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We Remember:



We will be using optional trick 1 delays. This is to how they work: Delayed means that the card you play will not be shown to the other 3 players at the table before a specific amount of time has passed since a previous action. We may change the delay time after a few rounds if the numbers we select don't seem to be working well. For trick 1 only:

1 - The opening lead (and dummy) will be shown to the other players at the table no sooner than 5 seconds after the end of the auction. The opening leader may take fewer or more than 5 seconds to select the opening lead, but if s/he takes fewer than 5 seconds, the other players will see the card led 5 seconds after the final Pass.

2 - Declarer's play from dummy will be shown to the other 3 players no sooner than 10 seconds after they see the opening lead.

3 - Third hand's play will be shown to the other 3 players no sooner than 10 seconds after they see the card played from dummy.

We hope that this change will be an improvement, preventing UI from "insta" actions.

Trick 1 Delays

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The USBF Board of Directors met last week and elected the following 2021 officers:

- Brad Moss, President
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USBF News

UNITED STATES BRIDGE CHAMPIONSHIPS
**This Just In...
Justin Lall Online Teams 2**



Teams Entered...

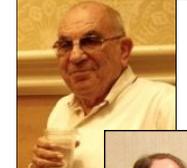
"TRIALS" AND TRIBULATIONS—PRE-BULLETIN

Teams in Alphabetical Order within RR Groups:

Baker	Lynn Baker, Capt Sam Dinkin Tobi Sokolow	Karen McCallum Michael Shuster David Sokolow
Bell	Leo Bell, Capt Bill Harker Bob Thomson	Cris Barrere Mark Ralph Bob Etter
Bishel	Tom Bishel, Capt Blaine Mullins	John Bishel Charley Seelbach
Bitterman	Bob Bitterman, Capt Phil Becker Jerry Helms	Bob Cappelli Ken Kranyak Ed Schulte
Blanchard	Bob Blanchard, Capt Fred Chang Gary Cohler	Sam Lev Dan Lev
Compton	Andy Goodman Kay Enfield Ish DelMonte	Chris Compton Greg Hinze Brian Glubok
Dawson	Dennis Dawson, Capt Mark Itabashi Leon Lowe	Charlie Wilkins Ifti Baqai
Donn	Josh Donn, Capt Uday Ivatury Jenni Carmichael	Sheri Winestock Christal Henner Greg Humphreys
Donnelly	Chris Donnelly, Capt Harrison Luba	Cornelius Duffie Olivia Schireson
Donner	Gary Donner, Capt Radu Nistor Jacob Freeman	Sandra Rimstedt Iulian Rotaru Finn Kolesnik
Fleisher	Marty Fleisher, Capt Joe Grue Bart Bramley	Chip Martel Brad Moss Kit Woolsey
Greenspan	Jon Greenspan, Capt Geof Brod John Rengstorff	Glenn Eisenstein John Stiefel Bob Feller
Hill	Joyce Hill Shan Huang Anam Tebha	Kevin Dwyer Roger Lee
Joel	Geeske Joel, Capt Sarah Youngquist Fred Stewart	Kevin Rosenberg William Watson Steve Beatty
Lall	Hemant Lall, Capt Naren Gupta Bob Hamman	Reese Milner Zia Mahmood Peter Weichsel
Lebowitz	Larry Lebowitz, Capt Zach Grossack David Grainger	Adam Grossack Michael Rosenberg Joel Wooldridge
Levine	Mike Levine Jeff Meckstroth Mike Passell Bob Morris, NPC	Eddie Wold Eric Rodwell Mark Lair
Lewis	Linda Lewis, Capt Ron Smith Mitch Dunitz	Marc Jacobus Billy Cohen Paul Lewis
Lin	Amber Lin, Capt Cynthia Huang Brent Xiao	Emma Kolesnik Ilan Wolff

Liu	Howard Liu, Capt Ari Greenberg Adam Kaplan	Eugene Hung Tom Carmichael Christian Jolly
Lo	Ai-Tai Lo, Capt Jiang Gu Andrew Stark	Alex Kolesnik Alex Perlin Franco Baseggio
Merblum	Frank Merblum, Capt Doug Doub Venkatrao Koneru	Adam Wildavsky Walter Lee John Schermer
Nickell	Nick Nickell Bobby Levin Geoff Hampson Jill Levin, NPC	Ralph Katz Steve Weinstein
Rasmussen	Jim Rasmussen, Capt Carrie Liu	Maxim Silin Anton Tsyppin
Reynolds	Tom Reynolds, Capt Bill Hall Joe Viola	Lance Kerr Randy Howard John Jones
Rosenthal	Andrew Rosenthal, Capt Chris Willenken David Berkowitz	Aaron Silverstein Eldad Ginossar Migry Campanile
Sanborn	Kerri Sanborn, Capt Jill Meyers Steve Garner	Steve Sanborn Allan Graves Jeff Wolfson
Schireson	Max Schireson, Capt Randal Burns John Miller	Cadir Lee Lynn Shannon
Simson	Doug Simson, Capt Allan Falk Drew Casen	Jeff Aker John Lusky Jim Krekorian
Spector	Warren Spector, Capt John Hurd Vince Demuy	Gavin Wolpert Kevin Bathurst John Kranyak
Sprung	Danny Sprung Anne Brenner Brian Platnick JoAnn Sprung, NPC	Gerry Seixas Dave Caprera John Diamond
Wu	Weishu Wu, Capt Brian Zhang Jiang Chen	Qiang Zhang Peter Sun Jane Wang

RED SOX	YANKEES
Baker	Bell
Bishel	Bitterman
Compton	Blanchard
Dawson	Donnelly
Donn	Fleisher
Donner	Hill
Greenspan	Joel
Levine	Lall
Lo	Lebowitz
Merblum	Lewis
Nickell	Lin
Rasmussen	Liu
Reynolds	Schireson
Rosenthal	Simson
Sanborn	Spector
Sprung	Wu



Tournament Schedule

USBF 10 Board victory Point Scale

ROUND ROBIN - STAGE 1			
DAY	DATE	TIME - EST	BOARDS
FRIDAY	FEB 12	12:45 PM	CAPTAINS' MEETING WITH DIC (ON ZOOM)
FRIDAY	FEB 12	1:00 - 2:15	ROUND 1 - BOARDS 1-10
		2:35 - 3:50	ROUND 2 - BOARDS 11-20
		4:10 - 5:25	ROUND 3 - BOARDS 21-30 BREAK
		6:20 - 7:35	ROUND 4 - BOARDS 31-40
		7:55 - 9:10	ROUND 5 - BOARDS 41-50
SATURDAY	FEB 13	1:00 - 2:15	ROUND 6 - BOARDS 51-60
		2:35 - 3:50	ROUND 7 - BOARDS 61-70
		4:10 - 5:25	ROUND 8 - BOARDS 71-80 BREAK
		6:20 - 7:35	ROUND 9 - BOARDS 1-10
		7:55 - 9:10	ROUND 10 - BOARDS 11-20
SUNDAY	FEB 14	1:00 - 2:15	ROUND 11 - BOARDS 21-30
		2:35 - 3:50	ROUND 12 - BOARDS 31-40
		4:10 - 5:25	ROUND 13 - BOARDS 41-50 BREAK
		6:20 - 7:35	ROUND 14 - BOARDS 51-60
		7:55 - 9:10	ROUND 15 - BOARDS 61-70
ROUND ROBIN - STAGE 2			
MONDAY	FEB 15	1:00 - 2:15 2:35 - 3:50 4:10 - 5:25 6:20 - 7:35 7:55 - 9:10	ROUND 1 - BOARDS 1-10 ROUND 2 - BOARDS 11-20 ROUND 3 - BOARDS 21-30 BREAK ROUND 4 - BOARDS 31-40 ROUND 5 - BOARDS 41-50
ROUND OF 16			
FRIDAY	FEB 26	1:00 - 2:45 3:00 - 4:45 5:30 - 7:15 7:30 - 9:15	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-14 SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 15-28 BREAK SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 29-42 SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 43-56
QUARTERFINAL			
SATURDAY	FEB 27	1:00 - 2:45 3:00 - 4:45 5:30 - 7:15 7:30 - 9:15	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-14 SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 15-28 BREAK SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 29-42 SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 43-56
SEMIFINAL			
SUNDAY	FEB 28	1:00 - 2:45 3:00 - 4:45 5:30 - 7:15 7:30 - 9:15	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-14 SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 15-28 BREAK SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 29-42 SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 43-56
FINAL (WILL CHANGE IF TEAMS WANT 60 OR 64 BOARDS)			
MONDAY	MAR 1	1:00 - 2:45 3:00 - 4:45 5:30 - 7:15 7:30 - 9:15	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-14 SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 15-28 BREAK SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 29-42 SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 43-56

10 Boards (Blitz is 48 IMPs)								
Margin	Winner	Loser	Margin	Winner	Loser	Margin	Winner	Loser
0	10.00	10.00	17	15.29	4.71	34	18.44	1.56
1	10.39	9.61	18	15.52	4.48	35	18.58	1.42
2	10.77	9.23	19	15.75	4.25	36	18.71	1.29
3	11.14	8.86	20	15.97	4.03	37	18.84	1.16
4	11.50	8.50	21	16.18	3.82	38	18.97	1.03
5	11.85	8.15	22	16.39	3.61	39	19.10	0.90
6	12.18	7.82	23	16.59	3.41	40	19.22	0.78
7	12.51	7.49	24	16.78	3.22	41	19.33	0.67
8	12.83	7.17	25	16.97	3.03	42	19.44	0.56
9	13.14	6.86	26	17.16	2.84	43	19.55	0.45
10	13.43	6.57	27	17.34	2.66	44	19.66	0.34
11	13.72	6.28	28	17.51	2.49	45	19.76	0.24
12	14.00	6.00	29	17.68	2.32	46	19.86	0.14
13	14.28	5.72	30	17.84	2.16	47	19.96	0.04
14	14.54	5.46	31	18.00	2.00	48	20.00	0.00
15	14.80	5.20	32	18.15	1.85			
16	15.05	4.95	33	18.30	1.70			

Ethics Statement

Ethics - We're not trying to provide the same security for this event as we have for online events to select USBF International teams. However, the provisions of the USBF General Conditions of Contest regarding ethical obligations and possible penalties apply to this event. The USBF has appointed an Ethics Investigation Committee that will review any complaints about ethics violations. If the EIC concludes that a player or pair was acting unethically, they will report to the USBF Board of Directors, who may place a player on probation, suspend, or expel a player for cause.

2021 Committee is: **Dana Berkowitz, Eugene Hung, Roger Lee, Chip Martel, Steve Weinstein, Jenny Wolpert**

System Regulations & Conditions of Contest

- Normal USBF System regulations apply to this event.
- This event is governed by the USBF General Conditions of Contest and Special Conditions of Contest for this event.
- The ACBL Open+ Convention Chart applies to this event.



Kibitzing on VuGraph...

THERE WILL BE DELAYED KIBITZING FOR ALL OF THE JLALL2 EVENT.

KIBITZING SCHEDULE FOR THE ROUND ROBIN (EST)

The schedule will be the same each day:

Round 1: 2:30 pm

Round 2: 4:05 pm

Round 3: 6:15 pm

Round 4: 7:50 pm

Round 5: 9:25 pm

KIBITZING SCHEDULE FOR THE KO (EST)

Quarter 1: 1:15 pm

Quarter 2: 3:15 pm

BREAK

Quarter 3: 7:15

Quarter 4: 9:15



Watching online,
Even delayed,
Is the best way to see
How a hand's bid and played!

To kibitz, go to [the RealBridge kibitzing website](#), enter your name and click on Log In. That will take you to a screen where you can select the event to kibitz.

After you select Kibitz JLall Online Teams #2, you will be taken to a lobby where you will see a list of tables on the left and a chat box and list of people in the lobby on the right. The table listing shows the team & player names at each table, as well as the board and trick that table is on (that's in the middle of the table, immediately under the table number). Click on a table to kibitz it.

At the table, you will see a hand diagram, and the bidding and play as it happened.

There is a chat window on the right of the screen (if your browser window isn't large enough to show it, you can click on the "chat" icon immediately above the UNDO button to open the chat window.

Some things you can do to get more information:

If there is an asterisk next to a bid, that means it was Alerted or Explained. Click on the bid to see the explanation if there was one.

-- "Rewind" the play using the slider underneath the "table" with hand diagram. just move the vertical handle on the slider to the left to go to earlier tricks.

-- Click on the "Scores" button to the left of the South player's name, you will get a scorecard for the match so far. You can use this to get lots of information:

----Click on a board number to see the hand record and results at all the tables.

----You can click on a number in a yellow box to get to the hand record from some screens.

----In the hand record screen, click on a result to see the bidding and play at a specific table.

--In the upper left corner:

----Click on the yellow box with 4 little boxes to get the match scores for all the matches (that will be IMPs and will not include scores from previous rounds).

----Click on the yellow box with 3 bulleted lines to get Cross-IMPs for the pairs (for this match only).

The Scores information is also available in the lobby using the button at the upper right.

TIMING OF DELAY

The Round Robin matches will be delayed until after each round is completed.

The first half KO matches will be delayed until each board has been played at all tables, so there may sometimes be a period when nothing new is being shown. **The second half of the KO matches will be delayed until the quarter has been completed. 3rd quarter kibitzing will start at 7:15 EST.**

From Across the Pond...

Young Chelsea is one of the world's great bridge clubs. Its website gives information about session dates and times, results of sessions, club news, lessons and more.

Young Chelsea is affiliated to the [English Bridge Union](#) (EBU). There are awards of **EBU Master Points** for all play sessions, and your results in most sessions count towards the **EBU's National Grading Scheme (NGS)**.

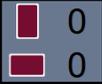
Don't be misled by the name. Although the Young Chelsea is particularly welcoming to young players, it has many older members, some of whom have belonged since the club began in 1968. There is no upper age limit—you are never the wrong age to play at the Young Chelsea (or YC as it is popularly known).

Young Chelsea holds regular sessions and special events on RealBridge. Earlier this week in the Division 1 Series, with many World Class players, you find yourself on lead against 3NTX on the auction shown here:

♠ J86			
♥ 109843			
♦ J			
♣ 9843			
W	N	E	S
	2NT	P	3NT
X*	P	P	P

Your agreement is that against 1NT – 3NT the X calls for the lead of your shortest major. Which card did you choose?

Which spade did you lead? The full layout is:

 Bd 1, Dlr N 3NTX+3 N	♠ Q10 ♥ A7 ♦ A973 ♣ AKQJ2	N Stephen Adler
	W Stefano ♠ AK7432 ♥ K52 ♦ Q4 ♣ 105	Ben Norton E ♠ J86 ♥ 109843 ♦ J ♣ 9843
 0 0 Dudley Leigh S	♠ 95 ♥ QJ6 ♦ K108652 ♣ 76	W N E S 2NT P 3NT X* P P P

After the fact, it's easy to lead the SJ. But, of course, partner might read this as a doubleton and duck with some holdings. However, given that you have virtually no high cards, you should presume that partner either has a solid suit or a side entry. Ben Norton led the S6. Stefano Tommasini won the king and returned a small spade to declarer's queen. N/S scored +850.

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Some Suggestions For Dining at Home Between Sessions! Pandemic Pleasures...

INDIVIDUAL GRAND MARNIER CHOCOLATE CAKES

Servings: 4

- 6 ounces (172 grams) bittersweet chocolate
- 8 Tablespoons butter (125 ml) unsalted butter
- 1 Tablespoon(15 ml) Grand Marnier (or other orange-flavored liqueur)
- 2 eggs
- 2 egg yolks
- 1/4 cup (60 grams) sugar, plus more for dusting the ramekins
- 1/2 teaspoon (2 ml) salt
- 2 tablespoons (20 grams) all-purpose flour



Directions:

Preheat the oven to 450°F.

Butter and lightly dust four 6-ounce ramekins with sugar, tapping out any excess, and set aside.

Melt the bittersweet chocolate, butter, and Grand Mariner in a medium bowl over a medium saucepan of simmering water, stirring occasionally. Once melted, remove from heat and cool slightly.

In a medium bowl, using a hand mixer or stand mixer, beat the eggs with the egg yolks and salt at high speed until thickened and pale.

Fold the egg mixture into the chocolate mixture, along with the flour. Evenly distribute the batter into the prepared ramekins and place the filled ramekins on a rimmed baking sheet until the tops of the cakes are set and have formed shiny crusts, about 11-12 minutes for a center cake (should be at 160 degrees F) and about 14 minutes for a fully set cake.

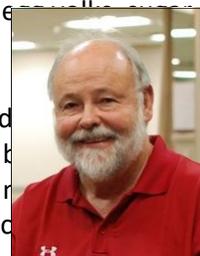
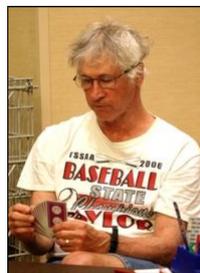
RASPBERRY SAUCE

Servings: 4

- 1 pound (454 grams) of frozen raspberries
- 1/4 cup (60 grams) sugar

Directions:

Place raspberries and sugar in a sauce pot and bring to a boil. Puree mixture using a blender then strain to remove all the seeds. Place strained mixture back on stove and bring back to boil. Chill for use.



EXTRA CRISPY CHICKEN WINGS WITH BUFFALO SAUCE

Servings: 4-6

2 quarts (1.9 liters) canola oil
1 cup (120 grams) all-purpose flour
3 tablespoons (45 ml) cornstarch
1 tablespoon (15 ml) garlic powder
1 teaspoon (5 ml) kosher salt
3 pounds (1.4 kg) chicken wings, cut at joints

Directions:

Set a wire rack on a rimmed baking sheet and set aside. Attach a deep fry thermometer to the side of a large Dutch oven or pot and fill halfway with oil. Heat over medium-high heat to 350 degrees F.

Whisk flour, cornstarch, garlic powder, salt and 1½ cups (360 ml) water in large bowl until smooth.

Working in in two batches, dip half of the chicken in the flour/cornstarch mixture. Let the excess drip back into the bowl and gently place in the hot oil. Increase heat to high, stir once or twice to keep the pieces separated. Cook for 7 minutes or until the coating is light golden brown in color and beginning to crisp up.

Remove the chicken with a slotted spoon and place on the prepared rack to drain briefly. Repeat process with second batch.

Once all chicken is cooked, heat the canola oil to 375 degrees F. Carefully return all wings to canola oil and cook for another 7 minutes stirring occasionally, or until golden brown.

Remove the chicken wings with a slotted spoon, place on the prepared rack and let stand for 2 minutes.

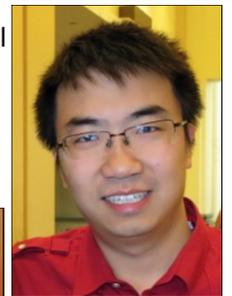
Toss in your favorite sauce. I like to use the buffalo recipe below.

BUFFALO SAUCE

Servings: 1¾ cups
8 tablespoons (120 ml) unsalted butter
2 garlic cloves, pureed on garlic press or rasp grater
1 cup (240 ml) Frank's Louisiana Hot Sauce
2 tablespoons (30 ml) Tabasco sauce (add more if you like wings spicy)
2 tablespoons (30 ml) dark brown sugar
1 tablespoon (15 ml) BBQ sauce

Directions:

Melt butter in small saucepan, add garlic and cook for 30 seconds. Whisk in hot sauce, brown sugar, and BBQ sauce until combined.



CRISPY CHICKEN TENDERS

Servings: 4

1 3/4 cups (210 grams) all-purpose flour
1/4 cup (28 grams) cornstarch
1 tablespoon (15 ml) granulated garlic
2 teaspoons (10 ml) kosher salt
2 teaspoons (10 ml) pepper
4 large egg whites
2 pounds (907 grams) boneless, skinless chicken breasts, (cut into long strips)
2 quarts (1.9 liters) canola oil

Directions:

Whisk flour, cornstarch, granulated garlic, salt and pepper in a bowl. Set aside.

Lightly beat egg whites together in shallow dish.

Dip chicken into egg whites to coat and then place into flour mixture. Be sure to coat both sides well. Place coated chicken on a baking sheet lined with a wire rack, repeat process with until all the chicken is coated. Refrigerate chicken uncovered for 1 hour (this helps form the crust).

Preheat oil to 350 degrees F.

Add half the chicken to the hot oil and fry until deep golden brown in color and registering 160 degrees F, about 4 minutes, stirring occasionally. Remove and place on a rimmed baking sheet lined with a cooling rack.

Return the oil to 350 degrees and repeat process with the remaining chicken.

Serve with desired sauce.



Sudoku

SOLUTION to Logic Puzzle on page 11

\$9.25	Paul	Bean sprouts	Oranges
\$8.25	Irma	Asparagus	Cranberries
\$7.25	Olive	Kale	Blackberries
\$6.25	Tami	Leeks	Figs
\$5.25	Kathryn	Spinach	Watermelons
\$4.25	Vicky	Rhubarb	Grapenfruits

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

Sudoku 1

Sudoku 2

			7			3	
			6		5		4
9		5			1		
	5				7		1
1			3				
	8			5			9
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Answers on Page 13

I asked my daughter if she'd seen my newspaper. She told me that newspapers are old school. She said that people use tablets nowadays and handed me her iPad.

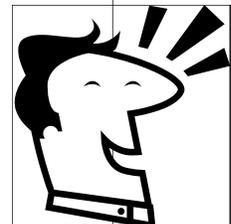
That fly did not stand a chance.

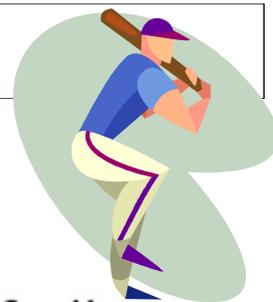
Dickens " A tale of two cities " was originally published in two local newspapers.

It was the Bicester Times; it was the Worcester Times...

My son had a bad habit of drawing everywhere. First he started vandalizing his toys, then the newspapers and eventually the furniture. But when he drew on the walls, I had to stop him.

Because that is where I draw the line





Babe Ruth

I B R E D S O X I N B I P V P S K
 N R D Y K Q C T C S N A F C I X T
 R O O Y A N K E E S P H E L E N R
 Y T H O C S L Z B A B E R U T H D
 E H S N P O J F B A S E B A L L S
 R E E E O N S F B H D U D X M D H
 O R I V S O T E P O E E C I I U L
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 T M R Y M P N U R E M O H M I F Q

dorothy	worldseries	helen	grandslam
mamie	majorleague	minorleague	pitcher
brothermatthias	autographs	fans	trouble
poor	baltimore	umpire	baseball
homerun	yankees	redsox	baberruth



		Shoppers					Vegetables						Fruits						
		Irma	Kathryn	Olive	Paul	Tami	Vicky	asparagus	bean sprouts	kale	leeks	rhubarb	spinach	blackberries	cranberries	figs	grapefruits	oranges	watermelons
Prices	\$4.25																		
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	\$9.25																		
Fruits	blackberries																		
	cranberries																		
	figs																		
	grapefruits																		
	oranges																		
	watermelons																		
Vegetables	asparagus																		
	bean sprouts																		
	kale																		
	leeks																		
	rhubarb																		
	spinach																		

Answers on page 9

Prices	Shoppers	Vegetables	Fruits
\$4.25			
\$5.25			
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\$9.25			

**Logic
Puzzle**

Meet the Players



Joel Powhatan Wooldridge (born July 19, 1979) is an American multi-national champion and world junior champion in contract bridge... as well as an expert foosball player.

In 1990, Wooldridge broke Sam Hirschman's record for the youngest player to achieve Life Master status with the American Contract Bridge League (ACBL) surpassing the mark of 11 years, 9 months and 5 days with a new record of 11 years, 4 months and 13 days. Sam's brother Dan broke Joel's record four years later.

Wooldridge lives in New York City with his wife, Adri.

Favorite Bridge Memory

Going to Indonesia for the World Junior Team Championships

Bridge Accomplishments

7 national 1st places in Open events, a couple seconds, 3 Junior World Team championships,
2nd in Bermuda Bowl

Regular Bridge Partners

John Hurd

Member of Bridge Club(s)

Cavendish and Honors Clubs in NYC

Favorite Tournaments

Nationals, Cavendish, and World Championships

Favorite Conventions

Good/Bad 2nt, Preemptive Jumps, and Penalty Doubles

BBO Username

firechief

ACBL Ranking

Grand Life Master

Puzzle Answers:

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

Sudoku

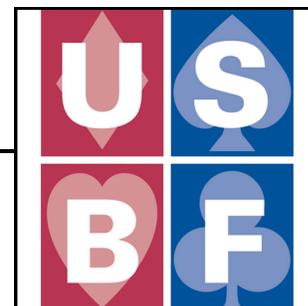
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USBF Supporting Membership



If you don't want to play in the USBF Championships that choose teams to represent the USA in the World Bridge Federation Championships, but do want to aid our events, a **Supporting Membership** can be the perfect way for you to be involved. As a Supporting Member, you are eligible to:

1. Enter the fantasy brackets, run on Bridge Winners, for the USBF trials choosing our Open and Senior teams for the World Championships. The highest-ranking Supporting Member in the fantasy brackets for each of these two events will win the prize of your choice - either an online match against the USBC winners or dinner with them at the next NABC.
2. Receive daily emails during the USBF Championships. These will summarize the previous day's results and provide vugraph information and links to daily bulletins containing pictures and commentary on individual hands.
3. Upon advanced request, make arrangements for you to kibitz a USBF member of your choice for a session once each year – either at an NABC or the USBF Championships.
4. Upon advanced request, we will arrange for you to be one of the vugraph commentators for one session of the team trials.

A Supporting Membership is \$25 for one year (\$75 for 3 years) and the ACBL now offers you the chance to become an USBF Supporting Member when you renew your ACBL membership. If you don't want to wait that long, you can join by choosing the red Donate Now button on the USBF website. Your donation will be used to cover inevitable expenses: attorney fees, accounting fees, website support services, tournament directors, insurance, WBF dues, and vugraph operators. The USBF is an all-volunteer organization. Our meetings are by conference call and at NABCS. Board members and the organization's officers are not compensated for meetings, travel, or hotel expenses.

We hope you will join us.

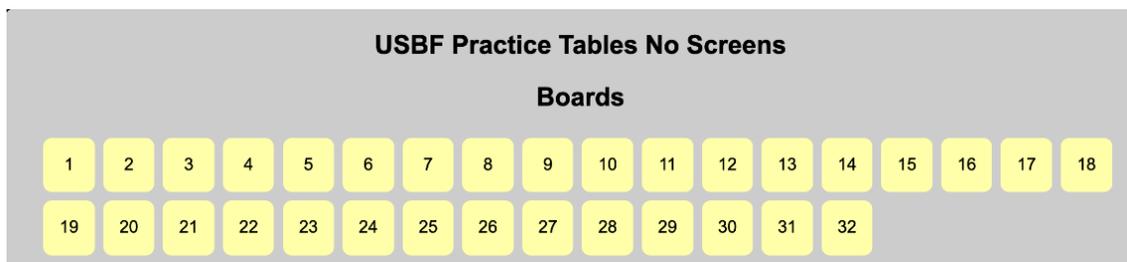
Excerpted Letter from Jan Martel to the Players:

Thank you for entering the USBF JLall2 event. We hope you will enjoy it. This email is going to all players, to make them aware of how the event will work and what they'll need to do. For players who are unfamiliar with USBF events on RealBridge, things may not be obvious.

A Significant Change from JLall1

Players can no longer use the same log in link for all sessions of play. I will send you an email one day in advance with 5 (Round Robin) or 4 (KO) links for the next day's play. At the break, I will send a second email with the two remaining links. You will have to use the correct link for each segment.

If you click on a link and are taken to the results page (it will look like this):



That means you have used a link for a completed segment.

If you click on a link and you get this message:

"play.realbridge.online says
Director has not opened the session yet"

It means either we have not yet loaded the information for the next segment or you have clicked on a link for a future segment. Please double check that you are clicking on the link for the correct segment and if so, wait a minute or two - we will try to open the playing room no later than 5 minutes before the scheduled start time. Be patient. Sometimes there are problems that mean we aren't able to do so.

Find information about the event on the USBF website.

On the home page, click on JLall Online Teams #2 under the tournament menu - that will take you to the main page where there is general information and will also open the submenus, which include:

Results - links to the cross-table & the round by round pairings for the Round Robin and to brackets for the KO matches.

Teams entered - the list of teams with links to players' SSFs.

Event schedule - the time each segment starts. Remember to be logged into RealBridge about 5 minutes before you are due to play.

Daily Bulletin - links to the Daily Bulletins - if a link gets you a 404 error ("we can't find that page") that daily bulletin hasn't yet been posted.

Kibitzing - We will have delayed kibitzing on RealBridge - this menu item has information about where and how to get to it. Scores, hand records, etc are also on the RealBridge Kibitzing site.

First Captains Meeting

Our DIC, McKenzie Myers, will meet with all of the team captains, and any players who want to participate, on Zoom at 12:45 EST on Friday, Feb. 12th. Subjects for the meeting include RealBridge procedures, scoring, and answers to any questions you may have. We hope that this will be a short meeting. In order not to clutter your inboxes, I will send the Zoom link only to captains, who are welcome to pass the link on to any players who want to attend.

RealBridge Procedures

Make sure your camera & microphone work ahead of time: Go to

<<https://play.realbridge.online/camera.html>> before the first time you play just to make sure your camera and microphone will work on RealBridge. Sometimes computer updates mess things up!

How to Log in: See above re log in links - you will have a different link for each segment of play each day. You will get an email the day before with all of your links for the next day. The link will take you to a log in page that has been completely filled in for you. Click on "Log In" and you will be taken directly to your seat at your team's table for the coming match. If you are taken to the lobby instead, that means you aren't scheduled to play the next match, or there is some issue with your name.

Lineups: For the Round Robin we are using "blind" lineups as we do for USBCs. You submit your lineup before you know which team you're playing. We now have pretty efficient methods to set up matches, so we have set the deadlines for lineup submission later than before. **You need to submit your lineup for the first match each day no later than 11:00 am EST.** After that, you need to submit your lineup for each match **30 minutes before the match is scheduled to start.** If you have not submitted a new lineup for a match, it means your lineup remains the same as for the previous match. Lineups are submitted on the team lineup spreadsheet. Your captain should know how that works

Starting Matches: Each match will be started as soon as everyone has logged in and is in their seats. When the match starts, EW players will automatically be moved to the opponents' table.

Finishing a match: When both tables have finished play, the EW players will be returned to their home tables and can go over the hands with their teammates. If you finish ahead of your teammates, you will get a scorecard at your table and can see the results from the other table on the boards they have completed. We will close the rooms from each segment when the next segment starts - at that time if you log in, you will get the scores from the completed segment.

Timing: We expect to be able to start each Round Robin match at the scheduled time, but there may be problems that mean we'll be late - please bear with us!

Kibitzers: We will not allow online real time kibitzing for any part of this event. We will have Delayed Kibitzing and will try to arrange commentary for some of it. For the Round Robin, delayed kibitzing will be delayed by one round - kibitzers can watch the bidding and play from Round 1 while you are playing Round 2, and so on. We do it that way because the kibitzers can see the scores from boards that have been played at both tables and we don't want players to know the current score when they are playing late boards.

For the first half of KO matches, the Delayed Kibitzing will show each board immediately after it has been completed at all tables. For the second half of KO matches, when state of match might be relevant to the players, the Delayed Kibitzing will show each segment when the next one starts.

Alerting & Explaining: You should alert & explain your own bids, and as with screens, should explain any bid if you have an agreement about it that might be a surprise to your opponents. If you explain a bid, it will show as being alerted, so you do not need to click on the Alert strip unless you want to alert but not explain. Note that your explanations appear in your "library" so you only have to type each explanation once; after that, you can just click on it. You can also provide additional information about bids orally to your screenmate.

Undo's: Undo's are allowed for misclicks. You need to ask for an undo before your partner acts. Both opponents must accept an UNDO request for the bid or play to be undone. When the first player to bid on one side of the screen asks for an undo, the opponent on the other side of the screen (who hasn't seen the bid) should automatically accept; it is up to the bidder's screenmate to make the decision of whether to accept or reject. If there is any issue about whether an UNDO should be accepted, **please call the Director.**

System Information: Use the Teams Entered page on the USBF website to access the opponents' System Summary Form and Convention card. You can open those in a separate browser window or tab and have them available during play.

Asking questions of opponents: You may ask questions of either opponent by directing chat to them. You may ask your screenmate questions orally. PLEASE do not ask questions of the entire table, as that might give your partner UI.

Help during play: If you have a problem, click on the DIRECTOR tab and someone will appear at your table. That someone may be your real Director, McKenzie Myers, or it may be me or Al Hollander - we'll answer calls when McKenzie is at another table and may be able to help or may have to tell you to wait for McKenzie.

Scores: We will be entering scores into the USBF scoring software using the output from RealBridge, so we hope they will appear promptly and be accurate. In addition, you will see the scorecard at your table when you finish play, and you can go to the lobby and click on the Scores button there to see the scores from all completed matches.

Jan Martel



Chief Operating Officer, USBF

Be part of the solution, not part of the problem



Ed. Note:

With the delayed broadcasting and the use of the Round Robin, it will be especially challenging to write up the hands. If anyone has a hand of interest, please submit it to me at stansubeck@prodigy.net. I also welcome any human interest stories, news or gossip!!

Thanks.

Suzi



What's the difference between a hippo and a zippo? One is really heavy and the other is a little lighter!

I asked a Frenchman if he played video games. He said Wii!

What did the duck say when she purchased new lipstick? Put it on my bill!

I just found out that I'm color blind. The news came completely out of the green!

What do you call the wife of a hippie? A Mississippi!

Why didn't the cat go to the vet? He was feline fine!

Who is the penguin's favorite Aunt? Aunt-Arctica!

What should a lawyer always wear to a court? A good lawsuit!

My wife refuses to go to a nude beach with me...I think she's just being clothes-minded!

Did you hear about that cheese factory that exploded in France? There was nothing left but de Brie!



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Six N/S pairs played in 3NT undoubled and scored +520 on a high heart lead. Graham Sadie and Richard Granville had an overly descriptive auction, on which Peter Taylor was able to double 3S for the lead. Fortunately for N/S, Ingar Hansen found the non-killing lead of the S6. Taylor won the SK and cashed the SA on which Hansen followed with the SJ, but the suit was still blocked. N/S scored +430 and lost 2.11 IMPs.

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PLAYING IN HEARTS!!

On my card,
I wear a heart.
Which means I
Always do my part.

While you might just
Eat your double,
I will keep you
Out of trouble...

Bring her candy.
Bring her wine.
She will be
Your Valentine!

(Sunday!!)

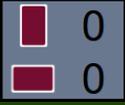
Tor Enik and Thomas Charlsen found their way to the cold 5D contract, avoiding 3NT when West inserted a cheap 1S bid. Boris cashed the spade ace and king. So, N/S scored the par result +400 for a 2.56 IMP loss.

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There is no justice!



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W Gad Chadha		♠ 54 ♥ 105 ♦ 1075 ♣ AK10543	Stephen Lee E ♠ QJ1062 ♥ J32 ♦ J9 ♣ Q92																												
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- 1C = Strong
- 1NT = 8+HCP & 5+spades
- 2C = Ask
- 2D = Balanced or 4 card minor
- 2H = Ask
- 3C = 4 card diamond suit
- 3D = sets trumps
- 3H = Cue
- 4H = RKC Diamonds
- 4S = One keycard
- 6D = To Play

Jon Cooke and Cameron Small, frequent members of Britain's Camrose Cup squad, demonstrated their bidding prowess when they were the only pair to reach 6D on this hand from the recent Young Chelsea Division 1 competition. Cooke/Small won 10.22 IMPs for their effort.

West led the club ace and followed with the king, ruffed in dummy. Cooke decided to bank on a heart break. He drew trumps, cashed the SA and led a heart to dummy's ace. He cashed dummy's SK, discarding a club, and played a heart to his hand. He claimed twelve tricks when the hearts split.

A note on the play:
 There seem to be some slightly better alternative lines available.

Declarer could draw two rounds of trumps and play on hearts before drawing the third round. This would succeed when either opponent held four hearts and three diamonds.

If declarer does draw trumps first, he can protect against East holding a singleton heart honor by starting with a high heart from his hand and then leading to dummy's ace. This would be successful if West's distribution was 1-4-3-5.

Presumably declarer trusted the opening lead to be third-best, in which case West would hold six clubs and could not hold four hearts.

