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Two handy cards:

The ace of spades and the proof of Vaccination!



On page 3 of the June 20th Bulletin, the RoundRobin Roundup edition, we discussed Board 55 (above) from the second day of the RR. The was the hand where contracts ranged from 7D to 4D.

Hemant Lall S

Phil Clayton wrote to explain what happened at his table (He and Hemant Lall played in the part score.)

Explained Phil: "I actually screwed this up. With a stronger hand I'm supposed to XX to retransfer to spades and then show my diamonds. I'm pretty sure that we would get to 7 this way if I remember our methods. Ergo, a direct 3D is invitational and not forcing, so 4D isn't obviously forcing either."

Ed. Note: Thanks much to Phil for clarifying the situation. It is always best to get inside a player's head to understand what happened at the time the hand was played!



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J LALL6-PRE-BULLETIN

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I hang on to my old, beat-up appliances as long as they keep working. I thought my wife shared, or at least accepted, my philosophy. But the other morning, I saw a note posted in front of my 15-year-old coffeemaker: *"Jurassic Perk."*

I was visiting my son the other night when I asked if I could borrow a newspaper.

"Dad, this is the 21st century," he said. "I don't waste my money on newspapers. But if you like, you can borrow my iPad."

I can tell you this: That spider never knew what hit him.

"First, the doctor told me the good news. He said that I was going to have a disease named after me." Steve Martin

"Hello, Reverend Smith? This is the Internal Revenue Service. Is Samuel Jones a member of your congregation?"

"He is."

"Did he donate \$10,000 to the church?"

"He will."

The young father took a seat on the bus next to an elderly man and plopped his one-year-old on his lap, just as the little boy began to cry and fidget.

"That child is spoiled, isn't he?" the old man remarked.

"No," said the dad. "They all smell this way."

One Sunday, a minister played hooky from church so he could shoot a round of golf. St. Peter, looking down from Heaven, seethed. "You're going to let him get away with this, God?"

The Lord shook his head.

The minister took his first shot. The ball soared through the air 420 yards and dropped into the cup for a hole in one. St. Peter was outraged. "I thought you were going to punish him!"

The Lord shrugged. "Who's he going to tell?"

I'd offered to drive my mother-in-law to the doctor's. But when I arrived at her house, I found her gossiping away with a neighbor.

"Mom, we've got to go," I interjected, but she couldn't hear me over the chatter. "Mom!" I repeated as I pulled her away.

"Sorry, but I didn't know what to do," she said, getting into the car. "That woman wouldn't stop listening to me."

I was already a nervous wreck about my upcoming surgery. It didn't help matters when the admitting nurse absent-mindedly asked me, "Have you had a hysterectomy before?"

A brain walks into a bar and takes a seat. "I'd like some wings and a pint of beer, please," he says.

"Sorry, but I can't serve you," the bartender replies. "You're out of your head."

Kibitzing on VuGraph...

THERE WILL BE DEFERRED KIBITZING FOR ALL OF THE JLALL6 EVENT.

KIBITZING SCHEDULE FOR THE ROUND ROBIN (EDT)

The schedule will be the same both days: Round 1: 1:15 pm Round 2: 2:30 pm Round 3: 4:30 pm Round 3: 4:30 pm Round 4: 5:45 pm Round 5: 7:00 pm Round 5: 8:15 pm Round 6: 8:15 pm Round 7: 9:15 pm **KIBITZING SCHEDULE FOR THE KO (EDT)** Quarter 1: 12:30 pm Quarter 2: 2:35 pm BREAK Quarter 3: 5:10 pm Quarter 4: 7:15 pm



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. Select event. After you select Kibitz JLall Online Teams #5, you will be taken to a lobby where you will see a list of tables on the left and a chat box and people in the lobby on the right. The table listing shows the team & player names as well as the board being played. There will also be information about whether there is audio/video commentary (a picture of a TV means there is). Click on a table to kibitz it.

There is a chat window on the right of the screen. Anyone can type chat into 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 bid for info. To "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 South's name to get a scorecard for the match. You can use this to get lots of information:

----Click on a board number to see the hand record and results at all 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 for the Round Robin will not include scores from previous rounds).

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

The Scores information is also available in the lobby using the button at the upper right, in case you want to check on scores before deciding which table to watch.

TIMING OF DEFERRAL

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

The KO matches will be deferred for half an hour or until each board has been played at all tables, so there may sometimes be a period when nothing new is being shown because one or two tables are very slow to play the board.

Bridge News...

A JUNIOR BATTLE IS ABOUT TO BEGIN TEAM CAPTAINS ARE:

JAMES HOLZHAUER V ZACH GROSSACK





Vugraph commentary by Larry Cohen & George Jacobs



A great opportunity to see juniors in the USBF junior training program take part in an exhibiton match.

James Holzhauer (of Jeopardy! fame), and Zach Grossack will each captain a team. Commentators are international stars of the game, Larry Cohen and George Jacobs. They will comment live on RealBridge. You will be able to ask them a question in text or in video.

What system are they playing? All players are playing the same standard 2/1 system... but will they bid the same way? Once the players have settled on the team convention card, you will be able to see it online with one click.

How do you watch? Go to kibitz.realbridge.online ... No account is needed, just put your name in and join the event.

JAMES' TEAM:

Harrison Luba: "I am 18 years old and my grandparents and great-grandmother taught me bridge at the age of 8 in South Carolina. I moved to Massachusetts when I was 12 and have played competitively ever since. I am going to be a freshman at Emory University in the Fall, planning to study chemistry."

Luke Williams: "I am a 21 year old who grew up in San Diego and recently moved to Seattle. My grandparents taught my brother and me to play bridge when I was 9 and he was 12,

and we've played together ever since. I'm entering my senior year at Pomona College where I study politics and psychology."

Reese Koppel: "I study behavioral economics and data science at Yale. Besides bridge, I dabble in chess, music production (both house music and engineering beats), tennis and golf. I love reading and watching my hometown New Orleans Pelicans and Saints. Within the bridge world, I was the 2018 ACBL King of Bridge. I serve as a trustee on the ACBL Educational Foundation and I have coached bridge at Yale as well as privately."

ZACH'S TEAM

Michael Xu: "Five days from now I'll be 19. I grew up in the Bay Area, California, and I currently study mathematics and computer science at Amherst College. I am not sure of what I want to do in the future, but currently quant trading and software engineering seems intriguing. My bridge goal is to win a big event with my mentor, Michael Rosenberg."

Jake Williams: "My brother and I learned to play together in San Diego. I attended Harvey Mudd College where I competed collegiately in both bridge and tennis. I am now 24 and attending the University of Chicago, where I am working towards a PhD in Computer Science, focusing on machine learning and inverse problems."

William Scott: "I graduated from Tufts University in 2021 and am now a software developer in the healthcare industry. I learned to play bridge at age 12 but started playing more seriously in 2019, and my favorite contract to declare is four hearts (one notrump is a close second). Outside of bridge, I enjoy distance running and following the NBA."

Mark Twain Quotes:

"It's not the size of the dog in the fight, it's the size of the fight in the dog."

"Anger is an acid that can do more harm to the vessel in which it is stored than to anything on which it is poured."

"The only way to keep your health is to eat what you don't want, drink what you don't like, and do what you'd rather not."

"Thunder is good, thunder is impressive; but it is lightning that does the work."

"Never pick a fight with people who buy ink by the barrel."

"The man who is a pessimist before 48 knows too much; if he is an optimist after it, he knows too little."

"Why is it that we rejoice at a birth and grieve at a funeral? It is because we are not the person involved."

"Only kings, presidents, editors, and people with tapeworms have the right to use the editorial 'we."

"Get your facts first, then you can distort them as you please."

"The lack of money is the root of all evil."

"Denial ain't just a river in Egypt."

"Clothes make the man. Naked people have little or no influence on society."

"The fear of death follows from the fear of life. A man who lives fully is prepared to die at any time."

"Forgiveness is the fragrance that the violet sheds on the heel that has crushed it."

"Humor is mankind's greatest blessing."

System Regulations & Conditions of Contest

Normal USBF System regulations apply to this event.

• This event is governed by the 2022 USBF General Conditions of Contest and Special Conditions of Contest for this event.

• The ACBL Open+ Convention Chart applies to this event.

Ethics Statement

Ethics - 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 COO, who may refer it to the USBF Recorder. Either the COO or Recorder may bring a Charge against the player to the Board of Directors, who may place a player on probation, suspend, or expel a player for cause.

USBF Ethics Investigation Committee:

Dana Berkowitz Eugene Hung Roger Lee Chip Martel Steve Weinstein Jenny Wolpert



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

TARALLI RECIPE

INGREDIENTS

- 2 cup all-purpose or "00" flour
- 1/3 cup extra virgin olive oil
- 1/4 cup water
- 1/4 cup dry white wine
- 1 2/3 tsp salt
- 3 1/2 tsp fennel seeds



DIRECTIONS

- Place the oil, wine and water in a large mixing bowl and whisk together.
- Sift the flour into the olive oil mixture. Add the salt and fennel seeds and begin kneading until the dough is smooth and compact. Cover the dough and let rest for an hour or more.
- Take a piece of dough and roll it into a long strip about 1/2 inch thick.
- Cut off 4 inch lengths and form each one into an overlapping ring.
- Pinch each ring to seal the ends.
- Cover the dough with a cloth or plastic wrap and let rest for an hour, or overnight.
- Bring a large pot of water to a boil.
- Place the taralli in the boiling water and cook until they float to the surface. Use a slotted spoon to remove the taralli onto a dish cloth
- Let the taralli sit several hours, or even overnight.
- Preheat the oven to 350oF.
- Line the taralli on a baking sheet and bake until golden brown.
- Serve immediately or store in an airtight container.

Two Hollywood stars ran into each other at the door of their psychiatrist's office.

"Hello, there," said one. "Are you coming or going?"

"If I knew that," said the other, *"I wouldn't be here."*

Popcorn Shrimp Tacos with Cole Sl<u>aw</u>

Ingredients

- 2 cups coleslaw mix
- 1/4 cup minced fresh cilantro
- 2 tablespoons lime juice
- 2 tablespoons honey
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1 jalapeno pepper, seeded and minced, optional
- 2 large eggs
- 2 tablespoons 2% milk
- 1/2 cup all-purpose flour
- 1-1/2 cups panko bread crumbs
- 1 tablespoon ground cumin
- 1 tablespoon garlic powder
- 1 pound uncooked shrimp (41-50 per pound), peeled and deveined
- Cooking spray
- 8 corn tortillas (6 inches), warmed

Directions

- 1. In a small bowl, combine coleslaw mix, cilantro, lime juice, honey, salt and, if desired, jalapeno; toss to coat. Set aside.
- 2. Preheat air fryer to 375°. In a shallow bowl, whisk eggs and milk. Place flour in a separate shallow bowl. In a third shallow bowl, mix panko, cumin and garlic powder. Dip shrimp in flour to coat both sides; shake off excess. Dip in egg mixture, then in panko mixture, patting to help coating adhere.
- 3. In batches, arrange shrimp in a single layer on greased tray in air-fryer basket; spritz with cooking spray. Cook until golden brown, 2-3 minutes. Turn; spritz with cooking spray. Cook until golden brown and shrimp turn pink, 2-3 minutes longer.
- 4. Serve shrimp in tortillas with coleslaw mix and avocado.

Nutrition Facts

2 tacos: 456 calories, 12g fat (2g saturated fat), 213mg cholesterol, 414mg sodium, 58g carbohydrate (11g sugars, 8g fiber), 29g protein.

What did the chemist say when he found two new isotopes of Helium? HeHe.

Anyone know any jokes about sodium hydride? NaH.

What do you call a microbiologist who has visited 30 different countries and speaks 6 languages? A man of many cultures.

What did the femur say to the patella? I kneed you.



S'Mores Cupcakes

Ingredients

- 3/4 cup water
- 3/4 cup buttermilk
- 2 large eggs, room temperature
- 3 tablespoons canola oil
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1-1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1-1/2 cups sugar
- 3/4 cup baking cocoa
- 1-1/2 teaspoons baking soda
- 3/4 teaspoon salt
- 3/4 teaspoon baking powder
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• frosting:

- 1-1/2 cups butter, softened
- 2 cups confectioners' sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 2 jars (7 ounces each) marshmallow creme
- 2 tablespoons graham cracker crumbs
- 2 milk chocolate candy bars (1.55 ounces each)
- Optional: Toasted marshmallows and graham cracker pieces

Directions

- 1. Preheat oven to 350°. In a large bowl, beat water, buttermilk, eggs, oil and vanilla until well blended. Combine flour, sugar, cocoa, baking soda, salt and baking powder; gradually beat into water mixture until blended.
- 2. Fill paper-lined muffin cups half full. Bake until a toothpick comes out clean, 16-20 minutes. Cool in pans 10 minutes before removing from pans to wire racks to cool completely.
- For frosting, in a large bowl, beat butter until fluffy; beat in confectioners' sugar and vanilla until smooth. Add marshmallow creme; beat until light and fluffy. Spread or pipe frosting over cupcakes. Sprinkle with cracker crumbs. Break each candy bar into 12 pieces; garnish cupcakes. If desired, top with toasted marshmallows and graham cracker pieces.

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Nutrition Facts

1 cupcake: 330 calories, 15g fat (8g saturated fat), 47mg cholesterol, 298mg sodium, 43g carbohydrate (35g sugars, 1g fiber), 3g protein.





The circuit breaker box in your new house is in an inconvenient corner of your basement. To your chagrin, you discover none of the 100 circuit breakers is labeled, and you face the daunting prospect of matching each circuit breaker to its respective light. (Suppose each circuit breaker maps to only one light.)

To start with, you switch all 100 lights in the house to "on," and then you head down to your basement to begin the onerous mapping process. On every trip to your basement, you can switch any number of circuit breakers on or off. You can then roam the hallways of your house to discover which lights are on and which are off.

What is the minimum number of trips you need to make to the basement to map every circuit breaker to every light?

Hint:

The solution does *not* involve either switching on or off the light switches in your house or feeling how hot the lightbulbs are. You might want to try solving for the case of 10 unlabeled circuit breakers first.

Solution:

The solution here is amazing if you pick the right strategy. Just to set the scene, the simplest strategy would be to just switch each circuit breaker off one at a time. But this would take 99 trips to the basement—the 100th circuit breaker would be mapped by the process of the elimination). You can do much, much better. Believe it or not, you can map all 100 circuit breakers to their respective lights in just seven trips to the basement!

Here's the strategy:

For the ease of keeping track of things, put a piece of masking tape on each circuit breaker and on each light. On the first trip to the basement, flip 50 circuit breakers to off, mark these circuit breakers with a "0," and mark the 50 circuit breakers that are on with a "1." Accordingly, as you roam around the house to tally the lights, mark the 50 lights that are off with a "0" and mark the other 50 lights with a "1." On your second trip to the basement, keep off half of the circuit breakers that are marked with a "1," and mark all of these circuit breakers with a second number of "0." Flip on all other circuit breakers if they're not already on, and mark their second number as "1." Now go around the house, and again mark the lights that are off with a "0" and those lights that are on with a "1."

At the end of this step, all of your circuit breakers and lights should be marked with either "00," "11," "10," or "01." In fact, you've completely separated the matching problem into four different groups of 25—i.e., all lights must be matched to a circuit breaker with their same two-digit code.

You'll continue this process: In the third trip, flip half (or actually, 13 since 25 is an odd number) of all of the circuit breakers in each group ("00," "11," "10," and "01") to off, and mark them with an additional "0." Mark the 12 "on" circuit breakers in each group with a "1." Go around the house, and once again mark all lights that are off with a "0" and all lights that are on with a "1."

Now, you'll have created eight different groups of either 12 or 13 lights and circuit breakers: "000," "100," "011," "111," "010," "110," "001," and "111." The lights still must be matched to a circuit breaker with the same three-digit string.

After your fourth trip, you'll have subdivided the groups into 16 groups with either six or seven lights and circuit breakers in each group. After the fifth trip, you'll have 32 groups with three or four lights and circuit breakers in each. And after the sixth trip, you'll have either one or two lights or circuit breakers in each group.

For those groups that each have one light and one circuit breaker, you've successfully mapped those circuit breakers to their lights! For the rest, it takes only one more trip—the seventh trip—to finally map them to their respective lights.

If you're familiar with binary numbers, you'll recognize that there are exactly 128 numbers that use seven digits, 0000000 to 1111111, which may help to explain why this strategy works so well: Each circuit breaker and light ends up with a unique "code" that maps to a specific binary number.

Using this strategy, eight trips would allow you to map up to 256 circuit breakers, nine trips would get you to 512, and 10 trips would map up to 1,024!

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Sudoku 1

Women really know how to hold a grudge. My wife asked me to pass her a lip balm. And by mistake, I gave her a tube of Super Glue. It's been a month now and she's still not speaking to me!

My friend talked me into lending her money for plastic surgery. I've been trying to get it back for months. Unfortunately I have no idea what she looks like these days.

Tonight I dreamt of a beautiful walk on a sandy beach. At least that explains the footprints I found in the cat litter box this morning.

In a boomerang shop: "I'd like to buy a new boomerang please. Also, can you tell me how to throw the old one away?"

Mrs. Blutwurst is to have quite a tricky operation and is very nervous about it. Just before she gets her anesthesia, she grabs the surgeon by the hand, "Oh doctor, I'm so afraid!"

"Don't you worry, Mrs. Blutwurst," says the doctor, "I did this operation 30 times already. It has to work this time. Sudoku

Answers on Page 16

Sudoku 2



SOLUTION to Logic Puzzle on page 14

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International friendly Junior Bridge Festival on RealBridge

Dates: 3 & 10 July 2022

Junior players from around the world are welcome to play in this free event.

Please send an email to events@realbridge.online

The email needs to be from the captian or coach, not the players.

Enter up to 48 hours before the start time. Details below the poster.

JUNIOR BRIDGE FESTIVAL

3 JULY 2022 U16, U21, U26 9am BST - 10am West Europe CEST

3pm Thailand - 4pm Hong Kong 6pm Sydney - 8pm New Zealand

U16 play 16-18 boards. Pairs.
U21 & U26 play 28-30 boards. Teams.

10 JULY 2022 U21, U26, U31 4pm BST - 5pm West Europe CEST

11am EDT (New York) • U21 play 18-20 boards. **Teams**.

• U26 & U31 play 28-30 boards. Teams.

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Junior coaches /captains contact: events@realbridge.online

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Special notices:

- 1. Please notice 2 dates.
- 2. Start times are not the same.
- 3. Categories are not the same.

Start times	3 July: 9am BST, 10am CEST, 3PM Thailand, 6pm Sydney 10 July: 4pm BST, 5pm CEST, 11am EDT (New York)
No of boards	U16: between 16 and 18 boards U32: between 18 and 20 boards U26 and U31: 28 to 30 boards
Conditions of contest	Friendly, but normal WBF regulations.
History of event	Part of a series of events on RealBridge, having started in January 2021
Trick one delays	 We have a system-enforced delay at trick 1: Opening lead: 5 seconds Play from dummy: 10 seconds Play from third player: 5 seconds
Table rules	Convention cards: players may refer to their own card Cell phone: must be switched off during play Video and audio: must be switched on all the time Background noise: please take care to turn off TV, radio and close the door of your room If the player needs to leave their computer, they must ask their opponents first
Arrival time	Players should arrive 20 minutes before start time.

Hallo Yanks:

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The JLall round robin has ended and we move on to the semifinals. Quite the pair of upsets, what?

Lo won the round robin and immediately claimed Ferro as its oppo. Even Howie Dung might have gotten that one.

Lo-Ferro: No reason to think Lo will run amuck of themselves. They are safe for now.

Lall-Rosenthal: Whilst always good to have a Lall in the named programme, Rosenthal has truly been playing well in recent sightings and shows no signs of letting off the petrol.

Limey Jack will return forthwith to steer you through the final and line your pockets with a shilling or two.

Ta.

Into the Knockouts, Always great fun... Going from four... To two and then one!

Ai-Tai chose Ferro Opponent first round. Hemant or Andrew, As choices? Unsound!

I could go high, But I'm going Lo. The team's on a roll And it's all systems go!

Hemant's four handed, And though he looks good. Andrew's six players Bring his team more wood!

Howie Doing!!

What's the Point?

Find and circle all of the things with points that are hidden in the grid. The remaining letters spell a secret message.

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1. Of Landon and Jason, one has the 7:30pm reservation and the other loves mozzarella.

2. The blue cheese enthusiast subscribed to Fortune.

3. The muenster enthusiast didn't subscribe to Vogue.

4. The 5 people were the Fortune subscriber, Landon, the person with a reservation at 5:00pm, the mascarpone enthusiast, and the Vogue subscriber.

- 5. The person with a reservation at 5:00pm didn't subscribe to Time.
- 6. The Cosmopolitan subscriber has an earlier reservation than the mascarpone enthusiast.
- 7. Bailey has a later reservation than the blue cheese enthusiast.
- 8. Either the person with a reservation at 7:00pm or the person with a reservation at 7:30pm subscribed to Fortune.
- 9. Landon has a later reservation than the Time subscriber.
- 10. The Fortune subscriber is not Jamari.
- 11. The person with a reservation at 5:00pm loves mozzarella.

KO Schedule...

КО	KO CAPTAINS' MEETING ON ZOOM								
TUESDAY	JUNE 21	TENTATIVE TIM	TENTATIVE TIME 2:00 PM						
Semifinal									
DAY	DATE	TIME - EDT	BOARDS						
SATURDAY	JUNE 25	12:00 - 1:45	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-14						
		2:05 - 3:50	SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 15-28						
			50 MINUTE BREAK						
		4:40 - 6:25	SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 29-42						
		6:45 - 8:30	SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 43-56						
		FINAL							
SUNDAY	JUNE 26	12:00 - 1:45	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-14						
		2:05 - 3:50	SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 15-28						
			50 MINUTE BREAK						
		4:40 - 6:25	SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 29-42						
		6:45 - 8:30	SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 43-56						

Ed. Note:

With the delayed broadcasting, it is especially challenging to find and 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





I learned bridge when I was a kid. I still never know what's the best thing to bid!



Learning bridge After poker... Strange to play Without a joker! It is pointless to tell a bald guy a hair-raising story!

What did one plate say to his friend? - Tonight, dinner's on me!

Two invisible men meet. One says to the other: "Hey dude, long time no see!"

A cannibal came home late to family dinner. He got the cold shoulder.

Of course I can keep secrets... but the people I tell them to usually can't!

If your wife wants to learn how to drive, you better not be standing in her way.

They say money doesn't grow on trees, but why do banks have branches then?

Doesn't expecting the unexpected make the unexpected expected?

Don't believe everything you think.

Funny that you can't spell "slaughter" without "laughter".

I decided to invest all my resources into alcohol. I mean, where else would I get 40%?!

German cats are just as resilient as ours. They have nein lives.



What not to say when you get pulled over: Police officer: Papers. Driver: Scissors.

That awkward moment when you wave back at your neighbor for about 5 minutes until you notice that she's just been cleaning the window.



You can only be young once. But you can enjoy being infantile forever.

Whoever said "nothing is impossible" never tried slamming a revolving door!

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L	4	8	G	6	L	9	7	3



Every rule has an exception. This rule is no exception.

Intelligent people are full of doubt... I think.

Everyone has the right to be stupid. It's just that some people abuse that right!

Answer to Sudoku 1

Answer to Sudoku 2

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.

A Supporting Membership is \$25 for one year (\$75 for 3 years) and 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.

Meet the Players



Bernie Greenspan's parents taught him bridge at the family dinner table when he was six. He played casually for the next 20+ years then joined the ACBL in his late 20s. He has slowly but progressively grown more serious about bridge. In his mid 60s, he became more enthusiastic than ever and is still working to improve his game.

Bernie is on the District 5 Grand National Team playing in Providence this year. His teammates are Kathy Sulgrove, Fred Schenker, and Heo Ge.

In this event, Bernie was playing on the Reynolds team.

Pro-Am Charity Game to support Junior Bridge

Question: What do these names have in common: Debbie Rosenberg, Migry Zur Campanile, Bob Hamman, Jeff Meckstroth, Ralph Katz, Mike Lawrence, Larry Cohen?

Answer: They have all agreed to be auctioned for a charity game to support junior bridge!

The ACBL Educational Foundation, an independent 501 (c)(3) nonprofit, is hosting a Pro-Am Charity game before the Providence Nationals. 100% of the funds raised go to support junior bridge. Date: July 11, 2022 (4PM Pacific/7PM Eastern) Location: Online at RealBridge

An amazing array of top players, including many legends, have agreed to be auctioned! The game will feature voice, video, mentoring and kibitzing with expert commentary and plenty of excitement! The environment will be fun and friendly with PRIZES and a ZOOM after-party with the experts. Anyone can participate. Players can bid on their favorite celebrities or buy in as a pair.

Can't make it? No problem! Purchase a playing lesson with a celebrity on BBO instead! Drop by to see who is playing and get your bid in!

The ACBL Educational Foundation (ACBLEF) is an independent 501 (c)(3) nonprofit foundation with the mission of introducing bridge to non-players and growing bridge players of all levels. The Foundation accepts contributions from individuals and corporations and then awards grants to programs which share its goals. The ACBLEF junior fund raises donations earmarked to support US junior bridge. Our first goal is to help qualified US juniors attend major tournaments such as the upcoming World Youth Transnational Championships in Salsomaggiore Terme, Italy occurring August 7-14, 2022. For more information, go to https://www.32auctions.com/organizations/98945.

 Image: Board 2 Image: Dealer E NS Vul 	♦ 6 ♥ Q10765 ♦ 72 ♣ KQ862				
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NS	EW	Contract	Lead	Sc	ore
Tracy Brines & Joyce Goldstein	Anant Rathi & Andrew Gumperz	6 ≜ -1 W	♥5	50	
Bruce Rogoff & Alex Ornstein	Alix Taylor & Peter Boyd-Bowman	6 ≜ -1 W	₩K	50	
Xin Ge & Brandon Ge	Bart Bramley & Kit Woolsey	6 ≜ -1 W	₩K	50	
Jiang Gu & Alex Perlin	Gan Yang & Derek Wong	6 ♦ -1 W	₩K	50	
Phil Clayton & Hemant Lall	Steve Chen & Andrew Chen	5 ♦ = W	₩K		450
Lance Kerr & Tom Reynolds	Migry Campanile & Andrew Rosenthal	5 ♦ +1 W	♥5		480
Chris Willenken & Eldad Ginossar	Bernie Greenspan & Fred Schenker	5 ♦ +1 W	♠6		480
Daniel Weiss & Sarik Goyal	David Chechelashvili & David Yang	6 ≜ = W	₩K		980

Only one declarer bid and made 6S on Board 2 from the second day of the RR.

Seven pairs played in game or slam in the 9 card spade fit.

One pair played slam in the 8 card diamond fit. While it can be useful to play in the 8 card fit as opposed to the 9 card fit in order to score an extra trick, on this hand, playing in 6D, the extra trick gains no IMPs.

Only one declarer bid and made the slam. David Yang opened 1S with the West hand. When his partner raised to 2S, Yang rebid 3C on his three card suit rather than rebidding a natural 3D on his four card suit(?) When Chechelashvili bid 3D, Yang to drove to slam.

The opening lead was the CK. Yang won the CA and cashed the SA. He led a diamond to dummy. Dummy's HA followed, Yang discarding a club from his hand. Yang led the ST from dummy and went against the odds by finessing for the SQ!! He scored twelve tricks for +980.

At the other table E/W played 6D down one, playing for the drop of the SQ. 14 IMPs to Lo

Interestingly, two pairs playing in the spade game violated the "eight ever – nine never" rule and, like Yang, finessed for the SQ. While successful on this deal, it is an inferior play.



If the opponents at the other table are in slam, there will be an 11 IMP gain or loss regardless of whether one takes eleven or twelve tricks in game. If the other table plays in game, there is 1 IMP at stake and it would seem that declarer should take the play that is likely to produce the most tricks.

Playing for the drop is 52% while playing for the finesse is 48%.

On Board 50 of the final Round Robin match, Michael Rosenberg chose to open 3H at favorable vulnerability in first seat. He was trying to put maximum pressure on his opponents. Lall passed over 3H, hoping that his partner would be able to reopen with a double. Clayton cooperated and Lall passed for penalties. Debbie Rosenberg made an effort to save her spouse by converting to 3S. 3S plays one trick better than 3H. Clayton doubled and accurate defense resulted in a five trick set. At the other table N/S played 3NT and took eleven tricks. 10 IMPs to Lall

Clayton and Lall took all the tricks that the double dummy analysis claims. (see below)



 ☑ Board 51 ☑ Dealer S EW Vul 	 ♦ 652 ♥ AJ7 ♥ AJ105 ♥ Q32 ♥ - ♥ KQ10653 ♥ 9842 ♥ 1094 ♥ J103 ♥ 842 ♥ 76 	♦ AKQ9874 ♥ 9 ♦ KQ3 ♣ J7	NT ♦ N 6 5 S 7 5 E 5 8 W 5 8	 3 5 8 6 6 8 7 7 7 5 	5	(Continued from page 19) On the very next board, at unfavorable, Debbie Rosenberg held almost the same hand that Mi- chael held on Board 50.
	♣ AK865		Par -100 3	♠X-1 NS		Her heart suit was slight- ly better than Michael's
NS	EW	Contract	Lead	Sco	ore	and her distribution was
Tracy Brines & Joyce Goldstein	Gan Yang & Derek Wong	4 ♦ -2 E	₩A	200		also an improvement.
Leni Holtz & Jeff Ferro	Alex Perlin & David Yang	4♠X-1 E	₩A	200		But Debbie learned her
Andrew Rosenthal & Migry Campanile	Bart Bramley & Kit Woolsey	4 ♦ -2 E	♣ A	200		lesson on Board 50. She
Daniel Weiss & Sarik Goyal	Mykaell McCarthy & Tracey Bauer	4 ♦ -1 E	₩A	100		passed! (Note that the
Jiang Gu & Ai-Tai Lo	Anant Rathi & Andrew Gumperz	3 ≜ -1 E	₩A	100		Rosenbergs play that a
Xin Ge & Brandon Ge	Bernie Greenspan & Fred Schenker	4 ≜ -1 E	₩A	100		weak two shows 6-10
Bill Hall & Joe Viola	Steve Chen & Andrew Chen	4 ≜ -1 E	♣Α	100		HCP.)
Phil Clayton & Hemant Lall	Michael Rosenberg & Debbie Rosenberg	2 ♦ = E	♣A		110	

	2	♦ 652	N Phil Clayton
	Bd 51, Dlr S	♥AJ7	Other table
,	2 ♦ = E	• AJ105	4 ♦ -2 E
כ	W Debbie Rosenberg	∗ Q32	Michael Rosenberg E
	♦ —		• AKQ9874
	• KQ10653		* 9
•	♦ 9842		KQ3
	* 1094		♣ J7
	0	♦J103	WNES P
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		◆ 76	РР
	Hemant Lall S	♣ AK865	

Four pairs including, Bramley/Woolsey at the other table of this match, opened a weak two and played in 4S. This contract was defeated two tricks for N/S +200.

After Debbie's disciplined pass, the Rosenbergs bought the hand for 2S. where Michael took eight tricks for E/W +110.

7 IMPs to Rosenthal.



This riddle is more of a traditional riddle than a logic puzzle, but it still involves some geometry, so brush up on those equations.

Problem:

A farmer challenges an engineer, a physicist, and a mathematician to build him a fence that encloses the most area with the least amount of fencing.

The engineer makes a circular fence, claiming that it is most efficient.



The physicist made a long straight line of fence and said the length was infinite, as fencing half the world was the most efficient way.

The mathematician laughed at the others, and then proceeded to build the winning fence. What did he build?

Solution: The mathematician builds a small circular fence around himself and declares himself on the outside.