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President's Message

It's not that I'm opposed to technology and iEverythings. I just think that some advances we make are really steps backward. My phone is not an iPhone. I've lived most of my life without the ability to immediately respond to everyone, at any time, from any place. Finding out who sang a doo wop song that comes into my head really isn't a life-or-death question that can't wait until I get home to my computer.

At this point you're asking yourself, "What does all this have to do with bridge?" A "techie" on our NSBA Board of Directors told me that he thought our game would evolve into one that would, in the foreseeable future, be played on tablets rather than with cards. No, not only during online bridge sessions like you may be playing now, but at a table with four players.

Many of us learned our wonderful game during a time when friends and family got together to play cards. The men might have played poker, gin, or that extinct species of game, pinochle, while the women played bridge or canasta. Sometimes they all played together. It was a social event, possibly for a Saturday evening, at a time when there wasn't money available for an evening out. I "learned" bridge watching friends' college-age brothers and sisters playing in the apartment building I grew up in Brooklyn. Holding a hand in a duplicate game still connects me to a different, distant, time in my life that I don't want to forget in the name of progress.

At the recent Regional at the Hilton in New York there were signs by the bathrooms to remind players to wash their hands – "cards can transmit germs." To me they transit memories of Brighton Beach Baths, Long Island beach clubs, and Catskill hotels with their endless gin and pinochle games. Do you remember the movie, "The Flamingo Kid"?

Let's continue to hold onto our cards today and in the future and keep our connections to the past. They are what make us who we are. I'm not interested in playing our game with Hal from "2001," Stanley Kubrick's wonderful movie.

See you at the bridge table, with 13 cards in your hand, not a tablet.

Steve Lucas

NASSAU-SUFFOLK BRIDGE ASSOCIATION
THE LONG ISLAND FALL REGIONAL
SEPTEMBER 16-21, 2014

At the MELVILLE MARRIOTT HOTEL

Check Out The Gold Point Pairs on
Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday Mornings!!

DISTRICT 24 NEWSLETTER

By Alvin Levy, District 24 Director

<http://www.ny-bridge.com/allevy/>

The longest running bridge tournament, the Eastern States Regional, just ended. A quick look at the results led me to believe that David and Lisa Berkowitz were back in town, but on closer examination it was their daughter, Dana, who won the most prestigious team event, the Reisinger KOs.

The North American Pairs qualifying stage starts at the club level in June and continues through August.

The District finals of the Grand National Teams are being held as I sit at my desk and pound out another newsletter. The winners in each flight will compete in Las Vegas in the North American finals. Speaking of team events, the NSBA, thanks to Joe Byrnes, has brought back the double KOs on Long Island, and the turnout was tremendous.

The 4th Annual Dr. Reza Khatib Sectional Bridge Tournament will be held July 30-31, 2014. The NSBA calendar also holds the Fall Regional, September 16-21. As a special feature, the ACBL CEO, Robert Hartman, will attend. Put it on your calendar.

For the traveler, there is the Las Vegas NABC, July 17-27. Of course, the Fall NABC in Providence, RI, November 27 – December 7, will attract many from our District.

For the most adventurous, there is the World Championships in Sanya, China, October 10-25. Sanya is a popular tourist destination on the island of Hainan and is referred to as the oriental Hawaii. There are no qualifying stages so everyone is eligible to play. All events are transnational, that is, you can partner or be teammates with anyone regardless of which country they represent. See the World Bridge Federation website for full details.

I do hope everyone is playing more bridge, winning their share of masterpoints and greatly enjoying the game.

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June 2014 STaC Results

Monday Morning Open Pairs

Stratum A (76 tables)

- 1 Mark Blanchard – Laurie Berlin
- 2 Leonard Domnitz – Philip Waldman
- 3/4 Helene Maurer – Hope Nierman
- 3/4 Phyllis Feiner – Joyce Lotters

Stratum B

- 1 Mark Blanchard – Laurie Berlin
- 2/3 Helene Maurer – Hope Nierman
- 2/3 Phyllis Feiner – Joyce Lotters

Stratum C

- 1 Mark Blanchard – Laurie Berlin
- 2 Margery Binder – Stephanie Gluck
- 3 Edward Gladstone – Alan Zabronsky

Monday Afternoon Open Pairs

Stratum A (73.5 Tables)

- 1 Lawrence Hillel – George Aman
- 2 Flora Schnall – Annette Irom
- 3 Lauren Block – David Joseph

Stratum B

- 1 Lawrence Hillel – George Aman
- 2 Flora Schnall – Annette Irom
- 3 Dorothy Russo – Katherine Battle

Stratum C

- 1 Lawrence Hillel – George Aman
- 2 Dorothy Russo – Katherine Battle
- 3 Susan Laitmon – Ivan Sandler

Monday Evening Open Pairs

Stratum A (28.5 Tables)

- 1 Glenn Martin – Rayna Martin
- 2 Dori Cohen – Rob Gordon
- 3 Karl De Shrage – Jack Harris

Stratum B

- 1/2 Joan Levy – Norman Levy
- 1/2 Rick Wettan – Jeff Colton
- 3/5 Chandra Gupta – Peggy Gaulin
- 3/5 Judith Simon – Marilyn Fischell
- 3/5 Martin Fox – Michael Slavin

Stratum C

- 1 Rick Wettan – Jeff Colton
- 2/4 Chandra Gupta – Peggy Gaulin
- 2/4 Judith Simon – Marilyn Fischell
- 2/4 Martin Fox – Michael Slavin

Tuesday Morning Open Pairs

Stratum A (27 tables)

- 1 Phyllis Kazdin – Florence Lewis
- 2 John Berry – Susan Calabro
- 3 Jack Lipson – Carol Pratt

Stratum B

- 1 Phyllis Kazdin – Florence Lewis
- 2 Carol Kamp – Carol Fishman
- 3 Honey Green – Joan Spetter

Stratum C

- 1 Carol Kamp – Carol Fishman

- 2 Helene Schwartz – Elayne Mischna

- 3 Kay Cha – Dale Perritz

Tuesday Afternoon Open Pairs

Stratum A (87 Tables)

- 1 Joe Irom – John Gibbs
- 2/3 Elizabeth Marett – Ira Barnett
- 2/3 Philip Grella – Howard Cohen

Stratum B

- 1 Elizabeth Marett – Ira Barnett
- 2 Jeffrey Colton – Rick Wettan
- 3 Conrad Kent – Linda Lake

Stratum C

- 1 Elizabeth Marett – Ira Barnett
- 2 Jeffrey Colton – Rick Wettan
- 3 Eric Dattner – Lawrence Helft

Tuesday Evening Open Pairs

Stratum A (12 tables)

- 1 Howard Lipset – David Kornblau
- 2 Barbara Mendelsohn – Michael Krevor
- 3/5 Martin Feldman – John Berry
- 3/5 Allen Greenbaum – Marilyn Brescia
- 3/5 Michael Fishman – Abbott Feren

Stratum B

- 1 Howard Lipset – David Kornblau
- 2 Michael Fishman – Abbott Feren
- 3/4 Peter Tilles – Doris Tilles

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June 2014 STaC Results (continued from page 3)

3/4 Francis Browne – Erik Himelein

Stratum B

1 Joseph Sanders – Irving Lieblich

2 Barbara Rubin – David Joseph

3 Phyllis Kazdin – Florence Lewis

Stratum C

1/2 Laurie Berlin – Mark Blanchard

1/2 Amy Glass – Gail Wholl

3 Judith Epstein – Elinor Jaffe

Wednesday Morning Open Pairs

Stratum A (40 tables)

1 Leonard Domnitz – Martin Feldman

2 Michael Stanley – Fred Enzler

3 Marlene Beckenstein – Lauren Block

Stratum B

1 Michael Stanley – Fred Enzler

2 Paul Cohen – Gary Feuer

3 Brenda Cooperman – Holly Roseman

Stratum C

1 Frances Trachtenberg – Elizabeth Murphy

2 Diana Maniscalco – Sheila Bieber

3 Carol Kamp – Carol Fishman

Wednesday Afternoon Open Pairs

Stratum A (42.5 tables)

1 Joseph Sanders – Irving Lieblich

2 Barbara Rubin – David Joseph

3/4 Honey Ellis – Robert Karlan

3/4 Arthur Brodsky – Stan Adelman

Stratum C

1 Roberta Simon – Joan Fruchter

2 Sandra Rogol – Elyse Butnick

3 Rick Wettan – David Kirschenbaum

Wednesday Evening Open Pairs

Stratum A (21 tables)

1 Richard Baumer – Martin Finkelman

2 Laura O'Reilly – Paul DiCenso

3 Rayna Martin – Glenn Martin

Stratum B

1 Laura O'Reilly – Paul DiCenso

2 Arthur Kronfeld – Mona Kronfeld

3 Raymond Elias – Ed Niemira

Stratum C

1 Raymond Elias – Ed Niemira

2 Jonathan Howe – Hubert Howe Jr

3 Gordon Harper – Myron Zitt

Thursday Morning Open Pairs

Stratum A (87 tables)

1 Phyllis Feiner – Phyllis Freberge

2 Martin Levine – Michael Bilgrei

3 David Paull – Doris Rodgers

Stratum B

1 Phyllis Feiner – Phyllis Freberge

2 Martin Levine – Michael Bilgrei

3 Edward Gladstone – Lynne Roth

Stratum C

1 Martin Levine – Michael Bilgrei

2 Edward Gladstone – Lynne Roth

3 Benita Durben – Pearl Seligson

Thursday Evening Open Pairs

Stratum A (21 tables)

1 Rayna Martin – Glenn Martin

2 David Casper – Joseph Barilla

3 James Barush – Gary Helman

Stratum B

1 David Casper – Joseph Barilla

2 John Floto – Susan Ghee

3 Toni Macdonald – Dale Peritz

Stratum C

1 Toni Macdonald – Dale Peritz

2 Melvin Ganz – Bette Ganz

3/4 Marion Rendon – Gisele Katz

3/4 Gordon Harper – Waldo White

Friday Morning Open Pairs

Stratum A (81.5 tables)

1 Lauren Block – Arthur Brodsky

2 James Barush – Gary Helman

3 Elaine Gargano – Joan Fruchter

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Stratum B

- 1 Elaine Gargano – Joan Fruchter
- 2 Vera Mandell – Harriet Romanoff
- 3 Drew Tarhan – Yalcin Tarhan

Stratum C

- 1 Elaine Gargano – Joan Fruchter
- 2 Kathy Lang – Pat Hurleigh
- 3 Romelle Schwartz – Pat Fasciano

Friday Afternoon Open Pairs

Strata A & B (27 tables)

- 1 Phyllis Goldin – Myra Langsam
- 2 Ellen Postrel – Pat Gold
- 3 Carl Winston – Art Kaplan

Stratum C

- 1 Iris Boslow – Sandra Meisel
- 2 Joan Kalinousky – Lil Schwarzschild
- 3 Jeannie Vine – Marlene Schell

Saturday Afternoon Open Pairs

Stratum A (19.5 tables)

- 1 Mark Blanchard – Laurie Berlin
- 2 Bella Chiusano – Susan Weiss
- 3 Geoffrey O'Connor – Doris Rodgers

Stratum B

- 1 Mark Blanchard – Laurie Berlin
- 2 Harold Moshel – Sheila Epstein
- 3 Sivia Elgart – Jane Sitzmann

Stratum C

- 1 Mark Blanchard – Laurie Berlin
- 2 Tihomir Stanicic – Mladen Mirkovic
- 3 Carol Berman – Howard Berman

Sunday Afternoon Open Pairs

Stratum A (15.5 tables)

- 1 Lawrence Goodman – Barbara Mendelsohn
- 2 Dori Cohen – Howard Cohen
- 3 James Barush – Gary Helman

Stratum B

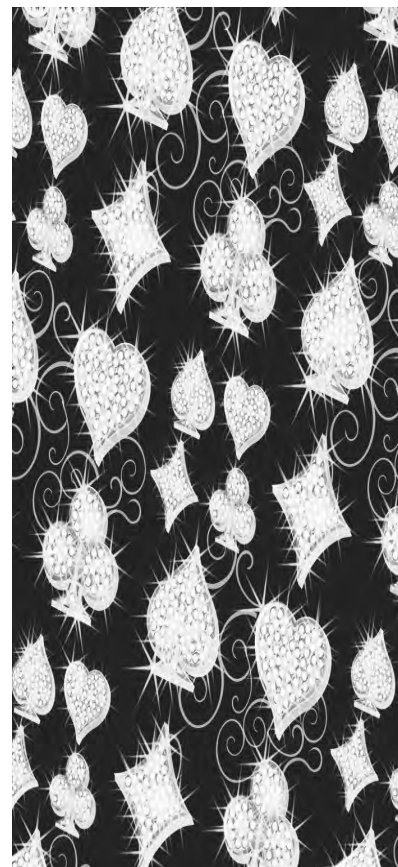
- 1 Dolores Shimmons – Paul Cutrofello
- 2 Fortunee Hayat – Phyllis Riesenberg
- 3 Leila Schwartz – Edgar Schwartz

Stratum C

- 1 Dorothy Singer – Elaine Kolodny
- 2 Joseph Heit – Michael Roos
- 3 Barbara Colton – Jeff Colton

June STaC Top 10

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|----------------------|-------|
| 1. Lauren Block | 32.69 |
| 2. Laurie Berlin | 23.98 |
| 3. Mark Blanchard | 23.53 |
| 4. Phyllis Feiner | 21.65 |
| 5. Arthur Brodsky | 19.58 |
| 6. Leonard Domnitz | 18.96 |
| 7. Jeff Colton | 17.89 |
| 8. Geoffrey O'Conner | 17.43 |
| 9. Rick Wettan | 17.28 |
| 10. Martin Feldman | 16.95 |



Editor's Note: The Islander only prints the results of STaC games that are scored over multiple clubs. For complete results, go to LIBridge.com.

Claim with Colchamiro

By Mel Colchamiro



LI Player of the Year
2008, 2003, 2001, 1999, 1998, 1997, 1996

LI Senior Player of the Year

2008

Getting Huffy

Q: Why do we put out the “stop” card?

A: To announce to partner that we are making a jump bid; so she won’t overlook the fact that we’ve jumped. Or that’s what many players believe and *would have you* believe—and they couldn’t be more wrong!

If any player uses the stop card for that purpose, the ACBL considers such actions very inappropriate and a subtle form of cheating (perhaps inadvertent cheating, but cheating nonetheless.)**

The reality is that the stop card and skip-bid warning is not there to “wake up” partner, but rather to warn the next (opposing) bidder that you are about to make an unexpected jump bid--which may cause a bidding problem. That’s what jump bids do. They, the opponents, have certain important responsibilities.

The “book” says that after a skip-bid warning and the placement of the stop card on the table, the next player is supposed to wait at least 10 seconds (actually in practice 3-5 seconds is quite appropriate) before bidding—whether or not she has any intention of doing anything but passing.

Here is why:

Suppose we were in a world where there were no mandated pause after a skip bid, and suppose your right-hand opponent opened the bidding with 3H and you have the following hand:

♠-xx, ♥-Qxx, ♦-AQxx, ♣-AQxx

Not a bad hand, but one that sort of falls between the cracks. It’s neither fish nor fowl—no long suit to overcall on, and making a take-out double with only two small cards in the unbid major may not exactly be the way to get to the promised land; much more likely, it is the way to attract your partner’s scorn and the opponent’s condescending glances.

So you pass, but it has taken you some time to come to that conclusion. Suppose your left hand opponent also passes, and your partner is then faced with HER decision. She holds:

♠-KQx, ♥-xx, ♦-Kxxx, ♣-Kxxx

She is short in the opponent’s suit and can support anything you bid, but forcing partner maybe to the four-level with only eleven points—gee, I don’t know.

And probably neither does your partner. So, she probably would consider her action and may well recall that you thought over the 3♥ bid. “Ah,” she (subconsciously?) thinks to herself: “It’s safe to bid because I know partner has points.”

But she’s not allowed to know that you have points; after all, all you’ve done is pass. The only way she knows that you have points is because of your “break in tempo” (undo pause) after the 3♥ opening bid. Such break in tempo (accentuated pause) is called “unauthorized information.” It is a silent transmission of information that couldn’t have reached you if partner had passed “in normal tempo”(without any apparent thought) over 3♥.

Ah, you say, the solution is that partner is not allowed to think so long. But that thinking is wrong—way wrong.

Any time a player has a legitimate bidding problem, they (we) are permitted to take time to solve it. It may include eventually bidding or eventually passing. Jump bids that unexpectedly get the bidding up high very quickly (typically, but not exclusively, through preempts) are the ones that are most likely to cause us to take a few seconds to consider our options, which is our right. The onus is not on us not to think. The onus is on our partner not to take unfair advantage of such unauthorized information (if after our long

pause we decide to pass).

On the courtroom dramas on TV we all giggle when the judge admonishes the jury to “disregard that testimony” (or whatever) that he or she deems inappropriate for the jury to hear. We all know that the jury will not disregard what they have already heard—no way, no how.

But that is what we as bridge players are required to do when we receive “unauthorized information.” We have to bid on the merits of OUR hand, not because we know “partner has points.”

It may seem strange, but bridge players actually have greater practical ethical responsibilities than jurists!

Solving the Problem

The way bridge tries to solve this thorny problem, is where this article started—by requiring players to pause a few seconds whenever the stop card comes out and/or the skip bid warning is issued *whether or not they have any intention of bidding at all! Normal tempo is defined differently after a skip bid than after non-jump bids.*

“Normal tempo” after a skip bid is
a pause of a least a few seconds.

So, when your right-hand opponent opens 3H and you have “four points” and are obviously going to pass, the game requires us to sit impassively for at least a few seconds, so partner doesn’t know if you are pausing because you really have a problem and are seriously considering bidding, or because you are fulfilling your civic bridge duty and pausing even with no points. In this way, there is no “tell.” There is no transmission of “unauthorized information.” Then, if partner wants to make a flimsy bid with flimsy points, that’s her business (and right).

If players never took advantage of “unauthorized information” then there would be no need to require a pause after announcing a skip bid and the placement of the “stop” card on the table. But that is only in a perfect world. Because most of us are imperfect and flawed, and even some few of us have mal intent, sometimes players—including those with the most honorable of intentions—get subconsciously affected by partner’s huddles.

So, let’s take our responsibility seriously and pause appropriately. And, need I say that if you have “four points” and have no intention of bidding, you can’t sit there with a bored look on your face, perhaps tapping your finger on the table impatiently, or glancing at your watch trying to time- out 10 seconds—all are obvious give-a-ways (known as a “tell”) that you have a very weak hand—another form of “unauthorized information.”

The Huffy Part

The stop card and required pause is not a perfect solution to the problem; The game does the best it can. And because like us, the solutions in place are imperfect and flawed, it is not uncommon for tempers to flare when one side or another feels aggrieved and calls the director.

Just remember, call the director politely with a raise of the hand and a calm “director, please.” When the director is summoned it should not be taken as a personal attack on the other side. The director is (should be) called just to protect the rights of the “innocent” side. Don’t get huffy when you call the director and don’t “get your back up” when they call the director on you, as long as it is done politely.

Understand it is a merely “Godfather” moment:

“It’s not personal, it’s just business.”

**Postscript: Because of such abuses of the “stop” card, I have long believed that the use of the stop card should be eliminated—it does more harm than good. About three years ago, this writer initiated such a movement, and the as a result, ACBL’s prestigious Competition Committee, under the leadership of Tom Carmichael, considered the issue and agreed with me. It unanimously voted to recommend to the ACBL Board of Directors to eliminate its use. However, in it’s infinite wisdom, the ACBL Board ignored this influential committee’s strong recommendation. That’s why we still have “stop” cards.

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The 4th Annual

Dr. Reza Khatib Sectional Bridge Tournament

Sponsored by the Nassau - Suffolk Bridge Association (NSBA)

July 30-31, 2014

at the **Melville Marriott Hotel**

1350 Old Walt Whitman Rd., Melville, NY 11747

Results posted nightly

at www.libridge.com

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Wednesday, July 30

Stratified Open Pairs 10AM & 3PM

0 – 500 NLM Pairs 10AM & 3PM

Thursday, July 31

Stratified Open Pairs 10AM & 3PM

0 – 500 NLM Pairs10AM & 3PM

All Events are Single Session. Stratified Games: A (2500+) B (1000-2500) C (0-1000)

All masterpoint awards for this Sectional tournament are:

Silver Points

Pairings: At the tournament only

Tournament Co-Chairs: Susan Scholer 631-360-8456 • Scholer@optonline.net

Dave Schwartz 631-470-1745 • Sailrman@optonline.net

Session card fee: \$16; \$19 for non or unpaid ACBL members

Youth 16 and under **Play Free** with lunch & prizes

Life Master—Non-LM Charity Pair Game

Tuesday September 16, 2014 7:00 pm

Melville Marriott Hotel

1350 Old Walt Whitman Road

Melville, NY

Each partnership consists of 1 Life Master and 1 non-Life Master (who has less than 300 points)

Life Master plays free.

Arrange your own partnership or we will find a partner for you.

No regular partnerships, please.

Pre-registration on the form below is greatly appreciated. Tear off and mail to:

Lesley Decker Lucas

231 Baird Court

Woodbury, NY 11797

Please send forms in by September 6, 2014.

Call Lesley at 516-364-2388 for further information.

Name _____

Phone _____

Partner's Name _____

I am a Life Master _____ I am a non-Life Master _____

I need a partner _____

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Long Island Fall Regional ♠ September 16-21, 2014

at the *Melville Marriott Hotel*

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1350 Old Walt Whitman Road, Melville, NY 11747 • 631-423-1600

at www.libridge.com

Discounted Room Rate: \$229 (Sun-Wed), \$149 (Thurs-Sat) Cutoff date: Aug 15; go to www.libridge.com for online booking info.

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TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 16

Non LM / LM Charity Pairs (Red) (Each pair must have a LM and an under 300 player) 7:00 pm

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 17

Special Gold Point Pairs (0-200, 200-500, 500-750)..... 10:30 am & 3:30 pm
Stratified Newcomer Single Session Pairs (0-200), (Red).....10:30 am & 3:30 pm
Stratified Open Pairs (0-2500, 2500+).....10:30 am & 3:30 pm
Stratified Pairs Side Game Series 1 (1 & 2 of 4)..... 10:30 am & 3:30 pm
Flighted Swiss / Bracketed Round-Robin Teams10:30 am & TBA
(A/X) Swiss A (4000+), X (0-4000) 7 rounds of 8 boards; Bracketed Round-Robin Flight B (no player over 3000mp)

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 18

Special Gold Point Pairs (0-200, 200-500, 500-750)..... 10:30 am & 3:30 pm
Stratified Newcomer Single Session Pairs (0-200), (Red)10:30 am & 3:30 pm
Stratified Open Pairs (0-2500, 2500+)..... 10:30 am & 3:30 pm
Stratified Pairs Side Game Series 1 (3 & 4 of 4)..... 10:30 am & 3:30 pm
Stratiflighted Open Swiss Teams (7 rounds of 8 boards, 4-3)10:30 am & TBA

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 19

Stratified Newcomer Single Session Pairs (0-200), (Red)10:30 am & 3:30 pm
Flighted Swiss / Bracketed Round-Robin Teams
(A/X) A (4000+), X (0-4000) (7 rounds of 7 or 8 boards) (Top Bracket Open to All) 10:30 am & TBA
Stratified Open Pairs (0-2500, 2500+)..... 10:30 am & 3:30 pm
Stratified Pairs Side Game Series 2 (1 & 2 of 3)..... 10:30 am & 3:30 pm

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 20

Special Gold Point Pairs (0-200, 200-500, 500-750)..... 10:30 am & 3:30 pm
Flighted Swiss / Bracketed Round-Robin Teams
(A/X) A (4000+), X (0-4000) (7 rounds of 7 or 8 boards) (Top Bracket Open to All) 10:30 am & TBA
Stratified Open Pairs (0-2500, 2500+).....10:30 pm & 3:30 pm
Stratified Pairs Side Game Series 2 (3 of 3).....10:30 am

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 21 (Full break for lunch — no lunch boxes will be provided)

Flighted Swiss / Bracketed Round-Robin Teams 10 am & TBA

(A/X) Swiss A (4000+), X (0-4000) 7 rounds of 8 boards

Bracketed Round Robin (0-3000), teams play a round robin within their bracket (7 rounds of 7 boards)

GOLD AWARDED IN BRACKETED EVENTS (In each bracket of 8 teams, 3 receive gold)

All Stratified Events unless indicated otherwise: A (2500+) B (1000-2500) C (0-1000)

Stratiflighted Events: A (4000+), X (0-4000), B (1000-3000), C (0-1000)

All Newcomer Events (single session, Red) A (100-200) B (50-100) C (0-50) (if possible)

Tournament Chairman: Dave Schwartz (631)470-1745 • Sailrman@optonline.net

GUARANTEED PARTNERS FOR NEWCOMERS, OTHER PARTNERSHIPS ARRANGED (at the tournament only)

Gold pts: all events, except as noted

SIDE GAME SERIES: Best 2 of 3/4 (Overall gold • Session red • different partner OK)

Lectures and Post Mortems for I/N and Gold Point Pairs Events

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EVENT DESCRIPTIONS FROM THE ACBL

BRACKETED EVENTS

In these events, very popular today, teams are grouped by their average masterpoint holdings, not by the masterpoint holding of the highest ranked player (as done in stratified events). This allows the players to compete mainly against their equals, while allowing for a reasonable number of contestants in each bracket.

BRACKETED KNOCKOUT TEAMS (KO TEAMS) & COMPACT KO TEAMS

In these KO events, roughly 25% of the players receive gold points. A team winning its first two matches receives gold points. KO Teams are four-session events. Compact KO Teams are two session events in which teams play two 12-board matches each session.

BRACKETED SWISS TEAMS

In this event, roughly **35% of the players receive gold points!** Teams are grouped by average masterpoint holdings, not by the highest ranked player's holdings (as done in stratified events). Most brackets have 8 teams. Teams play only against other teams in their own bracket. This is a playthrough event, not a knockout. In an 8-team bracket, each team plays once against every other team in its bracket. This is called a complete round-robin within a bracket. In the lowest bracket, there may be more than 8 teams. *The highest bracket, **open to ANY team**, is played as a traditional Swiss Team event.*

STRATIFIED PAIRS & STRATIFIED SWISS TEAMS

These events usually have three mutually exclusive strata. For a pair or team, the player with the highest masterpoint holding determines the stratum in which they play. In these events, all strata play against each other. Players are eligible for masterpoint awards in their own or a higher stratum. All stratified events are playthrough. Only the top two strata of a stratified event pay gold points. The C stratum pays red points.

SIDE GAME SERIES

These are single-session red point stratified pairs games. A bonus for those who play more than one session of the same series is this: **Gold points are given to players (individuals, not partnerships) with the best performance in any two single sessions of the same series.** For purposes of this gold point "bonus," the event is NOT stratified. Also, any player who earns a stratum A section top during the course of these events will receive gold points for the section top as long as that player plays at least two sessions in the same series.

NSBA ISLANDER
Unit Party Pictures



Congratulations to the NSBA's New Life Masters



NSBA President Steve Lucas presenting Robert Gordon with the 2013 Player of the Year Award

(Thanks to Christine Woodring for providing the pictures)



2013 Ace of Clubs Winners



2013 Mini-McKenney Winners



THE BRIDGE CENTER IS BACK!!

The Bridge Center of Long Island is a sanctioned ACBL duplicate bridge club open 7 days a week.

Come on down and enjoy a fabulous day of Bridge with the most friendly environment. For more information you can call or visit our web site www.bridgecenteroflongisland.com.

Don't fret if you are a single, we can always get you a partner.

Just give us a call and we will take care of everything.

The Bridge Center of Long Island

3678 W. Oceanside Road

Oceanside

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Lin Fisher

		Schedule	
Monday Afternoon	12:30 pm	Open	\$16 Lunch with Silvia
Tuesday Morning	10:30am	Limited	\$16 Lecture at 10:00 am
Tuesday Afternoon	12:30 pm	Open	\$16 Lunch with Silvia
Wednesday Afternoon	12:30 pm	Open	\$16 Lunch with Silvia
Thursday Afternoon	12:30 pm	Open	\$16 Lunch with Silvia
Friday Afternoon	12:30 pm	Open	\$16 Lunch with Silvia
Saturday Afternoon	12:45 pm	Open	\$16 Lunch with Silvia
Sunday Afternoon	12:45 pm	Open	\$16 Lunch with Silvia

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ATTENTION: INTERMEDIATES AND NEWCOMERS FALL REGIONAL EVENTS JUST FOR YOU!

Make your plans now to play with your favorite partner.

Tuesday, September 16	7 PM	Non LM/LM Pairs
Wednesday, September 17	10 AM & 3 PM	GOLD POINT PAIRS!
Wednesday, September 17	10 AM & 3 PM	Single Session Pairs
Thursday, September 18	10 AM & 3 PM	GOLD POINT PAIRS!
Thursday, September 18	10 AM & 3 PM	Single Session Pairs
Friday, September 19	10 AM & 3 PM	Single Session Pairs
Saturday, September 20	10 AM & TBA	Bracketed RR Swiss
Saturday, September 20	10 AM & 3 PM	GOLD POINT PAIRS!
Sunday, September 21	10 AM & TBA	Bracketed RR Swiss

The I/N player who has won the most masterpoints playing in the newcomer events during the tournament will be the recipient of our I/N trophy. It could be you! And at this tournament newcomers are invited to participate in our popular BRACKETED ROUND-ROBIN SWISS TEAM EVENT. This means that your team will be playing against opponents who have similar masterpoint totals, and that you could even win GOLD points in the event. No kidding!

And Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday are special chances to earn GOLD Points!

For information and encouragement call:

Susan Scholer, I/N Chairperson at 631-360-8456 or 631-775-7772.

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Upcoming Tournament Dates

Tournament Results

LI Club Locations and Schedules

Find a Bridge Teacher

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And much more!

Save the Date:

Fall Regional!

September 16-21

Melville Marriott Hotel
Melville, NY

Please see page 10
for details.

See you there!

MILESTONES

The ACBL Ranks*:

Rookie: less than 5 masterpoints (mps).

Junior Master: 5+ mps.

Club Master: 20+ mps.

Sectional Master: 50+ mps, of which 5 are silver.

Regional Master: 100+ mps, including 15 silver and 5 red or gold/platinum points.

NABC Master: 200+ mps, including 50 pigmented points of which 5 must be gold/platinum, 15 must be red or gold/platinum, and 25 must be silver.

Life Master: 300+ mps, including 100 pigmented points of which 25 must be gold/platinum, 25 must be red or gold/platinum, and 50 must be silver. **Bronze:** LM w/500+ mps. **Silver:** LM w/1000+ mps. **Gold:** LM w/2500+ mps. **Diamond:** LM w/5000+ mps. **Emerald:** LM w/7500 mps. **Platinum:** LM w/10,000 mps w/o a National title. **Grand:** LM with 10,000+ mps with a National title.

*for those who joined the ACBL prior to 1/1/10...otherwise, see ACBL.org



New Life Masters

- Mark Blanchard
- Bernice Cohen
- Donna Launer
- Frank Olear
- Janette Rottkamp
- Dominique Schneider
- Bonnie Semon
- Howard Siegel

New Silver Life Masters

- Florence Rubin
- Dominique Schneider
- Howard Siegel
- Selma Bernstein
- Brenda Cooperman
- Kathy Hicks
- Ann Murray
- Lewis Pfeiffer
- Barbara Pincus
- Karen Pollack
- Robin Pollack

New Advanced

NABC Masters

- Laurie Berlin
- Susan Calabro

New NABC Masters

- Stanley Adelman
- Suad Khazzam
- Beverly Lefkowitz
- Lynette Rosenblum
- Elaine Schwaber
- Judith Simon

New Regional Masters

- Sheila Berman
- Janet Contrada
- Barbara Cuenin
- Vijay Datta
- Sam Goldberg
- Carol Kamp
- Martin Kulberg
- Stephen Moran
- Tina Oms

New Diamond Life Masters

- Saul Horowitz

New Bronze Life Masters

- Evelyn Abruzzo
- Georgia Altman
- Bernice Cohen

New Gold Life Masters

- Reisha Berkowsky
- Dori Cohen
- Lawrence Goodman

- David Cohen
- Jeffrey Colton
- Shelly Fehrenbach
- Kathy Mullen
- Frank Olear

- Laura Orticelle
- Monica Passick
- Bonnie Rich
- Ivan Sandler
- Sheila Terens
- Lenore Widmark

New Sectional Masters

- Gary Alter

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Gershon Bodher	David Bass	Raymond Presti	Laura Kipp
Geri Boxer	Betty Ann Becker	Edward Rosenbaum	Michael Leinwand
Oshri Endzweig	Stacey Bernstein	Lawrence Rosenthal	Jane Lerner
Jane Garver	Marvin Boris	Jerry Rubin	Diane Lipman
Elaine Gordon	Richard Brach	Cheryl Rush	Robin Malkin
Abby Heyligers	Robin Brendell	Susan Seelig	Wendy Marx
Jonathan Howe	Janine Buss	Shi Shan	Margaret McCarthy
Tina Hye	Phyllis Channing	Alan Spiegel	Alice McKay
Bill Johnson	Ruth Corn	Ellen Spiegel	Lewis Miller
Richard Lewin	Ken Cunningham	Beverly Welch	Wade Miller
Gail Linder	Maxine Cunningham		Michael Nissau
Thomas Linder	Dorothy Doughty	New Junior Masters	Warren Pearlson
Maryalice Madden	Audrey Einhorn		Fran Peterson
Lorie Moschetti	Nancy Fein	Milton Alschuler	Ellyn Pflug
Michelle Roberts	Olga Karasik	Fern Bernstein	Anthony Puglisi
Rosalie Roth	Lesley Keil	Lilias Bostwick	John Roefs Jr
Maggie Silver	Elaine Kelfer	Gail Brockett	Karen Ruben
Thomas Tynan	Betty Marx	Janine Buss	Elaine Scharf
Eileen Zonar	Bert Moreida	Kim Coleman	Marlene Senders
	John Murabito	Howard Collins	Pamela Sheiffer
New Club Masters	Ronna Niederman	Robert Goldstein	Kenneth Simon
	Susan Panzer	Linda Gralitzer	Annette Sinett
Amy Barash	Davida Philips	Edith Hadik	Betty Tilghman

Teaching Bridge to Youth on Long Island

Our Long Island School Program is growing thanks to our many volunteers. If you are interested in helping to teach bridge to youngsters, please email Carol Mathews at mathewscj@aol.com. You will not be working alone — this is a team effort! Thanks.



6901 Jericho Turnpike, Suite 105, Syosset, NY

NEED POINTS?!

Extra Point Games
and other Special Events

SILVER POINTS

Fri, Aug 1	10:30am	Open Game
Fri, Aug 1	7:00pm	(0-750mp) Game
Sat, Aug 2	1:00pm	Open Game
Sun, Aug 3	12:00pm	Swiss Teams

TRIPLE POINTS

Sat, Jul 12	7:00pm	Swiss Teams
Fri, July 25	10:30am	Open Game
Thur, Aug 21	1:00pm	Open Game

ACBL members only; NO extra card fee.

DOUBLE POINTS

Tues, Jul 1	7:30pm	Open Game*
Mon, Jul 7	7:30pm	Open & (0-499mp)
Thur, Jul 10	7:00pm	Open Game
Sun, Jul 13	12:00pm	Open Game
Wed, Jul 16	7:00pm	Open Game
Wed, Jul 16	7:30pm	(0-499mp)
Fri, Jul 18	10:30am	Open Game
Sat, Jul 19	1:00pm	Open Game*
Mon, Jul 22	10:30am	Open Game
Tue, Jul 22	10:30am	Open Game
Sat, Jul 26	1:00pm	Open Game
Mon, Jul 28	10:30am	Open Game*
Mon, Aug 4	7:30pm	Open & (0-499mp)
Wed, Aug 6	10:30am	Open Game
Sun, Aug 10	12:00pm	Open Game
Mon, Aug 11	7:30pm	Open & (0-499mp)*
Tues, Aug 12	7:30pm	Open Game
Thur, Aug 14	10:30am	Open Game
Sun, Aug 17	12:00pm	Open Game*
Mon, Aug 18	10:30am	Open Game
Wed, Aug 20	7:00pm	Open Game
Wed, Aug 20	7:30pm	(0-499mp)
Fri, Aug 22	10:30am	Open Game*
Sat, Aug 30	1:00pm	Open Game

***There is NO extra card fee for these Club Championships.**
The others are Charity events (Regular Card fee + \$1)

NAP Qualifying Games 50/50 RED & BLACK

Tues, Jul 1	10:30am
Sun, Jul 6	12:00pm
Wed, Jul 9	7:00pm
Mon, Jul 14	7:30pm
Thur, Jul 24	10:30am
Tues, Jul 29	7:30pm
Sat, Aug 16	1:00pm
Wed, Aug 20	10:30am

These grassroots events qualify approx. 50% of participants to play in the Unit NAP event in the Fall.

Winners of the Unit NAP will receive \$700 for 1st place and \$300 for 2nd place, to be used to attend the National level NAP event in the Spring. (Regular Card fee + \$1)

NEW! Game of Titans

Fri, Aug 22 7:00pm

INDIVIDUAL Game competition for one (1) overall winner.

Winner will receive a trophy and their name on our club's perpetual plaque!

Open to players with **1500+MP**

Regular game schedules:
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	Bridge Center of LI 516-481-4311 3678 W. Oceanside Road Oceanside Lin Fisher	Smithtown 631-360-8456 22 Lawrence Avenue Smithtown Sue Scholer, Carol Mathews	Sagamore 516-558-7799 6901 Jericho Tpk Syosset Silvana Zangri	Eastern Suffolk/Water Mill 631-726-6448 631-726-4540 1040 Montauk Hwy Water Mill Kathleen McLaughlen
Monday	12:30 pm open	10:30 am	10:30 am open and 0-750 7:30 pm open and 0-299	10:00 am newplicate 7:00 open
Tuesday	10:30 am limited 12:30 pm open	10:00 EZ Bridge	10:30 am , 12 pm 7:30 pm open	1:00 pm open
Wednesday	12:30 pm open	10:30 am Handicap 7:00 pm Bridge +	10:30 am open and 0-299 7 pm open, 7:30 pm 0-499	7:00 pm open
Thursday	12:30 pm open	3rd Thurs, Swiss 10:30 am 7:00 pm	10:30 am, 12:00 pm 0-750 7:00 pm individual	1:00 pm open & newplicate
Friday	12:30 pm open	10:30 am 7:00 pm	10:30 am open	10:00 am open
Saturday	12:45 pm open	12:00 pm Lesson 12:30 pm game	10:30 am 0-299, 1 pm open 1st Sat: 6 pm dinner/Swiss	1:00 pm open
Sunday	12:45pm open	12:30 pm	12:00 pm open	

OTHER SANCTIONED GAMES

<p>Sands' Point BC Shelter Rock Tennis Club 100 LI Expwy, Manhasset 516-558-7799 Drew Gilstad Tues. 7:15 pm</p> <hr/> <p>Bridge School of LI 123 Merrick Ave East Meadow 516-379-3000 Aaron Silverstein Mon. 10 am & 7:30 pm Thurs. 10:00 am</p> <hr/> <p>Mattituck Library DBC Knights of Columbus 2050 Depot Lane Cutchogue 631-734-8096 Kathy Fibkins Tues. 12:00 pm Reservations only</p> <hr/> <p>South Shore League March-December Thurs. 1:00 pm 568-1867 Karen Ewald</p>	<p>Montauk BC Montauk Library 631-668-2370 Barbara Sullivan Wed. 12:30 pm (winter) 1:00 pm (summer)</p> <hr/> <p>Temple Judea BC 333 Searingtown Rd Manhasset Mon. 12:30 pm 718-279-1005 Lyn Weiss — Thurs. 10:00 am 516-621-8049 Shelley Ganz</p> <hr/> <p>Jack & Carol's Bridge Friedberg JCC 15 Neil Ct, Oceanside 516--228-1088 Carol Fleissig Fri. 9:30 am</p> <hr/> <p>South Shore BC 9 Northwood Lane, Patchogue 631-654-5313 Pat Mahoney Thurs. 11:00 am, Sun 12:30 pm</p>	<p>BRIDGEExpress Lake Success Jewish Center 354 Lakeville Road 516-299-6064 Great Neck Cathy Kirshner Fri. 10:00 am Wed. 12:15 pm Sun. 1:00 pm</p> <hr/> <p>Pride of Judea 243-02 Northern BLVD Douglaston Mon. 12:00 pm 718-423-6200 Louis Lessinger</p> <hr/> <p>East Hampton DBC Hampton Day Care Center Gingerbread Lane Thurs 7 pm, April—Thanksgiving 631-907-2917 George Aman</p> <hr/> <p>Westhampton Duplicate Club Knights of Columbus Hall 580 Main Street Westhampton Fri. 12:30 pm 516-770-4650 Donald Bedell</p>	<p>Atria BC 146 Glen Street Glen Cove 516-671-2095 Mayer Wiesen Tues. 7:15 pm</p> <hr/> <p>Shelter Rock JC 272 Shelter Rock Road Roslyn 917-658-5991 Hadassah Klein Wed.7:00 pm, Thurs.12:30 pm</p> <hr/> <p>Gardiner's Bay BC Gardiner's Bay CC Shelter Island 631-749-2021 Lillian Kessler (summers only)</p> <hr/> <p>Garden City BC DBC Senior Rec Center Golf Club Lane Garden City 516-781-4651 Ellen Davidoff Thurs. 7:30 pm</p>	<p>Riverhead BC Riverhead Com Ctr Jamesport Thurs. 12:00 pm 631-312-3332 Barbara Cuenin</p> <hr/> <p>Lake Success JC Bridge Club 354 :Lakeville Road Great Neck Lyn Weiss 718-279-1005 Tues. 12:00 pm</p>
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Khatib Sectional	Melville Marriott Hotel	July 30-31
STaC Weekend	Local Clubs	August 1-3
Fall Regional	Melville Marriott Hotel	September 16-21
STaC Week	District 3/Unit 155 (GNYBA)	October 13-19
NAOP Finals	TBA	November 19
STaC Week	Unit 242 (NSBA)	November 10-16
Fall Nationals	Providence, RI	Nov. 27—Dec. 7
Edgar Kaplan Reg.	New York Hilton	December 26-30

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