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### ANDY'S WISDOM

Andy Hung

**PROBLEM 1:** You are West, partner (East) is dealer, and NS are vulnerable and you hold

♠ A 10 ♥ J 10 9 8 7 3 ♦ 5 2 ♣ 10 8 4

You	North	Partner	South
		1♠	Pass
1NT	Pass	2♦	Pass
??			

Your Bid

Playing a natural system, partner opens 1♠ and rebids 2♦ to show a 5-4+ shape. What do you do now

**PROBLEM 2:** You are West, partner (East) is dealer, and everyone is vulnerable: and you hold

♠ Q 7 4 3 2 ♥ 2 ♦ Q ♣ A Q J 10 8 5

You	North	Partner	South
		1♠	2♦
??			

Partner opens 1♠, and your RHO (South) overcalls 2♦. What do you do? (You have 3♦ available as a cue raise, 4♦ as a splinter raise, and 4♣ as a Fit-Showing jump)

**PROBLEM 3:** You are West, and no one is vulnerable: and you hold

♠ A J 10 ♥ Q 8 ♦ 10 7 5 4 ♣ A K 9 8

You	North	Partner	South
	Pass	Pass	4♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	

South opens 4♥ in third seat and this gets passed out. What do you lead?

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## OPEN TEAMS QUALIFYING ROUND EIGHT

Barry Rigal

Not content with their good fortune in having survived two matches with me at the table, the Pellegrini table hazarded their chances for a third time. As usual the third time was not a charm.

After a quiet no-trump parts-core (yes 3NT on a combined 22 HCP could be made on most normal lines of play and defence) we missed a chance here.

Dealer: West      ♠ Q 10  
 Vul: E-W        ♥ A Q 10 9 4  
 Brd 16            ♦ 9 7  
 Open Tms Qual 8 ♣ J 7 6 3  
 ♠ J 5 4  
 ♥ K 7  
 ♦ K 5 4 2  
 ♣ K Q 9 8

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

♠ A 8 3  
 ♥ J 6 5 2  
 ♦ A 8  
 ♣ A 10 5 4

Makeable Contracts				
-	2	-	2	NT
1	-	1	-	♠
-	4	-	4	♥
1	-	1	-	♦
-	3	-	3	♣

Our bidding took us to 3NT from the South seat after a 1♣ opening from West.

When our opponent led a diamond against that, there was no longer any legitimate play for the game. But 4♥ by North is quite a challenging spot. Deep Finesse tells us it is cold – but if we duck the first club the defenders take a ruff and shift to diamonds, and down you go. So win the ♣A, and now if you lead ♥J you can avoid the ruff but the defenders have enough exit cards to set up diamonds and exit in clubs at the right moment. Let's try running ♥J at trick two, and West covers, letting you draw trumps in three rounds then lead a low spade from the table to build a spade discard for your diamond loser. Nice try – but no cigar! East wins the spade and a diamond leaves you with no entry to dummy to reach the ♠A.

The winning line is to play a spade at trick two and guess well. When the ten forces the king East shifts to a diamond. Rise with the ace, draw trumps, unblock spades, back to the ♥6, and voila! You have your entry for the discard.

If anyone did that please tell the bulletin!

(For the record half the 70 or so pairs who played 4♥ made it – many on a diamond or spade lead -- and after a club lead to the queen, taking the ruff may not have been so easy.)

Dealer: East      ♠ A Q J 10 3 2  
 Vul: N-S        ♥ J 3 2  
 Brd 18            ♦ 7 2  
 Open Tms Qual 8 ♣ 4 2  
 ♠ K 7  
 ♥ 6  
 ♦ J 9 6  
 ♣ K Q 10 8 6 5 3

♠ 8 5  
 ♥ A 9 8 7 5 4  
 ♦ K Q 4 3  
 ♣ 9

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

Makeable Contracts				
-	3	-	4	NT
-	3	-	3	♠
-	1	-	1	♥
-	-	-	-	♦
2	-	2	-	♣

If that was bad, this was worse. As Molesworth would say "Any fule can make 4♠ here" – assuming you know how to take a finesse. Yes the defenders have a heart ruff to beat you, but unless South overcalls in no-trump it rates to be North declaring 4♠. How can you go down? Answer: have East (playing Multi and two-suited opening bids) open 1♥.

After South doubled and West bid 2♣, North reached 4♠ and on a club lead diagnosed that since East had the club honours and West did not have ♦ K Q J she must have ♠K for her opener. At trick two up went the ♠A and down went the contract – a painful result if your teammates have stolen the contract in a club parts-core (3♣ could only be beaten on a diamond ruff).

Dealer: North      ♠ A 9 7 6 5  
 Vul: N-S          ♥ A Q 8 4  
 Brd 21             ♦ 7  
 Open Tms Qual 8 ♣ A K 5

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

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

Makeable Contracts				
-	1	-	1	NT
-	1	-	1	♠
-	6	-	6	♥
2	-	2	-	♦
-	6	-	6	♣

The field generally found this slam very hard to bid. After 1♠-1NT only a wild optimist as North would bid 3♥... you could be cold for 6♣ and down in the wrong game. After 1♠-1NT-2♥-4♥ I think the North hand is worth a move (partner rates to be short in spades and even facing the ♦A slam might be on the heart finesse). Blackwood lets you punt the slam, and dummy is beyond your wildest dreams – and yes 7♦ is a cheap save.

Dealer: East      ♠ 8 5 4 3  
 Vul: E-W          ♥ Q  
 Brd 22             ♦ K Q J 10 6 4  
 Open Tms Qual 8 ♣ A 9

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

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

West	North	East	South	
	Rigal		da Rosa	
		1♥	Pass	
3♦ <sup>Bergen</sup>	4♦	4♥	5♦	
5♥	Pass	Pass	Double	
Pass	Pass	Pass		
Makeable Contracts				
-	1	-	1	NT
-	4	-	4	♠
4	-	4	-	♥
-	5	-	5	♦
1	-	1	-	♣

I thought my partner Rodrigo da Rosa did exceptionally well here with the South cards. After hearing 1♥ to his right, 3♦ (Bergen constructive raise) to his left, I bid 4♦ and 4♥ came to his right. He bid 5♦ - and might have been surprised to hear that when LHO bid 5♥ (doubled and down one) they were saving. Not that I would have made 5♦ – but I could have done. Our teammates bought the hand in 4♥ so that was 13 IMPs to the good guys.

Dealer: South      ♠ 10 7 4  
 Vul: Both         ♥ J 3  
 Brd 23             ♦ K 4  
 Open Tms Qual 8 ♣ K Q J 10 9 6

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

♠ A K J 8 6 5  
 ♥ K Q 8 7 6 4  
 ♦ 9  
 ♣ ---

West	North	East	South	
Zetts	Rigal	Mott	Da Rosa	
			1♠	
Pass	2♠	3♣	3♥	
Pass	3♠	Pass	4♣	
Pass	4♠	All Pass		
Makeable Contracts				
-	1	-	-	NT
-	5	-	5	♠
-	4	-	4	♥
4	-	4	-	♦
-	2	-	1	♣

About ten percent of the field recorded numbers as N/S here (ranging from 2300 against 5♣x and a handful of slams making, doubled or otherwise). More than twice that number went down in slams. This was an easy auction to stay low on when our opponents did not bid diamonds and put us under pressure, but alas, our teammates' one inferior result of the set was to lead a club against 6♠ and that cost 13 IMPs instead of gaining that number.

On to my personal mea culpa.

### A TIDBIT OF INFORMATION

Some people have asked so here is the answer - the most number of tables in play at any one time in this year's Gold Coast Congress was 530 on Wednesday Afternoon

Dealer: West      ♠ Q 10 9 7 6  
 Vul: None        ♥ J 7 3  
 Brd 24            ♦ Q 3 2  
 Open Tms Qual 8 ♣ 7 4  
 ♠ 8 4 2  
 ♥ Q 10  
 ♦ K J 10 5 4  
 ♣ Q J 6

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

West	North	East	South
Zetts	Rigal	Mott	Da Rosa
3NT	Pass	1NT	Pass
		Pass	Pass

Makeable Contracts				
2	-	2	-	NT
1	-	1	-	♠
3	-	4	-	♥
4	-	4	-	♦
4	-	4	-	♣

Rodrigo led the ♥2 to dummy's queen as I encouraged. Declarer led a diamond to the ace and a diamond back to the ten. Rodrigo followed with the eight then nine, in a position where we had agreed that an echo would ask for a shift. So I blindly continued diamonds and that made declarer's task easy. Had I stopped to think I would have inferred that partner has four hearts and two diamonds, so declarer's shape must be 2-4-3-4 or partner would surely have led a club from a five-card suit? So a spade shift is almost certain to be right. The hand might be harder if declarer had misguessed hearts at trick one – now the temptation to continue spades might be overwhelming. About a tenth of the field beat 3NT after a heart lead.

One final thought; maybe running ♦J at trick two would make the spade play harder if it lost?

Dealer: North      ♠ A 10  
 Vul: E-W            ♥ A K Q 7  
 Brd 25            ♦ A 9  
 Open Tms Qual 8 ♣ K J 10 8 6  
 ♠ 9 5 4  
 ♥ 6 5  
 ♦ Q J 8 5 2  
 ♣ A 9 3

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

Makeable Contracts				
-	2	-	2	NT
-	2	-	2	♠
-	2	-	2	♥
1	-	1	-	♦
-	4	-	4	♣

Last chance, last dance.

The world bid this 2NT-3♥-3♠-3NT and on a heart lead there are nine tricks. All well and good – but imagine partner has the typical 5-2-3-3 with ♠K and ♣ A Q. Now 6♣ is a spread, and give him the ♥J and you rate to make seven. Wrongly or rightly, this looked like a reverse to me, so after 1♣-1♠-2♥-3♣-3♦-3♠ we were never going to make 3NT. Mind you 4♠ wasn't hopeless. After a diamond lead you can win and try to cash three hearts to pitch a diamond then play ♠A and another and rely on the spades to behave. Not today, though.

### DEEP FINESSE CALLING!

Barry Rigal

Mikhal Krasnoselskiy pointed me towards an intriguing variant on a deal from round six.

Dealer: South      ♠ Q 9  
 Vul: E-W            ♥ Q J 5 3  
 Brd 19            ♦ K Q 10 3  
 Open Tms Qual 6 ♣ K 6 2  
 ♠ A J 7 6 5 4 3 2  
 ♥ 10 7  
 ♦ A J 7  
 ♣ ---

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

Makeable Contracts				
1	-	4	-	NT
6	-	6	-	♠
3	-	2	-	♥
-	1	-	1	♦
-	2	-	2	♣

At most tables the contract was four spades making five or six. Some airm sacrificed more or less successfully in clubs, a handful went down in slam, an even smaller bunch made slam. On any lead but a trump, 12 tricks are easy in spades. You simply ruff a diamond in dummy. Krasnoselskiy led a trump against Andrew Peake who tried to save time by showing his hand and asking his opponents 'Is there a squeeze'. They said no, so he claimed 11 tricks. But let's revisit. Declarer crosses to ♥A, ruffs a club, then ducks a diamond at trick four. North must win and return a trump, declarer wins the ♠K, ruffs a club, then runs the trumps. On the left is the ending to this point:

<p>♠ — ♥ Q J ♦ K Q ♣ K</p>	<p>— ♥ A 6 4 ♦ 9 ♣ Q</p>	<p>West leads the penultimate trump and North pitches a club, East a heart, South a club. The last trump exercises a simple squeeze on North, and the hand is over. But what if South has the diamond queen as well as his other assets? On the right is the position as the last trump is led.</p>	<p>♠ — ♥ Q J ♦ K 8 ♣ —</p>
<p>♠ 3 2 ♥ 10 ♦ A J ♣ —</p>	<p>♠ — ♥ 9 ♦ 8 6 ♣ A J</p>	<p>West leads the trump, North pitches a diamond, East the heart South a heart. Now a heart to the ace catches South in a minor-suit squeeze</p>	<p>♠ 3 ♥ 10 ♦ A J ♣ —</p>
			<p>♠ — ♥ 9 ♦ Q 8 ♣ A</p>

In essence this squeeze works unless South has both the king-queen of diamonds and North the ten. Even then if clubs were 7-2 you might be able to isolate the club menace.

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### NOVICE TEAMS QUALIFYING ROUND 9

Brent Manley



The late American singer Johnny Cash had a hit song called "A Boy Named Sue." If good old Johnny came back to life and found himself at Table 39 in the Novice Teams on Thursday, he might have been inspired to write another song:

"Two Girls Named Sue."

That would be Sue Hunt and Sue Skarupsky of the Kerikeri Bridge Club north of Auckland in New Zealand.

The two Sues are part of a 10-player contingent from the Kerikeri club, which boasts 60 members.

After eight rounds in their event, the Hunt team – the two Sues plus Australian teammates Kate Garrett and Carol Thomson – were in 11th place and looking to move up in the standings.

Hunt and company lost the match, but it was a lively round and the two Kiwis acquitted themselves well against the Juliet Dunworth team.

Hunt started well, earning a small swing on this board.

Dealer: West      ♠ ---  
 Vul: N-S          ♥ A Q 10 8 5 4  
 Brd 12            ♦ 6 3  
 Novice Tms Qual 9 ♣ K J 10 5 2

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

West	North	East	South
	Hunt		Skarupsky
1♠	2♠	3♦	Pass
4♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

Makeable Contracts				
-	1	-	1	NT
3	-	3	-	♠
-	4	-	4	♥
1	-	1	-	♦
-	6	-	6	♣

Hunt's 2♠ showed hearts and a minor. East's 3♦ was described as a spade raise.

Hunt led a low club to her partner's ace. Skarupsky returned her singleton heart, Hunt winning the queen when West played low. After cashing the ♥A, Hunt continued with her low diamond. Declarer went up with the ace, played a spade to her 10 then another to dummy's jack, then another back to her hand. She finished drawing trumps with ♠Q, then exited with the ♦J. Skarupsky won the ♦K and played a club, taken by Hunt with the jack. The defenders had two clubs, two hearts and a diamond with another heart still to come. That was three down for plus 150 to the Hunt team.

At the other table, Garrett and Thomson reached the same contract, but declarer managed nine tricks for minus 50. That was 3 IMPs to Hunt.

The next board didn't work out as well for Hunt and Skarupsky.

Dealer: North	♠ ---	West	North	East	South
Vul: Both	♥ A 7 2		Hunt		Skarupsky
Brd 13	♦ K 10 9		3♣	Pass	4♠
Novice Tms Qual 9	♣ Q J 10 9 8 5 2	Pass	5♣	All Pass	
♠ K 9 3					
♥ 10 9 8 5 4	♠ 8 5				
♦ 6 2	♥ Q J 3				
♣ 6 4 3	♦ J 8 7 5 3				
	♣ A K 7				
	♠ A Q J 10 7 6 4 2				
	♥ K 6				
	♦ A Q 4				
	♣ ---				

Makeable Contracts				
-	4	-	4	NT
-	6	-	6	♠
-	2	-	2	♥
-	3	-	3	♦
-	5	-	5	♣

Over Hunt's 3♣ opener, Skarupsky suggested a better spot by bidding 4♠. With a void in that suit, Hunt worried that her hand would not be worth much in a spade contract. As it happened, her ♥A and ♦K were great cards for declarer. The play in spades, of course, is trivial: Declarer wins any opening lead and bangs down the ♠A, followed by the queen. South will soon be claiming 12 tricks, not needing any club tricks from dummy.

Hunt finished one down, losing the two high clubs plus an ove-ruff for minus 100. At the other table, the contract was 4♠, making 12 tricks for plus 680. That was a 13-IMP swing to Dunworth.

This deal put 8 IMPs in the plus column for Hunt.

Dealer: West	♠ A K 9 7	West	North	East	South
Vul: None	♥ K Q 7 6		Hunt		Skarupsky
Brd 8	♦ 10 3	Pass	1♥	Double	2♣
	♣ 8 7 2	Pass	2♦	Pass	3NT
♠ J 8 6 5		Pass	Pass	Pass	
♥ 10 9 5	♠ Q 10 3 2				
♦ 8 7 6 5 4	♥ A 8 3				
♣ 6	♦ K 9				
	♣ K Q 5 3				
	♠ 4				
	♥ J 4 2				
	♦ A Q J 2				
	♣ A J 10 9 4				

Makeable Contracts				
-	4	-	4	NT
-	2	-	2	♠
-	4	-	4	♥
-	3	-	3	♦
-	5	-	5	♣

West led the ♠5 to East's queen. Back came the ♣K. Skarupsky won the ♣A and played a low club from her hand to dummy's 8 and East's queen. On the return of the ♦9, Skarupsky played low from hand, winning with the 10. When declarer called for a low diamond from dummy, up popped the king. Skarupsky all of a sudden had lots of minor-suit tricks, which she cashed, pitching hearts and spades from dummy. In the end, dummy held the top two spades and the ♥K Q 7. Skarupsky played the ♥J from hand and claimed, noting that dummy was good. That was plus 430 to the Hunt team.

At the other table, North-South played in 3♣, just making, for plus 110.

If you play bridge long enough, you will take your lumps. What you do with the experience will determine your progression as a player. This deal from the Hunt-Dunworth match is a case in point.



Dealer: East  
 Vul: None  
 Brd 14

♠ ---  
 ♥ 10 9 6  
 ♦ 10 7 4  
 ♣ A K Q J 10 9 4

♠ A K Q 10 7 6 3  
 ♥ K 7 4  
 ♦ 2  
 ♣ 3 2

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

♠ J  
 ♥ Q 8 5 3  
 ♦ A K Q 9 8 6 5  
 ♣ 5

West	North	East	South
	Hunt		Skarupsky
		1♦	Pass
3♣	3♠	4♦	4♠
5♦	5♠	Pass	Pass
6♦	All Pass		

Makeable Contracts				
-	-	-	-	NT
-	4	-	4	♠
2	-	2	-	♥
4	-	4	-	♦
4	-	4	-	♣

This contract is booked for one down – but only with the right lead, and there’s only one (a heart). Skarupsky learned to her chagrin that leading partner’s suit, although admirable in principle, doesn’t always do the job. On the spade lead, declarer ruffed, pulled trumps in two rounds and ran what must have seemed to North-South to be an avalanche of clubs. East took all the tricks for plus 940 and a 13-IMP gain (Hunt’s teammates were plus 100 for beating 5♠ two tricks). Skarupsky did not have to ruminate at length to decide that a better lead would have been the ♥A. If that held the trick, partner might be able to encourage another heart play or at least help with the defence.

### OPEN TEAMS QUALIFYING ROUND 10

Barry Rigal

I watched Ziggy against Hung, two of the teams at the very top. Hung could afford to drop a few VPs, Konig needed not to lose to stay in the qualifying zone.

Wallis-Konig play their own brand of havoc: canape with a potentially strong club (either 16+ or a 12+ one suiter with a good suit). Lee/Whibley play natural with potentially short club.

Dealer: South  
 Vul: N-S  
 Brd 15  
 Open Tms Qual 10

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

♠ 5  
 ♥ Q 10 8 6 5  
 ♦ K J 10 8 6  
 ♣ K 6

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

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

West	North	East	South
Lee	Wallis	Whibley	Konig
			1♣
1♥	2♦	Pass	2♠ <sup>5<sup>gd</sup> ♦ 12-15</sup>
Pass	2NT	Pass	3NT
Pass	Pass	Pass	

Makeable Contracts				
-	1	-	1	NT
-	1	-	1	♠
-	1	-	1	♥
-	2	-	2	♦
-	-	-	-	♣

Wallis invited game with his nine-count, Konig accepted with 12; life in the fast lane. After a top club lead and continuation declarer led a diamond to the queen, ran the spades, and could have escaped for one down had he retained diamonds, but he did not. +200 was only worth 3 IMPs for Hung when in the other room Griffiths/Milne bid unopposed after a 1♠ opener to 2♥. Not a bad spot but the foul trump break meant the defenders emerged with two minor-suit aces and four trump tricks.

Dealer: West  
 Vul: E-W  
 Brd 16  
 Open Tms Qual 10

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

♠ Q 10 7 4  
 ♥ 9  
 ♦ 10 9 8 5 3  
 ♣ K Q 9

♠ A 2  
 ♥ A Q 8 6 5 2  
 ♦ A 7  
 ♣ 10 5 4

♠ K 8 3  
 ♥ K 7  
 ♦ K Q J 6 4  
 ♣ A 6 3

West	North	East	South
Lee	Wallis	Whibley	Konig
			3♣
Pass	2♣ <sup>1</sup>	2NT	
Pass	Pass	Pass	

Makeable Contracts				
-	2	-	2	NT
-	1	-	1	♠
-	2	-	2	♥
-	2	-	2	♦
-	1	-	1	♣

If that auction was unusual, you ain’t seen nothing yet...

The three-suiter could have been 4441 or 5431. I would have thought Konig might well have doubled 2NT – where are the opponents getting tricks from? 3♣ received the lead of ♣A and a top diamond shift. Wallis scrambled one diamond and two tricks in each of the other suits but that was it. Since, in the other room, Griffiths had shown one major over a strong no-trump and Milne had taken eight tricks there, this was 5 IMPs to Hung.

Konig got 5 IMPs back when Nunn guessed a part-score much better than Lee (this one had featured a 1♥ overcall – hearts OR hearts and spades – from Wallis). It was 8-5 now, as both N/S pairs bid a slam on making finesse (winning 11 on the datum scoring) but pushing the board at the table.

Dealer: South      ♠ A Q 10 2  
 Vul: E-W          ♥ 8 2  
 Brd 19             ♦ K Q 6  
 Open Tms Qual 10 ♣ 9 7 6 5  
 ♠ K 9 6 5  
 ♥ 10 9  
 ♦ A J 7 2  
 ♣ 10 8 4

♠ J 4 3  
 ♥ K 6 5  
 ♦ 9 8 5 4 3  
 ♣ K J

♠ 8 7  
 ♥ A Q J 7 4 3  
 ♦ 10  
 ♣ A Q 3 2

Makeable Contracts				
1	-	1	-	NT
-	1	-	1	♠
2	-	3	-	♥
-	3	-	3	♦
1	-	1	-	♣

Both Norths opened 1♠ in third seat, both Easts overcalled then acted again over the raise to 2♠ to get to 3♥. Whibley received a spade lead to the queen and a shift to the club six to the jack. Konig (correctly given his opening bid style) was prepared to play partner for a four-card major. He returned the ♣K and got in with the ♥K to play....the ♠J. Whibley ducked in dummy and Wallis did not work out that he had to overtake, so 3♥ came home. Had Konig returned the low spade there would have been no problem of course.

In the other room the defence began: spade to the queen, club to the jack, spade jack covered all round and ruffed. Declarer crossed to the ♦A to finesse in hearts. Griffiths won and played back a heart. Naively perhaps, declarer repeated the club finesse, and that was one down for 6 IMPs to Hung. Timeo Nye Griffiths et dona ferentes.

Dealer: West      ♠ K Q 5  
 Vul: Both        ♥ A Q J 7 3  
 Brd 20             ♦ A 4  
 Open Tms Qual 10 ♣ Q J 10  
 ♠ 8 6  
 ♥ 9 5 4  
 ♦ Q 10 8 7 6 5  
 ♣ 8 2

♠ 9 7 3  
 ♥ K 10 8 6  
 ♦ K J  
 ♣ 9 6 5 3

♠ A J 10 4 2  
 ♥ 2  
 ♦ 9 3 2  
 ♣ A K 7 4

Makeable Contracts				
-	2	-	2	NT
1	-	1	-	♠
-	2	-	2	♥
2	-	2	-	♦
-	2	-	2	♣

You'd certainly want to play 3NT here, even though East can beat you by leading diamonds. the odds are that he won't. Both tables played 4♥, as I suspect we all might unless on very good form. 20% of the field let through 4♥ here. Could it be that they couldn't work out to take a club ruff here? How embarrassing. Konig gained 3 IMPs for an extra undertrick, to trail 14-8.

Dealer: East      ♠ K Q 7  
 Vul: E-W        ♥ Q 7 6 4  
 Brd 22             ♦ A K 4  
 Open Tms Qual 10 ♣ A 8 4  
 ♠ A 9 5  
 ♥ A K 10 3 2  
 ♦ Q 7 6  
 ♣ K 9

♠ J 10 8 4  
 ♥ 9  
 ♦ J 8  
 ♣ Q J 10 7 5 3

♠ 6 3 2  
 ♥ J 8 5  
 ♦ 10 9 5 3 2  
 ♣ 6 2

West	North	East	South	
Makeable Contracts				
-	1	-	1	NT
-	5	-	5	♠
-	1	-	1	♥
-	-	-	1	♦
-	5	-	5	♣

This was a chance for gain for Ziggy, since Griffiths/Milne had attempted 3NT unsuccessfully after a 3♣ pre-empt by South, down on the heart lead. Meanwhile Lee played 2♥ on a top diamond lead, to which South followed with an unreadable upside-down diamond eight, and a trump shift. Lee drew three rounds of trump and played the ♦Q. when Wallis took this his winning play was to lead ♠K, which he did, ducked by declarer. But Konig failed to follow with the jack, and now Wallis played ♣A rather than a second spade or even the diamond, which leaves declarer too much to do. Lee took the ♣K and played a trump and now could shake his last spade loser on the diamonds. No swing.

Ziggy clawed back 5 IMPs when an exuberant pre-empt to 4♥ rather than 3♥ by Milne on

♠ 9 ♥ A K J 10 9 8 5 ♦ 7 6 ♣ J 5 3

led to -50 instead of +140.

But Ziggy still trailed by 7 IMPs going into the last deal.

Dealer: West      ♠ Q 5 2  
 Vul: N-S         ♥ A 7 4 3  
 Brd 28            ♦ 10 6  
 Open Tms Qual 10 ♣ 9 6 5 2

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

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

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

West	North	East	South
Lee	Wallis	Whibley	Konig
1♥	Pass	2♦	2NT (!)
Pass	3♣	3♦	4♣ (!!)
Pass	Pass	4♦	Pass
4♠	Pass	5♦	All Pass

**Makeable Contracts**

West	North	East	South	NT
-	-	-	-	♠
2	-	2	-	♥
6	-	6	-	♦
-	3	-	3	♣

It looks to me as if Whibley simply did too little by not bidding 5♣ over 4♣. As against that, would a 5♣ cue bid over 4♠ promise a heart control – if you believe 4♥ denies one? I think Lee's 4♠ call is clear – 4♥ would suggest the ace in a bid suit, wouldn't it?

In the other room Nunn/Howard got to slam after a less competitive auction when Howard heard his partner open 1♥ and show spade values, and simply drove to slam. He bought a very good dummy for his aggression. The slam was not bid often here – indeed the datum score was just +390 here. We could tell you just how many pairs played 3NT here but you wouldn't believe us.

**IMPROVE YOUR DEFENSIVE PLAY – PROBLEM 5**

Ron Klinger

During Sunday's Celebrity Lecture series, Ron Klinger presented a number of problems. We present them here, together with the solutions for those who may not have been able to attend.

Dealer: East	North	West	North	East	South
Vul: All	♠ A 6 4	3♠	Double	2♠	3♦
	♥ K 10 9 5	Pass	5♦	Pass	4♦
	♦ K Q 10	Double	Pass	Pass	Pass
West	♣ 9 4 2			Pass	Pass
♠ J 3					
♥ A 8 2					
♦ 9 5					
♣ A 10 7 6 5 3					

West Leads ♠J-♠A-♠K-♠5  
 South plays ♦K-♦3-♦2-♦5  
 South continues ♦10-♥7-♦J-♦9  
 Then comes the ♥J from South. What should West do?

**If you would like a copy of Ron's Notes  
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**SOME HUMOUR**

**BUYING THE FARM**

This is synonymous with dying. During WW1 soldiers were given life insurance policies worth \$5,000. This was about the price of an average farm so if you died you "bought the farm" for your survivors.

**IRON CLAD CONTRACT**

This came about from the ironclad ships of the Civil War. It meant something so strong it could not be broken.

## ZEPHYR EDUCATION INC RAFFLE

We are pleased to report that the raffle raised almost \$11,500 for the Education Inc., a charity that sees ensures that children affected by domestic violence continue a fulfilling education.

Winner of the Pairs entry to the 2018 Gold Coast Congress was Elaine Kelly. Other winners of a hamper and sessions with a professional: Rosemary Green, Marg Lewis, Peter Strasser, Alison Dawson, Norma Cameron, Sue Eix, Joy Watkinson, Graham Rusher, Rosemary Page and L Collins. The winner of the Scrumble Throw Rug was May Jones. Below is a photo of our drawing and audit team making sure it's all above board.



### TEN FROM KERIKERI NZ - A LONG TRIP BUT WORTH THE EFFORT

Brent Manley

A group of players from the Kerikeri Bridge Club are attending the Gold Coast Congress for the first time and already planning their return for the 2018 tournament.

Sue Hunt, the leader of the group, had high praise for the tournament organization. "We are having a wonderful time," Hunt said. "We are so impressed with everything and particularly love the Daily Bulletin. It's a great way to catch up with what is going on when you are new and a novice player.

"I wanted to share that there are 10 of us from the Kerikeri Bridge Club playing in the teams event. We are a small club of around 60 members and to have 10 here is pretty amazing! We are enjoying it so much we hope to encourage an even bigger group next year. Thanks for all you are doing."



Our Kerikeri Visitors: Lloyd Purdie, Arlene Purdie, Sue Brown, Bob Brown, Mary Driesbock, Vivienne Sexton, Marilyn Kennedy, Sue Hunt, Sue Skarupsky and Anna Chappell.



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Regards,  
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## THE KLINGER QUIZ

Ron Klinger

Dir E	♠ A 9 4 3 2		
N/S Vul	♥ 5		
	♦ A J 9		
	♣ K Q J 9		
	♠ K J 10		
	♥ K 10 9 6		
	♦ Q 10 8		
	♣ 10 8 7		
<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
2♥	Double	1♥ <sup>5+</sup>	Pass
Pass	4♠	3♣	3♠
		All Pass	

3♣ was a 3+ suit game try.

West leads the ♣6-♣K-♣A-♣7. East returns the ♣5-♣10-♣3-♣9. Plan the play.

Solution: This deal arose in the Australia vs Netherlands match at the 1968 World Teams Olympiad:

	<b>Denis Howard</b>	
	♠ A 9 4 3 2	
	♥ 5	
	♦ A J 9	
	♣ K Q J 9	
		<b>Bob Slavenburg</b>
		♠ 6
		♥ A Q J 8 3
		♦ 6 5 2
		♠ A 5 4 2
	<b>Tim Seres</b>	
	♠ K J 10	
	♥ K 10 9 6	
	♦ Q 10 8	
	♣ 10 8 7	
		<b>Hans Kreyns</b>
		♠ Q 8 7 5
		♥ 7 4 2
		♦ K 7 4 3
		♣ 6 3

After ♣6, ♣K, ♣A, East returned the ♣5, won by the ♣10, West contributing the ♣3. South considered his play. North-South had 24 HCP and so East-West had started with 16 HCP. East had opened the bidding. West's play in clubs looked like a doubleton and so West had two clubs to East's four and three hearts to East's five and. That was five cards for West vs nine for East.

That made the ♠Q more likely to be with West and so Tim, sitting South, played the ♠K, followed by the ♠J and ♠10. Next came the ♦Q, king, ace and South had eleven tricks for +650.

At the other table the bidding began 1♥:Pass:1♠ and so North-South were not about to find 4♠. East-West finished in 2♥ doubled for -300.

## BRIDGE WITH BARRY

Barry Rigal

You'd expect most North-South pairs to reach 2♥ on this deal from the first qualifying session of the Silodor Open Pairs.

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

The issue is whether declarer brings home +170 or +140. At our table, the ♠J to the ace saw East shift to a diamond, and declarer had an easy plus +170 for a 71% score.

What if the defence tries repeated spade leads instead? Maybe declarer can ruff the fourth diamond in dummy, but that means he can't draw trump.

So let's imagine South ruffs the second spade to lead a club. You'd imagine East will win the club 10 and play a third spade, and declarer ruffs again and plays ace and another club. He can regain the lead, draw trumps, and claim the rest. Not so fast! West pitches his fourth spade on the third club. Now the fourth spade promotes West's heart jack to the defenders' fourth trick.

Does declarer have a counter? Yes he does: at double-dummy play, when West plays low on the first club declarer can put in dummy's jack! East wins the king and plays a third spade. Declarer ruffs and leads another club and ducks West's queen. Goodbye trump promotion.

Do the defence have a counter; indeed they do. West plays the club queen on the first round of the suit. Now whether declarer wins or ducks the trick, West will be in position to pitch his fourth spade at the critical moment, and the defence have regenerated the trump promotion.

Incidentally, minus 140 would have earned the defenders only 58% but -170 was a near top for N/S.

### BE GUIDED BY BRENT

What you need to know Part 7 – Brent Manley

How many passes can there be in succession on a deal? Based on the Laws of Duplicate Bridge, there can be a least seven. The following auction actually took place at a tournament in Hawaii.

West	North	East	South
1♦	Pass	1♠	2♠
Pass	Pass	3♦	3♠
Pass		Pass	Pass
Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass

East's pass on the third round of bidding was out of turn, and South's pass was de facto acceptance of the pass out of turn. West also passed. The laws, however, say that the player skipped in the bidding cannot be prevented from having his call, so the tournament director told North he could take a call. North passed, as did East and South – seven in a row!

That anecdote deals with the Laws of Duplicate Bridge. Today, we will deal with some "rules" that you won't find in the law book. These come from the section on Rules and "Laws" of Bridge in the 7th edition of the Official Encyclopaedia of Bridge.

**RULE OF ONE:** When you are declarer and there is only one trump out, if it is the master trump it is usually best to ignore it, especially if you have winners to run or need your own trumps for ruffing. Remember, getting that big trump "off the street" will often take two of your trumps. The exception occurs when you have a long, running suit that could be cut off by the player with the master trump. In that case, the holder of the master trump will wait to ruff in until you are exhausted of the running suit.

**RULE OF TWO, THREE AND FOUR:** Guides to pre-emptive opening bids. The number indicates how many tricks you can be set for a favourable sacrifice against a game. Modern expert practice is:

- Rule of Two (adverse vulnerability – you are, they are not).
- Rule of Three (equal vulnerability – both vulnerable or non-vulnerable).
- Rule of Four (favourable vulnerability – they are, you are not).

Most experts will bid more freely when an opponent has opened with a strong 2♣ or forcing 1♣, strong and artificial.

**RULE OF EIGHT:** (Colchamiro). Proposed by Mel Colchamiro in a Bridge Bulletin article as a formula for deciding whether to compete against a strong 1NT opening.

Colchamiro advised that when considering whether to show a two-suited hand, a player should determine the number of losers in his hand, counting a loser for every missing ace, king and queen in a suit of three cards or more. A void is counted as no losers, a singleton as one and a doubleton two. A suit of three or more low cards is counted as three losers.

Once the number of losers has been determined, subtract that sum from the number of cards in the two longest suits. If the total is two or higher, the player should enter the auction. If the total is one or zero, the player should pass.

Using two as the minimum benchmark for competing after the aforementioned calculation, the rule achieves the status of eight with the stipulation that the hand in question have at least 6 high-card points.

### AIR CONDITIONING AND PLAYERS COMFORT



Remember that there are approximately two thousand players at the venue, ensuring the comfort of ALL players is a challenge.

Over time the organisers have noticed that there are areas where it is particularly cold due to air pockets coming from the air conditioner.

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Things you can do that will **NOT** improve your comfort level

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- The same applies to dummy – after the opening lead is faced, spread your hand before doing anything else.

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Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2017

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**GOLD COAST CONGRESS 2017 - CALENDAR OF CELEBRITY SPEAKERS**

<b>PETER HOLLANDS AND LAURA GINNAN</b>	<b>Master Manipulation</b>	<b>FRIDAY</b>		Peter Hollands and Laura Ginnan are Melbourne based professional bridge players. Pete is on the 2017 Australian Open team and will represent Australia in the Bermuda Bowl in Lyon. They are revolutionising the way bridge is taught through online video teaching from their website Bridge Vid. <a href="http://bridgevid.com/">bridgevid.com/</a>
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**CALENDAR OF SOCIAL AND OTHER**

	Friday 24th February
Venue	

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Novices Help Available	In the Playing Area Novices Section	09:30am to 10:30am
		Friday 24th February



# GOLD COAST CONGRESS 2017

	Friday 24th February	Saturday 25th February	
<b>OPEN EVENTS</b>			
	Q/F Teams	S/F Teams	Finals Teams
<b>Open Teams</b>	9:00am 2x12 Brds	2:00pm 4x10 Brds	9:00am Start 4x12 Brds Final
<b>Ivy Dahler Open Butler Swiss Pairs</b>	10:00am 1/3	2:00pm 2/3	10:00am 3/3
<b>SENIORS EVENTS</b>			
<b>Seniors Teams</b>	10:00am Start 4x12 Brds Final		
<b>INTERMEDIATE EVENTS (Under 750MPs)</b>			
<b>Intermediate Teams</b>	10:00am Start 4x12 Brds Final		
<b>Ivy Dahler Intermediate Butler Swiss Pairs</b>	10:00am 1/3	2:00pm 2/3	10:00am 3/3
<b>RESTRICTED EVENTS (Under 300MPs)</b>			
<b>Restricted Teams</b>	10:00am Start 4x12 Brds Final		
<b>Ivy Dahler Restricted Butler Swiss Pairs</b>	10:00am 1/3	2:00pm 2/3	10:00am 3/3
<b>NOVICE EVENTS (Under 100MPs)</b>			
<b>Novice Teams</b>	10:00am Start 4x12 Brds Final		
<b>Friday Novice Pairs</b>	10:00am 1/2	2:00pm 2/2	
<b>MATCHPOINT SWISS PAIRS</b>			
<b>Seres/McMahon Matchpoint Swiss Pairs</b>	10:00am 1/2	2:00pm 2/2	
<b>WALK-IN PAIRS - BEST 3 SCORES COUNT</b>			
<b>Holiday Walk-In Pairs 2 - Play from 1 to 5 Sess</b>	10:00am S3	2:00pm S4	10:00am S5
	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	

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## IMPROVE YOUR DEFENSIVE PLAY – SOLUTION 5

Ron Klinger

Dealer: East  
Vul: All

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

♠ A 6 4  
♥ K 10 9 5  
♦ K Q 10  
♣ 9 4 2

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

♠ K Q 10 9 8 7  
♥ Q 7 6 5 3  
♦ 3  
♣ 8

West	North	East	South
		2♠	3♦
3♠	Double	Pass	4♦
Pass	5♦	Pass	Pass
Double	Pass	Pass	Pass

West Leads ♠J-♠A-♠K-♠5  
Declarer plays ♦K-♦3-♦2-♦5  
Declarer continues ♦10-♥7-♦J-♦9  
Then comes the ♥J from South.

Win the ♥A and cash the ♣A before playing a second spade. If you duck the heart declarer will put up the ♥K and make his contract.

# ANDY'S WISDOM - SOLUTIONS

Andy Hung

**SOLUTION PROBLEM 1:** You are West, partner (East) is dealer, and NS are vulnerable and you hold

♠ A 10 ♥ J 10 9 8 7 3 ♦ 5 2 ♣ 10 8 4

You	North	Partner	South
		1♠	Pass
1NT	Pass	2♦	Pass
??			

Your Bid

Playing a natural system, partner opens 1♠ and rebids 2♦ to show a 5-4+ shape. What do you do now?

Whilst 2♠ may be the 'normal' action (giving preference back to partner's spades), it is better to rebid 2♥. You may not have many big hearts, but the suit is very solid. If partner's shape is 5=2=4=2, then you'd have found your fit, but even if partner is 5=1=4=3, then that singleton may be a heart honour. If it's not, then your hand will provide four tricks with hearts and trumps, and hopefully partner can provide some more!

Today, partner had a great hand for you. Partner had ♠ K 8 4 3 2 ♥ K ♦ A K 8 3 ♣ 9 7 5, and the board makes nine tricks in hearts whilst 2♠ is down one. Here is the complete hand.

Dealer: East  
 Vul: N-S  
 Brd 2

♠ Q J 7 5  
 ♥ A 6  
 ♦ Q J 10 7 4  
 ♣ Q 3

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

♠ 9 6  
 ♥ Q 5 4 2  
 ♦ 9 6  
 ♣ A J 8 4 2

West    North    East    South

Makeable Contracts				
1	-	1	-	NT
1	-	1	-	♠
3	-	3	-	♥
-	-	-	-	♦
1	-	1	-	♣

**SOLUTION PROBLEM 2:** You are West, partner (East) is dealer, and everyone is vulnerable: and you hold:

♠ Q 7 4 3 2 ♥ 2 ♦ Q ♣ A Q J 10 8 5

You	North	Partner	South
		1♠	2♦
??			

Partner opens 1♠, and your RHO (South) overcalls 2♦. What do you do? (You have 3♦ available as a cue raise, 4♦ as a splinter raise, and 4♣ as a Fit-Showing jump)

Although any bid could work, my preference is to take the practical approach of 4NT Roman Key Card Blackwood. With such a big spade fit, the opponents will very likely have a big diamond fit (and possibly a heart fit as well), so it feels like if you bid 3♦, 4♣, or 4♦, this would allow your LHO to bid 3♥, or 4♥, or 5♦ which would endplay you into bidding 5♠ anyway.

Bidding 4NT will prevent a 4♥ bid, but even if LHO bids 5♦, hopefully you and your partner have agreed on how to respond to keycards when they interfere! (i.e. DOP1 = Double is zero and pass is 1, or DOPE = Double is odd, pass is even.) Worst case scenario is that slam is on a club finesse! This was Board 10:

Dealer: East Vul: Both Brd 10 Tms Qual Rnd 5	♠ J 6 ♥ A J 10 8 5 ♦ 10 9 6 2 ♣ 7 3
♠ Q 7 4 3 2 ♥ 2 ♦ Q ♣ A Q J 10 8 5	♠ A K 10 9 8 ♥ 7 6 4 ♦ J 3 ♣ K 6 2
	♠ 5 ♥ K Q 9 3 ♦ A K 8 7 5 4 ♣ 9 4

**PROBLEM 3:** You are West, and no one is vulnerable: and you hold:

♠ A J 10 ♥ Q 8 ♦ 10 7 5 4 ♣ A K 9 8

You	North	Partner	South
	Pass	Pass	4♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	

South opens 4♥ in third seat and this gets passed out. What do you lead?

It is quite common for pairs to have a leading agreement of “Ace for Attitude, King for Count”. This is certainly an easy agreement to follow, but I personally think it’s not a good treatment. The reason is because quite often you don’t actually know which signal you would want. Sometimes you want a count signal but when dummy comes down, you might actually prefer an attitude signal.

However, there are two situations where this treatment works quite well. The first one is when you are defending a 5-level contract or higher – for the obvious reason, is that you will need to cash out your tricks in the right order (and also that you will often be leading unsupported aces in these situations).

The second situation is when one opponent has shown a seven-card suit or longer (such as the hand above where South opened 4♥). When one opponent has a long suit, you will again want to cash out your tricks in the right order. This was the full deal:

Dealer: West	♠ 9 5 3	
Vul: None	♥ J 7 4	
Brd 8	♦ K 9 8 3	
Tms Qual Rnd 5	♣ Q 7 2	
♠ A J 10		♠ K Q 6 4 2
♥ Q 8		♥ 6
♦ 10 7 5 4		♦ J 6 2
♣ A K 9 8		♣ 10 6 5 4
	♠ 8 7	
	♥ A K 10 9 5 3 2	
	♦ A Q	
	♣ J 3	

Leading the ♣K, your partner will give you an even count. When you next cash the ♣A, your partner can now give you a suit preference signal in spades. Although it is still possible for North to hold a doubleton club (as South cannot be sure whether the even number is two or four), it is probably more likely for North to hold four clubs since East has long clubs. Thus, South can now find the spade switch.

You might think this is easy to do on paper, but looking at the Open Field results, 85 (out of 214) tables made 4♥ - bridge can be difficult!

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David Stern

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## Final Qualifying Scores After 12 Rounds - Open

Place	No.	Team Members	Score				
1	2	A Hung - N Griffiths - L Milne - K Lazar - M Whibley - R Lee	191.46				
2	12	S Konig - J Wallis - T Nunn - J Howard	170.08				
3	6	V Vainikonis - W Olanski - M Krasnoselskiy - E Vainikonis - J Rotomskyte	164.34				
4	3	A Kanetkar - B Neill - P Gumby - W Lazer	161.36				
Place	No.	Team	Score	Place	No.	Team	Score
5	1	Brown	159.98	110	159	Wagstaff	118.94
6	8	Haughie	159.31	111	59	Wilson	118.54
7	4	Sprung	157.16	112	213	Webb	118.4
8	9	Brown	156.02	113	68	Barda	117.91
9	7	Zhou	155.74	114	178	Athea	117.76
10	5	Travis	153.85	115	97	Stacey	117.74
11	33	Van Der Vlugt	153.14	116	60	Hurley	117.53
12	16	Otvosi	151.48	117	151	Wood	117.37

**Final Qualifying Scores After 12 Rounds - Open**

Place	No.	Team	Score	Place	No.	Team	Score
13	17	Wyer	151.07	118	197	Lazar	117.18
14	30	Watts	151.01	119	51	Lockwood	117.11
15	71	Boughey	149.92	120	89	Mangos	117.07
16	24	Coles	149.34	121	184	Whiddon	116.89
17	21	Morrison	149.09	122	112	Barfoot	116.76
18	15	Harrison	148.05	123	80	Chu	116.69
19	29	Hirst	147.91	124	114	Stephens	115.95
20	39	Whitaker	147.51	125	201	Green	115.82
21	26	Morgan	146.56	126	100	Davis	115.76
22	34	Berrington	146.15	127	98	Kahn	115.57
23	13	Giura	145.78	128	105	Bugeia	115.46
24	10	Adams	144.7	129	92	Andersson	115.44
25	70	Potts	143.79	130	103	Lorraway	115.08
26	45	Mundell	143.5	131	195	Ajzner	114.97
27	37	Patterson	142.51	132	93	Morgan-King	114.63
28	19	Ashton	142.39	133	212	Davis	114.6
29	11	Zhang	141.9	134	88	Mellings	114.36
30	22	Wylie	140.77	135	110	Munro	114.29
31	53	Krolkowski	140.04	136	115	Fleischer	113.87
32	14	Cheong	138.67	137	206	Spencer	113.71
33	57	Adler	138.26	138	190	Anderson	113.46
34	31	Carter	137.95	139	95	Fleiszig	113.3
35	18	Lilley	137.67	140	156	Codognotto	113
36	145	Treloar	137.66	141	177	Sher	112.01
37	75	Bolt	137.17	142	204	Roose-Driver	111.89
38	23	Callaghan	137.01	143	61	St Clair	111.68
39	111	Birss	136.75	144	96	Grigg	111.57
40	25	Parker	136.56	145	136	Holbrook	111.17
41	36	Hpn+	136.46	146	140	Hollands	111.16
41	35	Richardson	136.46	147	150	Grant	111.08
43	47	Ward	136.36	148	99	Miller	110.64
44	28	Daly	136.16	149	120	Rothwell	110.62
45	119	Moore	136.08	150	154	Vearing	110.48
46	141	Evans	135.48	151	117	Valentine	110.41
47	56	Grosvenor	135.17	152	207	May	110.4
48	69	Smee	135.14	153	76	Tucker	110.2
49	62	Smith	134.07	154	203	Doddridge	109.94
50	73	Mottram	134.03	155	131	Glasson	109.45
51	82	Slater	133.99	156	176	Bach	109.31
52	135	Morris	133.88	157	94	Vaughan	109.24
53	20	Cheval	133.28	158	109	Bloom	109.09
54	85	Ridley	132.99	159	142	Kiraly	109.07
55	43	Bilski	132.04	160	161	Mills	108.11
56	50	Malinas	131.67	161	102	Frazier	107.16
57	27	Ingham	131.61	162	126	Welch	106.32
58	163	McAlister	131.35	163	116	Tredrea	106.16
59	65	Li	131.03	164	157	Manser	105.99
60	72	Bodycote	130.88	165	185	Thatcher	104.84
61	32	Hoffman	130.38	166	174	Drwecka	104.63
62	40	Kaplan	130.18	167	86	Kefford	104.57
63	44	Pellegrini	130.06	168	192	Kennedy	104.51
64	77	Milward	129.82	169	198	Labuschagne	104.15
65	148	Coats	129.62	170	181	Cooper	103.95
66	167	Bennett	129.03	171	121	Power	103.77
67	101	Tyms	128.73	172	180	Kenny	103.24
68	52	Bouton	128.68	173	107	Linton	102.94
69	130	Watt	128.33	174	133	Pike	102.71
70	67	Mayo	128.23	175	123	Morrison	102.22
71	158	Stewart	128.02	176	113	O'Connor	102.06
72	208	De Luca	127.81	177	164	Watson	101.19
73	146	Lisle	127.75	178	87	Abbenbroek	100.38
74	83	Wilks	127.52	179	137	Gassmann	100.22
75	122	Gunner	127.46	180	118	Dyer	100.17

**Final Qualifying Scores After 12 Rounds - Open**

Place	No.	Team	Score	Place	No.	Team	Score
76	205	Pradhan	127.06	181	160	Kemp	99.8
77	78	Finikiotis	127.04	182	211	Woodbury	99.45
78	54	Mott	126.25	183	132	Fry	98.32
78	147	Wanigaratne	126.25	184	194	Abdelhamid	97.75
80	64	De Luca	126.22	185	191	Oyston	97.73
81	74	Terry	126.2	186	106	Norris	97.54
82	90	Maltz	125.51	187	171	Procel	97.52
83	84	Strong	125.33	188	169	Brahma	97.39
84	214	Pisko	125.22	189	183	Campbell	97.28
85	58	Meyer	125.13	190	179	Fookes	97.25
86	55	Sharp	125.06	191	170	Chesser	97.04
87	125	Rusher	125.04	192	193	Jackson	97.02
88	63	Jeffery	124.57	193	175	Stuart	95.67
89	49	Chen	124.22	194	138	Kable	95.57
89	143	Tuxworth	124.22	195	155	Bonnick	95.18
91	128	Rose	123.93	196	172	Pepper	94.75
92	81	Steinwedel	123.92	197	182	Van Wyck	94.57
93	46	Powell	123.81	198	144	Darke	94.41
94	38	Lewis	123.48	199	189	Hutton	92.74
95	48	A'Beckett	122.85	200	153	McDonald	92.28
96	202	Matskows	122.7	201	166	Alexander	89.27
97	168	Edelstein	122.65	202	134	Purkiss	88.73
98	162	Leighton	122.44	203	210	Gray	87.72
99	41	Tant	122.31	204	173	Rose	87.5
100	108	Crockett	122.01	205	152	Leach	87.33
101	124	Free	121.98	206	165	Roughley	86.91
102	186	Cooper	121.69	207	188	Evans	85.89
103	104	Schoen	121.57	208	199	Jagelman	85.46
104	66	Weathered	121.24	209	200	Hoare	85.31
105	129	Gilfoyle	121.2	210	187	Coats	81.52
106	91	O'Dempsey	120.56	211	139	Bourke	73.5
107	42	Webber	119.84	212	149	Correy	71.84
108	127	Demarco	119.55	213	196	Carroll	69.79
109	79	Alexander	118.95	214	209	Gue	45.74

**Final Qualifying Scores After 12 Rounds - Seniors**

Place	No.	Team Members	Score
1	6	P Chan - R Januszke - R Sebesfi - J Zollo	167.78
2	5	A Walsh - B McDonald - A De Livera - E Havas	164.13

Place	No.	Team	Score	Place	No.	Team	Score
3	1	Brightling	157.28	22	15	Ingham	119.34
4	2	Stern	145.14	23	34	Rogers	118.55
5	3	Bloom	141.82	24	11	Arber	118.1
6	7	Klofa	139.29	25	29	Cariola	117.35
7	14	Johannsson	136.89	26	40	Tibble	115.77
8	18	Palmer	135.47	27	30	Rooney	112.5
9	9	Mendick	135.14	28	26	Dudley	110.54
10	8	Robbins	134.01	29	39	Brown	109.68
11	19	Beck	131.09	30	38	Lawrence	109.56
12	37	Waldvogel	129.87	31	31	Hoole	109.42
13	17	Van Vucht	128.84	32	27	Allan	106.21
14	10	Antoff	128.23	33	13	Budai	102.94
15	20	Moses	127.92	34	36	Frost	101.93
16	12	McKinnon	127.42	35	24	Wilkinson	100.56
17	16	Boulton	126.66	36	28	Sykes	89.07
18	4	Robb	125.11	37	32	Jeffery	85.07
19	22	Lane	123.04	38	35	Davidson	79.97
20	23	Havas	122.93	39	33	Moffat	79.55
21	21	Luck	119.8	40	25	Berzins	69.55



**Final Qualifying Scores After 12 Rounds - Intermediate**

Place	No.	Team Members					Score
1	15	M Rogers - J Rogers - S Moffitt - K Moffitt					162.26
2	3	D Johnson - M Johnson - I Doland - J Watson					156.86
Place	No.	Team Members					Score
3	65	Erskine	155.56	49	30	Attwood	118.01
4	11	Hughes	154.77	50	26	Ward	117.94
5	7	Ranke	153.13	51	64	Holewa	117.44
6	6	Dean	151.76	52	12	Begg	117.42
7	86	Greenwich	149.88	53	69	Beech	116.48
8	20	Blinco	149.53	54	31	Berry	116.42
9	8	Lohmann	147.56	55	54	Skeate	116.07
10	72	Stacey	144.93	56	38	Gavel	115.7
11	46	Giles	142.9	57	82	Beaton	115.03
12	44	Bailey	142.4	58	75	McGaffin	114.48
13	2	Reynolds	141.46	59	60	Cooke	113.71
14	92	Sim	141.35	60	10	Steinhardt	113.58
15	53	Read	140.24	61	5	Wylie	113.44
16	9	Sutherland	137.46	62	35	Murray	113.19
17	1	Roberts	136.76	63	49	Boyce	112.29
18	77	Stick	136.25	64	29	Webber	110.92
19	62	Delaney	134.84	65	89	Edwards	110.07
20	18	Nilsson	134.6	66	50	Stephenson	109.04
21	13	Keating	134.17	67	36	Wells	108.98
22	27	Kite	133.76	68	55	Oxley	108.85
23	93	Barnett	133.62	69	78	Page	107.18
24	57	Hartwig	133.25	70	24	Morgan	106.82
25	22	Tomlinson	133.07	71	32	Johnstone	106.65
26	42	Clifford	132.9	72	79	Irving	104.93
27	73	Anderson	132.61	73	88	Kaplan	104.88
28	41	Boyce	131.92	74	85	McBain	104.79
29	37	Sherlock	131.23	75	39	Carson	103.3
30	84	McMaster	131.02	76	63	Cowley	103.25
31	76	Binsted	130.3	77	48	Kirton	102.76
32	45	Schmalkuche	129.31	78	28	Corney	101.83
33	21	Breakwell	128.64	79	68	Wippell	101.11
34	14	Bandy	127.05	80	74	Ward	98.95
35	61	Weber	127.04	81	17	Styles	98.62
36	4	Wilson	126.21	82	51	Yarwood	97.28
37	47	Fleet	126.16	83	34	Leckie	96.15
38	43	Cooper	125.93	84	91	Peak	96.03
39	25	Sheldrake	125.1	85	67	Fenwicke	94.26
40	90	Black	124.64	86	81	Hart	93.99
41	40	Jonsberg	124.47	87	66	Savage	93.14
42	33	Holmes	124.09	88	71	Bristow	91.75
43	70	Howard	121.01	89	94	Driesbock	91.53
44	56	Clift	120.75	90	80	Bish	89.43
45	16	Ferguson	119.79	91	87	Lynch	88.09
46	59	Bell	119.37	92	23	Trigg	84.82
47	83	Davis	119.22	93	58	Robertson	80.82
48	19	Symons	118.5	94	52	Staley	80.19

**Final Qualifying Scores After 12 Rounds - Restricted**

Place	No.	Team Members					Score
1	80	K Hajmasi - A Michl - B Whale - J Whale					168.39
2	64	J Chew - R Karim - Y Zheng - Z Xiao					160.83
Place	No.	Team Members					Score
3	83	Tippett	158.31	47	9	Earnshaw	119.09
4	2	Cousins	156.31	48	34	Barry	117.14
5	22	Carradine	152	49	60	Smith	117.04
6	89	Whittle	151.92	50	54	Hodges	116.75
7	78	Adamson	146.62	51	12	Treloar	115.76
8	29	Gosney	146.61	52	62	Scott	115.16
9	36	Williams	145.32	53	3	Cullen	114.72
10	30	Morahan	144.43	54	70	Renton	113.78
11	25	Fisher	143.28	55	32	Look	113.39

**Final Qualifying Scores After 12 Rounds - Restricted**

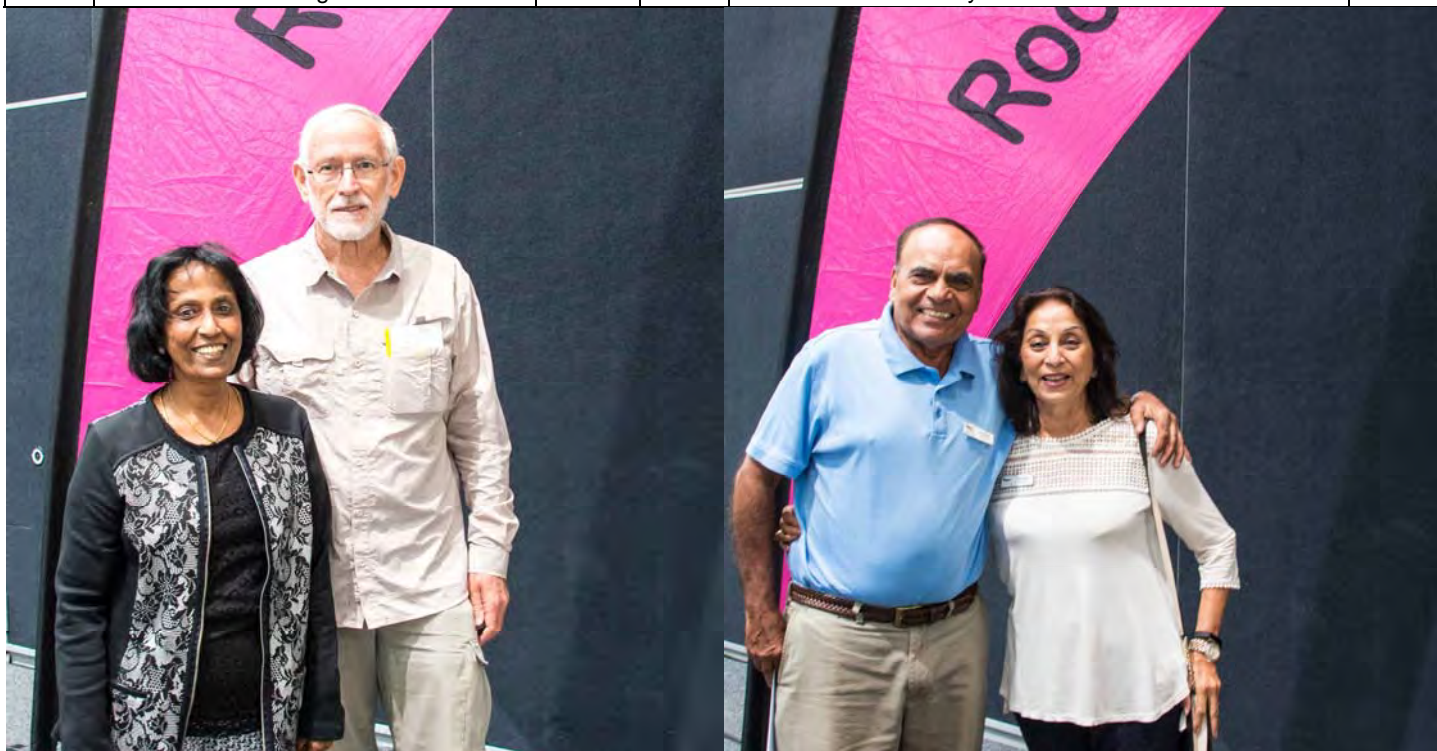
Place	No.	Team Members					Score
12	17	Ham	141.23	56	81	Cukierman	113.14
13	87	Haslett	140.84	57	65	Beattie	112.96
14	61	Zulficar	138.68	58	37	Munro	112.52
15	5	Elich	138.35	59	74	Franks	112.42
16	20	Robertson	135.17	60	10	Wills	112.15
17	38	Trengove	135.15	61	82	Gordon	112.06
18	11	Rydon	134.15	62	40	Willcocks	111.93
19	59	Thillainathan	134.03	63	48	Sullivan	111.88
20	6	Boocock	133.79	64	76	Linden	111.34
21	33	Van Weeren	132.92	65	24	Wippell	111.28
22	1	Britton	132.41	66	31	Balkin	110.59
23	79	Hartley	131.91	67	18	Smith	110.01
24	42	Pilcher	131.29	68	8	Heck	109.27
25	14	Parmenter	131.17	69	58	Cox	108.69
26	23	Sharwood	130.3	70	53	Egan	108.68
27	28	Jeppesen	130.26	71	7	Prentice	106.99
28	46	Chaffey	128.99	72	19	Butcher	105.19
29	63	Meakin	128.65	73	86	Quilty	105.1
30	84	Tattersfield	128.45	74	44	Merrin	104.06
31	55	Barwick	128.14	75	35	Robins	103.89
32	51	Gibney	127.69	76	75	Short	102.56
33	77	Singer	127.42	77	52	Wilson	101.61
34	4	Rossiter-Nuttall	125.26	78	68	Hooper	101.49
35	45	Greenway	125.12	79	26	Burke	101.1
36	88	Stuart	124.94	80	67	Stratford	100.53
37	85	Shannahan	124.79	81	72	Turner	97.91
38	57	Wlodarczyk	124.51	82	66	Macintosh	96.35
39	41	Hertelendy	123.97	83	43	Love	95.21
40	50	Rosetta	122.81	84	27	Kirkpatrick	94.37
41	16	Wood	122.61	85	69	Gilder	93.56
42	15	Brodie	122.23	86	73	Cook	90.22
43	21	Pratten	121.5	87	49	Gault	82.45
44	56	Hall	120.6	88	47	Opray	80.32
45	71	Jacobs	119.7	89	13	Allen	78.61
46	39	Stewart	119.14	90	90	Haslett	58.53

**Final Qualifying Scores After 12 Rounds – Novice**

Place	No.	Team Members					Score
1	14	A Byrnes - S Parkes - U Suliman - P Taylor					170.47
2	17	B Koster - K Mukai - L Lovett - P Heard					167.79
Place	No.	Team Members					Score
3	36	Russell	164.68	24	7	Large	117.81
4	8	Skeen	159.09	25	28	Reilly	115.38
5	23	Brink	145.47	26	37	Carter	113.74
6	3	Spence	140.4	27	29	Ackman	112.53
7	25	Nugent	136.43	28	12	Northey	111.87
8	38	Stevens	133.08	29	24	Sheldrake	111.71
9	40	King	133.01	30	4	Hale	111.43
10	18	Coloper	132.03	31	19	Martin	111.07
11	27	Cameron	130.39	32	5	Rydon	110.78
12	2	Bowen-Thomas	130.08	33	39	Hunt	108.82
13	26	Bunting	130.03	34	11	Gibbens	108
14	13	Nilsson	129.75	35	20	Little	106.18
15	42	Dunworth	129.13	36	34	Anderson	105.51
16	21	Officer	128.54	37	9	Lingard	105.46
17	22	Bellis	127.61	38	10	Minchin	104.61
18	15	Clark	126.35	39	32	Ryan	100.14
19	1	Marsland	123.87	40	33	Allingham	99.92
20	31	Heap	121.68	41	43	Versteedge	99.09
21	16	Mayne	121.15	42	30	Lawson	94.15
22	6	Tortely	119.79	43	44	Sykes	63.61
23	41	Bailey	119.67	44	35	Lloyd	57.15

## Leading Scores THURSDAY Rookie Pairs

North-South			East-West		
Place	Pair	%	Place	Pair	%
1	Devi Thillainathan - Ian Sobey	55.84	1	Arvind Bhasin - Geeta Bhasin	67.40
2	Daphne Leggo - Peter Leggo	55.04	2	Dennis Watkinson - Peter Uldrich	61.35
3	Brian Thomson - Jane Whelan	54.75	3	Jenny Burchmore - Barbara Richardson	58.45
4	Clare Gleeson - Gillie Kinsella	54.63	4	Maxim Wilson - Bruce Stephens	58.37
5	Bill Larcombe - Di Larcombe	53.82	5	Linda Douglas - Gwen Walker	52.21
6	Richard Tarnawski - Barry Steele	53.07	6	Bernadette Dwyer - Carolyn North	49.98
7	Liz Milner - Ivy Monteiro	52.68	7	Heather Peattie - Janet McKeough	49.37
8	Donna Gillies - Mark Loewenthal	51.67	8	Lesley Hoyling - Annette Rutledge	49.32
9	Marna Mallett - Margaret Maidens	50.45	9	Keith Sanders - Jenny Sanders	48.62



Rookies Winners N/S Devi Thillainathan - Ian Sobey

Rookies Winners E/W Arvind BHASIN - Geeta BHASIN

## Holiday Pairs Tournament 2 Session 2 – Leading Scores

N-S			E-W		
1	Sarah Strickland - Howard Jeffery	61.21	1	Neil Strutton - Margaret Liversage	63.16
2	Dianne Brinkworth - Christine Young	60.58	2	Brenda Butcher - Birgitt Bingham	60.57
3	Kelela Allen - Susan Capp	58.02	3	Bernadette Campbell - Glenda Barter	59.45
4	Sally Moore - Sue Chapman	57.78	4	Steve Murray - Ann Murray	57.70
5	Janice Coventry - Margaret Glover	57.50	5	Graham Dickens - Sue Dickens	56.99
6	Joanne Crockford - Peter Karol	54.44	6	Parveen Rayani - Jamal Rayani	56.82
7	Robyn Lichter - Judy Leiba	53.88	7	Ann Shotter - Robina Cooper	56.48
8	Lorraine Carr - Janine Budgeon	52.61	8	Shijun Tian - Keith Walker	53.14
9	Yolande Coroneo - Jacqui Fardoulis	49.18	9	Pauline Caust - Alan Bustany	52.62
10	Allan Johnson - Pamela Roberts	48.88	10	Ross Templeton - Fiona Templeton	52.09
11	Peter Fredericks - Lorraine Fredericks	48.40	11	Christine Leivers - Tom Lyons	49.81
12	Eddie Mullin - Dianne Mullin	48.15	12	Robynne Owen - Janice Gladders	49.07
13	Ethne Huddleston - Mary Ditton	46.30	13	Trish Waters - Gerri Hodgson	48.05
13	Thea Catsoulis - Ann Slade	46.30	14	Brenda Rees - Howard Rees	46.32

**PUZZLE**

**The Most Intelligent Prince:** A king wants his daughter to marry the smartest of 3 extremely intelligent young princes, and so the king's wise men devised an intelligence test.

The princes are gathered into a room and seated, facing one another, and are shown 2 black hats and 3 white hats. They are blindfolded, and 1 hat is placed on each of their heads, with the remaining hats hidden in a different room.

The king tells them that the first prince to deduce the colour of his hat without removing it or looking at it will marry his daughter. A wrong guess will mean death. The blindfolds are then removed.

You are one of the princes. You see 2 white hats on the other prince's heads. After some time you realize that the other prince's are unable to deduce the colour of their hat, or are unwilling to guess. What colour is your hat?

Note: You know that your competitors are very intelligent and want nothing more than to marry the princess. You also know that the king is a man of his word, and he has said that the test is a fair test of intelligence and bravery.

**YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE**

**The Warden:** The team nominates a leader. The group agrees upon the following rules:

The leader is the only person who will announce that everyone has visited the switch room. All the prisoners (except for the leader) will flip the first switch up at their very first opportunity, and again on the second opportunity. If the first switch is already up, or they have already flipped the first switch up two times, they will then flip the second switch. Only the leader may flip the first switch down, if the first switch is already down, then the leader will flip the second switch. The leader remembers how many times he has flipped the first switch down. Once the leader has flipped the first switch down 44 times, he announces that all have visited the room.

It does not matter how many times a prisoner has visited the room, in which order the prisoners were sent or even if the first switch was initially up. Once the leader has flipped the switch down 44 times then the leader knows everyone has visited the room. If the switch was initially down, then all 22 prisoners will flip the switch up twice. If the switch was initially up, then there will be one prisoner who only flips the switch up once and the rest will flip it up twice.

The prisoners cannot be certain that all have visited the room after the leader flips the switch down 23 times, as the first 12 prisoners plus the leader might be taken to the room 24 times before anyone else is allowed into the room. Because the initial state of the switch might be up, the prisoners must flip the first switch up twice. If they decide to flip it up only once, the leader will not know if he should count to 22 or 23.

In the example of three prisoners, the leader must flip the first switch down three times to be sure all prisoners have visited the room, twice for the two other prisoners and once more in case the switch was initially up.

**DIFFICULT SUDOKU**

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

**YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION  
DIFFICULT SUDOKU**

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

**TABLE COUNT**

**TO THE END OF PLAY THURSDAY NIGHT 8005**

**(Last Year 7610)**

Note: this year there was no Friday Setup Pairs