



PLAY AND LEARN BRIDGE IN A WELCOMING ENVIRONMENT

ALERT – September 18, 2023

Click [here](#) to access our regular game schedule.

Looking Ahead

- ♥ The **Wednesday afternoon online game** is now a 649er game.
- ♥ **Competitive Bidding module** begins, Friday, September 15, 9:30 am – noon
- ♥ **The Saturday and Sunday BBO games cost \$7** because it is International Fund Charity week.
- ♥ **[Learn Bridge in a Day](#)**, Saturday, September 16, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm
- ♥ **Sunday, September 17, 1:00 pm - ?, Club Cleanup**
- ♥ **Free mini lesson on negative doubles** at the beginning of our Monday morning bridge lab
- ♥ **Overcalls/Doubles module** begins, Tuesday, September 19, 9:30 am – noon
- ♥ **Beginners 1 lessons** begin, Saturday September 23, 9:30 am – 12:30 pm
- ♥ All of our F2F games from Tuesday, September 19 – Saturday, September 23 are **club championship games** = extra masterpoints, no extra charge.
- ♥ **Annual General Meeting, Tuesday, September 26 (no BBO game that day)**
- ♥ **[Brampton Bridge Blast Local Sectional](#)**, Saturday, Sept. 30 and Sunday, Oct. 1
- ♥ All of our F2F games during the week of October 9 are **Club Appreciation games** = extra masterpoints, no extra charge.

Annual General Meeting

Mark your calendars for our annual general meeting on Tuesday, September 26. The day's festivities will include an outdoor (weather-permitting) potluck lunch at 11:30 am; our annual general meeting at 12:30ish; followed by a rookie/master game at 1:00ish. **THIS GAME WILL BE FREE TO MEMBERS!**

The regular BBO 199er game that day has been cancelled because we want those players to come to our party!

Sign-up sheets for both the potluck and rookie/master games have been posted on the sign-up sheet board beside the director's desk. If you are not going to be at the club for a couple of weeks and want someone to sign you up, email [Joe Blake](#). Registration closes Saturday, September 23.

The gathering area is the front lawn across the street from our club. Please bring your own lawn chairs, plus we are looking for volunteers to bring tables for the potluck. If you can help, please let Joe know. Hope to see you there! It's going to be lots of fun!



Congratulations....

to the following local players who won masterpoints at last weekend's tournament in St. Thomas.

- **David Baker and Ted Boyd**, 2nd in A, Saturday Open Pairs
- **Liz McDowell and Peggy Pearson**, 6th in A, Saturday Open Pairs
- **Mike Peng and David Longstaff**, 7th in A, Saturday Open Pairs
- **Suzanne Edwards and Jim Dalglish**, 1st in B, Saturday Open Pairs
- **Adrian Record and Jennifer Verdam**, 10th in A, Saturday Open Pairs
- **Kathy Russell and Edith Ferber**, 11th in A, Saturday Open Pairs
- **Neil Coburn and Neil Jeffrey**, 2nd in B, Saturday Open Pairs
- **Margot Stockie and Thea Davis**, 14th in A, Saturday Open Pairs
- **Salvatore and Noah Pace**, 4th in C, Saturday Open Pairs
- **David Baker**, Terrence Rego, Andy Stark, and **David Longstaff**, 1st in A, Sunday A/X Swiss Teams
- **Mike Peng, Neil Jeffrey, Ted Boyd, and Neil Coburn**, 2/3 in A, Sunday A/X Swiss Teams
- **Bob Griffiths, Diane Bourdeau, Jennifer Verdam, and Adrian Record**, 4th in A, Sunday A/X Swiss Teams
- **Tom Ramsay**, Danny Ionnidis, **Stephen Young, and Cindy Mahn**, Sunday A/X Swiss Teams
- **Kathy Russell, Margot Stockie, Thea Davis, and Edith Ferber**, 2nd in X, Sunday A/X Swiss Teams
- **Sandy Graham, Jake Liu, Suzanne Edwards, and Barbara Arthur**, 2nd in A, Sunday 0-2000 RR Teams
- **Paul Latimer, John Hanemaayer, Mary McClelland, and Sharon Boyd**, 3rd in A, Sunday 0-2000 RR Teams
- Edwin Penny, **Rosemarie Schmidt**, Carole Coplea, and Ibrahim El-Raheb, Sunday 0-2000 RR Teams
- **Diane Jamieson, Dave Quarrie, Lynda Burnett, and Roy Dandyk**, Sunday 0-2000 RR Teams



Many Hands Make Light Work

Contributed by Margot Stockie

On Sunday, September 17, we would like to see you at 1:00 pm at our club for our first clean-up since before the pandemic. This is a great way to meet new friends and participate in the effort that goes into making our club a pleasant place to play the game that we all love (well, that depends on the day, it's admittedly a love/hate relationship). Please sign up if you can at the club (the sign-up sheet is on the magnetic bulletin board) by the director's desk or, if you prefer, email [me](#). These club clean-ups are weirdly enjoyable. There may even be treats.



Our new F2F 99er game last Saturday morning was a huge success with five full tables! It got off to a slow start with a mix up with the Howell Movement as the newbies didn't know where they were going and it turned out wrong anyway...so everyone just read the Bridgemates to find out where they were supposed to be. Because the game started at 9:30 am and with all the kerfuffle only 18 boards were played.

We also had two new visitors, all the way from Burlington, Bogdan and Sue. Bogdan is from Romania and taught Sue how to play...they play Precision.

George Pepall played by answering a Partner Finder ad. Sue Moses partnered with Dan, who came without a partner, and Joan Slover played with her neighbour to get her started.

This is going to be a great game! About half the people there said they were still working, so this weekend game suited them just fine. Sue brought in muffins and Rick baked as well.

Out with the New and In with the Old

This article is reprinted from the August 1, 2023 Speakeasy publication sent out to members by ACBL. Just FYI in case you hadn't seen it.

Use of “New” and “Old” Convention Cards Approved

In response to member feedback, the ACBL's Competition and Conventions Committee unanimously decided at its July meeting to allow players to use either the “new” convention card that was approved in late 2021, or its predecessor, the “old” card, in all ACBL events.

Players who prefer the older version – and who may still be using them in sanctioned play – may continue to do so.

C&C Chair Danny Sprung said that an updated version of the old card – one that features a few minor changes to colors based on the current Alert and Announcement procedures – will be available soon, but it will look almost identical to the previous iteration. [Baron Barclay Bridge Supply](#), who produces the ACBL convention cards, will begin print orders for this revised version in the near future.

This is good news for our club since we have approximately one million of the old convention cards left over.



Bean There Done That

Contributed by Steve Allen, Treasurer (GrandRiverBridgeClubTreasurer@gmail.com)

The email address for the club (GrandRiverBridgeClubManager@gmail.com ☺) was introduced earlier this year. We are going to retire the old GRBC manager email clubmanager@grandriverbridgeclub.com ☹ before the end of the year.

So what, you say? If you have ever e-transferred money to the club to pay for lessons or memberships or director bribes, your bank account has memorized that old email address (☹) as a payee. With the removal of that email, **any FUTURE e-transfers from you to the GRBC will go to a colony on Mars ... not into the GRBC's bank account.** Houston, we (will) have a problem.

As soon as possible, Mr. Bean would like you to go into your bank account via your bank's web site and edit the GRBC payee, changing it to the GRBC treasurer's email address. How? Click on "Interac e-Transfer" on the left-hand side, then click something akin to "Manage Contacts" or "Manage Payees". Choose the GRBC payee, click edit and type GrandRiverBridgeClubTreasurer@gmail.com exactly (☺), although copy & paste would be easier). Remember to save.

PS DON'T FORGET THE BBO LOTTERY RUNNING EVERY WEEK FOR FOUR WEEKS BEGINNING ON SEPTEMBER 13. EVERY TIME A CLUB MEMBER PLAYS IN ONE OF OUR ONLINE GAMES, HIS OR HER NAME GOES INTO A LUCKY DUCKY DRAW.





Bridge Player Profile – Ron VanDerZwaag

Contributed by Anita Hanson

Today we would like to introduce to you Silver Life Master Ron VanDerZwaag, a man of many talents.

Ron's family came to Canada from Holland after the war when he was still a young boy. He went on to get a degree in engineering from the University of Waterloo, then helped run the family machine shop — which is still in the family, now being operated by his son.

He began his card-playing career as a family fill-in for the Dutch game Klaverjassen, another bidding/trick-taking game. Bridge came a little later, when he took it up in university, then duplicate after that, at the Breithaupt Rec Centre and the YWCA. That led to some tournament play, and at one point Ron and some friends formed a team that went to the Flight B Nationals, first in Montreal, then later in Toronto. Locally, he has helped out as an assistant director, and now plays regularly in both Guelph and KW as well as online.

Now we get to the many talents part.

Ron is heavily involved in softball/fastball and was a volunteer coach for 25 years, medaling at three provincial tournaments including the Ontario Summer Games. He also volunteered as an instructor with Softball Ontario for 10 years and as an announcer at various fastball events, including the World Fastball Championship, held in Kitchener.

An avid cyclist, Ron rides most weeks with the Easy Riders Cycle Club and others and has helped organize several Bike/Barge trips to Europe. He also went along on a trip from Brugge to Amsterdam — organized by our own Ted Boyd and attended by several other bridge club members. He then used these experiences to do travel presentations at some seniors' residences and for the Waterloo Friday Flicks Travel Show.

Still not impressed? Ron is also a media star! He for a time hosted a half hour Community Sports Show for CKWR, and has had great fun as a background performer in some Canadian TV shows (including Murdoch Mysteries and Schitt's Creek), as well as doing some student films at Humber and Ryerson. He is currently volunteering with the Cambridge Community Players, playing the mayor in their stage production of "Jenny's Place".

Favourite bridge tip? Although Ron ordinarily hates acronyms, it is **ARCH**. When declarer, take your time on the first play — **A**nalyze, **R**eview, **C**ount, and... **H**ow did I get myself into this mess??

Thanks, Ron!



Holding Hands

Contributed by Joan Slover

It's that time of year again when we wish to help all those who would like to improve their games by finding them a mentor. We have several options for our members to do that.

1. Ask for a mentor in a F2F game. While you cannot spend time during the game to discuss anything at length, a post mortem afterwards is always helpful. If you choose to play in a game where the mentor is not eligible (too many MP), neither of you will earn any MP at that game.
2. Ask for a mentor in an online game. Because BBO knows your MP level, you may have to play one level up.
3. Perhaps you don't want to *play* with a mentor but you still want advice. Ask for a post mortem mentor. Play a game, then seek advice as to what went wrong. On-line is great for this! A mentor can see everything! On-line is also good because you AND your partner can both get advice at the same time.
4. Get three other players together (four in total) and ask that a "teaching table" be set up for you. A mentor will guide you through random hands and all four players will get advice. This requires an agreement among all five people as to the time, plus verbal communication (conference call) among all five of the players is required as well.

Mentors are usually asked to spend about four games with a mentee (one game/week for a month). They do volunteer out of kindness, so a suggested remuneration is to cover the cost of the mentor's game if you are playing with them.

If you would like to get a mentor, please email me (rxjoan@rogers.com) and state your preference as to the type of mentorship you would like (#1, 2, 3 or 4). I will then do my best to fulfill your request. Please have your request in by the end of Friday, Sept. 29.



First Intermediate Bridge Lab

Contributed by Liz McDowell

Our first lab was held Thursday, September 14. Bob, Sue, Bob, Kevin, and Sheila attended. Although our group was small, we had a great time with lots of laughter. A really enjoyable evening with these folks! Our next lab will be on Thursday October 26, 6:30-9:00 pm. Bob G says he will wear his PJ's and housecoat next time. Can't wait to see that!!

BBO Helper Part 2: Getting Ready to Cook!

Contributed by Jack Cole

Hopefully, the taste of **BBO Helper** (BBOH) last time, showing you the **Double Dummy (DD) and Par Analysis**, made you hungry for more! If you haven't read last week's overview, please do that now, so that you truly understand the goodness of BBO Helper. And now it's time **to install** it!

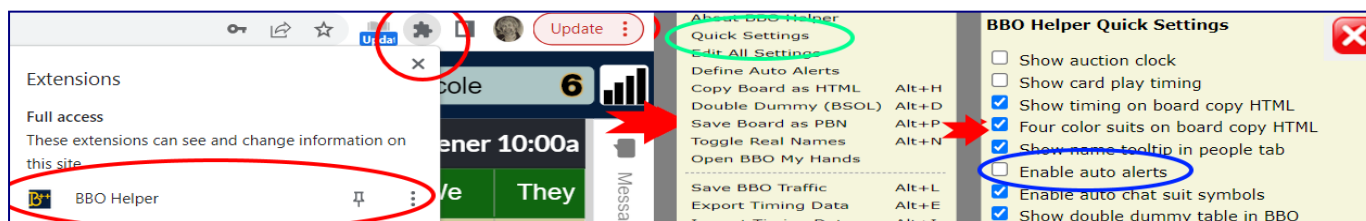


The documentation and links to installation choices can be found at <https://lajollabridge.com/Software/BBO-Helper/>. The documentation is very technical, so skip partway down about 3 screens to the **Installing BBO Helper** section. Find your browser, and click the Install button. It's easy, and takes just a button press and a couple of minutes. (You can also install directly by going to the Chrome Web Store.)

Once BBOH is installed, the DD analysis table will just “be there”, with every hand! Success!

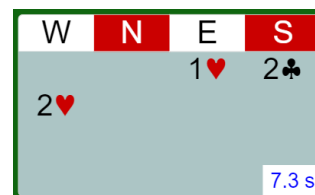
You can interact with BBOH to change things, using the small “Puzzle Piece” icon to the right of your browser’s search bar – see the **red circle** below. You should likely have the BBO site open when you do this. Clicking on the Puzzle Piece opens the list of your installed browser extensions. Select BBO Helper (**red ellipse**). Pick “Quick Settings” from the menu that appears (**green**), then immediately **uncheck “Enable auto alerts”** (**blue**). If you later decide you want to use Auto Alerts (DON'T, because their alerts may not match your play), you can use *Define Auto Alerts* (below *Quick Settings*) to set them up properly.

You may need to log off BBO and log back in for a setting to take effect.

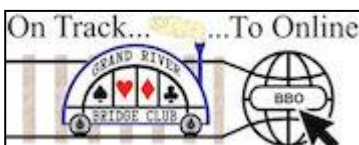


Every once in a while, either your browser or BBO Helper will be updated. When that happens you may find that BBOH stops working! (You will also learn just how **addicted** you have become to DD analysis!) This can *usually* be fixed by removing it from your browser using the Puzzle Piece button again, and the “three dot” menu. Close any tabs that have BridgeBase open, and then re-install BBOH.

One highly touted feature of BBOH is the **timings display** – how long each player takes to bid and/or play a card. It's mildly interesting to see that West took 7.3 seconds to bid 2♥. It's **more** interesting if they take **37** seconds, but then again, maybe that's the Internet's fault. During play, you might see that West took 25.4 seconds to play on partner's Ace; maybe they were thinking *really* hard, or maybe their grandkid was streaming a movie. I find the timings distracting, so I've turned them off (as well) in the Quick Settings.



I've got more beefy features to discuss next time, so install BBOH, savour the BBO Helper goodness, dig right in and ENJOY! **But remember to turn off Auto Alerts first!!**





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! You can write to me at suzan2420@yahoo.ca.

Last week's column centred on the use of Roman Key Card Blackwood (RKCB) and prompted several questions. This week's column will attempt to address those additional questions.

Question #1

I have noticed when playing online that a different version of RKCB is sometimes used.

Answer #1

Yes, there are two versions of Roman Key Card Blackwood: 1430 (the one described last week) and 0314, both dependent upon partnership agreement. As opponents, it is always important to ask which approach is being used. For those who play online with the robots, 0314 RKCB is their preferred approach. Both RKCB include the king of trump and sometimes the queen of trump (when showing two key cards) in the bidding responses. Here's a chart showing the bidding for all three Blackwood conventions with responses after 4NT by partner.

Traditional Blackwood

5♣: 0 or 4 aces

5♦: 1 ace

5♥: 2 aces

5♠: 3 aces

RKCB 1430

5♣: 1 or 4 key cards

5♦: 3 or 0 key cards

5♥: 2 key cards without the queen of trump

5♠: 2 key cards with the queen of trump

Playing 0314

5♣: 0 or 3 key cards

5♦: 1 or 4 key cards

5♥: 2 key cards without the queen of trump

5♠: 2 key cards with the queen of trump

Question #2

Roman Key Card Blackwood seems quite complicated. Should I be incorporating it in my bidding toolbox as a beginner player?

Answer #2

RKCB is a complicated process and considerably more involved than the information presented in this column. The Answer Lady is only scratching the surface. Marty Bergen in his book *Slam Bidding Made Easier*, 2008 p. 214 states "I consider 1430 to be a very complicated convention. When I am asked to give a lesson on slam bidding, at least a half a dozen topics would enter my mind long before RKCB."

In other words, there is absolutely no pressure or expectation that beginning players would begin to incorporate 1430 into their repertoire. Many excellent players have excelled and will continue to excel at the game of bridge without using RKCB.



Time You Learned our Lessons!

Not in the Cards

- **Our Overcalls and Doubles** module has had to be postponed until the spring because of insufficient enrolment.

Continuing

- **Newcomer bridge labs** every Monday morning, 9:00 am – 11:30 am, mini-lesson on negative doubles by the Answer Lady on Monday, September 18 – no extra charge!
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Play of the Hand (No Trump)

Do shivers run down your back when you realize that you are going to have to declare a no trump contract? Then this course is for you! It's a five-week course that will take the mystery out of declaring no trump contracts.

- On the first day, you will learn to count your tricks and look for ways to make up the shortfall – by developing a long suit, by promoting intermediate cards, and by finessing.
- On the second day, you will learn about holding up your stopper(s) in the opponents' suit(s).
- On the third day, you will learn how to review the auction and analyze the opening lead to locate the missing cards.
- On the fourth day, you will learn about managing entries – by overtaking, creating entries, unblocking, and ducking.
- On the fifth day, you will put it all together (**CRAM**) by **C**ounting your tricks, **R**eviewing the auction, **A**nalyzing the lead, and **M**aking a plan.

Keen students might consider acquiring the supplementary textbook Planning the Play of a Bridge Hand by Barbara Seagram and David Bird. It is available from Amazon for \$22.95. As well, our club has a few copies for sale at \$20 (we get a discount from Barbara).

Instructor: Lynda Burnett

Level: **Novice**

Venue: In our teaching room

Dates: Wednesday mornings, 9:30 am – noon, October 4, 11, 18, 25, & Nov. 1

Cost: \$75 members/ 285 non-members (\$20 optional text)

Current Enrollment: 3



A Comedy of Terrors

Contributed by David Longstaff

This is not a tale about great declarer play bringing in a seemingly-hopeless contract. Instead, it is a simple story illustrating how a mistake can have a happy ending.

I was playing in a BBO online game hosted by the Grand River Bridge Club with my regular Wednesday night partner Dave Baker.

White against red, I was in second seat holding

♠ J 9
♥ 5
♦ A J 5 4 2
♣ Q J 10 8 4


Baker had recently persuaded me to change our opening 2NT to show five/five in the minors, either <11 HCP or more than 16 HCP. It had come up a few times already, with decent results. So here, obviously, was another chance to use our new toy. After RHO passed, I opened 2NT, accompanied by the appropriate BBO self-alert. LHO hesitated for several seconds and then passed. Baker quickly bid 4♥ and RHO passed.

Wow! What in the world is 4♥? We had never fully discussed all possible responses to 2NT, but this was clearly a puzzler. Could it be to play? That seemed reasonable, but I decided to fall back on the old adage that "All Strange Bids by Partner Are Forcing", so I bid 5♣, which I alerted as "pass or correct". LHO again hesitated and passed. Now Baker tanked for well over 30 seconds and finally came out with 6NT. That was quickly passed around to LHO, who instantly doubled.

Just before the opening lead was made, I saw Baker's comment in the BBO chatbar: "Oh". Now I knew that something bad had just occurred. Sure enough, dummy came down with

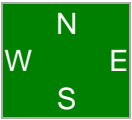
♠ A Q 7 5 3 2
♥ A K
♦ Q 8 6
♣ 5 2

Clearly, Baker had forgotten and assumed I had the standard balanced 20-21. His 4♥ bid was a transfer to 4♠. He had assumed my 5♣ rebid was some undiscussed super-accept and decided 6NT would get us all the marbles at matchpoints. Having belatedly realized his mistake, his next BBO chat comment was simply "Sorry". Now may be a good time to show you the whole hand.

West Deals	♠ K 8 2		♠ A Q 7 5 4 3
N-S Vul	♥ K 10 9 8 3		♥ A Q
	♦ K 9 7		♦ Q 8 6
	♣ A K		♣ 5 2
	♠ J 9		
	♥ 5		
	♦ A J 5 4 2		
	♣ Q J 10 8 4		
			
	♠ 10 6		
	♥ J 7 6 4 2		
	♦ 10 3		
	♣ 9 7 6 3		

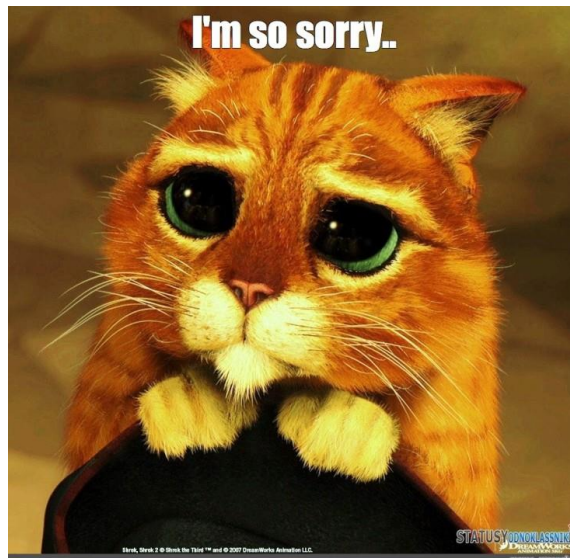
<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
2 NT	Pass	4 ♥	Pass
5 ♣	Pass	6 NT	Pass

The opening lead was the ♥10. I figured I would just play quickly to get this over with and take our sure bottom. I played the ♥Q from dummy and was mildly surprised when it held. Without much thought, I led the ♦Q from dummy and lost the finesse to LHO's king. At this point, North could have cashed two club tricks for at least +300, but he continued with another heart, driving out dummy's ace as I threw a small club. With nothing else to do, I took my remaining four diamond tricks, pitching dummy's two little clubs, leaving me on lead with

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

I led the ♠J and when LHO did not cover, I let it run. The ♠J held! Another spade, finessing dummy's queen, and both opponents followed low. I then cashed dummy's remaining spades, making 12 tricks, thereby setting my new personal record for Wildest and Clearly Most Underserved Score. 6NT doubled, making, not vulnerable, is worth 1230, in case you're interested. North had smelled blood in the water. He was shrewd enough to start a heart rather than cash his top clubs, and the potential "down four" result was still in the cards right up until his fatal mistake of not covering the ♠J. Had he covered, the fall of his partner's ♠10 would have promoted his own ♠8 into the high spade on the third round of the suit. Hence the old bridge adage: "Cover an honour with an honour".

Those who know me won't be too surprised to learn that this still hasn't stopped me from grumbling whenever I feel I've been the victim of a "fix". To his credit, Baker's final chat comment was: "Still sorry".





Dear David

IOU 1 Quantitative

Let us suppose that partner opens 1NT (15-17) and you have 16 HCP with no four-card major. Since you have at least 31 HCP between you, 3NT is likely to be a reasonably safe contract. The theoretical high-card strength needed to make 6NT is at least 33 HCP. If partner has a maximum (17 HCP), you want to be in 6NT. How do you find out? Since you know your side has the potential for slam, you “owe” your partner more than a simple raise to 3NT. You can pay the debt you owe by jumping to 4NT. The auction 1NT-4NT is a “quantitative” raise, asking partner to bid slam if she has a maximum.

♠ K872	♠ A5
♥ AJ32	♥ Q54
♦ 102	♦ AKJ43
♣ AK2	♣ Q94

On the hand above, West opens 1NT with her nice-looking 15 HCP and East raises to 4NT (quantitative) asking if opener has a maximum. Opener rejects the invitation by passing. Making 12 tricks would require North to have exactly Qxx in diamonds or South to have *exactly* Kx in hearts if the diamond position is disappointing. Not a good parlay.

Let’s change the West hand a little bit so that now she has a maximum.

♠ K872	♠ A5
♥ AJ32	♥ Q54
♦ Q10	♦ AKJ43
♣ AK2	♣ Q94

The addition of the ♦Q gives you five diamond tricks, three club tricks, two spade tricks, and two heart tricks (perhaps three heart tricks if the aforementioned ♥K of hearts is held by South).

Brazilian Portuguese

Learn The Language!

What phrases do you use after misplaying a hand?

- sol esta muito forte!** (The sun is too hot!)
- Estou passando mal!** (I don't feel well!)
- Preciso de um medico com urgencia!** (I urgently need a doctor!)

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 August.

Open Players			499er Players			99er Players		
	Name	MP		Name	MP		Name	MP
1	David Baker	36.33	1	Denis Williams	9.68	1	Rick Arthur	5.27
2	Mike Peng	19.60	1	Regina Williams	9.68	1	Doug Fickling	5.18
3	Edith Ferber	16.53	3	Suzanne Edwards	6.64	3	Mark Sherwood	4.91
4	Cindy Mahn	14.78	4	Nanci Phelan	6.35	4	Brian Gaber	4.02
5	Moirra Hollingsworth	13.06	5	Jim Dalgliesh	6.34	5	Peter Gaasenbeek	3.47
6	Margot Stockie	12.23	6	Nancy Cattanach	6.23	6	Paul Raymond	3.46
7	Neil Jeffrey	11.84	7	Lori Cole	6.08	6	Debbie Miethig	3.46
8	Roy Dandyk	11.30	8	Jack Cole	5.78	8	JP Fraresso	3.41
9	Ted Boyd	10.62	9	Janice Pengelly	5.74	9	Pat Pietrek	2.40
10	Dave Embury	10.13	10	Lynda Burnett	5.51	10	Audrey Cook	2.38
11	Stephen Young	10.00	11	David Dennis	5.07	11	Randall DeKraker	2.18
12	Scott Hills	9.39	12	John Kip	4.99	12	Joan Stroud	2.09
13	Kathy Russell	9.08	13	Andy Wilson	4.76	13	Larry Brooks	2.00
14	Neil Coburn	8.90	13	Elinor Girouard	4.76	14	Kathy Chandler	1.99
15	David Longstaff	8.15	15	Joe Blake	4.73	15	Russel Kerr	1.93
16	Ed Hills	7.67	16	Kevin Latter	4.68	16	Pat Northey	1.84
17	Diane Bourdeau	7.43	16	Anita Hanson	4.68	17	Jeannie Leforge	1.61
18	Bev Hitchman	7.33	18	Pat McDonald	4.63	18	Jean Stevens	1.60
19	Bob Griffiths	7.27	19	Renate Boucher	4.51	18	Karen Young	1.60
20	Adriaan Kempe	7.06	20	Sue Moses	4.42	20	Marianne Dziarski	1.55
21	Steve Carpenter	5.82	21	Judy Widdecombe	4.37	21	Jacques Druart	1.49
22	Malkin Howes	5.80	22	Lissa Lowes	4.35	22	Trent Robinson	1.46
23	Dianne Aves	5.42	23	Michael Pengelly	4.19	22	Carol Robinson	1.46
24	Wayne Schroeder	5.34	24	Diana Spearn	4.09	24	Julia Prendiville	1.43
25	Tom Ramsay	4.89	25	Doug Grant	4.01	25	Jane Wilson	1.40
						25	Nancy Kennedy	1.40

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

- For both online and f2f games, log on 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. *When you use Partner Finder, it will allow folks to see your contact information. If you have posted a Partner Finder ad, kindly remember to check your phone and email and, when you've found a partner, delete your ad. Someone who replied to your ad may be waiting for a response.*
- For online games only, log in to the game in question and register yourself on the Partnership Desk tab (or look to see if someone else has already registered there).

If you are looking for a regular partner, contact [Joan Slover](#), our membership lead. Please let her know what sort of game/partner you are interested in – your playing level, your available time slots, F2F and/or online, and any other pertinent information.

We have fun in **spades**.
 We play with all our **hearts**.
 We treat our members like **diamonds**.
 We do well at tournaments at our **club**.