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**We Remember:**



# SemiFinal Results

25-Jun-2022		<i>The colored score boxes indicate the team with seating rights for that segment of play.</i>					
#	TEAM	IMPs Total	SET #1	SET #2	SET #3	SET #4	Adjustment (IMPs)
1	<a href="#">Lo</a>	128	37	36	12	43	
4	<a href="#">Ferro - wins tie</a>	149	29	35	67	18	
2	<a href="#">Rosenthal - wins tie</a>	107	15	30	15	47	
3	<a href="#">Lall</a>	140	28	46	52	14	

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# Congrats Teams Ferro and Lall

Thanks to the usual tournament team. Jan Martel did her usual great job at keeping things moving along and keeping players happy.

Thanks to McKenzie Myers for his organization and competence. It's always great working with "Z."

Thanks to Al Hollander and to RealBridge for providing a safe, fun environment in which to play.

Thanks to Suzi & Stan for the newsletter production.

Thanks to Chris for organizing the VG.

And special thanks to all who played! It was fun!!



Two handy cards:  
The ace of spades and the proof of Vaccination!

UNITED STATES BRIDGE CHAMPIONSHIPS

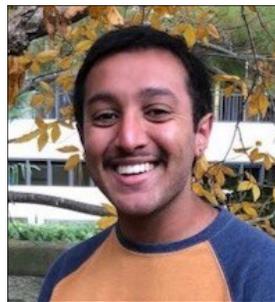
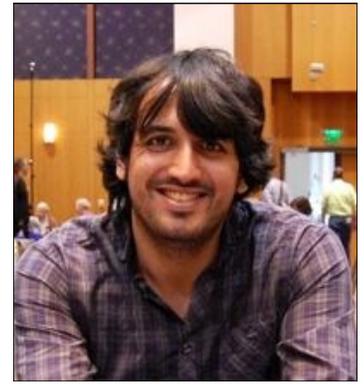
**This Just In...  
Justin Lall Online Teams 6**

# Teams Entered...

Eight teams ... in alphabetical order:

KO Schedule on page 15

<b>Brines</b>	<b>Tracy Brines, Capt</b> <b>Tracey Bauer</b> <b>Peter Boyd-Bowman</b>	<b>Joyce Goldstein</b> <b>Mykaell McCarthy</b> <b>Alix Taylor</b>
<b>Ferro</b>	<b>Jeff Ferro, Capt</b> <b>Alex Ornstein</b> <b>Andrew Gumperz</b>	<b>Leni Holtz</b> <b>Bruce Rogoff</b> <b>Anant Rathi</b>
<b>Ge</b>	<b>Xin Ge, Capt</b> <b>Kayden Ge</b> <b>Charlie Chen</b>	<b>Brandon Ge</b> <b>Steve Chen</b> <b>Andrew Chen</b>
<b>Lall</b>	<b>Hemant Lall, Capt</b> <b>Bart Bramley</b>	<b>Phil Clayton</b> <b>Kit Woolsey</b>
<b>Lall's Juniors</b>	<b>Sarik Goyal, Capt</b> <b>Eric Xiao</b> <b>Gan Yang</b>	<b>Daniel Weiss</b> <b>Jeff Xiao</b> <b>Derek Wong</b>
<b>Lo</b>	<b>Ai-Tai Lo, Capt</b> <b>David Yang</b> <b>Alex Perlin</b>	<b>Jiang Gu</b> <b>David Chechelashvili</b>
<b>Reynolds</b>	<b>Tom Reynolds, Capt</b> <b>Joe Viola</b> <b>Bernie Greenspan</b>	<b>Lance Kerr</b> <b>Bill Hall</b> <b>Fred Schenker</b>
<b>Rosenthal</b>	<b>Andrew Rosenthal, Capt</b> <b>Debbie Rosenberg</b> <b>Chris Willenken</b>	<b>Migry Campanile</b> <b>Michael Rosenberg</b> <b>Eldad Ginossar</b>



Board 19  
Dealer S  
EW Vul

♠ J95  
♥ J105  
♦ J1043  
♣ 943

♠ K2  
♥ 2  
♦ AK95  
♣ AKQJ52

♠ AQ864  
♥ 98643  
♦ 82  
♣ 6

NT ♠ ♥ ♦ ♣  
N 0 0 4 3 0  
S 0 0 4 3 0  
E 9 12 9 10 12  
W 9 12 9 10 12  
Par -1430 6♠= EW

♠ 1073  
♥ AKQ7  
♦ Q76  
♣ 1087

NS	EW	Contract	Lead	Score
Andrew Rosenthal & Migry Campanile	Bart Bramley & Kit Woolsey	3NT= E	♥Q	600
David Chechelashvili & David Yang	Bruce Rogoff & Alex Ornstein	3NT+4 W	♣3	720
Phil Clayton & Hemant Lall	Chris Willenken & Eldad Ginossar	3NT+4 W	♦J	720
Leni Holtz & Jeff Ferro	Ai-Tai Lo & Jiang Gu	5♣X+1 W	♥J	950

Three pairs played Board 19 in 3NT. One played in 5CX.

In Rosenthal/Lall, Bramley/Woolsey had a strong club relay auction to declare 3NT from East (Bramley).

Migry led the HQ and Rosenthal followed with the jack. Migry continued with a heart to Rosenthal's ten and the defense took the first four tricks to hold Bramley to nine.

At the other table in this match, Hemant Lall opened the South hand 1D. (Better Minor?) Willenken/Ginossar reached 3NT and Phil Clayton dutifully led his partner's diamond suit. Declarer took thirteen tricks.

3 IMPs to Rosenthal.

In Ferro/Lo, Yang opened the South hand 1C. Ornstein, West, jumped to 3NT. Yang's partner David Chechelashvili, like Clayton, led HIS partner's suit, this time presumed to be clubs... and Ornstein, like Ginossar, took thirteen tricks. The story was quite different at the remaining table:

Bd 19, Dlr S  
5♣X+1 W

W Jiang Gu

♠ J95  
♥ J105  
♦ J1043  
♣ 943

♠ K2  
♥ 2  
♦ AK95  
♣ AKQJ52

♠ 1073  
♥ AKQ7  
♦ Q76  
♣ 1087

N Leni Holtz  
Other table  
3NT+4 W

Ai-Tai Lo E

♠ AQ864  
♥ 98643  
♦ 82  
♣ 6

W N E S  
1♠\* P 1♥\* X  
2♥ P 4♥ P  
5♣ P P X  
P P P

Jeff Ferro S

Jeff Ferro passed in first seat and Jiang Gu opened the West hand 1C (2+). Ai-Tai Lo responded 1H (showing spades). Ferro doubled 1H and Gu bid 2H (intended as a cuebid).

Lo, likely assuming that hearts was a natural reverse, jumped to the heart game. Gu, sensing from the 4H bid that things had gone awry, pulled 4H to 5C, hoping this was the best strain and hoping his partner could discern the best level (5 or 6). Lo passed 5C. When this was passed around to Ferro, he doubled, thinking his H:AKQ were taking tricks. Leni Holtz led the HJ. Ferro overtook and attempted to cash a second heart. Gu trumped and took twelve tricks to score +950.

6 IMPs to Lo

# 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 4: 5:45 pm
- Round 5: 7:00 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.

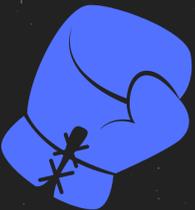
# Bridge News...

A JUNIOR BATTLE IS ABOUT TO BEGIN  
TEAM CAPTAINS ARE:

**JAMES HOLZHAUER V ZACH GROSSACK**



**Vugraph commentary by  
Larry Cohen & George Jacobs**



Tuesday  
5th July 2022  
9pm Eastern

[realbridge.online/junior-battle-5-july-2022](https://realbridge.online/junior-battle-5-july-2022)

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

James Holzhauser (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](https://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:

"Never put off till tomorrow what you can do the day after tomorrow."

"A person with a new idea is a crank until the idea succeeds."

"A man's character may be learned from the adjectives which he habitually uses in conversation."

"The reports of my death have been greatly exaggerated."

"It usually takes me more than three weeks to prepare a good impromptu speech."

"Grief can take care of itself, but to get the full value of a joy you must have somebody to divide it with."

"Wit is the sudden marriage of ideas which, before their union, were not perceived to have any relation."

"The public is the only critic whose opinion is worth anything at all."

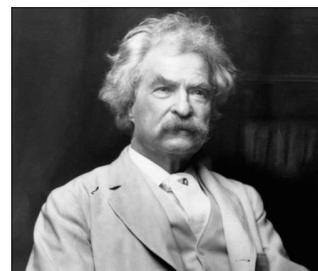
"Don't let schooling interfere with your education."

"There are basically two types of people. People who accomplish things, and people who claim to have accomplished things. The first group is less crowded."

"Apparently there is nothing that cannot happen today."

"Do not tell fish stories where the people know you; but particularly, don't tell them where they know the fish."

"The more things are forbidden, the more popular they become."



## 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...

## One-Pot Chicken, Zucchini and Orzo

**Prep time:** 10 minutes

**Cooking time:** 1 hour

**Total time:** 1 hour, 10 minutes

### Ingredients

- 6 chicken thighs
- Salt and pepper
- 1 tablespoon olive oil, plus more
- 2 garlic cloves, minced
- 1 small yellow onion, diced
- 2 zucchinis, diced
- Splash of white wine
- 1/2 cup orzo
- 1/2 cup unsalted chicken stock, preferably homemade, divided
- Lemon juice from 1 lemon, to taste
- Optional garnishes: Toasted and chopped pistachios, chopped parsley, chopped basil

### Preparation

1. Season chicken all over with salt and pepper. Heat olive oil on medium high in a Dutch oven or large pot. Add chicken and cook undisturbed until browned, 5 to 7 minutes, then flip and let cook for 5 to 7 more minutes on the other side. The chicken won't be fully cooked through at this point. Transfer to a plate and set aside.

2. Add garlic, onion and zucchini, season with salt and pepper and sauté, stirring occasionally, until veggies are softened and starting to brown, about 5 minutes. Deglaze with a splash of white wine, then transfer the veggies to a bowl and set aside.

3. Add a little more oil if the pot looks dry. Add orzo with a generous pinch of salt and toast for about 3 minutes, stirring often. Add half of the stock, reduce heat to low and cover. Let cook for 10 minutes.

4. Return the veggies to the pot with the rest of the stock, place the chicken on top, cover and let cook on medium low for an additional 5 to 10 minutes until the orzo is tender and the chicken is cooked through.

5. Remove from heat, season to taste with salt and lemon juice and top with any or all optional garnishes: parsley, basil and pistachios. *Serves 3 to 4.*

## Halibut Ceviche with Oranges, Tomatoes and Herbs

### Ingredients

#### For the fish and marinade

- 1 12-ounce halibut fillet
- 1 teaspoon sea salt
- 1 teaspoon toasted coriander seeds
- 1/2 teaspoon crushed red pepper flakes
- Juice of 4 navel or cara cara oranges, plus zest from 2 oranges

#### For the salad

- 2 or 3 large heirloom tomatoes (preferably Yellow Brandywine or Marvel Stripe tomatoes)
- Maldon sea salt and freshly ground black pepper
- 1/4 cup high-quality, extra-virgin olive oil
- 2 large navel or cara cara oranges, peeled and segmented
- 1/8 cup cilantro leaves, chiffonade
- Selection of greens, such as watercress, pickled chervil, arugula, and/or baby lettuce

### Preparation

#### For the fish and marinade

Clean fish of bones and skin. Arrange in a single layer in a small, non-corrosive dish. Sprinkle fish with salt, coriander, red pepper flakes and orange zest. Pour orange juice over fish, cover and chill for 2 hours.

#### To assemble the ceviche

1. Remove fish from marinade, leaving some zest, red pepper flakes and coriander on it. Arrange fish flat side down on paper towels and let dry, then transfer to a cutting board. Slice across fish at a sharp angle, making thin but wide slices.

2. Arrange sliced fish over tomatoes; season with salt and pepper, then drizzle with olive oil. Arrange orange segments, cilantro and assorted greens around fish. *Serves 4*

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What do kids play when their mom is using the phone? Bored games.  
What do you call an ant who fights crime? A vigilANTE!  
Why are snails slow? Because they're carrying a house on their back.  
What's the smartest insect? A spelling bee!  
What does a storm cloud wear under his raincoat? Thunderwear.  
What is fast, loud and crunchy? A rocket chip.  
What do you call a couple of chimpanzees sharing an Amazon account? PRIME-mates.  
Why did the soccer player take so long to eat dinner? Because he thought he couldn't use his hands.



## Weeknight Chili

**Prep time:** 10 minutes

**Cooking time:** 50 minutes

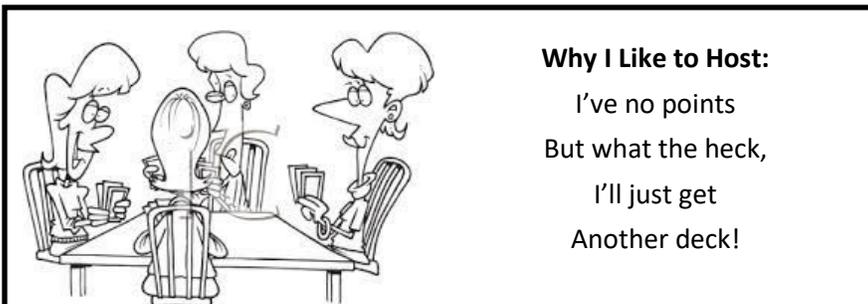
**Total time:** 1 hour

### Ingredients

- 1 tablespoon oil
- 1/2 yellow onion, chopped
- Salt
- 1 pound ground beef
- 2 tablespoons tomato paste
- 3/4 cup unsalted chicken stock (or water)
- 14.5-ounce can fire-roasted tomatoes
- 7-ounce can chipotles in adobo sauce
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cumin
- 1 bay leaf
- 15-ounce can black beans, drained and rinsed
- *Optional toppings: crushed tortilla chips, sliced avocado, shredded cheddar cheese and sour cream*



1. Set a Dutch oven over medium heat and heat the oil. Add the onion with a pinch of salt and cook, stirring occasionally with a wooden spoon, for 6 to 8 minutes until soft and just beginning to brown.
2. Increase heat to medium-high, push the onions to the sides as much as possible and add ground beef. Season with salt and cook for 3 or so minutes until browned, breaking it up with the wooden spoon as you go. Stir in the tomato paste and cook for one minute more.
3. Add chicken stock, canned tomatoes, 1/2 of the can of chipotles with their sauce (or more if you prefer a higher spice level), cumin and the bay leaf. Bring to a boil, then reduce heat to low. Add beans and simmer for 25 to 30 minutes, stirring every so often, until the flavors have melded and the chili has thickened.
4. Remove and discard bay leaf. Taste chili and adjust for seasoning. Garnish with any or all of the following: Tortilla chips, avocado slices, shredded cheddar cheese and sour cream. *Serves 4-6.*



### Why I Like to Host:

I've no points  
But what the heck,  
I'll just get  
Another deck!



→ **The problem:**

Hal and Carol accept an invitation to a house party. Hal sees that there will be 30 people attending the party and says to Carol, "I bet you \$100 that at least two people will have the same birthday there!"

**Should Carol take that bet?** (Assume that birthdays are distributed equally over a 365-day year.)

→ **The solution:**

This is the famous "Birthday Problem" that never ceases to amaze people. The easiest way to solve it is to consider its complement: For a party of a particular size, what is the probability that *no one* will share a birthday? If it's not true that *no one* shares a birthday, then it must be the case that at least two people share a birthday!

Let's consider a group of five people. The first person will have some random birthday between January 1 and December 31. The second person, then, will have a probability of (364/365) of having a birthday that is *not the same* as the first person's birthday. The third person, then, has 363 "free" dates to choose from, so has a 363/365 probability of having a birthday that is not the same as either the first or the second person's birthdays. The fourth person will have a 362/365 chance of not sharing anyone's birthday, and so on.

To then get the probability that not one of the five people will share a birthday, we need to multiply these probabilities together:

$$P = (364/365) * (363/365) * (362/365) * (361/365) = 0.97$$

In other words, in a room of five people, no one will share a birthday 97 percent of the time. This seems pretty intuitive. This means there is only a 3 percent chance (100 percent - 97 percent) that at least two people will share a birthday in that group.

What may be less intuitive (at least for me!) is how quickly this number grows. The table below uses the same calculation to show the probability that at least two people will share the same birthday in parties of increasing sizes:

Party Size	The probability that at least 2 people share the same birthday
1	0%
2	0%
3	1%
4	2%
5	3%
6	4%
7	6%
8	7%
9	9%
10	12%
11	14%
12	17%
13	19%
14	22%
15	25%
16	28%
17	32%
18	35%
19	38%
20	41%
21	44%
22	48%
23	51%
24	54%
25	57%
26	60%
27	63%
28	65%
29	68%
30	71%

Solution: In a party of 30 people, there is a 71 percent chance that two people will share a birthday. Carol should *not* take that bet!

# Put Brain in Motion!

You have enemies?  
Good.  
That means you've  
stood up for  
something,  
sometime  
in your life.  
- Sir Winston Churchill

WHEN YOU'VE DONE  
SOMETHING WRONG  
ADMIT IT AND  
BE SORRY. NO ONE  
IN HISTORY HAS EVERY  
CHOKED TO DEATH  
FROM SWALLOWING  
HIS PRIDE.

# Sudoku

## Answers

### on Page 16

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

Sudoku 1

Sudoku 2

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

**SOLUTION to Logic Puzzle on  
page 14**



East Avenue	Blanch	Madeline	Main Street	Waverly	Stewart
Prescott Road	Rensel	Martha	Lantern Way	Snow	Sara
Strawberry Lane	Post	Gary	Waterville Road	South	Roberta
Bunt Street	Whimpe	Horace	Singletary Lane	Temple	Richard
Maple Avenue	Grant	Elliott	West Street	Frazelle	Louis
Address (Correct)	Last Name (Correct)	First Name (Correct)	Address (Incorrect)	Last Name (Incorrect)	First Name (Incorrect)

Q: Why did the can crusher quit his job?  
A: Because it was soda pressing.

My memory has gotten so bad it has actually caused me to lose my job.  
I'm still employed. I just can't remember where.

When an employment application asks who is to be notified in case of emergency, I always write, "A very good doctor".

While taking the interview, the employer asked the candidate:  
Employer: So, how long did you work during your last job?

Candidate: 30 years

Employer: oh, you look young how old are you

Candidate: 20 years old

The employer was surprised and asked the candidate how she worked 30 years and has only been living for 20 years??

Candidate: Overtime!

If every day is a gift, I'd like a receipt for Monday. I want to exchange it for another Friday.

## 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](mailto: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.**

Junior coaches /captains contact:  
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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	<b>3 July:</b> 9am BST, 10am CEST, 3PM Thailand, 6pm Sydney <b>10 July:</b> 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opening lead: 5 seconds</li> <li>• Play from dummy: 10 seconds</li> <li>• Play from third player: 5 seconds</li> </ul>
Table rules	<b>Convention cards:</b> players may refer to their own card <b>Cell phone:</b> must be switched off during play <b>Video and audio:</b> must be switched on all the time <b>Background noise:</b> please take care to turn off TV, radio and close the door of your room <b>If the player needs to leave their computer,</b> they must ask their opponents first
Arrival time	Players should arrive 20 minutes before start time.

**Limey Jack**

Blimey Colonials:

Your system is yonks. The Squad who wins the round robin gets to choose their oppo and then promptly falls like a souffle taken out of the stove just a tad early.

Howie Dung made a right bollocks of his picks. Limey Jack is always on the scene for you to hose down the punters.

Lall-Ferro:

In the final match of JLall15, the 4 handed Lall Team goes up against the surprising 6 handed Ferro Squadron. Is it time for the underdog to shine? Does the Parson's wife wear a bustier? While Ferro is hardly a household name, most of them have top level experience. Be that as it may, Lall has the Name. Lall survives.

Limey Jack with see you after St. Swithen's day where he is hosting the Bishop of Westchester.

**Howie Doing...**

Look at my dartboard,  
 I shot an arrow...  
 I wasn't prepared  
 For Lall and for Ferro.

Lall has the wood.  
 Ferro plays tough.  
 Calling a winner  
 Is quite worse than rough.

Lall plays four handed  
 Ferro has six.  
 Fatigue is an issue  
 Considering picks!

Lall gets some sleepy  
 And loses his way.  
 Ferro is pumped  
 To a win they will play!

## Washing a Car

Find and circle all of the words that are hidden in the grid.  
The remaining 13 letters spell something that you wash off of a car.

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

BRUSH	FENDERS	PREPARATION	TIRES
BUCKETS	FRONT	REAR	TOP
CHAMOIS	GARDEN HOSE	RINSE	TOWELS
CHROME	GLASS	ROOF	VEHICLE
CLEAN	GRIME	SCRUB	WASH
DEAD BUGS	HEADLIGHTS	SIDES	WATER
DIRT	HOOD	SOAP	WAX
DOOR HANDLES	HUBCAPS	SPONGE	WHEELS
DOORS	LICENSE PLATE	SQUEEGEE	WINDOWS
DRIVEWAY	MIRRORS	SUDS	WINDSHIELD
DRY OFF	MUD	TAIL LIGHTS	



# KO Schedule...

KO CAPTAINS' MEETING ON ZOOM			
TUESDAY	JUNE 21	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



Bd 22, Dir E 5♦ X-2 S		♠ 2 ♥ QJ103 ♦ KJ6 ♣ KJ874	N Phil Clayton Other table 4♠ X= W																								
W Eldad Ginossar	♠ AK6543 ♥ 65 ♦ 9 ♣ 10965	♠ J1097 ♥ A842 ♦ A1073 ♣ 3	E Chris Willenken																								
Hemant Lall S	♠ Q8 ♥ K97 ♦ Q8542 ♣ AQ2	<table border="1"> <tr> <th>W</th> <th>N</th> <th>E</th> <th>S</th> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td>P</td> <td>1♦</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2♠</td> <td>X</td> <td>4♠</td> <td>P</td> </tr> <tr> <td>P</td> <td>4NT* P</td> <td></td> <td>5♦</td> </tr> <tr> <td>P</td> <td>P</td> <td>X</td> <td>P</td> </tr> <tr> <td>P</td> <td>P</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	W	N	E	S			P	1♦	2♠	X	4♠	P	P	4NT* P		5♦	P	P	X	P	P	P			4NT="takeout I hope"
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Phil Clayton made a wise decision when he chose to reopen with 4NT on Board 22. Phil had strong offense (good distribution) and marginal defense (no aces). At favorable vulnerability, Clayton acted to save his partner from having to decide: play or defend?

Ginossar led the SA and switched to the CT. Lall won the CA and led the D4 to dummy's jack. Willenken ducked the diamond and Lall came off dummy with a heart to his king.

Lall trumped a spade in dummy and played the DK. Willenken won the DA and played a spade. Lall trumped and played a heart to dummy's ten and Willenken's ace.

Willenken played another spade.

Lall trumped the spade and cashed two hearts before leading a club from dummy. Willenken trumped the club and Lall took the DQ for his ninth trick, scoring -300.

Lall's teammates (and the other two tables) played 4S doubled for +790 after a heart opening lead.

10 IMPs to Lall

What board game does the sky love to play? Twister.

What do you call a tired bull? A bulldozer.

What do you call cheese that belongs to someone else? Nacho cheese!

What kind of water cannot freeze? Hot water.

Why was the belt arrested? Because it was holding up some pants.



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

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

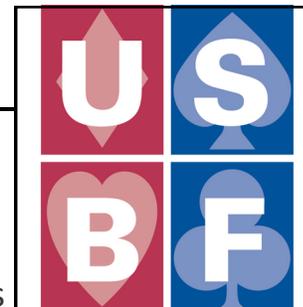
Answer to Sudoku 1      Answer to Sudoku 2

Did you hear the joke about the roof? Never mind, it would go over your head.

Why did the cookie go to the hospital? Because it was feeling a little crummy.

What did the ghost call his Mum and Dad? His transparents.

# 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



Yang, upper left, with Boyd, Hinze, and Robinson  
2013 USBC

**David Yang** grew up in Taipei, Taiwan. He learned bridge in his early days and played seriously in college. He came to the United States to attend graduate school at the University of California Los Angeles, where he earned a PhD degree in Electrical Engineering in 1988. He worked in defense industry in Los Angeles area for a few years. It was during that period, he joined ACBL and became a life master in 1990. He moved to Chicago to pursue an academic career at the University of Illinois where he retired recently as an Emeritus Professor. After years of absence from competitive bridge, he was lured back to play on-line bridge in 1995 that fit his busy teaching schedule. After earning his tenure, he started playing tournaments regularly with local experts. He had won NAOP Flight A with Nikolay Demirev in 2005 and Xiaodong Shi in 2008, NABC open swiss with Greg Hinze in 2011, and NABC fast pairs with Marin Marinov in 2019. He also finished 2nd place in national events. He represented Chinese Taipei in several international competitions. He thanks his wife Angela for her unwavering support of his bridge play and frequent absence from home. They have a son Alan who is attending graduate school at the University of Illinois Urbana Champaign. He attributes his bridge success to his science and engineering training of logic, reasoning, intensity, and accuracy.

## 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>.

Board 42  
Dealer E  
All Vul

♠ 972  
♥ Q3  
♦ Q842  
♣ QJ32

♠ 10865  
♥ J1064  
♦ 1095  
♣ 76

♠ KQJ4  
♥ 985  
♦ J3  
♣ 10954

NT ♠ ♥ ♦ ♣  
N 12 8 11 13 12  
S 12 8 11 13 12  
E 1 4 1 0 1  
W 1 4 1 0 1

♠ A3  
♥ AK72  
♦ AK76  
♣ AK8

Par +2140 7♦= NS

NS	EW	Contract	Lead	Score
Eldad Ginossar & Chris Willenken	Bart Bramley & Kit Woolsey	6NT+1 S	♦10	1470
Anant Rathi & Andrew Gumperz	Ai-Tai Lo & Jiang Gu	6♦+1 N	♠Q	1390
Alex Perlin & David Yang	Bruce Rogoff & Alex Ornstein	4NT+2 S	♠5	690
Phil Clayton & Hemant Lall	Michael Rosenberg & Debbie Rosenberg	3NT+3 S	♠5	690

On Board 42, 6NT is an excellent proposition. On a spade lead, declarer can duck one trick and then play for diamonds to split or for either opponent to be protecting both red suits. In its simplest form, declarer wins the second spade, cashes the DAK. If diamonds divide 3-2, there are twelve top tricks. If diamonds don't divide favorably, declarer runs the clubs and hopes that the defender holding four diamonds also holds four hearts and can't protect both suits. On the actual hand diamonds divide and there are an easy twelve tricks.

Bd 42, Dlr E  
6NT+1 S

W Kit Woolsey

♠ 10865  
♥ J1064  
♦ 1095  
♣ 76

♠ 972  
♥ Q3  
♦ Q842  
♣ QJ32

N Eldad Ginossar

Other table  
3NT+3 S

Bart Bramley E

♠ KQJ4  
♥ 985  
♦ J3  
♣ 10954

♠ A3  
♥ AK72  
♦ AK76  
♣ AK8

W N E S  
P P P 2♣  
P 2♦\* P 3NT  
P 6NT P P

Chris Willenken S

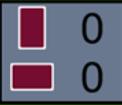
Willenken/Ginossar had a simple auction. Willenken opened 2C and rebid 3NT showing 25-27 HCP. (Note that Willenken/Ginossar do not play a Kokish relay. They do play that a jump to three of a major over 2D is a canapé bid. This is not available when playing Kokish because 2C-2D-3H would be natural hearts.)

Ginossar jumped to 6NT over 3NT. He knew his side held 32-34 HCPs and 6NT should have a good play.

Woolsey led the DT. Willenken won the diamond and ran the clubs, discarding a diamond from his hand. Woolsey discarded two diamonds. Willenken led a diamond to the king and Woolsey discarded a heart. On the next diamond, Bramley discarded a heart and Woolsey discarded a spade. On dummy's last diamond, Bramley discarded a heart; Willenken pitched the S3 and Woolsey discarded a spade.

The hearts ran and Willenken took thirteen tricks. +1470 was a 13 IMP gain for the Lall team, when the Rosenbergs stopped in 3NT at the other table.

(hand continued on page 19)

 		♠ 972	N Anant Rathi
Bd 42, Dir E 6♦ +1 N		♥ Q3 ♦ Q842 ♣ QJ32	Other table 4NT+2 S
W Jiang Gu			AI-Tai Lo E
♠ 10865 ♥ J1064 ♦ 1095 ♣ 76			♠ KQJ4 ♥ 985 ♦ J3 ♣ 10954
		♠ A3 ♥ AK72 ♦ AK76 ♣ AK8	W N E S P P P 2♣ P 2♦ P 2♥* P 2♠* P 2NT* P 4NT P 5NT* P 6♣ P 6♦* P P P
Andrew Gumperz S			

In the Lo/Ferro match, Gumperz/Rathi combined good judgment with careful bidding to reach 6D.

2H was a Kokish relay to 2S and 2NT showing 25-27 HCP. Rathi invited slam with 4NT. Gumperz knew that 25 HCP in aces and kings was not a minimum. He accepted the slam invitation by bidding 5NT, asking partner to pick the best slam. When Rathi bid 6C, Gumperz tried 6D and Rathi was happy to play in the 4-4 diamond fit.

Lo led the SQ. Rathi won the SA, drew trump and ran the clubs to discard a spade from dummy. A spade was trumped in dummy and thirteen tricks were claimed scoring +1390.

At the other table, Rogoff/Ornstein stopped in 4NT, scoring +690.

12 IMPs to the Ferro team

**Board 46**  
**Dealer E**  
**None Vul**

♠ A7	♠ KJ82	♠ Q43
♥ K752	♥ —	♥ AQJ103
♦ AK105	♦ 7643	♦ QJ
♣ AK8	♣ QJ962	♣ 1073
	♠ 10965	
	♥ 9864	
	♦ 982	
	♣ 54	

	NT	♠	♥	♦	♣
N	0	3	1	0	3
S	0	3	1	0	3
E	13	7	12	12	9
W	13	9	12	13	10

Par -1520 7NT= EW

On Board 46, everyone played in the natural 6H contract. With careful defense, declarer can take no more than 12 tricks.

Notice that the double dummy analysis indicates that 13 tricks are available in NT. In NT, declarer can win the opening lead (presumably it will be a spade), cash four rounds of diamonds while discarding a club and a spade from East. They can run four rounds of hearts. On the 5th heart, a spade is discarded from West and North is toast! North must either discard the SK or give up his control of the club suit.

A permissible "squeeze" ... even in a pandemic!!

Board 54  
Dealer E  
EW Vul

♠ J10765  
♥ 42  
♦ A109  
♣ J75

♠ KQ2  
♥ QJ9765  
♦ K83  
♣ 6

♠ A3  
♥ K83  
♦ 764  
♣ AQ983

NT ♠ ♥ ♦ ♣  
N 4 8 3 7 6  
S 4 8 3 7 6  
E 6 5 9 6 7  
W 6 5 9 6 7

♠ 984  
♥ A10  
♦ QJ52  
♣ K1042

Par -100 3♠X-1 NS

NS	EW	Contract	Lead	Score
Ai-Tai Lo & Jiang Gu	Anant Rathi & Andrew Gumperz	4♥-1 E	♦ J	100
Jeff Ferro & Leni Holtz	David Yang & Alex Perlin	4♥= W	♠ J	620
Debbie Rosenberg & Michael Rosenberg	Hemant Lall & Phil Clayton	4♥= W	♠ J	620
Bart Bramley & Kit Woolsey	Migry Campanile & Andrew Rosenthal	4♥= W	♠ J	620

♠ J10765  
♥ 42  
♦ A109  
♣ J75

W Andrew Gumperz

♠ KQ2  
♥ QJ9765  
♦ K83  
♣ 6

♠ A3  
♥ K83  
♦ 764  
♣ AQ983

♠ 984  
♥ A10  
♦ QJ52  
♣ K1042

W N E S  
1♦\* P 1♥\* P  
2♣\* P 2♦\* P  
2♥ P 4♥ P  
P P

0  
0

Jiang Gu S

Sometimes field protection is a good thing. When you play a sophisticated home-brew system, you live by the sword and die by the sword. Sometimes you right side contracts while everyone else wrong sides them and sometimes, as on Board 54, you wrong side contracts while everyone else remains safe.

How, you may ask did Rathi/Gumperz land in 4H from EAST?? 1C was 2+ forcing one round. 1D showed hearts!! 1H showed two or three hearts. 2C was the start of a game invite. 2D was forced denying five spades. 2H and 4H were natural.

Played from East, it was easy for South to lead a high diamond. The defense collected three diamonds and the trump ace before declarer could win a trick! They were the only pair to fail in game.

At every table, interestingly, a pointed jack was led! On the SJ lead, declarer was able to win the ace and quickly cash three rounds of spades discarding one of dummy's losing diamonds!