

**We
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Results:

JLall Online Teams #7 - 2022

SemiFinal (60 boards)		Set score of form "Ax" or "Rx" indicates pending Appeal or Ruling. IMPs Total may change.					
22-Sep-2022		<i>The colored score boxes indicate the team with seating rights for that segment of play.</i>					
#	TEAM	IMPs Total	SET #1	SET #2	SET #3	SET #4	* Adjustment (IMPs)
1	Levine	132	35	36	61		
4	Lewis - wins tie	67	54	9	4	wd	
2	Lall - wins tie	105	31	21	37	21	-5
3	Sprung	90	35	29	14	12	

JLall Online Teams #7 Bracket 2 - 2022

Roundof16 (60 boards)		Set score of form "Ax" or "Rx" indicates pending Appeal or Ruling. IMPs Total may change.					
22-Sept-2022		<i>The colored score boxes indicate the team with seating rights for that segment of play.</i>					
#	TEAM	IMPs Total	SET #1	SET #2	SET #3	SET #4	* Adjustment (IMPs)
5	Rogoff - wins tie	203	56	57	58	32	
12	Brines	122	17	27	30	48	
6	Ge - wins tie	145	22	48	40	35	
11	Tebha	99	37	7	33	22	
7	Brod - wins tie	158	46	33	34	45	
10	Vance	157	44	35	46	32	
8	Lo	172	48	44	41	39	
9	Beatty - wins tie	79	44	0	24	11	

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14 Teams Entered (alphabetical order)

J LALL7

Beatty	Steve Beatty, Capt Alan Watson Olin Hubert	Fred Stewart Rick Binder Kevin Collins
Brines	Tracy Brines, Capt Joyce Goldstein William Scott	Maureen Brines Chris Donnelly Ethan Wood
Brod	Geof Brod, Capt Doug Doub Bob Bitterman	John Stiefel Yiji Starr Bob Cappelli
Ge	Xin Ge, Capt Jun Shi Wanfeng Mou	Qiang Zhang Yanong Han Steve Chen
Lall	Hemant Lall, Capt Venkatrao Koneru Michael Penick	Reese Milner Jim Krekorian
Levine	Mike Levine Jeff Meckstroth Mike Passell Bob Morris, NPC	Eddie Wold David Berkowitz Eric Rodwell
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Tebha	Anam Tebha, Capt Ron Smith Andy Goodman	Steve Zolotow Tod Moses Kevin Dwyer
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Xiao	Victor Xiao, Capt Eric Xiao	Jeff Xiao Ming Sheng



Tournament Schedule

Bracket 1 Semifinal & Bracket 2 Stage 2 KO (8 teams)			
Thursday	Sept 22	12:00 - 1:45 2:00 - 3:45 4:30 - 6:15 6:30 - 8:15	Quarter 1 - Boards 1-15 Quarter 2 - Boards 16-30 45 Minute Break Quarter 3 - Boards 31-45 Quarter 4 - Boards 46-60
Bracket 1 Final & Bracket 2 Quarterfinal (6 teams)			
Friday	Sept 23	12:00 - 1:45 2:00 - 3:45 4:30 - 6:15 6:30 - 8:15	Quarter 1 - Boards 1-15 Quarter 2 - Boards 16-30 45 Minute Break Quarter 3 - Boards 31-45 Quarter 4 - Boards 46-60
Bracket 2 Semifinal			
Saturday	Sept 24	12:00 - 1:45 2:00 - 3:45 4:30 - 6:15 6:30 - 8:15	Quarter 1 - Boards 1-15 Quarter 2 - Boards 16-30 45 Minute Break Quarter 3 - Boards 31-45 Quarter 4 - Boards 46-60
Bracket 2 Final			
Sunday	Sept 25	12:00 - 1:45 2:00 - 3:45 4:30 - 6:15 6:30 - 8:15	Quarter 1 - Boards 1-15 Quarter 2 - Boards 16-30 45 Minute Break Quarter 3 - Boards 31-45 Quarter 4 - Boards 46-60

Q. What did one blade of grass say to another about the lack of rain? A. I guess we'll just have to make dew.

We disbar lawyers and we defrock clergy, so why don't we:

Delight electricians?

Derange cowboys?

Depose models?

Debark tree surgeons?

Depress dry cleaners?

We were discussing the Middle East when my friend asked about the Kurds. "They want their own homeland," I explained. "But Iraq won't give up any land for it, and neither will Iran or Turkey."

"So what you're saying is," he concluded, "they won't let the Kurds have their way?"

A man goes to the doctor complaining about stomach problems. The doctor asks him what he's been eating.

"I only eat pool balls," he says. "Red ones for breakfast, yellow and orange ones for lunch, blue for afternoon snacks, and purple and black for dinner."

"I see the problem," says the doctor. "You're not getting enough greens."

I can give you the cause of anaphylactic shock in a nutshell.

A pirate walks into a bar with a paper towel on his head. The bartender says, "What's with the paper towel?" The pirate says, "Arrr! I've got a Bounty on me head!"

My son, an insurance broker in Florida, loves ocean fishing and takes his cell phone along on the boat. One morning we were drifting about ten miles offshore as my son discussed business on the phone. Suddenly his rod bent double, and the reel screamed as line poured off the spool.

Having learned well from me, my son was a master of the situation. "Pardon me," he told his customer calmly. "I have a call on another line."

The gladiator was having a rough day in the arena—his opponent had sliced off both of his arms. Nevertheless, he kept on fighting, kicking and biting as furiously as he could. But when his opponent lopped off both feet, our gladiator had no choice but to give up, for now he was both unarmed and defeated.

What do you call a Far Eastern monk who sells reincarnations?

A used karma dealer.

A Harley rider eating in a restaurant is checking out a gorgeous redhead. Suddenly she sneezes and her glass eye comes flying out of its socket. The biker reaches up, snatches it out of the air, and hands it back to her. "I am so embarrassed," the woman says. "Please join me for dinner."

They enjoy a wonderful meal together and afterwards she invites him to the theater, followed by drinks. She pays for everything. Then she asks him to her place for a nightcap, and to stay for breakfast.

The next morning the guy is amazed. "Are you this nice to every biker you meet?" he asks.

"Not usually," she replies. "But you just happened to catch my eye."



"PUN"ishment

Kibitzing on VuGraph...

To kibitz, go to kibitz.realbridge.online. Select JLall Online Teams#7. 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. There will also be information about the number of kibitzers and whether there is audio/video commentary (a picture of a TV means there is).

At the table, you will see a hand diagram with the bidding and play as it happens.

There is a chat window on the right. You can type into that window.

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" play using the slider underneath the table with the hand diagram.

-- Click on the "Scores" button to the left of the South player's name to get a scorecard for the match.

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

----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 for the Round Robin 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.

TIMING OF DEFERRAL

The Round Robin matches will be deferred until each round is completed.

The KO matches will be deferred for half an hour or until each board has been played at all tables, so there may sometimes be a period when nothing new is being shown because one or two tables are very slow to play the board.

NOTES:

In accordance with the USBF General Conditions of Contest, each player must play at least one 8 board segment against each other team.

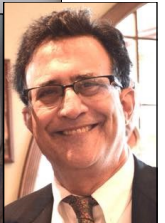
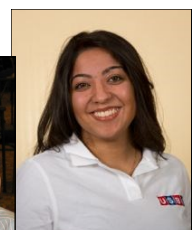
There are no seating rights - teams must submit their lineups before seeing their opponent's lineup.

Lineups for the first match each day will be due by 11:00 am; lineups for subsequent matches will be due at the start of the preceding match.

The tournament organizer will send an email to the team captain with the lineup of their opponent for the next match as soon as all lineups



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



Board 32
Dealer W
EW Vul

♠ 42
♥ A1082
♦ A7
♣ AK973

♠ KJ1063
♥ J97
♦ 63
♣ Q84

♠ —
♥ Q6543
♦ KJ1092
♣ 1052

♠ AQ9875
♥ K
♦ Q854
♣ J6

NT	♠	♥	♦	♣	
N	9	10	8	8	10
S	9	10	8	8	10
E	4	3	5	5	3
W	4	3	5	4	3

Par +420 4♠= NS
NS: 15+12=27HCP
EW: 6 + 7 =13HCP

NS	EW	Contract	Lead	Score
Olin Hubert & Kevin Collins	Eric Xiao & Victor Xiao	4♠X= N	♥3	590
Jeff Xiao & Ming Sheng	Alan Watson & Rick Binder	4♠-1 N	♦J	50
Ron Smith & Tod Moses	Grant Vance & Greg Vance	4♠-1 N	♥3	50
Chris Donnelly & Ethan Wood	Randy Howard & Karen Allison	4♠-2 N	♥3	100
Lance Kerr & Tom Reynolds	Tracy Brines & Joyce Goldstein	4♠X-1 N	♥3	100
Bob Munson & Bruce Tuttle	Kevin Dwyer & Andy Goodman	4♠-2 N	♥4	100

Board 32 of the Bracket 2 RR on Monday was challenging. Every declarer reached 4S from North. Olin Hubert and Lance Kerr were doubled.

According to the Double Dummy Analysis, North or South can collect ten tricks in this strain.

Olin Hubert was the only declarer to make the game. He played the hand well...

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♦ Q854
♣ J6

W Victor Xiao
E Eric Xiao

N Olin Hubert
S Kevin Collins

Bd 32, Dir W
4♠X=N

Other table
4♠-1 N

W N E S
P 1NT P 4♥*
P 4♠ P P
X P P P

Eric Xiao led the H3. Hubert won dummy's king. He played a club to his king and cashed the HA. Olin ruffed a heart in dummy, shortening dummy's trump. He played the CJ to the ace and ruffed a club. He returned to hand with a diamond and played another diamond which Eric won with the king. Eric played his HQ, ruffed in dummy with the eight and overruffed by West with the ten.

Victor had nothing left but trump. He played the S3, won in dummy with the nine.

Olin played the good diamond off dummy and Victor was forced to ruff it. Olin undertruffed!! And poor Victor was endplayed one more time... He had to play another spade from his now K6 holding into dummy's AQ!

Perhaps the double helped declarer prepare for the trump endplay?

Well judged and well executed!

12 IMPs to Beatty when Jeff Xiao played 4S undoubled down one at the other table in this match!

(Continued on page 6)

Bd 32, Dir W 4♠X-1 N W Joyce Goldstein		N Lance Kerr Other table 4♠-2 N Tracy Brines E	
♠ 42 ♥ A1082 ♦ A7 ♣ AK973		♠ — ♥ Q6543 ♦ KJ1092 ♣ 1052	
♠ KJ1063 ♥ J97 ♦ 63 ♣ Q84		♠ — ♥ Q6543 ♦ KJ1092 ♣ 1052	
0 0 Tom Reynolds S		W N E S P 1NT* P 4♥* P 4♠ P P X P P P	
♠ AQ9875 ♥ K ♦ Q854 ♣ J6			

At the other table where 4H was played doubled, Brines also led the H3. Kerr won the king in dummy and played a club to the ace. Up to this point the play was the same at both tables. Here, it veered off course. Kerr played a small spade from hand... Brines pitched a small diamond... Kerr inserted dummy's seven and Goldstein won her ten. Oops...

Goldstein got out with a small diamond, ducked to Brines's king. Brines played another diamond to Kerr's ace. Kerr cashed the HA and ruffed a heart in dummy. He played the CJ to the king and ruffed a club with the S8, leaving this position:

Bd 32, Dir W 4♠X-1 N W Joyce Goldstein		N Lance Kerr Other table 4♠-2 N Tracy Brines E	
♠ 4 ♥ 10 ♦ — ♣ 97		♠ — ♥ Q6 ♦ 109 ♣ —	
♠ KJ63 ♥ — ♦ — ♣ —		♠ — ♥ Q6 ♦ 109 ♣ —	
7 2 Tom Reynolds S		W N E S P 1NT* P 4♥* P 4♠ P P X P P P	
♠ AQ9 ♥ — ♦ Q ♣ —			

Kerr played the DQ off dummy. Goldstein ruffed with the six and returned the three from her KJ3 into dummy's AQ9. Kerr won the nine and dummy was endplayed!

Contract down one!

This was a push board in Reynolds/Brines when Connelly played 4S undoubled in the other room down two!

Two handy cards:
The ace of spades and the proof of Vaccination!



Ethics Statement

Ethics - The provisions of the USBF General Conditions of Contest regarding ethical obligations and possible penalties 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.

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System Regulations & Conditions of Contest

- Normal USBF System regulations apply to this event.
- This event is governed by the 2022 USBF General Conditions of Contest and Special Conditions of Contest for this event.
- The ACBL Open+ Convention Chart applies to this event.

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

Fettuccine Alfredo

Ingredients:

- 1 lb egg noodles
- 4 egg yolks
- 1 cup heavy cream
- ½ cup Parmesan cheese, grated
- Salt and pepper to taste

For Parmesan cheese baskets:

- 2 cups Parmesan cheese, grated

Fettuccine Alfredo preparation:

- Cook the pasta according to package directions. Drain and set aside.
- Boil ¾ cup of the cream and remove from heat. Combine egg yolks with remaining ¼ cup cream to form a liaison. Add ¼ cup of the boiled cream to the liaison. Stir and then combine liaison with the rest of the cream. Add Parmesan cheese, adjust seasoning.
- If necessary, reheat pasta in boiling, salted water. Pour sauce over drained pasta.

Parmesan Cheese Basket preparation:

- Place a non-stick omelet pan on the stovetop over medium heat. Sprinkle the bottom of the pan evenly with approximately ½ cup of the Parmesan cheese. Cook until the color changes to golden.
- Flip the cheese over and cook until golden. Remove the cheese from the pan and place over a mold form or over the bottom of a bowl to create a dome shape. Let cool.

(Recipe, Continued on page 8)

Q: How many seconds are there in one year? A: 12 of them: January 2nd, February 2nd, March 2nd, April 2nd, May 2nd, June 2nd, July 2nd, August 2nd, September 2nd, October 2nd, November 2nd, December 2nd.

Q: Why are football stadiums so cool? A: Because every seat has a fan in it!

A dull-witted king is losing a territorial dispute with a neighboring monarch. As the fight wears on, he gets more and more frustrated until finally he roars, "Where are my two court jesters?" In seconds, two jesters appear at his side.

"Okay, let's continue," he says, "now that I have my wits about me."



(Recipe, continued from page 7)

Bread Pudding

Bread Pudding ingredients:

½ cup golden raisins
2 tablespoons whiskey for macerating the raisins, optional
1 pound loaf day-old Italian bread, cut into 1 inch cubes
½ cup semi-sweet chocolate chips
6 large eggs
1 quart whole milk
1 cup sugar
3 tablespoons unsweetened cocoa powder, sifted
1 ½ teaspoons vanilla extract
¼ teaspoon salt



Bread Pudding preparation:

- Heat oven to 350 degrees F.
- Grease a 12-cup muffin tin for preparing individual puddings or a 13X9-inch baking pan for preparing one large pudding.
- Combine the raisins and whiskey in a small bowl and allow to macerate for at least 15 minutes.
- Bring a large kettle of water to a boil.
- Drain the raisins and discard the liquid.
- Divide the bread, chocolate chips, and drained raisins among the muffin cups or place all in the baking pan.
- In a large bowl, combine the eggs, milk, sugar, cocoa powder vanilla and salt. Whisk thoroughly to combine.
- Pour the mixture over the bread in the muffin cups or baking pan and place the pan in a larger shallow roasting pan.
- Transfer the roasting pan to the oven and add enough boiling water to the larger pan to reach halfway up the side of the muffin or baking pan.
- Bake the pudding for 30 to 40 minutes (45 minutes to an hour for the 13X9 inch pan), or until puffed and just set.
- Carefully remove the pan from the oven and water and allow to cool slightly.
- Unmold and serve with the whiskey sauce.

Whiskey Sauce ingredients:

1 ½ cups heavy cream
2 teaspoons cornstarch
2 tablespoons cold water
1/3 cup granulated sugar
1 tablespoons whiskey, such as Jack Daniels or Jameson

Whiskey Sauce preparation:

- In a medium size saucepan, heat the cream over medium heat until it boils.
- In a small bowl whisk together the cornstarch and cold water; whisk this mixture into the boiling cream. Return to the boil then reduce the heat to low and cook, stirring constantly for 30 seconds. Take care not to burn the mixture.
- Add the sugar and whiskey and stir until the sugar is dissolved.
- Remove from the heat and allow to cool.
- Cover and store in the refrigerator until ready to serve. Warm before serving.

Also great served with fresh whipped cream or vanilla ice cream.

Serves 10-12

(Recipes, Continued on page 9)

Roast Rack of Lamb, Artichokes, Blistered Tomatoes, Zucchini, Green Olive Sauce

Ingredients:

80 oz lamb rack
30 oz artichoke bottoms
40 cherry tomatoes
30 oz zucchini, diced
20 green olives, finely chopped
10 oz shallots, finely chopped
3 oz rosemary, fresh chopped
5 oz garlic, fresh chopped
10 oz virgin olive oil
16 oz dry white wine
30 oz lamb jus
20 oz unsalted butter
Salt and pepper to taste



Preparation:

- Sprinkle rack of lamb with a little olive oil, salt and pepper, then let marinate for 24 hours.
- Sear lamb in hot pan with olive oil until golden brown on all sides and set in roasting tray. Place in hot oven, until temperature requested.
- Heat saute pan with 1 oz olive oil, sauted shallots and zucchini until golden brown. Add artichoke and white wine, then let reduce. Then add lamb jus, green olives, remaining rosemary, season to taste and cook until all vegetables are soft.
- Incorporate soft butter to vegetables and check seasoning.

Serves 10

After I took a job at a small publishing house, the first books I was assigned to edit were all on the topic of dieting.

"Isn't the market flooded with these types of books?" I asked another editor. "How do we expect to turn a profit?"

"Don't worry," he assured me. "These books appeal to a wider audience than most."

"You need to be careful when writing comments," our principal told the faculty. He held a report card for a Susan Crabbe. A colleague had written, "Susan is beginning to come out of her shell."

A helicopter loses power over a remote Scottish island and makes an emergency landing. Luckily, there's a cottage nearby, so the pilot knocks on the door. "Is there a mechanic in the area?" he asks the woman who answers. She thinks for a minute. "No, but we do have a McArdle and a McKay."

My house is haunted by a ghostwriter. Last night, I came home and my autobiography had been written.

My 17-year-old niece was looking for a job, so her mother scoured the want ads with her. "Here's one. A couple are looking for someone to watch their two kids and do light housekeeping."

"Hel-looo!" said my niece, rolling her eyes. "I can't take that job. I don't know anything about light-houses."



Board 1
Dealer N
None Vul

♠ 65
♥ AQ76
♦ Q754
♣ K82

♠ K98
♥ 10983
♦ 9
♣ Q7543

♠ A2
♥ KJ542
♦ KJ10632
♣ —

NT ♠ ♥ ♦ ♣
N 8 9 4 5 9
S 7 9 4 5 9
E 3 3 9 8 4
W 3 3 9 8 3

♠ QJ10743
♥ —
♦ A8
♣ AJ1096

Par +100 4♥X-1 EW
NS: 11+12=23HCP
EW: 12+ 5 =17HCP

NS	EW	Contract	Lead	Score
Phil Clayton & Danny Sprung	Jim Krekorian & Venkatrao Koneru	4♠+1 N	♥2	450
Fred Stewart & Steve Beatty	Ira Chorush & Alex Kolesnik	5♥X-2 E	♠Q	300
Reese Milner & Hemant Lall	Bart Bramley & Ira Hessel	5♥X-1 E	♠Q	100
Bruce Rogoff & Alex Ornstein	Chris Donnelly & Ethan Wood	5♥X-1 W	♠6	100
Maureen Brines & Tracy Brines	Jack Zhao & Jerry Stamatov	5♥-2 E	♠Q	100
Geof Brod & John Stiefel	Jessica Lai & Dmitri Shabes	5♣-1 N	♥2	50
Jun Shi & Qiang Zhang	Steve Zolotow & Anam Tebha	4♣X-1 S	♥10	100
David Chechelashvili & Ai-Tai Lo	Rick Binder & Alan Watson	5♣X-1 S	♥10	100
Jeff Meckstroth & David Berkowitz	Iulian Rotaru & Radu Nistor	4♠X-2 S	♦9	300
Linda Lewis & Disa Eythorsdottir	Mike Levine & Mike Passell	4♠X-2 S	♦9	300
Ron Smith & Tod Moses	Yanong Han & Wanfeng Mou	4♠X-2 S	♦9	300
Bruce Tuttle & Bob Munson	Yiji Starr & Doug Doub	4♠X-3 S	♦9	500

On Board 1, five pairs reached 4S. Four of the five pairs were doubled and went down from one to three tricks! Four of the five pairs played the contract from the predictable South hand. BUT... as we see so often in bridge, there's one in every crowd!

♠ 65
♥ AQ76
♦ Q754
♣ K82

W Venkatrao Koneru

♠ K98
♥ 10983
♦ 9
♣ Q7543

Other table
5♥X-1 E

Jim Krekorian E

♠ A2
♥ KJ542
♦ KJ10632
♣ —

♠ QJ10743
♥ —
♦ A8
♣ AJ1096

W N E S
1♣* 1♦ 1♥*
P 1♠* 2♥ 3♥
4♥ X P 4♠
P P P

Danny Sprung S

Clayton/Sprung played 4S from North and escaped the double. That, of course, was no reward since they went on to score ten tricks!! You may wonder how they arrived in 4S from the S:65 doubleton...

Clayton opened 1C showing 1+ clubs, NF. Sprung's 1H showed spades. Clayton's 1S showed 2 or 3 spades and a minimum.

On a diamond lead from either East or West, declarer has no chance, however, once East/West overcalled and raised hearts to the level of game, a heart lead seemed automatic to Krekorian.

Jim led the H2. Clayton tossed dummy's small diamond. Clayton played a spade to Krekorian's ace and Krekorian switched to diamonds. Too little too late. Clayton won dummy's ace, played a spade to Koneru's king. Koneru played back a heart. Clayton ruffed in dummy, pulled the last trump and led the CJ through Koneru's queen to succeed!

8 IMPs to Sprung when Hessel/Bramley (E/W) played 5HX down one at the other table.

Sudoku

Answers

on Page 14

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

Sudoku 2

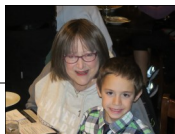
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			3					1
	8	9			4			
					9	7		
	9			6		5	1	
			2					
				2				
6			7					2
1						9	3	

Ed. Note:

With the delayed broadcasting, it is especially challenging to find and 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.

Suzi



**SOLUTION to Logic
Puzzle on page 13**

1935	Robin Rust	64	Cowbush Cove
1934	Denise Detz	60	Ambie Glen
1933	Pamela Peet	59	Juniper Hills
1932	Vickie Vern	61	Scotch Pines
1931	Grace Gortz	62	Willow Grove
1930	Nellie Nolan	67	Spotswood

It's often a challenge to explain to strangers exactly what I do in the aerospace industry. At one gathering, I didn't even try. I just said, "I'm a defense contractor." One of the guys was intrigued. "So, what do you put up mainly? Chain-link?"

One of the less difficult blanks to fill in on our job-agency application is "Position Wanted." One job seeker wrote "Sitting."

Since my purchases came to \$19.06, I handed the cashier a twenty.

"Do you have six cents?" she asked.

"Sorry," I said after fishing around my pockets, "I have no cents."

"Finally," she muttered, "a man who can admit it."

"Pun"t!



Fun and Games Page

Elvis

Find and circle all of the words, names, songs, and movies that have to do with Elvis.
The remaining letters spell a line from an Elvis song.

U O Y N O K C U T S C L A M B A K E Y O
G N I K E H T R O C K A B I L L Y U C B
D N I A R Y K C U T N E K A S N D O A L
O S N Y E G O D D N U O H D T H B S L U
N A R E T U R N T O S E N D E R U D E E
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AARON
ALL SHOOK UP
BLUE HAWAII
BURNING LOVE
CLAMBAKE
COLONEL PARKER
DON'T BE CRUEL
DRAFTED
G.I. BLUES
GIRL HAPPY
GLADYS

GOOD LUCK CHARM
GOSPEL
GRACELAND
GYRATING
HEARTBREAK HOTEL
HOUND DOG
IN THE GHETTO
JAILHOUSE ROCK
KENTUCKY RAIN
KING CREOLE
LISA MARIE

LITTLE SISTER
LOVE ME TENDER
MEMPHIS
ONE NIGHT
PRISCILLA
RCA
RETURN TO SENDER
ROCKABILLY
ROUSTABOUT
SHE'S NOT YOU

STUCK ON YOU
SUN RECORDS
SURRENDER
SUSPICIOUS MINDS
THE KING
TOO MUCH
TUPELO
U.S. ARMY
VERNON
VIVA LAS VEGAS

Logic Puzzle

		Golfers						Scores						Courses					
		Denise Detz	Grace Goritz	Nellie Nolan	Pamela Peet	Robin Rust	Vickie Vern	59	60	61	62	64	67	Amble Glen	Cowbush Cove	Juniper Hills	Scotch Pines	Spotswood	Willow Grove
Years	1930																		
	1931																		
	1932																		
	1933																		
	1934																		
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Answers on page 11

Years	Golfers	Scores	Courses
1930			
1931			
1932			
1933			
1934			
1935			

- Nellie Nolan won her tournament sometime before the woman who won at Willow Grove.
- The person who won at Juniper Hills, the person who scored a 64, the person who won in 1930, the woman who scored a 60 and the golfer who won in 1931 were all different golfers.
- Grace Goritz didn't win in 1933.
- The woman who won at Willow Grove was either the person who scored a 62 or the person who won in 1932.
- The person who scored a 61 won her tournament sometime before the golfer who won at Juniper Hills.
- Denise Detz shot a 60.
- Of the person who won at Willow Grove and the person who scored a 64, one was Grace Goritz and the other won in 1935.
- Pamela Peet was either the person who won in 1934 or the woman who won at Juniper Hills.
- Neither Vickie Vern nor the golfer who won at Amble Glen was the golfer who won in 1931.
- The woman who won at Spotswood didn't shoot a 60.
- The woman who won in 1934 shot a 60.
- Of the person who won at Scotch Pines and the person who won in 1930, one was Vickie Vern and the other shot a 67.
- The golfer who won at Cowbush Cove won her tournament 3 years after Vickie Vern.

Humor...



Some people have a knack for remembering faces. Others, according to this e-mail I received at work, go them one better: "The only designated smoking area at Building One is at the picnic benches, under the covered area, where the butt distinguishers are."

When my girlfriend said she was leaving because of my obsession with the Monkees, I thought she was joking. And then I saw her face ...

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

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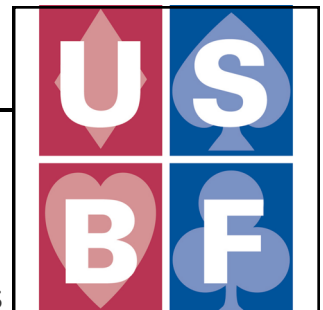
A man tells his doctor, "Doc, help me. I'm addicted to Twitter!" The doctor replies, "Sorry, I don't follow you ..."

The insurance industry loves its acronyms. The first time I saw the term proof of ownership was in a client's file that read "Insured has POO on damaged items."

Answer to Sudoku 1

Answer to Sudoku 2

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Logic Riddle...

A businessman, for personal reasons of his own, needs to gain access to a notorious but elusive thieves guild. After snooping around the city for a few days, he finally gets a tip about the location of the guild entrance down a dark alleyway.

After observing the entrance for about an hour, the businessman notices that the thieves seem to have some sort of passcode system using numbers. When someone approaches the door, they are given a #, and then they reply with a #.

The first person steps up, and the guard tells them "twelve," to which they respond "six." The person is admitted. A second person approaches the door, and the guard tells them "six," to which they reply "three." The second person is also admitted.

Convinced that he has cracked the code, the businessman approaches the door to the thieves guild, and the guard tells him "ten," to which he confidently replies "five." The guard immediately slams the door in the businessman's face, and a deadbolt slots into place.

What should the businessman have said?



"Hey, I was calling to tell you that I just sent you an email."

- Every boss always



Solution:

The businessman should have said "three," the number of letters in "ten." Similarly, "twelve" has six letters, and "six" has three letters, the answers the first two thieves gave. It seems the businessman will have to look elsewhere to fence his stolen goods.

Solution

Meet the Players



Anam Tebha is an American born and raised professional bridge player. She learned bridge in 2008 as a teenager, while in summer school in Pakistan. Soon afterwards and only “knowing keycard”, Anam and three of her equally green Pakistani classmates went to China to play in the junior world championships.

In spite of, “not knowing anyone,” when Anam returned she “spent at least five hours a day on BridgeBase, like every day” throughout 2008-2012. Clearly, she was hooked.

Her first big, NABC+ win came in the 2016 Fall Mixed Swiss partnering Pakistani legend Zia Mahmood. Zia’s team had gotten eliminated on the first day of the Reisinger, and Anam was in her words, “loitering around the playing area with no game.” When Billy Miller came up to her and said, “Do you want to play with Zia?” She joked, “am I supposed to say no to that?”

Anam also won both the Team and BAM events in 2017 at the 5th Youth Bridge Open Championships in Lyon, France. In the words of junior star, Finn Kolesnik, Anam “is a beast”.

Board 36
Dealer W
All Vul

♠ 92
♥ Q543
♦ Q5
♣ A10975

♠ Q6
♥ AJ7
♦ KJ7642
♣ Q6

♠ AK10854
♥ 67
♦ A
♣ K842

NT ♠ ♥ ♦ ♣
N 2 1 5 2 4
S 2 1 5 2 4
E 10 11 8 11 8
W 11 11 8 11 9

Par -660 3NT+2 W
NS: 8 + 5 = 13HCP
EW: 14 + 13 = 27HCP

♠ J73
♥ K1098
♦ 10983
♣ J3

Board 36 from Monday’s Bracket 1 Quarterfinal is intriguing.

Two pairs reached 6S and both could have been defeated on a heart lead. A heart lead does not look devastating... but it sets up a second trick for the defense and takes away a dummy entry before declarer can establish their extra diamond discard.

NS	EW	Contract	Lead	Score
Jeff Meckstroth & David Berkowitz	Doug Doub & Yiji Starr	4♠+1 E	♣J	650
Reese Milner & Hemant Lall	Qiang Zhang & Jun Shi	4♠+1 E	♥10	650
Franco Baseggio & Jacob Freeman	Glenn Milgrim & Barry Rigal	4♠+1 E	♥10	650
Jack Zhao & Jerry Stamatov	Iulian Rotaru & Radu Nistor	4♠+1 W	♥4	650
Yanong Han & Wanfeng Mou	Jim Krekorian & Venkatrao Koneru	3NT+2 W	♣7	660
Linda Lewis & Disa Eythorsdottir	Leni Holtz & Jeff Ferro	3NT+3 W	♠9	690
Bob Bitterman & Bob Cappelli	Eddie Wold & Eric Rodwell	6♠ = W	♠2	1430
Jiang Gu & Ai-Tai Lo	Phil Clayton & Danny Sprung	6♠ = W	♣A	1430

Sprung Gu Clayton Lo

W	N	E	S
1NT*	P	2♥*	P
2♠	P	3♣	P
3♦	P	3♠	P
4♠	P	4NT	P
5♦*	P	5♥	X
6♦*	P	6♠	P
P	P		

Declarer wins the HA, cashes the DA, plays two rounds of trump ending in dummy, cashes the DK, discarding a heart and cashes the DJ, discarding a club. He trumps a diamond, setting up the suit and draws the last trump, but since the CA is in the North hand, dummy has no entry. Declarer eventually loses two club tricks. Where Rodwell declared, Bitterman had no idea a heart lead was best.

Where Sprung was declarer, Lo doubled 5H to help Gu. Gu still thought the CA made sense. Once he led it, the contract was safe. Any lead but a heart would produce the same result!



Limey Jack...

Hallo Colonials:

Once again Limey Jack is here to help you separate the mousers from the mice, The way to get a fat cheque from the punters is to listen to Limey Jack. The way to get your 5 minute egg overcooked is listen to that plow horse; Howie Dung.

Levine-Lall:

As predicted, the first final has two thoroughbreds. With the temporary addition of Rodwell, the scythe falls heavily on Lall but they will have a 2nd oppo in the 2nd bracket.

Sprung-Brod:

Two middle of the roundabout squads unlucky to face t'other. Sprung takes Brod to the precipice but it is oft difficult to maintain focus when losing a previous day's match. Brod at the 16th pole.

Lewis-Ge:

Give Ge their due. Never the favourite, yet rarely blown apart. Lewis is a bit of a hazard this time and Ge makes one more day.

Rogoff-Lo:

Two more squads that won't be too chuffed to make an early appearance at the pub, but perhaps their darts game may improve. Lo emerges victorious. At least this will deprive M. Dung of another attempt at rhyming Rogoff. Limey Jack notes that a Ge-Lo tilt would be the shortest match in history.

Cheers.

Howie Doing...

Sprung let me down,
Losing to Lall.
The bigger they are,
The harder they fall!

Today I won't fret.
Today I won't whine.
I'll be watching team Lall
As they cede to Levine!

I've always been stubborn,
Although I've been stung...
I never can learn...
So once more: I pick Sprung!

If the cards lie quite well,
And finesses come through,
No one can topple
A guy named Radu!

He'll be overbidding,
But it will make sense,
If the gals aren't ready
With brilliant defense!

Rogoff v Lo,
Both teams play well.
When they are finished,
Who will excel?

You may go high,
But I'm going Lo!
I like Milgrim and Rigal
To place or to show!

See you tomorrow...
Watching with staff...
I hope that the players
Make the kibs laugh!

Till Saturday... I remain...
The Great Howie Doing!

X IMPs

jlall7 - Bracket1 SF + Bracket2 Stage2 (thru Q4 possible boards = 60)

played at least 40% of boards

<i>rank</i>	<i>partnership</i>	<i>totalimps</i>	<i>#boards</i>	<i>avg</i>
1	Ai-Tai Lo - David Chechelashvili	49.85	30	1.66
2	Alex Ornstein - Bruce Rogoff	36.89	30	1.23
3	David Berkowitz - Jeff Meckstroth	44.54	45	0.99
4	Jun Shi - Qiang Zhang	37.60	45	0.84
5	Jack Zhao - Jerry Stamatov	32.15	45	0.71
6	Dmitri Shabes - Jessica Lai	18.98	30	0.63
7	Alex Kolesnik - Ira Chorush	23.74	45	0.53
8	Bob Bitterman - Bob Cappelli	20.97	45	0.47
9	Barry Rigal - Glenn Milgrim	18.83	45	0.42
10	Jim Krekorian - Venkatrao Koneru	19.71	60	0.33
11	Jeff Ferro - Leni Holtz	13.92	45	0.31
12	Wanfeng Mou - Yanong Han	13.00	45	0.29
13	Mike Levine - Mike Passell	7.60	30	0.25
14	Franco Baseggio - Jacob Freeman	7.36	30	0.25
15	Hemant Lall - Michael Penick	6.78	30	0.23
16	Hemant Lall - Reese Milner	3.91	30	0.13
17	Steve Chen - Xin Ge	2.67	30	0.09
18	Doug Doub - Yiji Starr	0.39	45	0.01
19	Bob Munson - Bruce Tuttle	-0.39	45	-0.01
20	Anam Tebha - Steve Zolotow	-3.14	30	-0.10
21	Ron Smith - Tod Moses	-8.55	60	-0.14
22	Kevin Collins - Olin Hubert	-5.09	30	-0.17
23	Bart Bramley - Ira Hessel	-11.80	45	-0.26
24	Chris Donnelly - Ethan Wood	-27.09	60	-0.45
25	Grant Vance - Greg Vance	-20.97	45	-0.47
26	Danny Sprung - Phil Clayton	-25.96	45	-0.58
27	Fred Stewart - Steve Beatty	-27.81	45	-0.62
28	Geof Brod - John Stiefel	-18.98	30	-0.63
29	Disa Eythorsdottir - Linda Lewis	-28.96	45	-0.64
30	Maureen Brines - Tracy Brines	-23.84	30	-0.79
31	Iulian Rotaru - Radu Nistor	-44.54	45	-0.99
32	Joyce Goldstein - Tracy Brines	-32.03	30	-1.07
33	Alan Watson - Rick Binder	-59.52	45	-1.32
34	Anam Tebha - Stewart Rubenstein	-41.58	30	-1.39
35				



Board 16
Dealer W
EW Vul

♠ J1072
 ♥ AK87652
 ♦ 98
 ♣ —

♠ 986
 ♥ QJ93
 ♦ Q6
 ♣ A964

♠ AK53
 ♥ 10
 ♦ J74
 ♣ KJ873

♠ Q4
 ♥ 4
 ♦ AK10532
 ♣ Q1052

NT	♠	♥	♦	♣	
N	6	6	9	8	4
S	6	6	9	8	4
E	6	6	4	4	9
W	6	6	4	4	9

Par +140 3♥= NS

NS: 8 + 11 = 19HCP
 EW: 12 + 9 = 21HCP

NS	EW	Contract	Lead	Score
Jim Krekorian & Venkatrao Koneru	Jacob Freeman & Franco Baseggio	3♥ = N	♠ A	140
Jeff Meckstroth & David Berkowitz	Iulian Rotaru & Radu Nistor	4♥ -1 N	♠ A	50
Linda Lewis & Disa Eythorsdottir	Mike Levine & Mike Passell	4♥ -1 N	♠ K	50
Ira Hessel & Bart Bramley	Hemant Lall & Michael Penick	4♥ -1 N	♠ A	50
Leni Holtz & Jeff Ferro	Chris Donnelly & Ethan Wood	4♥ -1 N	♠ A	50
Maureen Brines & Tracy Brines	Bruce Rogoff & Alex Ornstein	4♥ -1 N	♠ A	50
Steve Chen & Xin Ge	Anam Tebha & Steve Zolotow	4♥ -1 N	♠ A	50
Geof Brod & John Stiefel	Jessica Lai & Dmitri Shabes	4♥ -1 N	♠ K	50
Grant Vance & Greg Vance	Bob Cappelli & Bob Bitterman	4♥ -1 N	♠ A	50
Ron Smith & Tod Moses	Qiang Zhang & Jun Shi	4♥ X-1 N	♠ A	100
David Chechelashvili & Ai-Tai Lo	Rick Binder & Alan Watson	4♥ X-1 N	♠ A	100
Olin Hubert & Kevin Collins	Glenn Milgrim & Barry Rigal	4♥ X-1 N	♠ A	100

At favorable vulnerability, 11 out of 12 pairs opened this hand 4H. Only Jim Krekorian chose a conservative 3H (*there's something to be said for opening 3H on a hand like this when you hold four spades in order to give partner a chance to bid 3S when he holds the right cards*) ... and only Jim went plus on the board.

In 4H, declarer needs favorable positions in both majors to have a chance. In reality, every East is going to lead a high spade (as they did), but the hand still goes down because the hearts don't break.

Three Easts doubled 4H for takeout. Three Wests had an easy pass with their two probable trump tricks and an ace.

A double by East in this situation is borderline opposite a passed hand partner combined with an unknown strength South hand in next seat. As it is, partner has a ready pass, however, there was little gain from the double since 4H undoubled would almost certainly be the final contract. A fifty point gain is very small in IMPs.

If partner doesn't have their easy pass, East/West could go minus.

Surprisingly, Jacob Freeman, sitting East over Krekorian, did not make a takeout double of 3H. Jacob did well to stay out of the auction since if he doubles, East/West is likely to get into trouble. Worst case scenario, West passes and +140 becomes +530. Best case, West bids 4C and gets out for -100.

Board 53
Dealer N
NS Vul

♠ Q3
♥ AQJ93
♦ 94
♣ K843

♠ KJ9
♥ K10862
♦ J2
♣ 1075

♠ A7642
♥ —
♦ Q10765
♣ QJ2

NT ♠ ♥ ♦ ♣
N 8 5 9 6 8
S 8 5 9 6 8
E 4 7 4 7 4
W 4 7 4 7 4

♠ 1085
♥ 754
♦ AK83
♣ A96

Par +140 3♥= NS
NS: 12+11=23HCP
EW: 9 + 8 =17HCP

NS	EW	Contract	Lead	Score
Alex Kolesnik & Ira Chorush	Rick Binder & Alan Watson	3NT= N	♦5	600
Ron Smith & Tod Moses	Steve Chen & Xin Ge	4♠X-3 W	♥A	500
Joyce Goldstein & Tracy Brines	Jack Zhao & Jerry Stamatov	3♥= N	♠2	140
Yanong Han & Wanfeng Mou	Anam Tebha & Stewart Rubenstein	3♥= N	♦5	140
Greg Vance & Grant Vance	Bob Cappelli & Bob Bitterman	3♥= N	♦5	140
Fred Stewart & Steve Beatty	Glenn Milgrim & Barry Rigal	3♥= N	♠2	140
Jim Krekorian & Venkatrao Koneru	Bart Bramley & Ira Hessel	4♥-1 N	♦6	100
Danny Sprung & Phil Clayton	Hemant Lall & Michael Penick	4♥X-1 N	♠2	200
Jeff Ferro & Leni Holtz	Ethan Wood & Chris Donnelly	4♥X-1 N	♣Q	200
Doug Doub & Yiji Starr	Bruce Tuttle & Bob Munson	4♥X-1 N	♠A	200

One of my favorite bridge axioms is "4th from your longest and strongest!"

On Board 53, Kolesnik/Chorush bid an aggressive vulnerable 3NT. 3D was invitational to 4H and Kolesnik threw the ball back in partner's court with 3NT. Chorush opted for the 9 trick scenario.

Binder had two five card suits. Given that North had bid 3NT and Binder's spades were anemic, he chose to lead diamonds.

Kolesnik won the DA and led a heart to the queen. He led a club to dummy's ace and played a heart to the ten and jack, Binder discarding a spade on both rounds of hearts. Kolesnik led a small club from hand and Binder won the jack. Binder exited with a diamond and Kolesnik took a heart finesse to his nine. When the clubs split 3-3, Kolesnik finished with nine: four hearts, two diamonds, and three clubs.

On a spade lead, 3NT can be defeated. The defense collects three spades off the top and exits with a club. Declarer can finesse a heart and return to dummy with a diamond for a second heart finesse. East discards a diamond and a spade on the first two rounds of hearts. If declarer returns to dummy with a diamond to play another heart, East discards a diamond or a spade and can cash his pointed suit winner when he wins the club.

Fourth from the longest and strongest still works!

♠ Q3
♥ AQJ93
♦ 94
♣ K843

♠ KJ9
♥ K10862
♦ J2
♣ 1075

♠ A7642
♥ —
♦ Q10765
♣ QJ2

♠ 1085
♥ 754
♦ AK83
♣ A96

W Alan Watson
Rick Binder E

Ira Chorush S

Bd 53, Dir N
3NT= N

Other table
3♥= N

W N E S
P 1♥ 2♥ 3♦*
P 3NT P P