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UNIT 430 BRIDGE NEWSLETTER

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Last issue received an inordinate number of comments, both positive and negative. On the positive side, many players indicated the emphasis on ethics and good conduct at the bridge table was long overdue.

On the negative side, several players expressed concern at the way articles were written, saying they slighted certain players (see Joerg Schneider's letter- just one example of the comments I received.)

May I emphasize it is not the intention of the unit, the Matchpointer, its editor, nor any of the writers, to denigrate anyone. We value each of our players and want to nurture, encourage and congratulate them when they deserve it.

However, we are all human and sometimes we unintentionally offend other players. Often it is a case of not wearing the other person's shoes. What may seem a valid interpretation to one person may be completely invalid in another's eyes. Sometimes, a point is made at the expense of a particular player. At other times, in an attempt to be humorous or thought-provoking, we refer to a particular situation which may offend the player(s) involved. The purpose is not to offend the player but to make the point or to inject some humor (again, I refer to Joerg-who has also submitted an article which pokes a little fun at certain unnamed players. I enjoyed the story, I think you will enjoy it, but I recognize that if the players involved read it, they could be offended.)

In most cases, the people involved in our articles, as both writers and subjects, are among the unit's better players. Over the years, they have proven their ability to consistently play at a high level. One or two errors or idiosyncracies will not change that. Unfortunately, by being good and recognizable players, they become targets. Conduct tolerated in a lesser player is not tolerated of them. As well, a minor error by a major player is noticed much more than a major error by

In my first president's message in the August issue of the Matchpointer, I expressed concern at the low number of tables the Montifly Unit Games were attracting to the North Shore Winter Club and expressed the fope the Unit Board could address that during this year.
At the December meeting of the Unit Board, it was decideff to move thie Montfily Unit Game to the Vancouver Bridge Centre in the fope that a more central location would result in an increase in participation. The Ganuary

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MOVES game will be held on the first Sunday in the month at 7
p.m. wfich corresponds to our timing last year. We also fad some discussion about cflanging the Montfily Unit Game to Satunday evening. On an experimental basis (forced on us in any case by scheduling problems), the February game will be held at 8 p.m. on Saturday, February 13. Let us know' your preferences as to the better day for the 'Init Games.

> BERMUIAA BOWL
> PLAYOFFS
> VIEWGRAPH In late February the 'Tri-Country playoff for a berth in the Bermuda will not be recognized as they should. If you attend a tournament, please forward the results of all the unit winners.

From time to time our announcements of events, criteria, subsidies and so on turn out to be incorrect. Again, it is not our intention to deliberately mislead anyone. Some of the inaccuracies are due to inadequate proofing (try as we might to eliminate them-some errors elude us). In other cases, the announcements are based on the best information available at the time, but which subsequently changes.

Therefore, on behalf of the Matchpointer staff and all its writers, may I apologize to those we have offended or misled in the past and to those we shall offend in the future. Even though we do not mean to, it will happen. We are not perfect-it is the striving for perfection which makes us human (and which keeps us coming back to the bridge table).

In particular I would like to apologize to Joerg Schneider, not because of anything that has been written in the past, but for using him as an example in this editorial. No offence was intended. Your writing is always welcome (as are submissions from all our players).

Good reading.
allow you a first fiand view of the fightest level of bridge. This is the first time the majority of the National Team fas come from this area and we are fortunate that it co-incides with a year whien Canada hosts the playoff. Do take this rare opportunity to improve your game by attending the viewgraph sessions. The organizers will endeavor to keep you informed through your ctubs as to thie times of the sessions.

On befialf of the Ulit Boand (and Diane and myself) may I take this opportunity to wish you all a happy foliday season and a fiealtfyy and prosperous 1993. May you all have the partners and teammates you deserve and may alf your finesses work in 1993. Chuck Campbell


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## ROUND-UP SECTIONAL

## OPEN PAIRS

1. Don Sache \& Larry Pocock 2. Rob Shelburn \& Glenn Ponto
2. Haiderali Nazak \& Nurdin Kassam
3. Denny Denman \& Ram Hira
4. Dan Jacob \& Nathan Divinsky
5. Gary Phelan \& Jim Marshall

WOMEN'S PAIRS

1. Marcia Christie \& Jennifer Paynter
2. Joan O'Flynn \& Gertrude Stanford
3. Mary Sutherland \& Pat Landau
4. Sally McAlary \& Peggy Wellman
5. Phyllis Barrington \& Koos VanLieshout
6. Bonnie Anderson \& Olive Perdue
HENRY SMILIE MIXED B-A-M TEAMS
7. Liz Lee, Colin Collin, Gail Fennell, David Harper
2/3. Nigel Fullbrook, Angela Taylor, Allan Ferguson, Sandra Robson
$2 / 3$. Gary Phelan, Grace Jeklin, Ina Andersen, John McDonald
8. Mike Dimich, Bev Taylor, Judy Strebinger, Don Brazeau
9. Marguerite Chiarenza, John Lepage, Gord Davis, Anne Nagy
10. Richard \& Marcia Christie, Dan
\& Christina Jacob
RRI. EVE. SIDE GAME
11. Sandi White \& Stan Bodlak
12. Santokh Sian \& Kas Hameer
13. Rita Hasselbach \& Joni Johnston
14. Guy Haggerty \& Janet Taylor
15. Liz Stoneman \& Allan Olson 6. Bill Henderson \& Ken Cowherd JUNIOR PAIRS
16. Gypsy Sturrock \& Shirley Laidlaw
17. Prashat Pandit \& Jerry Malcolm


ROUND-UP SECTIONAL
4. Mechtild Kellas-Dicks \& Fran Dodds
STRATHFIED PAIRS-Flı A

1. Martin O'Reilly \& Peter Maclean
2. Bob Connop \& Paul Hagen 3. Linda Sims \& Lauren Miller 4. Laureen Holley \& Bill Osten 5. Jude Goodwin-Hanson \& Graham Putnam
3. Peter Herold \& Jim Dickie 7. Steve Vincent \& Bev Taylor STRATIFIED PAIRS-Fit B 1. Gary Phelan \& Grace Jeklin 2. Don Sharp \& Cornel Sawchuk 3. Phil \& Lenora Awram
4. Dan Watson \& Audrey Loy 5/6. Haiderali Nazak \& Nurdin Kassam
5/6. Patti Prenty \& Geoff Fetterley STRATIFIED PAIRS-Flt C
5. Phil \& Lenora Awram
6. Diane Dean \& Nancy Yoshida
7. Mona Taylor \& Malcolm Tindale
8. Bonnie Scott \& Janet Ross
9. Roman Woroch \& Nando Masini 6. Mike Prenty \& Gerry VanGaans OPEN SWISS TEAMS
10. Mike Wiss, Peter Maclean, Ken Robertson, Eugene Chan
11. Bob Connop, Leo Steil, Fred Sontag, Mike Wilson, Leo Glaser
3/7. Phil \& Lenora Awram, Audrey Loy, Edith Hicks
3/7. John Bryden, Mike Takemori, Steve Vincent, Martin O'Reilly
3/7. David Callahan, Rose Bolson, Stan Christie, Ray Miller
3/7. Mohammed Dadbeh, Don Fraser, Colin Collin, Liz Lee
3/7. Wayne Ohlrich, Andy Kopser, Henry Lortz, Paul Conroy
8/9. Chuck \& Diane Campbell Elaine Ryan. Jennifer Paynter
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| Peter Maclean | 33.91 |
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| Bob Connop | 23.73 |
| Martin O'Reilly | 20.69 |
| Eugene Chan | 19.79 |
| Ken Robertson | 18.16 |
| Mike Wiss | 18.16 |
| Mike Wilson | 14.37 |
| Leo Steil | 13.53 |
| Leo Glaser | 13.50 |
| Fred Sontag | 12.71 |

8/9. Nathan Divinsky, Dan Jacob,
Greg Arbour, Aidan

## Ballantyne

SWISS TEAMS-Consolation

1. Larry Meyer, Tai Eng, Jim McKenzie, Fred Powell
2/3. Ken Holland, Bill Kennedy, Clay Connolly, Ric Sumner
$2 / 3$. Hoshang \& Rani Shroff, Haiderali Nazak, Nurdin Kassam
4/5. Roz Richardson, Arlene Browning, Mary Corbould, Bernice Selander
4/5. Fred Struve, Peter Jacquest, Gordon Hutton, Irene Hawksworth
FUTURE STARS SECTIONAL
SAT AFT. STRAT PRS-FIt A
2. Phil \& Lenora Awram
3. John Zhao \& Henry Yang 3. Gail Moffat \& Clay Connolly 4. Anita Soldati \& Wanda Stepien 5. Chris Williams \& Kevin Raywood
4. Gypsy Sturrock \& Shirley Laidlaw
SAT AFT: STRAT PRS-Flt B
5. Phil \& Lenora Awram
6. John Zhao \& Henry Yang
7. Anita Soldati \& Wanda Stepien
8. Chris Williams \& Kevin

## Raywood

5. Gypsy Sturrock \& Shirley Laidlaw
6. Jane Vaughan \& Yoshi Fujisaka SAT AFT. STRAT PRS-Flt C
7. Anita Soldati \& Wanda Stepien
8. Chris Williams \& Kevin

## Raywood

3. Gypsy Sturrock \& Shirley Laidlaw
4. Anne Wallace \& Gisela Ziyone SAT EVE. STRAT PAIRS-Flt A 1. Debra Greer \& Paul Cameron 2. Rob Shelburn \& Lynn Walker 3. Roman Woroch \& Nando Masini-Pieralli

Gunter Allmann \& Jessic Leeder
5. Bev Eister \& Thelma Munroe 6. Lenora \& Phil Awran

SAT EVE STRAT PAIRS-Flt B

1. Bob Volkereth \& Ed Marchuk 2. Gin Chiew \& Tony Wischer SUN AM STRAT PAIRS-Flt A
2. Tom McKenna \& Mike Landry
3. Paul Cameron \& Debra Green
4. Thelma Munroe \& Bev Lister
5. Sohrab Radmard \& Hushang Mohtadi
6. John Lien \& Joan Brooks 6. Nancy Davies \& Gloria Black SUN AM STRAT PAIRS-Flt B
7. John Lien \& Joan Brooks
8. Nancy Davies \& Gloria Black
9. Roy Trask \& Aase Haines
10. Keith Boothby \& Jake Janzen
11. Roman Woroch \& Nando

Masini-Pieralli
SUN AM STRAT PAIRS-Flt C

1. Keith Boothby \& Jake Janzen
2. Elaine Busch \& Marie Pelletier
3. Judy Murphy \& Veronica

## Peacock

SWISS TEAMS

1. John Zhao, Yan Song, Henry Yang, Michael Yu
2. Nancy Hurrell, Ruby Jackson, Kathy Bye, Sandra Hawk
3. Roman Worch, Nando MasiniPieralli. Mike Landry, Tom McKenna
4/9. Nancy Davies, Gloria Black, Jane Vaughan, Yoshi Fujisaka
4/9. Mary Joy \& Bill McFarlane, Althea \& Robert Morisette
4/9. Bruce McIntyre, Seev Lindstrom, Richard Dunn, Gerry Rockandel
4/9. Roy Trask, Lynn Walker, Pattie Lamb, Jerry Loeppky
4/9. Terry ValJean, Garry Scollon, Donna Costello, Donna Cusson
4/9. Anne Wallace, Gisela Ziyone, Stephen \& Barbara Butcher EVERETT REGIONAL
CHARITY PAIRS
4. Ted Trites \& Peter Marr

KNOCKOUT TEAMS-Flt B
5/8. Brian Bleau, Tai Eng, Randy Jordan, Dot Carnegie
KNOCKOUT TEAMS-Brkt 1
2. Don Sache, Sheila Girotto, Doug Hansford, John McDonald, Ken

Danielsen
KNOCKOUT TEAMS-Brkt 2
2. Marjorie Mason, Allen Coulter,

Winnifred Gilbreath
3/4. Lorraine Hardy, Tomie
Yamanouchi, Marianne Scott, Dona Murdoch
5/6. Barb Stachoski
SENIOR SWISS TEAMS
1/4. Karel Van Renesse
6/7. Margie Neate, Stella Alliston, Ev Hodge, Donna Morrison STRATIFIED SWISS-Flt A
1/3. Dan Jacob, Aidan Ballantyne, Cam Doner
1/3. John McDonald, Tom Cross, Doug Hansford, Ken Danielsen
5/6. Bill Osborne, Gary Phelan, Dan Watson, Doug Thomas
79. Leo Steil, Karel Van Renesse 10/12. Derek Ward
STRATIFIED SWISS-FIt B $2 / 3$. Fee Yeung SPEEDBALLSWISS
$2 / 3$. Brian Bleau, Tai Eng, Randy Jordan, Dot Carnegie
SWISS TEAMS-Flt A
215. Steve Vincent, John Bryden, Dave Waterman, Larry Hicks. Dave Glen
8/17. Cam Doner
8/17. Dan Jacob, Peter Herold, Jim Dickic. Aidan Ballantyne
8/17. Bill Osborne, Dan Watson, Doug Thomas, Gary Phelan 8/17. Larry \& June Pocock SWISS TEAMS-Fit A Cons 1. Derek Ward

2/4. Tom Cross, Peter Marr, Doug Cowan. Pat Landau SWISS TEAMS-FIt B
8. Donna Freeze, Liz Stoneman, Marsha Woroniuk, Rita Hasselbach
9/10. Ozzie \& Shirley Isfeld, Albert \& Nadia Yallouz SWISS TEAMS-Flt B Cons 1. Philip \& Lenora Awram FLIGHTIFIED PAIRS-FIt A 4/5. Cam Doner
FLIGHTIFIED PAIRS-Flt B

1. Donna Freeze \& Marsha Woroniuk
FLIGHTIFIED PAIRS-FIt C 1. Donna Freeze \& Marsha Woroniuk

STRATIFIED PAIRS-Flt A
5. Dan Jacob

STRATIFIED PAIRS-Flt C
2/3. Philip \& Lenora Awram 4. Insa Fricker \& Susan McBride 6. Bill Osten \& Jim leNobel SUPER OPEN PAIRS-Flt A 3. Peter Herold
9. Bob Connop \& Paul Hagen
11. Aidan Ballantyne \& Dan Jacob 2. Tom Cross \& John McDonald SUPER OPEN PAIRS-Flt B

1. Shirley \& Ozzie Isfeld
2. Albert \& Nadia Yallouz
3. Philip \& Lenora Awram 7. Angela Taylor \& Marian Zarychta
4. Gary Phelan \& Grace Jeklin SUPER OPEN PAIRS-Flt C 2. Randy Jordan \& Tai Eng DINO-WIDE STAC EVENT OPEN PAIRS-Mon Aft
5. Marion Adams \& Stella Alliston OPEN PAIRS-Mon Eve
6. Carol Thompson \& Marg Sabiston
NOVICE PAIRS-(0-300)-Mon Eve 1. Roger Cheung \& Nancy Yoshida 4/5. Ken Lochang \& Ruby Jackson 4/5. Chris Milne \& Susan Edgar OPEN PAIRS-Tue Aft
7. Elliott Netto \& Ken Lochang OPEN PAIRS-Tue Eve
8. Ed \& Marianne Spanier STRAT PAIRS-Fli B-Tue Eve 1. John Reay \& Craig Snelgrove 2. Rick Gorman \& Allan Lepage NOVICE PAIRS-(0-20)-Tue Eve 1. Bill \& Jane Vaughn 2. Dave McDonald \& Pat Lester 3. Ellie Boshell \& Jim Johnson OPEN PAIRS-Wed Aft 7. Julie Smith \& Shirley McKinney OPEN PAIRS-Wed Eve
9. Doug Cowan \& Joyce Peters NOVICE PAIRS-Wed Eve
10. Gloria \& Jim Allen

OPEN PAIRS-Thurs Eve
3. Garry Skoropada \& Brad Fletcher
STRAT PAIRS-Flt A-Thu Eve
3. Derek Ward \& Don Sache

FLIGHTED PAIRS-(0-300-500)
3. Victoria St. Mars \& Pat Jones
4. Bruce McIntyre \& Gerry Rockandel
OPEN PAIRS-Fri Eve
7. Joan Olson \& Hugh Greenbank

## PHIL WOOD

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| 1. | Bob Connop | 60.39 | 1. | Delphine Tablotney | 41.14 |
| 2. | Peter Herold | 60.19 | 2. | Connie Delisle | 37.72 |
| 3. | Jim Dickie | 57.32 | 3. | Grace Jeklin | 34.92 |
| 4. | Aidan Ballantyne | 48.44 | 4. | Marcia Christie | 28.73 |
| 5. | Mike Wilson | 43.32 | 5. | Diane Campbell | 28.52 |
| 6. | Larry Pocock | 43.15 | 6. | Linda Sims | 26.91 |
| 7. | Dan Jacob | 41.61 | 7. | June Stenning | 26.88 |
| 8. | Laurence Betts | 41.55 | 8. | Dianne Isfeld | 26.56 |
| 9. | Delphine Tablotney | 41.14 | 9. | Nicci Charleson | 24.57 |
| 10. | Leo Steil | 41.09 | 10. | Sheila Girotto | 21.75 |
| PHIL WOOD UNDER 200 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1. | Grace Jeklin | 34.92 | 6. | Angela Taylor | 17.26 |
| 2. | Ram Hira | 23.56 | 7. | Felipe Hemandez | 14.76 |
| 3. | Haider Nazak | 18.90 | 8. | Tai Eng | 14.63 |
| 4. | Hua Yang | 17.89 | 9. | Roger Cheung | 14.47 |
| 5. | Ted Lai | 17.55 |  | Nancy Yoshida | 13.95 |

## ROUND-UP SECTIONAL REPORT

## by Marcia Christie

The Sheraton Lanadmark was the location of Unit 430's last sectional for 1992. The winner of the trophies for the most masterpoints for 1992 were decided. With a great showing over the weekend, Grace Jeklin won the Phil Wood "Under 200" trophy. Delphine Tablotney had a very good year and won the Edith Bonnell and, in a "photo-finish", Bob Connop nipped Peter Herold at thewire to win the Phil Wood by just 0.20 points. Congratulations to all!
Peter Maclean (recently arrived from Halifax) won the most points at this sectional (Welcome to Vancouver!). He won the Flight A Stratified partnered with "Lucky" Martin O'Reilly. Then Sunday, he won the team game partnered with Eugene Chan, Mike Wiss and Ken Robertson. Congratulations!
Unit 430 hospitality was visible and appreciated. Free coffee all weekend, free chocolates and free souvenir pencils. However, the total table count was down a few tables (perhaps because of location or it being the Grey Cup weekend). We were unable to provide "goodies" on Sunday morning due to the prohibitive cost of hotel catering. Most sites we play in let us bring in our own "goodies." Your unit board is considering moving from this site and would very much like to hear your opinions of this site and alternative location suggestions. We are committed to getting good locations for your sectionals but we also like to get value for your money.
Congratulations to all winners and hope to see you Jan 29-31, 1993, at the Engineers' Hall. Please call Marcia (581-1554) or Sheila (520-6888) if you could help provide "goodies" for this weekend.
Overheard at the tournament: You know you're having a good game when declarer plays A \& K of hearts, then leads a small one to dummy asking partner to ruff it with a spade only to be reminded the contract is 6 NT ! This play sets up your original 7 -bagger.
It happens!


## WELCOME PETER MACLEAN SECTIONAL CHAMPION

A recent arrival from Halifax (he moved here in early September as a principal of Verdstone Gold Corp., a VSE-listed junior resource company), Peter Maclean introduced himself to the local bridge community in dramatic fashion, winning both the Flight A Stratified Pairs and the Open Swiss Teams at the Round-Up sectional.

Maclean may be new to Vancouver, but he is definitely not new to bridge. He began playing in his first year of university (Acadia1967) and was immediately addicted.
"In December, 1967, I left one of my Christmas exams at noon, started playing bridge in the afternoon, played all evening and all night, then upset my partners when I left to write another exam the next morning."

He started playing duplicate the next year, a career highlighted by an appearance in the semi-finals of this year's Canadian National Teams Championship (with favorite partner Eric Balcolm).

This is actually Maclean's second trip to Vancouver. During his first. 1973-74, he met his wife (who hails from New Brunswick, but had also come west), and such bridge players as "The Foot," Tom Kinakin and Harvey Piercey, whom he has yet to meet again.

He got back into local bridge by showing up at the Vancouver Bridge Centre one Wednesday evening with a partner who had never played before. However, the pair was disqualified when it was discovered Maclean was far from a novice.

He returned the following week, played with Eugene Chan and "had some fun."

That is important to him.
"I thoroughly enjoy the game. I always want to have fun. When I pick up a new partner, I emphasize the three-letter word. If they can't do that, I tell them to get someone
else."
He also stresses partnership harmony, saying it is worth "a couple of boards in any game. If you're not going at each other, you're two boards ahead of the field when you start."

He then asked Eugene to arrange a team for the Swiss at the sectional and went to the partnership desk for his Saturday partnerMartin O'Reilly.

He credits his partners for the two victories, saying they played well and noting "that's always the key to winning."

Another key is accepting disasters. He and O'Reilly had back-to-back bidding misunderstandings on boards 21 and 22 Saturday afternoon. One was a zero but the other turned into a good board due to careful play.

After the round, O'Reilly was scowling but Maclean was smiling.
"I told Martin, 'we just had two bidding misunderstandings and emerged with an average round. It doesn't get any better than that.' That describes my philosophy."

Asked how Vancouver bridge compares with bridge in the Maritimes, Maclean is forthright. He believes "the average standard of bridge is higher in the Maritimes" but explains that is because there are fewer junior players.
"You have done a much better job of getting novice and intermediate players into the game," he says.

Maclean plays the blue club or a simple standard system. He has played 2 over 1 but says it is too rigid.
"Eric and I play a relatively simple version of standard but use well-thought-out sequences."

As Maclean has proved, that is obviously 7. an excellent approach.

Dear Editor
Re: Jimmy the Turk's Prognosis on the IMP League Flight B
Just to set the record straight, I would like to point out that Al and Bernice French were very much part of our team this past year. We had lots of fun playing with them as, I am sure, we will have with our new teammates, the "North Shore Steamrollers." The decision not to play was entirely $\mathrm{Al}^{\prime}$ 's and Bernice's, as they were not keen on playing in this year's IMP League

## Joerg Schneider

To the Matchpointer
Attn: Marshall Smiles
Re: "Senior Trio Miss Big Score?"
I was one of the Wenatchee ladies you referred to.
The "big score" we missed happened to be a $\$ 21$ dinner tab that one of the gentle-
men in the other room charged to us with that key mentioned. It's lucky that I checked our bill before we paid it.
Other than the "overcharge," we had a great time at your tournament and plan to come again.

## J. Hampton <br> Unit 454

## Dear Patti Prenty

Thankyou very much for sending me the New Member material and the free ticket! I hope I get the chance to use it soon.
As you probably know, we have a new club on the Sunshine Coast, playing in Sechelt. Mostly beginners and old rubber players with a small sprinkling of ACBL members (Pat Ashby for one). I am (was?) a complete beginner, having retired last year, and I have been immersing myself in bridge ever since. (I just got my first Junior Master point - big deal!).
Anyway, it was a most pleasant surprise to get the material and I am impressed with the quality of the Matchpointer, etc. Although we don't get into Vancouver very much anymore, I shall look forward to the opportunity of meeting my fellow members in Unit 430.

## Bert Wickham <br> Sechelt

## SYLVA CASTAGNER - 1921-1992

 I never partnered Sylva, but I owe him a lot. Larry Pocock and I became friends with Sylva's daughter, Lynn, at university. Through her, Sylva learned we were bridge players so he invited us to play rubber bridge at his house, then encouraged us to try duplicate. He even gave us his system, Modified Precision, to use. Although it has been extensively modified over the past decade or so, I still use it with some of my partners.
Sylva never forgot about us, always keeping a close eye on our progress through the bridge world. I was just one of many players he nurtured and we all owe him a large debt of gratitude not only for introducing us to one of the passions of his life, but for helping us to also make it one of the passions of our lives.
Sylva was also an avid collector. I remember poring over his extensive beer bottle collection and, later, his razor collection, which was featured at the PNE a few years ago. He was extremely proud of his collections and could give you a detailed description of every piece.
Thankyou, Sylva, for your unique contribution to the world. You are missed.
David Schmidt


## DON'T SAY ANYTHING

by Bruce McIntyre
Swiss teams, round two, a win in the first round turned into a winning tie because you cost your team 13 IMP's. Second board, spades are trumps, declarer, an unfamiliar but cordial gentleman, is on your left. He's on lead and needs two of the last three tricks to make his undoubled two spade contract, having opened two spades in fourth seat. You have AT of spades and the diamond 9. Declarer has a high heart and KQ of spades. Partner is a spectator. Dummy has two good clubs and the diamond $A$.
Finito, right? No, this contract went down. Declarer played the spade K from his hand and called for "anything" from the board. Dummy chose the club T. I wish to go on record here and say I feel absolutely awful about what happened next, since the declarer seemed a pleasant enough fellow. After a short pause, I called the director and explained the play from dummy did matter. And the director allowed me to designate the card played from dummy. I asked for the diamond A to be discarded, won my high trump, led the promoted diamond 9 forcing declarer to ruff and my ten of spades ruffed his high heart at trick thirteen. Declarer confirmed he'd not known a diamond was still out and the director approved the result. Down one.
As you might expect. this cooled the atmosphere at the table somewhat. There were still five hands to go and we played them solemnly, our side not wanting to look like gloaters, and their side afraid that at any moment there might be some Obscure Other Rule that might cost some points. We had some time after comparing and I went straight to the director and asked him whether the phrase about "defense may not claim a trick based on a play that is irrational" in the disputed claims law had any bearing on this situation. Obviously nobody is going to choose to play the diamond A from the table, I argued. The director said there was another law, irrelevant here. Even if it were relevant, his call for "anything" from the table, plus the admission that he didn't know there was a diamond out, showed he thought the play from dummy made no difference and thus to him it could not be termed irrational to discard the ace.
The hand had little effect on the match, which we won in a walk. Even - 110 would have been worth 1 IMP instead of the 5 IMPs we got. But I still felt a bit like a jerk. If either declarer or dummy is reading this. I hope they' 11 understand the guy in the Montreal Expos jacket wasn't a real-life Secretary Bird who enjoyed using the director to beat the contract. Having said that, let me now move on to the real point.
If you often call for "anything" from the dummy while playing a contract, you are doing something that can be very irritating to everyone else at the table. Even if 99 times out of 100 it truly doesn't make one whit of difference which card is played, that 100th time will put partner and opponents in a very awkward situation. All three of the other players may know that it does (or might) matter, but if anyone asks you to designate a card, you might wake up and realize it does matter - or you might suspect that it does and work out the card that is most likely to be the right one to play. (If I'd said, "please designate which card you want; it may make a difference," I doubt I'd have gotten the diamond A discard I needed.)
The problem seldom comes up at the table, but it is more vexing than slow play or even table rudeness. If you're declarer, you are in control. Play a card from dummy, or claim, or concede, but do something. If you are dummy in this situation. I suggest you play the most promising-looking card from dummy, and give your partner a stern lecture after the hand is over. And if you are a defender, speak up! Make declarer play the card you want him to play. If you suspect partner might have a better idea, call the director - he'll tell you either defender may designate which card is to be played; just wait five seconds to see if partner has an idea, then jump in yourself. Doing this is uncomfortable, but the "anything" problem won't be eliminated until we all get militant.
Don't say "Anything!"


## WHAT IS A REVERSE?

## by Connie Delisle

When partner opens the bidding, you respond and opener rebids in such a way that you cannot support his first bid at the two level, that is a reverse. Opener has $17+\mathrm{HCP}$, and, in this example, tends $\qquad$ $P \quad 1 S \quad P$ to have longer clubs than 2 D

2 D
P diamonds.
The difficulty lies with responder. If he bids 3C, does that mean 'I really like clubs' or 'because I have to bid,
3 C is the best call'?
Although most of you do not like a lot of conventional calls, it's almost impossible to play reverses without some doubt unless the two meanings can be separated. The suggestion (by expert players) is to use 2 NT as a relay to show the have-to-bid bids, and all bids other than 2 NT as the want-to-bid bids.

| 1 C | P | 1 S | P |
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| 2 D | P | $2 \mathrm{NT}^{*}$ | P |
| 3 C | P | $?$ |  |
| or |  |  |  |
| 1 C | P | 1 S | P |
| 2 H | P | $2 \mathrm{NT}^{*}$ | P |
| 3 C | P | $?$ |  |

Here 2 NT is the relay, forcing partner to bid 3C. If this P is the have-to bid, responder may pass or bid a have-to 3D (first case), a have-to 3 H (second case) or have-to 3 S (either case). Direct bids of 3D, 2 H or 2 S show values and now establish a game force.
Also if responder responds at the 2 level, reverses should be off. Hand patterns are far more important to establish a fit, since the partnership is heading to game most of the time.

| 1 H | P | 2 C | $\mathrm{P} \quad$ Shows at least 5 hearts and at least 4 spades, not suitable |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2 S |  |  |  | for NT.

P Shows 4 hearts, not suitable for $2 N T$.
Not suitable for NT. 5 spades and 4 diamonds, not 3 hearts. 5-2-4-2 pattern without clubs or 5-1-4-3 patterns without clubs stopped.
Try it! You'll find handling want-to and have-to bids much easier and more comfortable for opener who doesn't have to guess.

## NORTH AMERICAN OPEN PAIRS DISTRICT FINALS

Unit 430 can be justifiably proud of its players. This year, our players won all three flights of the North American Open Pairs District Finals in Renton! Can anyone remember that ever happening before? Since the top two pairs in each flight receive a trip to the national finals in Kansas City in March, five of the six pairs representing District 19 will come from this unit!

Congratulations and good luck! P.S. If you participated in the NAOP finals, you will receive a small subsidy to cover a portion of your card fees. The unit has a record of all participants so no additional information or application is required.
"The cheque is in the mail!"

## FLIGHT A

1. Ron Borg \& Dan Jacob
2. Paul Sontag \& Greg Arbour
3. Peter Herold \& Jim Dickie

## FLIGHT B

1. Chuck \& Diane Campbell
2. Don Sache \& Sheila Girotto

FLIGHT C

1. Angela Taylor \& Roger Cheung
2. Ted Lai \& Harry Friedman
3. Ken Lochang \& Hua Yang
4. Brian Bleau \& Craig Snelgrove

## CAN'T SEE THE WOOD FOR THE TREES

by Louis Landau

This was hand one of many interesting hands Both Vul \&:AK in this year's Epson Dlr: S

0: 53 Pairs. When it was
played in Penticton at the regional tournament earlier this year, the results were fascinating to say the least.
In nearly every case the final contract was 3NT and even though the play is relatively simple, many declarers (in fact over half the field) managed to go down in 3NT when there are 10 tricks to be made by the simplest of plays. It is an object lesson in planning ahead. The contract is 3 NT and to make it one has to take nine tricks.

| 4: Q854 | \& JT932 |
| :---: | :---: |
| ®: KJ874 | Q:9 |
| -: QT5 | 人: K842 |
| 4. 8 | 4: K93 | On this hand you are almost sure to get a spade lead, so your tricks are two spades, one heart, one diamond and six clubs. Where is the problem?

The problem is, of course, that duplicate players are a greedy lot of people and will always try to get that extra trick for the top board. The obvious place for the extra trick is to take a club finesse. If it is right you Lead: $\&$ will end up with 11 tricks and obviously a very good result. Where the planning comes in is to consider what happens if the finesse is wrong. In order to take the club finesse, it is necessary to get into dummy, either by using up one of your valuable controls or taking a finesse, which, in this hand, is wrong, which ever one you choose. The enemy are going to attack the spades as soon as they get in and you still have not established your clubs. When you get in again and finesse the club, which happens to be wrong, the devence have set up their spade tricks and down you go.

The way to avoid this problem is a lot easier than it seems. The old, old maxim of taking your losers first, especially in no trump contracts, should never be forgotten. Win the spade lead, and whilst you still have control of every suit, play first the ace and then the queen of clubs. Only by playing in this way will you be guaranteed the 10 tricks to which you are entitled. Don't endanger your whole contract for a finesse that, if it fails, will result in disaster.
(As a matter of interest, if you get to dummy with the ace of hearts and finesse the club, you will still make your 10 tricks as East has no heart to return when he wins the club finesse. In my opinion, however, it still does not justify the risk.)


TOP UNIT MASTERPOINT HOLDERS
1 Leo Steil $\quad 7,210$
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Laurence Betts } & 5,086 \\ \text { Aidan Ballantyne } & 4,786\end{array}$
Jim Dickie $\quad 4,420$
Ron Borg $\quad 4,389$
Rob Crawford 4,322
Adrian Hicks $\quad 4,179$
Paul Hagen $\quad 4,150$
8 Peter Herold $\quad 4,101$
9 Cam Doner 3,956
10 Bob Connop $\quad 3,662$
Age has not slowed Leo Steil, who is taking advantage of his retirement to pad his masterpoint total. He gained almost 600 points in the past year to build a commanding lead over Laurence Betts, who moves back into second place with the departure of Allan Graves However, Aidan Ballantyne is challenging Betts' runner-up position, having reduced the gap to just 300 points from over 600 a year ago. Jim Dickie has slipped past Ron Borg into fourth spot, while Rob Crawford has leaped into sixth spot from ninth a year ago.
Making a first appearance among the top ten is last year's Richmond Trophy winner, Cam Doner, who should repeat as the unit's top masterpoint gainer this year. Also back on the top ten after a year's absence is Bob Connop, who moves back into tenth, dropping Gord
McOrmond to eleventh.
Connop's 3,662 points is over 80 more than the 3,579 points McOrmond had when he held tenth place last year.
Two players broke the 3,000 point plateau this past year: Larry Hicks \& Don Brazeau, and 28 unit players are now rated as gold life masters ( $2,500+$ ) as compared to only 25 last year. In response to several requests, we have expanded the published list to include the top 35 players this year. Congratulations to all who appear, and to the rest, take heart: your name could be on a future list.

For your interest, here are the next 25 :
Dan Jacob $\quad 3,477$
Lauren Miller $\quad 3,461$ Larry Hicks $\quad 3,351$ 15 Fred Sontag 3,237 Jim Donaldson $\quad 3,222$ Don Brazeau $\quad 3,177$ Buddy Crapko $\quad 3,114$ Ev Hodge $\quad 2,970$ Wilf May $\quad 2,889$
Ted Hicks 2,822
Mike Strebinger $\quad 2,783$
Rhonda Betts $\quad 2,759$
Mary Fines 2,733
Don Brander $\quad 2,728$
Greg Arbour $\quad 2,696$
Dave Glen $\quad 2,663$
Cam Lindsay $\quad 2,630$
28 Donna Morrison 2,606
29 Charles Swanson 2,324
30 Derek Ward 2,301
31 Michael Dimich 2,223

32 Jennifer Paynter 2,136
33 Lisa Strebinger 2,095
34 John Hurdle $\quad 2,072$

35 Mike Wilson $\quad 2,049$


Terry ValJean, Langley
TRANSFERS INTO THE UNIT
Scott Martin, fr Ontario West
C.H. Pratt, fr Okanagan

NEW LIFE MASTERS
Nicci Charleson
Virginia Harper
NEW BRONZE LIFE MASTERS Fee Yeung
NEW SILVER LIFE MASTER Ted Trites

## A LOOK AHEAD AT FUTURE UNIT 430 SECTIONALS

## SPRING SECTIONAL

Engineers' Hall - March 26-28

## Friday

1:00 Women's Pairs
1:00 Open Pairs
7:30 Senior Pairs - 55+
7:30 Open Pairs
7:30 Junior Master Pairs 0-20

## Saturday

1:00 Flightified Pairs
\& FLT A: Unlimited (plays separately)
7:30 FLT B: Strat. B:500-1000 C:100-500 D: 0-100

## Sunday

10:30 Open Swiss Teams (two session)
SUMMER SECTIONAL
North Shore Winter Club - June 11-13
Friday
1:00 Women's Pairs
1:00 Open Pairs
7:30 Mixed Pairs
7:30 Side Game
7:30 Junior Master Pairs

## Saturday

1:00 Strat Pairs A:1000+ B:300-1000 C: 0-300
1:00 Future Master Stratified Pairs (single session) 20/50/100
7:30 Stratified Pairs
7:30 Future Master Stratified Pairs
(single session) 20/50/100

## Sunday

10:30 Flight A Swiss: Unlimited (Board-A-Match)
\&TBA Flight B Swiss: 0-1250 mps (Win/Loss)

## EVERGREEN SECTIONAL

Sheraton Landmark - September 10-12 Friday
1:00 Women's Pairs
1:00 Open Pairs
7:30 HENRY SMILIE Mixed B-A-M Teams
7:30 Side Game
7:30 Junior Pairs 0-20

## Saturday

1:00 Flightified Pairs
\& FLT A: Unlimited (plays separately) 7:30 FLT B: Strat B:300-750 C:100-300 D:0-100 Sunday
10:30 Open Swiss Teams (two-session)


## WE'RE MOVING TO THE VANCOUVER BRIDGE CENTRE

2776 E. Broadway St. (at Renfrew) Vancouver

January Game is a Sunday Night Game 7:00 pm, Sunday, Jan. 3

February Game is a Saturday Night Game $8: 00$ pm, Saturday, Feb 13

Tell Us Which You Prefer: Saturday Night or Sunday Night?
\& $\$ 5$ /player $\leqslant$ Sectional Rating $~ * ~$ \& Goodies $\uparrow$ Free Coffee
\& Trophy Race Bidding Boxes *

- Guaranteed Partnerships until 15 mins

> before game time

- Non Smoking

NOVEMBER WINNERS

1) John Mullen \& Alison Dorosh
2) Ken Lochang \& Louise Elliott
3) Larry \& June Pocock
4) Cam Doner \& Nicci Charleson
5) Grace Jeklin \& Dan Watson

## 1992 UNIT GAME TROPHY RACE

| 1 | Mary Fines | 10.34 |
| :--- | :--- | ---: |
| $2 / 3$ | Phyllis Barrington | 6.29 |
|  | Andrew Ross | 6.29 |
| 4 | Alison Dorosh | 6.17 |
| $5 / 6$ | Chuck Campbell | 6.04 |
|  | Diane Campbell | 6.04 |
| 7 | Angela Taylor | 5.15 |
| 8 | Pat Landau | 5.13 |
| 9 | John Mullen | 4.25 |
| 10 | Grace Jeklin | 4.11 |


| DECEMBER |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 21 | 10:45 am | Christmas Party-Burnaby Club |
|  | 7:00 pm | Christmas Party-South Surrey Club |
| 22 | $7: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ | Christmas Party-Burnaby Club |
| 26-31 |  | Reno Midwinter Regional-Reno |
| 28 | 10:00 am | Fun Individual Tournament-Vancouver Club |
| 30 | 10:00 am | New Year's Eve Fun Pairs-Vancouver Club |
| 31 | $8: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ | Gala New Year's Eve Party-Vancouver Bridge |
|  |  | Centre |
| JANUARY |  |  |
| 3 | 7:00 pm | Monthly Unit Game-Vancouver Bridge Centre |
| 4-9 |  | Half-Price Week-Vancouver Bridge Centre |
| 7 | 7:15 pm | Club Reopens-Fraser Valley Club |
| 10 | 1:00 pm | Stratified GNT-B \& C Qualifying Game (one session)-Vancouver Bridge Centre |
| 11-17 |  | Hawaii Regional-Honolulu |
| 12 | 7:30 pm | Novice Club Championship-Pemberton Club |
| 14 | $8: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ | Super Open Club Championship-Vancouver Bridge Centre |
| 18 | 7:30 pm | Handicap Club Championship-Pemberton Club |
| 21 | $7: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ | Swiss Teams (0-200)-Pemberton Club |
| 22 | $8: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ | TGIF Game-Vancouver Bridge Centre |
| 24 | Noon | Canadian Open Pairs Championship Unit Final-Pemberton Club |
| 25 | $7: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ | Club Championship-Chilliwack Club |
| 27 | 10:00 am | Stratified Pairs Game-Vancouver Club |
| 29-31 |  | Winter Sectional-Engineers' Hall, Burnaby |
| FEBRUARY |  |  |
| 1 | 10:00 am | Swiss Teams-Vancouver Club |
| 2 | 7:30 pm | International Fund Game (Tentative)-Vancouver Bridge Centre |
| 3 | $7: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ | Club Championship-Maple Ridge Club |
| 5-7 |  | Bellingham Sectional-Bellingham |
| 9-15 |  | Santa Rosa Regional-Santa Rosa |
| 10 | $7: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ | Open Pairs Club Championship-Pemberton Club |
| 11 | $7: 15 \mathrm{pm}$ | 5th ann Jack Ritch Mixed Pairs Trophy Game-Fraser Valley Club |
|  | 7:30 pm | Club Championship-Mission Club |
| 12-14 |  | Seattle Sectional-Seattle |
| 13 | 8:00 pm | Valentine's Monthly Unit Game-Vancouver Bridge Centre |
| 14 | 11:00 am | Canadian National Teams Championship Unit Final-Vancouver Bridge Centre |
| 15 | 10:00 am | Handicap Game-Vancouver Club |
| 15-21 |  | Portland Regional-Portland |
| 16 | 7:30 pm | Club Championship-Vancouver Bridge Centre |
| 18 | 7:30 pm | Swiss Teams (0-200)-Pemberton Club |
| 19 | 7:30 pm | Club Championship-Vancouver Bridge Centre |
| 22 | 10:00 am | ACBL-Wide Seniors Tournament-Vancouver Club |
| 24 | 10:00 am | Stratified Pairs Game-Vancouver Club |
| 25 | 7:30 pm | Stratified Club Championship-Pemberton Club |
| 26 | 8:00 pm | TGIF Game-Vancouver Bridge Centre |
| 26-28 |  | Bermuda Bowl Tri-Country Playoff-Delta Pacific Hotel, Richmond |

## DECEMBER

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Half-Price Week-Vancouver Bridge Centre
Club Reopens-Fraser Valley Club
Stratified GNT-B \& C Qualifying Game (one session)-Vancouver Bridge
Hawaii Regional-Honolulu
Novice Club Championship-Pemberton Club
Super Open Club Championship-Vancouver Bridge Centre
Championship- Pemberton Club

Swiss Teans (0.200)-Pemberton Club

Canadian Open Pairs Championship Unit Final-Pemberton Club
Club Championship-Chilliwack Club
Winter Sectional-Engineers' Hall, Burnaby

Swiss Teams-Vancouver Club
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Club Championship-Maple Ridge Club
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Open Pairs Club Championship-Pemberton Club
Game-Fraser Valley Club
Club Championship-Mission Club

Canadian National Teams Championship Unit Final-Vancouver Bridge Centre

Portland Regional-Portland
Club Championship-Vancouver Bridge Centre
Master Night (Tentative) Pe

ACBL-Wide Seniors Tournament-Vancouver Club
tratified Pairs Game-Vancouver Club

TGIF Game-Vancouver Bridge Centre
Bermuda Bowl Tri-Country Playoff-Delta Pacific Hotel, Richmond

| DECEMBER |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 14 | 7:30 pm | Club Championship \& Christmas PartyChilliwack Club |
| 15 | 12:30 pm | Christmas Party-Sunnyside Club |
|  | 7:30 pm | Club Championship-Burnaby Club |
| 16 | 10:00 am | Charity Club Championship \& Christmas PartyVancouver Club |
|  | 11:00 am | Christmas Party-Hastings Club |
|  | 7:30 pm | Stratified NLM Club Championship-Vancouver Bridge Centre |
|  | 7:30 pm | Club Championship \& Christmas Party-Maple Ridge Club |
| 17 | $12: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ | Christmas Party-Cloverdale Club |
|  | 7:30 pm | Club Championship \& Christmas Party-Mission Club |
| 18 | 7:30 pm | Christmas Party \& Membership Game-Abbotsford Club |
|  | 7:45 pm | Stratified Pairs Christmas Party-Pemberton Club |
|  | 8:00 pm | Christmas Party-Vancouver Bridge Centre |
| 20 | Noon $1: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ | CNTC/GNT B \& C Strat. Club Qualifying Game-Vancouver Bridge Centre Christmas Party-East Richmond Club |

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## UNIT LEVEL

 FINALTwo Sessions
Noon \& TBA Sunday
January 24, 1993
Pemberton Bridge Club

Below are the qualifiers from games held at the Fraser Valley Bridge Club, Vancouver Bridge Club, Pemberton Bridge Club and Vancouver Bridge Centre. If you played in this event in another club, your name may not appear here. Be sure you have a qualification slip when you attend the unit finals.
Players qualify as individuals and may form partnerships with any other qualified individual. The top pairs from the unit final qualify for the national finals. Subsidies may be available to qualifying unit members who attend the national finals. The subsidy is determined by the amount of funding the unit receives from the CBF and how much is in the unit's own COPC subsidy account. The unit priority is to first pay card fees for all qualifying players, then provide up to a full subsidy (three nights hotel \& airfare) for the first place pair, then a subsidy for the second place pair, etc.

| Stella Alliston | Car Doner | Sefton Levine | Brenda Robson |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Bonnie Anderson | Eric Earthrowl | Hobart Liang | Sandra Robson |
| Greg Arbour | Louise Elliott | Olive Macdonald | Hall Rodd |
| John Ashwell | Geoff Fetterley | Gladys Mackie | Elaine Ryan |
| Jim Balcom | Mary Fines | Jim Marshall | Don Sache |
| Aidan Ballantyne | Jim Fisher | Dean Martin | Anne Scott |
| Steve Beaton | Stewart Forbes | Wilf May | Terry Scott |
| Ron Borg | Les Fouks | Bill McCourt | Lois Shoup |
| Margaret Campbell | Al French | Joan McCourt | Dick Simpson |
| Eugene Chan | Bernice French | Jim McEvoy | Julia Smith |
| Nicci Charleson | Doris Frizzell | Jim McKenzie | Fred Sontag |
| Marguerite Chiarenza | Nigel Fullbrook | Shirley McKinney | Paul Sontag |
| Marcia Christie | Bob Gerrie | Chester Michno | Leo Steil |
| Richard Christie | Faye Gilraine | Keith Miller | Mary Sutherland |
| Steve Clements | Gary Giraine | Hushang Mohtadi | Rhöda Tafler |
| Bob Connop | Sheila Girotto | Donna Morrison | Bev Taylor |
| Rod Coote | Jude Hanson | John Mullen | Ben Takemori |
| Doug Cowan | Alan Harrop | Dona Murdoch | Mike Takemori |
| Julie Cowan | Phil Hernandez | Margie Neate | Bob Takashita |
| Adam Dabrowski | Peter Herold | Joyce Nesbit | Doug Thomas |
| Maria Dabrowski | Edith-Louise Hicks | Doug Oram | Bill Van Camp |
| Peter Davis | Ted Hicks | Bill Osborne | Marny Van Camp |
| Cornie Delisle | Ev Hodge | Gary Phelan | Derek Ward |
| Denny Demman | Carolyn Huget | June Pocock | Dan Watson |
| Jim Dickie | Dan Jacob | Larry Pocock | Fred Webster |
| Sheila Dickie | Frank Jarvis | Mike Prenty | Dianne Wilson |
| Dwayne Dicks | Grace Jeklin | Patti Prenty | Mike Wilson |
| Ernie Dietrich | Bob Jess | Graham Putnam | Rose Wrean |
| Michael Dimich | Dee Kerr | Vi Ramsay | Yeyan Zhang |
| Ping Ding | Pat Landau | Joan Richards |  |
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## A NEW WORLD RECORD

## by Joerg Schneider

Here is a new one for the Guiness Book of Records. Board 24 of the Saturday afternoon session in Everett produced a world record that will never be broken. For obvious reasons, no names will be used to protect the guilty!
Sitting West, I held SKQ984, HAKT87, D32, C6 and opened 1S, 3D by my LHO, pass by partner, 3 N by South, all pass.
I "found" the lead of the HA. Dummy comes down: S62, Hvoid, DQJT9874, CJ842. A club is thrown, partner plays the H6, the 4 from declarer. Since the 6 is an obvious come-on showing the queen, I pictured hearts to be Q with partner, J with declarer, and to ensure 5 heart tricks, I played the 7 (fourth best!) - 2 from partner (!), J from declarer who now plays DA dropping partner's stiff K , making 5 ! While he is running diamonds, partner throws one heart after another.
How often do you expect to take a trick with Jx opposite a void with the suit led? Well, at another table, West played HA, 6 from partner, HK, 2 from

| 4: 62 |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| $\nabla$ :- |  |
| 0: QJT9874 |  |
| \$: J843 |  |
| 4. KQ984 | 4: T3 |
| V: AKT87 | Q: Q96532 |
| 0:32 | 0 : K |
| \$:6 | *: QT95 |
| 4. AJ75 |  |
| จ: J4 |  |
| 0: A65 |  |
| *: AK72 |  | partner and now a switch to the SK, which at least held declarer to 10 tricks. At another table it went HA and now a switch to the D3!! So 3NT was made at least three times that I know of with the AKQT9876532 of a suit out against declarer.

## ACTIVE ETHICS AT WORK

by Doug Cowan
On Board 16 of the Saturday evening session at the recent sectional, Angela Hehr showed the real spirit of active ethics.
After a pass by West, I opened 1D in North. Angela passed and South bid 1H, doubled by West. The bidding then proceeded: 3D, P, 3S (unalerted), P, 3NT, all pass.
Before Angela had made her face down lead, West asked the meaning of the 3 S call and I said it was natural. He then asked if we played Western Cue Bids \& we said "Yes, but spades haven't been bid." I should make it clear that I believe these remarks were made in all innocence and were not an effort to influence Angela's lead. However, Angela realized the significance of the comments and led a heart, allowing me to take all 13 tricks very quickly for 8.5 matchpoints. (Yes, I know 6D is cold and 6 H only fails because of the 5-1 break.)
During the post-mortem, Angela admitted she felt her partner's comments before the lead effectively barred her from leading a spade and she should be commended for

| Dir: W | 4: 7 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Vul: E/W | ワ:97 |
|  | 人: AKQT742 |
|  | +: A98 |
| 4: AQ8 | 54 - KT9 |
| จ: 8 | ®: T6542 |
| $0: 15$ | 0:93 |
| *: QJ7 | 62 * 543 |
|  | *: J632 |
|  | 8: AKQJ3 |
|  | 0:86 |
|  | 4: KT | her ethical behaviour.

## TRI-COUNTRY PLAYOFFS!

## YOU CAN WATCH CANADA, MEXICO AND BERMUDA compete for a berth in the 1993 BERMUDA BOWL

The Vancouver Unit will be hosting the Tri-country playoff with Bermuda, Mexico and our 1991-1992 Canadian champions (the BC-based squad of Jim McAvoy, Duncan Smith, Jim Dickie, Peter Herold, Michael Strebinger and Bruce Ferguson) battling for a chance to play in the Bermuda Bowl.

Local volunteers are working hard to design and produce an unforgettable event. There will be a special emphasis on spectator enjoyment and entertainment featuring a vugraph presentation every session. All hands and bidding will be followed, discussed and debated by a panel of expert players and professional bridge teachers. The excitement will be enhanced by colourful, computergenerated overhead displays. The audience will have the opportunity to watch how National Champions from three countries play the game, and to hear how local experts reason and think - from early analysis through to the end game. No matter what your level of bridge, you will enjoy the experience of participating in an international event from an audience and kibitzer perspective. Come out and cheer on our team!

FEBRUARY 26-28, 1993
Delta Pacific Hotel (Richmond, near the airport)

## YOU CAN HIDLP!

Aidan Ballantyne, Jennifer Paynter and Marcia Christie are spearheading the organization and hospitality planning for this event. They will need volunteers for on-site activities such as Adult Caddies, Monitors, and Recorders. It will be fun to take part in an event of this importance! Call now...

Aidan or Jennifer: 438-3095 Marcia: 581-1554
Your unit also needs lots of other volunteer help. Experience is not needed, we will train you. Contact any Unit 430 Board Member if you can assist us in bosting the CNTC Zone VI final (Apr 3-4, 1993), the Seattle NABC's (we are responsible for providing hospitality on Nov 20-21, 1993), and the DINO Vancouver Regional (Apr 4-10, 1994). As well, we welcome "goodies" at the next two sectionals (Jan 29-31 \& Mar 26-28, 1993).

## जOLUNTFPFS NFझDFD!

 Final. This will be a one-day round-robin event unless the expected number of teams entering requires a two-day schedule. The top five or six teams from the unit final qualify to go to the B.C. Zone Final. The top two or three teams from the zone final qualify for the Canadian National Teams Championship. Subsidy funding is available to assist the winning team meet some or all of its costs in attending the national finals. The CNTC winner represents Canada in several world championship events.

All GNT Flt B \& C qualifiers from club
games are entitled to play in the district finals. The CNTC Zone Final and GNT Flit B \& C playoffs will be held at the same time so players must decide, in advance, which flight to play. GNT starting time is Friday night. Each GNT flight plays a two-session Swiss and qualifiers (most teams) then begin head-to-head knockouts. The knockout finals end Sunday night. Limited subsidy funding is available to assist unit players with card fees for the district final.

GNT-B \& C DISTRICT FINAL

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 CNTCZONE FINAL
Apr 2-4


IMP LEAGUE Match Results
FLIGHT A

|  | FLIGHT A |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Round 1 |  |  |


| Round 2 |  |  |  |  | Round 2 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Betts | 28 | Anthony | 2 | Bleau | 26 | Perron | 4 |
| Divinsky | 27 | Yang | 3 | Sache, D | 26 | Kelley | 4 |
| Christie | 26 | Osborne | 4 | Taylor | 22 | Kaufmann | 8 |
| Pocock | 25 | Eddy | 5 | Schneider | 21 | Sache, J | 9 |
| Lindsay | 22 | Lochang | 8 | Meyer | 18 | Mazuren | 12 |
| Takemori | 20 | Mullen | 10 | Jordan | - |  |  |
| Round 3 |  |  |  |  | FLIGHT C |  |  |
| Divinsky | 30 | Eddy | 0 |  | Round 1 |  |  |
| Lindsay | 29 | Anthony | 1 | Layton | 22 | Balcom | 8 |
| Betts | 27 | Lochang | 3 | Moffatt | 22 | Hurrell | 8 |
| Takemori | 24 | Osborne | 6 | Kingsland | 20 | Ayukawa | 10 |
| Yang | 23 | Pocock | 7 | Wilson |  |  |  |
| Christie | 20 | Mullen | 10 |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | Round 2 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Balcom | 23 | Wilson | 7 |
|  |  |  |  | Kingsland | 22 | Hurrell | 8 |
|  |  |  |  | Moffatt | 20 | Ayukawa | 10 |
|  |  |  |  | Layton |  |  |  |

## FLIGHT B

## Round 1

| Taylor | 4 |
| :--- | :--- |
| Perron | 5 |
| Meyer | 6 |
| Mazuren | 6 |
| Bleau | 8 |

## Round 2

Round

Round 2

## DR. ELMER CHRISTOPHERSON

November 28, 1907 - October 30, 1992
Dr. Elmer ('Chris') Christopherson enjoyed a flourishing internal medicine practice in Vancouver, founded the Metropolitan Biomedical Labs and served in the Faculty of Medicine of the University of British Columbia. Duting his working years, and especially in retirement, Chris savoured the time he was able to spend in his garden. Seeing him puttering in the dirt in his old clothes and gloves, it is easy to see how friends of his children could mistake him for the family gardener!

To us, Dr. Chris was a bridge player. He made many contributions to Vancouver bridge, especially financially, and was a great supporter of women's bridge. He had a vast bridge library and remained at the forefront of modern bridge, constantly studying and researching. Throughout his life Chris searched for answers to life's big questions, retaining an open mindedness uncommon among octogenarians. This ready acceptance of new and innovative ideas was obvious in his approach to bridge. I got to know Dr. Chris during his last years. We would play at the Haida and would always, at his request, try out some new convention. He would phone before our next game to discuss conventions he had read about and I have many xeroxed articles which he would give me to help me learn. I also have one of his books, "Bridge in the '80s". Inside the cover is an inscription : "To Jude, When you are old and full of sleep; And nodding by the fire, take down this book; And slowly read and dream - "

Dr. Chris's friend Ron Borg spoke at his memorial service, finishing with "He was $85 \ldots$ but that was just a number to him. He was always a teenager in his heart ... and that is how I will remember him."

IMP LEAGUE STANDINGS

## FLIGHT A

| Team | \#M | VP's |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Betts | 3 | 76 |
| Takemori | 3 | 69 |
| Divinsky | 3 | 68 |
| Lindsay | 3 | 60 |
| Yang | 3 | 52 |
| Christie | 3 | 51 |
| Pocock | 3 | 51 |
| Lochang | 3 | 32 |
| Mullen | 3 | 31 |
| Osborne | 3 | 29 |
| Anthony | 3 | 12 |
| Eddy | 3 | 9 |


| $\mathbf{L}$ | T | Ave | Seed |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| - | - | 25.3 | $(4)$ |
| - | - | 21.0 | $(1)$ |
| 1 | - | 22.7 | $(3)$ |
| 1 | - | 20.0 | $(2)$ |
| 1 | - | 17.3 | $(8)$ |
| 1 | - | 17.0 | $(6)$ |
| 1 | - | 17.0 | $(5)$ |
| 2 | - | 10.7 | $(9)$ |
| 3 | - | 10.3 | $(10)$ |
| 2 | - | 9.7 | $(7)$ |
| 3 | - | 4.0 | $(11)$ |
| 3 | - | 3.0 | $(12)$ |

Seed

| Team | \#M | VP's | W | L | T | Ave | Seed |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Sache, D | 2 | 50 | 2 | - | - | 25.0 | $(1)$ |
| Schneider | 2 | 43 | 2 | - | - | 21.5 | $(4)$ |
| Bleau | 2 | 34 | 1 | 1 | - | 17.0 | $(8)$ |
| Sache, J | 2 | 34 | 1 | 1 | - | 17.0 | $(2)$ |
| Kelley | 2 | 28 | 1 | 1 | - | 14.0 | $(3)$ |
| Jordan | 1 | 26 | 1 | - | - | 26.0 | $(5)$ |
| Taylor | 2 | 26 | 1 | 1 | - | 13.0 | $(6)$ |
| Meyer | 2 | 24 | 1 | 1 | - | 12.0 | $(9)$ |
| Mazuren | 2 | 18 | - | 2 | - | 9.0 | $(7)$ |
| Kaufmann | 1 | 8 | - | 1 | - | 8.0 | $(10)$ |
| Perron | 2 | 9 | - | 2 | - | 4.5 | $(11)$ |

## FLIGHT C

| Team | \#M | VP's | W | L | T | Ave | Seed |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :---: | ---: | ---: |
| Kingsland | 2 | 42 | 2 | - | - | 21.0 | $(7)$ |
| Moffatt | 2 | 42 | 2 | - | - | 21.0 | $(1)$ |
| Balcom | 2 | 31 | 1 | 1 | - | 15.5 | $(5)$ |
| Layton | 1 | 22 | 1 | - | - | 22.0 | $(4)$ |
| Ayukawa | 2 | 20 | - | 2 | - | 10.0 | $(2)$ |
| Hurrell | 2 | 16 | - | 2 | - | 8.0 | $(3)$ |
| Wilson | 1 | 7 | - | 1 | - | 7.0 | $(6)$ |

Editor's Note: Flight B seedings were adjusted to reflect the separation of Flights B and C. Of the C teams profiled in October, only Bleau remained in B and has been inserted as the 8th seed.
To make the standings reports consistent, I have assigned seedings (predicted order of finish) to the teams in Flight C . The Flight C lineups are listed below, and I apologize for not providing a writeup offering reasons for the somewhat arbitrary seedings.

## LIGHT C ROSTER

1. Mike Moffatt, Lenora Awram. Phil Awram. Gail Moffatt
2. Diane Ayukawa, John Newell, Patti Prenty, Joe Puymon, Joyce Rhodes
3. Nancy Hurrell. Kathy Bye, Geoff Fetterley. Bruce McIntyre. Gerry Rockandel
4. Dolores Layton, Gord McPherson, Phil Murray, Vicki St. Mars
5. Jim Balcom, Tove Chen, Bob Jess, Nancy Yoshida
6. Judy Wilson, Pat Jones, Bernice Mulock, Lynn Walker, Bob Wilson
7. Dawn Kingsland, Louise Elliott, Nigel Nicholas, Sky Williamson

## VANCOUVER BRIDGE CENTRE

2776 East Broadway, Vancouver, B.C. V5M 1Y8 Phone: 255-2564 (club)
-partners arranged \& no half tables-

## REGULAR GAMES

Monday
Tuesday
Tuesday
Wednesday
Thursday
Friday
Friday
Saturday
Sunday

7:30 PM
pen Day Game tratified Open Gam 7:30 PM Open (Jackpot) Game 11:00 AM Instructed Play 8:00 PM Open Lucky \# Game 8:00 PM Handicap Fun Game TBA

## Special Events

1993 VBC Spring Lesson Program Club Series - Mon PM - Jan 18 - Instructor TBA Diamond Series - Tue PM - Jan 19 - Marcia Christie Diamond Series - Wed AM - Jan 20 -Joerg Schneider Heart Series - Wed PM - Jan 20 - Nurdin Kassam VBC Courses Through Vancouver School Board Adult Education Program (register with VSB)
Club Series - Tue AM - Jan 19 - Eugene Chan Intermediate - Tue PM - Jan 12 - Connie Delisle One Day Bridge Workshop - Feb 6 - Connie Delisle

SPECIAL EVENTS
Wed Dec 16 Strat NL.M Club Champ Fri Dec 18 Christmas Party \& TGIF Sun Dec 20 CNTC/GNT-B\&C Sirat Club Qualifying-2 sessions Thu Dee 31 Gala Open New Year's Eve Party (Matchpoint Game \& Mudright Swiss)
Sun Jan 3 Monthly Unit Game Jan 4-9 Half-Price Week All games half-price - start the new year right:
Sun Jan 10 GNT B\&C Strat Club Qualifying-1 session Thu Jan 14 Super Open Club Chanp Fri Jan 22 TGIF Tue Feb 2 International Fund Game? Sat Feb 13 Valentine's Unit Game Sun Feb 14 Unit CNTC Final Tue Feb 16 Club Championship Fri Feb 19 Club Championship Fri Feb 26 TGIF

## SUNNYSIDE DUPLICATE

 BRIDGE CLUBSunnyside Community Centre 1854-154th St, South Surrey Manager-
Barb Stachoski 531-0457 Director: Pat Carruthers REGULAR GAMES
Tuesday 12:30 PM Handicap Game 1st Tue. each month SPECIAL GAMES Dec 15 -Christmas Party

## EAST RICHMOND

 BRIDGE CLUB3751 Sexsmith, Richmond Ernie Dietrich 936-2298 Non-Smoking with breaks \$4 entry, includes lunch

## REGULAR GAMES

Sunday 1:00 PM Handicap game last Sun. UPCOMING EVENTS Dec 20 - Christmas Party Jan 31 - Closed for Sectional RECENT WINNERS
Charity Game: Walter Schmid \& Connie Bell Membership Game: Shirley Bowers \& Joe Puymon

## PEMBERTON BRIDGE CLUB

1520 Pemberton St., North Vancouver Club Phone: 987-3733


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## UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS

Dec 17 Swiss Teams (0-199)
Dec $18 \quad$ Christmas Party-Stratified
Dec 24-25 Club Closed for Christmas
Jan $1 \quad$ Club Closed for New Year's Day
Jan 8 Swiss Teams Party Night
Jan 12 Novice Club Championship
Jan 18 Handicap Club Championship
Jan 21 Swiss Teams (0-200)
Jan $29 \quad$ Club Closed for Sectional
Feb 5 Swiss Teams Party Night
Feb 10 Open Pairs Club Championship
Feb $16 \quad$ Novice-Master Night (Tentative)
Feb $18 \quad$ Swiss Teams ( $0-200$ )
Feb 25 Stratified Club Championship (0-200)

## ARBUTUS VILLAGE BRIDGE CLUB

Arbutus Village Recreation Centre 28-4255 Arbutus Street, Vancouver

## BY INVITATION ONLY

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Arlene Browning - 599-4771

## REGULAR GAME

 Monday 7:00 PMHandicap Game - 1st Monday ea. mo Computer Scoring SPECIAL EVENT
Dec 21 - Christmas Party RECENT WINNERS

STAC Event
Carol Thompson \& Margaret Sabiston Club Championship .
Terry Valjean \& Weldon Kilburn Membership Game John \& Doris Clouston
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## FRASER VALLEY

BRIDGE CLUB
Century House 620-8th St., New Westminster Liz-589-9321 Ted-421-1266 Larry-526-1953
REGULAR GAMES
Thursday 7:15 PM Sharp Entry: $\$ 4.00$ /regular games Includes refreshments
Handicap Game last Thursday each month No smoking in playing area UPCOMING EVENTS Jan 7 - Club Reopens
Feb 11 - 5 th ann Jack Ritch Mixed Pairs Trophy
Mar 25 - ACBL-Wide Charity Game RECENT WINNERS Bi-Monthly Swiss Teams
Harvey Sawyer, Ken Danielsen, Doug Hansford, John McDonald STAC Game-Stratified A - Derek Ward \& Don Sache
B - Olive Macdonald \& John Ashwell C - Yeyan Zhang \& Jason Peng ACBL Charity Game Pat Blackall \& Pat Stapff
13th ann Mitch Hodge Memorial Trophy Dianne Wilson \& Don Fraser


CLOVERDALE BRIDGE CLUB
Cloverdale Curling Rink (beside Arena)
6150-176th Street
Pat Stapff 588-6794 NO SMOKING
REGULAR GAMES
Thursday 12:30 PM Handicap Game last Thurs. each mo. SPECIAL GAMES
Dec 17 - Christmas Party Dec 24-31 - Closed for Holidays RECENT WINNERS Club Championship
Colin Sabiston \& Bill Kennedy Charity Championship Esther Freeman \& Bernice Selander

## BURNABY <br> DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB

1491 Carleton Ave., Burnaby Hazel Dressler
New Phone No.: 524-4445
REGULAR GAMES
Monday 10:45 AM
Tuesday 7:30 PM
UPCOMING GAMES MONDAY
Dec 21-Christmas Party Dec 28-Club Closed TUESDAY
Dec 15-Club Championship Dec 22-Christmas Party RECENT WINNERS STAC Game -
Dianne Isfeld \& Thony Stiennon Club Championship -
Corrine Tapley \& Nadia Yallouz Best Hallowe'en Costumes -
Mike "Wicked Witch" Moffatt
Joerg "Snow White" Schneider Dianne "Joker" Wilson

## WHITE ROCK BRIDGE CLUB

Sunnyside Community Centre
1854-154th St., White Rock, BC REGULAR GAMES
Wednesday 7:00 PM
Handicap Game last Wed. each mo. We welcome all bridge players to a friendly bridge club

TSAWASSEN BRIDGE CLUB
South Delta Rec Centre 1720-56th Street, Delta
Finn Schultz 273-7271 REGULAR GAMES Monday 7:30 pm RECENT WINNERS ACBL Charity Colin Sabiston \& Ron McConnell

## VANCOUVER BRIDGE CLUB

Brunswick Bowls, Park Royal West Vancouver
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All games computer-scored for 'instant' results. Wednesday games have an optional Jackpot All holiday Mondays are PARTY DAYS -
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1520 Pemberton St., North Vancouver
4th Wednesday is Stratified Pairs

## REGULAR GAMES

Monday 10:00 AM
Wednesday 10:00 AM
NON-SMOKING
UPCOMING SPECLAL EVENTS
Dec 28 Fun Individual Tournament
Dec 30 New Year's Eve Fun Pairs
Jan 11 Handicap Game
Jan 27 Stratified Pairs Game
Feb 1 Swiss Teams
Feb 15 Handicap Game
Feb 22 ACBL-Wide Seniors Tournament
Feb 24 Stratified Pairs Game

## RECENT WINNERS DINO STAC

Oct 5th- Marion Adams \& Stella Alliston Oct 7th - Julie Smith \& Shirley McKinney COPC - Julie Smith \& Shirley McKinney

Lions Gate Handicap Pairs -
Stew Forbes \& Al Turvey
Thanksgiving Day Party Game Joyce Turner \& Pat Landau
Remembrance Day Charity Pairs -
Mary Fines \& Jean Tarry

## CENTRAL VANCOUVER BRIDGE CLUB

Albert Yallouz - 321-1891
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## Masonic Hall

45905 Hocking Avenue Mondays, 7:30 p.m.
Dec 14-Christmas Club Championship Jan 25 - Club Championship Membership Game-
Lois Mazuren \& David Schmidt

## MAPLE RIDGE

Leisure Centre
11963 Haney Place Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m.
Dec 16-Christmas Club Championship Feb 3 - Club Championship

## MISSION

Leisure Centre 7621 Taulbut Avenue Thursdays, 7:30 p.m.
Dec 17 - Christmas Club Championship Feb 11 - Club Championship

## ABBOTSFORD

McCallum Activity Centre 2478 McCallum Road Fridays, 7:30 p.m.
Dec 18 - Christmas Membership Game Mar 5 - Club Championship 10th ann Swiss Teams Championship Murray Clements, Louise Percher, Len Feeny, Roselle McRae

## HASTINGS BRIDGECLUB

3096 E.Hastings, Vancouver
Marianne Scott 298-3932 REGULAR GAMES
Wednesday 11:00 AM SPECIAL GAMES
Dec 16-Christmas Game RECENT WINNERS Club Championship
Ione Smith \& Beryl Hamilton Membership Game
Doe Stockdale \& Tillie Neilson
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