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**"Trials" and Tribulations ... Oldies but Goodies!**

## Results:

Women's USBC USA2 - 2023											
USA2Final (120 boards)			Set score of form "Ax" or "Rx" indicates pending Appeal or Ruling. IMPs Total may change.								
22-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)
2	Cappelletti	49	18	18	3	10					
3	Baker	136	42	30	50	14					

**USA2**

#	TEAM	IMPs Total	SET #1	SET #2	SET #3	SET #4	SET #5	SET #6	Penalty (IMPs)
3	Lewis - wins tie	222	43	42	42	42	19	34	
6	Lall	163.75	26	32	24	25	31	28	-2.25
4	Wolfson - wins tie	177	28	37	13	34	39	26	
5	Lusky	118.25	9	31	26	13	28	15	-3.75

**USA2 USA1 Final  
USA2 semifinals**

Senior USBC USA2 - 2023											
SemiFinal (90 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	Penalty (IMPs)		
3	Lewis	56	15	41							
4	Wolfson - wins tie	71	45	26							



Casen, Koneru, Passell,  
Pratap, Krekorian, Goodman

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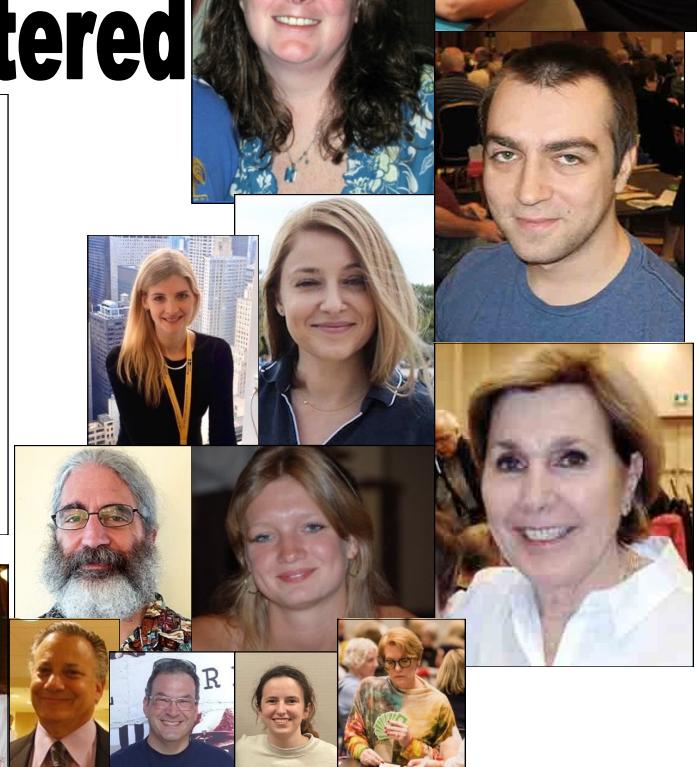
# Senior Teams Entered

<b>Beatty</b>	<b>Steve Beatty, Capt</b> Jeff Aker Dennis Clerkin	<b>Fred Stewart</b> Doug Simson Jerry Clerkin
<b>Cappelli</b>	<b>Bob Cappelli, Capt</b> Ken Kranyak Mark Aquino	<b>Bob Bitterman</b> Phil Becker Pat McDevitt
<b>Goodman</b>	<b>Andy Goodman, Capt</b> Drew Casen Venkatrao Koneru	<b>Mike Passell</b> Jim Krekorian Pratap Rajadhyaksha
<b>Hamman</b>	<b>Bob Hamman</b> Neil Chambers Mitch Dunitz, Capt	<b>Peter Weichsel</b> John Schermer Ross Grabel
<b>Lall</b>	<b>Hemant Lall, Capt</b> Bart Bramley Eddie Wold	<b>Reese Milner</b> Kit Woolsey Marc Jacobus
<b>Lewis</b>	<b>Paul Lewis, Capt</b> Mark Itabashi Doug Doub	<b>Linda Lewis</b> Neil Silverman Adam Wildavsky
<b>Lusky</b>	<b>John Lusky, Capt</b> Jim Foster Jeff Roman	<b>Allan Falk</b> Mark Jones Robbie Hopkins
<b>Reynolds</b>	<b>Tom Reynolds, Capt</b> Bill Hall George Jacobs	<b>Lance Kerr</b> Joe Viola Craig Gardner
<b>Wolfson</b>	<b>Jeff Wolfson, Capt</b> David Berkowitz Larry Cohen	<b>Steve Garner</b> Mike Becker Bobby Levin



# Women's Teams Entered

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



# Question:

Carol was creating a family tree, but had trouble tracking down her mother's birthdate. The only clue she found was a letter written from her grandfather to her grandmother on the day her mother was born. Unfortunately, some of the characters were smudged out, represented here with a “\_\_”. (The length of the line does not reflect the number of smudged characters.)

“Dear Virginia,

Little did I know when I headed to work this Monday morning, that by evening we would have a beautiful baby girl. And on our wedding anniversary, no less! It makes me think back to that incredible weekend day, J\_\_ 27th, 19\_\_, when we first shared our vow to create a family together, and, well, here we are! Happy eighth anniversary, my love.

Love, Edwin”

**The question: When was Carol’s mother born?**

To solve this problem, you need to know some calendar rules:

- There are 366 days in each Leap Year.
- Leap Years occur every four years *except* in years that are divisible by 100, and *except-except* in years that are divisible by 400.
- Thus, 1900 is the only year in the 20th century that is divisible by 4, but *not* a leap year.

Since 365 divided by seven days of the week has a remainder of 1, any date will move forward one day of the week after every non-leap year. So if July 31st is a Friday in 2020, we know it will be a Saturday in 2021. And since 366 divided by 7 has a remainder of 2, any date will move forward two days of the week when it passes a leap day.

For example, since July 31st was a Wednesday in 2019, we know it must be a Friday in 2020. (The Leap Day occurred in February 2020.)

From Edwin’s letter to Virginia, we can surmise the following three things:

- The month in which they were married was January, June, or July.
- They were married on a weekend day.
- Eight years later, their anniversary was on a Monday.

Almost all eight-year periods involve passing over six non-Leap Years and two Leap Years. This means you’d advance by one day of the week for each of the non-Leap Years, and two days of the week for each of the two Leap Years. In total, you’d advance by 10 days of the week, which is the same as advancing by 3 days of the week.

This means if Edwin and Virginia’s wedding date was on a Saturday, eight years later should be a Tuesday, and if their wedding date was a Sunday, eight years later should be a Wednesday. But we know eight years after Edwin and Virginia’s wedding was a Monday.

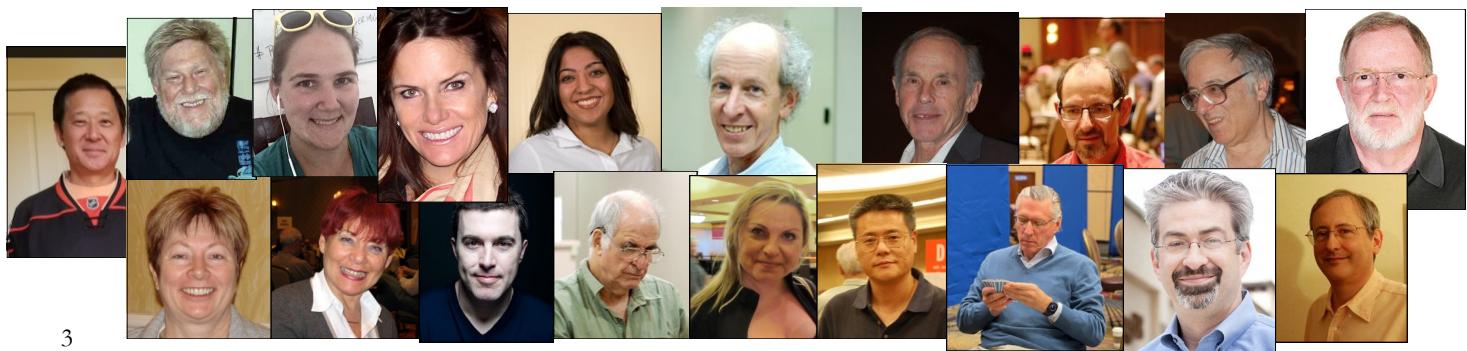
This can only occur if the eight-year period includes only one Leap Year, which means the eight-year period in question must have started in 1900! Furthermore, they must have been married *before* February 28th, as dates after February 28th in 1900 would still pass two Leap Days over an eight-year period.

# Hint:

## Answer to puzzle above:

on January 27th, 1901!

So, since the month started with J, we now have the complete answer: Edwin and Virginia must have been married on January 27th, 1900, which means Carol’s mother must have been born



## 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
		2:30 - 3:45	75 MINUTE LUNCH BREAK
		4:00 - 5:15	MATCH 3 - BOARDS 21-30
SATURDAY	MAY 20	5:45 - 7:45	MATCH 4 - BOARDS 31-40
		10:00 - 11:15	MATCH 5 - BOARDS 41-50
		11:30 - 12:45	MATCH 6 - BOARDS 51-60
		2:00 - 3:15	75 MINUTE LUNCH BREAK
		3:30 - 4:45	MATCH 7 - BOARDS 61-70
SUNDAY	MAY 21	5:00 - 6:15	MATCH 8 - BOARDS 71-80
		6:30 - 7:45	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
		3:30 - 5:30	75 MINUTE BREAK
		5:45 - 7:45	SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 31-45
MONDAY	MAY 22	5:45 - 7:45	SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 46-60
		10:00 - 12:00	SEGMENT 5 BOARDS 1-15
		12:15 - 2:15	SEGMENT 6 BOARDS 16-30
		3:30 - 5:30	75 MINUTE BREAK
TUESDAY	MAY 23	5:45 - 7:45	SEGMENT 7 BOARDS 31-45
		10:00 - 12:00	SEGMENT 8 BOARDS 46-60
		12:15 - 2:15	
		3:30 - 5:30	
USA1 FINAL & USA2 QUARTERFINAL			
TUESDAY	MAY 23	5:45 - 7:45	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-15
		10:00 - 12:00	SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 16-30
		12:15 - 2:15	75 MINUTE BREAK
		3:30 - 5:30	SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 31-45
WEDNESDAY	MAY 24	5:45 - 7:45	SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 46-60
		10:00 - 12:00	SEGMENT 5 BOARDS 1-15
		12:15 - 2:15	SEGMENT 6 BOARDS 16-30
		3:30 - 5:30	75 MINUTE BREAK
USA1 FINAL & USA2 SEMIFINAL			
WEDNESDAY	MAY 24	5:45 - 7:45	USA1 SEGMENT 7 BOARDS 31-45
		3:30 - 5:30	USA2 SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-15
THURSDAY	MAY 25	5:45 - 7:45	USA1 SEGMENT 8 BOARDS 46-60
		10:00 - 12:00	USA2 SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 16-30
		12:15 - 2:15	
		3:30 - 5:30	
USA2 SEMI FINAL			
FRIDAY	MAY 26	5:45 - 7:45	SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 31-45
		10:00 - 12:00	SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 46-60
		12:15 - 2:15	75 MINUTE BREAK
		3:30 - 5:30	SEGMENT 5 BOARDS 61-75
SATURDAY	MAY 27	5:45 - 7:45	SEGMENT 6 BOARDS 76-90
		10:00 - 12:00	
		12:15 - 2:15	
		3:30 - 5:30	
USA2 FINAL			
SATURDAY	MAY 27	5:45 - 7:45	SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 1-15
		10:00 - 12:00	SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 16-30
		12:15 - 2:15	75 MINUTE BREAK
		3:30 - 5:30	SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 46-60

## Beth Palmer Women's Schedule

USA1 SEMIFINAL			
SATURDAY	MAY 20	10:00 - 12:00 12:15 - 2:15 3:30 - 5:30 5:45 - 7:45	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-15 SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 16-30 75 MINUTE BREAK SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 31-45 SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 46-60
SUNDAY	MAY 21	10:00 - 12:00 12:15 - 2:15 3:30 - 5:30 5:45 - 7:45	SEGMENT 5 BOARDS 1-15 SEGMENT 6 BOARDS 16-30 75 MINUTE BREAK SEGMENT 7 BOARDS 31-45 SEGMENT 8 BOARDS 46-60
USA1 FINAL & USA2 SEMIFINAL			
MONDAY	MAY 22	10:00 - 12:00 12:15 - 2:15 3:30 - 5:30 5:45 - 7:45	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-15 SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 16-30 75 MINUTE BREAK SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 31-45 SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 46-60
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USA2 FINAL			
WEDNESDAY	MAY 24	10:00 - 12:00 12:15 - 2:15 3:30 - 5:30 5:45 - 7:45	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-15 SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 16-30 75 MINUTE BREAK SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 31-45 SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 46-60
THURSDAY	MAY 25	10:00 - 12:00 12:15 - 2:15 3:30 - 5:30 5:45 - 7:45	SEGMENT 5 BOARDS 1-15 SEGMENT 6 BOARDS 16-30 75 MINUTE BREAK SEGMENT 7 BOARDS 31-45 SEGMENT 8 BOARDS 46-60



## 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...

## 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.



Marie-France

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

Sudoku 1

# Hard Sudoku Solutions on Page 13

Sudoku 2

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

I now know how it will all end for me.....  
One of my kid's will unplug my life support to charge their phone.... 

“Kids today don’t know how easy they have it. When I was young, I had to walk 9 feet through shag carpet to change the TV channel.”

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](mailto:stansubeck@prodigy.net).

Thank you.  
Suzi



## Puzzle Page ...

### Beatles Songs 1

Find and circle all of the songs by The Beatles that are hidden in the grid.  
The remaining letters spell the name of an additional Beatles song.

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

ANOTHER GIRL	FLYING	IN MY LIFE	SOMETHING
ASK ME WHY	GET BACK	JULIA	SUN KING
BIRTHDAY	GETTING BETTER	LADY MADONNA	TAXMAN
BLACKBIRD	HELLO GOODBYE	LOVELY RITA	TELL ME WHY
CRY BABY CRY	HEY BULLDOG	MICHELLE	THE END
DAY TRIPPER	HEY JUDE	NO REPLY	TICKET TO RIDE
DEAR PRUDENCE	HONEY PIE	OH DARLING	TWO OF US
DIG A PONY	I ME MINE	PLEASE PLEASE ME	WAIT
ELEANOR RIGBY	I WILL	POLYTHENE PAM	YER BLUES
FIXING A HOLE	IF I FELL	SEXY SADIE	YESTERDAY

The WORLD BRIDGE FEDERATION presents

## WORLD TRANSNATIONAL OPEN SWISS AND KNOCKOUT TEAMS

August 28 - September 2

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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, according 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.

A struggling artist stops by a gallery that is exhibiting some of his work. The gallery owner says, "I have good news and bad news for you." I had a patron stop by and he wants to buy all your work... so long as I will guarantee him that it will double in value after you die."

"That's great! What could possibly be the bad news?"

"The gentleman is your doctor!"



**A couple of cows were smoking a joint and playing cards.  
That's right. The steaks were pretty high.**



**I WORK AT A FACTORY MAKING STUFFED TOY DRACULAS**



**I JUST WATCHED A PROGRAM ABOUT BEAVERS.**

**THERE ARE ONLY TWO OF US ON THE LINE SO I HAVE TO MAKE EVERY SECOND COUNT**

**IT WAS THE BEST DAM DOCUMENTARY I HAVE EVER SEEN.**

I was wondering why music was coming from my printer?

**MY DOCTOR DIAGNOSED ME WITH ANXIETY AND IRRITABLE BOWEL SYNDROME**

**IT WORRIES THE CRAP OUT OF ME**

Apparently the paper was jamming

# Logic Puzzle....

	Sanford	Shark	Smith	South	Strait	buffalo wings	cheese balls	meatballs	popcorn	vegetable platter	beer	espresso	margaritas	soda	sparkling water
Daryl															
Elliot															
Frank															
George															
Harry															
beer															
espresso															
margaritas															
soda															
sparkling water															
buffalo wings															
cheese balls															
meatballs															
popcorn															
vegetable platter															

**Answer on Page 13  
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First Name	Last Name	Snack	Drink

Last weekend was the Super Bowl game, the annual championship game for the US National Football League (NFL), and a game that was particularly anticipated this year by nationwide football fans. Greg and five of his friends were no exceptions, and they all met at Greg's home on Sunday afternoon – snacks in hand and decked out in their favorite team fan gear – ready to enjoy the game on Greg's large, widescreen TV. Determine the full name of Greg's friends, and what type of snack and drink each brought with them.

1. George didn't bring the popcorn. The friend who brought the sparkling water also brought the vegetable platter. Elliot's last name wasn't Shark.

2. Mr. Smith, whose first name wasn't Harry, brought the buffalo wings but not the soda.
3. Frank's last name wasn't Strait. The person who brought the meatballs wasn't Harry.
4. The espresso was brought by the person whose last name was South. Elliot didn't bring the margaritas.
5. George Sanford didn't bring the beer. Harry didn't bring the espresso. Daryl didn't bring the buffalo wings.
6. The five friends are Harry, the one who brought the cheese balls, the one whose last name is Shark, the one who brought the margaritas, and the one who brought the popcorn.

# Meet the Players...

Levin was born in Southampton, Long Island, New York. As a 13-year-old, he won the first tournament event he ever entered – the Men's Pairs at a New York sectional – making him the youngest winner in the history of the event.

When Levin was 15, the family moved to Miami. In March 1973, not long after arriving in Florida, Levin became the youngest Life Master in the history of the American Contract Bridge League (ACBL) at the age of 15 years and 4 months old. This record has since been broken. Once in Miami, Levin met two players – Billy Seamon and Russell Arnold – who had a profound influence on his bridge career. By the age of 17, Levin was playing professionally on teams with Arnold, sponsored by Bud Reinhold.

In 1979, his team (Reinhold, Arnold, Jeff Meckstroth and Eric Rodwell) tied for first in the Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams. Since the Reisinger was a qualifying event for the team trials to determine ACBL's representative for the world championships, a playoff was necessary. The team lost the playoff in the wee hours of the morning to Ira Corn's Dallas Aces (Ira Rubin, Fred Hamilton, Bob Hamman and Bobby Wolff).

The following spring Reinhold team won the Vanderbilt Knockout Teams in Fresno, California, qualifying for the team trials. The squad easily won the right later that year to represent the United States in the 1981 Bermuda Bowl in Port Chester, New York. The team added John Solodar and defeated Zia Mahmood-led Pakistan for the championship. The win made Levin, at 23 years old, the youngest world champion at the time.

About a year later, Levin moved to Chicago to work as an options trader. When the market crashed in 1987, Levin was back to Florida, entering the real estate business with one of his brothers. He moved to the Orlando area in 1988 and lived there for twelve years.

His regular partner is Steve Weinstein, who is also a world class poker player. When forming their partnership, they spent a week with Marty Bergen in Florida to put together their system.

Levin and his wife of twelve years, Jill, who is also a world champion bridge player, reside in Las Vegas with their dogs. Bridge is Bobby's business. He is regular member of the Nickell team: Nickell, Katz, Levin, Weinstein, Greco, Hampson.



## Awards

Herman Trophy 1979

## ACBL King of Bridge 1975

## Wins

Bermuda Bowl (1) 1981

World Open Pairs Championship (1) 2010

North American Bridge Championships (26)

Vanderbilt (4) 1980, 1989, 2009, 2011

Spingold (1) 1992

Reisinger (1) 1979

Grand National Teams (3) 1997, 1999, 2000

Open Board-a-Match Teams (2) 1996, 2006

Men's Board-a-Match Teams (1) 1987

Jacoby Open Swiss Teams (2) 2005, 2006

Master Mixed Teams (1) 1987

Blue Ribbon Pairs (1) 1979

Life Master Pairs (3) 1989, 1994, 2001

Life Master Open Pairs (1) 1994

Life Master Men's Pairs (1) 1988

Open Pairs (1) 1978

Open Pairs II (1) 1993

IMP Pairs (1) 2003

Fast Open Pairs (1) 2007

Roth Open Swiss Teams (1) 2010

United States Bridge Championships (3)

Open Team Trials (3) 1980, 1993, 2010

European Open Bridge Championships (1)

Mixed Teams (1) 2003

Other notable wins:

Buffett Cup (2) 2006, 2010

Cavendish Invitational Teams (3)

1999, 2005, 2008

Pan American Open Teams (1) 1992

Sunday Times–Macallan Invitational Pairs (1) 1993

Cavendish Invitational Pairs (5) 1999, 2002, 2007, 2009, 2010

*(taken from Jewage.org ... 2010)*

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Answer to Sudoku 1

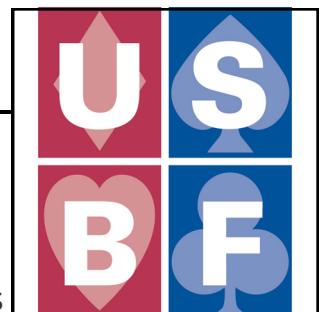
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8	5	7	9	3	4	2	1	6
4	2	9	7	1	6	5	8	3
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7	8	2	5	9	3	4	6	1
9	1	6	2	4	7	3	5	8

Answer to Sudoku 2

Sudoku

Answers

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## USBF Supporting Membership

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

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 was in court the other day and the Judge said to me "Have you ever been up before me?"

I replied, "I'm not sure, what time do you normally wake up?

First Name	Last Name	Snack	Drink	Margaritas	Buffalo wings	Cheese balls	Soda	Vegetable platter	Sparkling water
Harry	Statt								
George	Sanford								
Frank	Smith								
Elliott	South								
Daryl	Shark								

I just got over my addiction to chocolate, marshmallows and nuts.

I won't lie, it was a Rocky Road.

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](http://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?

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Follow BAMSA @bridgemindsport [www.bridgemindsport.org](http://www.bridgemindsport.org)



**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 accomodate 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.



Register here →



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



**This janitor just asked if I wanted to smoke some weed with him. I politely declined, I can't deal with high maintenance people.**



The World Bridge Federation has been invited to the **Olympic Esports Week** ("OEW") in Singapore, June 19-25, organized by the International Olympic Committee.

The WBF, together with the platform providers, BBO and Funbridge, will have a pavilion at the Free-To-Play Zone ("FTPZ") that the IOC is providing, June 22-25, for a limited number (10-15) of its recognised "International Federations" during the OEW. It is a great achievement for Bridge to have been selected to exhibit our progress in the field of electronic sports.

The FTPZ will be a large exposition at the Suntec Convention Centre, and tens of thousands of visitors are expected. It is an important opportunity to showcase Bridge as a modern sport, adopting the latest technology, including Artificial Intelligence.

At our pavilion, we will live-stream tournaments on both platforms with local and international competitors, provide "Minibridge" demonstrations, show play on Lovebridge tablets and various other promotional activities. Many activities can be followed online on YouTube, and possibly Twitch.

**Leading up to the tournaments in Singapore we are arranging qualification events on both BBO and Funbridge.**

The overall winner on each platform will be invited (travel and accommodation) to the Transnational week (August 28 - September 2) during the World Championships in Marrakech, and there will be a ranking by country with prizes in the form of the platform's "currencies".

## **Programme for Online Bridge Olympic Esports Week, June 19/25**

### **Qualification phase**

**19/21, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday - Tournaments of 6 boards (100 tournaments available )**

**(0.50 Babydollars BB\$ on BBO) (25 diamonds on Funbridge) per tournament**

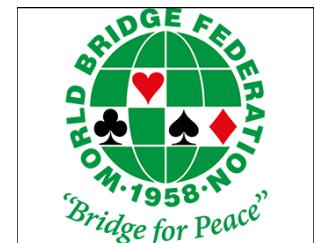
**Best five tournaments to qualify with a minimum average of 55 %**

**Thursday off**

### **Final**

**23/25 Friday, Saturday, Sunday, free of charge, 8 Tournaments of 6 boards**

**Ranking according to the average of the best five.**



**Players should register on the sites and may play on either one or both. They should follow the online instructions, stating to which Federation they belong.**

**Registration implies complete acceptance of the BBO, Funbridge and WBF rules.**

### **More Information**

**Additional information about this event will be available on the BBO and Funbridge websites:**

**<https://www.bridgebase.com/>**

**<https://www.funbridge.com/>**

BOARD: 5  
DEALER: NORTH  
VULNERABLE: N-S

♠ A3  
♥ KQ63  
♦ K5  
♣ KJ972

♠ QT84  
♥ A54  
♦ AT7  
♣ AQ6

♠ 652  
♥ 2  
♦ QJ843  
♣ T853

Par: 500  
NS 7 5 10 6 7  
E 6 8 3 6 6  
W : : : 7 :

♠ KJ97  
♥ JT987  
♦ 962  
♣ 4

Home team Visiting team ► Room ♠ By 1 = ★ IMP  
NS EW Home Visiting

Goodman Hamman  
Open 4♥ N ♦ Q = 620  
Closed 2♥ S ♠ 4 +2 170 10

**HOME** **CARDS** **SPLIT**

**W N E S**  
1NT PASS 2♣  
PASS 2♥ PASS 3♥  
PASS 4♥ PASS PASS  
PASS

Table: OP 1, Round: 5  
N-S: Goodman 51 IMP  
E-W: Hamman 115 IMP

OTHER ROOM S 2♥ +2 170 Other table >

DEALER WEST 5 EAST SOUTH

**Cards** **Score card** **Frequency** **Standings** **DDS**

Open 4♥ N ♦ Q = 620  
Closed 2♥ S ♠ 4 +2 170 10

♠ A3  
♥ KQ63  
♦ K5  
♣ KJ972  
N Drew Casen

♠ QT84  
♥ A54  
♦ AT7  
♣ AQ6  
W Mitch Dunitz

♠ KJ97  
♥ JT987  
♦ 962  
♣ 4  
S Jim Krekorian

♠ 652  
♥ 2  
♦ QJ843  
♣ T853  
E Ross Grabe

Grabel led a diamond to Dunitz's ace. Dunitz continued diamonds. Casen won the king and played a spade to dummy. The C4 off dummy and voila!



Casen ruffed the diamond return. He cashed the CK and SA and played the H3 to dummy's jack and Mitch's ace. Mitch played a small heart and Casen claimed up 4♥ his game.

In the Closed Room, Schermer and Chambers, disdaining Jacoby transfers, had a 2-bid auction to bid and play 2H.

They took 10 tricks as did their counterparts.

Playing in what seemed like a "normal" contract on these cards, they must have been surprised to lose 10 IMPs.

**HOME** **CARDS** **SPLIT**

**W N E S**  
1NT PASS 2♥  
PASS PASS PASS

Open 4♥ = 620 Other table >

Score card Frequency Standings DDS

DEALER WEST 5 EAST SOUTH

♠ A3  
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♠ KJ97  
♥ JT987  
♦ 962  
♣ 4  
S Neil Chambers

♠ 652  
♥ 2  
♦ QJ843  
♣ T853  
E Andy Goodman

When it's your day, things just work.

In the Open Room of the USA1 Final, Krekorian/Casen bid a VERY aggressive 4H on their combined 21 HCP.

They got lucky when the minor suits were perfectly positioned.

Goodman scored another game swing four boards later... this one in single digits: not vulnerable!

The screenshot shows a bridge hand from the DDS room. The bidding history is as follows:

W	N	E	S
1♥	PASS	2♦	
PASS	2NT	PASS	3♣
PASS	3♠	DBL	RDBL
PASS	3NT	PASS	PASS

Table: OP 1, Round: 5  
N-S: Goodman 68 IMP  
E-W: Hamman 115 IMP

OTHER ROOM S 1N +2 150 Other table >

DEALER WEST 9 EAST SOUTH

Hand details:  
**North (Drew Casen)**: ♠AT2, ♥K9753, ♦J6, ♣AJ7  
**Mitch Dunitz**: ♠54, ♥AT862, ♦K985, ♣K6  
**South (Jim Krekorian)**: ♠QJ983, ♥QJ4, ♦T3, ♣953  
**East (Ross Grabe)**: ♠K76, ♥  
♦AQ742, ♣QT842  
**South (Jim Krekorian)**: ♠K76, ♥  
♦AQ742, ♣QT842

CASEN OPENED 1H AND KREKORIAN RESPONDED 2D. CASEN BID 2NT AND KREKORIAN PATTERNS OUT WITH 3C. CASEN TRIED 3S, PERHAPS THINKING THAT IF KREKORIAN HAD QX OR QXX OF SPADES, 3NT WOULD PLAY BETTER FROM SOUTH.

GRABEL DOUBLED AND JIM SHOWED A SECOND ROUND SPADE CONTROL BY REDOUBLING.

CASEN BID THE GAME. GRABEL LED THE SJ AND CASEN WON IN DUMMY AND PLAYED THE CT TO THE KING AND ACE. HE CASHED THE CJ AND RAN THE DJ TO WEST'S KING. MITCH PLAYED THE S5 TO DECLARER'S ACE AND CASEN CLAIMED NINE TRICKS.

In the other room of this match, Chambers took a far dimmer view of the South hand.

When Schermer opened 1H, Chambers responded 1NT and found himself playing it there.

Passell led a small diamond.

Chambers came to the same nine tricks as did Casen.

6 IMPs to Goodman

The screenshot shows a bridge hand from the DDS room. The bidding history is as follows:

W	N	E	S
1♥	PASS	1NT	
PASS	PASS	PASS	

Table: CL 1, Round: 5  
N-S: Hamman 115 IMP  
E-W: Goodman 68 IMP

OTHER ROOM N 3N = 400 Other table >

DEALER WEST 9 EAST SOUTH

Hand details:  
**North (John Schermer)**: ♠AT2, ♥K9753, ♦J6, ♣AJ7  
**Mike Passell**: ♠54, ♥AT862, ♦K985, ♣K6  
**South (Andy Goodman)**: ♠QJ983, ♥QJ4, ♦T3, ♣953  
**South (Neil Chambers)**: ♠K76, ♥  
♦AQ742, ♣QT842

**Watch for the release of David Caprera's Book, The Cutting Edge!**  
**It's all about game theory...**  
**And Dave generously donates the profits to the USBF Junior Fund!**

The screenshot shows a bridge bidding software interface. On the left, a bidding history table is displayed:

	W	N	E	S
1♣	PASS	1♠	PASS	PASS
2♥	PASS	3♥	PASS	PASS
4♦	PASS	4♠	PASS	PASS
5♣	PASS	6♥	PASS	PASS
PASS PASS				

Table: OP 1, Round: 5  
N-S: Goodman 74 IMP  
E-W: Hamman 115 IMP

OTHER ROOM W 7♥ = -1510 Other table >

Score card >  
Frequency >  
Standings >

**DDS**

**DEALER** NORTH 11 WEST EAST

**Drew Casen** N ♠ J85 ♥ T4 ♦ KT63 ♣ JT74

**Mitch Dunitz** W ♠ 74 ♥ AK762 ♦ ♣ AKQ632

**Jim Krekorian** S ♠ 962 ♥ 93 ♦ A98542 ♣ 85

**Ross Grabel** E ♠ AKQT3 ♥ QJ85 ♦ QJ7 ♣ 9

**OPEN room**

**WEST** 6♥

Goodman, down in the match coming into's today's play, was striking back hard!

On Board 11, following the two games swings, they created a slam swing.

In the Open Room, Dunitz

opened 1C and reversed into hearts. Grabel raised hearts, setting the suit. Cuebid, cuebid, cuebid followed. Grabel had to make the decision. Would it be six or seven? With no way to ask for keycards, he could have risked the grand on the strength of his 15 HCP facing his partner's reverse... or he could have relied on the cuebidding and used 5NT as a grand slam force to ask Mitch for the ace and king of trump. Alas, he took the middle road and jumped to 6H, giving up on the grand completely.

In the Closed Room, the auction was the same up to the 3H bid. Passell made a good decision with the bid distributional hand to bid exclusion keycard directly... after all, what more did he need to know than the spade control and the queen of trump.

According to the explanation online, Goodman showed 2 keycards and the trump queen...not possible of course since there is only one KC out there. Passell figured that with his strength and the extra KC he would be cold. He bid the grand slam! 11 more IMPs to Goodman

The screenshot shows a bridge bidding software interface. On the left, a bidding history table is displayed:

	W	N	E	S
1♣	PASS	1♠	PASS	PASS
2♥	PASS	3♥	PASS	PASS
5♦	PASS	5NT	PASS	PASS
7♥	PASS	PASS	PASS	PASS

1C=2 if 4-4-3-2  
5D-exclusion  
5NT=2 keycards with the trump queen

Score card >  
Frequency >  
Standings >

**DDS**

**DEALER** NORTH 11 WEST EAST

**John Schermer** N ♠ J85 ♥ T4 ♦ KT63 ♣ JT74

**Mike Passell** W ♠ 74 ♥ AK762 ♦ ♣ AKQ632

**Neil Chambers** S ♠ 962 ♥ 93 ♦ A98542 ♣ 85

**Andy Goodman** E ♠ AKQT3 ♥ QJ85 ♦ QJ7 ♣ 9

**CLOSED room**

**WEST** 7♥

On Board 53 of the USA2 Senior SemiFinal, Becker and Levin bid to 6H and gained 13 IMPs when their counterparts at the other table stopped in game.

Itabashi led the SA felling his partner's singleton king.

Mark shifted to a heart. Becker drew the trumps.

He ruffed a spade from dummy,

played a club to dummy's ace, and trumped another spade. He played the club king and the club jack to produce this 4-card end position:

When Becker cashed the CT, Itabashi was toast. Mark discarded a diamond and Becker discarded the SJ from dummy.

When the DQ fell, Becker had 12 tricks!

At the other table, Wildavsky and Doub stopped short of the slam.

Where Levin cuebid 3S over 3H, Doub simply raised to the game.

Wildavsky had to respect that bid. There was nothing more he could do. Adam played safely ... not bothering with the squeeze at the four level ... and made five.

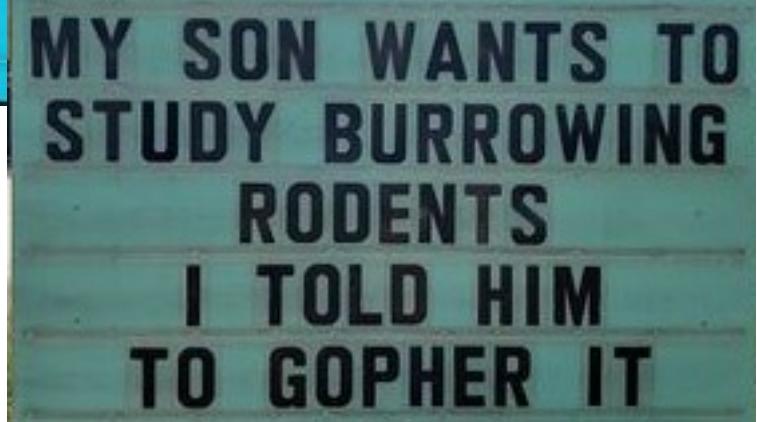
# CROSS IMPs

1. Steve Garner - Jeff Wolfson      Wolfson 2.00 30.00 15
2. Doug Doub - Adam Wildavsky      Lewis 1.00 15.00 15
3. Mike Becker - Bobby Levin      Wolfson 0.50 15.00 30
4. Mark Itabashi - Neil Silverman      Lewis -0.50 -15.00 30
5. David Berkowitz - Larry Cohen      Wolfson -1.00 -15.00 15
6. Linda Lewis - Paul Lewis      Lewis -2.00 -30.00 15

# USA2

# Seniors

1. Neil Chambers - John Schermer      Hamman 0.94 70.67 75
2. Pratap Rajadhyaksha - Venkatrao Koneru      Goodman 0.53 47.33 90
3. Peter Weichsel - Bob Hamman      Hamman 0.53 39.67 75
4. Ross Grabel - Mitch Dunitz      Hamman 0.49 29.33 60
5. Jim Krekorian - Drew Casen      Goodman 0.36 32.67 90
6. Jeff Wolfson - Steve Garner      Wolfson 0.26 15.33 60
7. Andy Goodman - Mike Passell      Goodman -0.17 -10.33 60
8. Mike Becker - Bobby Levin      Wolfson -0.24 -22.00 90
9. Doug Doub - Adam Wildavsky      Lewis -0.45 -27.00 60
10. Linda Lewis - Paul Lewis      Lewis -0.68 -41.00 60
11. David Berkowitz - Larry Cohen      Wolfson -0.70 -63.00 90
12. Neil Silverman - Mark Itabashi      Lewis -0.80 -71.67 90



# Limey Jack

Hallo Yanks:

You folks across the pond have put on a marvelous show the past two fortnights.

While Limey Jack is loath to see it end, betwixt these four events and attending the coronation, it seems a dog's years since a proper kip has been had. Sharing a pint with Zia and he said that he is glad Wolfson is back on track to join him up.

With about 4 furlongs gone, Wolfson has a useful lead of 15 over the Lewis team. Both are well able, but Lewis is showing signs of wear. Wolfson will extend their lead and become USA2. Howie Dung will be #2 himself. If blathering twits was a world event, he would win easily.

Limey Jack will see you next time.



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

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## Howie Doing...

Wolfson v Lewis,  
How will they do?  
Who will emerge  
As USA2?

Getting Becker to play  
In place of Deb's mate  
Wasn't just smart,  
But really was great!

Wolfson will "garner"  
The title for Steve.  
It will not be close,  
That's what I believe.

Howie Doing... Fine, thank you!!

Bringing Cohen back  
To play 'gain with Berk,  
Was really quite brilliant,  
Not just a quirk.

