

“Trials” and Tribulations ... Oldies but Goodies!

Results: Seniors:

Senior USBC USA1 - 2023											
* Hamman cumulative slow play imp penalties * Goodman cumulative slow play imp penalties											
SemiFinal (120 boards)				Set score of form "Ax" or "Rx" indicates pending Appeal or Ruling. IMPs Total may change.							
21-May-2023				The colored score boxes indicate the team with seating rights for that segment of play.							
#	TEAM	IMPs Total	SET #1	SET #2	SET #3	SET #4	SET #5	SET #6	SET #7	SET #8	Penalty (IMPs)
1	Wolfson	119	36	39	20	24					
4	Goodman - wins tie	101.25	22	13	39	28					-0.75
2	Hamman - wins tie	124.25	51	20	22	46					-14.75
3	Lewis	156	49	58	31	18					

Senior USBC USA2 - 2023											
* Lusky Set 2 late arrival imp penalty 6.00 * Lusky slow play imp penalty 0.25											
Stage1 (120 boards)				Set score of form "Ax" or "Rx" indicates pending Appeal or Ruling. IMPs Total may change.							
21-May-2023				The colored score boxes indicate the team with seating rights for that segment of play.							
#	TEAM	IMPs Total	SET #1	SET #2	SET #3	SET #4	SET #5	SET #6	SET #7	SET #8	Penalty (IMPs)
5	Beatty	86	43	0	18	25					
8	Lusky - wins tie	141.75	23	62	40	23					-6.25
6	Lall	118	31	22	35	30					
7	Cappelli - wins tie	64	47	5	9	3					

Women's:

1	Cole	236	52	14	37	45	52	17	12	7	
4	Baker	234	41	5	26	27	27	49	31	28	
2	Wittes	199.75	43	2	19	30	20	39	21	27	-1.25
3	Cappelletti	238	24	27	55	20	40	17	41	14	

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Senior Teams Entered

Beatty	Steve Beatty, Capt Jeff Aker Dennis Clerkin	Fred Stewart Doug Simson Jerry Clerkin
Cappelli	Bob Cappelli, Capt Ken Kranyak Mark Aquino	Bob Bitterman Phil Becker Pat McDevitt
Goodman	Andy Goodman, Capt Drew Casen Venkatrao Koneru	Mike Passell Jim Krekorian Pratap Rajadhyaksha
Hamman	Bob Hamman Neil Chambers Mitch Dunitz, Capt	Peter Weichsel John Schermer Ross Grabel
Lall	Hemant Lall, Capt Bart Bramley Eddie Wold	Reese Milner Kit Woolsey Marc Jacobus
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Reynolds	Tom Reynolds, Capt Bill Hall George Jacobs	Lance Kerr Joe Viola Craig Gardner
Wolfson	Jeff Wolfson, Capt David Berkowitz Larry Cohen	Steve Garner Mike Becker Bobby Levin



Women's Teams Entered

Baker	Lynn Baker, Capt Kerri Sanborn Janice Molson	Karen McCallum Jill Meyers Disa Eythorsdottir
Cappelletti	Allison Cappelletti Gigi Simpson Mike Cappelletti, NPC	Joanne Weingold Kristen Onsgard
Cole	Margie Cole, Capt Emma Kolesnik Anam Tebha	Giorgia Botta Irina Levitina
Wittes	Pam Wittes, Capt Cheri Bjerkan Lisa Berkowitz	Ljudmila Kamenova Rozanne Pollack Connie Goldberg



Try to Solve This Pickleball Puzzle

Kenny, Abby, and Ned got together for a round-robin pickleball tournament, where, as usual, the winner stays on after each game to play the person who sat out that game. At the end of their pickleball afternoon, Abby is exhausted, having played the last seven straight games. Kenny, who is less winded, tallies up the games played:

Kenny played **eight** games

Abby played **12** games

Ned played **14** games

Who won the fourth game against whom?

How many total games were played?

Hint

Tough Logic Puzzle!

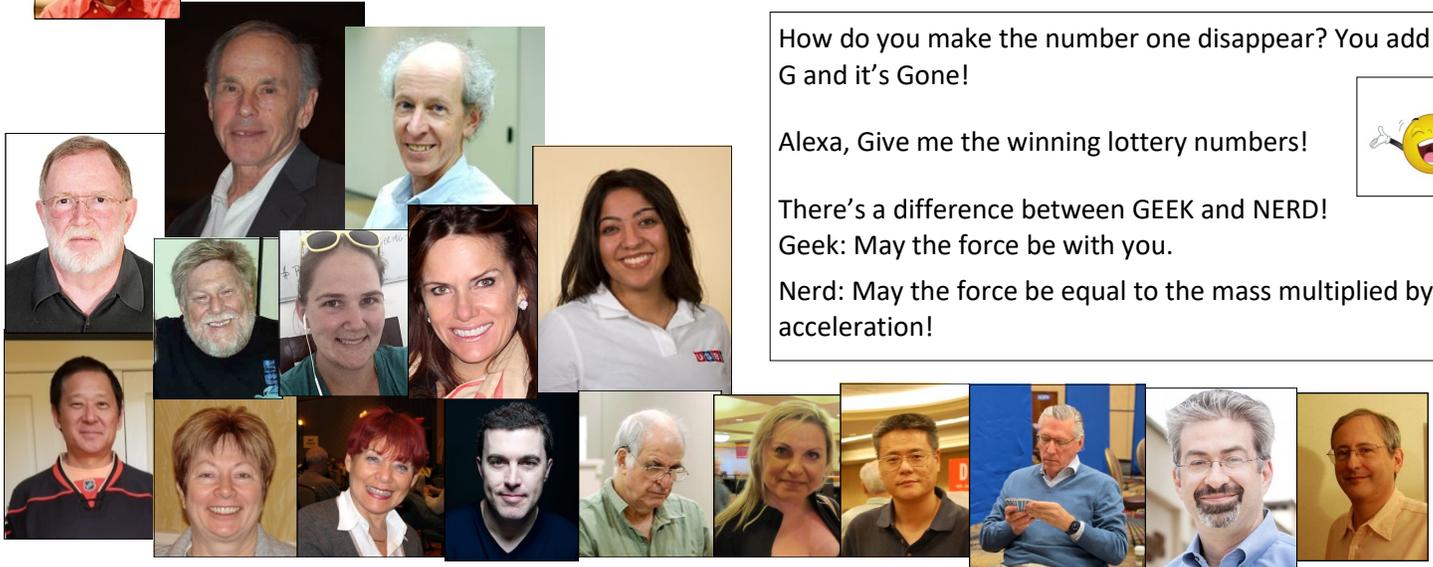
Answer:

Solution

First, we need to figure out how many total games were played. We get 34 when we add up the game totals, but since two players play each game, there were 17 games played. Now, with a brief insight, the solution quickly unravels. The insight is that in a three-person round-robin, every player plays at least every other game. Since 17 total games were played, every player must have played at least eight games. And, in fact, since Kenny played exactly eight games, we can infer which ones, as highlighted below:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
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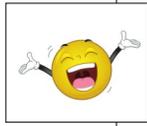
Now, had Kenny won any of his games, we would have seen him play two games in a row. Instead, it must be the case that he lost every game he played. Thus, we can conclude that Kenny lost the fourth game. But against whom? Well, we know that Abby and Ned played against each other in every game that Kenny didn't play, which are all the unshaded squares above. In addition, we know Abby played the last seven straight games. This means we know for sure that Abby played games 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, and 17, which amounts to 12 games, accounting for all of her games. So Ned must have played all other games against Kenny, such that Ned beat Kenny in the fourth game.



How do you make the number one disappear? You add a G and it's Gone!

Alexa, Give me the winning lottery numbers!

There's a difference between GEEK and NERD!
 Geek: May the force be with you.
 Nerd: May the force be equal to the mass multiplied by acceleration!



Senior Team Tournament Schedule

ROUND ROBIN (EACH TEAM SITS OUT ONE MATCH)			
DAY	DATE	TIME	BOARDS
FRIDAY	MAY 19	10:00 - 11:30	MATCH 1 - BOARDS 1-10
		11:45 - 1:15	MATCH 2 - BOARDS 11-20 75 MINUTE LUNCH BREAK
		2:30 - 3:45	MATCH 3 - BOARDS 21-30
		4:00 - 5:15	MATCH 4 - BOARDS 31-40
SATURDAY	MAY 20	10:00 - 11:15	MATCH 5 - BOARDS 41-50
		11:30 - 12:45	MATCH 6 - BOARDS 51-60 75 MINUTE LUNCH BREAK
		2:00 - 3:15	MATCH 7 - BOARDS 61-70
		3:30 - 4:45	MATCH 8 - BOARDS 71-80
		5:00 - 6:15	MATCH 9 - BOARDS 81-90
USA1 SEMIFINAL & USA2 STAGE 1			
SUNDAY	MAY 21	10:00 - 12:00	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-15
		12:15 - 2:15	SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 16-30 75 MINUTE BREAK
		3:30 - 5:30	SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 31-45
		5:45 - 7:45	SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 46-60
MONDAY	MAY 22	10:00 - 12:00	SEGMENT 5 BOARDS 1-15
		12:15 - 2:15	SEGMENT 6 BOARDS 16-30 75 MINUTE BREAK
		3:30 - 5:30	SEGMENT 7 BOARDS 31-45
		5:45 - 7:45	SEGMENT 8 BOARDS 46-60
USA1 FINAL & USA2 QUARTERFINAL			
TUESDAY	MAY 23	10:00 - 12:00	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-15
		12:15 - 2:15	SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 16-30 75 MINUTE BREAK
		3:30 - 5:30	SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 31-45
		5:45 - 7:45	SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 46-60
WEDNESDAY	MAY 24	10:00 - 12:00	SEGMENT 5 BOARDS 1-15
		12:15 - 2:15	SEGMENT 6 BOARDS 16-30 75 MINUTE BREAK
USA1 FINAL & USA2 SEMIFINAL			
WEDNESDAY	MAY 24	3:30 - 5:30	USA1 SEGMENT 7 BOARDS 31-45
		5:45 - 7:45	USA2 SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-15 USA1 SEGMENT 8 BOARDS 46-60 USA2 SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 16-30
USA2 SEMI FINAL			
THURSDAY	MAY 25	10:00 - 12:00	SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 31-45
		12:15 - 2:15	SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 46-60 75 MINUTE BREAK
		3:30 - 5:30	SEGMENT 5 BOARDS 61-75
		5:45 - 7:45	SEGMENT 6 BOARDS 76-90
USA2 FINAL			
FRIDAY	MAY 26	10:00 - 12:00	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-15
		12:15 - 2:15	SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 16-30 75 MINUTE BREAK
		3:30 - 5:30	SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 31-45
		5:45 - 7:45	SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 46-60
SATURDAY	MAY 27	10:00 - 12:00	SEGMENT 5 BOARDS 1-15
		12:15 - 2:15	SEGMENT 6 BOARDS 16-30 75 MINUTE BREAK
		3:30 - 5:30	SEGMENT 7 BOARDS 31-45
		5:45 - 7:45	SEGMENT 8 BOARDS 46-60



Beth Palmer Women's Schedule

USA1 SEMIFINAL			
SATURDAY	MAY 20	10:00 - 12:00	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-15
		12:15 - 2:15	SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 16-30 75 MINUTE BREAK
		3:30 - 5:30	SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 31-45
		5:45 - 7:45	SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 46-60
SUNDAY	MAY 21	10:00 - 12:00	SEGMENT 5 BOARDS 1-15
		12:15 - 2:15	SEGMENT 6 BOARDS 16-30 75 MINUTE BREAK
		3:30 - 5:30	SEGMENT 7 BOARDS 31-45
		5:45 - 7:45	SEGMENT 8 BOARDS 46-60
USA1 FINAL & USA2 SEMIFINAL			
MONDAY	MAY 22	10:00 - 12:00	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-15
		12:15 - 2:15	SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 16-30 75 MINUTE BREAK
		3:30 - 5:30	SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 31-45
		5:45 - 7:45	SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 46-60
TUESDAY	MAY 23	10:00 - 12:00	SEGMENT 5 BOARDS 1-15
		12:15 - 2:15	SEGMENT 6 BOARDS 16-30 75 MINUTE BREAK
		3:30 - 5:30	SEGMENT 7 BOARDS 31-45
		5:45 - 7:45	SEGMENT 8 BOARDS 46-60
USA2 FINAL			
WEDNESDAY	MAY 24	10:00 - 12:00	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-15
		12:15 - 2:15	SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 16-30 75 MINUTE BREAK
		3:30 - 5:30	SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 31-45
		5:45 - 7:45	SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 46-60
THURSDAY	MAY 25	10:00 - 12:00	SEGMENT 5 BOARDS 1-15
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Kibitzing: THERE WILL BE DEFERRED KIBITZING FOR ALL OF THE 2023 USBCs ON LOVEBRIDGE

You can follow the USBC on the <https://vugraph.lovebridge.com/> website. When available, voice commentary may be accessed by clicking on the TV screen icon. If there is no sound, you must unmute.

SENIOR KIBITZING SCHEDULE (EDT)

Kibitzing times on Friday will be:

Match 1: 11:30 am EDT

Match 2: 1:15 pm EDT

Match 3: 4:00 pm EDT

Match 4: 5:30 pm EDT

On Saturday times will be:

Match 5: 11:30 am EDT

Match 6: 1:05 pm EDT

Match 7: 2:35 pm EDT

Match 8: 5:10 pm EDT

Match 9: 6:45 pm EDT

After Saturday, the Seniors' times will match the Women's as follows:

Segment 1: 11:30 am EDT

Segment 2: 1:45 pm ET

Segment 3: 5:00 pm ET

Segment 4: 7:15 pm ET

Note: The Women's starts Saturday and their times will be as above throughout.



Nail biting!

Do you want to be deeply involved? Choose the "Match view" at the starting page of your event. Your screen will be divided into four small screens – two of them showing the two tables of the match you choose, the other two having the scoresheet for your match and the current scores of the other matches. In the 2x2 view you can also personalize the content in all your windows. (The 2x2 view is not available on mobiles.)

Think together!

When watching a table, click on a name and choose "Kibitz". Instead of seeing all 4 hands, you will see what the player sees, and you can decide what you would do and see whether your chosen player agrees.

More Information:

Be well informed and tell your friends: while following the play, you can click many items. The image of the sticker with the number of the board (upper right) takes you to the results of the board, in the bottom right corner the arrow takes you to the scoresheet, DDS shows the double dummy analyses, beside that there is a button for the other table of the same match, at the top left corner you can see the bidding with alerts and the explanations (mouse over), the tricks already played, and the double dummy analysis for the available number of tricks with the par score.

Navigation icons:

While surfing here and there in the vugraph, or amongst the archive sessions, there are icons to help you. You can go back to the main page with the "house" or to the standings with the "scores". If you cannot see the icons, move your mouse, or touch your screen and they pop up immediately. There is also a built-in back button because the back button of your browser will always take you to the starting page. If this is not what you wanted, push next in your browser and you can continue where you were.

Replay:

After the event you can find every board from every table easily. While replaying the hands, the only surprise can be the way "next board" button works. If you have arrived from a scoresheet, it navigates through the scoresheet. If you have arrived from a screen where the results were shown for a given board, the same buttons move you through the list. Push every button and enjoy!

The
Commentators
Know their
stuff...
Like when to
pitch
And when to
ruff.

Soon I'll be
An expert too.
My favorite show
Is called "The
Vu!"



Kibitzing...



No Electronic Devices are Permitted in the Playing Area.

This applies to players AND kibitzers.

Severe penalties will be assessed for violation of this rule.

Please turn off all cell phones and check them at the door.

The USBF reserves the right to wand anyone entering the playing field.



2023 USBCs Hospitality

Although the Covid situation has improved, it is still out there. To keep our players and staff safe, we want to keep the number of people in the suite to a minimum at any one time. Our wonderful hostesses, Maya Alela and Marie-France Benoit will host you in our usual suite (Room 2321). Grab and go breakfast and lunch each day, except that on the first Monday and Tuesday, when lunch will be available in the Copper, Sage, and Maize meeting rooms off the corridor running from the hotel's front door to the back door.

Seniors and Women's: On Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, breakfast will be in the hospitality suite, but lunch will be in the Slate Room at the front of the hotel.

The hotel will be doing what they do best, salads and on Sunday house made chips. We will be providing the main courses from local restaurants. On Friday, lunch will be from 1:00-3:30; on Saturday and Sunday, lunch will be from 2:00-4:00. From Monday on, lunch will be in the hospitality suite from a little before 2:00-4:00.

There will be a main dish (sandwiches, chicken, main dish salads, pizza) as well as tuna salad, green salad, cheese, fruit and berries. Also, all the individual packages of add-ons we have for breakfast plus water and soft drinks will be available in refrigerators.

Let us know what you want: If you have specific needs or prohibition, please let Maya or Marie-France know and they will do their very best to provide food that meets your needs.

Your hostesses would appreciate it if you would mask-up when in the hospitality area especially when crowded. Thank you!!



More on Hospitality and Regulations...



Marie-France

Playing Rooms & Player's Break Room

We will have bottled water in the playing rooms and if there is a refrigerator in a playing room we'll stock it with soft drinks.

We will also have bottled water in the Player's Break Room (1321), as well as soft drinks, Nespresso, some packaged snacks, and some fruit. We are working in that room and would appreciate it if you try to keep voices low.

Masks will be required in playing rooms only if your screenmate asks you to wear one. You do not have to put on a mask when you summon a director or ask someone to bring you coffee or water or escort you outside to smoke.

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

Sudoku 1

I asked my parachute instructor what happens if it doesn't open. He said you're jumping to a conclusion.



Hard Sudoku

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Sudoku 2

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

Ed. Note: With delayed broadcasting, it is especially challenging to watch every hand for write ups. If anyone has a hand of particular interest, please send me the board number & match and I will review it. Email to stansubeck@prodigy.net. Thank you. Suzi



Puzzle Page ...

Old TV Shows 2

Find and circle all of the old TV shows that are hidden in the grid.
The remaining letters spell the name of an additional old TV show.

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

A-TEAM
ALF
AIRWOLF
BARETTA
BARNABY JONES
BENSON
BIG VALLEY
BONANZA
CHEERS
COACH
DALLAS

DOCTOR WHO
DYNASTY
EQUALIZER
FALCON CREST
FAME
FANTASY ISLAND
FISH
FLINTSTONES
FULL HOUSE
GROWING PAINS
HAWAII FIVE-O

HEE HAW
HUNTER
JEFFERSONS
KNIGHT RIDER
MACGYVER
MAVERICK
MAYBERRY R.F.D.
MISTER ED
MUNSTERS
NANNY

NEWHART
NIGHT COURT
OUTER LIMITS
PRISONER
S.W.A.T.
SILVER SPOONS
T.J. HOOKER
TWILIGHT ZONE
VIRGINIAN
WEBSTER

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August 28 – September 2

MARRAKECH GRAND PRIX TRANSNATIONAL BOARD-A-MATCH (BAM) TEAMS

August 30 – September 1



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WORLD TRANSNATIONAL OPEN SWISS KO TEAMS

August 28 – September 2

- ♣ WBF titles, medals and Masterpoints
- ♣ 2 Days of Swiss Qualifying followed by 3 (4 if reaching the Final) days of KO
- ♣ A "stand-alone" championship, including non-qualifiers from the Bermuda Bowl (BB), Venice Cup (VC), D'Orsi Trophy (DOT) and Wuhan Cup (WC)
- ♣ Players eliminated on day 2 or 3 can enter the Marrakech GP Transnational BAM Teams free of charge

MARRAKECH GRAND PRIX TRANSNATIONAL BAM TEAMS

August 30 – September 1

- ♣ WBF titles, medals and Masterpoints
- ♣ 2 Days of Qualifying followed by Finals A and B (everyone plays for 3 days)
- ♣ A "stand-alone" championship, including players eliminated in the Quarterfinals of the Bermuda Bowl (BB), Venice Cup (VC), D'Orsi Trophy (DOT) and Wuhan Cup (WC)

ENTRY FEES - BOTH EVENTS TOGETHER

♣ Players from the BB, VC, DOT and WC	Free
♣ New players (per player)	350 €
♣ Moroccan BF members (per player)	250 €
♣ Youth players - U26 (per player)	175 €

ENTRY FEES - BAM ONLY

♣ Players from the BB, VC, DOT and WC	Free
♣ New players (per player)	250 €
♣ Moroccan BF members (per player)	150 €
♣ Youth players - U26 (per player)	100 €

The total Entry Fee for a Team is the sum of the 4 highest paying players, i.e. a maximum of € 1,400 respectively € 1,000.



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The **Bermuda Bowl**, **Venice Cup**, **d'Orsi Senior Bowl** and the **Wuhan Cup** are for national teams, respectively Open, Women, Seniors and Mixed, representing their countries, qualified from the 8 WBF Zonal Conferences.

The **World Transnational Open Teams** is open, without any qualification, to all teams, national or transnational, which want to participate, accordingly to the conditions of contest.

The **World Bridge Teams Championships**, the oldest WBF Championship, grew out of private initiatives principally by the late Norman Bach. The first world championship for the Bermuda Bowl was held in 1950, in Bermuda, 8 years before the World Bridge Federation itself was formed. After the first event of the series, the Bermuda Bowl developed into a regular challenge match between the USA and the winners of the European Championship, but in 1957 the contest widened to included teams representing other zones of the WBF.

In 1974, in Venice, Italy, a new event was launched, the Venice Cup. It started as a challenge match between women's teams from the USA and Italy (Europe 's representative) and today it is the equivalent of Bermuda Bowl for women, organized under the same laws and format.

A third series, the Senior Bowl, for senior players was added in 2001. Ernesto d'Orsi, Past President of the WBF and a member of the WBF Committee of Honor and the WBF Executive Council, presented the d'Orsi Seniors Trophy for the winners of this Championship at the World Teams Championships held in Brazil in 2009.

In March 2018 in Philadelphia the Executive Council added a fourth series for Mixed Teams starting from 2019 in Wuhan, China. This new event was named after the City of Wuhan which presented the prestigious trophy and provided, and will provide for the future editions, replicas for the winners.

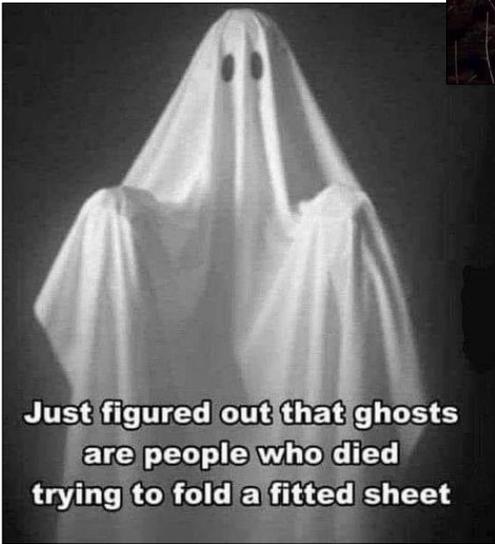
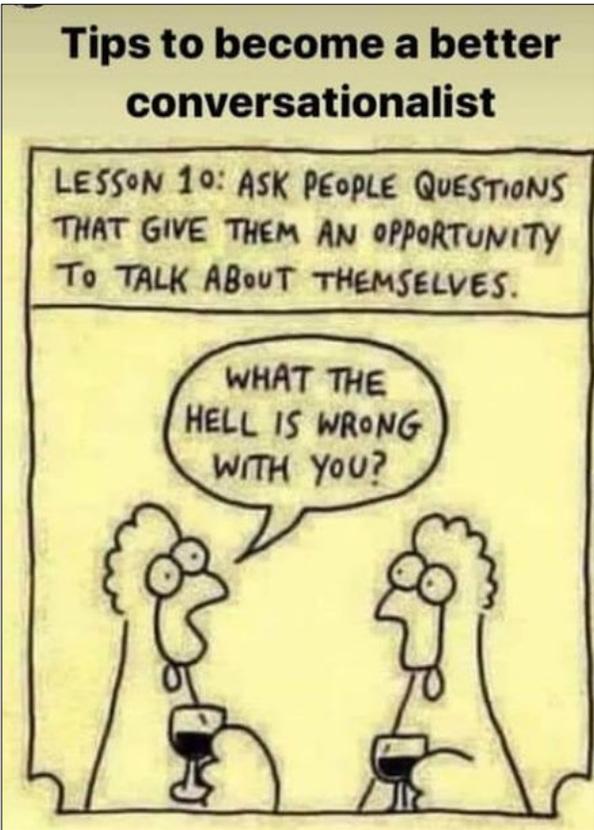
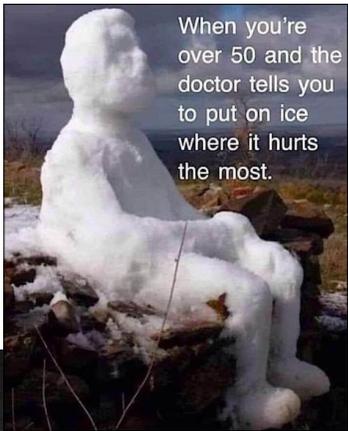
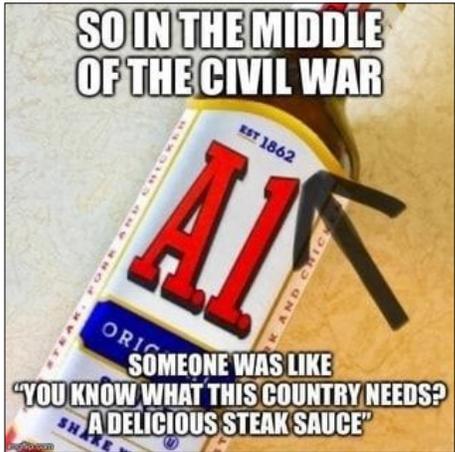
WHAT DO YOU
CALL TWO
OCTOPUSES THAT
LOOK THE SAME
—
ITENTICLE

Don't stress about
your eyesight
failing as you
get older.
It's nature's
way of
protecting you
from shock as
you walk past the mirror.



A-Pun, A-Two, A-Three!
Senior Humor!

You know you're old
anytime you're
entering your DOB
with a smartphone
you get to the year
and you have to spin
that bitch like you're
on Wheel of Fortune.



I've often heard that "icy" is the easiest word to spell.
Looking at it now, I see why.

Logic Puzzle...

	Brass	Elliot	Kelly	Payne	White	catcher	center field	first base	second base	shortstop	3	3	4	4	5	single	double	triple	home run	grand slam	
Bill																					
Dan																					
Cody																					
Mark																					
Rich																					
single																					
double																					
triple																					
home run																					
grand slam																					
3																					
3																					
4																					
4																					
5																					
catcher																					
center field																					
first base																					
second base																					
shortstop																					

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First Name	Last Name	Position Played	# of Hits	Scoring Hit

Last night's baseball game was great! Both teams played very well with first one team, then the other in the lead. While both teams had many hits during the game, there were five that were particularly spectacular and which allowed their team to score runs. Oddly, each star hitter played a different defensive position, and each drove in runs with a different hit. Determine the full name of each batter, the defensive position each played, the total number of hits each had for the night (from 3 to 5), and what type of hit each got that allowed their team to score runs.

1. Dan, whose last name wasn't Kelly, didn't play center field. Mr. Payne, who didn't play first base, didn't get five hits for the night. Mr. Kelly was the catcher, but he didn't hit a home run.
2. The two players that got four hits were the player that hit the grand slam and Mr. Brass.
3. Rich White didn't hit a triple. Cody's last name wasn't Elliot. Dan hit a single.
4. The shortstop got five hits for the night but didn't hit the home run. The center field player hit a triple.
5. Mark, whose last name wasn't Elliot, played second base. Bill, whose last name wasn't Kelly, didn't hit a home run.
6. The player whose position was at first base hit a double, but he didn't get four hits for the night. Bill, who wasn't the shortstop, didn't get three hits.

Meet the Players...

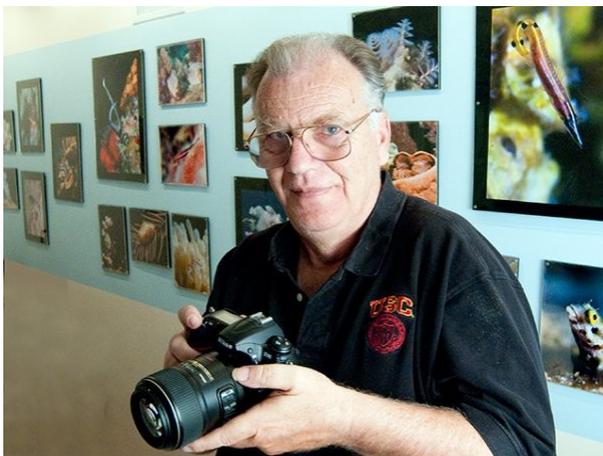
When the ACBL canceled the Columbus NABC, **Tom Reynolds** decided to try and put together a large, Double Elimination, Vanderbilt style knock out to be played at bridgebase.com. Reynolds' Team Matches were born.

Tom was Life Master 10718 in 1969 but took many years off from playing the game. Real Life got in the way. His vocation was that of an engineer and business owner. His avocation was that of a Pastor at two convalescent homes in the Los Angeles, California area. This keeps him busy and limits his weekend bridge.

Tom strives to play bridge teams events against the very best players. You might encounter him at the table at the USBF Trials, the Spingold, or the Vanderbilt but rarely ever in a match point event.

In the early 60's he started out playing Neapolitan Club that morphed into what is now called Precision. These days he plays a super light opening, forcing diamond system. His bridgebase handle is tomreynold.

Today, Tom serves on the Board of Directors of the USBF as Vice President of the Organization. He has given much to the game with his Reynolds Team Events. They were a lifeline for many during the early Pandemic.



From Tom's FaceBook page:

Chief operational officer at international cooling enterprises and **President (title)** at **Reynolds Sales & Consulting**

Past: ILAN Systems and Reynolds Rents

Studied at New Jersey Institute of Technology
Graduated in 1965

Lives in **Los Angeles, California**

Married to **Ginnie Reynolds**

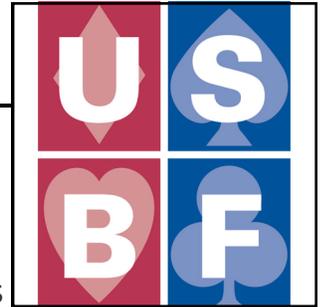
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2	3	6	7	1	4	5	8	9
7	8	9	2	6	5	4	3	1
6	9	8	1	7	2	3	5	4
3	4	7	5	9	6	8	1	2
5	2	1	3	4	8	9	6	7
1	5	3	9	2	7	6	4	8
8	7	4	6	5	1	2	9	3
9	6	2	4	8	3	1	7	5

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

Sudoku Answers Puzzles on Page 7

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.

**I THOUGHT
GROWING OLD WOULD
TAKE LONGER.**

My super power is holding onto junk for years and throwing it away a week before I need it.

Some call it multi-tasking, I call it doing something else while I try to remember what I was doing in the first place

Rich	White	first base	3	double
Mark	Payne	second base	3	home run
Cody	Kelly	catcher	4	grand slam
Dan	Elliot	shortstop	5	single
Bill	Brass	center field	4	triple
First Name	Last Name	Position Played	# of Hits	Scoring Hit

Answer to Puzzle on page 11



Bridge: A MindSport For All

Connects People, Challenges Minds

Sam Punch is an amazingly hard worker and a wonderful promoter of our game! She has worked wonders in the last several years organizing and heading BAMSA. We support her wonderful work and hope you support it too!

Bridge, Youth and Schools



Who am I? My name is Samantha Punch, Professor of Sociology at the University of Stirling, UK. I lead the international work of BAMSA.

What is BAMSA? *Bridge: A MindSport for All* (BAMSA) is a research project working collaboratively with bridge organisations to increase the number of players and transform the image of the mindsport.

BAMSA believes that bridge can be promoted as a potential solution to tackle big societal issues of social isolation, loneliness, mental health problems, inclusivity and healthy ageing.

BAMSA's new study

The new project aims to develop academic evidence that demonstrates the skills and wide-ranging benefits that bridge, as a mindsport, can offer young people. The study will investigate the benefits and challenges of teaching bridge in schools. The goal is to encourage schools to take bridge as seriously as chess, and mindsport education as seriously as physical education.

How can donating help?

By donating, you enable BAMSA to conduct this work in the USA as well as Europe. The funding pays for the researchers to interview school teachers, bridge teachers, pupils and parents to explore what helps and hinders learning bridge. The funds are used to develop practical resources from the findings to enable growth of youth bridge communities in USA and Europe.

How can I donate? ***All donations will be doubled* (matched by Levine Foundation)**

Online via the University website: www.stir.ac.uk/carddonate Scroll to the bottom of the page and choose single gift, this will direct you to our donation form where you can select "Bridge Research Project" as your designated cause.

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Thank You! Need more information?

Contact Sam with any queries – s.v.punch@stir.ac.uk

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BAMSA: BRIDGE: A Mindsport for All

**Please pick up a Chicago NABC flyer before you leave Schaumburg.
We want to see you there!!
Rooms are filling.**

We have engaged the Intercontinental as our overflow hotel!

Also, grab a Chicago NABC Convention Card Sticker from the table in the Break Room where the newsletters are.

From Jan Martel...

Once again this year, we've been able to persuade Ela, the wonderful massage therapist we've had in the past, to come to the Hyatt to help us unwind. Ela is flexible, but since she has a fairly long commute, she would prefer that we try to have 3 or 4 people in a row, which is why I am asking you to let me know in advance if you think you will want a massage on a specific day and in a specific time frame. If we all cooperate on this, I can set things up in advance.

Of course if you don't know now when you'll be sitting out or how much you will want a massage, you can talk to me in room 1321 when you're ready and I'll try to accommodate you. People who let me know in advance will get priority!

I will consult Ela as to what her fees are. I'll have her set up a table in my room (5117) and will give her a key to the room so she can access it.



**Join ABC
ACBL BIDDING CONTEST**

Bid these Bidding Box hands on your phone or tablet!

ABC is a *free*, ongoing weekly bidding contest organized by the ACBL using the app **bid72**. Enter the contest with your partner and automatically receive 5 hands on your phone/tablet every week. Compare your results with hundreds of other pairs. Monthly promotion/relegation ensures an exciting challenge for everyone. Please visit www.bid72.com/abc for more details and registration.

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Extra: Bidding Box hands will be included in ABC two weeks before the Bridge Bulletin is published.

Women's
Humor:

**During labor,
the pain is so great
that a woman can
almost imagine what
a man feels like
when he has a fever.**



BOARD: 1
DEALER: NORTH
VULNERABLE: NONE

♠ KT
♥ Q6432
♦ 743
♣ J85

♠ 7543
♥ 5
♦ AKJ8
♣ AT64

♠ AJ8
♥ 87
♦ Q965
♣ KQ72

Par: -140

NS	♣	♦	♥	♠	N
EW	10	10	5	9	8

♠ Q962
♥ AKJT9
♦ T2
♣ 93

Home team	Visiting team	Room	By	=	★	IMP	
						NS EW Home Visiting	
Cole	Baker	Open	4♠	E	♥A	-1 50	8
		Closed	4♥x	N	♥8	-2 300	
Wittes	Cappelletti	Open	4♦	E	♥A	= 130	5
		Closed	5♣	E	♥K	-1 50	

Dave Caprera sent a hand from Olivia Schireson... and as David points out, "Olivia is the future of this game!" (hand included later in this newsletter on page 19) And in writing, he points out that no two tables had the same auction on Board 1 from yesterday's action. Looking at the Women's ... with only four tables in play... note that no two tables played in the same strain!! Also note that on the traveler online, the suits go in order! One in 4S, one in 4H, one in 4D and one in 5C! High technology, though sometimes frustrating, can be entertaining!

BOARD: 2
DEALER: EAST
VULNERABLE: N-S

♠ AK632
♥ K2
♦ 75
♣ T952

♠ 7
♥ AJT875
♦ KJ92
♣ 84

♠ JT84
♥ Q93
♦ T863
♣ AQ

Par: 100

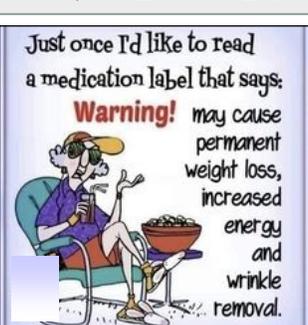
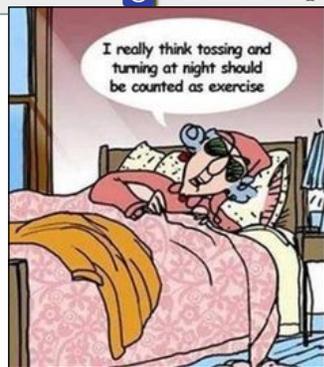
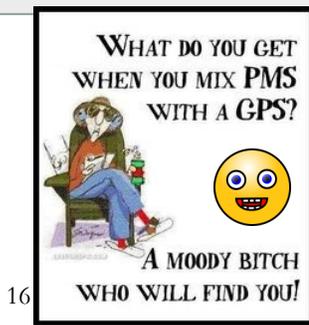
N	♣	♦	♥	♠	N
5	9	4	4	9	7
EW	3	8	9	4	4

♠ Q95
♥ 64
♦ AQ4
♣ KJ763

Home team	Visiting team	Room	By	=	★	IMP	
						NS EW Home Visiting	
1 Cole	Baker	Open	4♠	N	♥3	-1 100	100
		Closed	4♠	N	♥3	-1 100	
2 Wittes	Cappelletti	Open	4♠	N	♥3	-1 100	100
		Closed	4♠	N	♥3	-1 100	

It's ironic that immediately following the Board where every table used a different auction and arrived in a different suit, the next Board was as flat as it gets! Same contract, same declarer, same opening lead (down to the same spot), same result.)

You just can't make up things like this!!



Board 5 is “A Tale of Two Tables” in the Women’s.

First, in Cappelletti/Wittes, Rozanne Pollack was the only declarer to succeed in 3NT... and three of the four tables in the Women’s played it there! What was the difference at that table?

(Ed. Note: This is for Jack Oest, USBF Recorder) What saved Rozanne and Cheri was their opening 10-12 NT!!!

All the other tables in the Women’s played from West where the inevitable lead from North was a spade... DOOMED!

At Pollack’s table, after the above auction, Allison Cappelletti made what looks like the “best” lead based on the information she has: She led the CJ (Rusinow). On a spade lead, declarer has no chance! On the lead of the CJ, Roseanne won the ace, knocked out the DA, and even though Cappelletti found the spade lead at this point, it was too late. Pollack collected one spade, four hearts, one diamond and three clubs. 10 IMPs to Wittes

The other tale is how Tebha and Botta got to one of the two truly makeable games: 4H in their Moysian fit. (Note 5D is makeable too)

Par: -450

	♣	♦	♥	♠	N
NS	2	1	1	7	1
EW	10	11	11	6	8

Botta opened 1D; Tebha responded 1H; **Botta raised with THREE!**

Botta had a ruffing value in spades and playing a Moysian with ruffs coming in the short hand is frequently right.

In this case, it was irrelevant because both East and West hold doubleton spades but the 3-card raise was still successful!

McCallum led the SK which Tebha ducked. Karen shifted to the C7 to the 8, J, A. The D9 went to the king and ace. Baker returned the C4, won by Tebha’s C6! Tebha pulled trump in four rounds. She finessed the DT and claimed 11 tricks!

11 IMPs to Cole

BOARD: 9
DEALER: NORTH
VULNERABLE: E-W

♠ J
♥ KJ94
♦ T63
♣ KT987

♠ A86
♥ AT865
♦ KQ4
♣ AQ

♠ KT73
♥ Q732
♦ J8
♣ 652

Par: -140

	♣	♦	♥	♠	N
NS	7	7	4	5	5
EW	6	5	9	7	7

♠ Q9542
♥
♦ A9752
♣ J43

Home team Visiting team Room By = IMP

	NS	EW	Home	Visiting
W1 Cole Baker	Open 4♥ W ♠J -2	200		14
	Closed 4♥x W ♠J =	790		
W2 Wittes Cappelletti	Open 4♥ W ♠J -1	100		3
	Closed 4♥ W ♠J -2	200		

There was a 14 IMP swing on Board 9 in the Women's. At three tables, declarer played in 4H going down one or two. At one table, declarer played in 4HX and made it!

How did it make?

It is easy to see how 4H could ... and should ... fail. The defense is entitled to two heart tricks, the DA and the CK.

HOME CARDS SPLIT

W	N	E	S
PASS	PASS	2♣	
DBL	PASS	2NT	PASS
3♥	PASS	4♥	PASS
PASS	DBL	PASS	PASS

2NT=relay to 3C

DEALER 9 WEST EAST SOUTH

Score card Frequency

DDS

♠ J
♥ KJ94
♦ T63
♣ KT987

N Karen McCallum

♠ A86
♥ AT865
♦ KQ4
♣ AQ

W Anam Tebha

♠ KT73
♥ Q732
♦ J8
♣ 652

E Giorgia Botta

♠ Q9542
♥
♦ A9752
♣ J43

S Lynn Baker

WEST 4♥x

In Baker/Cole, Baker opened an aggressive 2S in third seat on a 5-card suit to the queen.

Her opponents, Tebha and Botta, paid no heed and drove to 4H. McCallum doubled and they played it there.

McCallum led her stiff SJ. Tebha won the ace. Tebha cashed the HA, actually allowing the defense an opportunity to defeat the contract TWO tricks as long as Baker shifts to a club when she wins her DA.

Tebha played a heart to dummy's queen, McCallum ducking. The DJ was won with Baker's ace and Baker played the S9 instead of the aforementioned club!! The S9 was an odd play from the Q into the KT tenace in dummy, but the defense could still recover if McCallum trumps the spade, cashes a trump, and exits with a diamond. Eventually she will score her CK for the setting trick. McCallum, apparently hoping declarer would be forced to take a club hook into her hand so she could draw both of dummy's trump, discarded a diamond! Oops!!

Declarer played two rounds of diamonds and McCallum realized she was endplayed unless partner had the CQ. She ruffed the second diamond, played the HK and led a low club into declarer's AQ! Contract making.

Live by the sword, die by the sword... sometimes when you open a bad 5-card weak two, partner is the one who gets fooled!

14 IMPs to Cole

♠ AT9xx
♥ Kxx
♦ x
♣ xxxxx

Olivia Schireson submitted this hand as a puzzle to David Caprera. David found it beyond challenging, solved it and sent it us to see if we could work it out.

David says, "Olivia is the future of the game. She is 17 years old, finishing high school and taking a gap year before entering Colorado College."

♠ xx
♥ 6
♦ KQJxxxxxx
♣ 9x



♠ KJ8xx
♥ JT8
♦ x
♣ QJTx

He continues, "Olivia played great against Annie, me and our teammates at the USBC in the Mixed Teams despite playing Sam Dinkin's confusing system."

David admits that he did not work out the solution to this hand without help...

The auction:

♠ Q
♥ AQ97xx
♦ Axx
♣ AKx

South	West	North	East
1H	4D	4H	Pass
6H	All Pass		

Soooooo...

Stan set out to work through it himself. After a couple of frustrating hours, he believed he'd solved it but it was not is correct. He worked another hour and figured it out!

Declarer wins the DA and trumps a diamond in dummy. East DOES NOT overruff (discards a spade).

If East overruffs and returns a trump, declarer can win the trump in hand and trump a second diamond with the HK. They can then cross to hand with the CK and run trumps.

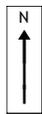
The 4-card end position would look like this:

♠ AT9
♥
♦
♣ x

When declarer cashes the last trump, East is squeezed in the black suits.

When East chose not to overruff, declarer had a problem. The count remained unrectified and the necessary squeeze would not operate.

♠ Immaterial
♥
♦
♣



♠ KJ
♥
♦
♣ QJ

♠ Q
♥ X
♦
♣ Kx



Olivia Schireson

Spoiler Alert: Do NOT read on if you want to solve it yourself!

When East doesn't overruff, declarer must cross to the CA and trump another diamond low. If East doesn't overruff that trick, declarer has 12 tricks (6 hearts, 2 clubs, one spade, one diamond and 2 ruffs.)

Therefore, East must overruff and exit a club or a heart. Declarer now runs the trumps to produce the position above.

USA2

Cross IMPs

1.	Jeff Roman - Robbie Hopkins	Lusky	2.07	93.00	45
2.	Marc Jacobus - Eddie Wold	Lall	1.37	61.67	45
3.	Phil Becker - Ken Kranyak	Cappelli	0.17	7.67	45
4.	Bart Bramley - Kit Woolsey	Lall	0.13	4.00	30
5.	John Lusky - Allan Falk	Lusky	0.10	4.67	45
6.	Hemant Lall - Reese Milner	Lall	0.07	3.33	45
7.	Fred Stewart - Steve Beatty	Beatty	0.02	1.00	60
8.	Bob Cappelli - Bob Bitterman	Cappelli	-0.60	-27.00	45
9.	Jim Foster - Mark Jones	Lusky	-0.71	-21.33	30
10.	Dennis Clerkin - Jerry Clerkin	Beatty	-1.29	-77.33	60
11.	Pat McDevitt - Mark Aquino	Cappelli	-1.66	-49.67	30

1.	Linda Lewis - Paul Lewis	Lewis	1.06	31.67	30
2.	Andy Goodman - Mike Passell	Goodman	0.76	22.67	30
3.	Jeff Wolfson - Steve Garner	Wolfson	0.72	21.67	30
4.	Doug Doub - Adam Wildavsky	Lewis	0.58	17.33	30
5.	Mike Becker - Bobby Levin	Wolfson	0.39	17.33	45
6.	Neil Chambers - John Schermer	Hamman	0.33	15.00	45
7.	David Berkowitz - Larry Cohen	Wolfson	-0.34	-15.33	45
8.	Pratap Rajadhyaksha - Venkatrao Koneru	Goodman	-0.39	-17.33	45
9.	Peter Weichsel - Bob Hamman	Hamman	-0.45	-20.33	45
10.	Neil Silverman - Mark Itabashi	Lewis	-0.48	-28.67	60
11.	Ross Grabel - Mitch Dunitz	Hamman	-0.50	-15.00	30
12.	Jim Krekorian - Drew Casen	Goodman	-0.64	-29.00	45

1.	Giorgia Botta - Anam Tebha	Cole	0.97	87.67	90
2.	Joanne Weingold - Allison Cappelletti	Cappelletti	0.90	80.67	90
3.	Connie Goldberg - Lisa Berkowitz	Wittes	0.81	36.67	45
4.	Janice Molson - Disa Eythorsdottir	Baker	0.66	39.33	60
5.	Margie Cole - Emma Kolesnik	Cole	0.34	10.33	30
6.	Irina Levitina - Margie Cole	Cole	-0.09	-2.67	30
7.	Ljudmila Kamenova - Pam Wittes	Wittes	-0.18	-10.67	60
8.	Gigi Simpson - Kristen Onsgard	Cappelletti	-0.49	-44.00	90
9.	Jill Meyers - Kerri Sanborn	Baker	-0.66	-39.33	60
10.	Rozanne Pollack - Cheri Bjerkan	Wittes	-0.84	-62.67	75
11.	Karen McCallum - Lynn Baker	Baker	-1.02	-61.33	60
12.	Emma Kolesnik - Irina Levitina	Cole	-1.13	-34.00	30

Seniors

USA1

Womens

Limey Jack

Hallo Colonials:

The Fillies are definitely not performing as the racing programme would have one believe. These shorter matches always favour the underdog. In the Ladies final for USA1, it will be the two unsung teams of Cole and Cappelletti.

Limey Jack would normally expect a let-down after a momentous upset, but they both triumphed over stronger oppos. Cole is in much better position for having now claimed the one seed, and they shall prevail.

Wittes-Baker: The two pre-tourney favourites yet only one can move on. And even that is no longer underwritten by the Royal Bank of Scotland. Baker will triumph for now.

Last Limey Jack saw of Howie Dung he was being taken to the Gaol for impersonating a writer. Maybe he will be silenced for a day or two.

Cheers, LJ



Mirror Mirror on the Wall,
Who is gonna take it all?

Howie Doing...

I just fell through
A rabbit hole.
The underdogs
Are on a roll!

Like one is two
And two is one.
And all I want
Is to have fun!

The matchups
Are just as I'd said,
To see what I saw,
Just stand on your head!

The winners are losers
And tossed all about.
Those out should be in
And in should be out!

Cappelletti v Cole,
Who's high and who's low?
I'm picking Margie,
But what do I know?

If I have to pick
A mover or shaker,
I pick against Wittes,
And pick for Ms. Baker!

BOARD: 20
DEALER: WEST
VULNERABLE: ALL

♠ JT854
♥ J954
♦ J63
♣ 2

♠ Q73
♥ QT
♦ AK98754
♣ 5

♠ AK96
♥ 2
♦ AKJT9643
♣ AKJT9643

♠ 2
♥ AK8763
♦ QT2
♣ Q87

Par: -600

	♣	♦	♥	♠	N
N	1	3	7	4	6
S	:	:	:	3	5
EW	11	10	4	8	7

Home team Visiting team Room By IMP

Slam looks to be a great proposition on Board 20, and, indeed, two of four tables bid to 6C. Both were in Wittes v Capelletti.

There is no hope for the minor suit slam.

A heart lead gains one trick for N/S and they can sit back and rely on the unfavorable trump lie to score their Qxx of clubs!

It is about as unlucky as one can get!

In Cole/Baker, Molson and Disa got to 5C and made it.

	NS	EW	Home	Visiting
V1 Cole Baker	Open 5♣ E ♥K =	600		13
	Closed 5♦ W ♣2 -2	200		
V2 Wittes Capelletti	Open 6♣ E ♥A -1	100		
	Closed 6♣ E ♥K -1	100		

At the other table where Tebha and Botta were West and East respectively, Tebha bid and rebid diamonds at the 1, 3, 4, and 5 levels until Botta bowed out gracefully. The 7-0 did not prove a pleasant place to play. Declarer had to lose two hearts, a spade and diamond from the start. 13 IMPs to Baker

Board 21 explains why South is always declarer in the newspapers. Whether you play in clubs, diamonds or NT, South takes more tricks (see frequency table below!)

At the actual tables, there was a 12 IMP swing in each match when one table bid game and the other bid slam. The slams either made or went down while the games all made.

In the Open Room of Cole/Baker, 6D had no play from North when Molson led a spade through the king from her queen to her partner's AJ.

6C from South will make in any case. Bjerkan led the SA. Declarer pulled trump and claimed.

BOARD: 21
DEALER: NORTH
VULNERABLE: N-S

♠ T5
♥ 5
♦ AKQJ972
♣ 654

♠ AJ97
♥ Q964
♦ 854
♣ 98

♠ Q642
♥ J873
♦ 63
♣ JT2

♠ K83
♥ AKT2
♦ T
♣ AKQ73

Par: 1440

	♣	♦	♥	♠	N
N	11	11	8	7	9
S	12	12	:	8	12
EW	0	0	5	4	0

Home team Visiting team Room By IMP

	NS	EW	Home	Visiting
V1 Cole Baker	Open 6♦ N ♠4 -1	100		12
	Closed 5♦ N ♠4 =	600		
V2 Wittes Capelletti	Open 3N S ♠7 +4	720		12
	Closed 6♣ S ♠A =	1370		