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# OPEN TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND OF EIGHT 1<sup>ST</sup> STANZA

Barry Rigal

The first board gave the defenders an easy task at one table and a very hard one at the other.

Dealer: North	♠ 10 4	West	North	East	South
Vul: None	♥ Q 6 2				
Brd 1	♦ Q 10 9				
Open Tms Rd of 8	♣ K 10 8 5 2				
♠ A 5 3 2					
♥ K 9 5					
♦ A 3					
♣ A 9 7 6					
	♠ K J 9 7 6				
	♥ A 8 7				
	♦ 6 5 4 2				
	♣ 4				

	♠ Q 8	Makeable Contracts				
	♥ J 10 4 3	1	-	2	-	NT
	♦ K J 8 7	1	-	1	-	♠
	♣ Q J 3	3	-	3	-	♥
		1	-	2	-	♦
		2	-	2	-	♣

West	North	East	South	West	North	East	South
Cooper	B'champ	Nagy	Hans	Lee	Middleton	Hung	Lilley
	Pass	Pass	1♠		Pass	Pass	Pass
1NT	Pass	3NT	//	1NT	Pass	2♣	Pass
				2♠	Pass	3NT	All Pass

Beauchamp led the ♠10 and declarer finessed unsuccessfully in the round suits; Down three. In the other room Middleton led a club. Declarer won the queen and finessed in hearts. Middleton more in hope than expectation shifted to the ♠10. Well done, but a loss of 2 IMPs, since declarer had seven tricks after the spades and hearts were cashed.

In the other match Bach as West received a club lead and won it cheaply in hand to clear clubs. The defenders won and shifted to spades. Meanwhile Doecke opened a mini no-trump and played 3NT as East on a spade lead. He was somewhat unlucky that with both the heart and club finesses losing he did not quite have enough material for nine tricks (at double dummy a heart to the king and a club up might have done the trick, but he ran the ♥J at trick two).

Dealer: East	♠ K 9 7 6 4 3	West	North	East	South
Vul: N-S	♥ K Q 10 6				
Brd 2	♦ 2				
Open Tms Rd of 8	♣ A 4				
♠ 5					
♥ J 9 7 5 4					
♦ J 6					
♣ Q J 7 6 5					
	♠ A J				
	♥ 3				
	♦ A K 10 8 7 5 4				
	♣ 10 8 2				

	♠ Q 10 8 2	Makeable Contracts				
	♥ A 8 2	-	1	-	1	NT
	♦ Q 9 3	-	4	-	4	♠
	♣ K 9 3	-	1	-	1	♥
		-	4	-	4	♦
		-	1	-	1	♣

West	North	East	South	West	North	East	South
Cooper	B'champ	Nagy	Hans	Lee	Middleton	Hung	Lilley
		Pass	1♦		Pass	1♣	2♦
2NT	Double	3♥	Pass	Pass	2♠	Pass	3♦
Pass	Double	Pass	3NT	Pass	3♥	Pass	3♠
Pass	Pass	Double	//	Pass	4♠	All Pass	

Middleton played his awkward 4♠ with aplomb, pitching his club loser on the diamonds, leading a heart to the ten, and ruffing his small heart in dummy. He lost two trumps and one heart, while 3NTx on a heart lead and club shift lost six tricks, since declarer had to give up a diamond to establish the suit.

Howard duplicated that line in 4♠ after a mini no-trump from Doecke, East, while Gold overcalled 3♦ over Cornell's 1♣ opener. Whether this was just a mild underbid or in line with what he thought a red 3♦ call should look like, no one had anything more to say and 3♦ made 150.

The third board saw Cooper and Bach pick up 3 IMPs in undertricks for their side when they took a simple finesse in a vulnerable 3NT, rather than playing for the extra chance of finding a doubleton ♥Q first, with AKJx facing 108x. That saved an undertrick when the finesse lost and the danger side-suit was 5-3 rather than 4-4.

A quiet 4♠ followed, then the excitement started up again;

Dealer: North	♠ Q 10 9 5	♠ A K J 8 2
Vul: N-S	♥ 7 4	♥ 10 6 5 2
Brd 5	♦ A K Q J 5	♦ 9 6
Open Tms Rd of 8	♣ Q 10	♣ A 8
♠ 4 3		
♥ 8		
♦ 10 2		
♣ K J 9 7 5 4 3 2		
	♠ 7 6	
	♥ A K Q J 9 3	
	♦ 8 7 4 3	
	♣ 6	

Makeable Contracts				
-	-	-	-	NT
1	-	1	-	♠
-	4	-	4	♥
-	3	-	3	♦
4	-	4	-	♣

West	North	East	South	West	North	East	South
Cooper	B'champ	Nagy	Hans	Lee	Middleton	Hung	Lilley
	1♦	1♠	2♥		1♦	1♠	2♥
5♣	Double	All Pass		3♣	3♦	Pass	4♥
				5♣	Double	Pass	5♦
				Pass	Pass	6♣	Double //

Beauchamp/Hans had a cash-out problem against 5♣. Beauchamp led a top diamond and shifted to hearts, leaving Hans to work out which suit to play next, and he got it wrong. Had Beauchamp been able to lead an honour to get count at trick one it would seem clear to play on hearts now. Obviously the ♦A at trick one didn't get things done...but why wouldn't you lead ♦K for count at the five-level or higher?

Cooper could ruff the heart at trick three and run clubs for the show-up squeeze. The defenders got it wrong in the other room too – suggesting that in unfamiliar partnerships there are considerably more slips between cup and lip than the average reader might believe. There is hope for us all...

Both tables in our other match sold out to 4♥ after East had shown the majors, in one case, and spades in the other case. Whereas Del'Monte knew to ruff the third spade with ♥9, Gold had no reason to expect the uppercut in hearts. He ruffed the third spade with the ace and played trumps from the top; down one. It was 25-0 to Ziggy, and 30-3 to Cooper.

On the next deal the secret was to defend, or at least to find your nine-card fit if you were going to declare. Three E/W pairs played a six- or seven-card major fit at the three-level rather than their 5-4 club fit, where they had nine tricks available. 3♠ on the 4-3 fit played poorly 3♥ on the 5-1 fit fared worse. Since Del'Monte and Howard had overbid the N/S cards to 4♦, Gold had 5 IMPs, and added six more on the next deal when a vulnerable weak-two from Del'Monte on the sort of suit you tell your students to avoid, at any vulnerability (♦A108653) got him to a 6-0 fit. Any suggestions of poetic justice are up to the reader, not this writer.

Dealer: West	♠ 5 3	♠ 7
Vul: None	♥ 9 8	♥ J 10 6 4 2
Brd 8	♦ K J 10 8 7	♦ Q 3 2
	♣ A Q 10 9	♣ 8 7 6 5
♠ Q 10 9 8 6 4		
♥ Q 5		
♦ 9 5 4		
♣ K 2		
	♠ A K J 2	
	♥ A K 7 3	
	♦ A 6	
	♣ J 4 3	

Makeable Contracts				
-	7	-	7	NT
-	4	-	4	♠
-	5	-	5	♥
-	7	-	7	♦
-	7	-	7	♣

A board later Gold closed the match right up when Vanessa Brown took a more aggressive view with the North cards than her counterparts. At the other tables North had passed their partner's 3NT overcall. Brown heard her partner jump to 3NT after a multi to her right, 2♥ to her left. She explored delicately for slam with 6NT (5NT

to get partner to pick a slam or a quantitative 4NT must also have been serious considerations here?) and after a diamond lead declarer had 12 top tricks. Easy game bridge.

Gold took the lead when an optimistic 3NT by Del'Monte/Howard needed a finesse to work through the partner of the overcaller and it didn't. We've all made worse contracts – but when Beauchamp/Hans attempted the same contract a more precise defence led to five off not one off, while Middleton/Lilley and Howard/Gold were racking up a more sensible partscore.

The two sets ended 34-25 to Gold, Gold having scored the last 34 IMPs without reply, and 46-6 to Cooper.

## OPEN TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND OF EIGHT 2<sup>ND</sup> STANZA

Barry Rigal

The second halves of the two matches would see Gold entering with a small lead, Cooper with a nearly insurmountable one.

Gold added to their lead on the first deal, playing a sensible partscore, down one on a mildly unfavourable lie of the cards, while defending to a near hopeless game in the other room. They added an extra undertrick for two further IMPs on the next deal, before something more serious came along.

Dealer: South      ♠ J  
 Vul: N-S          ♥ K 6  
 Brd 15             ♦ A K Q J 5 3  
                      ♣ J 7 3 2

♠ 9 7 4 3  
 ♥ 9 7 5 4  
 ♦ 9 8 6  
 ♣ 6 4

♠ K 10 8 6  
 ♥ A Q 10 8  
 ♦ 10 2  
 ♣ 10 8 5

♠ A Q 5 2  
 ♥ J 3 2  
 ♦ 7 4  
 ♣ A K Q 9

Makeable Contracts				
-	6	-	5	NT
-	2	-	2	♠
-	2	-	1	♥
-	6	-	5	♦
-	6	-	5	♣

West O'Shea	North Howard	East Doecke	South Del'Monte	West Wallis	North Haffer	East Konig	South Gold
			1NT				1NT
Pass	2NT(♦s)	Pass	3♣	Pass	2NT(♦s)	Pass	3♣
Pass	3♠	Pass	3NT	Pass	3♠	Pass	4♠
Pass	4NT	Pass	5NT	Pass	5♦		
Pass	6♦	All Pass					

Both Norths showed diamonds, and a singleton spade, but Gold's raise suggests some ambiguity. Haffer opted to settle for game, while Howard would I am sure have considered 6♣ if he could have protected his ♥K. After a club lead declarer drew trumps and led the ♠J. When Doecke ducked impassively declarer fell back on the heart finesse. Nicely defended – but doesn't the lead from small clubs suggest East has the key honours not West?

Lilley/Melbourne reached 6♦ the wrong way up, thus getting the worst of all worlds – and on a heart lead the defence took the first two tricks before declarer could do anything ingenious. Hung/Lee had a sequence that started like the Del'Monte/Howard one. Over 3NT Hung bid 4♦, denying a club control. Then over 4♠-5♣(last-train promising a heart control) Lee bid 5♦. Again, clubs would have been wrong-sided. That was 12 IMPs to Milne, and on the next deal they added 8 more.

Dealer: West      ♠ A Q 9 8 6  
 Vul: E-W          ♥ 9 6  
 Brd 16             ♦ K 9 3  
                      ♣ K 9 6

♠ 10 7 3  
 ♥ Q 10  
 ♦ A J 10 7  
 ♣ A 10 7 5

♠ 5 2  
 ♥ K J 7 4 3 2  
 ♦ 8 6 5  
 ♣ 4 3

♠ K J 4  
 ♥ A 8 5  
 ♦ Q 4 2  
 ♣ Q J 8 2

Makeable Contracts				
-	4	-	4	NT
-	4	-	4	♠
2	-	2	-	♥
-	2	-	2	♦
-	4	-	4	♣

West Cooper	North Hung	East Nagy	South Lee	West Milne	North Melbourne	East Griffith	South Lilley
1♦	1♠	Pass	2♦	1♦	1♠	2♦(♥s)	2♥
Pass	2♣	Pass	2NT	Pass	2♣	Pass	Pass
Pass	3NT	All Pass		Double	Pass	3♥	All Pass

Well done by Hung/Lee to reach 3NT, and after a club lead declarer had a straightforward route to ten tricks. 4♣ would not have been easy. With 3♥ down a trick the margin was down to 21 at 49-28.

The point about 4♣ was demonstrated in the other match when Ziggy Konig did extremely well to lead a diamond after an unopposed sequence 1♠-3NT-4♣. Declarer had no reach chance to guess clubs now, I think. Del'Monte heard his partner overcall 2♣ over 1NT and as South jumped to 3NT. Well judged.

The next board proved a death-trap for three of our four pairs

Dealer: East  
Vul: N-S  
Brd 18

♠ J 7 6 5 2  
♥ K 6 4  
♦ 6  
♣ A 7 5 4

♠ K Q  
♥ J 5  
♦ K 9 7 4 3 2  
♣ K 8 6

♠ 10 8 4 3  
♥ 9 8 3 2  
♦ ---  
♣ Q J 10 9 3

♠ A 9  
♥ A Q 10 7  
♦ A Q J 10 8 5  
♣ 2

Makeable Contracts				
-	3	-	3	NT
-	3	-	3	♠
-	3	-	3	♥
-	4	-	4	♦
-	1	-	1	♣

West Cooper	North Hung	East Nagy	South Lee	West Milne	North Melbourne	East Griffith	South Lilley
		Pass	1♦			Pass	1♦
Pass	1♠	Pass	2♥	Pass	1♠	2♣	2♥
Pass	2♣	Pass	3♦	3♣	Pass	Pass	3♦
Pass	3NT	Pass	4♠	All Pass			
Pass	5♦	Pass	Pass				
Double	All Pass						

The American style over reverses of rebidding any five-card major has always struck me as overly rigid. Here had Lee passed 3NT he might have scored a somewhat fortuitous goal – but maybe only at double-dummy? Duck two clubs in 3NT pitching a spade and diamond from dummy and you might survive the bad diamond break. You win the third club and finesse in diamonds, win the spade shift and cash two hearts, then exit with a spade to force West to lead a diamond and give you the rest!

Not that there was anything wrong with the contract of 5♦. On a normal lie of the cards (either 3-3 or 4-2 diamonds) you would win the club lead, drive out the ♦K, and need to play hearts for no loser or find a squeeze – by no means improbable if you can isolate the club or spade menace or have the defenders help you do so. But the 6-0 trump split put the kibosh on that.

3♦ made 110, 5♦x went down 800 when Lee lost a heart finesse, somewhat unnecessarily it would appear. It hardly mattered in IMP terms though: the Cooper lead was back up to 34.

Both N/S pairs in our other match went down 200 in odd contracts. Haffer/Gold appear to have had a wheel fall off to reach 4♠, Del'Monte played 6♦ undoubled on an auction where Jenner-O'Shea did not double because he feared a retreat to 6♠.

The trailing teams then both attempted a 4-3 major suit game; this was sensible enough in abstract since they were off three quick-tricks and their suit was solid down to the nine. But against a 5-1 trump break it simply meant more vulnerable undertricks flowing in the wrong direction.

After that, there were just not enough boards left to come back in either match. Haffer added a game swing for a better lead against 3NT. The key suit (rotated) was:

♥ K 9 5  
♥ 10 8 7 3      ♥ A J 6 4  
♥ Q 2



(Doecke led the ♥7 here and Jenner-O'Shea ducked, to allow the defenders to cash out three tricks in the suit later on. In our other match Griffith on a blind auction led ♥3 but Melbourne put in the nine – the technical if not psychological play – and now the defenders could not really go wrong any more. Hung played low from dummy on the ♥3 lead at trick one to force East's jack, and the defence was dead). Those 13 IMPs made the margin of 17 IMPs for Cooper with one deal to go – but there was not quite enough excitement in that hand.

Del'Monte had managed to steal a non-vulnerable game on it, since the opponents had five running tricks in a bid suit, but blocked AQJ63 facing K5 by leading a top honour from the long (otherwise entryless) hand. That closed the margin to 30 IMPs, but Gold had won decisively after a very poor start.

Milne had come back from an early 40IMP hole, but not quite enough. They lost by 17 and may look back on Board 18 as their decisive stroke of bad luck.

## OPEN TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP SEMI FINALS 1-10 OF 40

Barry Rigal

The two matches saw Kanetkar take on Cooper, and Nunn against Gold.

Dealer: North	♠ 7	West	North	East	South
Vul: None	♥ A 5				
Brd 1	♦ 10 7 6 5				
Open Tms SF 1/4	♣ A K Q 10 7 3				
♠ 8					
♥ 9 6					
♦ A Q 8 4					
♣ 9 8 6 5 4 2					
	♠ A K Q J 10 9 5 3				
	♥ Q 10				
	♦ J 2				
	♣ J				
	♠ 6 4 2				
	♥ K J 8 7 4 3 2				
	♦ K 9 3				
	♣ ---				
			Makeable Contracts		
		-	4	-	4
		-	3	-	3
		3	-	3	-
		-	1	-	1
		-	2	-	2
					NT
					♠
					♥
					♦
					♣

West	North	East	South	West	North	East	South
Cooper	Gumby	Nagy	Lazer	Kanetkar	Melbourne	Neill	Middleton
	1♣	3♥	3♠		1♣	3♥	3♠
Pass	3NT	Pass	5♠	4♦	Pass	5♦	5♠
Pass	6♣	Pass	6♠	Pass	6♣	Pass	6♠
Pass	Pass	Double	All Pass	Pass	Pass	Double	All Pass
West	North	East	South	West	North	East	South
Brown	Geo	O'Shea	Appleton	Nunn	Haffer	Ware	Gold
	1♣	3♥	3♠		1♣	3♥	4♠
Pass	3NT	Pass	4♥	Pass	Pass	Pass	
Pass	6♣	Pass	6♠				
Pass	Pass	Double	All Pass				

Gold's huge underbid paid dividends here when the defenders led a normal heart (is a club your best shot to beat it? But maybe you could cash two hearts and two diamonds?). All the other three tables reached slam, cold on a major suit lead, less successful on a minor lead. The defenders can take a ruff, cash their diamonds, and shift to hearts to wait for another diamond trick. A flat board in Cooper-Kanetkar, 13IMP to Gold.

Dealer: East	♠ A K 5 4	West	North	East	South
Vul: N-S	♥ 4				
Brd 2	♦ A K 4 2				
Open Tms SF 1/4	♣ K 9 6 2				
♠ ---					
♥ K J 9 6 3 2					
♦ J 7 3					
♣ Q 5 4 3					
	♠ Q J 6				
	♥ A Q 8 7 5				
	♦ Q 6				
	♣ 10 8 7				
	♠ 10 9 8 7 3 2				
	♥ 10				
	♦ 10 9 8 5				
	♣ A J				
			Makeable Contracts		
		-	4	-	4
		-	3	-	3
		-	-	-	-
		-	1	-	1
		-	2	-	3
					NT
					♠
					♥
					♦
					♣

At both tables in Nunn-Gold East treated his hand as a multi 2♦ and West bought the pot in 2♠ down 150. Both Easts in the other match passed and N/S bid unopposed to 3NT. Each declarer guessed clubs for two tricks by finessing twice against the queen-jack, the odds play, and both made 630. No swing.

On the next deal Brown/O'Shea under-competed and never bid their 6-3 fit on a partscore deal, to get Nunn off the schneider.

Board 4 offered huge opportunities for both sides:

Dealer: West  
 Vul: Both  
 Brd 4

♠ 8 6 2  
 ♥ A 6  
 ♦ K  
 ♣ K J 8 7 6 5 2

♠ 10 9 7 5 3  
 ♥ J 10 4 2  
 ♦ 9 8 4  
 ♣ 9

♠ A K Q 4  
 ♥ Q 7  
 ♦ A Q J 10 7 6 3  
 ♣ ---

♠ J  
 ♥ K 9 8 5 3  
 ♦ 5 2  
 ♣ A Q 10 4 3

West North East South

Makeable Contracts				
-	-	-	-	NT
-	5	-	5	♠
1	-	2	-	♥
-	4	-	4	♦
5	-	5	-	♣

West	North	East	South	West	North	East	South
Cooper	Gumby	Nagy	Lazer	Kanetkar	Melbourne	Neill	Middleton
1♣	Pass	1♥	Double	1♣	Pass	1♥	Double
2♣	Pass	5♣	5♦	2♣	2♠	5♣	5♠
6♣	Pass	Pass	Double //	6♣	Pass	Pass	Double //

West	North	East	South	West	North	East	South
Brown	Geo	O'Shea	Appleton	Nunn	Haffer	Ware	Gold
3♣	Pass	3♥	Double	1♣	Pass	1♥	Double
4♥	4♠	5♣	5♦ //	2♣	2♠	5♣	5♦ //

Where to start? So much insanity to comment on and so little space...at one table, where Kanetkar and Neill were E/W they judged the hand well, in that 5♠ might well have made. You might argue with Cooper's decision to save (if you don't I have reasons to question your judgment, but based on what happened elsewhere he took an excellent decision!). At both tables N/S cashed out for down one.

In the other match both Souths played 5♦. How would it be possible E/W could not beat this via the trump promotion? At one table Brown led ace and another heart, and O'Shea played...a club. In the other room Nunn led the club king, a choice that deserved the result it achieved according to this dyspeptic commentator. No swing.

Nunn took the lead on the next board, thanks to this auction.

Dealer: North  
 Vul: N-S  
 Brd 5

♠ A 3  
 ♥ A K 4  
 ♦ 8 2  
 ♣ A Q 6 5 4 3

♠ Q J 8 5 4 2  
 ♥ Q 6  
 ♦ A 9 7  
 ♣ 9 7

♠ K 7 6  
 ♥ J 10 9 8 5 3 2  
 ♦ J 6  
 ♣ 8

♠ 10 9  
 ♥ 7  
 ♦ K Q 10 5 4 3  
 ♣ K J 10 2

West North East South

Nunn Haffer Ware Gold

2♠ Pass 3♦ Pass

3♠ Pass 4♣ Pass

4NT Pass 5♣ Pass

6♣ Pass Pass Pass

Makeable Contracts				
3	-	3	-	NT
-	1	-	1	♠
-	2	-	2	♥
5	-	5	-	♦
6	-	6	-	♣

All the other three tables played game, when East didn't take immediate action over a weak two or Multi. 6♣ made comfortably enough.

Dealer: South  
 Vul: Both  
 Brd 7

♠ 10 7 5  
 ♥ Q 6  
 ♦ A 9 5 4 3  
 ♣ J 8 3

♠ 8 4  
 ♥ A 8 5  
 ♦ J 10 7 2  
 ♣ K Q 10 5

♠ K  
 ♥ K 10 7 4 2  
 ♦ K 8 6  
 ♣ A 9 7 6

♠ A Q J 9 6 3 2  
 ♥ J 9 3  
 ♦ Q  
 ♣ 4 2

West North East South

Makeable Contracts				
1	-	1	-	NT
3	-	3	-	♠
-	4	-	4	♥
-	3	-	3	♦
-	3	-	3	♣

4♥ looks a comfortable contract, but E/W have a save that may get out for anywhere between 100 and 500. In Kanetkar-Cooper Nagy came in over 1♥-Pass-1NT with 2♠ and E/W sold out to 4♥. The diamond ruff came with the trump trick and Lazer had a painless 620. In the other room Neill heard 1♥-Pass-2♥ and bid 3♠, raised by Kanetkar to 4♠. No one doubled and Neill found out enough from the heart lead and shift to ♣Q to lay down ♠A. down one and 11 IMPs to Kanetkar.

Both tables in Nunn-Gold played 4♠x. But O'Shea was prepared to play Tislevoll to have opened a miserable 10-count and took the spade finesse, while Ware played successfully for the drop of the ♠K. That was 7 IMPs and a 24-16 lead at the break.

Dealer: North      ♠ Q 8 3  
 Vul: E-W          ♥ Q 7 3  
 Brd 9              ♦ 9 3  
                      ♣ K 9 7 6 4

♠ A K 10 6 4 2  
 ♥ 9 5 2  
 ♦ 10 5 4  
 ♣ A

♠ 7 5  
 ♥ A 4  
 ♦ K Q J 2  
 ♣ Q 10 5 3 2

♠ J 9  
 ♥ K J 10 8 6  
 ♦ A 8 7 6  
 ♣ J 8

West      North      East      South

Makeable Contracts				
2	-	2	-	NT
3	-	3	-	♠
3	-	3	-	♥
3	-	3	-	♦
-	2	-	2	♣

West Cooper	North Gumby	East Nagy	South Lazer
	Pass	Pass	1♦
1♠	Double	1NT	Pass
2♠	Pass	Pass	2NT
Pass	3♣	All Pass	

West Kanetkar	North Melbourne	East Neill	South Middleton
	Pass	Pass	1♣
1♠	2♣	2♥	3♣
4♥	All Pass		

Both 3♣ and 4♥ were perfectly good contracts were it not for the top losers; well you can't have everything. 3♣ lost the five aces and kings, 4♥ on a top diamond lead saw declarer win and cross to the ♣A to play trumps. The defenders arranged a trump promotion as declarer ruffed the fourth diamond and was overruffed. Back came a trump and declarer was left with a club loser for down two. That basically concluded the scoring on the set.

### OPEN TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP SEMI FINALS 11-20 OF 40

Out of general interest, bridge writers like to follow the closest match. However in this case that option was denied us since Nunn led Gold by 8.1 and Kanetkar led Cooper by 4.1. Oh well, follow the rule let's see how Kanetkar fares against Cooper in this set. With Gumby Lazer (N/S) facing Cooper Nagy in the Open Room and Kanetkar Neill (E/W) facing Melbourne Lilley in the closed room.

Hand evaluation played an important part in Board 11

Dealer: South      ♠ 5 4 3  
 Vul: None          ♥ A 7 3  
 Brd 11              ♦ J 8 6 5 2  
 Open Tms SF 2/4   ♣ A 2

♠ J 10 9  
 ♥ K 8 2  
 ♦ A Q 9 7  
 ♣ 9 7 4

♠ K Q 8 7 6 2  
 ♥ 9 6  
 ♦ 3  
 ♣ K Q J 6

♠ A  
 ♥ Q J 10 5 4  
 ♦ K 10 4  
 ♣ 10 8 5 3

West      North      East      South  
 Cooper      Gumby      Nagy      Lazer

Pass      2♠      Pass      1♠  
 Pass      4♠      All Pass      2NT

Makeable Contracts				
-	-	-	-	NT
-	4	-	4	♠
2	-	2	-	♥
1	-	1	-	♦
-	-	-	-	♣

At the other table Melbourne showed a 9-11 three card raise via 2♣ and Lilley elected to settle for 2♠ - 6 IMPs to Kanetkar. Some may feel that Lazer was lucky to buy perfect cards – two aces – and for the spades to be favourably placed, but bridge is a bidder's game. For the record, Reverse Romex trial bids would let South bid 2NT to make a game-try with unspecified shortage (as recommended in Barry Rigal's excellent articles yesterday) and now North can jump to game without disclosing his partner's shortage. Wherever it is, game must be excellent.

Dealer: West  
 Vul: N-S  
 Brd 12  
 Open Tms SF 2/4  
 ♠ K 9 5  
 ♥ 9 8  
 ♦ A J 8 6 5  
 ♣ 7 3 2

♠ Q 8 6 3  
 ♥ A K Q J 3  
 ♦ 7 2  
 ♣ 10 6

♠ J 7 4 2  
 ♥ 5 4  
 ♦ K Q 4 3  
 ♣ K Q 4

♠ A 10  
 ♥ 10 7 6 2  
 ♦ 10 9  
 ♣ A J 9 8 5

West Cooper	North Gumby	East Nagy	South Lazer
Pass	1♥	Double	3♣
3♦	Pass	Pass	4♥ //
Kanetkar	Melbourne	Neill	Lilley
Pass	1♥	Pass	2♠(s)
Pass	2NT	Pass	3♣
Pass	3♥	Pass	4♥ //

Makeable Contracts

-	1	-	1	NT
-	1	-	1	♠
-	3	-	3	♥
1	-	1	-	♦
-	3	-	3	♣

The defence will prevail as long as they take their spade trick before declarer establishes clubs. In the Open Room Nagy led the ♦K, saw the eight from partner and cashed the ♦Q before switching to a spade. Declarer, North ducked this and on winning the ♠K, West tried another diamond, allowing declarer to shake her club loser and make the contract. This might have been the right defence on a different day – but we still haven't found which day that might be.

In the Closed Room Neill won the first trick with the ♦Q and maybe influenced by partner's high diamond, immediately switched to spades, won by West's king, a second diamond was cashed and a spade exit. +200 and +620 meant 13 IMPs to Kanetkar.

Board three saw a contest to see who would claim the diamond suit first

Dealer: North  
 Vul: Both  
 Brd 13  
 Open Tms SF 2/4  
 ♠ K Q 10 6  
 ♥ 10 9 7 6 2  
 ♦ A  
 ♣ J 7 2

♠ 9 5  
 ♥ A Q 4  
 ♦ Q J 9 8 6 4 3  
 ♣ 4

♠ A J  
 ♥ J 8 5 3  
 ♦ K 7 5 2  
 ♣ A 9 3

♠ 8 7 4 3 2  
 ♥ K  
 ♦ 10  
 ♣ K Q 10 8 6 5

West Cooper	North Gumby	East Nagy	South Lazer
1♥	Pass	1♦	Pass
3♠	Pass	2♥	3♣
Kanetkar	Melbourne	Neill	Lilley
	3♦	Double	All Pass

Makeable Contracts

1	-	2	-	NT
-	-	1	-	♠
3	-	3	-	♥
-	1	-	1	♦
1	-	1	-	♣

In the Open Room Cooper received a club lead and hoping for a favourable heart layout, won the club, unblocked the ♦A crossed to ♠A and tried to pitch a club on the ♦K. South ruffed with the ♥K, cashed a club allowing partner to pitch their last spade and gave partner a spade ruff. Declarer still had two hearts to lose, -200. In the Closed Room, declarer lost the 'obvious' five tricks, two spades, two diamonds and a club and -200 and 9 IMPs to Kanetkar who had picked up 27 IMPs on the first three boards to lead by 31.1. Hmmm; maybe I had chosen the wrong match in terms of closeness of results.

Board 14 saw more IMPs flow to the Kanetkar team.

Dealer: East  
 Vul: None  
 Brd 14  
 Open Tms SF 2/4  
 ♠ K Q 6  
 ♥ 7 4 3  
 ♦ A Q 4  
 ♣ A Q J 8

♠ 9 5  
 ♥ Q 6  
 ♦ K 10 8 6 3 2  
 ♣ K 5 2

♠ A 7 4 3  
 ♥ K 10 9 5  
 ♦ J 7  
 ♣ 7 6 3

♠ J 10 8 2  
 ♥ A J 8 2  
 ♦ 9 5  
 ♣ 10 9 4

West	North	East	South
3	-	3	-
2	-	2	-
2	-	2	-
-	1	-	1
1	-	1	-

Makeable Contracts

3	-	3	-	NT
2	-	2	-	♠
2	-	2	-	♥
-	1	-	1	♦
1	-	1	-	♣

Both tables reached 3NT. In the Open Room, Nagy opened with 2♥ showing both majors and after West made enquiries, during which North doubled 3♦, he opted to play 3NT. In the closed room the unopposed auction began with West opening. The sequence was: 1♣-1♥-2NT-3♠-3NT.

The play was interesting in both rooms. In the open room Gumby, North, avoided the diamond lead, opting instead for the spade. Declarer cashed three rounds of spades finishing in dummy and finessed clubs, which North ducked. Declarer next played a diamond towards the jack, which North won with the king and continued diamonds. Declarer won in hand and played a heart to the king, losing to the ace. South cashed the winning spade and exited with a heart to partner's queen. Now a diamond established that suit for the defence with North still holding the ♣K entry – down two.

In the Closed Room, North led a diamond and the play was not dissimilar except that after the first club was ducked, declarer cashed off the spades. When North won the ♣K he exited with a low heart to the king. South won the ♥A and took his spade, North pitching a club. This is hardly an error – except that when South failed to play back a diamond to his partner but led a heart instead, North was now end-played after winning the ♥Q into playing a second diamond and giving up the ninth trick for declarer. Had North retained his third club he would have had an exit card. Kanetkar was now leading by 42.

Board 15 saw some relief when both tables reached a very solid slam 6NT in one room and 6♠ in the other room, the type of board where you want to be in 6NT in case there is a ruff, there being 12 tricks otherwise.

I am sure that my co-editor Barry Rigal would find some interesting commentary for Board 16. 1NT was played at both tables but after the excitement of the first four boards it hardly rated a mention even though Kanetkar picked up another five IMPs when it made at one table but failed at the other.

There was only one big swing left in the set, and again it went to Kanetkar.

Dealer: South      ♠ Q J 4 2  
 Vul: E-W          ♥ A 9  
 Brd 19             ♦ J 10 9 4 2  
 Open Tms SF 2/4   ♣ Q 2

♠ 7  
 ♥ Q 8 7 6 5  
 ♦ 7 6  
 ♣ A K 10 8 5

♠ 8 6 5  
 ♥ 3 2  
 ♦ Q 8 5  
 ♣ J 9 7 6 3

♠ A K 10 9 3  
 ♥ K J 10 4  
 ♦ A K 3  
 ♣ 4

Makeable Contracts				
4	-	4	-	NT
5	-	5	-	♠
6	-	6	-	♥
3	-	3	-	♦
4	-	4	-	♣

Both Easts were allowed to open 1♠ here. Cooper responded 1NT and raised Nagy's 3♥ to 4♥ – an action sufficiently wet that we could hydrate the whole of the Northern Territory with it. By contrast Avi Kanetkar as West responded 2♥ to 1♠ as a passed hand – an action not without risk, but Avi tried underbidding once and didn't like it. Neill hit him with keycard and drove to slam over the response. With 6♥ having decent play even if neither major split, you'd have to be unlucky to go down, and today was not that day. The set finished a remarkable 58-0 to Kanetkar, and the match seemed almost over. Meanwhile this board was the only big swing in our other match. Gold bid to slam, Nunn did not, and it was 35-31 to Nunn at the half (all the other small swings having gone to Nunn in the set).

### OPEN TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP SEMI FINALS 21-30 OF 40

With 20 deals to go, Cooper needed a lot of action to get back into the match, while Nunn-Gold was separated by 4 IMPs.

Gold immediately took the lead on the first deal, bidding a game which was not made more difficult by the favourable location of the ♥AQ, the ♦Q and the ♣J. When spades were 4-2 the contract needed every one of these cards onside and duly got them. Kanetkar bid it too, for the same partscore swing.

All four tables played game on the next hand – two E/W and two N/S all going down one or two tricks. No double no trouble, but Gold and Kanetkar picked up 6 IMPs for defending successfully at both tables. With the margin in that match climbing rapidly into the stratosphere we shall focus on the closer encounter.

None of the tables got very close to bidding a respectable game with 21-HCP and a 5-3 fit (Brownie points to Nunn-Ware for reaching the three-level) and then a successful balance gave Nunn their first IMPs of the set, two to be precise. It was 37-44 now to Gold.

Dealer: North  
 Vul: N-S  
 Brd 5  
 Open Tms SF 3/4

♠ A Q 2  
 ♥ A  
 ♦ 10 7 5 4  
 ♣ K J 6 3 2

♠ K J  
 ♥ Q J 8 4  
 ♦ J 8 6  
 ♣ 10 8 7 4

♠ 10 9 7 6 4 3  
 ♥ K 9 5 3  
 ♦ Q  
 ♣ A 9

♠ 8 5  
 ♥ 10 7 6 2  
 ♦ A K 9 3 2  
 ♣ Q 5

West North East South

Makeable Contracts				
2	-	2	-	NT
-	2	-	2	♠
-	1	-	1	♥
6	-	5	-	♦
4	-	4	-	♣

West	North	East	South	West	North	East	South
Doecke	Thompson	O'Shea	McGann	Nunn	Brown	Ware	Gold
	Pass	1NT	2♣		Pass	Pass	Pass
Double	3♥	Pass	Pass	1♣	Pass	1♥	1♠
Double	Pass	4♦	Pass	Pass	Pass	2♦	Pass
5♦	All Pass			2♠	Pass	3♠	Pass
				3NT	All Pass		

In 3NT Nunn was favoured with the lead of ♠K. He won and led the ♦10 to the king, then a club to the jack and a diamond to the nine saw him home with four diamonds (thanks to the internal blockage) two spades two clubs and a heart.

Jenner-O'Shea brought home 5♦ after a heart lead by the restricted choice play in trumps. He took six trumps, three clubs and two aces. No swing.

The rest of the set could be summed up as: 'Last bidder gets the zero' as Bobby Wolff so picturesquely puts it.

Dealer: South  
 Vul: Both  
 Brd 7  
 Open Tms SF 3/4

♠ Q 9 6 4  
 ♥ K 9 5  
 ♦ K 10 9 7 3  
 ♣ 9

♠ A J 7 2  
 ♥ J 8 3 2  
 ♦ 6 4  
 ♣ 8 7 4

♠ K 8 5 3  
 ♥ A 7  
 ♦ Q J 2  
 ♣ A 10 5 2

♠ 10  
 ♥ Q 10 6 4  
 ♦ A 8 5  
 ♣ K Q J 6 3

West North East South

Makeable Contracts				
-	-	-	-	NT
-	1	-	1	♠
2	-	2	-	♥
3	-	3	-	♦
1	-	2	-	♣

Would you bid with the West cards after hearing 1♣ to your right? Nunn tried 1♦ and now after a negative double from North, N/S found their spade fit and competed to 3♠ over 3♦ by South. After a diamond lead helped his cause, Gold guessed the trump suit, starting with ♠K and finessing the seven. So he held his losses to two clubs, one diamond and one heart. By contrast, Doecke considered the West hand worth a take-out double of 1♣; as we have already seen, his box contains very few green cards. Now Jenner-O'Shea drove to 3NT, and even after a low club lead let the ♣9 score, and he guessed the ♥J, he still lost three spades and two aces for down one.

That made it 42-45, but after an overtrick IMP increased the lead to four, both sides had their opportunities here.

Dealer: North  
 Vul: E-W  
 Brd 9  
 Open Tms SF 3/4

♠ Q 7 3  
 ♥ Q 9 6 4  
 ♦ J 6  
 ♣ A 9 8 2

♠ 9 8 4 2  
 ♥ J 8  
 ♦ A K Q 10 9  
 ♣ J 3

♠ A J 10 6 5  
 ♥ 10 7 5  
 ♦ 7 2  
 ♣ 10 7 4

♠ K  
 ♥ A K 3 2  
 ♦ 8 5 4 3  
 ♣ K Q 6 5

West	North	East	South
Doecke	Thompson	O'Shea	McGann
	2♠ <sup>1</sup>	Double	4♠
Pass	Pass	Double	All pass
Nunn	Brown	Ware	Gold
	1♦	1♥	1♠
2♥	2♠	Pass	Pass
3♥	3♠	All Pass	

1 four spades and a minor

With 4♥ cold on the favourable breaks, cui culpa (if either of East or West is to blame?) for missing it? I'm not sure I can blame anyone; trumps have been breaking so badly this tournament (pace Lanzarotti/Buratti) that if E/W had bid game no doubt they would have been doubled and set 800.

4♠x went down 300, and well judged by E/W to play for penalties here rather than chase the moon at the five-level, while 3♠ was one down, for 6 IMPs to Gold.

As if to prove the point in the paragraph above:

Dealer: East	♠ ---	West	North	East	South
Vul: Both	♥ J 9 6 5 4				
Brd 10	♦ K 10 5 4				
Open Tms SF 3/4	♣ A Q J 2				
♠ A K 10 3 2				♠ 7 6 5 4	
♥ 8 7				♥ A 3 2	
♦ A Q J 7				♦ 8 6 3 2	
♣ 5 4				♣ K 10	
	♠ Q J 9 8				
	♥ K Q 10				
	♦ 9				
	♣ 9 8 7 6 3				

  

Makeable Contracts				
1	-	1	-	NT
2	-	2	-	♠
-	3	-	3	♥
2	-	2	-	♦
-	4	-	4	♣

West	North	East	South	West	North	East	South
Doecke	Thompson	O'Shea	McGann	Nunn	Brown	Ware	Gold
		Pass	Pass			Pass	Pass
1♠	Double	2♥(♠)	2NT <sup>1</sup>	1♠	Double	3♣(♠)	Pass
4♣	Pass	Pass	Double //	4♣	Pass	Pass	Double //

<sup>1</sup> Weak one-suiter

Both tables played 4♠x. Doecke received a heart lead, which gave him no chance to escape for down one. Nunn received a diamond lead and won cheaply in hand, led a club up, and Brown won and shifted to a heart, ducked. He won the next heart and led a spade, and Gold split his honours. To escape for down one it looks relatively easy to win, cross to the club king and ruff a heart. Now duck a diamond, and the defenders can only take one more trick. When Nunn ducked the first spade the defenders had the timing, by simply exiting in hearts. No swing, and with ten deals to go Gold led by 9 IMPs at 51-42.

### NOVICE TEAMS FINAL - BIG COMEBACK

Brent Manley

A team from the Kenmore Bridge Club in Brisbane, trailing at the halfway point of their Novice Final match, had a big third set to take the lead and played virtually even with their opponents in the final set to win by 17 IMPs. The final score was 93-76.1.

The winners are Allan Byrnes, Steve Parkes, Unis Suliman and Peter Taylor. The runners-up are Hans Van Weeren, Peter Clarke, Colin Dempster and Norman Grech.

The Van Weeren team had forged a 10-IMP lead at the break, but the Byrnes team won the third set 33-5 to grab the lead. The final set went to Van Weeren but by just 1 IMP.

The big set for Byrnes was mostly a matter of missed games by their opponents.

This deal, from the final set, typified the strong performance by the Brisbane squad.

Dealer: East	♠ J	West	North	East	South
Vul: E-W	♥ K Q 7 6	Clarke	Parkes	V Weeren	Byrnes
Brd 22	♦ A K 5			Pass	Pass
Novice Tms Fin 3/4	♣ K J 10 7 3	Pass	1♣	1♠	Double
♠ Q 9 6		Pass	4♥	All Pass	
♥ 10 8 5					
♦ Q 10 6					
♣ A Q 9 6					
	♠ 10 8 7 5 2				
	♥ J 9				
	♦ J 8 7 2				
	♣ 4 2				
	♠ A K 4 3				
	♥ A 4 3 2				
	♦ 9 4 3				
	♣ 8 5				

  

Makeable Contracts				
-	4	-	4	NT
-	2	-	2	♠
-	6	-	6	♥
-	3	-	3	♦
-	5	-	5	♣

Van Weeren led the ♣4, taken by Clarke with the ace. Clarke switched to the ♦Q, taken with the king. Parkes cashed the ♥K, ♥Q and ♣K and played his singleton spade to dummy's ace. He cashed the ♠K, pitching a diamond from hand, and got back to hand with the ♦A. He then ruffed a club in dummy, ruffed a spade and ruffed another club with the trump ace. In the two-card ending, Parkes could play either of dummy's cards (the ♦9 or the ♠4) to score his ♥7. He opted for the spade, giving West the choice of ruffing with the master trump, allowing Parkes to score the ♥7 at trick 13, or discard his ♦10. Either way, Parkes had made an overtrick in elegant fashion.

Playing matchpoints, Parkes might have played a club to his jack or 10 in search of two overtricks, but if the finesse lost, the defenders might have been able to play a third round of trumps.

The fact that the board was a push does not take away from the nice technique exhibited by Parkes.

The first set was a tight match, with only one swing of double digits. This board was good for 6 IMPs to the Byrnes team.

Dealer: East  
 Vul: N-S  
 Brd 2  
 Novice Tms Fin 3/4  
 ♠ K 10 6 2  
 ♥ K 7  
 ♦ K Q J 8 5  
 ♣ 4 3

♠ Q 8 4  
 ♥ Q J 10 6 5 4  
 ♦ 3  
 ♣ 9 6 2

♠ 9 7 5 3  
 ♥ 9 8 3  
 ♦ A 4  
 ♣ Q J 10 8

♠ A J  
 ♥ A 2  
 ♦ 10 9 7 6 2  
 ♣ A K 7 5

West	North	East	South
Clarke	Parkes	V Weeren	Byrnes
		Pass	1♦
1♠	Double	2♠	3♣
3♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

Makeable Contracts				
1	-	1	-	NT
1	-	1	-	♠
-	3	-	3	♥
1	-	1	-	♦
-	-	-	-	♣

Parkes led his singleton diamond, taken in dummy with the ace. Clarke led a trump from dummy, covering Byrnes's jack with the king. When he led a second trump, Parkes – not expecting Clarke to have only four spades – went up with the queen, which crashed into his partner's ace. Parkes got the trick back by ruffing the diamond return. The defenders still had three tricks coming – the ♥A and top two clubs – so declarer was one down for minus 50.

At the other table, Dempster, South, found himself in a hopeless 2NT contract, finishing two down for minus 200.

Byrnes posted another 5-IMP gain just before the big swing of the set came along.

Dealer: East  
 Vul: E-W  
 Brd 6  
 Novice Tms Fin 3/4  
 ♠ A K Q 7 6 4  
 ♥ A K  
 ♦ 7 4 3 2  
 ♣ 8

♠ J  
 ♥ 10 8 5 4  
 ♦ A K 10 6 5  
 ♣ K Q 9

♠ 9 8 2  
 ♥ 9 3 2  
 ♦ J 9  
 ♣ A 10 6 4 2

♠ 10 5 3  
 ♥ Q J 7 6  
 ♦ Q 8  
 ♣ J 7 5 3

West	North	East	South
Clarke	Parkes	V Weeren	Byrnes
		Pass	Pass
1♠	2♦	2♠	Pass
4♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

Makeable Contracts				
2	-	2	-	NT
3	-	3	-	♠
-	3	-	3	♥
-	1	-	1	♦
-	-	-	-	♣

The contract can be defeated with a trump lead, but North must cooperate and play low when declarer plays a diamond from hand, hoping to be able to ruff one in dummy. If North plays low, South wins the queen and exits with a trump. If declarer plays a second diamond, North must win and play a third round, allowing South to overruff dummy. Declarer will lose three diamonds and the overruff for one down.

At the table, Parkes started with the ♦A, continuing with the king and a third diamond. Declarer ruffed with the ♠9, overruffed by Byrnes, who exited with a heart. Clarke won and ruffed his last diamond with the ♠8 and could claim after cashing the ♣A, ruffing a club and pulling trumps.

At the other table, North-South bought the contract at 3♥, just making for plus 140 and 13 IMPs to Van Weeren.

After 12 boards, Van Weeren was ahead 19-11.



There was a lot more scoring in the second set but it was closer than the first. Van Weeren prevailed 26-24, surviving two swings of minus 11 IMPs.

This board was an 11-IMP swing for Van Weeren.

Dealer: East  
 Vul: None  
 Brd 14  
 Novice Tms Fin 3/4  
 ♠ J 9 5 2  
 ♥ A Q J  
 ♦ Q 10 8 6  
 ♣ J 10

♠ Q 8 3  
 ♥ 7 3 2  
 ♦ 2  
 ♣ A K 8 6 5 2

♠ 7 6  
 ♥ 9 8 5  
 ♦ 5 4 3  
 ♣ Q 9 7 4 3

♠ A K 10 4  
 ♥ K 10 6 4  
 ♦ A K J 9 7  
 ♣ ---

West Suliman	North Grech	East Taylor	South Dempster
Pass	2♣	Pass	1♦
Pass	Pass	Pass	3NT

Makeable Contracts				
-	3	-	3	NT
-	4	-	4	♠
-	3	-	3	♥
-	3	-	3	♦
-	2	-	2	♣

With help from the opening lead, Dempster managed this awkward contract skillfully. Suliman's lead of a low spade is reasonable, but it didn't work out well for his side. Dempster won in hand with the ♠10 and played the ♦9 to Suliman's 10. A spade came back, taken in dummy with the queen. Dempster cashed dummy's high clubs and played a spade to his ace, then followed with the top diamonds and the ♦J. Suliman won the ♦Q and played his last spade to declarer's king. The ♦7 was trick number nine for plus 400.

At the other table, 3NT was played from the North side on the lead of the ♥9 and declarer came up two tricks short for minus 100.

The contract can be made whether played by North or South, but success requires a line of play difficult to imagine without a peek at an opponent's hand. Because West has only two clubs and only three hearts, declarer can cash the top clubs, pitching hearts, and play a heart to his king. West can take three heart tricks but then must lead into one of declarer's tenaces. A spade return gives declarer four tricks in that suit, and after taking those tricks he can follow with the ♦A and ♦J, leaving West on lead after he wins the ♦Q to lead from the ♦10-8 into declarer's ♦K-9.

The first 11-IMP swing for Byrnes resulted from an unusual situation.

Dealer: South  
 Vul: E-W  
 Brd 19

♠ 5 4  
 ♥ J 4  
 ♦ A K 10 8 6 4 3  
 ♣ 4 3

♠ K 8  
 ♥ A K Q 8 7  
 ♦ Q 5  
 ♣ 10 7 5 2

♠ Q J 10 2  
 ♥ 6 5 3 2  
 ♦ J  
 ♣ A Q J 6

♠ A 9 7 6 3  
 ♥ 10 9  
 ♦ 9 7 2  
 ♣ K 9 8

West	North	East	South
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Makeable Contracts				
-	-	-	-	NT
-	2	-	2	♠
-	5	-	5	♥
2	-	2	-	♦
-	5	-	5	♣

Suliman (West) opened 2♦ (weak) after Dempster (South) passed. Grech has a natural 2♥ overcall, but he selected double for his call. Taylor passed and Dempster, who had not noticed his partner's double, selected double for his call.

The tournament director arrived and cancelled the second double, informing Dempster that he could choose any legal action but whatever his decision, Grech was barred from the rest of the auction.

Dempster bid 2♠, which was followed by three passes. Dempster took seven tricks for minus 50, which cost 11 IMPs when Byrnes and Parkes scored 11 tricks in 4♥ for plus 450.

The other 11-IMP swing was the result of overbidding by Van Weeren and Clarke, who bid to a no-play slam on board 19 while Suliman and Taylor stopped in game.



## BELATED MEDAL

Ben Ibradi was a member of the winning Indonesian team in the Gold Coast Congress 2015 Open Teams Championship.

He had to leave before the presentation so the tournament took the opportunity to award him his medal this year.

## ZEPHYR FOUNDATION

Carmel Martin and her team are pleased to announce that the Foundation raised \$8,900 in total, an amount that will help about 20 kids kitted out and back to school. There are collection boxes still located at the venue.

The list of raffle prize winners are:

1<sup>st</sup> Prize Entry to 2017 GCC Pairs                      Sheryl Gardner (Sanctuary Cove BC)

A Session with an Expert in their State: Margaret Plunkett, Mardi Hogarth, Marlene Watts, Anne Paton, Jane Biscoe, Helen Hellsten, Margaret Reid, Jill Haworth and Malcolm Allan.

The Zephyr Foundation is indebted to the bridge playing community for their generosity.

## STRENGTHEN YOUR GAME

Getting the most from your conventions – Part 8  
Brent Manley

Two young women arrived at the table where Eva Shaffer of Springfield VA was playing. When Shaffer's left-hand opponent opened 1♥, her partner bid 2♥. Shaffer's RHO asked the meaning of 2♥. Said Shaffer, "That's a Michaels cuebid, showing five spades and five of a minor." When the round was finished, one of the women turned to Shaffer's partner and said, "Good luck, Michael. It was nice playing with you."

In previous instalments on this page, readers have learned that there are many uses for the red X in your bidding box, the X being the double card.

You may not know that there is another familiar tool with many uses. It's the cuebid.

The Official Encyclopaedia of Bridge defined cuebid as a forcing bid in a suit in which the bidder cannot wish to play. It is applied to (1) bids in the opponent's suit at any level and (2) bids to show controls at a high level after a suit has been agreed directly or by inference.

A couple of examples:

West	North	East	South
1♣	Dbf	Pass	2♣

South's 2♣ is a cuebid, showing at least enough high-card strength to invite game. It is not a suggestion to play a contract in clubs. In many cases, South will have a hand such as

♠ A J 7 6    ♥ K J 4 3    ♦ J 8    ♣ 5 4 3

South wants to play in a major, but he doesn't want to guess which one in case North has made a takeout double with a hand such as

♠ K 9 8    ♥ A 10 9 8    ♦ 5 4 3 2    ♣ A K

North would prefer to have one more spade, but it's a routine takeout double. After South's cuebid, North will look at his majors and bid the stronger if he has four cards in each suit or simply bid the four-bagger. South will then raise North's choice of suits, inviting game. The 4-3 fit is avoided.

Here's another hand with which South might cuebid over partner's takeout double:

♠ K Q J 10 8    ♥ A J    ♦ K Q 6 5    ♣ 10 3

Instead of jumping to game in spades, South bids 2♣, planning to bid spades strongly at his next turn to show at least mild slam interest. In that case, the spade fit is established because North would have no fewer than three spades to make the takeout double. A possible auction:

West		East	
♠ K Q J 10 8		♠ A 7 6	
♥ A J		♥ K Q 7 3	
♦ K Q 6 5		♦ J 10 9 5	
♣ 10 3		♣ A 5	
West	North	East	South
	1♣	Double	Pass
2♣	Pass	2♥	Pass
3♠	Pass	4♣ [1]	Pass
4NT	Pass	5♥	Pass
6♠	All Pass		

[1] Club control: Ace, guarded king, singleton or void in clubs

If West simply sails into 4♠, it's likely the slam would not be bid because there would be no room below game for the 4♣ cuebid. Further, if East's cuebid was 4♦, skipping the club suit, West would know East had at least two losers in clubs. With two losers in his own hand, West would sign off in 4♠.

The latter point is worth discussing to see if you and your partner are comfortable cuebidding controls other than aces. It is effective to use your cuebids below the game level to show first and second-round controls in the named suits. First-round control means declarer can win the first round of the suit with the ace or with a void. Second-round control can be a singleton or guarded king (the king and at least one other card).

### NORTH AMERICAN COLLEGIATE BRIDGE CHAMPIONSHIPS - NOVEMBER, 1986

Barry Rigal

Dealer: West	♠ J 9	West	North	East	South
Vul: Nil	♥ 5	1♦	2♣	Pass	2♦
	♦ 7 4 3 2	Pass	3♣	Pass	3♠
	♣ A K Q 10 8 6	Pass	4♠	All Pass	
♠ Q 4 3 2		♠ 5			
♥ Q J 9		♥ 10 7 6 4 2			
♦ A K Q 10 5		♦ 9 8			
♣ 4		♣ J 9 7 5 3			
	♠ A K 10 8 7 6				
	♥ A K 8 3				
	♦ J 6				
	♣ 2				

Par tournaments were most popular in the early days of bridge. The deals featured today and tomorrow show points of technique in the bidding and play. Players scored points for getting to the right contract and then making (or defeating) it.

Occasionally after a pair had bid to the right spot they were directed to playing different or more challenging spot, for which the cards would lie especially well – or badly.

The deals here are normal contracts, but the opponents' cards are designed to reward accurate card-play.

**THE PROBLEM:** The defenders lead two top diamonds and shift to clubs. What next for declarer?

**THE ANSWER:** A totally safe plan is to win the club at trick three, cash the ♥A-K, ruff a heart in dummy, return to the closed hand with a diamond ruff and ruff the last heart. This leaves declarer with all trumps, and at worst one loser (the ♠Q). This line involves no jeopardy. On the bidding, East will be unable to ruff or overruff hearts (else West would have opened 1♥), and West will be unable to ruff the first round of hearts (East would have bid with eight good hearts). If West ruffs the second heart, declarer can overruff in dummy and play winning clubs – West, with five diamonds, one heart, and at most four spades (didn't open 1♠), can't ruff clubs also. A ruff by East or a high ruff by West cannot hurt.

Note what happens if declarer cashes only one high heart before taking the ruffs: ♦A-K; club to dummy; ♥A and heart ruff; diamond ruff; heart ruff; diamond ruff; ♠A-K – the 4-1 trump break prevents declarer from scoring the remaining high heart.



# Let's Carpool 2+

## NEED TRANSPORT HOME FROM THE GOLD COAST CONGRESS? OR DO YOU WANT TO SHARE A TAXI TO THE AIRPORT

If you are looking for a "ride" home after the tournament you really should visit the travel desk outside the Administration Office where players can exchange offers of a ride with people needing one.

### DIRECTOR'S TIP - PSYCH BIDS

A psychic bid is "a deliberate and gross misstatement of honour strength and/or of suit length".

Psyche bids should be reported to the Director by the psycher or their partner, and if the Director agrees that it is a psyche, it will be recorded in the Club's Psych Register.

Partnerships that have a track record of psyches may need to modify their system card accordingly.

<b>GOLD COAST CONGRESS 2016</b>		
	<b>Saturday 27th February</b>	
<b>OPEN EVENTS</b>		
<b>Open Teams</b>	9:00am Start 4x12 Brds Final	<b>Dinner Dance 7:30pm for Drinks</b>  <b>8:00pm Start</b>
<b>Ivy Dahler Open Butler Swiss Pairs</b>	10:00am 3/3	
<b>INTERMEDIATE EVENTS (Under 750MPs)</b>		
<b>Ivy Dahler Intermediate Butler Swiss Pairs</b>	10:00am 3/3	<b>Bookings Essential</b>
<b>WALK-IN PAIRS</b>		<b>From \$10 Depending Number Sessions Played</b>
<b>Holiday Walk-In Pairs 3 - Play 1, 2 or 3 Sessions</b>	10:00am S3	
	<b>Saturday</b>	

### SOME HUMOUR – A LITTLE CLOSE TO HOME FOR ME - FORGET ABOUT IT

An elderly husband and wife visit their doctor when they begin forgetting little things. Their doctor tells them that many people find it useful to write themselves little notes.

When they get home, the wife says:

"Dear, will you please go to the kitchen and get me a dish of ice cream? And maybe write that down so you won't forget?"

"Nonsense," says the husband, "I can remember a dish of ice cream."

"Well," says the wife, "I'd also like some strawberries and whipped cream on it."

"My memory's not all that bad," says the husband. "No problem, a dish of ice cream with strawberries and whipped cream. I don't need to write it down."

He then goes into the kitchen, and his wife hears pots and pans banging around. The husband finally emerges and presents her with a plate of bacon and eggs. She looks at the plate and asks:

"Hey, where's the toast I asked for?"



Winners of the Seres-McMahon Mixed Teams  
 Juste Rotomskyte, Erikas Vainikonis, Svetlana Badrenkova, Andrei Arlovich, Agata Chojnicka and Piotr Zatorski



Winners of the Friday Teams  
 Nigel Rosendorff, Steven Bock, Martin Bloom and Les Grewcock



Winners of the Friday Novice Pairs  
 David and Kathryn Kerr

### THE CHOCOLATE FROG SUPPLY DEPLETION LIST

Carmel Bourke and Vona Hadfield

Restricted Team 81 Barbara Wood and Carol Gilder – friendly ladies and fun to play against

Director Sebastian Yuen – light hearted with a great sense of humour

Lee Rogers and Laurie Skeate – courtesy and kind compliments on their play during the match

Sia Parsanejad, Nero Bactashi Restricted Team 71 – charming, humorous and polite bridge players

Margaret Morgan Intermediate Team 62 – very pleasant and welcoming local

Director Ed Barnes – cheerful and polite and went to the trouble of explaining everything

Caddy Lauren Mercer – after calling for boards a few times anticipated our needs from thereon **TIMES THREE**

Director Simon Edler – very polite and very correct

Andrew Purvis Intermediate Team 83 – early alert of a revoke and then played very ethically

Caddy Jack Ebb – very polite and efficient caddy **TIMES TWO**

Bob Sebesfi – active ethics, great to see it at the table

Caddy Janine Patterson – a really nice person who looks after the player and a fun personality

Colleen Bosci Intermediate Team 12 – substituted on our team, gracious and a pleasure to play with

John Kelly Open Teams 70 – still wants to play with me after I passed his Voidwood enquiry

Restricted Team 85 Jacobs – for dealing with adversity under pressure during play

## BRIDGE FOR THE IMPROVER

### Ron Klinger

East deals with both sides vulnerable and sitting South you hear right hand open 1♠. What would you bid holding:

Dir E All Vul	North ♠ Q 9 2 ♥ K Q J 6 5 4 ♦ — ♣ 9 7 6 2
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Double showing 4 plus spades

Solution: From a National Open Teams:

In one match the auction at both tables went like this:

West	North	East	South
		1♠	2♥??
Pass	Pass	Double	All pass
Lead: ♠K			

West continued with the ♠A and East signalled suit-preference with the ♠3. Then came the ♣Q, taken by the ♣K, spade ruff, ♣J, club to the ace, spade ruffed low, over-ruffed. South made the ♦A, diamond ruff and two top hearts for four tricks, four down -1100.

The 2♥ overcall with these values is just plain silly. Three cards in opener's suit is a great sign of danger. South's 2♥ got what it deserved. South should have the discipline to pass. Datum: E-W 550.

♠ J 5 4 ♥ 2 ♦ A K 10 8 7 3 ♣ 10 8 5	♠ 10 8 7 6 3 ♥ — ♦ Q J 9 5 2 ♣ A K 4
♠ A K ♥ A 10 9 8 7 3 ♦ 6 4 ♣ Q J 3	♠ Q 9 2 ♥ K Q J 6 5 4 ♦ — ♣ 9 7 6 2

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In another match it went:

West	North	East	South
		1♦ <sup>1</sup>	2♥
Pass	Pass	Double	All pass
<sup>1</sup> Didn't see the fifth spade			

Here 2♥ is reasonable since South is void in opener's suit, but the result was the same. Would it have hurt to bid just 1♥?

If 2♥ is an unsound overcall after 1♠ you can imagine what I think of South's action here:

West	North	East	South
		1♠	3♥
Pass	Pass	Double	All pass
Lead: ♠K			

That cost a mere 1400. This particular South is unlikely to be cured of his folly since his team gained 12 Imps!! The auction at the other table:

West	North	East	South
		1♠	2♥
Pass	3♦	Pass	3♥
Double	4♦	Double	All Pas

Result: -2000.

### BRIDGE HOLIDAYS WITH SUZIE AND RON KLINGER IN 2016

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> July, to  
Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> July 2016

**Tangalooma Wild Dolphin Resort** – Moreton Island, off Brisbane, includes Whale Watch cruise and Island Tour.

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December to  
Monday 19<sup>th</sup> 2016

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## Friday Novice Pairs - Overall - 32 Tables

		Avge			Avge
1	David Kerr - Kathryn Kerr	58.5	18	Sully Detmold - Mary-Ann Adamson	53.2
2	Reid Archibald - Cheryl Archibald	57.8	19	Simon Van Kruistum - Cobie Van Kruistum	53.0
3	Juliet Dunworth - Maria Page	57.2	20	Lin Kendall - Claudia Gibson	52.8
4	Di Garside - Sam Bishop	56.7	21	Gill Tidey - Margie Hullah	52.8
5	Sandra Cool - Daniele Escreet	56.6	22	Dennis O'Connor - Sue O'Connor	52.1
6	Fiona Law - Frank Spurway	56.4	23	Ryan Stevens - Rachel Langdon	51.7
7	Wilma Coloper - Jennifer Simpson	56.0	24	Wendy Crombie - Julie Stockley	51.3
8	Kim Reeder - Janet Jefferies	55.4	25	Bill Hanlon - David McEvoy	51.1
9	Judith Parsons - John Russell	55.4	26	Eric Harrison - Robyn Harrison	50.9
10	Bernhard Boulton - Lindsay Williams	55.0	27	Maureen Neubauer - Kate Forrester	50.8
11	Leonie Love - Jennifer McDowell	54.5	28	Walter and Annemarie Hugentobler	50.7
12	Monika Nilsson - Carolyn Young	54.5	29	Don Robertson - Warwick Newton	50.6
13	Mary Simon - Patricia Thurlow	54.4	30	Suzi Ledger - Barbara Simpson	50.5
14	John Rogers - Daria Williams	54.2	31	Bev Northey - Dianne Thatcher	50.3
15	David Freilich - Anne Sacco	53.6	32	Narelle McIver - Barbara Bright	49.6
16	Anthony Marsland - Helen Blair	53.3	33	Rena Indermaur - Annie Sinclair	49.5
17	Claire Weston - Nicole Bertinshaw	53.2	34	Pat Eather - Barbara Moni	49.5

## Holiday Pairs Event 3 - Session 1 - 15 Tables

	N-S	Score		E-W	Score
1	Andrew JANISZ - Trevor ROBB	67.1	1	Liz JONES - Margaret TAYLOR	61.0
2	Betty LEE - Mike ROBSON	57.4	2	Deanna STUART - John STUART	60.6
3	Allison SIMON - Geraldine HARE	55.3	3	Tim O'LOUGHLIN - Andrew HILL	60.5
4	Erica TIE - Anne DEAKER	53.2	4	Marie IRVING - Jillian GRIFFITH	57.8
5	Dianne BRINKWORTH - Christine Young	52.7	5	Elizabeth LOCK - Tricia LONN	56.8
6	Jo SKLARZ - Jane HENDERSON	52.5	6	Ivan SCHMALKUCHE - Penny SCHMALKUCHE	49.6
7	Beverley WELCH - Nimal WEERASINGHE	51.1	7	Debbie JAMES - Helen LARSEN	48.0

## Holiday Pairs Event 3 - Session 2 - 9 Tables

	N-S	Score		E-W	Score
1	James WALLIS - Siegfried KONIG	60.4	1	Dawn SIMPSON - Jeanette CHATTERTON	62.7
2	Fatma AHMET - Lanny CHAN	58.1	2	Christina MANDER - Dianne BENVIE	56.9
3	Anne LOWE - Patricia MCNAMARA	55.6	3	Penny JOHNSON - Rosalyn STEVENS	52.8
4	Rhonda LANGLEY - Carolyn GREENWICH	53.0	4	Marie IRVING - Jillian GRIFFITH	52.1
5	Jo SKLARZ - Jane HENDERSON	50.2	5	Louise GARNETT - Lol GARNETT	50.0
6	John BELWARD - William HEATH	49.1	6	Kevin MCMENAMIN - Judy HILDEBRAND	46.5

### Seres-McMahon Mixed Teams

Place	No.	Team Members				Score	
1	15	P Zatorski - A Chojnicka - E Vainikonis - J Rotomskyte - A Arlovich - S Badrenkova				104.35	
2	16	T Munro - J Brake - M Smith - F McGrath				87.10	
3	2	V Wood - R Krochmalik - A De Livera - E Havas				86.70	
4	9	I Berrington - F Wen - B Jones - J Millington				79.78	
5	7	T Marker - B Toohey - L Van Der Hor - L Van Der Hor				77.45	
Place	No.	Team	Score	Place	No.	Team	Score
6	5	Callaghan	75.94	11	6	Biro	67.79
7	11	Palmer	75.72	12	12	Olanski	67.04
8	1	Bourke	71.03	13	14	Kruiniger	66.61
9	3	Cormack	70.24	14	8	Treloar	52.66
10	4	Hurley	69.47	15	13	Randhawa	41.25

### Friday Teams

Place	No.	Team Members				Score	
1	2	M Bloom - N Rosendorff - S Bock - L Grewcock				102.85	
2	6	C Richardson - A Boughey - M Brown - S Boughey				91.95	
3	13	M Obenchain - A Talbot - L Anderson - K Anderson				86.52	
4	5	J Gauld - J Clarson - P Livesey - R Thomas				85.66	
5	17	M Ward - C Nettle - P Morris - G Heyting				84.10	
Place	No.	Team	Score	Place	No.	Team	Score
6	8	O'Dempsey	83.62	14	11	Dawson	63.54
7	10	Kilvert	80.79	15	14	Stobo	62.67
8	1	Ibradi	72.08	16	20	Singer	49.97
9	3	Wallis	70.95	17	12	Packer	49.82

Place	No.	Team	Score	Place	No.	Team	Score
10	9	Rew	70.33	18	19	Gray	49.39
11	4	Hurley	68.45	19	7	Abbenbroek	48.06
12	18	Driscoll	67.68	20	16	Leach	46.62
13	15	Boyce	64.95				

## Ivy Dahler Open Butler Swiss Pairs – One Session to Play

Rank	Pair	Team	Total	Rank	Pair	Team	Total
1	1	Richard Jedrychowski – Apolinary Kowalski	104.86	1	557	Terry Brown - Jeanette Reitzer	107.82
2	17	Peter Kahler - Jeannette Collins	95.59	2	545	Adrian Fontes - Karen Dewar	106.14
3	3	Peter Gill - Anthony Burke	94.72	3	531	Tony Lenart - Alister Stuck	99.98
4	12	Peter Strasser - Michael Wilkinson	94.24	4	553	David Weston - Sophie Ashton	99.79
5	5	Jodi Tutty - Stephen Fischer	94.01	5	558	Jenna Gibbons - Julian Foster	95.34
6	51	Andrew Struik - Nikki Riszko	91.68	6	591	Thea Cowie - Erica Linton	92.19
7	93	Paul Kron - Allan Gory	90.97	7	559	Tony Hutton - Malcolm Carter	90.53
8	44	Rex Hanson - Judy Herring	90.85	8	568	Nicky Strasser - George Bilski	90.34
9	22	Adam Rutkowski - Judy Marks	90.06	9	555	Nick Jacob - James Coutts	89.51
10	42	Paul Weaver - Terry Bodycote	89.96	10	595	Pam Schoen - Phil Hale	89.31
11	83	Joan Waldvogel - Max Wigbout	89.35	11	599	Ann Pettigrew - Adrienne Stephens	88.45
12	11	Robert Milward - Helen Milward	89.10	12	569	Murray Perrin - Neville Francis	88.07
13	23	Tim Healy - Helen Healy	88.38	13	556	Tony Leibowitz - Paul Lavings	87.15
14	27	Michael Pemberton - Graham	87.89	14	598	Cecily Critchley - Lynley Jenkins	86.23
15	89	Tom Jacob - Daniel Braun	87.72	15	563	Toni Sharp - Marilyn Chadwick	85.00
16	14	Garry Khemka - Yumin Li	86.46	16	539	Allan Morris - Beverley Morris	84.16
17	87	Richard Carter - Brett Glass	86.36	17	554	Johnno Newman - Peter Hollands	83.72
18	47	Linda Bedford-Brown - Robin	85.60	18	530	Pam Morgan-King - Leigh Thompson	83.10
19	94	Yuzhong Chen - Gary Foidl	85.42	19	576	Alison Dawson - Maureen Jakes	82.81
20	104	Russell Watt - Leslie Watt	84.20	20	603	Geoffrey Thomas - Geoffrey Toon	82.01
21	102	Deborah Cooper - Peter Anstice	84.17	21	560	Steve Baron - Michael Whibley	81.35
22	4	Sue Ingham - Michael Courtney	83.98	22	593	Judith Gaspar - Richard Greenfield	81.23
23	7	Robert Sebesfi - Peter Chan	82.63	23	581	Michael Draper - Margaret Draper	80.71
24	43	Denis Grahame - Jeanette Grahame	82.45	24	561	Mindy Wu - Lorraine Stachurski	80.48
25	86	Derek Snelling - Brian Cleaver	81.19	25	562	Helena Dawson - Richard Douglas	80.37
26	15	George Smolanko - Jane Dawson	81.01	26	520	Hugh McAlister - Diana McAlister	79.72
27	10	Karen Martelletti - Julie Sheridan	80.47	27	586	Lea Woolf - Sam Arber	79.71
28	85	Noel Bueia - Val Holbrook	80.43	28	578	Jim Fitz-Gerald - Ellie Fitz-Gerald	79.57
29	9	Watson Zhou - Chuan Qin	80.15	29	588	Eileen Li - Pele Rankin	79.53
30	40	Neil Gibson - Elizabeth Gibson	78.87	30	549	Brad Johnston - Nicholas Mitchell	79.13
31	37	Jan Hackett - Tom Hackett	78.32	31	507	Val Hopwood - Muffy Smithson	78.17
32	2	Bill Hirst - Phil Gue	77.17	32	505	Phil Power - Kathy Power	77.72
33	95	Judy Johnson - Joan McCarthy	76.42	33	564	Jill Magee - Terry Strong	77.53
34	26	Franci Halmos - Jean Hall	76.21	34	512	Pat O'Connor - Kay O'Connor	77.31
35	13	Michael Johnson - Michael Simes	76.07	35	574	Ivy Luck - John Luck	76.90
36	45	Bastian Bolt - Rita Kahn	75.57	36	597	Paul McGlew - Brian Thorp	76.73
37	31	Theo Mangos - Leigh Foran	74.24	37	587	Monica Darley - Kath Poole	76.55
38	34	Kathy Yang - Suzy Narita	74.03	38	577	Richard Grenside - Sue Grenside	76.09
39	28	Tom Strong - Edda Strong	71.21	39	570	Julia Hoffman - Noelene Law	75.02
40	90	Annette Hafan - Ken Carmichael	71.06	40	596	Alan Glasson - Kathie Radcliffe	74.45
41	63	Helen Stewart - Freda Banner	71.00	41	585	Hilary Yovich - Dennis Yovich	74.27
42	8	Rebecca Wood - Murray Wood	70.96	42	515	Alison Hanson - Therese Demarco	74.20
43	55	Peter Ventura - Pang Ventura	70.71	43	565	Charles Howard - Kerry Wood	73.56
44	32	Len Meyer - Phyllis Moritz	70.39	44	567	John Luoni - Will Adler	73.51
45	36	Alan Gibson - Ken Dawson	69.94	45	602	Dawn Swabey - Denise Keenan	72.50
46	92	Anita Thirtle - Alan Geare	69.70	46	517	Helen Clayton - Lesleigh Rooney	72.49
47	88	Les Ajzner - Simon Rose	69.36	47	508	Sylvia Foster - Les Bonnick	72.33
48	35	Steven White - Frank Kovacs	69.21	48	542	Norm Silcock - Kate Terry	71.97
49	91	Lorraine Inglis - Judy Plimmer	68.86	49	538	Sue Spencer - Bev Guilford	71.92
50	50	Richard Touton - Ryan Touton	68.79	50	537	Trudy Lange - Rosemary Matskows	70.62
51	65	Penny Sykes - Elizabeth French	68.36	51	501	Betty Hobdell - Rosemary Glastonbury	70.52
52	39	Peter Andersson - Ashok Tulpule	68.26	52	523	Shirley Lau - Henry Lee	70.34
53	82	Lesley Gilhooly - Heather Grant	67.75	53	514	Bill Redhead - Freda Hadwen	70.23
54	54	Diana Dick - Sumant Handa	67.58	54	571	David Smee - Mischa Solar	69.60
55	38	Wendy Harman - Carmen Jackson	67.50	55	541	Michael Gearing - Lakshmi Sunderasan	69.58
56	79	Brian Jacobson - Bill Webster	67.46	56	519	Trish Thatcher - Amber Noonan	69.36
57	60	Elizabeth Zeller - Patricia Larsen	67.07	57	550	Cheryl Winsor - Susan Rowe	69.12
58	52	Arch Morrison - Herschel Baker	66.70	58	600	Marie Purkiss - Toni Dixon	68.90



Rank	Pair	Total	Rank	Pair	Total		
59	41	Maha Hoenig - Sue O'Brien	66.03	59	525	Ken Moffitt - Sue Moffitt	68.89
60	19	Jay Faranda - Eva Berger	65.55	60	504	Tony Allen - Kelela Allen	68.72
61	103	Peter Langston - Marit Langston	64.71	61	592	Anna St Clair - Dee Harley	68.43
62	80	Chris Bayliss - Catherine Chown	64.48	62	580	George Gaspar - Sue Small	67.83
63	16	Annette Maluish - Hugh Grosvenor	63.89	63	583	Anne Small - Ronald Smith	67.32
64	72	Carolyn Leach - Sandy Leach	63.81	64	522	Frank Vearing - Jo-Anne Heywood	67.17
65	21	Ken Wilks - Rosalie Broughton	63.22	65	511	Rosemary Mooney - Roberta Tait	67.16
66	84	Sally Moore - Sue Chapman	63.19	66	502	Ines Dawes - Di Jones	65.54
67	18	Deidre Greenfeld - Deborah Frankel	62.95	67	552	Michael Johnstone - Paula Gregory	65.47
68	70	Patricia Mann - Peter Cox	62.52	68	589	Jeanne Hey - Joan Valentine	65.15
69	33	Ken Storr - Phaik Yao	62.31	69	584	John Gough - Larry Moses	64.83
70	25	Bente Hansen - Madge Myburgh	62.22	70	532	Paul Brake - Jessica Brake	64.61
71	66	Richard Fox - Tim Runting	61.97	71	534	Sue Southern - Ian Southern	64.33
72	6	Herve Cheval - Gilles Josnin	61.76	72	573	Heather Cusworth - Frances Lyons	64.04
73	73	Frances Garrick - Janet Rowlatt	61.75	73	524	Bruce Fraser - John Bamfield	63.65
74	71	Lesley Kenyon - Erin Waterhouse	61.47	74	536	Pat Kennedy - Geoffrey Norris	63.52
75	96	Carol De Luca - Bev Henton	61.30	75	572	Normand Maclaurin - Paul Collins	63.49
76	99	Ann Woodhead - Bob Lawrence	60.72	76	528	Ken Moschner - Saftica Popa	63.38
77	64	Sylvia Gluck - Ben Kingham	60.28	77	579	Eva Samuel - Serhat Ozenir	62.92
78	68	Judith Crafti - Anne Jackson	59.49	78	546	Malcolm Smith - Michael Neels	62.56
79	20	Sally Clarke - Garry Clarke	59.44	79	551	Erin Batchelor - Bruce Batchelor	62.27
80	67	Byron Longford - Annette Corkhill	59.09	80	601	Kuldip Bedi - Richard Misior	60.77
81	48	Errol Miller - Dorothy Gehrke	58.82	81	544	Barbara Daly - Lyn Mansfield	60.71
82	78	Jan Randall - Peter Randall	58.50	82	526	Carol Wilson - Laurie-Mar McRoberts	60.70
83	61	Val Churchill - Helga Corbett	57.57	83	543	Tracey Lewis - Brett Middelberg	60.32
84	81	Penny Blankfield - Sue Read	57.07	84	548	Lynn Hall - Judith Bishop	59.96
85	75	Audrey Bonnick - Pat Rogers	55.58	85	566	Peter Hall - Wayne Burrows	59.95
86	98	Jill Church - Rhondda Sweetman	55.23	86	513	John Tredrea - Phil Rains	58.39
87	53	Jan Smith - Gladys Tulloch	53.82	87	604	Ian Lisle - Vicky Lisle	58.10
88	77	Fay Stanton - Anne Young	53.76	88	521	John Lanham - Donna Smith	57.63
89	29	Ann Mellings - Marion Spurrier	52.94	89	535	Brian Ashwell - Jan Ashwell	56.53
90	57	Christine Houghton - Wayne	52.87	90	518	Gwen Cordingley - Desma Sampson	56.41
91	97	Lucie Armstrong - Alice Young	52.28	91	594	Connie Schoutrop - Jan Malinas	55.91
92	101	Eileen Gray - Patricia Knight	52.03	92	510	Graham Rusher - Stephen Stening	55.37
93	49	Shirley Wanz - Susanne Mould	52.02	93	506	Lex Bourke - Pepe Schwegler	54.86
94	59	Trish Henderson - Jill Pike	49.85	94	527	Abigail Wanigaratne - Nikolas Moore	54.63
95	56	Mary Allison - Judi Sunman	49.40	95	529	Lise Allan - Rilla England	54.44
96	100	Harry Procel - Louis Cukierman	49.33	96	540	Martin Oyston - Pat Oyston	53.48
97	58	John Kable - John Masters	48.99	97	516	Linda Wild - Helene Kolozs	49.16
98	24	Tony Berger - Merle Bogatie	48.93	98	575	Lisa Ma - Emlyn Williams	44.19
99	74	Wendy O'Brien - Robyn Brown	48.32	99	590	Rick Rhodes - Maura Rhodes	43.58
100	30	Janet Wallis - Ann Bullock	48.16	100	582	Betty Mill - Tania Garipey	42.61
101	69	John Correy - Catherine McPaul	47.52	101	533	Peer Bach - Setsuko Lichtnecker	39.85
102	46	Gabor Fleiszig - Janina Fleiszig	46.39	102	547	Sue Brown - Robert Brown	38.77
103	62	Barbara Grant - Louis Koolen	44.88	103	509	Ruth Chapman - Eileen Seaborn	36.81
104	76	Fifine Hutton - Wendy Hutton	41.34	104	503	Gizella Mickevics - Mary Waterhouse	35.66

## Ivy Dahler Intermediate Butler Swiss Pairs – One Session to Play

Rank	Pair	Total	Rank	Pair	Total		
1	70	Gwenda Mealyea - Cecile Senior	104.85	43	78	Gregory Gosney - Margaret Plunkett	69.16
2	83	Andrew Purves - Pam Tibble	92.31	44	47	John Rogers - Margaret Rogers	68.53
3	32	Linda Norman - Wendy Gibson	91.29	45	46	Sunny Campbell - Gwendolyn Gray	68.29
4	19	Jennifer Bandy - Christine Jenkins	91.07	46	66	Edgar Beckett - Janice Beckett	67.94
5	5	Judy Wulff - Marilyn Whigham	90.10	47	42	Murray Wiggins - Kevin Balkin	67.88
6	7	Diane Quigley - Ross Gyde	89.59	48	67	Jenny Hoff - Kay Leeton	67.34
7	48	Alexander Cook - Robin Ho	88.89	49	65	Joan Jenkins - Alan Boyce	67.11
8	54	Greg Nicholson - Jean Barbour	88.82	50	10	Mike Edwards - Robin Devries	67.07
9	24	Carole Roache - Dot Piddington	88.53	51	63	Bernard Yates - Jay Medhat	66.69
10	12	Rebecca Delaney - Lesley Fraser	87.11	52	58	Cherie Butler - Marion Bucens	66.37
11	2	Eddie Mullin - Dianne Mullin	87.06	53	16	Lynn Baker - Peter Robinson	66.24
12	35	Megan Sutherland - Gerald Dawson	85.78	54	75	Kees De Vocht - Allayne Gray	65.86
13	50	Margaret Pisko - Trish Anagnostou	85.43	55	43	Helen Fitzpatrick - Patricia Hobson	64.64
14	15	Trevor Fletcher - Angeline Christie	85.21	56	11	Faye Morris - Eva Veress	64.51
15	80	George Powis - Patricia Powis	84.50	57	8	Tony Davidson - Noreen Weyling	64.23
16	44	Peter Nilsson - Deborah Nilsson	84.48	58	68	Judy Wilkinson - Vicki Foots	63.61
17	62	Lex Ranke - Jack Rohde	82.07	59	71	Loraine King - Helen Standfast	63.46

Rank	Pair	Total	Rank	Pair	Total		
18	49	Helen Chamberlin - Neil Strutton	81.77	60	72	Robert Fleet - Helen Fleet	63.14
19	52	Alan Davies - Vivien Eldridge	81.73	61	84	Max Robb - Peter Van Leeuwen	62.98
20	26	Anne McNaughton - Margot Moylan	81.69	62	69	Peter Coppin - Dean Hollingworth	62.68
21	18	Edward Truscott - Allan Pike	81.11	63	37	Ned Kelley - Rosemary Kelley	62.28
22	14	Chris Fernando - Bert Romeijn	78.59	64	23	Helen Kite - Helen Rollond	60.76
23	29	David Lehmann - Bert	78.44	65	20	Jim Taylor - Cora Taylor	60.63
24	38	Naomi Hannah-Brown - Priscilla	78.09	66	30	Larry Attwood - Kathryn Attwood	60.37
25	79	Pam Hancox - Phil Merchant	77.15	67	74	Lou Tillotson - Sue Robinson	60.35
26	27	Janet Munro - Milton Hart	75.90	68	39	Cheryl Stone - Monica Pritchard	60.11
27	22	Eric Leivesley - Janelle Conroy	75.56	69	25	Julie Jeffries - David O'Gorman	59.43
28	60	Annette Hyland - Lorraine Collins	74.97	70	77	Wendy McEntegart - Bruce Anderson	58.82
29	51	Rita Morris - Angus Lightbody	74.95	71	57	Joan Leckie - Margaret Williamson	58.08
30	61	Faye Bell - Heather Scott	74.82	72	21	Jillian Tuckey - Rozanne Thomas	53.85
31	17	Jenny Williams - Katrina Hewings	73.54	73	4	Norma Cameron - Joan Anderson	53.39
32	53	Dale Wells - Ruth Young	73.53	74	1	Ros Warnock - Valerie Isle	52.84
33	13	John Donovan - Perelle Scales	72.94	75	82	Kathy Palmer - Meg Sharp	52.81
34	56	Diane Nichols - Elizabeth Lawrence	72.79	76	28	Barry Koster - Margaret Dickerson	52.75
35	55	Mike Robertson - Gavin Bow	72.55	77	81	Alison Ruddell - John Ruddell	51.94
36	76	Cassie Morin - Helen Arendts	72.12	78	40	Vivienne Sexton - Mary Driesbock	50.32
37	36	Sharon Stretton - Pauline Mulligan	71.88	79	73	Kevin Petrie - John Stacey	48.25
38	3	June Glenn - Alan Hamilton	71.19	80	9	Dave Hurst - Veronica Rozier	47.78
39	31	Frank Campbell - John Sheean	70.27	81	45	Joan Campbell - Jenny Crawt	46.46
40	64	Jack Pierce - Henry Hirschhorn	69.73	82	33	David Tucker - Sarah Strickland	44.77
41	34	Helen Walker - Kevin Walker	69.53	83	41	Margie Knox - Robin Steinhardt	43.23
42	6	Max Gilbert - Kathy Gilbert	69.26	84	59		41.86

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Rank	Pair	Total	Rank	Pair	Total		
1	39	Robert Stick - Colin Payne	104.69	37	54	Jennifer Hollingworth - Carolann Verity	69.41
2	27	Michael Young - Sarah Carradine	95.44	38	49	Prunella Adams - Malcolm Adams	69.36
3	63	Tony Bowmaker - Kyle Gilchrist	95.18	39	37	Dana Holmes - Michael Holmes	68.75
4	40	Robyn Clark - Sheila Wills	90.95	40	24	Richard Kuipers - Peter Koorey	68.51
5	44	Sylvia Cryer - Deborah McLay	88.94	41	11	Ashok Chotai - Veena Chotai	68.38
6	1	Rachael Loomes - Maurice Loomes	88.77	42	42	Marsha Woodbury - Virginia Warren	66.65
7	36	Tony Jiang - Julia Zhu	88.21	43	45	Charlotte Harrison - Shelley Taylor	66.36
8	48	Ian Pick - Graham Carson	87.99	44	41	Judy Hapeta - Barbara Love	66.17
9	52	Sharon Clifford - Kay Goodwin	87.72	45	33	Jenny Pulsford - Les Wozniczka	64.51
10	9	Gwyneira Brahma - Vicki Taylor	87.51	46	6	Misako James - Sue Kleeman	64.44
11	50	Rick Gryg - Michael Byrne	87.50	47	71	Carol Joseph - Denise Mayhew	62.71
12	29	Max Holewa - Diane Holewa	85.14	48	16	Susie Herring - Peter Hooper	61.98
13	28	Keith Mabin - Fiona Smith	84.40	49	20	Wolfgang Gerber - Margaret Gerber	61.54
14	13	Shayne Palfreyman - Sonya	81.04	50	35	Parveen Rayani - Jamal Rayani	61.42
15	67	Jane Stearns - Di Emms	80.99	51	64	Janette Kollisch - Natasha Thomas	61.02
16	56	Dennis Sullivan - Albert Loh	80.62	52	23	Bhavna Patel - Nilesh Patel	60.94
17	5	Neville Clatworthy - Sherrell	79.08	53	21	David Corney - Margaret Corney	60.22
18	60	Judy Bardone - Anne Kirkpatrick	78.25	54	65	Janice Quigley - Barbara Gordon	59.96
19	3	Sheryl Gardner - Marcey Spilsbury	78.12	55	8	Sandra Mulcahy - Doris Beaton	59.91
20	7	Raymond Jones - Rita Jones	78.11	56	46	Neville Williams - Barry Williams	59.07
21	57	Lyn Mayer - Margaret Carlton	77.98	57	32	Mary Penington - Annette Bury	58.86
22	15	Teresa Phillips - David Spencer	77.15	58	70	David Munro - Peter Rollond	58.60
23	17	Beatrice McCarthy - Pat Leavy	76.72	59	66	Lorraine Pescatore - Margaret Baker	56.47
24	22	Austin Driscohl - Charles Fisher	76.54	60	38	Loraine Neville - Jeanette Weaver	56.12
25	26	Clive Klugman - Fran Martin	76.19	61	12	Wendy Harrison - David Gillard	55.48
26	43	Margaret Kenny - Robyn Ronaldson	75.88	62	62	Glenda Parmenter - Barbara O'Shea	55.23
27	30	Winny Chan - Catherine Ang	75.79	63	51	Adam Hertelendy - Dorothy Hertelendy	54.40
28	61	Chris Wlodarczyk - Justine	75.51	64	4	Mick Fawcett - Lyn Tracey	54.27
29	34	Mereana Cullen - Debbie Marcroft	74.59	65	58	Gayna Ryan - Margaret Robertson	53.61
30	31	Valerie Robbins - Peter Robbins	74.22	65	10	Jacqueline Bonner - Elizabeth	53.61
31	68	Maree Filippini - Jennifer Bavage	73.26	67	25	John Elich - Gabrielle Elich	53.24
32	19	Trish Dolphin - Barbara O'Connor	73.08	68	72	Raymond Powley - Susan Powley	53.13
33	14	Gwyneth Hopkins - Ian Beattie	71.27	69	2	Renate Pettit - Kelly Chapman	51.75
34	69	Bill Bishop - Charles Page	70.94	70	18	Ted Morriss - Jane Doyle	44.46
35	53	Liz Sylvester - Stuart Schon	70.60	71	47	Margaret Fleming - Freda Star	42.65
36	55	Fay Jeppesen - Kenneth Griggs	70.20	72	59	Sandra Berns - Dov Berns	38.24

DIFFICULT CALCUDOKU

2-	252x	2÷		18+			2÷	
			20+	10+	6x		9+	7-
35x	480x				16+			
					14+		8-	9+
1-		392x			2÷			
7+	288x				8-	10+		
		5+	11+	40x		15+		18x
7-	15+				3-	10+		
			2÷			3-		7

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DIFFICULT CALCUDOKU

2-	9	480x	8	4÷	1	3-	3	11+
7	9	5	8	4	1	6	3	2
90x	2	5	3	4	54x	9	7	1
2	5	3	4	6	9	7	1	8
9	8	2	6	5	3	1	7	4
	18+	4-		15x				4
9	8	2	6	5	3	1	7	4
6	4	7	2	3	8	9	5	1
	14x			24x		45x		6x
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4	7	8	5	1	2	3	6	9
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