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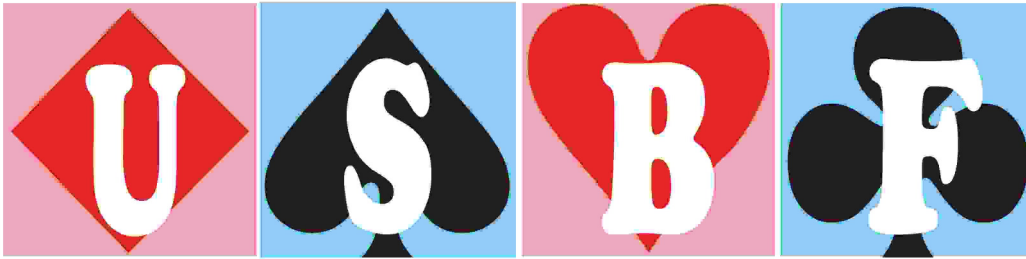
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## The End of the Line

Seniors	Total	1-15	16-30	31-45	46-60
<b>USA2</b>					
Lynch	102	21	6	30	45
Kasle	108	21	40	20	27
<b>Women's</b>					
<b>USA2</b>					
Sprung	129	18	25	21	5
Joel	215	55	19	41	38



The Joel Squad (USA2):  
Jill Levin and Jill Meyers  
Tobey Sokolow, Geeske Joel, Debbie  
Rosenberg, Eric Kokish (coach),  
Janice Seamon-Molson



The Kasle Squad  
(USA2):  
Neil Chambers,  
Steve Robinson,  
Larry Kozlove,  
Peter Boyd,  
Gaylor Kasle,  
John Schermer

UNITED STATES SENIORS' AND WOMEN'S BRIDGE CHAMPIONSHIPS

# Oldies and Goodies

## To the Finish Line...

Board 34    ♠ A4  
 Dealer: E    ♥ AK742  
 N/S Vul.    ♦ J72  
               ♣ KJ6

♠ 82                    ♠ K953  
 ♥ T9                    ♥ QJ86  
 ♦ AK93                ♦ T5  
 ♣ QT943              ♣ 752

                  ♠ QJT76  
                   ♥ 53  
                   ♦ Q864  
                   ♣ A8



West	North	East	South
Passell	Robinson	Sutherlin	Boyd
		Pass	Pass
1D (could be	1H	Double	1S
Pass	2S	Pass	4S
All Pass			

Schermer	Weichsel	Chambers	Lair
		Pass	Pass
Pass	1NT	Pass	2H (transfer)
Pass	2S	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

Passell's light third seat opener followed by Sutherlin's negative double made it difficult for Boyd and Robinson to get to 3NT. Once Boyd bid one spade and Robinson raised, they were committed to play in that strain.

Four spades was not a terrible contract. It took a diamond ruff to defeat it. Passell started with ace, king and a diamond. Sutherlin trumped and waited for his king of spades. Down one!

At the other table, Schermer went quietly in third seat. Weichsel opened one no-trump; Lair transferred to spades and bid 3NT, choice of games. With only two spades, Weichsel passed.

Imagine his surprise when Chambers led the queen of hearts into his AK fifth suit. Weichsel won the heart and led ace of spades and a spade. Chambers ducked, allowing the jack to win in dummy. Weichsel continued spades and Chambers won his king. He played a heart to the nine, ducked. Schermer switched to the ten of clubs. Weichsel won in dummy and came to four spades, two hearts, and three clubs (finessing the queen).

12 IMPs to Lynch

Board 37    ♠ 86  
 Dealer: N    ♥ KT9732  
 N/S Vul.    ♦ KT76  
               ♣ 8

♠ KT74                    ♠ AQ5  
 ♥ Q4                      ♥ J865  
 ♦ J4                        ♦ 95  
 ♣ AKQ76                ♣ JT52

                  ♠ J932  
                   ♥ A  
                   ♦ AQ832  
                   ♣ 943



Passell	Robinson	Sutherlin	Boyd
	2D (multi)	Pass	2H (pass or
Double	Pass	2NT (Lebensohl)	Pass
3C	All Pass		

Schermer	Weichsel	Chambers	Lair
	2H	Pass	Pass
Double	Pass	2NT	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

Schermer and Chambers arrived in 3NT after a normal weak two heart opening. Lair led a fourth best diamond and was elated to catch Weichsel with KTxx. The defense took the first five diamonds and the ace of hearts.

In the other room, Robinson opened 2D (weak two in either major). Boyd bid 2H (pass or correct). After consulting the suggested defenses, Passell doubled (t/o of hearts). Sutherlin, too, consulted the defenses, and bid 2NT (Lebensohl). Passell bid the expected 3C, and for lack of anything better, Sutherlin passed.

Passell took 10 tricks after Robinson led a spade. Another 6 IMPs to Lynch.

Board 78 ♠ 8763  
 Dealer: E ♥ 43  
 None Vul. ♦ 52  
 ♣ T9853

♠ KQT95 ♠ 4  
 ♥ T6 ♥ AQ875  
 ♦ AT86 ♦ QJ4  
 ♣ K2 ♣ Q76

♠ AJ2  
 ♥ KJ9  
 ♦ K973  
 ♣ AJ4



West	North	East	South
Meyers	Sprung	Levin	Robertson
Balderson	Rosenberg	Miner	Seamon-Molson
		1H	1NT
Double	Redouble	2H	Pass
4H	All Pass		

Both rooms had the same auction.

Molson could see four tricks so long as her black aces cashed. She led the spade ace, continued with the club ace, and waited for her KJ of hearts.

At the other table, Robertson must have blanked. She led the club ace and a second club. Levin won in dummy and ran the ten of hearts. Robertson won with the jack and played the jack of clubs.

This was all Levin needed. She won the club queen, cashed the ace of hearts, played queen of diamonds, Robertson playing small, jack of diamonds, Robertson playing small, and a diamond to the ten. She shed her spade loser on the ace of diamonds and made four hearts. 10 IMPs to Joel.

Board 42 ♠ 8732  
 Dealer: E ♥ 72  
 All Vul. ♦ 9754  
 ♣ 543

♠ 96 ♠ KQJ  
 ♥ A94 ♥ JT  
 ♦ T8 ♦ QJ632  
 ♣ AQT986 ♣ KJ2

♠ AT54  
 ♥ KQ8653  
 ♦ AK  
 ♣ 7



Bernstein	Rosenberg	Wheeler	Seamon-Molson
		1NT (12-14)	Double
Redouble	2C	Pass	2H
Pass	Pass	3D	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

Joel	Sprung	Sokolow	Robertson
		1D	Double
2C	Pass	Pass	2H
Pass	Pass	3C	All Pass

Sokolow opened one diamond. Two clubs was non-forcing after the double, and since she was aceless, even with a great fit, Sokolow passed. Robertson could not envision a game for her opponents. She balanced giving them another chance. Sokolow bid three clubs, and thinking A9x was not enough, Joel passed and played it there.

Joel lost one spade, two diamonds and a heart... making three.

At the other table, Wheeler opened a weak no-trump. Molson doubled with her 14 count. Bernstein redoubled to get her partner to bid clubs. Rosenberg, afraid of a sit, muddied the waters with two clubs. Molson bid two hearts and it passed around to Wheeler who was not sure whose hand it was. She balanced with three diamonds and Bernstein made the winning three no-trump bid.

The jack/ten of hearts was huge. Molson led the heart king. Wheeler won in dummy with the ace and knocked out the ace of spades.

Molson continued with the queen of hearts and a heart, but the nine held in dummy and Wheeler collected six clubs, two hearts and two spades... making four.

11 IMPs to Sprung

Board 83 ♠ 6  
 Dealer: S ♥ A983  
 E/W Vul. ♦ K82  
 ♣ Q7652

♠ Q752 ♠ AT3  
 ♥ KQ3 ♥ T75  
 ♦ AQ53 ♦ JT64  
 ♣ 84 ♣ AK9



♠ KJ984  
 ♥ J64  
 ♦ 97  
 ♣ JT3

West	North	East	South
Meyers	Sprung	Levin	Robertson
1D	Pass	2D (inverted)	Pass
3C	Pass	3NT	All Pass

Bernstein	Rosenberg	Wheeler	Seamon-Molson
1NT (12-14)	Pass	3NT	All Pass

Weak no-trumps: Sometimes your right side it... sometimes you don't.

Bernstein opened one weak no-trump in second seat. Wheeler raised to three. Rosenberg led her fourth best club. Bernstein ducked and Molson continued clubs. Bernstein won in dummy but there were just too many entries in the North hand. Bernstein finessed the diamond, losing to North's king. North

continued clubs, clearing the suit. A heart went to the king and ace. Rosenberg cashed her last two clubs and exited the nine of hearts. The best Bernstein could do was down two for -200.

At the other table, Meyers opened one diamond. Levin bid an inverted two diamonds. Meyers bid three clubs, showing both majors stopped and looking for a club card. Levin bid three no-trump. Robertson had no reason to lead a club. She led a fourth best spade and Levin had time to knock out the ace of hearts and king of diamonds and make the hand.

13 IMPs to Joel

Board 51 ♠ T8  
 Dealer: S ♥ KQ85  
 E/W Vul. ♦ K9853  
 ♣ KQ

♠ Q752 ♠ J84  
 ♥ AJ973 ♥ 2  
 ♦ J ♦ T642  
 ♣ T64 ♣ AJ752



♠ AK63  
 ♥ T64  
 ♦ AQ7  
 ♣ 983

Boyd	Lair	Robinson	Weichsel
1H	3NT	All Pass	1C

Passell	Schermer	Sutherlin	Chambers
Pass	1D	Pass	2D
Pass	2H	Pass	2S
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

Weichsel opened one club and Boyd, on a marginal hand, overcalled one heart. A one level overcall doesn't promise the world's fair, but Boyd got really punished this time. Robinson dutifully led his heart deuce. Boyd won and continued hearts. Lair ducked to his ten in dummy and played a high diamond, noting the fall of the jack on his left. He led a heart to his hand and ran the nine of diamonds (restricted choice). He played another diamond to

dummy and claimed eleven tricks... making five for +460.

At the other table, Passell disdained the heart overcall. Schermer and Chambers bid their way to 3NT and Sutherlin led a fourth best club. Schermer won his queen, played a diamond to dummy, and led a heart toward his hand. Passell was ready. He flew ace and led a club to partner. Four clubs and the ace of hearts later, three no-trump was defeated a trick for +50 and 11 IMPs to Lynch.

The Sprung team:  
 Robertson, Sprung, Danny Sprung (NPC), Miner, Balderson, Bernstein and Wheeler



## Laugh and the World Laughs With You...

A travel agent looked up from his desk and saw an older lady and an older gentleman peering into the shop window, where there were posters of glamorous destinations around the world. The agent had had a good week, and the dejected couple looking in the window gave him a rare feeling of generosity.

He called them into his shop. "I know that on your pension you could never hope to have a holiday, so I am sending you to a fabulous resort at my expense, and I won't take no for an answer." He took them inside and asked his secretary to write two flight tickets and book a room in a five-star hotel.

The older lady and gentleman, as could be expected, gladly accepted and were off! About a month later, the little lady came in to the travel agency. "And how did you like your holiday?" the agent asked eagerly.

"The flight was exciting, and the room was lovely," she said. "I've come to thank you. But, one thing puzzled me. Who was that old guy I had to share the room with?"

There was a priest who went into the country to pay a visit to a 92-year-old church member. She welcomed him into the parlor. While she made tea, he looked around and saw a beautiful oak pump organ with a cut glass bowl sitting on top of it.

The bowl was half filled with water and a condom was floating on top of it. He dare not say anything.

After tea, curiosity got the best of him and the priest asked her about it.

She replied, "While in town I found a little foil package on the sidewalk and took it home. The directions on the back said 'keep wet and put on your organ to prevent disease.' And you know, I think it works! I haven't had a cold all winter!"

A young man was walking through a super market to pick up a few things when he noticed an old lady following him. "Pardon me," she said. "I'm sorry if my staring at you has made you feel uncomfortable. It's just that you look just like my son, who died recently."

"I'm very sorry," replied the young man, "is there anything I can do for you?"

"Yes," she said, "as I'm leaving, would you say 'Goodbye, mother?' It would make me feel so much better."

"Sure," answered the young man.

As the old woman was leaving, he called out, "Goodbye, Mother!" Then, as he stepped up to the checkout counter, he saw that his total was \$127.00. "How can that be?" he asked. "I only purchased a few things!"

The clerk replied, "Your mother said you'd pay for her."

A group of senior citizens were exchanging notes about their ailments:

"My arm is so weak I can hardly hold this coffee cup."

"Yes, I know. My cataracts are so bad I can't see to pour the coffee."

"I can't turn my head because of the arthritis in my neck."

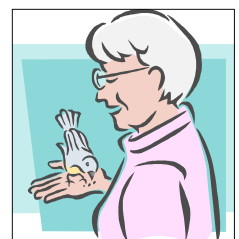
"My blood pressure pills make my dizzy."

"I guess that's the price we pay for getting old."

"Well, it's not all bad. We should be thankful that we can still drive!"

Two elderly men were eating breakfast in a restaurant one morning. Ed noticed something funny about Joe's ear. He said, "Joe did you know you've got a suppository in your left ear?"

"I have? A suppository?" He pulled it out and stared at it. Then he said: "Ed, I'm glad you saw this thing. Now I think I know where my hearing aid is."





## Suite Success: Players and Volunteers mingle in the Hospitality Suite

Thanks to all the wonderful volunteers who worked as monitors, VuGraph operators, Cookie Bakers:

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Kurt Dasher  
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Jerry Grossman  
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Stan Subeck  
Joe Stokes  
Nadine Wood

There were 59 dozen home baked cookies consumed! You don't get sweeter suites than that!!

The local Michigan Unit provided lunch and dinner and snacks every day for the players.

Nadine made her famous tuna salad!

The USBF provided breakfast daily.

You made us all feel truly welcome.



Joanne and Danny Sprung from Philadelphia

# Sudoku... One for the Road...

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

## The Finish ...

The Kasle team was up 13 going into the last board. Schermer and Chambers missed a vulnerable game, playing three spades making five.

If Weichsel and Lair bid the game, Boyd and Robinson had to take the favorable save in five clubs.

Weichsel and Lair bid the game. Boyd and Robinson took the save. Five clubs went down three for -500 and 7 IMPs to Lynch... not quite enough.

Congratulations team Kasle on making this a most exciting end to a great tournament!

Good luck to all the winners in the Netherlands in October. We will be following your progress on Bridge Base!

To USA!!

Four engineers were sitting around one day trying to figure out who might have designed the human body.

The first fellow said, "I think it might be a Mechanical Engineer, because of joints and muscle and sense of balance." The other three nodded their heads and said, "Yeah, could be."

The second fellow said, "I think it might be an Electrical Engineer, because of the nervous system and neural network." The other three nodded their heads and said, "Yeah, could be."

The third fellow said, "I think it might be a Chemical Engineer, because of hormonal balances and metabolism." The other three nodded their heads and said, "Yeah, could be."

The fourth fellow snaps his fingers and shouts out, "I know, it HAD to have been a Civil engineer!" The other three ask "Why?"

"Well," replied the fourth fellow, "who else would put a waste water drainage right through a recreational area?"

## Howie Doing...

The important score is one I can do:  
Howie one and one... Jack zero and two!

Off to the bar ... good luck and good cheer.  
See you again at the Trials next year!

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