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# 1st day Round Robin

Team Name	Total	8	6	7	4	2	12	9	10	5	11	1	3
8. Lewis	87.96		14.46	16.20	8.80					15.97	12.63		19.90
6. Kasle	81.84	5.54				13.89		10.81		15.50		16.20	19.90
7. Lall	76.60	3.80			18.40		8.42	18.69	12.29			15.00	
4. Hamman	70.93	11.20		1.60		15.26			14.74			15.50	12.63
2. Cappelli	67.64		6.11		4.74		16.63		15.00	9.19		15.97	
12. Wolfson	64.44			11.58		3.37		4.26	14.74		11.94		18.55
9. Mahaffey	57.97		9.19	1.31			15.74		5.26	12.29	14.18		
10. Reynolds	51.25			7.71	5.26	5.00	5.26	14.74		13.28			
5. Jacobs	50.60	4.03	4.50			10.81		7.71	6.72		16.83		
11. Simson	48.42	7.37					8.06	5.82		3.17		13.59	10.41
1. Brod	43.74		3.80	5.00	4.50	4.03					6.41		20.00
3. Denison	18.61	0.10	0.10		7.37		1.45				9.59	0.00	

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Oldies but Goodies—SUSBC

UNITED STATES BRIDGE CHAMPIONSHIPS



Ellen  
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In Jan and McKenzie's Office between rounds




# RR Out of the Box

Brod/Hamman Denison/Lewis

Board 1 ♠ 43  
 Dealer: N ♥  
 None Vul. ♦ Q87543  
 Match 1 ♣ 87654

West	North	East	South
Brod	Weichsel	Greenspan	Hamman
	3D	All Pass	

♠ JT987  
 ♥ AQT2  
 ♦ KT  
 ♣ Q3



♠ K2  
 ♥ J8765  
 ♦ J9  
 ♣ AKT2

♠ AQ65  
 ♥ K943  
 ♦ A62  
 ♣ J9

Passell	Unger	Jacobus	Denison
	Pass	1H	Pass
4H	4NT (minors)	Double	5D
Double	All Pass		

On Board 1 of Friday's Senior Round Robin, in the Brod/Hamman match, Peter Weichsel made a tactical bid that put maximum pressure on his opponents. He opened 3D in first seat with his super light 6-5 in the minors. Lefty had no bid. His shape was wrong for a takeout double... what if pard bid spades? And his values were minimum at the level of three. Righty also had a problem. Like his partner, he held a mere 12 count. His shape was better because he held both majors, but what if his partner bid clubs? In the end, both opponents yielded to

3D. Greenspan led the CA and East/West collected two more clubs and a diamond. Contract making.


In the Denison/Lewis match, the auction went quite differently, North/South finding the makeable heart game before the opponents exerted any pressure at all. Unger knew he had little defense and bid 4NT to get Denison to choose a minor. Denison bid 5D, Passell doubled and they played it there. 5D to fail two tricks, but it was a good save against the 4H game.

*(Ed. Note: Thinking ahead to the Vegas NABC this summer... isn't it interesting to see two straight flushes on the same deal? Clubs in the North and Spades in the West!)*

Board 7 ♠ K  
 Dealer: S ♥ K95  
 All Vul. ♦ QT9852  
 Match 1 ♣ K52

Brod	Weichsel	Greenspan	Hamman
			Pass
1H	Pass	1NT (forcing)	2H
Pass	3C (pass or correct)	All Pass	

♠ QJ98  
 ♥ Q87643  
 ♦ AJ7  
 ♣



♠ A72  
 ♥ JT2  
 ♦ K63  
 ♣ QJ74

♠ T6543  
 ♥ A  
 ♦ 4  
 ♣ AT9863

Passell	Unger	Jacobus	Denison
			Pass
1H	Pass	2H	Double
3H	4D	4H	All Pass

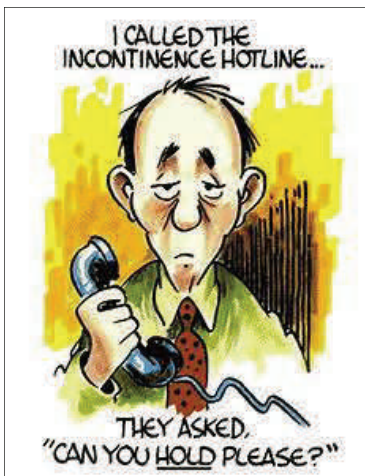
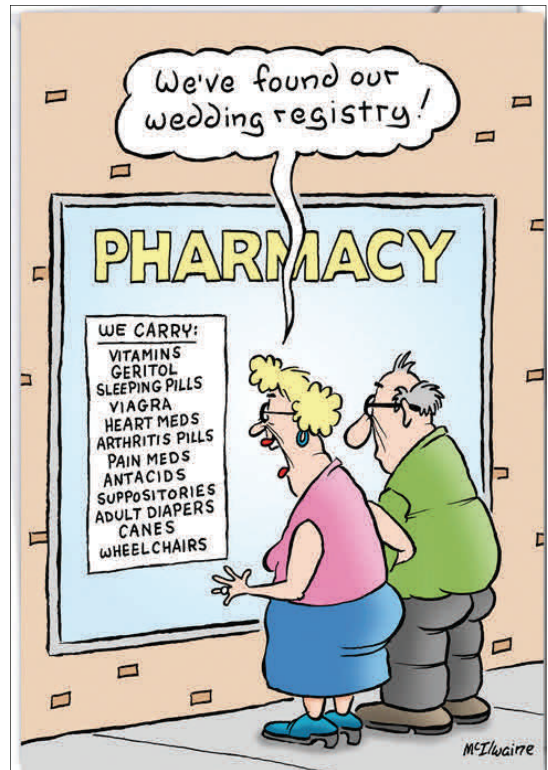
Again on Board 7, in the Brod/Hamman match, North/South made it as difficult as possible on East/West to describe their hands in the early rounds of bidding. Hamman's 2H cue was a two suiter ... spades and a minor. Brod could have doubled 2H with his 6th heart, but he really has minimum values. Greenspan could have bid 3H over 3C but his hand makes it more likely that Hamman holds diamonds than clubs so he could always bid 3H over that. When Hamman passed 3C, the auction ended. The HJ was won by the ace. A spade went to the king and ace and Greenspan led the C4 won by dummy's 8. A spade was ruffed and dummy's diamond was shed on the HK. Weichsel crossruffed as long as he could, collecting 9 tricks and making 3C.

In the Denison/Lewis match, Passell/Jacobus bid their cold vulnerable game. The SK was led and Passell took an easy 10 tricks. Maximum pressure on the opponents can be a winning strategy at IMPs. Often it explains why youth triumphs experience in situations where unexpected! Here we see Seniors applying the same tactics against each other!

# 2019 Senior USBC TEAMS

Teams are listed in alphabetic order & will be numbered in alphabetic order for the Round Robin

<b>Brod</b>	<b>Geoffrey Brod, Capt</b> <b>Karen McCallum</b>	<b>JoAnna Stansby</b> <b>Jon Greenspan</b> <b>Victor King</b>
<b>Cappelli</b>	<b>Robert Cappelli, Capt</b> <b>David Caprera</b> <b>Kenneth Kranyak</b>	<b>Robert Bitterman</b> <b>Anne Brenner</b> <b>Phil Becker</b>
<b>Denison</b>	<b>Daniel Denison, Capt</b> <b>Albert Shrive</b>	<b>Richard Unger</b> <b>Michael Ranis</b>
<b>Hamman</b>	<b>Robert Hamman, Capt</b> <b>Howard Weinstein</b> <b>Neil Chambers</b>	<b>Peter Weichsel</b> <b>Mark Feldman</b> <b>John Schermer</b>
<b>Jacobs</b>	<b>George Jacobs, Capt</b> <b>Jeffry Mandell</b> <b>David Lehman</b>	<b>Claude Vogel</b> <b>Jon Sorkin</b> <b>Richard Melson</b>
<b>Kasle</b>	<b>Gaylor Kasle, Capt</b> <b>Peter Boyd</b> <b>Bart Bramley</b>	<b>Dan Morse</b> <b>Steve Robinson</b> <b>Kit Woolsey</b>
<b>Lall</b>	<b>Hemant Lall</b> <b>Zia Mahmood</b> <b>Dennis Clerkin</b> <b>Petra Hamman, NPC</b>	<b>Reese Milner</b> <b>Curtis Cheek</b> <b>Jerry Clerkin</b>
<b>Lewis</b>	<b>Paul Lewis, Capt</b> <b>Mike Passell</b> <b>Mark Itabashi</b>	<b>Ron Smith</b> <b>Marc Jacobus</b> <b>Eddie Wold</b>
<b>Mahaffey</b>	<b>Jim Mahaffey, Capt</b> <b>Drew Casen</b> <b>Matthew Granovetter</b>	<b>Sam Lev</b> <b>Alan Graves</b> <b>Lew Stansby</b>
<b>Reynolds</b>	<b>W. Thomas Reynolds, Capt</b> <b>David Pelka</b> <b>Ellen Kent</b>	<b>Lance Kerr</b> <b>William Hall</b> <b>Robert Kent</b>
<b>Simson</b>	<b>Doug Simson, Capt</b> <b>Allan Falk</b> <b>Steve Beatty</b>	<b>Jeff Aker</b> <b>John Lusky</b> <b>Fred Stewart</b>
<b>Wolfson</b>	<b>Jeffrey Wolfson, Capt</b> <b>Mark Lair</b> <b>David Berkowitz</b>	<b>Michael Rosenberg</b> <b>Steve Garner</b> <b>Alan Sontag</b>



"Gravity has lowered my chest, my stomach and my butt. Why hasn't it lowered my cholesterol?!"



# Tournament Schedule

ROUND ROBIN			
DAY	DATE	TIME - CDT	BOARDS
FRIDAY	MAY 31	9:45 AM	CAPTAINS' MEETING
FRIDAY	MAY 31	10:00 - 11:21 11:30 - 12:51 1:00 - 2:21  3:40 - 5:01 5:10 - 6:31 6:40 - 8:01	MATCH 1 - BOARDS 1-9 MATCH 2 - BOARDS 10-18 MATCH 3 - BOARDS 19-27 79 MINUTE LUNCH BREAK MATCH 4 - BOARDS 1-9 MATCH 5 - BOARDS 10-18 MATCH 6 - BOARDS 19-27
SATURDAY	JUNE 1	10:00 - 11:21 11:30 - 12:51 1:00 - 2:21  4:00 - 5:21 5:25 - 6:46	MATCH 7 - BOARDS 1-9 MATCH 8 - BOARDS 10-18 MATCH 9 - BOARDS 19-27 99 MINUTE LUNCH BREAK *MATCH 10 - BOARDS 1-9 *MATCH 11 - BOARDS 10-18
* THE FINAL 2 MATCHES ARE SEQUESTERED - ONE PAIR ON EACH TEAM MUST PLAY BOTH MATCHES & REMAIN AT THEIR HOME TABLE FOR BOTH MATCHES. NO SCORE COMPARISON ALLOWED.			

Margin	Winner	Loser	Margin	Winner	Loser	Margin	Winner	Loser
0	10	10	16	15.26	4.74	31	18.25	1.75
1	10.41	9.59	17	15.50	4.50	32	18.40	1.60
2	10.81	9.19	18	15.74	4.26	33	18.55	1.45
3	11.20	8.80	19	15.97	4.03	34	18.69	1.31
4	11.58	8.42	20	16.20	3.80	35	18.83	1.17
5	11.94	8.06	21	16.42	3.58	36	18.97	1.03
6	12.29	7.71	22	16.63	3.37	37	19.10	0.90
7	12.63	7.37	23	16.83	3.17	38	19.22	0.78
8	12.96	7.04	24	17.03	2.97	39	19.34	0.66
9	13.28	6.72	25	17.22	2.78	40	19.46	0.54
10	13.59	6.41	26	17.41	2.59	41	19.58	0.42
11	13.89	6.11	27	17.59	2.41	42	19.69	0.31
12	14.18	5.82	28	17.76	2.24	43	19.80	0.20
13	14.46	5.54	29	17.93	2.07	44	19.90	0.10
14	14.74	5.26	30	18.09	1.91	45	20	0
15	15.00	5.00						

## USBF 9 Board IMP Scale

**"You can live to be a hundred if you give up all the things that make you want to live to be a hundred."**

**Woody Allen**

**"At my age – I've seen it all! I've heard it all – I've done it all – I just can't remember it all!"**

### Wisdom From Seniors

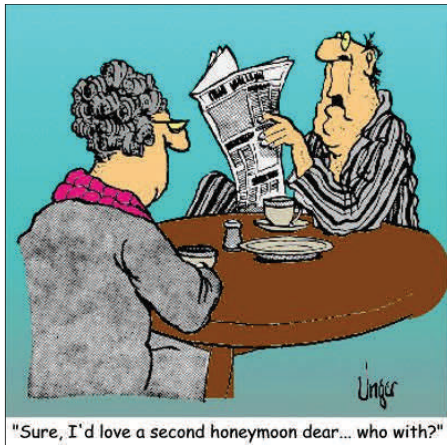
The best way to forget all your troubles is to wear tight shoes.

The nice part about living in a small town is that when you don't know what you're doing, someone else does.

The older you get, the tougher it is to lose weight because by then your body and your fat are really good friends.

I read this article that said the typical symptoms of stress are: eating too much, impulse buying, and driving too fast. Are they kidding? That is my idea of a perfect day!

I know what Victoria's Secret is. The secret is that nobody older than 30 can fit into their stuff.



Before the 1998 Chicago NABC, the ACBL commissioned an artist named Jim Harrington from Waukegan, IL, to do a painting called "Our Game." The lithos were sold at the '98 NABC and the original was auctioned off as a fund raiser for the tournament. Leo and Pat Perez from Garden Grove, CA, won the drawing and the winners were named at the Orlando NABC that year and awarded their painting. The picture was prominently displayed during both the Chicago and Orlando NABCs. The lithos are numbered editions. Mr. Harrington's widow, Sue, donated the remaining lithos to the USBF when she moved from her Waukegan home last year. We have several here at the tournament. If you would like one, please see either Jan Martel or Suzi Subeck. From the July 26, 1998, Daily Bulletin at the Chicago NABC:

These are not for sale. We are giving them to those who want them.

**FYI:**

**Our Game**

The ACBL Educational Foundation is happy to welcome artist Jim Harrington who is here in Chicago this morning to personalize limited edition prints of his painting "Our Game". This is the only day he will be here. Harrington will be at the Educational Foundation's booth which is located near the NorthEast Exhibit Hall on the lower level.

Harrington is a well-known artist listed in *Who's Who of Living American Artists* and is well represented in the collections of many corporate and private collections. Proceeds from the project will be split evenly between the Educational Foundation and Art Etc. Inc.

Our pens, though not feather,  
Perhaps need a tether?  
To keep them from flying away?

We always reuse them  
So please don't abuse them,  
And leave on the table today!

We clearly assert  
Your need to alert  
So use when explaining a call!

But leave at the site  
So others can write.  
Should they need to explain Lebensohl!

**Alert!**



Several Committees of the USBF meet online as Forums on BridgeWinners. These groups impact future United States Bridge Championships. Among these committees are the **USBF Tournament Policy Committee**, the **USBF Technical Committee**, and the **USBF Systems Committee**. These committees formerly known as the ITT committees make decisions that impact you as participants in our Competitions.

All of these committees and more are active as Forums on BridgeWinners. If you, as a member of the USBF, would like to be involved in our future decision making process, you are welcome to visit there, participate, and read up on the current outlook.

For access to the BW Forums, email Jan to request your access at [marteljan@gmail.com](mailto:marteljan@gmail.com).

We encourage your involvement. Your input and your interest is important to us.

## USBF 8 Board Victory Point Scale

Margin	Winner	Loser	Margin	Winner	Loser	Margin	Winner	Loser
0	10	10	15	15.23	4.77	30	18.37	1.63
1	10.44	9.56	16	15.50	4.50	31	18.53	1.47
2	10.86	9.14	17	15.75	4.25	32	18.68	1.32
3	11.27	8.73	18	16.00	4.00	33	18.83	1.17
4	11.67	8.33	19	16.23	3.77	34	18.97	1.03
5	12.05	7.95	20	16.46	3.54	35	19.11	0.89
6	12.42	7.58	21	16.68	3.32	36	19.24	0.76
7	12.77	7.23	22	16.90	3.10	37	19.37	0.63
8	13.12	6.88	23	17.11	2.89	38	19.50	0.50
9	13.45	6.55	24	17.31	2.69	39	19.62	0.38
10	13.78	6.22	25	17.50	2.50	40	19.74	0.26
11	14.09	5.91	26	17.69	2.31	41	19.85	0.15
12	14.39	5.61	27	17.87	2.13	42	19.95	0.05
13	14.68	5.32	28	18.04	1.96	43	20	0
14	14.96	5.04	29	18.21	1.79			



## 2019 Senior USBC USA2 Stage 2 Schedule 6 teams

### NOTES:

With 12 teams in the USA1 Round Robin, there will be 4 teams in the first stage (Round of 32) of USA2. They will play 90 board Knockout matches to reduce to 2.

The second stage (Round of 16) of USA2 will be a Round Robin with 6 teams (the 4 USA1 Quarterfinal losers and the 2 USA2 first stage winners). The Round Robin will qualify 4 teams for the USA2 QuarterFinals.

The teams in the Round of 16 Round Robin will be numbered in alphabetic order.

EVERY PLAYER ON EACH TEAM MUST PLAY AGAINST EACH OTHER TEAM

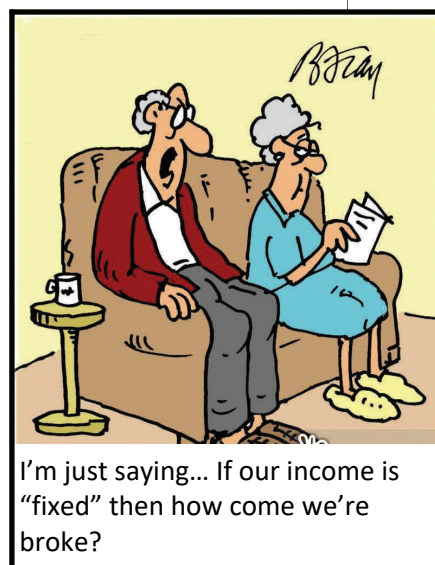
(USBF General Conditions of Contest Section VIII B).

Last two matches on June 4th are sequestered, no comparisons, no substitutions at team's home table. Because this means there can be no seating rights for those matches, there are no seating rights in the other half of those two matches.

Time	Pairings	Seeded Team*	Boards
<b>MONDAY, JUNE 3RD</b>			
4:00 – 5:12	5 v 6, 7 v 8, 9 v 10	6, 8, 10	1-8
5:20 – 6:32	5 v 7, 6 v 10, 8 v 9	7, 10, 9	9-16
6:40 - 7:52	5 v 8, 6 v 9, 7 v 10	5, 6, 7	17- 24
<b>TUESDAY, JUNE 4TH</b>			
10:00-11:12	5 v 9, 6 v 7, 8 v 10	none	1-8
11:20-12:32	5 v 10, 6 v 8, 7 v 9	none	9-16
<b>LUNCH BREAK</b>			
1:50 – 3:02	5 v 6, 7 v 8, 9 v 10	5, 7, 9	17-24
3:10 - 4:12	5 v 7, 6 v 10, 8 v 9	5, 6, 8	25-32
4:20 – 5:32	5 v 8, 6 v 9, 7 v 10	8, 9, 10	1-8
5:50 - 7:02**	5 v 9, 6 v 7, 8 v 10	none	9-16
7:10 - 8:12**	5 v 10, 6 v 8, 7 v 9	none	17- 24

\*The seeded team has seating rights per General Conditions of Contest.

\*\* Sequestered matches - one pair must remain at its home table for both matches. No discussion. No comparison.



# Meet the Players...



**Lew Stansby**, former commodities trader and current professional bridge player, lives in Dublin, California, with wife and fellow national champion JoAnna.

Since winning the Reisinger in 1965, Lew has won more than thirty national championships and five Open and two Senior world championships, and has finished second three times.

Most of these championships over the past thirty years were won in partnership with Chip Martel, but Lew also has an outstanding record with other partners, including wife JoAnna.

With new partner Bart Bramley, Lew won the Baze Senior Knockout in 2013 & 2014 and the Roth Open Swiss in 2013.

Lew is a World Grand Master. Tall and soft-spoken, Lew is known for his love of games of almost all kinds and his incredible memory for bridge hands, even those from long-ago events he neglected to win.



## Hospitality Suite

The hospitality suite for the 2019 Senior USBC will be room 2321. Our wonderful hostess, Martha Katz will be in Schaumburg to welcome you, with a lot of help from other volunteers.

The hospitality suite will be open starting on Thursday evening and continuing throughout the event. Breakfast will be served each day from 8:00-10:30 and lunch each day from about 1:00-4:00. Players, kibitzers, friends, spouses and children are welcome to join us in the hospitality suite.

The hospitality suite will be open for Vugraph, casual chit chat, drinks & snacks during the rest of the playing hours and for a short time after the end of the day.

The "Players' Break Room" (aka Jan & McKenzie's office) is room 1321. It will be available for the entire tournament. We will have coffee, soft drinks and some snacks available in that room while you wait for your slow teammates to finish playing.

Special Thanks to Martha's mom, Chris Benson, and aunt, Carol Hillard, for helping in the Suite.



**No Electronic Devices are Permitted in the Playing Area.**

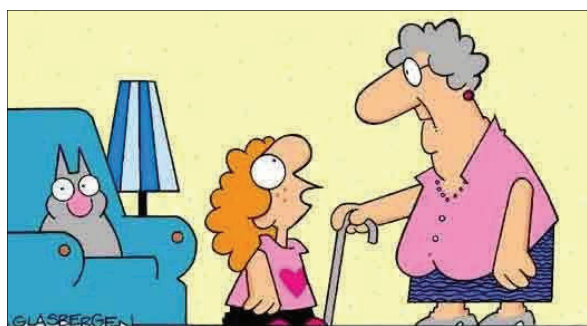
**This applies to players AND kibitzers.**

**Severe penalties will be assessed for violation of this rule. Please turn off all cell phones and check them at the door. The USBF reserves the right to wand anyone entering the playing field.**



# Round of 16 On

ROUND OF 16			
QUARTERFINAL & USA2 ROUND OF 32 (KO IF 12 OR 16 TEAMS; ROUND ROBIN IF 14 TEAMS)			
SUNDAY	JUNE 2	10:00 - 12:10 12:25 - 2:35  4:00 - 6:10 6:25 - 8:35	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-15 SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 16-30 95 MINUTE LUNCH BREAK SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 1-15 SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 16-30
MONDAY	JUNE 3	10:00 - 12:10 12:25 - 2:35	SEGMENT 5 BOARDS 1-15 SEGMENT 6 BOARDS 16-30
SEMIFINAL & USA2 ROUND OF 16 (CLICK FOR ROUND ROBIN SCHEDULE IF 12 TEAMS IN USA1)			
MONDAY	JUNE 3	4:00 - 6:10 6:25 - 8:35	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-15 SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 16-30
TUESDAY	JUNE 4	10:00 - 12:10 12:25 - 2:35  4:00 - 6:10 6:25 - 8:35	SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 1-15 SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 16-30 85 MINUTE LUNCH BREAK SEGMENT 5 BOARDS 1-15 SEGMENT 6 BOARDS 16-30
FINAL & USA2 QUARTERFINAL (6 USA2 TEAMS)			
WEDNESDAY	JUNE 5	10:00 - 12:10 12:25 - 2:35  4:00 - 6:10 6:25 - 8:35	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-15 SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 16-30 85 MINUTE LUNCH BREAK SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 1-15 SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 16-30
THURSDAY	JUNE 6	10:00 - 12:10 12:25 - 2:35	SEGMENT 5 BOARDS 1-15 SEGMENT 6 BOARDS 16-30
USA2 SEMIFINAL			
THURSDAY	JUNE 6	4:00 - 6:10 6:25 - 8:35	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-15 SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 16-30
FRIDAY	JUNE 7	10:00 - 12:10 12:25 - 2:35  4:00 - 6:10 6:25 - 8:35	SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 1-15 SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 16-30 85 MINUTE LUNCH BREAK SEGMENT 5 BOARDS 1-15 SEGMENT 6 BOARDS 16-30
USA2 FINAL			
SATURDAY	JUNE 8	10:00 - 12:10 12:25 - 2:35  4:00 - 6:10 6:25 - 8:35	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-15 SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 16-30 85 MINUTE LUNCH BREAK SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 1-15 SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 16-30
SUNDAY	JUNE 9	10:00 - 12:10 12:25 - 2:35	SEGMENT 5 BOARDS 1-15 SEGMENT 6 BOARDS 16-30



"My teacher says little girls can grow up to be anything they choose! Why did you choose to be an old lady?"





## All About Kibitzing

### WHEN CAN YOU KIBITZ IN THE PLAYING ROOMS?

You will be able to kibitz at any of the tables during this event, except in the Closed Room during the final sequestered matches of the Round Robin, **subject to the following regulations:**

Kibitzers may enter the room ONLY at the start of play for a segment. Once play has started, the room will be closed.

A kibitzer who leaves the room may not return until the start of the next segment.

Cell phones and other electronic devices are not allowed in the playing rooms, even if they are turned off. Any kibitzer who is found with a cell phone will be evicted and not allowed to kibitz during the remainder of the tournament.

When a match is being shown on BBO Vugraph, no kibitzer may sit on the same side of the table as the Vugraph operator.

### SCREENS

All of the USBC is played with screens. If you've never kibitzed at a table with screens before, you need to know that it is quite different from kibitzing at a regular table. You need to be seated at an "open" corner of the table (not next to the screen) in order to see, and once there are 4 kibitzers at a table it will be very hard for additional kibitzers to see.

### USBC KIBITZING RULES

The USBF **General Conditions of Contest** contain specific rules about kibitzers. They are designed to promote security at the tournament and are set forth in the conditions of contest section labeled "Security." They are:

#### GENERAL RULES

- a. During any use of duplicated boards across multiple matches, Kibitzers must select one table for kibitzing and may not move to any other table during a session or segment.
- b. Kibitzers may not speak with players, must watch only one hand at a time, may not sit in such a position as to see more than one hand at a time, may not sit in such a position as to see a computer screen in use for Internet broadcast, must check communication devices with the Director, cannot call attention to irregularities other than a board being placed incorrectly on the table (arrow positioning), but may serve as witnesses to a possible irregularity.
- c. Kibitzers must enter the playing room before play commences. Kibitzers are required to remain until the segment of play is completed at the table they are watching or to leave the playing area entirely. Kibitzers are expected to abide by the same rules as the players regarding leaving the room (e.g. be escorted to the restroom).
- d. Except as expressly provided in these conditions and appendices, NPC's shall be subject to the WBF General Conditions, Section 17.
- e. No one other than the Internet broadcast personnel and Tournament Directors may watch any computer screen or any other mechanism for enabling the Internet broadcast at any time in either the Closed or the Open Room.
- f. These rules may be revised in specific instances by the DICs for the orderly running of the event.



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			1	2				6
8		4				1		
9					7			
	7					5	2	

Sudoku 1

Two elderly ladies meet at the drug store after not seeing one another for some time. After inquiring about each other's health one asked how the other's husband was doing.

"Oh! Harold died last week. He went out to the garden to dig up a potato's for dinner, had a heart attack and dropped down dead right there in the middle of the vegetable patch!"

"Oh dear! I'm very sorry." replied her friend "What did you do?"

"Opened a can of baked beans instead."

**Answers  
to  
Puzzle  
on Page 11:**

Team Name	Place	First Name	Last Name	Age
Toboggan Terrors	2nd	Sara	Kempl	age 42
Snow Shedders	5th	Karl	Rainer	age 64
Sledding Demons	3rd	Harry	Wilby	age 8
Howling Toboggans	4th	Toby	Bradley	age 21
Eat Our Snow Dust	1st	Wendy	Small	age 6

**Difficult  
Sudoku**

Sudoku 2

				6	8	5		
1			3					7
	8		4					
			5	9			1	
		3		2				
	6	4					9	
	2			7			6	
		7			2	8		

**Sudoku  
Solutions  
on Page 12**

# Puzzle Page ...

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	Harry	Karl	Sara	Toby	Wendy	Bradley	Kempt	Rainer	Small	Wilby	age 6	age 8	age 21	age 42	age 64
Eat Our Snow Dust																				
Howling Toboggans																				
Sledding Demons																				
Snow Sledders																				
Toboggan Terrors																				
age 6																				
age 8																				
age 21																				
age 42																				
age 64																				
Bradley																				
Kempt																				
Rainer																				
Small																				
Wilby																				
Harry																				
Karl																				
Sara																				
Toby																				
Wendy																				

## Answer on page 10

Team Name	Place	First Name	Last Name	Age
Eat Our Snow Dust	1st	Harry	Bradley	age 6
Howling Toboggans	2nd	Karl	Kempt	age 8
Sledding Demons	3rd	Sara	Rainer	age 21
Snow Sledders	4th	Toby	Small	age 42
Toboggan Terrors	5th	Wendy	Wilby	age 64

This past weekend, conditions were perfect in Millerstown for tobogganing. The snow conditions were good, the sun was shining, and the winds were calm. By mid morning, Widow’s Way, the official town sledding hill, was flocked with sledding enthusiasts of all ages. At some point during the day, a festive air pervaded the hillside and a toboggan relay race was enthusiastically set up. The teams, which consisted of people of all ages, picked their favorite section of the hill for the race. The goal was to be the first team for all members to sled down the hill, but only one sled for each team was used. The race started at the base of the hill, each team member had to race to the top with their sled, then sled down and pass their sled onto the next team member. Determine the name of each team and in what position each team placed, plus the full name and age (one is 42 years old) of the last member of each team to cross the finish line.

- The Snow Sledders ended in 5th place, but no one blamed their last sledder who, at age 64, was the oldest team member. The Sledding Demons placed third.
- Ms. Small was the youngest team member, at age 6. The Howling Toboggans placed better than Karl’s team but not as well as Sara’s team. Toby’s last name wasn’t Rainer.
- Harry, whose last name wasn’t Bradley, wasn’t part of the Eat Our Snow Dust team.
- The five teams, in no particular order, were the Toboggan Terrors, the first place team, the team with the person who was 21 years old, Mr. Rainer’s team, and Harry’s team.
- Wendy and Sara were the last sledders to cross the finish line for the first and second place teams, respectively. The fourth place team’s last sledder was the 21-year-old. The 8-year-old didn’t sled with the Eat Our Snow Dust team.
- Mr. Wilby, whose first name isn’t Toby, didn’t race on the Howling Toboggans team. Sara Kempt wasn’t the 8-year-old or the 6-year-old.

## Vugraph

The 2019 Senior USBC will be covered on BBO Vugraph starting with the Quarterfinals, in which we will try to cover all of the tables in play. The Quarterfinal starts Sunday, June 2nd.

To watch the Vugraph online, go to the **BBO website** where you can either log on directly from your browser, go to "Vugraph" and choose which table to watch, or use the download version of the BBO software to run BBO on your computer (only available if you already have it, not to new users). If you choose the latter approach, from the Lobby, click on the button labeled VUGRAPH and you'll be able to choose which of the matches you want to watch.

To watch on your smartphone or tablet, install the BBO app and watch using that.

There will often be a "yellow" user on BBO called USBF. If you have general questions, please ask USBF, not one of the hard-working Vugraph operators, who may not have time to respond to private messages. Thank you.

Each day's schedule is the same (these are Chicago times; to see the times for your time-zone, go to the **BBO Vugraph schedule site**)

10:00-12:10

12:25-2:35

3:45-5:55

6:10-8:20

All of the teams will play the same boards throughout the event.



### Hints for BBO viewers

Useful information is available to browser BBO users [and perhaps some mobile bbo users]

if you click on the name of the table/event you will get a pop-up that:

- \* displays the BBO Schedule for the specific vugraph event – calculated for the time zone of the viewer's electronic device

- \* has a link to the home page for the event

if you click on a player name you will usually get a pop-up that

- \* displays a picture of the player

- \* shows links to System Summary Forms (SSFs), Convention Cards (CCs), and biographical information

VIDEO: Live video streaming is not available for this event.

Video from the event tables will be uploaded to YouTube as soon as we can manage.

After a session, you can review the Vugraph action on our Web Vugraphs, which show each hand played with a link to bidding and play records. Take a look at the older events currently available (under Archived Results) to see what we'll have for the 2019 Open USBC. Web Vugraphs are posted about half an hour after completion of the Vugraph show.

You can find the hand records for USBC matches on this site, linked to the scorecards you can get to by clicking on 2019 Senior USBC under "Event Results" in the upper left of each page.

If you are going to be in the Chicago area during the Senior USBC and want to volunteer to help as a Vugraph operator, please **email Jan Martel**.

Sudoku 1 Solution

4	2	5	9	8	3	6	7	1
6	8	7	3	4	1	2	5	9
8	3	4	2	6	5	1	9	7
3	6	9	1	2	4	5	8	7
5	8	7	1	2	4	9	6	3
4	2	1	9	3	6	8	7	5
3	6	9	5	7	8	4	1	2
8	7	1	5	6	9	3	2	4
6	9	3	8	4	2	7	5	1
2	4	8	7	5	1	6	3	9

**Sudoku  
Solutions  
from page 9**

Sudoku 2 Solution

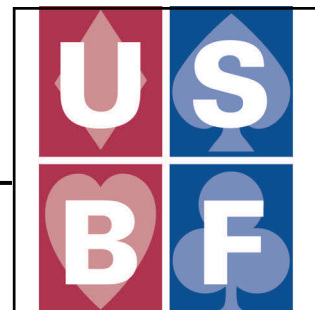
5	3	8	2	1	4	7	6	9
2	7	1	6	3	8	9	5	4
4	6	9	5	7	8	1	2	3
5	6	4	7	8	1	9	2	3
9	1	3	6	2	4	7	5	8
8	7	2	5	9	3	4	1	6
2	8	5	4	1	7	3	6	9
1	4	6	3	5	9	2	8	7
7	3	9	2	6	8	5	4	1

Our wonderful massage therapist, Ela, is available again this year. She has agreed to come to the Hyatt after 1:00 pm on the following days. People who want a massage should sign up with Jan.

Monday, 6/3

Thursday, 6/6

## Relaxation Therapy!



### USBF Supporting Membership

If you don't want to play in the USBF Championships that choose teams to represent the USA in the World Bridge Federation Championships, but do want to aid our events, a **Supporting Membership** can be the perfect way for you to be involved. As a Supporting Member, you are eligible to:

1. Enter the fantasy brackets, run on Bridge Winners, for the USBF trials choosing our Open and Senior teams for the World Championships. The highest-ranking Supporting Member in the fantasy brackets for each of these two events will win the prize of your choice - either an online match against the USBC winners or dinner with them at the next NABC.
2. Receive daily emails during the USBF Championships. These will summarize the previous day's results and provide vugraph information and links to daily bulletins containing pictures and commentary on individual hands.
3. Upon advanced request, make arrangements for you to kibitz a USBF member of your choice for a session once each year – either at an NABC or the USBF Championships.
4. Upon advanced request, we will arrange for you to be one of the vugraph commentators for one session of the team trials.

A Supporting Membership is \$25 for one year (\$75 for 3 years) and the ACBL now offers you the chance to become an USBF Supporting Member when you renew your ACBL membership. If you don't want to wait that long, you can join by choosing the red Donate Now button on the USBF website. Your donation will be used to cover inevitable expenses: attorney fees, accounting fees, website support services, tournament directors, insurance, WBF dues, and vugraph operators. The USBF is an all-volunteer organization. Our meetings are by conference call and at NABCS. Board members and the organization's officers are not compensated for meetings, travel, or hotel expenses.

We hope you will join us.

# A Good Defense is the Best Offense

<b>D</b> 16	<b>N</b> Rosenthal ♠ A10842 ♥ Q74 ♦ AK532 ♣	<b>W</b> N E S 1♣ 1♠ P 3♣ 5♣ X P P P
	<b>W</b> Pepsi ♠ Q73 ♥ A ♦ Q7 ♣ AKQJ972	<b>E</b> Sakr ♠ 6 ♥ J10965 ♦ J10864 ♣ 85
	<b>S</b> DRosenberg ♠ KJ95 ♥ K832 ♦ 9 ♣ 10643	5♣x W NS: 0 EW: 0
	Other table: 4♠N-1 NS: Rosenthal 135 IMPs EW: Pepsi 150 IMPs	

Board 16 of Segment 6 of the SemiFinals of the Mixed USBC gave Andrew Rosenthal a chance to shine. He defended perfectly to defeat 5CX three tricks for +800.

On the same board, his teammate, Chris Willenken also made a stellar defensive play to defeat an unbeatable 4S contract.

Andrew punished Pepsi for bidding an overly optimistic minor suit game at unfavorable vulnerability. Not only did Andrew

Willenken Ginossar Migry J Wolpert

double the contract, but his defense is newsworthy.

<b>W</b> N E S 1♣ 1♠ P 3♣ 3♣ 4♠ P P P
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Rosenthal led the DK and followed with a low diamond, knowing that partner started with either the DQ or a singleton. Rosenberg trumped this trick and returned a trump to keep dummy from ruffing spades.

Pepsi won and played the SQ. Andrew had no fear! He ducked his ace, hoping to get Debbie in for a second trump play. Rosenberg won the spade and

played a club. Declarer ran his trumps but the defenders had two more spade tricks coming and defeated the hand three tricks!

At the other table, Willenken made a game try by cueing 3S, and when North bid 4S, he wisely let them play it there. On the surface, 4S is cold for six. However..... Watch what happened.....

A club was led. Declarer ruffed and played the ace and king of diamonds, discarding a club from dummy. A third diamond was played and Ginossar ruffed with dummy's jack. Willenken refused to overruff and, instead, discarded a club, convincing his frequent partner, Ginossar that Migry held the SQ.

A small heart was led from dummy. Willenken won the ace and exited with a club which declarer ruffed with the ten. Declarer played a small spade to the nine thinking that Migry had the SQ.

Willenken won his SQ and played another round of clubs. Declarer ruffed high and played a second spade which held the trick. Now declarer tried to cash his HQ. Willenken ruffed and played a high club, forcing dummy to use its last trump. Dummy was down to the H:K8 and Migry held the H: JT.

Declarer was forced to concede a heart for down one. The defense scored 2 spade tricks and 2 heart tricks.

13 well earned IMPs to the Rosenthal squad... At the beginning of this segment, Pepsi led by 15 IMPs. This board was the beginning of a 54-7 run for the Rosenthal team. Rosenthal ultimately won the match 278-197... Message to Seniors: Never say die!