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ALERT – October 24, 2022

Top Master Point Earners at our Club

Contributed by Allen Pengelly

This table lists the individuals who have earned the most master points at our club in each of three master point bands since the beginning of September.

Open Players			499er Players			99er Players		
	Name	MP		Name	MP		Name	MP
1	David Baker	35.73	1	Suzanne Edwards	10.12	1	Nancy Cattanach	4.76
2	Cindy Mahn	22.41	2	Brian Kirkconnell	9.57	2	Belinda Burt	2.82
3	Margot Stockie	19.14	3	John Kip	9.32	3	Christopher Beck	2.80
4	Edith Ferber	17.84	4	Stephen Nantes	8.67	4	Valirie Binkle	2.66
5	Mike Peng	16.90	5	Cheryl Kip	7.40	5	Rick Arthur	2.58
6	Stephen Young	16.89	6	Bev Hitchman	7.07	6	Louise Dawdy	2.49
7	Liz McDowell	12.33	7	Roy Dandyk	7.04	7	Debbie Miethig	2.45
8	David Longstaff	12.23	8	Joe Blake	6.75	8	Denise Ontonovich	2.37
9	Neil Jeffrey	11.07	9	Steven Allen	5.96	9	Brian Gaber	2.35
10	Kathy Russell	8.60	10	David Dennis	5.94	10	Jane Wilson	2.17
11	Robert Griffiths	8.47	11	Cheryl White	5.62	11	Audrey Cook	2.03
12	Barbara Kains	7.97	12	Lynda Burnett	5.49	12	Ellen Libertini	2.01
13	Dianne Aves	7.59	13	Shelley Metcalfe	5.34	12	Susan Murray	2.01
14	Neil Coburn	7.46	14	Sue Peterson	5.28	14	M J Hartleib	1.74
15	Ted Boyd	7.30	15	Joan Slover	4.98	15	Molly Worden	1.66
16	Colin Harrington	7.08	16	Nanci Phelan	4.83	16	J J Girard	1.60
17	Steve Carpenter	6.98	17	Andy Wilson	4.78	17	Pat Gascho	1.54
18	Malkin Howes	6.62	18	Nancy Millward	4.72	17	Donna McKay	1.54
19	Dave Quarrie	6.28	19	M L Benjamins	4.70	19	Elaine Doyle	1.49
20	Sandy Graham	6.20	20	Jim Dalgliesh	4.56	20	Charlene Schell	1.34
21	Adrian Record	6.15	21	Lissa Lowes	4.43	21	David Ward	1.33
22	Ted Kennedy	5.16	22	Anita Hanson	4.07	22	Sandra Willoughby	1.19
23	Pat McMillan	4.99	23	Barb Neibert	3.82	23	Carol Robinson	1.12
24	Robert Walker	4.52	24	Renate Boucher	3.63	23	Trend Robinson	1.12
25	Mary McClelland	4.44	25	Andy Martinek	3.61	25	Ruth Veder	1.01

ALL GAMES ARE ONLINE UNLESS DESIGNATED **FACE-TO-FACE.**

Coming Events

- Friday, October 21, 1:00 pm, **499er game (24 boards) (\$8 members/ \$10 non-members) **FACE TO FACE CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS – EXTRA MASTERPOINTS****
 - Friday, October 21, 7:00 pm, **Open game (24 boards) (\$8 members/\$10 non-members) **FACE TO FACE CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS – EXTRA MASTERPOINTS****
 - Saturday-Sunday, October 22 & 23, [89th Western Ontario Sectional Bridge Tournament, London](#)
 - Saturday, October 22, 1:00 pm, **199er game (20-22 boards) BBO\$5**
 - Sunday, October 23, 10:00 am, **499er game (18 boards) BBO\$5**
 - Monday, October 24, 9:00 am, **Bridge Lab (\$8 members/ \$10 non-members) **FACE TO FACE****
 - Monday, October 24, 10:00 am, **Intermediate Bridge Lab (\$8 members/ \$10 non-members) **FACE TO FACE****
 - Monday, October 24, 12:30 pm, **99er game (20-22 boards) BBO\$5**
 - Monday, October 24, 1:00 pm, **open game (24 boards) BBO\$5**
 - Monday, October 24, 7:00 pm, **499er game (24 boards) BBO\$5**
 - Tuesday, October 25, 12:30 pm, **199er game (20-22 boards) BBO\$5**
 - Tuesday, October 25, 1:00 pm, **Open game (24-28 boards) (\$10 members/ \$12 non-members) **FACE TO FACE ROYAL STAC GAME****
 - Wednesday, October 26, 1:00 pm, **499er game (24 boards) BBO\$5**
 - Wednesday, October 26, 6:45 pm, **199er game (20-22 boards) BBO\$5**
 - Wednesday, October 26, 7:00 pm, **Open game (24 boards) BBO\$5**
 - Thursday, October 27, 9:30 am, **99er game (20-22 boards) BBO\$5**
 - Thursday, October 27, 1:00 pm, **open game (24 boards) BBO\$5**
 - Thursday, October 27, 6:30 pm, **Beginners 1 Course **FACE TO FACE****
 - Thursday, October 27, 6:30 pm, **49er game (18 boards) BBO\$5**
 - Thursday, October 27, 7:00 pm, **999er game (24 boards) BBO\$5**
 - Saturday, November 5, **North American Pairs Finals**
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Royal STaC Games

Our club will be offering three STaC games during the last week of October –for our face-to-face games: the Tuesday afternoon open game, the Friday afternoon 499er game, and the Friday night open game. The masterpoints earned at STaC games are 25% each of gold, red, silver, and black points. There is a \$2 surcharge.

Thursday Night Beginner Games

As may have been mentioned once or twice, our entry-level game (capped at 20 masterpoints) rarely attracts enough players to happen. As a result, the cap has now been raised to 50 masterpoints. In other words, effective immediately anyone with fewer than 50 masterpoints will be permitted to play in the Thursday night game (it starts at 6:30 pm). This is a use it or lose it situation. We will offer this 49er version for two or three weeks, but if we still don't attract enough players we will give up and cancel this game entirely. Over to you, newer players!

PS: DON'T FORGET: YOU WILL GET A PERSONALIZED EMAIL THE NEXT DAY GIVING HELPFUL SUGGESTIONS AS TO WHAT YOU MIGHT HAVE DONE BETTER.



North American Pairs

In previous years, the District 2 NAP finals have been held in Winnipeg, Toronto, and Tillsonburg. This year, our club has the honour of taking Tillsonburg's place. The three or four top pairs in each flight will earn the right to represent our district at the Spring NABC in New Orleans, along with cash awards. In order to participate, you need to have already qualified (click [here](#) to check if you're on the list – scroll down to Unit 249). Pre-registration is required by October 29, and can be accomplished by emailing [Jim Dalgliesh](#). If we don't get at least ten pairs preregistered in a particular flight, that flight will not run.

This is an opportunity for our club to get some publicity and at the same time potentially make a profit. To make an event like this work we need volunteers for parking, setup, and clean-up. We are also looking at having the event catered, so there will be some involvement in the distribution of meals. We are looking for commitments of two hours at most from each volunteer. If you are available and willing, please contact either [Joe Blake](#) or [Jim Dalgliesh](#). In many cases, it would be possible to both play in the finals and also volunteer.



Our Library

At our club, we offer many ways to improve your bridge skills. One option is our bridge library which is located in our Zebra Lounge (see photo). Although Polonius advised you against being either a borrower or a lender, we do recommend this policy anyway. Having said that, the fact is that our offering of bridge books is on the meager side right now. If you have some left-over bridge books, whether or not they were borrowed from us in the past, it would be great if you would bring them in and replenish our collection.

While we are on the subject of our library, the Zebra Lounge also boasts a collection of jigsaw puzzles and casual reading novels. Everything on the honour system....



Bakers, Start Your Ovens!

As our club slowly returns to normalcy, we have started to put out cookies and snacks, along with the usual offerings of pop, coffee, and tea. We have some great bakers at our club, and it would be wonderful, and greatly appreciated by the hungry hordes, if our bakers would start bringing in some of their fabulous goodies. Nut-free of course!



Congratulations.....

to the following local players who were in the money in last week's Ray Millie Tournament.

- **Mike Peng and Robert Griffiths**, 1st in A, Open Pairs
 - **Tom Ramsay and Cindy Mahn**, 2nd in A, Open Pairs
 - **Laurie Dean and John Vandergrift**, 2nd in B, Open Pairs
 - Barbara Grantmyre and **Wayne Jordan**, 3rd in B, Open Pairs
 - **Margie Whyte and Karen Whitworth**, 2nd in A, NLM Pairs
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Best Bridge Video Series

Contributed by Stephen Carpenter

A number of bridge experts have online videos, but the best in my opinion is the “Wednesday Morning Tournament” available on YouTube or [Rob Barrington's website](#). Each Wednesday morning, Gavin Wolpert plays an eight-board tournament with three robots. He and Rob discuss the logic behind the bidding and play of each card. Invariably, Gavin comes first. He is a top world player and a member of the US national team. (PS, his mother is Hazel Wolpert who until recently ran a bridge club in Toronto.)

What is great about this series is that you see the thinking that world-class players go through in assessing a hand. They go slowly enough that it is understandable to all playing levels, and what's more they make it entertaining. I have learned things like why it is best to open 1NT with all 15-17 HCP hands and 5-3-3-2 distribution (instead of one of a major), how pass is often the right bid in matchpoint games, and how to endplay the opponents. So go to YouTube, search for “Wednesday Morning Tournament”, and enjoy.



The Answer Lady

Contributed by Susan Lawton

As the “The Answer Lady”, I have been responding to questions from “newer” players over the past several weeks. A request has been made to share those players’ questions and my responses in the Alert, essentially a column for the beginner player!

If you have a question, please write to me at suzan2420@yahoo.ca. You don’t need to send me the actual deal – just tell me the game date and board number and I can take care of the rest.

**JUST A REMINDER TO OUR NEWER PLAYERS:
THE ANSWER LADY WILL BE GOING “ON VACATION” SOON –
UNLESS SHE RECEIVES MORE MATERIAL FOR HER COLUMN.
SO SEND IN THOSE QUESTIONS PRONTO!**

This week’s column is actually last week’s column. Last week’s column “revisited”, that is.

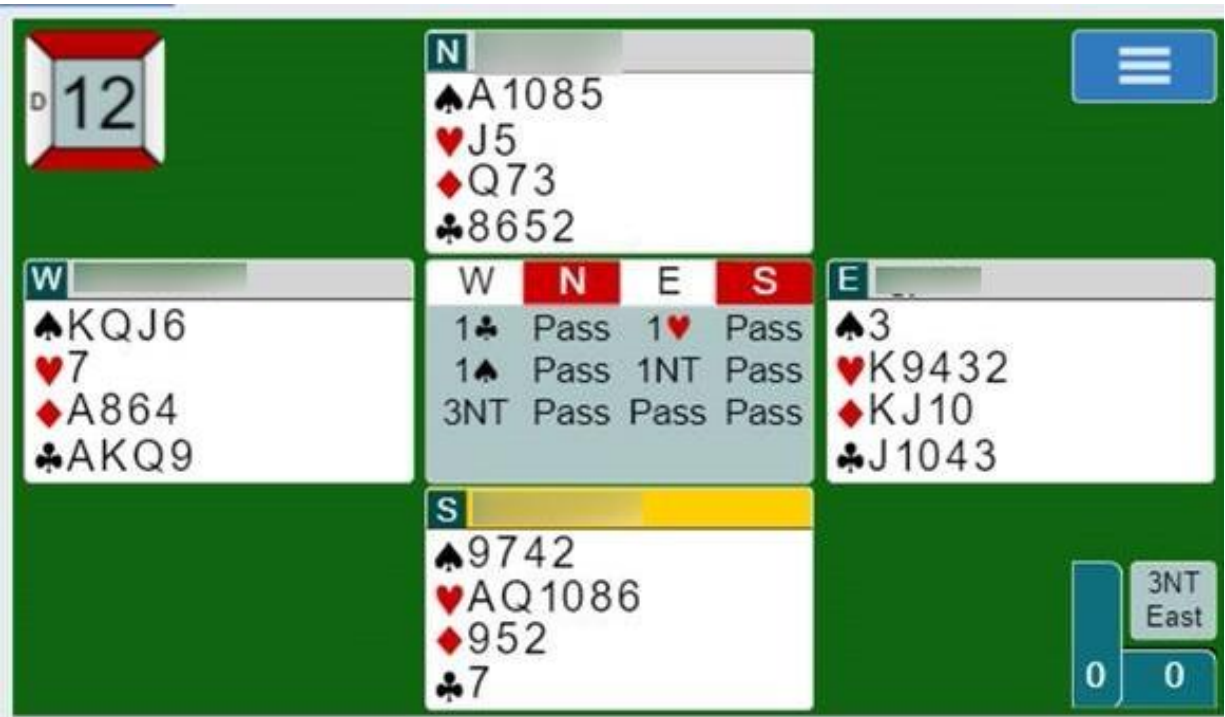
Any column for the Alert follows a collaborative vetting process. First, to the editor who reviews and includes it in an Alert draft for the editorial team of expert bridge players to provide input. Sometimes, one is way off the mark and the article needs a major overhaul. On other occasions minor tweaking is all that is needed.

Last week’s Answer Lady column sparked much discussion from the editorial team, specifically around bidding the hand. From that group a variety of suggestions was made. One expert felt the spades should have been bid, not hidden as the column advocated. Another suggestion encouraged the use of an advanced bidding technique, new minor forcing, to show five hearts and explore the possibility of a spade fit. Another suggested the line of bidding might go $1\clubsuit-1\heartsuit-2\spadesuit-2NT-3NT$.

For those who read the article, you now know none of those ideas was incorporated, with the final product suggesting a bidding sequence as follows: $1\clubsuit-1\heartsuit-2NT-3NT$. This way, West would end up playing the hand and the spade suit would be hidden from view.

Sometimes a reader contacts me directly after the Alert reaches his/her mail box. They might have a question or some advice or are seeking clarification. That’s what happened this week when Dave Baker sent me an email Friday morning. Yes, that Dave Baker, the ‘Dear David’ Alert contributor whose column for advanced players appears further down below. Dave suggested yet another line of thinking on the bidding of the hand, and it’s not the final contract of 3NT.

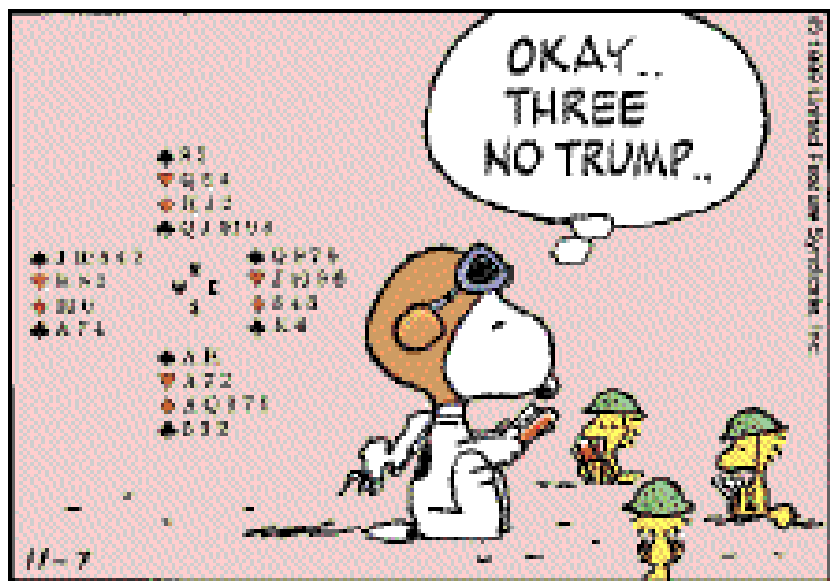
So, last week’s column is now this week’s column with Dave’s input below in italics. I have included a view of the hand to refresh your memory.



"Today's article was very helpful to players regarding the play of the hand, but the issue was about the bidding, not the play. If East had the ♥Q instead of the ♥K, 3NT would be a poor contract. East would have no safe place to go since the club fit would be lost.

"With 5-5 in the majors, players are taught to open 1♠. With four cards in both minors, 1♦ should be the opening bid. So, the auction should be 1♦-1♥-1♠-1NT-3♣-pass (showing 4-1-4-4 or 4-0-5-4 distribution and 17-19 HCP). When partner in East has ♠x ♥Qxxxx ♦Kxx ♣J10xx, a 3♣ contract will usually make nine or ten tricks, while 3NT has virtually no play."

Thank you, Dave, as always, for providing your pearls of wisdom and confirming that the game of bridge is not an exact science, but rather one of making best choices based on one's knowledge and expertise.





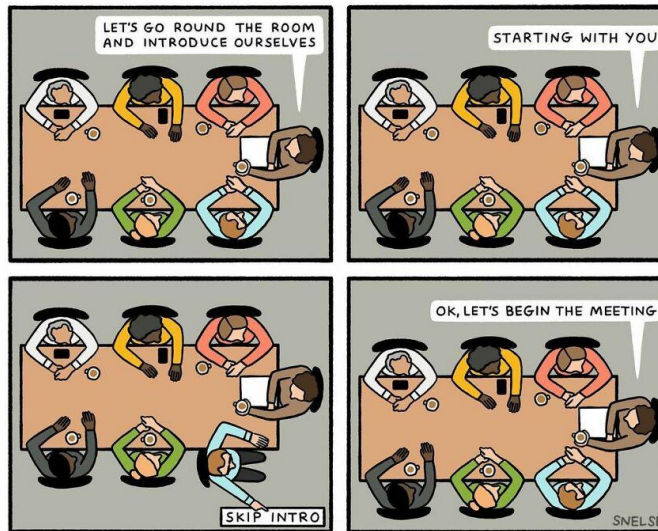
The Bean Counter

Contributed by Steve Allen, Treasurer

How much money does GRBC pocket when you play in a GRBC BBO game (if you play on some other club's BBO, we get diddly squat). Spoiler alert: not much. Here's the calculation of our profit when you play in our BBO games.

~ \$7.00	Using your own credit card, you pay \$5.00 (USA) to the Bridge Base Online company. They get your money, not us. That five bucks is approximately seven bucks (CAN). Check your credit card statement if you don't believe me...
less \$1.58	BBO takes 22.8% off the top. They are charging GRBC for their cost of your VISA or MC transaction (sound familiar to recent Ontario news?) and they want profit. It takes a lot of profit to deal you bad cards.
Less \$0.32	ACBL partnered with BBO when Covid-19 came along and they want a small piece of the action. It's a mere \$1.27 (CAN) per table, not per player. So, divide that by 4 to get 32 cents.
Less \$0.66	HST ... the usual 13% that we know and love
Less \$2.50	Our directors get paid \$60 (CAN) for the services they provide online. This is where the cost per player varies with the size of the event. With oodles of tables, the cost per player goes down. Examples: 10 tables → \$1.50 per player, 5 tables → \$3.00 per player. The average number of BBO tables in July-Aug-Sept was about six ... thus $\$60/24 = \2.50 .
= \$1.94	Hardly enough to buy a coffee

Conclusion: For our club to make money from online games, we need more players at each event. It's called "volume".



Living With Dementia

Conestoga College is offering a free online course (approximately five hours) to unregulated care providers of seniors living with dementia. Click [here](#) for more information.

TIME YOU LEARNED YOUR LESSONS!

- Our free **Playing in our F2F Games** workshop on Saturday, October 29 currently has eight registrants. It will go ahead, but there is clearly room for more.
- The November 2, 16, 23, 30, & December 7 **Play of the Hand (Suits)** course currently has only one registrant. This is a very valuable course for newer players. We need eight to go ahead.



Bidding for Intermediate Players, Part 2

This course carries on the key points of Standard American bidding. Topics covered will include bidding big hands (2♣ openings, Blackwood and 1430), Jacoby 2NT, splinter bids, and the three main no trump interference systems (DON'T, Cappelletti, and Meckwell). In addition, several systems for interfering with opponents' 1NT opening bids will be discussed. Each class will conclude with some hands illustrating the lesson's topics, for practice in bidding (and play).

Anyone who knows the basics of bidding (opening bids of one and two no trump, weak twos, and one of a suit, along with the responses and rebids for them) would benefit from this course. Regular partners may find it advantageous to attend as a pair.

Instructor: Neil Jeffrey

Level: **Intermediate**

Dates: Mondays, 7:00 pm – 9:30 pm, November 14, 21, and 28

Mode: IN PERSON AT THE CLUB

Fee: \$55 for members/ \$65 for non-members (includes supplementary handouts)

Current Enrollment: 3 (we need four registrants to go ahead with this course)

Click [here](#) to register.

We have tried to offer lessons for everyone at every level. However, if you don't see what you need, please email [Malkin](#), our teaching lead, and she will see what she can do for you.

Recorded Lessons


We have available digital versions of some of our past lessons: Opening Leads, Third-Seat Play, Killer Signals & Defensive Signals, Second Seat Play, Discards and Strategies (Stephen Carpenter); Convention Card (John Hanemaayer); and Playing in Our Online Games and Scoring Matters (Jack Cole). For the modest fee of \$10, any of these lessons can be yours.



Depends on What You Need

Contributed by Robert Griffiths

Playing in a team game, I was North and opened 1♠. My partner bid 1NT, and I debated between 2♠ and 3♠, finally settling on the conservative choice of 2♠. This was passed around to West who doubled. Now I tried 3♠, hoping to show a hand worth more than a 2♠ rebid. Partner didn't bite, so I played 3♠.

Board 12		
North Deals	♠ A K 8 6 5 2	
E-W Vul	♥ A 7	
	♦ A 3 2	
	♣ 5 2	
♠ J 3		♠ Q 10 9
♥ Q 8 6 4		♥ K 10 3 2
♦ 10 6 4		♦ Q 9 8
♣ A Q 10 9		♣ J 8 4
	♠ 7 4	
	♥ J 9 5	
	♦ K J 7 5	
	♣ K 7 6 3	
<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>
	1 ♠	Pass
Pass	2 ♠	Pass
Dbl	3 ♠	All pass

West led the ♥2, and I considered the hand. When I counted losers, I saw that there would be just one spade loser if the suit split 3-2 plus one heart loser. There was also a sure club loser, two if the ♣A was with West, and there could also be a diamond loser. If all of the cards were favourably placed, there would be a play for 4♠, but if they were unfavourably placed, I would have trouble making my nine tricks.

I played small from dummy on the heart lead and West's queen forced my ace. It looked as if the heart lead was from the king, in which case I could lead a heart towards dummy's jack, setting up a heart trick on which I could throw my third diamond, avoiding the finesse there.

So, I drew two rounds of trumps, noting that there would be just one spade loser, and then led my last heart towards the board. West went up with the ♥K and shifted to a club.

I lost two club tricks but the contract was safe; my losing diamond went on dummy's ♥J.

When we compared scores, we learned that our opponents hadn't been so conservative on this hand. They landed in 4♠, and our East also led the ♥2.

This time, Declarer looked at the same gaggles of losers that I had seen, but he needed a different strategy. If there were two club losers, the contract was likely doomed unless he could find some magic in the diamond suit.

So, he cashed the top spades, getting the happy news there, and then led the ♦A and another diamond, finessing dummy's jack. When the jack won, he had no diamond losers. When he continued with the ♦K, the fall of the queen meant he could throw his losing heart on dummy's 13th diamond. In the end he lost just one spade and two clubs.

My opponent made ten tricks and I made only nine. Did he find a better line of play? He needed to make ten tricks and had to take a chance to make them. If the diamond finesse had lost, then North could have quickly been down two, losing a diamond, a spade, a heart, and two clubs.

I needed to make nine tricks and could make them without risking my contract (by taking the diamond finesse).

🧐 Sometimes, in pairs games, it can be good strategy to risk your contract for overtricks. In team games or rubber bridge, your job is to make your contract. You should not risk the contract to make overtricks.



FOR OPEN PLAYERS



Dear David

Nine is Easier Than Ten, Redux

I covered this territory almost a year ago but, if your memory is as bad as mine, I think a new example might be valuable.

	N North ♠ J106 ♥ 875 ♦ A9543 ♣ A6																	
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The West hand does not look like a decent opening bid (3343 distribution and 12 HCP), but East cannot bear to pass the hand out with his aceless 11-point hand because he has five nice spades. Indeed, the hand was opened at all nine tables.

When I took up this game a half-century ago (OMG), this board would have been passed out at every table. Had South not overcalled 2♣, the West hand would have a nifty way to find out his partner's strength. If you are a passed hand and partner opens 1♥ or 1♠, a 2♣ bid is the Drury convention, which shows a limit raise (10-12 HCP and three-plus-card support) and asking partner if he has more than a minimum opener. If opener rebids his major, it shows a minimum. Any other bid shows extras.

Unfortunately, South's bid (which nobody would have made a half-century ago - OMG, redux) left West in an uncomfortable position. He could bid 2NT, showing the same type of hand as the Drury 2♣ would have shown, but that would push them to 3♠, which may be too high. Since 2NT commits them to nine tricks anyway and West has no ruffing-value due to his sterile distribution, West "guessed" to bid 3NT. As you can see, there is no practical way to defeat this egregious 23-point game.

If nothing about this hand resonates with you, I will at least leave you with this thought. Hands with 4-3-3-3 distribution are notoriously bad in either suit or NT contracts. I immediately deduct one HCP from my total if I have a 4-3-3-3 distribution. You should make similar deductions for aceless hands and hands with a dearth of intermediate cards (10's, 9's, 8's).

If you choose to open the West hand, pedal backward furiously thereafter. If you choose not to open the West hand, pedal forward furiously thereafter.

For Intermediate *Jake's*
Play a Bad Hand Well

#95

N	♠ QJ109
W	♥ Q1043
E	♦ AK4
S	♣ 105

♠ 7543
 ♥ J876
 ♦ 7
 ♣ QJ92

West	North	East	South
	Pass	1♦	Pass
1♠	Pass	2♠	Pass
4NT	Pass	5♣*	Pass
6NT	All pass		

* RKCB 1430 – one or four keycard(s)

I was sitting South defending a 6NT contract. My partner led the ♦10, won by Declarer with the ♦Q. He then led a small spade to my partner's ♠A, and my partner exited with another diamond. Dummy's ♦K won the trick, and I discarded a spade while West followed suit. Declarer cashed dummy's ♠QJ at Tricks 4 and 5, Declarer followed suit, and my partner discarded the ♥9 and the ♥3.

At Trick 6, declarer led a spade to the ♠K in his hand. I felt a little pressure, but it wasn't too bad because I was able to part with a club. My partner threw away a small diamond.

At Trick 7, declarer led his ♦J to dummy's ♦A, my partner followed suit, and I had a problem. If you were in my shoes, what would you do?

SOLUTION

After six tricks, here is what you can see.

N	♠
W	♥ Q1043
E	♦ A
S	♣ 105

♠
 ♥ J876
 ♦
 ♣ QJ9

When the ♦A is played, the \$64,000 question is which card should you discard?

By now, you know a lot. Declarer decided on no trump despite a known spade fit, meaning that he must hold a balanced hand, most likely 4-3-3-3. Your partner has already shown up with

four HCPs (the ♠A) and you have four HCP. That's eight HCP between you, meaning that your partner has no more high cards, certainly not the ♥AK and the ♣AK.

If you discard a heart, dummy's fourth heart will set up (remember, your partner has discarded the ♥9 and the ♥3). If you discard a club, your ♣QJ will fall on Declarer's ♣AK. What to do?

A glimmer of light is offered by dummy's doubleton ♣10. If Declarer cashes ♣AK, he will drop not only your ♣QJ, but also dummy's ♣10. You have the ♣9 - but maybe your partner has the ♣8 along with at least two more clubs? This is your only chance: discard the ♣9!

Here is the complete deal. What a partner!

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	♥ 93										
	♦ 1098532										
	♣ 8643										
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	♥ J876										
	♦ 7										
	♣ QJ92										

There is a rule of thumb that may help when you're having to make uncomfortable discards: namely, **keep parity** with the dummy. In this example, you see four hearts and two clubs in dummy - so, you keep your four hearts and discard clubs instead.

Be careful though - this is a guideline, not a rule. Please don't sue me if it doesn't work.

If you would like to play in a particular game but lack a partner that day, you can either:

- ♠ Log in to [Pianola](#), click on Partner Finder, and create a Partner Finder Advert. This needs to be done at least a few hours in advance of the game. OR
- ♠ Log in to the game in question and register yourself on the Partnership Desk tab.

If you are looking for a regular partner, contact [Joan Slover](#), our membership lead.

We have fun in **spades**.
 We play with all our **hearts**.
 We treat our members like **diamonds**.
 The NAP finals are coming to our **club**.