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UNITED STATES BRIDGE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Old Times ... Pre Bulletin

The Prez Says ...



I welcome all of you to Denver, Colorado, for the start of the United States Senior Bridge Championships.

Some of you are familiar with the Denver Grand Hyatt as you played in the USBC here last month. There are several excellent restaurants within walking distance of the site. If you care for something in particular, consult the restaurant guide starting on page 8 of this Pre-Bulletin.

The 2016 Senior USBC will select the USA team for the 2016 World Bridge Games, to be held in Wroclaw, Poland from September 3 through September 17th. Participants must have been born in 1956 or earlier.

I will be in Poland, along with the other Zone 2 delegates, cheering our representatives in their quest for victory.

Format: The Senior USBC will run for 6 days. The event will start with the Round of 16 - the teams seeded 1 and 2 (Hamman, NPC & Morse, NPC) will have a bye to the Quarterfinal. The other 12 teams will play a 90 board KO match to choose the remaining 6 teams in the Quarterfinal. The event will continue with 90 board Quarterfinal, Semi Final & Final stages.

I wish you all the best of luck and look forward to a great competition.

Let the games begin!

Howie Weinstein

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 will not. We do this to make room for new content at a substantial print savings to the organization. Thank you!!

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Teams Entered... In Bracket Order

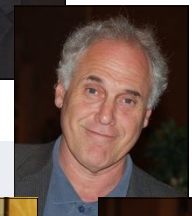
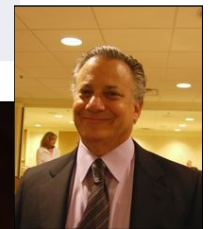
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Hamman	Reese Milner Mark Lair Zia Mahmood Petra Hamman, NPC	Hemant Lall Robert Hamman Jeff Meckstroth
Morse	John Mohan Lew Stansby Steve Garner Jo Morse, NPC	Rose Meltzer Bart Bramley Ron Smith
Koneru	Eddie Wold Mike Passell Dennis Clerkin	Michael Levine Marc Jacobus Jerry Clerkin
Robinson	Steve Robinson, Capt Kit Woolsey	Peter Boyd Fred Stewart
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Wolfson	Jeffrey Wolfson, Capt Chip Martel David Berkowitz	Neil Silverman Michael Rosenberg Alan Sontag
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Pollack	Bill Pollack, Capt Mark Cohen Steve Beatty	Mark Feldman Peter Friedland Larry Robbins
Kasle	Gaylor Kasle, Capt Fred Hamilton Richard Schwartz	Dan Morse Arnold Fisher J. Allan Graves
Bell	Leo Bell, Capt Rick Roeder Claude Vogel	John Jones George Jacobs Jim Looby
Lewis	Paul Lewis, Capt Mark Itabashi Franklin Merblum	Linda Lewis Doug Doub
Reynolds	W. Thomas Reynolds, Capt David Pelka	Lance Kerr Alan Daniels
Bitterman	Robert Bitterman, Capt David Caprera	Jerry Helms Anne Brenner



Do not dwell in the past, do not dream of the future, concentrate the mind on the present moment.

Buddha



All About Kibitzing



WHEN CAN YOU KIBITZ IN THE PLAYING ROOMS?

You will be able to kibitz at any of the tables during this event. However, except in the Open Room during the Round Robin, you will be subject to the following regulations:

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

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

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

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

SCREENS

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

USBF KIBITZING RULES

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

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

No Electronic Devices are Permitted in the Playing Area.

This applies to players AND kibitzers.

Severe penalties will be assessed for violation of this rule.

Please turn off all cell phones and check them at the door.

The USBF reserves the right to wand anyone entering the playing field.



Tournament Schedule:

<i>ROUND OF SIXTEEN</i>			
<i>DAY</i>	<i>DATE</i>	<i>TIME</i>	<i>BOARDS</i>
FRIDAY	JUNE 17	9:45 AM	CAPTAINS' MEETING
FRIDAY	JUNE 17	10:00 - 12:10 12:25 - 2:35 3:45 - 5:55 6:10 - 8:20	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-15 SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 16-30 70 MINUTE LUNCH BREAK SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 1-15 SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 16-30
SATURDAY	JUNE 18	10:00 - 12:10 12:25 - 2:35	SEGMENT 5 BOARDS 1-15 SEGMENT 6 BOARDS 16-30 95 MINUTE LUNCH BREAK
<i>QUARTER-FINAL</i>			
SATURDAY	JUNE 18	4:00 - 6:10 6:20 - 8:30	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-15 SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 16-30
SUNDAY	JUNE 19	10:00 - 12:10 12:25 - 2:35 3:45 - 5:55 6:10 - 8:20	SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 1-15 SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 16-30 70 MINUTE LUNCH BREAK SEGMENT 5 BOARDS 1-15 SEGMENT 6 BOARDS 16-30
<i>SEMI-FINAL</i>			
SUNDAY	JUNE 20	10:00 - 12:10 12:25 - 2:35 3:45 - 5:55 6:10 - 8:20	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-15 SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 16-30 70 MINUTE LUNCH BREAK SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 1-15 SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 16-30
MONDAY	JUNE 21	10:00 - 12:10 12:25 - 2:35	SEGMENT 5 BOARDS 1-15 SEGMENT 6 BOARDS 16-30 95 MINUTE LUNCH BREAK
<i>FINAL</i>			
MONDAY	JUNE 21	4:00 - 6:10 6:20 - 8:30	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-15 SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 16-30
TUESDAY	JUNE 22	10:00 - 12:10 12:25 - 2:35 3:45 - 5:55 6:10 - 8:20	SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 1-15 SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 16-30 70 MINUTE LUNCH BREAK SEGMENT 5 BOARDS 1-15 SEGMENT 6 BOARDS 16-30

Meet the Players...



David Berkowitz is a World Grand Master and a member of the ACBL Hall of Fame.

He lives with his wife Lisa in Boca Raton, Florida, where they enjoy playing golf and watching the Weather Channel. (Ed. note: Weather Channel? Get a life, guys!!)

David and Lisa have two children, both of whom live in New York . Daughter Dana, a lawyer, is married to bridge professional Chris Willenken; son Michael is the head director at Aces bridge club.

VuGraph Information

The Knockout stages of the 2016 Senior USBC will be covered on BBO Vugraph. We plan to cover all of the tables from the Quarterfinals on. 2 or 4 tables will have streaming video, and the other tables will have video uploaded after the day is over. To watch the Vugraph online, go to the **BBO website** where you can log on directly from your browser, go to "Vugraph" and choose which table to watch. If you prefer to use the Windows version of BBO, after you log on, click on the button or line labeled VUGRAPH and you'll be able to choose which of the Senior USBC matches you want to watch.

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

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

10:00 - 12:10: Segment 1

12:20 - 2:30: Segment 2

3:45 - 5:55: Segment 3

6:10 - 8:20: Segment 4



On Saturday and Tuesday, when a new match starts in the middle of the day, the third and fourth segments will be at:

4:00 - 6:10: Segment 3

6:20 - 8:30: Segment 4

Segments 2 and 4 may start a little earlier or later than they are scheduled depending on when segments 1 and 3 end.

All of the teams in the Semi-Finals will play the same boards. For security reasons, if the matches do not all start at the same time, we will not start the Vugraph broadcast until all matches have started play. The DIC will decide whether all of the Quarter-final teams will play the same boards after looking at any security issues.

Hints for BBO viewers

Useful information is available to browser BBO users [and perhaps some mobile BBO users] click on the name of the table/event name will provide a pop-up that:

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

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

click on a player name will usually provide a pop-up that

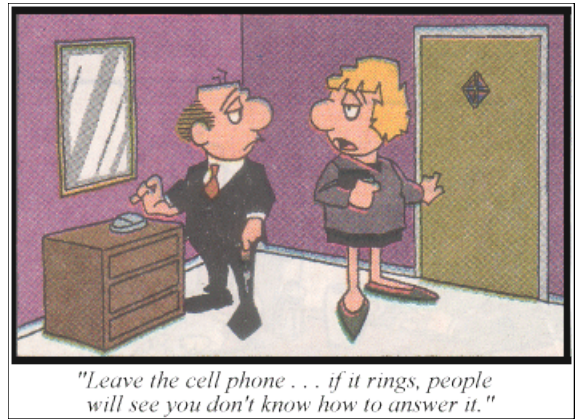
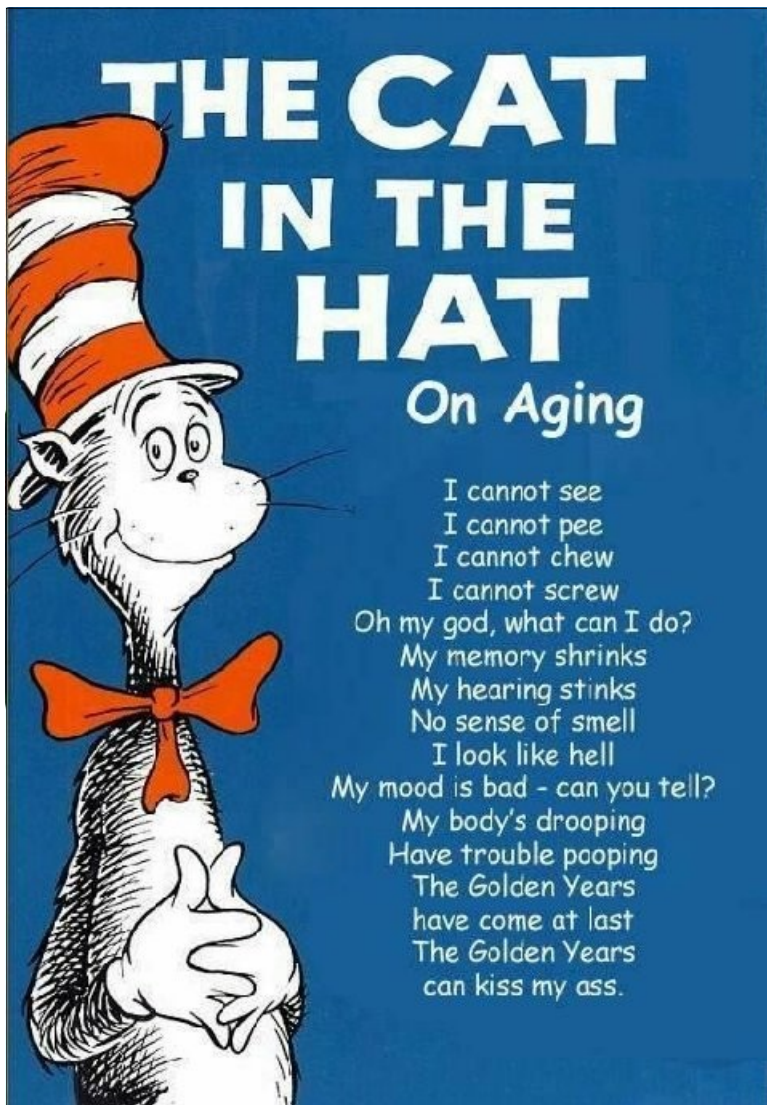
*** displays a picture of the player**

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

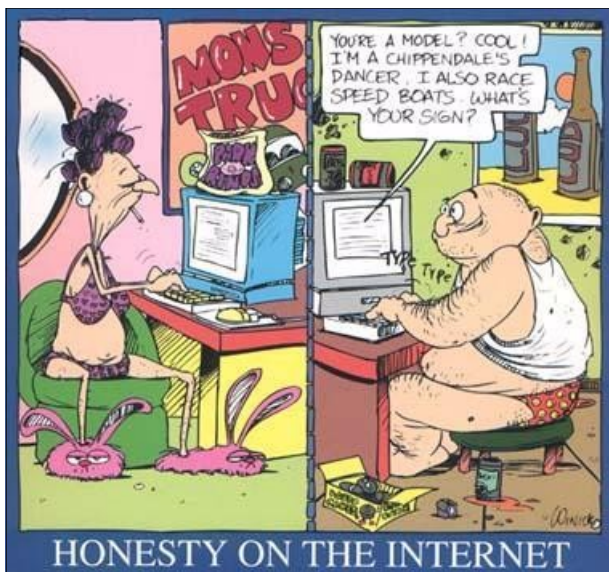
VIDEO: For those who use the original windows BBO - when you enter a room that has video, BBO will welcome you and broadcast the link to video. If video starts after you've entered the room or you forgot to grab the information, then exit the table and re-enter to see the automatic display. All other users will have a "Video" button at the bottom of the table. Just push the button and click on the link provided.

After a session, you can review the Vugraph action on our Web Vugraphs. Take a look at the events currently available to see what we'll have for the 2016 Senior USBC. Web Vugraphs are posted within about an hour of completion of the Vugraph show.

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



Senior Humor



Team Seeding Points

The teams in the Senior USBC are seeded based on a combination of ACBL Performance Points & points for excellent performance in the 2015 Senior USBC. The seeding points for an individual player are capped at 50. Teams are seeded based on the average seeding points for the team. The teams and their seed positions are listed in the table below. To see information about each player's ACBL seeding points & 2015 Senior USBC points, download the [PDF Spreadsheet of 2015 Senior USBC Seeding Points](#). Teams may add or drop players before the Senior USBC, which would change the seeding points.

The actual KO bracket order is based on original seed position and random shuffles, as follows: The team ranked 1 will be #1. The team ranked 2 will be #2. The teams ranked 3 & 4 will be randomly assigned to #3 and #4. The teams ranked 5 & 6 will be randomly assigned to #5 and #6. The teams ranked 7 & 8 will be randomly assigned to #7 and #8.

SEED	TEAM NAME	TEAM AVERAGE SEEDING POINTS
1	Hamman, NPC	47.12 SPs
2	Morse, NPC	46.53 SPs
3	Robinson	43.61 SPs
4	Koneru, NPC	41.47 SPs
5	Gupta	41.35 SPs
6	Wolfson	35.83 SPs
7	Mahaffey	35.51 SPs
8	Simson	32.23 SPs
9	Kasle	30.89 SPs
10	Pollack	17.22 SPs
11	Lewis	15.43 SPs
12	Bell	15.11 SPs
13	Bitterman	11.71 SPs
14	Reynolds	3.67 SPs

Seeding points earned while playing on teams with players who have been convicted by a competent jurisdiction or bridge organization of cheating have been removed in the calculation of seeding points for the Senior USBC. Points earned on teams with players who have been charged with collusive cheating have been reduced by 50%.

Hospitality Suite Information

The hospitality suite for the 2016 Senior USBC is Suite 2612. Players, volunteers, kibitzers, friends and supporters are welcome in the Hospitality Suite during the tournament. Please join hostesses Lisa Berkowitz & Martha Katz for:

Breakfast each day from 8:30-11:00 am.

Lunch Sunday through Wednesday from 2:30-4:00.

On Friday & Saturday, lunch will be a buffet served in the Aspen foyer, outside the Aspen Ballroom playing area.

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

The Players' Lounge (room 1901) will also be open on Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday. We will have coffee and snacks there for you during play.



Some Nearby Suggestions For Your Dining Pleasure



Wynkoop Brewing Company

Categories: American Restaurants, Bars, Breweries, Foods, Nightlife, Pubs, Restaurants, Live Music Venues

1634 18th StDenver CO 80202

(303) 297-2700

Osteria Marco

Categories: Bars, Italian Restaurants, Lounges, Nightlife, Restaurants, Cocktail Bars

1453 Larimer St.Denver CO 80202

(303) 534-5855

Linger Restaurant

Categories: Bars, Foods, Nightlife, Restaurants, Cocktail Bars

2030 W 30th AveDenver CO 80211

(303) 993-3120

Panzano

Categories: Italian Restaurants, Restaurants

909 17th StDenver CO 80202

(303) 296-3525

UA Denver Pavilions Stadium 15

Categories: Movies, Movie Theaters, Restaurants, Shopping Centers, Shopping, 3D Movie Theaters, Accessible Movie Theaters

500 16th StreetDenver CO 80202

(844) 462-7342 ext. 530

Fogo De Chao Brazilian Steakhouse

Categories: Brazilian Restaurants, Restaurants, Steak Restaurants

1513 Wynkoop StDenver CO 80202

(303) 623-9600

Maggiano's Little Italy

Categories: Italian Restaurants, Restaurants

500 16th StDenver CO 80202

(303) 260-7707

Vita Restaurant

Categories: American Restaurants, Bars, Jazz, Music, Nightlife, Restaurants

1575 Boulder StDenver CO 80211

(303) 477-4600

Ignite Burgers & Bar

Categories: Bars, Nightlife, Pubs, Restaurants, Gastropub

2124 Larimer StDenver CO 80203

(303) 296-2600

Tamayo Restaurant

Categories: Latin American Restaurants, Mexican Restaurants, Restaurants

1400 Larimer StDenver CO 80202

(720) 946-1433

Sullivans Steakhouse - Denver

Categories: American Restaurants, Restaurants, Steak Restaurants

1745 Wazee StDenver CO 80202

(303) 295-2664

Denver Chophouse & Brewery

Categories: American Restaurants, Bars, Nightlife, Restaurants, Steak Restaurants, Wine Bars

1735 19th StDenver CO 80202

(303) 296-0800

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Capital Grille

Categories: Restaurants, Steak Restaurants

1450 Larimer St Denver CO 80202

(303) 539-2500

1515 Restaurant

Categories: American Restaurants, Bars, Nightlife, Restaurants

1515 Market St Denver CO 80202

(303) 571-0011

Red Square Euro Bistro

Categories: Bars, Lounges, Nightlife, Restaurants, Eastern European Restaurants

1512 Larimer St Denver CO 80202

(303) 595-8600

Vesta Dipping Grill

Categories: American Restaurants, Restaurants

1822 Blake St Denver CO 80202

(303) 296-1970

Euclid Hall Bar & Kitchen

Categories: American Restaurants, Bars, Nightlife, Pubs, Restaurants, Gastropub

1317 14th St Denver CO 80202

(303) 595-4255

Elway's - Downtown

Categories: American Restaurants, Restaurants, Steak Restaurants

1881 Curtis St Denver CO 80202

(303) 312-3107

Bistro Vendome

Categories: French Restaurants, Restaurants

1420 Larimer St Denver CO 80202

(303) 825-3232

The 9th Door

Categories: Lounges, Nightlife, Restaurants

1808 Blake Street Denver CO 80202

(303) 292-2229

The Kitchen

Categories: American Restaurants, Restaurants

1530 16th St Denver CO 80202

(303) 623-3127

Lola Coastal Mexican

Categories: Mexican Restaurants, Restaurants

1575 Boulder St Denver CO 80211

(720) 570-8686

Katie Mullen's

Categories: Bars, Nightlife, Pubs, Restaurants, Irish Bars

1550 Court Pl Denver CO 80202

(303) 573-0336

Rock Bottom Restaurant & Brewery

Categories: Bars, Breweries, Nightlife, Restaurants, Sports Bars

1001 16th St Denver CO 80265

(303) 534-7616

Marco's Coal Fired Pizza

Categories: Bars, Italian Restaurants, Nightlife, Pizza Restaurants, Restaurants, Wine Bars

2129 Larimer St Denver CO 80205

(303) 296-7000



Cholon - Modern Asian Bistro

Categories: Asian Fusion, Restaurants, Asian Restaurants

1555 Blake St Denver CO 80202

(303) 353-5223

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Freshcraft

Categories: American Restaurants, Bars, Nightlife, Restaurants, Beer Gardens

1530 Blake StDenver CO 80202

(303) 758-9608

Dorchester Social Eatery

Categories: Asian Fusion, Global Cuisines, Lounges, Mediterranean Restaurants, Nightlife, Restaurants

1448 Market StreetDenver CO 80202

(303) 872-5986

Russell's Smokehouse

Categories: American Restaurants, Bakeries, Bars, Barbeque, Markets and Specialty Foods, Lounges, Nightlife, Restaurants, Cocktail Bars

1422 Larimer St. 80202Denver CO 80202

(303) 893-6505

Breckenridge Brewery Denver

Categories: American Restaurants, Bars, Breweries, Nightlife, Restaurants, Sports Bars

2220 Blake StDenver CO 80205

The Polished Tavern

Categories: Bars, Lounges, Nightlife, Pubs, Restaurants, Cocktail Bars, Eastern European Restaurants

1501 Lawrence StDenver CO 80202

(303) 534-5082

Wazee Supper Club

Categories: Bars, Nightlife, Pizza Restaurants, Pubs, Restaurants, Gastropub

1600 15th StDenver CO 80202

(720) 545-1401

Corridor 44

Categories: American Restaurants, Bars, Nightlife, Restaurants, Wine Bars, Cocktail Bars

1433 Larimer StDenver CO 80202 **(303) 893-0044**

Pizza Republica

Categories: Bars, Italian Restaurants, Pizza Restaurants, Restaurants, Wine Bars

890 14th StDenver CO 80202

(303) 623-2811

Tom's Urban

Categories: American Restaurants, Bars, Diners, Nightlife, Restaurants

1460 Larimer StDenver CO 80202

(720) 214-0516

Colt And Gray

Categories: American Restaurants, Bars, Foods, Lounges, Nightlife, Pubs, Restaurants, Gastropub, Cocktail Bars

1553 Platte StDenver CO 80202

(303) 477-1447

Venice Ristorante & Wine Bar

Categories: Italian Restaurants, Restaurants

1700 Wynkoop StDenver CO 80202

(303) 534-2222

Ruth's Chris Steak House

Categories: American Restaurants, Restaurants

707 15th StreetDenver CO 80202

(303) 825-0713

Jimmy's Urban Bar & Grill

Categories: American Restaurants, Bars, Barbeque, Nightlife, Pubs, Restaurants, Gastropub

1530 Blake St Unit BDenver CO 80202

(303) 298-5000

Cafe Colore

Categories: Italian Restaurants, Pizza Restaurants, Restaurants

1512 Larimer StDenver CO 80202

(303) 534-6844

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Downtown Aquarium

Categories: Restaurants, Seafood Restaurants, Aquariums

700 Water StDenver CO 80211

(303) 561-4450

Willie Gs Seafood & Steak House

Categories: Foods, Restaurants, Seafood Restaurants

1585 Lawrence StDenver CO 80202

(303) 575-9000

Jax Fish House

Categories: Restaurants, Seafood Restaurants

1539 17th StDenver CO 80202

(303) 292-5767

The Corner Office Restaurant & Martini Bar

Categories: Restaurants, Ethnic Restaurants

1401 Curtis StDenver CO 80202

(303) 825-6500

Appaloosa Grill

Categories: Bars, Nightlife, Restaurants

535 16th StDenver CO 80202

(720) 932-1700

The Palm

Categories: Foods, Restaurants, Steak Restaurants

1672 Lawrence St.Denver CO 80202

(303) 825-7256

Epernay Lounge

Categories: Dance Clubs, Nightlife, Restaurants, Sushi

1080 14th StDenver CO 80202

(303) 573-5000

The Oceanaire Seafood Room

Categories: Restaurants, Seafood Restaurants

1400 Arapahoe StDenver CO 80202 **(303) 991-2277**

Tag

Categories: Restaurants

1441 Larimer StDenver CO 80202

(303) 996-9985

Diegos Mexican Food And Cantina

Categories: Mexican Restaurants, Restaurants

1600 Champa StDenver CO 80202

(303) 900-3607

Trinity Grille

Categories: American Restaurants, Restaurants

1801 BroadwayDenver CO 80202

(303) 293-2288

Lower 48

Categories: American Restaurants, Restaurants

2020 Lawrence St Unit ADenver CO 80205

(303) 942-0262

Hapa Sushi Grill & Sake Bar

Categories: Restaurants, Sushi

1514 Blake StDenver CO 80202

(720) 354-5058

Ocean Prime Restaurant

Categories: Restaurants, Seafood Restaurants

1465 Larimer StDenver CO 80202

(303) 825-3663

Ted's Montana Grill

Categories: American Restaurants, Bars, Nightlife, Restaurants, Steak Restaurants

1401 Larimer StDenver CO 80202

Central Bistro And Bar

Categories: American Restaurants, Bars, Nightlife, Restaurants, Cocktail Bars

1691 Central StDenver CO 80211

11 **(303) 477-4582**

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Little India Restaurant

Categories: Indian/Pakistani Restaurants, Restaurants

1533 Champa StDenver CO 80202

(303) 629-5777

Morton's The Steakhouse

Categories: Restaurants, Steak Restaurants

1710 Wynkoop StDenver CO 80202

(303) 825-3353

Viewhouse Eatery, Bar & Rooftop

Categories: American Restaurants, Bars, Nightlife, Restaurants

2015 Market StDenver CO 80205

iFish Japanese Grill And Sushi Bar

Categories: Asian Fusion, Restaurants, Sushi

2200 Market StDenver CO 80205

(303) 708-1255

Soko Sushi & Sake Bar

Categories: Asian Fusion, Restaurants, Sushi

1600 Champa StDenver CO 80202 **(303) 623-2702**

Machete Tequila + Tacos

Categories: Bars, Nightlife, Restaurants

1730 Wynkoop StDenver CO 80202

(720) 612-7698

Trillium

Categories: Restaurants

2134 Larimer StDenver CO 80205

(303) 379-9759

Mangiamo Pronto!

Categories: Restaurants

1601 17th StDenver CO 80202

(303) 297-1229

Pub 17

Categories: Restaurants

1750 Welton StDenver CO 80202

(303) 295-1117

Qdoba Mexican Grill

Categories: Mexican Restaurants, Restaurants, Burrito Places

1533 Market StDenver CO 80202

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Oh, the pity of old age.

When I went to lunch today, I noticed an old man sitting on a park bench sobbing his eyes out. I stopped and asked him what was wrong. He said, "I have a 22 year old wife at home. She rubs my back every morning and then gets up and makes me pancakes, sausage, fresh fruit and freshly ground coffee."

I said, "Well, then why are you crying?"

He said, "She makes me homemade soup for lunch and my favorite brownies, cleans the house and then watches sports TV with me for the rest of the afternoon."

I said, "Well, why are you crying?"

He said, "For dinner she makes me a gourmet meal with wine and my favorite dessert and then makes love with me until the wee hours"

I said, "Well, why in the world would you be crying?"

He said, "I can't remember where I live!"

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La Fondue

Categories: Restaurants

1040 15th StDenver CO 80202 (303) 534-0404

Chili's Grill & Bar

Categories: American Restaurants, Restaurants

951 16th StDenver CO 80202

Denver Hummus Bar & Cafe

Categories: Cafes, Mediterranean Restaurants, Restaurants, Falafel Restaurants

838 Park Ave WestDenver CO 80205

Good Times Restaurant

Categories: Burger Joints, Restaurants

951 16th StDenver CO 80202

CooHills Restaurant

Categories: American Restaurants, French Restaurants, Mediterranean Restaurants, Restaurants

1400 Wewatta StDenver CO 80202

McLoughlins Restaurant

Categories: American Restaurants, Bars, Breakfast/Cafe Restaurants, Cafes, Nightlife, Pubs, Restaurants

2100 16th Street #145Denver CO 80202

Prima Ristorante

Categories: Italian Restaurants, Restaurants

1100 14th StreetDenver CO 80202 (303) 228-0770

Ink! Coffee

Categories: American Restaurants, Coffee Houses, Cafes, Restaurants

618 16th StDenver CO 80202

Sonodas Restaurant

Categories: Restaurants, Sushi

1620 Market StDenver CO 80202

Bds Mongolian Barbeque

Categories: Barbeque, Restaurants, Mongolian Restaurants

1620 Wazee StDenver CO 80202

India House Restaurant Denver

Categories: Indian/Pakistani Restaurants, Restaurants

1514 Blake StDenver CO 80202

Cheba Hut Toasted Subs

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Sudoku 1

Sudoku

Sudoku 2

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

Answers to Puzzle No Peeking!

Sudoku 2 Solution

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

Sudoku 1 Solution

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

Puzzle Page ...

Messrs Butcher, Baker, Carpenter and Plumber are currently attending an annual convention.

No-one is currently, nor ever has been in the same profession as their name and no-one has had the same profession twice.

Charles has never been a carpenter and Mr Butcher is now a plumber. Dave used to be a butcher, whereas Mr Brian Baker never has. Mr Plumber is not called Eddie and Mr Carpenter did not used to be a butcher.

Can you determine the full names of each of the attendees, along with their current and previous profession?



Colorado Rockies Humor...

Q: What song do Colorado Rockies fans sing before the bottom of the ninth inning?
 A: Nobody knows. All the fans have left by then.

Q: Why are the Colorado Rockies starting pitchers like orphans?
 A: Because they don't know where home is!

Q: What do I have in common with the Colorado Rockies?
 A: In October we'll both be watching the World Series

Hint and Answer to Puzzle

	Current	Previous
Answer:	Brian Baker	Plumber
	Charles Carpenter	Baker
	Dave Plumber	Butcher
	Eddie Butcher	Carpenter

Hint: Eddie has never been a butcher.

Limey Jack...

Blimey but you Yanks keep a bloke busy. Now the aged ones contest for the Seniors title. That daft cow, Howie Dung will simply pick all favourites, but Limey Jack will be spot on as per usual, including three teams from the lower strata.

Koneru-Bitterman: There is simply not enough experience for Bitterman to overcome a good Koneru team. The Colonel will stand tall.

Robinson-Reynolds: Not enough pounds in the Bank of England or enough prayers in the C of E (Ed note-Church of England) to help Reynolds. Put a tenner on Robinson

Gupta-Lewis: Lewis hangs tough but is still gutted by Gupta. When Howie Dung is finished with his kip, he may give you a bell, to explain why he lost the plot in this match.

Wolfson-Bell: the first of three upsets. While not world class, Bell has enough to make Limey Jack fancy them lighting the attic candle for Wolfson.

Simson-Kasle: The defenders are pretenders. HD will have some such silly attempt at rhyming, but wonky as he is, his lack of honour will be on display for all apparent. Kasle is the second upset winner.

Mahaffey-Pollack: Mahaffey keeps entering these trysts, but when he refuses to answer the bell, it makes a shambles of the lineups. Pollack has no such issues and will prevail.

Limey Jack will see you in less than two days for more help getting your best punter to hand over his follies.

Cheers, LJ

Howie Doing...

Welcome back to Denver! It seems we're here a lot.
It cannot be the altitude, so why? The legal pot?

I'll be crunching numbers while Jack is smoking weed!
His picks will fail hopelessly, while mine will all succeed.

Jan is clearly "puffing." You know what I mean:
Again we see a dozen teams where there should be 16!

In Koneru v Bitterman, it won't be neck and neck.
Babu's crew is tried and true;
They've clearly stacked the deck.

Robinson and Reynolds fell early in the Open:
Robinson's now steaming; Reynolds, barely copin'.

Gupta versus Lewis? Gupta's gonna fall.
Here's a chance to make a buck...
Smart money rests on Paul!

Wolfson's got the wood. He's sure to silence Bell.
I'd never pick against a team with Scotty and Martel!

Simson vs. Kasle... It's close... I cannot lie.
Simson's gonna win it. It won't end in a tie.

Mahaffey versus Pollack? In regulation? NOT!
Whoever made these matches is already smoking pot!

If Flash and Matt are North and East,
The penalties abound.
When and IF the smoke should clear,
It's Bill who's stays around!

Till the Quarterfinals...

I remain... Howie Doing!

From the Women's USBC Final ...

Board 3
 Segment 7
 Dealer: S
 E/W Vul.
 ♠ KQJ
 ♥ JT9
 ♦ Q2
 ♣ AQ843

♠ A963
 ♥ KQ75
 ♦ A93
 ♣ J2
 ♠ T2
 ♥ A82
 ♦ KT87654
 ♣ 9
 ♠ 8754
 ♥ 643
 ♦ J
 ♣ KT765



West	North	East	South
Deas	Levitina	Chambers	Sanborn
1NT	Pass	3NT	All Pass
Baker	Sokolow	McCallum	Molson
1NT (14-16)	Pass	2NT (inv + with ♦)	Pass
3C (not max)	Double	3D	4C
Pass	Pass	4D	All Pass

The Palmer squad won the Women's Trials earlier this month. Besides Palmer, the team included Deas, Chambers, Sokolow, Molson and Sylvia Shi. We look forward to seeing them on VG in Poland in September! Good luck Ladies!!

Bridge "rules" don't always work, however, 4th from your longest and strongest has been around a long time and most of the time it's effective. Deas and Chambers, always an aggressive pair, bid directly to the no-trump game. No fancy conventions there!

Levitina knew she could lead a 4th best club. She was down in the match, however, and the allure of a sequence like KQJ is tough to ignore. Partner would hold the same number of HCP with the ace of spades instead of the CK and DJ. That would allow her to cash three rounds of spades and get a club through to her AQ. Alas, it wasn't to be. The club lead would have yielded five tricks off the top, defeating the contract one. The spade lead resulted in declarer bringing home twelve tricks and scoring +690.

In the other room, science prevailed. McCallum invited with diamonds. Baker showed less than a max and playing 14-16, game did not look hopeful. Dutifully McCallum/Baker stopped in 4D.

As the cards lie, the diamond slam, on a combined 21 HCP, makes easily. Hearts are 3-3; Trumps are 2-1. South lead a club to North's ace. Whatever North does, declarer collects seven diamonds, four hearts and the ace of spades for twelve! +170

11 IMPs to Palmer

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Colorado Facts and Trivia

"Beulah red" is the name of the red marble that gives the Colorado State Capitol its distinctive splendor. Cutting, polishing, and installing the marble in the Capitol took six years, from 1894 to 1900. All of the "Beulah red" marble in the world went into the Capitol. It cannot be replaced, at any price.

Colorado is the only state in history, to turn down the Olympics. In 1976 the Winter Olympics were planned to be held in Denver. 62% of all state Voters choose at almost the last minute not to host the Olympics, because of the cost, pollution and population boom it would have on the State Of Colorado, and the City of Denver.

The United States Air Force Academy is located in Colorado Springs.

The world's largest flat-top mountain is in Grand Mesa.

In Fruita, the town folk celebrate 'Mike the Headless Chicken Day'. Seems that a farmer named L.A. Olsen cut off Mike's head on September 10, 1945 in anticipation of a chicken dinner - and Mike lived for another 4 years without a head.

The LoDo region of Denver stands for Lower Downtown.

Denver, lays claim to the invention of the cheeseburger. The trademark for the name Cheeseburger was awarded in 1935 to Louis Ballast.

The highest paved road in North America is the Road to Mt. Evans off of I-70 from Idaho Springs. The Road climbs up to 14,258 Ft. above sea level.

Colorado means "colored red" and is known as the "Centennial State."

The Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad continues to provide year round train service operating a historical train with rolling stock indigenous to the line. The line was constructed primarily to haul mine ores, both gold and silver, from the San Juan Mountains.

The United States federal government owns more than 1/3 of the land in Colorado.

Colorado contains 75% of the land area of the U.S. with an altitude over 10,000 feet.

Colorado has 222 state wildlife areas.

Colfax Avenue in Denver is the longest continuous street in America.

The 13th step of the state capital building in Denver is exactly 1 mile high above sea level.

The Dwight Eisenhower Memorial Tunnel between Clear Creek & Summit counties is the highest auto tunnel in the world. Bored at an elevation of 11,000 feet under the Continental Divide it is 8,960 feet long and the average daily traffic exceeds 26,000 vehicles.

Leadville is the highest incorporated city in the United States at 10,430 feet elevation. Because there was lots of "silver" named towns at the time, the founding fathers suggested Leadville.

Katherine Lee Bates wrote "America the Beautiful" after being inspired by the view from Pikes Peak.

Hundreds of thousands of valentines are re-mailed each year from Loveland.

Fountain, has the distinction of being the United States' millennium city because it best symbolizes the overall composition of America. Fountain is the most accurate representation of the American "melting pot." Fountain was chosen after a Queens College sociologist crunched Census Bureau statistics in an effort to find the one city in the country that best represented the population make-up of the United States.

Pueblo is the only city in America with four living recipients of the Medal of Honor.

The tallest building in Colorado is the Republic Plaza at 57 stories high, in Denver.

Every year Denver host the worlds largest Rodeo, the Western Stock show.

Denver has the largest city park system in the nation with 205 parks in City limits and 20,000 Acres of parks in the nearby mountains.

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Dove Creek is the "Pinto Bean" capital of the world.

The tallest sand dune in America is in Great Sand Dunes National Monument outside of Alamosa. This bizarre 46,000-acre landscape of 700-foot sand peaks was the creation of ocean waters and wind more than one million years ago.

The World's First Rodeo was held on July 4th, 1869 in Deer Trail.

Lieutenant Zebulon Montgomery Pike explored the southwest portion of the Louisiana Territory in 1806 and though he never climbed the peak that bears his name, he did publish a report that attracted a lot of interest to the area.

The slogan of "Pikes Peak or Bust," painted across many of the prairie schooners, was born at a time as fortune hunters headed west. Although only a handful of those who flocked to the region ever found gold.

At 14,110 feet above sea level over 400,000 people ascend Pikes Peak each year.

The aptly named town of Twin Lakes lays adjacent two natural lakes at the foot of Colorado's highest Fourteener, Mt. Elbert.

The Colorado Rockies are part of the North American Cordillera, which stretches 3,000 miles from Alaska, through western Canada and the United States, into northern Mexico. The centerpieces of this dramatic uplift are the peaks over 14,000 feet, or "Fourteeners", as they are affectionately referred to by climbers. There are 52 Fourteeners in Colorado.

Rocky Ford has been dubbed the "melon capital of the world."

The Yampa River below the northwest town of Craig holds northern pike in the 20-pound range, while the Roaring Fork and Frying Pan rivers are prime spots for trout fishing.

Colorado has the highest mean altitude of all the states.

Mesa Verde features an elaborate four-story city carved in the cliffs by the Ancestral Pueblo people between 600 and 1300 A.D. The mystery surrounding this ancient cultural landmark is the sudden disappearance of the thousands of inhabitants who created the more than 4,000 identified structures.

Colorado has more microbreweries per capita than any other state.

The Kit Carson County Carousel in Burlington dates back to 1905, making it the oldest wooden merry-go-round in the United States. It is the only wooden carousel in America still with its original paint.

The Durango and Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad has been in continuous operation since 1881 and has appeared in more than a dozen movies including *How the West Was Won* (1963) and *Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid* (1969).

The highest suspension bridge in the world is over the Royal Gorge near Canon City. The Royal Gorge Bridge spans the Arkansas River at a height of 1,053 feet.

The world's largest natural hot springs pool located in Glenwood Springs. The two-block long pool is across the street from the historic Hotel Colorado, a favorite stop of former president Teddy Roosevelt.

Built in 1867 by Seth Lake, the Astor House in Golden was the first stone hotel built west of the Mississippi River.

Colorado's southwest corner borders Arizona, New Mexico and Utah the only place in America where the corners of four states meet.

There are nearly 20 rivers whose headwaters begin in Colorado, with the Continental Divide directing each river's course.

The Colorado Rockies play at the 50,000 seat Coors Field, located in downtown Denver.

In 1859, John Gregory discovered "The Gregory Lode" in a gulch near Central City. Within two weeks, the gold rush was on and within two months the population grew to 10,000 people in search of their fortune. It came to be known as "The Richest Square Mile on Earth".

Colorado's first and oldest military post, Fort Garland was established in 1858 and commanded by the legendary

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frontiersman Kit Carson.

Abundant nesting and migrating birds and other native animals provide a "world-class" watchable wildlife experience. Bald eagles and other raptors, sandhill cranes, shore birds and water birds can be seen seasonally at San Luis Lakes near Alamosa.

Florissant Fossil Beds National Monument near Cripple Creek is a lesson in history set in the one-time shadow of the Guffey Volcano. The volcano erupted millions of years ago, creating fossils and leaving the valley filled with petrified trees.

John Henry "Doc" Holliday's brief and tumultuous existence led him to Glenwood Springs where he succumbed to tuberculosis and died at the Hotel Glenwood on November 8, 1887.



“Pun”ishment ...

How did I escape Iraq? Iran.

I'm glad I know sign language, it's pretty handy.

I wasn't originally going to get a brain transplant, but then I changed my mind.

I'm emotionally constipated. I haven't given a shit in days.

When I get naked in the bathroom, the shower usually gets turned on.

Thieves had broken into my house and stolen everything except my soap, shower gel, towels and deodorant. Dirty Bastards.

Why was Cinderella thrown off the basketball team? She ran away from the ball.

Regular naps prevent old age, especially if you take them while driving.

I grew a beard thinking it would say "Distinguished Gentleman." Instead, turns out it says, "Senior Discount, Please!"

Aging gracefully is like the nice way of saying you're slowly looking worse.

The older I get, the earlier it gets late.

Few women admit their age; few men act it.

Wine improves with age. I improve with wine.

At what age is it appropriate to tell my dog that he's adopted?

A diplomat is a man who always remembers a woman's birthday but never remembers her age.

Transitional age is when during a hot day you don't know what you want – ice cream or beer.

The question isn't at what age I want to retire, it's at what income.

Middle age is when work is a lot less fun and fun a lot more work.

You're not old until a teenager describes you as middle-aged.

Sex at age 90 is like trying to shoot pool with a rope.

What goes up and never comes down? Your age!

2016 Mixed USBC

In 2016, the [World Bridge Games](#), to be held in Wroclaw, Poland from September 3 through September 17th, will include a Mixed Teams event. USBF will hold a hybrid online & face-to-face selection event, the 2016 Mixed United States Bridge Championship. The USBF Tournament Committee is working on the details of the competition, but what we expect is that it will be in 3 stages:

1. An online Swiss Teams event to be held on BBO on Saturday & Sunday, July 9 & 10, 2016. Any USBF member who has paid dues for 2016 may enter this event. The exact format will be determined by the number of teams. Each player will be required to provide a monitor, who will sign a statement that the player did not communicate with anyone during play and did not have any window other than the BBO playing window open during play.
2. Online Knockout Rounds of 16 and 8 on BBO on Saturday & Sunday, July 16 & 17 (teams in the Round of 16 may arrange to play their match earlier than July 16). The top 16 teams from the Swiss stage will participate, and they will be seeded in the order of finish in the Swiss. Each match will probably be 64 boards long, but that has still to be finally determined. Each player will be required to have a monitor, who will have to be approved in advance and may have to be an ACBL certified director. The monitor will sign a statement that the player did not communicate with anyone during play and did not have any window other than the BBO playing window open during play. Arrangements may be made for multiple players to compete at a local bridge club.
3. Face to face Semi-Final and Final matches to be played in Washington, DC on Aug. 1-3 (the three days after the Summer NABC). These matches will be 90 boards long. We hope to arrange space for this stage of play at the NABC tournament hotel, but are still working on that.

ENTRY INFORMATION

Entries are now open and will close on June 27th, 2016; additional entries will be accepted after June 27th, but only if those additional teams will improve the format of the event.

ENTRY FEES

Entry fees for this event will be lower than for the Open, Senior & Women's events, because USBF costs will be lower. The tournament committee has not yet determined the exact entry fees. Best guess right now is that there will be an event entry fee of \$240 per team, and no additional fees until the Semi-Final. Players will, however, be required to compensate their monitors and to pay any fees that local bridge clubs may charge if they play at a local club. Session fees for the Semi-Final and Final will be the same as for other USBF events - \$150 per team per session, so \$450 for each stage.

COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS

Please [email Jan](#) if you have any suggestions, comments or questions about this event.

WBF SYSTEMS POLICY

Definition:

Average Hand a hand containing 10 high card points (Milton Work) with no distributional values

Weak: high card strength below that of an average hand

Strong: high card strength a king or more... greater than that of an average hand

Natural: a call or play that is not a convention ["special partnership understanding" as defined in Law 40B1(a)]

Length: three cards or more

Shortage: two cards or less

Long Match: a match of 17 or more deals

Short Match: a match of less than 17 deals



Board 12
Segment 7
Dealer: W
N/S Vul.

♠ KQ95
♥ A96
♦ KQ863
♣ 6

♠ 84
♥ K8532
♦ 754
♣ K42



♠ 762
♥ QJT7
♦ JT2
♣ A97

♠ AJT3
♥ 4
♦ A9
♣ QJT853

West	North	East	South
Deas	Levitina	Chambers	Sanborn
Pass	1D	Pass	2C
Pass	2D	Pass	2S
Pass	3S	Pass	4S
All Pass			
Baker	Sokolow	McCallum	Molson
2H	Double	3H	4H
Pass	4S	Pass	4NT
Pass	5S	Pass	6S
All Pass			

Sometimes preempts work like they should and make it hard on the opponents. Here, it was not the case. In the unimpeded auction, North/South (Levitina/Sanborn) had all the room in the world. They were, however, looking at two minimum opening hands. Slam seemed unlikely and they settled comfortably in game making 12 tricks.

At the other table, Baker's opening 2H bid, followed by her partner's raise to 3H, clued Sokolow/Molson into how really good their hands were. When Molson cue bid 4H and Sokolow picked spades, Molson asked for key cards. Sokolow showed two with the queen and they were in slam. McCallum led the Q. Sokolow won with the ace and played a club. Baker won the king and exited a diamond. Sokolow won in dummy with the ace and ruffed a club. She played the SQ to the SA, ruffed another club, pulled the last trump, and claimed 12 tricks. 13 IMPs to Palmer

#	TEAM
3	Koneru, NPC
14	Bitterman
4	Robinson
13	Reynolds
5	Gupta
12	Lewis
6	Wolfson
11	Bell
7	Simson
10	Kasle
8	Mahaffey
9	Pollack

Match-ups for the Round of 16

