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Michael Whibley, Alex Antonios, Nabil Edgtton, Ashley Bach, Matthew Brown

## 2020 RUNNERS UP GCC OPEN TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIPS



Geo Tislevoll, Nick Jacob, Max Henbest, David Wiltshire, Terje Lie, Michael Ware

| OPEN | Place | c/F | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ | Total | Team |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- |
| Team <br> Final | $1^{\text {ST }}$ | 0.1 | 27 | 27 | 43 | 65 | 162.1 | CORNELL: Ashley Bach - Matthew Brown - Michael Whibley <br> - Alex Antonios - Nabil Edgtton |

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Sven-Ake Bjerregard (his partner Alon Apteker absent) receiving the top Datum Pair in the Teams, presented by Tim Runting

## OPEN TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL - SET 1 OF 4

Brent Manley
The opening set of the Open Teams final between the Ware and Cornell (formerly Bach) teams had plenty of action, a preview of things to come in the match.
Ware drew blood on the first board of set 1. At one table, Michael Whibley and Matthew Brown for the Cornell team opposed David Wiltshire and Max Henbest for Ware.


Brown's 1 showed spades. Whibley's 2 indicated four spades. Henbest led the 10 . Whibley went up with the ace,played a diamond to his king, then a spade to the ace. Whibley cashed the $\uparrow \mathrm{K}$, then played the $\uparrow \mathrm{J}$, discarding a club from hand after Wiltshire played low. He eventually claimed plus 1010.
At the other table, Geo Tislevoll and Terje Lie were more ambitious playing against Nabil Edgtton and Alex Antonios.

| West | North | East | South |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Edgtton | Tislevoll | Antonios | Lie |
|  | 1\% | Pass | 10 ${ }^{(*)}$ |
| Pass | 19 | Pass | 2 |
| Pass | 2 | Pass | 4NT |
| Pass | 54 | Pass | 5 |
| Pass | 5NT | Pass | 7 |
| Pass | Pass | Pass |  |

Lie's 5 was asking about the trump queen. 5 NT by Tislevoll confirmed that he had it and Lie bid the grand slam.

There was nothing to the play after Antonios led the \&A. Plus 1510 meant 11 IMPs for the Ware team. Cornell came right back with a big swing of their own on board 2 .

| Dealer: East | - K Q 8 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Vul: N-S | - Q 8743 |
| Brd 2 | - --- |
|  | \& AK 764 |
| ¢ J 76 |  |
| -652 |  |
| - AK 63 |  |
| \& Q 52 |  |
|  | - A 1094 |
|  | - J 9 |
|  | - Q J 107 |
|  | \& J 83 |


|  | West Edgtton | North Tislevoll | East Antonios | South <br> Lie |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Pass | Pass |
|  | 1 | 2NT* | 3 | 3NT |
| - 532 | Pass | Pass | Pass |  |
| - AK 10 |  |  |  |  |
| -98542 |  | Makeab | Contr | acts |
| -109 | - | 3 | - | 3 |
|  | - | 4 | - | 4 |
|  |  | 5 | - | 5 |
|  |  | 2 | - | 2 |
|  | - | 5 | - | 5 |

A 2NT bid over a 1 opening typically shows hearts and clubs. Lie,holding a diamond stopper, raised to game. Tislevoll took five tricks to finish down four - minus 400 when each time East played a diamond declarer went up with an honour from dummy. At the other table, Henbest opened 2 on the East hand. Brown, sitting South, passed. He passed again when Wiltshire's bid of 3 was doubled by Whibley. The result was three down, plus 500 to Cornell. Combined with plus 400 from the other table, the swing was 14 IMPs for Cornell.

Three boards later, Ware got some of that back on this deal:


Brown was not taxed to get to 12 tricks for plus 1370 when the defenders could not set up and cash a spade. At the other table:

| West | North | East | South |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Edgtton | Tislevoll | Antonios | Lie |
|  | $1 \checkmark$ | $1 \checkmark$ | Dbl |
| 4 | Pass | Pass | Dbl |
| Pass | 5\% | Pass | 64 |
| 6 | Dbl | All Pass |  |

The result was down four for minus 800 , an 11-IMP swing to Ware. On the next board, Antonios paid a price for an aggressive bid, but his teammates kept the cost from being too high.

| Dealer: East | A 1052 |
| :--- | :--- |
| Vul: E-W | A Q J 3 |
| Brd 6 | A J 3 2 |
|  | $\$ 3$ |

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@97643
-10
Q Q
&J10976
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|  | West Edgtton | North Tislevoll | East <br> Antonios | South Lie |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | $2 \bullet$ | Dbl |  |
|  | All Pass |  |  |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Q Q } \\ & \bullet K 987654 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| -97 |  | Makeable Contracts |  |  |  |
| \& Q 82 | - | 6 | - | 6 | NT |
|  | - | 5 | - | 5 | - |
|  | - | 3 | - | 2 | $\checkmark$ |
|  | - | 7 | - | 7 | - |
|  | - | 4 | - | 4 | 4 |

Antonios took four tricks to finish minus 1100, which looked like a huge swing to the opponents. It turned out to be a loss of just 4 IMPs because at the other table, Whibley and Brown reached 6*, making 7, on the NorthSouth cards for plus 940, which translated to a swing of only 4 IMPs for Ware.

# TABLE COUNT <br> TO THE END OF PLAY SATURDAY NIGHT 9007 (Last Year 2019: 8845, and in 2018: 8710) 



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## OPEN TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL - SET 2 OF 4 <br> Barry Rigal

After the first set, with Ware leading Cornell by 9 IMPs, Ware/Jacob came in for Henbest/Wiltshire.

| Dealer: North | $\begin{aligned} & \bullet 65 \\ & \bullet 7654 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  | West | North | East | South |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Vul: Both |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Brd 13 | $\begin{aligned} & 85 \\ & \& A K \text { J } 52 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| - AK2 |  |  | ¢ Q J 74 |  |  |  |  |  |
| - AQ 83 |  |  | $\bullet \mathrm{KJ} 2$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| - Q 1063 |  |  | -KJ74 |  |  | Make | able Contr |  |
| \& Q 7 |  |  | -108 |  | 1 | - | 1 | NT |
|  | -10983 |  |  |  | 3 | - | 3 | - |
|  |  |  |  |  | 3 | - | 3 | $\checkmark$ |
|  | A 92 |  |  |  | 4 | - | 4 | - |
|  | +9643 |  |  |  | - | 2 | - | 4 |
| West | North | East | South | West |  | North | East | South |
| Edgtton | Tislevoll | Bach | Lie | Ware |  | Whibley | Jacob | Brown |
|  | Pass | Pass | Pass |  |  | Pass | $1 \mathrm{NT}^{11-14}$ | Pass |
| 1NT | Pass | 3\% | Pass | 2\% |  | Dbl | 2 | Pass |
| 3 | Pass | $3{ }^{(4)}$ | Pass | 3** |  | Pass | 3 | Pass |
| 3NT | Pass | Pass | Pass | 4. |  | Pass | Pass | Pass |

The first deal posed a challenge in the bidding. At one table the club threat was never emphasised. In the other, with 3NT not seriously in the picture after North doubled, which of the three game plausible games to play? 5 is off three cashers, and each of the major suit games is under threat after three rounds of clubs and a fourth when in with $\Downarrow$ A. Worse, if the defenders duck a diamond declarer cannot draw trump and might lose a diamond ruff.
The defence to 3NT was a top club lead and spade shift. I would have expected Edgtton to put up the queen and play a low diamond from dummy - l'm sure Lie would have got that right though. In fact Edgtton ran the spades then played a diamond and the defenders duly cashed out for 200. That was worth 3 IMPs to Ware since 4 received the defence of three rounds of clubs then a fourth when South won the $\star$. Declarer ruffed twice in the West hand and lost a trump trick to South in due course.
A weak no-trump picked up a further partscore swing on the next deal, when Brown passed over it with 15 HCP and 2-2-4-5 shape then balanced with 2NT after a transfer to spades. His partner had an 11-count and bid $3 \%$, making 150 but losing 6 IMPs against the 3 NT reached after the 15 -count could overcall 1 NT over 1 in the other room.

Edgtton/Bach lived very dangerously on the next deal.


With 6er or 6NT cold from the East seat, Ware's weak NT was set to get his side to the club slam. But when Jacob transferred to clubs and bid 3 Brown could double, and the partnership never seemed to get close to slam after that, playing $5 \&$ from the West seat for 400.

By contrast Bach drove to slam after keycard, and found all three possible making slams had been wrong-sided. 6NT saw Whibley lead ...a spade and declarer claimed 1460.
The next board saw those IMPs flow back, and more. This time you could certainly sympathise with Bach's choice of actions, disastrous as they might appear.


Whibley led spades against $2 \boldsymbol{*}$ and Brown shifted to diamonds. Declarer took the $\forall A$ and played hearts, and the defenders cashed out. They ended up taking four top side-suit winners a diamond ruff and three trump tricks in the North hand when the $\& 4$ scored an overruff or trump promotion. Not that it mattered, since Lie's incisive trump lead held Bach to three trump tricks and a heart in $2 \checkmark x$ when Tislevoll played trumps at every turn. His club losers then went away on Lie's spades. 1100 meant 13 IMPs for Ware, back in front 58-39.
Cornell collected a penalty (another doubled partscore!) but this one only 300 to make it 58-43. Then something more substantial:


It is rare that anyone out-preempts Michael Ware. Here his $1 \checkmark$ opener did not prevent his opponents driving to game; of course there are four top losers, but after a heart lead Whibley was in with a chance. He cashed two hearts to pitch diamonds, then led a spade to the queen and ace. He ruffed the heart return, and advanced $\downarrow$ Q, losing to the ace, then ruffed a diamond and led out winning clubs. West could ruff in and play a heart. Ware ruffed in hand and led a winning club. West could ruff and lead another heart, leaving dummy with a loser at the end. Again, curiously, the undoubled undertricks hardly mattered since in the other room Edgtton bought a
disgustingly good dummy from his passed hand partner. Declarer could essentially ruff the second club, ruff a spade, and claim ten tricks, for 590 and 10 IMPs to Cornell. The lead was down to 5 IMPs for Ware.

Both E./W pairs then didn't have the methods to identify that they were missing a key queen for a grand slam and just up and bid it. With the queen singleton onside both pairs chalked up their grand slams and might have hoped their opposite numbers would be able to bid 'better'...
Yet another swing hand came up almost immediately:


Whibley's insouciant 3 call may have helped his partner on lead but it certainly didn't hurt Ware with his decision to slow down. In the other room Edgtton found short diamonds and might have contented himself with a heart cuebid. But maybe he didn't want to focus on the potential club weakness. Be that as it may, Blackwood got him to the five level and Lie did well to lead the $\downarrow$ A. A suit preference $\leqslant 2$ made the defence easy now. Ware led 7153.

That appeared to conclude the swingy deals for the set; but don't count out any of our eight players from getting into the action.


In one room Bach/Edgtton bid unopposed via Stayman to 3 NT . In the other room:

| West | North | East | South |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ware | Whibley | Jacob | Brown |
| Pass | Pass | $2 N T$ | $3 \propto \dot{+\infty}$ |
| 3 | $3 \backsim$ | Dbl | Pass |
| 3 | Pass | 3NT | All Pass |

The top heart lead held Jacob to 460 and it was $71-54$ at the break. $3 \times$ on 4 rounds of hearts takes...two tricks?

## PHOTOS: DAY NINE



## OPEN TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL - SET 3 OF 4

Andy Hung
In the third set the largest amount of swings were exchanged, 93 to be exact, in just 12 boards! The action started on the first board where Jacob and Ware had to deal with a high level preempt and got a bit too high:


In these type of auctions, a lot of leeway must be given to the 4 4 bidder as you would often have to shut your eyes and just bid it. Jacob, holding four small hearts could visualise a heart void opposite which means partner doesn't have to have much reason to be bidding 4థ. For example, I think you should overcall $4 \boldsymbol{4}$ with as little as $\$$ AJxxxx Vvoid Qxxx $\$ x x$. Having said that, Jacob had great holdings in the minor suits, so opposite a better 44 hand, slam (or grand slam) could be on. Thus he advanced with 54 . Perhaps Jacob was afraid $5 \%$ was a potentially natural bid (rather than cuebid) and that 50 might've shown a better hand, so he elected to bid $5 \mathbf{4}$ intending it as invitational to slam, but it seems like Ware took it as asking for a heart control and thus raised to slam.

At the other table, Wiltshire as North opened a constructive weak two in hearts and Henbest went slowly with a 2NT shortage enquiry. This allowed enough space for Edgtton and Bach to be content with 4@, gaining them 11 IMPs.
The very next board it was payback by Jacob and Ware as they preempted a level higher than their counterparts:


Ware made a great bid by bumping it up to $4 \diamond$, which gave his opponents just enough room to find their fit, but alas there weren't enough tricks. At the other table the preemption was a level lower and this allowed Wiltshire and Henbest to get out in 4\&.

Both contracts lost the four obvious tricks, and the difference was 9 IMPs to Ware.

The next big swing was on Board 4 where the North-Souths had to decide which game to play in:

| Dealer: West | - --- |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Vul: Both | - A 3 |  |
| Brd 4 | -A Q 1063 <br> \& AJ7642 |  |
| - Q 1087 |  | - J 9 |
| - Q J 10 |  | -9752 |
| - J 98 |  | -K542 |
| \& Q 103 |  | \& K 85 |
|  | -AK65432 |  |
|  | -K864 |  |
|  | - 7 |  |
|  | +9 |  |

West North East South

| Makeable Contracts |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - | 3 | - | 3 |  |
| NT |  |  |  |  |
| - | 4 | - | 4 |  |
| - | 3 | - | 3 |  |
| - | 4 | - | 4 |  |
| - | 4 | - | 4 |  |


| West | North | East | South | West | North | East | South |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ware | Whibley | Jacob | Brown | Edgtton | Wiltshire | Bach | Henbest |
| Pass | 1\% | Pass | $1{ }^{(4)}$ | Pass | 14. | Pass | $10^{(4)}$ |
| Pass | 2 | Pass | 34 | Pass | 2 | Pass | 2 |
| Pass | 3NT | Pass | 4 | Pass | 3 | Pass | 3 |
| All Pass |  |  |  | Pass | 3NT | All Pass |  |

There is an old saying in bridge, it asks "what do you call an eight-card suit"? The answer being trumps of course. This should often be applied for seven-card suits as well when they are near self-sufficient.
In 4. Brown received a heart lead won in hand to play a diamond to the ten. This lost to the king, but now there are two pitches on the diamonds so Brown lost two trump tricks and a diamond. At the other table, 3NT was certainly not an enjoyable contract to play in given the lack of communication between both hands. Bach led a heart won by dummy's king. Declarer cashed one top spade and went after the clubs. There was not much play in this contract so the result was three down, giving 14 IMPs to Cornell.

The very next board was yet another 3NT vs 4Major hand:


Whibley showed $5-5$ in spades and diamonds in the auction and Brown, despite being heavily loaded in the round suits, chose $4 \oplus$, certainly not unreasonable given that partner is $5-5$ and there may be only two heart
 and two diamonds.

At the other table, 3\% showed a shortage so Henbest chose to place the contract in 3NT. Edgtton led a heart won by the $V K$ and Henbest took a club finesse, losing. Edgtton came back with another heart to the queen and now declarer cashed two clubs and finessed in diamonds losing to the queen. Bach now switched to a spade to
the jack king and ace, and declarer called for the $\diamond K$. Edgtton did his best by ducking to break communications, but Henbest now played a spade towards his ten. That meant he could now get back to his last winning club for ten tricks.

Two boards later came a slam hand:


Over 2\&, Jacob chose to bid his spades. This excited Ware and who could blame him? After checking for keycards and a queen ask, Jacob decided his sixth spade was enough to show the queen. Brown led the P and Jacob eventually went for the percentage play and cashed $\uparrow \mathrm{K}$ and A for 12 tricks made.

In the other room, Bach needed a better suit to be able to bid $2 \uparrow$ and so he started with a $2 \checkmark$ waiting bid. Edgtton chose to rebid 2NT as the least of all evils and was now able to confirm a fit with the 3 bid over the 30 transfer (normally this is the default bid, but expert players often like to have the agreement to show/deny a fit after a 2NT-3level transfer in order to make slam auctions easier - the trade off is that with a very weak hand and 5card major, they must simply pass 2NT and hope for the best). With no cuebid in sight, Bach closed with 44. This made the same 12 tricks and so it was 13 IMPs to Ware.
The last double digit swing came on the next board where yet again the pairs had to deal with a high level decision:


Nothing will ever stop Ware when he holds a 6-6, so he started off with a bang. Whibley doubled and over Brown's 4 4 , Jacob with a nice hand and three-card support not unreasonably competed to $5 \boldsymbol{*}$. This turned out to be the right decision as 4 was about to be played by South preventing a diamond ruff. 50 x went down two but at the other table, E/W was able to buy it in 4 V .

Perhaps Henbest should have competed with 4, or perhaps Wiltshire should've doubled again. I can understand and sympathise with both (in)actions but as they say, it is a bidder's game. Edgtton received the K lead won by the ace, and a spade was ruffed to play a club up. Wiltshire won AA and gave his partner a club ruff. Now when the A was cashed later on, there were two trumps left in dummy to set up declarer's clubs. This made 10 tricks and gave Cornell 12 IMPs .
After all of the back and forth exchange, the set concluded at 50-43 in favour of Ware, bringing the total to 12197.1 IMPs to Ware with one set of twelve boards to go.

## PHOTOS: DAY NINE



Congrats to my great friends Susan Humphries and Liam Milne, engaged today 29/2/20!

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Me waiting for my significant other to finish playing bridge bc l'm glad they're having fun but I also wonder if we'll ever speak again


## OPEN TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL - SET 4 OF 4 <br> Barry Rigal

Entering the last set of 12 leading by 24 , the Ware team knew that was a lead that could vanish in a couple of deals - and given the IMP turnover this match, maybe no lead was safe. So Nick Jacob wasn't going to take his foot off the accelerator:


Henbest's gutsy splinter simplified Wiltshire's life enormously. He could use Keycard and bid 6 $\uparrow$, taking two club ruffs in dummy for his 12 tricks. In the other room could or should Brown have done more? Over $5 \notin$ it was hard to bid more - could partner have been worried about trumps not clubs, for instance? Clearly Whibley had no idea Jacob didn't have hearts; if so, where would the club losers go?
Cornell closed the gap with two good competitive decisions on partscore deals:
Whibley came in with a double, in the live seat, after

| West | North | East | South |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ware | Whibley | Jacob | Brown |
|  |  | Pass | Pass |
| 1* | Pass | $1{ }^{\circ}$ | Pass |
| 1NT ${ }^{15-17}$ | Pass | 2** | Pass |
| 2** | Dbl |  |  |

Whibley had a 4-3-2-4 nine count. This had the effect of pushing the opponents to 3 down one.
A couple of deals later Bach judged this one well.


| West | North | East | South | West | North | East | South |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Edgtton | Wiltshire | Bach | Henbest | Ware | Whibley | Jacob | Brown |
| Pass | 1 | $1 \downarrow$ | Pass | Pass | $1 \downarrow$ | $1 \downarrow$ | Pass |
| $2 \downarrow$ | Pass | Pass | $3 \downarrow$ | Pass | Dbl | Rdbl | 2 |
| Pass | Pass | $3 \downarrow$ | All Pass | $2 \downarrow$ | 3 | All Pass |  |

$3>$ lost a trick in each suit for 110 . After the $\varangle Q$ lead against $3 \diamond$ Whibley played low. Back won the $\leqslant K$ and led a spade to the jack and ace. Whibley underled in diamonds for the shift to $\& 9$. Bach carefully covered in dummy and ducked the $\% \mathrm{~J}$, and let the next club run around to the queen. That was +140 and the match score was down to 26 IMPs, it came down a lot on the next deal

| Dealer: North |  |  |  |  | West | North | East | South |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Vul: None | $\begin{aligned} & \text { K Q } 932 \\ & + \text { K } 109 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Brd 17 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { \& K J } 62 \\ & \bullet \text { Q } 1064 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| - A J 5 |  |  | - 76 |  |  | Makea | Contrad |  |
| $\because 52$ |  |  | $\& A$ |  | - | - | - | NT |
|  | - A 109 |  |  |  | 2 | - | 2 | - |
|  | - K 93 |  |  |  | 3 | - | 3 | $\bullet$ |
|  | -1084 |  |  |  | - | 1 | - | 1 * |
|  | +8743 |  |  |  | 1 | - | 1 | 4 |
| West | North | East | South | West |  | North | East | South |
| Edgtton | Wiltshire | Bach | Henbest | Ware |  | Whibley | Jacob | Brown |
|  | 1. | Pass | 1NT |  |  | $1 *$ | Dbl | $1{ }^{\text {No major }}$ |
| Dbl | Pass | $2{ }^{\text {¢ }}$ | Pass | Dbl |  | Pass | Pass | 1NT |
| Pass | Dbl | Rdbl | 2NT | Dbl |  | All Pass |  |  |
| Pass | 3\% | Dbl | All Pass |  |  |  |  |  |

Ware might have come close to beat 1NTx on a spade lead. After a heart lead Brown won his VK and ran the 10, prepared to make very few tricks if this lost to the jack. When it held, Brown cleared diamonds and had 180.

In the other room Bach's gentle $2 v$ persuaded Wiltshire to re-open. Henbest might have run to $2 \boldsymbol{d}$ rather than 2NT maybe? Wiltshire converted the 2NT bid to $3 \boldsymbol{\$}$, perhaps hoping for $3-5$ in the minors, and sat it when doubled. Bach led a heart; declarer won in dummy to lead a diamond to the $\$ Q$ and duck a diamond. A trump came through to the jack for a spade shift and the defence had seven top winners now. That 500 made the margin 14 - whereupon what appeared to be the pivotal board of the match hit the table.


We all know beauty is in the eye of the beholder; but spade stops...?
Wiltshire claimed to have one, so Bach led a diamond and declarer was not too proud to rely on the club jack coming down in three. A prosaic +600, but well done in the auction.

Whibley followed a similar approach - against Jacob it is always tempting to assume that his pre-empting in a suit may not prevent you making a grand slam in that strain. After the low heart lead declarer seemed on his way to nine tricks. However he put up the 10 and took Ware's queen with his king. Then he cashed two diamonds and when East pitched a spade he exited with a low spade, ducking East's nine. The defenders unblocked the spades and shifted to $\bullet 9$, overtaken by Jacob. Now declarer could simply rely on clubs breaking but instead he had the chance to make when East was 5-3-1-4. He cashed off the remaining diamond and exited in hearts, hoping to force East to lead clubs for him. And so he did, but only after Jacob had set the contract with his spade and heart winners.

The lead climbed by a further 4 IMPs when a sporting double of a game by Whibley might have cost him a lot more than it did (it might have been redoubled and made an overtrick). Not to worry; after two flat boards, Cornell led by 30 with three deals to go. The fat lady emerged and was starting to warm up; not so fast...


Bach had room to bid (non-serious?) and Edgtton correctly appraised his wasted $\mathcal{Q}$ and sterile shape as not worth a slam try. Well done. Even 4 isn't $100 \%$ cold on a heart lead, but with the $\boldsymbol{\text { A onside and clubs breaking }}$ Bach wrapped up his 11 tricks. In the other room, even after the $\checkmark$ A lead and heart shift Jacob had no legitimate play for his slam but a miracle in clubs, which was not forthcoming today. Those 13 IMPs made the margin 17 IMPs.


Both Easts showed a mixed raise with 6-9 HCP and four trumps. Edgtton tried to steal the board in $4 \Phi$ and may have been surprised and delighted there was no more bidding.
4. proved no problem in the play, and neither did 4•. The BBO auction was scrambled in the Closed Room but I wonder if Jacob might have considered a breach of discipline by saving, with unexpectedly short hearts? That was 15 IMPs more to Cornell, trailing now by just 2 IMPs as another flat deal hit the table...


I'm not sure why Brown tempted fate by bidding 50 not 5 but Whibley could be sure that if the grand slam was making his partner would have bid it holding four key cards.
In the other room everything up to $4 \boldsymbol{\infty}$ is clear. Thereafter, a few cuebids were exchanged and 4NT was RKCB. Henbest asked for the $\& Q$ and because the call was higher than 5\&, North thought he was being invited to 7 . Henbest had explained that he was trying for 6NT had the partnership been missing the $\mathcal{Q}$ (since he only knew about a 4-4 fit), though without clear agreements, North had assumed he was invited for the grand.
West doubled $7 \boldsymbol{\$}$ and hoped it was Lightner - not just ' I have an ace'. Bach certainly read it that way, and Cornell had the title by 12 IMPs thanks to that 14 IMP swing. His team were unanimous that he was due the lion's share of credit for not attending; and congratulations to Alex Antonios, collecting his first masterpoints for winning a national title. I'd be surprised if that has ever been done before.



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## PLAY BRIDGE WITH BARRY

Barry Rigal


Try your best here on this hand.

| DIr: East | $\begin{aligned} & \bullet K J \\ & \bullet 10932 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Vul: Nil | $\begin{aligned} & \text { A J } 975 \\ & \& \text { J } 10 \end{aligned}$ | West | North | $\begin{aligned} & \text { East } \\ & 14 \end{aligned}$ | South 10 |
| $\checkmark$ | + | Pass | 30 | Pass | 4 |
|  | W E | Pass | Pass | Pass |  |
|  | S |  |  |  |  |
|  | ¢ 93 | Contract: $4 \checkmark$ by South |  |  |  |
|  | - AQ J 65 | Lead: ¢4 |  |  |  |
|  | -KQ4 |  |  |  |  |
|  | \& K 72 |  |  |  |  |

Playing teams, you reach $4 \bullet$ after overcalling East's opening 1\& bid and receive the lead of the 4 . East wins $\$ A$ and at trick two East's $\$$ Q goes to your $\& K$ and you are in the driver's seat now.

## Solution:



You win the second club, and can immediately work out that you are in no danger if the heart king is onside; but if it is wrong you know that the defence will very likely be able to take two spade winners to defeat you, as the spade ace and queen would now have to be wrong to give East an opening bid. You could therefore take the safety play of laying down the heart ace before tackling diamonds - but that would not work on this hand.

Better, in theory and practice, is to lead a low heart from hand at trick three. West will surely play low, expecting his partner to have a heart honour, and now you draw a second round of trumps and run the diamonds. West cannot ruff in till the fourth round of the suit, and you will have already got one of your spade losers away by then.


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# WELCOME TO NEW PLAYERS AT THE GCC 

Brent Manley



Have You Discussed? Part 9: Defensive Signals
In this series, I have stressed how important it is for partners to be on the same page in the bidding. The best way to accomplish that goal is to work on it. That means lots of discussions. My wife and I had an effective partnership for some years by practicing our bidding regularly and keeping a book of our agreements for referral when questions came up.

We also worked on our defensive signals and we became good defenders, taking most of the tricks we were entitled to when we were on defense.

In my years of playing bridge, I have noticed that many new players do not truly give signals on defense. The closest they come is to discard from a suit they want led. If someone pitches the $\vee 2$, I know that player has some high cards in hearts.
I do not recommend this scheme for signalling on defense. You are better off using standard defensive signals indicating "count" and "attitude."

In case you need clarification on these two concepts, count signals are meant to indicate whether the number of cards held in a suit is an even number or an odd number. Attitude is meant to indicate whether you want that suit led or continued. It can also indicate that you have high cards in the suit in case partner needs help deciding what to discard.
The count signal is vitally important in many cases. This one is common.


| W | N | E | You |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1NT | Pass | 2NT | Pass |
| 3NT | Pass | Pass | Pass |
|  |  |  |  |

Contract: 3NT by West
Lead:

West opens 1NT (15-17), East bids 2NT, West accepts with 3NT. Your partner leads the S , which is taken by West with the ace. At trick two, West leads the $\diamond 4$. You know this is a key suit for declarer, so you will have to play carefully to keep him from scoring four diamond tricks. Declarer has at least two diamonds (he wouldn't open 1NT with a singleton), so you are going to have to withhold your $\diamond A$ at least once.
If you win the first diamond, declarer will have four diamond tricks because you know he has at least one more. You are counting on partner to provide the information you need to play low the right number of times. This situation is why it's important to discuss signalling. With an odd number of diamonds, North should play his lowest diamond. With an even number, he plays high, starting a high-low signal to show two cards in the suit (North cannot have four diamonds because that would leave West with only one).

On this occasion, partner plays the $\diamond 2$, which is a singleton or the lowest card of three.
Declarer plays the $\diamond$ K from dummy and you play low. Now declarer calls for the $\diamond$ Q. What's your play?
If partner started with three diamonds, declarer has only one left. You must win the $\diamond A$ and return a club. Dummy is now dead and declarer will go down. If you had taken the first diamond, West would have made his contract. Declarer's hand: £AK43 甲J 632 -54 \&AK Q.

Note that if partner started with a singleton diamond, that would mean declarer started with four, so you would not be able hold up enough times to defeat the contract.

## THE KLINGER QUIZ

Ron Klinger


This series of quizzes consist of defensive problems, with some deals from actual tournaments. Here is the final problem:

| DIr: East | - J 652 |  | West | North | East Pass | South <br> $1 \mathrm{NT}^{1}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Vul: Nil | - A 832 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Teams |  |  | Pass | 24 | Pass | $2{ }^{2}$ |
| You (W) | \& K J |  | Pass | 3NT | Pass | Pass |
| -K97 |  |  | Pass |  |  |  |
| -987 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| - J 109 |  | E | ${ }^{1} 15-18$ |  |  |  |
| \&9862 |  |  | ${ }^{2}$ No four | -card m |  |  |

Contract: 3NT by South
Lead: 9

1. West leads the queen - three (playing high is encouraging) - five.
2. $\$ 2$ from dummy: four - ten - king.

How would you continue?

Solution:


On the bidding South is known to have no 4-card major. From trick 1 and East's discouraging signal, you can place South with PA-K$x$. The play in spades also strongly suggests that South has 4 A-$10-x$. That leaves South with seven cards in the minors.
Partner might have the K-Q in diamonds or the $A-Q$ in clubs. If declarer has $A-Q-x-x$ in clubs, declarer has nine tricks on top. If holding \&A-Q-x, three clubs only, declarer will have four diamonds. The defence can then score only two diamonds and two spades. Playing partner for $\leqslant$ K-Q-x cannot beat the contract and so you must hope East's strength is in clubs.

Bridge discussion: a method of pointing out to others where they went wrong.

West shifted to the $>$ J, but that was no success. Declarer won with the $\$$ Kand played $\oplus A$ and another spade. East was on lead and the clubs were safe from attack. With the diamonds 3-3, declarer had two spades, three hearts and four diamonds for +400.

West should switch to a club. East can take three club tricks and the defence will now have five tricks before South can score nine.

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| 1 | Avinash Kanetkar - David Beauchamp | 145.83 | 2 | Julian Abel - Rakesh Kumar | 129.84 |
| 2 | Julian Foster - David Weston | 137.27 | 3 | Michael Courtney - Sue Ingham | 129.09 |
| 3 | Liz Fisher - Blair Fisher | 134.96 | 4 | Gerry Daly - Trevor Fuller | 124.28 |
| 4 | James Wallis - Bill Nash | 131.60 | 5 | Larry Moses - Nikolas Moore | 124.02 |
| 5 | Jill Magee - Terry Strong | 130.25 | 6 | James Coutts - Liam Milne | 123.68 |
| 6 | Shane Harrison - Kevin Rosenberg | 128.40 | 7 | Ian Afflick - George Bilski | 122.51 |
| 7 | Mark Siegrist - Andrew Janisz | 128.17 | 8 | Lakshmi Sunderasan - Andi Boughey | 121.80 |
| 8 | Vivien Eldridge - Alan Davies | 127.89 | 9 | John Mcmahon - Charles Mcmahon | 120.56 |
| 9 | Bruce Marr - Michael Sykes | 125.66 | 10 | Sally Clarke - Garry Clarke | 118.95 |
| 10 | Stephen Fischer - Andrew Spooner | 125.26 | 11 | Yumin Li - Peter Jeffery | 117.82 |
| 11 | Susan Humphries - Jessica Brake | 120.76 | 12 | Stephen Carter - Tim Davis | 117.51 |
| 12 | Marilyn Chadwick - Toni Sharp | 119.92 | 13 | Paul Dalley - Kieran Dyke | 117.38 |
| 13 | Steve Boughey - Fraser Rew | 118.94 | 13 | Hugh Mcalister - Diana Mcalister | 117.38 |
| 14 | Terry Brown - Jeanette Reitzer | 118.88 | 15 | Hayden Seal - Jan Davis | 117.22 |
| 15 | Andrew Tarbutt - Alister Stuck | 118.43 | 16 | Vicky Lisle - Cathryn Collins | 114.97 |
| 16 | Kim Frazer - Jamie Ebery | 118.17 | 17 | Rosemary Mooney - Roberta Tait | 113.06 |
| 17 | Dee Harley - Anna St Clair | 116.87 | 18 | Fuxia Wen - Ian Berrington | 112.98 |
| 18 | Jane Morris - Bev Henton | 116.75 | 19 | Murat Genc - Arlene Schwartz | 112.74 |
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| 20 | Kitty Muntz - Leigh Gold | 116.28 | 21 | Peter Buchen - George Smolanko | 112.46 |
| 21 | Chen Ding - Herman Yuan | 115.81 | 22 | Nicoleta Giura - Nick Hughes | 112.44 |
| 22 | Annette Henry - Stephen Henry | 115.62 | 23 | Barry Rawicki - Simon Rose | 111.90 |
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| 27 | Geoffrey Toon - Charlie Lu | 111.08 | 28 | Rose Moore - Alan Harrop | 109.73 |
| 28 | Ian Muir - Raji Muir | 110.62 | 29 | Andrew Richman - Sandra Richman | 109.51 |
| 29 | Kate Terry - Judy Pawson | 110.42 | 30 | Justin Mill - Gray Mcmullin | 109.35 |
| 30 | Russell Watt - Leslie Watt | 110.00 | 31 | Michael Draper - Margaret Draper | 108.24 |
| 31 | Alison Dawson - Elizabeth Zeller | 109.93 | 32 | Alan Grant - Jane Lennon | 106.91 |
| 32 | Murray Perrin - Neville Francis | 109.79 | 33 | Julia Hoffman - Noelene Law | 106.78 |
| 33 | Roger Thomas - Paul Tyminski | 109.04 | 34 | Sue O'brien - Paul Collins | 105.77 |
| 34 | Ervin Otvosi - Kate Mccallum | 108.87 | 35 | George Sun - Alice Young | 105.73 |
| 35 | Jane Beeby - Michael Wilkinson | 108.63 | 36 | Margaret Pisko - Trish Anagnostou | 105.58 |
| 36 | Chris Snook - Denise Hartwig | 108.32 | 37 | Neil Ewart - David Smith | 105.04 |
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| 45 | Nikki Riszko - Ashok Tulpule | 104.50 | 46 | Ralph Parker - Lynne Gray | 102.40 |
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| 53 | Eva Berger - Jay Faranda | 102.34 | 54 | Frances Lyons - Jim Bean | 99.92 |
| 54 | Sarah Green - Lyn Muller | 102.19 | 55 | Jenny Hay - Annette Corkhill | 99.71 |
| 55 | Richard Fox - Rachel Langdon | 101.92 | 56 | Jamie Thompson - Damon Flicker | 99.08 |


| 56 | Peter Hall - Wayne Burrows | 101.71 | 57 | Niek Van Vucht - Graham Wakefield | 98.85 |
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| 64 | Les Varadi - Eva Shand | 99.57 | 65 | Terry Bodycote - Paul Weaver | 93.45 |
| 65 | Lou Tillotson - Sue Robinson | 99.32 | 66 | Errol Miller - Dorothy Gehrke | 93.43 |
| 66 | Roger Weathered - Bas Bolt | 99.28 | 67 | Joyce O'brien - Judy Payne | 93.16 |
| 67 | Peter Nilsson - Alan Boyce | 98.98 | 68 | Lorraine Cable - David Yoon | 93.09 |
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| 24 | Peter Coppin - Carolann Verity | 109.61 | 68 | Adam Hertelendy - Dorothy Hertelendy | 89.02 |
| 25 | Penny Bowen - Bill Bradshaw | 107.39 | 69 | Hans Van Weeren - John Rogers | 88.93 |
| 26 | Abigail Wanigaratne - Andrew Gosney | 107.36 | 70 | Margaret Williamson - Carmel Moran | 87.26 |
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| 28 | Jeff Conroy - Paul Brake | 106.69 | 72 | Caroline Wiggins - Murray Wiggins | 86.59 |
| 29 | Rebecca Delaney - Lesley Fraser | 106.43 | 73 | Bernadette O'connell - Robbie McMullen | 86.06 |
| 30 | Susan Rowe - Brian Craig | 106.15 | 74 | Kevin Balkin - Pauline Balkin | 85.78 |
| 31 | Barbara Gordon - Fran Martin | 105.07 | 75 | Peter Farley - Doug Galyer | 85.64 |
| 32 | William Van Bakel - Michael Byrne | 105.00 | 76 | Jackie Rossiter-Nuttall - Julie Farmer | 84.49 |
| 33 | Jenny Carr - Kelvin Tibble | 104.86 | 77 | Gwen Wiles - Lynne Milne | 82.67 |
| 34 | Joanne Bakas - Tassi Georgiadis | 104.68 | 78 | Joan Campbell - Joy Trigg | 80.05 |
| 35 | Jo Dundas - Alan Dundas | 104.64 | 79 | Janet Munro - Bill Bishop | 78.67 |
| 36 | Paul Maxwell - Gail Tippett | 104.37 | 80 | Leigh Carroll - Kerry Mills | 78.01 |
| 37 | John Donovan - Jenny Mendick | 104.27 | 81 | Barry Williams - Deanne Gaskill | 77.33 |
| 38 | Ashok Chotai - Veena Chotai | 103.99 | 82 | Rob Anderson - Sue-Ellen Deacon | 76.84 |
| 39 | Janet King - Linda Watson | 103.34 | 83 | Helen Walker - Kevin Walker | 76.06 |
| 40 | Sonja Ramsund - Margaret Azar | 102.81 | 84 | Glenda Parmenter - Barbara O'shea | 73.23 |
| 41 | Carole Cooke - Sheryl Gardner | 102.04 | 85 | Ted Hobson - Patricia Hobson | 70.30 |
| 42 | Dennis Sullivan - Sheila Wills | 100.38 | 86 | Judy Vickers - Val Logan | 69.63 |
| 43 | Cheryl Stone - Robyn Clark | 99.32 | 87 | Austin Driscoll - Matt Raj Mal | 69.28 |
| 44 | Robert Stick - Colin Payne | 99.28 | 88 | Pepe Schwegler - Peter Hill | 62.59 |


| Ivy Dahler Swiss Pairs (RESTRICTED) - Overall Results |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Rank | Names | Total | Rank | Names | Total |
| 1 | Brad Tattersfield - Jan Borren | 148.81 | 50 | Carol Joseph - Dennis Watkinson | 99.93 |
| 2 | Diane Mcclintock - Margaret Mobbs | 129.97 | 51 | Robyn Findlay - Jan Stupples | 98.92 |
| 3 | Michael Brassil - Louise Brassil | 128.98 | 52 | Marilyn Faiman - Bella Szmerling | 98.72 |
| 4 | Anna Chappell - Marilyn Kennedy | 125.35 | 53 | Maggie Gibbs - Norma Cameron | 98.19 |
| 5 | Sue Martin - Sue Falkingham | 124.62 | 54 | Carmella Rauchberger - Faye Solewicz | 98.18 |
| 6 | Jenni Borren - Margaret Robbie | 122.66 | 55 | Denise Mayhew - Dave Garret | 97.90 |
| 7 | Daria Williams - Ian Cameron | 121.77 | 56 | Julie Mannion - Moira Daly | 97.85 |
| 8 | Michael Francis - Terry Dold | 120.43 | 57 | Deborah Matthews - Darryl Dowthwaite | 97.46 |
| 9 | Pauline Coulter - David Coulter | 120.05 | 58 | Janet Keen - Bernard Chidgey | 97.20 |
| 10 | Chris Glyde - Maria Casci | 119.06 | 59 | Carol Rane - Ray Rane | 97.15 |
| 11 | Wendy Doyle - Chery Mccallum | 118.72 | 60 | Kevin Hamilton-Reen - Mary Simon | 96.82 |
| 12 | David Spencer - Sandy Buzzard | 118.37 | 61 | Sally Foster - Bob House | 96.81 |
| 13 | Sue Hunt - Sue Skarupsky | 117.53 | 62 | Jennifer Vickers - Marsha Knoll | 95.17 |
| 14 | Kevin Birch - Julie Quilty | 117.13 | 63 | Prunella Adams - Maureen Wright | 95.09 |
| 15 | Nick Edginton - Rhonda Graham | 116.64 | 64 | Peter Muller - Glenys Tipler | 95.06 |
| 16 | Adrienne Dale - Miriam Lewin | 116.50 | 65 | Sandra Mulcahy - Ian Pitts | 95.05 |
| 17 | Russell Woolley - Charlie Georgees | 116.33 | 66 | Mary Stoney - Ronella Stuart | 94.46 |
| 18 | Steve Colling - Mary Colling | 115.26 | 67 | Peter Burke - Nanette Hinsch | 94.23 |
| 19 | Kaye Mccredie - Yvonne Helps | 115.13 | 68 | Beverly Mccondach - Charmaine Churches | 93.92 |
| 20 | Margaret Byrne - Jan Jones | 112.41 | 69 | Tom Lyons - Peter Lyons | 93.47 |
| 21 | Keith Mabin - John Joseph | 112.27 | 70 | Charmaine Hanbury-Webber - Teri Sonal | 91.85 |
| 22 | Jan Cluff - Neil Waters | 111.59 | 71 | Giles Martin - Vincia Martin | 91.56 |
| 23 | Wilma Coloper - Jennifer Simpson | 109.65 | 72 | Grace Henry - Sue Herse | 91.30 |
| 24 | Stuart Schon - Maeve Doyle | 109.40 | 73 | Mel Gilmour - Ruth Hoffensetz | 90.42 |
| 25 | Rosalind Hayden - June Nicholls | 108.80 | 74 | Stephen Singer - Peter Jaffe | 89.50 |
| 26 | Raelene Kell - Tiffany Mair | 108.68 | 75 | Anne Moase - Penny Talley | 89.21 |
| 26 | Pam Whitehead - Stuart Grant | 108.68 | 76 | Roberta Macnee - Michelle Behrens | 88.69 |
| 28 | Rosemary Jackson - Takayo Yanagisawa | 108.39 | 77 | Annette Bury - Alison Graham | 88.14 |
| 29 | Rodney Macey - Sue Beckman | 108.35 | 78 | Virginia Warren - Marsha Woodbury | 87.64 |
| 30 | Howard Rees - Brenda Rees | 107.70 | 79 | Kay Pearson - Sue Burns | 86.53 |
| 30 | Anthony Abbott - Neil Williams | 107.70 | 80 | Margaret Baker - Margaret Munro | 86.17 |
| 32 | Margaret Fraser - Judy Parkinson | 107.08 | 81 | Karen Smith - Wendy Mcentegart | 86.09 |
| 33 | Sara Lynch - Denise Gribble | 106.41 | 82 | Margaret Wilson - Angela Signal | 85.83 |
| 34 | Margaret Cummins - Deejay East | 106.03 | 83 | Diane Russell - Maureen Russ | 85.49 |
| 35 | Kit Meyers - Kerry Rymer | 105.88 | 84 | Peter Hooper - Susie Herring | 85.47 |
| 36 | Gary Petterson - Laurie Bell | 105.75 | 85 | Peter Rollond - David Munro | 81.92 |
| 37 | Denise Merrin - Sheena Pollock | 105.45 | 86 | Dorothy Jones - Jennifer Mullen | 81.84 |
| 38 | Ross Blakey - Gill Blakey | 104.35 | 87 | Clary Harridge - Jim Fouras | 81.23 |
| 39 | Barbara Imlach - Annette Martin | 104.22 | 88 | Anka Saundry - Peter Saundry | 80.97 |
| 40 | Barbara Love - Jim Love | 104.13 | 89 | Dawn Benes - Lorraine Pescatore | 79.49 |
| 41 | Jo Neary - Pat Eather | 103.83 | 90 | Dianne Hillman - Connie Cassar | 78.57 |
| 42 | Phil Jacobsen - Hamish McCracken | 103.40 | 91 | Frances Brown - Jan Thompson-Eycken | 78.47 |
| 43 | Odette Hall - Cheryl Hensel | 102.58 | 92 | Drew Campi - Moira Smith | 76.74 |
| 44 | Patricia Seppelt - Alan Meikle | 102.03 | 93 | Felicity Horne - Dusk Care | 75.47 |
| 45 | Mingshu Yang - Gill Phillippo | 101.69 | 94 | Sue Noble - Irene Allpass | 74.62 |
| 46 | Megan Grant - Barbara Williams | 101.64 | 95 | Catherine Ng - Rick Gaylard | 71.35 |
| 47 | Christine Bartlett - Kerry Bartlett | 101.63 | 96 | Diane Smith - Nola Anderson | 69.64 |
| 48 | Anthony Marsland - Helen Blair | 101.18 | 97 | Patricia Murphy - Bee Campbell | 66.84 |
| 49 | Charles Bowen-Thomas - Lesley Bowen-Thomas | 100.98 | 98 | Janette Kollisch - Natasha Thomas | 60.75 |

SAT AM Walk-In Pairs

| Place | North-South | Score | $\%$ | Place | East-West | Score | $\%$ |
| :---: | :--- | ---: | :---: | :---: | :--- | ---: | :---: |
| 1 | Peter Gill - Liz Sylvester | 406 | 65.06 | 1 | Paul Thiem - Patrick Bugler | 382 | 61.22 |
| 2 | Joanna Tennyson - Christine Jenkins | 347 | 55.61 | 2 | Gail Schargel - Pablo Lambardi | 380 | 60.90 |
| 3 | Suzanne Eggins - George Kozakos | 330 | 52.88 | 3 | Robert Sutton - Lorraine Carr | 359 | 57.53 |
| 4 | Julie Savage - John Puskas | 328 | 52.56 | 4 | Kathy Males - Warren Males | 351 | 56.25 |
| 5 | Noelle Kebby - Tony Woolford | 327 | 52.40 | 5 | Debbie James - Jenny Skinner | 342 | 54.81 |
| 6 | Adrian Riepsamen - Jeff Lassman | 315 | 50.48 | 6 | Merit Morgan - Bill Morgan | 308 | 49.36 |
| 7 | Viv Dacey - Linda Shelton | 312 | 50.00 | 7 | Ray Ingielewicz - Pat Sleat | 300 | 48.08 |
| 8 | Rita Jones - Raymond Jones | 305 | 48.88 | 8 | Leif Michelsson - Sarah Strickland | 299 | 47.92 |
| 9 | Rhonda Wieckhorst - Trish Lye | 304 | 48.72 | 9 | Janice Stroop - John Stroop | 284 | 45.51 |
| 10 | Jack Rohde - Lex Ranke | 299 | 47.92 | 10 | Robyn Church - Jill Hanley | 269 | 43.11 |
| 11 | Bruce Baguley - Kay Baguley | 284 | 45.51 | 11 | Judith Rychter - Geraldine Adams | 263 | 42.15 |
| 12 | Trish Clearwater - Sam Bishop | 251 | 40.22 | 12 | Gaye Stewart - Lourie Stewart | 261 | 41.83 |
| 13 | Jan Deaville - Robina Cooper | 248 | 39.74 | 13 | Joanna Ellison - Beverly Hunt | 258 | 41.35 |

THAT'S ENTERTAINMENT
SOLUTION TO YESTERDAY'S CHESS PROBLEM
SOLUTION TO YESTERDAY'S SUDOKU [HARD]


White to move and be up in material

| 1 | 3 | 6 | 4 | 9 | 7 | $\mathbf{8}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{5}$ |
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| 4 | 8 | 5 | $\mathbf{6}$ | 2 | $\mathbf{3}$ | 1 | $\mathbf{7}$ | 9 |
| 7 | 9 | 2 | $\mathbf{5}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | 8 | $\mathbf{6}$ | 3 | 4 |
| 8 | 5 | 1 | $\mathbf{7}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ | 6 | $\mathbf{3}$ | 9 | 2 |
| $\mathbf{9}$ | 2 | 7 | 3 | 5 | 1 | 4 | 8 | $\mathbf{6}$ |
| 3 | 6 | $\mathbf{4}$ | $\mathbf{9}$ | $\mathbf{8}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | 7 | 5 | 1 |
| 6 | 4 | $\mathbf{8}$ | 2 | $\mathbf{7}$ | $\mathbf{5}$ | 9 | 1 | 3 |
| 5 | $\mathbf{1}$ | 3 | $\mathbf{8}$ | 6 | $\mathbf{9}$ | 2 | 4 | 7 |
| $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{7}$ | $\mathbf{9}$ | 1 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 8 |


| 1. Rbc8 (black) | Rc4 |
| :--- | :--- |
| 2. Qb7 | Re7 |
| 3. Rf8 | Bh3 |
| 4. f5 | Bxf5 |
| 5. Rxf5 | Qxf5 |
| 6. Bxf5 | Rxb7 |
| 7. Rxc4 | bxc4 |



