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## OPEN TEAMS QUALIFYING MATCH NINE <br> Liam Milne

I watched sixth-placed MCCALLUM (Kate McCallum-Axel Johannsson, Anne Brenner-David Caprera) face off against eight-placed BEAUCHAMP (David Beauchamp-Jodi Tutty, Justin Williams-Nathan van Jole). If either team had a big win, they would be well positioned for the knockout stages; a big loss would leave either team with a lot of work to do.

I was shown an intriguing declarer play position by Michael Wilkinson from this opening match:

| Dealer: East <br> Vul: E-W | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ↔ Q } 4 \\ & \bullet \text { J } 75 \end{aligned}$ |  | West | North | East <br> 14 | South 24 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Brd 6 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { A K J } 4 \\ & \& ~ A ~ Q ~ \end{aligned} 3$ |  | Double | 4¢ | Double | All Pass |  |
| ¢ 3 |  | ¢ A 1086 |  |  |  |  |  |
| - A Q 10983 |  | - K 64 |  |  |  |  |  |
| - 76 |  | - Q 93 | Makeable Contracts |  |  |  |  |
| \& J 987 |  | \& K 102 | 2 | - | 2 | - | NT |
|  | ¢ K J 9752 |  | - | 3 | - | 3 | ¢ |
|  | $\bullet 2$ |  | 4 | - | 4 | - | $\checkmark$ |
|  | -10852 |  | - | 2 | - | 2 | $\checkmark$ |
|  | \% 64 |  | 2 | - | 2 | - | 4 |

South declares $4 \Phi x$ on the lead of the ace of hearts and a heart continuation. Declarer ruffs and plays a spade to the queen and East's ace who taps declarer again in hearts. After crossing to the $\forall$ A, declarer finesses the 49 and draws all of East's remaining trumps, exhausting themselves in the process (and pitching two clubs from the dummy). With East out of hearts, declarer can now make the contract by playing king and another diamond! East wins but is endplayed into leading clubs to dummy's \$AQ.
All well and good, but what if West turns up with the $\downarrow$ Q? They had been pitching clubs on trumps and still had a pile of (winning) hearts left. As Wilkinson put it, your play really depends on your stomach for doubled vulnerable undertricks. If you make this play and are wrong, it could be quite an expensive adventure (and naturally you were cold the whole time if the $\diamond Q$ was onside). East could still just have an opening bid without the $\downarrow$ Q, e.g. $\uparrow$ A1086 $\mathrm{FK} 64 \$ 93 \$ \mathrm{KJ102}$, so there are no guarantees here. At the table, Wilkinson made the compromise play of finessing the diamond on the second round, still succeeding if the $\diamond Q$ was with West or if East was 4324 and was endplayed after winning: -100, but a nice story. In the match I watched, both declarers made eight tricks but Johannsson was in 4 while van Jole was only in 34 , so that was 2 imps to BEAUCHAMP.

| Dealer: EastVul: Both | - 642 |  | West | North | East | South |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | - K |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Brd 10 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Q } 9842 \\ & \& A 1042 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { A } 1095 \\ & \bullet \text { Q } 8752 \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Q Q J } 7 \\ & \bullet \text { J } 943 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| - 7 |  | -1053 | Makeable Contracts |  |  |  |  |
| ¢65 |  | \& K J 8 | - | 2 | - | 2 | NT |
|  | - K 83 |  | - | 1 | - | 1 | - |
|  | - A 106 |  | 2 | - | 2 | - | $\bullet$ |
|  | - AKJ 6 |  | - | 3 | - | 4 | - |
|  | \& Q 97 |  | - | 2 | - | 3 | 4 |

This deal created a difficult defensive problem for many East-West pairs around the room. After South opens 1 NT and is raised to 3NT, West leads a heart to dummy's $⿴$ K. A possible play for declarer is a low club from the dummy before the defence have worked out what is going on. The only successful defence is for East to fly with the $\% \mathrm{~K}$ and switch to a spade honour.

How easy is this defence to find? Not easy at all, say the 142 E/W pairs (out of 212) who went -600, -630 or even -660. At the table I was watching, Axel Johannsson played 3NT this way and when Jodi Tutty as East ducked at trick two, his 99 won and he was home. Tutty told me afterwards that she thinks she should have got this one right; declarer's failure to play on diamonds is suspicious and suggests that the suit is running, which means a second club trick plus the potential 『A will be nine tricks. Anne Brenner-David Caprera found the winning defence at the other table - nicely done.

When East rises with the $\$ \mathrm{~K}$ at trick two, West should help by signalling which major to return. Some pairs play the 'Smith Echo' convention where a high card in the suit that declarer plays suggest a shift away from the opening led suit - this would work nicely here as West can suggest that their hearts are weak. Others play suit preference on declarer's lead which would likewise get the job done when West contributes the $\$ 6$ under East's $\% \mathrm{~K}$, a suggestion to switch to the highest suit. Of course, you could just stick to reverse count, but then you are down to guesswork in situations like this.


It was a scary moment here for Jodi Tutty when Johannsson's 'pass or correct' double was passed by McCallum confirming that there were six spades stacked against her. Nevertheless, she took her chances in 2థx convinced by both her excellent spade spots and great playing strength, a decision I support wholeheartedly. No risk, no gain in this bridge business!

Johannsson led the $\varangle K$ and Tutty won to lead a club from the dummy. McCallum unfortunately pulled both clubs from her hand, and after hearing her options from the director, decided that playing the $\% \mathrm{~K}$ was the least of evils (it would be a major penalty card otherwise).
This cost a trick as it gave Tutty an entry back to the dummy for a spade finesse. Now she accurately led her singleton heart to enlist the help of South in shortening her trumps. After ruffing the heart return, Tutty and McCallum played a different sort of crossruff to what you're used to seeing, McCallum ruffing declarer's clubs and Tutty returning the favour in the red suits.

Declarer finessed with six trump tricks, two clubs and a diamond for +870 E/W, a fine reward for a brave pass. At the other table, South bid to $4 \bullet$ but couldn't make it, so that was 13 imps to BEAUCHAMP.

(L to R): David Beauchamp, Kate McCallum, Jodi Tutty, Axel Johannsson

The match ended up being a close result despite lots of imps being thrown around, BEAUCHAMP running out winners 46-42.


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## NO LONGER NERVOUS

## Brent Manley

Earlier in the week, Annette Moss and her squad from Sunshine Coast were watched during a qualifying round of the Novice Teams by a member of the Daily Bulletin staff. Afterwards, Moss confessed to being a bit uneasy on the occasion.

On Thursday, Moss was apparently over the brief bout of nerves, as demonstrated by this deal against the Anderson team in the 10th qualifying match of the event. Moss was playing with Peter Logan. This was the deal:

| Dealer: North Vul: None | $\begin{aligned} & \bullet \text { Q J } 103 \\ & \bullet 542 \end{aligned}$ |  | West Moss | North | East Logan |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Brd 17 | $\begin{array}{r} \text { QJ } \\ +962 \end{array}$ |  | $70!$ | Pas All Pass | $2{ }^{*}$ | Pass |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \oplus \text { AK } 92 \\ & \bullet A K 6 \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ↔ } 65 \\ & \bullet \text { QJ } 10873 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| - A 2 |  | -1073 | Makeable Contracts |  |  |  |  |
| * A K J 10 |  | -87 | 6 | - | 6 | - | NT |
|  | ¢ 874 |  | 4 | - | 4 | - | - |
|  | -9 |  | 7 | - | 7 | - | $\bullet$ |
|  | -K9654 |  | 2 | - | 2 | - | $\stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{*}$ |
|  | \& Q 543 |  | 4 | - | 4 | - | $\%$ |

With her 26-point rock crusher, Moss knew just what to do when her partner opened a weak 2v. No fooling around with Blackwood or any other convention. She simply bid what she thought her partner could make. Her assessment was accurate and they were soon entering plus 1510 on their scorecards. Well bid, Annette.

The team did not provide details of the play, but it almost certainly involved finessing twice in clubs. It was a 14IMP swing in a match the Moss team won by the score of $79-8$. Moss and Logan were playing with Gary Petterson and Laurie Bell.

## : <br> Need a Flight Ticket to Melbourne on Sunday?

A bridge player here has two unneeded plane fares from Coolangatta to Melbourne departing this Sunday morning at 8:45am with Jetstar. If you need last-minute transport to Melbourne and you are getting sticker shock when looking up the prices, this may be just the ticket for you (pun intended). The player is selling these tickets for $\$ 75$ each and is able to change the name on the tickets to yours. Ring Edwina +64 211804212 to arrange.


## Overheard at the tournament 1

From a match today between two teams coming about two-thirds of the way down the field of 212 in the Open Teams...
E/W stop to think about the play. North comments: "I can see what you two are doing. You're actually thinking about which cards to play. You're taking away the time we need to discuss what we should have done, between the hands. That is our favourite part of the game - the discussion after each hand. Could you please hurry up?"
E/W won the match.

## Overheard at the tournament 2

Richard Brightling, captain of a team vying for a spot in the Senior Teams championship, was walking through the playing area on Thursday when he passed a table where another team had just finished comparing scores. He thought it was worth reporting that he heard one member of the team say, "Well, at least nobody was killed."


Sartaj Hans told me about two nice opening leads his opponents found in the last match of the qualifying. The only lead to get 500 against 4థx is the ace of clubs (or an unlikely low heart) for a club ruff, followed by a heart back to the ace and another club ruff. Barry Jones from New Zealand found the killing ace of clubs lead and gained 5 imps for his side when teammates brought back -300.
Andy Hung found the same lead on the last board played in his match. I'm sure glad he did: any other lead and our team would have qualified eighth rather than sixth. It's always nice to report on good things your teammates do!

| Dealer: East Vul: N-S | -A 642 <br> -A 1054 |  | West Morrison | North Milne | East Hughes | South Coutts |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Brd 18 | - 53 |  |  |  | Pass | Pass Double ${ }^{\text {Hearts }}$ |  |
|  | * A Q 6 |  | Pass | 14 | 1 * |  |  |
| - Q 753 |  | -109 | Pass | 2 | All Pass |  |  |
| - K Q 6 |  | -97 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| - J 97 |  | - AK 1064 | Makeable Contracts |  |  |  |  |
| \& 854 |  | \& K 1072 | - | 2 | - | 2 | NT |
|  | - K J 8 |  | - | 2 | - | 2 | ¢ |
|  | - J 832 |  | - | 3 | - | 3 | $\checkmark$ |
|  | - Q 82 |  | 1 | - | 1 | - | $\stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{*}$ |
|  | ¢J93 |  | - | 1 | - | 1 | 4 |

Your humble correspondent was fortunate enough to be playing the last match of the day and was happy to find a pretty play for an overtrick on this deal.

East led the $\star$ and switched to a trump after partner discouraged at trick one. I won the queen of hearts with the ace and returned the suit to West's king. East won the club return with the king and returned another club. After drawing the last trump and cashing my remaining top club, I crossed to dummy in trumps to pull the $\mathbf{~ J}$ from the dummy! After this won, I had my nine tricks for +140 .
Can you see why I played this way? East had already shown up with ten points but had passed as dealer so the spade queen was surely offside. My hope was that the layout was as above or that West would duck with $₫$ Q9xx - my luck was in this time. An overtrick isn't much to brag about but you to have to find something to toot your own horn about sometimes!

## TABLE COUNT

TO THE END OF PLAY THURSDAY NIGHT 8078 (Last Year 2018: 8005, and in 2017: 7610)

| Dealer: West | ¢Q9742 |  | West | North | East | South |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Vul: Both | - 73 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Brd 20 | - 32 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | ¢ 9843 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ¢ J 108 |  | ¢ A 63 |  |  |  |  |  |
| - AKQ J 8 |  | - --- |  |  |  |  |  |
| -10764 |  | -KQ J 985 |  | Make | le Con | acts |  |
| \& Q |  | \& K J 106 | 4 | - | 4 | - | NT |
|  | ¢ K 5 |  | 1 | - | 1 | - | ¢ |
|  | -1096542 |  | 3 | - | 3 | - | $\checkmark$ |
|  | - A |  | 4 | - | 4 | - | $\checkmark$ |
|  | \& A 72 |  | 2 | - | 2 | - | 9 |

The other nice lead reported to me by Sartaj Hans: Matthew Brown declared 5 in the East seat against Patrick Carter-Julie Atkinson. This is an easy make against any lead but a spade - the spade works as there is no quick entry to the hearts for discards, but it's not exactly easy to lead from $\uparrow K 5$. Carter selected a devilish $\uparrow 5$ for a hard-earned +100 . Only one other table in the field beat 5 and that was team 107 SHAW. Peter and Lyndall Shaw found the spade lead to build the third defensive trick and beat declarer's game contract.

| Dealer: South | - 92 |  | West | North | East | South |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Vul: None | - 76432 |  | Millington | McAllister | Jones | Hans |  |
| Brd 27 | $\begin{aligned} & * 1053 \\ & \& K 6 \end{aligned}$ |  | Pass | 10 | 4 | $1 \%$ Double |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { • J } 4 \\ & \bullet K 95 \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ↔ A Q } 108763 \\ & \bullet 10 \end{aligned}$ | All Pass |  |  |  |  |
| - Q 9864 |  | - 7 |  | Makeabl | le Con | acts |  |
| \& Q 54 |  | - A 1073 | 1 | - | 1 | - | NT |
|  | -K5 |  | 3 | - | 3 | - | - |
|  | - AQ J 8 |  | - | 2 | - | 3 | $\bullet$ |
|  | - AK 2 |  | - | 1 | - | 1 | $\stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{*}$ |
|  | ¢J982 |  | 1 | - | 1 | - | 4 |

Hans demonstrated excellent technique to defeat 40x on this board, the penultimate deal of the day. He led the A and McAllister signalled discouragement with the $>$ J. Double dummy, the contract is very difficult to beat now. Hans guessed to switch to a club, unsuccessful when declarer played low from dummy and took North's king with the ace. Declarer now erred by playing $\uparrow A$ and another round to Sartaj's $\boldsymbol{\$} \mathrm{K}$ (best is to lead a heart to establish a trick while dummy still has an entry).
There are several unsuccessful defences available at this juncture - trying to cash the $\downarrow$ K, for example, or playing a low club. Less clear is why declarer triumphs after, for example, ace and another heart. Sartaj saw what was about to happen, however: declarer wins the VK, ruffs a heart, then runs their trumps. South is inexorably squeezed in the minors for -590 .
Sartaj found the only card to beat the contract at this point and put it on the table: the J ! This blew up a trick in the club suit but got two back as declarer no longer had an entry to dummy for either the squeeze or to access the VK. Declarer could no longer avoid losing a heart and deep club trick - one down.

Susan Humphries found a variation on this play, also starring the J . She led the A and partner encouraged the suit so Humphries led the $\checkmark \mathrm{K}$ next. After declarer ruffed and played ace of spades and a second spade (same error as above), Humphries sent forward the J . After this was covered by the queen, king and ace, dummy was dead. Humphries won the $\geqslant 10$ on the next trick and continued with the 99 for down one.

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF YOUTH BRIDGE

A big thank you to everyone who has attended a Celebrity Speaker talk, or came along to the "Double Dummy" screening at the Pacific Fair Event Cinemas last night. Bridge is a game that is dying slowly as advancing technologies have taken up most of our attention, and one important way of keeping this great game alive is to encourage youth players to learn the game and support them in their endeavours.
The Gold Coast Congress is a big supporter of Youth Bridge as the organisers make a big effort to heavily subsidise their accommodation in conjunction with reduced entry fees so that they can easily participate in the tournament. Your support of the youth fundraiser events goes directly to supporting the young players at this congress.
Thank you also to the Gold Coast Bridge Club who were able to host a Youth Bridge evening that provided free pizza, nibbles, fruits, and snacks! Laura Ginnan was the director and she made sure there that it was a night full of enjoyment which consisted of some hands where a player who held the most HCP on the previous hand, could only bid with eight cards in the next hand! There was also a period where if one particular player wasn't happy with their current partner, they could switch partners with one of the opponents - who hasn't had that wicked wish at some point in the past?


"If you are ever to amount to anything at this game, you must build up a picture of the unseen hands."

Defending as West in an IMPs game, your opponents bid to a conservative partscore:


Without any clear thoughts on the matter, you lead the $\leqslant$ (thirds and fifths). Dummy plays low, partner inserts the $\$ 10$ and declarer wins their $\checkmark K$. After drawing two rounds of trumps on the dummy, declarer plays a club to their $\$ \mathrm{~K}$ and your $\& \mathrm{~A}$ as partner follows with the $\$ 2$ (reverse count).
You continue with the $\diamond 9$. This pleasingly wins the trick as dummy plays the $\checkmark 6$, partner the $\downarrow 2$ and declarer the $\checkmark 7$.


What do we know about the hand?
It sure looks like declarer has the ace of trumps, and probably five of them unless they have left partner with one trump out. We have also seen the king of clubs and king of diamonds from declarer. Straight away, we should realise that declarer probably has zero other high cards. Because we can see all the jacks (partner must have the $\downarrow$ ) anything else would give declarer 12 points; they would not have passed $2 \uparrow$.
What about the shape? Partner probably has four diamonds (assuming the $\$ 2$ on the second round is giving count) and either two or four clubs (because of the \&2). If partner only has two clubs, declarer is going to ruff lots of losers and make a lot of tricks, so let's give partner four clubs and declarer two.

Now we are getting somewhere. Declarer is probably $5=?=3=2$ and therefore must have three little hearts. Do you see the danger now?
The full hand:

| DIr: West | * K Q J 5 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Vul: Both | - A J 106 |
|  | - Q 65 |
| You (W)$\bullet 73$ | +109 |
|  | N -94 |
| ¢7 $\bullet$ -82 | W E ${ }^{\text {PQ } 5}$ |
| -943 | - A J 102 |
| \& A J 876 | S ¢ Q 5 42 |
|  | 4 A 10862 |
|  | -973 |
|  | -K87 |
|  | +K3 |

The opponents did well to stop in just $2 \boldsymbol{\$}$, but even that contract is beatable if you get all your tricks. Bob Hamman's advice in the opening quote would have served you very well on this hand.
It feels so natural to cash partner's diamond trick, but your instincts may have led you astray here. Partner wins the $\forall A$ and can exit a low club to you (partner is also counting the points) but now any return will lead to partner being endplayed in the heart suit. Without a second heart trick, declarer makes 24.

The winning defence is to shift to a heart now while you have the lead - and make it the $\boldsymbol{2}$, suit preference for clubs. Partner wins, cashes their diamond and leads a low club back to your $\& \mathrm{~J}$. Game over for declarer.
Point to remember: it's much easier to solve the problem if you know what the other hands look like. Make counting a habit, not a backup plan.

## WELCOME TO NEW PLAYERS AT THE GCC

Brent Manley



## Have You Discussed? Part 7

This one is from 1984, when the World Bridge Championships took place in Seattle, Washington. Two employees of the host hotel had been examining the leader board, which included all the matches on a giant grid. "I can't believe so many countries are here," one of them said. "There's even one country I never heard of - Bye."

No matter what country you are from, part of your bidding arsenal will surely be Blackwood or one of the variants. The most popular these days is Roman Key Card Blackwood.The question is whether you and your partner have discussed the various aspects of the world's most popular convention.
If you are playing RKCB, do you employ the original version ( $5 \boldsymbol{\rho}=0$ or 3 key cards, $5=1$ or 4 ) or Eddie Kantar's favourite permutation - the so-called $1430(5 \%=1$ or 4,5$\rangle=0$ or 3 )? Do you know why some experts prefer 1430?

It all has to do with the queen ask, which is another topic for discussion. You want to nail this down with partner to avoid screw-ups.

In original RKCB, after the response to 4NT, you can ask about the queen of trumps after a bid of 5C (if spades or hearts are trumps) or of 5D (if spades are trumps). For example:

| You | Partner |
| :---: | :--- |
| $2 \%$ | 2 |
| $2 ヵ$ | 3 |
| $4 N T$ | $5 \&$ (old-fashioned, 0 or 3 ) |
| 5 | $?$ |

Your 5 asks whether partner has the trump queen. With no trump queen, partner signs off at $5{ }^{\circ}$. With the queen, partner bids kings up the line, starting with 54. With the trump queen but no side kings, partner bids 5NT.

Let's change the auction slightly.

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You Partner
2% 2
20 30
4NT 5 (old-fashioned, 1 or 4)
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?

You know you are off one key card, but you are willing to bid slam if your side has the trump queen. You can't ask, however, because $5 \checkmark$ has already been bid. Your choices are to sign off in $5 \vee$ or bid the slam and hope. Using 1430 responses, you can bid $5 \checkmark$ when partner shows 1 or 4 key cards with a bid of $5 \%$.
You can see that when the trump suit is spades, you have no problem with either 0314 or 1430 . Over 5\% you can bid $5 \triangleleft$ as the queen ask; over $5 \diamond, 5 \checkmark$ does the trick.

Touching on another aspect of Blackwood, everyone knows that 5NT asks for kings. What is your agreement with partner about the responses? In earlier times, the responses were $5 \%$ to show all the kings or none, $5 \checkmark$ to show one, etc.

Experienced players now bid kings up the line. Skipping a level denies holding the king of the skipped suit. For example, $5 N T-6 \triangleleft$ denies possession of the $\$ \mathrm{~K}$. This can come in handy when you have a hand such as

## © AKQ87•5 AQJ109 \& K 4

Partner has supported your spade suit and you learn by checking for key cards that he has two aces, so you are naturally interested in a grand slam. If your partnership answers only in numbers of kings, when partner shows one you won't know whether it is the $\checkmark \mathrm{K}$ or the $\checkmark \mathrm{K}$. If you respond specific kings, partner's bid of $5 \checkmark$ would deny the $\langle K$, so you would probably settle for 64. If, however, partner bids $6 \diamond$ over your 5NT, you can count 13 tricks so you would bid 7NT with confidence.

## Women's Coaching at the NSWBA

2. Kate McCallum, a multiple world champion bridge player is currently in Australia till May. She is employed by the ABF as a coach to prospective Australian Women's bridge representatives.
3. Starting on Saturday $2^{\text {nd }}$ March, Kate will be conducting all-day coaching clinics ( $10 \mathrm{am}-4 \mathrm{pm}$ ) at the NSWBA club rooms. These will continue for several Saturdays till her departure.
2 All Women's Playoff participants and other interested female players are welcome to attend. Please contact Peter Buchen by email (pkbuchen@bigpond.com) or mobile (0409 792 111) for further information.
4. Interstate female players who are in Sydney on relevant Saturdays are also welcome to attend.


## THE KLINGER QUIZ

Ron Klinger
Teams: Dealer North, Nil vulnerable.
You are sitting as East and hear the following auction:

| Teams <br> Dealer: North | North © K Q J |  | West |  | East <br> 3alweak | $\begin{aligned} & \text { South } \\ & 30 \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Vul: Nil | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Q73 } \\ & \text { Q543 } \\ & \text { \& } 58 \end{aligned}$ | East | 3. | 4 | All Pass |  |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { • } 7 \\ & \text { - } 652 \\ & \text { A } 9 \\ & \& \text { K Q } 107653 \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { tract: } 4 \\ & \text { d: } 4 \mathrm{~A} \end{aligned}$ | by South West |  |

West leads the A against 4 . What should East play?

Solution: SIGNAL SUCCESS SUPPRESSED
On the following deal, the defence missed two chances:

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Dealer: North @ K Q J
Vul: Nil - Q73
    -Q543
    & J98
\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|}
\hline \[
\begin{aligned}
& \text { \& A } 95432 \\
& \text { J } 8 \\
& \text { \& } 86 \\
& \text { \& } 22
\end{aligned}
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- AK 1094 \\
-KJ 102 \\
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When West played a second club, South ruffed, drew trumps and knocked out the other two aces. As the cards lay there was no problem after trick $2 .+420$ was worth 7 IMPs as the other table played in 30 for +140 .
As East might have raised to $4 \boldsymbol{}$ with doubleton support, there is a case for leading the spade ace and $\$ 2$ next (suit preference for clubs). East ruffs, plays a club to the ace and receives another spade ruff. Two down.

After the \& lead, there is little point encouraging clubs. If West has a second club, declarer will ruff. East should give a suit preference signal, preferably with the club queen, an impossible natural card. If West reads that as asking for spades, $\uparrow A$ and another spade will beat the contract. If West shifts to a diamond (the eight is best, to deny interest in diamonds), East wins and switches to spades to receive the killing ruff. If East had $\vee \mathrm{Kxx}$ or $\diamond \mathrm{Kxxx}$, leading the lowest diamond would suggest a diamond return.

Understanding bridge journalese: 'The team can do better' = 'It could hardly do worse'

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| Place | No. | Team Members |  |  |  |  | Score |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | J McAllister - S Hans - M Brown - M Whibley (Qualify) |  |  |  |  | 170.56 |
| 2 | 13 | S Fischer - M Bookallil - P Reynolds - D Appleton (Qualify) |  |  |  |  | 168.70 |
| 3 | 11 | M Van Der Vlugt - M Lewis - K Morrison - C Hughes (Qualify) |  |  |  |  | 165.16 |
| 4 | 8 | D Beauchamp - J Tutty - N Van Jole - J Williams (Qualify) |  |  |  |  | 163.78 |
| 5 | 1 | M Ware - G Tislevoll - T Nunn - J Mill - M Thomson - H McGann (Qualify) |  |  |  |  | 160.21 |
| 6 | 3 | J Coutts - S Harrison - N Edgtton - E Moskovsky - L Milne - A Hung (Qualify) |  |  |  |  | 155.72 |
| 7 | 4 | A Kanetkar - B Neill - P Gumby - W Lazer |  |  |  |  | 155.33 |
| 8 | 12 | B Hirst - P Gue - D Weston - J Foster |  |  |  |  | 154.49 |
| 9 | 33 | G Mundell - H Pitt - D Hudson - D Fryda |  |  |  |  | 152.24 |
| 10 | 22 | K McCallum - A Johannsson - A Brenner - D Caprera |  |  |  |  | 151.87 |
| Place | No. | Team | Score | Place | No. | Team | Score |
| 11 | 18 | Chen | 150.44 | 112 | 91 | K Smith | 117.78 |
| 12 | 15 | Ranson | 149.98 | 113 | 145 | Bonnick | 117.01 |
| 13 | 17 | Reitzer | 149.84 | 114 | 133 | Howes | 116.97 |
| 14 | 5 | Buchen | 149.83 | 115 | 112 | Olsen | 116.96 |
| 15 | 19 | Giura | 149.81 | 116 | 79 | Toon | 116.89 |
| 16 | 9 | Lester | 149.56 | 117 | 142 | P Watson | 116.75 |
| 17 | 41 | Boughey | 149.38 | 118 | 37 | Hoffman | 116.57 |
| 18 | 62 | Lee | 149.37 | 119 | 158 | Schon | 116.56 |
| 19 | 50 | Badley | 147.81 | 120 | 203 | Muller | 116.42 |
| 20 | 24 | Beck | 145.79 | 121 | 195 | Carson | 116.35 |
| 21 | 39 | P Jeffery | 145.15 | 122 | 96 | Lindner | 115.55 |
| 22 | 23 | Carter | 144.61 | 123 | 151 | Scrivens | 115.51 |
| 23 | 90 | Whiting | 144.42 | 124 | 185 | Slutzkin | 115.12 |
| 24 | 34 | Lockwood | 143.82 | 125 | 109 | Babiszewski | 114.40 |
| 25 | 47 | Jackman | 143.57 | 126 | 140 | Cook | 113.95 |
| 26 | 7 | Francis | 143.13 | 127 | 148 | Morris | 113.85 |
| 27 | 76 | Lisle | 142.79 | 127 | 126 | Small | 113.85 |
| 28 | 156 | C Watson | 142.78 | 129 | 56 | Faranda | 113.80 |
| 29 | 52 | Afflick | 142.60 | 129 | 123 | Douglas | 113.80 |
| 30 | 42 | Demarco | 141.88 | 131 | 54 | Bilski | 113.29 |
| 31 | 57 | Martin | 140.88 | 131 | 173 | Zoia | 113.29 |
| 32 | 64 | A De Luca | 140.38 | 133 | 192 | Lazar | 113.17 |
| 33 | 31 | Genc | 140.22 | 134 | 86 | Fleischer | 112.69 |
| 34 | 46 | Power | 139.69 | 135 | 161 | Chandler | 112.55 |
| 35 | 25 | Pemberton | 139.12 | 136 | 83 | Sheridan | 112.48 |
| 36 | 14 | Brown | 138.63 | 137 | 186 | M Baker | 112.10 |
| 37 | 129 | O'Gorman | 138.41 | 138 | 101 | Schoen | 111.89 |
| 38 | 67 | Creet | 138.39 | 139 | 97 | Norden | 111.88 |
| 39 | 49 | Nash | 138.10 | 140 | 88 | Brookes | 111.86 |
| 40 | 16 | Cheval | 138.02 | 141 | 73 | Mottram | 111.62 |
| 41 | 29 | Zhou | 137.80 | 142 | 43 | Beeby | 111.47 |
| 42 | 30 | Baron | 137.79 | 143 | 84 | Miller | 111.32 |
| 43 | 32 | Jacob | 137.54 | 144 | 116 | Valentine | 111.21 |
| 44 | 82 | Palmer | 137.40 | 145 | 89 | K Fuller | 111.07 |
| 45 | 45 | Driscoll | 137.11 | 146 | 68 | Bedi | 110.89 |
| 46 | 66 | Johnston | 136.09 | 147 | 58 | B Clarke | 110.71 |
| 47 | 65 | Mayo | 135.97 | 148 | 157 | Mountjoy | 110.61 |
| 48 | 61 | Mott | 135.80 | 149 | 74 | Gunner | 110.57 |
| 49 | 53 | Harrop | 135.03 | 150 | 187 | Pollett | 110.45 |
| 50 | 134 | Fox | 134.13 | 151 | 98 | Gaspar | 110.27 |

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| Place | No. | Team | Score | Place | No. | Team | Score |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 51 | 10 | Cooper | 133.99 | 152 | 149 | Brandt | 110.22 |
| 52 | 44 | Klofa | 133.86 | 153 | 200 | Sylvester | 109.81 |
| 53 | 6 | Mullamphy | 133.23 | 154 | 190 | Carr | 108.46 |
| 54 | 75 | Wilks | 132.80 | 155 | 122 | Lorraway | 108.32 |
| 55 | 80 | McLeod | 132.59 | 156 | 152 | Randall | 107.49 |
| 56 | 36 | Askew | 132.57 | 157 | 146 | L Baker | 107.16 |
| 57 | 70 | Kempthorne | 132.40 | 158 | 72 | Soutter | 107.14 |
| 58 | 21 | Watts | 131.77 | 159 | 138 | Thatcher | 106.69 |
| 59 | 40 | Adams | 131.61 | 160 | 182 | Delany | 106.56 |
| 60 | 38 | T Fuller | 131.13 | 161 | 201 | Webb | 106.25 |
| 61 | 113 | Foreman | 130.97 | 162 | 212 | Cooney | 105.74 |
| 62 | 60 | Dibley | 130.84 | 163 | 209 | Orsborn | 105.73 |
| 63 | 147 | Kovacs | 130.75 | 164 | 196 | Hewson | 105.71 |
| 64 | 28 | Robbins | 130.55 | 165 | 202 | J Stacey | 105.52 |
| 64 | 108 | Moffat | 130.55 | 166 | 139 | Stewart | 105.44 |
| 66 | 35 | Thompson | 129.94 | 167 | 184 | Rigano | 104.98 |
| 67 | 27 | Greenspan | 128.93 | 168 | 136 | Whiddon | 104.60 |
| 68 | 55 | Abrams | 128.90 | 169 | 102 | Darley | 104.51 |
| 69 | 211 | Early | 128.84 | 170 | 210 | Whittle | 102.88 |
| 70 | 124 | Bugler | 128.64 | 171 | 178 | Read | 102.55 |
| 71 | 93 | Johnstone | 127.97 | 172 | 143 | A Young | 102.47 |
| 72 | 20 | Dawson | 127.91 | 173 | 162 | Redhead | 102.44 |
| 73 | 103 | Bogatie | 127.63 | 174 | 180 | Mathews | 101.59 |
| 74 | 131 | Foidl | 127.27 | 175 | 179 | Tucker | 101.48 |
| 75 | 99 | Hannan | 127.15 | 176 | 114 | Crockett | 101.14 |
| 76 | 92 | Fallet | 127.13 | 177 | 170 | White | 100.50 |
| 77 | 63 | S Clarke | 126.65 | 178 | 137 | Buckley | 100.33 |
| 78 | 172 | Owen | 126.39 | 179 | 189 | Barber | 100.19 |
| 79 | 85 | Lowry | 126.19 | 180 | 111 | Nicholson | 99.97 |
| 80 | 69 | K Bailey | 125.99 | 181 | 132 | Morrison | 99.86 |
| 81 | 153 | Brahma | 125.91 | 182 | 205 | Spencer | 98.91 |
| 82 | 166 | Watt | 125.65 | 183 | 193 | Matskows | 98.80 |
| 83 | 150 | Pisko | 125.56 | 184 | 155 | Turner | 98.63 |
| 84 | 165 | Barrett | 125.55 | 185 | 110 | Tredrea | 98.44 |
| 85 | 77 | L Jeffery | 125.49 | 186 | 167 | Gosney | 98.41 |
| 86 | 48 | Kyburz | 125.31 | 187 | 154 | Geare | 97.66 |
| 87 | 199 | Ajzner | 125.17 | 188 | 169 | Reynolds | 97.61 |
| 88 | 206 | C De Luca | 124.28 | 189 | 135 | Nichols | 97.35 |
| 89 | 160 | Baljet | 124.16 | 190 | 176 | I Bailey | 96.77 |
| 90 | 51 | Bolt | 123.99 | 191 | 183 | Sheldrake | 96.46 |
| 91 | 59 | Alexander | 123.86 | 192 | 94 | Weathered | 95.45 |
| 92 | 105 | Harris | 123.81 | 193 | 100 | Allen | 94.93 |
| 93 | 128 | Tuxworth | 123.30 | 194 | 115 | Thorp | 94.60 |
| 94 | 120 | McAlister | 122.70 | 195 | 104 | Abbenbroek | 93.87 |
| 94 | 118 | Collins | 122.70 | 196 | 207 | Procel | 93.32 |
| 96 | 117 | Kilvert | 122.36 | 197 | 159 | Homik | 92.14 |
| 97 | 87 | Finikiotis | 122.15 | 198 | 168 | Cordingley | 91.30 |
| 98 | 188 | Barda | 121.68 | 199 | 141 | L Young | 90.50 |
| 99 | 107 | Shaw | 121.38 | 200 | 164 | Fraser | 90.35 |
| 100 | 26 | McLeish | 121.24 | 201 | 127 | Grayden | 89.88 |
| 101 | 130 | Longmire | 121.23 | 202 | 175 | Adey | 88.25 |
| 102 | 95 | Steinwedel | 121.21 | 203 | 71 | McEntegart | 88.06 |
| 103 | 121 | Levin | 120.93 | 204 | 191 | M Smith | 87.99 |

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| Place | No. | Team | Score | Place | No. | Team | Score |
| :---: | :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- | :---: |
| 104 | 208 | Hannah-Brown | 120.53 | 205 | 194 | Fawcett | 86.63 |
| 105 | 81 | Berry | 120.18 | 206 | 106 | Warnock | 82.74 |
| 106 | 163 | Fletcher | 119.94 | 207 | 119 | Allanson | 81.71 |
| 107 | 177 | Athea | 119.41 | 208 | 144 | Leach | 79.48 |
| 108 | 78 | Sheedy | 118.48 | 209 | 181 | Manuel | 76.88 |
| 109 | 125 | B Stacey | 118.36 | 210 | 171 | Rose | 75.26 |
| 110 | 174 | Parkin | 118.07 | 211 | 198 | Clifford | 73.81 |
| 111 | 204 | Plimmer | 118.01 | 212 | 197 | Woodage | 66.47 |


| Final Qualifying Scores After 12 Rounds - SENIORS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Place | No. | Team Members |  |  |  |  | Score |
| 1 | 7 | S Mendick - B Waters - T Marinos - P Grant (Qualify) |  |  |  |  | 155.65 |
| 2 | 1 | Z Nagy - D Middleton - D Smith - N Ewart (Qualify) |  |  |  |  | 155.22 |
| 3 | 2 | T Leibowitz - P Gill - D Stern - R Grynberg - T Moss |  |  |  |  | 148.79 |
| 4 | 3 | R Brightling - D Hoffman - R Krochmalik - P Lavings |  |  |  |  | 146.89 |
| Place | No. | Team | Score | Place | No. | Team | Score |
| 5 | 10 | Chan | 143.16 | 13 | 11 | Cormack | 114.35 |
| 6 | 6 | Walsh | 132.14 | 14 | 15 | Obenchain | 112.16 |
| 7 | 9 | Arber | 130.05 | 15 | 18 | Richards | 111.81 |
| 8 | 12 | McKinnon | 126.10 | 16 | 16 | Rasmussen | 111.68 |
| 9 | 8 | Walters | 123.58 | 17 | 20 | Chang | 104.01 |
| 10 | 5 | Hutton | 119.36 | 18 | 13 | Marker | 86.89 |
| 11 | 4 | Bloom | 119.23 | 19 | 14 | Brown | 78.43 |
| 12 | 17 | Hanson | 115.01 | 20 | 19 | MacAulay | 65.49 |


| Final Qualifying Scores After 12 Rounds - INTERMEDIATE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Place | No. | Team Members |  |  |  |  | Score |
| 1 | 7 | K Hajmasi - A Michl - T Jiang - J Zhu (Qualify) |  |  |  |  | 181.62 |
| 2 | 4 | E Baker - K Blinco - M Holewa - D Holewa (Qualify) |  |  |  |  | 162.95 |
| 3 | 10 | H Tomlinson - B Foster - J Donovan - M Johnson |  |  |  |  | 157.80 |
| 4 | 3 | L Attwood - K Attwood - P Corry - C Fernando |  |  |  |  | 157.72 |
| Place | No. | Team | Score | Place | No. | Team | Score |
| 5 | 17 | Gilbert | 154.50 | 54 | 25 | Sear | 117.69 |
| 6 | 63 | Greenwich | 149.92 | 55 | 41 | Stephenson | 117.64 |
| 7 | 23 | Johnson | 149.07 | 56 | 29 | B Stewart | 117.07 |
| 8 | 42 | Borrell | 147.03 | 57 | 69 | Stick | 116.62 |
| 9 | 8 | Hurst | 146.62 | 58 | 56 | Hollingworth | 115.99 |
| 10 | 22 | Fardoulys | 144.32 | 59 | 90 | Swanson | 115.16 |
| 11 | 49 | Norman | 143.35 | 60 | 76 | Brooks | 115.12 |
| 12 | 51 | Jonsberg | 141.60 | 61 | 86 | Moody | 114.60 |
| 13 | 31 | Gryg | 141.52 | 62 | 94 | Ruddell | 114.21 |
| 14 | 9 | Delorenzo | 140.84 | 63 | 46 | Leeton | 112.66 |
| 15 | 1 | McAuliffe | 140.59 | 64 | 66 | Kanetkar | 112.38 |
| 16 | 75 | Bakas | 139.89 | 65 | 97 | Lane | 112.14 |
| 17 | 11 | M Rogers | 138.95 | 66 | 88 | Mietzke | 111.87 |
| 18 | 33 | Cameron | 138.68 | 67 | 83 | Hoschke | 111.43 |
| 19 | 80 | Price | 138.53 | 68 | 100 | Linden | 110.52 |
| 20 | 20 | Knox | 137.78 | 69 | 73 | Coventry | 110.35 |
| 21 | 34 | McFall | 136.10 | 70 | 44 | Keating | 110.29 |
| 22 | 2 | Van Weeren | 135.90 | 71 | 85 | Parmenter | 109.84 |
| 23 | 16 | Carson | 135.46 | 72 | 77 | Davis | 109.80 |
| 24 | 48 | Sutherland | 133.62 | 73 | 54 | Newbery | 109.70 |

Final Qualifying Scores After 12 Rounds - INTERMEDIATE

| Place | No. | Team | Score | Place | No. | Team | Score |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 25 | 101 | Kalma | 133.45 | 74 | 52 | Davidson | 109.49 |
| 26 | 38 | Wiles | 133.39 | 75 | 27 | Giles | 108.85 |
| 27 | 58 | Weber | 132.77 | 76 | 87 | J Stewart | 108.24 |
| 28 | 5 | Packer | 132.60 | 77 | 45 | Binsted | 107.62 |
| 29 | 47 | Erlandson | 132.56 | 78 | 95 | D Scott | 105.65 |
| 30 | 78 | Ramsund | 132.19 | 79 | 93 | Trengove | 105.60 |
| 31 | 32 | Clift | 131.49 | 79 | 12 | McDonald | 105.60 |
| 32 | 53 | Champain | 129.47 | 81 | 84 | McMaster | 104.48 |
| 33 | 21 | Steinhardt | 129.28 | 82 | 39 | Cooper | 103.77 |
| 34 | 14 | Bell | 129.08 | 83 | 89 | Stretton | 103.42 |
| 35 | 68 | L Robertson | 128.44 | 84 | 82 | Van Kruistum | 103.02 |
| 36 | 18 | Sinclair | 127.62 | 85 | 71 | B Rossiter-Nuttall | 102.99 |
| 37 | 50 | Williamson | 127.13 | 86 | 65 | Wippell | 102.70 |
| 38 | 102 | Dundas | 126.57 | 87 | 6 | Keeling | 102.61 |
| 39 | 99 | Deaker | 125.61 | 88 | 98 | Jacobs | 101.30 |
| 40 | 61 | Bailey | 123.77 | 89 | 91 | Simon | 100.83 |
| 41 | 64 | Zollo | 122.90 | 90 | 15 | Paris | 100.82 |
| 41 | 30 | Marsh | 122.90 | 91 | 81 | Munro | 100.17 |
| 43 | 55 | Sklarz | 121.60 | 92 | 59 | Schmalkuche | 99.27 |
| 44 | 28 | L Rogers | 121.14 | 93 | 96 | Harris | 98.68 |
| 45 | 74 | Johnston | 121.12 | 94 | 62 | Power | 97.26 |
| 46 | 26 | Cockbill | 121.02 | 95 | 92 | Beckman | 96.99 |
| 47 | 19 | O'Regan | 120.81 | 96 | 35 | Baguley | 95.14 |
| 48 | 57 | Johnstone | 120.04 | 97 | 40 | Moylan | 94.73 |
| 49 | 37 | J Rossiter-Nuttall | 119.72 | 98 | 67 | Beckett | 92.71 |
| 50 | 70 | Chan | 119.59 | 99 | 24 | Raward | 85.46 |
| 51 | 79 | Prickett | 119.14 | 100 | 60 | Steward | 85.22 |
| 52 | 43 | Churchett | 118.81 | 101 | 36 | M Robertson | 64.96 |
| 53 | 13 | J Williams | 118.16 | 102 | 72 | J Scott | 59.28 |

## Final Qualifying Scores After 12 Rounds - RESTRICTED

| Place | No. | Team Members |  |  | Score |  |
| :---: | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | ---: |
| $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{6 2}$ | I Bannister - F Martin - J O'Brien - C Hagen | (Qualify) | $\mathbf{1 6 5 . 5 8}$ |  |  |
| $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{1 0}$ | M Stevens - S Luby - N Williams - K Murray (Qualify) | $\mathbf{1 6 5 . 4 2}$ |  |  |  |
| 3 | 70 | N Bowers - J Watkinson - N Walsh - G Wagner | 159.91 |  |  |  |
| 4 | 7 | C Chaffey - A Goodchild - P Halloran - R Ward | 157.63 |  |  |  |
| Place | No. | Team |  | Score | Place | No. |
| 5 | 13 | Francis | 153.07 | 55 | 29 | Webb |
| 6 | 53 | Crommelin | 151.06 | 56 | 8 | Boocock |
| 7 | 97 | Gurney | 150.50 | 57 | 73 | Nilsson |
| 8 | 90 | R Stuart | 150.10 | 58 | 47 | Gedge |
| 9 | 89 | Haslett | 147.48 | 59 | 12 | Irving |
| 10 | 57 | Argent | 144.96 | 60 | 15 | Fenaughty |
| 11 | 84 | McBride | 144.05 | 61 | 63 | Nice |
| 12 | 20 | Morahan | 142.38 | 62 | 91 | Phillips |
| 13 | 38 | Saxby | 140.37 | 63 | 72 | Wood |
| 14 | 67 | Biddick | 139.87 | 64 | 6 | O'Neill |
| 15 | 34 | Borthwick | 139.52 | 65 | 17 | Hart |
| 16 | 69 | Thillainathan | 139.49 | 66 | 104 | Williams |
| 17 | 41 | Zink | 138.01 | 67 | 50 | Meakin |
| 18 | 83 | Hamilton-Reen | 137.68 | 68 | 2 | Earnshaw |
| 19 | 18 | Gruythuysen | 137.61 | 69 | 36 | Coloper |
| 20 | 3 | Williams | 137.53 | 70 | 94 | Russell |

Final Qualifying Scores After 12 Rounds - RESTRICTED

| Place | No. | Team | Score | Place | No. | Team | Score |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 21 | 32 | J Stuart | 136.32 | 71 | 95 | Snow | 111.55 |
| 22 | 35 | Yoffa | 136.08 | 72 | 39 | Bowen-Thomas | 111.38 |
| 23 | 92 | Tattersfield | 133.58 | 73 | 26 | Cotton | 109.43 |
| 24 | 93 | Lenton | 132.91 | 74 | 5 | Opray | 108.93 |
| 25 | 52 | Garside | 132.58 | 75 | 30 | Wyeth | 108.88 |
| 26 | 43 | Henke | 132.34 | 76 | 71 | Burke | 108.16 |
| 27 | 51 | Burns | 132.11 | 77 | 74 | Brink | 107.90 |
| 28 | 79 | Singer | 131.95 | 78 | 25 | Eather | 107.35 |
| 29 | 80 | Hartley | 131.84 | 79 | 48 | Bustany | 107.20 |
| 30 | 54 | Goldman | 131.01 | 80 | 58 | Ledger | 107.18 |
| 31 | 82 | Edginton | 130.49 | 81 | 56 | Northey | 105.57 |
| 32 | 101 | Whitehead | 129.91 | 82 | 14 | Munro | 105.48 |
| 33 | 33 | Bartlett | 129.40 | 83 | 96 | Hazlehurst | 104.14 |
| 34 | 45 | Lipton | 128.16 | 84 | 85 | Mabin | 104.01 |
| 35 | 98 | Ward | 128.05 | 85 | 9 | Treloar | 103.74 |
| 36 | 4 | Tracey | 127.60 | 86 | 59 | Maclntosh | 102.61 |
| 37 | 40 | Teitzel | 127.52 | 87 | 37 | Mathieson | 102.40 |
| 38 | 64 | Houston | 127.05 | 88 | 19 | Riley | 102.26 |
| 39 | 81 | Innes | 126.91 | 89 | 16 | Wright | 101.95 |
| 40 | 22 | Egan | 126.02 | 90 | 60 | Reilly | 100.76 |
| 41 | 44 | Cameron | 124.92 | 91 | 66 | Hooper | 100.57 |
| 42 | 88 | Shannahan | 124.70 | 92 | 49 | Crawford | 99.55 |
| 43 | 42 | Gibson | 124.05 | 93 | 68 | Little | 96.27 |
| 44 | 1 | Dunlop | 123.72 | 94 | 11 | Heck | 96.02 |
| 45 | 46 | Brown | 123.33 | 95 | 28 | Murray | 94.11 |
| 46 | 21 | Lawson | 120.90 | 96 | 31 | McClintock | 93.35 |
| 47 | 103 | Falkingham | 120.64 | 97 | 23 | Akhtar | 93.04 |
| 48 | 75 | Clarke | 120.24 | 98 | 27 | Gault | 90.04 |
| 49 | 99 | Mather | 120.23 | 99 | 78 | MacKintosh | 87.86 |
| 50 | 24 | Hall | 119.96 | 100 | 65 | Tipler | 85.97 |
| 51 | 100 | Kooter | 119.75 | 101 | 61 | Bunting | 85.88 |
| 52 | 87 | Penington | 119.26 | 102 | 76 | Sargent | 85.72 |
| 53 | 102 | Dale | 119.18 | 103 | 55 | Vary | 81.35 |
| 54 | 77 | Gray | 119.10 | 104 | 86 | Thurairetnam | 71.12 |


| Final Qualifying Scores After 12 Rounds - NOVICE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Place | No. | Team Members |  |  |  |  | Score |
| 1 | 18 | N Anderson - D Smith - J Reid - D Dwyer (Qualify) |  |  |  |  | 154.16 |
| 2 | 11 | G Howitt - A Carter - L Decker - A Ramsden (Qualify) |  |  |  |  | 150.75 |
| 3 | 10 | B Yates - N Hullah - K Barns - S Bray |  |  |  |  | 146.79 |
| 4 | 4 | A Sharp - S Sharp - W Casey - B Moni |  |  |  |  | 139.71 |
| Place | No. | Team | Score | Place | No. | Team | Score |
| 5 | 1 | Coote | 138.91 | 17 | 3 | Van Kruistum | 120.29 |
| 6 | 22 | Dunworth | 134.87 | 18 | 14 | Carter | 119.79 |
| 7 | 12 | Moule | 133.47 | 19 | 28 | Basile | 119.58 |
| 8 | 7 | Petterson | 132.30 | 20 | 25 | Verboeket | 118.23 |
| 9 | 13 | Stacey | 131.29 | 21 | 15 | Henry | 116.98 |
| 10 | 23 | Duke | 130.89 | 22 | 19 | Burley | 116.22 |
| 11 | 21 | Treloar | 130.39 | 23 | 6 | Jackson | 102.34 |
| 12 | 9 | Pappas | 129.66 | 24 | 5 | King | 93.12 |
| 13 | 2 | Colling | 128.69 | 25 | 20 | Shotter | 89.81 |
| 14 | 24 | Grgic | 128.06 | 26 | 8 | Noble | 70.32 |
| 15 | 17 | Hume | 128.00 | 27 | 27 | Paranthoine | 64.44 |
| 16 | 16 | Sexton | 126.80 | 28 | 26 | Blake | 64.14 |

Thursday Rookie Pairs

| Place | North-South | \% | Place | East-West | \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | Caroline Nelson - Felicity Mckenzie | 61.32 | 1 | Jenny Sanders - Keith Sanders | 61.53 |
| 2 | Cecelia Hains - Mimma Fazio | 58.02 | 2 | Gayleen Trevaskis - Jennifer Brangan | 59.86 |
| 3 | Judy Werner - Sandy Spies | 57.92 | 3 | Andrew Gordon - Barry Braithwaite | 58.70 |
| 4 | Heather Mckelvie-Morris - Carmel Dwan | 53.96 | 4 | Marjan Zadnik - Helga Volz | 57.49 |
| 5 | Helen Poynten - Wendy Cuthbert | 53.34 | 5 | Marjory Harms - Jane Gordon | 53.50 |
| 6 | Peter Fredericks - Thais Morgan-Pertus | 52.72 | 6 | David Stent - Peter Cooper | 48.99 |
| 7 | Alice Edwards - Jenny Nunn | 49.79 | 7 | Maria Miller - Ronnie Toohey | 48.68 |
| 8 | Ian Gaskell - Carol Gaskell | 48.69 | 8 | Peter Fagan - Julie Navruk | 48.52 |
| 9 | Jenny Hearle - Julie Clark | 46.78 | 9 | Peter Green - Sue Green | 46.93 |
| 10 | Marie Downing - Selby Downing | 41.08 | 10 | Philip Kerr - Ange Kerr | 42.99 |
| 11 | Michael Hogan - Sandra Hendry | 40.25 | 11 | Ros Arthur - Marcia Cameron | 42.45 |
| 12 | Denis Stark - Heather Kempf | 36.13 | 12 | Jane Propsting - Judith Carfrae | 40.36 |


| 0-50 MP Butler Swiss Pairs |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Rank | Pair | Names | Total | Rank | Pair | Names | Total |
| 1 | 32 | Robyn Lichter - Judy Leiba | 93.04 | 29 | 14 | Barbara Love - Roger Love | 60.71 |
| 2 | 37 | Margaret Brown - Jan Malcolm | 84.46 | 30 | 30 | Ian Hammond - Frances Hammond | 60.63 |
| 3 | 28 | Anne Moase - Penny Talley | 80.01 | 31 | 54 | Peter Leggo - Daphne Leggo | 59.96 |
| 4 | 26 | Don Jobbins - Michael O'Rourke | 78.67 | 32 | 49 | Marcelle Goslin - Anne Birt | 59.05 |
| 5 | 38 | Dennis Lincoln - Pamela Steele | 78.43 | 33 | 36 | Janet Mckeough - Liz Milner | 59.00 |
| 6 | 7 | Upasana Shanti - Lynda Laffan | 77.55 | 34 | 39 | Heather Todd - Clare Gleeson | 58.04 |
| 7 | 55 | Michelle Ajzensztat - Frank Ajzensztat | 75.01 | 35 | 9 | Paul Barrett - Carmel Barrett | 57.66 |
| 8 | 50 | Tim Angley - Eric Rowe | 72.68 | 36 | 51 | Hanna Majewski - Rita Van Lieshout | 56.83 |
| 9 | 27 | Jann Simmonds - Claudia Gibson | 71.99 | 37 | 33 | Denyse Morgan - Helen Lavery | 55.95 |
| 10 | 5 | David Ting - Ming Ting | 71.78 | 38 | 29 | Lyn Greer - Joy Fielding | 54.60 |
| 11 | 23 | Fiona Ferwerda - Penny Robertson | 70.31 | 39 | 12 | Netta Stringer - Leon Lorensen | 54.27 |
| 12 | 20 | Heather Douglas - David Douglas | 69.54 | 40 | 47 | Sandrine Taillardat - Camie Mcmahon | 53.55 |
| 13 | 2 | Annette Hendry - Paul Hendry | 68.45 | 41 | 13 | Leith Cameron - Ros Clark | 52.71 |
| 14 | 1 | Eugene Pereira - Rex Meadowcroft | 67.20 | 42 | 16 | Liz Moss - Margaret Byrne | 52.43 |
| 15 | 3 | Ann Smith - Robyn Green | 65.76 | 43 | 45 | Deborah Nilsson - Phillip Douglas | 51.84 |
| 16 | 43 | Sandy Carter - Susan Eason | 65.01 | 44 | 31 | Jenny Burchmore - Barbara Richardson | 51.35 |
| 17 | 46 | Leo Friedlaender - Francine Ben-David | 64.71 | 45 | 4 | Robert Hogarth - Gillian Hogarth | 51.32 |
| 18 | 22 | Ian Leach - Nina Doyle | 64.33 | 46 | 34 | Wandini Noal - Di Robinson | 49.89 |
| 19 | 18 | Dianne Hiles - Richard Booth | 63.19 | 47 | 19 | Mike Le Voi - Kathleen Le Voi | 48.13 |
| 20 | 41 | Michael Hogan - Sandra Hendry | 63.14 | 48 | 48 | Neil Cawthorne - Annie Vaughan | 47.46 |
| 21 | 35 | June Drysdale - Phil Griffiths | 62.80 | 49 | 24 | Deanna Cruickshank - Janet Franklin | 46.77 |
| 22 | 44 | Graeme Seaton - Judy Seaton | 62.54 | 50 | 11 | Julie More - Janice Meldrum | 45.45 |
| 23 | 17 | Gaye Clark - Eliza Hemphill | 61.81 | 51 | 25 | Thea Hobson - Desley Strik | 44.15 |
| 24 | 10 | Jane Clitheroe - Barbara Dillner | 61.67 | 52 | 56 | Hans Limacher - Claire Williams | 41.76 |
| 25 | 6 | Aggie Bowyer - Wendy Ledgerwood | 61.52 | 53 | 52 | Midge Spice - Lynda Bennion | 40.55 |
| 26 | 42 | Gloria Newton - Anne Gardiner | 61.49 | 54 | 8 | Judy Hefferan - Robyn Harrison | 39.75 |
| 27 | 21 | Virginia Sanders - Pauline Greig | 61.31 | 55 | 53 | Denyse Stephens - Wendy Sheehan | 37.97 |
| 28 | 40 | Graeme Schubert - Charmain Mills | 60.78 | 56 | 15 | David Callan - Rosemary Muller | 31.37 |


| Holiday Pairs Event 2 - Session 4 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Rank | N-S | Score | Rank | E-W | Score |  |
| 1 | Jeanette Chatterton - Dawn Simpson | 63.41 | 1 | Christine Young - Dianne Brinkworth | 58.15 |  |
| 2 | Johan Roose - Judith Roose-Driver | 61.66 | 2 | Deborah Carmichael - Susanne Hollis | 57.32 |  |
| 3 | John Courtman - Chris Pippen | 58.22 | 3 | Joy Wesslink - Lois Chambers | 55.92 |  |
| 4 | Ann Gunner - Maoliosa Hawkes | 57.85 | 4 | Walter Hugentobler - Annemarie Hugentobler | 55.57 |  |
| 5 | Jim Thatcher - Carolyn Seymour | 56.62 | 5 | Ted Hobson - Patricia Hobson | 54.57 |  |
| 6 | Peter Langston - Marit Langston | 56.54 | 6 | Alan Corkhill - Anne Alexander | 54.03 |  |
| 7 | Val Dawson - Colleen Berry | 56.26 | 7 | Parveen Rayani - Jamal Rayani | 53.93 |  |
| 8 | Dulcie Miller - Paul Rose | 55.03 | 8 | Bruce Gough - Joan Anderson | 52.37 |  |
| 9 | Michael Kent - Beverley Welch | 53.79 | 9 | Margaret Baker - Lorraine Pescatore | 51.11 |  |
| 10 | Dennis Watkinson - Paul Thiem | 51.66 | 10 | Nola Daly - Marianna Xerri | 50.71 |  |
| 11 | Sharon Jackson - Raymond Jackson | 51.49 | 11 | Kevin Balkin - Pauline Balkin | 50.32 |  |
| 12 | Carol Parker - Linda Smith | 51.14 | 12 | Maria Campbell - Rick Gaylard | 49.47 |  |
| 13 | Peter Uldrich - Di Court | 49.56 | 13 | Sue Burns - Kay Pearson | 48.70 |  |
| 14 | Pat Sleat - Ray Ingielewicz | 45.33 | 14 | Lesley Martin - Cynthia Brinkman | 48.69 |  |
| 15 | Merit Morgan - Adele Munro | 44.86 | 15 | Judy Hildebrand - Sheila Connell | 48.39 |  |
| 16 | Judy Forsyth - Rebecca Rogers | 44.81 | 16 | Ethel Lavin - Pam Schiller | 48.20 |  |
| 17 | Wayne Hooper - Merrilyn Hooper | 43.03 | 17 | Maudie Draper - Michael Rosen | 47.56 |  |
| 18 | Pattye Laing - Jack Carson | 39.56 | 18 | Linda Dewberry - Cherie Lucas | 45.06 |  |
| 19 | Graham White - Jill Featherston | 38.40 | 19 | Diana Stewart - David Stewart | 44.77 |  |
| 20 | Jenny Mawson - Alexa Parker | 36.06 | 20 | Maz Mckee - Denise Richards | 43.94 |  |
| 21 | Kathryn Kerr - David Kerr | 35.08 | 21 | Anne Rosengren - Lyn Mayer | 31.56 |  |

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|  | Friday22nd February |  | Saturday 23rd February |  |
| OPEN EVENTS |  |  |  |  |
|  | Q/F Teams | S/F Teams | Finals Teams |  |
| Open Teams | $\begin{gathered} \text { 9:00am } \\ \text { 2x12 Brds } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 2:00pm } \\ & \text { 4x10 Brds } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { 9:00am } \\ \text { 4x12 Brds } \end{gathered}$ | Dinner Dance |
| Ivy Dahler Open Butler Swiss Pairs | 10:00am 1/3 | 2:00pm 2/3 | 10:00am 3/3 | 7:00pm |
| SENIORS EVENTS |  |  |  |  |
| Seniors Teams | $\begin{array}{r} 10: 002 \\ 4 \times 12 \mathrm{~B} \\ \hline \end{array}$ | Start <br> s Final |  |  |
| INTERMEDIATE EVENTS (Under 750MPs) |  |  |  |  |
| Intermediate Teams <br> Ivy Dahler Intermediate Butler Swiss Pairs | $\begin{array}{r} 10: 00 \mathrm{a} \\ 4 \times 12 \mathrm{~B} \\ 10: 00 \mathrm{am} 1 / 3 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | Start <br> s Final 2:00pm 2/3 | 10:00am 3/3 | 7:30pm Start <br> Bookings |
| RESTRICTED EVENTS (Under 300MPs) |  |  |  |  |
| Restricted Teams <br> Ivy Dahler Restricted Butler Swiss Pairs | $\begin{array}{r} 10: 00 \mathrm{a} \\ 4 \times 12 \mathrm{~B} \\ 10: 00 \mathrm{am} 1 / 3 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | Start <br> s Final <br> 2:00pm 2/3 | 10:00am 3/3 | A popular climax to the week. Attendees will be |
| NOVICE EVENTS (Under 100MPs)   <br> invited to register for   |  |  |  |  |
| Novice Teams | $\begin{array}{r} 10: 00 \mathrm{a} \\ 4 \times 12 \mathrm{Br} \end{array}$ | Start <br> Final |  | this event during the week. The cost will be $\$ 20$ to anyone who |
| Friday Novice Pairs | 10:00am 1/2 | 2:00pm 2/2 |  | played in an event (walk |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Seres/McMahon Matchpoint Swiss Pairs | 10:00am 1/2 | 2:00pm 2/2 |  |  |
| OASIS WALK-IN PAIRS |  |  |  |  |
| Walk-In Pairs Event 3: Best 2 Scores Count | 10:00am E3S1 | 2:00pm E3S2 | 10:00am E3S3 |  |
|  | Friday |  | Saturday |  |

## CALENDAR OF SOCIAL AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

# NOVICE AND ROOKIE ACTIVITIES 

Friday
22nd
February

## Novices

Help Available

In the Playing Area
Novices Section

09:30am
to
10:00am

## SOCIAL AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

TBIB Daily Prize Wheel
You Must be Present to Win
Champagne Breakfast For Shoe Shoppers In Her Shoes

local \& imported shoes bags a accessories

| Foyer GCCEC |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| In Her Shoes <br> Ground Floor <br> Oasis Shopping Centre | $8: 15 \mathrm{am}$ |

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Friday
23rd
February

SOLUTION TO YESTERDAY'S CHESS PROBLEM SOLUTION TO YESTERDAY'S SUDOKU [HARD]


1. Rh6 (then if Qxa3, 2. Ng6\#, or if g7xh6, 2. Qxe7)


TODAY'S SUDOKU [HARD]

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

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