

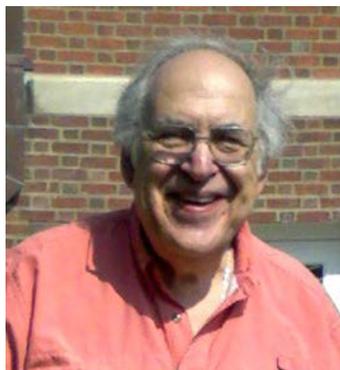


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Obscure Luck

by Harold Feldheim

All too often, declarer (or defender) is confronted by a sure-fire disaster. As one fatalistic expert said; *It's in the cards* and there's nothing you can do about it. It's like a TV rerun; you know what's going to happen and can't help it. In such cases, an astute declarer can try to *bend reality* and create the illusion of an alternate defensive idea in an effort to give the opponents a chance to go wrong. This hand from the 1950s was attributed to the late Boris Shapiro of the famous Reese-Shapiro partnership.

Dealer: North
Vulnerability: North/South

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

North	East	South	West
1♥	5♣	6♠	All Pass

Opening Lead: ♣3

This hand comes from a semi-final match from the Gold Cup, Great Britain's equivalent of our Spingold or Vanderbilt knockouts.

The Bidding: It was the fourth quarter and both sides felt the match was very close. After North opened with 1♥, based on the favorable vulnerability, East decided to mix it up with a five level preempt, catching South with a giant sized hand and giving him a giant sized headache. Looking at all four hands, it should be obvious that 6NT is an easy 12 tricks. But with a singleton heart and seven solid spades, South opted for 6♠, ending the auction.

The play: After the opening lead, prospects look grim. If West started with a singleton club, which seemed likely from the auction, the contract was going down without a fight. An important point about winning play is to make a plan to look for an opportunity at trick one. With this in mind, Mr. Shapiro quickly realized that he had a stroke of hidden luck, the ♣2! So, when East won the ♣A, South played the ♣K in tempo, leaving poor East with a dilemma. The speed of the auction made any sort of scientific investigation impossible and it was certainly plausible that West started with the ♣32 doubleton and that declarer was missing the ♦A. After a very long pause, East returned a diamond and South claimed his slam. Playing the ♣K was almost risk-free; if East cashed the queen of clubs it would

be the same down one as giving his partner a ruff. If East then continued with a third round of clubs, West's ♠9 would be promoted to a trick for down two. Interestingly enough, South did not gain any IMPs since at the other table the opposing North-South pair did in fact reach six no-trump, but the alert false card saved a disastrous 15 IMP loss.

Please notice that if declarer's second club were any card but the deuce, no false card would have succeeded.



Save the Date

CT Autumn Sectional
September 27-29, 2013

Ukrainian Hall
961 Wethersfield Avenue
Hartford, CT



From the CBA President

What's the CBA?

The Connecticut Bridge Association (CBA) consists of almost 2,300 bridge players from the state. The CBA Board of Directors is composed of 22 volunteers, who love bridge, love duplicate, love tournaments, and who do their best to assure that everyone else who is interested in the game has a pleasurable playing experience.

The CBA Board represents the interests of our players in the New England Region, and through our representative, Rich DeMartino, at the national level, ACBL, of which we are a part.

The CBA Board is responsible for Connecticut's Sectional tournaments and has primary responsibility for the yearly Regional tournament in Cromwell.

CBA participates in the scheduling and posting results of silver point-earning STaC games, Unit-wide games and some other special events in clubs where extra points are awarded.

The CBA Board has state area representatives who are available to answer questions and hear what our players have to say, including passing along complaints and concerns to those on the Board who can handle the issue most effectively. We like to hear good stuff too!

The CBA Board produces the quarterly newsletter, *Kibitzer* and maintains a website, www.CTbridge.org which provides you with pertinent bridge information, including tournament directions, results, and other announcements.

In this issue of *Kibitzer*, you will see the new CBA logo which states the Board's purpose "serving our members... supporting our clubs."

I hope you will get in touch with me or your area representative with any bridge issue. Our contact information is on the back page of this *Kibitzer* issue. I hope you use the website, and read the *Kibitzer*. I mostly hope you will continue to go to the clubs and tournaments, and have a great time playing bridge.

Esther Watstein

Esther B. Watstein
President, CBA



New England Youth Bridge

Unless your cataracts are really bad, you have probably noticed that most of the other players at the clubs and the tournaments are, well, not young. Everyone has heard people claim that when they stopped playing twenty-five or thirty years ago, they were among the youngest players, and when they returned to the game after their kids finally moved out of the house, they were still the youngest.

The situation is not likely to get better on its own. In fact, it will probably worsen unless something is done soon. People a generation or two younger than today's players did not learn bridge from their parents or their peers at school. When they hear about games, they do not think of cards; they think about their X-Boxes.

Adam Parrish, Jim Rasmussen, and a small cadre of devoted players in the Boston area are working to address this critical problem. They have established an organization called New England Youth Bridge (NEYB) with the purpose of introducing the game to young people, particularly those of middle-school age. Here are some of the things that this organization has going for it:

1. Strong evidence that playing bridge helps young people develop intellectually.
2. A proven approach called Mini-Bridge that gets the kids playing the game fast and loving the competition.
3. A track record of success in the Boston area.
4. Resources from the ACBL and others to provide cards, duplicate carriers, and the like.
5. Experience at dealing with administrators, teachers, and students.

NEYB would like to expand to the rest of New England. Connecticut is, of course, a prime target. These are the kinds of things that the organization needs to get started:

1. Information about any existing programs, whether affiliated with schools or not.
2. Contacts within the schools who might be interested in helping to get a program started.
3. Volunteers to help with whatever is needed.
4. Donations.

Getting any new idea off the ground is never easy, but this kind of program feeds on its own successes. If several programs in the same area can just generate a little traction, leagues and tournaments can help produce the kind of enthusiasm that can sustain ongoing interest.

You can read more details at the organization's website, NEYB.org. Please contact adamparrish@neyb.org if you have useful information or ideas, or if you want to get involved in bringing our game to a new generation of players.

Mike Wavada

Can't Cost Method – Chapter 36

by John Stiefel



In this deal from a recent Regional Knockout, both tables reached an inferior game, but one declarer found a “can’t cost” play to bring it in and win 10 IMPs for his side.

Dealer: North
Vulnerability: East/West

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

West	North	East	South
	1♦	Pass	1♠
Pass	2♣	Pass	2NT
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

Opening lead: ♣J

The auction deserves some discussion. After North showed diamonds and clubs, South’s hand merited one forward-going move and South chose the direct 2NT. North had an easy raise to 3NT; so the heart fit was missed. In my opinion,

North should have opened 1NT despite the singleton spade. Then the superior 4♥ contract would have been reached via Stayman. (Note: Opening 1NT with a singleton is not illegal, as long as the opening bidder believes that a 1NT opening best describes his hand.)

At any rate, South had to do his best in the contract he was in. The opening lead of the ♣J was the same in each room and North’s ♣Q took trick 1. Both declarers counted five tricks in the minors (no more). Spades were unlikely to produce any tricks, so it seemed like four heart tricks would be needed. So at one table, South went right after hearts. He led to his ♥A at trick 2. Then he returned to dummy in clubs to lead a heart to the 10. This brought “good news – bad news.” The good news was that East did indeed have the ♥Q. The bad news was that his original holding was Q985, so there were only three heart tricks available - down 1. “No way to make it – we should be in 4♥,” said South.

At the other table, South found the “can’t cost” play. Without a lot of pause for thought, he called for Dummy’s ♠K at trick 2! Look at East’s problem. His spade holding was A73 and, after considerable thought, he ducked! From his point of view, South was likely to hold good spades, e.g. QJ98, QJ10, Q109 or J109, because of his play to trick 2. So, ducking would perhaps cause South problems reaching his hand, especially if he had to give up two tricks in the suit

before he could use it. (In that event, South would need three entries to his hand in order to be able to set up and cash his spades.) When West ducked, South now reverted to hearts and made his game – taking one spade, three hearts, two diamonds and three club tricks.

Should West have gotten it right? This is not so clear. If South, for instance, had ♠Q109xx or ♠J109xx, ♥AK and the ♦Q, ducking would have been necessary to defeat the contract.

Was South lucky? Yes, lucky on two counts. First, he was lucky that East was the one with the ♠A (if West had it, he could have seen his partner’s signal in the suit before deciding what to do). Second, he was lucky that East’s spades after the Ace were weak. If West had, for instance, ♠AQ108 of spades, he wouldn’t have had any problem grabbing his ace.

Credit South for his “can’t cost” play in spades. Even if East guesses to take his ♠A and continue spades, all South has to do to avoid losing five tricks in the suit is to not play his ♠J on the second round in case West started with Q1098x. Then he still retains the same chances for nine tricks that he started with.

Note that South did well to make his “can’t cost” play quickly, just as he would if his spades were QJ109x or J1098x. Otherwise East might have figured out to take his ♠A.



MILESTONES AND CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to **Doug Doub** of West Hartford for becoming a *Grand Life Master* with more than 15,000 masterpoints!

New Life Masters

- Diane Dadiskos
- Lincoln May
- Nancy Narwold
- Susan Rudd
- Sarah Smedes
- Calvin Zieky

Silver Life Master

- (1000 MP's)
- Paul Burnham
- Blanche Eisman

Bronze Life Master

(500 MP's)

- Richard Collins
- Susanne Redmond
- Barbara Simons
- Roz Sternberg



Woodway Country Club

Overall winners of the Unit Wide Game held on July 10th are as follows

Flight A:

2nd Overall with a 68.2% game, Susan Mayo and Karen Barrett

Flight B:

1st Overall, David Mordy and Spencer Brainard

5th Overall, Kris Freres and Marilyn Tjader

Flight C:

1st Overall, David Mordy and Spencer Brainard

2nd Overall, Connie Nussbaum and Dorothy Scott

3rd Overall, Margaret Karbovanec and Helen McBrien

4th Overall, Pat Fitzgerald and Barbara Strickland

5th Overall, Ron Freres and Stephen Thoma

Bridgeport JCC Bridge Club New Location

Effective July 1, 2013 the Bridgeport JCC Bridge Club has moved to a new location.

The Jewish Home
175 Jefferson Street
Fairfield, CT 06825

Game time is Monday Evening at 6:15 p.m. I hope that you will all come to our game.

The Wednesday 10:30 a.m. game has moved to:

Trumbull Senior Center
23 Priscilla Pl
Trumbull, CT

Directions are on the CBA Website

IN MEMORIAM

Connecticut residents as listed in the
ACBL Bridge Bulletin

Barbara A. Blake, Madison, CT
Lois Flesche, Branford, CT
Alice V. Hooper, Suffield, CT
Harry A. Kelley, Shelton, CT
Dorothy J. Sauer, Waterford, CT
Ruth Teitelman, New Haven, CT
Lois Zeisler, Fairfield, CT

Wee Burn News

The following players did well in the Spring Series:

1. Penny Glassmeyer–Joan Hoben
2. Marilyn Tjader–Barbara Johnson
3. Molly Morgan–Mimi Van Dyke
4. Janet Soskin–Betty Hodgman
5. Susia Nix–Mary Ellen McGuire
6. Audrey Cadwallader–Martha Hathaway

Our annual trophy games were held on May 14. The Coulter Cup was won by Marilyn Tjader and Barbara Johnson. There was a tie for the Robertson Bowl between Jean Thoma–Karen Barrett and Susan Schroeder–Mary Ellen McGuire. When the tie was broken Thoma–Barrett were determined winners.

Bridge Forum (Hamden)

Second Quarter News

TUESDAY

Leading Pairs: Hill Auerbach–Tracy Selmon have taken advantage of temporary absences to join Brian Lewis–Bill Reich and Rita Brieger–Harold Miller at the top, with Bill–Brian still in front and Hill–Tracy second. Mary Connolly–Jon Ingersoll are in fourth place, and each has a second partnership in the top ten.

Player of the Year: Vera Wardlaw, in the top five in all three categories, is fairly well ahead of Robert Klopp at the halfway point. Brian and Bill follow (if neither plays with a different partner, this is Brian's year to be ranked higher), with Brenda Harvey fifth despite a late return from Florida.

Leonora Stein Cup (April finish): Louise Wood took over Jon Ingersoll in one semifinal while Simon Rich eliminated Bob Hawes. In the first week of the two-week final, Simon acquired a carryover lead of 12.27%. By the time they met in the last round, Louise had earned it all back. Then her partner thought she would interpret the auction 1D-P-1NT-P; P-2D as Michaels, and Simon was back in front. It came down to which of the two would be above average on the last board, which they passed out. Fortune favoured Louise, who picked up her second Stein Cup win.

FRIDAY

Leading pairs: Norma and Stan Augenstein cooled off a little in the second quarter, but still are far enough ahead that they would probably win even if they went to Australia for the second half of the year. Six different pairs occupied second place during the spring, with Scott Butterworth–Lenny Segal the last to take over that position, bumping Barbara Sloan–Marie Strickland to third. Larry Stern is the only player with two partnerships in the top twelve.

Player-of-the-Year: The Augensteins' slight drop in consistency let Harold Miller slip into the overall lead, with a pack of Louise Wood, Rita Brieger and Shirley Fruchter a little further back.

Aldyth Claiborn Cup (April finish): In the semifinals, Vera Wardlaw ran up a big win over Pat Rogers, while Louise Wood had a much closer win against Robert Klopp. The final was uncontented for the first time, as Vera went off on holiday to the Netherlands, handing Louise the easiest of her 23 cup wins. Louise is the first two-time winner of this cup, her other victory coming in 2004.

TUESDAY/FRIDAY COMBINED

Overall Player-of-the-Year: The top players of the spring quarter were Louise Wood, Harold Miller, Mary Connolly and Hill Auerbach. Rita Brieger, Louise and Harold all held the overall lead during the second quarter, with Harold still in front of Louise at the end of June. Brian Lewis–Bill Reich passed Rita for third place.

Helen Frank Cup (May-June): This one took a while to get going, then advanced in fits and starts. Billie Hecker took the first significant lead, then went to California for two weeks. Hill Auerbach was ahead at the end of May, and held the lead through the first half of June. Robert Klopp, Burt Saxon and Vera Wardlaw kept creeping closer to Hill as his score stayed relatively flat, until Louise Wood went ahead, with Vera joining her to give them a cushion entering the final week of June with STaC games. Vera's overall win in the Tuesday game combined with Louise's low finish clinched the cup for Vera before the Friday game. Louise held on for second place ahead of Burt, while Marilyn Zolot had the strongest second half of June to move up into fourth place overall. Vera joins the list of first-time cup winners.





Bid More, Make More

by Geoff Brod

Once again you find yourself frequenting the morning duplicate. Half way through the session you pick up ♠7 ♥KQ10986 ♦82 ♣KJ96. You are first to call and everyone is not vulnerable. It's up to you.

Many would regard this as a weak two and look no further. But this is a very good offensively oriented hand. First of all, you have 6-4 distribution, always a big plus, and all your honors are in your long suits. The hand is worth far more than the 9 HCP would suggest. Suppose that your ♣K were the stiff ♠K and your ♣J the ♦J. Now you would hold something that looks like ♠K ♥KQ10986 ♦J6 ♣9653. That hand is far less impressive for declaring. The short honors, ♠K and ♦J, improve your defensive potential and argue for less preemption.

The second element of your hand that suggests that a weak two would be inadequate is the quality of your heart suit. The interior solidity of your suit (the 1098 are quite impressive) indicates improved offensive potential and decreases the chance of the opponents being able to double you effectively. So, 3♥ it is.

Your left hand opponent passes in tempo and partner raises to 4♥. You're delighted. Your hand improves when pard has some hearts opposite and if you should find him with say a club card you will have an excellent hand.

All pass and LHO leads the ♦10:

♠ A K 9 4 3

♥ 7

♦ A J 4 3

♣ A 7 2

♠ 7

♥ K Q 10 9 8 6

♦ 8 2

♣ K J 9 6

Well, that's a little disappointing in the heart department but otherwise he has a fine hand for you. Of note is that had you opened only 2♥ you may well not have reached the game, which to all appearances has excellent chances. It looks like to make you will have to find either the ♣Q or the ♥J favorably placed. Anyway, the early play here is clearly marked. You rise with the ♦A (RHO signals emphatically with the nine) and quickly play two high spades dumping your second diamond. You note that RHO's signal strongly suggests that the lead is either from one or two diamonds. RHO appears to hold both remaining diamond honors.

OK, time to broach hearts. You lead dummy's trump and RHO follows small. How should you play? Best is to finesse for the Jack. That will gain anytime the Jack is held two or three times in the slot and lose only to a Jack doubleton combination on your left, a less likely holding. What card should you play from your hand?

For openers you should be sure to overtake in your hand (Wouldn't you feel silly should the seven win and find yourself stranded in dummy when you need to lead more hearts?) and in overtaking you should play the 10. Whether the 10 wins the trick or loses to the Jack or Ace, the play of the 10 gives the least information to the opponents. Suppose for example you were to play the eight losing to the Jack. Now your RHO would know that you held both the nine and the 10, potentially useful information. Generally as declarer when attempting to win a trick, you should play the highest of equals. There are exceptions to this rule but usually playing the highest equal will be the most deceptive play.

Disappointingly, LHO wins with the Jack and plays a second diamond. You mentally note that she started with a doubleton. You ruff and since you would like the opponents to duck the heart Ace you lead the eight from your hand. Your wish is granted as both follow low. Now you continue with a third round of the suit. Your LHO wins and RHO discards a diamond. The position now is:

♠ 9

♥ - - -

♦ J 4

♣ A 7 2

♠ - - -

♥ Q 9

♦ - - -

♣ K J 9 6

Somewhat to your surprise LHO shifts to a small club. You are grateful for this for had she played a spade tapping your hand, you would have had to draw the last trump. Now were the club finesse to lose you might well have gone down multiple tricks. The club lead assures the contract and gives you a chance for an overtrick, always esteemed at matchpoints.

The ♣Q comes up on your right. You win the King and draw the last trump. You now play your last trump discarding dummy's spade and lead to the ♣A in dummy. It's a two-card ending. Dummy has a small club and the ♦J. In your hand you hold the ♣K9. You lead dummy's club and say, for example, RHO follows low. It may appear that you have a choice: either finesse for the 10 or play for the drop, but that's only if you haven't been paying attention. In actuality, you should always play the king. Remember earlier we placed the ♦KQ on the right because of the opponents carding. Unless the discards have made dummy's Jack good, your RHO must in the two card ending hold a high diamond and thus only one club. It can never gain to finesse. It's a show up squeeze.

But it's all academic. When you lead the club RHO shows out. You win the King and concede a trick to the 10 at the end.

Your judgment that 4♥ hearts was a good contract that might not generally be reached by the field proves to be correct. Plus 420 scores 7 of the 8 available matchpoints.



RESULTS

UNIT-WIDE

Monday, May 6, 2013

FLIGHT A EVENT LEADERS

- 1 **James Macomber-Jeanne Striefler**
 2 Roger Crean-Richard Fronapfel
 3 Dorothy Kaplan-Miriam Schiller
 4 Janet Gischner-Connie Graham
 5 Robert Klopp-Charles Heckman
 6 Mike Marcy-Shari Peters
 7 Gail Carroll-Nancy Earel

FLIGHT B EVENT LEADERS

- 1 **James Macomber-Jeanne Striefler**
 2 Roger Crean-Richard Fronapfel
 3 Dorothy Kaplan-Miriam Schiller
 4 Mike Marcy-Shari Peters
 5 Sarah Smedes-Maruta Jancis
 6 Dorothy Damberg-Barbara Moore

FLIGHT C EVENT LEADERS

- 1 **Dorothy Kaplan-Miriam Schiller**
 2 Mike Marcy-Shari Peters
 3 Irene Rivers-Eric Vogel
 4 Mary Ellen McGuire-Kris Freres
 5 Ursula Forman-Ruth Johnson
 6 Adish Jain-Asha Jain

UNIT-WIDE CHAMPIONSHIP

Friday, July 19, 2013

FLIGHT A EVENT LEADERS

- 1 **Nancy Starr-Ann Cady**
 2 James Lee-Paul Grande
 3 Harold Miller-Burt Saxon
 4 Joyce Stern-Henry Stern
 5 Karlene Wood-Breta Adams
 6 Paul Miller-Katharine Goodman
 7 Rodney Aspinwall-Allen Siegel

FLIGHT B EVENT LEADERS

- 1 **James Lee-Paul Grande**
 2 Harold Miller-Burt Saxon
 3 Joyce Stern-Henry Stern
 4 Karlene Wood-Breta Adams
 5 Rodney Aspinwall-Allen Siegel
 6 George Levinson-Lucy Lacava

FLIGHT C EVENT LEADERS

- 1 **James Lee-Paul Grande**
 2 Karlene Wood-Breta Adams
 3 George Levinson-Lucy Lacava
 4 Ebba V Lavaty-Terry Lerman
 5 John Dinius-Eric Vogel
 6 Kendall Clark-Jean Clark

SPRING IN CT

Guilford, May 17-19, 2013

FRI AM OPEN PAIRS

A B C Names

- 1 **Richard DeMartino, Riverside CT; Allan Rothenberg, W Hartford CT**
 2 Terry Fidler, Guilford CT; Charles Halpin, Middletown CT
 3 Lawrence Lau, Westport CT; Allan Wolf, Ridgefield CT
 4 1 **Harold Miller, Orange CT; Rita Brieger, Bethany CT**
 5 2 Francine Gilbert, Westport CT; Aimee Housholder, Shelton CT
 6 3 Dean Montgomery, West Pittston PA; David Babson Jr, Stamford CT

- 4 1 **Shari Peters, Ridgefield CT; Michael Marcy, Niantic CT**
 5 2 Dinesh Gupta, South Windsor CT; Lincoln May, Glastonbury CT
 6 3 Garson Heller Jr-Mario Sa Couto, Westport CT
 4 Marcia Goldfinger, Rye Brook NY; Carol Weiss, Purchase NY

FRI AM 299ER PAIRS

- 1 1 **Carole Greenberg, Stamford CT; Lucy Rosen, Hartsdale NY**
 2 2 Rhea Bischoff-Liliana Geldmacher, Stamford CT
 3 3 Leonard Messman, Westport CT; Woody Bliss, Weston CT
 4 4 1 **Deborah Pearse-Bruce Donath, Cape Porpoise ME**
 5 5 2 Betty Ann Donegan-Barbara Colley, Branford CT
 6 6 3 Dinah Ghirardi, Old Lyme CT; Barbara John, New London CT
 4 Janet Clark, Ridgefield CT; Pamela Rybarczyk, Redding CT
 5 Joyce Guttman, Shelton CT; Renee Clift, Stratford CT

FRI 2:30 PM OPEN PAIRS

- 1 1 **Robert Klopp, New Haven CT; Barbara Henningson, Guilford CT**
 2 Richard DeMartino, Riverside CT; Allan Rothenberg, W Hartford CT
 3 Phyllis Bausher-Larry Bausher, West Haven CT
 4 Susan Seckinger, Wethersfield CT; Susan Rodricks, Milford CT
 5 Lawrence Lau, Westport CT; Allan Wolf, Ridgefield CT
 6 Gail Carroll, Bethany CT; Nancy Earel, Milford CT
 2 Richard Fronapfel-Susan Fronapfel, Danbury CT
 3 Dean Montgomery, West Pittston PA; David Babson Jr, Stamford CT
 4 Michael Smith-Susan Smith, Newington CT
 5 Paul Miller, Weston CT; Katharine Goodman, Fairfield CT
 6 Donald Brueggemann, Branford CT; Esther Watstein, Stratford CT
 1 **Judith McGrath, Guilford CT; Pierina Graebe, Northford CT**
 2 Garson Heller Jr-Mario Sa Couto, Westport CT
 3 Carol Weiss, Purchase NY; Marcia Goldfinger, Rye Brook NY
 4 Gordon Mackenzie Jr, Greenwich CT; Ronnie Bershada Sachs, Westport CT

FRI 2:30 PM 299ER

- 1 **Leonard Messman, Westport CT; Woody Bliss, Weston CT**
 2 1 **Deborah Pearse-Bruce Donath, Cape Porpoise ME**

- 3 2 Debbie Thornton-Barbara Hartman, Ridgefield CT
 4 Karen Sterrett-M Sandra Macri, Simsbury CT
 5/6 Bonnie Murphy, Branford CT; Sylvia Blamberg, Westbrook CT
 5/6 Janet McClutchy-Bonnie Markowski, Darien CT
 3 Vicki Rethy, Cheshire CT; Marilyn Zolot, New Haven CT
 4 Pamela Rybarczyk, Redding CT; Janet Clark, Ridgefield CT
 1 **Richard Burman-Joan Burman, Westport CT**
 2 Manhar Patel, Norwalk CT; Jyotsna Mehta, Trumbull CT

SAT AM A/X PAIRS

- 1 1 **Gail Carroll, Bethany CT; Alice Hummel, Cheshire CT**
 2 Larry Bausher, West Haven CT; Steve Becker, Old Greenwich CT
 3 2 Paul Burnham, Wilton CT; Thomas Proulx, Norwalk CT
 4 3 Helen Kobernusz, Madison CT; Dibirma Burnham, Clinton CT
 5 Harold Feldheim, Hamden CT; Joan Martin, Bridgeport CT
 4 Russell Friedman, Wilton CT; Allan Wolf, Ridgefield CT

SAT AM B/C PAIRS

- 1 1 **B Tysor, Grantham NH; Mu Zhang, Branford CT**
 2 2 Stephen Shamroth, W Hartford CT; Peter Solomon, West Hartford CT
 3 Brian Mahony-Florence Mahony, Redding CT
 4 Paul Miller, Weston CT; Katharine Goodman, Fairfield CT
 5 3 Robert Kistner, Lyme CT; Jeanette Wiggin, Essex CT
 6 Elaine Misner-James Misner, Wilton CT
 4 Shari Peters, Ridgefield CT; Michael Marcy, Niantic CT
 5 Carol Weiss, Purchase NY; Marcia Goldfinger, Rye Brook NY

SAT AM 299ER PAIRS

- 1 **Susan Schmerl-James Schmerl, Storrs CT**
 2 1 **Edward Konowitz, Cheshire CT; Eric Frieden, Bethany CT**
 3 Sally Solomon-Elizabeth Shamroth, West Hartford CT
 4 2 Anne Maletta, Greenwich CT; Eleanor Lorig, Naples FL
 5 3 Janice Martinez, Southport CT; Lou Filippetti, Stamford CT
 6 Carol Hill, Simsbury CT; Lila Englehart, Granby CT
 4 1 **Deborah Pearse-Bruce Donath, Cape Porpoise ME**
 5 Jan Rosow, Avon CT; Maureen Walsh, West Hartford CT

RESULTS

2/4 Suzanne Leary–John Leary, Hamden CT	SAT PM 299ER PAIRS	7/8 1	Susan Smith–Michael Smith, Newington CT; Shirley Derrah– Robert Derrah, Springfield MA
2/4 Harris Usdan, Weston CT; Richard Burman, Westport CT	1/2		
2/4 Girin Munshi–John Levy, Woodbridge CT	1/2	7/8	Howard Lawrence, East Haven CT; Frank Blachowski, Windsor Locks CT; William Watson, Bloomfield CT; Don Stiegler, Shelton CT
SAT PM A/X PAIRS	3 1	9 2	Elaine Misner–James Misner, Wilton CT; Karen Barrett, Norwalk CT; Douglas Thompson, Acton MA
1 Tania Reyes Hiller, Shrub Oak NY; Howard Zusman, Stratford CT	4 2 1	3/4	Esther Watstein, Stratford CT; Rochelle Shapiro–Judith Hess, Fairfield CT; Donald Brueggemann, Branford CT
2 Harold Feldheim, Hamden CT; Joan Martin, Bridgeport CT	5 3	3/4	Michael Wavada, Enfield CT; Patricia Fliakos, W Hartford CT; David Landsberg, Higganum CT; Kenneth Leopold, Avon CT
3 Allan Clamage, Stratford CT; Dean Montgomery, West Pittston PA	4	5	Woody Bliss–Harris Usdan– Paul Miller, Weston CT; Linda Green, Westport CT
4 1 Thomas Proulx, Norwalk CT; Paul Burnham, Wilton CT	5	6 1	Diane Storey– Rebecca Jacobson, Westport CT; Russ Sackowitz, Stamford CT; Susan Lewis, Weston CT
5 2 Ann Hudson–Randolph Johnson, Suffield CT	2	7 2	Stephen Shamroth, W Hartford CT; Elizabeth Shamroth– Sally Solomon–Peter Solomon, West Hartford CT
3 Helen Kobernusz, Madison CT; Dibirma Burnham, Clinton CT	SUN SWISS	3	Barry Buehler, East Lyme CT; Richard Lebel, Danielson CT; Lawrence Eppler, Pawcatuck CT; Thomas Thompson, Gales Ferry CT
SAT PM B/C PAIRS	1	4	Dorothy Carpenter, Westport CT; Janice Martinez, Southport CT; Jan White–Lou Filippetti, Stamford CT
1 Paul Miller, Weston CT; Katharine Goodman, Fairfield CT	2	5	
2 Brian Mahony–Florence Mahony, Redding CT	3	6	
3 Michael Smith–Susan Smith, Newington CT	4		
4 Elaine Misner–James Misner, Wilton CT	5		
5/6 Carl Yohans Jr– Alfred Guntermann, New Haven CT	6		
5/6 1 Judith McGrath, Guilford CT; Pierina Graebe, Northford CT			
2 Stephen Shamroth– Peter Solomon, West Hartford CT			
3 B Tysor, Grantham NH; Mu Zhang, Branford CT			
4 Jeanette Wiggin, Essex CT; Robert Kistner, Lyme CT			



2013 CALENDAR

AUGUST

1-11	Thurs.-4 th Sun.	ACBL Summer Nationals, Atlanta, GA
13	Tues. (Eve)	Local (Split) Championship, Local clubs
19	Mon. (Eve)	Local (Split) Championship, Local clubs
20	Tues. (Day)	Local (Split) Championship, Local clubs
23-25	Fri.-Sun.	Connecticut Summer Sectional, Guilford

AUG.-SEPT.

26-1	Mon.-Sun.	New England Fiesta Regional, Warwick, RI
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SEPTEMBER

13	Fri. (Day)	Unit-wide Championship, Local clubs
18	Wed. (Day)	Local (Split) Championship, Local clubs
19	Thurs. (Day)	Unit-wide Championship, Local clubs
21	Sat. (Day)	Local (Split) Championship, Local clubs
24	Tues. (Day)	Unit-wide Championship, Local clubs

27-29 Fri.-Sun.

Sid Cohen Sectional, Hartford

OCTOBER

2	Wed. (Eve)	ACBL-wide Instant Match Point, Local clubs
7-13	Mon.-Sun	District 3 Regional, Danbury
14-20	Mon.-Sun.	STaC with North Jersey (U106), Local clubs

19-20 Sat.-Sun.
31 Thurs. (Day)

District 25 NAP Qualifying
Unit-wide Championship, Local clubs

NOVEMBER

1-3	Fri.-Sun.	Jeff Feldman Memorial, Hamden
6-10	Wed.-Sun.	New England Masters Regional, Mansfield, MA

NOV.-DEC.

28-8 Thurs.-1st Sun.

ACBL Fall Nationals, Phoenix, AZ

DECEMBER

9	Mon. (Day)	Local (Split) Championship, Local clubs
10	Tues. (Eve)	Local (Split) Championship, Local clubs
18	Wed. (Day)	Unit-wide Championship, Local clubs

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