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President's Message

Upon assuming the Presidency of the Nassau Suffolk Bridge Association I knew that one of my responsibilities would be to write a "President's Message" for each issue of the Islander; a daunting assignment for someone whose knowledge of sentence structure and spelling isn't what it should be. Fortunately, we have a great editor, Mark Shaiman, and eagle-eyed proof readers, including my wife Lesley, to try to make me look good.

If you are reading this, then bridge is probably as important in your life as it is in mine. My jump shot is long gone. I can't hit a mediocre fast ball anymore (never could hit a good curve ball). When I try to run I resemble the Tin Woodsman (sans oil can). But I know I can still take part in, as Somerset Maugham wrote, "the most entertaining and intelligent card game the wit of man has so far devised." I believe that Maugham used wit to mean intelligence. However, we all know that without a sense of wit (humor) this game can make any of us feel like a nitwit. It challenges us to use thinking skills that might otherwise be starting to atrophy. Bridge is angioplasty for the mind. It keeps our thinking clear and our minds active. We remember a bridge hand played days or weeks ago, but we can stand up to get something and forget what that something is.

Non-bridge players can't understand our passion for a card game. I've been asked many times a question I know you've also been asked. "What do you get if you win?" "Points," I answer. I'm looked at incredulously. "No money?" "No money." "Just a feeling of satisfaction and the knowledge that my mind is still active and competent. That's better than money."

Bridge affords us a social setting for maintaining old friendships and establishing new ones. We are all part of a community of bridge that is thriving on Long Island. Each year we honor members of our bridge community at the NSBA Unit Party, to be held this year on Sunday, April 28th at the Long Island Sheraton Hotel. Come and help celebrate our accomplishments. We will be honoring our new Life Masters for 2012 along with those who have won ACBL Ace of Clubs or Mini-McKinney awards for 2012. This is our Academy Awards night, without acceptance speeches that make us cringe. Come support your friends and salute your competitors.

Your NSBA is working hard to bring this game we all love to more Long Islanders, both young, and shall we say, mature. Our Youth Bridge programs are expanding into more elementary and middle schools. We are exploring the possibilities of bridge programs in local colleges. Adult education and Bridge Club teaching programs are growing.

NOW COMES THE SALES PITCH. WE NEED YOUR HELP! Expansion of programs requires more volunteers. If you feel inspired – e-mail me at <u>stevelucas42@optonline.net</u> If you have creative ideas, suggestions, or even complaints – same e-mail address.

Looking forward to seeing you at the table.

Steve Lucas

NASSAU-SUFFOLK BRIDGE ASSOCIATION THE LONG ISLAND SPRING REGIONAL APRIL 16-21, 2013 At the MELVILLE MARRIOTT HOTEL Check Out The Gold Point Pairs on Wednesday & Saturday Mornings!!



DISTRICT 24 NEWSLETTER

By Alvin Levy, District 24 Director

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

Most ACBL players confine their play to their clubs. Many venture out to Regionals, especially when they are local, and a small percent play at NABCs at least once a year. Most players don't get to see, in person, all the bridge activities held in North America, let alone around the world. Players may keep up with bridge activities through the Bridge Bulletin and once in a while through the media with newspaper articles and an infrequent TV spot. The best place to keep up with the entire world of bridge is through the Internet. My webpage "explore the world of bridge on the Internet" (<u>http://ny-bridge.com/allevy/worldofbridge.html</u>) covers most every important bridge activity and website.

If you explore it you will see the BIG picture. Looking at 'International Organizations' you will see the World Bridge Federation (WBF). The WBF has as its members over 130 countries configured in eight zones. The largest zone is the European Bridge League (EBL) with 47 countries and 400,000 members. The ACBL, covering North America has three countries, the USA, Canada and Mexico with a combined membership of 165,000. I've been a member of the Executive Council of the WBF, representing the ACBL, for the past 10 years, and currently serve as Executive VP and chair of Technology. Bridge, through the WBF, is now associated with a number of sport organizations. Under International Organizations you'll see the International Mind Sports Association, SportAccord and the Olympic Movement. The International Olympic Committee recognizes bridge as a sport and the WBF as the International bridge organization. SportAccord is the umbrella organization for both Olympic and non-Olympic International sports, and the WBF is a member along with other mind sports organizations including Chess, Go and Draughts. The International Mind Sports Association (IMSA) consists of the four mind sports recognized by the IOC and its goal is to organize World Mind Sports games under the sponsorship of SportAccord and to promote the long term plan of including Mind Sports Games as part of the Olympics. All this connects us to the sports world and results in exposure, some clout and a dream for greater recognition.

In 2012 two major events were held featuring Mind Sports Games, the 2nd World Mind Games under IMSA and the 2nd SportAccord World Mind Games. The major bridge event was the 14th World Bridge Championships, which was part of the 2nd World Mind Games under IM-SA, held in Lille, France, August 9-23. The results can be found at <u>http://www.worldbridge.org/tourn/Lille.12/microSite/Results.htm</u>. A gallbladder attack and surgery kept me away from the games, but I did Skype into the WBF meetings and ran the World Computer-Bridge Championship from home, with the help of many others. Those results can be found at <u>www.computerbridge.com</u>

The 2nd SportAccord World Mind Sports Games took place in Beijing from December 12-19, 2012. This was more of an exhibition with five mind sports participating, including Bridge, Chess, Go, Draughts and Xiang Qi (Chinese Chess). There was substantial prize money and all the participants' expenses were fully paid. In bridge there were four Open teams of six and four Women's teams of six, each representing their country. The USA had a team in both the Open and Women's events. The format was team, pairs and Individual events over the eight day tournament. You can see the results at http://www.worldbridge.org/tourn/Beijing.12/Microsite/Results.htm. The event was broadcast on Bridge Base Online and was widely covered by the Chinese Media. I attended as an administrator and can report that the Chinese, in conjunction with the WBF put on a great show. There were visits to middle school and University activities where the youngsters play bridge. It was fun interacting with the youngsters, including playing some bridge with them.

There are other International events that are drawing some interest. The Buffett Cup and the Cavendish are two big events, and you can link to their website from my webpage. The Buffett Cup is a challenge match between the best players in North America and Europe. It is held every two years to coincide with the Ryder Cup in golf, on which it was modeled. The Cavendish is annual and by invitation. It is the world's largest money prize bridge tournament. The centerpiece is a Pairs event where the pairs are auctioned off. Traditionally held in Las Vegas it has moved to Monaco for a two year period.

World, zonal, national championships as well as special events often make the news and surely show off the top end of our game. Next issue I'll focus on the other end of the game, club play, which is the heart of play all over the world.

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October Regional Results

Tuesday Evening LM/Non-LM Pairs (43.5 Ta-

bles)

- 1 Allen Greenbaum Elayne Fastenberg
- 2 Vincent Fitzgerald Patricia Lessard
- 3 Alan Kudisch Linda Povman

Wednesday 10am Side Game

Stratum A (7 tables)

- 1 John Abrenica George Nichols Jr
- 2 Arnold Fisher Anthony Rizzuto
- 3 Nancy Brookman Marina Engel

Stratum B

- 1 Nancy Brookman Marina Engel
- 2 Tomas Luss Leonard Nadel
- 3 Suzanne Paley Hope Nierman

Stratum C

- 1 Nancy Brookman Marina Engel
- 2 Tomas Luss Leonard Nadel
- 3/4 Sharon Kashen Ellen Liebman
- 3/4 Michael Di Michele Vijay Datta

Wednesday 10am 199er Pairs

Stratum A (14.5 Tables)

- 1 Janet Johnson Marlene Israel
- 2 Arnold Fox Elizabeth Murphy
- 3 Susan Calabro Stephen Moran

Stratum B

- 1 Gary Levine Mark Krinsky
- 2 David Kirschenbaum Richard Wettan
- 3 Hilda Schulkind Renan Tece

Wednesday Open Pairs

Stratum A (31.5 Tables)

- 1 Dori Cohen Robert Gordon
- 2 John Kranyak Melanie Tucker
- 3 Jack Alhale Joseph Meyers

Stratum B

- 1 Jack Alhale Joseph Meyers
- 2 Harold Beck E Paul Madison
- 3 Abid Merchant Sharon Goldman

Stratum C

- 1 Richard Arluck Risa Grossman
- 2 Valerie Clain Hannah Hodes
- 3 Russell Brooks Dick Noonan

WEDNESDAY 3PM SIDE

(2.5 Tables)

- 1 Peggy Peress Vicki Mouallem
- 2 Anthony Rizzuto Arnold Fisher

Wednesday 3pm 199er Pairs

Stratum A (9.0 Tables)

- 1 Janet Johnson Marlene Israel
- 2 Raymond Elias Gordon Harper
- 3 Judy Anthony Lorna Verdone

Stratum B

- 1 Mark Blanchard Ruth Lessinger
- 2 Isabelle Cetlin Jean Golub
- 3 Eileen Feldman Carol Striker

Wednesday 6:30 Swiss Side Game

Stratum A (9 tables)

- 1 Renee Miller Otto Adamec Glenn Eisenstein - Irene Frary
- 2 Alan Kudisch Michael Fishman Meredith Walfish - Dean Montgomery - Barry Walfish

3 Doris Greenwald - Betty Jane Corbani - Tania Reyes Hiller - Heidi Klein

Stratum B

1 Alan Kudisch - Michael Fishman - Meredith Walfish - Dean Montgomery - Barry Walfish

Stratum C

1 William Hart - Ruth Fox - Rhoda Haimson - Naomi Korobow

Wednesday Flight A Compact KO (7 tables)

1 Justine Cushing - Melih Ozdil - Joel Wooldridge - Lewis Finkel

2 Diana Schuld - Ruth Stober - Eileen Paley - Mimi Bieber

Wednesday Flight B Compact KO

Bracket 1 (9 tables)

1 Joann Lederman - Irving Lederman - Mona Kronfeld - Arthur Kronfeld

2 Farley Mawyer - William Wood, Jr - Lorraine Hinds - Saundra Jones

3 Nancy Briggs - Julia Douglas - Christine Talbot - Virginia Schwerin

4 Claire Kranzer - Herbert Kranzer - Roberta Mendelsohn - Barbara Pincus

Bracket 2 (16 Tables)

1 Wendy Lee - Robert Abramowitz - Gail Yap -Nancy Marshall

2 Phyllis Meltzer - Arlene Krasnoff - Sheila Pohly - Carolyn Flapan

3 Janette Rottkamp - Elizabeth Hubbard - Gail Johnson - Jennifer Villiger

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Thursday 10am Side Game

Stratum A (4.5 tables)

- 1 Jack Greenberg Andrea Kringstein
- 2/4 Michael Di Michele Vijay Datta
- 2/4 Gail Yap Nancy Marshall
- 2/4 Adrienne Saporta Jodi Rosenthal

Stratum B

- 1/3 Michael Di Michele Vijay Datta
- 1/3 Gail Yap Nancy Marshall
- 1/3 Adrienne Saporta Jodi Rosenthal

Stratum C

- 1/3 Michael Di Michele Vijay Datta
- 1/3 Gail Yap Nancy Marshall
- 1/3 Adrienne Saporta Jodi Rosenthal

Thursday 10am 199er Pairs

Stratum A (12 tables)

- 1 Arthur Stuenkel Yogesh Gupta
- 2 Judy Anthony Lorna Verdone
- 3 Eileen Feldman Susan O'Shea

Stratum B

Stratum C

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Stratum C

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1 Arthur Stuenkel - Yogesh Gupta

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1 Jared Lilienstein - Michael Polowan

2 Jean Ludwig - Jonathan Greenspan

Herbert Marks - Barry Wilderman
 Safwat Mosad - Emad Ibrahim

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John Abrenica - George Nichols Jr
 Jack Greenberg - Andrea Kringstein

2 Safwat Mosad - Emad Ibrahim

3 Darin Tripp - Robin Healy

Thursday 3pm Side Game

Stratum A (3 tables)

3 Doris Banks - Paul Lenoble

3 Brian Glubok - Lynda Nitabach

2 Gary Levine - Mark Krinsky

Thursday Open Pairs

Stratum A (32 tables)

Richard Wettan - David Kirschenbaum

2 Eileen Feldman - Susan O'Shea

October Regional Results (continued from page 3)

Thursday 3pm 199er Pairs

Stratum A (7 tables)

- 1 Yogesh Gupta Arthur Stuenkel
- 2 Judy Anthony Lorna Verdone
- 3 M. Brian Bilyk Gary Levine

Stratum B

- 1 Yogesh Gupta Arthur Stuenkel
- 2 M. Brian Bilyk Gary Levine

Thursday A Swiss (9 tables)

1 Justine Cushing - Melih Ozdil - Joel Wooldridge - Lewis Finkel

2 Jeffrey Rothstein - Simon Erlich - Ira Herman -Glenn Milgrim

3 Diana Schuld - Robert Karlan - Ruth Stober -Steven Conrad

Thursday B/C Swiss

Stratum B (22 tables)

1 Christine Talbot - Nancy Briggs - Julia Douglas - Virginia Schwerin

2 Martin Brownstein - Leon Sternick - Richard Waters - John Earley

3 Harriet Katz - Gail Levy - Pat Rinaudo - Reisha Berkowsky

Stratum C

1 Christine Talbot - Nancy Briggs - Julia Douglas - Virginia Schwerin

2 Elyse Butnick - Ruth Haspel - Barbara Emmer - Sandra Rogol

3 Brenda Cooperman - Linda Taub - Karen Pollack - Jessica Shapiro

Wed-Thu Side Game Series (10.5 tables)

1/2 George Nichols Jr

- 1/2 John Abrenica
- 3/4 Jack Greenberg
- 3/4 Andrea Kringstein

Friday 10am 199er Pairs

Stratum A (8.5 tables)

- 1 Renee Wagenberg Carolyn Bzura
- 2 Diana Zanetti Elizabeth Murphy
- 3 Roger Weaving Jr Jim Stevens

Stratum B

- 1 Roger Weaving Jr Jim Stevens
- 2 Joanne Henrick Eleanor Liebmann
- 3 Michael Nussbaum Suzanne Nussbaum

Stratum C

- 1 Joanne Henrick Eleanor Liebmann
- 2 Lewis Miller Karen Miller

3 Susan O'Shea - Kim Johnson

Friday 3pm 199er Pairs

Stratum A (5 tables)

- 1 Renee Wagenberg Carolyn Bzura
- 2 Roger Weaving Jr Jim Stevens
- 3 Arthur Stuenkel Yogesh Gupta

Stratum B

1 Roger Weaving Jr - Jim Stevens

- 2 Arthur Stuenkel Yogesh Gupta
- 3 Marie Thomaidis George Salem

Stratum C

1 Arthur Stuenkel - Yogesh Gupta

2 Marie Thomaidis - George Salem

Friday Open Pairs

Stratum A (13 tables)

- 1 David Moss Henry Moss
- 2 Alene Friedman Linda Frank
- 3 Jesus Arias Pamela Wilton

Stratum B

- 1 Norman Trabulus Charles Bilich
- 2 Brian Mahony Florence Mahony
- 3 Harvey Fader Rosalyn Gordon

Friday RR Teams

Bracket 1 (14 tables)

1 Justine Cushing - Melih Ozdil - Joel Wooldridge - Lewis Finkel

2 Jack Harris - Marsha Block - Robert Karlan -Ravinder Ohri

3 Karl De Shrage - Elaine De Shrage - Bella Chiusano - Arnold Rosner

Bracket 2 (8 tables)

- 1 Alan Goldstein John Earley David Schwartz - Vincent Fitzgerald
- 2 Joshua Fendel Alan Kudisch Lisa Yellis -Michael Fishman
- 3 Alan Gardner Alan Bronstein George Semos - Estelle Margolin

Bracket 3 (8 tables)

- 1 Terry Sullivan Sandi Sullivan Dorothy Feldmann - Herbert Feldmann
- 2 Mark Blanchard Susan Scheinerman Susan Scholer Lila Dolinger
- 3 Marsha Porcell Laurie Wise Steven Waldman - Hank Cortsen

Bracket 4 (8 tables)

1 Patrick Thompson - Anita Asch - Marjorie Levine - Carole Van Wieck

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2 Anne Stuckler - Carol Reiss - Barbara Deutsch - Hadassah Klein

3 Grant Duffrin - Ellen Reynolds - Susan Mulholland - Patricia Gold

Bracket 5 (8 tables)

1 Martin Deneroff - Valerie Vaughan - Wesley Albinger - Charles Pierce

2 Jack Price - Barbara Cooper - Jessica Shapiro - Karen Pollack

3 Norm Levy - Joan Levy - Alan Estner - Dolores Shimmons

Bracket 6 (8 tables)

1 Eppie Maidenbaum - Robert Barlow - Marc Lipman - Arlene Fuhrman

2 Lewis Pfeiffer - Alan Zabronsky - Carol Benes - Irwin Ross

3/5 Barbara Heller - Linda Friedman - Rita Lane - Ellen Greenfield

3/5 George Subt - Pamela Pranzo - Susanne Harrison - Barbara Bertovic

3/5 Michael Stanley - John Abrenica - Richard Arluck - Lewis Grossman

Bracket 7 (8 tables)

1 George Trost - William Sigward - Wendy Sue Gelman - Ann Murray

2 Joan Schneider - Rose Marie Calleja - Linda Pollina - Evelyn Abruzzo

3 Louise Merritt - Joan Wolfe - Grace Basile - Carolyn Flapan

Bracket 8 (8 tables)

1 Cynthia Morrison - Anne Ferguson - Eileen Lissmann - Marge Lambert

2/3 Susan Toporovsky - Bonnie Deutsch - Barbara Pincus - Roberta Mendelsohn

2/3 Harriette Romanoff - Judith Simon - Vera Mandell - Teri Lawrence

Bracket 9 (8 tables)

- George Aman

- Judy Skillman

Howard Siegel

Bracket 10 (8 tables)

Bracket 11 (8 tables)

er - Nancy Marshall

Karen Sanders

1 Ralph Meyer - Alfred Delio - Frederick Linnemeyer - John Klaus

 Louise Eisenstein - Susan Finkelstein - Carol Pollak - Lesley Cowen
 Kathy Mullen - Jean Johnson - Lawrence Hillel

1 Barbara Eisner - Susan Dobriner - Susan Craig

Thomas Schwarz - Harvey Schachter -

Dominique Schneider - Elyse Berger

Susan Gehn - Dorsey Mayer - Peter Bingham -

Suresh Nayak - Mojdeh Rubin - Yoshiko Prag-

2 Preston Scher - Leslie Dobbin - Valerie Scher -

3 Bernice Becker - Florence Steckel - Solomon Godelsky - Richard Becker

Bracket 12 (8 tables)

1 John Hodge - Sue Hodge - Pam Mills - Patricia Wilcha

2/3 Anat Kravel - Adrienne Saporta - Jodi Rosenthal - Helen Solomon

2/3 Virginia Hall - Susan Atteridge - Tina Boyer -Mary Ellen Asch

Bracket 13 (8 tables)

1 David Sloane - Kenneth Berger - Anita Blitz - Amy Zusy

2 Jeffrey Colton - Barbara Colton - Frank Giangrande - Richard Wettan

3 Andree Welsh - Joan Pool - Darin Tripp - Robin Healy

Bracket 14 (8 tables)

1 Stephen Moran - Donald Horowitz - Patricia Revock - Geraldine Insinga

2 Cheryl Rosenzweig - Barbara Rubin - David Kirschenbaum - Sheila Terens

3 Susan Calabro - Laurie Berlin - Raymond Elias - Ruth Lessinger

Saturday Gold Point Pairs

Stratum A (49 tables)

- 1 Bonnie Deutsch Marsha Katon
- 2 Lee Launer Donna Launer
- 3 Fay Karell Paul Gray

Stratum B

- 1 Lee Launer Donna Launer
- 2 Marcia Goldfinger Carol Weiss
- 3 Barbara Colton Jeffrey Colton

Stratum C

- 1 Barbara Colton Jeffrey Colton
- 2 Mary Eldridge Joanne Klaus
- 3 Judith Friedman Harriet Moses

Saturday 12pm Side

Stratum A (3 tables)

- 1 Larry Sachs Kent Vandewater
- 2 Morton Ray Irwin Ross

Saturday Open Pairs

Stratum A (20 tables)

- 1 Cathy Nathan Marc Nathan
- 2 Meyer Kotkin Corey Krantz
- 3 Julian Laderman Ivan Petrovic

Stratum X (8.5 tables)

1 Julian Laderman - Ivan Petrovic

- 2 Steven Huhman Gregory Rosoff
- 3 Barbara Loprete Richard Castellone

Saturday Open Swiss

Stratum A (28 tables)

1 Justine Cushing - Melih Ozdil - Joel Wooldridge - Lewis Finkel

2 Melanie Tucker - Aaron Silverstein - John Kranyak - John Hurd

3 William Ehlers - Dori Byrnes - Sylwia McNamara - Michael McNamara

Stratum B

1 Martin Deneroff - Valerie Vaughan - Wesley Albinger - Charles Pierce

2 John Earley - Eileen Isser - Mark Inhaber -Allen Greenbaum

3 Karen Pollack - Paul Freiberg - Virginia Swift - Joseph Barbary

Stratum C

1 Martin Deneroff - Valerie Vaughan - Wesley Albinger - Charles Pierce

2 Peter Thaw - David Casper - Stuart Casper - Richard Casper

Sunday A/X Swiss

Stratum A (20 tables)

1 Justine Cushing - Melih Ozdil - Joel Wooldridge - Lewis Finkel

2 Nina Taselaar - Sylwia McNamara - Michael McNamara - Meyer Kotkin - Corey Krantz

3 Barry Rigal - Glenn Milgrim - Susan Picus -Alexander Ornstein

Stratum X (5 tables)

1/2 Albert Shekhter - George Krizel - Oleg Rubinchik - Igor Milman

1/2 Frank Allison - Shelley Fishman - Michael Gore - Steven Zlotnick

Sunday B RR Teams

Bracket 1 (8 tables)

1 Marsha Block - Jack Harris - Irene Geisinger -Michael Geisinger

2 Richard Feuer - Thomas Feuer - George Semos - Estelle Margolin

3 Joshua Fendel - Barbara Fendel - Reisha Berkowsky - Gail Levy

Bracket 2 (8 tables)

1 Marianne Fulfaro - Virginia Hoffman - Paulette Valenza - Roger Peabody

2 Barbara Cooper - Jack Price - William Palmer -David Schwartz

3 Henry Gibson - Larry Youell - Sam Borenstein - Joseph Cella Jr

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Bracket 3 (8 tables)

1 Susan Denenholz - Matt Rewinski - Sandi

Sullivan - Terry Sullivan

2 Anne Stuckler - Barbara Deutsch - Carol Reiss - Norm Levy

3 Ellen Davidoff - Kenneth Davidoff - Allen Greenbaum - Elyse Fields

Bracket 4 (8 tables)

1 Frederic Cohen - Ellen Reynolds - Grant Duffrin - Harriet Goldman

2 Safwat Mosad - Emad Ibrahim - Susan Ghee -Walter Kohlhoff

3 Joseph Barbary - Virginia Swift - Nirmala Shevde - Ketan Shevde

Bracket 5 (8 tables)

1 Natalie Treanor - William Treanor - Richard Holroyd - Donald Amberger

2 Lewis Pfeiffer - Carol Benes - Frank Olear - Morton Ray

3 Stephanie Weisberg - Joan Lieberman - Charles Harmon - Sohail Hasan

Bracket 6 (8 tables)

1 Debra Katz - Byron Nimocks - Alan Gardner - Ann Gardner

2 Barbara Ostrick - Dina Arker - Elisse Weiss -Louise Eisenstein

3 Margery Binder - Susan Gehn - Barbara Lowenstein - Jack Binder

Bracket 7 (8 tables)

1 Suresh Nayak - Yoshiko Prager - Kelly Skalicky - Sharon Ainspan

2 Kenneth Gittelson - Peter Hertz - Claire Kranzer - Herbert Kranzer

3 Karin Meyers - Burt Meyers - Iris Cook - Rosemary Gross

Bracket 8 (8 tables)

1 Paula Morse - Christine Sage - Sandy Friedman - Naomi Kramer

2 Frederick Linnemeyer - Patricia Linnemeyer -Joanne Klaus - John Klaus

3/4 Maddy Lambert - Bonnie Semon - Risa Grossman - Lewis Grossman

3/4 John Grosz - Pamela Pranzo - Susan Grosz - Carol Weiss

Bracket 9 (8 tables)

1 Arnold Fox - Janet Shelden - Patricia Lessard -Charles Baker

2 Jeffrey Colton - Barbara Colton - Frank Giangrande - Richard Wettan

3 Cal Rafuse - Arnie Obler - Geri Obler - Richard Ericson



Claim with Colchamiro

By Mel Colchamiro

NSBA ISLANDER



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

A Little Knowledge is

Dangerous

There are some wannabee experts out there but there are only a few who really know. Let me show you a hand that shows how you too can be someone "who really knows."

It occurred on December 7, 2012 at the Sagamore Bridge Club, my temporary "home" club in November and December, 2012 while my real home club--The Bridge Center of Long Island in Oceanside—was being rebuilt from the flooding of Hurricane Sandy (BCLI reopened on January 7, 2013). [By the way, it's hard to imagine, but the BCLI -- and its forerunner, first the Grand Baldwin Bridge Club and then the Franklin Bridge Centre--has been my home away from home since—gulp—1964!]

With neither side vulnerable the dealer on my right opened 2H. I held:

S-K763

H-K4

D-K72

C-KQJ2

With 15 no-trumpy points, I certainly could have overcalled 2NT (15-18). But I didn't. That is because I have a rule that I don't overcall NT with only two cards in the opponent's long suit. That is because I won't be able to hold up my stopper more than once (if at all) and it implies that I have support for the un-bid suits, especially spades. On this hand I had both, so I doubled.

My partner of the day, Elaine Kahn of Point Lookout, cue bid 3H showing a game-going hand. I had two choices: 3S and 3NT. I chose 3NT because I had already implied four cards in spades(probably) by my double and because if I had bid 3S, it would have been difficult for the partnership to get to 3NT if that was what Elaine was angling for with her cue bid. After my 3NT bid Elaine surprised me a bit: she bid 4NT. Let's review the auction:

Opponent	Mel	Opponent	Elaine
2H	dble	pass	3Н
Pass	3NT	pass	4NT
Pass	???		

First of all, let's clear up Elaine's 4NT bid. It was not Blackwood. Whenever 4NT follows a natural no trump bid as it did here, it is a hi-low question. It asks, within your stated point range (all NT bids are point-count bids, what I call Bracket Bids), are you on the high side or the low side? If on the high side, bid 6NT, if on the low-side, pass.

In this auction, I certainly was on the "high" side for my 3NT bid; I could have had as few as 12 points (if balanced) for my original take out double, so in context, I had extra values(15 high card points). Besides, I liked my connected KQJx in clubs. So despite my lack of aces, I took the plunge and bid 6NT.

The opening lead was the five of hearts and I anxiously awaited the dummy:

<u>Elaine:</u> **▲**-AQ **♥**-A86 **♦**-AJ10943 **♣**-83

<u>Mel:</u> **▲**-K763 **♥**-K4 **♦**-K74 **♣**-KQJ2

Good hand evaluation by Elaine, I thought. 15 HCP plus a nice 6-card diamond suit certainly justified her interest in slam. It was now up to me to make her proud.

Even if I could bring in the diamond suit without a loss (six tricks), I would still need at least one club trick to get to 12, so I won the heart lead in the dummy with the ace and led a club to the queen. When it held the trick, I was pretty sure the ace of clubs was on my right with the 2H bidder. With my club trick in the bag I certainly could have turned my attention to the diamonds, because if I could make all six diamond tricks—together with my one club, three spades and two hearts—I would have the twelve tricks I needed.

The wannabe expert would take this approach and would think like this: The 2H bidder is long in hearts, so is probably short in diamonds; it's probably the winning thing to play for the diamonds to be 3-1 and not 2-2. Not bad thinking at all. It's based on what's called the *Theory of Vacant Spaces*. Here's how that theory would apply to this hand: the 2H bidder has 6 cards in hearts, we believe, and therefore our left-hand opponent has only two. Therefore, righty has 7 non-hearts—7 "vacant spaces" which could contain the queen of diamonds. Lefty, on the other hand, has 11 non-hearts—11 "vacant spades" which could contain the queen of diamonds. So the odds are—by a margin of 11-7(almost 2-1)—that the diamond queen is with lefty. So the expert wannabe would play the king of diamonds and a second diamond. When the queen doesn't show up, the wannabe would finesse the jack. But as it happens, the finesse would fail. Here was the full layout:

Elaine: AAQ V-A86 +-AJ10943 -83

▲-98 ♥-QJ10972 ♦-Q8 ♣-A105

▲-J10542 ♥-53 ♦-65 ♣-9764

<u>Mel:</u> **◆**-K763 **♥**-K4 **◆**-K74 **◆**-KQJ2

Well, despite vacant spaces "finessing was pretty stupid" you might say. "All declarer had to do was follow the old 'Eight Ever-Nine Never' maxim. My beginner friend would have made the slam!" Well, you're right. I'm sure the beginner would have made the hand, but she would have been lucky, because following the Vacant Spaces idea—something she's never heard of—was quite a smart thing to do.

But not smart enough.

Watch what I did—and what you can do too.

Remember, I had won the ace of hearts at the first trick and led a club to the queen, which held the trick. But then I postponed making my decision in diamonds and led a spade to the ace and led another club from dummy. East rose with the ace. Maybe she shouldn't have, but it was a very natural thing to do and that is in fact what she did do. She continued with the queen of hearts and I won with my king.

I was starting to gain a lot of information about the distribution of the cards but I wanted more. Accordingly, I cashed dummy's queen of spades, crossed to the king of diamonds and cashed my king of spades. I noted that East—the two-heart bidder-- showed out, throwing a heart. That meant she had started with exactly two cards in spades. I next cashed the king of clubs and was happy when East showed in with a third club. I finally took my jack of clubs and when East threw a heart that meant she had started with exactly three cards in clubs; I had a complete count of the hand.

East had shown six hearts, exactly two spades, and exactly three clubs, accounting for exactly 11 of East's 13 cards. That meant, by subtraction, that East had started with exactly two diamonds. So I confidently led a second diamond and when West played low, I knew the ace of diamonds would bring down the queen—and so it did. 6NT bid and made for 10 ½ out of 11 matchpoints(93%).

That's real expert playing if I do say so myself. Maybe, at least sometimes, you can play that way, too. It's certainly something to strive for.

If you get a chance, check out my website www.melbridge.com. It's got some fun free stuff and some ugly guy hawking a book that's got both Zia Mahmood *and* Catherine Zeta-Jones! Rumor has it, it's pretty good!

"How To Play Like an Expert (without having to be one)" by Mel Colchamiro

\$21.95 soft cover, 276 pp. Available at my website or at amazon.com.

Sincere thanks to those who have taken the time to tell me how much you have enjoyed my book.



wwwSagamoreBridgeClub.com

ACBL Sanctioned Bridge Games Monday

10:30am & 7:30pm open Pairs 7:30pm (Novice Game with Lecture prior)

Tuesday 10:30am & 7:30pm open Pairs 7:15pm (Shelter Rock Tennis Club)

Wednesday 10:30am & 7:00pm Open Pairs 10:30am & 7:30pm (Novice Games with Lecture prior)

<u>Thursday</u> 10:30am open Pairs 7:00pm (Individual every other week)

<u>Friday</u> 10:30am & 7:30pm open Pairs

<u>Saturday</u> 1:00pm Open Pairs 10:30am (Ease Into Duplicate Game)

Swiss Team every 2*4 Saturday monthly 7:00pm (Dinner at 6:00pm)

Sunday 12:00pm Open Pairs

BRIDGE LESSONS

Intermediate Lessons (ongoing) Mondays 2:30- 4:00pm Beginner Lessons (ongoing) Mondays 5:00- 6:00pm Tuesdays 5:00- 6:00pm Coming in 2013! Exciting NEW ways to learn and improve your Bridge play!

Post-Mortem Recaps

Stay after the morning game for a periodic post-game review with a Bridge Prol

Newplicate Workshops

April is ease-into-duplicate month! Gentle Workshops every Monday afternoon for players who want to TRY competitive play.

Bridge Workshops & Seminars

Lectures, with supportive practice hands, on subjects such as defensive strategy, successful leads, 2/1 game force, etc.

Pro/Am Competitions

Pair-up with a Bridge Pro for a game of bridge. Have fun while getting the best tips to up your game!



CALLING ALL BRIDGE PLAYERS!

Intro-to-Duplicate Workshop- ^{\$}9 per player Join us for a splendid event filled with bridge play, new friends, Prizes and fun!! Remember, everyone attending is JUST LIKE YOU...New to Duplicate.

Come with a partner or let us find one for you.

Every Monday in April 2013 at 5-7pm and on Saturday, April 27th at 12-2pm

(this is a paid advertisement)

Life Master—Non-LM Charity Pair Game

Tuesday April 16, 2013 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.

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 April 7, 2013.

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		

PLEASE DO NOT SEND MONEY - You Can Pay At The Tournament

Long Island Spring Regional & April 16-21, 2013

at the Melville Marriott Hotel

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

Results posted nightly

at www.libridge.com

Discounted Room Rate: \$209 (Sun-Wed), \$129 (Thurs-Sat) Cutoff date: Mar. 15; go to www.libridge.com for online booking info.

DIRECTIONS: *FROM THE WEST*: (Long Island Expressway), I-495 to Exit 49S, turn left at 1st traffic light onto Old Walt Whitman Road. Cross back over the expressway and the hotel is on the right side. *FROM THE SOUTH: Take* Southern State Parkway E to Exit 32N (Rte 110N) - make left onto the north service road of the Long Island Expressway (495 w). Hotel is on the right hand side. *FROM THE EAST:* Take Long Island Expressway West (495) to exit 49N. Stay on the service road. At the third light make a right. The hotel is on your right.

****PLEASE NOTE THE NEW LOCATION****

TUESDAY APRIL 16

Non LM / LM Charity Pairs (Red) (Each pair must have a LM and an under -300 player)	7pm
WEDNESDAY APRIL 17	
Special Gold Point Pairs (0-200, 200-500, 500-750)	10 am & 2:30 pm
Stratified Open Pairs (0-2500, 2500+)	
Stratified Pairs Side Game Series 1 (1 & 2 of 4).	10 am & 3 pm
Flighted Compact Bracketed KO teams), 4 players /team, 12 boards / match	
Flight A (unlimited), Flight B (0-2500)	
Stratified Open Swiss (Single Session, Red)	6:30 pm
THURSDAY APRIL 18	
Stratified Newcomer Single Session Pairs (0-200), (Red)	
Stratified Open Pairs	10 am & 3 pm
Stratified Pairs Side Game Series 1 (3 & 4 of 4)	10 am & 3 pm
Stratiflighted Open Swiss Teams (7 rounds of 8 boards, 4-3)	1 pm & TBA
FRIDAY OCTOBER 19	
Stratified Newcomer Single Session Pairs (0-200), (Red)	10 am & 3 pm
Bracketed Round Robin Swiss Teams (7 rounds of 7 or 8 boards)	
Stratified Open Pairs	
Stratified Pairs Side Game Series 2 (1 & 2 of 3)	1 1
SATURDAY APRIL 20	
Youth Bridge (19 & under, 0-50 points) Trophies and Prizes, No Fee	10 am
Weekend Special Gold Point Pairs (0-200, 200-500, 500-750)	
Stratified Open Swiss Teams (7 rounds of 8 boards, 4-3)	-
Stratified Open Pairs (0-2500, 2500+).	
Stratified Pairs Side Game Series 2 (3 of 3)	
SUNDAY APRIL 21 (Subsidized box lunch available during 30 minute break)	
Flighted / Bracketed Round-Robin Swiss Teams (not stratified)	
Open Top Flt. (A/X) Swiss A (4000+), X (0-4000) 7 rounds of 8 boards	
Bracketed Round Robin (0-4000), 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 (1000-25000 C ()-1000)
All Newcomer Events (single session, Red) $A (100-200) B (50-100) C (0-50)$,
Tournament Chairman: Dave Schwartz (631)470-1745 • Sailrman@optonl	
GUARANTEED PARTNERS FOR NEWCOMERS, OTHER PARTNERSHIPS ARRANGED	
Gold pts: all events, except as noted	(
SIDE CAME SERIES: Best 2 of 3/4 (Overall gold • Session red • different part	ner OK)

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

NSBA ISLANDER 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.

The 3rd Annual

Dr. Reza Khatib Sectional Bridge Tournament

Sponsored by the Nassau - Suffolk Bridge Association (NSBA)

July 24 & 25, 2013

at the Melville Marriott Hotel

1350 Old Walt Whitman Rd., Melville, NY 11747

DIRECTIONS: *FROM THE WEST*: (Long Island Expressway), I-495 to Exit 49S, turn left at 1st traffic light onto Old Walt Whitman Road. Cross back over the expressway and the hotel is on the right side. *FROM THE SOUTH: Take* Southern State Parkway E to Exit 32N (Rte 110N) - make left onto the north service road of the Long Island Expressway (495 w). Hotel is on the right hand side.. *FROM THE EAST:* Take Long Island Expressway West (495) to exit 49N. Stay on the service road. At the third light make a right. The hotel is on your right.

Wednesday, July 24

Stratified Open Pairs	10AM & 3PM
0 – 500 NLM Pairs	10AM & 3PM

Thursday, July 25

Stratified Open Pairs	10AM & 3PM
0 – 500 NLM Pairs	

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 Scholer631-360-8456 • Scholer@optonline.netDave Schwartz631-470-1745 • Sailrman@optonline.netResults posted nightly at LIBridge.com

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.

Youth Bridge Tournament

Saturday, April 20, 10:00 am

Melville Marriott Hotel

Ages 19 & Under

Less than 50 mps

Trophies!

Prizes!

No Entry Fee!

See page 10 for complete tournament schedule

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

Make your plans now to play with your favorite partner.

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Tuesday, April 16	7 PM	Non LM/LM Pairs
Wednesday, April 17	10 AM & 2:30 PM	GOLD POINT PAIRS!
Thursday, April 18	10 AM & 3 PM	Single Session Pairs
Friday, April 19	10 AM & 3 PM	Single Session Pairs
Saturday, April 20	10 AM & TBA	Bracketed RR Swiss
Saturday, April 20	10 AM & 2:30 PM	GOLD POINT PAIRS!
Sunday, April 21	10 AM & 3 PM	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 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. You can do this tournament! See you in April!

UNIT PARTY CELEBRATING OUR BRIDGE ACHIEVERS of 2012



Sunday, April 28, 2013 Long Island Sheraton Hotel Vanderbilt-Motor Parkway, Smithtown

Registration at 4:30 P.M. Buffet Dinner from 5:00 to 6:00 P.M. Awards Program at 6:15 P.M. Sanctioned Bridge Game at 7:00 P.M.

Cost to NSBA members: \$27 Cost to non-NSBA members: \$30 Opportunity to celebrate our bridge players' success: Priceless

Please return form by April 8th to:

Debra Thaw 18 Jamar Drive Port Jefferson Station, N.Y. 11776

For information, please contact: Debra at 631-828-1719 or Susan at 631-360-8456

Player: ______
Partner: _____

Amount enclosed:



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

516-481-4311

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 Morning	10:30 am	Limited	\$16 Lecture at 10:00 am
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
1st & 3rd Sunday	12:45 pm	Swiss Teams	\$16 Lunch with Silvia

Don't miss our SUNDAY SPECIAL. The entry fee starts at \$16 and each consecutive Sunday the fee drops by \$4 until you reach \$8, and stays at \$8 as long as you come on Sunday. A great bargain. (This is a paid advertisement)

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 Gold Life Masters	Herbert Kranzer	Kathy Mullen	Morton Ray
	Arlene Krasnoff	Ronald Pinkus	Thomas Schwarz
Bella Chiusano	Karen Pollack	Joan Schneider	Howard Siegel
Elaine De Shrage	Michael Stanley	David Sloane	William Treanor
Virginia Hoffman	Sandi Sullivan	Michael Stanley	Robert Weiner
Rayna Martin	Drew Tarhan	Terry Sullivan	Elyssa Weissman
Russell Samuel	Paulette Valenza	Drew Tarhan	
Rochelle Strauss	Jacqueline Wolf	Vimla Vadhan	New Regional Masters
_		Jennifer Villiger	
New Silver Life Masters	New Life Masters	Audrey Weinberg	Donald Bedell
		Elisse Weiss	Laurie Berlin
Bart Cirker	Carol Benes		Carolyn Bzura
Naomi Korobow	Agnes Bodony	New NABC Masters	Susan Calabro
Estera Lisker	Karen Dorman		Barbara Colton
Cynthia Pascal	Ann Gardner	Jeffrey Colton	Lester Davidoff
Phyllis Riesenberg	Richard Gardos	Bonnie Deutsch	Denis Eagle
Al Schlanger	Barbara Gershenwald	Carolyn Flapan	Elayne Fastenberg
Toni Somerstein	Michael Herman	Sandy Friedman	Susan Fox
Donald Weiss	Alan Hyman	Frank Giangrande	Sara Gage
	Gail Johnson	Peter Hertz	Lewis Grossman
New Bronze Life Masters	Carol Kaye	Jean Johnson	Martin Haberman
	Debra Katz	Naomi Kramer	Stephen Hazelkorn
Carol Benes	Claire Kranzer	Anat Kravel	Robin Healy
Agnes Bodony	Herbert Kranzer	Lee Launer	Lawrence Helft
Vincent Fitzgerald	Arlene Krasnoff	Bobby Madorsky	Richard Holroyd
Burton Goodman	Carolyn Lamberg	Carol Myerson	Marlene Israel
Michael Herman	Stanley Lamberg	Suzanne Paley	Meryl Kropp
Claire Kranzer	Peggy Maslow	Sheila Pohly	Carole Laskin

Catherine Layden Virginia Neville Laura O'Reilly **Thomas Parkes** Michael Pollack Penny Redvanly Herb Ringel Carole Rodnick Phyllis Schiff Ellen Shrubstein Judith Simon **Dorothy Singer** Majorie Tamaro Yalcin Tarhan Les Toporovsky Rita Wagner Linda Wels Eliza Werner Judy Wertheim Diana Zanetti

New Sectional Masters

Sue Ahn Isabel Albom Laurie Berlin David Brownstein Susan Calabro Kay Cha Joanne Chalifoux Barbara Colton Marion Cohen Janet Contrada Gail Cooke **Carroll** Cotins Susan Dunnells **Raymond Elias** Jean Esposito Sandra Ezersky Bert Flamberg Winifred Flood Peter Freeman **Robert Frentzel** Dorrit Ger Barbara Glasband Carol Gristina

Herbert Gross Lissy Kaplan Mark Krinsky Shelley Kirshenbaum Ruth Lessinger Judith Lippman Toni MacDonald Gulu Mahtanev Stephen Moran Martha Murray Laura Orticelle Dale Perritz Lynn Robbins Cheryl Rosenzweig George Salem Lewis Samson Hilda Schulkind Karen Sherman Sharon Statucki Myra Sutin Renee Wagenberg Helen Weiss **Ruth Weiss** Lenore Widmark Marilyn Zaken

New Club Masters

Amy Zusy

Linda Asmar Mark Blanchard Loretta Bober Muriel Brodsky Roger Fried Marilyn Friedlander Bette Ganz Linda Good James Grady Anne Gunther Yogesh Gupta Susan Hazan Joanne Henrick Tina Hye Alfred Jackson Harriet Kaufman David Kay

Samy Khalil Barbara Kulchin Steven Leffler Faith Lerner Marilyn Levine Gary Levine Carole Lipetz Mike Lipetz Lawrence Lippman Susan Madorsky Gulu Mahtaney Norma Mauro Elayne Mischna Pearl Orner Sally Pass Jonathan Sauer Paul Sauer Virginia Silver Roberta Small Neal Smith Jerome Williams Ilan Wolff Dale Yarmosh

New Junior Masters

Carolyn Agins Barbara Allen Susan Anderson Patricia Attonito Susan Barbiero Carolyn Boehning Idamarie Bottone **Richard Brach** Carol Braun Steven Bzura Chervl Caplin Ann Chitavat Elaine Corwin Vijay Datta Arlene Dreher Audrey Einhorn Martin Einhorn Susan Eisner Lisa Evans Patricia Fasciano

Norman Fastenberg Robert Finlayson Carol Fishman Kim Floam Libby Frantz Stanley Freundlich Loretta Galina Melvin Ganz Sam Goldberg Mary Grant Elaine Greenwald Rekha Gupta Jonathan Howe Barbara Kerner Robert Kleehammer **Ritamarie Koehler** Elaine May Madalyn McGovern Sandra Migliore **Richard Morici** Virginia Motto Joyce Muller Mary Pascale Michelle Portnof Rochelle Racanelli Joanne Raicovich Susan Rand Gilbert Roseman Melvin Rosenberg Chunilal Ruder Usha Ruder Marlies Schicht Joanne Schoonmaker Abbey Sherman Barbara Shor Roberta Shoten Paula Silverman Margaret Southern Marlene Strauss Milo Trudy Caroline Terry Michael Voltz Helen Yoon Selma Zwecker

2012 Long Island Players of the Year

Stratum A		Stratum B		Players <100 mps	
1. Robert Karlan	121.5	1. Josh Fendel	82	1. Richard Wettan 3	38.88
2. Marsha Block	109	2. John Earley	79	2. Cal Rafuse 3	35.90
3 Jack Harris	88	3. Gerald Berkman	74	3. Gulu Mahtaney 3	33.35
4. Alan Goldstein	88	4. H K Kieronski	74	4. Barbara Colton 2	26.66
5. Ravinder Ohri	87.5	5. Safwat Mosad	58	5. David Kirschenbaun	m 21.80
6. Frank Allison	85	6. Matt Rewsinki	57	6. Judy Anthony 2	21.55
7. Geoff. O'Connor	68	7. Dori Cohen	52	7. Laura O'Reilly 2	20.32
8. Shelley Fishman	64	8. David Popper	44.5	8. Susan Calabro 2	20.29
9. Ruth Stober	62	9. Susan Denenholz	43	9. Ruth Lessinger 1	19.20
10. Jack Lipson	61	10. Jack Sage	43	10. Richard Holroyd 1	18.78

Congratulations To The Winners!

Thanks to Mark Leibowitz and Bob Frick for tabulating the results!

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Upcoming Tournament Dates

Tournament Results

LI Club Locations and Schedules

Find a Bridge Teacher

Useful Bridge Links

Digital Version of The Islander (before it hits your mailbox!)

And much more!

Please Note: New Location for Spring Regional!

Melville Marriott Hotel Melville, NY

> Please see page 10 for details.

> > See you there!

NSBA ISLANDER LONG ISLAND MASTER CLUB SCHEDULE

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Monday	12:30 pm open	10:30 am	10:30 am, 7:30 pm open 7:30 pm beginner	10:00 am newplicate 7:00 open
Tuesday	10:30 am limited 12:30 pm open	10:00 EZ Bridge	10:30 am 7:30 pm	1:00 pm open
Wednesday	12:30 pm open	10:30 am Handicap 7:00 pm Bridge +	10:30 am 7 pm open, 7:30 <99 mps	7:00 pm open
Thursday	10:30 am limited 12:30 pm open	3rd Thurs, Swiss 10:30 am 7:00 pm	10:30 am	1:00 pm open & newplicate
Friday	12:30 pm open	10:30 am 7:00 pm	10:30 am 7:30 pm	10:00 am open
Saturday	12:45 pm open	12:00 pm Lesson 12:30 pm game	1:00 pm open, 10 am ease into duplicate 2nd Sat: 6 pm dinner/Swiss	1:00 pm open
Sunday	12:45 open, 1st & 3rd Swiss	12:30 pm	12:00 pm	
_	OTHER	SANCTIONED	GAMES	
Great Neck BC Cumberland Avenue School 30 Cumberland Ave Great Neck 516-248-6191 Rob Goldman Fri. 9:15 am Sands' Point BC Shelter Rock Tennis Club 100 LI Expwy, Manhasset 516-558-7799 Drew Gilstad Tues. 7:15 pm Emmanuel BC	Mattituck Library DBC Main Road, Mattituck 631-734-8096 Kathy Fibkins Tues. 12:00 pm Montauk BC Montauk Library 631-668-2370 Barbara Sullivan Wed. 12:30 pm (winter) 1:00 pm (summer) Temple Judea BC 333 Searingtown Rd Manhasset	BRIDGExpress Lake Success Jewish Center 354 Lakeville Road Great Neck Cathy Kirshner 516-299-6064 Fri. 10:00 am Wed. 12:15 pm Sun. 12:15 pm Pride of Judea 243-02 Northern BLVD Douglaston Mon. 1:00 pm Louis Lessinger 718-423-6200	Sunrise BC 39 Forest Ave Glen Cove 516-671-2095 Meyer Wiesen Tues. 7:15 pm Shelter Rock JC 272 Shelter Rock Road Roslyn 917-658-5991 Hadassah Klein Mon. 9:30 am newplicate Wed.7:00 pm, Thurs.12:30 pm	Riverhead BC Riverhead Com Ctr Jamesport Thurs. 12:30 pm 631-312-3332 Barbara Cuenin Lake Success JC Bridge Club 354 :Lakeville Road Great Neck Lyn Weiss 718-279-1005 Tues. 10:15 am
Hicks Lane, King's Point Louis Lessinger Louisless@optonline.net Mon 7:15 pm South Shore BC 9 Northwood Lane, Patchogue 631-654-5313 Pat Mahoney Thurs. 11:00 am, Sun 12:30 pm Bridge School of LI 123 Merrick Ave East Meadow 516-379-3000 Aaron Silverstein Mon. 10 am & 7:30 pm Thurs. 10:00 am	Mon. 12:30 pm Lyn Weiss 718-279-1005 — Thurs. 10:00 am Shelley Ganz 516-621-8049 Jack & Carol's Bridge Friedberg JCC 15 Neil Ct, Oceanside 516288-1088 Carol Fleissig Fri. 9:30 am	East Hampton DBC 1st Presb. Church 120 Main St E. Hampton 631-907-2917 George Aman Mon 1pm & Hampton Day Care Center Gingerbread Lane Thurs 7 pm, April—Thanksgiving	Gardiner's Bay BC Gardiner's Bay CC Shelter Island 631-749-2021 Lillian Kessler (summers only) Garden City BC DBC Senior Rec Center Golf Club Lane Garden City 516-781-4651 Ellen Davidoff Thurs. 7:30 pm	

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NSBA 2013 Schedule of Events

LM/NLM Game	Melville Marriott Hotel	April 16
Spring Regional	Melville Marriott Hotel	April 17-21
NSBA Unit Party	LI Sheraton Hotel	April 28
STaC Week	Local Clubs	June 24-30
Khatib Sectional	Melville Marriott Hotel	July 24-25

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