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Local Heroes



Lee Daugharty, Toronto, winner
of the 2014 Kate Buckman
Award, with Keara



John Rayner, Oakville, Audrey
Grant Award winner for 2014



Shan Huang, Toronto, winner of
the 2013 Richmond Trophy



2014 NAP Flight B champs
Aleksandar Vujic, Toronto and
Miroslav Kovacevic, Markham

CAMBODIA PROJECTS: 2014 UPDATE & EXCITING NEWS

**Read about our new Family Health Clinic which we will build
Save Thursday, June 19th in your calendar!**

In 2011, we (Patti Lee and Barbara Seagram) began our work in Cambodia with clothing, pens, notebooks, rulers, sharpeners, toys, pencils, stickers. We met volunteers who'd built schools and we discovered that there was a programme whereby we could arrange to buy bicycles for the children of Cambodia. Our group bought 40 bicycles for \$50 each and gave them to the children in return for their commitment to stay in school. We returned home determined to do more.

We raised \$40,000 that year, built one school, furnished two others and built a library at one of the schools. Patti visited in 2014, Barbara will visit in 2015. Since then, we remain committed to sustaining FOUR schools: paying teachers, librarians, electricity, etc. The cost for sustaining all these projects is \$10,000 per year. You can see that money goes a long way in this country.

We now have 580 students in our schools, but there is a huge need in the remote villages for medical help. Many never see a doctor, so we have decided to build a FAMILY HEALTH CLINIC. It would be the first line of medical support for local families who do not have a doctor and who cannot travel to one. Our first guesstimate for building this project is approximately \$50,000. Patti and Barbara are excited and optimistic about all of these projects and are holding our Annual Fundraiser for Cambodia on Thursday, June 19th at 5 Glen Park Ave (Habonim Synagogue). The programme is:

9.30 am Seminar with Barbara Seagram

11.30 am Lunch

12 noon Presentation by Patti Lee with lots of photos of her 2014 trip to Cambodia, where she stayed a few weeks.

12.45 pm Until 3.30 pm: Bridge game with extra master points (sectionally rated)

We will also have a silent auction. We would be so grateful if you could all help us to solicit donations for our silent auction...dinner at restaurants are the most popular...vouchers for anything you think would be popular; we would so appreciate your help with this.

The cost for attending is a donation of minimum of \$40.00 per person. (Tax deductible receipts will be issued). At the door, there will be an additional fee of \$10.00 per person to cover costs for the event. These have to be kept separate as there is no tax receipt for the \$10.00. If you are unable to attend, we would still welcome your donation & of course the tax receipt will still be issued.

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Editor's Note:

This issue's coverboys represent diverse success stories. Firstly, Lee Daugharty has won the Kate Buckman Award and John Rayner the Audrey Grant Award for 2014. Next, Shan Huang has won the 2013 Richmond Trophy for the most masterpoints won by a Canadian in a calendar year. Lastly, Aleksander Vujic and Miroslav Kovacevic have won the 2014 Golder North American Pairs Flight B in Dallas. We congratulate them all.

Furthermore, Daniel Korbel and David Grainger have won the 0-10,000 Swiss Teams in Dallas and North Bayers Marc Langevin and Brian Thomas won all five events at their recent three-day home Sectional. That's a Wow!

John Carruthers

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Intermediate II: April 24, 7:00-9:30 pm (8 weeks)

Intermediate I: April 25, 9:00 am-noon (8 weeks)

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Slam Bidding: May 21, 7:00-9:30 pm (4 weeks)

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Highlights of Unit 249 Board of Directors Meeting London, Ontario, Saturday, January 25th, 2014

- A. The date for Sarnia Tournament has been established as the third weekend of April unless it falls on Easter in which case it will be the second weekend in April.
- B. Unit 149 will support the Learning Bridge in a Day program and reimburse clubs who pay the \$150 sanction fee. Continued support will be reevaluated in one year.
- C. A “Coordinator of Duplicate Bridge Education and Newcomers” will be appointed to improve tournament attendance.
- D. New tournaments: Windsor, 4th and 5th of October, 2014, Chatham within a few weeks of that and Guelph, March of 2015.
- E. Unit 249 currently has a bank balance of \$24,213 with Accounts Receivable of \$1,100 and Accounts Payable of \$800 for operating expenses and HST Payable of \$2,294, leaving us with a working balance of approximately \$22,250.
- F. Current membership: 1209.
- G. Tournament attendance in 2013 was up more than 200 tables from 2012 despite there having been one fewer tournament.
- H. Next meeting: April 12, 2014.

**The full Board meeting minutes can be viewed at
www.unit249.com**

INA DEMME NAMED CBF EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT



Ina Demme, of Maple, Ontario is the new Executive Assistant of the Canadian Bridge Federation. Demme took up her duties on January 1, 2014, replacing longtime EA Jan Anderson of Regina. Irene Warner of Toronto, who was also the Secretary of Unit 166, preceded Anderson. Warner and Anderson reigned for about four decades as the CBF's first and second Executive Assistants.

SHAN HUANG WINS RICHMOND TROPHY



Last year, Shan Huang of Toronto, at 25, and still a Junior, became the youngest-ever player to win the Richmond Trophy, awarded annually to the Canadian player winning the most master points in the calendar year. Huang garnered 1318 master points in the competition.

The Richmond Trophy, named after, and donated by, Winnipegger Dave Richmond, has been dominated by players from western Canada. Huang became only the sixth local player to have won the trophy; Kenny Gee from Regina has won that many by

himself, all six of them consecutive. CBF Hall-of-Famer Mark Molson won the Richmond five times before asking the CBF to remove him from consideration as he began to spend more and more time in the United States. Bruce Ferguson did the same after his three wins in a row.

Shan has clear goals set for himself: he wants to win a North American Bridge Championship and a World Championship. The closest he has come so far was a second-place finish in the 2013 North American Swiss Teams.

Shan began playing bridge as a child since both his parents and grandparents played and then he played quite a bit of online bridge in high school. Shan's first duplicate bridge experience was at the University of Toronto's Hart House Bridge Club where, he relates, "the field was so weak that I did not realize how hopeless I was."

In an interview with BBO early in 2014, Shan was asked if he had a favourite deal to recount. He replied: "Recently I was playing in the final of a knockout in the Hilton Head Regional. We were stuck 38 IMPs at the half. On the last board of the second half, I was declaring a very thin three notrump. One opponent led out of turn so I forbade the lead of that suit and got a somewhat good start. Then, with eight tricks, I had to guess which opponent had the king of spades to decide between a simple finesse or a strip squeeze. While I was thinking, the opponent with the king of spades (offside) thought I had no chance and decided to show me his hand. That took away my guess and I made three notrump and ended up winning the second half by 39 IMPs and winning the Knockout by 1 IMP! I'm still not sure how I was going to play the hand."

Richmond Trophy Winners

1974	John Carruthers, Toronto, Ont.	522
1975	Mike Schoenborn, Toronto, Ont.	524
1976	Bruce Ferguson, New Westminster, BC	929
1977	Bruce Ferguson, New Westminster, BC	671
1978	Bruce Ferguson, Calgary, Alta	610
1979	Mark Molson, Montreal, PQ	819
1980	Mark Molson, Montreal, PQ	599
1981	George Mittelman, Toronto, Ont.	681
1982	Mark Molson, Montreal, PQ	689
1983	Mark Molson, Montreal, PQ	784
1984	Mark Molson, Montreal, PQ	679
1985	Cliff Campbell, Thunder Bay, Ont.	552
1986	Cliff Campbell, Thunder Bay, Ont.	493
1987	Gary Tomczyk, Parksville, BC	1071
1988	Robert Crawford, Vancouver, BC	1400
1989	Gary Tomczyk, Parksville, BC	1214
1990	Robert Crawford, Vancouver, BC	1399
1991	Cameron Doner, Vancouver, BC	944
1992	Cliff Campbell, Thunder Bay, Ont.	1561
1993	Cliff Campbell, Thunder Bay, Ont.	957
1994	Martin Caley, Montreal, PQ	791
1995	Ken Warren, Pickering, Ont.	1056
1996	Martin Caley, Montreal, PQ	772
1997	Hans Jacob, Aurora, Ont.	1145
1998	Ken Gee, Regina, Sask.	1328
1999	Ken Gee, Regina, Sask.	1028
2000	Ken Gee, Regina, Sask.	1346
2001	Ken Gee, Regina, Sask.	1606
2002	Ken Gee, Regina, Sask.	2066
2003	Ken Gee, Regina, Sask.	1568
2004	Ian Boyd, Calgary Alta.	1492
2005	Barry Harper, Regina, Sask.	1582
2006	Barry Harper, Regina, Sask.	1498
2007	Cam Doner, Richmond, BC	1425
2008	Allan Graves, Victoria, BC	1421
2009	Barry Harper, Regina, Sask.	1461
2010	Hannah Moon, Prince Albert, Sask.	1334
2011	David Grainger, Toronto, Ont.	1308
2012	Hannah Moon, Prince Albert, Sask.	1408
2013	Shan Huang, Toronto, Ont.	1318



2013 ACBL DISTRICT 2 MASTER POINT RACES

Mini-McKenney Awards

0-5	Stephen Carpenter, Conestogo ON	73
5-20	Nancy Louwman, Aurora ON	82
20-50	Jan Kostyrka, Burlington ON	104
50-100	Jack Campbell, North Bay ON	237
100-200	Jean Harris, North Bay ON	233
200-300	Darlene Scott, Oakville ON	213
300-500	Douglas Cote, Woodstock ON	203
500-1000	Steven Mehta, Mississauga ON	331
1000-2500	Shan Huang, Toronto ON	1318
2500-5000	Andrew Firko, Oakville ON	593
5000-7500	Richard Chan, Markham ON	906
7500-10,000	Daniel Korbel, Waterloo ON	920
Over 10,000	Jonathan Steinberg, Toronto ON	1150

Helen Shanbrom Ace of Clubs Awards

0-5	Stephen Carpenter, Conestogo ON	44
5-20	Sam McLean, Winnipeg MB	55
20-50	Bruce Moor, London ON	58
50-100	Raymond Fournier, Sturgeon Falls ON	79
100-200	Sandra Wong, Markham ON	106
200-300	Charles Smith, Bolton ON	100
300-500	Emile Macedo, Markham ON	111
500-1000	Thambi Sivarajah, Markham ON	172
1000-2500	Allan Coyne, Breslau ON	207
2500-5000	Jeremy Smee, St Catharines ON	273
5000-7500	Robert Colton, Tillsonburg ON	249
7500-10,000	Alice Anderson, Tillsonburg ON	276
Over 10,000	Hans Jacobs, Brighton ON	69

Category Leaders

Youth	Sarah Sims, Newmarket ON	33
Junior	Shan Huang, Toronto ON	1318
Senior	Fay Teal, Kitchener ON	44
Top 500	Shan Huang, Toronto ON	1318
Lifetime MP	Jonathan Steinberg, Toronto ON	17,586

Bronze LM	Steven Mehta, Mississauga ON	331
Silver LM	Shan Huang, Toronto ON	1318
Gold LM	Andrew Firko, Oakville ON	59
Diamond LM	Richard Chan, Markham ON	906
Emerald LM	Daniel Korbel, Waterloo ON	920
Platinum LM	Jonathan Steinberg, Toronto ON	1150
Grand LM	George Mittelman, Toronto ON	415
Sectional	Daniel Lavee, Thornhill ON	156
Online	Len Charney, Winnipeg MB	718



2013 CBF MINI-RICHMOND AWARDS

In 2011 the Canadian Bridge Federation introduced the Mini-Richmond awards. The awards recognize CBF members who, during the previous calendar year, have won the most masterpoints in each of the masterpoint categories, up to and including Diamond Life Master (5,000-7,500 MP). Each category winner in each of the six CBF zones receives a special pin. In addition, overall national winners receive a certificate recognizing their achievement.

In 2012 the winners in CBF Zone III (ACBL Units 166, 246 and 249) were:

0-5	Stephen Carpenter, Conestogo ON	73
5-20	Nancy Louwman, Aurora ON	82
20-50	Kris Korczynski, Oakville ON	88
50-100	Douglas Jordan, Toronto ON	122
100-200	Doug Elliott, Egmondville ON	168
200-300	Margot Stockie, Waterloo ON	208
300-500	Douglas Cote, Woodstock ON	203
500-1000	Steven Mehta, Mississauga ON	368
1000-2500	Shan Huang, Toronto ON	1,377
2500-5000	Andrew Firko, Oakville ON	595
5000-7500	Richard Chan, Markham ON	919

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N.B.: Points listed in ACBL Master Point Races do not include those won in events restricted to Canadians such as the CNTC. These points are, however, included in the CBF totals.

Newer Players' Corner



THINKING BRIDGE

By Eddie Kantar

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Dealer South. Neither Vul.

♠ Q 9 8

♥ 8 3 2

♦ K Q

♣ Q J 10 9 5

♠ K 6

♥ J 10 9 6

♦ A 7 6

♣ 8 7 3 2

♠ A J 10 2

♥ 7 5 4

♦ J 8 5 3

♣ 6 4

♠ 7 5 4 3

♥ A K Q

♦ 10 9 4 2

♣ A K

West	North	East	South
—	—	—	INT
Pass	3NT	Pass	Pass
Pass			

Opening lead: ♥J

Bidding commentary: Although a little “off-centre,” it may be hard to describe the South hand if it’s not opened one notrump. All’s well that ends well. North-South have arrived at the best contract.

Defensive commentary 1: East plays the four of hearts at trick one, denying a high honour: no encouraging signal, no overtake with honour doubleton, no overtake with K-x-x-(x) or A-x-x-(x) in case partner has led from the ace-jack-ten or the king-jack-ten. (If the lead of a jack denies a higher honour, South does not overtake with K-x-x-(x), but rather signals encouragement.

Play commentary: As declarer, take the first trick with the queen of hearts. Why? West knows you have the queen of hearts from East’s discouraging signal and East knows you have it from West’s lead of the jack. When both opponents know you have a card (in this case, the queen of hearts), get rid of it! Treat it as a hot potato, a scalding hot potato.

Defensive Commentary 2: As West, after South wins the queen of hearts, cashes the ace and king of clubs and leads a diamond, the ball is in your court. You know declarer has three heart tricks from partner’s negative signal. Once declarer gets to dummy with a diamond, he will have five club tricks plus a diamond for nine tricks. In addition, South is known to have nine HCP in hearts and seven HCP in clubs for a total of 16 HCP. Partner must have the ace of spades and may have the jack as well. Grab the ace of diamonds and shift to the king of spades, followed by another spade. As East, do not signal encouragement with an honour when partner leads the king of spades. If you do, you are signalling with the setting trick! After all, if partner has two spades, declarer has four, and you definitely need to keep all your high spades to run the suit.



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COOL HAND DAVE

By David Turner

I seem to run across more than my fair share of interesting play deals (perhaps because my standards are too low, but never mind). My partner Roy Hughes has appropriated some of them for his next book, but I come across lots of them, and now that I'm playing a little more, it might be fun to display them.

My old friend David Cravioto believes that most difficult bidding problems can be solved by leaping to six diamonds (in fact his BBO screen name is Mr6Diamonds). He wasn't involved with the first two exhibits, but they did occur on BBO, where I bid them with robots. They occurred within a few boards of each other, and definitely met my "cool hand!" criterion. See if they exceed your personal bar as well.

1. Six Diamonds Anyone?

This deal features a kind of play I hadn't really seen before. The contract is six diamonds and the ten of hearts is led ...

IMPs. Dealer West. EW Vul.

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

Of course, the jack of hearts is covered by the queen. What now?

I think the right play is to take the two top hearts, ruff one heart with a

middle trump, return to the king of diamonds and, assuming both opponents follow to the first diamond, ruff the last heart high. Then finish the trumps, coming down to the ace-eight-five of spades and the club king in your hand and the same shape in dummy. If either opponent started with honour-third in spades and the ace of clubs, he'll have to reduce to that, and then you can exit with a club and play for split honours in spades.

Was it right? Yes! Except that, in the event, North, on lead, started with a trump, and that messed up my entries to eliminate the hearts, and I was reduced to playing spades myself. Rats.

2. Inelegant Bidding

The next deal had a happier ending for me, and exhibited another relatively rare theme. The timing is a little tricky, so think hard about the ending you're playing for before you set about the play. The opposition bidding is very important too, if equally inelegant to our own:

Matchpoints. Dealer West. Neither Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
1♦	2♣	Double	Pass
2♦	2♠	3♠	Pass
5♦	Pass	6♦	Pass
Pass	Pass		

North led the two of spades, three, ten, ace.

With the ace of clubs onside you have 11 tricks and threats against LHO in both black suits - but no immediate entries in either suit. You want to come to an ending where LHO has to pitch from the jack-nine of spades and the ace-queen-jack of clubs before dummy pitches from queen-low of spades and king-eight-four of clubs. Dummy then discards from the opposite suit to North and you lead a club up. All you really have to do is watch to see if LHO discards a spade at any point.

Is there a trap? Yes. You have to play off the ace of hearts once LHO abandons that suit to reduce to the five-card you desire. The play has the quality of a Vienna Coup but you can't play off the ace of hearts too early, or LHO will have a heart to cash when you lead a club up. So the right play is to cash five rounds of trump early (lefty is void), pitching the low hearts from dummy. At that point, LHO will have had to pitch three clubs and two hearts, leading to this seven-card ending:

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

Irrelevant

NOW you play a heart to the ace, return to your carefully-preserved

spade king, and lead the last trump. Sweet! Happily all was well, with LHO holding:

♠ J 9 5 2
♥ K J 9
♦ —
♣ A Q J 9 7 6

North's best defence is probably to play his partner for the ten of clubs and come down to ace-nine-seven of clubs in the five-card ending, throwing away the ace of clubs when I lead the last trump! Wow! (But an overtrick for me this time!)

3.A 'Book' Play

Here's a deal that came up in the Toronto Team-of-Four League and that Roy Hughes used in his upcoming book. It turns out that the line I took was, according to Roy, the best percentage play, but no very good dummy player I gave it to chose my line. I usually assume that means my line is wrong, since I don't consider myself much of a dummy player. What would YOU do as West on this layout?

IMPs. Dealer West. NS Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>Turner</i>		<i>Hughes</i>	
1♣	Pass	1♦	Pass
2NT	Pass	4NT	Pass
6NT	Pass	Pass	Pass

Despite our combined 33 HCP, the contract was far from laydown.

North led the third-best-from-an-even-number five of spades. I looked at this for a few minutes, and finally played off the two high spades, South following with the ten and eight, a heart to the king, and the two of clubs to the nine and queen. North returned another spade, and rightly discards the five of diamonds; you pitch a diamond as well. Now what?

The consensus was to take another club finesse, and, if clubs did not run, take the diamond finesse. Instead, I played off the ace-king of diamonds and the hearts, then took the club finesse. Both lines worked (clubs were 3-3), but Roy told me that playing off the ace-king of diamonds was better percentage-wise. Additionally, South, looking at that East hand as dummy, would not do anything to jeopardize the defence's chances of taking a diamond trick and thus must have length in the suit.

So what caused the other declarers to plan to do it the other way? Perhaps they experienced a failure to adjust expectations in the face of the diamond discard by South.

COULD THIS BE MAGIC?

By Ray Jotcham

My wife Gail (and others) have accused me of hypnotizing my opponents during the play in order to make seemingly-impossible contracts. Maybe she's right! Witness the following account of a deal from the Niagara Falls Regional. Steve Mackay and I were playing against a pair of sound, experienced players.

Dealer West. EW Vul.

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

West	North	East	South
<i>SEPI</i>	<i>Mackay</i>	<i>SEP2</i>	<i>Jotcham</i>
Pass	Pass	Pass	1♠
Double	1NT	2♦	2♥
Pass	2♠	Pass	Pass
Pass			

Having whipped myself into fever pitch to open the bidding in fourth seat on the South hand, there was no way I was going to sell out to two diamonds, which explains my bid of two hearts. By the way, I don't recommend that you bid this way unless you are a master hypnotist. Looking at all four hands, there appears to be six potential losers as well as only seven possible winners. WATCH!

West led the two of diamonds and I played the nine from dummy. East thought for a while and ducked, playing his partner for king-ten-three-two and me for the singleton ace. Dummy's nine won the trick. I travelled to my ace of diamonds to prepare for scoring one of my low trumps by ruffing. I led my king of clubs next; this was won by West's

ace. West then made the second clear-cut error of the deal by returning the diamond king. I ruffed this and led a club to the queen in dummy. When I then led a club off dummy to ruff, East, remembering my dauntless two-heart rebid, discarded his 'useless' queen of hearts. (after all, I had to have the king to justify my bidding).

A heart toward the dummy drew the king(!) from West (after all, I had to have the ace for my bidding) and the ace from East. East returned a spade to dummy, and I led a heart toward my hand. For some reason, East declined to ruff (that's five mistakes by the defence if you're counting), and I scored the jack. I lost the next trick to West's ten of hearts. Here we were:

♠ A	
♥ —	
♦ —	
♣ 10 9	
♠ 3	♠ J 9 7
♥ 8	♥ —
♦ —	♦ —
♣ J	♣ —
♠ Q 10	
♥ 8	
♦ —	
♣ —	

West, by now totally mesmerized, made the sixth and final error of the defence (this one being the most egregious), returning the jack of clubs. That allowed me to make all three of my remaining trumps separately on a cross-ruff. I scored six trumps, one heart, two

diamonds, and a club for plus 170. Hypnosis?

By the way, after payment of a small bribe from East and West, I promised never to reveal their names. They also threatened grievous bodily harm if I did so.

The next example comes from the Oshawa Swiss Teams Sectional, I picked up the following hand:

♠ Q
♥ Q 5 4 3
♦ Q 9 5 2
♣ 8 4 3 2

We were playing against one of the higher-ranked teams in the event, and both teams needed a win to stay in the hunt. The following auction ensued:

West	North	East	South
HRP1	Mackay	HRP2	Jotcham
INT ¹	2♣ ²	Pass	2♥
Pass	3♥	Pass	4♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	

1.12-14

2.Both majors

If partner held something like ace-king to five in each major, my cards would make the deal a lay-down for ten tricks. The opening lead was the diamond ace, and the following dummy appeared:

♠ A K J 6 3
♥ A J 9 2
♦ J
♣ Q 7 5

♠ Q
♥ Q 5 4 3
♦ Q 9 5 2
♣ 8 4 3 2

The dummy was not what I had envisioned, but I wasn't doubled and I was not vulnerable. After winning the diamond ace, West thought for a bit and led the diamond king. I now knew hearts were 4-1, since West was trying to establish a long heart. I ruffed the diamond king in dummy, led a spade to the queen, and finessed the jack of hearts. The ten fell on my right, confirming the 4-1 break. I now cashed the ace and king of spades, pitching clubs as West ruffed with the seven of hearts.

It was the moment of decision for West. He reasoned that since I had bid to game holding only the two major suit queens, it was obvious that I must hold the club ace. He therefore led a diamond in an effort to force the dummy again. My queen and nine of diamonds won the next two tricks as I shed clubs from the dummy. I then finessed the nine of hearts and finished drawing trumps. The spade jack took care of one losing club, and I graciously conceded a club trick at the end, making ten tricks. This had been the full deal:

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

If we'd been playing matchpoints, West's defence would have been logical. However, playing IMPs, he had to hope that his partner held the ace of clubs in order to set the contract. After the spade ruff, he had to lead the king and another club to make another trump trick with the king of hearts.

After the match, one of our opponents came over and congratulated us for the win, and for my play on this deal, remarking, "Where there's a will, there's a way." Partner replied, "No! Where there's a RAY, there's a way!"

DONT: Go Home Without It By John Cunningham

One of the more popular convention types currently in vogue involves making a bid to show the suit bid and a higher-ranking suit, the idea being that the partner of the bidder can correct by going a step up the ladder if he finds the first suit distasteful. The bidder then passes if that hits his second suit or, if not, bids his second suit.

Such a convention is Marty Bergen's DONT (**D**isturb **O**pponents' **N**o **T**ump) in which Marty recommended bidding rather more often than was usual at the time.

As partner of the bidder, if you remove partner's bid, usually you'll have at least as many cards in all the

higher ranking suits as you hold in the suit you correct to. Either that, OR you're willing to wander up a level higher.

The other day, playing virtually no conventions myself, with both sides vulnerable, I suffered an impertinent DONT two-diamond overcall (diamonds and a higher-ranking suit) over my first-seat 14+-17 one notrump opening. RHO (South) advanced to two hearts (pass or correct). So, according to the above logic, I expect him to have three or more cards in both majors. Partner is staring off into space, seemingly uninterested

Well, there's no reason to bid, is there? Well, no, but, upon looking down at my cards, I see:

♠ A Q 10 9 8 5
 ♥ K 9 3
 ♦ A 7
 ♣ Q 2

Oops. Perhaps I ought to have looked at my hand a wee bit more carefully before bidding one notrump. Hmmm. Maybe there is a reason to bid after all. So I bid an unbridled two spades, which all passed.

LHO leads the club king; I remark that I hope his second suit isn't spades. We all chuckle. Dummy is unwelcome, but not completely bereft:

♠ —
 ♥ Q J 10 8
 ♦ Q J 6 2
 ♣ 9 8 7 6 5

Receiving a discouraging signal on the king of clubs, South shifts to the ace of hearts. North encourages and I unblock the king under the ace. South takes the ace of clubs, then plays another heart. I win in dummy and attempt, in vain, to cash a third heart, preparing to discard my diamond on the fourth, should they prove to be 3-3.

Alas, North, as expected, ruffs the third heart and plays a diamond through my ace. I cannot avoid the matchpoint kiss of death, minus 200. RHO had six (!) spades. The complete deal:

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

It was, you might say, a well-earned tie for bottom. Comeuppance and see me sometime.

The difference between genius and stupidity at the bridge table is that genius has its limits.

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2 - Gordon Harron - Gerald Crawford, Mississauga ON; Gheorghe Beres, Windsor ON; Dean Hartwell, Burlington ON. **Saturday Aft Open Swiss** - Wendy Dooley - Ronald Sutherland, Mississauga ON; Andrew Firko - Roman Klein, Oakville ON. **Sat Aft Open Pairs** - Lee Daugharty - Gary Westfall, Brampton ON. **Sat Aft 299er Pairs** - Antara Keelor - Kenneth Keelor, Toronto ON. **Sunday Morn 299er Swiss** - Natalie Schacter - Anita Greenberg - Rona Cappell, Toronto ON; Martin Braun, Thornhill ON. **Sunday A/X Swiss** - Ray Jotcham, Scarborough ON; Harvey Fogel - Alan Lee, Willowdale ON; David Cohen, Thornhill ON. **Sunday B/C/D Swiss** - Stephen Kwan, Richmond Hill ON; Chris Chan, Scarborough ON; Peter Fang, Oshawa ON; Shelley Kuan, Toronto ON. **Sunday Aft 299er Swiss** - Natalie Schacter - Anita Greenberg - Rona Cappell, Toronto ON; Martin Braun, Thornhill ON. **Masterpoint Leader:** 30.48 Wendy Dooley, Mississauga ON

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Oshawa, ON
March 1-2, 2014**

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North Bay, ON
March 28-30, 2014**

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David Grainger, left, formerly of Etobicoke, and Daniel Korbel of Waterloo bookend their teammates in their victorious squad from the 0-10,000 Swiss Teams.

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North American Pairs

9th Gavin Wolpert, Jupiter FL

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1st Daniel Korbel, Waterloo ON;
David Grainger, Roseville CA
4th Peter Hambly, Hanover ON;
Doug Andrews, Etobicoke ON;
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2008 Patti Lee

2009 Hazel Wolpert

2010 Enid Roitman

2011 Barbara Seagram

2012 Sally Rewbotham

2013 Wayne Ruttan

2014 John Rayner



Toronto Symphony Volunteer Committee Bridge Fundraiser

In support of the Orchestra and its educational programs for children

Thursday May 8 at Jubilee United Church,

Don Valley Parkway and Lawrence

9:00 am bridge lesson with Patti Lee

9:40-12:40 duplicate and social bridge

12:40-2:30 wine reception/lunch/slide show/prizes

Silent Auction throughout the day

Cost: \$75

A tax receipt can be issued for the maximum allowed by CRA

Come and play bridge, socialize with old and new friends, shop at our amazing silent auction and support our wonderful TSO and the programs that benefit so many children.

To Register Call: 416-593-7769 ext. 358

www.tsvc.ca/bridge

KATE BUCKMAN AWARD WINNERS

1982	Kate Buckman	1999	Enid Roitman
1983	Ruth & Al Stevens	2000	J. & F. O'Dowd & G. Harris
1984	Duke Wilson	2001	Joan Richardson
1985	Chuck Jane	2002	Patti Lee
1986	Doug Drew	2003	Michael Davey
1987	Howard Schooley	2004	Irene Warner
1988	Glad Millman	2005	John Rayner
1989	Katie Thorpe	2006	Victoria Renaud
1990	Not awarded	2007	Fred Andreychuk
1991	Elizabeth Fraser	2008	Marion Watson
1992	Eric Murray	2009	Barbara Sims
1993	Steve Cooper	2010	Hazel Wolpert
1994	David Bryce	2011	Paul Cronin
1995	Barbara Seagram	2012	Mark Liberman
1996	Bina Adams	2013	Wayne Ruttan
1997	Nancy Hart	2014	Lee Daugharty
1998	John Carruthers		

Thomas & Langevin Perfect in North Bay



Marc Langevin (l.) and
Brian Thomas (r.)

North Bay residents Brian Thomas and Marc Langevin were devastating in the recent North Bay Sectional. They played all four pair events on the schedule, winning them all, with scores of 66.35, 73.72, 70.26 and 67.86%, then teamed up with Michel Malette and Jennifer O'Hara of Sudbury to win the Open Swiss Teams with a score of 169 Victory Points, 20VPs ahead of second. Is this a record? Well, it's at worst a tie!

Notice to All Clubs & Tournament Managers in Units 166, 246 & 249

If you plan to run a tournament, please check with your Unit Coordinator to see if the date is free. There is an agreement among the three Units in southern Ontario that their tournaments will not compete with one another. This does not apply to those clubs which have an historic tournament weekend - they are set aside for you.

Graham Warren, District 2 Tournament Coordinator



DISTRICT 2 2014-15



NORTH AMERICAN PAIRS

Flight A Open
Flight B Under 2500 MP
Flight C Non-Life Master under 500 MP

(As of May 2014)

You and your partner could represent District 2 in the North American Final, to be played at the New Orleans NABC in March 2015.

The ACBL and District 2 award \$\$\$ to the top 2 pairs in each Flight.



The French Quarter

All players must be paid-up ACBL members and residents of District 2.

Club Qualifying Games take place during June, July, & August.

MAKE SURE YOUR CLUB HOLDS NAP QUALIFYING GAMES

District Finals will be held in the Fall (multi-site).
Details to follow in a future Kibitzer.

DISTRICT CO-ORDINATOR:

Martin Hunter
martinhunter@primus.ca
905-858-7683



Toronto “Silver Point” 299th Sectional Sat. & Sun., June 7-8

Play with your peers! All players have fewer than 300 masterpoints

Earn Silverpoints needed for your LM!

Dazzle your friends by winning prizes and lots of masterpoints!

Guest Speakers:

Between Sessions
2:15 pm

Saturday June 7th

Single Session Pairs
10:00 am & 3:00 pm

Sunday June 8th

Single Session Pairs
10:00 am
Single Session Swiss Teams
3:00 pm

**Leaside
Memorial Gardens
1073 Millwood Rd.,
Toronto**

Where Laird Dr.,
Millwood Rd. & Southvale
Dr. all intersect.

Lots of Free Parking.
Or, from Eglinton or
Donlands Stn. take the 56
Leaside bus. From St. Clair
Stn. take the 88 or 88A
South Leaside bus.

Stratifications:

Determined by the TD
at game time

Game Fees:

\$12; Non- and unpaid ACBL
members add \$2.
Join the ACBL at the
tourney for only \$35

Tournament Chair:

Suzanne Kosky 416-422-2582
suzanne.kosky@sympatico.ca

Hospitality:

Carol Bongard

Partnerships:

Wayne Ruttan 416-284-8887
wayne.ruttan063@sympatico.ca

Port Franks Vacation Sectional



Sat. June 21

Open Pairs Playthrough
299's Pairs

Sun. June 22

Open Swiss Teams
299's Pairs

Stratifications:

Open Pairs

A - Over 1500
B - 750 - 1500
C - 0 - 750

299's

A - 200 - 300
B - 100 - 200
C - 0 - 100

Entry fee:

\$10/person per session
Non ACBL members \$13
Meal between games \$9

Single Session entries
always welcome

All sessions start at 11AM with the second session to be announced.
Free coffee & refreshments before games.

Come & Enjoy: friendly people, free parking, air-conditioning.
Come for the weekend and enjoy Club Game at 1:00PM Friday, the
beaches, golf courses, Pinery Provincial Park, Huron Country Playhouse,
and other attractions in the area.

Partnerships: Sue Trumper
519-238-5516
strumper@hay.net

Please arrange partner by June 17th.

Accommodations:
www.lambtonshores.ca

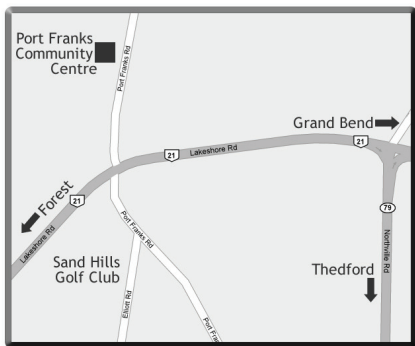
Directions:

Port Franks Community Centre
9997 Port Franks Rd.

Signage will direct you from Northville on Hwy 21 between Forest & Grand Bend. Turn North on Port Franks Rd to the Community Centre. Port Franks Rd. is opposite Sand Hills Golf Course.

Tournament

Chair: Jean Potthoff
519 243-3026
jpotthof@execulink.com



www.ezlink.ca/~seth/portfrankstournament.html

July 8-13

2014

REGIONAL LONDON BRIDGE



TOURNAMENT



Accommodations at the playing site

Hilton Hotel

300 King Street, London, Ontario

To get special bridge rate of \$124: Reserve by **June 16**

Must specify "London Bridge Tournament" at

519-439-1661 or 1-800-445-8667

or go to <http://www.hilton.com/en/hi/groups/personalized/Y/YXULOHF-LBT-20140707/index.jhtml>

- Free parking (as space permits) at the hotel for all tournament participants
- Daily Speaker Program
- Single-session entries welcome

Stratiflighted games

A/X - A: Unlimited; X: up to 2500;

B: 1000 - 2000; C: 500 - 1000; D: 0 - 500

Stratified Games by MP or team average

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

Note: When an event has an upper MP limit, all players must have fewer than that number of master points

Side Game Series

Play 1 or more sessions with the same or different partners. Must play at least two sessions in the event to be eligible for gold point awards.

Gold Rush Pairs

Players must play both sessions to be eligible for gold point awards.

Tournament Chair

Dwight Bender dwightbender@execulink.com

Partnerships

Siobhan Scannell chivon@sympatico.ca

Tuesday July 8

Stratified A/X Pairs.....	10 am & 3 pm
Gold Rush Pairs (750/300).....	10 am & 3 pm
Stratified Swiss Teams (One session).....	7 pm

Wednesday July 9

Forest City Bracketed Knockouts (1st & 2nd).....	10 am & 3 pm
Stratified A/X Pairs.....	10 am & 3 pm
Gold Rush Pairs (750/300).....	10 am & 3 pm
Stratified Swiss Teams (One session).....	3 pm
London Side Game Series (1st of 5).....	7 pm
HCP Evening Compact KO 1 (1st of 2).....	7 pm

Thursday July 10

Forest City Bracketed Knockouts (3rd & 4th).....	10 am & 3 pm
Stratified Swiss Teams (A/X).....	10 am & 3 pm
Gold Rush Swiss Teams (750/300).....	10 am & 3 pm
London Side Game Series (2nd & 3rd of 5).....	3 pm & 7 pm
HCP Evening Compact KO 1 (2nd of 2).....	7 pm

Friday July 11

Weekend Bracketed Knockouts (1st & 2nd).....	10 am & 3 pm
Stratified Open Pairs.....	10 am & 3 pm
Newcomer Pairs (0-99).....	10 am & 3 pm
Stratified Swiss Teams (One session).....	3 pm
London Side Game Series (4th of 5).....	7 pm
HCP Evening Compact KO 2 (1st of 2).....	7 pm

Saturday July 12

Weekend Bracketed Knockouts (3rd & 4th).....	10 am & 3 pm
Stratified A/X Pairs.....	10 am & 3 pm
Gold Rush Pairs (750/300).....	10 am & 3 pm
Stratified Swiss Teams (Two sessions).....	3 pm & 7 pm
London Side Game Series (5th of 5).....	7 pm
HCP Evening Compact KO 2 (2nd of 2).....	7 pm

Sunday July 13

Stratiflighted Swiss Teams (A/X) (B/C/D).....	10 am
(Playthrough) (Entry fee \$152 per team, includes lunch)	

More information at www.londonregionalbridge.ca



Hamilton

Hamilton Sectional

July 19-20, 2014

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BRANCH 163
435 LIMERIDGE RD. E., HAMILTON, ON L9A 2S8

**\$5 LUNCH SERVED AT SITE SAT. & SUN.
HOSPITALITY ON SATURDAY
PRIZE FOR MOST MP'S EARNED AT THE TOURNAMENT**

Saturday July 19th

(\$12.00/session) Random prizes drawn all day

Stratified OPEN PAIRS 10:30 a.m. & 3:00 p.m.

All flights are playthrough - single-session entries are welcomed

Flights - C: 0-500 B: 500-1500 A: 1500+

NEWCOMER & INTERMEDIATE GAMES 10:30 a.m. & 3:00 p.m.

Stratified Pairs: Flights - 0-20/50/200 (**0-20 & Students \$6/session**)

Single-session events

Sunday July 20th

(\$96.00/team)

Stratified SWISS TEAMS 10:30 a.m.

Two-session playthrough

Flights - C: 0-750 B: 750-1500 X: 1500+ A: 2500+

Newcomer/Intermediate Stratified SWISS TEAMS 10:30 a.m.

Two-session playthrough

Flights - 0-50/100/300

**PRIZES FOR 0-20 MP's
FREE PARKING
ZERO TOLERANCE IN EFFECT!
STRATIFIED BY AVERAGE MP PER PAIR/TEAM**

Tournament Chair:

Michelle Ellis 905-525-1433 mellis56@icloud.com

Partnership Desk:

Joe Blatnick 905-592-9663 tanjoe@cogeco.ca

Sat.: 9:30-10:25 a.m. & 2:00-2:55 p.m.; Sun.: 9:30-10:25 a.m.



Tillsonburg's 35th Annual Golden Leaf Sectional Bridge Tournament Aug. 8-10, 2014



Tournament Chair - Jed Drew Jed.Drew@gmail.com (519) 842-8786
Partnerships - Liz Illes tonyilles@sympatico.ca (519) 688-9400

NOTE: NEW EARLY STARTING TIMES

Friday, August 8 \$10*/player/session	Saturday, August 9 \$10*/player/session	Sunday, August 10 \$80*/per team
<p style="text-align: center;">11:00 am / 3:15 pm <i>Two-Session Play-Thru</i> Open Pairs – Stratiflighted Single-session entries welcomed Flight A/X: A=2500+, X=0-2500 Flight B/C: B=500/LM-1500, C=0-500/NLM</p> <p style="text-align: center;">11:00 am / 3:15 pm <i>Single-Session Events</i> I/N 299^{er} Pairs – Stratified A=100-300, B=20-100, C=0-20 NOTE: Events held & flighting depends on the depth of the field</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">11:00 am / 3:15 pm <i>Two-Session Play-Thru</i> Open Pairs – Stratiflighted Single-session entries welcomed Flight A/X: A=2500+, X=0-2500 Flight B/C: B=500/LM-1500, C=0-500/NLM</p> <p style="text-align: center;">11:00 am / 3:15 pm <i>Single-Session Events</i> I/N 299^{er} Pairs – Stratified A=100-300, B=20-100, C=0-20 NOTE: Events held & flighting depends on the depth of the field</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">11:00 am / TBA Swiss Teams – Stratiflighted A/X - A:2500+, X:0-2500 B/C - B:500/LM-1500, C:0-500/NLM</p> <p style="text-align: center;">11:00 am / TBA I/N 299^{er} Swiss Teams Single sessions welcomed but MUST be in 1st Half</p> <p>A+ rated catered lunch available on-site each day for \$7.00 Excellent playing site / Free parking / Free coffee & snacks throughout / Good dining nearby Friendly, relaxed atmosphere</p>

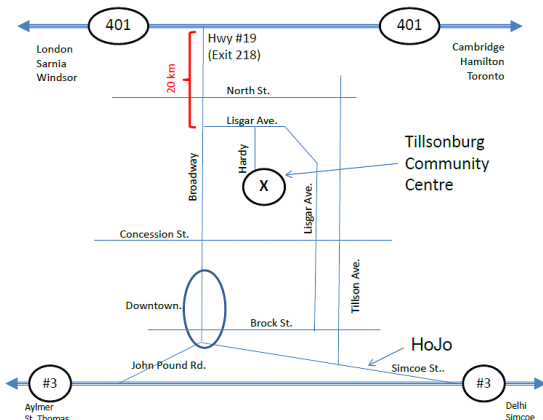
Assignment to a flight is based on the player with highest masterpoints.

Pair/Team stratification is based on average masterpoints.

* Novice players with fewer than 5 masterpoints play **FREE** on Fri. & Sat.

* Non/unpaid ACBL members pay an additional \$3 per session.

Tillsonburg Community Centre – Lions Auditorium
45 Hardy Ave., Tillsonburg, ON N4G 3W9



For more information, visit our website <http://www3.sympatico.ca/tillsonburgbridgeclub/TOURNAMENT.html>

Tillsonburg offers the best value for your tournament \$\$\$

Host Hotel



**92 Simcoe Street,
Tillsonburg**

Phone the hotel to receive the special \$99 bridge rate: **1-866-942-7366**

BARRIE SECTIONAL

Saturday, August 2 – Sunday, August 3, 2014

Please join us for fun, bridge, silver points
and great hospitality at the
Army, Navy & Air Force Club (ANAF)
7 George Street, Barrie, Ontario, L4N 2G5
(Hwy 400 & Dunlop Street)

Saturday, August 2

Stratified Pairs – <i>Two session event, single entries welcome</i>	1 & 6:30 pm.
Compact KO's – <i>Limit of 4 players per team</i>	1 & 6:30 pm.
Single Session Swiss Teams	6:30 pm.

Sunday, August 3

Stratiflighted Swiss Teams	11:30 am. & TBD
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Playthrough, lunch on site.

Intermediate/Novice Games: Separate games each day as numbers permit.

Entry Fee: \$12 per session for ACBL members (\$2 additional fee for non-members), \$5 for students and **free parking** for everyone.

Beginners: First time at a Tournament? Welcome.
Come and play your first session free.

Where to Stay: The gorgeous new **Monte Carlo Inn - Barrie Suites** is offering a special rate of \$99.90 per night (includes continental breakfast) for a traditional King or 2 Queen room and reduced rates on suites. It's located minutes from the playing site and provides free parking. Call 1-888-734-0070 and mention 'bridge tournament'. The cut-off date for the reduced rates is July 15th, 2014.

Make it a great weekend away. Enjoy **Kempenfest**, an annual Arts & Crafts festival at Barrie's waterfront which runs from August 1st – 4th. If you stay an extra night, the Monte Carlo is offering an **incredible rate** of only **\$89.90** for the second night.

Tournament Chair – Linda Lord, lindaleelord@hotmail.com, 905-713-9141.

Partnerships – Paul Campbell, pacam1947@hotmail.com, 705-734-0287.

Location – Hwy 400 to Dunlop St. East exit. Proceed east to Anne St. (2nd street) and turn south (right). Proceed one block to George St. Turn right again and the ANAF is on the left side.

WANT TO BECOME A BRIDGE TEACHER?

Great, because Unit 246 is offering a
Teacher Accreditation Program (**TAP**)
open to all ACBL members.

The **TAP** provides an exceptional foundation for you to become a
bridge teacher. You will be shown methods on how to teach the
game in a fun, exciting and relevant manner by Marilyn Kalbfleisch,
an experienced TAP Trainer.

You'll also be introduced to various teaching materials.

Marketing your new skills will also be discussed – from doing
Cruises to the ACBL Cooperative Advertising Program to working
in schools.

Learn modern teaching techniques in this 10-hour interactive
learning course (2 days) which includes three hours of hands-on
experience. Learn the business side of teaching bridge and be
introduced to assorted class material and more!

Where – the same location as the Barrie Sectional - the Army,
Navy & Air Force Club, 7 George St., Barrie, Ontario.

When – Friday, Aug. 1st - 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 5 p.m.
Saturday, Aug. 2nd - 9 a.m. to noon.

The course will be finished in time for you to play bridge!

Fee – \$99 (Free refresher course for previously
accredited ACBL teachers).

Registration – please enroll by June 30th.

Email Marilyn Maher, Co-Ordinator,
at marilynmaher@hotmail.com or call her at 705-689-0845.

**For accommodation, see the Barrie Sectional ad
on the opposite page.**

**Great hotel rates are offered by the
Monte Carlo Inn – Barrie Suites (1-888-734-0070).**

Cambrian Shield Regional

August 12 – 17, 2014

Garson Community Centre, Garson, Ontario

Enjoy Our Renowned Hospitality

Gold Rush Tournament

Tournament Chair: Norm Malette

Co-Chair: Jennifer O'Hara

Sanction: Unit 238 Northeastern Ontario
www.unit238.bridge-club.org 705.675.1772

INFORMATION

Flights & Strats:

Open Pairs Games (Stratified by Pair Average)

Swiss Teams & KO's (Stratified by Team Average)

A 2000 + B 750-2000 C 0-750

Partnerships:

Linda Anderson: randerson002@unitz.ca

Tournament Chairs:

Norm Malette: norm.malette@personainternet.com

Jennifer O'Hara: ohara.bridge@gmail.com

Outstanding Hospitality:

Every session

FREE coffee & soft drinks

FREE Parking

Entry Fees:

\$15.00 per session

Sunday Swiss team including lunch \$140.00 per team

\$2.00 additional for non-ACBL Members

Schedule of Events

Tuesday August 12th

Nickel City Bracketed KO's - 1 st & 2 nd sessions	1 pm & 7 pm
299 ^{er} Stratified Pairs - single session	1 pm & 7 pm
Stratified Open Pairs - 2 sessions	1 pm & 7 pm
Single Session Swiss	7 pm

Wednesday August 13th

Wed. Thurs Stratified Swiss - 1 st session	9 am	
Morning Side Game - 1 st session	9 am	
Nickel City Bracketed KO's - 3 rd & 4 th sessions		1 pm & 7 pm
299 ^{er} Stratified Pairs - single sessions		1 pm & 7 pm
Stratified Open Pairs - 2 sessions		1 pm & 7 pm
Compact KO - 1 st & 2 nd sessions		1 pm & 7 pm

Thursday August 14th

Wed. Thurs. Stratified Swiss - Final	9 am	
Morning Side Game - 2 nd session	9 am	
Stratified Swiss Teams - 2 sessions		1 pm & 7 pm
299 ^{er} Swiss Teams - 2 sessions		1 pm & 7 pm

Friday August 15th

Fri-Sat Swiss - 1 st session	9 am	
Morning Side Game - 3 rd session	9 am	
Big Nickel Bracketed KO's - 1 st , 2 nd sessions		1 pm & 7 pm
Gold Rush Pairs B: 300-750 C: 0-750		1 pm & 7 pm
Open Pairs A: 3000 + X: 0-3000		1 pm & 7 pm

Saturday August 16th

Fri-Sat Swiss - Finals	9 am	
Morning Side Game - Final	9 am	
Big Nickel Bracketed KO's - 3 rd & 4 th sessions		1 pm & 7 pm
Gold Rush Pairs B: 300-750 C: 0-750		1 pm & 7 pm
Open Pairs A: 3000 + X 0-3000		1 pm & 7 pm

Sunday August 17th

Stratified Swiss Teams	10 am
Gold Rush Swiss B: 300-750 C: 0-300	
PLAYTHROUGH - Lunch provided	

This program sponsored by:

Richard Malette

Senior Financial Advisor

Assante Wealth Management

2-363 Falconbridge Rd., Sudbury, Ont. P3A 5K5

705.521.1444 rmalette@assante.com

FREE LUNCH ♣ PRIZES ◇ FREE PARKING ♥ SILVER POINTS

**Niagara Intermediate / Novice
0-300 MP Sectional
August 16-17, 2014**

Saturday, 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Two Single-Session Events
\$12.00 per person, per session
(Free Lunch Between Sessions)

Sunday, 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Stratified Pairs
Two Single-Session Events
\$12.00 per person, per session
(Free Lunch Between Sessions)

Stratifications for both events:

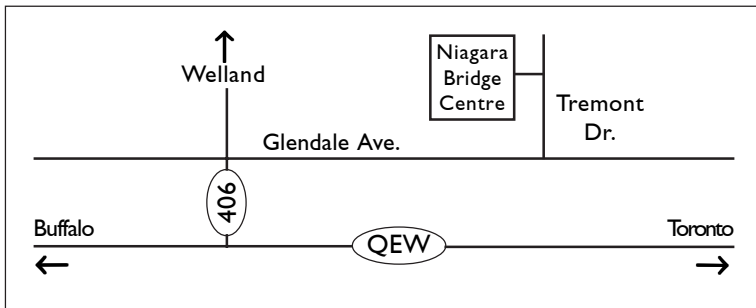
A: 0-300; B: 0-150; C: 0-50

0-50 Separate Game if Attendance Warrants!

Chair: Lorna Johnson 905-894-4056
bridgeplayer64@gmail.com

Partnership Chair: Sue Arnedt 905-892-6009
sarnedt@cogeco.ca

**Bridge Centre of Niagara
2 Tremont Drive, St. Catharines, ON L2T 3B2
905-704-0446**



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Labour Day in Toronto End of Summer Bridge Blast!

*** Holiday Inn Yorkdale ***

**Holiday Inn, 3450 Dufferin Street, Toronto, Ontario M6A 2V1
416-789-5161 or 1-877-660-8550**

Special room rate \$120 per night if booked by August 8

**Labour Day - AUG. 30 to SEP. 1, 2014
Silver Point Sectional Tournament**

Schedule of Events

Saturday, August 30

**11:00 am & 4:00 pm – A/X, B/C/D Pairs - 2-session / 2-day Bracketed
Handicapped KOs**

11:00 am & 4:00 pm – I/N Pairs – single session events at (299^{ers})

4:00 pm – Single-Session Swiss

Sunday, August 31

11:00 am & 4:00 pm – A/X, B/C/D Pairs – 2-session event

11:00 am & 4:00 pm – I/N & Novice Pairs (299^{ers}) –

2 single-session events (0-5 ACBL members play FREE)

4:00 pm – Single-Session Swiss

Monday, September 1

11:00 am & TBA – Strati-flighted Swiss Teams

11:00 am & TBA – Stratified 0-299^{ers} Swiss Teams

Strati-flighted events: A: 3000+, X: 0-3000,

B: 1000-2000, C: 500-1000, D: 0-500

**Chairperson: Ann Shaw 905-916-0527/ 647-961-4822
ashawc646@rogers.com**

Partnerships: Joanne Gilmore jgilmore@toronto.ca

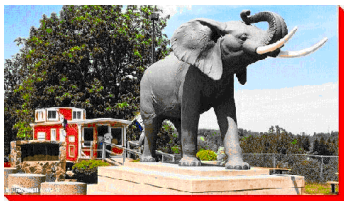
Entry Fees: \$13/session except the Monday Swiss.

**The entry fee for the Monday Swiss is \$120.00 per team which
includes a buffet lunch (pasta, salad, soup and rolls).**

Non-ACBL members \$2 extra per person per session

Parking: \$5.00 per day with in/out privileges

64th Annual St. Thomas Jumbo Tournament



Sept 6th – 7th 2014

Sessions both days 11:00 am
and TBA. Hot meal
between sessions.

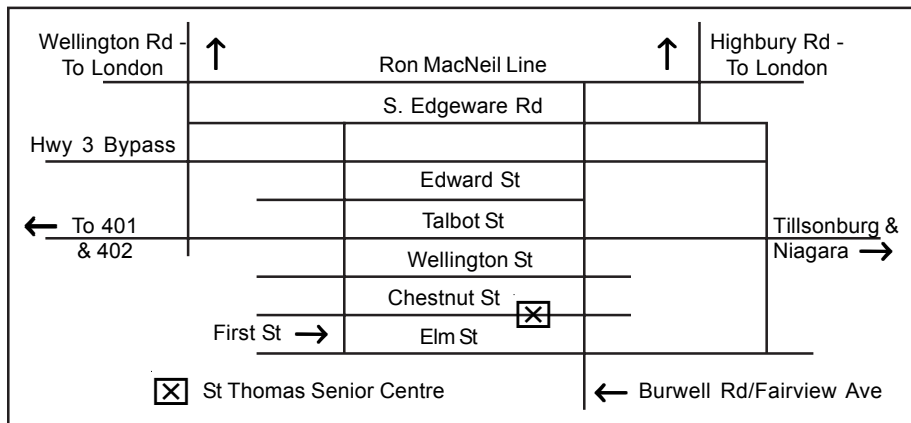
Entry Fees \$10.00 per session plus \$7.00 Lunch
Non-ACBL members add \$3.00 per session
*(In consideration of those who are sensitive to fragrance,
this is a scent-free tournament)*

Saturday Sept 6th

2-Session Stratiflighted Pairs Playthrough (single sessions welcome)
2-Session 299^{er} Pairs Playthrough (single sessions welcome)

Sunday Sept 7th

2-Session Swiss Teams Stratified and 299^{er} Swiss Teams



LOCATION: St. Thomas Senior Centre, 225 Chestnut St., St. Thomas

TOURNAMENT CHAIR & PARTNERSHIPS: Jim Wright (519) 631-5531
manager@stthomasbridgeclub.org

STRATIFICATION: Based on player with highest no. of masterpoints

Pairs Strats: A=2500+, X=0-2500, B=500-1500, C=0-500

299^{er} Pairs Strats: A=100-300, B=20-100, C=0-200

Teams Strats: A=1500+, B=500-1500, C=0-500;

299^{er} Teams Strats: 0-300



Hazel's Bridge Club



Our Open games are held:

- Every afternoon at 12:30pm
- Monday, Saturday evenings at 7:15pm
- Tuesday morning at 9am (with bagels)

Also, we have a selection of fun, easygoing 299^{er} games:

- Tuesday afternoon 1pm
- Tuesday evening 7pm (pre-game lesson at 6:45pm)
- Friday morning 9am (pre-game lesson at 8:45am)
- Sunday afternoon 12:45pm (with bagels)

Or, if you want to practice in a supervised environment, we offer supervised bridge sessions:

- Wednesday morning 9:30am with Ina Demme
- Thursday morning 9:00am with Hazel

\$10 per session

And, ongoing lessons — Topics will be posted on the website:

- Monday mornings 9:30am with Hazel
- Thursday evening 7:00pm with Harold Baba

Lessons by Enid Roitman

Now a part of Hazel's Bridge Club, Enid is a past recipient of the prestigious Audrey Grant award, given to the best bridge teachers in Unit 166. See our website for details of Enid's classes.

Beginners Classes:

We cover everything you need to know to start playing bridge. Every class has both a lesson and a play component.

**Check for lessons, team league info
& special events on our website**

**Free Parking for Bridge and Shopping
2nd Floor, Centerpoint Mall,
Corner of Yonge & Steeles in North York
(416) 221-0069**

www.hazelsbridge.com



International Fund Regional Toronto

September 16 -21, 2014

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 16

Bruce Elliot Bracketed KO Teams (1st & 2nd sessions).....1 & 7 pm
Charity Stratified Open Pairs.....7 pm

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 17

Morning Side Game Series (1st of 4 sessions).....9:30 am
Afternoon Side Game Series (1st of 4 sessions)..... .1 pm
Eric Murray Bracketed KO Teams (1st & 2nd sessions).....1 & 7 pm
Bruce Elliot Bracketed KO Teams (3rd & 4th sessions).....1 & 7 pm
Stratified A/X Open Pairs.....1 & 7 pm
Gold Rush B/C Pairs.....1 & 7 pm
99er Pairs (single session games).....1 & 7 pm
Evening Side Game Series (1st of 4 sessions).....7 pm

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 18

Morning Side Game Series (2nd of 4 sessions).....9:30 am
Afternoon Side Game Series (2nd of 4 sessions).....1 pm
Sami Kehela Bracketed KO Teams (1st & 2nd sessions)....1 & 7 pm
Eric Murray Bracketed KO Teams (3rd & 4th sessions).....1 & 7 pm
Stratified A/X Open Pairs.....1 & 7 pm
Gold Rush B/C Pairs.....1 & 7 pm
99er Pairs (single session games).....1 & 7 pm
Evening Side Game Series (2nd of 4 sessions).....7 pm

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 19

Morning Side Game Series (3rd of 4 sessions).....9:30 am
Afternoon Side Game Series (3rd of 4 sessions).....1 pm
Compact Bracketed KO Teams I.....1 & 7 pm
Sami Kehela Bracketed KO Teams (3rd & 4th sessions)....1 & 7 pm
Stratified A/X Open Pairs.....1 & 7 pm
Gold Rush B/C Pairs.....1 & 7 pm

99er Pairs (single session games).....1 & 7 pm
 Evening Side Game Series (3rd of 4 sessions).....7 pm

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 20

Morning Side Game Series (4th of 4 sessions).....9:30 am
 Afternoon Side Game Series (4th of 4 sessions).....1 pm
 Compact Bracketed KO Teams II.....1 & 7 pm
 Stratiflighted A/X Open Pairs.....1 & 7 pm
 Stratiflighted B/C/D Open Pairs.....1 & 7 pm
 299er Pairs (single session games).....1 & 7 pm
 Evening Side Game Series (4th of 4 sessions).....7 pm

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 21

Stratiflighted A/X Swiss Teams.....10 am
 Stratiflighted B/C/D Swiss Teams.....10 am
 299er Swiss Teams.....10 am

Playing Site

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STRATIFICATION

Stratified 99er Games	A=50-100 B=20-50 C=0-20
Stratified 299er Games	A=200-300 B=100-200 C=0-100
Stratified A/X Games	A=1500+ X=0-1500
Gold Rush B/C Games	B=300-750 C=0-300

Stratiflighted Events

A/X Games	A=3000+ X=0-3000
B/C/D Games	B=1000-2000 C=500-1000 D=0-500

Tournament Trail

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- 3-10 Canadian Bridge Championships, Calgary
- 5-11 District 2 STaC
- 12-19 Farmington Hills, MI Regional
- 13-19 Kingston Regional *
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- 24-25 District 2 GNT Final (Hazel's BC) *
- 31-1 Cambridge (KW) *

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- 3-5 Trenton
- 8-13 Ottawa Regional
- 10-25 World Bridge Championships (Open), Sanya, Hainan, China
- 13-19 Farmington Hills, MI Regional

- 17-19 Collingwood
- 21-26 Buffalo, NY Regional
- 27-2 District 2 STaC
- 28 Rookie-Master Game (Clubs)

NOVEMBER

- 1-2 Oshawa
- 14-16 Stratford

DECEMBER

- 27-7 Fall NABC, Providence, RI

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