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“Trials” and Tribulations

On Line Play

Board 16

K McCallum
 ♠ A
 ♥ 985
 ♦ Q1098762
 ♣ 52

S Woolsey
 ♠ Q1073
 ♥ KQJ6
 ♦
 ♣ KQJ76

K Woolsey
 ♠ KJ6
 ♥ A10742
 ♦ KJ3
 ♣ 108

V King
 ♠ 98542
 ♥ 3
 ♦ A54
 ♣ A943

NS: 0
EW: 0

Sally	McCallum	Kit	V King
2♥	4♦	Dbl	5♦
Pass	Pass	Dbl	Pass
Pass	Pass		

Last Friday night, while the Boston Red Sox played the Texas Rangers, Sally and Kit Woolsey played online against Karen McCallum and Victor King. Board 15 was interesting. Sally opened 2H showing 11-15 HCP and a singleton or void diamond. Karen overcalled 4D putting maximum pressure on the opponents. Kit made a penalty double and Victor, expecting a five level bid in hearts, bid 5D preemptively... two passes to Kit who figured that if he was defeating 4D, he was most certainly defeating 5D.

We don't know what would have happened had Kit made the more common 4H bid. Sally might well have competed to 5H which could be defeated with the lead of a spade to the ace, followed by a club to the ace and a spade ruff. Had McCallum been on lead, that defense would have been easy, however, with King on lead, we probably would have seen the lead of the DA. Kit would ruff, pull trump, and knock out the black aces...

Kit led the CT against 5DX. Karen ducked. Kit continued clubs, Karen winning the ace in dummy. The H3 went to Sally's jack. Sally played the CK, ruffed by declarer's DT and overruffed with the DJ. Kit exited with the S6. Karen won and ruffed a heart in dummy. She ruffed a spade, ruffed a heart, played the DA, ruffed a spade and claimed down two.

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Teams Entered... listed in seeding order

Fleisher	Martin Fleisher, Capt Eric Greco	Chip Martel Geoff Hampson
Bye to Rnd of 8	Joe Grue	Brad Moss
Nickell	Nick Nickell, Capt Bobby Levin	Ralph Katz Steve Weinstein
Bye to Rnd of 8	Jeff Meckstroth	Eric Rodwell
Rosenthal	Andrew Rosenthal, Capt Robert Hamman	Aaron Silverstein David Berkowitz
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Borker	Jay Borker, Capt Roger Lee	Michael Rosenberg Daniel Korbel
Morris	Michael Levine Mike Passell Greg Hinze	Eddie Wold Marc Jacobus David Grainger
Mahaffey	Jim Mahaffey, Capt John Schermer Billy Cohen	Sam Lev Neil Chambers Gary Cohler
Gupta	Vinita Gupta, Capt Huub Bertens Oren Kriegel	Billy Miller Ron Smith
Fireman	Paul Fireman, Capt John Kranyak Joel Wooldridge	Gavin Wolpert Vincent Demuy John Hurd
Robinson	Steve Robinson, Capt Bart Bramley Mark Feldman	Peter Boyd Kit Woolsey Ross Grabel
Meltzer	Rose Meltzer, Capt Steve Garner Kevin Dwyer	Nik Demirev Owen Lien Shan Huang
Harris	Martin Harris, Capt Matthew Granovetter Miriam Harris-Botzum	Jacob Morgan Pam Granovetter John Botzum
Ozdil	Melih Ozdil, Capt Drew Casen	Brian Glubok Jim Krekorian
Lo	Ai-Tai Lo, Capt Alex Kolesnik Ira Hessel	William Pettis Bob Etter Dan Morse
Juster	Jeffrey Juster Adam Grossack Howard Weinstein	Franklin Merblum Zachary Grossack Adam Wildavsky
Doub	Doug Doub, Capt Karen McCallum Vic King	John Stiefel Geoffrey Brod
Molson	Janice Seamon-Molson, Capt Kerri Sanborn Beth Palmer	Tobi Sokolow Stephen Sanborn Sylvia Shi
Lewis	Paul Lewis, Capt Danny Sprung Robert Cappelli	Linda Lewis JoAnn Sprung Robert Bitterman
Schireson	Max Schireson, Capt Geeske Joel	Debbie Rosenberg William Watson
Sam Dinkin, NPC	Tom Reynolds David Pelka	Lance Kerr William Hall
Cohen	Seth Cohen, Capt James Glickman	Howard Einberg Bill St Clair

2017-2018 USBC POSITIONING POINTS

Team	BYE To	Total For R16	2017 USBC		2017 Spingold PPs Rank	2017 Reisinger PPs Rank	2018 Vanderbilt PPs Rank
			Matches Won	%			
Fleisher (Martel, Moss-(Cohen Spingold, Grue others), (Pszczola-Rosenberg USBC; Greco-Hampson others))	R8	142	30 USA2 win	1	12 9-16	100	1
Nickell (Katz, Levin-Weinstein, Meckstroth-Rodwell)	R8	136	43 Q,S,F R16	1	12 9-16	70	2
Rosenthal (Silverstein, Berkowitz-Hamman, Ginossar-Willenken), Sontag for USBC	R16	48	9 U2 R16	1	27 5-8	12	9-16
Diamond (Platinick, Greco-Hampson, Bathurst-Lall)		25	25 Q,S	0.5		27	5-8
Mahaffey (Lev, Lee-Rosenberg, Gawrys-Klukowski)		19.5	19 R16,Q,USA2 R8			12	8
Dwyer (Lee, B. Cohen-Cohler, Becker-Kamil)		19	19 R16,Q,USA2 R8			14	7
Harris (Morgan, Barron, Liu, Lo)		14	19 R16,Q,USA2 R8				
Bramley (Woolsey, Kriegel-Smith)		20	8 R16	1	12 9-16		
Levine (Wold, Passell, Compton, Grainger)(Jacobus, USBC, Hinze Spingold)		9	9 R16, U2 R16				
Meltzer (Demirev, Garner-Smith, Bramley-Hamman)		9	9 U2 R16				
Simson (Aker, J Stansby-L Stansby)		8	8 R16	1			
Fireman (Wolpert, Demuy-Kranyak, Hurd-Wooldridge)		6	6 U2 -lose R16	1			
Ivatory (Henner, Chan-Sorkin)		6		0.5	12 9-16		
Sonsini (Korbel, Bertens-Cheek, De Wijs-Muller)		5		0.5		10	10
Coren (Kamil, Becker-Strul, Elahmady-Sadek)							

Notes: Deep Bye PPs can only be earned in the V/S/R on a team with no ineligible players.
% is the reduction for foreign players for all of the V/S/R PPs for each team that had one or two foreign players

Number of PPs Required for Byes:
R16: 40, 40, 40, 42, 44, 46, 48, 50, 52, 54, 57, 60 (note that smaller numbers are taken by byes to semi's and R8)
R8: 78, 79, 81, 84, 88, 93 (smaller numbers are taken up by any semi-final byes)
Semi: 155, 165 **PLUS** a win in the 2017 Spingold, Reisinger, Bermuda Bowl, or 2018 Vanderbilt

The best thing I did was to choose the right heroes!

Warren Buffett

Tournament Schedule

ROUND ROBIN			
DAY	DATE	TIME	BOARDS
FRIDAY	MAY 11	9:45 AM	CAPTAINS' MEETING
FRIDAY	MAY 11	10:00 - 10:55 11:05 - 12:00 12:10 - 1:05 1:15 - 2:10 3:30 - 4:25 4:35 - 5:30 5:40 - 6:35 6:45 - 7:40	MATCH 1, BOARDS 1-6 MATCH 2, BOARDS 7-12 MATCH 3, BOARDS 13-18 MATCH 4, BOARDS 19-24 80 MINUTE LUNCH BREAK MATCH 5, BOARDS 1-6 MATCH 6, BOARDS 7-12 MATCH 7, BOARDS 13-18 MATCH 8, BOARDS 19-24
SATURDAY	MAY 12	10:00 - 10:55 11:05 - 12:00 12:10 - 1:05 1:15 - 2:10 3:20 - 4:15 4:25 - 5:20 5:20 - 5:25 5:35 - 6:30 6:35 - 7:30 7:35 - 8:30	MATCH 9, BOARDS 1-6 MATCH 10, BOARDS 7-12 MATCH 11, BOARDS 13-18 MATCH 12, BOARDS 19-24 70 MINUTE LUNCH BREAK MATCH 13, BOARDS 1-6 MATCH 14, BOARDS 7-12 SHORT CAPTAINS' MEETING * MATCH 15, BOARDS 13-18 * * MATCH 16, BOARDS 19-24 * * MATCH 17, BOARDS 25-30 *

* THE FINAL 3 MATCHES ARE SEQUESTERED - ONE PAIR ON EACH TEAM MUST PLAY ALL 3 MATCHES & MUST REMAIN IN THE CLOSED ROOM FOR ALL 3 MATCHES. NO SCORE COMPARISON ALLOWED.

ROUND OF 16			
SUNDAY	MAY 13	9:45 AM	CAPTAINS' MEETING
SUNDAY	MAY 13	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	MAY 14	10:00 - 12:10 12:25 - 2:35 3:45 - 5:55 6:10 - 8:20	SEGMENT 5 BOARDS 1-15 SEGMENT 6 BOARDS 16-30 70 MINUTE LUNCH BREAK SEGMENT 7 BOARDS 1-15 SEGMENT 8 BOARDS 16-30
QUARTER-FINAL			
TUESDAY	MAY 15	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
WEDNESDAY	MAY 16	10:00 - 12:10 12:25 - 2:35 3:45 - 5:55 6:10 - 8:20	SEGMENT 5 BOARDS 1-15 SEGMENT 6 BOARDS 16-30 70 MINUTE LUNCH BREAK SEGMENT 7 BOARDS 1-15 SEGMENT 8 BOARDS 16-30
SEMI-FINAL			
THURSDAY	MAY 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
FRIDAY	MAY 18	10:00 - 12:10 12:25 - 2:35 3:45 - 5:55 6:10 - 8:20	SEGMENT 5 BOARDS 1-15 SEGMENT 6 BOARDS 16-30 70 MINUTE LUNCH BREAK SEGMENT 7 BOARDS 1-15 SEGMENT 8 BOARDS 16-30
FINAL			
SATURDAY	MAY 19	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
SUNDAY	MAY 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

Hospitality Information...

The hospitality suite for the 2018 USBC will be in room 1068-70. Our wonderful hostesses, Lisa Berkowitz and Martha Katz have made the "trek" to Houston to welcome you to the Suite. They will be joined by Nancy Strohmer, Betty Starzec, Shawn Quinn and other local volunteers.



Breakfast will be served each day from 8:00-10:30 and lunch starting on Sunday from 1:00-4:00.

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

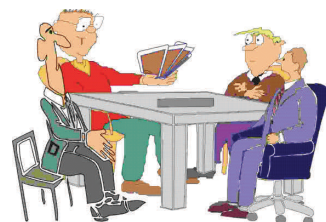
The "Players' Break Room" (aka Jan's office) will be in the playing area (room 862, around the corner from most of the playing rooms, all of which are on the 8th floor.). It will be available for the entire tournament. We will have coffee, soft drinks and snacks available while you wait for your slow teammates to finish playing.

On Friday and Saturday, we will be serving a buffet lunch in the hotel restaurant. More details about that after we work them out with the hotel.

Round Robin Info

USBF 6 Board Victory Point Scale

Margin	Winner	Loser	Margin	Winner	Loser	Margin	Winner	Loser
0	10	10	13	15.24	4.76	26	18.38	1.62
1	10.50	9.50	14	15.54	4.46	27	18.56	1.44
2	10.99	9.01	15	15.83	4.17	28	18.73	1.27
3	11.46	8.54	16	16.11	3.89	29	18.90	1.10
4	11.90	8.10	17	16.38	3.62	30	19.06	0.94
5	12.33	7.67	18	16.64	3.36	31	19.22	0.78
6	12.75	7.25	19	16.89	3.11	32	19.37	0.63
7	13.15	6.85	20	17.12	2.88	33	19.51	0.49
8	13.53	6.47	21	17.35	2.65	34	19.65	0.35
9	13.90	6.10	22	17.58	2.42	35	19.78	0.22
10	14.25	5.75	23	17.79	2.21	36	19.91	0.09
11	14.59	5.41	24	17.99	2.01	37	20	0
12	14.92	5.08	25	18.19	1.81			



Round Robin

The 2018 USBC Round Robin will be a 2-day complete Round Robin, with 6 board matches, scored using the **USBF 6 board Victory Point scale** (see above). The Round Robin schedule is set forth on page 3 of this Bulletin.

SCORE SUBMISSION

After each match, you must turn in a form showing your score (in IMPs) for the match; please enter the IMPs for each team, not the net IMPs. If you have time to confirm the score with your opponent before submitting it, please do so. If you don't have time, turn the score in anyway. Write your lineup for the next match on the back of the score ticket and turn in the score ticket to receive your assignment for the next match.

SEQUESTERED MATCHES

The final 3 matches on Saturday will have the Closed Room sequestered. One pair on your team must play all 3 matches in the Closed Room. No score comparison is allowed during the 3-match clump. You cannot choose which pair will sit in which direction for these 3 matches - you must designate which pair is going to be in the Closed Room for all 3 matches and they will sit whichever direction your team is assigned in the Closed Room.

For the first two sequestered matches, the NS pair at each table will be asked to complete a score sheet & have the EW pair verify that it is correct. We will pick up those score sheets and enter the scores into the computer in order to have your scores for those matches completed by the time you finish the third match. Those scores will be posted on a wall in the Players' Break Room. You will be asked to confirm that those scores are correct when you turn in your score for the final match. We hope that this procedure will help speed up the determination of which teams have qualified.

WHAT'S THE BEST THING ABOUT SWITZERLAND?

I DON'T KNOW, BUT THE FLAG IS A BIG PLUS.

HELVETICA AND TIMES NEW ROMAN WALK INTO A BAR.

"GET OUT OF HERE!" SHOUTS THE BARTENDER. "WE DON'T SERVE YOUR TYPE."

DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE MATHEMATICIAN WHO'S AFRAID OF NEGATIVE NUMBERS?

HE'LL STOP AT NOTHING TO AVOID THEM.

YESTERDAY I SAW A GUY SPILL ALL HIS SCRABBLE LETTERS ON THE ROAD. I ASKED HIM, "WHAT'S THE WORD ON THE STREET?"

ONCE MY DOG ATE ALL THE SCRABBLE TILES. FOR DAYS HE KEPT LEAVING LITTLE MESSAGES AROUND THE HOUSE.

WHY DO WE TELL ACTORS TO "BREAK A LEG?"

BECAUSE EVERY PLAY HAS A CAST. DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE ACTOR WHO FELL THROUGH THE FLOORBOARDS? HE WAS JUST GOING THROUGH A STAGE.



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 (excepting those with pace makers or like equipment) entering the playing field.



**Don't Forget
Sunday is
Mother's Day!
Call Your Mother!**

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

Excessive Sudoku

HEAR ABOUT THE NEW RESTAURANT CALLED KARMA?

THERE'S NO MENU: YOU GET WHAT YOU DESERVE.

A BEAR WALKS INTO A BAR AND SAYS, "GIVE ME A WHISKEY AND ... COLA."

"WHY THE BIG PAUSE?" ASKS THE BARTENDER. THE BEAR SHRUGGED. "I'M NOT SURE; I WAS BORN WITH THEM."

A WOMAN IN LABOR SUDDENLY SHOUTED, "SHOULDN'T! WOULDN'T! COULDN'T! DIDN'T! CAN'T!"

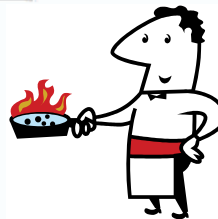
"DON'T WORRY," SAID THE DOC. "THOSE ARE JUST CONTRACTIONS."

Answers to Puzzle No Peeking!

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

Puzzle Page ...

	Clam Chowder	Cream of Mushroom soup	Cuban Black Bean soup	Split Pea soup	Vegetable Orzo soup	Chicken Tandoori	Country Fried Steak	Italian Sausage	Roasted Pork Loin	Southwest Turkey Burger	Apple Pie	Chocolate Cupcakes	Gourmet Cookies	Mini Bundt Cakes	Pudding Parfaits
Monday															
Tuesday															
Wednesday															
Thursday															
Friday															
Apple Pie															
Chocolate Cupcakes															
Gourmet Cookies															
Mini Bundt Cakes															
Pudding Parfaits															
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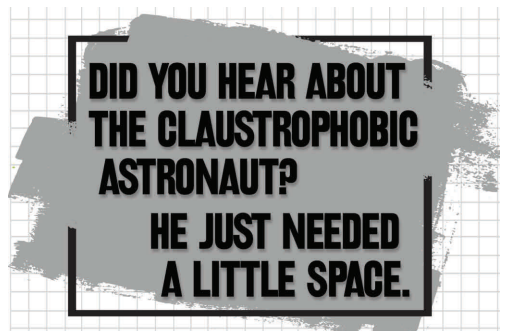
Chef Express ran the cafeteria at the Gadgetworks, Inc. corporate offices. Along with their normal daily offerings, each day they offered specials that changed from week to week. The specials, which included a soup, entrée, and dessert, were posted each Friday for the following week. Determine the specials (soup, entrée, and dessert) for each day of this week (Monday through Friday).

1. The clam chowder was the soup special two days before the mini Bundt cakes but a day after the roasted pork loin entrée.
2. On Friday, the soup special was split pea but the gourmet cookies were not available. One day, two of the specials were the vegetable orzo soup and the southwest turkey burger but it wasn't on Monday.
3. Each day is represented by one of the following, in no particular order: Italian sausage entrée, Cuban black bean soup, pudding parfaits, Wednesday, and country fried steak entrée.
4. The cream of mushroom soup wasn't served with the gourmet cookies. The apple pie was the dessert special on Monday.
5. The pudding parfaits were the dessert special on the day after the clam chowder and the day before the Italian sausage entrée.
6. The chicken tandoori entrée wasn't served on the same day as the chocolate cupcakes.

Day of the Week	Soup Special	Entrée Special	Dessert Special
Monday			
Tuesday			
Wednesday			
Thursday			
Friday			

Clam Chowder	Chicken Tandoori	Apple Pie
Cream of Mushroom soup	Country Fried Steak	Chocolate Cupcakes
Cuban Black Bean soup	Italian Sausage	Gourmet Cookies
Split Pea soup	Roasted Pork Loin	Mini Bundt Cakes
Vegetable Orzo soup	Southwest Turkey Burger	Pudding Parfaits

**Answer
on
Page 8**



Tournament in Texas

USBC Houston, Texas

WORD LIST:

AVMTDY YRQJTR
 EDBSUCOUVR XPRBURNUUL
 GEYUGHOOXFXK WXWNDWGDFFBK
 DMYWOLDWSJLIY SWYGZWWRCJLFM
 XBSAEMOKTCNNF VHESSELLTWHQG
 HXRTEEXECATLGW ZAZPACEIKIUYE
 VFUP FKAHQCARILLA MVLVSTNIMEBL SLIE
 TTUELS IRMPALZPSOU GHUNRIFTEJY NNRJWL
 TTBEHBHUOWLRBAZUKH PWCDVANXWFPYPOPX
 UGEQSVXKGFMEQCNYNL ODIRZVXCKMBSRBRMMZB
 OEK YCFJSXKTJJYT IUHB FPRECISIONKYVVSORAJ
 PMXTEXASQLDERHCWOOF ONFPERMYAHKPOLBRFGU
 IJQVEIXDGGZEYJPHKQM CDHSSLUHFIYTFARDRI
 MSTROHMERGBROUMHWVV DOOLOLZJSCBQRQPIRKHD
 VCAOOWWRCRLNRZIMZX LAYLEAREGLPNFLAGASUTD
 XSGBHRXEEVTFGMJVVIISLOWMWSKTAOYLZHPNVR
 UFBEKSGLFDIJWSWILFPUADFHOSXETACYAQPBJO
 B PFOGIDJMUPTUOKOBDTLJQNLAYEBCCALEFSH
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 ITCYNMRWUZUY
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 EIMDWJ UWOQCXXPXRMB MWKVJNEATWY ZUCRC
 MGEC RXHZSUIWLBSB UAAYKDIEZQUE COC
 AKZCHQULBNXCND WDNC SQPYBDAJO
 SGFORTHWORTHU GNYIPHVYDPTGL
 TNJDJEMP MNCBK KQRAQLHZQAEDR
 BEKSALLADUID KSZDSYELJBBV
 STAYMANHYB LUBBVSGGVW
 EJOYIR XBFTKZ

ACE
 ASTROS
 BLACKWOOD
 BRAMLEY
 CAPPELLETTI
 COMPTON
 CUNEO
 DALLAS
 DEUCE
 DONT



GAME
 GERBER
 GRAND
 HAMMAN
 HESSELL
 JACK
 KEYCARD
 KING
 LALL
 LAZARD
 MAJORS
 MINORS
 MORRIS
 MORSE
 PARTSCORE
 PASSELL
 PETRA
 PRECISION
 QUEEN
 QUINN
 SLAM
 STARZAC
 STAYMAN
 STROHMER
 SUCTION
 SUTHERLIN
 TEXAS
 WOLD
 YELLOWROSE

Since all's big-
 ger in Texas,
 I asked my
 Pardos...
 If playing down
 here,
 We get 14
 cards?

**WHY DON'T SCIENTISTS
 TRUST ATOMS?**

**BECAUSE THEY
 MAKE UP EVERYTHING.**

Answer to Puzzle on Page 7

Mini Bundt Cakes	Italian Sausage	Split Pea soup	Friday
Pudding Parfaits	Turkey Burger	Vegetable Orzo soup	Thursday
Gourmet Cookies	Chicken Tandoori	Clam Chowder	Wednesday
Chocolate Cupcakes	Roasted Pork Loin	Cuban Black Bean soup	Tuesday
Apple Pie	Country Fried Steak	Cream of Mushroom soup	Monday
Dessert Special	Entree Special	Soup Special	Day of the Week

WORLD BRIDGE SERIES 2018 - SCHEDULE

Friday, September 21			
Registration Desk Open 10.00 - 18.30			
Opening Ceremony 19.00			
Saturday, September 22			
ROSENBLUM	McCONNELL & RAND		YOUTH WORLD TRIATHLON
Swiss - Five 10-boards matches 10.00 - 11.30 11.50 - 13.20 14.00 - 15.30 15.50 - 17.20 17.40 - 19.10	Registration Desk Open 10.00 - 19.00		Teams Five 10-boards matches 10.00 - 11.30 11.50 - 13.20 14.00 - 15.30 15.50 - 17.20 17.40 - 19.10
Sunday, September 23			
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		Registration Desk Open 10.00 - 20.00	
Monday, September 24			
Round of 64 - 14 boards x 4 10.00 - 12.00 12.20 - 14.20 15.20 - 17.20 17.40 - 19.40	Swiss - Five 10-boards matches 10.00 - 11.30 11.50 - 13.20 14.00 - 15.30 15.50 - 17.20 17.40 - 19.10	Open Pairs Qualification 16 boards x 3 10.00 - 12.30 13.30 - 16.00 16.20 - 18.50	Pairs Qualification 16 boards x 3 10.00 - 12.30 13.30 - 16.00 16.20 - 18.50
Tuesday, September 25			
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Wednesday, September 26			
Round of 16 - 14 boards x 4 10.00 - 12.00 12.20 - 14.20 15.20 - 17.20 17.40 - 19.40	Round of 16 - 14 boards x 4 10.00 - 12.00 12.20 - 14.20 15.20 - 17.20 17.40 - 19.40	Open/Women's/Senior Pairs Qualification 16 boards x 3 10.00 - 12.30 13.30 - 16.00 16.20 - 18.50	Individual 10.30 Morning Session 15.30 Afternoon Session
Thursday, September 27			
Quarterfinal-14 boards x 4 10.00 - 12.00 12.20 - 14.20 15.20 - 17.20 17.40 - 19.40	Quarterfinal-14 boards x 4 10.00 - 12.00 12.20 - 14.20 15.20 - 17.20 17.40 - 19.40	O/W/S Pairs Semifinal A & B 16 boards x 3 10.00 - 12.30 13.30 - 16.00 16.20 - 18.50	Individual 10.00 Morning Session 15.30 Afternoon Session 20.00: Youth World Triathlon Prize Giving
Friday, September 28			
Semifinal-14 boards x 4 10.00 - 12.00 12.20 - 14.20 15.20 - 17.20 17.40 - 19.40	Semifinal-14 boards x 4 10.00 - 12.00 12.20 - 14.20 15.20 - 17.20 17.40 - 19.40	O/W/S Pairs Semifinal A & B 16 boards x 3 10.00 - 12.30 13.30 - 16.00 16.20 - 19.50	SIDE SHORT TRACK PAIRS 16 boards x 3 10.00 - 12.30 13.30 - 16.00 16.20 - 18.50
Saturday, September 29			
Final - 16 boards x 3 10.00 - 12.20 13.30 - 15.50 16.10 - 18.30	Final - 16 boards x 3 10.00 - 12.20 13.30 - 15.50 16.10 - 18.30	Pairs Final A & B 10.00 - 13.00 (O/W/S) 14.00 - 17.00 (O/W/S) 17.20 - 19.50 (Open)	JOAN GERARD CUP 10.00 Morning Session 15.00 Afternoon Session
Sunday, September 30			
Final - 16 boards x 3 10.00 - 12.20 13.30 - 15.50 16.10 - 18.30	Final - 16 boards x 3 10.00 - 12.20 13.30 - 15.50 16.10 - 18.30	Pairs Final A & B 10.00 - 13.00 (Open) 14.00 - 17.00 (O/W/S) 17.20 - 19.20 (O/W/S)	10.00 Morning Session 15.00 Afternoon Session
20.00: Rosenblum, McConnell, Rand, O,W,S Pairs Prize Giving			
Monday, October 1			
MIXED TEAMS WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP		SENIORS WORLD TRIATHLON	SIDE PAIRS TOURNAMENT
Swiss - Five 10-boards matches 10.00 - 11.30 11.50 - 13.20 14.00 - 15.30 15.50 - 17.20 17.40 - 19.10		Teams BAM 15.30 Afternoon Session	10.30 Morning Session 15.30 Afternoon Session
Tuesday, October 2			
Swiss - Five 10-boards matches 10.00 - 11.30 11.50 - 13.20 14.00 - 15.30 15.50 - 17.20 17.40 - 19.10		Teams BAM 10.30 Morning Session 15.30 Afternoon Session	Side Pairs Tournament 10.30 Morning Session 15.30 Afternoon Session
Wednesday, October 3			
Round of 64 - 14 boards x 2 10.00 - 12.00 12.20 - 14.20	MIXED PAIRS WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP	Pairs IMP 10.30 Morning Session 15.30 Afternoon Session	SIDE TEAMS TOURNAMENT
Round of 32 - 14 boards x 2 15.20 - 17.20 17.40 - 19.40	Qualification - 16 boards x 3 10.00 - 12.30 13.30 - 16.00 16.20 - 18.50		10.30 Morning Session 15.30 Afternoon Session
Thursday, October 4			
Round of 16 - 14 boards x 2 10.00 - 12.00 12.20 - 14.20	Qualification - 16 boards x 3 10.00 - 12.30 13.30 - 16.00 16.20 - 18.50	Individual 10.30 Morning Session 15.30 Afternoon Session	10.30 Morning Session 15.30 Afternoon Session
Quarterfinal - 14 boards x 2 15.20 - 17.20 17.40 - 19.40			20.00: Senior World Triathlon Prize Giving
Friday, October 5			
Semifinal-14 boards x 4 10.00 - 12.00 12.20 - 14.20 15.20 - 17.20 17.40 - 19.40	Semifinal A & B - 16 boards x 3 10.00 - 12.30 13.30 - 16.00 16.20 - 18.50	IMP PAIRS	
		10.30 Morning Session 15.30 Afternoon Session	
Saturday, October 6			
Final & Play-Off - 14 boards x 4 10.00 - 12.00 12.20 - 14.20 15.20 - 17.20 17.40 - 19.40	Final A & B - 16 boards x 3 10.00 - 12.30 13.30 - 16.00 16.20 - 18.50	10.30 Morning Session	
20.15: Prize Giving & Closing Ceremony			

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Meet the Players

Gavin Wolpert plays bridge professionally. He lives in Florida with his wife, the former Jenny Ryman, a champion in her own right, and their daughter, and two sons. Gavin is originally from Canada, son of Hazel and brother of Darren, both excellent players who have represented Canada in past World Championships.



Gavin's accomplishments as reflected on Wikipedia:

ACBL King or Queen of Bridge 2000

Wins

North American Bridge Championships

Silodor Open Pairs 2011

Blue Ribbon Pairs 2005

North American Pairs 2013

Roth Open Swiss Teams 2014¹

Keohane North American Swiss Teams 2004

Chicago Mixed Board-a-Match 2009

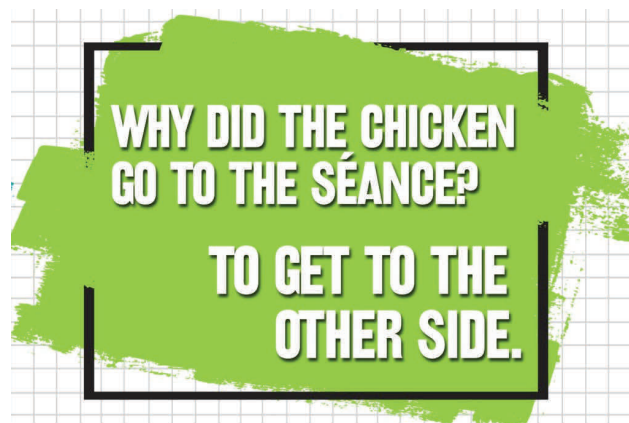
Roth Open Swiss Teams 2009

Runners-up

North American Bridge Championships

Keohane North American Swiss Teams 2012

Spingold 2004



FANTASY BRACKET ... All You Need to Know...

BridgeWriters will be running a Fantasy Bracket for the 2018 USBC.

Because the NABC Knockout events, for which the BW Fantasy Bracket is designed, start with the round of 64, this year's USBC Fantasy Bracket will also start with the Round of 64, in which there will be 14 "real" teams and 50 fake teams (probably they will be called Bye followed by a number for their bracket position).

The results of the first two rounds will be that the "real" teams beat the "Bye" teams, which will get to the Round of 16 where there will be 12 real teams playing each other and Fleisher and Nickell beating Bye 16 and Bye 15.

The easiest way to get started completing your bracket will be to choose the "Favorites Bracket" - that will do the first two round correctly, as well as the Fleisher and Nickell matches in the Round of 16. You can then change the results for the real matches in the Round of 16, Quarterfinal, Semifinal and Final to what you think will happen. Next year we hope we'll have a Fantasy Bracket starting with the Round of 16, but this year we didn't have time to create one and so we're using this workaround.

The Fantasy Bracket winner will win the right to play an online match against the winner of the USBC, or to go to a "team dinner" with the USBC winner at a future NABC - your choice!



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Bridge Base Online
IMP Pairs

	Table Results	By	NS Score	EW Score	NS IMPs	EW IMPs
14	5♥x-1	W	100		3.1	
15	2♥=	S	110		1.7	
16	5♦x-2	N		300	4.2	
17	5♦=	S	600		0.9	
18	2NT=	E		120		1.0
19	2♥=	E		110	0.3	
20	3♠-1	N		100		1.7
21	3♠-1	S		50		0.7
22	4♥+2	S	480		2.9	

Board 14

McCallum
 ♠ 109754
 ♥
 ♦ KJ432
 ♣ 1064

S Woolsey
 ♠ J2
 ♥ KQ96543
 ♦ 87
 ♣ 93

K Woolsey
 ♠ 3
 ♥ AJ87
 ♦ A105
 ♣ KQ752

V King
 ♠ AKQ86
 ♥ 102
 ♦ Q96
 ♣ AJ8

NS: 0
EW: 0

sally McCallum kit V King
 2♥ Pass 4♠ Pass 5♥ Pass 1♠ Dbl

The result on Board 14 seems unjust. Kit and Sally stole the hand and should have been rewarded. Kit opened a nebulous diamond. Victor overcalled 1S and Sally, knowing her partner's hand was limited to 15, took an aggressive view and bid 2H on her six count with a seven card suit. This worked great.

Karen jumped to the spade game and Kit took the sac thinking it might be a make... and it's close!

McCallum led a spade to King's queen. King wisely switched to a diamond to establish the setting trick in 5H. When Sally knocked out the club ace, King took his DQ to defeat the contract.

North/South scored 3.1 IMPs... That seems unduly harsh. Five spades looks easy, declarer losing only one diamond and one club... and that takes a club lead! Six might succeed otherwise! Sometimes online IMP Pairs' events produce strange results. One might have expected the IMPs on this one to go to East/West.

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THE LONGEST DAY

Join the ACBL for the 6th annual The Longest Day fundraising event supporting Alzheimer's disease care and research. Held during the week of June 21, 2018, the longest day of the year, this event symbolizes the difficult journey of those living with Alzheimer's and their caregivers. Clubs, teachers, tournaments and players are invited to form fundraising teams and hold special games (upgraded masterpoints), teach lessons, conduct raffles and beyond.

Show your support by registering as an official fundraising team with the Alzheimer's Association, donating to a bridge team, participating in The Longest Day games and lessons – or all three! You'll be honoring the more than 35 million people worldwide who are living with Alzheimer's and countless caregivers who face this disease. It is hypothesized that playing bridge may help slow the onset of this disease. Show your support!



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Another Odd Online IMP Pairs

Fleisher/Martel/Hampson/Greco were practicing one afternoon last week when this hand appeared. Fleisher/Martel had a good auction to reach the 50% slam.

West	North	East	South
Hampson	Martel	Greco	Fleisher
Pass	1S	Pass	2C
2D	3D	Pass	3H
Pass	4C	Double	Pass
5C	Pass	Pass	5S
Pass	6S	All Pass	

There was little to the play. Greco led a diamond to Hampson's ace and Hampson continued, Martel ruffing. Martel pulled trump and cashed the CA. He cashed the HA, took the club finesse against the queen. When it worked, Martel claimed 12 tricks.

What would you expect for +1430 on this Board? North/South collected 14.8 IMPs. That seems like a lot considering that 13 IMPs is a vulnerable game or slam swing in F2F play.

"Reach"ing Out...

The ACBL, in an effort to assist the NBO's fund the WBF dues, held a REACH (Regional at the Club House) the first week in February. Roughly 3300 players participated. The event raised over \$65,000 for the USBF.

The winners, Richie Schwartz and Michael Gamble, in the Spades Pool (top tier) received 26.25 ACBL MP's.

Rich DeMartino and Lawrence Lau, in the Hearts Pool, received 21 ACBL MP's.

Lorna Nordlinder, in the Diamonds Pool, received 19.2 ACBL MP's.

Jean Irwin and David Doncaster, in the Clubs Pool, received 13.44 ACBL MP's.

The USBF thanks all participants for their support.