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The First Family of Canadian Bridge: The Wolperts



Gavin, Jenny, Danielle, Hazel, Myer and Darren Wolpert. Not pictured is Brandon, Gavin and Jenny's son, who was born after Myer passed away. Read their family's story on page 11.

Stop Press! Jenny Wolpert has won the 2013 Venice Cup in Bali as part of the USA team! Gavin (also USA) was fourth in the Bermuda Bowl and Hazel and Darren (for Canada) were tied for fifth.



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Editor's Note:

Canada will be well-represented at September's World Championships in Bali (the World Championships will be finished by the time you read this). As well as our three Canadian teams, Gavin Wolpert will be on the USA Bermuda Bowl team and Allan Graves and Neil Chambers will be on the USA d'Orsi Bowl Team. Of course our 'Canadian' teams also have foreign-born players on them. Reflecting Canada's diversity, the teams have players and captains born in or citizens of England, New Zealand, South Africa, the USA, Poland, Hungary, Belarus, Romania, Czechoslovakia and Hong Kong. Surely no other country will present such a varied group.

We wish them all well.

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Should candidates wish to, they may email a photo and a biography (50 word maximum) by December 15, 2013 to kibitzer@sympatico.ca for publication in the Spring 2014 Kibitzer.

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THE WOLPERTS

When one thinks of bridge families, the Beckers (B. Jay and sons Mike, Steve and Jim), the Mosses (Mike and Gail and progeny Brad, Andrew and Jill Levin) and the Seamons (Billy, sister Edith, son Michael and daughter Janice Seamon-Molson) come to mind. Each has World Champions and many-times North American Champions among it. Very shortly, if they are not already, the Wolperts will be thought of in the same league. Myer and Hazel's sons Darren and Gavin and Gavin's wife Jenny, who comes from a pretty good bridge-playing family in her own right, are having a great run of success. Since Darren is in his forties, Gavin in his thirties and Jenny in her twenties, there is no end in sight to their accomplishments.

Hazel and Myer and their young son Darren emigrated to Canada from South Africa in 1977; Gavin was born in Canada a few years after their arrival. Hazel and Myer both played bridge and taught their sons the game. Darren was more interested than Gavin early on, but in his late teens, Gavin caught the bug in a big way and eventually quit university, announcing that he was going to make bridge his career. Hazel, even though by then she'd carved out her own successful career in bridge with Hazel's Bridge Club, was at first mortified. It's safe to say, however, that now she is accustomed to the idea and is proud of both her sons' accomplishments.



Danielle and Brandon Wolpert

The bridge club business is extraordinarily difficult. Among other qualities, it requires patience, organizational talent, people-dealing skills and most of all, hard work. Hazel acquired a failed bridge club a decade or so ago and turned it into one of the most successful clubs in North America. That she still finds the time to pursue her playing career is a tribute to her organizational talent - she won the Canadian Women's Team Championship in 2004 and 2012, representing Canada on both occasions. The high point was last year when she and Darren came second in the Transnational Mixed Teams in Lille, France. This year, again keeping it in the family, Hazel will be Non-Playing Captain of Canada's Open Team for the Bermuda Bowl in Bali - Darren is part of that team.

Jenny Ryman was also taught bridge by her parents Mari Lindblom (winner of the European Women's Teams in 1993) and Svante Ryman (winner of the 1974 European Junior Teams). Jenny and her mother have also had success together, coming third in the 2006 McConnell Cup in the Verona World Championships. After playing for Sweden in Girls,

Schools and Women's teams with some success, Jenny moved first to Canada, then to the USA, and has since won seven North American titles, the Buffett Cup and the United States Bridge Federation Trials for the Venice Cup in Bali.

As fate would have it, Gavin's first foray into Bermuda Bowl competition took place in Monte Carlo in 2003 where he met and was smitten by Jenny Ryman from Sweden. They have been together ever since and now have two children Danielle and Brandon. The couple have since moved to Florida to further their bridge careers, and further them they have! Gavin won the USBF Trials for Bali in June of this year and Jenny followed suit a month later to qualify for the Venice Cup. They will be joined by another couple, teammates Bobby and Jill Levin, on their respective teams. Gavin, like Jenny, has won a handful of North American Championships (five) after his Junior years playing for Canada. He won a bronze medal in the 2005 Junior World Teams. Gavin and then-partner Vincent Demuy were the main characters profiled in a documentary "In the Cards" made by CTV's Andy Pedersen half a dozen years ago.

Darren's bridge success has mostly come in and for Canada. He has already won the CNTC five times and has twice represented Canada in World Junior Team Championships. He's had two heartbreaking finishes in World Championships, just losing out on qualifying for the knockout round in

the 2003 Bermuda Bowl and losing in the round of 16 to tournament-favourite Monaco after leading with 16 boards to go. More successful yet was the Mixed TNT with Hazel in Lille. In 2012, Darren became one of only a handful of Canadians who have won the Vanderbilt Teams which, along with the Spingold and Reisinger, is one of the most prestigious North American titles.

Myer Wolpert passed away in late 2011, six months before his grandson Brandon was born. He had begun to see the success the family was having at bridge.

What are the prospects for the Wolperts' success in Bali? For the Canadians' Bermuda Bowl (Darren and NPC Hazel) chances, they are in tough, with two strong US teams and seven good European teams to battle, as well as the usual group of decent teams from the rest of the world. Jenny's and Gavin's prospects are a little better since the American teams are always among the favourites in their events. However, both the Bermuda Bowl and the Venice Cup are viewed as more open than in previous years, with many teams fancying their chances to win. In the Bermuda Bowl, Monaco, Italy, the Netherlands and the US (two teams) are favoured but Poland and England are darkhorses. In the Venice Cup, England, France, China and the two US teams are solid favourites.

Will the Wolperts have a World Champion by the end of September? By the time you read this, all will be known.



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Wednesday	Supervised Duplicate	9:30am	11:30am
Thursday	Play of the Hand	9:30am	11:30am
Friday	Improve at Duplicate	9:30am	11:30am

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Newer Players' Corner



By Barbara Seagram
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KICKING THE HABIT

Taking the First Steps to Improving Your Declarer Play

No, this is not a thinly-disguised attempt at getting bridge players to give up bad habits but rather a look into some of those quirky habits we fall into when we get cards in our hands. For many bridge players, the worst moment of any bridge session is not when they have to confess to partner that they were a few points shy of their bid or when they forget to cash the setting trick in a doubled contract, but rather when left-hand opponent places a card face up on the table and **you** have to play the hand! The fate of Western civilization seems to hang in the balance as the world waits for you to call a card from dummy. And yikes, the director has called the round. Yes,

the pressures are enormous, but by cultivating a few good habits as declarer, the 'p' word in your declarer's vocabulary will soon stand for plan in peace, not for panic.

Let's start with a self-help quiz to see if you have some of the common declarer bad habits.

- I. When dummy comes down, do you:
 - (a) Thank partner and then immediately call a card?
 - (b) Immediately call a card - who has time for civility?
 - (c) Panic and then call the *wrong* card?
 - (d) Analyze the lead, count your losers (or winners in no-trump), develop a plan for disposing of those losers (or develop the tricks needed) and THEN call a card?

If you picked (a), at least you have developed good manners. Never let partner (or particularly the opponents) know that dummy is not exactly what you expected or more than you could possibly have hoped for or anywhere in between. If you picked (b), see (a). If you picked (c), you must have skipped the first paragraph. But if you picked (d), then you have developed one of the best habits a declarer can get into - NEVER play too quickly at trick one. This is your chance as declarer to map out your strategy and figure out what needs to be done and when. Far too many players fall into the lamentable habit of winning the first trick in haste and repenting at leisure. Reviewing the bidding, doing a short analysis of the

lead, planning out the hand can be done, especially if you practice, in a few moments. Those few moments of planning *before* you play to the first trick will save you the time lost to agonizing huddles as you realize you've botched the play because you didn't think earlier!

2. When dummy appears, are you
 - (a) inquisitive?
 - (b) depressed?
 - (c) panic stricken?
 - (d) some but not all of the above?

If you picked anything but (a), start reading this article again! Remember, as declarer you get to see and manage half the cards in the deck! You know exactly where your strengths and weaknesses are and have, at least in theory, an easier task to make best use of those resources than do the defenders, who can only see the 13 cards that each holds.

When dummy appears, for example, count the high card points held in your hand and dummy's. Subtract this total from 40 and you have the total high card point count for the opponents. Your next step is to figure out where the missing points are likely to be and/or where you need them to be! Sometimes the only way a hand can be made is if you make some assumptions and play for them. And don't forget to make an analysis of the opening lead:

- What does it show? (Leads of the queen usually promise the jack, for example)
- What does it deny? (Similarly, leading the queen usually denies

the king. Leading a low card usually denies having a strong sequence, such a king-queen or ace-king).

- Why did the opponents lead that suit? (If, for example, leader's partner has overcalled and leader fails to lead that suit, ask yourself why. If they lead a trump, what are they protecting? "Why did West not lead a club? Both the ace and king are missing. Gee, guess he can't have them both.")

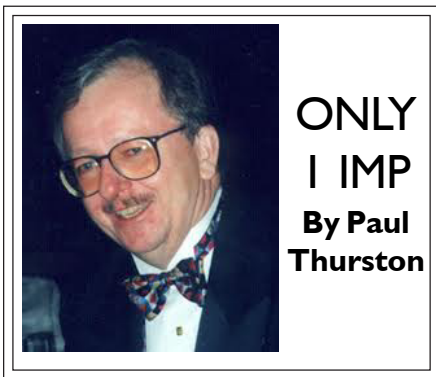
In analyzing the lead, don't forget to include a review of the bidding - note occurrences such as, "West passed East's opening bid but has led the ace of clubs. He can't have more than another jack." This will often help you place key cards, as the bidding may suggest that the missing honours are in a particular hand and that changed context may influence you in handling finesse situations differently than by making the normal play.

3. When you call for a card to trick one, do you:
 - (a) have absolutely no clue what to do next?
 - (b) have a *clear* idea of what to do next?
 - (c) have a vague idea, depending on what happens at trick one?
 - (d) have a nervous fit?

You have enough hints from the first two questions to know that the answer to this one is (b). Always know what you plan to do at trick two before you play to trick one. What suit do you plan to tackle next? Do you have to be in hand or in dummy? Do you have a choice?

Never underestimate the importance of getting the hand off on the right foot, so to speak. Fred Karpin, an expert player and noted writer, devoted an entire book, Bridge Strategy at Trick One, to showing how the correct play at the beginning of play sets the tone for the deal and determines its outcome! So make sure you know exactly what your tactics are when you set out and you won't go far wrong!

When dummy appears, take a deep breath instead of grabbing the first trick. You'll be more relaxed and well on your way to kicking some of declarer's worst habits!



Dealer North. NS Vul.

<p>♠ A K J 2 ♥ 6 ♦ Q J 10 9 4 ♣ J 9 3</p> <p>♠ Q 10 8 7 3 ♥ 10 8 4 ♦ A 7 5 ♣ 7 6</p>	<p>♠ 9 5 ♥ Q J 9 3 ♦ K 8 6 2 ♣ 10 5 2</p> <p>♠ 6 4 ♥ A K 7 5 2 ♦ 3 ♣ A K Q 8 4</p>
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West	North	East	South
—	Smith 1♦	Pass	Thurston 1♥
Pass	1♠	Pass	2♦ ¹
Pass	3♦	Pass	3NT
Pass	Pass	Pass	

1. Artificial game force

Many times, technique has to be its own reward, but when this deal came up during the desperately-close Canada versus Mexico playoff for a spot in the Bali Bermuda Bowl, the squeeze that developed an extra trick and one solitary IMP carried more than its usual weight.

Jeff Smith opened the North hand and the auction got off to a natural start until Paul Thurston's artificial and game-forcing two-diamond rebid. While South's intention was to show clubs at his next turn (and possibly reach the elusive club slam also missed by the Mexican North/South – surprisingly, since our foes bid anything and everything that even remotely resembled a slam!) - North's natural rebid of three diamonds cramped the auction and Thurston took the conservative route by signing off in three notrump.

Declarer finessed West's fourth-best spade lead and continued with the queen of diamonds, ducked all round. That meant eleven tricks for sure but when a second round of diamonds went round to the ace, West didn't see the need to cash his partner's diamond trick or do anything but what we all might do – try to hit partner's hoped-for club length and strength.

But when the seven of clubs shift went to dummy's nine, East's ten and South's queen, the hidden club suit became a large annoyance to the defenders.

This was the position as South cashed the last club:

<p>♠ A K 2 ♥ 6 ♦ 10 4 ♣ —</p> <p>♠ Q 10 8 ♥ 10 8 4 ♦ — ♣ —</p> <p>♠ 6 ♥ A K 7 5 ♦ — ♣ 4</p>	<p>♠ — ♥ Q J 9 3 ♦ K 8 ♣ —</p>
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On that four of clubs, West had to let go a low heart to guard spades and dummy pitched the spade deuce as East could comfortably pitch his low diamond, but when South led his spade to dummy's ace and king, East had to release the master diamond or his side's last heart guard. Plus 690 versus 660 at the other table – it was only one IMP!

(The Canadian Open Team beat Mexico by the margin of 1 IMP in their playoff for a Bermuda Bowl berth. The Mexican team had been fined 3 IMPs for a cell phone violation, so would have won by 2 IMPs without the penalty. It had previously been reported that there were two 3-IMP penalties, but this was apparently untrue - just one. Fortunately for the Canadians' peace of mind, the penalty was imposed by a Mexican TD in Mexico City. - Ed.)

BUTCHER THESE HANDS WITH ME

By John Cunningham



It's Too Late, Baby

Imagine you (East) hold:

♠Q96 ♥K852 ♦Q93 ♣J102.

The bidding is:

West	North	East	South
Pass	1♦	Pass	1♥
Pass	2♣	Pass	3NT
Pass	Pass	Pass	

Partner leads the club eight and this is what you see:

Dummy (North)

♠ 10 5 2
♥ Q J
♦ A K 10 6
♣ K 9 6 3

You (East)

♠ Q 9 6
♥ K 8 5 2
♦ Q 9 3
♣ J 10 2

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Remember all those bridge deals you've read about and those unlikely positions that arrive and depart unnoticed? This was one.

Declarer covers with dummy's nine and wins your ten with his ace, Declarer continues with a diamond to dummy's ten and your queen. What now? The wooden club jack?

Well, stop and think (which is more than I did). Why didn't partner lead a spade on the opponents' auction? If he has anything at all in spades, he'll have the ace more often than the king. And the jack, where's that?

Hah! It's a book play. You've got the nine of spades; try the queen of spades at trick two. Declarer, with the king-eight-three of spades, will throw up. If he ducks, playing you for the queen-jack, he's toast, and if he covers with the king, your nine, coupled with his eight, will give him a losing option upon your partner's low spade return. Declarer has two chances to go wrong.

AND if partner doesn't find that low spade, you'll have something to hold over him for weeks. Perfect.

The complete deal was:

♠ 10 5 2

♥ Q J

♦ A K 10 6

♣ K 9 6 3

♠ A J 7 4

♥ 9 7 4

♦ J 7 5

♣ 8 7 5

♠ Q 9 6

♥ K 8 5 2

♦ Q 9 3

♣ J 10 2

♠ K 8 3

♥ A 10 6 3

♦ 8 4 2

♣ A Q 4

Down one would have scored us an 87.5% board. Any other return garners 31.3% as declarer makes ten tricks. Another opportunity squandered. The only time I can remember making this particular play, years ago, it didn't work.

The more frequently encountered surround play from the ace-jack-nine up to third ten is also a useful tool. Dalmations.

The Blowhard

Kibitzing a table of regulars who have somehow accumulated 17,962.29 master points as of the time of writing, my pair, seated North/South, is a semi-

regular partnership. Their West opponent is the self-ordained (and oft self-proclaimed) best player in the club.

As dealer, neither vulnerable, my guy South passes with ♠A42 ♥J9875 ♦A3 ♣976 and passes again after one club-pass-one spade. Gabriel raises to two spades, which partner doubles and partner's Right Hand Opponent passes. So far, the bidding has been:

West	North	East	South
<i>Blowhard</i>			<i>My Guy</i>
—	—	—	Pass
1♣	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♠	Double	Pass	???

What's this? Some sort of pre-balancing takeout, it seems. Now, these cards are very, very good in context. I'd say it's probably worth four hearts. *(If double were a classic takeout, I'd agree. But, if it's really just a prebalancing double, then four hearts hangs partner out to dry. It depends on the partnership agreement. - Ed.)*

However, perhaps since East passed the double rather than re-raising, my guy contents himself with a mere three hearts. As I said, an established partnership. There they rest. Just as well, as dummy is blood-curdling:

♠ K Q
 ♥ Q 10 4 2
 ♦ Q J 9 2
 ♣ Q J 8

♠ A 4 2
 ♥ J 9 8 7 5
 ♦ A 3
 ♣ 9 7 6

Blowboy studies his paunch and eventually emerges with the spade ten, won in dummy. Well, this is a quiet hand: a trump to the jack and ace. Now for the press notices: a club to the king, club return to the ace, club ruff. Down two. Nice play. Perhaps if my guy had stopped to place the diamond king with Moby Dick over there (no club lead, perhaps suggesting split honours) he'd have arranged to dump a club from dummy before leading trumps. That would have held the loss to down one.

So. A good play from the anointed one, but he's strangely quiet for once. No overt whooping. Possibly he's noticed that his side makes three spades. And that he might well have bid it, himself. There's always something. The full deal:

♠ K Q
 ♥ Q 10 4 2
 ♦ Q J 9 2
 ♣ Q J 8

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

♠ A 4 2
 ♥ J 9 8 7 5
 ♦ A 3
 ♣ 9 7 6

A Well-Upholstered Chair

Towards the end of an afternoon session, a master point-upholstered kibitzer fills in opposite me while partner fusses elsewhere. We are vulnerable and I am third in hand, after two passes, with: ♠K432 ♥J532 ♦— ♣KQ753.

I open the bidding with one club and no apologies. LHO doubles, and the well-upholstered chair responds one heart. This I take to announce a decent suit with no club fit. RHO advances with two diamonds and I feel compelled to bid two (only) hearts. This is passed back to RHO, who perseveres with three diamonds. LHO punts three no trump, which is passed out. The auction has been:

West	North	East	South
Pass	Pass	1♣	Double
1♥	2♦	2♥	Pass
Pass	3♦	Pass	3NT
Pass	Pass	Pass	

This dummy greets the club deuce:

Dummy (North)

♠ J 9 8 6
 ♥ —
 ♦ K J 10 9 7 3 2
 ♣ J 9

Me (East)

♠ K 4 3 2
 ♥ J 5 3 2
 ♦ —
 ♣ K Q 7 5 3

Declarer plays the club nine from dummy. I wonder if there is any reason for me to play the king? Had I held the eight of clubs, and were allowed to hold the trick with the king, continuing with the queen would ask partner to unblock from her original three to the ten, but there's no reason to do that here, so I play the queen and it indeed holds the trick.

It appears that the chair has four clubs, or three to an honour. Either declarer has held up the ace (unlikely with the

nine play) or partner has it. I elect to continue with the club king, therefore, covering both scenarios. Oops. The chair blithely overtakes with her ace and leads a third one to stuff declarer in with the ten. Remember the ten? Declarer claims the balance, glancing at me to see my reaction. I am stone-faced. Here it was:

♠ J 9 8 6
 ♥ —
 ♦ K J 10 9 7 3 2
 ♣ J 9

♠ A 7
 ♥ 9 7 6 4
 ♦ 8 6 5 4
 ♣ A 8 2

♠ K 4 3 2
 ♥ J 5 3 2
 ♦ —
 ♣ K Q 7 5 3

♠ Q 10 5
 ♥ A K Q 10 8
 ♦ A Q
 ♣ 10 6 4

It turns out that we had the first seven tricks, in spite of my miscalculated continuation, had partner thought for a nanosecond and ducked the club. And I'd been doing so well, too.

Excedrin Headache #52

Playing in the afternoon duplicate with a partner huffing over your suggesting she passed a forcing bid on the preceding hand, you hold, third in hand, at unfavourable vulnerability: ♠Q10953 ♥A ♦10972 ♣642.

You make a somewhat uncharacteristic (some would say) pass, to see one diamond, pass, one heart. Thinking that partner will know, from your first pass in third seat, that you don't have serious interest, you interject a pre-emptive one spade. For the lead, you'll say. LHO's jump to four hearts ends the auction.

You opt to ignore your own advice and lead a club. This is what you see:

Dummy (North)

♠ 7
 ♥ K Q 9 3
 ♦ A Q J 8 5
 ♣ A 10 7

Me (West)

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

Partner's nine of clubs forces the king from declarer, so you continue with clubs upon winning the next trick with the heart ace. Declarer wins with dummy's ace and cashes two top hearts in a manner that suggests partner now has the high trump, as you play a non-committal upside-down-count-and-attitude five-three of spades. Declarer leads a club to his queen, followed by a diamond to the jack and partner's (surprise?) king. Partner collects the remaining trumps, declarer looking nonplussed. This leaves:

♠ 7
 ♥ —
 ♦ A Q 8 5
 ♣ —

♠ Q 10
 ♥ —
 ♦ 10 9 7
 ♣ —

I draw the conclusion from declarer's agitation that he does not have the ace-king of spades and the thirteenth club which would give him the rest of the tricks. We have three tricks in, and are looking good for at least one more. That is, until partner malevolently leads

the spade king, to guarantee the contract by isolating the menace!

♠ 7
 ♥ K Q 9 3
 ♦ A Q J 8 5
 ♣ A 10 7

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

♠ A J 6
 ♥ 8 7 5 2
 ♦ 6 3
 ♣ K Q J 8

Declarer won with his ace of spades and then the thirteenth club ground the spade queen to dust

That spade play was so bad, it had to be on purpose, or so I think.

"Whatever possessed you to bid spades, anyway?" partner asks pre-emptively. I wonder, myself. And wonder why I did not follow my own advice and lead a spade. Then we could have weakened dummy's trumps with the spade force if declarer took an early diamond finesse (the indicated play) instead of leading trumps. Three trump tricks and the king of diamonds would have been our harvest.

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City of Toronto Sectional

December 27-29, 2013



Sheraton Centre Toronto

123 Queen Street West, Toronto, Ontario M5H 2M9

Room Rate: **\$99 Cdn/night + Taxes**

Friday, December 27

Stratified Open Pairs (Single sessions)	1:00 pm
International Fund Stratified Open Pairs	7:00 pm
(\$1 extra for our International Representatives = Extra Silver Points!)	
0-299 ^{er} , 0-50 MP Pairs	1:00 pm & 7:00 pm
(0-5 MP Free On Friday Afternoon!)	

Saturday, December 28

Compact Knockout Teams	10:30 am & 3:30 pm
Stratified Pairs (1-Session events)	10:30 am & 3:30 pm
0-299 ^{er} Pairs	10:30 am
0-50 MP Pairs (If numbers warrant)	10:30 am

***** Unit 166 Annual General Meeting: 2:30 pm *****

Swiss Teams (Single session)	3:30 pm
0-299 ^{er} Pairs	3:30 pm
0-50 MP Pairs (If numbers warrant)	3:30 pm

Sunday, December 29

Stratiflighted Swiss Teams (2 sessions)	10:30 am & TBA
0-299 ^{er} Swiss Teams	10:30 am & TBA

Free coffee and tea prior to the second session on Friday & Saturday

**All Unit 166 tournaments are Zero Tolerance Tournaments.
Please let the Directing Staff know if someone negatively affects your
enjoyment at this tournament.**

Sectional Session Fees: ACBL Members \$13.00; 0-50/20 events \$10.00;
Surcharge of \$2.00 for non-current ACBL members

Tournament Chair: David Halasi, halasid@rogers.com, 647-281-7629

Partnership Chair: Wayne Ruttan,
wayne.ruttan63@sympatico.ca, 647-284-8887

Flighting: A = 3000+; X = 0-3000; B = 1000-2000; C = 500-1000; D = 0-500
A = 2000+; B = 750-2000; C = 0-750

84th Western Ontario Bridge Tournament London, Ontario January 25 & 26, 2014

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The Forest City

Saturday, January 25, 11:00 am

Strati-flighted Pairs (Play-through)
Strat A: 2500+, Strat X: 0-2500
Strat B: 500-1500, Strat C: 0-500
Novice Pairs: 0-299 (1 Session)

Saturday, January 25, TBA

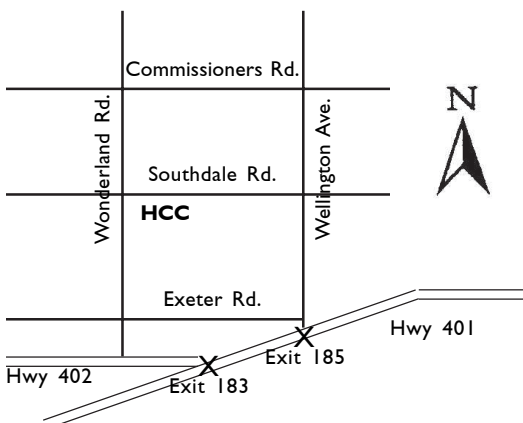
Strati-flighted Pairs (2nd Session)
Novice Pairs: 0-299 (1 Session)
Light meal between sessions.

Sunday January 26, 11:00 am

Stratified Swiss Teams (2 Sessions)
Strat A: 1500+, Strat X: 0-1500, Strat B: 500-1500, Strat C: 0-500
299^{ers} Swiss Teams (If attendance warrants)
Coffee and muffins before game time. A light meal will be served between sessions

Teams will be Stratified by AVERAGE Masterpoint holding

Chairperson: Bruce Moor
(519) 663-0869 bmoor@sympatico.ca
Partnerships: Gail McDonald
(519) 681-2855 dgmcdonald@rogers.com



Directions:

From Toronto & Windsor ...

Hwy 401 to London
Exit Wellington Rd/Exeter Rd
Go West on Exeter Rd to
Wonderland Rd, North to
Southdale Rd, East to
Hellenic Community Centre

From Sarnia ...

Hwy 402 to London
Exit Wonderland Rd., North to
Southdale Rd, East to
Hellenic Community Centre

60th NIAGARA DISTRICT SECTIONAL

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FRIDAY, FEB. 7, 2014

(All Single Sessions Today)

Women's Pairs (500/1500/unlim) . 1:00
Open Pairs (500/1500/unlim) 1:00
299^{er} Pairs (100/200/300) 1:00
49^{er} Pairs (5/20/50) 1:00
Open Pairs (50/1500/unlim) 7:00
299^{er} Pairs (100/200/300) 7:00
49^{er} Pairs (5/20/50) 7:00
Friendly Fred Swiss Teams 7:00

SATURDAY, FEB. 8, 2014

Handicapped KO . 9:00 am, 1:00 & 7:00
299^{er} Pairs (100/200/300) - 1 session 1:00
49^{er} Pairs (5/20/50) - 1 session 1:00
Flight A/X Pairs (2500/unlim) 1:00 & 7:00
Stratified B/C/D Pairs (500/1000/1500)...
..... 1:00 & 7:00
299^{er} Pairs (100/200/300) - 1 session 7:00
49^{er} Pairs (5/20/50) - 1 session 7:00

SUNDAY, FEB. 9, 2014

299^{er} Swiss Teams 10:30 am & TBA
Flight A/X Swiss Teams (2500/unlim).....
..... 10:30 am
B/C/D Swiss Teams 10:30 am

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Kit Nash 905-468-2047

wnash8@cogeco.ca



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EVENT SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 1

Stratiflighted Swiss Teams (A/X and B/C/D) 11:00am & TBA

Flights A/X (separate): A=3000+, X=0-3000

Flights B/C/D: B=750-1500, C=300-749, D=0-299

(Food available on-site for purchase during 45-minute break)

Sunday, March 2

Stratiflighted Swiss Teams (A/X and B/C/D) 11:00am & TBA

Flight A/X (separate): A=3000+, X=0-3000

Flights B/C/D: B=750-1500, C=300-749, D=0-299

(Food available on-site for purchase during 45-minute break)

Entry Fees: \$11 per session for ACBL members (non-members add \$1)
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Tournament Manager – Doug Darnley, ddarnley@rogers.com, 905-509-8607

Partnerships – Hoppy Carnwith, hoppyc@sympatico.ca, 905-655-4594

Location – One block north of Hwy 401 – from the west on 401 take the Simcoe Street exit, turn left then first right, from the east on 401 take the Ritson/Simcoe exit, follow Drew St. then left on 1 Ave. and left on Albert St. Lots of parking onsite and also on both sides of the street.

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12-13 April 2014



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Saturday, 12 April 2014

The Elizabeth Fraser Memorial Stratified Pairs

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Free coffee on both days, sandwiches Saturday

Sunday, 13 April 2014

The Royer Stratified Swiss Teams

9:30 AM Sea Cadets Breakfast (included in entry fee)

11:00 AM and TBA

**For information and partnerships, contact Charles Dalmas:
519-337-3399; Charles.L.Dalmas@gmail.com**

Upper Masterpoint Limits

A: 1000+, B: 300-1000, C: 0-300 (Average MP in all events)

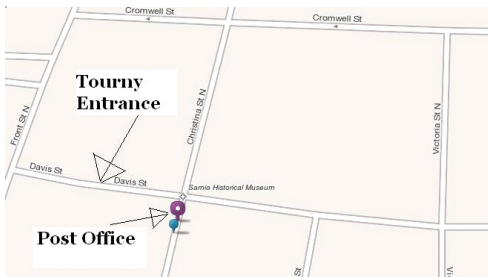
Cost is \$12.00 per Pairs session and \$13.00 per Teams session. This price increase includes HST. There is an additional charge of \$3.00 for non-paid members or non-members.

Directions

From The Bluewater Bridge: Take the Front St. Exit. Turn right on Front St.. Parking lot is at the corner of Front and Davis.

From 402: Take the Indian Rd. exit. Bear left at the fork. Turn left at the light. Turn right on Exmouth St. Turn left on Christina St. Turn right on Davis St. Parking lot entrance is on Front St.

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Hazel's Bridge Club



SCHEDULE

	<u>Morning</u>	<u>Afternoon</u>	<u>Evening</u>
Mon	9.30 Lesson Series w/Hazel Intermediate	12.30 Open Stratified 12.30 Side Game	7.15 Open Stratified
Tue	9.15 Bagels & Bridge	12.30 Open Stratified	7.00 Pre-game Lesson/ Intermed. Duplicate
Wed	9.30 Bridge Clinic/Refresher Series with Steve	12.30 Open Stratified 12.30 Side Game	7:15 Team League
Thu	9.30 Bridge Practice w/Hazel	12.30 Open Stratified	
Fri	9.00 Pre-game Lesson 9.15 Friendly Game w/Bagels	12.00 Bagels & Cheese 12.30 Open Stratified	
Sat		12.30 Open Stratified w/Optional Pool	7.15 Open Stratified
Sun		12.30 Open Stratified	

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