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They're on their way to Veldhoven!



Winners of the Mark Molson Trophy for the Canadian National Team Championship: David Lindop, Doug "Too Tall" Baxter, Mike Hargreaves, Jim McAvoy, Michael "The Piglet" Roche and John "Reindeer" Rayner will represent Canada at the 2011 Bermuda Bowl in The Netherlands. Read about Canadian Bridge Week and see results and photos of the other winners beginning on page 13. Articles by champions Rayner and Lindop are also in this issue.

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WONDERS OF THE INCA EMPIRE: 18-24 FEBRUARY 2012

Day 1: Feb 18 '2012, Lima Port-Cusco-Pisac-Sacred Valley (L)

Fly Lima – Cusco. Departure towards the Sacred Valley of the Incas. En-route we visit a native Alpaca farm. We proceed to the Pisac artisans and antiques Indian market. Time for shopping. Lunch. We continue to the Pisac Inca Ruins. The Pisac ruins are some of the finest and largest in the entire valley. It appears to have been part city, part ceremonial center, and part military complex. We drive back to the Pisac Market along an extraordinary path that is itself a slice of local life. Trudging along steep mountain paths is still the way most Quechua descendants from remote villages get around these parts; many people you see at the Pisac market will have walked a couple of hours or more through the mountains to get there. Departure from Pisac to your selected hotel. 1-Night accommodation in the Sacred Valley.

Day 2: Feb 19, Machu Picchu Ruins (B/ L/ D)

Guided tour to Ollantaytambo en route to Aguas Calientes. The scenery surrounding Ollantaytambo is stunning: The snowcapped mountains that embrace the town frame a much narrower valley here than at Urubamba or Pisac, and both sides of the gorge are lined with Inca stone andenes, or agricultural terraces. Most extraordinary are the precipitous terraced ruins of a massive temple-fortress built by the Inca Pachacútec. Below the ruins, Ollantaytambo's old town is a splendid grid of streets dating to Inca times and lined with adobe brick walls, blooming bougainvillea, and perfect canals, still carrying rushing water down from the mountains. Private transfer to the train station. Departure to Aguas Calientes. Continue by shuttle bus to the Machu Picchu Sanctuary to explore South America's most famous attraction. Invisible from the Urubamba Valley below, Machu Picchu lay dormant for more than 4 centuries, nestled nearly 2,400m (8,000 ft.) above sea level under thick jungle and known only to a handful of Amerindian peasants. Machu Picchu was Named a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1983 and declared in 2007 one of the "New Seven Wonders of the World". Lunch at famous Ruinas Hotel Restaurant. We return to Aguas Calientes for dinner and overnight.

Day 3: Feb 20, Machu Picchu-Ollantaytambo-Cusco (B/ D)

Free morning. Time to go back for a dawn visit to Machu Picchu on your own if you wish. Departure from Aguas Calientes by train. Folkloric show and dinner. Stay over two nights in Cusco.

Day 4: Feb 21, Cuzco City Tour-Lima (B/ L/ D)

Private guided city tour of Cusco. Pachacútec was a huge military figure, the Inca responsible for creating a great, expansive empire. He made Cusco the capital of his kingdom, and, under his reign, the Incas built Qoricancha, the fortresses at Pisac and Ollantaytambo in the Sacred Valley, and mighty Machu Picchu. We visit the Main Square and the Cathedral. We travel around this Ancient Inca center to Sacsayhuamán. The stonework at these amazing ruins is spectacular. Incans didn't use cement or glue, they cut the stones with water and wood interlocking the stones perfectly.

Day 5: Feb 22: (B/ L)

Free morning. Transfer to the airport. Fly to Lima. Reception at the Lima Airport. Transfer to hotel for accommodation. 2 nights at hotel in Lima. 7PM Dinner at Restaurant Huaca Pucllana (www.resthuacapucllana.com) situated in an unparalleled setting, within the compound of a 1,500-year-old adobe pyramid built by the original inhabitants of Lima, is one of the city's greatest dining surprises.

Day 6: Feb 23, Lima City Tour (B/ L/ D)

Private guided full day tour. We visit the magnificent 17th-century San Francisco Monastery and its unique cloisters. We stroll from the Plaza de Armas to the Government Palace and the Cathedral, and continue on to visit the Casa Aliaga, South America's best-preserved colonial mission. We drive south through the residential districts of San Isidro and Miraflores enjoying a spectacular view of the coastline along the way. We stop at Mangos Restaurant www.mangosperu.com for a delicious Peruvian lunch-buffet. We visit the famous Larco Herrera Museum and the Inca Market before returning to your hotel in the afternoon. 19:00 Private transfer to La Rosa Nautica Restaurant www.larosanautica.com for a farewell seafood dinner.

Day 7: Feb 24, Lima Departure (B)

Free day. Private transfer to the Lima Airport for departure.

All hotels, airfare and taxes included as well as specified meals (B,L,D). All stated tours included and all other transportation. Accommodation is deluxe. Entrance to Machu Picchu, Cusco & Sacsayhuaman also included. Tipping of guides not included. Deviations cannot be arranged. Prices and itinerary are subject to change.

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Editor's Note:

Local players did very well at the Canadian Championships in Regina this May. Doug Baxter, David Lindop, John Rayner and Michael Roche won the flagship event, the Canadian National Team Championship with a couple of British Columbians; Joan Eaton was on the winning women's team; and Don Piafsky and Michael Schoenborn triumphed in the senior teams.

All three teams will compete in the 2011 World Championships this fall in Veldhoven, The Netherlands. Many other locals took home medals. Complete results are on page 13.

By the time you read this, the 2011 Summer North American Bridge Championships will be over. Toronto NABCs are among the most popular and well-attended in the ACBL. Hopes are high that this one will follow suit.

John Carruthers

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- District 2 business
- NAP/GNT tournament information
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- Any bridge club in Unit 246 may post its results on the Unit 246 website free of charge
- Bridge teachers can list their services on the Unit 246 website free

Notice to All Clubs & Tournament Managers in Units 166, 246 & 249

If you plan to run a tournament, please check with your Unit Coordinator to see if the date is free. There is an agreement among the three Units in southern Ontario that their tournaments will not compete with one another. This does not apply to those clubs which have an historic weekend - they are set aside for you.

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Notice of Annual General Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the **2011** Annual General Meeting of Unit 249 will be held at the Tillsonburg Golden Leaf Sectional, Tillsonburg at **12 noon on Saturday, August 6, 2011** for the following purposes:

- ◆ To receive the report of the directors and the accounts for the year ended 2010
- ◆ To conduct business on behalf of the Board that is duly brought before it
- ◆ Appointment of an auditor
- ◆ Election of Directors to the Board.

By order of the Board

Dated **May, 2011**



Nomination Form

Name: _____ ACBL #: _____

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is hereby nominated as a Candidate for Director to ACBL, Unit 249.

Signature of Nominator: _____ ACBL #: _____

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I accept the nomination.

Signature of Nominee: _____

Note: Business (in the form of a motion signed by a mover and seconder) that you wish to bring before the Membership and Nomination Forms must be presented either: personally, by mail, or by e-mail at least 21 days prior to the AGM to the President, Jim Brimmer or the Executive Secretary, Lee Easterbrook at the above address. If these are sent by e-mail, the original signed forms must be presented to the President prior to the start of the AGM.



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Tuesday	Refresher	9:30am	11:30am
Wednesday	Supervised Duplicate	9:30am	11:30am
Thursday	Play of the Hand	9:30am	11:30am
Friday	Improve at Duplicate	9:30am	11:30am

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2011 CANADIAN BRIDGE CHAMPIONSHIPS

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CANADIAN OPEN TEAMS

Gold: John Rayner, Michael Roche, David Lindop, Doug Baxter, Mike Hargreaves, Jim McAvoy

Silver: Roy Hughes, David Turner, Zygmunt Marcinski, Bryan Maksymetz

Bronze: Nader Hanna, Robert Lebi, Stephen Cooper, Waldemar Frukacz

Bronze: Ron Zambonini, David Grainger, Daniel Korbel, Darren Wolpert, Nicholas L'Ecuyer, Vincent Demuy

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Gold: Boris Baran, Michael Schoenborn, Dan Jacob, Jurek Czyzowicz, Fred Hoffer, Don Piafsky

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Bronze: James Dickie, Duncan Smith, Ken Scholes, Peter Herold

Bronze: Ken Penton, Donald Gladman, Allan Simon, Sandy McIlwain

CANADIAN OPEN PAIRS

Gold: David Smith, Doran Flock

Silver: Daniel Korbel, Danny Miles

Bronze: Ray Jotcham, Stephen Mackay

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Gold: Joan Eaton, Karen Cumpstone, Katrin Litwin, Sandra Fraser

Silver: Francine Cimon, Linda Lee, Rhoda Habert, Sylvia Caley

Bronze: Julie Smith, Susan Peters, Angela Fenton, Samantha Nystrom

Bronze: Kathie Macnab, Anne Mahoney, Maureen Barnes, Diana Knowles

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Gold: Glenn Cossey, Don McCarthy, Larry Custead, Nazir Ahmad

Silver: Jason Larrivee, Larry Whitlow, Rupa Krishnan, Paul Clemens

Bronze: Tom Walsh, Don Shatilla, Mark Churchman, Derrick Furber

Bronze: Cal McLeod, Jackson Chan, James Dulmage, Richard Gaucher

CANADIAN IMP PAIRS

Gold: Kelvin Raywood, Gray McMullin

Silver: Julie Smith, Susan Peters

Bronze: Jeff Smith, David Sabourin

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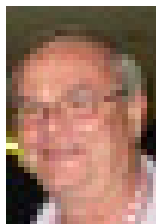


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A Little R&R...

While my previous offers to submit articles to the Kibitzer have been repeatedly rebuffed by your editor with such gentle comments as, "Then send me something better," or "Why don't you get Andy Stark to ghost write for you?", this time J.C. reluctantly acquiesced as kind of a reward to me in recognition of our recent CNTC win. As an aside, our team is very pleased that John Carruthers will be joining us as our Non-Playing Captain when we represent Canada in this October's Bermuda Bowl in the Netherlands. Key in our unanimous decision to add John was our knowledge that he wouldn't actually be called upon to play any hands.

Michael Roche, aka "The Piglet" in earlier times, has been my on-and-off bridge partner and my NOT on-and-off best friend for going on 35 years now. This article is intended as a lighthearted, but most fond celebration of our partnership and of our friendship. And it is meant particularly to share with you my affection for Michael Roche. I hope to give you a taste of the wit and wisdom that is Michael. He is unquestionably the funniest person I have ever known and almost always his humour is of the self-

deprecating sort.

A Rocky Start...

R & R, playing in Chicago as a newly-formed partnership, burst into prominence and astounded the bridge world with their back-to-back 38% games. To this day, Michael claims that he felt much better about the second 38% game. After these two debacles, Michael said, "John, don't call me, I'll call you." Eventually, Michael did make that call and we have been together, with the occasional hiatus, ever since.

Eddie Kantar and Michael...

Early in his bridge career, Michael bragged that Eddie had featured him as an opponent in an article about a hand that Kantar had played. Do you think Michael was referred to in that article as "a young and promising Canadian star," or even just "Michael Roche," or was it "this portly, balding young man?" No, it was none of these. Kantar simply referred to Michael as "East." That was it – just "East." But Michael revelled in that. From that time on, Michael has insisted upon sitting "North" or "East." And consequently, I have always been relegated to the subservient, much less important "South" and "West" seats when playing with Michael.

Bob Hamman and Michael...

In St. Louis, to start the event, we sat down against the world's greatest – Bob Hamman. The pressure on the buttons of Hamman's shirt caused them to part,

revealing the commonality of exposed flesh. Michael, who likes to take command of the table, turned to Hamman and remarked, "I see you get your shirts at the same place we do."

This was a classic example of a dominant "East" laying claim to his territory. My recollection is that Hamman revealed the slightest of smiles and then went on to beat us up at the table.

Rebecca Rayner and Michael...

The pride and joy of my life is our wonderful 15-year-old daughter Rebecca. She is a real superstar in so many ways and already the winner of five kids' bridge trophies. One time, Michael called and Rebecca answered the phone. Michael enquired, "Is your Dad home?" To which Rebecca responded, "Yes," and immediately hung up the phone. As Michael later admitted, "asked and answered." He placed the call again and rephrased his question of Rebecca. Michael does not have kids of his own, but he always bolsters my Dad-ego by saying, "If I had a child, I would want her to be Rebecca."

My Propensity to Revoke...

Playing with me, Michael has learned to take the bad along with the good. One of the weaknesses of my game is my tendency to revoke. In Verona, with the funny club and spade cards to blame, I failed to follow suit when declarer

led trump (spades). Michael won that trick with the ace and that was the only trick we took. One trick was transferred back to declarer due to my revoke. Ever since, Michael has lamented, "I think I am the only player in the history of the World Championships to have not taken a trick with the ace of trumps." You have me to thank for that, Michael. And you are welcome.

In Winnipeg, playing in the Canadian IMP Pairs, I revoked again. This time I was in an easy three no trump with ten top tricks. However, as I was running Michael's long diamond suit, I once more allowed myself to revoke. I did make a great recovery, however. Realizing just in the nick of time that I had revoked and knowing that two tricks were going to go back to the defenders, I now took heroic action to make my contract. Taking an otherwise unnecessary finesse and executing some sort of squeeze (I can never remember the names), I salvaged nine tricks. Remember, this was IMP pairs, and so I had lost only 1 IMP to the field. I felt at the time that I should submit this hand to the International Bridge Press Association for consideration as "Best Played Hand of the Year." Michael suggested otherwise and my hand went unpublished.

R&R Sit Out the 3rd Quarter...

At a Toronto Spingold, our team drew a team of six North American and World Champions. After 32 boards, to the surprise of most

observers, our team had built a lead of 55 IMPs. Feeling somewhat secure with our lead, R & R went to the sidelines for the third quarter of play. Upon rejoining our teammates, we were relieved to learn that the lead still stood at 55. But horror soon followed as we came to the realization that the 55 IMP lead was now in the hands of our opponents. With a certain symmetry, we had been crushed 110 – 0. R & R returned for the fourth quarter, but even we were not able to stem the tide.

As soon as the match was completed, Michael suggested that we get t-shirts made up emblazoned with bold lettering announcing that “RAYNER & ROCHE SAT OUT THE 3RD QUARTER.”

Sami, Me & My Fantasies...

I first met the great Sami Kehela about 32 years ago, when I was working at the Regal/St. Clair Bridge Studio. As a young kid growing up in Winnipeg, playing hockey every day for hours on end and aspiring to play in the NHL, I of course had no idea that bridge would become my passion and my profession. To actually meet Sami Kehela and speak with him was like that young boy meeting Gordie Howe.

A couple of years ago, I passed Sami on the masterpoint list. It was very gratifying to know that from that point forward I would always be mentioned by bridge players in the same breath as Sami Kehela. Having risen to the same level as

Sami and having even surpassed him, I felt that my bridge career had reached its zenith. There was nothing left for me to prove – after all, I had many club wins, a half dozen or so sectional wins, and even a couple of regional victories. I decided to join Sami in bridge retirement to await my own inductions into the Halls of Fame and was content with my decision. I knew this would be painful for Michael, but also that I owed it to him to advise him of my decision. Michael, not so gently, informed me that I was indeed not quite Sami's equal yet and he talked me out of my retirement plans. His was a wonderful act of “tough love,” and I will be forever indebted to him for his bringing me back to my own harsh reality as a player. That's what great friends are for.

On a related note, when we faced off in the CNTC final in Regina, our opponent Roy Hughes gave us a great compliment. He told me that he had been contemplating a sequel to his fine book “Murray and Kehela – Canada's Bridge Warriors.” He said that he had even decided that this sequel would be entitled “Rayner and Roche – Canada's Slogging Bridge Foot Soldiers.” Sadly, Roy also informed me that Ray Lee of Masterpoint Press had immediately nixed the whole idea.

Two Gentlemen of Verona...

At the Verona World Championships, Michael and I were

playing in the four-day World IMP Pairs against several hundred other entrants. After the two days of qualifying we stood 3rd/4th in the world. But, true to the pact we had made before the event started, Michael and I withdrew from the final, in order to accompany our wives, Barb and Debbie, on a trip to Venice.

When word of our touching gesture and sacrifice spread, bridge-playing women around the bridge world swooned at our selflessness. We have basked in their continuing adulation ever since. The fact that, had we continued in the event, we would have entered the final with no carryover and hence tied with all other 100 finalist pairs should not diminish what we did - and Barb, Debbie and those other women need never know.

R&R Turn 60...

This past March, Michael and I turned 60. I am five days wiser than Michael. Under the delusion that bridge players around the country would be thrilled that R & R would now be eligible to represent Canada in Senior play, I originally had suggested that we do a cross-Canada tour where we could share our milestone birthdays with players from all of the CBF Zones. The idea never gained any traction and was soon abandoned.

The Ace of Hearts...

In 2011, the ace of hearts has been our nemesis at the bridge table. We

arrived at the contract of seven diamonds after a simple Key-Card sequence. My left hand opponent asked a bunch of questions and then led the ace of hearts. The screen flap was lifted and Michael was about to table the dummy when he saw the ace of hearts menacingly on the table. Michael's cards seemed suspended in the air and his body seemed to freeze. Just one down and I will never reveal who was responsible for this disaster.

The ace of hearts was to strike twice more – both times at the recent Regina CNTC. On the next occasion, deprived of the chance to mess up Key-Card again, we (I) bid to seven hearts. We had fifteen or sixteen tricks. However, the fact that we were also missing the ace of hearts proved to be insurmountable. Down one again.

The last episode occurred when we played board 113 of the CNTC final. We started that concluding set of sixteen boards leading by seven IMPs. Having learned from our aforementioned misadventures, as we conducted a delicate slam-going auction, I remembered that the ace of hearts had not been kind to us. So, I held back a little as I drove only to the six level in hearts, knowing that we might be missing the ace of trumps. Sure enough, the ace of hearts did reside with our opponents and I was pleased that my caution was about to be rewarded. That pleasure was very short-lived, however, as I noticed we were also missing the king of

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hearts. After the first board of the final set, the lead had changed hands again.

The above misfortunes give credence as to what has always been our claim, "Rayner and Roche don't cheat, and we have the results to prove it."

Some Rocheisms...

To me... "If there are any mistakes to be made in this partnership, I'll be the one making them."

To Boris Baran... "I wish you wouldn't wear your Speedo to the table. I can always tell when you have a good hand."

Of friend John Duquette... "John has never met a bridge hand he couldn't PASS."

To me when I asked if Michael had any spades... "I'm not the one who revokes in this partnership."

To no one in particular, when he is on a roll... "It's good to be me."

To any person who would cast a disparaging word about the "Piglet." I say "Pooh." You know those PGA golf commercials where the catch phrase is, "These guys are good."? Well, Michael Roche is very, very good.

To my friend Mike....I know that you are very pleased to have finally dragged me to a CNTC win. We have had a pretty good run together over these many years – lots of successes and plenty of good times with the friends we have made at the bridge table. I look forward to many more years of the same.

I am thrilled to know that our friendship will endure, even as our trick-taking abilities may erode. I love you buddy. Please remember that when I next revoke.

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2011 CNTC FINAL

by John Carruthers

Sixteen teams had entered this year's Canadian National Team Championship in Regina in May. Fourteen of those teams had already had their hopes dashed by the time of the final knockout match; these two remained: RAYNER (John Rayner-Michael Roche, David Lindop-Doug Baxter, Jim McAvoy-Mike Hargreaves) and HUGHES (Roy Hughes-David Turner, Bryan Maksymetz-Zygmunt Marcinski). Both teams had Toronto-area pairs, while McAvoy-Hargreaves are from BC, Maksymetz is from Edmonton and Marcinski from Montréal. Michael Roche currently hails from Victoria, BC, but still works in Toronto (that's quite a commute!).

The CNTC final is a 128-board, two-day match played in eight 16-board segments. After seven of these, RAYNER led HUGHES 222-215. Elsewhere in this issue, John Rayner tells us about Board 113, the first board of the last segment. Rayner-Roche had bid a small slam off the ace and king of trumps. As they did not have an 11-card fit, the ace and king did not fall together and the contract went one off for an 11-IMP loss.

RAYNER trailed by 4 IMPs.

Board 114. Dealer East. NS Vul.

♠ K107

♥ 1096543

♦ K

♣ Q42

West	North	East	South
Rayner	Turner	Roche	Hughes
—	—	Pass	1NT
Pass	2♣	Pass	2♥
Pass	3NT	Pass	Pass
Pass			

This was the next hand John Rayner picked up - he was West. What would you lead against Hughes' three-no-trump contract?

One of the toughest things to do at this (or any) level of bridge is to put a bad result behind you and not let it affect you on the following boards. It's very similar to golf in that regard - you must forget about your last bad shot and concentrate on this one.

Back to Rayner's problem. North is known to have four spades and South has four or five hearts; partner must have a few values as the opponents did not investigate slam.

You might lead a heart as a passive lead, letting declarer do his own work, occasionally getting lucky when partner has a good holding there. Or you might, as John Rayner did, lead a club...

♠ 9843

♥ Q2

♦ AQ876

♣ A3

♠ K107

♥ 1096543

♦ K

♣ Q42

♠ J52

♥ 7

♦ J95

♣ K98765

♠ AQ6

♥ AKJ8

♦ 10432

♣ J10

As you can see, any other lead allows three no trump to make. The club went to Roche's king and another club knocked out the ace, Rayner unblocking the queen. Roy Hughes ran hearts, took his diamonds and led a spade toward the ace-queen - when Roche showed out, having discarded his spades on the hearts, Hughes took his ace, conceding one down.

At the other table, things were rather more exciting:

West	North	East	South
<i>Marcinski</i>	<i>Baxter</i>	<i>Maksymetz</i>	<i>Lindop</i>
—	—	2NT ¹	Dble ²
3♣ ³	Dble ⁴	Pass	3♥
Pass	3NT	Pass	Pass
Pass			

1. A preempt in either minor
2. 15+ usually balanced
3. Pass or correct to diamonds
4. Value-showing

The bidding had meant that here, declarer was North. East led a club and Baxter won the second, tried diamonds, then with eight tricks on top, finessed the spade queen. Curtains. The defence had seven tricks: one spade, one diamond and five clubs for three off and an 5 IMP loss for RAYNER. Had Rayner led anything but a club, the loss would have been 14 IMPs. HUGHES led by nine.

Board 118. Dealer East. EW Vul.

♠ Q542

♥ J93

♦ Q4

♣ 10754

♠ KJ97

♥ A42

♦ A32

♣ A32

♠ 1083

♥ Q65

♦ KJ97

♣ QJ6

♠ A6

♥ K1087

♦ 10865

♣ K98

West	North	East	South
<i>Rayner</i>	<i>Turner</i>	<i>Roche</i>	<i>Hughes</i>
—	—	Pass	Pass
INT	Pass	3NT	Pass
Pass	Pass		

The next two boards were pushes and RAYNER won an IMP for an overtrick on

Board 117. With 11 boards to go John Rayner was again in the spotlight...

David Turner led a fourth-best two of spades and Roy Hughes won the ace and shifted to the eight of clubs. Rayner ducked this, won the queen in dummy. Played the diamond ace and king, picking up that queen, and finessed the spade jack, this time losing to the queen.

Turner thought the eight of clubs had looked like a high spot, so he shifted to the jack of hearts. Rayner reasoned correctly that, in this situation, South must hold the heart king as he had not shifted to that suit earlier, and that North would have continued clubs if he had held the heart king. So, he ducked in dummy and won the ace.

When Rayner cashed the king of spades, Hughes could see the writing on the wall: he could not discard a diamond, and a heart would just delay the inevitable, so he threw the club nine, hoping declarer would misread the layout.

This was the position:

♠ 5

♥ 93

♦ —

♣ 1075

♠ 7

♥ 42

♦ 3

♣ A3

♠ —

♥ Q6

♦ J9

♣ J6

♠ —

♥ K108

♦ 108

♣ K

Rayner did not cash the last spade as dummy would be embarrassed for a discard. Instead he played a diamond to the jack and the nine of diamonds discarding a heart. South won, but now

had to give declarer his ninth trick in hearts or clubs, however many cards he had left in those suits. Hughes in practice exited with the now-bare king of clubs and Rayner had nine tricks for plus 600.

As their counterparts at the other table had reached only two no trump, making two, this was a gain of 10 IMPs to RAYNER to put them back into the lead by 2 IMPs with ten boards to play.

RAYNER was never headed after that, eventually winning the match 258-251. They will be worthy representatives at the Bermuda Bowl in The Netherlands.

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HOW IS ERIC?

by Ron Sutherland

People are always asking me, "How is your son Eric? Is he still playing bridge?" I had the rare opportunity the other day to play with him in a semi-final team league match at John Rayner's club. The result of the match was still very much in doubt when the last board came up. With both sides vulnerable, Eric, as West, held;

♠ 753
♥ QJ63
♦ —
♣ AKQ732

The bidding went:

West	North	East	South
Eric		Ron	
—	—	—	1♠
INT ¹	4♠	5♣ ²	Pass
Pass	5♠	Pass	Pass
Pass			

1. Raptor (of course we play our own convention!) showing an opening hand with four hearts and an undisclosed longer minor.
2. Pass or correct.

With the match on the line, Eric

found the only lead to set the contract. A small club!

The full deal was:

♠ QJ84	♠ —
♥ K2	♥ 1085
♦ Q109654	♦ A8732
♣ 8	♣ J9653
♠ 753	♠ AK10962
♥ QJ63	♥ A974
♦ —	♦ KJ
♣ AKQ742	♣ 10

When I recovered from the shock of winning the first trick with the jack of clubs, it took me two seconds to play the ace and another diamond. As you can see, no other opening lead beats the contract. At the other table, East-West played in five clubs down one to win 5 IMPs for us. We won the match by 6 IMPs! We'd have lost 11 IMPs and the match had five spades been allowed to make.

Now when I am asked about Eric, I say, "He doesn't play as often, but when he does he is as sharp as ever."

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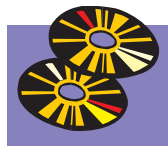
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Play of the Hand

by David Lindop



THE HOLDUP

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When the opponents lead a long suit against our no trump contract and we have only one *stopper*—a winner—in the suit, one of the most useful counter-measures is the *hold up play*. We don't have to take our winner right away. The advantage of holding up is that it may disrupt the defenders' communications and create a safe opponent. Consider this deal:

♠ K Q 8	
♥ 5 2	
♦ A 9 6 3	
♣ K 8 7 2	
♠ 10 6	♠ J 7 4 3 2
♥ K J 9 7 4	♥ Q 10 8
♦ 5 4	♦ K 8 2
♣ Q 10 5 3	♣ J 9
♠ A 9 5	
♥ A 6 3	
♦ Q J 10 7	
♣ A 6 4	

West	North	East	South
—	—	—	INT
Pass	3NT	Pass	Pass
Pass			

West leads the heart seven, we play low from dummy and East plays the queen. We aren't forced to play our ace right away and should plan the play before deciding what to do. We have three sure spade tricks, one heart, one diamond, and two clubs. We need two more tricks and the obvious source is the diamond suit.

We can plan to lead the queen of diamonds, hoping to trap the king in the West hand. Then we'll take all four diamond tricks and make an overtrick. But what if East holds the king, as on the actual deal? That's not a problem when counting our tricks. We'll still have the two extra diamond winners we need to make our game. The real problem is that when we let the defenders gain the lead they may take enough tricks to defeat the contract before we can regain the lead and take our tricks.

That's exactly what will happen on this deal if we take the ace of hearts at trick one. When the diamond finesse loses to East's king, East dutifully returns partner's suit and the defenders take four heart tricks to defeat the contract. So, this is the classic situation for a hold up play. We exercise our option not to take the heart ace on the first trick and, when East leads a second heart, we again hold up the ace. Only when West leads a third round of hearts are we forced to take the ace.

The effect of this can be seen on the actual deal. We have turned East into a *safe opponent*. When the diamond finesse loses to East's king, East has no hearts left to lead. We have severed the communications between the East-West hands. Whatever suit East returns, we can win and take our established tricks to make three no trump. Note that we can afford to hold up the heart ace on this deal because there is no danger if the defenders switch to another suit. We have lots of stoppers in spades, diamonds, and clubs.

Also, on this deal, the hold up play guarantees making the contract on the assumption that West has led from a four-card or longer heart suit. On the actual deal, the hearts were divided 5–3. What if they had been divided 4–4? Wouldn't East still have a heart left to lead upon winning a trick with the king of diamonds? Yes, but that would not be a problem. The full deal would then look something like this:

♠ K Q 8	
♥ 5 2	
♦ A 9 6 3	
♣ K 8 7 2	
♠ 10 6 4	♠ J 7 3 2
♥ K J 9 7	♥ Q 10 8 4
♦ 5 4	♦ K 8 2
♣ Q 10 5 3	♣ J 9
♠ A 9 5	
♥ A 6 3	
♦ Q J 10 7	
♣ A 6 4	

The contract is in no danger since the defenders cannot take more than

three heart tricks and the king of diamonds.

The hold up play doesn't always come with a guarantee of success. Sometimes, it only improves our chances. Let's make a slight change to the original deal:

♠ K Q 8	
♥ 5 2	
♦ K 9 6 3	
♣ K 8 7 2	
♠ 10 6	♠ J 7 4 3 2
♥ K J 9 7 4	♥ Q 10 8
♦ 5 4	♦ A 8 2
♣ Q 10 5 3	♣ J 9
♠ A 9 5	
♥ A 6 3	
♦ Q J 10 7	
♣ A 6 4	

Now the defenders have the ace of diamonds instead of the king. We will have to let them in when we promote the tricks we need in the diamond suit. It's still correct to hold up the ace of hearts, however. If East holds the ace of diamonds, we want to run East out of hearts before giving up the lead. It's just that, this time, the contract doesn't come with a guarantee. If West held the diamond ace instead of East, our hold up play would have been in vain. Still, that would have been bad luck, not bad technique.

One advantage of creating a safe opponent is that we will sometimes have a choice about which opponent will gain the lead if we have to give up a trick to develop the winners we need. Let's change the layout a bit:

♠ K Q 8

♥ 5 2

♦ K 9 6 3

♣ K 8 7 2

♠ 10 6

♥ K J 9 7 4

♦ Q 5 4

♣ Q 10 5

♠ J 7 4 3 2

♥ Q 10 8

♦ 8 2

♣ J 9 3

♠ A 9 5

♥ A 6 3

♦ A J 10 7

♣ A 6 4

West again leads the seven of hearts against three no trump and we hold up the ace for two rounds. We now have eight top tricks—three spades, one heart, two diamonds, and two clubs—and need only one more trick from the diamond suit. If we can guess which defender holds the queen, we can make an overtrick. Even if we lose a trick to the diamond queen, we will still have nine tricks.

So, the contract is in no danger provided the defenders can't take too many heart tricks if we lose a trick to the queen of diamonds. That tells us how to handle diamonds. Thanks to the hold up play, East is now safe; West is the dangerous opponent. We can afford to lose a trick to East, but not to West.

So, we should play the ace of diamonds and lead the jack, playing low from dummy when West plays a low diamond. On the actual deal, we make an overtrick. But it wouldn't have mattered if East had held the diamond queen instead of West; we'd lose to the queen but still make our nine tricks since East has no hearts to lead.

The danger can be seen on the actual layout if we were to play the king of diamonds and then finesse the jack, losing to West's queen. Now we would have let the dangerous opponent in and the defenders would get four hearts and a diamond. Down one.

In deciding which opponent is dangerous, we can't always assume it is the opening leader. Suppose we make a slight change to the deal:

♠ K Q 8

♥ 5 2

♦ K 9 6 3

♣ K 8 7 2

♠ 10 6 4 3 2

♥ 10 8 7

♦ 5 4

♣ 10 9 5

♠ J 7

♥ K Q J 9 4

♦ Q 8 2

♣ Q J 3

♠ A 9 5

♥ A 6 3

♦ A J 10 7

♣ A 6 4

West	North	East	South
—	—	1♥	1NT
Pass	3NT	Pass	Pass
Pass			

If West leads the the seven of hearts after this auction, it is presumably East who has the five-card or longer heart suit, not West. After holding up the ace of hearts, we now have to handle the diamond suit in the opposite way to the previous deal. We play the king and lead a low diamond and finesse the jack or ten. We don't mind losing to the queen of diamonds in the West hand; we just don't want to lose a trick to East.

If we are familiar with the Rule of 7 (To decide how many times to hold up as declarer in a notrump contract, subtract the number of combined cards you hold from 7.), we might automatically apply it on all the above deals to decide how long to hold up the ace of hearts. We have five hearts in the combined hands. Subtracting five from seven leaves two, telling us to hold up twice. That's exactly what we did, and it worked well in every case.

The Rule of 7 is only a guideline, so we shouldn't arbitrarily apply it every time. There's no substitute for planning the play before deciding whether to hold up. Let's make another small change to the original deal and see how it might affect declarer's plan. West is still leading the seven of hearts after this auction:

West	North	East	South
—	—	—	INT
Pass	3NT	Pass	Pass
Pass			

This is the deal:

<p>♠ K Q 8 ♥ 5 2 ♦ A 9 6 3 ♣ K 8 7 2</p>	
<p>♠ 10 6 ♥ K 9 8 7 4 ♦ 5 4 ♣ Q 10 5 3</p>	<p>♠ J 7 4 3 2 ♥ Q 10 6 ♦ K 8 2 ♣ J 9</p>
<p>♠ A 9 5 ♥ A J 3 ♦ Q J 10 7 ♣ A 6 4</p>	

We've given South the jack of hearts. Does that change the decision to hold

up the ace? Not in this case. Since a trick may have to be lost to the king of diamonds in the East hand, declarer wants to make East a safe opponent.

When East plays the queen of hearts, South plays the three and then plays the jack when East continues with the heart ten. West can win the king of hearts and lead another heart to drive out the ace, but that's okay. By holding up until the third round of hearts, there's no problem when a trick is lost to East's king of diamonds.

Let's make one final change to the deal:

<p>♠ K Q 8 ♥ 5 2 ♦ Q J 10 7 ♣ K 8 7 2</p>	
<p>♠ 10 6 ♥ K 9 8 7 4 ♦ K 5 4 ♣ Q 10 5</p>	<p>♠ J 7 4 3 2 ♥ Q 10 6 ♦ 8 2 ♣ J 9 3</p>
<p>♠ A 9 5 ♥ A J 3 ♦ A 9 6 3 ♣ A 6 4</p>	

If declarer holds up the ace of hearts until the third round, it doesn't work on this layout. Declarer tries the diamond finesse and it loses to West's king. West now takes two more hearts to defeat three no trump.

What went wrong? Was declarer just unlucky? No. *On this layout, the correct play is to win the first trick with the ace of hearts.* Then, when the diamond finesse loses to West's king, West can't continue leading hearts without giving declarer a second trick with the jack.



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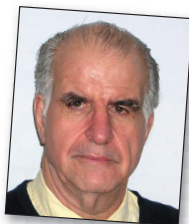
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My one complaint is the slovenliness of the players. This was especially apparent at the Swiss Team game on Sunday. Often you would arrive at a table for a new round and find used coffee cups, candy wrappers, etc., left on the table. Sometimes pick-up slips would be torn in little pieces and deposited...on the carpet! With the Nationals coming to Toronto this summer, I would hate to think that we give the overall impression of being a slovenly group of people. Any suggestions on how to get this message out? Thank you.

Margo Davidson, Minden, ON

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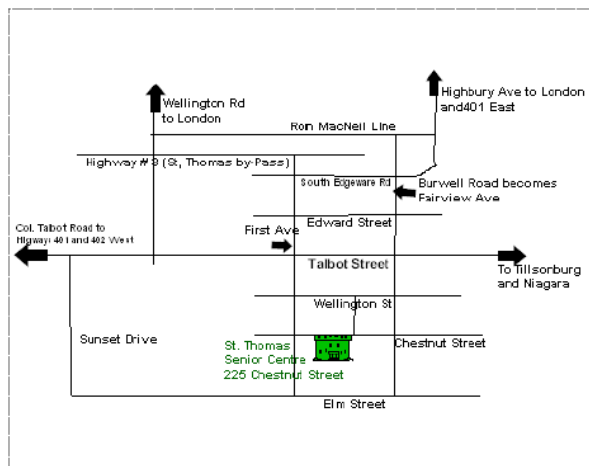
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Centre,
225 Chestnut St.,
St. Thomas

Tournament Chair:

Tom Smith
(519) 637-0267
Co-Chair: Paul Bishop

Partnerships:

Tom Smith
(519) 637-0267

STRATIFICATION:

Based on player with highest number of masterpoints

Pair Strats: A=2500+, X=0-2500,
B=0-1500, C=0-500
299^{er} Pair Strats: A=100-300,
B=20-100, C=0-20

Team Strats: A=1500+,
B=0-1500, C=0-500;
299^{er} Teams: 0 - 300



5th CALEDON EAST FALL SECTIONAL

The Best Prizes in Southern Ontario

SEPTEMBER 24th & 25th, 2011

CALEDON COMMUNITY CENTRE
6215 OLD CHURCH ROAD, CALEDON EAST

Presented by;
THE CREDIT VALLEY BRIDGE ASSOCIATION



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24th

Stratified 0-99^{er} Pairs 11:00 am

Stratified 0-99^{er} Pairs 3:30 pm

Stratified Pairs (Play-through*)

A: 1500+ B: 300-1500 C: 0-300

1st Session 11:00 am

2nd Session 3:30 pm

* Single sessions allowed

Compact Knockouts (Handicapped)

2 Sessions; Only 4 players per team

1st Session 11:00 am

2nd Session 3:30 pm

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25th

Stratified Swiss Teams ... 11:00 am

A: 3000+ X: 0-3000

B: 0-1500 C: 0-750 D: 0-300

Averaging allowed within a stratiflight

0-199^{er} Swiss Teams 11:00 am

Sunday events are Play-through with
on-site break

Venue:

Caledon Community Centre

6215 Old Church Road

Caledon East

(beside OPP station)

Phone: 905-584-9254

Tournament Chair:

Lee Daugharty

Phone: 905-453-1976

e-mail: calendar@interlog.com

Director in Charge:

Joel Shapira

Entry Fees:

\$12 per person per session

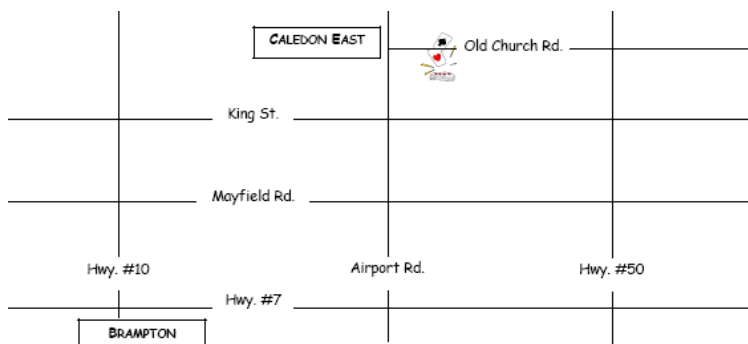
\$14 for non-ACBL members

\$6 for Juniors or 0-5 MPs

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September 30 to October 2, 2011
Trenton Senior Citizen Centre

61 Bay Street, just off Hwy. 2 (east side of Trenton), via Hwy. 401 exit 526.

Tournament chairperson:

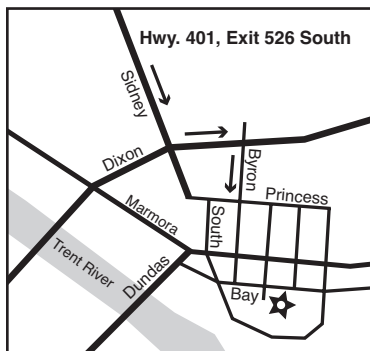
Fran Beckingham

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Partnerships:

Lynne Hunter

613-392-0979, barlyn@sympatico.ca



FRIDAY, September 30

7:30pm Open Pairs (single session)
299er Pairs (single session)
(0-99 / 100-199 / 200-299)

SATURDAY, October 1

10:30am Open Pairs (two sessions)
and 299er Pairs (two sessions)
3:30 pm (0-99 / 100-199 / 200-299)
2:45 pm Paul Thurston "talk" – always
time well spent

SUNDAY, October 2

10:00am Swiss Teams with
lunch between sessions*
10:00am 299er Swiss (single session)
4 rounds of 6 boards
2:00pm 299er Swiss (single session)
4 rounds of 6 boards

STRATIFICATION:

A = 2000+, B = 750-2000, C = 0-750

*Teams by average

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OCTOBER 11TH TO 16TH, 2011

TUESDAY – October 11th

Tue Bracketed KO's 9:00 1:30 7:30
1st, 2nd, and 3rd of 3 Sessions
299^{er} Stratified Pairs 9:00 1:30 7:30
(1 Session each)
Morning Side Series Pairs 9:00
Tue Stratified Open Pairs 1:30 7:30
(2 Sessions)
Afternoon Side Series Pairs 1:30
Evening Side Series Pairs 7:30

WEDNESDAY – October 12th

Wed/Thu Compact KO's 9:00
299^{er} Stratified Pairs 9:00 1:30 7:30
(1 Session each)
Morning Side Series Pairs 9:00
Wed/Thu Bracketed KO's 1:30 7:30
1st and 2nd of 4 Sessions
Wed Stratified Open Pairs 1:30 7:30
(2 Sessions)
Afternoon Side Series Pairs 1:30
Wed Stratified Swiss Teams 7:30
(1 Session)
Evening Side Series Pairs 7:30

THURSDAY – October 13th

Wed/Thu Compact KO's 9:00
299^{er} Stratified Pairs 9:00 1:30 7:30
(1 Session each)
Morning Side Series Pairs 9:00
Wed/Thu Bracketed KO's 1:30 7:30
3rd and 4th of 4 Sessions
Thu Stratified Open Pairs 1:30 7:30
(2 Sessions)
Stratified Swiss Teams 1:30 7:30
(2 Sessions)
Afternoon Side Series Pairs 1:30
Evening Side Series Pairs 7:30

FRIDAY – October 14th

Fri/Sat Compact KO's 9:00
299^{er} Stratified Pairs 9:00 1:30 7:30
(1 Session each)
Morning Side Series Pairs 9:00
Fri/Sat Bracketed KO's 1:30 7:30
1st and 2nd of 4 Sessions
Fri Stratified Open Pairs 1:30 7:30
(2 Sessions)

Afternoon Side Series Pairs 1:30
Fri Stratified Swiss Teams 7:30
(1 Session)
Evening Side Series Pairs 7:30

SATURDAY – October 15th

Fri/Sat Compact KO's 9:00
299^{er} Stratified Pairs 9:00 1:30 7:30
(Single Session)
Morning Side Series Pairs 9:00
Fri/Sat Bracketed KO's 1:30 7:30
3rd and 4th of 4 Sessions
Sat Compact KO's 1:30 7:30
Sat Stratified Open Pairs 1:30 7:30
(2 Sessions)
Afternoon Side Series Pairs 1:30
Sat Stratified Swiss Teams 7:30
(1 Session)
Evening Side Series Pairs 7:30

SUNDAY – October 16th

Stratified Swiss Teams 10:00
PLAYTHROUGH 7 x 7-Board Matches

Great Hospitality! Free Parking!

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Low, low entry fees!
\$10.00 per session,
\$12 for non & unpaid ACBL members

INFORMATION:

Strata: "A" 2000+ "B" 750-2000 "C" 0-750
NOTE: All events are by AVERAGE MP's

299^{ers}: Faith Perry 716.681.5251

Partnerships: Jerry Geiger 716.648.0063
bridgepe@aol.com

Tournament: Pat Rasmus 716.649.4634
prasmus@verizon.net or
John Toy 716.885.5364
jtoy4@roadrunner.com

Hotel: Holiday Inn, 100 Whitehaven Road,
Grand Island, NY 14072 716.773.1111
Ask for ACBL rate \$90.00 Single or Double
(available until September 21st)



Collingwood's Blue Mountain Sectional Bridge Tournament



October 14-16, 2011

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION 490 Ontario Street, Collingwood

NOTE: As per ACBL policy, Stratification Rankings for Open Pairs and Open Swiss Team events will be based on the **AVERAGE** of the players' masterpoint totals.

Friday, Oct. 14 1:00 & 7:00 p.m. Stratified Open Pairs 299^{er} Pairs (1-Session Events)	Saturday, Oct. 15 12:00 & 6:00 p.m. Stratified Open Pairs (2-Session Event - Single Session Entries Welcome) 299^{er} PAIRS (Two 1-Session Events)	Sunday, Oct. 16 10:30 a.m. & TBA Open Swiss Teams (2-Session Stratified) 299^{er} Swiss Teams (1-Session Events)
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back in
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**Stratification for all Open
Events: A= 1500+
B=500-1500 C=0-500**

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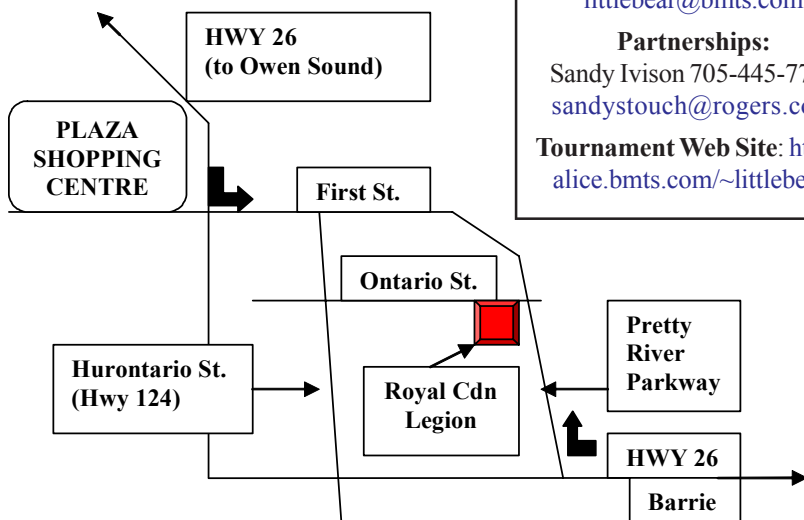
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Tournament Web Site: [http://
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Tuesday October 18th

Nickel City Bracketed KO's 1st, 2nd	1 pm 7 pm
299er Stratified Pairs (Single Session)	1 pm 7 pm
Stratified Open Pairs (2 Sessions)	1 pm 7 pm
Side Series Pairs #1	1 pm 7 pm

Wednesday October 19th

Early Bird Bracketed KO's round 1	9 am
Nickel City Bracketed KO's 3rd, 4th	1 pm 7 pm
299er Stratified Pairs (Single Session)	1 pm 7 pm
Stratified Open Pairs (2 Sessions)	1 pm 7 pm
Side Series Pairs #1	1 pm 7 pm

Thursday October 20th

Early Bird Bracketed KO's round 2	9 am
Stratified Swiss Teams	1 pm 7 pm
299 ^{ers} Swiss Teams (if nos.warrant)	1 pm 7 pm

Friday October 21st

Early Bird Bracketed KO's round 3	9 am
Miners Compact KO's round 1	9 am
Big Nickel Bracketed KO's 1st, 2nd	1 pm 7 pm
299er Stratified Pairs (Single Session)	1 pm 7 pm
Stratified Open Pairs (2 Sessions)	1 pm 7 pm
Side Series Pairs #2	1 pm 7 pm

Saturday October 22nd

Early Bird Bracketed KO's Finals	9 am
Miners Compact KO's Finals	9 am
Big Nickel Bracketed KO's 3rd, 4th	1 pm 7 pm
299er Stratified Pairs (Single Session)	1 pm 7 pm
Stratified Open Pairs (2 Sessions)	1 pm 7 pm
Side Series Pairs #2	1 pm 7 pm

Sunday October 23rd

Stratified Swiss Teams	10 am
Playthrough - Lunch provided	

Information

Flights & Strats

Open Pairs Games (Stratified
by Pair Avg.)

Swiss Teams & KO's
(Stratified by Team Avg.)
0-500/500-1500/1500+

Partnerships

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Jennifer O'Hara
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Howard Johnson Plaza
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FREE Parking**

Entry Fees

\$15.00 per session
Sunday Swiss Team: including
lunch \$140.00 per team
\$2.00 additional for non-
members or unpaid ACBL
Members

**42nd OSHAWA & DISTRICT
SECTIONAL Est. 1965**

OSHAWA

November 5-6, 2011



SATURDAY NOVEMBER 5

Stratflighted Pairs... **11:00 & 4:00**
Flight A/X (separate); Strat B/C/D
Single session pairs welcome.
Food available onsite for
purchase.

Please note early start time.

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 6

Stratflighted Swiss Teams.. **11:00**
(Second session TBA)
Flight A/X (separate); Strat B/C/D
Playthrough
**On-site break with food
provided**

LVIV PAVILION

38 Lviv Blvd., Oshawa
One block north of 401

Tournament Manager

Graham Warren 905-713-7172
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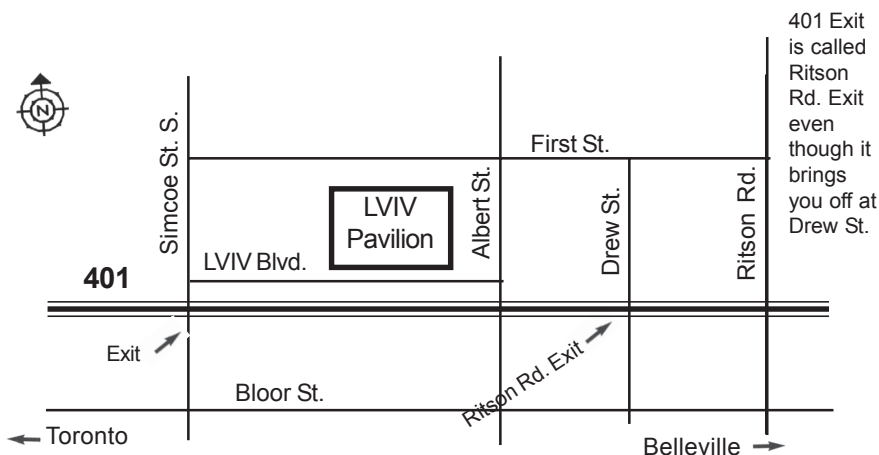
Partnerships

Hoppy Carnwith 905-655-4594
hoppyc@sympatico.ca

Flighting: A=3000+ X=0-3000
B= 750-1500 C= 300-750
D= 0-300

Entry fees still only \$10

No smoking permitted in the playing area



NIAGARA FALLS REGIONAL

NOVEMBER 8-13, 2011

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8

Niagara Bracketed KO Teams (1 st of 4 sessions)	7 pm
Charity Open Pairs	7 pm

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9

Niagara Bracketed KO Teams (2 nd , 3 rd & 4 th sessions)	9 am, 1 & 7 pm
Daylight Open Pairs	10 am & 3 pm
Open Pairs	1 & 7 pm
Whirlpool Bracketed KO Teams (1 st & 2 nd sessions)	1 & 7 pm
Afternoon Side Game Series (1 st session)	1 pm
Evening Side Game Series (1 st session)	7 pm
Swiss Teams (single session)	7 pm

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10

Compact Bracketed KO Teams I (1 st & 2 nd sessions of 4)	9 am
Whirlpool Bracketed KO Teams (3 rd & 4 th sessions)	1 & 7 pm
Senior Swiss Teams	1 & 7 pm
Open Swiss Teams	1 & 7 pm
Open Pairs	1 & 7 pm
Afternoon Side Game Series (2 nd session)	1 pm
Evening Side Game Series (2 nd session)	7 pm

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11

Compact Bracketed KO Teams I (3 rd & 4 th sessions of 4)	9 am
Early Bird Swiss Teams (single session)	9 am
Daylight Open Pairs	10 am & 3 pm
0-750 Pairs... NEW....GOLD POINTS	1 & 7 pm
A/X Pairs	1 & 7 pm
Maid of the Mist Bracketed KO Teams (1 st & 2 nd sessions)	1 & 7 pm
Afternoon Side Game Series (3 rd session)	1 pm
Evening Side Game Series (3 rd session)	7 pm
Swiss Teams (single session)	7 pm

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12

Early Bird Swiss Teams (single session)	9 am
Daylight Open Pairs	10 am & 3 pm
Stratiflighted Open Pairs (A/X separate, B/C/D together)	1 & 7 pm
Maid of the Mist Bracketed KO Teams (3 rd & 4 th sessions)	1 & 7 pm

Compact Bracketed KO Teams II (4 sessions)	1 & 7 pm
Afternoon Side Game Series (final session)	1 pm
Evening Side Game Series (final session)	7 pm
Swiss Teams (single session)	7 pm

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13

Senior Swiss Teams	10 am
Flight A/X Swiss Teams	10 am
Stratflighted B/C/D Swiss Teams (Each player < 2000 MP)	10 am
299'er Swiss Teams (Each player < 300 MP)	10 am

Reserve before Oct 15, 2011 and request the "Niagara Regional Tournament Rate" at the following hotels:

The Skyline Inn (1-800-263-7135) \$67 - Single or Double
Crowne Plaza (playing site) (1-800-263-7135) \$72 - Single or Double
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All games except 299'er and Stratflighted events are stratified
by Pair or Team average masterpoint holding

Stratified Games

A = 2000+ B = 500-2000 C = 0-500

Stratflighted Events

A/X A = 3000+ X = 0-3000

B = 1000-2000 C = 500-1000 D = 0-500

0-299'er Single Session Games Every Day

0-20 & 0-100 Single Session Games if numbers warrant

Visit our website at: www.unit166.ca and click on Event Schedule, then Niagara Falls Regional for additional details

29th Annual Festival Of Bridge Sectional

(Last tournament before the holidays)

STRATFORD

November 18- 20, 2011

Friday November 18

Senior (55+) Pairs, Open Pairs & Stratified
299^{er} Pairs..... 1:00 pm & 6:30 pm

Snacks after the evening game

Saturday November 19

Stratified Open Pairs (2 sessions) &
Stratified 299^{er} Pairs
(single sessions).....1:00 & 6:30 pm

Snacks after the evening game

Sunday November 20

Stratflighted Swiss Teams & Stratified
299^{er} Swiss Teams (both playthrough)
.....11:00 am

Stratification by Average

**Refreshments for sale during the half-
hour break between sessions**

Tournament Manager:

Perry Hill: (519) 273-1407

email: phillc606@rogers.com

Partnerships:

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Tournament Trail

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