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We Remember:



Results:

USBF JLall Online Teams #1 2020 1st Round Robin - Cowboys

Team Name	Total	36	32	28	33	21	25	29	26	31	34	30	27	22	35	23	24
36. Specter	81.28							17.51	19.66				17.16		16.18		10.77
32. Lo	62.90								8.86		12.83	17.68		10.39		13.14	
28. Gupta	62.24				4.95	14.28					7.49			15.52			20.00
33. Moss	61.81			15.05			2.00			15.75			17.16			11.85	
21. Bishel	59.93			5.72										9.23	19.76	13.72	11.50
25. Donner	56.29				18.00			4.48	4.48					10.00			19.33
29. Hung	51.52	2.49					15.52						11.85	3.82	17.84		
26. Feldman	51.31	0.34	11.14							10.00					14.54	15.29	
31. Levine	49.17				4.25		15.52		10.00		12.83				6.57		
34. Rosenthal	48.97		7.17	12.51						7.17		3.41					18.71
38. Jacobs	48.96		2.32					8.15			16.59		5.72				16.18
27. Greenspan	45.00	2.84			2.84			16.18				14.28			8.86		
22. Bitterman	37.02		9.61	4.48		10.77	10.00	2.16									
35. Schireson	34.09	3.82				0.24			5.46	13.43			11.14				
23. Donn	29.82		6.86		8.15	6.28			4.71				3.82				
24. Donnelly	19.69	9.23		0.00		8.50	0.67				1.29						

Team Name	Total	7	10	14	11	6	2	8	16	4	9	15	3	1	13	5	12
7. Lebowitz	84.47				11.50		16.97	19.55		19.86		16.59					
10. Nadel	76.07					15.52					12.51		15.05	18.71		14.28	
14. Silin	67.37				8.86			15.52	15.97		11.50		15.52				
11. Nickell	61.11	8.50		11.14							12.18			12.51	16.78		
6. Lall	54.78		4.48				9.61		13.72			10.00					16.97
2. Caprera	54.25	3.03				10.39			12.18	17.51				11.14			
8. Lewis	52.96	0.45		4.48									18.00	15.75			14.28
16. Stoltz	50.69			4.03		6.28	7.82									16.59	15.97
4. Harris	49.70	0.14					2.49					13.43			14.54	19.10	
9. Meyers	48.93		7.49	8.50	7.82								5.46				19.66
15. Simson	44.82	3.41				10.00				6.57				6.00			18.84
3. Dinkin	39.97		4.95	4.48				2.00			14.54	14.00					
1. Bjerkan	34.07		1.29		7.49		8.86	4.25								12.18	
13. Robinson	33.36				3.22					5.46				7.82		4.03	12.83
5. Hill	26.34		5.72							3.41	0.90	0.34				15.97	
12. Reynolds	21.11					3.03		5.72	4.03				1.16			7.17	

Indians

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Note to the Players From Jan M...

If you log into RealBridge and end up in the lobby, where there is only 1 table showing, that means that I have not yet loaded the information it needs to start the next round. If you don't do anything it will only be a few seconds until you are taken to your seat.

PLEASE do not sit at Table 1 - you almost certainly don't belong there and when you sit and then are moved to your correct seat the people who are supposed to be there are no longer taken there when they log in, which wouldn't be a disaster, but there seem to be some other unintended consequences which are very bad. I'm sure the RealBridge people will figure out what is causing this problem, but for now we can help avoid it if you **just don't sit there.**

Teams Entered...

"TRIALS" AND TRIBULATIONS—PRE-BULLETIN



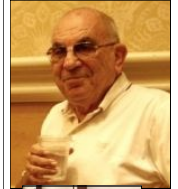
Teams in Alphabetical Order within RR Groups:

Indians

Cowboys

Bjerkan	Cheri Bjerkan, Capt Pam Wittes Janice Seamon-Molson	Rozanne Pollack Ljudmila Kamenova Tobi Sokolow
Caprera	David Caprera, Capt JoAnn Sprung Steve Beatty	Anne Brenner Danny Sprung Fred Stewart
Dinkin	Sam Dinkin, Capt Lynn Baker Jacob Freeman	Michael Shuster Karen McCallum Finn Kolesnik
Harris	Marty Harris, Capt Mike Massimilla Emma Kolesnik	Miriam Harris-Botzum Lou Glasthal Amber Lin
Hill	Kevin Dwyer, Capt Shan Huang Jenny Wolpert	Joyce Hill Anam Tebha Lukasz Lebioda
Lall	Hemant Lall, Capt Reese Milner John Diamond	Bob Hamman Peter Weichsel Brian Platnick
Lebowitz	Larry Lebowitz, Capt Zach Grossack David Grainger	Adam Grossack Michael Rosenberg Joel Wooldridge
Lewis	Paul Lewis, Capt Mark Itabashi Ifti Baqai	Linda Lewis Disa Eythorsdottir Mitch Dunitz
Meyers	Kerri Sanborn, Capt Allan Graves Mike Becker	Jill Meyers Steve Sanborn Michael Kamil
Nadel	Julie Nadel, Capt Leo Bell Daniel Korbel	Billy Miller Bruce Ferguson
Nickell	Nick Nickell Geoff Hampson Bobby Levin Jill Levin, NPC	Ralph Katz Eric Greco Steve Weinstein
Reynolds	Tom Reynolds, Capt Bill Hall Rick Roeder	Lance Kerr John Jones Joe Viola
Robinson	Steve Robinson, Capt Kit Woolsey Marty Fleisher	Peter Boyd Bart Bramley Chip Martel
Silin	Maxim Silin, Capt Jim Rasmussen Mark Aquino	Carrie Liu Parul Jain Selen Hotamisligil
Simson	Doug Simson, Capt Glenn Milgrim Sid Brownstein	Jeff Aker Barry Rigal Ed Davis
Stoltz	Eric Stoltz, Capt Jim Johnsen Mike Day	Roger McNay Paul Darin Dorn Bishop

Bishel	Tom Bishel, Capt Charley Seelbach Chris Compton	John Bishel Blaine Mullins Andy Goodman
Bitterman	Bob Bitterman, Capt Gloria Bart	Bob Cappelli Les Bart
Donn	Sheri Winestock, Capt Josh Donn Steve Garner	Uday Ivatury Christal Henner Jeff Wolfson
Donnelly	Chris Donnelly, Capt Reese Koppel	Marley Cedrone Olivia Schireson
Donner	Gary Donner, Capt Joe Grue Radu Nistor	Sandra Rimstedt Brad Moss Iulian Rotaru
Feldman	Jason Feldman, Capt Mark Feldman Walter Lee	Jerry Stamatov Adam Wildavsky Frank Merblum
Greenspan	Jon Greenspan, Capt John Stiefel John Rengstorff	Glenn Eisenstein Geof Brod Greg Woods
Gupta	Naren Gupta, Capt Ash Gupta Mark Moss	Vinita Gupta Zia Mahmood Bob Thomson
Hung	Eugene Hung, Capt Ari Greenberg Adam Kaplan	Howard Liu Tom Carmichael Ron Smith
Jacobs	George Jacobs, Capt Drew Becker Dick Bruno	Claude Vogel Larry Robbins Bob Gardner
Levine	Michael Levine Jeff Meckstroth Mark Lair	Eddie Wold Eric Rodwell Mike Passell
Lo	Ai-Tai Lo, Capt Andrew Stark Alex Kolesnik	Harrison Luba Franco Baseggio Jiang Gu
Moss	Roger Lee, Capt Ish Delmonte Gary Cohler	Sylvia Moss Eldad Ginossar Billy Cohen
Rosenthal	Andrew Rosenthal, Capt Migry Campanile Chris Willenken	Aaron Silverstein David Berkowitz Jacob Morgan
Schireson	Max Schireson, Capt Randal Burns Sarah Youngquist	Cadir Lee Geeske Joel Debbie Rosenberg
Spector	Warren Spector, Capt Kevin Bathurst Vince Demuy	Gavin Wolpert John Hurd John Kranyak



Tournament Schedule

ROUND ROBIN - STAGE 1			
DAY	DATE	TIME - EST	BOARDS
FRIDAY	Nov 6	12:45 PM	CAPTAINS' MEETING WITH DIC (ON ZOOM)
FRIDAY	Nov 6	1:00 - 2:15 2:30 - 3:45 4:45 - 6:00 6:15 - 7:30 7:45 - 9:00	ROUND 1 - BOARDS 1-10 ROUND 2 - BOARDS 11-20 BREAK ROUND 3 - BOARDS 21-30 ROUND 4 - BOARDS 31-40 ROUND 5 - BOARDS 41-50
SATURDAY	Nov 7	1:00 - 2:15 2:30 - 3:45 4:45 - 6:00 6:15 - 7:30 7:45 - 9:00	ROUND 6 - BOARDS 51-60 ROUND 7 - BOARDS 61-70 BREAK ROUND 8 - BOARDS 71-80 ROUND 9 - BOARDS 81-90 ROUND 10 - BOARDS 91-100
SUNDAY	Nov 8	1:00 - 2:15 2:30 - 3:45 4:45 - 6:00 6:15 - 7:30 7:45 - 9:00	ROUND 11 - BOARDS 101-110 ROUND 12 - BOARDS 111-120 BREAK ROUND 13 - BOARDS 121-130 ROUND 14 - BOARDS 131-140 ROUND 15 - BOARDS 141-150
ROUND ROBIN - STAGE 2			
MONDAY	Nov 9	1:00 - 2:15 2:30 - 3:45 4:45 - 6:00 6:15 - 7:30 7:45 - 9:00	ROUND 1 - BOARDS 1-10 ROUND 2 - BOARDS 11-20 BREAK ROUND 3 - BOARDS 21-30 ROUND 4 - BOARDS 31-40 ROUND 5 - BOARDS 41-50
ROUND OF 16			
FRIDAY	Nov 13	1:00 - 2:45 2:55 - 4:40 5:30 - 7:15 7:25 - 9:10	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-14 SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 15-28 BREAK SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 29-42 SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 43-56
QUARTERFINAL			
SATURDAY	Nov 14	1:00 - 2:45 2:55 - 4:40 5:30 - 7:15 7:25 - 9:10	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-14 SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 15-28 BREAK SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 29-42 SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 43-56
SEMIFINAL			
SUNDAY	Nov 15	1:00 - 2:45 2:55 - 4:40 5:30 - 7:15 7:25 - 9:10	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-14 SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 15-28 BREAK SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 29-42 SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 43-56
FINAL (WILL CHANGE IF TEAMS WANT 60 OR 64 BOARDS)			
MONDAY	Nov 16	1:00 - 2:45 2:55 - 4:40 5:30 - 7:15 7:25 - 9:10	SEGMENT 1 BOARDS 1-14 SEGMENT 2 BOARDS 15-28 BREAK SEGMENT 3 BOARDS 29-42 SEGMENT 4 BOARDS 43-56

USBF 10 Board victory Point Scale

10 Boards (Blitz is 48 IMPs)								
Margin	Winner	Loser	Margin	Winner	Loser	Margin	Winner	Loser
0	10.00	10.00	17	15.29	4.71	34	18.44	1.56
1	10.39	9.61	18	15.52	4.48	35	18.58	1.42
2	10.77	9.23	19	15.75	4.25	36	18.71	1.29
3	11.14	8.86	20	15.97	4.03	37	18.84	1.16
4	11.50	8.50	21	16.18	3.82	38	18.97	1.03
5	11.85	8.15	22	16.39	3.61	39	19.10	0.90
6	12.18	7.82	23	16.59	3.41	40	19.22	0.78
7	12.51	7.49	24	16.78	3.22	41	19.33	0.67
8	12.83	7.17	25	16.97	3.03	42	19.44	0.56
9	13.14	6.86	26	17.16	2.84	43	19.55	0.45
10	13.43	6.57	27	17.34	2.66	44	19.66	0.34
11	13.72	6.28	28	17.51	2.49	45	19.76	0.24
12	14.00	6.00	29	17.68	2.32	46	19.86	0.14
13	14.28	5.72	30	17.84	2.16	47	19.96	0.04
14	14.54	5.46	31	18.00	2.00	48	20.00	0.00
15	14.80	5.20	32	18.15	1.85			
16	15.05	4.95	33	18.30	1.70			

Ethics Statement

We're not trying to provide security for this event, as we do when we sometimes have "real" events online. However, the provisions of the USBF General Conditions of Contest regarding ethical obligations and possible penalties still apply to this event. The USBF has appointed an Ethics Investigation Committee that will review any complaints about ethics violations. If the EIC concludes that a player or pair was acting unethically, they will report to the USBF COO, who may refer it to the USBF Recorder. Either the COO or Recorder may bring a Charge against the player to the Board of Directors, who may place a player on probation, suspend, or expel a player for cause.

System Regulations & Conditions of Contest

- Normal USBF System regulations apply to this event.
- This event is governed by the USBF General Conditions of Contest and Special Conditions of Contest for this event.
- The ACBL Open+ Convention Chart applies to this event.



I'm afraid our lead
May be sinking.
I waited but now
I am thinking!!

Kibitzing on VuGraph...

There will be delayed kibitzing for all of the JLall1 event.

To kibitz, go to <https://kibitz.realbridge.online/>, enter your name and click on Log In. That will take you to a screen where you can select the event to kibitz (*we do not know whether there will be events with delayed kibitzing other than the JLall1 running concurrently*).

After you select Kibitz JLall Online Teams #1, you will be taken to a lobby where you will see a list of tables on the left and a chat box and list of people in the lobby on the right. The table listing shows the team & player names at each table, as well as the board and trick that table is on (that's in the middle of the table, immediately under the table number). Click on a table to kibitz it.

At the table, you will see a hand diagram, and the bidding and play as it happens. You will not hear or see the players.

There is a chat window on the right of the screen (if your browser window isn't large enough to show it, you can click on the "chat" icon immediately above the UNDO button to open the chat window. For now, anyone can type chat into the chat window. We may have designated commentators for late stages of the event.

Some things you can do to get more information:

If there is an asterisk next to a bid, that means it was Alerted or Explained. Click on the bid to see the explanation if there was one.

-- "Rewind" the play using the slider underneath the "table" with hand diagram. just move the vertical handle on the slider to the left to go to earlier tricks.

-- Click on the "Scores" button to the left of the South player's name, you will get a scorecard for the match so far. You can use this to get lots of information:

----Click on a board number to see the hand record and results at all of the tables.

----You can also click on a number in a yellow box to get to the hand record from some screens.

----In the hand record screen, click on a result to see the bidding and play at a specific table.

--In the upper left corner:

----Click on the yellow box with 4 little boxes to get the match scores for all the matches (that will be IMPs and will not include scores from previous rounds).

----Click on the yellow box with 3 bulleted lines to get Cross-IMPs for the pairs (that will be just for this match).

The Scores information is also available in the lobby using the button at the upper right, in case you want to check on scores before deciding which table to watch.



Watching online,
Even delayed,
Is the best way to see
How a hand's bid and played!

- What do you call a rude turkey?
A jerk-key!
- What does a one-legged turkey say?
Wobble wobble!
- Why did the turkey cross the road?
To prove he wasn't chicken!
- What do you call a group of featherless turkeys?
A cluster pluck!
- What do all the gobblers down on the farm like to drink?
Wild Turkey!
- What do turkeys drink out of?
A gobble-let!
- What is the turkey's favorite type of tree?
The poul-tree!
- Why do turkeys make bad baseball players?
They only hit fowl balls!
- What do you call a bird that's bad at bowling?
A gutter ball turkey!
- What do you call an over-caffeinated turkey?
A per-key!
- Why did the turkey break up with his girlfriend?
He couldn't get to first baste!
- What's the most popular videogame among turkeys?
Turkey Tetris-zzini!
- What do you get when you teach a turkey witty rejoinders?
A turkey that roasts *you*!
- What's the best thing to do with cold turkey?
Make turkey chilly!
- What do you call a sarcastic turkey?
A smir-key!
- What do you call a fat gobbler that can sing?
Turkey Meatloaf!
- What did the turkey dress up as for Halloween?
A gobblin'!
- Did you hear about the guy who was found dead at a turkey farm?
They suspect fowl play!
- What do you do with a stoner turkey?
Make turkey pot pie!
- What do you call an offbeat turkey?
A quir-key!



A “political” comment at this highly political time:

A bra is a uniquely **democratic** tool. It empowers the small, it supports the big and it keeps the masses together.

My cousin, a magician, decided to incorporate the use of trapdoors in his shows. But I think it's just a stage he's going through.

I got very lonely lately, so I bought some shares. - It's much nicer having some company.

Which country's capital is the fastest growing? - Answer: Ireland's. - Every year it's Dublin.

Why was the chef arrested? - He was beating eggs.



Monday, Nov. 9
Monday, Nov. 23 – Midnight (EST)
Wednesday, Nov. 25 – Noon (EST)
Wednesday, Nov. 25 – Midnight (EST)
Saturday, Dec. 5 – 11:00 AM (EST)
Saturday, Dec 5. 11:10 AM (EST)
Saturday, Dec. 5, 11:20 AM (EST)

Premier KO Team Entries open on BW for all Flights
Entries close for Premier KO Team Entries for Open Flight
Deadline for convention cards for Premier KO Open Flight
Entries close for Team Entries for Premier KO Limited Flights
Entries open for Premier Pairs 0-1500 Flight
Entries open for Premier Pairs 0-5000 Flight
Entries open for Premier Pairs Open Flight

OPEN KNOCKOUT SCHEDULE (FRIDAY, NOV. 27-SUNDAY, DEC. 6)

0-5000 & 0-1500 KNOCKOUT SCHEDULES (SATURDAY, NOV. 28-SUNDAY, DEC. 6)

PREMIER PAIR EVENT, 0-5000 & 0-1500 PAIR EVENT SCHEDULE (SATURDAY, DEC. 5-SUNDAY, DEC. 6)

Open Knockout: \$300 / team for the entire event. NABC Junior discounts apply*

0-5000 Knockout and 0-1500 Knockout: \$240 / team for the entire event. A team may consist of four, five, or six players. NABC Junior Discounts apply.*

Open Pairs: \$100 / pair / event. Players who qualify for the final play free. NABC Junior discounts apply.**

0-5000 and 0-1500 Pairs: \$80 / pair / event. Players who qualify for the final play free. NABC Junior discounts apply.**

*Discount = \$45 per Junior, maximum four discounts per team

**Discount = \$30 per Junior player

Open Knockout: 1st place 200MP, 100% Gold.

0-5000 Knockout: 1st place 64MP, 100% Gold.

0-1500 Knockout: 1st place 36MP, 100% Gold.

Open Pairs: 80% of NABC rating per formula. If there are 50 tables, 1st place = 61.70 MP. 100% Gold

0-5000 Pairs: 80% of NABC rating per formula. If there are 50 tables, 1st place = 49.36 MP. 100% Gold

0-1500 Pairs: 80% of NABC rating per formula. If there are 50 tables, 1st place = 37.02 MP. 100% Gold

The NAOBC Knockouts are open to all ACBL members in good standing. The matches will be held according to the [schedule](#). Each full match in the Open Knockout will be 56 boards. Each full match in the 0-5000 and 0-1500 Knockouts will be 48 boards. All matches will be played on Bridge Base Online.

Convention cards: Each partnership on every team in the Open flight of the Premier KO **MUST** submit a complete convention card to the tournament by Wednesday, November 25th, at noon EST. Instructions for submitting convention cards will be posted soon. Failure to submit Convention Cards in a timely manner may result in loss of seating rights. Convention cards will be made publicly available for inspection.

NAOBC Premier Flighted Pairs

The NAOBC Premier Flighted Pairs (Open, 5000, 1500) is open to all ACBL members in good standing (and are not playing in the concurrent semifinal / final KO matches). This is a four-session pair event on Dec 5 2020 and Dec 6 2020, with 24 boards played per session. The top 50% of the Saturday field qualifies to play in the Sunday final.

Registration

Pre-registration for the NAOBC Premier Knockouts is mandatory and is limited to the first 256 teams in each knockout (Open, 0-5000, 0-1500). Entries will be sold on [BridgeWinners.com](#) starting Monday, Nov. 9. For the Open Flight, entry sales close at midnight Eastern time, Monday Nov 23, 2020. For the other flights, entry sales close at midnight Eastern time, Wednesday Nov 25, 2020.

Entries for the NAOBC Premier Flighted Pairs will be sold on [Bridge Base Online](#). Pre-registration is not needed. Entries go on sale Dec 5 2020 two hours before game time for each flight.

We will endeavor to start every session of every event on time. All players in every pair/team who are scheduled to play in a given session **MUST** be online in BBO and ready to play at the scheduled start time of each session. Failure to do so may result in disqualification from the event. Be warned that if you are inactive in BBO for an extended period of time, BBO will automatically consider you to be off-line. It is recommended that you do something active in BBO a few minutes before game time.

Some Suggestions For Dining at Home Between Sessions! Pandemic Pleasures...

Honeynut and leek soup with smoked turkey

Prep: 25 minutes

Cook: 30 minutes

Makes: 6 to 7 cups, serving 4 as a main course

This soup recipe doubles easily and freezes beautifully. Make a vegetarian version with vegetable broth and swap in sauteed mushrooms for the smoked turkey.

1 Honeynut, small butternut squash, kabocha or pumpkin, about 2 pounds total

1 large or 2 small leeks, ends trimmed

$\frac{1}{4}$ cup olive oil

1 medium (about 7 ounces) sweet onion, chopped

4 cloves garlic, crushed

$\frac{1}{2}$ small red chile pepper, seeded, finely chopped

1 quart turkey stock, chicken broth or vegetable broth

Salt, freshly ground pepper

$\frac{1}{4}$ cup heavy whipping cream, optional

Garnishes:

$\frac{1}{2}$ pound smoked turkey, diced

$\frac{3}{4}$ cup shredded sharp cheese, such as Asiago or Romano

1 $\frac{1}{2}$ to **2** cups hearty croutons

Chopped fresh cilantro or parsley

Extra-virgin olive oil

1. Cut squash in half through the stem end. Scoop out seeds. Cut away all the rind. Cut flesh into 1-inch pieces. You'll have 4 generous cups weighing about 1 pound.

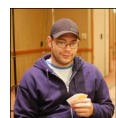
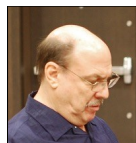
2. Cut leek lengthwise in half; rinse well. Cut each half crosswise into thin slices including most of the green.

3. Heat oil in a large Dutch oven set over medium heat. Add squash, leek and onion. Cook, stirring often, to soften the vegetables a bit, about 10 minutes. Stir in garlic and chile. Cook, 2 minutes. Add broth; simmer, partly covered over low heat, stirring often, until squash is tender, about 15 minutes for Honeynut or up to 25 minutes for other squash varieties.

4. Use an immersion blender to puree soup just to the point where it is creamy but still retains visible pieces of vegetables. (Alternatively, work in small batches to puree half of the soup in a blender. Return all the soup to the pot.) Adjust soup consistency by adding a little water (or more broth) so it has the consistency of heavy cream. Season with $\frac{3}{4}$ teaspoon salt and $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon pepper. Stir in cream if using. Taste and adjust seasonings.

5. Pile a little smoked turkey and cheese into each serving bowl. Top with a ladle or two of the hot soup. Add a few croutons and sprinkling of cilantro or parsley. Garnish with dots of olive oil. Serve.

Nutrition information per serving: 229 calories, 14 g fat, 2 g saturated fat, 0 mg cholesterol, 24 g carbohydrates, 10 g sugar, 7 g protein, 1,002 mg sodium, 2 g fiber



Bacon and green chile quesadillas

Prep: 20 minutes

Cook: 15 minutes

Makes: 8 quesadillas

Ingredients:

2 strips thick-cut bacon (3 ounces total), cut crosswise into ¼-inch wide strips

2 small poblano chiles (or 1 large red bell pepper), seeded, cut into ¼ inch wide slices

1 small white onion, chopped

½ cup fresh or frozen corn kernels

½ teaspoon salt

¼ teaspoon oregano

Expeller-pressed canola oil, or safflower or sunflower oil

8 homestyle corn tortillas

About 2 cups shredded Mexican-style or Chihuahua cheese

Chopped fresh cilantro

Tomato salsa

1. Cook bacon in a large cast-iron skillet over medium heat until golden. Add poblanos and onion. Cook and stir until onion is golden, about 8 minutes. Stir in corn, salt and oregano. Cook and stir, 2 minutes. Scoop out onto a plate.

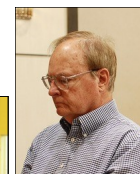
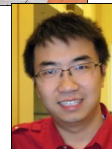
2. Wipe skillet clean and set over medium heat. Add a thin film of oil. Place 1 tortilla in pan and top with about ¼ cup cheese and ⅓ of the bacon mixture. Gently fold tortilla in half and slide to one side of pan. Add another tortilla and repeat, topping and folding it. Cook until bottom is crispy and cheese is melty, about 3 minutes. Transfer to a serving plate. Repeat to fill and cook all the tortillas. (Quesadillas can be popped into a 200-degree oven to stay warm.)

3. Serve quesadillas with the soup, or on their own, while hot. Sprinkle with cilantro. Pass salsa.

Nutrition information per serving: 213 calories, 13 g fat, 6 g saturated fat, 34 mg cholesterol, 17 g carbohydrates, 3 g sugar, 9 g protein, 385 mg sodium, 2 g fiber



I made the bid
I thought was right.
Wish bidding were just
Black and White!



Delicata squash and sweet potato hash

Prep: 15 minutes

Cook: 30 minutes

Makes: 6 servings

You can substitute 1 pound frozen diced squash for the fresh squash. Skip steps 1 and 2 of the recipe.

Ingredients:

2 delicata or sweet dumpling squash, about 2 pounds total or 1 small butternut or red kuri

1 large sweet potato, about 12 ounces

$\frac{1}{4}$ cup expeller-pressed canola oil, safflower oil, bacon fat or coconut oil

2 or 3 strips of thickly sliced smoky bacon, finely diced

1 medium onion, diced

3 cloves garlic, finely chopped or crushed

1 small red chile pepper, seeded, minced

1 teaspoon finely chopped fresh thyme or $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon dried

Salt, freshly ground black pepper

Chopped fresh chives, cilantro or parsley

Hot sauce



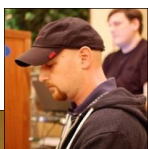
1. Cut ends off squash. Cut squash in half through the stem end. Scoop out seeds. Place cut side down in a microwave-safe dish. Add about $\frac{1}{2}$ inch water to dish. Cover dish with lid or plastic wrap vented at one corner. Microwave on high (100 percent power), 5 minutes. Flip squash, cover and microwave on high until fork-tender, about 3 minutes. Cool.

2. Drain water from squash. Cut squash into small dice. You'll have about 4 generous cups weighing 1 pound. (Refrigerate covered up to 2 days.)

3. Pierce sweet potato in several places with a fork. Microwave on high until soft, about 5 minutes. Let cool; then peel, slice and dice.

4. Heat a large cast-iron or nonstick skillet over medium heat until hot. Add oil, bacon and onion. Cook, stirring occasionally, until onion is golden, about 6 minutes. Add squash pieces. Cook, stirring often, until edges start to turn golden, about 5 minutes. Stir in sweet potato, garlic, chile and thyme. Season with salt and pepper. Cook over medium high-heat, stirring once or twice, until vegetables start to get crispy, about 5 minutes. Serve hot, sprinkled with herbs. Pass hot sauce.

Nutrition information per serving: 166 calories, 10 g fat, 1 g saturated fat, 2 mg cholesterol, 17 g carbohydrates, 5 g sugar, 3 g protein, 53 mg sodium, 3 g fiber



Sudoku

Answers on Page 14

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

Sudoku 1



Humorous Quotes...

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

Sudoku 2

You know you're getting old when you stop to tie your shoelaces and wonder what else you could do while you're down there. - George Burns

I asked God for a bike, but I know God doesn't work that way. So I stole a bike and asked for forgiveness. - Emo Philips

Did anybody ever consider that cannibalism would resolve both overpopulation – and world hunger? - Jonathan Swift

If at first you don't succeed . . . so much for skydiving. - Henny Youngman

"If you think women are the weaker sex, try pulling the blanket back to your side." – Stuart Turner

"I tell you what always catches my eye. Short people with an umbrella." – Gary Delaney

Fun and Games Page

Board Games

N	H	N	O	I	T	A	R	E	P	O	S
G	G	R	K	B	U	C	K	A	R	O	O
O	B	A	T	T	L	E	S	H	I	P	E
B	N	M	O	U	S	E	T	R	A	P	L
A	I	Y	L	O	P	O	N	O	M	E	B
C	G	U	E	S	S	W	H	O	G	L	B
K	C	T	W	I	S	T	E	R	O	E	A
G	R	J	E	N	G	A	S	C	T	E	R
A	A	I	E	S	K	R	A	S	H	Z	C
M	N	L	R	A	S	S	A	A	E	T	S
M	I	U	O	A	I	O	A	P	L	H	D
O	U	D	E	U	R	R	H	O	L	A	C
N	M	O	E	O	O	R	E	O	O	Y	I
S	O	P	P	I	H	Y	R	G	N	U	H

- BACKGAMMON
- BATTLESHIP
- MONOPOLY
- RISK
- SORRY
- CHES
- HUNGRY HIPPOS
- BUCKAROO
- JENGA
- OPERATION
- TWISTER
- LUDO
- MOUSE TRAP
- GUESS WHO
- CRANIUM
- SCRABBLE
- YAHTZEE
- OTHELLO



Card Shark!

Would you fight a dinosaur? No way, are you crazy? Good choice, cause you'd get jurass kicked.

Daughter: "Mom, can I get a cat or a dog at Christmas, please?" Mom: "No honey, you will be getting turkey, like every Christmas!"

A guy walks into a pharmacy: "I have extreme headaches, my belly cramps, I feel like I'm about to vomit and my back hurts like something tears the muscles apart. Do you have something?" - Pharmacists: "Nope, I feel fine."

A patient bursts into a doctor's office, "Doctor, I believe I'm a deck of cards!" The doctor calmly replies, "Go sit in the waiting room, please, I'll be dealing with you later."

	Massachusetts	Michigan	Montana	New York	Vermont	1 inch	1-1/2 inches	2 inches	2-1/2 inches	3 inches	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	40 inches	50 inches	60 inches	70 inches	80 inches	
Alan																					
Eddie																					
Harold																					
Matthew																					
Walter																					
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Logic Puzzle

Eddie and four of his friends chatted on Facebook last night about the first snowfalls of the season. Each of the friends lived in a different northern state and all of them had already gotten a snowstorm, each on a different day of the week. While the storms were small so far, only one to three inches, they speculated on how much snow each area would get during the whole winter. After all, there was still plenty of winter to come! Determine the name of each friend, the state each lived in, how much snow each got and on which weekday from this first storm, and what each friend's speculated total snowfall for the winter was (40, 50, 60, 70, or 80 inches).

1. Eddie lived in Massachusetts but he didn't get snow on Thursday. Harold got snow on Tuesday but not 2 inches.
2. Walter got half an inch less snow than the friend who got snow on Monday but he got an inch more than the friend who estimated his area would get 80 inches.
3. The friend who lived in Michigan, who wasn't Matthew, guessed 20 inches more snow for his area than the friend who got snow on Friday guessed.
4. The five friends, in no particular order, were Alan, the friend who estimated his area would get 80 inches, the friend who lived in Vermont, the friend who already got 2 inches of snow, and the friend who got snow on Thursday.
5. Matthew got 3 inches of snow but not on Thursday. Alan lives in New York but he didn't get snow on Wednesday.
6. The friend from Montana estimated his area would get 30 inches less than Matthew guessed. The friend that guessed 50 inches of snow didn't get snow on Thursday.

First Name	State	First Snowfall	Day of Week	Forecasted Snowfall
Alan				
Eddie				
Harold				
Matthew				
Walter				
-----	Massachusetts	1 inch	Monday	40 inches
-----	Michigan	1-1/2 inches	Tuesday	50 inches
-----	Montana	2 inches	Wednesday	60 inches
-----	New York	2-1/2 inches	Thursday	70 inches
-----	Vermont	3 inches	Friday	80 inches

Information From the ACBL D22 Website: **Finn and Emma Kolesnik**

While Sharon Beynon and Alex Kolesnik, parents of **Finn** and **Emma**, were busy teaching full time at community college, Emma and Finn were in school in Ventura, California. Emma played tennis on her high school team, wrote for her high school newspaper, and competed in debate. Finn played tennis, bowled with his father in a Thursday night bowling league, and played cello in his middle school youth orchestra. Their two cats and one dog could expect them to be home most weekends.

Every few evenings, the family would sit around and play 42, Mexican train, Apples to Apples, or maybe a few hands of gin.

Sharon, who'd taught bridge since her days in Austin, Texas in the early 1990s, would occasionally encourage the children to play a little bridge. Emma knew the game and had played in youth events at the Nationals in Washington D.C. and Chicago, but Finn flatly refused to learn. Something shifted, however, as the family made plans to go to the summer NABC in Toronto in 2017. District 22 again gave Emma a scholarship to participate in the youth championships. She planned to play a little and work as caddy the rest of the time to earn money for college. When Finn saw that his sister was getting money to play cards, he wanted to know if he could get a scholarship too. On the condition that he begin to learn earnestly, he applied for a scholarship.

On the first night of the tournament, the family entered the midnight KO game: Finn played with Alex and Sharon played with Emma. They were shocked to win 3 matches. Before that point, Finn had no masterpoints, and Emma had fewer than 10. To place second in that KO, they defeated several strong teams. There were many other young players, including a team with some of Emma's future college teammates from the Claremont colleges. The kids were hooked.

Alex was playing in the national 3-day pair game with Brian Glubok, but he wanted to make time to play with Finn and Emma as often as possible. Sharon also played with Finn, winning him his first gold points. Finn went to the partnership table looking for games, while Emma worked as a caddy. By the end of the tournament, he had won over 13 masterpoints, and Emma almost 8 (despite the fact that she worked 5 days as a caddy). In the youth NABC, they played as partners and did well, including winning the consolation of the youth teams. One of the things that attracted them the most was the huge presence of other young players. They met lots of players their own age, and made bridge friends. They

Both kids joined the junior training program (organized by Michael Rosenberg) and Emma joined a team that entered the youth team trials. Both kids play a lot of bridge online (on Bridge Base), and really enjoy it. They were hooked.

Emma joined the Harvey Mudd bridge team, where she would be studying math and computer science. Both kids played occasional club games and local tournaments. They started having great bridge success.

Their love of the game has grown and grown... and with the support of several local District 22 players, as well as the support of their parents, they have become excellent players. Both are here competing (along with their dad) on separate teams!



Meet the Players

Winners of the 2017 Sunday Daylight Gold Rush Swiss: Finn Kolesnik, Emma Kolesnik, Marcus Edholm and Daniel Sonner

Puzzle Answers:

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

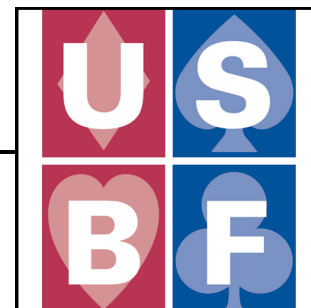
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Puzzle 1 on left

Puzzle 2 on right

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

USBF Supporting Membership



If you don't want to play in the USBF Championships that choose teams to represent the USA in the World Bridge Federation Championships, but do want to aid our events, a **Supporting Membership** can be the perfect way for you to be involved. As a Supporting Member, you are eligible to:

1. Enter the fantasy brackets, run on Bridge Winners, for the USBF trials choosing our Open and Senior teams for the World Championships. The highest-ranking Supporting Member in the fantasy brackets for each of these two events will win the prize of your choice - either an online match against the USBC winners or dinner with them at the next NABC.
2. Receive daily emails during the USBF Championships. These will summarize the previous day's results and provide vugraph information and links to daily bulletins containing pictures and commentary on individual hands.
3. Upon advanced request, make arrangements for you to kibitz a USBF member of your choice for a session once each year – either at an NABC or the USBF Championships.
4. Upon advanced request, we will arrange for you to be one of the vugraph commentators for one session of the team trials.

A Supporting Membership is \$25 for one year (\$75 for 3 years) and the ACBL now offers you the chance to become an USBF Supporting Member when you renew your ACBL membership. If you don't want to wait that long, you can join by choosing the red Donate Now button on the USBF website. Your donation will be used to cover inevitable expenses: attorney fees, accounting fees, website support services, tournament directors, insurance, WBF dues, and vugraph operators. The USBF is an all-volunteer organization. Our meetings are by conference call and at NABCS. Board members and the organization's officers are not compensated for meetings, travel, or hotel expenses.

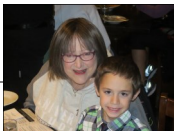
We hope you will join us.



Ed. Note:

With the delayed broadcasting and the use of the Round Robin, it will be especially challenging to write up the hands. If anyone has a hand of interest, please submit it to me at stansubeck@prodigy.net. I also welcome any human interest stories, news or gossip!!

Thanks.



Alerts & Explanations

When it is your turn to bid, your bidding box appears above your hand. It looks like this:

For the Contestants

1 NT	1 ♠	1 ♥	1 ♦	1 ♣
2 NT	2 ♠	2 ♥	2 ♦	2 ♣
3 NT	3 ♠	3 ♥	3 ♦	3 ♣
4 NT	4 ♠	4 ♥	4 ♦	4 ♣
5 NT	5 ♠	5 ♥	5 ♦	5 ♣
6 NT	6 ♠	6 ♥	6 ♦	6 ♣
7 NT	7 ♠	7 ♥	7 ♦	7 ♣

PASS

Explain bid here

♠
♥
♦
♣
☰

RealBridge

To Alert the bid you want to make click on the "ALERT" flag before you bid. To explain the bid you are about to make, type the explanation into the box that says "Explain bid here." The line below the explanation box has suit symbols - click on one of them to include it in the explanation or type ! and the initial letter of the suit. If the explanation you are about to make is one you made previously (for practice "previously" means during this session of play; we hope that for the real event it will include all previous sessions), you do not have to re-type it. Click on that square to the right of the club symbol to get to a library of previous explanations. Click on one to put it in the explanation box. Once you have explained and/or alerted, click on a bidding card to make your bid. You only need to alert if you are not explaining - an explanation without an alert will look the same to your opponents and in the bidding record as an explanation with an alert.

SOLUTION to Logic Puzzle on page 12

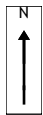
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Squeeze Play...

Board 8
 Round 1
 Dealer: W
 None Vul.

♠ AQ
 ♥ 73
 ♦ KQ9642
 ♣ AT5

♠ 632
 ♥ 6
 ♦ AJ73
 ♣ QJ982



♠ KJT974
 ♥ QJ
 ♦ 85
 ♣ 764

♠ 85
 ♥ AKT98542
 ♦ T
 ♣ K3

RealBridge had some kibitzing transmission problems during the first round. This gave us a chance to look at the hand records for that round. The first six boards were relatively routine and probably did not generate many swings.

The last four boards of the round were all slams.

Board 8 is the most interesting. N/S have only 25 HCP, but South has an eight-card heart suit. If North opens 1D, N/S can reach 6H from South. If North opens 1NT, 6H will be played from North.

From the North, there is little to the play. The opponents cannot lead through the ace/queen of spades and 12 tricks are automatic.

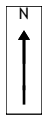
It appears that a spade lead from West will defeat the slam when played from South. However...

If declarer decides that the SK is offside, he can rise with the SA and still make the hand.

After seven rounds of trump, the position will be:

♠
 ♥
 ♦ KQ
 ♣ AT5

♠ 6
 ♥
 ♦ A
 ♣ QJ9



♠ KJ
 ♥
 ♦ 5
 ♣ 76

♠ 8
 ♥ 2
 ♦ T
 ♣ K3

When South plays his last trump, West has no choice but to discard his spade. Now declarer discards a club from dummy and leads a diamond to set up his 12th trick.

Seven pairs played Board 8 in 6H from South. Four pairs received the lead of a small spade. Of those four pairs, only one was successful.

Michael Rosenberg finessed the SQ, losing to the king at trick one. Linda Lewis returned a club. Rosenberg cashed the SA and ran eight rounds of hearts. West was squeezed in the minors. Disa was forced to guard the minors with the DA and queen/jack of clubs. She discarded a club and Rosenberg took the last two tricks with dummy's ace/ten of clubs... contract making!

When Doug Simson was declarer, Jacob Freeman led a small spade. Simson finessed. Finn Kolesnik won and returned a diamond for the quick defeat.

Tracey Bauer received a spade lead; finessed the queen and got a club return. Tracey won the club in hand, cashed two rounds of hearts, neglecting to clear the spade ace and rendering the squeeze impossible.

Roger McNay came the closest to making the hand legitimately. He won the SA at trick one and attempted to squeeze East!! in some combination of spades, clubs and diamonds. Roger ran five rounds of trumps on which East pitched three spades and West pitched one spade, two clubs, and one diamond. On the sixth round of trumps, West pitched a second diamond and East pitched the SJ. On the next round of hearts, West pitched the DJ and McNay decided to play for East to be squeezed in spades and clubs, discarding the DQ from dummy while East discarded another diamond. On the last heart, West discarded the S3; the DK was discarded from dummy; East discarded a club. McNay played the CK and a club to the ace. When the queen/jack did not fall, he failed by a trick.

Board 26
Dealer: E
All Vul
Round 3

♠ KJ85
 ♥ 543
 ♦ 1086
 ♣ 1073

♠ A4
 ♥ K107
 ♦ J2
 ♣ A98654

♠ 1097
 ♥ AQ
 ♦ AKQ754
 ♣ QJ

♠ Q632
 ♥ J9862
 ♦ 93
 ♣ K2

24 out of 32 pairs bid slam on this board.

9 pairs played in the NT slam. 6NT was easy when East led from his longest suit, hearts. 5 pairs got the heart lead and brought home the slam.

3 pairs received a spade lead and had no play.

1 pair bid 7NT ... and even without a spade lead, this was doomed to failure.

Of the remaining slam bidders, 9 pairs played 6D. 6 were successful and 3 failed.

The final 6 slam bidders played in 6C. 4 were successful.

First, looking at the 6C contract...

This will be defeated by the lead of a spade. The defenders will always be able to score the the offside trump king and a spade trick. On a red suit lead, declarer has plenty of dis-

cards and loses only the offside trump king.

Second, looking at the 6D contract...

This is cold on any lead. The best lead for the defense is again a spade. Danny Sprung found the spade lead against Peter Weichsel, South, partnering Bob Hamman, North. Weichsel ducked the spade to JoAnn's queen. JoAnn made her best effort by returning a small diamond to stop spade ruffs. Peter was prepared for this. He cashed the SA, led a heart to his ace, cashed the HQ, trumped a spade in dummy, cashed the HK to discard a club. He cashed the CA and ruffed a club to hand and drew the remaining trumps.

Weichsel's auction is also worth mentioning. Peter opened 2NT on his 18 count with the running diamonds. Hamman responded 3C Stayman; Weichsel bid 3D; Hamman bid 4C making a slam try with clubs which may or may not have a major. Peter cue bid 4H and Hamman jumped to 5NT presumably expecting Weichsel to choose between the club and NT slams. When Weichsel surprised him with 6D, he passed and tabled dummy.

This board was a push in only one match... In Bishel/Bitterman, both pairs played in 6NT, receiving the friendly heart lead!

The biggest swing came in the Nickell/Meyers match where Meyers and Graves bid to 6NT and received the unfriendly lead of a spade from Katz. At the other table, Hampson/Greco played in 6C and made easily on the heart lead. This was 17 IMPs to Nickell



Ran out of toilet paper and now using lettuce leaves. Today was just the tip of the iceberg, tomorrow remains to be seen.

Board 37, Dir N
3♥+1 N

W Mike Passell

♠ AK10
♥ KQ9654
♦ K98
♣ 6

N Brad Moss

♠ Q976
♥ 1082
♦ 72
♣ AQ75

♠ 852
♥ 3
♦ QJ653
♣ KJ43

E Mark Lair

♠ J43
♥ AJ7
♦ A104
♣ 10982

W N E S
1♥ P 2♦*
P 3♥* P P
P

Joe Grue S

Board 37 in the 4th Round was practically flat, except when it wasn't.

One pair bid 6H: That pair was Tom and John Bishel.

It took an aggressive auction combined with a favorable opening lead to succeed.

North	South
Tom	John
1H	2NT showing 9+ with 3 hearts
3D GF	3H
3S	4D
4S KB	5D 2 without
6H	

East, Bjerkan, led a small diamond and with the SQ well-placed, the contract was successful for a 13 IMP swing to Bishel.

Board 37, Dir N
4♥+2 N

W Sandra Rimstedt

♠ AK10
♥ KQ9654
♦ K98
♣ 6

N Jeff Meckstroth

♠ Q976
♥ 1082
♦ 72
♣ AQ75

♠ 852
♥ 3
♦ QJ653
♣ KJ43

E Gary Donner

♠ J43
♥ AJ7
♦ A104
♣ 10982

W N E S
1♠* P 2♦*
P 4♥ P P
P

Eric Rodwell S

In the Levine/Donner match shown on the left, there was another swing.

Moss opened 1H. Grue showed a three card limit+. 3H showed a splinter in clubs and the auction died. They took 10 tricks for +170.

At the other table, Meckstroth opened a strong, artificial club. Rodwell showed 8-10 balanced. Meckstroth jumped to the heart game and easily made it. 11 IMPs to Levine

A pun has not completely matured until it is full groan

I didn't think wearing orthopedic shoes would help, but I stand corrected.