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Mixed SemiFinal Results USA2

3	Lewis - wins tie	127	38	27	32	30
4	Henner	69	19	28	20	2

USA1 Final

1	Rosenthal	247	31	31	32	25	23	36	20	49
2	Moss	181	27	35	15	19	13	25	31	16

Congrats Team Rosenthal USA1 Mixed



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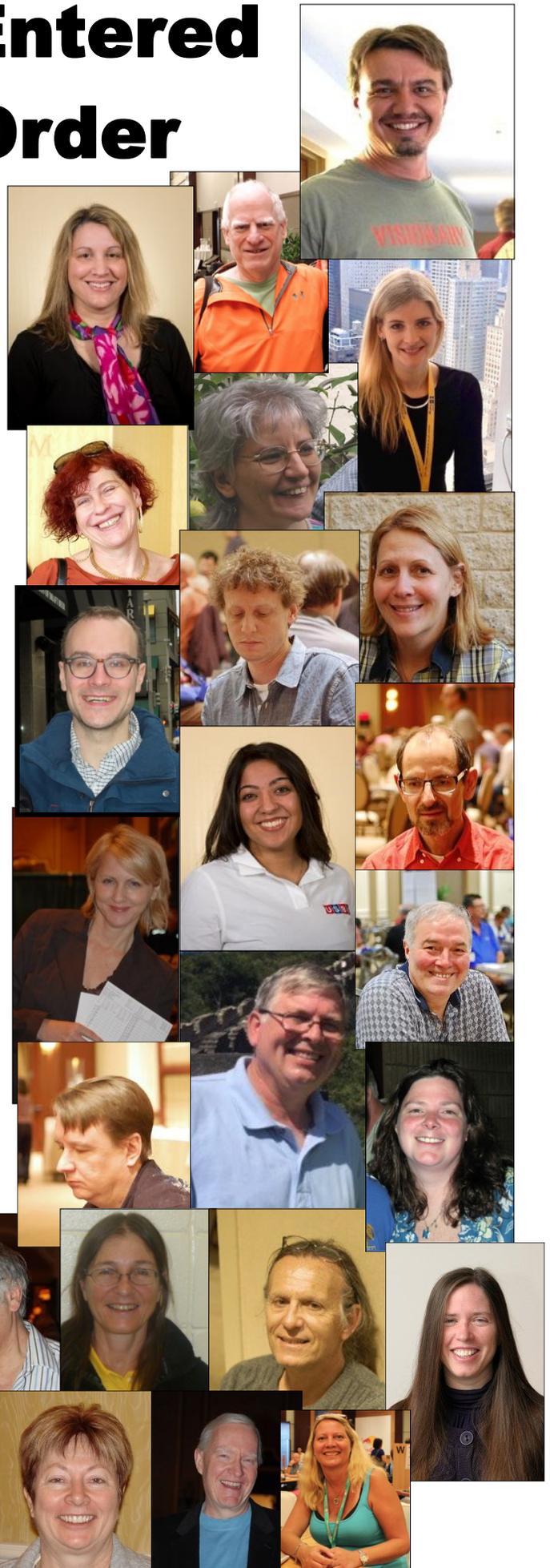
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MUSBC Teams Entered

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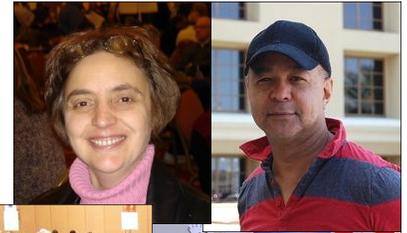
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Face-to-Face Schaumburg I

Tournament Schedule

DAY	DATE	TIME - CDT	BOARDS
<i>QUARTER-FINAL</i>			
THURSDAY	OCT. 14	8:00 PM	CAPTAINS' MEETING WITH DIC (ON ZOOM)
FRIDAY	OCT. 15	10:00 - 12:10	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-15
		12:25 - 2:35	SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 16-30
		3:45 - 5:55	70 MINUTE LUNCH BREAK
		6:10 - 8:20	SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 31-45 SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 46- 60
SATURDAY	OCT. 16	10:00 - 12:10	SEGMENT 5 BOARDS 61-75
		12:25 - 2:35	SEGMENT 6 BOARDS 76-90
		3:45 - 5:55	70 MINUTE LUNCH BREAK
		6:10 - 8:20	SEGMENT 7 BOARDS 91-105 SEGMENT 8 BOARDS 106-120
<i>SEMI-FINAL & USA2 STAGE 1</i>			
SUNDAY	OCT. 17	10:00 - 12:10	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-15
		12:25 - 2:35	SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 16-30
		3:45 - 5:55	70 MINUTE LUNCH BREAK
		6:10 - 8:20	SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 31-45 SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 46- 60
MONDAY	OCT. 18	10:00 - 12:10	SEGMENT 5 BOARDS 61-75
		12:25 - 2:35	SEGMENT 6 BOARDS 76-90
		3:45 - 5:55	70 MINUTE LUNCH BREAK
		6:10 - 8:20	SEGMENT 7 BOARDS 91-105 SEGMENT 8 BOARDS 106-120
<i>FINAL & USA2 QUARTERFINAL & SEMIFINAL</i>			
TUESDAY	OCT. 19	10:00 - 12:10	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-15
		12:25 - 2:35	SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 16-30
		3:45 - 5:55	70 MINUTE LUNCH BREAK
		6:10 - 8:20	SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 31-45 SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 46- 60
WEDNESDAY	OCT. 20	10:00 - 12:10	SEGMENT 5 BOARDS 61-75
		12:25 - 2:35	SEGMENT 6 BOARDS 76-90
		3:45 - 5:55	70 MINUTE LUNCH BREAK
		6:10 - 8:20	SEGMENT 7 BOARDS 91-105 SEGMENT 8 BOARDS 106-120
<i>USA2 FINAL</i>			
THURSDAY	OCT. 21	10:00 - 12:10	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-15
		12:25 - 2:35	SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 16-30
		3:45 - 5:55	70 MINUTE LUNCH BREAK
		6:10 - 8:20	SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 31-45 SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 46- 60
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How could a baby fall out of a twenty-story building onto the ground and live?

A man and his son are in a car crash. The father is killed and the child is taken to hospital gravely injured. When he gets there, the surgeon says, 'I can't operate on this boy - for he is my son!!!' How can this possibly be?

There are six eggs in the basket. Six people each take one of the eggs. How can it be that one egg is left in the basket?

**Logic Puzzles
answer on page 4**

Hospitality Suite

Because of Covid, we won't be able to provide the full, wonderful hospitality we have in the past, but we will do what we can.

Hosts Evvie Gilbert and Maya Alela for the Open and Women's and Julie Arbit and Christian Jolly for the Mixed and Seniors will be in our usual hospitality suite (Room 2321). They will provide grab and go breakfast and lunch each day'

Breakfast: From 8-10 am. There will be individually packaged cereal, fruit, hard boiled eggs, bagels, and surprise treats. Also individual butter, jam, peanut butter, and cream cheese, as well as condiment packages. They will be making coffee and will have individual packages of sugar, sweetener, and dairy & non-dairy creamers. For those of you who prefer Keurig coffee, that will also be available in the hospitality suite. We are limiting access to 6 players at any one time, so we ask that you come to the suite, pick up a large to go container and put the smaller packages in that to take with you as quickly as you can, and then go someplace else to eat. **Masks that cover your nose & mouth must be worn in the Hospitality Suite at all times.** There will be a hand sanitizer station near the door and we encourage you to sanitize your hands before choosing what to take.

Lunch: From 2-4 pm (the first half of play each day ends at 2:35; we encourage those of you who are sitting out the 2nd quarter to go early). There will be a main dish (sandwiches, chicken, main dish salads, pizza) as well as individually packaged tuna salad, green salad, cheese, fruit, and berries. Also all the individual packages of add-ons we have for breakfast. Water and soft drinks will be available in refrigerators.

Let us know what you want: If there is a menu for a future day's lunch hanging on the wall outside the Hospitality Suite, please mark what you want, so we have a better idea of what to order.

Playing Rooms & Player's Break Room

We will have bottled water in the playing rooms and if there is a refrigerator in a playing room we'll stock it with soft drinks.

We will also have bottled water in the Player's Break Room (1321), as well as soft drinks, nespresso, some packaged snacks, and some fruit.

Masks that cover your nose & mouth must be worn in the Player's Break Room at all times, so you may not eat and drink in the room.



Julie Arbit



Christian
Jolly

Grab a bag.
Grab a box.
Sometimes bagels
Sometimes lox!

Answer to Puzzle on page 3

1. The baby fell out of a ground floor window.
2. The surgeon cannot operate on her own son. She is the mother.
3. The last person took the last egg while still inside the basket!

General Face-to-Face Tournament Information to Players

The USBF Board of Directors met earlier this week and confirmed:

1. Face-to-face play in Schaumburg will be with 2 players per room.
2. Players will not be required to get Covid tests, but will be provided with information about where they can be tested (in Woodfield Mall) if they want to be. Staff will be tested approximately once a week.
3. We will comply with the Illinois mask requirements, which currently require masks in public areas indoors. Our default will be for both players in the playing rooms to wear masks, but if the 2 players in a room agree on a different rule we will allow whatever they agree on, assuming that is in compliance with the Illinois requirements.
4. We will ask each player to sign a Covid-related waiver of liability form before they start play. Jan will be sending the text of the waiver to all of you in the next day or so, and will have printed forms in her office (room 1321) at the Hyatt for participants to sign.
5. Hospitality will be limited - "grab & go" breakfast and lunch will be distributed in our usual hospitality suite (room 2321), but everyone will have to go someplace else to eat. We will allow only 6 players in the suite at any one time. The suite will not be open for socializing at other times. We will have water, soft drinks, coffee and snacks in the Players' Break Room (1321), and there also, we will limit the number of people in the room at any one time. Eating in the Break Room is not allowed. Masks will be required in the hospitality suite and in the Players' Break Room.
6. There will be air purifiers in each playing room and in 1321 and 2321.

This "burning rope" problem is a classic logic puzzle. You have two ropes that each take an hour to burn, but burn at inconsistent rates. How can you measure 45 minutes? (You can light one or both ropes at one or both ends at the same time.)

Answer:

Because they both burn inconsistently, you can't just light one end of a rope and wait until it's 75 percent of the way through. But, this is what you can do:

Light the first rope at both ends, and light the other rope at one end, all at the same time. The first rope will take 30 minutes to burn (even if one side burns faster than the other, it still takes 30 minutes). The moment the first rope goes out, light the other end of the second rope.

Because the time elapsed of the second rope burning was 30 minutes, the remaining rope will also take 30 minutes; lighting it from both ends will cut that in half to 15 minutes, giving you 45 minutes all together.

Logic Puzzle



KIBITZING ON LOVEBRIDGE

You can follow the USBC on the <https://vugraph.lovebridge.com/> website. The stream is delayed; go to the schedule below for starting times for each segment.

Popcorn time!

Do you want to listen to commentary? Search for the TV icon! It will send you to the page where you can choose from the available live commentary. If it doesn't do anything, no one is commenting.

Nail biting!

Do you want to be deeply involved? Choose the "Match view" at the starting page of your event. Your screen will be divided into four small screens – two of them showing the two tables of the match you choose, the other two having the scoresheet for your match and the current scores of the other matches. In the 2x2 view you can also personalize the content in all your windows. (The 2x2 view is not available on mobiles.)

Think together!

When watching a table, click on a name and choose "Kibitz". Instead of seeing all 4 hands, you will see what the player sees, and you can decide what you would do and see whether your chosen player agrees.

More Information:

Be well informed and tell your friends: while following the play, you can click many items. The image of the sticker with the number of the board (upper right) takes you to the results of the board, in the bottom right corner the arrow takes you the scoresheet, the DDS shows the double dummy analyses, beside that there is a button for the other table of the same match, at the top left corner you can see the bidding with alerts and the explanations (mouse over), the tricks already played, and the double dummy analysis for the available number of tricks with the par score.

Navigation icons:

While surfing here and there in the vugraph, or amongst the archive sessions, there are icons to help you. You can always go back to the main page with the "house" or to the standings with the "scores". If you cannot see the icons, move your mouse, or touch your screen and they pop up immediately. There is also a built-in back button because the back button of your browser will always take you to the starting page. If this is not what you wanted, push next in your browser and you can continue where you were.

Replay:

After the event you can find every board from every table easily. While replaying the hands, the only surprise can be the way "next board" button works. If you have arrived from a scoresheet, it navigates through the scoresheet. If you have arrived from a screen where the results were shown for a given board then the same buttons move you through list. Push every button and enjoy!

KIBITZING SCHEDULE FOR THE KO (EDT)

Segment 1: 12:00 noon

Segment 2: 2:25 pm

BREAK

Segment 3: 5:45 pm

Segment 4: 8:00 pm

NEXT DAY

Segment 5: 12:00 noon

Segment 6: 2:25 pm

BREAK

Segment 7: 7:00 pm

Segment 8: 9:30 pm



Ed. Note: See page 7 for the link to Tracey Bauer's video interview with Peter Talyigas at Love-Bridge explaining "How to Get the Most from Kibitzing on the site"

The Austin NABC will be held as scheduled.

After much consideration, the decision has been made to move forward for the [2021 Fall North American Bridge Championships](#) scheduled for Nov. 25-Dec. 5 in Austin.



While we are excited to bring players back to the bridge table, we will still approach the tournament with an abundance of caution. We will hold the event as carefully as possible to protect the health and safety of players, volunteers and staff. Because of this, meetings and other large social gatherings outside of gameplay will be very limited (details are available on the [Austin NABC website](#)). We hope to hold these events during NABCs in 2022.

All NABC attendees, staff and volunteers must be fully vaccinated to attend the Austin NABC and have face masks properly worn when present in the tournament areas. We have procured VOW Digital Health to manage the verification process for vaccinations. Further details on all health and safety requirements are available on the Austin NABC page of our website

Please do not attend the Fall NABC if you are not prepared to follow the safety protocols. They are in place to protect all attendees, and no exceptions will be made.



In the Daily Bulletin from the Senior Online Championships on October 3, you may have seen the **In Memoriam** for Jeff Goldsmith. Jeff lost his battle with cancer last week.

Jeff's family has designated the **USBF Junior Fund**, a 501C(3) charity, for donations in his memory. Donations may be made through the USBF website (USBF.org) and will be properly acknowledged. This was a very kind gesture by Jeff and his family who recognized how important bridge was to Jeff.

ALERT!! PLAYERS WHO PLAYED IN SCHAUMBURG SO FAR...

Please return any styluses you may have in your possession. We need them for the Mixed and the Seniors! Thank you. No questions asked!!

LoveBridge computes some interesting statistics on each player each day. Today you can see yesterday's statistics and tomorrow you can see the stats from today. To view, you must go to https://stats.lovebridge.com/statistics/usbc_2285 and enter your username. Each player has an individual username and password. Anyone can view a complete set of stats by clicking the tournament link and selecting USBC Open All.

Your personal stats are only available when you're logged in.

Tracy Bauer put together a U-Tube video interview with Peter Talyigas at LoveBridge and if you are having trouble figuring out how to kibitz, please access the link below... it may help:

<https://www.twitch.tv/videos/1176199382>

One side note: The format is not supported on Google Chrome. It does work on Edge!!

Mask Rules

Attendees are required to wear a mask that covers their nose and mouth in all public areas in the hotel. That means the hotel lobby, corridors, and elevators, as well as the **Hospitality Suite** and the **Office/Players' Break Room, where masks must be worn at all times. Therefore, there is no eating or drinking in those rooms.**

Our attorney has told us that the Cook County Mask Mandate forces us to require masks in the playing rooms. Therefore, we have adopted the following policy about that:

*Masks are required in playing rooms. If you are observed not wearing a mask in a playing room, there will be a 2 IMP penalty for the first offense in a segment, a 4 IMP penalty for the second offense, an 8 IMP penalty for the third offense, and a 16 IMP penalty for the fourth and subsequent offenses; however, if you and your opponent agree to something other than both wearing masks, any IMP penalties for not wearing a mask will apply to both of you equally and there will be no other penalties. You may remove your mask briefly to eat or drink. **However, if you call for a director (for any reason), and you are not wearing a mask properly when the director enters the room, the penalty will apply to your team for your next match in the event.** There is no eating or drinking in the playing room when the Director present.*

In addition, anyone who is penalized more than twice (over the course of the entire event) in situations where his/her opponent was wearing a mask while s/he wasn't, or where the director was called, may be subject to additional conduct penalties.

You should bring masks to the tournament with you; we will not be supplying masks.

Covid Waiver

We are going to ask each player in these events to sign a COVID-19 Waiver of Claims. It is being sent to you by email and you may sign it electronically and return it to Jan (marteljan@gmail.com) or you can sign a printed waiver at the site. Waivers will be available to sign in room 1321 starting Oct. 5th at 9:00 am. **Everyone is required to sign the form before the start of play!**

The ratio of employees to managers is 7: 3. 70% of the employees and 30% of the managers take lunch in the canteen. What % of total workforce takes lunch in canteen?

Logical Mathematical Puzzle

Answer:
Assume there are 7X employees and 3X managers
Total workforce taking lunch in canteen
= (7X) (70/100) + (3X) (30/100)
= 49(X/10) + 9(X/10)
= 58(X/10)
Total workforce are = 7X + 3X = 10X
% of workforce taking lunch in canteen
= ((58X/10) / 10X) * 100 = 58 %

Uday Ivatury was awarded ACBL 2021 Honorary Member of the Year

He has been solving problems in online bridge for a long time. He came to the U.S. from India in 1978 to finish college at Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute. He became interested in computers when they were barely a household word and set off on a career in programming.

While in school he became obsessed with bridge, joining the ACBL in 1980. He met both his wife, Laura Tolkow, and a future business partner at the bridge club, and all but maybe two of his friends are bridge players. After working at IBM and a few startups, he considered himself basically retired by the time BBO came along.

Uday worked with Fred Gitelman and Sheri Winestock to make Bridge Base Online the incredible product it is today.

Ivatury has served as consultant on many ACBL projects. He is dedicated, hard working and kind.

His most "regular" partnership is with Cristal Henner with whom he is playing in this event as a member of the Henner team.



Meet the Players

My friend says to me, "What rhymes with orange?" And I told him, "No it doesn't!"

My wife told me I had to stop acting like a flamingo. So I had to put my foot down!

I told my girlfriend she drew her eyebrows too high. She seemed surprised!

I tell dad jokes but I have no kids...I'm a *faux pa*!

So a vowel saves another vowel's life. The other vowel says, "Aye E! I owe you!"

Did I tell you the time I fell in love during a backflip? I was heels over head!

Five out of four people admit they're bad with fractions!

When the grocery store clerk asks me if I want the milk in a bag, I always tell him, "No, I'd rather drink it out of the carton!"

The difference between a numerator and a denominator is a short line. Only a fraction of people will understand this!

I don't play soccer because I enjoy the sport. I'm just doing it for kicks!



BIDDING	TRICKS	INFO	DDS
W: 1♣	N: PASS	E: 1♠	S: PASS
W: 2♣	N: PASS	E: 2NT	S: PASS
W: 4♣	N: PASS	E: PASS	S: PASS

8 ♠ Q 9 7 5 10 9 8 7 4 3 9 5
 ♥ ♥ ♥ ♥ ♥ ♣ ♣ ♣ ♣ ♣ ♣ ♣ ♣ ♣ ♣
 N Bronia Jenkins S

NORTH DEALER 36 EAST SOUTH

A Q 10 6
 ♠ ♠ ♠ ♠
 J 2
 ♥ ♥
 A Q 2
 ♣ ♣ ♣
 J 8 7 4
 ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦
 W Andrew Rosenthal

K 7 5 3
 ♠ ♠ ♠ ♠
 A 10 3
 ♥ ♥ ♥
 K 6 5
 ♣ ♣ ♣
 K 3 2
 ♦ ♦ ♦
 E Debbie Rosenberg

J 9 4 2 K 8 6 4 J A Q 10 6
 ♠ ♠ ♠ ♠ ♥ ♥ ♥ ♥ ♣ ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦
 S Brad Moss

E 4♣ NS EW 0 0
 N-S: Moss 138 IMPs
 E-W: Rosenthal 189 IMPs
 Other room: E 3N -600

On Board 36 of the 7th segment of the Mixed USA1 Final, Rosenthal opened 1D and Rosenberg responded 1S. Rosenthal bid 2S and Debbie Rosenberg asked for more information by bidding 2NT. Rosenthal's 4S bid showed a maximum with four spades and no shortness.

The opening lead was the CJ. Rosenberg won the ace, cashed the SA and led a

spade to her king, discovering the poor trump break. She drew the remaining trump and led a diamond to the king, losing to Moss's ace. Moss exited with the H4 to Jenkins's king and declarer's ace. Rosenberg had nine sure tricks (four spades, three clubs and two hearts). She needed a diamond trick, but faced a timing problem. Rosenberg led a diamond to dummy's jack. This held, but when Rosenberg played the HJ to set up her tenth trick, Moss had two good diamonds to cash, setting the contract one trick.

If Rosenberg plays a heart instead of a diamond, Moss will win and exit with a heart, establishing a heart trick to cash when he wins the DQ. Jenkins had discarded the D5 on the fourth round of spades and followed with the D9 on the first round of diamonds.

The rule of restricted choice suggests that Moss is more likely to hold the DT. To make the contract Rosenberg needs to finesse for the DT, keeping control of the suit.

At the other table, in this match, Kevin Dwyer bypassed his spade suit and jumped to 3NT with his 4-3-3-3 hand.

Nine tricks were easy to take. The opening lead was a spade. Dwyer won the SK and played a spade to dummy's ace and a diamond to his king. Migry won the DA and played a heart, setting up the 9th trick.

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8 ♠ Q 9 7 5 10 9 8 7 4 3 9 5
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 N Chris Willenken S

NORTH DEALER 36 EAST SOUTH

A Q 10 6
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 J 2
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 A Q 2
 ♣ ♣ ♣
 J 8 7 4
 ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦
 W Jenny Wolpert

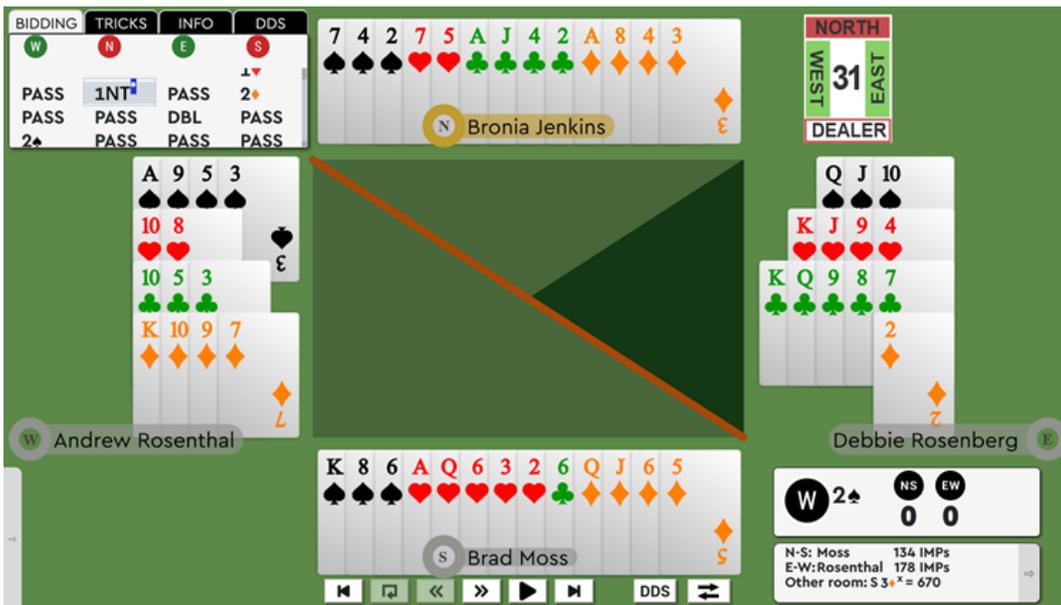
K 7 5 3
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 A 10 3
 ♥ ♥ ♥
 K 6 5
 ♣ ♣ ♣
 K 3 2
 ♦ ♦ ♦
 E Kevin Dwyer

J 9 4 2 K 8 6 4 J A Q 10 6
 ♠ ♠ ♠ ♠ ♥ ♥ ♥ ♥ ♣ ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦
 S Migry Campanile

E 3NT NS EW 0 0
 N-S: Rosenthal 189 IMPs
 E-W: Moss 138 IMPs
 Other room: E 4♣ -1100

12 IMPs to Moss

In the USA2 Semifinal match, both pairs played in 4S going down one.



In the Mixed USA1 Final, Board 31 of the fifth segment does not look like a swing board.

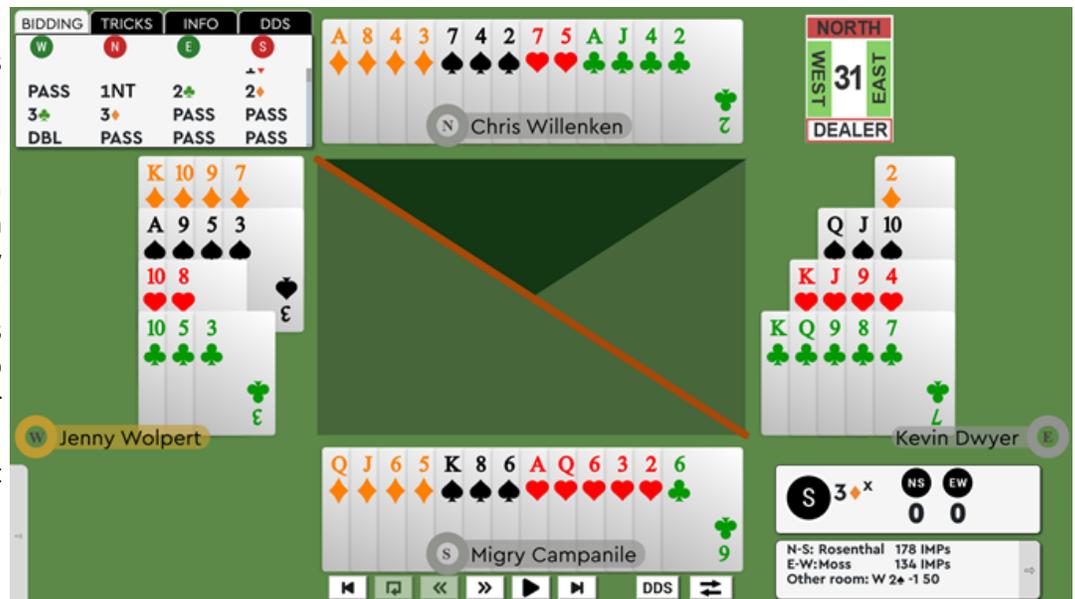
Moss opened 1H. Bronia Jenkins responded 1NT and Brad rebid 2D. This passed around to Debbie Rosenberg, who balanced with a double. Andrew Rosenthal bid 2S and played it there.

Jenkins led the H7. Moss won the HQ and returned his singleton club. Jenkins won the CA and gave Moss a ruff. Moss cashed the HA and played a third heart. Rosenthal discarded his last club and Jenkins trumped. Jenkins cashed DA, defeating the contract. Jenkins continued diamonds. Rosenthal won the DK, trumped a diamond in dummy and finessed the spade and took the rest of the tricks.

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At the other table, there was more action.

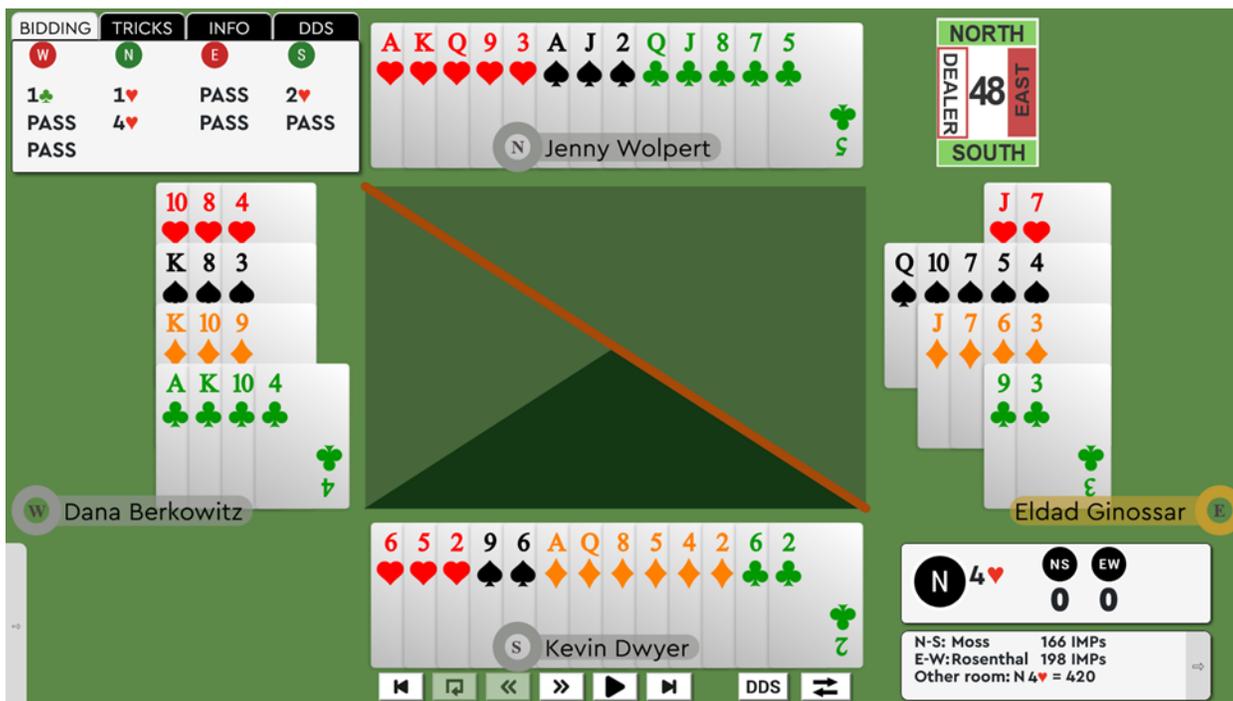
Migry opened 1H. Willenken responded 1NT and Kevin Dwyer overcalled 2C. Migry bid 2D. Jenny Wolpert raised to 3C. Willenken bid 3D. This was passed around to Wolpert, who thought her hand was worth another bid. With no clear call, Wolpert balanced with double.



Wolpert led a club. Migry won dummy's ace and played a heart to the north queen. She cashed the HA and trumped a heart in dummy, Wolpert discarding a spade. Migry trumped a club and led a heart. Wolpert discarded her last club while dummy ruffed.

Migry trumped a club with the DQ. Wolpert overruffed and returned the DT. Migry won in dummy and led a diamond to her jack. Migry played her good heart. Wolpert trumped the heart and was endplayed in spades. Migry's SK was the ninth trick to score +670.

12 IMPs to Rosenthal



Dana Berkowitz and Eldad Ginossar defeated 4H with well timed defense on Board 48.

Ginossar led the C9. Berkowitz won the CK and shifted to the S8. If declarer wins the SA and draws two rounds of trump, the defense will be able to play a third trump when they win the second round of spades.

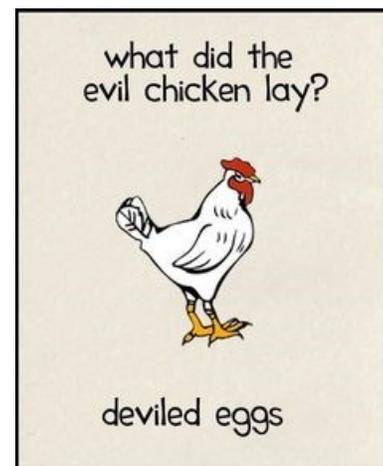
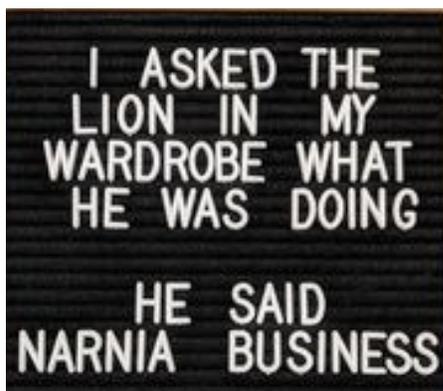
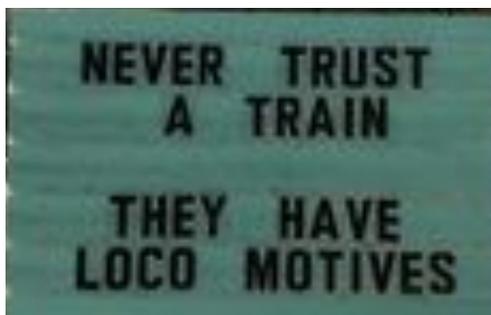
Wolpert played the SJ. Ginossar won the SQ and shifted back to clubs. Berkowitz won the CA and played a third club, promoting a trump for the setting trick.

At the other table, also defending 4H, Bronia Jenkins led a club. Brad Moss won the CK and shifted to a trump. Declarer, Chris Willenken, won the heart and played the CQ to Moss's ace. Moss continued hearts. Willenken won the heart, trumped a club in dummy, and discarded a spade on the DA to take ten tricks.

12 IMPs to Rosenthal

In the USA2 Semifinal, Henner/Ivatury bid and made 4H when the defense started with three rounds of clubs. Gabay/Wildavsky, at the other table in that match, sacrificed in 4S and were defeated three trick for -500.

2 IMPs to Lewis

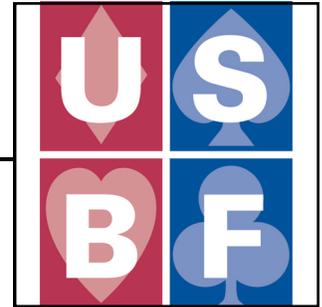


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6	1	2	5	8	9	3	7	4
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Sudoku Answers

Answer to Sudoku 1 Answer to Sudoku 2



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Always play
With cards unsorted.
That way "clocking"
Will be thwarted!



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

Hard Sudoku

From the Editor:
 Please be advised to keep this issue of the newsletter. While team lists and schedules will be reprinted in subsequent hard copy editions, other information may not.
 Thank you!!
 Suzi
 If you have a great hand or bridge news or gossip you think would be of interest to our readers, you can email me at stansubeck@prodigy.net



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9								
		6		5		2		1
	4	3	8					6

Answer to Puzzle on Page 15

Wait	blueberry	egg & bacon	regular	small
Rick	wheat	peanut butter	Columbian	medium
Joe	sesame	butter	hazelnut	medium
Carlos	onion	cream cheese	French vanilla	large
Brad	cheddar	plain	Amaretto	small
Name	Type of Bagel	Bagel Topping	Coffee Flavor	Coffee Size

Sudoku Answers on page 13

	blueberry	cheddar	onion	sesame	wheat	butter	cream cheese	egg & bacon	peanut butter	plain	Amaretto	Columbian	French vanilla	hazelnut	regular	large	medium	medium	small	small
Brad																				
Carlos																				
Joe																				
Rick																				
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Answer on Page 14

Name	Type of Bagel	Bagel Topping	Coffee Flavor	Coffee Size
Brad				
Carlos				
Joe				
Rick				
Walt				

Bagel Alley, the local bagel shop, was always a location of furious activity during the morning commute as people stopped by to get their coffee and bagel on the way to work. Fresh made on site each morning, the bagels were highly popular and the fact that the shop also had great coffee was like icing on the cake! The people who worked at Bagel Alley were cheerful and friendly, as well as competent, so despite the large volume of customers, the wait was never long or unpleasant. Joe and four of his coworkers stopped by this morning to see what everyone was raving about and were pleasantly surprised to find that the shop lived up to its reputation. Determine the name of each coworker, what kind of bagel with its topping, and what flavor and size of coffee (small, medium, or large) each ordered.

1. Brad got his bagel, which wasn't wheat, with nothing

on it. Walt ordered a small coffee.

- The two coworkers who got medium sized coffees were the one who got the hazelnut flavor and the one who got his bagel with peanut butter.
- The one who got the onion bagel, but not with butter, also got a French vanilla coffee, but not the small size.
- The five coworkers were Joe, the one who got a large coffee, the one who got Amaretto flavored coffee, the one who got a wheat bagel, and the one who got egg & bacon on his bagel.
- Rick didn't order the blueberry bagel but he did get Columbian coffee. The Amaretto coffee was ordered with the cheddar bagel but not by Walt.
- The cream cheese did not come with the blueberry bagel but it did come with a large coffee. The sesame bagel came with butter but Carlos didn't order it.

Shakespeare: Macbeth

Find and circle all of the words relating to Macbeth that are hidden in the grid.
The remaining letters spell a secret message - a quotation from Macbeth.

Note: MACBETH and LADY MACBETH are hidden separately and do not overlap.

E A D S C O T L A N D S M L O C L A M B
T N E N A C N U D Y N O T S D R A W I S
A G D H A E P N R O R L I R C A W D O R
C U I G C L A K I S E I P E I N C H E H
E S C G E L R T O S G L R T F M A T N E
H L I C G N I E Y O G O O S T E P E O A
H A G N A R T G B R A Q P I M C T B C T
U D E M A I B L N M D U H S A N A C S H
S Y R P S X T R E I U Y E D D A I A R B
I M P S O P O H E W K C C R N E N M E A
M A M E O T T N N H O L Y I E L O I R N
A C N R C G A N N E H M A E S F R W E Q
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G E D N I R E D T H L S I N P I A A R O
R T A S D O N A L B A I N E O E Y S U T
S H N L A D Y M A C D U F F T T E T M L
T U U W A E C N E I C S N O C N Y L Y I
D A S S E N R E V N I N E E U Q E E S U
C B L O O D D O O W M A N R I B C M S G
O M E L L I K E M L O C S D N A L E R I

ANGUS	DAGGER	IRELAND	REGICIDE
APPARITIONS	DOCTOR	LADY MACBETH	ROSS
BANQUO	DONALBAIN	LADY MACDUFF	SCONE
BIRNAM WOOD	DUNCAN	LENNOX	SCOTLAND
BLOOD	DUNSINANE	MACBETH	SEYTON
CAITHNESS	ENGLAND	MADNESS	SIWARD
CAPTAIN	FLEANCE	MALCOLM	SLEEPWALKING
CASTLE	GENTLEWOMAN	MENTEITH	SOLILOQUY
CAULDRON	GLAMIS	MURDERERS	THANE
CAWDOR	GUILT	NORWAY	WEIRD SISTERS
COLMEKILL	HEATH	PORTER	
CONSCIENCE	HECATE	PROPHECY	
CUMBERLAND	INVERNESS	QUEEN	

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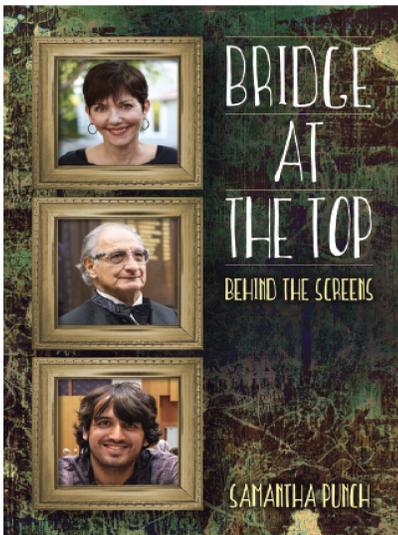
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Editor



Samantha

Questions asked by Players in the Open and the Mixed... FAQ's from Jan Martel

Chat

- **My physical keyboard isn't working!** Make sure to click/put focus into the chat box before attempting to type in the box. (The blinking cursor makes it seem as though focus is there, but it may not be.) This seems to only occur with an external keyboard, not the virtual keyboard.
- **What does that number on the left side mean?** You have unread chat message(s). Click on left gray arrow to open chat and right gray arrow to close the chat. (If you actually type and send a message, the chat will close automatically. Reopen with left gray arrow.)
- **Why can't I chat to my partner?** For security reasons, chat to partner is not available while cards for a new hand are on display. Since there is no "between round down time," there is no real partner chat.

Bidding

- **The system won't let me pass!** If you have the level (1 through 7) highlighted, you will be unable to pass/double/redouble. Click on the highlighted numeral to remove the highlight, then make the desired call.
- **My explanation keeps disappearing!** If you alert your bid as you make it but go back later to explain, there is a bug in the system where subsequent table actions will erase any text that you have typed into the explanation box. If you include your explanation with your call or when it is your turn to act, then this will not occur. (We have reported this issue to LoveBridge.)
- **Where is the undo button?** While there is no undo button, every call made is followed by a brief cancellation time period. A cancel button will appear immediately below the call selected in the top center portion of the screen. If you cancel within the time period, your bidding panel will reappear for you to select the intended call. If you do not cancel within the time period, summon a director (hit red TD whistle) to request an undo.

Play

1. **Why can't I click on a card?** The default setting for LoveBridge is neither a tap/click nor a double tap/click. The default setting is a drag-and-drop motion where the player pulls a card to the gray box in the center of the screen and releases to play the card. If the "pulled" card is not the intended one, the player can drag it back to the hand and select another card. **We recommend this setting while players are getting accustomed to the system.** Players may change this setting to double tap/click if desired, but we strongly discourage single tap/click settings.
2. **Whose turn is it?** In the bidding or play of the hand, the player's direction letter (N S E W) will be white inside of the circle when it is the player's turn. This is a very subtle change from the normal pale blue letter.
3. **How do I claim?** During the play, you may click the larger red box below the TD whistle to claim. If the claim button is grayed out (not available), you either already contributed a card to the current trick or you are dummy.

How do I see the bidding once play has started? A player is not entitled to the entire auction once they have played to trick 1. If you have not yet played to trick one, the auction will be in the lower left corner. Click on it to enlarge to the center area. Click the double gray arrows in the bottom right of the center area to send it back to the corner. Similarly, this is how a player may see the cards from the previous trick (prior to playing to current trick).

The new and improved 60 Board USBF Convention Card is now available on the table in Jan's office (Break Room??)

We hope it "suits" you! 



After dinner, my wife asked if I could clear the table. I needed a running start, but I made it!

A woman is on trial for beating her husband to death with his guitar collection. The judge asks her, "First offender?" She says, "No, first a Gibson! Then a Fender!"

I know a lot of jokes about retired people but none of them work!

What do you call a guy with a rubber toe? Roberto!

Limey Jack...

Yanks; can a bloke grab some shuteye? This never-ending march of your Trials may be fine for someone like Howie Dung, who at his best, is still barmy, but Limey Jack needs to sit down with Zia and help coach him to a better result for next year.

As was told, Rosenthal becomes USA1, and USA2 is from the two squadrons that Limey Jack gave to you as the Parson's wife gives mince pies to the Foundling's Home.

Lewis-Moss: Of a cert, Howie Dung will pick Moss, but Limey Jack senses weakness within. Lewis has played consistently and will wear the crown.

Til next we meet. Cheers, LJ

Howie Doing...

Moss or Lewis for USA2?

Cannot believe the event isn't through!

Disa's already Italy fixed.

Will she play in the Women's or play in the Mixed?

Lewis and Lewis and Smith Senior playing.

If USA2, it's becomes quite dismaying!

I think it's clear who will suffer the loss,

It won't be the team that is captained by Moss!

Board 57
NORTH
E-W

♠ A T 7 6 3
♥ A 8
♦ 7 6 5 2
♣ 9 6

♠ K 8 5
♥ K Q J 9 5 2
♦ A Q
♣ K 3

♠ Q 2
♥ 7 4
♦ J T 3
♣ Q J T 7 4 2

♠ J 9 4
♥ T 6 3
♦ K 9 8 4
♣ A 8 5

Par: -140

	♠	♥	♦	♣	N
NS	3	6	4	7	4
EW	10	6	9	5	7

Home team Visiting team Room C By I = ★ P

	NS	EW	Home	Visiti
1 Rosenthal Moss	Open	3N	W	♠6 -2 200 13
	Closed	4♥	W	♦5 = 620

On Board 57 yesterday, in 4th seat, Moss opened 2NT showing 20-21 flat on his 18 count with six hearts. Jenkins had no reason to do anything besides raise to game. Willenken led a 4th best spade and Moss won the queen in dummy. Moss led a small club to the king and the HK to Willenken's ace. Willenken played the C9 to Migry's and and Migry put the SJ through the king to the ace. The contract finished the predictable two down.

At the other table, Dwyer opened the South hand in 3rd seat, 1D. Berkowitz doubled.

Wolpert bid 1S. Ginossar called 2C. Dwyer passed and Berkowitz jumped to 4H.

Wolpert led the D5 to declarer's queen. Berkowitz played the S5 to the queen in dummy. She continued with the S2 to the king and Wolpert's ace. To defeat 4H, Wolpert needed to lead the HA and heart now to stop dummy from ruffing declarer's losing spade.

Unfortunately for Jenny, she played the D2 to declarer's ace. Dana ruffed her losing spade, led a small heart from dummy to her king and Wolpert's ace, but it was too late for the defense. 4H made four. 13 IMPs to Rosenthal

In the USA2 match, both tables played in 3H, one making four and one making three for a 1IMP swing to Henner.

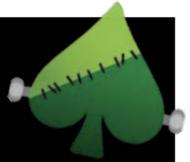
Interesting how differently players evaluate their cards. Sheila Gabay opened the West hand 1H; North overcalled 1S; East passed; South bid 2S; and Gabay bid 3H playing it there. That is all that can be scored on best defense so kudos to both teams in USA2 for the accurate stop. Kamenova and Smith had the identical auction at the other table.

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Midday Two-Session Event Schedule

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5:00 pm & 8:00 pm ET | Great Pumpkin 499er Pairs (500/300/100)
No player may have more than 500 masterpoints |
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