District 23 Bridge week 2018

July 2 – 8, 2018

Friday, July 6

**Welcome to Long Beach!**

We have a full line-up of games and speakers for you this week – as usual. Before we get down to brass tacks, though, here are a few Important Announcements:

**Parking**

To get the reduced rate for daily parking you must get your parking ticket validated. Check at the hospitality desk (or the hotel front desk) for information. $6 for self-park.

**Session / Section Winners**

If you finish atop your section (pairs) or win any event, drop by the Hospitality desk (according to the posted schedule) and (1) pick up your award, (2) find Dave White, our photographer. We’d all like see your smiling face in tomorrow’s Daily Bulletin.

Promotions?

 If you earn enough points this week to get that Gold Card at our tournament – or any other promotion, for that matter – let Penny (Hospitality Desk) or Dave White, our photographer, know so we can suitably congratulate you.

Tournament Directing Staff

Ken Horwedel – Director-in-Charge

Scott Campbell

Arleen Harvey

Patty Holmes

Peter Knee

Brandon Sheumaker

Gary Zeiger

**Today’s Schedule**

10:30 AM

AM Side Game – session 4 of 5

299-er Pairs – single session

99-er Pairs – single session

WLA Player of the Year – **Bob Chen**

 Gold Rush Pairs – session 1 of 2

**Unit 559** Stratiflighted

Pairs – session 1 of 2

Liberty Bell KO – session 1 of 4

2:15PM

Master Solvers Panel–**Mitch Dunitz,** Moderator

3:00 PM

Afternoon Side Game – session 5 of 6

**Unit 559** Stratiflighted

Pairs – session 2 of 2

WLA Player of the Year – **Bob Chen**

 Gold Rush Pairs – session 2 of 2

Liberty Bell KO – session 2 of 4

Stratified Swiss Teams – single session

7:30 PM

Bluefinch Turbo Swiss – session 1 of 2

PM Side Game – session 4 of 5

**SEE THE MASTER SOLVER’S CONTEST ON THE LAST PAGE!!!!**

**Remember**

When an irregularity occurs at the table, calmly summon a Director. Do not attempt to “fix” things by yourself. You are most likely to worsen the situation (for your side!) if you try to rectify the error without the Director’s help.

Tournament Committee

Mike Marcucci– District 23 President

Kevin Lane – District Director

Stan Holzberg – Tournament Chair

Peter Benjamin – Tournament Manager

Kim Wang – Caddy Master

Penny Barbieri – Hospitality &Newcomers

Diane Sachs – Partnerships

Gerri Carlson – Publicity & 299-er Education

Margie Michelin – Pro Speakers

Jeff Grotenhuis – Novices&

Intermediate/Newcomers

Tom Lill – Daily Bulletin

Dave White – Photography

**299-er Quiz**

You are playing in a Swiss teams event. This is the final deal of the match. At favorable vulnerability, you hold:

♠ Q10875 ♥ Q92 ♦ QJ1053 ♣ none

Partner deals and opens 1♥. RHO overcalls 2♦. It would seem you have two options: pass, hope partner can reopen with a double, pass again, and hope to nail RHO’s hide to the barn door; or make the safe call of 2♥.

Now, RHO is going to have some “stuff” to overcall vulnerable – probably a heart singleton or even a void. Someone has all those missing clubs. So, reasoning you should show support while you can, you call 2♥. The opponents take no further action, and partner reraises to 3♥. And you? Remember, it’s IMPs, where (non-vulnerable) you should bid game only if the chances are better than even to make; against that, you feel that the match is very close. Over to you. (Answer on page 3).

**Bridge Quote-for-the-Day**

On one occasion Helen Sobel signaled Charles Goren for a spade ruff while Charles kept leading other suits, which caused Helen to noticeably fidget in her chair. Finally, Charles stated, “Helen, you have to stop that – it makes for a bad partnership. Besides, I have no more spades.”

Shoring Up My game with Bob

In the Glendale Regional Swiss

with Linda and Jay Tipton

by Mike Savage



Our North led a heart, then defended perfectly. Linda cleverly bluffed her way into nine tricks.

Scoring: IMPs

Dealer: West

Vulnerability: East-West

 North

♠ Q 9 x x

♥ Q 9 x x x

♦ Q x

♣ A 10

West East

♠ A K 8 ♠ J x x

♥ A K J 10 ♥ x

♦ 9 8 ♦ A J 10 x x x

♣ K Q x x ♣ x x x

South

♠ 10 x x

♥ 8 x x

♦ K x x

♣ J 9 8 7

The bidding at our table:

**N E S W**

 2NT

pass 3♣\* pass 3D\*\*

pass 3NT all pass

\*Puppet Stayman

\*\* No 5-card major, but at least one 4-carder

Lead: a low heart

Result: down 3

The bidding at the other table:

**N E S W**

 2NT

pass 3♣\* pass 3D\*\*

pass 3NT all pass

Lead: a low spade

Result: made 3

Our West received a low spade lead, which dummy’s jack won. Next a club was led to the king and won with North’s ace. Declarer won the spade continuation in hand and led the diamond nine. North played the queen from Q-x in order to block declarer from being able to run the diamond suit.

Linda won the ace, and put pressure on South by leading the jack, even though she had no hope of getting back to dummy. Not knowing if declarer had two or three diamonds East played it “safe” and ducked the jack. After all, with no dummy entry why would declarer lead a 2nd diamond if she didn’t have a 3rd to get there? So Linda took 3 spades, 3 hearts, 2 diamonds and 1 club for 9 tricks!

At our table the spotlight was on North’s defense. Without hearts being bid, North naturally started out with a heart lead and discovered that declarer had four hearts to the AKJ10. At trick two, declarer led the diamond nine, covered by North’s queen. Their declarer ducked this and now Bob found the challenging return of another diamond! After some agonizing thought, declarer played the jack (since this was his only hope to take nine tricks), hoping that North had been dealt the KQx of diamonds and that he had made the mistake of splitting his honors on the first diamond trick.

South won the second diamond with his king and returned a heart. Declarer won this and tried a low spade, but Bob smartly hopped up with his queen and led another, realizing that he could get out safely by leading spade. These two instances of Bob wisely returning the suit declarer had led enabled the defense to take 1 spade, 1 heart, 2 diamonds and 3 clubs for down 3 and a 14 IMP gain. 

**Saturday’s Schedule**

10:30 AM

AM Side Game – session 5 of 5

299-er Pairs – single session

**Anand Kumar** Gold Rush Pairs

– session 1 of 2

Stratiflighted Pairs – session 1 of 2

Liberty Bell KO – session 3 of 4

Queen Mary Compact KO – session 1 of 2

3:00 PM

Afternoon Side Game – session 6 of 6

Stratiflighted Pairs – session 2 of 2

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Get Your Results

Would you like to have your session results delivered to you right after each session? It *can* be done! Simply go to www.acbl.org, click on the LIVE button at the top of the home page, and follow the instructions. You will get an email after each session you play, with a link to your results – contract, result, matchpoints for each deal – and your masterpoints if any. (For team games, of course you don’t get the contracts and results, since these are shuffle-deal-and-play events.)

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Old bridge players never die … they just loose their finesse.

**Schedule of Speakers**

Today, not so much a speaker, as a riot. Submit your questions to the panel, see what they make of your problem … and whether or not they can do better than you did!

2:15: Master Solvers Panel – Mitch Dunitz, Moderator, with an all-star panel:

Ellen Anten

Ifti Baqai

Leo Bell

Mark Itabashi

John Jones

**Today’s Panel**

Master Solvers Panel

Mitch Dunitz, Moderator



Mitch, Grand Life Master and world champion started out, like most of us as an avid “over bidder.” 100 years later, as he puts it, he’s turned into a great bridge player but an old curmudgeon. He is neither old nor a curmudgeon. He is always willing to answer bridge questions. Like the rest of us he says “he wins a lot, loses a lot” but bridge is a great game and have FUN!

**The All-Star Panelists**

John Jones – John is the moderator of the bidding problem panel for the Southern California Bridge News. He loves teaching bridge and has coached both UCLA and Caltech to intercollegiate bridge championships. His favorite partner is Leo Bell. As partners John and Leo won the 2009 World Bridge Production Open Pairs (a pair event in the prestigious Cavendish money tournament).

Leo Bell – ACBL Grand Life Master and world Champion (2004 World Team Olympiad – Senior), winner of numerous regional events. Teacher and director for over 30 years. Retired as a financial manager, now travels as a touring bridge professional, Coached the United States juniors for international competition. Member of the ACBL National Goodwill Committee.

Ifti Baqai – A national champion but has extensive experience in international bridge. He represented Pakistan while playing with the great Zia Mahmood. Recently retired, Ifti now plays bridge professionally and competes at the highest levels. He has that warm, friendly smile so ask him a question, he’ll gladly answer.

Mark Itabashi – Our own southern California ![C:\Users\Ellis\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\INetCache\IE\BDG74B3E\IMG_2895[1].jpg]()Bridge hero, Mark is a grand Life Master and multiple National Champion winner. He is a bridge professional and is always near the top of the Barry Crane 500 list. Mark currently makes his home near here in Newport. He is an awesome tennis player and loves the stock market.

Ellen Anten – a former math teacher, she started playing duplicate bridge in 1995. Since then, she’s “only” reached the rank of Platinum Life Master. A Unit board member, she also was the Los Angeles tournament chairman for three years. (*Editor’s note: “Platinum LM is > 10,000 points; actually, Ellen is well over the 20,000 mark.*)

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Bridge is a game of fits and misfits. You can take that statement any way you like. (Eddie Kantar)

 THU GOLD RUSH PAIRS FIRST SESSION

 NORTH-SOUTH SECTION G EAST-WEST

 7 3 7 3

 1 Dianna Hoffman, Ladera Ranch 1 Steve Reid, Carlsbad CA;

 CA; Margaret Briskie, Coto Mark Spiro, Encinitas CA 60.52%

 De Caza CA 60.20% 2 Stephen Queen, Newport Beach

 2 1 Nancy Guenther, Palos Verdes CA; Ron Kline, Irvine CA 58.59%

 Es CA; Linda Tessier, Pomona CA 55.87% 3 Donna Dwaileebe - John

 3 2 Dee Clary - Porter Clary, Luebbe, Laguna Woods CA 57.32%

 Long Beach CA 53.91% 4 1 Stan Snyder, Calabasas CA;

 4 Maria Glasgow, Calabasas CA; Hugh Meeks, Rancho Mirage CA 55.35%

 Andrea Schmalz, Laguna Woods CA 51.84% 2 Anna Kreucher - Joyce

 Potter, Mission Viejo CA 52.46%

 NORTH-SOUTH SECTION H EAST-WEST

 7 3 7 3

 1 S Leech, Pasadena CA; 1 1 Delene Hoff, Trabuco Canyon

 Michael Bazdarich, La Canada CA 64.07% CA; Bridget Callanan, San

 2 1 Gregg Alsdorf, Glendale CA; Clemente CA 53.24%

 Margaret Shifley, San Gabriel CA 58.67% 2 Sherry Starr, Culver City

 3 2 Mark Rappaport - Larisa CA; Thomas Stephenson,

 Rappaport, Beverly Hills CA 56.37% Arcadia CA 51.44%

 4 Cindy Shoemaker - Jack 3 2 Donna Abersman, Dana Point

 Shoemaker, Marana AZ 52.75% CA; Panna Chaudhari, Laguna

 Niguel CA 51.23%

 4 Glen Drogin, Altadena CA;

 Richard Schaeffer, Long Beach CA 49.41%

 THU OPEN PAIRS FIRST SESSION

 NORTH-SOUTH SECTION I EAST-WEST

 A B C A B C

 1 Nunzio Martorina, 1 Mark Itabashi, Murrieta

 Laguna Woods CA; CA; Peter Gelfand,

 Phyllis Yates, San Diego CA 56.37% Corralitos CA 60.25%

 2 1 Cathryn Martin, 2 Bruce Ferguson, Palm

 Pasadena CA; Diana Springs CA; Marilyn

 Borgatti, South Pasadena CA 55.86% Loesberg, Rancho Mirage CA 60.08%

 3 2 1 Francyne Bryant, 3 1 1 Robert Rubin, Whittier

 Mission Viejo CA; CA; Harry Sacks,

 Haroon Sorathia, Rancho 53.55% Hacienda Hgts CA 54.13%

 4 Craig Kavin, Newbury 4 Norman Pine, Sherman

 Park CA; Marta Monheim, Oaks CA; Iftikhar

 West Hills CA 53.35% Baqai, Irvine CA 52.77%

 5 George Mittelman, 5 2 2 Jeremy Maurer,

 Thornhill ON; Ken Orangevale CA; Steve

 Bercuson, Las Vegas NV 52.78% Maurer, Fair Oaks CA 51.13%

 2 Thomas Eby - Ewan Eby,

 Marina CA 49.32%

 NORTH-SOUTH SECTION J EAST-WEST

 A B C A B C

 1 Bob Etter, Elk Grove 1 Stephen Goldstein,

 CA; Joseph Kivel, Anaheim CA; William

 Newport Coast CA 62.92% Rogers, Santa Fe NM 58.31%

 2 John Schnell - Della 2 Rick Roeder, La Mesa

 Schnell, Paradise Valley AZ 54.19% CA; Crispin Barrere,

 3 1 Anam Tebha, Charlotte Berkeley CA 55.63%

 NC; Mark Leonard, Long 3 1 1 Michel Tuszewski,

 Beach CA 52.76% Riverside CA; Philip

 4 Valentin Kovachev, Las Savage III, San 53.92%

 Vegas NV; Carole Liss, 4 Greg House, San Diego

 San Rafael CA 52.28% CA; Cameron Cotton,

 5 Peter Szecsi, Pasadena Chula Vista CA 53.92%

 CA; Shiu-Ming Huang, 5 2 Pradeep Jhawar -

 San Marino CA 52.18% Vandana Jhawar, Layton UT 49.01%

 2 1 Adam Barron, Los

 Angeles CA; Stephen

 Licker, Glendale CA 50.49%

 3 Sherman Gao, Brea CA;

 Robert Micone, Tustin CA 50.45%

 2 Leslie Swift Rawitt,

 Marina Del Rey CA; Bob

 Weingarten, Los Angeles CA 49.47%

 THU AM SIDE GAME 3RD OF FIVE SESSIONS

 NORTH-SOUTH SECTION Q EAST-WEST

 A B C A B C

 1 1 Junko Hemus, San 1 Paul Darin, San Diego

 Clemente CA; Mel CA; Mary Loehr, El Cajon CA 58.73%

 Fineberg, Las Vegas NV 59.38% 2 1 Marlene Singer -

 2 2 Scott Nelson - Carol Herbert Singer, Los

 Nelson, Carlsbad CA 59.03% Angeles CA 56.35%

 3 Raymond Mack, Torrance 3 2 1 Stuart Hemple, Los

 CA; Frances Israel, Angeles CA; Moises Ganc

 Palos Verdes Pn CA 55.90% Kolodner, Mexico Mexico 55.95%

 1 Burzin Engineer - Zirak 2 Ernie Frank, Harbor

 Engineer, Hawthorne CA 47.22% City CA; E Ruttenberg,

 Rancho Palo Vds CA 51.19%

 THU MORN 299ER PAIRS ONLY SESSION

 NORTH-SOUTH SECTION R EAST-WEST

 A B C A B C

 1 1 Thomas Fisher - Charles 1 1 1 Cindy Owens, Anaheim

 Strathman, Manhattan Hills CA; Sara Clark,

 Beach CA 62.80% Fullerton CA 65.48%

 2 2 1 Jennifer Wellman - 2 2 Ronald Smith, Redondo

 Gordon Hull, Manhattan Beach CA; Anne

 Beach CA 56.55% Doublier, Hermosa Beach CA 59.82%

 3 3 2 Debbie Baker, Los 3 Ralph Vidal - Suzanne

 Angeles CA; Debbie Kuuskmae, Redondo Beach CA 58.93%

 Hamilton, Santa Monica CA 56.25% 4 3 2 Stephen Perry - Brenda

 4 4 Zorina Pelant - Edward Perry, Napa CA 52.98%

 Pelant, Los Angeles CA 53.87% 5 4 Donna Moody, Rolling

 5 David Scholler, Rolling Hills E CA; Robin Hill,

 Hills E CA; Joyce Palos Verdes Es CA 51.49%

 Klossner, Torrance CA 51.79% 3 William Cray,

 Huntington Bch CA; Beth

 Mary Byrne, Long Beach CA 50.00%

 THU OPEN PAIRS SECOND SESSION

 NORTH-SOUTH SECTION G EAST-WEST

 A B C A B C

 1 1 Sherman Gao, Brea CA; 1 Eugene White Jr, Playa

 Robert Micone, Tustin CA 65.88% Del Rey CA; Paul Gelb,

 2 Allan Deserpa, Tempe Palm Springs CA 61.87%

 AZ; Brian Gilbert, 2 Philip Hiestand, Irvine

 Irvine CA 65.16% CA; Rai Osborne, Anaheim CA 60.96%

 3 Rick Roeder, La Mesa 3 Bill Greenberg - Steven

 CA; Crispin Barrere, Love, Laguna Niguel CA 59.94%

 Berkeley CA 55.48% 4 1 Craig Kavin, Newbury

 4 Joan Rubin, Encino CA; Park CA; Marta Monheim,

 Andrew Vinock, Woodland West Hills CA 53.00%

 Hills CA 54.63% 5 2 1 Ralph Moskowitz -

 5 Stephen Goldstein, Andrea French, Laguna

 Anaheim CA; William Woods CA 49.56%

 Rogers, Santa Fe NM 54.32% 2 Robert Rubin, Whittier

 2 1 Bryan Conley, Pacific CA; Harry Sacks,

 Plsds CA; Calvin Hacienda Hgts CA 48.64%

 Waller, Rancho Palo Vds CA 49.88%

 3 2 Margaret Bissell,

 Westlake Vlg CA; Teryl

 Burke, Thousand Oaks CA 47.38%

 NORTH-SOUTH SECTION H EAST-WEST

 A B C A B C

 1 Nunzio Martorina, 1 Valentin Kovachev, Las

 Laguna Woods CA; Vegas NV; Carole Liss,

 Phyllis Yates, San Diego CA 56.87% San Rafael CA 58.59%

 2 1 1 Jeremy Maurer, 2 Bob Etter, Elk Grove

 Orangevale CA; Steve CA; Joseph Kivel,

 Maurer, Fair Oaks CA 55.71% Newport Coast CA 57.98%

 3 Bruce Ferguson, Palm 3 1 1 John Petrie, Long Beach

 Springs CA; Marilyn CA; Ted Teweles, Seal

 Loesberg, Rancho Mirage CA 53.08% Beach CA 57.88%

 4 2 Cathryn Martin, 4 Greg House, San Diego

 Pasadena CA; Diana CA; Cameron Cotton,

 Borgatti, South Pasadena CA 51.06% Chula Vista CA 55.55%

 5 Walter Schafer Jr, 5 John Schnell - Della

 Fountain Valley CA; Schnell, Paradise Valley AZ 54.47%

 Francoise Weston, 50.15% 2 Anam Tebha, Charlotte

 2 Billy Trabaudo, NC; Mark Leonard, Long

 Albuquerque NM; Samuil Beach CA 51.31%

 St Ivanov, Las Vegas NV 46.61% 3 Marc Leventhal, San

 Juan Capo CA; Alberto

 Feilhaber, Irvine CA 48.51%

 2 Leslie Swift Rawitt,

 Marina Del Rey CA; Bob

 Weingarten, Los Angeles CA 46.65%

 THURSDAY AFT GOLD RUSH SECOND SESSION

 NORTH-SOUTH SECTION Q EAST-WEST

 7 3 7 3

 1 1 Jack Stewart, Torrance CA; 1 Reata House, Orange CA;

 Sandy Rathbun, Manhattan Barbara Barnat, Irvine CA 57.26%

 Beach CA 63.25% 2 Gerald Ketz, Hermosa Beach

 2 2 Glen Drogin, Altadena CA; CA; Dorothy Lloyd, Discovery

 Richard Schaeffer, Long Beach CA 57.85% Bay CA 57.12%

 3 Craig Wilson, Burnaby BC; 3 1 Dee Clary - Porter Clary,

 Rae Yan, Manhattan Beach CA 55.40% Long Beach CA 51.33%

 4 3 Donna Abersman, Dana Point 4 2 Joyce Roberts, Los Alamitos

 CA; Panna Chaudhari, Laguna CA; Nancy Toussaint,

 Niguel CA 53.02% Paramount CA 50.28%

 NORTH-SOUTH SECTION R EAST-WEST

 7 3 7 3

 1 Stephen Queen, Newport Beach 1 1 Gregg Alsdorf, Glendale CA;

 CA; Ron Kline, Irvine CA 58.55% Margaret Shifley, San Gabriel CA 62.01%

 2 Steve Reid, Carlsbad CA; 2 S Leech, Pasadena CA;

 Mark Spiro, Encinitas CA 53.76% Michael Bazdarich, La Canada CA 54.71%

 3 1 Stan Snyder, Calabasas CA; 3 Hsuehching Chang, Rancho

 Hugh Meeks, Rancho Mirage CA 53.69% Palo Vds CA; John Janus,

 4 2 Anna Kreucher - Joyce Manhattan Beach CA 53.81%

 Potter, Mission Viejo CA 50.91% 4 2 Mark Rappaport - Larisa

 Rappaport, Beverly Hills CA 51.39%

 THU AFT SIDE GAME 4TH OF SIX SESSIONS

 NORTH-SOUTH SECTION I EAST-WEST

 A B C A B C

 1 William Hamann, 1 1 1 George MacDonald, Agua

 Riverside CA; James Dulce CA; Ronald Oest,

 Tanner, Highland CA 61.54% Palmdale CA 65.22%

 2 1 Scott Nelson - Carol 2/3 2 2 Ernie Frank, Harbor

 Nelson, Carlsbad CA 60.42% City CA; E Ruttenberg,

 3 Donald Cline, Ventura Rancho Palo Vds CA 60.74%

 CA; Jim Liu, Saratoga CA 59.29% 2/3 Paul Darin, San Diego

 4 John Ramos, Los Angeles CA; Mary Loehr, El Cajon CA 60.74%

 CA; Arti Bhargava, Mill 4 Chiye Horiguchi,

 Valley CA 57.69% Gardena CA; Jack

 5 2 1 Michael Newman - Sherry Waller, Dana Point CA 59.94%

 Newman, Encino CA 54.97% 5 3 Randall Hamlin,

 6 William Carlson Jr - Fountain Valley CA; Al

 Sara Carlson, Thousand Martinez, Irvine CA 58.01%

 Oaks CA 54.33% 6 4 Eknath Deo, Long Beach

 3 2 Anne Cline - Raeann CA; Rashmi Shah, Palos

 Koerner, Ventura CA 54.17% Verdes Es CA 53.53%

 4 Junko Hemus, San 3 Janice Carmean,

 Clemente CA; Mel Helendale CA; David

 Fineberg, Las Vegas NV 51.44% Johnson, Milledgeville GA 48.24%

 3 Lee Axelrod, Los

 Angeles CA; Margot

 Hartman, Marina Del Rey CA 45.83%

 THU EVE SIDE GAME 3RD OF 5 SESSIONS

 NORTH-SOUTH SECTION G EAST-WEST

 A B C A B C

 1 Jack Waller, Dana Point 1 Carole Liss, San Rafael

 CA; Chiye Horiguchi, CA; Valentin Kovachev,

 Gardena CA 64.58% Las Vegas NV 57.92%

 2 1 1 Margaret Bissell, 2 1 1 Samuil St Ivanov, Las

 Westlake Vlg CA; Teryl Vegas NV; Billy

 Burke, Thousand Oaks CA 59.17% Trabaudo, Albuquerque NM 52.92%

 2 2 Peter Koenig - Susan 2 2 Deborah Goldsmith, San

 Koenig, Tarzana CA 58.75% Diego CA; Dawn Lee, Los

 Angeles CA

 THURSDAY AM SIDE GAME

 7.5 Tables

 A B C

 3.41 1 1 Junko Hemus, San Clemente CA; Mel Fineberg, Las Vegas NV 59.38%

 2.56 2 2 Scott Nelson - Carol Nelson, Carlsbad CA 59.03%

 2.10 3 Paul Darin, San Diego CA; Mary Loehr, El Cajon CA 58.73%

 1.70 4 3 Marlene Singer - Herbert Singer, Los Angeles CA 56.35%

 2.45 5 4 1 Stuart Hemple, Los Angeles CA; Moises Ganc Kolodner, Mexico Mexico 55.95%

 1.84 2 Ernie Frank, Harbor City CA; E Ruttenberg, Rancho Palo Vds CA 51.19%

 1.38 3 Janice Carmean, Helendale CA; David Johnson, Milledgeville GA 48.01%

 THURSDAY MORN 299ER PAIRS

 12.0 Tables

 A B C

 2.89 1 1 1 Cindy Owens, Anaheim Hills CA; Sara Clark, Fullerton CA 65.48%

 2.17 2 2 Thomas Fisher - Charles Strathman, Manhattan Beach CA 62.80%

 1.63 3 3 Ronald Smith, Redondo Beach CA; Anne Doublier, Hermosa Beach CA 59.82%

 1.22 4 Ralph Vidal - Suzanne Kuuskmae, Redondo Beach CA 58.93%

 1.49 5 4 2 Jennifer Wellman - Gordon Hull, Manhattan Beach CA 56.55%

 1.11 6 5 3 Debbie Baker, Los Angeles CA; Debbie Hamilton, Santa Monica CA 56.25%

 0.62 6 Zorina Pelant - Edward Pelant, Los Angeles CA 53.87%

 0.84 4 Stephen Perry - Brenda Perry, Napa CA 52.98%

 0.63 5 William Cray, Huntington Bch CA; Beth Mary Byrne, Long Beach CA 50.00%

 THURSDAY OPEN PAIRS

 24.0 Tables / Based on 61 Tables

 A B C

 31.06 1 Bob Etter, Elk Grove CA; Joseph Kivel, Newport Coast CA 60.45%

 23.30 2 1 Sherman Gao, Brea CA; Robert Micone, Tustin CA 58.17%

 17.47 3 Nunzio Martorina, Laguna Woods CA; Phyllis Yates, San Diego CA 56.62%

 13.10 4 Bruce Ferguson, Palm Springs CA; Marilyn Loesberg, Rancho

 Mirage CA 56.58%

 10.35 5 Stephen Goldstein, Anaheim CA; William Rogers, Santa Fe NM 56.32%

 8.87 6 Rick Roeder, La Mesa CA; Crispin Barrere, Berkeley CA 55.56%

 7.77 7 Valentin Kovachev, Las Vegas NV; Carole Liss, San Rafael CA 55.44%

 6.90 8 Allan Deserpa, Tempe AZ; Brian Gilbert, Irvine CA 55.23%

 6.21 9 Philip Hiestand, Irvine CA; Rai Osborne, Anaheim CA 55.11%

 5.65 10 Eugene White Jr, Playa Del Rey CA; Paul Gelb, Palm Springs CA 54.83%

 5.18 11 Greg House, San Diego CA; Cameron Cotton, Chula Vista CA 54.73%

 4.78 12 John Schnell - Della Schnell, Paradise Valley AZ 54.33%

 6.89 2 Cathryn Martin, Pasadena CA; Diana Borgatti, South Pasadena CA 53.46%

 5.16 3 1 Jeremy Maurer, Orangevale CA; Steve Maurer, Fair Oaks CA 53.42%

 3.87 4 Craig Kavin, Newbury Park CA; Marta Monheim, West Hills CA 53.17%

 3.09 5 Anam Tebha, Charlotte NC; Mark Leonard, Long Beach CA 52.04%

 3.80 2 John Petrie, Long Beach CA; Ted Teweles, Seal Beach CA 51.63%

 2.85 3 Robert Rubin, Whittier CA; Harry Sacks, Hacienda Hgts CA 51.39%

 2.13 4 Sherry Troeger, Seal Beach CA; Gayle Grubb, Newport Beach CA 48.10%

 THURSDAY GOLD RUSH

 18.5 Tables

 7 3

 6.66 1 1 Gregg Alsdorf, Glendale CA; Margaret Shifley, San Gabriel CA 60.34%

 5.00 2 S Leech, Pasadena CA; Michael Bazdarich, La Canada CA 59.39%

 3.75 3 Stephen Queen, Newport Beach CA; Ron Kline, Irvine CA 58.57%

 2.81 4 Steve Reid, Carlsbad CA; Mark Spiro, Encinitas CA 57.14%

 2.22 5 Dianna Hoffman, Ladera Ranch CA; Margaret Briskie, Coto De Caza CA 55.06%

 2.10 6 2 Stan Snyder, Calabasas CA; Hugh Meeks, Rancho Mirage CA 54.52%

 1.67 7 3 Mark Rappaport - Larisa Rappaport, Beverly Hills CA 53.88%

 1.58 8 4 Glen Drogin, Altadena CA; Richard Schaeffer, Long Beach CA 53.63%

 1.33 9 Donna Dwaileebe - John Luebbe, Laguna Woods CA 53.52%

 1.53 10 5 Jack Stewart, Torrance CA; Sandy Rathbun, Manhattan Beach CA 53.19%

 1.75 6 Dee Clary - Porter Clary, Long Beach CA 52.62%

 THURSDAY AFT SIDE GAME

 14.0 Tables

 A B C

 4.55 1 1 1 George MacDonald, Agua Dulce CA; Ronald Oest, Palmdale CA 65.22%

 3.41 2 William Hamann, Riverside CA; James Tanner, Highland CA 61.54%

 2.84 3/4 2 2 Ernie Frank, Harbor City CA; E Ruttenberg, Rancho Palo Vds CA 60.74%

 2.24 3/4 Paul Darin, San Diego CA; Mary Loehr, El Cajon CA 60.74%

 2.13 5 3 Scott Nelson - Carol Nelson, Carlsbad CA 60.42%

 1.08 6 Chiye Horiguchi, Gardena CA; Jack Waller, Dana Point CA 59.94%

 1.60 4 Randall Hamlin, Fountain Valley CA; Al Martinez, Irvine CA 58.01%

 1.77 5 3 Michael Newman - Sherry Newman, Encino CA 54.97%

 1.33 6 4 Anne Cline - Raeann Koerner, Ventura CA 54.17%

 1.00 5 Janice Carmean, Helendale CA; David Johnson, Milledgeville GA 48.24%

 WED-THU KO-1

 12 Tables

 37.98 1 Eric Leong - Stephen Kennedy, Oakland CA; Brian Glubok, New York NY; Chris

 Compton, Dallas TX

 26.59 2 Cookie Potter, Sunset Beach CA; Kevin Dwyer - Shan Huang, Melbourne FL; Kevin

 Bathurst, Palm Bch Gdns FL; Cecilia Rimstedt, Kungsbacka Sweden

 15.19 3/4 Marjorie Michelin - Ellis Feigenbaum, Laguna Woods CA; John Grantham,

 Bentonville AR; Alex Fowlie, San Marcos CA

 15.19 3/4 William Bailey - Arti Bhargava, Mill Valley CA; John Ramos, Los Angeles CA;

 Aaron Jones, San Francisco CA

 THU SWISS TEAMS

 68 Tables

 A B C

 25.84 1 Vinita Gupta, Woodside CA; Weishu

 Wu, Irvine CA; Billy Miller, Las

 Vegas NV; Leo Bell, Carlsbad CA 101.00

 16.96 2/3 Ed Barad - Carol McCully, Palos

 Verdes Es CA; Barbara Pinchuk,

 Woodland Hills CA; Freddie Straus,

 Encino CA 98.00

 16.96 2/3 Jeff Grotenhuis, Redondo Beach CA;

 Xingping Kang, El Monte CA;

 Dominique Moore, Arcadia CA;

 Milton Kalikman, Azusa CA 98.00

 10.90 4 John Kissinger - Susan Kissinger,

 San Clemente CA; V Jay Tipton -

 Linda Tipton, Irvine CA 94.00

 8.61 5 John Jones, Santa Fe Spgs CA;

 Carol Frank, Burbank CA; Gerri

 Soffa Carlson, Rancho Palo Vds CA;

 Steve Mager, Hermosa Beach CA 93.00

 6.92 6/7 W Reynolds, South Pasadena CA;

 Lance Kerr, Sylmar CA; David

 Pelka, Los Angeles CA; William

 Hall, Thousand Oaks CA 91.00

 16.28 6/7 1 Michael Klemens, Tarzana CA;

 Dwight Hunt, Granada Hills CA;

 John Vacca, Northridge CA; Marel

 Bates, Winnetka CA 91.00

 5.74 8 Cameron Doner, Surrey BC; Mary

 Dougherty, Santa Fe NM; Miguel

 Reygadas, Tlalpan Mexico; C.

 Valerie Gamio, Palos Verdes Pn CA 90.00

 12.21 9 2 1 R Turner, Los Angeles CA; Elaine

 Godin, Manhattan Beach CA; Carole

 Mason, Redondo Beach CA; Lutrell

 Long, Rancho Palo Vds CA 89.00

 9.16 10 3 Tanaaz Timblo - Jayendu Patel,

 Vista CA; Ian Wilson, Irvine CA;

 Hemant Bhatia, Foothill Ranch CA 88.00

 6.87 11 4 Om Chokriwala, Sherman Oaks CA;

 Alyssa Kennedy, Marina Del Rey CA;

 Bruce Altshuler, Los Angeles CA;

 Murat Veysoglu, Cypress CA 87.00

 3.84 12/13 Ron Lien, Brea CA; John Mohan, Las

 Vegas NV; Sudhakar Divakaruni,

 Scottsdale AZ; Mark Tang, Seal

 Beach CA 86.00

 6.93 12/13 5 2 James Gardner, Northridge CA;

 Robert Moest, Los Angeles CA;

 Nancy Klemens, Tarzana CA; Ruth

 Baker, Valencia CA 86.00

 3.34 14/15 Yatindra Sahae, Carmel Valley CA;

 Bruce Horiguchi, Gardena CA;

 Suresh Mahajan, Del Mar CA; Jean

 Barry, Livermore CA 85.00

 4.65 14/15 6 J Baum Harris - Joyce Henderson -

 Dalia Hernandez, Long Beach CA;

 Thad Mikols, Huntington Bch CA 85.00

 4.07 16/17 7 Fred Dyle - Lee Johnson - Carol

 Klahr, Huntington Bch CA; Diana

 Black, Newport Beach CA 83.00

 2.96 16/17 Becky Clough - Roger Clough,

 Culver City CA; Ellen Anten,

 Encino CA; Steve Gross, Westlake

 Vlg CA 83.00

 3.62 8 Ronald Resnick, Kula HI; Stanford

 Holzberg, Sherman Oaks CA; Matthew

 Mallory, Laguna Woods CA; Barbara

 Sue Seal, Palm Desert CA 81.00

 3.26 9 Edward Schwartz, Needham MA; Pat

 Larin, Rancho Mirage CA; Maria

 Marshall, Oceanside CA; Janice

 Joerger, Rancho Santa Fe CA 80.00

 2.96 10 Teri Smoot, Placerville CA; Nancy

 Alvarado, Yucaipa CA; Mary Ose,

 Sacramento CA; Ginny Curtis,

 Citrus Heights CA 79.00

 5.20 11/12 3 Joseph Hooker, Studio City CA;

 Michael Keston - Debra Stern -

 David Stern, Los Angeles CA 78.00

 2.61 11/12 Rhoda Weisler - Janice Richter,

 Woodland Hills CA; Noel Purkin -

 Tammy Purkin, Encino CA 78.00

 3.90 13 4 Mac Becket - Judy Searle, Palm

 Springs CA; Scott Magged,

 Cathedral City CA; Cheeky Carlson,

 La Quinta CA 76.00

 2.86 5/6 Dana Taylor, Laguna Hills CA; Ed

 Kurinsky - Kelly Chao - Thomas

 Loh, Laguna Woods CA 75.00

 2.86 5/6 Angelika Hederer - Jill Thesman,

 Los Angeles CA; Norma Friedman,

 Studio City CA; Jaclyn Hatfield,

 Santa Monica CA 75.00

 2.31 7 Eleth Fields, Tustin CA; Anne

 Harrington, San Diego CA; Melanie

 Smith - Jerome Smith, Long Beach CA 74.00

 2.05 8 Barbara Astrin, Encino CA; Val

 Romoff, Beverly Hills CA; Barbara

 Haines, Tarzana CA; Susan Raphael,

 Sherman Oaks CA 73.00

 1.85 9 Gary Piazzoni - Elizabeth

 Piazzoni, Chula Vista CA; Linda

 Krause - Bob Krause, Hacienda Hgts CA 72.00

 THU EVE SIDE GAME

 6.0 Tables

 A B C

 3.03 1 Jack Waller, Dana Point CA; Chiye Horiguchi, Gardena CA 64.58%

 2.84 2 1 1 Margaret Bissell, Westlake Vlg CA; Teryl Burke, Thousand Oaks CA 59.17%

 2.13 3 2 2 Peter Koenig - Susan Koenig, Tarzana CA 58.75%

 1.87 4 Carole Liss, San Rafael CA; Valentin Kovachev, Las Vegas NV 57.92%

 1.64 3 3 Samuil St Ivanov, Las Vegas NV; Billy Trabaudo, Albuquerque NM 52.92%

 1.20 4 Deborah Goldsmith, San Diego CA; Dawn Lee, Los Angeles CA

**Special Contest** on Bidding Problems by **Mitch Dunitz**

**On Friday at 2:25, Mitch is presenting an “Ask the Expert” Panel.**

**Mitch is offering himself as a Prize. If you match HIS personal choices for the problems, he will play with you in a club game session. If there is more than one correct answer sheet for all five problems, there will be a raffle to determine the winner. Entries have to be turned into Mitch’s Contest Box at the Partnership Desk by 1:30 p.m.**

1. Matchpoints 2. Matchpoints 3. IMPs

 **You**

♠ K

♥ A43

♦ AK10543

♣ 1075

 **You**

♠ Q72

♥ J842

♦ AQJ86

♣ 10

 **You**

♠ 8

♥ AK5

♦ J9732

♣ A987

NV vs NV NV vs NV N/S Vul

 Opponents

 Pass

 Throughout

 **You LHO Pard RHO Pard RHO You LHO You Pard**

 1♦ 2♣ X pass 1♣ 1NT X all pass 1♦ 1♠

 ? 2♦ 2♥

 What do you lead? ?

4. IMPs 5. BAM

 **You**

♠ KQ10987

♥ AQ

♦ 9

♣ Q654

 **You**

♠ 865

♥ KJ642

♦ AQJ6

♣ A

Both Vul N/S Vul

Opponents Pass Opponents Pass

Throughout Throughout

**You Pard You Pard**

1♥ 1NT 1♠ 2♦

2♦ 2♠ 2♠ 3♣

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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