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UNITED STATES WOMEN'S AND SENIORS' BRIDGE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Oldies and Goodies

USA 1 SEMIFINALS

1	Lynch	188.78	5.78	29	27	49	43	19	16	
4	Kasle	180		47	42	5	27	32	27	
2	Schwartz	243.04	2.04	77	44	55	65			
3	Street	93		35	12	21	25	WD		

USA1 FINALS

#	TEAM	TOTAL	Carry Over	1-15	16-30
1	<u>Lynch</u>	46.5	4.5	25	17
2	<u>Schwartz</u>	82		47	35



USA2 QUARTERFINALS

#	TEAM	TOTAL	1-15	16-30	Penalties
3	<u>Street</u>	37	16	21	
8	<u>Friedland</u>	46	21	25	
4	<u>Kasle</u>	87	13	74	
7	<u>Meltzer</u>	39	28	11	
5	<u>Simson</u>	74	24	52	-2
6	<u>Cappelli</u>	56	36	20	

WOMAN'S FINALS AND PLAYOFF

1	Baker	197	50	13	20	31	11	25	34	13
2	Sonsini	237	11	55	23	47	32	21	9	39
Playoff										
3	Westheimer	233	11	62	20	21	38	26	34	21
4	Sprung	176	24	9	24	33	26	22	7	31

Alert!

ALL PLAY FROM TODAY ON WILL BE ON THE LOBBY LEVEL (ELEVATOR FLOOR #3) IN SMALL ROOMS WITH ONE OR TWO TABLES IN EACH ROOM. BRACKET SHEETS WILL BE POSTED NEAR THE PLAYERS' LOUNGE (CHELSEA ROOM)

**Congrats to Team Sonsini:
USA1 in the
upcoming Venice Cup!**

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**Women's Teams:
RR Number Order
(Random Draw)**



Lynch	Carolyn Lynch, Capt Eddie Wold Roger Bates	Mike Passell Garey Hayden Marc Jacobus
Schwartz	Richard Schwartz, Capt Sam Lev Neil Chambers	J. Allan Graves Robert Hamman John Schermer
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Meltzer	Rose Meltzer, Capt Mark Feldman Steve Beatty	John Mohan Bill Pollack Mark Cohen
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Cappelli	Robert Cappelli, Capt Kenneth Kranyak John Onstott	Robert Katz Phil Becker Bruce Ferguson
Simson	Doug Simson, Capt Mark Tolliver Mark Lair	Jeff Aker Marc Zwerling Clement Jackson
Friedland	Peter Friedland, Capt Gloria Bart	Mark Dahl Les Bart
Brod	Geoffrey Brod, Capt Glenn Eisenstein Robert Bitterman	John Rengstorff William Wickham Jerry Helms
Lay	Spike Lay, Capt Ronald Smith	Linda Smith Larry Griffey

**senior Teams
(Seeding Order)**



Women's United States Championship Schedule of Play



Day	Date	Time	Stage
Friday	July 12	9:30 am	Captains' Meeting
Friday & Saturday	July 12 July 13	10:00 am - 8:00 pm	Round Robin
SEMI-FINAL			
Sunday	July 14	10:00 am - 12:15 pm	Boards 1-16
		12:25 - 2:40	Boards 17-32
		4:00 - 6:15	Dinner break
		6:25 - 8:40	Boards 33-48 Boards 49-64
FINAL & USA2 SEMI-FINAL			
Monday	July 15	10:00 am - 12:10 pm	Boards 1-15
		12:20 - 2:30	Boards 16-30
		3:40 - 5:50	Lunch break
		6:00 - 8:10	Boards 30-45 Boards 46-60
Tuesday	July 16	10:00 am - 12:10 pm	Boards 61-75
		12:20 - 2:30	Boards 76-90
		3:40 - 5:50	Dinner break
		6:00 - 8:10	Boards 90-105 Boards 106-120
USA2 FINAL			
Wednesday	July 17	10:00 am - 12:10 pm	Boards 1-15
		12:20 - 2:30	Boards 16-30
		3:40 - 5:50	Lunch break
		6:00 - 8:10	Boards 30-45 Boards 46-60
Thursday	July 18	10:00 am - 12:10 pm	Boards 61-75
		12:20 - 2:30	Boards 76-90
		3:40 - 5:50	Dinner break
		6:00 - 8:10	Boards 90-105 Boards 106-120

Two police officers saw this old woman staggering down the street, stopping her they can tell she has had far too much to drink and instead of taking her to jail they decide to just drive her home.

They loaded her into the police cruiser one of the officers gets in the back with the drunk woman. As they drove through the streets they kept asking the woman where she lived, all she would say as she stroked the officers arm is "Your Passionate"

They drove awhile longer and asked again, again the same response as she stroked his arm "Your Passionate". The officers were getting a little upset so they stopped the car and said to the woman, Look we have driven around this City for two hours and you still haven't told us where you live.

She replied I keep trying to tell you: "Your Passin It!"

A True Story by anonymous!

I was due for an appointment with the gynecologist later in the week. Early that morning, I received a call from the doctor's office to tell me that I had been rescheduled for 9:30 am. I had only just packed everyone off to work and school, and it was already around 8:45am. The trip to his office took about 35 minutes, so I didn't have any time to spare.

As most women do, I like to take a little extra effort over hygiene when making such visits, but this time I wasn't going to be able to make the full effort. So, I rushed upstairs, threw off my pajamas, wet the washcloth that was sitting next to the sink, and gave myself a quick wash in 'that area' to make sure I was at least presentable. I threw the washcloth into the basket, donned some clothes, hopped into the car and raced to my appointment.

I was in the waiting room for only a few minutes when I was called in. Knowing the procedure, as I'm sure you do, I hopped up onto the table, looked over at the other side of the room and pretended that I was in Paris or some other place a million miles away. I was a little surprised when the doctor said, 'My, we have made an extra effort this morning, haven't we?'

I didn't respond.

After the examination, I heaved a sigh of relief and went home. The rest of the day was normal ... some shopping, cleaning, cooking...

After school, when my 6-year-old daughter was playing, she called out from the bathroom, 'Mommy, where's my washcloth?'

I told her to get another one from the bathroom cabinet.

She replied, 'No, I need the one that was here by the sink - it had all my glitter and sparkles saved inside it.'

Never going back to that doctor.

GIRL TALK

Seniors' United States Championship Schedule of Play

Day	Date	Time	Boards Played
Friday	July 12	9:30 am	Captains' Meeting
Round Robin			
Friday	July 12	10:00 - 10:55 11:00 - 11:55 12:00 - 12:55 2:15 - 3:10 3:15 - 4:10 4:15 - 5:10 5:30 - 6:25 6:30 - 7:25 7:30 - 8:25	Boards 1-6 Boards 7-12 Boards 13-18 80 Minute Lunch Break Boards 19-24 Boards 25-30 Boards 31-36 20 Minute Break Boards 37-42 Boards 43-48 Boards 49-54
Saturday	July 13	10:00 - 10:55 11:00 - 11:55 ** 12:00 - 12:55 ** 1:00 - 1:55 **	Boards 55-60 Boards 61-66 ** Boards 67-72 ** Boards 73-78 **
Quarter-Final & USA2 Round of 32 (click here for schedule)			
Saturday	July 13	4:00 - 6:10 6:20 - 8:30	Boards 1-15 Boards 16-30
Sunday	July 14	10:00 am - 12:10 pm 12:20 - 2:30 3:40 - 5:50 6:00 - 8:10	Boards 1-15 Boards 16-30 70 Minute Lunch Break Boards 31-45 Boards 46-60
Semi-Final & USA2 Round of 16			
Monday	July 15	10:00 am - 12:10 pm 12:20 - 2:30 3:40 - 5:50 6:00 - 8:10	Boards 1-15 Boards 16-30 70 Minute Lunch Break Boards 31-45 Boards 46-60
Tuesday	July 16	10:00 am - 12:10 pm 12:20 - 2:30	Boards 61-75 Boards 76-90
Final & USA2 Quarterfinal			
Tuesday	July 16	4:00 - 6:10 6:20 - 8:30	Boards 1-15 Boards 16-30
Wednesday	July 17	10:00 am - 12:10 pm 12:20 - 2:30 3:40 - 5:50 6:00 - 8:10	Boards 31-45 Boards 46-60 70 Minute Lunch Break Boards 61-75 Boards 76-90
USA2 Semi-Final			
Thursday	July 18	10:00 am - 12:10 pm 12:20 - 2:30 3:40 - 5:50 6:00 - 8:10	Boards 1-15 Boards 16-30 70 Minute Lunch Break Boards 31-45 Boards 46-60
Friday	July 19	10:00 am - 12:10 pm 12:20 - 2:30	Boards 61-75 Boards 76-90
USA2 Final			
Friday	July 19	4:00 - 6:10 6:20 - 8:30	Boards 1-15 Boards 16-30
Saturday	July 20	10:00 am - 12:10 pm 12:20 - 2:30 3:40 - 5:50 6:00 - 8:10	Boards 31-45 Boards 46-60 70 Minute Lunch Break Boards 61-75 Boards 76-90

Senior Jokes:

Very old man

A 105-year-old man was asked: "What's the best thing about being 105?"

He simply replied, "No peer pressure."

Memories

An sad, old man sitting was sitting on a park bench when along came a police officer. The officer asked the old man why he was so upset.

The old man replied, "Every morning I wake up with a wonderful 20 year old blonde. She cooks great meals including sausage, and bacon and everything I love. Then we make passionate love in bed.

Afterwards, she gives me a bath, with hand drawn hot water, cooks me lunch and followed by more passionate love. In the evening, we'll have top the day off with a fantastic diner and yet more wonderful love.

The police officer gets a puzzled look on his face and asks, "Well, what seems to be the problem?"

The old man replied with a sad look on his face, "I can't remember where I live!"

Old Person Wisdom

The real art of conversation is not only to say the right thing at the right time, but also to leave unsaid the wrong thing at the tempting moment.

From the Senior USA2 Event:

Board 61
Dealer: N
All Vul.

- ♠ AQT
- ♥ AQT4
- ♦ KT
- ♣ QT98

- ♠ KJ9875
- ♥ 82
- ♦ J974
- ♣ 5



- ♠ 6432
- ♥ J53
- ♦ Q3
- ♣ A632

- ♠
- ♥ K976
- ♦ A8652
- ♣ KJ74

West	North	East	South
Ekeblad	B Katz	Weichsel	Cappelli
	1C	Pass	1H
2S	3S	4S	6C
All pass			

Ferguson	Levine	Onstott	McGarry
	1NT	Pass	2C
Pass	2H	Pass	3S
Pass	3NT	Pass	4H
All pass			

Both tables bid to get a plus score, but Katz and Cappelli did best to get to the making slam. Both North/South pairs play strong no-trumps so it is unclear why Katz chose to open 1C... but it certainly worked out to his advantage on this hand!

Ekeblad and Weichsel attempted to muddy the waters but Cappelli/Katz ignored them except to use their suit to cuebid, propelling their side to the slam.

Weichsel led the deuce of spades to the king and ace while Katz pitched a diamond from dummy. Katz led the ten followed by the eight of clubs, both ducked, then ruffed his spade ten in dummy. The king of clubs was won by Weichsel's ace and he continued his attack on spades, Katz winning in hand with the queen. Katz pulled the last trump and claimed. +1370

At the other table, Levine opened the more pedestrian 1NT (15-17). McGarry bid Stayman, and they found their heart fit. Since they play that a direct 3S bid over 1NT would show spade shortness, I believe that McGarry's 3S bid indicated the best hand in support of hearts. Levine's 3NT was clearly hoping for a club cue. McGarry didn't have the club ace, and for whatever reason, he chose not to show the diamond ace, and North/South settled in the heart game.

Onstott led a trump. Levine won in hand. He played two high diamonds and the king of clubs. Onstott won his club but could not work out partner's singleton. He continued with trumps. Levine won in hand and ruffed a spade.

Levine played a club to his hand (Ferguson now out of trumps), and cashed his spade ace. He ruffed the queen of spades with the king of hearts and claimed 12 tricks.

12 IMPs to Cappelli

Levine and McGarry got their IMPs back on board 67 (see page 8 for the hand).

Hospitality Suite Information:

The hospitality suite for the 2013 Women's and Seniors' USBC is Suite1222. Players, volunteers, kibitzers, friends and supporters are welcome in the Hospitality Suite during the tournament. Please join hostesses Lisa Berkowitz and Molly O'Neill for:

Breakfast each day from 8:00-11:00 am.

Lunch on Monday through Wednesday from 2:30-4:30.

The Hospitality Suite will be open for Vugraph, casual chit chat, drinks & snacks during the most of the playing hours, and for a short time after the end of play each day. **It will be closed from 11:00-2:30 while our hostesses are shopping and preparing lunch.**

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

Sudoku

Senior Sentiments

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



"My memory is gone Mildred, so I changed my password to "Incorrect."

That way when I log in with the wrong password, the computer will tell me...

"Your password is incorrect."

Answers to Puzzle No Peeking!

Sudoku 1 Solution

Sudoku 2 Solution

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

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

Puzzle Page ...

Sara really needed to go to the doctor for her check-up... and to her dentist, chiropractor, and optometrist. All four had been persistently reminding her that she was overdue for check-ups. But she'd been travelling a lot for work and just hadn't had the time to make her appointments. So, in a fit of reckless abandon, she scheduled all FOUR of them for the same day – next Tuesday, the one day she was home between two business trips. Getting four appointments in the same day was a challenge but fortunately they were all in the same medical center so she didn't have to allow for travel time. Determine the time of each appointment (times were 9:00 am, 11:30 am, 1:00 pm, and 3:30 pm), the type of doctor she was seeing, how long each appointment was scheduled for (1/2 hour or 1 hour), and each doctor's name.

1. Sara's one-hour appointments were scheduled with Dr. Borne and the dentist.
2. Her appointment with Dr. Swan was scheduled for half an hour.
3. Dr. Bigelow was the physician.
4. The appointment with her optometrist was scheduled to start on the half hour.
5. She saw her chiropractor before Dr. Swan but after her appointment with Dr. Mann.
6. Her appointment with Dr. Mann wasn't at 9:00 am.

	Chiropractor	Dentist	Optometrist	Physician	1/2 hour	1/2 hour	1 hour	1 hour	Dr. Bigelow	Dr. Borne	Dr. Mann	Dr. Swan
9am												
11:30am												
1pm												
3:30pm												
Dr Bigelow												
Dr. Borne												
Dr. Mann												
Dr. Swan												
1/2 hour												
1/2 hour												
1 hour												
1 hour												

Answers to Puzzle

3:30pm	optometrist	1/2 hour	Dr. Swan
1:00pm	chiropractor	1 hour	Dr. Borne
11:30am	dentist	1 hour	Dr. Mann
9:00am	physician	1/2 hour	Dr. Bigelow
Time	Type	Duration	Name

Board 67
 Dealer: S
 E/W Vul.

♠ Q5
 ♥ J32
 ♦ T765
 ♣ J742

♠ AJ62
 ♥ T96
 ♦ J982
 ♣ 86



♠ KT9873
 ♥ 7
 ♦ AQ
 ♣ AT95

♠ 4
 ♥ AKQ854
 ♦ K43
 ♣ KO3

West	North	East	South
Ferguson	Levine	Onstott	McGarry
Pass	1NT	2S	4H
4S	5H	All pass	

Ekeblad	B Katz	Weichsel	Cappelli
Pass	1NT	2S	4H
4S	Pass	Pass	Double
All pass			

Cappelli didn't think he was saving when he bid the heart game. He has a great hand with seventeen HCP and a great six card suit. When 4S sailed back to him, he had plenty of defense and doubled.

He led his heart ace, continued hearts and was not happy when declarer ruffed. Weichsel pulled two rounds of trump and claimed ten tricks, losing one diamond, one club, and one heart for +790

In the other room, Levine left no margin for error. He knew his 1NT call was sub-par and he wasn't defending any four level contract doubled, so he bid in front of McGarry and crossed his fingers. He seemed sufficiently confident to his opponents and they didn't double... and no one knew who was sacrificing and who was making.

Ferguson led that ace of spades and a spade which McGarry ruffed. McGarry pulled two rounds of trump and played the club king. Onstott won his ace and all things being IMPs, he cashed his diamond ace and insured the failure of the contract. He continued with the diamond queen won in dummy with the king. McGarry pulled the last trump, and played on clubs, hoping for a 3-3 split to jettison his losing diamond. Alas, clubs were 4-2 and this was not to be. Ferguson settled for down two and -100. 12 IMPs back to Levine

From the Women's

Board 77
 Dealer: N
 All Vul.

♠ QJT53
 ♥ 642
 ♦ KOT
 ♣ 94



♠ 6
 ♥ AK9853
 ♦ A965
 ♣ AK

♠ 987
 ♥ Q7
 ♦ 8742
 ♣ QT87

♠ AK42
 ♥ JT
 ♦ J3
 ♣ J6532

Sanborn	McCallum	Levitina	Baker
Pass	Pass	1H	Pass
Pass	1S	2H	2S
3H	Pass	3D	Pass
3H	All pass		

Wheeler	Palmer	Bernstein	Deas
Pass	Pass	1H	1S
Pass	3S	4H	All Pass

Palmer and Deas are known for being truly tough competitors. They are in your face in every auction. Usually it works, but on this hand, it failed miserably. One can hardly blame Palmer for bidding 3S with five trump, 8 HCP and a doubleton once her partner has overcalled 1S. That bid, however, got her opponents to their making vulnerable game.

In the other room, Baker thought better of making the 1S overcall with her four card suit and three jacks on the side. Her opponents settled in 3H... pushed there by the 3D call. Deas led the SA and a spade. Bernstein ruffed. She played the heart ace before cashing her high clubs, giving up on restricted choice. It wouldn't have worked anyway, and this way she had only 3 losers: one spade

and two diamonds. 10 IMPs to Baker

World Youth Bridge Open Championship in Atlanta

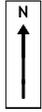
The WBF, with support from the ACBL, the USBF, the MABC, ACBL District 7, ACBL District 9, the Common Club, as well as private donors, will hold the 3rd World Youth Bridge Open Championship in Atlanta this summer. The complete schedule of play is posted on the WBF website. All participants will be provided with lunch and dinner each day. All players must have been born in or after 1988.

From the Lynch/Kasle SemiFinal Match... Kasle Takes the Lead!

Board 85
Dealer: N
N/S Vul.

♠ J
♥ A2
♦ 976
♣ AKQJ632

♠ KQ8
♥ T3
♦ QJT32
♣ 874



♠ A9763
♥ KJ654
♦ A
♣ T9
♠ T542
♥ Q987
♦ K854
♣ 5

West	North	East	South
Woolsey	Bates	Stewart	Wold
	1C (strong)	1D (CRASH-rank)	Double
2S	3C	4S	Pass
Pass	5C	Double	All pass

Passell	Fisher	Hayden	Hamilton
	1C	2C (Michaels)	Pass
3C	3H	4D	4H
4NT	5C	5D	Double
Pass	Pass	5H	Double
5S	Pass	Pass	Double
All pass			

This hand produced a lot of bidding. Bates opened a strong club; Stewart showed two suits of the same rank... in this case, the majors; Wold showed his point count; and Woolsey bid 2S saying that he was willing to play 2S or three of a minor. Bates showed his hand by revealing his strong club suit, and Stewart, uncertain of making or saving, but feeling it was the right thing to do, bid the spade game. No one steals from Roger. Bates bid 5C; Stewart doubled and the auction ended.

In the other room, everyone was trying to buy the contract. Passell thought he was less likely to get doubled by bidding Blackwood on his way to the save so he tried that. He was wrong and this auction, like the other, ended in double.

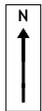
Against 5C doubled, Stewart led the ace of spades followed by the ace of diamonds, and a second spade. Bates ruffed, played four rounds of trump, then the ace of hearts. He played one more heart and conceded down one. +200 for Kasle.

Against 5S doubled, Fisher led three rounds of trump, Hamilton pitching a small diamond and a small heart. Passell ruffed the third club in dummy and played one round of trump. He led the three of hearts, Fisher winning his ace. Fisher led a diamond and Passell won the ace in dummy and played a trump to his queen. The heart ten went to the queen and Hamilton played back a trump. At this point, Mike claimed eight tricks for down three. +500 and 12 IMPs to Kasle

Kasle gained the lead on this hand and held it through the next four boards, yielding only 1 IMP on board 87. However, on Board 90, Lynch struck back.

Board 90
Dealer: E
All Vul.

♠ K9875
♥ 6
♦ 74
♣ J8654



♠ 2
♥ AKJT942
♦ J8
♣ A97
♠ AT6
♥ Q875
♦ AKT6
♣ KQ

Passell	Fisher	Hayden	Hamilton
		1H	1NT
Pass	2H	3H	3S
All pass			

Woolsey	Bates	Stewart	Wold
		4C (transfer to ♥)	Double
Pass	4S	All pass	

It is surprising that Hamilton, holding a maximum NT overcall and three spades to two honors, did not super accept with 4S to win the match. His 3S call likely showed the three trumps since he wasn't forced over three hearts, but his partner couldn't imagine that he should bid game on his 4 count and known eight card fit. Hamilton languished in the part score and it cost his team the win.

At the other table, Stewart opened a South African transfer to 4H. Wold, holding 18 HCP, was happy to double. Woolsey passed and Bates bid 4S.

Stewart led the ace of hearts followed by the ace of clubs, and exited with a second club won in dummy. Bates played ace of spades, six of spades, Woolsey splitting his QJ while Bates won his king. Bates pitched a small diamond on the

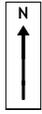
CJ, led the S7 and claimed ten tricks. 10 IMPs and the match to Lynch ... How would the play have gone if Woolsey hadn't split his honors? We'll never know!!

USA2 Round of 8 Gets Underway...

Board 3
Dealer: S
E/W Vul.

♠ J985
♥ Q852
♦ 65
♣ T85

♠ AK
♥ AJ943
♦ K84
♣ 943



♠ QT7642
♥ 7
♦ AQT
♣ AJ6

♠ 3
♥ KT6
♦ J9732
♣ KQ72

West	North	South	East
Woolsey	Mohan	Stewart	Meltzer
1NT	Pass	2H (transfer)	Pass
2S	Pass	4H (shortness)	Pass
4NT	Pass	5S	Pass
5NT	Pass	6S	All pass

Feldman	Kasle	B Pollack	Kozlove
			Pass
1NT	Pass	2H (transfer)	Pass
2S	Pass	4S	Pass
4NT	Pass	5S	Pass
5NT	Pass	6S	All pass

Mohan led the D6 against Woolsey's 6S contract. Woolsey won in dummy with the ace. Woolsey played a heart to the ace and ruffed a heart, a spade to the ace and ruffed a second heart; and a spade to the king, South pitching a diamond. He played a club to the jack, losing to Meltzer's queen, and a diamond was returned to the queen. Woolsey played the ten of diamonds to his king. Mohan ruffed, led a club and Woolsey conceded two down.

At the other table, Kasle led a small heart to the seven, king, ace. Feldman ruffed a heart in dummy, played a spade to his ace and ruffed another heart. A spade to the king and another heart ruff followed. Now Feldman cashed the spade queen, leaving North with the last remaining trump. Feldman played ace of diamonds, queen of diamonds and a diamond to the king which Kasle ruffed. Kasle played a small club through the AJ6 to his partner's queen. Kozlove was endplayed for down one. 3 IMPs to Meltzer

This hand is interesting because at trick two when Woolsey led a small heart off dummy and Meltzer follows low, if he inserts the NINE (or jack), he can actually make the slam. If South inserted the king of hearts, declarer would need to guess the KTx position to make the hand. Kasle's lead of a small heart had an analagous effect in the other room.

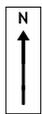
The nine of hearts would ride to the queen and North would likely exit a trump. Declarer would win the trump, cash the heart ace pitching a club, ruff a heart, cash the ace of clubs, return to hand with a trump, cash the heart jack discarding another club, trump a club, return to hand with a diamond.

This is the three card end position:

♠ J9
♥
♦
♣ T

Play the three of hearts from dummy...

♠
♥ 3
♦ 8
♣ 9



♠ QT
♥
♦ Q
♣

And North is couped!!

If at trick 3, North returns a second diamond, declarer will have to operate the coup in the blind, unaware of the bad trump break.

♠
♥
♦ J
♣ KQ

Bridge is so much easier when you see all four hands.



Limey Jack

Limey Jack thinks you Yanks are putting on a right good show. The first champion has been crowned on the distaff side; Sonsini-Radin, Palmer-Deas, Sanborn-Levitina. Well done Lassies.

In the match for USA2, Baker will play Westheimer. While there may be some hubris on the part of Westheimer, Limey Jack does not really believe in 4 handed teams, Kranyak excepted. This one will be quite a catfight with the loser looking like a lorry passed over. Baker is USA2

In the Seniors, Schwartz has a useful lead on Lynch and probably has the better attendants. Schwartz will become USA1 with the rejuvenated Robert Hamman in tow.

In the USA2 arena there is a match that is any road up North. By the pastor's pockets Limey Jack has a problem knowing which team will lose first, but assuredly they will both. Street and Friedland are not household names but playing in a pithy manner. Street seems to survive, but for a moment.

A Rose by any other name is Kastle, who laps Meltzer at the 16th pole.

Simson-Cappelli: Unlike the Dung cretin who only picks teams safely ahead, Cappelli spots Simson 18 and tosses them aside like yesterday's bangers and mash.

Limey Jack loves it when he runs the table while Howie Dung hides behind the tabloids.

Cheerio, LJ

Howie Doing

Schwartz always has a horse in the race.
With 30 boards in, he's leads Lynch in the chase.

For Lynch to beat Richie, she's got to play sound...
The pros must play straight and not "jockey" around!

Friedland's ahead and showing some skill,
But Street will prevail with Friedland, road kill.

A rose is a Rose and she smells very sweet,
But the king's in the Kastle and he won't be beat.

Simson/Cappelli: I'm still debating.
The two teams are close in handicap rating.

Simson survives. Cappelli is done.
Kenny will just have to cheer for his son!

Who's going to be the luckiest gal?
Will it be Lynn or will it be Val?

I'm picking Baker for USA2.
Cindy and Sally are long overdue!

With Sonsini and Baker, the country can't lose.
If drawn for a drug test, they'd never refuse!

Howie Doing? I'll tell you: better than Jack.
I hear the queen calling. He should go back!

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Senior Humor ...

Shown below, is an actual letter that was sent to a bank by an 86 year old woman.

The bank manager thought it amusing enough to have it published in the New York Times.

Dear Sir:

I am writing to thank you for bouncing my check with which I endeavored to pay my plumber last month.

By my calculations, three nanoseconds must have elapsed between his presenting the check and the arrival in my account of the funds needed to honor it..

I refer, of course, to the automatic monthly deposit of my entire pension, an arrangement which, I admit, has been in place for only eight years.

You are to be commended for seizing that brief window of opportunity, and also for debiting my account \$30 by way of penalty for the inconvenience caused to your bank.

My thankfulness springs from the manner in which this incident has caused me to rethink my errant financial ways.

I noticed that whereas I personally answer your telephone calls and letters, --- when I try to contact you, I am confronted by the impersonal, overcharging, pre-recorded, faceless entity which your bank has become.

From now on, I, like you, choose only to deal with a flesh-and-blood person. My mortgage and loan repayments will therefore and hereafter no longer be automatic, but will arrive at your bank, by check, addressed personally and confidentially to an employee at your bank whom you must nominate.

Be aware that it is an OFFENSE under the Postal Act for any other person to open such an envelope.

Please find attached an Application Contact which I require your chosen employee to complete.

I am sorry it runs to eight pages, but in order that I know as much about him or her as your bank knows about me, there is no alternative.

Please note that all copies of his or her medical history must be countersigned by a Notary Public, and the mandatory details of his/her financial situation (income, debts, assets and liabilities) must be accompanied by documented proof.

In due course, at MY convenience, I will issue your employee with a PIN number which he/she must quote in dealings with me.

I regret that it cannot be shorter than 28 digits but, again, I have modeled it on the number of button presses required of me to access my account balance on your

phone bank service.

As they say, imitation is the sincerest form of flattery.

Let me level the playing field even further.

When you call me, press buttons as follows:

IMMEDIATELY AFTER DIALING, PRESS THE STAR (*) BUTTON FOR ENGLISH

- #1. To make an appointment to see me
- #2. To query a missing payment.
- #3. To transfer the call to my living room in case I am there.
- #4 To transfer the call to my bedroom in case I am sleeping
- #5. To transfer the call to my toilet in case I am attending to nature.
- #6. To transfer the call to my mobile phone if I am not at home
- #7. To leave a message on my computer, a password to access my computer is required. Password will be communicated to you at a later date to that Authorized Contact mentioned earlier.
- #8. To return to the main menu and to listen to options 1 through 7.
- #9. To make a general complaint or inquiry.

The contact will then be put on hold, pending the attention of my automated answering service.

#10. This is a second reminder to press* for English.

While this may, on occasion, involve a lengthy wait, uplifting music will play for the duration of the call.

Regrettably, but again following your example, I must also levy an establishment fee to cover the setting up of this new arrangement.

May I wish you a happy, if ever so slightly less prosperous New Year?

Your Humble Client

And remember: Don't make old People mad.

We don't like being old in the first place, so it doesn't take much to piss us off.

