

August 17-23



Hi 76 Low 54

Daily Bulletin

Welcome to the Gateway to the West Regional!



THE BACKSTOPPERS INC.
the police officers & firefighters fund

Charity Pairs Series

Unit 143 has selected BackStoppers to receive the funds from we have designated the funds from the 4-session Series Game held; the final session is this morning at 9 AM. We are supporting them to express our appreciation in a tangible way for a life given on behalf of others.



Daily Hospitality

Complimentary Parking & Free Coffee

As part of our daily hospitality, we are pleased to offer you free coffee *while it lasts* at the start of each session in the main playing area. Each time you leave the lot you will need a ticket to open the gate. Pick up your ticket at the Director's table in the Main Playing area.



Late Night Hospitality

St. Louis offers serous hospitality for all. Join us for snacks after the evening session. Tonight's treat: Chat & Snack: We all scream for Ice Cream!

Kudos to Our Newest LM!

Cookie Arneson - St. Louis



Kudos to Our Newest LMs!

Dolores Schriedel - St. Louis



Missouri Bragging Rights Matches



St. Louis vs. Kansas City

Join us after the evening session to watch the final 16 boards on Vugraph here & live on BBO!
Commentators: Mike Huston & Barry Harper

Saturday at 9 pm, broadcast LIVE & FREE on BBO Vugraph.

Watch the postings in the main hallway for scores after each quarter for the four brackets.

Many thanks to Bill Bunn for organizing the event.



Mass this afternoon at 5 PM in the Clayton Room.



Today's Events

CHARITY SERIES 4 Open Pairs	Session 4 of 4	9 AM
COMPACT KO #2	Session 2 of 2	9 AM
BRAGGING RIGHTS MATCHES	2 Sessions	1 PM & 7:30 PM
SERIES 3 Open Pairs	Sessions 3 & 4 of 4	1 PM & 7:30 PM
BRACKETED KO #5 continued	Sessions 3 & 4	1 PM & 7:30 PM
OPEN PAIRS STRATI-FLIGHTED A, B/C/D	2 Sessions	1 PM & 7:30 PM
FLIGHT A UNLIMITED: Qualifying with Barometer Final	Single Sessions	1 PM & 7:30 PM
Intermediate/Newcomer Pairs		
Saturday Speakers: For the Advancing Player		Lambert Room
Mike Flader "Letters to 'Ruling the Game'"		12:15 PM
Patty Tucker "How Good Is Your Hand?"		6:45 PM

KOs matched by random draw every round and guaranteed to finish in four rounds. Compact KO teams limited to 4 members. Unless otherwise indicated, master point ranges for stratified events will be 2000/750/300. Strata-Flighted events: A = 3000+, 0-3000; B/C/D = 0-300/750. Gold Point Events in ALL CAPS. Under 200 MP events stratified: 20/100/200.

Entry Fee\$



The entry fee is \$12/player/session for all events. Intermediate/Novice pair game fee is \$10/player/session. Student Discounts: Our Regional offers a 50% discount on each full session at each Regional event for full-time students ages 25 and under with ID proof. Be sure to inform the director when purchasing the entry.



Prize Desk

There are First Overall trophies for ALL Intermediate/Novice events. We will give Section Top Awards for any Pairs event. Prizes will be awarded from results posted in the Daily Bulletin. The only exception will be awards for the Sunday events; they must be picked up within one hour of the end of the event. **No prizes will be mailed.** The prize table is located in the main hallway. It will be open one hour prior to the afternoon and evening sessions Tuesday through Saturday, and one hour prior to morning sessions Wednesday through Saturday. The prize table will close promptly 15 minutes prior to the sessions in order to allow our volunteers to get to their games. You can help us greatly if you can tell us the day, session, and type of event, the section letter and direction of your section top. No prize can be awarded until the directors have officially certified the results.

Players with Non-ACBL Masterpoints

Players with non-ACBL Masterpoints must inform the director before entering any Flighted, Stratified, or Bracketed event. Failure to do so may result in disqualifications and loss of any MPs won.

Hotel Information

We are at the:
Renaissance St. Louis Hotel Airport
9801 Natural Bridge Rd.
St. Louis, MO, 63130
Phone: 314-429-1100
Fax: 314-429-3625



Toll free: make sure you get the special bridge rate and your Marriot rewards credit.

High-speed internet is available in all rooms with free in-room coffee. An ATM is on site. Check out time is Noon.

Lost and Found



Check with a Director at the head table in the main playing area or with the Front Desk as some items found may be turned in to Hotel Security.



First Aid/Medical Service

For immediate care in case of an emergency, contact any director, or Unit Board Member, or Hotel employee and an EMT will be summoned.



Restaurants

Come by the Partnership desk for info on area restaurants, address, and phone numbers.



Ground Transportation

Contact front desk or doorman for hotel shuttle or taxis or call 314-993-TAXI. The region's light rail connects downtown to the airport; there is a convenient MetroLink stop at the airport.

Turn Them OFF!

Please and Thank You!!!



Except for health-related equipment or by permission of the Director-In-Charge of the tournament or event, **cell phones, audible pagers, or any similar communication equipment MAY NOT be operated or operable in the playing area during a session of play.** If you are expecting an emergency call, you may leave your phone at the director's station.



Smoking Policy

This is a **NO SMOKING** tournament and hotel. You may smoke outside the hotel entrances. Please use provided receptacles. Hospitality breaks will be provided.

Area Attractions



Visit the www.unit143.org Homepage for a link for your friends and family to do in St. Louis while you are playing bridge. The top attractions are, of course, the Gateway Arch and the A-B Clydesdales.



Hotel Restaurant

Starbucks coffee is available in main lobby.
Daily Dinner Specials in the Main Dining Room

Saturday

Pork Chop with Sweet Molasses Sauce
Sweet Potato Mash
Brussels Sprouts
\$15.95 per person, plus tax & tip

Cash Concessions

Where

- Main playing area

When

- ♦ Tuesday thru Saturday 11:30 am – 1:00pm
- ♦ Sunday 11am – 4pm Swiss Team Play-through

What

- ♦ Hot and cold sandwiches @ \$3.00 to \$4.00
- ♦ Individual Bags of Potato Chips @ \$1.00
- ♦ Whole Fresh Fruit/Including Bananas @ \$1.00
- ♦ Cookie @ \$1.00
- ♦ Assorted Soft Drinks (Diet Coke) @ \$2.50
- ♦ Assorted Bottled Juices & Bottled Water @ \$2.50
- ♦ Fresh Fruit Bowl @ \$3.00



Bookseller

Britain Beasley will be located in the main hallways during the Regional,

Photographer



Attention Winners! New Life Masters, I/N winners and all event winners will be photographed in the main hallway near the Photography poster from 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., 5:30 – 6:30 p.m., and 11:00 – 11:30 p.m. *starting Tuesday morning.* We really want to publicize your success, so be sure to stop by.



Happy Birthday

today to Donna Pedrotti, Unit 143 VP and Awards Chair for the Regional.



Today's Puzzles

Tentaizu

In each of the grids on this puzzle, stars are hiding in 10 of the 49 squares. Your task is to determine the positions of the 10 stars.

Tentaizu 6

		*	2			
	2			*	1	
*		1	2			
4	*			*		
*	*				2	1
	3	*			*	
		*		3		

Tentaizu 7

1		1	2	*		*
*		*		1		
	3		1			1
1	*			1		*
		3		1	*	3
	*	*				*
1			1		1	

Yesterday's Solution

Sudoku 6

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

Sudoku 7

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

Sudoku 8 - Hard

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

Meet Your Directors

Chris Patrias, Head Director

- Rick Beye
- Donna Coker
- David Cotterman
- Judy Cotterman
- Michael Flader
- Ron Johnston
- Charles MacCracken
- Richard Mueller



- Tom Whitesides

Daily Bulletins & Results

Bulletins will be available in the main hallway each morning. Bulletins and daily results can be found at www.unit143.org. Results will be posted online late, late, late each night. Daily Bulletins will be uploaded each morning.

Did you see a great play? Have an amusing anecdote? Know someone who passed a bridge milestone while at our Regional? Contact The Daily Bulletin editor and the tournament photographer in the playing area or leave a message in the basket if you have news for the Bulletin. We love to bring you your news and photos. New Life Masters, please give us your home town & the event that put you over .

Zero Tolerance Policy

Be cool! Bridge is fun.

We are committed to improving acceptable player behavior at all times. The ultimate purpose of the Z-T policy is to create a much more pleasant atmosphere in our game. We are attempting to eradicate unacceptable behavior in order to make the game of bridge more enjoyable for all.

If a player at the table behaves in an unacceptable manner, the director should be called immediately. Annoying behavior, embarrassing remarks, or any other conduct which might interfere with the enjoyment of the game is specifically prohibited; the director has the authority to assess disciplinary penalties.

More on The Rewards of Bridge

ADVENTURE

"Every Hand an Adventure" is what bridge is all about. It is the ultimate in intellectual competition. As you learn more, ever-increasing vistas unfold for your experimentation and enjoyment. Once you try it, you'll never give it up.
Bob Lipsitz

CHALLENGE

As people develop and grow they search out challenges suitable to their current situation. Some never outgrow video games, but those who seek the highest level of mental stimulation move on to activities such as bridge.
Mike Lawrence

MULTIPLICITY OF REWARDS

Bridge is simultaneously fascinating and fun. In pursuit of winning you meet the elusiveness of perfection and the perverseness of chance. In preparation, you have the opportunity to develop and refine your system as linguistic science.
Michael Neuschatz

PLEASURE

Playing bridge reflects intelligence. It's one of the really great pleasures of life. Anybody who's missing bridge is missing so much in life. *Malcolm Forbes*

Intermediate & Novice Players Page



30 PRE-GAME WARM UP TIPS

Read these 30 tips from Eddie Kantar every time you play for the next month. They're from professional bridge player, writer, teacher and member of the Bridge Hall of Fame. He won two World Champion and thirteen North American Championship titles. Eddie writes regularly for numerous bridge magazines around the world and is a frequent host on bridge cruises.

- 1 Never, but never forget you are playing with a partner. It pays to consider what things may look like from partner's point of view, particularly when you are privy to some information that partner isn't.
- 2 You cannot defend properly unless you remember the bidding.
- 3 You cannot defend properly unless you know what system the opponents are playing.
- 4 You cannot defend properly unless you watch the cards, particularly the little fellows.
- 5 You cannot defend properly unless you count.
- 6 You cannot expect your partner to defend properly if you make faces or show other signs of disapproval.
- 7 Keep one goal in mind: DEFEATING THE CONTRACT. Do not worry about overtricks unless you are defending a doubled contract or are playing tournament bridge.
- 8 A player who hesitates during the bidding is likely to have a problem hand. If that player becomes the declarer, keep the hesitation in mind.
- 9 The figure to focus on during the defense is the number of tricks you need at any given moment to defeat the contract. Defense is based on this figure.
- 10 Give your opening lead a little consideration. The fate of many a contract is determined by that one card. Use the bidding as a guide.
- 11 Make sure you and your partner are on the same wave length concerning leads and signaling conventions.
- 12 Don't compound a crime. If you, or more likely partner, have made an error, do not lose your cool. Many contracts can still be beaten after one defensive error, seldom after TWO.
- 13 If partner makes a nice play, a kind word or two at the end of the hand goes a long way.
- 14 The speed of the play may be a clue to declarer's problem. When playing a 4-3 trump fit, play usually slows to a crawl.
- 15 When two possible defenses present themselves to defeat a contract, both equally likely, select the simpler. (Unless you are looking to make an appearance in a newspaper column.)
- 16 If you can see the winning defense, take charge. Don't put any additional pressure on partner if you don't have to.
- 17 Keep partner's skill level in mind. Lead a poor player by the hand.
- 18 Watch partner's spot card signals. The stronger your partner, the more meaningful they are.
- 19 Keep your singletons and doubletons in the middle of your hand. Some players watch where your cards come from.
- 20 Try not to guard against non-existent dangers; guard only against those that are consistent with the bidding and play.
- 21 As declarer, being able to take a trick with one of two equal cards, take the trick with the higher equal. The exception is at notrump when you have an AK stopper. If you plan to take the trick, take it with the king. Taking the first trick with the ace is very suspicious. If that were your only stopper, why didn't you hold up?
- 22 As declarer when leading a suit that has equal honors, lead the higher or the highest if you want it covered, lead the second highest if you don't want it covered. It works like a charm.
- 23 As declarer play cards you are known to hold if it cannot cost you a trick. For example, if a queen is led, dummy has small cards, you have KJ doubleton and the ace is played on your right, play the king. NOT the jack. Third hand knows you have the king from the lead of the queen, and the opening leader knows you have the king from partner's play of the ace. Since the king and jack are equals, and since they both know you have the king, PLAY IT!
- 24 Defend passively if side suit tricks cannot get away; defend aggressively if they can.
- 25 Be on the lookout to double artificial bids (Stayman, Jacoby Transfers, cuebids, Blackwood responses) to help partner out on opening lead. However, low level doubles of artificial bids require both length and strength (typically five or six card length with 3+ honor cards in the suit). The higher the level of the artificial bid, the shorter your length must be-but you still must have honor strength in the suit (KQx, for example).
- 26 As declarer concealing cards lower than the one that has been led or lower than the one played by your RHO confuses the count and the meaning of their signals.
- 27 The bidding is the key to defensive strategy and to a great extent influences the play of the hand. Treat the bidding as you would a best friend.
- 28 If you and partner lead Ace from Ace-King be forewarned that it is a trick one strategy only. After trick one the king is led from ace-king combinations. Also, the king is led from the ace-king in any supported suit or in any suit partner has bid, supported or not. It is also led when defending contracts at the five level or high. The reason is that the ace is often led without the king at such a high level.
- 29 When signaling encouragement with equal spot cards, signal with the higher equal. With A987, signal with the 9. If you signal with the 8, you deny the nine!
- 30 Take your time before playing third hand to the first trick. It is often times the most important play you will make in the entire hand.

Thursday's Results

COMPACT KO #1 Final

BRKT 1

11 Tables

20.51	1	G S Jade Barrett - Karen Lee Barrett, Elk Point SD; Anne Dawson, Delhi LA; Tom Breed, Aurora CO
14.36	2	Ned Irving, Hot Sprgs Vlg AR; David Caprera, Denver CO; Alvin Stone, Memphis TN; Michael McGuire, Hernando MS
9.23	3	Ken Gee, Regina SK; Bob Carteaux, Fort Wayne IN; Shelba Parmley - Britain Beezley, Oklahoma City OK
7.18	4	Barry Harper, Regina SK; Jan Zadroga, Ksiazence Poland; Witold Turant, 92-432 Lodz Poland; Sara Parks M.D., Owensboro KY

BRKT 2

10 Tables

8.18	1	Sasanka Ramanadham, Saint Louis MO; Ronald Diehl, Effingham IL; Andrew Carver, Edwardsville IL; Linda Lubeck, Troy IL
5.73	2	Jenny Hulsey - Ruby Killebrew, Collierville TN; Sue Ritter, Cordova TN; Tish Davis, Memphis TN
3.68	3	Ralph Rotter Jr, Granite City IL; George Hawley, Florissant MO; Laura Scholten, Saint Charles MO; Emil Strotheide, Saint Louis MO
2.86	4	Dennis Spencer - Jerome Shen, Saint Louis MO; James Nunn, Chesterfield MO; Carol Hamilton, Saint Charles MO

BRKT 3

16 Tables

5.80	1	Roy Coplen, Jefferson City MO; Michael Hughes, Jefferson Cty MO; John Robey, Winchester TN; Thomas Collins, New Harbor ME
4.06	2	Elton Wagner II - Mary Niehaus - Miriam Miles, Danville IL; Bee-De Lim, Pls Vrds Est CA
2.61	3	Debra Romero, Clarkson Valley MO; Doug O'Leary - Helene Siegfried, St Louis MO; John Antognoli, Clayton MO
2.03	4	Jay D Shah, St Louis MO; Phyllis Siegel, Ballwin MO; Navin Shah, Maryland Hghts MO; Beverly Dixon, Kirkwood MO

Friday's Results

CHARITY Series 4 Open Pair Session 3 of 4 overalls

9.5 Tables

	A	B	C		
3.03	1			Elizabeth Jankord, Manhattan KS; John Oxley, Saint Joseph MO	63.82%
2.58	2	1		Sasanka Ramanadham, Saint Louis MO; Andrew Carver, Edwardsville IL	63.45%
1.87	3			Donna Pedrotti, Maryland Hts MO; Bruce Gardner, Paducah KY	61.18%
1.94	4	2		Hall Whitaker - E Hale, Rolla MO	58.11%
0.96	5			En Xie - Randy Baker, Saint Louis MO	58.03%
1.45	6	3		Lelah 5 - George Craig, Nichols Hills OK	54.04%
2.28		4	1	John Robey, Winchester TN; Thomas Collins, New Harbor ME	52.55%
1.71		5	2	Nancy Shaver - Sally Sellwood, Springfield IL	52.34%
1.28			3	Jay D Shah, St Louis MO; Gary Brown, St John MO	51.11%
0.96			4	Alan Lemley, Saint Louis MO; William Lobdell, Des Peres MO	48.51%

FRIDAY MORNING SIDE GAME 3RD OF 4 SESSION

NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION I			EAST-WEST		
A	B	C	A	B	C			
1			Elizabeth Jankord, Manhattan KS; John Oxley, Saint Joseph MO	63.82%	1			
2	1		Sasanka Ramanadham, Saint Louis MO; Andrew Carver, Edwardsville IL	63.45%	2	1	Donna Pedrotti, Maryland Hts MO; Bruce Gardner, Paducah KY	61.18%
3	2		Lelah 5 - George Craig, Nichols Hills OK	54.04%	3		Hall Whitaker - E Hale, Rolla MO	58.11%
4		1	John Robey, Winchester TN; Thomas Collins, New Harbor ME	52.55%	4	2	En Xie - Randy Baker, Saint Louis MO	58.03%
		2	Jay D Shah, St Louis MO; Gary Brown, St John MO	51.11%	3	1	Nancy Shaver - Sally Sellwood, Springfield IL	52.34%
					2		F Jay Coleman, Hutsonville IL; Randall Motchan, B'gton IL	51.79%
							Alan Lemley, Saint Louis MO; William Lobdell, Des Peres MO	48.51%

Friday's Results

Intermediate/Newcomer Pairs Afternoon

26.0 Tables

A B C



1st Overall

4.79 1 **Marcia Broddon, Suzanne Broddon - Saint Louis MO** 59.15%



1st Overall in B

3.69 2 1 **Joseph Butkiewicz, Chesterfield MO; Carolyn Andrews, Ballwin MO** 58.61%



1st in C

2.77	3	2	1	Donna Wisdom - Harold Kanagawa, Jefferson City MO	57.88%
2.02	4			Pat Nieman, O Fallon MO; Robert Daniels, Lake St Louis MO	56.88%
2.08	5	3		Judy Pass, St Louis MO; Sharyn Kessler, Chesterfield MO	56.61%
1.30	6/7			Claire Travis - Nancy Whitelaw, St Louis MO	55.71%
1.30	6/7			Jack Revare - Judy Revare, Leawood KS	55.71%
1.37		4/5		Becky Hubert - Susan Kilo, St Louis MO	55.43%
1.37		4/5		Joan Marion, Naples FL; Marvin Marion, Chesterfield MO	55.43%
1.30		6	2	Julia Bruner - Linda Badgley, Edwardsville IL	55.34%
0.97			3	Chris Newman, Chesterfield MO; Roberta Millham, Wildwood MO	54.08%
0.73			4	George Halsey - Sharon Halsey, O Fallon IL	52.81%
0.55			5	Larry Christison - Carolyn Vanek, Springfield IL	51.63%
0.42			6	Nancy Hinkson, St Louis MO; Marian Solari, Kirkwood MO	50.63%

NORTH-SOUTH

SECTION M

EAST-WEST

A	B	C		A	B	C		
1			Suzanne Broddon - Marcia Broddon, Saint Louis MO	59.15%	1	1	Judy Pass, St Louis MO; Sharyn Kessler, Chesterfield MO	56.61%
2	1	1	Donna Wisdom - Harold Kanagawa, Jefferson City MO	57.88%	2	2	Louise Koenigsfeld, St Louis MO; Carol Rentz, Bridgeton MO	53.44%
3			Pat Nieman, O Fallon MO; Robert Daniels, Lake St Louis MO	56.88%	3	3	Delores Dalton, Normandy MO; Gloria Bess, Saint Louis MO	53.26%
4	2		Luke Lucas, Festus MO; Carl Clyne, House Springs MO	53.80%	4	4	George Halsey - Sharon Halsey, O Fallon IL	52.81%
5	3		Patricia Mendel, St Louis MO; Judy Milton, Saint Louis MO	53.62%	5	2	Larry Christison - Carolyn Vanek, Springfield IL	51.63%
4			Mark Ziegelman, Saint Louis MO; Cheryl Schaefer, St Louis MO	52.63%				
		2	Nancy Gellman, Creve Coeur MO; Susan Schettler, St Louis MO	47.10%				

NORTH-SOUTH

SECTION N

EAST-WEST

A	B	C		A	B	C		
1	1		Joseph Butkiewicz, Chesterfield MO; Carolyn Andrews, Ballwin MO	58.61%	1/2		Claire Travis - Nancy Whitelaw, St Louis MO	55.71%
2	2		Becky Hubert - Susan Kilo, St Louis MO	55.43%	1/2		Jack Revare - Judy Revare, Leawood KS	55.71%
3	3	1	Chris Newman, Chesterfield MO; Roberta Millham, Wildwood MO	54.08%	3	1	Joan Marion, Naples FL; Marvin Marion, Chesterfield MO	55.43%
4			John Bernuy, Ballwin MO; Mary Dolan, Saint Louis MO	53.35%	4	2	Julia Bruner - Linda Badgley, Edwardsville IL	55.34%
5	4		Joyce Lewin, Chesterfield MO; Linda Langsdorf, St Louis MO	52.63%	5	3	Jackie Baker, St Louis MO; Randy Baker, Saint Louis MO	54.98%
		2	Nancy Hinkson, St Louis MO; Marian Solari, Kirkwood MO	50.63%		4	Martha Hanley, C'field MO; Elizabeth Meter, Wildwood MO	54.89%
						2	Marilyn Bolz, C'field MO; Hope Wood, Clarkson Valley MO	49.82%

SERIES 3 Open Pairs

Session 1 of 4

19.0 Tables

A B C

4.40	1			Gabriel Tawil, Glendale WI; William Malesevich, Mayville WI	68.27%
3.30	2			Diane Vaughan - Worth Vaughan, Madison WI	64.58%
2.48	3			Nancy Spear, Shawnee Mission KS; Linda Eakes, Leawood KS	62.04%
3.34	4	1		Julie Woods, Chesterfield MO; Jane Ettelson, Saint Louis MO	61.34%
1.39	5			Lee Hastings, St Louis MO; Elaine Said, Nashville TN	59.43%
1.04	6			Lois Levin - Larry Kolker, Saint Louis MO	58.75%
3.03		2	1	Fran Axelbaum, St Louis MO; Barbara Frith, Chesterfield MO	57.41%
2.27		3	2	Cookie Arneson - Elizabeth Wood, Saint Louis MO	54.06%
1.70		4	3	Margaret Taylor, Saint Louis MO; Robert Adler, Creve Couer MO	53.07%
1.06		5		Mimi Mednikow - Sonni Mauze, Saint Louis MO	52.31%
1.49		6	4	Ping Wang, Saint Louis MO; Hong Liu, Frontenac MO	51.96%
1.04			5	David Murdoch - Agnes Murdoch, Wilmette IL	51.46%
1.49			6	Carol Jablonow - Dianne Glick, Saint Louis MO	50.00%

NORTH-SOUTH

SECTION H

EAST-WEST

A	B	C		A	B	C		
1	1		Julie Woods, Chesterfield MO; Jane Ettelson, Saint Louis MO	61.34%	1		Diane Vaughan - Worth Vaughan, Madison WI	64.58%
2			Suzi Shymanski Moore, Ballwin MO; Mary Hruby, Md Hts MO	58.10%	2		Milt Van Reed, Terre Haute IN; Joanna Hebermehl, Paris IL	52.31%
3	2	1	Fran Axelbaum, St Louis MO; Barbara Frith, Chesterfield MO	57.41%	3		Margaret France, Astoria IL; Carol Umbach, Havana IL	50.69%
4			Helen Walz, Madison IN; Philip Wisdom, Jefferson Cy MO	54.86%	4	1	Carol Jablonow - Dianne Glick, Saint Louis MO	50.00%
		2	Stephen Challman - Lew Otterson, Evansville IN	43.06%		2	Ann Ruwitch, Saint Louis MO; Gayle McLean, St Louis MO	49.77%
						2	Mary Smith, Eureka MO; Joan Wieber, Ballwin MO	47.92%

NORTH-SOUTH

SECTION L

EAST-WEST

A	B	C		A	B	C		
1			Nancy Spear, Shawnee Mission KS; Linda Eakes, Leawood KS	62.04%	1		Gabriel Tawil, Glendale WI; William Malesevich, Mayville WI	68.27%
2			Lee Hastings, St Louis MO; Elaine Said, Nashville TN	59.43%	2	1	Ping Wang, Saint Louis MO; Hong Liu, Frontenac MO	51.96%
3			Lois Levin - Larry Kolker, Saint Louis MO	58.75%	3	2	David Murdoch - Agnes Murdoch, Wilmette IL	51.46%
4	1	1	Cookie Arneson - Elizabeth Wood, Saint Louis MO	54.06%	4		Marilyn Nesbit, Ketchum ID; Bob Bainter, Saint Louis MO	50.82%
	2	2	Margaret Taylor, Saint Louis MO; Robert Adler, Creve Couer MO	53.07%				

Bracketed KO #4 Sessions 3 & 4 of 4 – Finals

Bracket

1

12 Tables

- 48.58 1 Mark Kessler, Springfield IL; Colby Vernay, Lacon IL; Donald Stack, Overland Park KS; Alan Stout, Mountain Home AR; Allan Siebert, Little Rock AR
- 34.01 2 Alan Wienman, Morton IL; Chuck Said, Nashville TN; Tom Oppenheimer, Ballwin MO; John Russell, North Barrington IL; Valentin Kovachev, Stony Brook NY
- 19.43 3/4 Carol Schaffer - Denny O'Connor - Mic Weiss, Saint Louis MO; Nell Schneider, Chesterfield MO
- 19.43 3/4 G S Jade Barrett - Karen Lee Barrett, Elk Point SD; Anne Dawson, Delhi LA; Tom Breed, Aurora CO; Robert Todd, Tallahassee FL; McKenzie Myers, Portland OR

Bracket 2

11 Tables

- 19.41 1 John Kinst - Karen Anderson, Batavia IL; Sybil Brown, Rockford IL; Neil Whittle, Carol Stream IL
- 13.59 2 Jeanie Pearson - Vickie Lanes - J Ann Bouchard, Columbia MO; Mary Rackers, Jefferson City MO
- 7.76 3/4 John Tompkins Sr - James Faulkner - Fred Sandegren, Quincy IL; Marie Kurz, Vandalia MO
- 7.76 3/4 Jeannine Owen - Charles Ries, Saint Louis MO; James Hammond, Kirkwood MO; Paul Ellebracht Saint Ann MO

Bracket 3



12 Tables

- 10.04 1 **Thomas Collins, New Harbor ME; Dolores Schriedel*, Saint Louis MO; Mary Fran Oldani, St Charles, MO John Robey, Winchester TN * new life master**

Tom Cadwell, Saint Louis MO

- 4.02 3/4 Charles Bretzke Jr - Marie Bretzke, Saint Louis MO; Kevin Clarkin, Florissant MO; Dennis Abeln, Ballwin MO
- 4.02 3/4 James Homire Jr, Robertsville MO; Loren Bannister, Saint Louis MO; Alf Stole, Bridgeton MO; James Keating, Saint Peters MO

COMPACT KO #2 Session 1 of 2

A

9 Tables

Jacob Morgan, Madison WI; James Melville, Springfield IL; Will Engel, Freeport IL; Tom Oppenheimer, Ballwin MO

vs

Ken Gee, Regina SK; Sara Parks M.D., Owensboro KY; Witold Turant, 92-432 Lodz Poland; Jan Zadroga, Ksiazienice Poland

John Kinst, Batavia IL; Sybil Brown, Rockford IL; James McKinney, Carol Stream IL; W Harris Jr, Lombard IL

vs

G S Jade Barrett - Karen Lee Barrett, Elk Point SD; Anne Dawson, Delhi LA; Tom Breed, Aurora CO

B

12 Tables

Marilyn Nesbit, Ketchum ID; Cookie Arneson - Bob Bainter, Saint Louis MO; Percy Wu, Grand Rapids MI

vs

Betty Anderson, Chesterfield MO; Nora Burst - Mary Butler, Saint Louis MO; Louann Yates, Vero Beach FL

Linda Powers, Chesterfield MO; Debra Romero, Clarkson Valley MO; John Antognoli, Clayton MO; Doug O'Leary, St Louis MO

vs

John Tompkins Sr - James Faulkner - Fred Sandegren, Quincy IL; Marie Kurz, Vandalia MO

C

9 Tables

Phyllis Siegel, Ballwin MO; Jo Chorpening, Ellisville MO; Dorothy Santner - Mike Arnheim, St Louis MO

vs

Bob Pedrotti, Maryland Height MO; Beverly Dixson, Kirkwood MO; Mary Turner - Penelope Messer, Columbia MO

Ronald Greek - Judith Greek, Galesburg IL; David Murdoch - Agnes Murdoch, Wilmette IL

vs

Thomas Brossard - Frank Rassieur, St Louis MO; Sara Fabick, Des Peres MO; Ann Gruver, Ballwin MO

Friday's Results

SERIES 3 Open Pairs

Session 2 of 4

8.5 Tables

	A	B	C		
2.88	1			Mary Hruby, Maryland Hts MO; Suzi Shymanski Moore, Ballwin MO	57.74%
2.43	2/3	1	1	Ben Englert, Edwardsville IL; Samuel Lewinson, North Hollywood CA	57.41%
1.89	2/3			Richard Haacke, Olivette MO; Mary Weyerich, Saint Louis MO	57.41%
1.82	4	2		Ruth Naber, Maryland Hts MO; Sammy House, Ballwin MO	56.85%
0.91	5			McKenzie Myers, Portland OR; Tom Breed, Aurora CO	56.61%
1.37		3		Carol Warner, Fairview Hgts IL; David Shanahan, St Ann MO	51.49%
1.59		4	2	Fay Wuest, Chesterfield MO; Nancy Keefer, Saint Louis MO	50.00%
1.19			3	Ron Combs, Ballwin MO; George Hawley, Florissant MO	49.11%

FRIDAY EVE SIDE PAIRS 2ND OF 4 SESSION

NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION H			EAST-WEST				
A	B	C		A	B	C				
			Mary Hruby, Maryland Hts MO; Suzi Shymanski Moore, Ballwin MO	57.74%	1/2	1	1	Ben Englert, Edwardsville IL; Samuel Lewinson, North Hollywood CA	57.41%	
			Ruth Naber, Maryland Hts MO; Sammy House, Ballwin MO	56.85%	1/2			Richard Haacke, Olivette MO; Mary Weyerich, Saint Louis MO	57.41%	
			Marilyn Nesbit, Ketchum ID; Doug Moore, Ballwin MO	53.87%		3		McKenzie Myers, Portland OR; Tom Breed, Aurora CO	56.61%	
			Carol Warner, Fairview Hgts IL; David Shanahan, St Ann MO	51.49%		4	2	2	Fay Wuest, Chesterfield MO; Nancy Keefer, Saint Louis MO	50.00%
		1	Ron Combs, Ballwin MO; George Hawley, Florissant MO	49.11%						

OPEN PAIRS

28.0 Tables / Based on 27 Tables

	A	B	C		
12.95	1			Stephen Stewart, Shawnee Msn KS; Paul Pressly, Olathe KS	61.85%
9.71	2	1		Andrew Carver, Edwardsville IL; Ronald Diehl, Effingham IL	61.41%
7.28	3			Corinne Kirkham - Jim Kirkham, Leawood KS	60.66%
5.46	4			Michael McGuire, Hernando MS; Ned Irving, Hot Sprgs Vlg AR	60.59%
4.68	5			Richard Strauss, Northbrook IL; David Starratt, Chicago IL	60.46%
3.70	6			Elizabeth Jankord, Manhattan KS; John Oxley, Saint Joseph MO	58.13%

1ST OF 2 SESSION

NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION J			EAST-WEST			
A	B	C		A	B	C			
1			Eunice Garrison, Chesterfield MO; Carol Hamilton, St Charles MO	67.38%	1			Gerald Gites, Chicago IL; Muhammad Abedi, Hanover Park IL	61.81%
2	1		Matthew Diehl, Ballwin MO; Sasanka Ramanadham, St Louis MO	60.26%	2	1		Elaine Sigler - Ray Sigler, Trenton IL	57.60%
3			Corinne Kirkham - Jim Kirkham, Leawood KS	58.17%	3			Judith Eaton, Carbondale IL; Dalton Darnell, Murray KY	56.54%
4	2	1	Michael Mitra, Lake St Louis MO; David Fricke, St Charles MO	57.62%	4			Stephen Stewart, Shawnee Msn KS; Paul Pressly, Olathe KS	54.96%
5			Stephen Brauss - Norman Athy, Saint Louis MO	55.88%	5	2		Roy Lewis, Saint Peters MO; C Roland Boehm, Florissant MO	52.01%
6			Elizabeth Jankord, Manhattan KS; John Oxley, Saint Joseph MO	54.70%	6			L. Spangler, Duncanville TX; Tom Brown, Sunrise Beach MO	51.87%
	3		Debra Romero, Clarkson Valley MO; John Antognoli, Clayton MO	53.39%		3		Hall Whitaker - E Hale, Rolla MO	51.25%
	4		Marie Sander - Beryl Shapiro, Saint Louis MO	51.34%			1	Donald Chase, O'Fallon MO; Wojciech Golik, Saint Louis MO	48.61%
							2	Betty Cornette, Hopkinsville KY; Susan Shogren, Clayton MO	42.22%

NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION I			EAST-WEST			
A	B	C		A	B	C			
1			Susan Perez, Maryland Hts MO; John Samsel, Chesterfield MO	61.78%	1	1		Andrew Carver, Edwardsville IL; Ronald Diehl, Effingham IL	65.68%
2			Richard Strauss, Northbrook IL; David Starratt, Chicago IL	58.74%	2	2	1	Cameron Barbian - Donna Barbian, Sherman IL	60.18%
3			Roger Lord - Marvin Shapiro, Saint Louis MO	58.36%	3	3		Norman Goldman - Sanford Becker, Chesterfield MO	59.70%
4	1	1	Jay D Shah, St Louis MO; Linda Evans, Chesterfield MO	57.53%	4	4		Jenny Hulsey, Collierville TN; Sue Ritter, Cordova TN	57.59%
5			Michael McGuire, Hernando MS; Ned Irving, Hot Sprgs Vlg AR	56.97%	5			Marvin King, Creve Coeur MO; Arbha Vongsvivut, Godfrey IL	52.94%
	2		W Harris Jr, Lombard IL; James McKinney, Carol Stream IL	52.27%			2	Chuck Briggs - Dave Bigler, Hobart IN	45.73%
	3		Brenda Hoffman, St Louis MO; Gwen Schneider, Saint Louis MO	49.15%					
	2		Bobby Patton - Eleanor Patton, Lawrence KS	45.00%					

2ND OF 2 SESSION

NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION I			EAST-WEST			
A	B	C		A	B	C			
1			Corinne Kirkham - Jim Kirkham, Leawood KS	63.14%	1			Richard Strauss, Northbrook IL; David Starratt, Chicago IL	62.18%
2			Judith Eaton, Carbondale IL; Dalton Darnell, Murray KY	59.46%	2			Marvin King, Creve Coeur MO; Arbha Vongsvivut, Godfrey IL	58.49%
3	1		Jonathan Goldberg, Saint Louis MO; Farid Azzam, Chesterfield MO	57.69%	3	1		Jenny Hulsey, Collierville TN; Sue Ritter, Cordova TN	55.29%
4			Bobbie Holmes, Saint Louis MO; Donna Overbey, Florissant MO	55.45%	4	2		John Weber, Watska IL; Charles Starovosnik, Ballwin MO	54.65%
5	2	1	Jay D Shah, St Louis MO; Sandra Bagby, Chesterfield MO	53.21%	5	3	1	Bobby Patton - Eleanor Patton, Lawrence KS	49.36%
6	3		Hall Whitaker - E Hale, Rolla MO	52.08%	6			Tish Davis, Memphis TN; Ruby Killebrew, Collierville TN	48.88%
	4	2	M Sehy - Sharon Sehy, Effingham IL	49.20%		4	2	Sandy Bigg - Gale McMullin, Saint Louis MO	48.56%

NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION J			EAST-WEST			
A	B	C		A	B	C			
1			Michael McGuire, Hernando MS; Ned Irving, Hot Sprgs Vlg AR	64.21%	1			Stephen Stewart, Shawnee Msn KS; Paul Pressly, Olathe KS	68.74%
2	1		Andrew Carver, Edwardsville IL; Ronald Diehl, Effingham IL	57.13%	2			Elizabeth Jankord, Manhattan KS; John Oxley, Saint Joe MO	61.55%
3	2	1	Judy Cardin, Chesterfield MO; Naomi Orsay, Brentwood MO	56.74%	3	1	1	Michael Mitra, Lake St Louis MO; David Fricke, St Chas MO	56.32%
4	3	2	Chuck Briggs - Dave Bigler, Hobart IN	55.92%	4	2		Betty Cornette, Hopkinsville KY; Susan Shogren, Clayton MO	53.53%
5	4	3	Susan Pensoneau, Collinsville IL; Donald Klingsick, Edwardsville IL	52.83%	5	3		Leon McCarty - Chris Buck, Hurdland MO	52.62%
6			Stephen Brauss - Norman Athy, Saint Louis MO	52.24%	6			Linda Spangler, Duncanville TX; Tom Brown, Sunrise BchMO	50.59%
							4	Linda Mize - Mary Hawley, Florissant MO	49.97%

There was no Zip KO event; insufficient teams to hold the event.

Friday's Results

Bracketed KO #5 Sessions 1 & 2 of 4

BRACKET 1

11 Tables

Jacob Morgan, Madison WI; James Melville, Springfield IL; Joshua Stark, Grayslake IL; Will Engel, Freeport IL; Suzanne Dunn, Crystal Lake IL

vs

Ken Gee - Barry Harper, Regina SK; Bob Carteaux, Fort Wayne IN; Sara Parks M.D., Owensboro KY; Jan Zadroga, Ksiazienice Poland; Witold Turant, 92-432 Lodz Poland

Karen Walker, Champaign IL; Tom Kniest, University City MO; Jim Russell, Bradenton FL; Jack Spear, Shawnee Mission KS; Ron Smith, San Francisco CA; W Coleman Bitting, St Louis MO

vs

Rod Beery, Saint Charles MO; Ron Ashbacher, Lead Hill AR; Allison Howard, Cookeville TN; Mike Cappelletti, Winter Park FL; Jane Teel - Robert Teel Jr, Birmingham AL

BRACKET 2

10 Tables

Cheryl Schwartz, Colorado Spgs CO; Susan Krassy, Colorado Spring CO; Chris Champion - Wendy Turk, Denver

vs

Gregory Jecker, Stilwell KS; Carol Lash, Colleeville PA; David Shipman, Columbia MO; Beckie Stasi, Shawnee Mission KS

Cookie Potter - Kenneth Bland, Saint Louis MO; Kenny Horneman, Charlottesville VA; Charles Jeffrey Jr, Safety Harbor FL; Kimberly Whipple, Lake Forest IL

vs

Stephen Zenk, Maryland Hts MO; Linda Powers, Chesterfield MO; Thomas Shedlock, Danville IL; Helen Stolar, Saint Louis MO

BRACKET 3

12 Tables

Charles Fleisher - Eugenia Fleisher - Daniel Schaffer - Jane Schaffer, Saint Charles MO

vs

Pat Bradley - Eileen Fritsch - Twink Baker, Saint Louis MO; Raye Zeigler, St Louis MO

Katherine Samuels - Edward Samuels, St Louis MO; Ralph Rotter Jr, Granite City IL; Emil Strotheide, Saint Louis MO

vs

Carole Quist, Florissant MO; Laura Scholten, Saint Charles MO; Margaret Bauman, Maryland Hts MO; Veena Uberoi, St Louis MO

BRACKET 4

12 Tables

Pam McGinn - Sarah Luebbe - Kay Fuchs, Evansville IN; Jan Tucker, Newburgh IN

vs

Petie Hunter - Elizabeth Metcalf, Edwardsville IL; Roseann Stice, East Alton IL; Terryl Francis, Glen Carbon IL

Rhonda Berberet - Stevie Holcomb - Christopher Romaine, Springfield IL; Jane Byram, Chatham IL

vs

Helene Siegfried, St Louis MO; Jan Pass, Saint Louis MO; Catherine Pretsch, Saint Charles MO; William Bunn, Brentwood MO

Friday's Results

Intermediate/Newcomer Pairs Evening

16.0 Tables



1st Overall

	A	B	C		
3.46	1			Pat Nieman, O Fallon MO; Robert Daniels, Lake St Louis MO	68.37%
2.60	2			Jack Revare - Judy Revare, Leawood KS	58.90%



2.74	3	1	1	Robert Niehaus - Marlo Niehaus , Chesterfield MO	57.95%
2.06	4	2	2	Larry Christison - Carolyn Vanek, Springfield IL	56.82%
1.54	5/6	3		Ann Wilkerson - Nancy Burke, Saint Louis MO	56.44%
0.96	5/6			Marvin Meinz, Chesterfield MO; William Lobdell, Des Peres MO	56.44%
1.16		4		Lauren Rice - Kathryn Botney, St Louis MO	55.49%
0.92		5		Virginia Frederick, Fenton MO; Katie Boles, Manchester MO	53.22%
0.57		6/7		Jo Ann Froehlich - Carolyn Andrews, Ballwin MO	52.27%
0.83		6/7	3	Bonnie Kremer - Jack Kremer, Mt Pleasant IA	52.27%
0.62			4	Roberta Millham - John Millham, Wildwood MO	51.89%
0.48			5	Linda Badgley, Edwardsville IL; Norma Barr, Florissant MO	50.76%

FRIDAY EVE 199ER PAIRS ONLY SESSION

NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION L		EAST-WEST		
A	B	C	A	B	A	B	C
1			1				
2	1		2	1	1		
3			3	2	2		
4			4				
5	2		5	3			
6/7	3/4		6	4	3		
6/7	3/4	1					
	5	2					
		3					

Gateway to the West Regional

THIS WEEK

Sunday, August 23

STRATI-FLIGHTED SWISS A
STRAT-FLIGHTED SWISS B/C/D
FAST PAIRS

Single Session
Single Session
2 Sessions

10:30 AM & TBA*
10:30 AM & TBA*
10:30 AM & TBA*
*** finish by 6 PM**

KOs matched by random draw every round and guaranteed to finish in four rounds. Compact KO teams limited to 4 members. Unless otherwise indicated, master point ranges for stratified events will be 2000/750/300. Strata-Flighted events: A = 3000+, 0-3000; B/C/D = 0-300/750. Gold Point Events in ALL CAPS. Under 200 MP events stratified: 20/100/200.

Zero Tolerance in Place

No Squeeze


You may not approve of the bidding, but the presence of 12 top tricks will usually produce 13 — or so say the optimists of the bridge world. Alas, not this time. **What are the exact East West hands?**

Solution

For starters, both majors must split 3-3. If not, declarer would have a positional major-suit threat behind at least one defender, allowing 7 NT to be made on a compound squeeze. (To understand this, see my article on “Pure Squeezes” under Odds and Theory.) For the same reason, East cannot hold five or more clubs. So West cannot have a club singleton; nor East a diamond singleton (East will have too many clubs); nor East a club singleton (he’ll have at most 12 cards). Therefore, West’s lead must be the singleton, giving West 3=3=1=6 shape, and East 3=3=5=2.

If West has only one even club spot, his minimum club-spot count is 26 (J-9-7-5-3-2); whereas, East’s maximum spade-spot count is 25 (10-9-6). Therefore, West has two even club spots; and East has all the even major-suit spots (♠ 10-6 ♥ 10-8-6). East’s third spade must be the nine, else his maximum spade-spot count is 19 (too low to match any possible West club-spot count). The only West club holding with a spot total of 25 is J-9-7-4-3-2. So the full deal must be:



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

And as most people would argue: *Who really cares!*

Courtesy of For Bridge Players by Richard Pavlicek