



## Thank You

The Denver Unit wishes to express its appreciation to Roy Weinstein, chairman of the 2005 NABC and his Finance Committee for their contribution to the players at the Denver Sectional. Their astute money-raising abilities, combined with careful use of resources permitted sufficient monies left to be used as seed money for the next Denver NABC. The sum of \$10,000 will be placed in an interest-bearing account to be available to the hospitality committee when that time arrives.

The monies in excess of \$10,000 have and will continue to be returned to the players. The reduced entry fee on Saturday in the January sectional and the cash door prizes were drawn from this excess. The remainder will be used to supplement the hospitality budget for Denver sectionals in 2007.

Denver I/N Sectional Bridge Tournament (0-299)

## April 14-15, 2007

Aurora Board of Realtors · 14201 E. Evans Drive

**Saturday, April 14** Bring a snack to share

12:15pm Bridge Lecture  
1:00pm **Stratified Pairs** (single session)  
A: 200-299; B: 100-200; C: 0-100  
(0-5 may be a separate event)  
6:15pm Bridge Lecture  
7:00pm **Stratified Pairs** (single session)  
A: 200-299; B: 100-200; C: 0-100  
(0-5 may be a separate event)

**Sunday, April 15**

11:00am **Swiss Team Playthrough** (Victory Pts.)  
A: 200-299; B: 100-200; C: 0-100  
Lunch will be catered

**Pairs: \$7.50 per person per session**  
**Teams: \$72 per team, includes lunch**  
**Tournament Chairman: Tom Monikowski**  
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**Partnerships: Dave Osmundsen 303.362.0106**



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Denver Unit 361 Spring Sectional  
Bridge Tournament

## March 8-11, 2007

Jefferson County Fairgrounds · 15200 W. 6th Ave.

**Thursday, March 8, 2007**

7:00pm **Stratified Swiss Teams** ♠

**Friday, March 9, 2007**

8:45am **Friday Knockouts (Round 1)** ♦  
1:00pm **Friday Knockouts (Round 2)** ♦  
**Stratified Open Pairs** ♠  
**Stratified 299er Pairs** ♠  
7:00pm **Friday Knockouts (Finals)** ♦  
**Stratified Open Pairs** ♠  
**Stratified 299er Pairs** ♠

**Saturday, March 10, 2007**

1:00pm **Stratified Open Pairs** ♥  
**Stratified 299er Pairs** ♠  
7:00pm **Stratified Open Pairs** ♥  
**Stratified 299er Pairs** ♠

**Sunday, March 11, 2007**

10:00am **Strati-Flighted Swiss Teams** ♥  
& TBA (A/Ax play together, B/C play together)  
**299er Teams (if enough teams)** ♥  
Lunch will be catered

♠ single session ♥ double session ♦ three sessions

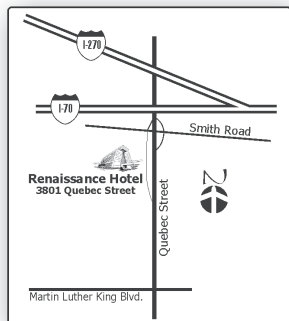
**Pairs: \$8.50 Sunday Teams: \$94 per team**  
**Director: Bill Michael**  
**Tournament Chairman:**  
**Jerry Ranney 303.697.9468**  
**Partnerships:**  
**Dave Osmundsen 303.362.0106**

**Stratification:**  
**Pairs: A=2000+; B= 0-2000; C=0-750**  
**Teams: A=3000+; Ax=0-3000;**  
**B=0-2000; C=0-750**

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### MASTER POINTS AWARDED

Championship: GOLD/RED; 0-300 Flighted: RED;  
One-session: RED

## NEWER PLAYER SCHEDULE (0-199)

Stratification: A=100-199; B=50-100; C=0-50

### Tuesday, May 22

7:00pm Charity Pairs

### Wednesday, May 23 through Sunday, May 27

1:00pm Stratified Pairs (single session)

7:00pm Stratified Pairs (single session)

### Monday, May 28 — Memorial Day

10:00am No-break Stratified Swiss Teams (double session)

The field is ready;  
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## District 17 Rocky Mountain

## Regional Bridge Tournament

May 22-28, 2007  
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MAY 22 - 28, 2007

### Stratification

Stratified: A=2000+; B=750-2000; C=0-750  
(Stratified by team average for team events)

Strati-Flighted: Flights A/Ax play together:  
A=5000+; Ax=0-5000;  
Flights B/C/D play together:  
B=1250-2000; C=750-1250;  
D=0-750

Knockouts: Bracketed by average master-point holdings of all team members. Compact KOs limited to four members only. KOs may be handicapped.





# SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

TUESDAY, MAY 22, 2007

7:00pm

Hughes Stadium Charity Pairs—Single session  
Rams Knockouts—Rd. 1  
(Rds. 2-4: 8:45am, 1:00pm, 7:00pm, Wed.)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 23, 2007

8:45am	10:00am	1:00pm	3:00pm	7:00pm
Rams Knockouts—Rd. 2	Rapids Daylight Stratified Pairs—1st session 	Rams Knockouts—Rd. 3 Nuggets Compact Knockouts—Rds. 1 & 2 Pepsi Center Stratified Pairs—1st session SuperBowl Side Game Series 1 of 5	Rapids Daylight Stratified Pairs—2nd session 	Rams Knockouts—Rd. 4 Nuggets Compact Knockouts—Rds. 3 & 4 Pepsi Center Stratified Pairs—2nd session Avalanche Stratified Swiss—Single session World Series Side Game Series 1 of 5
Stanley Cup Side Game Series 1 of 5				

THURSDAY, MAY 24, 2007

8:45am	10:00am	1:00pm	3:00pm	7:00pm
Sky Sox Knockouts—Rd. 1	Rangers Daylight Stratified Pairs—1st session	Bears Knockouts—Rd. 1 Jackson Stadium Stratified Pairs—1st session SuperBowl Side Game Series 2 of 5	Rangers Daylight Stratified Pairs—2nd session 	Bears Knockouts—Rd. 2 Jackson Stadium Stratified Pairs—2nd session Falcons Swiss Teams—Single session World Series Side Game Series 2 of 5
Stanley Cup Side Game Series 2 of 5				

FRIDAY, MAY 25, 2007

8:45am	10:00am	1:00pm	3:00pm	7:00pm
Sky Sox Knockouts—Rd. 2	Regis Fieldhouse Daylight Stratified Pairs—1st session 	Bears Knockouts—Rd. 3 Folsom Field Stratified Pairs—1st session Buffaloes B-A-M Teams—1st session Grand National Teams SuperBowl Side Game Series 3 of 5	Regis Fieldhouse Daylight Stratified Pairs—2nd session	Bears Knockouts—Rd. 4 Folsom Field Stratified Pairs—2nd session Buffaloes B-A-M Teams—2nd session Grand National Teams World Series Side Game Series 3 of 5
Stanley Cup Side Game Series 3 of 5				

SATURDAY, MAY 26, 2007

8:45am	1:00pm	7:00pm
Sky Sox Knockouts—Rd. 3 Pioneers Compact Knockouts—Rds. 1 & 2	Broncos Knockouts—Rd. 1 Invesco Field Stratified Pairs—1st session Grand National Teams SuperBowl Side Game Series 4 of 5	Broncos Knockouts—Rd. 2 Invesco Field Stratified Pairs—2nd session Crush Swiss Teams—Single session Grand National Teams World Series Side Game Series 4 of 5
Stanley Cup Side Game Series 4 of 5		

SUNDAY, MAY 27, 2007

8:45am	1:00pm	7:00pm
Sky Sox Knockouts—Rd. 4 Pioneers Compact Knockouts—Rds. 3 & 4	Broncos Knockouts—Rd. 3 Coors Field Stratified Pairs—1st session Rockies Compact Knockouts—Rds. 1 & 2 Grand National Teams SuperBowl Side Game Series 5 of 5	Broncos Knockouts—Rd. 4 Coors Field Stratified Pairs—2nd session Rockies Compact Knockouts—Rds. 3 & 4 Tigers Swiss Teams—Single session Grand National Teams World Series Side Game Series 5 of 5
Stanley Cup Side Game Series 5 of 5		

MONDAY, MAY 28, 2007 - HAPPY MEMORIAL DAY!

10:00am

Falcon Stadium No-break Strati-Flighted Swiss Teams  
Box lunch will be provided. The event should conclude by 5:30pm.



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## Your Opponent and You

by Tom Monikowski, Board Member

An interesting aspect of bridge is that **you and your opponent are interchangeable**. One hand you will declare while your opponent defends; the next hand your opponent might declare while you defend. In football, for instance, a defensive lineman will never experience firsthand what a quarterback goes through and vice versa. With bridge, we really have walked a mile in the other person's shoes. Because of this, with a little practice we can understand our opponents' perspective and deduce the reasoning behind their play of the hand.

Many people take the auction into account when playing a hand; did LHO open the bidding or was she a passed hand? RHO overcalled 1♠ so he should have at least five spades, and so forth. The next step is to continue this thinking to the actual play of the hand up to the current trick. Why didn't my opponent lead the unbid suit? What should I expect for an opening lead?

It's good practice to predict the expected play of the hand and if there is a deviation from it, why? For example, suppose you are defending a suit contract where dummy tables four-card trump support and a void in a side suit. You would expect declarer to play a cross-ruff of some sort to take advantage of dummy's shortness. If they deviate from your expectations and decide to pull trump, ask yourself why. Perhaps they have enough side-suit winners to not need a cross-ruff, maybe a cross-ruff will lose control of the hand and give your side extra trump tricks. Quite often, the dog that doesn't bark is more important than the one that does.

Although there is room for personal variations in style, card combinations are a relatively stable phenomenon. For example, if you were declarer and you chose to play a side suit where you held xx and dummy had AQxx, you would lead low toward dummy and insert the queen if LHO played low. It's also reasonable to believe that most opponents would also play it the same way. If I were your opponent, I would see you play low from your hand and play the queen in dummy. From this, what can we infer if declarer instead plays low from hand and the *ace* from dummy?

By process of elimination, it's reasonable to infer that declarer either has a singleton in the suit or holds the king because he didn't take the finesse. If I were declarer and I held some-

thing like Kxx opposite AQxx, I would usually (but not always) play the *queen* from dummy to avoid telegraphing the suit to my opponents. Let's look at a quick defensive example.

Suppose you are on opening lead against a routine "1♠-P-2♠-all pass" auction and you hold:

♠ Jxx ♥ QTxx ♦ Jx ♣ AKTx

Most people would lead the ace of clubs (myself included) since it's likely to take the first trick and has little dependence on dummy's holdings, unlike the lead of a card from one of your red suits. As a declarer, if my opponent led the ace of clubs at trick one, I would strongly believe they also held the king. The corollary here is if my opponent led a small card at trick one, *they are unlikely to hold ace-king in a side suit*. This idea can be extended to KQ, QJT and QJ9. Here are a few guidelines that can be applied to competent opponents:

- A low opening lead against a suit contract implies a balanced hand (no singleton to lead).
- A short-suit lead against No Trump is usually because that opponent has five or more cards in one of your bid suits.
- Opponents are more likely to lead through strength in dummy when they are weak in that suit.
- An opponent's first discard usually comes from a lengthy suit (one in which she can afford to shorten herself).
- The first side-suit that declarer plays is the one for which they have the fewest possible lines of play.
- Cards usually play themselves. World-class players rarely do something brilliant that a good club-level player wouldn't also be able to handle. What sets them apart is that they make technically poor plays far less often. And why? Because they have mentally put themselves in your seat and deduced which cards you hold (or are likely to hold) by the bid(s) you made or didn't make, by the lead you chose to make, and the subsequent cards you play.

The next time you play bridge, whether declarer or defender, place yourself in your opponent's seat to deduce more about their holdings. Remember, **you and your opponent are interchangeable**. It's one more element you can use to improve your game.

# Congratulations! Denver Sectional Winners — November 9-12, 2006

## THUR EVE STRAT SWISS TMS - 37 TABLES

### Flight A

- 1 Jim Hoerlein - Michael Perlman - Gary Steiner, Bldr; Ralphx, Niwot
- 2 Allen Kane, PueW; Suzanne Jones, Bldr; En Hay, Ltn; Jean Grunwald, Gldn
- 3 Anita Heitler - Don Heitler, Eng; Warren Garrett - Virginia Gunter, Arv

### Flight B

- 1 Penny Baskin - Kelley Flink, Gldn; Molly Kienker - Helen Onsager, Ltn
- 2 Milton Shioya - Walt Newcomb - Michael Thompson - Vincent Castrigano, Den
- 3 Marion Draughon, Arv; Julie Clark, Aur; Don Little - Donald Patterson, StmSpr

### Flight C

- 1 Penny Baskin - Kelley Flink, Gldn; Molly Kienker - Helen Onsager, Ltn
- 2 Rey Pana - Ruth Pana, Eng; Joe Marci - Kathy Marci, Den
- 3 David Osmundsen, WR; Judy Osmundsen, WR; Sally Hughes, Gldn; Joann Miller, Lkwd

## FRI AFT SRATIFIED PAIRS - 42.5 TABLES

### Flight A

- 1 Barbara O'Grady, Cent; Bob Martin, Mrsn
- 2 Thomas Lenahan - Dick Duff, Den
- 3 Reiko Raese, Bldr; John Swenson, Ltn

### Flight B

- 1 Barbara O'Grady, Cent; Bob Martin, Mrsn
- 2 Edward Yosses, Lvld; Jim Steele, Bldr
- 3 Roberta Vider - Marilyn Graham, Evgrn

### Flight C

- 1 Sue Williamson - Robert Williamson, Eng
- 2 Sally Kneser, Eng; Judy Brand, Ltn
- 3 Patricia Miller, Cent; Michael Holmes, Dmnt

## FRI AFT 299ER PAIRS - 13.0 TABLES

### Flight D

- 1 Don Guttenstein, Arv; Joan Simms, Lkwd
- 2 Lois Jurgens, Cent; Barbara Robinson, Den
- 3 Donald Wilson, Wstmn; Albert Kriznar, Den

### Flight E

- 1 Don Guttenstein, Arv; Joan Simms, Lkwd
- 2 Lois Jurgens, Cent; Barbara Robinson, Den
- 3 Richard Loucks - Ann Loucks, Brmfd

### Flight F

- 1 Lois Jurgens, Cent; Barbara Robinson, Den
- 2 Bruce Ferguson, Brmfd; Melvin Rueppel, EsPk
- 3 Laura Thomson, Cent; Sandra White, Eng

## FRI KO BKT 1 - 7 TABLES

- 1 Kenneth Stuckey, Arv; Donald Vancil, Aur; Dennis Goldston, CS; Merrell Anderson, Ltn

## FRI KO BKT 2 - 8 TABLES

- 1 Jim Hoerlein - William Horton, Bldr; Ralph Cox, Niwot; William Brackett, Lgmt

## FRI KO BKT 3 - 6 TABLES

- 1 Melvyn Klein - Roberta Klein, Eng; Sherry Clint, Ltn; Shirley Schley, Den

## FRI KO BKT 4 - 6 TABLES

- 1 Elneta Justice - Mildred Williams, Cent; Margaret Wagenbach, Ltn; Jean Pershall, GrVlg

## FRI EVE STRATIFIED PAIRS - 44.0 TABLES

### Flight A

- 1 Flo Newlin - Cal Newlin Jr, Aur
- 2 Chuck Henke, Aur; Bill Allegar, Den
- 3 Kerry Goldsmith - Dan Goldsmith, Jr, Weatherford TX

### Flight B

- 1 Kerry Goldsmith - Dan Goldsmith, Jr, Weatherford TX
- 2 Curt Soloff - Ted Witt, Den
- 3 James Spurlin, Gldn; Don Little, StmSpr

### Flight C

- 1 Patricia Hoadley - Judith Bowers, Bldr
- 2 Douglas Watt - Norman Watt, Lvld
- 3 Brian Hegarty - Elaine West Fry, CoSpG

## FRI EVE 299ER PAIRS - 12.0 TABLES

### Flights D & E

- 1 Laurie Simons - Edward Halteman, Bldr
- 2 Gail Ferguson - Robert Ferguson, Bldr
- 3 Mark Boucher, Cent; Anjenetteoper, Den

### Flight F

- 1 Laurie Simons - Edward Halteman, Bldr
- 2 Mark Boucher, Cent; Anjenetteoper, Den
- 3 David Robinson - Barbara Robinson, Den

## SAT AFT 300/200/100 PAIRS - 19.0 TABLES

### Flights D & E

- 1 Wiltoper, Ltn; Wade Biggs, HR
- 2 Roger Kincade, Lkwd; Linda Harder, Aur
- 3 Ole Nordhild, Firestone; William Jeffers, Bldr

### Flight F

- 1 Wiltoper, Ltn; Wade Biggs, HR
- 2 Ole Nordhild, Firestone; William Jeffers, Bldr
- 3 Donna Grant - Linda French, Den

## SAT AFT STRAT SIDE PAIRS - 14.0 TABLES

### Flights A & B

- 1 Walter Hart - Alice Nishimoto, Den
- 2 Don Nelowet - Beth Nelowet, Eng
- 3 Kathy Kenney - Alan La Tuchie, Den

### Flight C

- 1 Walter Hart - Alice Nishimoto, Den
- 2 Ray McLean, Den; William Kacena, Ltn
- 3/4 Ann McGrew - Pam Root, Den
- 3/4 Sachi Nakazono, Wstm; Nancy Goodwin, Ltn

## SATURDAY STRATIFIED PAIRS - 50.0 TABLES

### Flight A

- 1 Barbara O'Grady, Cent; Edwin Hagerman, Den
- 2 Brandon Sheumaker, Gld; Spencer Jones, Aur
- 3 David Caprera - Anne Brenner, Evgrn

### Flight B

- 1 Brandon Sheumaker, Gldn; Spencer Jones, Aur
- 2 James Endelicato - Kristi Endelicato, Lkwd
- 3 Monty Grubbs - Ann Grubbs, Aur

## Flight C

- 1 Monty Grubbs - Ann Grubbs, Aur
- 2 Michael Jalving - Jay Silberberg, Den
- 3 Rick Clelland - John Hart, Bldr

## SAT EVE 49ER PAIRS - 12.5 TABLES

### Flight D

- 1 Victoria Treece, Den; Gloria Komppa, Eng
- 2 Roger Pearce - Joanne Otsuki, Lkwd
- 3 Robert McKenzie, Aur; Duval Prey, Jr, Den

### Flight E

- 1 Victoria Treece, Den; Gloria Komppa, Eng
- 2 Laura Rassbach, Bldr; James Dulan, Den
- 3 Robert Dean, Den; Lois Jurgens, Cent

### Flight F

- 1 Victoria Treece, Den; Gloria Komppa, Eng
- 2 Robert Dean, Den; Lois Jurgens, Cent
- 3 Mark Boucher, Cent; Susan Reincke, Ltn

## SUN AFT 299ER SWISS - 12 TABLES

### Flights E & F

- 1 Roger Kincade, Lkwd; Linda Harder, Aur; Linda French, Den; Lois Jurgens, Cent
- 2 Ole Nordhild, Firestone; Shirley Miller, Gldn; Sheila Peterson, Den; G Kristjansdottir, Lgmt;
- 3 Julie Leman, Den; Judith Bowers - Gail Ferguson - Laurie Simons, Bldr

### Flight G

- 1 Ole Nordhild, Firestone; Shirley Miller, Gldn; Sheila Peterson, Den; G Kristjansdottir, Lgmt;

## SUN AFT A/X STRAT SWISS - 29 TABLES

### Flight A

- 1 Anne Brenner - David Caprera, Evgrn; Anita Heitler - Don Heitler, Eng
- 2 Donald Boyarsky, Aur; Marilyn Eber - Charles Reed, Den; Dan Marthaler Jr, Prkr
- 3 Larry Matheny, Lvld; Steven Turner, Greeley; Suzanne Jones, Bldr; Jean Grunwald, Gldn

### Flight X

- 1 Mary Anne Pixley, Ltn; Marilyn Hughes - Roger Neumann, Eng; John Holcomb, Den
- 2 Alice Perlmutter, Palm Desert; Joyce Sloop - Harriet Berenbaum, Den; Debra Dallas, HR
- 3 Ginny Steele - Barbara Meier, FC; Billie Turner, Grly; Dolores Landwehr, Dacono

## SUNDAY B/C/D STRAT SWISS - 23 TABLES

### Flights B & C

- 1 Robert Lupton, Aur; Robert Paris, Den; Brian Hegarty - Elaine West Fry, CoSpG
- 2 Peter John Dukellis - Richard Bonner - John Grossmann - Miriam Feinberg, CoSpG
- 3 Gerald Benedict - Sung Mae Bleck - Nancy Benedict, Eng; Greg Stander, Gldn

### Flight D

- 1 Jay Silberberg, Den; Steven Wainz, Lone Tree; Ann Stolfa - David Stolfa, Eng
- 2/3 Ray McLean, Den; William Kacena - Frank Novachek, Ltn; R Gene Lewis, Aur
- 2/3 Nick Tallyn, CoSpG; Joann Miller - Roger Pearce, Lkwd; Sandra Koller, Arv



# Congratulations! Denver Sectional Winners — January 11-14, 2007

## THURS EVE +/2000/750 SWSS - 29 TABLES

### Flight A

- 1 Allen Kane, PblW; En Hay, Ltn; Suzanne Jones, Bldr; Jean Grunwald, Gldn
- 2 Shirley Scott - Judy Hummel - Jerry Curtright - Joseph Barrett, CoSpG

### Flight B

- 1 Thomas Goings - Lore Jagger - Clement Jacobson - Lynn Jacobson, CoSpG
- 2 Betty Papangelis, Evanston; Joan Hughes, Chey; Linda Dorough - Lewis Dorough, Ltn
- 3 Walt Newcomb - Milton Shioya - Michael Thompson - Vincent Castrigano, Den

### Flight C

- 1 Thomas Goings - Lore Jagger - Clement Jacobson - Lynn Jacobson, CoSpG
- 2 Betty Papangelis, Evanston; Joan Hughes, Chey; Linda Dorough - Lewis Dorough, Ltn
- 3 Melvyn Klein - Roberta Klein - Sally Kneser, Eng; Judy Brand, Ltn

## FRIDAY AFTERNOON OPEN PRS - 27.0 TABLES

### Flight A

- 1 David Caprera, Evgr; Don Heitler, Eng
- 2 Chuck Henke - Pat Henke, Aur
- 3 Allen Kane, PblW; En Hay, Ltn

### Flight B

- 1 Robert Lupton, Aur; Robert Paris, Den
- 2 Milton Shioya - James Dulan, Den
- 3 Joe Sewall - Virginia Sewall, Den

### Flight C

- 1 Melvyn Klein - Roberta Klein, Eng
- 2 Patricia Frazier, Ltn; R Griffiths, Den
- 3 Michael Jalving - Jeffrey Haber, Den

## FRIDAY AFTERNOON 199ER PR - 10.0 TABLES

### Flight D

- 1 Carla McKennett - Dorcas Evans, Den
- 2 Jeff Kitman, Den; Shelbie Bastiaans, Prkr
- 3 Dee Warnecke, Den; Ann Krump, Aur

### Flight E

- 1 Jeff Kitman, Den; Shelbie Bastiaans, Prkr
- 2 Wilt Cooper, Ltn; Wade Biggs, HR
- 3 Paul Nelson - Janet Nelson, Highland Ranch

### Flight F

- 1 Jeff Kitman, Den; Shelbie Bastiaans, Prkr
- 2 Wilt Cooper, Ltn; Wade Biggs, HR
- 3 Paul Nelson - Janet Nelson, Highland Ranch

## FRIDAY BRACKETED KOS - A - 8 TABLES

- 1 Tom Stack - Richard Laver, Bldr; Jack Larkin, Gldn; Gary Greene, Long; Bruce Cobb, Den

## FRIDAY BRACKETED KOS - B - 7 TABLES

- 1 Penelope Coffman, CH VII; Ted Witt, Den; Greg Stander, Gldn; John Grossmann, CoSpG

## FRIDAY BRACKETED KOS - C - 6 TABLES

- 1 Elneta Justice - Mildred Williams, Cent; Lynn Vevurka, Eng; Jean Pershall, Grnwd Vlg

## FRIDAY BRACKETED KOS - D - 6 TABLES

- 1 Duval Prey, Jr - Anne Somerville, Den; William Kacena, Ltn; Thomas Burger, Eng

## FRI EVE +/2000/750 PAIRS - 24.0 TABLES

### Flight A

- 1 Marilyn Eber - David Rankin, Den
- 2 Peggy Ware, Den; Harley Bress, Lkwd
- 3 Don Heitler, Eng; David Caprera, Evgr

### Flight B

- 1 Peggy Ware, Den; Harley Bress, Lkwd
- 2 David Macey, Chey WY; Floyd Bilderback, Eng
- 3 Lian Bonds, Cent; Tom Monikowski, Den

### Flight C

- 1 Lori Silveira - Gregg Silveira, Prkr
- 2 Carol Weiser, Arv; Cornelia Snyder, Den
- 3 Robert McKenzie - Claire McCormick, Aur

## FRI EVE 300/200/100 PAIRS - 8.0 TABLES

### Flight D

- 1 Robert Martin, Neder; Debbie Shaffer, Long
- 2 James Dulan, Den; Shirley Miller, Gldn
- 3 Shelbie Bastiaans, Prkr; Shelley Joseph, HR

### Flight E

- 1 Robert Martin, Neder; Debbie Shaffer, Long
- 2 Shelbie Bastiaans, Prkr; Shelley Joseph, HR
- 3 Lee Upham - Evelyn Upham, Den

### Flight F

- 1 Robert Martin, Neder; Debbie Shaffer, Long
- 2 Shelbie Bastiaans, Prkr; Shelley Joseph, HR
- 3 Lee Upham - Evelyn Upham, Den

## SATURDAY AFT 299ER PAIRS - 19.0 TABLES

### Flight D

- 1 Karen Lambertsen, Brm; David Briggs, Thn
- 2 Thomas Burger, Eng; Jack Purdy, Brm
- 3 Steven Wainz, LnTr; Michael Holmes, Dumont

### Flight E

- 1 Karen Lambertsen, Brm; David Briggs, Thn
- 2 Thomas Burger, Eng; Jack Purdy, Brm
- 3 Graeme Hennessey - Irene (June) Bock, Bldr

### Flight F

- 1 Graeme Hennessey - Irene (June) Bock, Bldr
- 2 Jerry Wagner - Donna Wagner, Monument
- 3 Michael Lee Stabler, Bldr; Ole Nordhild, Fire

## SATURDAY AFT SIDE GAME - 14.0 TABLES

### Flights A & B

- 1 Carolyn Eisen, Den; Sheryl Siegel, Eng
- 2 Claire Whitman, Eng; Sandra Maytum, Ltn
- 3 Dee Reed - Ted Reed, Oro Valley AZ

### Flight C

- 1 Betty Papangelis, Evnstn; Joan Hughes, Chey
- 2 Gina Bengel - Marsha Shaw, Ltn
- 3 Lynn Jacobson - Clement Jacobson, CoSpG

## SATURDAY OPEN PAIRS - 42.0 TABLES

### Flight A

- 1 Roger Pennell - Hachy Pennell, Aur
- 2 Robert Lupton, Aur; Robert Paris, Den
- 3 Dick Duff, Den; Chris Champion, CoSpG

### Flight B

- 1 Robert Lupton, Aur; Robert Paris, Den
- 2 Lian Bonds, Cent; Tom Monikowski, Den
- 3 Marty Freedman - Ellen Freedman, Erie

### Flight C

- 1 Betty Adler, Lkwd; Frank Baca, Mesa AZ
- 2 Helen Onsager - Suzanne Humphreys, Ltn
- 3 Elneta Justice, Cent; Lynn Vevurka, Eng

## SATURDAY EVE 299ER - 11.0 TABLES

### Flight D

- 1 Duval Prey, Jr, Den; Carol Gumpert, Aur
- 2 Roger Kincade, Lkwd; Linda Harder, Aur
- 3 Michael Holmes, Dumont; Steven Wainz, LnTr

### Flight E

- 1 Duval Prey, Jr, Den; Carol Gumpert, Aur
- 2 Joel Russman - Stephen Dreskin, Den C
- 3 Donna Grant, Den; Robert Dean, Ltn

### Flight F

- 1 Donna Grant, Den; Robert Dean, Ltn
- 2 ME Nickodemus, Long; Anne Fenerty, Bldr
- 3 Joyce Bograd - Carolyn Spicer, Bldr

## FLIGHT AX SWISS TEAMS - 21 TABLES

### Flight A

- 1 Norma Sands, Den; Roger Pennell - Hachy Pennell, Aur; James La Force, Gre
- 2 Flo Newlin - Cal Newlin Jr - Chuck Henke, Aur; Allen Kane, PblW
- 3 Dan Marthaler Jr, Prkr; Marilyn Eber - Charles Reed, Den; Donald Boyarsky, Aur

### Flight X

- 1 Richard Laver, Bldr; Robert Sherman, Lfyt; Walter Rassbach - Nancy Rassbach, West
- 2 Clyde D'Arcy, Prkr; Jeffrey Brown, HR; James Spurlin, Gldn; Spencer Jones, Aur
- 3 Jim Hoerlein - Jeanne Gray, Bldr; Leonard Herz - Margaret Devere, Den

## STRATIFIED BCD SWISS TEAM - 27 TABLES

### Flight B

- 1 Robert Lupton, Aur; Robert Paris, Den; Brian Hegarty - Elaine West Fry, CoSpG
- 2 Marilyn Graham - Roberta Vider, Evgr; Judith Hardie, Brm; Anne Vincent, Bldr
- 3 Marty Freedman - Ellen Freedman - Katelin Yates, Erie; Paul Haynes, Bldr

### Flight C

- 1 Robert Lupton, Aur; Robert Paris, Den; Brian Hegarty - Elaine West Fry, CoSpG

### Flight D

- 1 Ole Nordhild, Fire; Sally Ann Rhea - Michael Lee Stabler, Bldr; G Kristjansdottir, Long
- 2 Carol Wendt - Anne Somerville, Den; Molly Kienker, Ltn; Elizabeth Abruzzo, Eng
- 3 Melvyn Klein - Roberta Klein - Ann Stofa - David Stofa, Eng

## STRIFIED 299ER SWISS TEAM - 13 TABLES

### Flight D

- 1 Lynn Vevurka, Eng; Elneta Justice - Mildred Williams, Cent; Helen Onsager, Ltn
- 2 Donna Grant - Sherry Levitt - Alice Klesinger, Den; Robert Dean, Ltn
- 3 David Blanchfield - Buris Blanchfield, Gldn; William Arkin - Donna Arkin, Cent

### Flight E

- 1 Donna Grant - Sherry Levitt - Alice Klesinger, Den; Robert Dean, Ltn
- 2 David Blanchfield - Buris Blanchfield, Gldn; William Arkin - Donna Arkin, Cent
- 3 Mary Ellen Nickodemus - Lorry Cashatt, Long; Jane Baryames - Nancy Raymond, Bldr

### Flight F

- 1 Donna Grant - Sherry Levitt - Alice Klesinger, Den; Robert Dean, Ltn



# It's Only a Game

by Frank Queen

The future of our great game depends upon sportsmanship at the table. Zero tolerance, while well intended, is not the answer. In fact, I become more disenchanted of zero tolerance on a daily basis. There are those who believe it means to call the director over every minuscule human error; the result being, it is doing more harm than good.

I had a very unpleasant personal dose of zero tolerance in Albuquerque last year. My partner had doubled a 7 NT contract and I was on lead. The problem: There had been a considerable hesitation by my partner, prior to the double. I decided I pretty much knew dummy's first bid suit was probably not the correct lead, but that I had been helped too much by the hesitation, so led it anyway. The result: Making 7 eliciting a "g.d." from partner (is there anyone who has not done something similar). Director was called and partner apologized to the entire table, and director was satisfied. But not the recipient of the gift, however. I was expecting a "thank you for your ethics" comment. What I got was a side bar conversation after the next round between the director and the recipient of the gift, who wanted blood. The director apologetically came to our table and said, "I must also give you a 3 m.p. penalty. Sorry!" Moral: Make your favorable lead and face a committee if necessary.

I tell you the story not for sympathy but because I consider it the antithesis of sportsmanship and the bastardization of zero tolerance. What can we do to show sportsmanship at the table? Certainly, to not take advantage of a hesitation, but also to realize that not every hesitation is a deliberate attempt to steal a board. Less experienced players hesitate because they do not know what to do. If their partner is inexperienced too, they are not going to know what to do whether partner hesitates or not. Consider the source. Call if you must, but be more tolerant with newer players.

In the last column, I mentioned how strongly I feel about discussing hands at the table. Expressing approval or disapproval also qualifies as poor sportsmanship. "That's okay partner, we went down 500, but they are cold for slam," is really poor sportsmanship. Save the remark for partner when the opponents are not present.

Good sportsmanship also applies to your partner. When he takes a "phantom" and you could have defeated the contract, why do you want to blurt it out at the table? Have you never taken a "phantom?" Partner feels bad enough. Keep it to yourself, or better yet, have some sympathy for him. Of course, if the opponents point out they could not make it, that is gloating and poor sportsmanship (doubled).

Charles Goren was perhaps the first to suggest bridge should be played for *fun*. He said, "*There is no other reason to play. Not for money, not to show how smart you are, or how stupid your partner is, or to try to prove any one of hundreds of things bridge players are trying to prove.*"

Marty Bergen and several others have suggested treating you partner according to the Golden Rule. Those who do not, go through partners as quickly as changing underwear. I used to tell my Social Problems classes that every wife and husband should practice the good neighbor policy. Never say anything to your spouse that you would not say to your good neighbor Sam. That philosophy should also apply to bridge partners.

Here are just a few rules for your consideration:

1. *The opponents sit to the right and left, not straight ahead. That person is your only friend at the table. Encourage, support and nourish your partner.*
2. *Look at problems from your partner's point of view. Be sympathetic to partner's problems and less result oriented.*
3. *No bid by partner should ever be criticized because it did not work this time.*
4. *When you're ready to scream at partner or an opponent, excuse yourself, go to the restroom and slap yourself in the face.*
5. *Do not criticize or embarrass a partner. This should also apply to opponents.*
6. *If you think you are too good to play with your partner, do that person a favor and stop playing with them.*

There are many more, but I recall when the great Buckminster Fuller would deliver a lecture, you were waiting for more and he would look at his watch and say "Oh," and walk off the stage.

I will close with one more: 7. *Remember; It's Only a Game!*

**"The weight of the load  
is much greater in the head,  
than it is on the shoulders."**

-- Anonymous

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