2
♣ K 6 3

♠ J 9 6 4
♥ K 7 4
♦ 9 7
♣ 10 9 5 2

♠ K 3
♥ Q J 10 9
♦ A 10 8 5
♣ A Q J

We win the spade king and lead the heart queen to drive out the king or ace. Assuming the defence wins and leads another spade, we win the ace and drive out the other high heart. West takes his two established spade winners, but that's all. We have two promoted heart winners to go with our original seven tricks.

If we had tried the club finesse instead of promoting the hearts, we would be defeated. The defenders would take two spades, two hearts and a club. The opening lead provided the clue we needed to choose the best line of play.

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Andy Stark

Don't you get excited a few days before attending a sectional or regional? I do. But I especially get all tingly when I know I'm about to compete in the Grande Dame of Toronto bridge, the Royal York. Twice a year it happens: once just after New Year's and the other just before Easter. There's something magical about playing bridge in rooms where some of the game's best have played.

It's like a walk back in time. Strolling towards the gigantic ballroom you half expect to see Charles Goren all decked out in his 1940's finest. Oh look! There's Sonny Moyses and Ely Culbertson arguing over whether Blackwood will ever catch on. And that man over there sure is a ringer for Eric Murray. Oh my, there's Helen Sobel, is she ever - wait a second - that ringer for Eric Murray is Eric Murray!

He may not be puffing on a cigar but that's Eric Murray all right. And he's dressed to the nines compared to the rest of us modern day bums. *And he's still winning.* Mr. Murray, along with John Carruthers, Jim Green, Nader Hanna, Roy Hughes and Danny Miles steamrolled the opposition in all eight of their matches to win the Sunday Swiss (*We were actually 7-1. - Ed.*).

One of my partners for the weekend was Joan Eaton. It was the first time we played together, but we had plenty

of time over fajitas at the Armadillo to fill out a convention card. After five rounds I noticed our styles were meshing nicely, so I asked if we could add something to our card. Joan said sure. I suggested we play transfers after strong two no trump rebids. The gadget works like this: after one heart (or one spade) by opener, one no trump by responder, two no trump by opener, *responder's rebid is a transfer.* Round six began and I picked up as dealer:

♠ Q 5
♥ A 5 4
♦ K 9 8 6 3 2
♣ J 7

My diamonds were sketchy so I decided not to open a weak two in diamonds; plus I had such good outside stuff. Joan opened one spade in third chair, I bid one no trump, and she bid two no trump. Well now. How often does *that* happen? You and your partner discuss a gadget and bam - the very next deal you get to trot it out.

I bid three clubs thinking I was transferring her to diamonds (my plan being to follow up with a three spade bid). But instead of bidding three diamonds, Joan surprised me with a bid of three spades. So I took her for a big hand with spades. Rather than bid an ambiguous four of a red suit, I just bid five spades. Joan accepted the invitation and bid the small slam.

She held:

♠ A K 9 8 6 5 3
♥ 6
♦ A
♣ A Q 10 9

Joan made seven when the breaks turned out to be friendly and RHO held the king of clubs. As you can see, Joan was playing the two no trump rebid as sort of an artificial bid that says, "My hand is too good to jump rebid my suit, so let's go to game." I like this two no trump rebid agreement. The corollary is that when you open a suit and jump rebid in another you will really be two-suited (at least five-five) so you won't have to 'lie' by faking a jump shift rebid.

Onwards and downwards - here is a hand that I know on another day or another time I would have got right, but when this one came up in the finals of the Saturday knockouts I pooched it in glorious fashion. And when I say glorious fashion I mean I found a way to go down with spectacular grandeur. (Only in the Royal York.)

My partner was your friendly webmaster, Martin Hunter, and we squared off against the world-class pair of Keith Balcombe and David Colbert.

♠ A 2
♥ A Q 8 5
♦ A K Q 9 2
♣ 8 5

♠ J 10 9 7
♥ 9 2
♦ 10 4 3
♣ A J 10 6

After a reverse by Martin, I ended up as declarer in three no trump and received the lead of the club four from Balcombe. How would you plan the play? Colbert, East, plays the king. Oh,

one thing you should know about these guys is that they are expert false carders - they can be very tough opponents to play against. I also find it difficult to play against them when I am playing like a novice - a stark raving total neophyte buck novice at that.

I won Colbert's king with the ace and at trick two I floated the jack of spades. It lost to the queen and back came the nine of clubs. I covered with the jack and Balcombe thought a long while before taking his queen and putting me on the board with a spade to the now bare ace.

I then made the idiot-savant play of the nine of diamonds. Balcombe said, "Now there's a play you don't see very often." I then spread my hand and claimed nine tricks. I said, "You can take another spade but I will win the return and come to my hand with the ten of diamonds, cash the good clubs and go back to the board - one spade, one heart, four diamonds and three clubs." But there is a big problem with this claim. Do you see it? (I didn't at the time.)

My clubs were not 'good.' Well, one of them, the ten was good, but the other, the six, was decidedly bad. Going back to the play of the nine of diamonds, you can see it was more idiot than savant.

Curses! I had fallen for the Sominex Coup. Balcombe had huddled so long before winning the queen of clubs that I fell asleep and became mesmerized into thinking my six had grown in rank. But no, Keith still held the seven and



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the rules of bridge are pretty clear on this: the seven is higher ranking than the six. So I went down two. Of course, one of the prime requisites of the Sominex Coup is that the person executing the Coup must not himself fall for it! Balcombe had not made this error.

At the other table Rick Delogu played it better - much better. Not only did he make the correct play at trick two, he never became enamoured of the six of clubs.

Rick started accordingly by cashing diamonds. When they proved to split 3-2, Rick cashed a fourth diamond, and from hand pitched a low club - the useless six. He then exited with a club to his jack and LHO's queen. Back came a spade, but Rick won the ace on the board and played back a spade. The opponents could cash two spade tricks but when RHO turned up with both the king and queen it was lights out for the defence - RHO either had to allow Rick back to his hand by playing a club or spade, or RHO had to play a heart into dummy's ace-queen.

Note that even if LHO could win the second spade trick for the defence he would have to play on hearts and the power of the eight on the board and nine in hand are too much - declarer would always make by ducking in dummy.

Here's a "do you or don't you" decision. In a Swiss match nobody is vulnerable and you are in second seat.

Your RHO opens with a weak two spades and you are looking at:

♠ K 4
♥ A Q 5 4 2
♦ K 9 6 3
♣ 9 8

Well? Do you pass, double or overcall?

If you pass you push the board at minus 170. But if you bid you will go for 1100. LHO held:

♠ —
♥ K 10 9 8
♦ A Q 7 2
♣ A K 10 7 4

My partner, Doug Baxter, made the fine decision to pass and we went minus 170 while the player holding Doug's cards at the other table bid three hearts and was soon writing down the dreaded quadruple-digit minus score. (Say "dreaded quadruple-digit minus score" out loud five times really fast and I guarantee you will improve your overcalls.)

Finally we come to a classic declarer-play problem right out of a textbook. See, there's a reason why we read the Bulletin every month and the Kibitzer every season - it's so we can make hands like this when they are dealt at the table. Perhaps you can improve on the line of play chosen by the Flight "A" player at my table. You are in three no trump looking at the following collection. (See top of page 26.)

The opponents are silent and your LHO leads a fourth-best five of diamonds. What is your plan?



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♠ 7 4 2
 ♥ 9 8
 ♦ K J 4
 ♣ A K Q 9 2

♠ A Q J 9
 ♥ A Q 4
 ♦ Q 10 3
 ♣ 7 6 3

It appears your LHO holds the ace of diamonds so you could call for the jack or king. If you do, your RHO plays low; now what?

You should play a spade and finesse the queen. You really don't want a heart switch by your RHO so this keeps the safe hand on lead while establishing tricks in spades. LHO wins the king of spades and plays ace and out a diamond, East pitching a low heart on the third diamond. Where do you want to win this trick and why?

You should unblock the diamond king under the ace and win the third diamond in your hand to play a club towards the board. When your LHO

contributes the eight of clubs so you should stick in the nine. It loses of course, but this safety play turns out to be somewhat necessary as your RHO holds jack-ten-fourth of clubs. Now you can win any return. Your nine tricks are two spades, one heart, two diamonds and four clubs.

The full deal:

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

The mistake is to assume clubs are running and play on them too early. Watch what can happen. Say you win the opening lead in your hand with the ten of diamonds and play on clubs.

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You can win the first three clubs and play a fourth knowing you have a diamond entry to the table. On these clubs, your LHO pitches two spades and a diamond.

Now, in with the fourth club, RHO can make the expert play of the ten of hearts (like Doug Baxter did) and you are forced to cover this card or else your RHO will continue with hearts.

So you say a prayer and insert the queen; it loses and back comes the jack of hearts which you are forced to duck. LHO can now revert to diamonds by playing the ace and exiting his low one. You can take the

king of diamonds and a club, but the spade king is offside so down you go.

(You can win the heart ace and guess to play on spades before diamonds, but if RHO turns up with the spade king and LHO with the heart king, you've still gone down in a cold contract. – Ed.)

The lesson to be learned on this hand is this: Ask yourself, "What if clubs are 4-1? If they are, what can I do about it?" And the answer is to finesse a spade into the safe hand. Then later, when RHO becomes the safe hand, duck a club to him.

Oh, there is one other lesson: don't expect the six of clubs to win a trick.

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Busman's Holiday

Sally Rewbotham

We had the good fortune to spend two glorious weeks in Sint Maarten this winter. Each time that we visit the island we enjoy the bridge games along with the beaches, shopping, sun and surf.

We walked into the Wednesday night game in Phillipsburg (Holland House) at 7:30 to a very friendly, "Ah, it's the ladies from Canada. Welcome back!" That was quickly followed by, "Do you want to play in the tournament on Saturday in Anguilla? You can be part of the Sint Maarten/St. Martin team."

Ha! Think about it. We could drive from the Dutch side of the island to the French, take a 15-minute ferry ride to Anguilla, an English island, and join other vacationers from a variety of far off nations and several Caribbean islands and spend the day playing bridge! It sounded like a lot of fun, but we would have made the half-table that they didn't want so we didn't go. It turned out that that was a good thing as the day dawned very sunny but very windy. Some of the bridge players were seasick on the ferry ride over and spent the rest of the day suffering.

On Friday evening we drove to Marigot (the French capital) for the 7:30 game at the Beach Plaza Hotel. The 7:30 start time is approximate, mind you, this being the islands after all. Start time is usually nearer 7:45 or 7:55 but, remember, you're on holiday, so who cares!

IN MEMORY OF JOANNIE FREEDMAN

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Some of the decks of cards have red hearts and diamonds; others have red hearts, orange diamonds, black spades and green clubs. You need to get used to the "R" on the kings, "D" on the queens' pictures and "K" on that of the jacks and the "I" on the aces. But, whether you call the king of hearts the Koenig, Roi or King it all spells fun!

BILL SHARPLESS

Club owner Bill Sharpless passed away on Friday March 2. A memorial service was held on Saturday March 17th at the Royal Canadian Legion on Pape Ave.

We are all very saddened by this, as Bill was so special and had many friends in the bridge world. His ready smile and quick wit made him an engaging and popular fellow.

Bill was eagerly looking forward to playing more bridge now that he was retired and had not many points to go to becoming a Gold Life Master. He was very excited that he would get to that level in the next few months.

Bill is survived by his sons, daughter, grandchildren and mother, all of whom he often spoke about. Bill visited his mother every day in her nursing home.

As well as being an accomplished bridge player, Bill was a champion motorcycle racer, a career path his sons and daughter have eagerly followed - he was very proud of their successes. Once retired from actively racing bikes, Bill moved smoothly into selling and servicing them. He will be greatly missed by everyone in his two chosen worlds.

Bonny Norris



Well Done...

The following local stars managed top 10s in St. Louis NABCs:

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BOOK REVIEW

How You Can Play Like an Expert (Without Having to Be One), Mel Colchamiro, Magnus Books, Sarasota FL, 2007, 275 pp, softcover, \$21.95US, available at www.melbridge.com.

That Mel Colchamiro has a great sense of humour is evident even before you open his book. On the cover, he is billed as, “National Swiss Team Champion; Noted Author and Teacher; Janet’s Husband”. That humour is a constant thread interwoven throughout the book: Colchamiro’s chapter titles include, “Mel’s Frank Sinatra Rule”, “Don’t Order the Salmon”, and Mel’s Chorus Line Rule”.

Indeed, Mel’s Rules are the mechanisms by which he intends to elevate your game to a higher level than you’ve previously experienced. The rules are pretty simple and attempt to distill expert practice into a few sentences. Does he succeed in his goal of making you play like an expert? Yes, he does, emphatically. This book actually teaches non-experts *how* to think at the bridge table. You may not *be* an expert after having read Colchamiro’s book, but you *will* be a better player.

Lately, there has been a trend to liberal competition over the opponents’ one no trump opening bid. None of the relevant conventions, however, help you decide *when* to bid over the opponents’ no trump opening. “Mel’s Rule of 8” does just that. It states:

It’s okay to overcall INT directly when:

of cards in your 2 longest suits
minus # of losers by LTC
= 2 or more: bid something
= 1 or less: pass

But, have at least 6 HCP!

The LTC (Losing Trick Count) works like this: you count one loser in each suit for each of the ace, king and queen you are missing. Doubleton suits count only the missing ace and king, singletons count only the ace. For example ♠AK987, ♥KJ643, ♦Q2, ♣K would be six losers, one in spades, two in hearts, two in diamonds and one in clubs. (Notice that the maximum number of losers in a hand is thus 12!)

Let’s look at a couple of Colchamiro’s examples: (1.) ♠K75, ♥AQ865, ♦K43, ♣76 and (2.) ♠K7532, ♥K8654, ♦43, ♣7. In example (1.), you have eight cards in your two longest suits and seven losers, so you should pass. In example (2.), however, your ten cards in the majors and seven losers suggest bidding. As Colchamiro says, distribution is the key factor.

There is a wealth of practical advice in this book. It should be on your bookshelf if you aspire to be a better player.

Reviewed by John Carruthers



TOURNAMENT RESULTS

District 2 STAC Winners Nov 27-Dec 3, 2006

David Hawkins-Mike O'Leary; Viktoria Renaud-Barb Freeth; Peggy Thompson-Maryanne Perry; Jane Stephenson-Mary Lou Kerr; Tom Poisson-Helen Johnston; Beth Brown-Edgar Bromley; George Knight-William Koski; Jack Neale-Paul Zuk; Marie Tromba-Guenther Kespe; Luc Labelle-Dave Johnson; Vic Puri-Sadru Saleh-Martin Jagger-Rajaratnam Sinnadurai; Joseph Seigel-Larry Cara; Doug Coutts-John Grant; Toronto Bridgelinda Herman-Val Irvin; Elizabeth Sollazzo-Vince Sollazzo; Elizabeth Mckee-Marilyn Simmons; Barbara Meyer-Judy Keating; Gail Holman-Libby Gilmore; Doreen Jukes-Elva Smith; Ron Cairns-George Wlodek; Donaldavera Durant-Dave Mccullough; Doreen Bernhardt-Hindupuram Sriharsha; Betty Francis-Vivian Tillotson; Dan Perco-Tom Peckham; Barbara Sargeant-Tim Sargeant; Terry Watt-Kevin Bosley; Robert Torrens-Sherry Torrens; Nancy Mulhall-David Hawkins-Joe Johnson-Overil Johnson; R. Walt-Helen Johnson; Natalie Silverstein-Doreen

Rakusin; John Sero-Al Pollard; Bunty Williams-Paul O'Hara; Maggie Nebout-Tom Mitchell; Kerry Keenan-Joan Pratt; Rob Moffat-John Darracott; Violi Whitmee-Janet Nazar; John Young-Gail McDonald; B Hooyer-Robert Lewis; Rosalie Angellotti-Al Pollard; Brian Hogan-Ernie Clifton; Joanne Grandy-Lorraine Vigneux; Thomas Kinnear-William Todd; Pat Lamb - Bob Purdom; Margaret Hodson-Julie-Ann Guselle; Marie Gonnella-Carmelle Piquette; June Rubin-David Rubin; Fred Day-George Creighton; Bill Trow-Lucie Trow; Douglas Foreman-Nancy Foreman; Doug Smith-Sue Smith.; Mark Dunsiger-Barb Shnier; Diane Mckechnie-Graeme Mckechnie; Dwight Bender-Jerry Richardson; Mary Lynne Howe-Barry Onslow; J Thurston-Paul Thurston; Jennifer O'Hara-Linda Anderson; Gary Zlot-George Markarian; Reg Young-George Hodgson-Dwight Bender-Gary Whiteman; Andy Stark-Martin Hunter-Abe Paul-John Rayner-Roman Klein-Debbie Feldman; Nancy Mulhall-David Hawkins-Sue Auld-Leslie Needham; Joyce Balsdon-Deborah May; Gary Arbour-Bing Le-Bonny Norris-Jim Luxford; Fred Day-Andy Risman

City Of Toronto Jan 5-7, 2007

Fri Aft A/X Pairs: Martin Miller-Joel Wooldridge

Fri Aft B/C Pairs: Laurie Meretsky-David Loucks

Fri Eve A/X Pairs: Jonathan Steinberg-Daniel Korbel

Fri Eve B/C Pairs: Harold Dietrich-Tad Stawski

Fri Eve 199er Pairs: S Joan Dixon-Chay Eng Kho

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Sat Aft 0-5 Pairs: Susan Anthony-Ann Campbell

Sat Aft 199er Pairs: Donald Hunter-Patricia Aitchison

KO A: Paul Thurston-Rick Delogu-David Colbert-Keith Balcombe

KO B: Mohammed Nulla-Rosalie Angellotti-David Mitchell-Heather Mitchell

KO C: Suzanne Auld-Leslie Needham-Heather Dann-Gloria Macdowell

KO D: Judy Keating-Fletcher Keating-Tom Dyck-Beth Henderson

Sat Flight A/X Pairs: Helen Hackner-Jim Barney

Sat Flight B Pairs: Nora Mundy-Joe Mundy

Sat Flight C Pairs: Richard Garlick-Howard Montemurro

Sat Eve 199er Pairs: Kathy Morrison-Janet Nazar

Aft 199er Swiss: Barbara Olsen-Diane McNally-Catharine Gilmour-Constance Van Ditzhuyzen

Sun Eve 199er: Ann-Marie McMinniman-Murray Caudle-Beryle

Patterson-Helene Lemieux-Moore

Stratiflighted A/X Swiss: Eric

Murray-John Carruthers-Danny Miles-

Roy Hughes-Jim Green-Nader Hanna

Stratiflighted B/C Swiss: Sonia

Ostroff-John Hinphey-Bing Wong-

Allan Monteiro

Bermuda Regional

Southampton, Bermuda

Jan 20-27, 2007

Southern Ontario Winners

Cedar Compact KO Bracket 2:

Joanne Grandy-Helen Richards-

Margot Holden-Sandra Bruce

Monday Evening 99er Pair: Ron

Walenius-Eleanor Walenius

Tuesday Aft 99er Pair: William

Linton-Marjorie Linton

Fri/Sat Flight A Swiss: Alex Kornel-

Barbara Seagram

Fri/Sat Flight B Swiss: Tony Viidik-

Joan Viidik

**78th Western Ontario
London, January 26-28 2007**

Fri Aft Stratified Pairs: John Howe-
Jerry Reid

Fri Aft Strat 199er Pairs: Brendan
Nolan-Thomas Smith

Fri Eve Stratified Pairs: Robert
Thornhill-Janusz Pruski

Fri Eve Strat 199er Pairs: Larry
Clipperton-Gary Price

Sat Aft Strat 199er Pairs: Larry
Clipperton-Gary Price

Stratflighted B/C Pairs: Leszek
Wroblewski-Roman Dubinski

Stratflighted A/X Pairs: David
Baker-Fran Chivers

Sun Evening 199er Swiss: Larry
Clipperton-Gary Price-W Don
Hambley-Otto Finkenzeller

Sun Afternoon 199er Swiss: David
Eddy-Pam Husband-Donna Wood-
Tony Legault

Stratflighted A/X Teams: Dwight
Bender-Matthew Mason-Daniel
Korbel-Susan Korbel

Stratflighted B/C Teams: Malcolm
Coutts-Jim Rife-Herbert Spanier-John
Lightfoot

**53rd Niagara District
St Catharines, Feb 2-4, 2007**

Fri Aft 199er Pairs: Christopher Loat-
H A Patrick Little

Fri Aft Open Pairs: Larry Woods-
Bryan Kay

Fri Aft Women's Pairs: Moyra
Campion-Hilde Wheeler

Fri Eve Swiss Teams: Fred
Andreychuk-Clyde Paul-Jeremy
Smee-Dwight Bender

Fri Eve Open Pairs A/X: Linda
Lehoux-Frances Aboud

Fri Eve B/C Pairs: Donna Reimer-
Michael O Rourke

Fri Eve 199ers: Helen Ratkovsky-
Barbara Aldridge

Sat Aft 199ers: David Eddy-Pam
Husband

Sat Eve 199er Pairs: Raymond
Findlay-Glen Findlay

Saturday A/X Pairs: Lesley
Thomson-Barry Senensky

Saturday B/C Pairs: Nancy Stewart-
Michael Moffat

Sunday AM 199er Teams: Peter
Moore-Ted Seager-Helene Lemieux-
Moore-Ann-Marie McMinniman

Sunday Swiss Group I:
Paul Thurston-Rick Delogu

Keith Balcombe-David Colbert

Sunday Swiss Group II: Kaiyu Qian-
Chris Chan-Y Fred Wen-Shelley Kuan

Sunday Swiss Group III: Michael
Kisiel Jr-Alexandra Miller-Dave
Hubert-Sue Hubert

**CNTC Zone 3 Final
Feb 10 - 11 , 2007
Mississauga, ON**

CNTC-A: (To qualify 5 teams for
National Final)

1. Ray Jotcham-Stephen Mackay-
James Priebe-Alan Lee

2. John Rayner-Eric Shepherd-John
Duquette-Andy Stark

3. Paul Thurston-Rick Delogu-David
Colbert-Keith Balcombe

4. Roger Snowling-Roman Klein-Gary
Westfall-Ronald Sutherland-Eric
Sutherland

5. Robert Lebi-George Mittelman-
David Grainger-Daniel Korbel-Arno
Hobart-Dan Jacob

CNTC-B (To qualify 3 teams for
National Final)

1. Laurie Due-Michael Kammermayer-
Daniel Cecchelli-G Alan Brooks

2. Don Ostrom-Clyde Paul-Adrian
Record-Brendon Doherty

3. Leo Upenieks-Michael Sidnell-
Sondra Blank-Andrew Collins

Oshawa Teams Sectional Feb 17-18, 2007

Saturday B/C/D Teams: Donald Lough-Larry Riddle-John Ebden-Lynda Ebden

Saturday A/X Teams: Jonathan Steinberg-John Laufer-Danny Schamehorn-William Koski

Sunday A/X Swiss Teams: James Cole-D Cole-Eva Upper-Wendy Dooley

Sunday B/C/D Swiss: Thambyayah Skanthavarathan-Neville Jesuvant-Thambi Sivarajah-S Kulendran

Canada-Wide STaC Winners Feb 19-25, 2007

Danny Schamehorn-Bill Koski; Behi Fathollahzadeh-Hui Zhi Song; Chris Mesi-Hugh Cooke; Wes McCullough-Bob Lemon; Gail Holman-Libby Gilmore; B Hooyer-William Sheryer; Kathy Morrison-Margaret Dykstra; Debbie Bennett-Judy Singer; Johanna Platt-Tom Platt; Harry Speed-Carol Wills; Shirley Anne Webster-Sandy Webster; Tehmi Vakil-Yash Khanna; Gary Whiteman-Dwight Bender; Jo-Anne Thurston-Paul Thurston; Leo Upenieks-Gail Lambacher; Rosalie Angellotti-William Pollard; Mo Milne-Karen Flaman-Linda Armstrong-Anna Lis; Hindupuram Sriharsha-Andrew Monk-Sandra Monk-Doreen Bernhardt

Sudbury Sectional Feb 23 – 25, 2007

Friday Aft Open Pairs: Dale Freeman-Kevin Conway

Friday Aft 99er Pairs: Bert Acteson-Dianne Acteson

Friday Eve Open Pairs: B Udeschini - Art Romanick

Friday Eve 99er Pairs: Patricia Dunn - Josephine Franssen

Saturday Aft Open Pairs: Dale Freeman, Englehart ON; Kevin Conway

Saturday Aft 99er Pairs: Patricia Dunn - Josephine Franssen

Saturday Eve Open Pairs: Joseph Sauro - Brenda Geden

Saturday Eve 99er Pairs: Hugh Kedey - Eveline Kedey

Sunday Morn 99er Teams: Hugh Kedey-Eveline Kede-Betty Ann Brown-Tereasa Houle

Sunday Open Swiss Teams: Lloyd Harris-Algi Remeikis-Dale Freeman-Kevin Conway

Sunday Aft 99er Teams: Marc Theriault-Nicole Theriault-Nancy Foreman-Douglas Foreman

Kempenfelt Hospitality Feb 25, 2007

Sunday Swiss Teams: Hindupuram Sriharsha-Andrew Monk-Sandra Monk-Doreen Bernhardt

HUGE GAME

The 80.06 % scored by Mary Alton and Ilko Dossev on August 7, 2006 at the Brooklin Duplicate Bridge Club in Brooklin, ON is the highest % score that I have seen in my 40-odd years of playing duplicate. The movement was an 8-table Bye-Stand Mitchell with 24 boards in play. Average on a board was 3.5, and Mary and Ilko scored 134.50 out of a possible 168. (Scoring 8 tops, 4 tied-for-tops, 2 second-tops, and only 2 boards below average at 2 and 2.5).

Ed Burgan, West Hill, ON

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Leader	2006 MP Total
Robert Hollow, Madoc ON	1217

Mini-McKenney Awards

MP Category	Leader	2006 MP Total
0 to 5	William Liu, North York ON	121
5 to 20	John Sheasby, London ON	81
20 to 50	Selma Abramsohn, Thornhill ON	160
50 to 100	Peggy Kainz, Windsor ON	127
100 to 200	Jan Stewart, Toronto ON	221
200 to 300	Murray Shapcott, Burlington ON	212
300 to 500	Michael Kammermayer, Hamilton ON	372
500 to 1000	Janine Bibb, Toronto ON	409
1000 to 2500	Daniel Korbel, Waterloo ON	556
2500 to 5000	Robert Hollow, Madoc ON	1217
5000 to 7500	Gavin Wolpert, Thornhill ON	868
7500 to 10,000	Jerry Richardson, London ON	434
Over 10,000	Jonathan Steinberg, Toronto ON	609

Ace of Clubs Awards

MP Category	Leader	2006 MP Total
0 to 5	Peter Moore, Hamilton ON	46
5 to 20	Norman Marcoux, London ON	54
20 to 50	Selma Abramsohn, Thornhill ON	137
50 to 100	Doreen Rakusin, Toronto ON	83
100 to 200	Gord Pippy, Winnipeg MB	151
200 to 300	Jennifer O'Hara, Sudbury ON	118
300 to 500	Morteza Maziar, Toronto ON	126
500 to 1000	Lesley Thomson, Toronto ON	190
1000 to 2500	Nathan Rosen, Toronto ON	279
2500 to 5000	Norma Ingram, Kitchener ON	190
5000 to 7500	Alice Anderson, Tillsonburg ON	309
7500 to 10,000	Dudley Camacho, Toronto ON	240
Over 10,000	Jonathan Steinberg, Toronto ON	69

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Saturday, June 23 and Sunday, June 24, 2007

Saturday June 23

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Pairs (under 300 MP, 1 session) 1:00 pm
Pairs (under 300 MP, 1 session, strat.) 7:00 pm

Sunday, June 24

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

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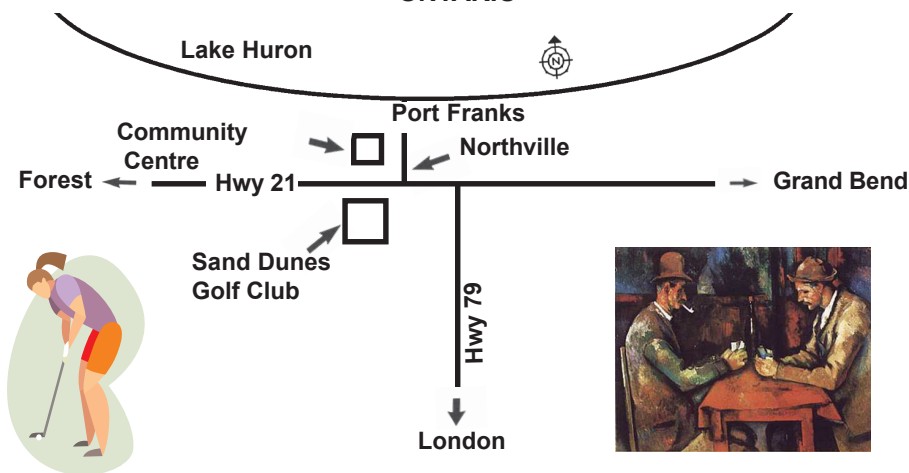
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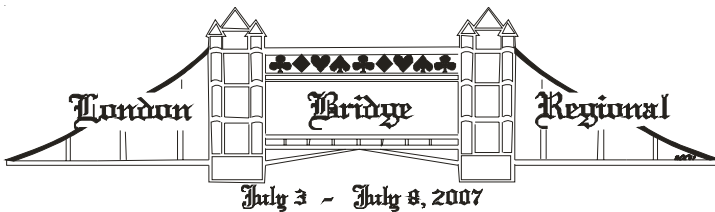
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Afternoon Side Game Series (1 st of 4 sessions)	1:00 pm		
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0-20, 199er Pairs			7:00 pm

Wednesday July 4:

Bracketed Morning Knockout Teams (1st session)	9:00 am		
Morning Side Game Series (1st of 4 sessions)	9:00 am		
Stratified Pairs	1:00 pm	&	7:00 pm
London Bracketed Knockouts (1st & 2nd)	1:00 pm	&	7:00 pm
Afternoon Side Game Series (2nd of 4 sessions)	1:00 pm		
Evening Side Game Series (2nd of 5)			7:00 pm
Stratified Swiss Teams (One session)			7:00 pm

Thursday July 5:

Bracketed Morning Knockout Teams (2nd session)	9:00 am		
Morning Side Game Series (2nd of 4 sessions)	9:00 am		
Senior Stratified Pairs (morning & afternoon 2 sessions)	9:00 am	&	1:00 pm
Stratified Swiss Teams			1:00 pm & 7:00 pm
Afternoon Side Game Series (3rd of 4 sessions)			1:00 pm
London Bracketed Knockouts (3rd & 4th)			1:00 pm & 7:00 pm
Evening Side Game Series (3rd of 5)			7:00 pm

Friday July 6:

Bracketed Morning Knockouts (3rd session)	9:00 am		
Morning Compact Knockouts (sessions 1 & 2)	9:00 am		
Morning Side Game Series (3rd of 4 sessions)	9:00 am		
Stratified Pairs			1:00 pm & 7:00 pm
Afternoon Side Game Series (4th of 4 sessions)			1:00 pm
Weekend Bracketed Knockouts (1st & 2nd)			1:00 pm & 7:00 pm
Evening Side Game Series (4th of 5)			7:00 pm
Stratified Swiss Teams (One session)			7:00 pm
Midnight Charity Speedball Knockout Teams			11:00 pm

Saturday July 7:

Bracketed Morning Knockouts (4th session)	9:00 am		
Morning Compact Knockouts (sessions 3 & 4)	9:00 am		
Morning Side Game Series (4th of 4 sessions)	9:00 am		
Stratified Pairs (A/X) (B/C)			1:00 pm & 7:00 pm
Saturday Compact Knockouts			1:00 pm & 7:00 pm
Weekend Bracketed Knockouts (3rd & 4th)			1:00 pm & 7:00 pm
Evening Side Game Series (5th of 5)			7:00 pm

Sunday July 8:

Stratified Swiss Teams (averaged team MPs 0-500/1250/Inf)	10:00 am	(playthrough)
199er Swiss (0-200)	10:00 am	(playthrough)

Novice (0-20) and 199er (0-200) games every session. Prizes. Speaker Program.

Side Game Series held over several sessions. Play 1 or more sessions with the same or different partners.

Players must play at least two sessions in the same event to be eligible for gold point awards.

Strats: C: 0-500(NLM) B: 500(LM) - 2000 A: 2000+ Flight A/X: 0-3000/3000+

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Stratified 299er Pairs (single sessions)

1:00 & 7:00

SATURDAY, JULY 28

Stratified Open Pairs (single sessions)

12:00 & 6:00

Stratified 299er Pairs (single sessions)

12:00 & 6:00

Bracketed Compact Knockouts

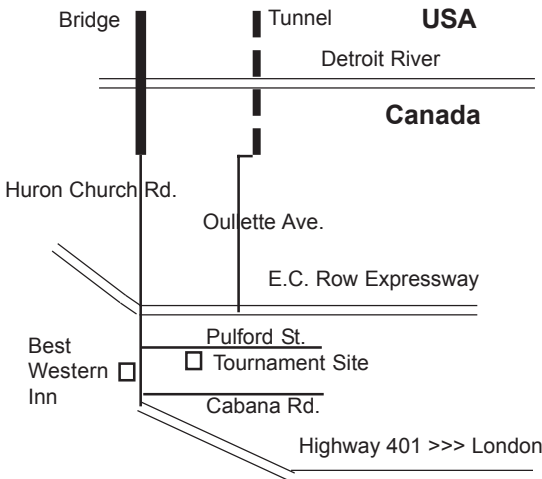
12:00 & 6:00

SUNDAY, JULY 29

Bracketed Swiss Teams & Stratified 199er Swiss Teams

11:00 & TBA

Short break after 4th round with a free light lunch



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- 19:30 Charity open pairs (one session)
Knock-out I, 1st session

TUESDAY AUGUST 7th

- 10:00 Knock-out I, 2nd session
Stratified Swiss, 1st session
Women's Swiss, 1st session
Side game series I
- 15:00 Knock-out I, 3rd session
Stratified Swiss, 2nd session
Women's Swiss, 2nd session
Side game series I
- 19:30 Knock-out I, 4th session
Horizontal stratified pairs, 1st session
Side game series I

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 8th

- 10:00 Knock-out II, 1st session
Stratified pairs, 1st session
Side game series I
Pairs 0-20
- 15:00 Knock-out II, 2nd session
Stratified pairs, 2nd session
Side game series I
- 19:30 Knock-out III, 1st session
Horizontal stratified pairs, 2nd session
Side game series I

THURSDAY AUGUST 9th

- 10:00 Knock-out II, 3rd session
Stratified pairs II, 1st session
Side game series I
Compact K.O. (1/2)
- 15:00 Knock-out II, 4th session
Stratified pairs II, 2nd session
Side game series I
Compact K.O. (2/2)
- 19:30 Knock-out III, 2nd session
Horizontal Swiss, 1st session
Side game series I

FRIDAY AUGUST 10th

- 10:00 Knock-out IV, 1st session
Stratified pairs, 1st session
Side game series II
- 15:00 Knock-out IV, 2nd session
Stratified pairs, 2nd session
Side game series II
- 19:30 Knock-out III, 3rd session
Horizontal Swiss, 2nd session
Side game series II
Compact K.O. (1/2)

SATURDAY AUGUST 11th

- 10:00 Knock out IV, 3rd session
Sam Gold stratiflighted pairs
(A=Open, B & C strat.) (1/2)
Side game series II
Compact K.O. (1/2)
- 15:00 Knock-out IV, 4th session
Sam Gold stratiflighted pairs
(A=Open, B & C strat.) (2/2)
Side game series II
Compact K.O. (2/2)
- 19:30 Knock-out III, 4th session
Side game series II
Compact K.O. (2/2)

SUNDAY AUGUST 12th

- 10:00 Stratiflighted Swiss, 1st session
Senior Swiss, 1st session
Side game series II
Pairs 0-20
- 15:00 Stratiflighted Swiss, 2nd session
Senior Swiss, 2nd session
Side game series II



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August 10th, 11th, and 12th, 2007

FRIDAY, AUGUST 10

1:00pm Stratified Senior Open Pairs
 1:00pm Stratified Open Pairs
 1:00pm Stratified I/N 199er Pairs
 7:00pm Stratified Open Pairs
 7:00pm Stratified I/N 199er Pairs

- * Free wine and cheese Friday night
- * Free snacks Saturday night
- * Free coffee and donuts Sunday morn
- * Free luncheon between sessions Sunday
- * Free coffee/tea (pop is available)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 11

1:00 & 7:00pm Stratiflighted Open Pairs Play Thru
 (Single sessions welcome)
 1:00pm Stratified I/N 199er Pairs
 7:00pm Stratified I/N 199er Pairs

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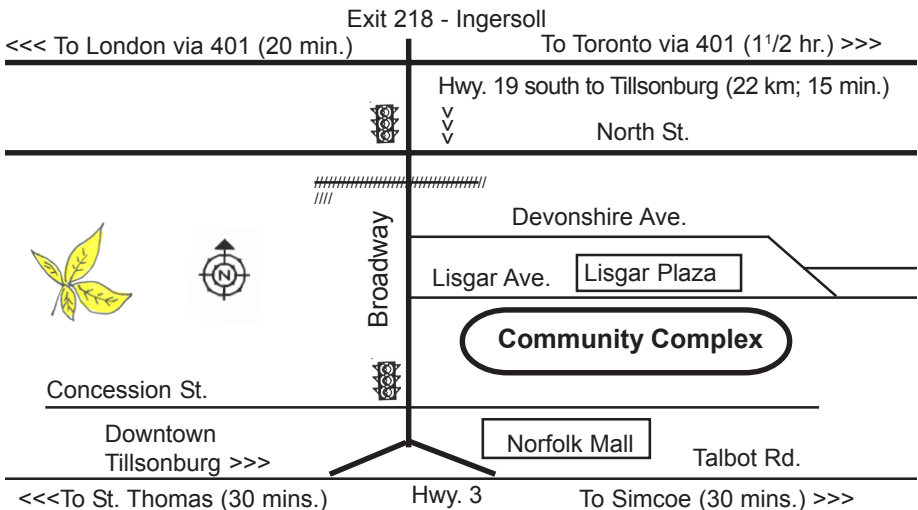
SUNDAY, AUGUST 12

11:00 am & TBA Stratified Open Swiss Teams
 11:00 am & TBA Stratified I/N 199er Swiss Teams

Entry Fees:

\$10.00 ACBL members/session
 \$11.00 non-ACBL members/session

Open Pairs & Teams: Flight A: 1500+, B: NLM-1500, & C: 0-NLM
Stratiflighted: Flight A/X: (2500+, 0-2500) & Strat B/C: (NLM-1500, 0-NLM)
I/N 199'ers: Flight A: 50-199, B: 10-50, and C: 0-10
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Tuesday August 14

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Stratified Women's Pairs 1:00 & 7:00
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Wednesday August 16

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Bracketed KO (1st Session) 9:00
Stratified Swiss Teams 1:00 & 7:00

Thursday August 16

Sponsored by Wingate Lottery

Bracketed KO (2nd Session) 9:00
Stratified Pairs 1:00 & 7:00
A/X=0-3000, 3000+, D/C/B=500/1000/1500

Friday August 17

Sponsored by Greco's Pizza

Bracketed KO (3rd Session) 9:00
Compact KO (1st Session) 9:00
Bracketed KO (1st & 2nd) 1:00 & 7:00
Stratified Open Pairs 1:00 & 7:00

Saturday August 18

Sponsored by Peter Minogue Real Estate

Bracketed KO (Final) 9:00
Compact KO (Final) 9:00
Bracketed KO (3rd & 4th) 1:00 & 7:00
A/X IMP Pairs 1:00 & 7:00
X=0-3000, A=3000+
D/C/B Pairs 500/1000/1500 1:00 & 7:00

Sunday August 19

Sponsored by Dave's Diner

Stratified Swiss Teams 10:00 Playthrough

Intermediate/Newcomer Schedule (Red/Black Points)

All I/N events are single sessions
Strats: A=100-300, B=50-100, C=0-50
Also separate games for players with
0-20 master points (fewer boards)
Strats: A=10-20, B=5-10, C=0-5

Thursday August 16

0-300 Stratified Pairs 1:00
0-300 Stratified Pairs 7:00
0-20 Stratified Pairs 7:00

Friday August 17

0-300 Stratified Pairs 1:00
0-300 Stratified Pairs 7:00

Saturday August 18

0-300 Stratified Pairs 1:00
0-300 Stratified Pairs 7:00
0-20 Stratified Pairs 7:00

Sunday August 19

0-300 Swiss teams 10:00

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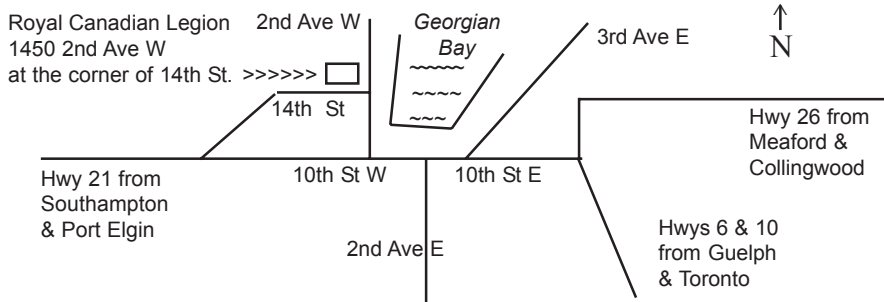
Stratification for all open events: A=1500+ B=500-1500 C=0-500

299er events will be stratified at the discretion of the Director

Tournament Chair: Gord Close 519-371-9949 gordclose@datastore.ca

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Fri Aug 24	Sat Aug 25	Sun Aug 26
1:30 pm Strat Open Pairs (1 session)	1:30 pm Strat Open Pairs (2-session playthrough)	10:30 am & TBA
1:30 pm Strat 299er Pairs (1 session)	Regionally-Rated Silver Points	Strat Open Swiss Teams (2-session playthrough)
7:30 pm Strat Open Pairs (1 session)	Single session entries welcome in either session	299er Swiss Teams (Stratified at the discretion of the Director.)
7:30 pm Strat 299er Pairs (1 session)	1:30 pm Strat 299er Pairs (1 session)	The 299er Swiss teams may be run as either a one 2-session event or as two 1-session events
	7:30 pm Strat 299er Pairs (1 session)	



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Labour Day Sectional

September 1-3, 2007

Saturday, September 1

Bracketed KO Teams 9 a.m., 1 & 7 p.m.
Stratiflighted Open Pairs (A/X) + (B/C) 1 & 7 p.m.

Intermediate & Newcomer Games

Stratified Pairs 0-20/50/200 (2 separate sessions) 1 & 7 p.m.

Sunday, September 2

Bracketed KO Teams 9 a.m., 1 & 7 p.m.
Stratified Pairs: A/X (IMPs); B/C (Matchpoints) 1 & 7 p.m.
Stratified Pairs 0-20/50/200 (2 separate sessions) 1 & 7 p.m.

Monday, September 3

Stratified Swiss Teams 11 a.m. & TBA
Flight A = 3000+ B = 500-1500 C = 0-500 X = 0-3000
299er Swiss Teams 11 a.m. & TBA

Section Tops - Candy

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Correspondence



Hi John,

In the past 12 months I have been slowly getting back into bridge due to a keen beginner in our building. Through her I've met others who are interested in learning and fine tuning their game and during these and other sessions I have run into what I consider unpleasant behaviour. I had hoped that when we installed Zero Tolerance, this sort of behaviour, along with outright rudeness, would become a thing of the past.

I'm sure you've read the many letters to the Editor in the Bulletin regarding slow play by beginners. They feel they are being accused of doing something wrong rather than being a slow thinker.

"We want to assure a social climate that promotes enjoyable bridge." So says the new ACBL President, as outlined in the Jan. '07 Bulletin. Further, "...to emphasize ways to assure new player experience is uniformly pleasant."

Therefore as the Editor of the Kibitzer I am appealing to you to take this same ball and run with it - let's educate the Club Owners who will educate Life Masters and club members to be more tolerant and that beginners and novices will in Sharon Fairchild's own words "make them feel really wanted."

Respectfully submitted,
John H. Pavey

Hi John,

I wanted to let you know about this and I would like you to print it in the

Kibitzer as I feel this is important for bridge players to realize that our game, even though competitive, is still a social game, and there are players who continue to make bridge a pleasant experience.

I was playing with my bridge partner, Andrew Risman, at a Game in February 2007 at the Cavendish Club in Don Mills. The bidding went like this:

West	North	East	South
Andrew Risman	Bruce Raichman	Merryl Chin	Margaret MacKay
—	—	1 ♣	Pass
1 ♠	2 ♦	4 ♦	Pass
Pass!			

Four diamonds was a splinter bid, alerted by my partner, who then passed in error. North, Bruce Raichman, was a perfect gentleman. He told my partner to pick up his pass card and bid what he wanted to bid which was four spades. North's partner, Margaret MacKay, was a perfect lady; she never objected to her partner telling my partner to bid. She said she realized it was an error.

To add insult to injury, my partner made his contract - and others did not - so that Bruce Raichman and Margaret Mackay got a zero on this board. They never complained - we just finished scoring and went on to the next board.

I did compliment them on their most accommodating attitude, but I think the bridge world should be aware that there are lots of pleasant people playing bridge and people who make you want to continue the game.

Regards,
Merryl Chin

(Two rather different views! - Ed.)



HAZEL'S BRIDGE CLUB



		<i>Morning</i>		<i>Afternoon</i>		<i>Evening</i>
Mon	9.30	Lesson Series with Hazel	12.30	Open Stratified Game 12.30 Side Game	7.00	Newplicate Bridge w/ Steve 7.15 Open Stratified Game
Tue	9.15	Duplicate Bridge with Bagels & Coffee	12.30	Open Stratiifed Game 12.30 0-300 Game	7.00	Pre-Game Lesson w/ Int Duplicate 7.30 Beginner Bridge Lessons
Wed	9.15	Bridge Clinic w/ Steve - Improve Your Game	12.30	Open Stratified Game 12.30 Side Game	7.15	Team League Night
Thu	9.30	Pre-Game Lesson & Practice Hands with Hazel	12.30	Open Stratified Game	7.15	Open Stratified Game - Free Play Challenge
Fri	9.00	Pre-Game Lesson Friendly Game with Bagels	12.00	Bagels & Cream Cheese 12.30 Open Stratified Game		Closed
Sat	9.30	Bridge Practice with Steve	12.30	Open Stratified Game with an Optional Pool	7.15	Open Stratified Game
Sun		Closed	12.30	Open Stratified Game		Closed

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5-6 Cobourg*
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Regional**
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NOVEMBER

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9-11 Stratford
**22-DEC 2 FALL NABC, SAN
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DECEMBER

- 26-2 District 2 STaC

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