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#### FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK



This has been a busy fall for bridge in Cincinnati. In September the Altmans, John & John Jr started a Monday night game to give us a second evening game along with John Meinking's 8 is Enough team game on 2-3 Thursday evenings a

month.

Attendance at in-person games at the bridge center seems to have plateaued between 7 and 9 tables for most games. Pam Campbell's Thursday morning's 0-1250 game is the exception and has had several games with 11-12 tables. Northern Kentucky pairs games have been running 7-9 tables.

October was a busy month for tournaments. In early October we had an Un-Regional tournament at the Delta Hotel in Springdale. This was originally booked as a Regional but ACBL was not yet ready to send out their directors for in-person. Attendance was not what we hoped for but we were able to break even and attract a number of out-of-town players. In addition, running the tournament allowed us to fulfill the commitment we had with the hotel. They have been very understanding to us about the prior cancellations and we value them as a venue for our Regionals. Since we were last there, they have done a complete overhaul and it is greatly improved.

Two weeks after that tournament we hosted the District 11 NAP finals over a Saturday and Sunday and this past week we held the October Spooktacular Sectional tournament. Attendance was again a bit disappointing but it may have suffered the other

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been counted yet and results will be published on the website when complete.

#### **Potter Orr**

President, Unit 124 Board of Directors

#### **ONE STEP FORWARD**

Those of us who have ventured into in-person bridge in the past 2-3 months have enjoyed the game and those elements missing from the sterile online experience offered by BBO.

The recent UN-Regional and Spooktacular Sectional, along with the slow growth of table counts at the Cincinnati Bridge Center and the Northern Kentucky Bridge Club

show we have a ways to go before we are back to pre March 2020 levels of play.

Of greatest concern is the apparent lack of in-person play by our Non-Life Masters. In our Unit 12 have 482 Non Life Masters out of 796 members. That's 60.6%. We'd really like to see our newer members turn out for NLM and limited club games and local tournaments. Please encourage your friends to play at least once a week. If they play now, encourage them to add one more CBC game to their schedule.

Anderson BC continues their search for an acceptable venue. We hope they get back to the tables soon.

NKBC has reopened to a nice daytmie schedule, though I understand they are looking for more players for their Wednesday evening game. Give them a try!

The recent articles in the New York Times (featuring quotes by our very own AJ Stephani as Chair of the ACBL Appeals and Charges Committee) and the New Yorker Magazine pointed to the recent consternation in European Bridge. As best I can tell the background, Fulvio Fantoni was placed on a team from Pescara by the FIGB (Italian Bridge Federation) to compete in the European Finals for the World Championships when one of their players withdrew (reason unknown by me). Since Italy was hosting the Championships, they would have their team qualify automatically.

Links to these areticles in BridgeWinners posts: The New Yorker "The Great Bridge Boycott" <a href="https://bridgewinners.com/article/view/bridge-in-the-new-yorker/">https://bridgewinners.com/article/view/bridge-in-the-new-yorker/</a>

The New York Times "Contract Bridge Cheating" <a href="https://bridgewinners.com/article/view/from-todays-new-york-times/">https://bridgewinners.com/article/view/from-todays-new-york-times/</a>

All European Competitors refused to play against the Italian Team because they resented having a convicted cheater play in international competition. To avoid penalties, the teams simply failed to submit their roster for the match on time, causing a null result. It wasn't as if they broke the rule that they must play against any qualified team. They simply broke an administrative requirement in protest. This led to the qualification of the Italin Team for the elimination round, where they lost and did not qualify on their own. It remains to be seen

whether the Italian Federation will try to field a proven cheater for the World Championships.

Aside, under Italian Law all sports convictions and appeals have the right to be heard first by the Italian sports authority and then by the Italian Courts. Under Italian Civil Law, once a person who had been convicted serves their sentence, it is af if they were never convicted (this is different from common law principles). In addition, if someone either fails to be convicted or wins an appeal to reverse their conviction, they are also treated as if they did nothing wrong. Whether we agree with the Italian Civil code or not, Fantoni had both completed his sentence for the European Bridge League conviction, and won a later appeal in the Court for Arbitration of Sport. That CAS appeal did not find Fantoni innocent of cheating. They found that the EBL did not make their case to a level of comfortable satisfaction that approaches without reasonable doubt. This was generally seen as poor preparation by the statistics experts supporting the prosectors. The ACBL conviction was NOT touched by the CAS – they had no jurisdiction. This loss on appeal binds the European Bridge League to behave as if Fantoni was never accused. They could not stop hm from playing in the face of the civil judgment (which included a monetary penalty and lawyer cost awards).

Please note that Fantoni and Nunes were both convicted and expelled from the ACBL in July 25, 2016, losing all masterpoints and awards. That conviction and penalty still stands today. Unfortunately the EBL and WBF do not see ACBL convictions as meaningful, and do not have binding reciprocity.

Players from all European Countries led by Scotland (the first to act) expressed their strong displeasure at having to sit at the table with a conviced cheater. Bravo!!

Unfortunately cheating is not limited to very high level international competition. The ACBL has more cheating cases than they can adjuduicate in a timely fashion. They come principally from online bridge (BBO).

Dr. Amit Raturi, CBA Bridge expert and past Editor of the CBA ALERT has gifted us with a seminal essay on what we all need to do to eradicate cheating from the game we love.

I ask you all to heed his message.

I offer you a humble prologue to that essay, setting the stage for the apparent plague of cheats on BBO. Yes, BBO does work to identify and ban cheaters too. For more about ethics and proprieties in Bridge, please see the District 11 Proprities and Ethics document (link provided in my prologue later in this isue).

Covid has taken the joy out of many recreational activities. I cannot offer thanks sufficient to reflect the commitment our writers have shown to bringing you our members information that is interesting, useful, and entertaining.

Dean Congbalay comes through with another thought piece on human nature and bridge. We have contributions from members who are relatively new to duplicate bridge. Thank you Terry Barrett for your compelling thoughts on being a new player. Otto Walter writes a bridge problem that shows why we all want more from him.

I am issuing an all points bulletin requesting information on the location of Robert S Brown and Steve Felson. I am missing their literary sparkle and hope they return soon to our pages.

We are all fatigued by the restrictions posed by Covid-19. Don't lose heart. The data shows Delta might well be behind us and that we are likely to have a winter with only normal flu risk. When the infection rate dips below 0.90 and positivity is below 5%, we can be assured that its time to get out and enjoy our friends – and play some bridge!

Stay safe, get your vaccination, take no practice finesses when it comes to your health!

Wishing You Good Bridge and Good Luck,



Editor, The ALERT moesefamily@aol.com



By Steve Moese, Unit Secretary

#### **Board Elections!**

At this writing the final votes are being validated and checked against the in-person votes at the Spooktacular Sectional. New Board Members Elect will be announced on the Unit Website as soon as the Board certifies the results.

#### **Unit Finances**

The Unit continues to lose money due lack of revenue. We can sustain these losses near term while face-to-face clubs and our players return. If we are unable to earn sufficient income to cover costs, changes will be necessary. For now we await the return of all the games at the Bridge center, and the players who made them so much fun before the pandemic. Attendance needs to improve substantially into winter and the new year.

#### Special Edition of the Flying Pig UN-Regional

Due to the ACBL policies and the conditions of the Covid-19 pandemic in Hamilton County Ohio as of September 15, the Regional was cancelled. Recall the June Regional had been cancelled earlier, and when the clearing appeared in June 2021, the Baord approached the District to approve a Regional for October 2021. We negotiated with the host hotel who was happy to provide us spade but from Sunday to Thursday (a regional traditionally runs Monday through Sunday). All was well until the unexpected explosion of the Delta variant of Covid 10 in July.

BY September 15, the data from Hamilton county could not support the ACBL sending employees to run the Regional – the new regional sanction was cancelled.

The Unit Board decided to run a non-championship sectional instead. This allowed us to award silver points (at 65% of a nromal championship sectional) and would not require players to wear masks (the tournament would use local directors and not hire directors through the ACBL).

As we got closer to October 3, 2021, the ACBL approved our sectional on October 28-30, and the NAP Finals on Oct 16-17 with the stipulation that players must be vaccinated and must wear masks.

Facing such a dynamic situation the Board wanted to keep our business commitment with the hotel and provide an early tournament experience for all interested players. We wanted to run a tournament and did not want to risk the Regional being cancelled at the last minute.



Figure 1 Pair Game at the Cincinnati Flying Pig UN-Regional

What do you do when the last tournament you attended was over 21 months ago? You host a tournament at a brand new(ly refurbished) hotel and invite your friends.

When Covid cancelled both the 2020 and 2021 Cincinnati Flying Pig Regionals, we wondered when we'd see the next tournament in our District. Louisville/Lexington cancelled because of the uncertainty and Indianapolis (February 2022) did the same. Did we really want to wait until June 2022 to have another tournament?

We saw the drop in Covid-19 infections in May and got the District to agree to a Regional in Cincinnati in early October. The Hotel was able to give us only Sunday through Thursday in the week we wanted, so we snapped that time up, and built an attractive schedule for the unique calendar.

Then Covid reared its ugly head. The Delta virus began a firestorm spread in the Southeast, eventually reaching the tri-state area in August/September. Following ACBL Covid-19 guidelines, the regional faced cancellation.

Do we cancel the tournament or do we run a Non-Championship Sectional with local directors. Taking the needs of our members and the desire to strengthen the relationship we have with the great

host hotel (Delta by Marriott) we chose to run a nonchampionship sectional.

And so the first and only **Cincinnati Flying Pig UN-Regional** was born.

Mike Roberts the ACBL Tournament Director from Michigan who runs our Flying Pig Tournaments was mor than willing to run this tournament singlehandedly for us. Mike is a consummate professional and a great friend. He did a super job. We knew that we had to run a fun event on a frugal budget. AJ and Elenya Stephani did a great job. Monday through Wednesday evenings we had events for out-of-town visitors (no bridge, just fun).

#### So did all our volunteers

- the many members who did the heavy lifting to set up then tear down the tables and bidding boxes and Bridge Mates.
- Jim Barrett who ran a fantastic partnership desk
- Monica Ibarra for help coordinating NLM events.
- Adrienne and Vince Netherwood and Steve Moese for checking proofs of vaccinations and keeping us all healthy.



Figure 2 Left to Right: AJ Stephani, Tournament Chair, Dian Petrov, and Chip Dombrowski, Associate Editor, ACBL Bridge Bulletin

Throughout the tournament players got raffle tickets, one each session. They used their tickets to bid on 6 baskets and 4 games with area players at the CBC. The winners by random draw were:

**Anita Torrence** - Lottery basket.

Jerry Poliquin - Cincinnati basket

Betty Murdock - Cincinnati Basket

Dave Dressman - Margarita basket

Joy Singerman - Spa Basket

Arun Pandit - Bourbon Basket

Winners of a game with Cincinnati Favorites:

Game with **Bob Fisk** won by **Mike Purcell** 

Game with **John Meinking** game won by **Denny Schultz** 

Game with AJ Stephani game won by Bill Higgins Game with Isaac Stephani game won by Bob Fisk

We had 201.5 tables of fun across 5 days and 10 sessions of bridge. Players came from around the country. People were genuinely happy to play inperson tournament bridge after so long a layoff. Folks all but raved about the venue. True, the local restaurants were a bit thin affected in part by a lack of employees.

Here is the attendance, with NLM tables shown. Of the 201.5 tables, 57 were NLM, or 28.3% of total tables. Our NLMs are 60.6% of our membership. NLM participation was less than half of fair share based on member headcount. We await final financials but expect to break even from this tournament.

	Tables	I/N	Sess	vs 2019
Sun	33	9	2	(11)
Mon	46	14	2	2
Tue	37	9.5	2	(7)
Wed	47.5	16.5	2	4
Thu	38	8	2	(6)
Total	201.5	57	10	(19)
I/N	28.3%	of Total Tables		



Make plans to join us Saturday December 11 for our annual Holiday Celebraton Game. Be part of lifting everyone's spirits.

#### And a great time was had by all!



#### **2021 SPOOKTACULAR SECTIONAL**

The **Spooktacular Sectional finished October 30** and was great fun for the players who chose to attend. ACBL Mask and vaccination requirements were in place. Attendance was low by Spooktacular standards.

2021 Spooktacular Sectional							
	Tables	Tables I/N Sess vs 2019					
Thu	33	6	3	(33)			
Fri	20	3	2	(24)			
Sat	23.5	0	2	(21)			
Total	76.5	9	7	(78)			
I/N	11.8%	of Total Tables					

Tables were less than half of a successful 2019. We were only able to clear about \$500 from out of pocket costs.

Let's take a look at the near past events to understand these results from both tournaments.

Year	Туре	Tables	I/N	Ratio	Sessions	T/S	Index	Masks
2021	Un-Regional	201.5	57	0.28	10	20.2	100	No
2021	Sectional	76.5	9	0.12	7	10.9	54	Yes
2019	Sectional	155.5	56.5	0.36	7	22.2	110	No
2019	Regional	1102	N/A		18	157.4	781	No

While the Un-Regional achieved 90% of the tabels compared to the 2019 Spooktacular (and attracted many players from great distances out of town), the Spooktacular sectional indexed at 54% of the 2019 version. Yes, there was an online regional running at the same time and no, we do not have access to data

showing how many Unit or District members chose to play in that event instead.

There is no escaping the one glaring factor — mask wearing is associated with a 50% drop in attendance. We hope that either the disease dissipates quickly or the ACBL rethinks the policy they use to protect their workers. Masks inhibit enjoyment of in-person bridge. I cannot count the number of people who mentioned to me that wearing a mask for one session was tolerable, but for 2 or 3 in a day — **NO THANKS!** 

Tournament Results are posted on page 36.

#### D11 NAP Finals Oct 16-17, 2021

Unit 124 and the Cincinnati Bridge Center was proud to host the 2021 version of the District 11 North American Pairs Finals. Details and results can be found here:

http://www.district11bridge.com/District 11 NAP FAQ.html
Congratulations to all finalsts with a special nod to our
Unit 124 Members.

Flt	Place	MPs	Name	Name
Α	1	24G	Peter Whipple	Ryan Schultz
Α	2	18G	Bob Lyon	John Hinton
Α	3	13.5G	Tom Bishel	John Bishel
В	1	16 G	John Bishel	James Bishel
В	2	12 G	Nalin Mehta	Arun Gupta 🍜
В	3	9 G	Dennis Schultz 蓁	Larry Newman
В	4	6.75	William Atteberry	Cordell Coy
			Gary Herrington	Jim Barrett
_	NI/A	NI/A	Skip Yassenoff	Deborah Walter
C	N/A	N/A	Jon Atkinson	Richard Poznanski
			Sue Mosher 🌋	Betsy Coith 💃

Attendance for the 2021 District NAP Finals was down significantly.

Tables	Α	В	C	Total		
2021	6.5	7	2	15.5		
2019	16.5	18.5	10.5	45.5		
Index	39	38	19	34		

Flight A had 6.5 tables, Flight B had 7 tables, and Flight C had 2

tables. (Under the conditions of contest, Flight C attendees all qualified but win no master points. They will pay their entry fee in order to attend the NABC Final in Reno Nevada in March 2022).

#### SAVE THE DATE - UNIT MEMBERSHIP MEETING



If you are an active member in good standing as of October 1, 2021 you have already received your email inviting you to register for the upcoming Membership Meeting on November 9, 2021 at 7:00 PM. This will be

a Zoom Video Conference. Registration required to ensure attendees meet eligibility. MEmbers will ineract directly with Unit 124 Board Members and may make motions that the Unit Board will address in up coming meetings.

#### **NAME TAGS**

Contact Joanne Earls - 772-4395; jolman@fuse.net

# Your Name Here Cincinnati Bridge



First nametag FREE to new members! Otherwise \$4 each.

#### **PARTNERSHIPS!**



If you're looking for a partner for a single game, call the director of the game - s/he knows others who are available for that game. Find directors' names on the Bridge Clubs websites. You can meet prospective

partners at lessons or during supervised play. Unsure about an appropriate game? Call me! If you'd like a regular partner, give me a call or send an email telling me about your game and your interests. How many master points do you have? What system/conventions do you play? Are you a ferocious competitor or a more relaxed player? Which games are you available to play in, and when can you start? I'll do my best to find someone who's also looking for a standing game. Mike Burns

rmikeburnsi@gmail.com 513-574-4067

# **RANK PROMOTIONS**

	August	September	October
Junior			
Master			Ron Tysoe
			Cecilia Bockelman
Club	Miriam	William Bahl	Edward Felson
Master	Salzarulo	Catherine Sullivan	Joseph Moravec
Silver Life			
Master			Gregory Brinker
Ruby Life	Isaac		
Master	Stephani	Lalitha Yalamanchili	
Gold Life			
Master		Dennis Schultz	

Congratulations to all our members who achieved new ranks this past quarter. You can check your recorded Masterpoints and rank through MyACBL at <a href="https://www.acbl.org">www.acbl.org</a>. Once on the website click on MyACBL. (If you haven't registered, it will helo you create your password).

The ACBL will create a current status report for you!

Or you can use these links on the Unit Website: **Ranks:** 

http://www.cincybridge.com/RankPromotions.html
Masterpoints:

https://www.bridgepowerratings.com/WEBPAGES/U124 WEB/u124mps.htm

# CLUB CORNER

# SupportOurClubs&Tournaments

Play OFTEN. Play HEALTHY. If you feel sick or have symptoms, STAY HOME!

JOIN US FO FACE-TO-FACE BRIDGE! There are more We have many in=person play options every month. Grab your partner and join the fun! *Check club websites for schedules*.

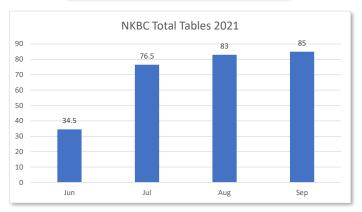


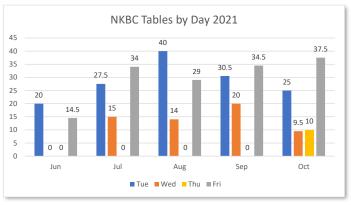


Northern Kentucky games continue strong. The Wednesday Evening Game can use more players. Website:

https://www.bridgewebs.com/nkbc/

NKBC					
Tables	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Total
Jun	20	0	0	14.5	34.5
Jul	27.5	15	0	34	76.5
Aug	40	14	0	29	83
Sep	30.5	20	0	34.5	85
Oct	25	9.5	10	37.5	82
Total	143	58.5	10	150	361







Word on the street is that the Anderson BC is having difficulty finding a permanent space that is

acceptable for games. Please attend to their website for up-to-date information Website:

https://www.bridgewebs.com/anderson/



We have been playing since early May and our games continue to grow!

#### BEGINNING NOVEMBER 2021 -NEW U100 Pairs Game Wednesday & Friday 11 AM.

#### Advance reservations required.

Games run when 3 tables reserved. Contact Pam Campbell <u>campbell.ps.54@gmail.com</u> to reserve your spot. Pairs and single players welcome.

#### Website:

https://www.bridgewebs.com/cincinnaticenter/

We look forward to the full return of our Monday and Friday players. Saturday Afternoon is underway and is a great way to enjoy the weekend.

# When Good Emerges...



By Dean Congbalay dcongbalay@comey.com

Sometimes, good emerges from bad.

Earlier this week at a duplicate bridge game in Bradenton, Fla., I got a call that

a close friend had fallen.

"I have to go," I said to my partner, Gael. "I'm really sorry, but I have to go."

My early departure created problems in the session, but my buddy needed my help. We ended up going to the ER at Sarasota Memorial.

Before today's game, one of the players got up the moment he saw me.

"Are you OK?" Jim asked.

"Oh, yes," I replied. "It was a buddy of mine. It's going to be a long haul, but he's going to be just fine."

"Good," he said. "You left so quickly."

I was surprised at the concern -- and incredibly grateful at the same time.

A couple minutes later, another player stopped me. "Is everything OK?" he asked.

And then another: "Are you all right?"

I'm the new guy at the club. Some of these people have been playing there for decades. I had attended a few times in the past few years, but only recently did I decide to make it my Southern bridge home -- because I liked the friendliness of the group.

All of this warmed my heart. I texted my buddy, who is still in the hospital.

"Just got to bridge," I wrote. "A number of people have already asked whether all is OK, since they saw me rush out on Monday. There are indeed good people out there."

"That was very nice," he replied.

Yes, it was. Sometimes, good emerges from bad.

# **Letter to the Editor**

#### **From Terry Barrett:**

I was very happy to learn in May that the CBC had reopened. I was looking forward to playing bridge face-to-face and to seeing familiar and friendly faces again on the NLM side of the room. So, when I learned that the only games available were the "open" games (with the extremely experienced Life Masters) I admit that I took an extra week or so before returning to play. I knew that as a green NLM that I would feel very intimidated playing in the open

games, and I wouldn't recognize as many of the faces at the table as I had hoped. But I decided I would give it a go.

After a few weeks I began to see the same faces week after week. I noticed that as these newly familiar faces sat at the bridge table the number of greetings grew, as well as the number of "good luck" comments (grant you not from everyone, but from most). After a few more weeks I began to notice a decrease in my nervousness and an increase in helpful observations and suggestions regarding my bridge play from my opponents. Yes, I recognize what that says about my current state of bridge play, but that's okay, I'm learning. I greatly appreciate helpful comments made by players that have lots more experience than me.

So, two months have now passed and each week I attempt to play my best game (according to my bridge knowledge) and the extremely experienced Life Masters play their best game (according to their bridge knowledge). It has been quite cordial and enjoyable. Best of all, each week I go home with something new that I've learned. I would certainly encourage others to give it a go.

#### Terry

Thanks Terry. Your experience and message are both very compelling. I too have enjoyed the fun atmosphere at the CBC, and look forward to see more friends and acquaintances return to the tables.

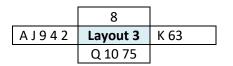
# 3<sup>rd</sup> Hand Lead/Return vs NT

#### **By Otto Walter**

Opening leader's continuation decision.

876	
Layout 1	K 3
Q 10 5	
	Layout 1

	8	
AJ942	Layout 2	K 7 63
	Q 10 5	



**Problem:** Above are three possible distributions of one suit. You are on lead against a 3NT contract and lead the 4 of this suit. Your partner wins the King and returns the suit. In all three hands, declarer plays the 10 at trick two and you win the Jack. **How do you continue the defense?** Obviously, in #1, you play the Ace because you know the Queen will fall. But what about layouts two and three? Is this simply a guess situation?

#### Solution - Page 22

# **Bidding Quiz - Problems**



#### **Bob Jones Quizzes - Unit 124**

Every Saturday morning. participants get an advanced copy of the Bob Jones quiz published Monday morning in the Cincinnati Enquirer. If you'd like to participate, please send an email to

Mike at <a href="mailto:rmikeburnsi@gmail.com">rmikeburnsi@gmail.com</a> .Feel free to send questions to any commenters. There is rarely one correct answer to bidding problems. You can see all past quizzes on the unit 124 website:

http://www.cincybridge.com/CBA-Weekly-Bidding-Quiz.html

Goren on Bridge: Weekly bridge quiz GOREN BRIDGE OCTOBER 30, 2021 Q1 – Neither vulnerable

♠ AJ86♥864♦KQ63♣Q7

SOUTH WEST NORTH EAST ?

What call would you make?

Q 2 – North-South vulnerable ♠ J 8 5 4 ♥ Q T 9 5 ♦ J 9 ♣ 6 4 3

WESTNORTH EAST SOUTH 1H 1S 2H ?

What call would you make?

Q 3 – East-West vulnerable ♠ K J 7 ♥ K 7 6 3 ♦ K T 4 ♣ 7 6 2

NORTH EAST SOUTH WEST 1C Pass 1H Pass 1NT Pass ?

What call would you make?

Q 4 – Both vulnerable ♠ A 6 ♥ 7 ♦ A K 8 7 4 2 ♣ K 7 6 4

SOUTH WEST NORTH EAST 1D 1H 1S 2H 3D 3H 3S Pass ?

What call would you make?

Q 5 – North-South vulnerable ♠ A J 8 6 4 ♥ Q J 9 7 5 ♦ 3 ♣ 9 6

NORTH EAST SOUTH WEST 1D 2C Dbl\* Pass 2NT Pass ? \*Negative

What call would you make?

Q 6 – East-West vulnerable ♠ A 7 5 ♥ 6 5 ♦ Q T 4 ♣ J T 9 6 4

NORTH EAST SOUTH WEST 1H Dbl ?

What call would you make?

Look for answers on Monday.

#### Answers on p. 22

## What We Do Now Matters

#### By Steve Moese

Dr. Amitabh Raturi offers a sobering analysis and cogent proposals about what it must take to root out cheating and unethical behaviors from bridge. The onset of covid brought attention to the online game as a way for players to stay engaged and for club owners and the ACBL to make some money to replace what was lost from canceled face-to-face games. The success of the online game was unimagined.

The online game had an additional impact that was unbelieved. The existence of detailed bidding and play records (along with time stamps) has led to a new insight into human behavior.

Nicolas Hammond published a groundbreaking book on cheating at bridge: Detecting Cheating in Bridge available through the Bridge World at: <a href="https://www.bridgeworld.com/pages/bookstore/itemdetailpages/itemdetailpage">https://www.bridgeworld.com/pages/bookstore/itemdetailpages/itemdetailpage</a> 2259.html

Nicolas developed several data analyses that demonstrate outliers in declarer play, opening leads, and other facets of the game where illicit information improves success rate. These analytics are only viable to screen for potential cheaters, and then only in online or broadcast games where the bid by bid and play by play data are available in usable form.

Nicolas has been working with the ACBL Recorder submitting recorder memos on suspicious pairs, providing data on the pair's performance, and honing the detection algorithms from massive amounts of online data.

In his own words, Nicolas suspects 2-3% of all hands played on BBO are tainted with cheating, and he has identified some 400 or more players with suspicious results over sustained play.

#### See:

https://bridgewinners.com/article/view/institutefor-bridge-arbitration/?cj=1158457

While the advent of online play also provided data unavailable in most face-to-face forms of the game, this data is insufficient for conviction on its own. It is useful for screening — finding candidates who perform for a sustained period over their pre-covid achievement level is but one example.

The ACBL has been overwhelmed by the mushrooming number of cases. Their process is defined on their website at:

#### https://www.acbl.org/ethics/

Here is their published activity summary:

# Disciplinary Cases As of October 4, 2021

Active Recorder Cases Negotiated Cases NBO Members investigations Complaint Pending Resolutions Heard and Reciprocated Disciplined Pending Decided Discipline Charge 30 32 18 6 17 8 2

In addition, we can review the players under discipline at any time at:

# http://web2.acbl.org/discipline/CurrentlyUnderDisciplineList.pdf

The problem is that if some 15,000+ ACBL members are playing bridge online and 2-3% are cheating regularly, then there are some 300-400 people infecting the online game. Compare that to the pipeline shown by the ACBL above.

Nicolas estimates that there are 2.87% cheating in ACBL BBO Games, and 1.81% cheating in ACBL VACB (Virtual Club) games. See:

https://www.detectingcheatinginbridge.com/statistics/countries.html

I urge all of you to read Amit's article closely and act on his advice. Ethical behavior starts with what we each do as individuals. Many of us are unaware of improper behaviors and bad habits communicate to partner what they should learn only from bids. Breaks in tempo during bidding, improper questions, asking for information when it's not your turn, breaks in tempo during play, eye-rolls, gestures, and non-verbal communication of any kind is just to name a few things we can all do better at. Then there's improper explanations, failure to fully disclose agreements, using illegal bids, and more. These things happen and should not. We all own the responsibility to create the bride culture we want to If what we want is a highly ethical environment with players that respect all the proprieties of the game, we have to be the future we want in others. There really is no other way.

See:

https://bridgewinners.com/article/view/wanted-assistant-national-recorder/?cj=1166419

In addition, you can find many more details at Nicolas Hammonds website:

https://www.detectingcheatinginbridge.com/statistics/index.html

For more on bridge ethics see the District 11 Proprieties & Ethics Handbook:

http://www.district11bridge.com/20181001-ACBL-D11-Good-Ethics-Handbook-UPVERSION.pdf

Having said all of this, we must recognize that eliminating cheating starts with each and every one of us.

# Cheating in Bridge: A Call to Unorthodox Action

By Amitabh Raturi, October 26, 2021

The recent article in the New York Times quotes AJ Stephani extensively about the need to curb cheating in bridge. The recent transition to online bridge has only exacerbated the problem and I agree with AJ that ACBL resources are better spent on youth bridge, education and marketing. That gives all of us a great and onerous responsibility to take grassroots action to stop the spread of cheating culture that has so tarnished our beautiful game.

I propose a 5-point approach that all of us can adopt in order to help the game. The way I look at it, there are 5 levels at which we can address the issue.

- 1. **Individual:** We can adopt certain methods and practices individually and make them widely known so others can emulate.
- 2. **Partnership:** All partnership discussions should start with a sand-cone like model whose foundation is bridge ethics.
- 3. **Team:** At the team level, we must focus on a group discussion of what our team's core value are and what is permitted and what is not.
- 4. **Online:** On line do's and don'ts that each one of us adopts deserves a separate category as first, it's easier to cheat online, and second, getting caught is harder (although archival records might make it easier in the future)

5. **Community:** A cultural tendency to praise "good" bridge as opposed to "winning" bridge is a prerequisite to all of the above. As long as we celebrate winners, and ignore the methods by which they won, we will never solve the cheating problem in bridge.

So let me start with the most important aspect of this solution approach. Community and Culture.

#### 5. Community and Culture:

Bridge communities emphasize winning too much. We all play to win. We all want to win. But bending the rules comes easier when we ignore discussions like "how did person X play a hand" and emphasize discussions like "who won the NAOP". This dogmatic switch is difficult but possible. Stop looking at the leader boards during a Swiss team event. Instead talk to your teammates about how did they make the 4H contract that you went down in. Ask questions like, "Is a better line of play available?" "Why is that a better line of play?" Focus on improving your game as opposed to improving your result. Derive more personal happiness even when you don't win but you have a sense that you played well.

In my Operations management class, I would often ask my business students what is more important to you in this business case/situation that you see: a good methodology or a good result? Most of the time the class was divided 50-50. In my view, focusing too much on the outcome, instead of the process, is the "causal explanation" of 99% of this world's problems. You may disagree with that broad a generalization but surely cheating in bridge is CLEARLY rooted in that. To quote a simple verse from the Bhagwad Gita:

कर्मण्येवाधिकारस्ते मा फलेषु कदाचन। मा कर्मफलहेतुर्भूर्मा ते सङ्गोऽस्त्वकर्मणि॥ २-४७

#### Transliteration:

karmaṇyevādhikāraste mā phaleṣu kadācana l mā karmaphalaheturbhūrmā te saṅgo'stvakarmaṇi ll 2-47

**English Translation:** 

To work alone you have the right, and not to the fruits. Do not be impelled by the fruits of work.

Nor have attachment to inaction.

The best metaphor for life as a whole, and for the spiritual life in particular, is that of a journey. Literature abounds with this imagery (e.g., John Bunyan's Pilgrim's Progress). As followers of the Way (Acts 9:2; 19:9; 19:23; 22:4; 24:14, 22), we are travelers on a quest, a voyage, an odyssey, a pilgrimage. Results are a destination in every culture and in every religion. To taint our process and journey because we desire a specific destination was never part of the human credo. But it exists.

So, focus on your game and not on your results is the "cultural" building block of the game. Embrace it. Emphasize it in all your interactions. And promote it with gusto. People who act to violate this credo are denounced as bad bridge players irrespective of the number of championships they have won or the number of points they have.

#### 4. Online bridge

Online bridge has created some new dilemmas for this problem and to every "law" that the bridge community creates, there will be a thief who will figure out a way to sidestep that. BBO allows self-kibitzing with great ease. Log in as Invisible (while an OK approach on Reddit for information freedom) makes no sense on BBO. So, while some structural changes are needed, I have to say hats off to BBO for their investments and efforts to curb cheating.

The Indian Bridge Federation has enforced that all events must be played on Realbridge with a video camera on your shoulder. This is, on one hand, is a very practical solution that creates deterrence. On the other hand, it is an insult to every serious "good" bridge player as it starts with an assumption of guilt and transcends to an invasion of privacy.

Here is an ethical players dilemma in bridge. We were down 60 IMPs with 16 boards to play in the Reynolds quarterfinal round. A customary phone call

to Eugene (Yauheni Siutsau) led to a discussion of a moral dilemma that I have rarely faced in my life. "We cannot win Amit". I was like what are you talking about? 60 IMPs is 5 swings, not a mathematical improbability in 16 boards. But the meaning of his statement was slightly different, and he clarified. He was not saying we cannot win as a mathematical possibility, but he was saying we cannot win as a truism that must be adhered to since such an improbable win would almost surely raise questions about out ethics. This one incident almost made me, a total bridge addict, think twice about why I am playing bridge. Attracting newbies to this game that we have now engineered is The Myth of Sisyphus!!

The open admissions by esteemed players about self-kibitzing are a step in the right direction. The mass withdrawal of the European teams this Summer is a step in the right direction. Boye Brogeland's and Eddie Wold's efforts are steps in the right direction. An artificial intelligence (AI) engine that detects unusual tendencies that suggest cheating is not too far in the horizon. I am optimistic!

#### 3. Team level

What do you do when your match gets over and you compare results? Get the pluses and high five when a win and search for the "dog" on the team when you lose? Anything else? Have you ever corrected a system, carding, bidding strategy, or discussed bridge probabilities and safety plays in the compare session? If not, you are NOT on a good team. This is the culture that every team captain must maintain and promote (yes, it is their responsibility!!). Captains in a bridge team game are assigned willy nilly (typically, the last player that shows up at the table). Can you imagine appointing a CEO or electing a President like that? Captains are a huge leverage point in bridge that we have ignored.

I learnt this over the years playing with the best team captain I ever had — Bill Higgins. Supportive in every way but I still remember the way I got admonished for -3 IMPs on a late show. Got the entry on time, drove to most of the venues as we rested in the back

seats. Paid for all the speeding tickets himself every time. And a smiling demeanor every time – win or lose. With Nancy Sachs and Eugene, we had some outstanding results over 12 years, but that was not my takeaway. My ONLY take away from that great team was what good bridge is.

One time, during a Regional KO final in Louisville, I went to the restroom only to find a team mate there inadvertently. Our opponents noticed and complained legitimately. We made sure that this would NEVER happen again.

So active ethics metrics for a team include:

- (1) correcting an inaccurate unfavorable claim by an opponent,
- (2) correcting incorrect score reporting by an opponent (it happens a lot)
- (3) discussing possibly unethical team practices including restroom/smoking breaks
- (4) cell phone protocols
- (5) focus on process and NOT results.

I cannot but emphasize the captain's role in promoting active ethics in the team. And weeding out cheaters. In my view, the biggest culprit in a cheating episode is not the player who cheated but the captain of the team.

#### 2. Partnership Level

Having played with 400 plus bridge partners over the years I can say one thing for sure. There are unethical players in bridge. Players who lean over to look at cards. Players who psyche. Players who don't disclose information to opponents. I was like that too at some point — so hell bent on winning that no rules mattered. Psyching was a common tactics I used. I have not psyched in 20 years now and so I can say with surety that when you play against me, I will have what I bid.

Then I saw what the result of all that is. Playing with a famous Cincy player, we won a big event, but I knew my partner had peaked at the opponents' cards on at least two boards. If you can sleep after that, you are NOT a good bridge player. Period.

Partners who want me to bid 1NT with 0 points and 4 trumps after they open a major. Partners who overcall and reverse with 6 points and then criticize my raise with 3 trumps, an AK and a void in their first suit. Partners who encourage me to use subterfuge to get good results are NOT welcome. They can play their own version of bridge. It's not my version. And if you are playing with a steady partner because "you always win with them" please do reassess why you play bridge.

In your partnerships, you discuss systems and carding ad nauseum. Do you ever talk about what is kosher and what is not? Michael Rosenberg's book (Bridge, Zia and Me) woke me up from this stupor. 1H P 1NT P 2C P (Long hesitation) 2H... you must pass whatever your hand is. Those are the rules of active ethics. And any other action on your part is bad bridge. His Appendix to the book is a checklist for every good partnership. A lengthy discussion on how I will penalize you if you are unethical. Because some partners never learn. You can psyche but I will penalize you. And if I read your psyche and act accordingly, I should never play bridge with you again.

#### 1. Individual level

We can try to change the whole world but at the end of the day, the answers lie in whether we can change ourselves. The lure of the win, the masterpoint races, the glory to be seen as winners are all the desires that drive us to this game. And yet those exact same motivations make us the worst bridge players ever. We were playing against a great Cincy pair in a team game, and they bid a 10% 7NT that made. Frustrated that we had lost the match, I made a comment that went something like "This is random bridge!" Ungracious, not needed, and my horrible past that I must live with.

Bridge is such a beautiful equalizer. Who wins and who loses on any day is at best a mathematical probability? And good bridge should be defined at the individual level by "what you did" and not "what was the outcome". But we all fall into that trap. When we lose, we conclude, I must have played bad.

So, at the individual level we all must retrain our mind to believe that our actions and not the outcomes are what we are trying to control. Easier said than done.

To remove the cheating curse from bridge we need all good bridge players to take an oath of active ethics. Disclose whatever when you can. Never hurt the opponent except through your skills. Misinformation and unauthorized information are not your credo. And when you win after you have done all that, savor the win. You are a good bridge player!!

[Editor's note – for more on bridge ethics and proprieties can be found at the ACBL Ethical Behavior webpage:

https://www.acbl.org/ethics/

# Did You Know – 4 Ethics Tips

#### Did you know:

Here are four tips (and their foundation in the Laws of Duplicate Bridge) that can guide you toward best ethics at the table.

The Laws of Duplicate Bridge prescribe the ethics of the game. This means what is allowed by Law (and regulating authorities) is ethical as well as legal. It also means if it is not in the Laws, it does not affect ethics.

Here is a link to these Laws:

http://web2.acbl.org/documentlibrary/play/Lawsof-Duplicate-Bridge.pdf

#### LAW 72 GENERAL PRINCIPLES

#### A. Observance of Laws

Duplicate bridge tournaments should be played in strict accordance with the Laws. The chief object is to obtain a higher score than other contestants whilst complying with the lawful procedures and ethical standards set out in these laws.

# 2

You are not required to call attention to an irregularity committed by your side!

# LAW 20

# REVIEW AND EXPLANATION OF CALLS F. EXPLANATION OF CALLS

- 4.(a) If a player realizes during the auction that his own explanation was erroneous or incomplete, he must summon the Director before the end of the Clarification Period and correct the misexplanation. He may elect to call the Director sooner, but he is under no obligation to do so. (For a correction during the play period, see Law 75B2.)
- (b) The Director when summoned applies Law 21B or Law 40B3.
- 5.(a) A player whose partner has given a mistaken explanation may not correct the error during the auction, nor may he indicate in any manner that a mistake has been made. 'Mistaken explanation' here includes failure to alert or announce as regulations require or an alert (or an announcement) that regulations do not require.

#### **LAW 72**

#### **GENERAL PRINCIPLES**

- B. Infraction of Law
- 1. A player must not infringe a law intentionally, even if there is a prescribed rectification he is willing to accept.
- 2. In general, there is no obligation to draw attention to an infraction of law committed by one's own side (but see Law 20F for a mistaken explanation and see Laws 62A and 79A2).
- 3. A player may not attempt to conceal an infraction, as by committing a second revoke, concealing a card involved in a revoke or mixing the cards prematurely

#### **LAW 62**

#### **CORRECTION OF A REVOKE**

#### A. Revoke Must Be Corrected

A player must correct his revoke if attention is drawn to the irregularity before it becomes established.

#### **LAW 79**

#### **TRICKS WON**

#### A. Agreement on Tricks Won

- 1. The number of tricks won shall be agreed upon before all four hands have been returned to the board.
- 2. A player must not knowingly accept either the score for a trick that his side did not win or the concession of a trick that his opponents could not lose.

You are not allowed to take any advantage of any information deduced or inferred from partner's actions at the table, including breaks in tempo during bidding or

play.

#### **LAW 73**

#### COMMUNICATION, TEMPO AND DECEPTION

#### A. Appropriate Communication between Partners

- 1. Communication between partners during the auction and play shall be effected only by means of calls and plays, except as specifically authorized by these laws.
- 2. Calls and plays should be made without undue emphasis, mannerism or inflection, and without undue hesitation or haste. But Regulating Authorities may require mandatory pauses, as on the first round of the auction, or after a skip-bid warning, or on the first trick.

#### **B. Inappropriate Communication between Partners**

- 1. Partners shall not communicate by means such as the manner in which calls or plays are made, extraneous remarks or gestures, questions asked or not asked, or alerts and explanations given or not given.
- 2. The gravest possible offense is for a partnership to exchange information through prearranged methods of communication other than those sanctioned by these Laws.

#### C. Player Receives Unauthorized Information from Partner

1. When a player has available to him unauthorized information from his partner, such as from a remark, question, explanation, gesture, mannerism, undue emphasis, inflection, haste or

- hesitation, an unexpected alert or failure to alert, he must carefully avoid taking any advantage from that unauthorized information [see Law 16B1(a)].
- 2. A penalty may be assessed against a player who violates C1, but if the opponents have been damaged, see also Law 16B3.

#### D. Variations in Tempo or Manner

- 1. It is desirable, though not always required, for players to maintain steady tempo and unvarying manner. However, players should be particularly careful when variations may work to the benefit of their side. Otherwise, unintentionally to vary the tempo or manner in which a call or play is made is not an infraction. Inferences from such variations are authorized only to the opponents, who may act upon the information at their own risk.
- 2. A player may not attempt to mislead an opponent by means of a question, remark or gesture; by the haste or hesitancy of a call or play (as in hesitating before playing a singleton); by the manner in which a call or play is made; or by any purposeful deviation from correct procedure (see also Law 73E2).

#### E. Deception

- 1. A player may appropriately attempt to deceive an opponent through a call or play (so long as the deception is not emphasized by unwonted haste or hesitancy, nor protected by concealed partnership understanding or experience).
- 2. If the Director determines that an innocent player has drawn a false inference from a question, remark, manner, tempo or the like, of an opponent who has no demonstrable bridge reason for the action, and who could have been aware, at the time of the action, that it could work to his benefit, the Director shall award an adjusted score.



You must disclose all explicit agreements and any inferred or implied agreements based on your knowledge of your partner's tendencies. You do not have to disclose what's in your hand nor what you know about bridge in general.

#### **LAW 40**

#### PARTNERSHIP UNDERSTANDINGS

#### **B. Special Partnership Understandings**

- 5.(a) When explaining the significance of partner's call or play in reply to an opponent's enquiry (see Law 20) a player shall disclose all special information conveyed to him through partnership agreement or partnership experience but he need not disclose inferences drawn from his knowledge and experience of matters generally known to bridge players.
- (b) The Director adjusts the score if information not given in an explanation is crucial for an opponent's choice of action and the opponent is thereby damaged.

#### C. Deviation from System and Psychic Action

- 1. A player may deviate from his side's announced understandings, provided that his partner has no more reason than the opponents to be aware of the deviation [but see B2(a)(v) above]. Repeated deviations lead to implicit understandings which then form part of the partnership's methods and must be disclosed in accordance with the regulations governing disclosure of system. If the Director judges there is undisclosed knowledge that has damaged the opponents, he shall adjust the score and may assess a procedural penalty.
- 2. Other than in C1 above, no player is obliged to disclose to the opponents that he has deviated from his announced methods.

# **BEHIND THE NUMBERS**

#### **By Steve Moese**

We enjoy the privilege of playing at a bridge center whose space is dedicated to bridge clubs. The dealing machines, computers, and copiers all allow club managers to provide the best bridge experience at lowest possible cost. The Cincinnati Bridge Center is about 6100 square feet of space, and because of its central location has earned the right to host major District events like the North American Pairs Finals and the Grand National Teams Finals. The Unit provides coffee, purified water, and materials necessary for duplicate bridge games (convention

cards, score sheets, table mats, tables, chairs, and more).

СВА	15	The Unit owns a long-term lease on
ACBL	1	this space used for the Cincinnati
Club Mgr	16	Bridge Center. The fully loaded cost
Total/Table	32	of the center is in the neighborhood

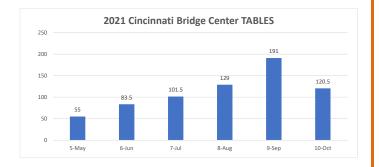
of \$6000 per month. At \$8 per person, the Unit earns \$15 per table, the ACBL takes \$1 (for a normal club game – the ACBL's cut grows with special games and tournaments), and the Club owner earns the rest.

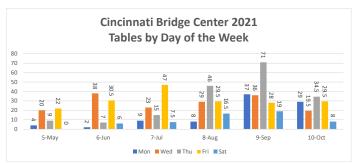


For the Cincinnati Bridge Center to breakeven today, we need \$6000/\$15 or 400 tables of bridge every month. This does not include any extra earned from the Sectionals and District events held at the CBC. This totals less than one month's cost per year.

Here is the table count and trend for the Cincinnati Bridge Center.

Tables	Mon	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	<b>Grand Total</b>
5-May	4	20	9	22	0	55
6-Jun	2	38	7	30.5	6	83.5
7-Jul	9	23	15	47	7.5	101.5
8-Aug	8	29	46	29.5	16.5	129
9-Sep	37	36	71	28	19	191
10-Oct	29	19.5	35	29.5	8	120.5

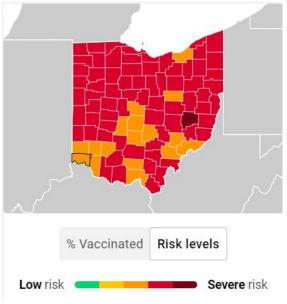




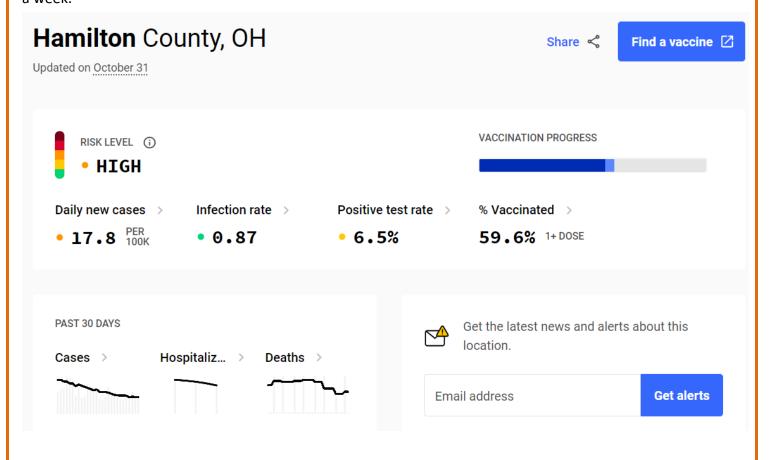
Note that the October numbers are low because we had two tournaments this month. The Cincinnati Un-Regional has not yet reported its financials, but we believe this tournament broke even. The Spooktacular netted only \$500 for the Unit, not even enough to cover the putative rent for the space during the tournament.

At 200 Tables per month, we cover \$3000 or half of the costs. With no tournament income for the foreseeable future (and uncertainty about when tournaments will return to levels approaching pre-Covid-19 levels), we will depend on our members to bridge their friends and play one or two more games a week.

All the information shows we are trending to increased safety and an acceptably low level of infection around us. This is major improvement since July 2021.



Source: <a href="https://covidactnow.org/us/ohio-oh/county/hamilton\_county/?s=24931408">https://covidactnow.org/us/ohio-oh/county/hamilton\_county/?s=24931408</a>



When the positivity rate falls below 5.0%, the ACBL will allow tournaments without masks. We can all look forward to when our community is fully vaccinated and there is no more evidence of new strains or continued threats.

What's behind the slow return of our members is difficult to say. There are several factors. We have **lost 77 members** since March 2020. Perhaps they will rejoin when conditions improve.

We see much lower participation from our Non-Life Masters. These members represent 60.6% of our membership. We used to have healthy nonlife master sections at several club games. Not yet. We do hope our Non-Life Masters return with intention. We have a lot to offer and the playing community is very friendly.

**Age** – our membership is aging. Our average member age is 73.6 years. Separate data shows that people tend to travel less for bridge and play fewer sessions per week above the age of 70.

Active people have developed **other interests**. Having nowhere to go to play bridge allows many to engage other hobbies or social activities. It will take time to rearrange calendars and schedules to get back to pre-March 2020 ways.

Finally, some people have enjoyed the convenience and cost of online bridge so much that they never intend to return to in-person play. This is certainly their choice. For many this represents freedom and an ability to engage this game more frequently.

Greg Coles (ACBL Director of Operations) shared some early insights about ACBL members and their play online as we return to ace to face bridge.

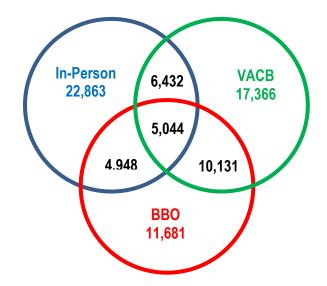
It turns out that online bridge divides our bridge community.

There are people who play bridge online only.

There are people who play bridge in-person only.

There are people who play bridge in both venues.

NUMBER OF ACBL MEMBERS	Feb 2020	Jan 2021	Aug 2021
BBO Sanctioned & In-Person Games	6,292	19,965	4,948
BBO Sanctioned Only	2,795	11,764	11,681
BBO Sanctioned & VACB			10,131
BBO Sanctioned & In-Person & VACB			5,044
Sub Total Any Online	9,087	31, 948	31,804
VACB	20	33,335	17,366
BBO Sanctioned & VACB Game		19,965	10,131
In-Person Games & VACB Games			6,432
BBO Sanctioned & In-Person & VACB			5,044
Sub Total Any VACB Games	20	53,558	38,973
In-Person	100,904	1,440	22,863
BBO Sanctioned & In-Person Games	6,292		4,948
In-Person Games & VACB Games			6,432
BBO Sanctioned & In-Person & VACB			5,044
Sub Total Any In-Person	107,196	1,440	39,287



In-Person	22,863
VACB	17,366
BBO	11,681
<b>Multiple Formats</b>	26,555

The ACBL is interested in maximizing the Blue and Green Circles. They recognize that in-person bridge is the engine that

creates new members, and the ACBL is sorely in need of new members. They suspect that the absence of tournaments and substantial face to face bridge is behind the sharp decline in memberships this year. If so, this should be reversible.

The point is that there are a very large number of active members who choose to play in only one format. There are twice as many multiple format players as there are BBO players. There are only 63% as many multiple format players as In-Person players. There are 124% multiple format players as VACB only players.

It is clear that:

- 1) Both In-person and online bridge are here to stay.
- 2) The best future will be where both forms work to increase the participation in each.

The worst possible result will be either one of online or in-person bridge destructively eliminating the other.

For now, our focus is on reopening in-person bridge and re-energizing our member base back to pre-March 2020 participation rates.

If you do nothing else, please do your part!

# www.bridgewinners.com The Theory of Total Tricks: Part IX – A Quiz Over Four



**By Steve Bloom June 27, 2013**Originally published in BridgeWinners

In each of the following problems, neither side is vulnerable. The auction goes:

W	N	Е	S
2♠	Χ	4♠	?

The choices are obvious – double or bid 5♥. *Your* call?

- 1. ♠43 ♥AJ8765 ♦AQ4 ♣32
- 2. \$432 ♥AJ8765 ♦AQ4 \$3
- 3. ♦43 ♥AJ875 ♦AQ43 ♣32
- 4. ♠43 ♥AJ875 ♦AQ843 ♣2
- 5. ♦432 **Y**AJ875 ♦AQ843 ♣–
- 6. ♠432 ♥AJ875 ♦AQ43 ♣2

#### **Applying the Law of Total Tricks**

<u>Larry Cohen</u> has made his living with these kinds of problems. He pictures his partner with some 1-4-4-4 hand, and counts up the trumps, basing his decision on the total tricks predicted. So, if there are 20

trumps, and so 20 tricks, it is clear to bid – one side or the other will make their contract. Similarly, if there are only 18 trumps, it is equally clear to defend – if we can make five hearts, eleven tricks, then we will hold them to seven for 500. Most of the time, both contracts will fail.

19 is a toss-up. Since we have the balance of power, we expect to set four spades. If we can make five hearts, 11 tricks, we will collect 300 from four spades, and lose four IMPs. If we are down at the five level, we could have collected 100 from four spades doubled, another four IMPs. We are gambling four IMPs either way, so bidding or defending seem equivalent. We will have to look at other factors to decide whether to compete or defend.

With that in mind, the Law sees 20 tricks on hand 1, making bidding absolutely clear. Likewise, there are only 18 trumps on hand 6, so that is an automatic double. This is true of hand five also, but that has so many plus features, the void, the double fit, that most players would bid on with hand 5, despite only 18 trumps. I agree, and so we will call that a Law five heart bid.

The other three hands have 19 trumps, and so need further analysis. The possible double fit in hand four clearly tips that towards bidding. The other two seem to be toss-ups. We'll flip a coin and let our long heart suit come up heads, bidding on 2, defending on 3.

The Law defends on hands 3 and 6, bids with the rest. Hands 1, 4, and 6 are clear-cut. The others are close, and could go either way.

#### **Applying SF and Loser Counts**

Likewise, using my methods, we also envision partner with a 1-4-4-4 pattern, and count our losers, and the second fit opposite such hands. We will start with SF+2, and adjust where needed.

The two five-five hands have SF=18, and so at least 20 total tricks. Bidding on these is clear. The other four hands have SF=17, and so need further calibration. Recall, when SF=17 for a completely pure hand, there are SF+3, or 20 tricks, 6 losers, 3 on each side. On two of these hands, we have three spades and one club, and so only two short-suit losers, not

three. On those hands, we are a full trick ahead of par. Admittedly, partner will likely have some wastage opposite our singleton, and we may get club ruffs, further lowering the trick total, but we are starting out with 21 total tricks before adjusting downward, and I can't see losing two full tricks to wastage or ruffs, so bidding is clear here as well.

That leaves hands 1 and 3, where we have two doubletons. These hands seem to be the closest cases. Our hand is very pure, which suggests that we are closer to SF+3, or 20 tricks, than SF+2, so bidding seems correct for these as well. On these two hands, I bid, but *only because of the relative purity of the hand*. Give me, say, 43 AJ8765 A43 Q3, and I would defend.

So, my methods suggest bidding on every hand, but, for two of the hands, we bid only because the hands are fairly pure.

#### **Simulations**

I ran simulations on all six hands[1], giving the opening bidder six spades, and 5-10 points, and giving partner 11+ points, with 1-4-4-4 shape. Bidding, as I anticipated, was correct on every hand. The table below gives the average IMPs won by bidding versus defending:

Table 6: IMPs Gained by Bidding Five Hearts on the Quiz Hands

Hand Number	Hand	IMPs gained by bidding
1	<b>♦</b> 43 <b>♥</b> AJ8765 <b>♦</b> AQ4 <b>♣</b> 32	3.87
2	<b>♦</b> 432 <b>♥</b> AJ8765 <b>♦</b> AQ4 <b>♣</b> 3	2.93
3	<b>♦</b> 43 <b>♥</b> AJ875 <b>♦</b> AQ43 <b>♣</b> 32	1.80
4	<b>♦</b> 43 ♥AJ875 ♦AQ843 <b>♣</b> 2	4.45
5	<b>★</b> 432 <b>♥</b> AJ875 <b>♦</b> AQ843 <b>♣</b> –	2.39
6	<b>♦</b> 432 <b>♥</b> AJ875 <b>♦</b> AQ43 <b>♣</b> 2	1.15

It is certainly gratifying that my methods got all six hands correct. However, a closer look at the numbers is less gratifying. [1] These simulations were, as usual, double-dummy, with one exception. On hand 5, with our void, our double-dummy partner invariably led a club and gave us several ruffs. This skewed the results, so I redid this simulation by hand, forcing partner to make more earthly opening leads.

#### The Numbers Don't Lie

There are two features worth pointing out in these numbers. First off, look at hands 1 versus 2, and hands 3 versus 6. My analysis suggests that bidding on is much clearer when we have a side-suit singleton, yet the numbers go the other way. Certainly, we were more likely to make five hearts with the extra shortness, but that shortness also led to club ruffs, and increased the penalties against four spades doubled. This is due, in part, to the double-dummy nature of the simulation – we never let a potential club ruff get away, but the evidence also suggests that my loser-count evaluation may place too much weight on side-suit singletons. Clearly more research is needed here.

The other important number shows up in hand 1. Plus 3.87 IMPs by bidding is quite a lot. So, defending with this hand would be a gross error. In my view, the purity of the hand means there are close to SF+3, or 20 total tricks, so bidding has to be correct. Law advocates would differ, and see 20 trumps, and so 20 total tricks. Both of us bid, but the rationale is quite different, and the distinction is incredibly important.

To clarify this, I ran one final simulation – giving South a 2-6-3-2 hand, with 10-12 high card points. That still leaves 20 trumps, and so, according to the Law, bidding should still be a huge winner. My belief, however, is that bidding was correct only because of the purity of hand 1. Very few of the arbitrary hands with that shape will be pure, and I would bet that defending will turn out to be the big winner.

We have a perfect test case. One theory suggests bidding, the other, defending. Who wins? Defending, by a landslide. Doubling four spades worked out to be 3.61 IMPs a hand better than bidding.

Now those are gratifying numbers.

#### **Finis**

This ends my <u>Theory of Total Tricks</u> series. There is still quite a lot of work and research to go, but I am quite convinced that counting short suit losers and using second fit gives a better estimate of total tricks than counting the number of trumps. Thanks for staying with me, and thank you all for the great comments. Steve Bloom

Find the complete Theory of Total Tricks Series by Steve Bloom on BridgeWinners at:

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# 3<sup>rd</sup> Hand Lead/Return vs NT

#### by Otto Walter

Opening leader's continuation decision. From Page 9

	876	
AJ942	Layout 1	К3
	Q 10 5	

	8	
AJ942	Layout 2	K 7 63
	Q 10 5	

	8	
AJ942	Layout 3	K 63
	Q 10 75	

**Solution:** When returning partner's "long suit opening lead vs. NT", return second best from an original two or three card suit and return fourth best from an original four + card suit.

Thus, in Hand 2, return the 3 (original fourth best). After winning the Jack, West will count East as holding 4 cards and will know that it is right to continue by playing the Ace.

In Hand 3, return the 6 (original second best). Now West will count partner as holding 2 or 3 cards and will know that the Queen will not drop under the Ace.

# **Answers to Bidding Quiz**

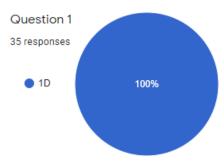
By Mike Burns

Goren on Bridge: Weekly bridge quiz GOREN BRIDGE OCTOBER 30, 2021 Q1 – Neither vulnerable

♠ AJ86♥864♦KQ63♣Q7

SOUTH WEST NORTH EAST ?

What call would you make?



Bob Jones <u>1</u> • We pass 12-point hands with 4-3-3-3 distribution and open all other 12-point hands. We follow that rule and never try to "outguess the cards." Open 1 •.

Bob Fisk 1 open all 12 HCP hands unless they're 4333 w/ no Aces. This one isn't that. It's a bidder's game.

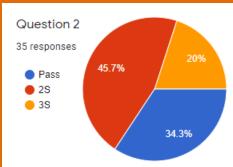
Joe Muenks 1 ← Epls. If you're unsure, apply the rule of 20 and 22 (i.e. 12HCP + 8 cards in your longest 2 suits = 20, then 2 defensive tricks [♠A, ♠KQ] = 2).

Steve Vogel <u>1</u> ◆ 12 points with 2 decent fourcard suits. I would not consider passing at any vulnerability in any seat.

Steve Moese 1 → Meets the rule of 22 - 8 Cards in two suits + 12 HCP + 2 Quick Tricks = 22. Open 1 ◆.

Q 2 – North-South vulnerable ♠ J 8 5 4 ♥ Q T 9 5 ♦ J 9 ♣ 6 4 3

WESTNORTH EAST SOUTH 1H 1S 2H ?



Bob Jones 2♠ 3♠ is available as a pre-empt, but we wouldn't bid it at this vulnerability with most of our hand in the enemy suit. Bid 2♠, but passing is reasonable.

Bob Fisk 2♠ Bidding 3♠ (weak) at this vulnerability feels a bit risky, and I have defense against a 3♥ contract. Partner's hand may be similar to AKxxx x xxx Axxx, and we lose one Heart, two Diamonds, and two Clubs (i.e., making two). If we lose a Spade trick (they break 3-1), then the opponents are making 3♥.

Joe Muenks <u>3</u>♠ Apply the law of total tricks to get to the level of your combined trump holdings. However, this can work poorly if partner tends to overcall vulnerable indiscriminately. Standard players raise to 2♠ and take the push to 3♠ next round if necessary.

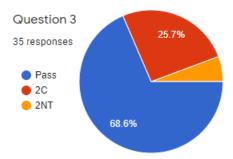
Steve Vogel 2♠ I have to show support at some level, and I do not think 3♠ is right at this vulnerability, especially with good defense against the opponents' suit. My partners and I strive to give a "courtesy" raise in competition, even with holdings like this, so I do not expect partner to go crazy after my raise.

Steve Moese 2♠ While many jump to 3♠ with 4 trumps and a weak hand, 2♠ is rich enough at this vulnerability. Passing is out of the question.

Q 3 – East-West vulnerable

**♠** KJ7♥K763♦KT4**♣**762

NORTH EAST SOUTH WEST 1C Pass 1H Pass 1NT Pass ?



Bob Jones **Pass** With a balanced hand and only 10 points, thinking would be an overbid. Pass.

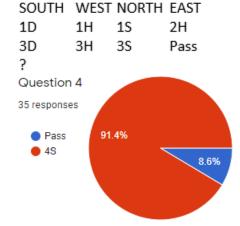
Bob Fisk **Pass** No comment necessary.

Joe Muenks <u>Pass</u> Epls (Easy Peasy Lemon Squeezy). If partner has the values for game (15), they should open 1NT.

Steve Vogel <u>Pass</u> I have a good 10 points, but partner has shown a maximum of 14. Best not to invite a shaky game and risk going down at 2NT, especially at matchpoints.

Steve Moese <u>Pass</u> Partner is 11-14. We are high enough!

Q 4 – Both vulnerable ♠ A 6 ♥ 7 ♦ A K 8 7 4 2 ♣ K 7 6 4



Bob Jones  $4 \triangleq$  Partner's bid is not forcing, but passing it would be a crime. Bid  $4 \triangleq$ .

Bob Fisk <u>4♠</u> Partner is bidding 3♠ vulnerable when I could have been void (I'm not). Picture KQxxxx xxx xx Ax, and we make six if the pointy suits behave—Heart lead, trump switch, win Ace, Spade to

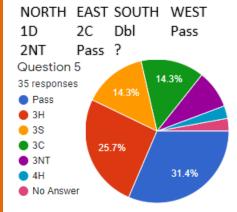
hand (both follow), pull last trump (pitch a small Club), Diamond to dummy's Ace, \*K (both follow), ruff a Diamond, cash three more Spades pitching two low Clubs and the \*4, small Club to the King, \*8, and the last trick is the ... wait for it ... BEER CARD!!! Guzzle.

Joe Muenks <u>4</u>♠ Your dummy is just what partner seeks, 2<sup>nd</sup> round heart control, Ace of trump, top diamonds for his pitches and fitting club cards. This will play very well at game.

Steve Vogel <u>4</u>♠ Partner's first spade bid showed a 5-card suit, and his second should mean a 6+ card suit with decent values. I must raise to game.

Steve Moese <u>4</u>♠ I've got 5 losers and partner has bid freely to the 3 level, and we have an 8-card fit. Don't overthink this.

Q5 – North-South vulnerable ♠ AJ864♥QJ975♦3♣96



Bob Jones <u>Pass</u> You almost certainly have a better spot in a major, but you might go broke looking for it. Pass.

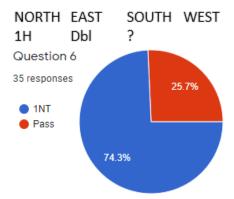
Bob Fisk <u>3.</u> Force partner to pick a major (i.e., partner is very likely to have at least one 3-card major).

Joe Muenks <u>3♣</u> Force partner to pick a major (i.e., partner is very likely to have at least one 3-card major).

Steve Vogel 3 Partner was forced to bid, and he/she likely holds a minimum hand. I have a minimum hand for my negative double, but I would prefer to play in partner's 3-card major if he/she has one. I would like to bid 3♣ asking partner to pick a major, but that bid should be forcing to game, and partner may bid 3NT with 2/2 (or worse) in the majors. It's a close call between passing and 3♥. After 3♥, with a minimum, partner should either pass or correct to 3♠.

Steve Moese <u>3♣</u> 3♣ here is pick a major. Let's hope partner does.

Q 6 – East-West vulnerable ♠ A 7 5 ♥ 6 5 ♦ Q T 4 ♣ J T 9 6 4



Bob Jones <u>1NT</u> As long as you are bidding at the one level, ignore their take-out double and make your normal bid. Bid 1NT.

Bob Fisk <u>1NT</u> This shows a balanced hand w/ fewer than three Hearts, fewer than three Spades, and 7-9 HCP (i.e., I didn't redouble, so I'm not 10+). Perfect!

Joe Muenks <u>1NT</u> You have a smattering, anyway, including a spade stopper and 2 hearts and this forces the opponents to the 2 level to respond, which is preemptive (so is 2♠ by W competing or showing some strength, maybe the opponents haven't discussed the details).

Steve Vogel <u>1NT</u> A 1NT bid should show 8-10 points, and I believe my intermediates and club

length give me the values to venture this bid and preempt the opponents a bit.

Steve Moese <u>1NT</u> Just barely. A 1NT free bid (made over their interference) should be 8-11 or so, not 6-9. Here the minors add value.

## **Compare Open to NLM Pairs**

#### **By Steve Moese**

Open and NLM Hands from Thursday October 28, 2021 Spooktacular sectional 10 AM session. While it takes effort, sometimes we can learn about our game by comparing Open players and NLM players results on the same hands. Let's take a look at the first pairs session from the Spooktacular. We have a 6-table sample from NLM pairs and a 10-table sample from Open Pairs.

The following assessment will lead us to some useful insights:

- 1) How many hands were bid to similar contracts?
- 2) Is there evidence that NLMs or Open players are more aggressive bidders?
- 3) Are there any hands that led to radically different results between both fields? If so what are their characteristics?
- 4) What themes does this comparison suggest?

To show how this might be done, I've taken the hand records and score sheets and placed them side by side. We can then do a scan to tabulate what the score sheets tell us. Since North-South and East-West are complementary scores, we can focus on the NS score alone. I've removed the player names to protect the innocent. Here is a table summarizing some facts about all the hands, separated by field (NPM or Open).

In the following table, S=# of Slams, G=# Games and P=# of Partials bid on any given hand. "+" is the number of plus scores for NS and "-" is the number of "-" scores for NS. "Mode" is the most frequent contract as bid. M\_Mode indicates when the modes match on a given hand between the two fields.  $\Delta$  is this author's subjective judgment whether the results across the field are collectively more alike or

different between NLMs and Open fields. **Par** is the best possible core for NS under assumptions of rational behavior. The numbers in red are per cent of all hands played. For 6 tables playing 24 hands, there are a total of 144 instances. For 10 tables there are 240 instances. Numbers do not total to 100% because of passed out hands.

#### What appear to be the differences?

- Hand 2: There are more contracts in different strains attempted by the open field, suggesting more competitive bidding and balancing than in the NLM field.
- 2) Hands 4, 5, 7, 9, 10 & 23 suggest a greater emphasis on bidding games in the open field compared to the NLM field.
- 3) Hand 18 suggests open players are more likely to explore and bid slams.
- 4) Hand 20 suggests open players pay closer attention to the law of total tricks when competing at the 2 and 3 level.
- 5) Hand 24 suggests that open players are better at evaluating fit, strength and tricks and are more likely to bid good games and slams.

#### **Possible Themes to Consider**

- Hand evaluation and risk-benefit judgments are key to deciding when to bid games and when to stay low. Bone up on what hand features create tricks and how to bid accordingly.
- Competitive bidding decisions, including when to balance and when to lay off, are critical to success.
- 3) There are few differences between NLM and Open fields, and require a willingness to explore, assess, and understand if you want to become a Life Master and succeed in open games.

#### Discussion

Some would expect a vast difference in the scores between fields. Not here. Instead, there are a few areas where Open (experienced) players differ from NLMs – bidding judgment, play, and hand evaluation. All of these are skills we can master.

Now I ask you bluntly, if you have a goal to become a Life Master, and life Masters are playing Open bridge,

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where do you think you will find the skills and experience you need to achieve your goal?

more help in Open Games than in NLM games if you are serious about self-improvement.

You are not at risk of embarrassing yourself as an NLM by choosing to play in the Open games. The differences are few as shown here, and you are very capable of applying this knowledge to improve your competitiveness. You can't really become a life master without beating life masters at the game. A great time to start is now!

#### Self-Assessment

At the very beginning there Is much to learn.

Studying play, and what creates tricks and how to declare or defend hands based on the information available to you, is vital to building skill. You will have

Biding skill is more important than bidding conventions. Knowing how to value a hand and when to adjust contract or level is essential. So is mastering the skill of competitive bidding. Work at learning these skills and you will improve 80% of your game. What you need to make your contracts informs the bidding choices you make.

Finlly, allow yourself to learn at your own pace. Not evenne is the same. Choose your priorities and use your resources. Open players are very interested in talking about the game and sharing what they know. You might be surprised.

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♥AQ108 ♦94	♥5 ◆KJ32		3NT	N	-50	2	40	4♥	N	-50	3.5	;
<b>₽</b> 963	<b>♣</b> 10 5 4		4 🖤	N	-50	2	40	4♥	N	-50	3.5	;
	♠J3 ♥9764		4.	N	-150	0	0	4♥	N	-50	3.5	;
	◆A87 ♣KQJ2		4▼	IN	-100	0	0	4♥	N	-50	3.5	;
NS: 4	ble Dummy Makes 4♣ 4♦ 4♥ 3NT ♠6							4♥	N	-50	3.5	;
EW:	1 <b>♠ 2 ♦</b> 3 <b>♥</b> 3 NT2  Par Score							4♥	N	-50	3.5	;
	+420 4♥-NS							4♥	N	-100	0	



Dir: E		10	Contract	Ву	Score	Matchpoints	%	Contract	Ву	Score	Matchpoints	%
•	95 Q764		3NT	Е	200	4.5	90	3NT	Е	300	8.5	94
•	A96 KQ98		1NT	E	200	4.5	90	3NT	Е	300	8.5	94
<b>♦</b> AJ73	•Q62		2♥	Е	100	2	40	2NT	Е	200	6	67
♥92 ♦72 ♣J7652	♥AK853 ♦KJ ♣A103		1NT	E	100	2	40	3NT	Е	200	6	67
			1NT	Е	100	2	40	3NT	Е	200	6	6
•	K 1084 J 10 Q 108543		1NT	E	-90	0	0	1NT	E	100	3.5	3
•	4							3♥	Е	100	3.5	3
NS: 1	<u>Dummy Makes</u> ♣4 ♥4 ♠4 NT6  3♥ 3♠ 1NT ♠6							1NT	Е	-90	2	2
<u>P</u>	Par Score							2♥	Е	-140	1	1
	♥-EW/3♠-EW		6 1 1		6	N-1-1	0/	1NT	E	-150	0	
Olr: S /ul: None 🏻 🌲	Q982	11	Contract	Ву		Matchpoints	<b>~</b>	Contract	Ву	Score	Matchpoints	5
19	KJ AK92		3NT	N	460	3.5	70	3NT	N	460	5	5
5 7 <b>.</b> 9	AQ6		3NT	N	460	3.5	70	3NT	N	460	5	5
NJ1075 852	♠63 ♥A763		3NT	N	460	3.5	70	3NT	N	460	5	
▶108 ▶J54	◆65 ◆K10732		3NT	N	460	3.5	70	3NT	N	460	5	
	•A4		3◆	S	130	1	20	3NT	N	460	5	
	Q1094 QJ743		5◆	N	-50	0	0	3NT 3NT	N	460	5	5
Double	Dummy Makes							3NT	N	460	5	5
	<ul> <li>4♥ 2♠ 5/4NT</li> <li>2 ♥2 ♠5 NT2</li> </ul>							3NT	N	460	5	5
	<u>Par Score</u> 460 5NT-N							3♥	s	-100	0	
Olr: W /ul: N-S	<b>.</b> 0.7.5.4	12	Contract	Ву	Score	Matchpoints	%	Contract	Ву	Score	Matchpoints	
_	8654 5 AK10		3♠	S	170	4	80	4 🌨	S	620	9	1
	87652		3♠	S	170	4	80	4 <b>♥</b> x	Е	300	8	8
♠Α9 ♥J32	<b>♠</b> Q 10 ♥ A K 9 7 6		3♠	S	170	4	80	3♠	S	170	7	7
• 96542	◆J7 ◆J7		3♠	S	140	2	40	3♠	S	140	4	4
			3♥	Е	50	1	20	3♠	S	140	4	4
<b>♣</b> J 10 4	•											
<b>.</b> J 10 4	KJ732 Q1084 Q83		1NT	E	-180	0	0	2♠	S	140	4	
• J 10 4	KJ732 Q1084 Q83			Е	-180	0	0	3♠	S	140	4	4
Double NS: 4	KJ732 Q1084 Q83			Е	-180	0	0					4

DIr: N Vul: Both	<b>▲</b> 110.4.2	13	Contract	Ву	Score	Matchpoints 🗸	%	Contract	Ву	Score	Matchpoints 🗸	%
14	<ul><li>J1043</li><li>♥A6</li><li>AK95</li></ul>		1 🏚	s	110	3	60	3♠	S	140	7	78
8 11 7	• Q 10 4		2♠	s	110	3	60	2♠	S	140	7	78
•8	<b>♦</b> KQ65		2♠	S	110	3	60	2♠	S	140	7	78
♥J10542 ♦QJ863 ♣A5	♥Q83 ◆42 ♣KJ98		2♠	S	110	3	60	2♠	S	140	7	78
*A3			2♠	S	110	3	60	2♠	S	140	7	78
	♠A972 ♥K97		1NT	N	-100	0	0	1NT	N	120	4	44
	◆ 107 ◆ 7632							2♠	S	110	3	33
NS: 1	ole Dummy Makes 1 ♣ 3 ♠ 2NT ◆ 6 ▼ 5							3♥	W	100	2	22
EW:	1♥ ♣5 ♦6 ♠4 NT5  Par Score							2NT	S	-100	0.5	6
	+140 3♠ -NS							3♠	S	-100	0.5	6
DIr: E Vul: None	•Q3	14	Contract	Ву	Score	Matchpoints 🗸	%	Contract	By W	Score 200	Matchpoints 9	100
8 15 7	♥A 10853 ◆7		3NT	W	250	5	100	6◆	E	150	8	89
10	♣Q8652		3NT	W	150	4	80	3NT	W	100	6.5	72
♠A542 ♥QJ972	♠ 10 ♥ 6 4		3♠	S	140	3	60	5 ◆	E	100	6.5	72
<b>♦</b> J ♣ A K 9	<ul><li>◆ A K 9 8 5 3</li><li>◆ 10 4 3</li></ul>	2	3NT	W	50	1.5	30	3◆	E	50	4.5	50
	<b>♠</b> KJ9876		3♦	Е	50	1.5	30	3◆	E	50	4.5	50
	♥ K ◆ Q 10 6 4		3♦	Е	-110	0	0	4♠	S	-50	3	33
Doub	♣ J 7 ole Dummy Makes							3♠	S	-100	2	22
NS: 1	◆ • 6 • 4 • 6 NT6 • 3 • 1 • • 5 NT6							3◆	E	-110	1	11
	Par Score -1103◆-EW							4 <b>♠</b> x	S	-300	0	0
DIr: S		15	Contract	Ву	Score	Matchpoints	%	Contract	Ву	Score	Matchpoints	, %
Vul: N-S	♠ Q 5 ♥ A J 10 9 4 3 ♦ 7 4 3		3♠	W	-200	5	100	1.♦	E	-150	9	100
5 19 9	<b>♦</b> 84		4♠	W	-420	4	80	4 🌢	W	-420	7	78
<b>♠</b> AJ976	<b>♠</b> K432		4 🌲	W	-450	1.5	30	4♠	W	-420	7	78
♥62 ◆86 • 10653	♥K ◆KQJ109 ♣AK2		4♠	W	-450	1.5	30	4 🌢	W	-420	7	78
<b>4</b> 10053	₩AN2		4 🌲	W	-450	1.5	30	4♠	W	-450	2.5	28
	<b>♦</b> 108 ♥ Q875		4 🌢	W	-450	1.5	30	4♠	W	-450	2.5	28
	<ul><li>◆A52</li><li>◆QJ97</li></ul>							4♠	W	-450	2.5	28
NS: 1	ole Dummy Makes • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •							4 🌢	W	-450	2.5	28
	8							4 🏚	W	-450	2.5	28
	-450 5 <b>♠</b> -EW							4♠	W	-450	2.5	28







# **Tournament Success!**

# 3rd October 2021 Flying Pig Unregional - Afternoon Event

Porky Pig Sunday Open Prs Porky Pig Silver Rush Prs

Ranking Scorecards Matrix Travellers Hands

# Porky Pig Sunday Open Prs MP Limits - Open/4000/1500

Pos	No	Players		Section Rank			Match Points	Score %		ster ints		
		North / Sou	ıth	,								
1	Α5	Michael & Mary Jane Gladfelter	A	1			195.00	62.50	2.11	SA S	ilv	
2	A12	David Whitesell & Stephen Lonski	С	2	1	1	191.00	61.22	1.83	SB S	ilv	
3	A3	William McFall & Jerry Poliquin	A	3			179.50	57.53	1.06	SA S	ilv	
4	Α9	Isaac Stephani & Peter Whipple	В	4	2		178.00	57.05	1.28	SB S	ilv	
5	A11	Michael Purcell & Stephen Moese	В	5	3		163.00	52.24	0.92	SB S	ilv	
6	A2	Mark Ambrose & Beth Dlutowski	С		4	2	157.50	50.48	0.72	SC S	ilv	
7	Α8	Don & Paula Byrkett	С				151.00	48.40				
8	Α7	Brenda & Jack Mehalko	В				146.00	46.79				
9	Α4	Sherry Allison & Rick Ramey	С				144.00	46.15				
10	A10	Robert Lail & Joy Singerman	С				141.00	45.19				
11	Α6	Sandra & Steven Forsythe	В				140.00	44.87				
12	A1	Margaret Young & Judy Ruehl	В				127.00	40.71				
13	A13	Larry Klein & Norman Coombs	Α				115.00	36.86				
		East / Wes	st									
1	Α9	Jay Albright & Jim Bachelder	A	1			203.00	65.06	2.11	SA S	ilv	
2	Α8	Ambrish Bansal & Nalin Mehta	С	2	1	1	178.00	57.05	1.93	SB S	ilv	
3	A10	William Davis & R Blaine Mullins	С	3	2	2	170.50	54.65	1.35	SB S	ilv	
4	A5	Yauheni Siutsau & William Higgins	A	4			163.50	52.40	0.74	SA S	ilv	
5	A13	Barbara Boswell & Daniel Koppenhafer	В	5	3		163.00	52.24	0.97	SB S	ilv	
6	Α1	Bill Atteberry & Henry Jackson	В		4		161.00	51.60	0.68	SB S	ilv	
7	Α7	Barbara Levinson & Bobbie Sward	В				158.00	50.64				
8	A12	Kay Mulford & Mary Mulford-Jacobs	В				157.00	50.32				
9	А3	Pam Campbell & Cordell Coy	В				156.00	50.00				
10	A2	Edwin Fronheiser & Dennis Bacon	С				144.00	46.15				
11	Α6	James Rader & Robert Zangri	С				136.50	43.75				
12	Α4	Elizabeth Brown & Wanda Cavinder	С				123.00	39.42				
13	A11	Jo Anne & Frank Paynter	С				114.50	36.70				

# 3rd October 2021 Flying Pig Unregional - Afternoon Event

Porky Pig Sunday Open Prs Porky Pig Silver Rush Prs

Ranking Scorecards Matrix Travellers Hands

#### Porky Pig Silver Rush Prs MP Limits - 750/500/300

Pos	No	Players			cti an					Match Points		
1	B1	Ani & Arun Pandit	В	1	1		1	1		60.00	62.50	1.20 SA Silv
2	B8	Kevin Henry & Monica Ibarra	C	2	2	1	2	2	1	56.50	58.85	0.84 SA Silv
3	B5	Salty Roark & Liz Lin	A	3			3			52.13	54.30	0.60 SA Silv
4	B9	Doug Reams & Wayne Dunn	C	4	3	2	4	3	2	46.88	48.83	0.54 SC Silv
5=	B2	Joseph Hammann & Charles Thompson Jr	A				5			46.75	48.70	
5=	B10	Steven Simon & Karen Husky	C				5	4	3	46.75	48.70	
7	В3	Gary Herrington & Sharon Koster	В							46.50	48.44	
8	B6	Steve Messinger & Sandra Fielman	В							41.60	43.33	
9	B4	Mary & Cyril Horvath	C							41.50	43.23	
10	B7	Joseph Moravec & Robert Campbell	C							41.00	42.71	

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# Flying Pig Unregional - Evening Event

Porky Pig Open Pairs Porky Pig Silver Rush Prs

Ranking Scorecards Matrix Travellers Hands

#### Porky Pig Open Pairs MP Limits - Open/4000/1500

Pos	No	Players			ctio lan			era		Match Points	Score %	C/O	Final		iste oint	
North / South																
1	A5	Yauheni Siutsau & William Higgins	A	1			3			198.36	61.22	163.50	361.86	3.39	OA	Silv
2	A2	Sandra & Steven Forsythe	В	2	1					190.98	58.94	140.00	330.98	1.74	SB	Silv
3	А3	Kay Mulford & Mary Mulford-Jacobs	В	3	2			5		188.76	58.26	157.00	345.76	1.56	ОВ	Silv
4	A1	Bill Atteberry & Henry Jackson	В	4	3		6	3		185.76	57.33	161.00	346.76	2.64	ОВ	Silv
5	A8	Barbara Boswell & Daniel Koppenhafer	В		4		7	4		183.00	56.48	163.00	346.00	1.98	ОВ	Silv
6	A10	William Davis & R Blaine Mullins	C			1			2	171.96	53.07	170.50	342.46	2.48	oc	Silv
7	A6	James Rader & Robert Zangri	C						4	144.66	44.65	136.50	281.16	1.39	oc	Silv
8	A9	Jay Albright & Jim Bachelder	Α							142.26	43.91	203.00	345.26	2.11	SA	Silv
9	A7	Barbara Levinson & Bobbie Sward	В							139.08	42.93	158.00	297.08			
10	A11	AJ Stephani & James Barrett	В							133.68	41.26	0.00	133.68			
11	A4	Jo Anne & Frank Paynter	C							104.70	32.31	114.50	219.20			
			E	as	t/	We	st									
1	A9	Isaac Stephani & Peter Whipple	В	1	1		1	1		215.52	66.52	178.00	393.52	6.03	OA	Silv
2	A5	Michael & Mary Jane Gladfelter	Α	2			2			194.94	60.17	195.00	389.94	4.52	OA	Silv
3	A7	Michael Purcell & Stephen Moese	В	3	2			6		180.12	55.59	163.00	343.12	2.14	SB	Silv
4	A8	Don & Paula Byrkett	C	4	3	1			3	176.82	54.57	151.00	327.82	1.86	oc	Silv
5	А3	William McFall & Jerry Poliquin	Α				4			174.24	53.78	179.50	353.74	2.54	OA	Silv
6	A11	Pam Campbell & Bob Fisk	В		4					157.80	48.70	0.00	157.80	0.61	SB	Silv
7	A10	David Whitesell & Stephen Lonski	C			2	5	2	1	156.84	48.41	191.00	347.84	3.52	ОВ	Silv
8	A2	Martha Howard & Peter Outcalt	C							146.34	45.17	0.00	146.34			
9	A6	Elizabeth Brown & Wanda Cavinder	С							132.24	40.81	123.00	255.24			
10	A1	Margaret Young & Judy Ruehl	В							131.70	40.65	127.00	258.70			
11	A4	Sherry Allison & Rick Ramey	C							115.44	35.63	144.00	259.44			

# 3rd October 2021 Flying Pig Unregional - Evening Event Porky Pig Open Pairs Porky Pig Silver Rush Prs

Ranking Scorecards Matrix Travellers Hands

#### Porky Pig Silver Rush Prs MP Limits - 750/500/300

Pos	No	Players		Se R	ctio ani	on k	Ot R	er an	all k	Match Points	Score %	c/o	Final		last Poin	
1	В8	Ani & Arun Pandit	В	1	1		1	1		57.33	59.72	60.00	117.33	2.7	L OA	Silv
2=	В1	Salty Roark & Liz Lin	A	2			3			52.67	54.86	52.13	104.80	1.5	2 04	Silv
2=	B7	Joseph Hammann & Charles Thompson Jr	A	2			4			52.67	54.86	46.75	99.42	1.14	1 04	Silv
4	ВЗ	Kevin Henry & Monica Ibarra	C		2	1	2	2	1	50.00	52.08	56.50	106.50	2.03	3 OA	Silv
5	B2	Edwin Fronheiser & Dennis Bacon	C			2				49.33	51.39	0.00	49.33	0.50	) 50	Silv
6	В6	Mary & Cyril Horvath	C					3		44.00	45.83	41.50	85.50	1.36	OE	Silv
7	B4	Steve Messinger & Sandra Fielman	В							41.33	43.05	41.60	82.93			
8	B5	Doug Reams & Wayne Dunn	C							36.67	38.20	46.88	83.55	0.54	1 50	Silv

## 4th October 2021 - Flying Pig Unregional-Swiss

Monday Open Swiss Teams Monday Silver Rush Teams

Ranking

## Monday Open Swiss Teams MP Limits - Open/4000/1500

Pos	Team	Players	Section		rera			,	late	che	5		Total		Score	Master
		Anne Frayne & John Meinking	Rank		tank			Ť					IMPS	Draws		Points
1	A5	David Britt & Norman Coombs	A	1		20	0	14	15	12	17	9	87	5.00	87	5.72 OA Silv
2=	A10	Ryan Schultz & Peter Whipple Yauheni Siutsau & William Higgins	А	2		1	. :	20	15	17	20	11	84	5.00	84	3.76 OA Silv
2=	A15	Michael & Mary Jane Gladfelter Tom & John Bishel	В	2	1	20	0	13	19	8	18	6	84	4.00	84	4.62 OB Silv
4=	A12	Cliff Pleatman & Stephen Vogel AJ & Isaac Stephani	В	4	2	20	0	7	16	10	3	15	71	3.50	71	3.04 OB Silv
4=	A13	Amy Gerowitz & Joanne Earls Barbara Levinson & Barbara Boswell	В	4	2	10	6	6	5	16	14	14	71	4.00	71	3.04 OB Silv
6	Α9	Jon Brissman & Doug Couchman Sonja Shiner & Howard Lopata	Α			19	9	20	5	10	2	13	69	3.50	69	1.05 SA Silv
7	A11	David Whitesell & Robert Zangri W Mike Glatt & Stephen Lonski	С		4	1 0	)	6	16	15	19	7	63	3.00	63	2.31 OC Silv
8	A14	Bill Atteberry & Peggy Ammon David Dressman & Henry Jackson	В			4		7	4	7	16	18	56	2.00	56	0.60 SA Silv
9	A8	Joe Fisher & Anton Habash Susan Bullard & H Gordon	A			4	ļ	13	12	5	6	15	55	3.00	55	0.90 SA Silv
10	A1	Bob Fisk & Pam Campbell Larry Newman & Dennis Schultz	В			20	0	6	4	15	0	7	52	2.00	52	0.60 SA Silv
11	A6	Michael Purcell & Stephen Moese Jerry Poliquin & William McFall	А			0	)	14	10	4	17	5	50	2.50	50	0.75 SA Silv
12	Α7	Mark Ambrose & Beth Dlutowski Sherry Allison & Rick Ramey	С			10	6	14	1	3	6	2	42	2.00	42	0.60 SA Silv
13	A4	Mickey Wilson & Sara Helfrich Daniel Koppenhafer & Bobbie Sward	С			2	2	0	8	3	13	13	39	2.00	39	0.60 SA Silv
14	A2	Milt Van Reed & Joanna Hebermehl Wanda Cavinder & Elizabeth Brown	В			0	)	1	12	5	14	4	36	2.50	36	0.75 SA Silv
15	А3	Salty Roark & Robert Lail Sharon Koster & Peter Outcalt	С			18	8	0	10	4	1	1	34	1.50	34	0.45 SA Silv
16	A16	Ambrish Bansal & Donald Etson Kay Mulford & Deborah Cummings	В			0	)	19	8	*	*	*	27	1.00	27	0.30 SA Silv

#### 4th October 2021 - Flying Pig Unregional-Swiss

Monday Open Swiss Teams Monday Silver Rush Teams

Ranking

#### Monday Silver Rush Teams MP Limits - 750/400

Pos	Team	Players		Section Rank		erall ank		1	Mat	che	5		IMPS	Wins/ Draws	Adj	Total	Score	Master Points
1	B43	Joseph Hammann & Charles Thompson Jr Mary & Cyril Horvath	А		1		20	14	20	18	0	20	92	5.00		92	92	2.45 OA Silv
2	B44	Joel Bromley & Jonathan Hoak Bettina Brill & Marc Manly	В		2	1	0	20	20	12	15	5	72	4.00		72	72	1.84 OA Silv
3	B46	Monica Ibarra & Kevin Henry Linda Pretz & Mike Burns	Α		3		16	0	11	2	20	13	62	4.00		62	62	1.38 OA Silv
4	B45	Steve Messinger & Sandra Fielman Jim Eger & Steve Baldwin	В				4	13	0	7	20	15	59	3.00		59	59	0.48 SA Silv
5	B41	Edwin Fronheiser, Dennis Bacon Leonard Kanterman, Jim Jacobson Judy Crotty-Hall, Liz Lin	В				20	6	0	13	0	11	50	3.00		50	50	0.48 SA Silv
6	B42	Mercer Reynolds & Eileen Barrett Betty Murdock & Erin Oblinger	Α				0	7	9	15	8	0	39	1.00		39	39	0.16 SA Silv
7	B47	Vasudha Kale & Earl Rivers Pramod & Vina Jhaveri	В				*	×	*	5	5	7	17	0.50	-20.00	37	17	0.08 SA Silv

## 5th October 2021

## Flying Pig Unregional-Tuesday Morning Session

Tuesday Open Pairs Tues 0-750 Game

Ranking Scorecards Matrix Travellers Hands

## Tuesday Open Pairs MP Limits - Open/4000/1500

			_			_	1000				
Pos	No	Players			ctio ani		Match Points	Score %		iste ints	
		North / S	ои	th							
1	A10	Kay Mulford & Mary Mulford-Jacobs	В	1	1		207.00	61.24	2.20	SA S	Silv
2	Α4	Judy Ruehl & Barbara Boswell	В	2	2		205.00	60.65	1.54	SA S	Silv
3	A7	Margaret Young & Bill Atteberry	В	3	3		187.00	55.33	1.10	SA S	Silv
4	A3	H Gordon & Susan Bullard	Α	4			182.00	53.85	0.77	SA S	Silv
5	A11	Anita Torrence & Jill Gasper	A	5			180.00	53.25	0.44	SA S	Silv
6	A5	William McFall & Jerry Poliquin	Α	6			179.50	53.11	0.37	SA S	Silv
7	A1	Robert Zangri & Anne Frayne	В		4		162.50	48.08	0.68	SB S	Silv
8=	A9	Max Mohan Arora & Aslam Siddiqui	В				160.50	47.49			
8=	A12	Barry Wauligman & Robert Lail	C			1	160.50	47.49	0.89	SC S	Silv
8=	A14	Dennis Schultz & Larry Newman	В				160.50	47.49			
11	A6	Chip Dombrowski & Bobbie Sward	В				158.00	46.75			
12	A13	Cordell Coy & Barbara Levinson	В				153.50	45.41			
13	A2	Peter Outcalt & Salty Roark	C				151.50	44.82			
14	A8	Mark Ambrose & Beth Dlutowski	C				118.50	35.06			
		East / W	'es	t							
1	A5	Michael & Mary Jane Gladfelter	A	1			200.50	59.32	2.20	SA S	Sil
2	A9	Joanna Hebermehl & Milt Van Reed	A	2			199.00	58.88	1.54	SA S	Sil
3	A10	Dian Petrov & Isaac Stephani	В	3	1		197.00	58.28	1.74	SB S	Sil
4=	A3	David Britt & AJ Stephani	В	4	2		191.00	56.51	1.22	SB S	Sil
4=	A13	Jay Albright & Jim Bachelder	A	4			191.00	56.51	0.61	SA S	Silv
6	A12	Cliff Pleatman & Stephen Vogel	В	6	3		189.50	56.07	0.87	SB S	Sil
7	A2	Rick Ramey & Sherry Allison	C		4	1	171.00	50.59	0.96	SC S	Sil
8	A8	Ambrish Bansal & Nalin Mehta	C			2	164.50	48.67	0.67	SC S	Sil
9	A11	Larry Klein & Potter Orr	В				158.00	46.75			
10	A1	Sonja Shiner & Howard Lopata	Α				156.50	46.30			
11	A6	Pam Campbell & Anton Habash	В				149.50	44.23			
12	A14	Donald Etson & James Rader	C				140.50	41.57			
13	A7	Doug Couchman & Jon Brissman	A				133.50	39.50			
14	A4	Elizabeth Brown & Wanda Cavinder	C				124.50	36.83			

## Flying Pig Unregional-Tuesday Morning Session

Tuesday Open Pairs Tues 0-750 Game

Ranking Scorecards Matrix Travellers Hands

#### Tues 0-750 Game MP Limits - 750/400/250

Pos	No	Players					Match Points		Master Points
1	C1	Phyllis Mendoza & Janet Thurnau	A	1			54.86	57.15	1.26 SA Silv
2	C10	Steven Simon & Karen Husky	C	2	1	1	53.71	55.95	0.93 SB Silv
3	C12	Mickey Wilson & Sara Helfrich	A	3			52.57	54.76	0.63 SA Silv
4	C3	Carl Wahsum III & David Francis	Α	4			49.71	51.78	0.44 SA Silv
5	C9	Bettina Brill & Joel Bromley	A				49.14	51.19	
6	C5	Steve Messinger & Sandra Fielman	В		2		48.57	50.59	0.65 SB Silv
7	C7	James & Terry Barrett	C		3	2	48.00	50.00	0.53 SC Silv
8	C6	Monica Ibarra & Kevin Henry	В				47.00	48.96	
9	C4	Jim Jacobson & Leonard Kanterman	C				45.00	46.88	
10	C8	Robert Campbell & Joseph Moravec	C				44.50	46.35	
11	C11	Edwin Fronheiser & Dennis Bacon	C				36.00	37.50	

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## Flying Pig Unregional - Tuesday Afternoon Session

Tuesday Open Pairs Tuesday 0-750 Game

Ranking Scorecards Matrix Travellers Hands

## Tuesday Open Pairs MP Limits - Open/4000/1500

Pos	No	Players			ctio lan			er an		Match Points		c/o	Final		aste oint	
			1	Voi	rth	/ S	out	h								
1	A12	Jay Albright & Jim Bachelder	Α	1			1			228.04	67.47	191.00	419.04	6.03	OA	Silv
2	Α8	Cliff Pleatman & Stephen Vogel	В	2	1		4	1		204.21	60.42	189.50	393.71	4.25	ОВ	Silv
3	A5	Michael & Mary Jane Gladfelter	Α	3			3			197.75	58.51	200.50	398.25	3.39	OA	Silv
4	A10	Dian Petrov & Isaac Stephani	В	4	2		5	2		189.54	56.08	197.00	386.54	3.19	ОВ	Silv
5	Α6	Pam Campbell & Anton Habash	В	5	3					180.15	53.30	149.50	329.65	0.92	SB	Silv
6	Α1	Robert Zangri & Anne Frayne	В	6	4					172.52	51.04	162.50	335.02	1.32	SB	Silv
7	Α9	Max Mohan Arora & Aslam Siddiqui	В							164.31	48.61	160.50	324.81			
8	Α7	Rick Ramey & Sherry Allison	С			1			2	162.55	48.09	171.00	333.55	2.01	oc	Silv
9	A2	Peter Outcalt & Salty Roark	С							161.37	47.74	151.50	312.87			
10	A3	David Britt & AJ Stephani	В							159.61	47.22	191.00	350.61	1.22	SB	Silv
11=	Α4	Judy Ruehl & Barbara Boswell	В							150.81	44.62	205.00	355.81	1.54	SA	Silv
11=	A14	Mark Ambrose & Beth Dlutowski	С							150.81	44.62	118.50	269.31			
13	A11	Anita Torrence & Jill Gasper	Α							120.88	35.76	180.00	300.88	0.44	SA	Silv
14	A13	Joy Singerman & William Cook	Α							118.53	35.07	0.00	118.53			
				Ea	st	/ W	esi									
1		Joanna Hebermehl & Milt Van Reed	Α	1			2						411.33			
2		Ambrish Bansal & Nalin Mehta	С	2	1	1	_	_	1	208.54						
3	A11	Larry Klein & Potter Orr	_	3	2		7	4					361.13			
4	Α9	Doug Couchman & Jon Brissman	Α							197.71	58.49	133.50	331.21	0.77	SA	Silv
5	Α6	Chip Dombrowski & Bobbie Sward	В	5	3					184.71	54.65	158.00	342.71	0.83	SB	Silv
6	Α5	William McFall & Jerry Poliquin	Α	6						171.17	50.64	179.50	350.67	0.74	SA	Silv
7		Cordell Coy & Barbara Levinson	В							163.58	48.40	153.50	317.08			
8	A3	H Gordon & Susan Bullard	Α							161.96	47.92	182.00	343.96	0.77	SA	Silv
9	A1	Sonja Shiner & Howard Lopata	Α							155.46	45.99	156.50	311.96			
10	Α7	Margaret Young & Bill Atteberry	В							152.21	45.03	187.00	339.21	1.10	SA	Silv
		Kay Mulford & Mary Mulford-Jacobs	В					5		149.50	44.23	207.00	356.50	2.20	SA	Silv
		Liz Lin & Phyllis Rozof	С							135.42	40.07	0.00	135.42			
13	Α4	Elizabeth Brown & Wanda Cavinder	C							101.29	29.97	124.50	225.79			

### Flying Pig Unregional - Tuesday Afterneon Session

Tuesday Open Pairs Tuesday 0-750 Game

Ranking Scorecards Matrix Travellers Hands

#### Tuesday 0-750 Game MP Limits - 750/400/250

Pos	No	Players		Se R	cti an	on k	Overall Rank	Match Points	Score %	c/o	Final	Mas Poir	
1	C3	Carl Wahsum III & David Francis	Α	1			1	64.00	66.67	49.71	113.71	2.53 0/	A Silv
2	C6	Bettina Brill & Joel Bromley	Α	2			2	58.67	61.11	49.14	107.81	1.90 O	A Silv
3	C4	Monica Ibarra & Kevin Henry	В	3	1		3	52.00	54.17	47.00	99.00	1.42 0/	A Silv
4=	C1	Edwin Fronheiser & Dennis Bacon	С		2	1		43.33	45.14	36.00	79.33	0.56 S	C Silv
4=	C5	James & Terry Barrett	С		2	1		43.33	45.14	48.00	91.33	1.09 S	C Silv
6=	C2	Phyllis Mendoza & Janet Thurnau	Α					41.33	43.05	54.86	96.19	1.26 S	A Silv
6=	C7	Marc Manly & Jonathan Hoak	С					41.33	43.05	0.00	41.33		
8	C8	Mickey Wilson & Sara Helfrich	Α					40.00	41.67	52.57	92.57	0.63 S	A Silv

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## Flying Pig Unregional - Wednesday Merning Pairs

Wednesday Open Pairs Wednesday 0-750 Pairs

Ranking Scorecards Matrix Travellers Hands

## Wednesday Open Pairs MP Limits - Open/4000/1500

Pos	No	Players			cti an		Match Points	Score %	Master Points
		North / So	ut	h					
1	A14	Stephen Vogel & Cliff Pleatman	В	1	1		252.42	69.35	2.38 SA Silv
2	A15	Henry Jackson & David Dressman	В	2	2		228.50	62.77	1.67 SA Silv
3	A10	David Whitesell & Stephen Lonski	С	3	3	1	216.67	59.52	1.19 SA Silv
4	Α7	Dennis Schultz & John Williams	В	4	4		197.17	54.17	0.83 SA Silv
5	A11	Kay Mulford & Bill Coombs	A	5			196.08	53.87	0.48 SA Silv
6	A12	Sonja Shiner & Howard Lopata	A	6			191.75	52.68	0.40 SA Silv
7	Α6	Judy Ruehl & Barbara Levinson	A				189.04	51.93	
8	Α9	John Meinking & Norman Coombs	A				187.96	51.64	
9	A5	AJ Stephani & Dian Petrov	A				181.46	49.85	
10	A13	Billie Brown & William Lea Jr	A				174.00	47.80	
11	A1	Sherry Allison & Rick Ramey	С			2	162.50	44.64	0.72 SC Silv
12	Α4	Peter Outcalt & Sharon Koster	С				161.42	44.35	
13	A2	Judy Barron & Judith Lucas	С				158.17	43.45	
14	A16	Paul Pschesang & Harry Gear	В				141.92	38.99	
15	Α8	Joann Behr & Robert Lail	С				141.38	38.84	
16	A3	Anita Torrence & Jill Gasper	A				130.00	35.71	
		East / We	st						
1	A13	Michael & Mary Jane Gladfelter	A	1			220.00	60.44	2.38 SA Silv
2	A14	Chip Dombrowski & Bobbie Sward	В	2	1		214.50	58.93	1.83 SB Silv
3	Α9	Bob Fisk & Mary Mulford-Jacobs	В	3	2		214.00	58.79	1.28 SB Silv
4	A15	Mike Ma & Arun Goyal	В	4	3				0.92 SB Silv
5	A11	Jon Brissman & Doug Couchman	A	5			191.00	52.47	0.48 SA Silv
6	A5	Yauheni Siutsau & William Higgins	A	6			186.00	51.10	0.40 SA Silv
7	Α8	William McFall & Jerry Poliquin	A				182.00	50.00	
8	A1	Larry Newman & Pam Campbell	В		4		180.50	49.59	0.64 SB Silv
9	A6	Steven Forsythe & Robert Zangri	В				179.50	49.31	
10	Α7	Margaret Young & Peggy Barrett	В				174.50	47.94	
11	A3	Igor Milman & Oleg Rubinchik	В				167.50	46.02	
12	A12	Bill Atteberry & Cordell Coy	В				166.50	45.74	
13	A2	Joseph Hammann & Sandra Forsythe	С			1	157.50	43.27	0.83 SC Silv
14	Α4	Herb Schapera & Bettina Brill	С				151.00	41.48	
15	A10	Milt Van Reed & Joanna Hebermehl	A				134.00	36.81	

## Flying Pig Unregional - Wednesday Morning Pairs Wednesday Open Pairs Wednesday 0-750 Pairs

Ranking Scorecards Matrix Travellers Hands

#### Wednesday 0-750 Pairs MP Limits - 750/400/150

Pos	No	Players			cti lan		Match Points			ster ints
		North / S	οц	th						
1	C1	Mickey Wilson & Sara Helfrich	Α	1			140.92	65.24	1.20 5	A Silv
2	C6	Kevin Henry & Monica Ibarra	В	2	1		127.60	59.07	0.84 5	A Silv
3	C3	Betsy Coith & Jan Kiefhaber	В	3	2		121.97	56.47	0.60 5	SA Silv
4	C2	Edward Poe & Mary Ellen Linne	Α	4			119.32	55.24	0.42 5	SA Silv
5	C9	Carl Wahsum III & David Francis	А				114.84	53.17		
6	C10	Erin Oblinger & Betty Murdock	Α				106.65	49.38		
7	C7	Mike Burns & Liz Lin	Α				98.31	45.51		
8	C5	Steve Baldwin & Jim Eger	В				91.62	42.42		
9	C4	Steven Simon & Karen Husky	В				84.94	39.32		
10	C8	Mary Reisert & Patricia Simpson	В				76.71	35.51		
		East / W	/es	t						
1	C4	Terry Raulin & Cecilia Kloecker	Α	1			128.51	59.50	1.20 5	A Silv
2	C6	Sara Geier & Susan Mosher	Α	2			120.19	55.64	0.84 5	SA Silv
3	C1	Patt Olexsey & Joanne Oppelt	В	3	1		116.55	53.96	0.93 5	B Silv
4	C8	Pattie Jamison & Marcia Roesch	В	4	2		115.28	53.37	0.65 5	B Silv
5	C2	Frances Morrison & Susan Roberts	С		3	1	101.22	46.86	0.66 5	C Silv
6	C3	Jonathan Hoak & Marc Manly	С			2	100.52	46.54	0.46 5	C Silv
7	C7	Frances Hamilton & Terry Barrett	С				100.34	46.45		
8	C9	Edwin Fronheiser & Dennis Bacon	С				100.04	46.31		
9	C5	Gary Herrington & James Barrett	В				90.29	41.80		

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## Ply Pig Unregional - Wednesday Afternoon Pairs Wed Open Pairs Wed 0-750 Game

Ranking Scorecards Matrix Travellers Hands

#### Wed Open Pairs

#### MP Limits - Open/4000/1500

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Pos	No	Players		Se R	ctio			era an		Match Points	Score %	c/o	Final		ste int	
			N	ort	h,	/ So	utl	,								
1	Α7	Margaret Young & Peggy Barrett	В	1	1		5	4		232.38	63.84	174.50	406.88	2.38	SA S	Silv
2	Α5	Yauheni Siutsau & William Higgins	Α	2			6			219.92	60.42	186.00	405.92	2.07	SA S	Silv
3	A8	William McFall & Jerry Poliquin	Α	3						213.96	58.78	182.00	395.96	1.19	SA S	Silv
4	A12	Bob Fisk & Mary Mulford-Jacobs	В	4	2		4	3		197.17	54.17	214.00	411.17	3.02	DA :	Silv
5	A2	Joseph Hammann & Sandra Forsythe	С	5	3	1			2	195.00	53.57	157.50	352.50	2.01	DC :	Silv
6	A15	Potter Orr & Pam Campbell	С	6		2				183.00	50.27	0.00	183.00	0.67	SC :	Silv
7	АЗ	Anita Torrence & Jill Gasper	Α							178.21	48.96	130.00	308.21			
8	Α4	Henry Jackson & David Dressman	В				7	5		176.58	48.51	228.50	405.08	1.79	DA:	Silv
9	A14	Sherry Allison & Rick Ramey	С							175.00	48.08	162.50	337.50	0.72	SC S	Silv
10	A16	David Britt & Monica Ibarra	С							173.88	47.77	0.00	173.88			
11	A11	Jon Brissman & Doug Couchman	Α							172.79	47.47	191.00	363.79	0.48	SA S	Silv
12	A1	Igor Milman & Oleg Rubinchik	В							170.08	46.73	167.50	337.58			
13	Α9	John Meinking & Norman Coombs	A							167.38	45.98	187.96	355.34			
14	Α6	Judy Ruehl & Barbara Levinson	Α							156.00	42.86	189.04	345.04			
15	A13	Billie Brown & William Lea Jr	Α							152.00	41.76	174.00	326.00			
16	A10	Milt Van Reed & Joanna Hebermehl	A							151.67	41.67	134.00	285.67			
			- 1	Eas	t/	/ We	st									
1	Α9	Bill Atteberry & Cordell Coy	В	1	1					214.00	58.79	166.50	380.50	2.38	SA S	Silv
2	A14	Michael & Mary Jane Gladfelter	A	2			2			213.50	58.65	220.00	433.50	5.36	DA :	Silv
3	A3	Stephen Vogel & Cliff Pleatman	В	3	2		1	1		210.00	57.69	252.42	462.42	7.15	DA :	Silv
4	Α6	Mike Ma & Arun Goyal	В	4	3		3	2		207.50	57.01	211.50	419.00	4.02	DA :	Silv
5	A8	Kay Mulford & Bill Coombs	Α	5						203.50	55.91	196.08	399.58	0.96	SA S	Silv
6	A12	Beth Dlutowski & Mark Ambrose	С	6	4	1				186.00	51.10	0.00	186.00	1.03	SC S	Silv
7	A10	AJ Stephani & Dian Petrov	A							184.00	50.55	181.46	365.46			
8	A4	Judy Barron & Judith Lucas	С			2				181.00	49.73	158.17	339.17	0.72	SC :	Silv
9	A11	Sonja Shiner & Howard Lopata	A							177.00	48.63	191.75	368.75	0.40	SA S	Silv
10	A15	Harriet Edwards & Linda Woodham	С							168.50	46.29	0.00	168.50			
11	A2	Dennis Schultz & John Williams	В							166.00	45.60	197.17	363.17	0.83	SA S	Silv
12	A13	Steven Forsythe & Robert Zangri	В							164.00	45.05	179.50	343.50			
13	Α7	Peter Outcalt & Sharon Koster	С							157.00	43.13	161.42	318.42			
14	A1	Chip Dombrowski & Bobbie Sward	В							151.00	41.48	214.50	365.50	1.83	SB S	Silv
15	A5	David Whitesell & Stephen Lonski	С						1	147.00	40.38	216.67	363.67	2.68	oc:	Silv

### Fly Pig Unregional - Wednesday Afternoon Pairs

Wed Open Pairs Wed 0-750 Game

Ranking Scorecards Matrix Travellers Hands

#### Wed 0-750 Game MP Limits - 750/400/150

Pos	No	Players			ction ank			Match Points		c/o	Final		ster ints
				No	rth /	Sou!	th						
1	C7	Judy Crotty-Hall & Carla Runda	В	1	1			111.20	57.92	0.00	111.20	1.02	SA Silv
2	C3	Steve Baldwin & Jim Eger	В	2	2		3	110.40	57.50	91.62	202.02	1.29	OB Silv
3	C1	Patt Olexsey & Joanne Oppelt	В	3		4	2	95.20	49.58	116.55	211.75	1.72	OB Silv
4	C2	Betsy Coith & Jan Kiefhaber	В			3	1	92.00	47.92	121.97	213.97	2.29	OB Silv
5	C6	Carl Wahsum III & David Francis	A					91.20	47.50	114.84	206.04		
6	C4	Frances Hamilton & Terry Barrett	С					89.60	46.67	100.34	189.94		
7	C5	Mary Reisert & Patricia Simpson	В					82.40	42.92	76.71	159.11		
				Ea	st /	Wes	t						
1	C7	Mickey Wilson & Sara Helfrich	Α	1		1		131.20	68.33	140.92	272.12	2.89	OA Silv
2	C4	Sara Geier & Susan Mosher	Α	2		2		111.20	57.92	120.19	231.39	2.17	OA Silv
3	C3	Gary Herrington & James Barrett	В	3	1			104.80	54.58	90.29	195.09	0.71	SB Silv
4	C1	Frances Morrison & Susan Roberts	С					90.40	47.08	101.22	191.62	0.66	SC Silv
5	C6	Erin Oblinger & Betty Murdock	Α					85.60	44.58	106.65	192.25		
6=	C2	Terry Raulin & Cecilia Kloecker	Α					74.40	38.75	128.51	202.91	1.20	SA Silv
6=	C5	Pattie Jamison & Marcia Roesch	В					74.40	38.75	115.28	189.68	0.65	SB Silv

#### 7th October 2021

## Flying Pig Unregional - Thursday Swiss

Thursday Swiss Teams Thursday Limited Teams

Ranking

## Thursday Swiss Teams MP Limits - Open/4000/1500

Pos	Team	Players	Section Rank	Overal Rank	I	ı	Mat	che.	5			Wins/ Draws	Score	Master Points
1	А3	John Meinking & Norman Coombs Yauheni Siutsau & William Higgins	А	1	20	18	16	10	19	5	88	4.50	88	4.47 OA Silv
2	A11	Douglas Millsap & Siraj Haji Jay Albright & Tom Bishel	A	2	17	12	4	20	14	17	84	5.00	84	3.35 OA Silv
3	A15	Stephen Vogel & Cliff Pleatman Michael & Mary Jane Gladfelter	В	3 1	7	3	16	20	19	15	80	4.00	80	3.58 OB Silv
4	A5	William McFall & Jerry Poliquin Mike Ma & Stephen Moese	А	4	15	8	20	8	4	20	75	3.00	75	1.89 OA Silv
5	A7	AJ, Isaac Stephani Ryan Schultz, Dian Petrov Peter Whipple	В	5 2	9	20	16	10	16	3	74	3.50	74	2.69 OB Silv
6	A9	Barbara Levinson & Cordell Coy Peggy Ammon & David Dressman	В	3	0	8	20	14	9	20	71	3.00	71	2.01 OB Silv
7	A8	Mary Mulford-Jacobs & Igor Milman Oleg Rubinchik & Amit Raturi	A		12	11	9	12	1	17	62	4.00	62	1.20 SA Silv
8	A12	Vernon Goetz & Henry Jackson Gregory Brinker & J Woeste	С	4 1	6	11	11	15	11	0	54	4.00	54	2.48 OC Silv
9	A13	C Tom Kerns & Bonnie Papini David Kennedy & Stewart Devilbiss	С	2	14	14	4	6	11	3	52	3.00	52	1.86 OC Silv
10=	A2	Mark Ambrose & Beth Dlutowski Stuart Ray & Connie Noel	С		6	9	0	17	9	10	51	1.50	51	0.45 SA Silv
10=	A4	Larry Newman & Dennis Schultz Nalin Mehta & Anton Habash	В		0	17	0	8	13	13	51	3.00	51	0.90 SA Silv
12=	A1	Martha Howard, Peter Outcalt Salty Roark, Sharon Koster Monica Ibarra	С		14	6	9	12	6	0	47	2.00	47	0.60 SA Silv
12=	A14	Chip Dombrowski & Bobbie Sward Judy Ruehl & Potter Orr	В		13	2	0	5	7	20	47	2.00	47	0.60 SA Silv
14	A6	Bob Fisk & David Britt Anita Torrence & Jill Gasper	Α		5	18	11	0	1	10	45	2.50	45	0.75 SA Silv
15	A10	Pam Campbell & Pramod Jhaveri Robert Lail & Joann Behr	С		3	2	3	4	0	7	19	0.00	19	



#### **Thursday Limited Teams** MP Limits - 750/550/100

Pos	Team	Players		Section Rank		erall ank		,	Mate	che.	5		Total IMPS	Wins/ Draws	Score	Master Points
1	E42	Betty Murdock, Eileen Barrett Mercer Reynolds, James Barrett Erin Oblinger	В		1	1	9	3	6	13	14	20	65	3.00	65	2.02 OA Silv
2	E43	Carl Wahsum III & Joseph Hammann Charles Thompson Jr & David Francis	Α				17	14	14	6	12	0	63	4.00	63	0.64 SA Silv
3	E44	Bill Atteberry & Joel Bromley Jan Kiefhaber & Betsy Coith	В				3	17	16	14	6	2	58	3.00	58	0.48 SA Silv
4	E41	Michael Thill & Tom Griswold Cyril & Mary Horvath	В				11	6	4	7	8	18	54	2.00	54	0.32 SA Silv

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Total masterpoints: 471.26 earned by 109 players.

1	21.47	Michael	Gladfelter,	Colum	bus OF	H
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2 21.47 Mary Jane Gladfelter, Columbus OH

3 18.02 Stephen Vogel, West Chester OH

4 18.02 Cliff Pleatman, Cincinnati OH

5 13.69 Yauheni Siutsau, Loveland OH

6 13.69 William Higgins, Cincinnati OH

7 12.56 Isaac Stephani, Cincinnati OH

8 12.48 Peter Whipple, Mason OH

9 11.49 Jay Albright, Columbus OH

10 10.19 Norman Coombs, Brookville IN

11 10.19 John Meinking, Maineville OH

12 8.51 Stephen Lonski, Englewood OH

13 8.51 David Whitesell, Yellow Springs OH

14 8.14 Jim Bachelder, Columbus OH

15 7.98 M Mulford-Jacobs, Cincinnati OH

16 7.97 Tom Bishel, Columbus OH

17 7.69 David Britt, Somerset KY

18 7.51 Henry Jackson, Cincinnati OH

19 7.11 William McFall, New Berlin WI

20 7.11 Jerry Poliquin, Kansas City MO

21 7.04 Anne Frayne, Dayton OH

22 6.72 William Atteberry, Cincinnati OH

23 6.56 Barbara Boswell, Cincinnati OH

24 6.50 A J Stephani, Cincinnati OH

25 6.45 Ryan Schultz, Dayton OH

26 5.91 Mike Ma, Cincinnati OH

27 5.51 Nalin Mehta, Cincinnati OH

28 5.43 Dian Petrov, Buffalo NY

29 5.27 Milt Van Reed, Terre Haute IN

30 5.27 Joanna Hebermehl, Paris IL

31 5.05 Barbara Levinson, Cincinnati OH

32 5.02 Robert Zangri, Centerville OH

33 5.02 Kay Mulford, Cincinnati OH

34 4.98 Bob Fisk, Cincinnati OH

35 4.91 Ambrish Bansal, West Chester OH

36 4.78 Stephen Moese, West Chester OH

37 4.62 John Bishel, Columbus OH

38 4.40 David Dressman, Burlington KY

39 4.39 Cordell Coy, Lakeside Park KY

40 4.02 Arun Goyal, West Chester OH

41 3.86 Bobbie Sward, Vero Beach FL

42 3.75 Sandra Forsythe, Centerville OH

43 3.48 Margaret Young, Cincinnati OH

44 3.44 Pam Campbell, Fairfield OH

45 3.35 Siraj Haji, Columbus OH

46 3.35 Douglas Millsap, Columbus OH

47 3.33 Sherry Allison, Columbus OH

48 3.33 Rick Ramey, Columbus OH

49 3.26 Chip Dombrowski, Southaven MS

50 3.06 Potter Orr, Cincinnati OH

51 3.04 Joanne Earls, Cincinnati OH

52 3.04 Amy Gerowitz, Cincinnati OH

53 2.89 Michael Purcell, Loveland OH

54 2.80 Mark Ambrose, Louisville KY

55 2.80 Beth Dlutowski, Louisville KY

56 2.72 Anton Habash, Oxford OH

57 2.61 Peggy Ammon, Burlington KY

58 2.58 Daniel Koppenhafer, Mason OH

59 2.48 William Davis, Lexington KY

60 2.48 Vernon Goetz, Villa Hills KY

61 2.48 R Blaine Mullins, Frankfort KY

- 62 2.48 J Woeste, Cincinnati OH
- 63 2.48 Gregory Brinker, Crescent Spring KY
- 64 2.38 Peggy Barrett, Cincinnati OH
- 65 2.33 Dennis Schultz, Harrison OH
- 66 2.31 W Mike Glatt, Walton KY
- 67 2.30 Jon Brissman, Indianapolis IN
- 68 2.30 Doug Couchman, Tucson AZ
- 69 2.14 Larry Newman, Amberley OH
- 70 2.14 Judy Ruehl, Batavia OH
- 71 2.01 Joseph Hammann, Tipp City OH
- 72 1.86 Stewart Devilbiss, Dayton OH
- 73 1.86 Paula Byrkett, Oxford OH
- 74 1.86 Don Byrkett, Oxford OH
- 75 1.86 David Kennedy, Dayton OH
- 76 1.86 C Tom Kerns, Beavercreek OH
- 77 1.86 Bonnie Papini, Beavercreek OH
- 78 1.79 Larry Klein, Cincinnati OH
- 79 1.74 Steven Forsythe, Centerville OH
- 80 1.67 Susan Bullard, Lexington KY
- 81 1.67 H Gordon, Lexington KY
- 82 1.45 Sonja Shiner, Highland Park IL
- 83 1.45 Howard Lopata, Northbrook IL
- 84 1.39 James Rader, Fairborn OH
- 85 1.34 Robert Lail, Beckett Ridge OH
- 86 1.20 Oleg Rubinchik, Brooklyn NY
- 87 1.20 Igor Milman, Brooklyn NY
- 88 1.20 Amitabh Raturi, Cincinnati OH
- 89 1.19 Jill Gasper, Dublin OH
- 90 1.19 Anita Torrence, Oviedo FL
- 91 1.05 Sharon Koster, Blue Ash OH
- 92 1.05 Robert Roark, Cincinnati OH
- 93 0.96 Bill Coombs, Hamilton OH
- 94 0.90 Joe Fisher, Cincinnati OH
- 95 0.89 Barry Wauligman, Hamilton OH
- 96 0.83 John Williams, Cincinnati OH
- 97 0.75 Wanda Cavinder, Indianapolis IN
- 98 0.75 Peter Outcalt, The Villages FL
- 99 0.75 Elizabeth Brown, Indianapolis IN
- 100 0.72 Judy Barron, Cincinnati OH
- 101 0.72 Judith Lucas, Cincinnati OH
- 102 0.60 Sara Helfrich, Nashville TN
- 103 0.60 Mickey Wilson, Nashville TN
- 104 0.60 Martha Howard, Mason OH
- 105 0.45 Stuart Ray, Louisville KY
- 106 0.45 Connie Noel, Louisville KY
- 107 0.30 Monica Ibarra, Covington KY
- 108 0.30 Donald Etson, Hamilton OH

#### 109 0.30 Deborah Cummings, Villa Hills KY

#### **FLYING PIG UN-REGIONAL - NLM EVENTS**

Total masterpoints: 115.30 earned by 64 players.

- 1 5.67 Monica Ibarra, Covington KY
- 2 5.67 Kevin Henry, Cincinnati OH
- 3 4.23 Joseph Hammann, Tipp City OH
- 4 4.23 Charles Thompson Jr, Xenia OH
- 5 4.22 Joel Bromley, Cincinnati OH
- 6 4.13 Mary Horvath, Dayton OH
- 7 4.13 Cyril Horvath, Dayton OH
- 8 3.74 Bettina Brill, Tucson AZ
- 9 3.52 Sara Helfrich, Nashville TN
- 10 3.52 Mickey Wilson, Nashville TN
- 11 3.17 David Francis, Lebanon OH
- 12 3.17 Carl Wahsum III, Waynesville OH
- 13 2.77 Jan Kiefhaber, Cincinnati OH
- 14 2.77 Betsy Coith, Cincinnati OH
- 15 2.76 James Barrett, Cincinnati OH
- 16 2.71 Arun Pandit, Mason OH
- 17 2.71 Anirudh Pandit, Mason OH
- 18 2.30 Marc Manly, Cincinnati OH
- 19 2.30 Jonathan Hoak, N Palm Beach FL
- 20 2.18 Mercer Reynolds, Cincinnati OH
- 21 2.18 Erin Oblinger, Cincinnati OH
- 22 2.18 Betty Murdock, Milford OH
- 23 2.17 Susan Mosher, Cincinnati OH
- 24 2.17 Sara Geier, Loveland OH
- 25 1.77 Stephen Baldwin, Cold Spring KY
- 26 1.77 James Eger, Cleves OH
- 27 1.72 Patt Olexsey, Cincinnati OH
- 28 1.72 Joanne Oppelt, Cincinnati OH
- 29 1.68 Liz Lin, Cincinnati OH
- 30 1.52 Robert Roark, Cincinnati OH
- 31 1.49 Edwin Fronheiser, Breinigsville PA
- 32 1.49 Dennis Bacon, Breinigsville PA
- 33 1.38 Mike Burns, Cincinnati OH
- 34 1.38 Linda Pretz, Cincinnati OH
- 35 1.26 Phyllis Mendoza, Cincinnati OH
- 36 1.26 Janet Thurnau, Cincinnati OH
- 37 1.20 Terry Raulin, West Chester OH
- 38 1.20 Cecilia Kloecker, Cincinnati OH
- 39 1.18 Judy Crotty Hall, Cincinnati OH
- 40 1.17 Eileen Barrett, Cincinnati OH
- 41 1.13 Stephen Messinger, West Chester OH
- 42 1.13 Sandra Fielman, Mason OH

43	1.04 Terry Barrett, Cincinnati OH
44	1.02 Carla Runda, Maineville OH
45	0.93 Steven Simon, Cincinnati OH
46	0.93 Karen Husky, Cincinnati OH
47	0.71 Gary Herrington, Sharonville OH
48	0.66 Susan Roberts, Cincinnati OH
49	0.66 Frances Morrison, Cincinnati OH
50	0.65 Pattie Jamison, Cincinnati OH
51	0.65 Marcia Roesch, Maineville OH
52	0.54 Wayne Dunn, Lebanon OH
53	0.54 Doug Reams, Trenton OH

54	0.48 William Atteberry, Cincinnati OH
55	0.42 Mary Ellen Linne, Indianapolis IN
56	0.42 Edward Poe, Indianapolis IN
57	0.32 Tom Griswold, Centerville OH
58	0.32 Michael Thill, Dayton OH
59	0.32 Leonard Kanterman, Cincinnati OH
60	0.32 James Jacobson, Cincinnati OH
61	0.08 Vina Jhaveri, Cincinnatti OH
62	0.08 Vasudha Kale, Cincinnati OH
63	0.08 Pramod Jhaveri, Cincinnati OH
64	0.08 Earl Rivers, Cincinnati OH



# Oct 28, 2021 - Thursday 10:00 am Zombie Apocalypse NLM Pairs Event Summary Session 1 6.0 TABLES

mps	Color	Α	В	Overall Score	%	Player 1	Player 2
1.83	Silver	1		70.00	58.33	Tim Oppelt Cincinnati, OH	Joanne Oppelt Cincinnati, OH
1.37	Silver	2	1	66.50	55.42	James Barrett Cincinnati, OH	Terry Barrett Cincinnati, OH
1.03	Silver	3		65.00	54.17	Stephanie Jones Terrace Park, OH	Debra Chavez Cincinnati, OH
0.68	Silver	4/5		63.50	52.92	Stephen Baldwin Cold Spring, KY	James Eger Cleves, OH
0.68	Silver	4/5		63.50	52.92	Charles Dorenkott Cincinnati, OH	Robert Letourneau Blue Ash, OH
0.95	Silver		2	63.00	52.50	Earl Rivers Cincinnati, OH	Vasudha Kale Cincinnati, OH

## Oct 28, 2021 - Thursday 10:00 am

## Zombie Apocalypse Open Pairs Event Summary Session 1

10.5 TABLES

mps	Color	A	В	С	Overall Score	%	Player 1	Player 2
6.19	Silver	1			155.81	64.12	Kay Mulford Cincinnati, OH	Bill Coombs Hamilton, OH
4.64	Silver	2			150.00	61.73	Barbara Boswell Cincinnati, OH	Barbara Levinson Cincinnati, OH
3.48	Silver	3			137.50	56.58	Anton Habash Oxford, OH	Pam Campbell Fairfield, OH
2.61	Silver	4			134.00	55.14	Yauheni Siutsau Loveland, OH	William Higgins Cincinnati, OH
1.96	Silver	5			132.75	54.63	Stephen Vogel West Chester, OH	Cliff Pleatman Cincinnati, OH
2.73	Silver	6	1		131.50	54.12	Ambrish Bansal West Chester, OH	Arun Gupta West Chester, OH
2.05	Silver		2		128.00	52.67	David Whitesell Yellow Springs, OH	Robert Zangri Centerville, OH
1.54	Silver		3		123.50	50.82	Judy Barron Cincinnati, OH	Jo Ellen Spitz Cincinnati, OH
1.15	Silver		4		120.38	49.54	Cecilia Kloecker Cincinnati, OH	M Mulford-Jacobs Cincinnati, OH
0.86	Silver		5		120.00	49.38	Joe Pike Edgewood, KY	Cordell Coy Lakeside Park, KY
1.56	Silver			1	119.25	49.07	Erin Oblinger Cincinnati, OH	Betty Murdock Milford, OH
1.17	Silver			2	115.50	47.53	Robert Roark Cincinnati, OH	Terry Raulin West Chester, OH

## Oct 28, 2021 - Thursday 2:30 pm

## Zombie Apocalypse Open Pairs Event Summary Session 1

10.5 TABLES

mps	Color	A	В	С	Overall Score	%	Player 1	Player 2
6.13	Silver	1	1		161.50	66.46	William Atteberry Cincinnati, OH	Stephen Moese West Chester, OH
4.60	Silver	2	2		150.00	61.73	Ambrish Bansal West Chester, OH	Arun Gupta West Chester, OH
3.45	Silver	3	3	1	149.00	61.32	Betty Murdock Milford, OH	Erin Oblinger Cincinnati, OH
3.06	Silver	4	4		144.00	59.26	Dennis Schultz Harrison, OH	W Mike Glatt Walton, KY
2.14	Silver	5			135.00	55.56	Jay Albright Columbus, OH	Siraj Haji Columbus, OH
1.53	Silver	6	5		134.44	55.33	John Williams Cincinnati, OH	Reva Hutchins Columbus, OH
1.49	Silver			2	130.00	53.50	Stephen Baldwin Cold Spring, KY	James Eger Cleves, OH

# Oct 28, 2021 - Thursday 7:00 pm Eight is Eerily Enough Swiss Event Summary Session 1

7.0 TABLES

mps	ps Color A B C		VPs 🗸	Player 1 Player 2		Player 3	Player 4		
3.12	Silver	1	1		106.00	Bob Fisk Cincinnati, OH	Pam Campbell Fairfield, OH	Kevin Henry Cincinnati, OH	Monica Ibarra Covington, KY
2.34	Silver	2	2	1	65.00	Robert Brown Cincinnati, OH	Frank Lichtenberger  Cincinnati, OH	Cordell Coy Lakeside Park, KY	Bert Luken Erlanger, KY
1.76	Silver	3			56.00	Jerry Katz Cincinnati, OH	Joann Katz Cincinnati, OH	Annette Kereiakes Cincinnati, OH	Tom Kereiakes Cincinnati, OH

## Oct 29, 2021 - Friday 10:00 am

## Witches' Brew NLM Pairs Event Summary Session 1

3.0 TABLES

mps	Color	Α	Overall Score	%	Player 1	Player 2
1.49	Silver	1	33.50	67.00	Tim Oppelt Cincinnati, OH	Terry Raulin West Chester, OH
1.12	Silver	2	27.00	54.00	Steven Simon Cincinnati, OH	Karen Husky Cincinnati, OH

## Oct 29, 2021 - Friday 10:00 am

## Witches' Brew Open Pairs Event Summary Session 1

9.0 TABLES

mps	Color	A	В	С	Overall Score	%	Player 1	Player 2
4.41	Silver	1/2	1		140.00	64.81	Arun Gupta West Chester, OH	Ambrish Bansal West Chester, OH
4.41	Silver	1/2			140.00	64.81	Mike Ma Cincinnati, OH	Stephen Moese West Chester, OH
2.84	Silver	3	2		136.00	62.96	Barbara Boswell Cincinnati, OH	Daniel Koppenhafer Mason, OH
2.13	Silver	4			125.00	57.87	M Mulford-Jacobs Cincinnati, OH	Bill Coombs Hamilton, OH
1.59	Silver	5			121.50	56.25	Yauheni Siutsau Loveland, OH	William Higgins Cincinnati, OH
1.45	Silver		3		113.00	52.31	Beth Dlutowski  Louisville, KY	Mark Ambrose Louisville, KY
1.64	Silver		4	1	110.50	51.16	Stephen Lonski Englewood, OH	David Whitesell Yellow Springs, OH
1.23	Silver			2	102.00	47.22	Amy Gerowitz  Cincinnati, OH	Linda Pretz Cincinnati, OH

## Oct 29, 2021 - Friday 2:30 pm

## Witches' Brew Open Pairs Event Summary Session 1

#### 7.5 TABLES

mps	Color	Α	В	С	Overall Score	%	Player 1	Player 2
4.13	Silver	1			97.00	67.36	Bob Fisk Cincinnati, OH	Pam Campbell Fairfield, OH
3.10	Silver	2			92.00	63.89	Mike Ma Cincinnati, OH	Stephen Moese West Chester, OH
2.32	Silver	3			79.43	55.16	Anton Habash Oxford, OH	Dennis Schultz Harrison, OH
2.41	Silver	4	1	1	78.29	54.37	Stephen Lonski Englewood, OH	David Whitesell Yellow Springs, OH
1.81	Silver	5	2		77.00	53.47	Daniel Koppenhafer Mason, OH	Barbara Boswell Cincinnati, OH
1.36	Silver		3	2	72.00	50.00	Amy Gerowitz  Cincinnati, OH	Linda Pretz Cincinnati, OH
1.02	Silver		4		69.50	48.26	Mary Merryman Cincinnati, OH	Phyllis Rozof Loveland, OH

## Oct 30, 2021 - Saturday 10:00 am

# Spooktacular Open Pairs Event Summary Session 1

#### 13.0 TABLES

mps	Color	Α	В	С	Overall Score	%	Player 1	Player 2
5.27	Silver	1			205.00	65.71	Judy Ruehl Batavia, OH	Dennis Schultz Harrison, OH
3.95	Silver	2			196.50	62.98	Cliff Pleatman Cincinnati, OH	Mike Ma Cincinnati, OH
2.96	Silver	3			192.50	61.70	Tom Bishel Columbus, OH	Siraj Haji Columbus, OH
2.22	Silver	4			186.50	59.78	Diane Travis Cincinnati, OH	Pam Campbell Fairfield, OH
3.21	Silver	5	1		186.00	59.62	Ambrish Bansal West Chester, OH	Arun Gupta West Chester, OH
2.41	Silver	6	2	1	177.00	56.73	James Barrett Cincinnati, OH	Jonathan Burns Cincinnati, OH
1.81	Silver		3		171.50	54.97	Barbara Boswell Cincinnati, OH	Peggy Barrett Cincinnati, OH
1.35	Silver		4		163.50	52.40	Cecilia Kloecker Cincinnati, OH	Sharon Kreitzer Cincinnati, OH
1.02	Silver		5		161.00	51.60	Robert Zangri Centerville, OH	David Whitesell Yellow Springs, OH

## Oct 30, 2021 - Saturday 2:30 pm

# Spooktacular Open Pairs Event Summary Session 1

### 11.5 TABLES

mps	Color	Α	В	С	Overall Score	%	Player 1	Player 2
6.42	Silver	1			172.00	63.70	Tom Bishel Columbus, OH	Siraj Haji Columbus, OH
4.82	Silver	2			165.00	61.11	Deborah Cummings Villa Hills, KY	Kay Mulford Cincinnati, OH
3.88	Silver	3	1		163.50	60.56	John Williams Cincinnati, OH	M Mulford-Jacobs Cincinnati, OH
2.91	Silver	4	2		162.00	60.00	Cordell Coy Lakeside Park, KY	William Atteberry Cincinnati, OH
2.45	Silver	5	3	1	150.50	55.74	Debra Chavez  Cincinnati, OH	Stephanie Jones Terrace Park, OH
1.61	Silver	6			147.38	54.59	Judy Ruehl Batavia, OH	Dennis Schultz Harrison, OH
1.61	Silver		4/5	2/3	146.81	54.37	Carla Runda Maineville, OH	Judy Crotty Hall Cincinnati, OH
1.61	Silver		4/5	2/3	146.81	54.37	Anirudh Pandit Mason, OH	Arun Pandit Mason, OH
1.03	Silver			4	138.00	51.11	Erin Oblinger Cincinnati, OH	Betty Murdock Milford, OH