



## **Tricks & Treats**

## For Members of the Columbia Bridge Club

The Birthday Party-was hosted by Marika Hallosy and Emily O'Boyle. Great cake, great sandwiches and 11 ½ tables at the Club Championship to enjoy them. Pat and Bob Webb had most of the enjoyment as they posted 74+% on their way to winning.

Congratulations! To Fran Lawton. She and partner Jeff Thomas won 11 straight K.O. matches at the Atlanta Regional to garner 32 points and enough Gold to make her a Life Master.

October's highlight will be the annual Pro/Am event. You must bring your own partner. The amateur half of the field will be those players under 500 points. If you are looking for a partner, contact Henry Momand or Pat Lauterbach.

October is Membership Appreciation Month. We will be holding 3 Appreciation games, the first of which is on the Birthday Party Saturday. No extra charge, just come and enjoy!

Many thanks from the club to Carla Davis who donated \$50 for the updating of the cards in our bidding boxes. Carla, may you always put your fingers on the right one. We'd also like to thank on behalf of the club, **Brent Holcomb**, who has replaced our old, outdated copies of the Laws with two new directors rule books.

<u>Spotlight event for September</u> was September 12<sup>th</sup> *Instant Matchpoints* game. The hands were fun, exciting and 10 ½ tables came out for the event. Best round was a 62% turned in by **Hap Neuffer** and **Ellen Oliver**.

## **Instant Matchpoint Game 9/12/2002**

1)	Hap Neuffer/Ellen Oliver	1488.00	1) Patrick Lauterbach/Pat Webb	1391.00
2)	Jimmy Blackwell/Gwen Beckman	1313.00	2) Brian Lipscomb/Bea Nelson	1389.71
3)	Joan O'Steen/Dorothy Cole	1235.00	3) Katie Langston/Jo Westbury	1369.14
4)	Mary Bostick/Henry Momand	1207.00	4) Ken Fasching/Rod Serverson	1291.43

Congratulations to Alvaree Hanley, Sybil Pratt and Dode Defiori, the overall winners in the Monday Night Series games.

Some have been asking about defense against distributional hands. One opening lead that is almost always a mistake is the lead of a known short suit. Especially if that suit is in the responder's hand that also has the shorter trump length. This lead allows declarer to score the short trumps easily and early. A trump lead is often more effective. This goes for hands where a splinter bid, a known Roman distribution or Flannery is used to arrive at the final contract.

The question was "How did you make 3NT when the obvious LHO lead is the Q of Hearts right through dummy's King?" Well, Board had King third and I had a good idea that the Ace was behind it. (This happens when you play No Trump from the wrong side). I intended to duck twice and try blocking the suit in RHO's hand, but the Ace actually came up on trick two. I lost only two tricks and made my King instead of losing the first 6 like the player who asked. It's not always right to cover an honor with an honor. (By the way-the player who held the ace against me should have won the first trick when I ducked and led back his small card for his partner to clear the suit.) If covering an honor in <u>any</u> situation is going to land you in the soup, why do it? Try for a block. Think Groucho Marx-"Can you find the duck?"

Following are two tables that are kind of interesting concerning players at our club. The first one shows the top ten players for number of rounds played at the club. The second table shows the master points for the players in the club from all sources, not just the club games. The bottom of the page shows the various point races in the club.

Ro	unds played in Coli	ımbia since 6/1/02	Points from all source	s since 1/1/02
1)	Hap Neuffer	50	1) Jimmy Blackwell	320.79
2)	Brian Lipscomb	50	2) Ken Fasching	182.80
3)	Rosa Shaw	47	3) Hap Neuffer	165.45
4)	Ken Fasching	46	4) Patrick Lauterbach	151.96
5)	Patrick Lauterbach	45	5) Jeff Thomas	138.40
6)	Marika Hallosy	43	6) Rodney Severson	138.35
7)	Ellen Oliver	42	7) Joyce Lauterbach	115.09
8)	DaMaris Rorie	41	8) Gwen Beckman	102.94
9)	Velma Lamp	40	9) DaMaris Rorie	82.89
10)	Ellie Hack	38	10) Ellie Hack	80.91

	Cor	ngratulations to these winners	
Clu	b Champ 9/4	Club Champ 9/7	Club Champ 9/10
1)	Brian Lipscomb/DaMaris Rorie	1) Bob and Pat Webb	1) Henry Momand/B Nelson
2)	Ellen Oliver/Hap Neuffer	2) Ken Fasching/ Brian Lipscom	
3)	Ken Fasching/Joel Levy	3) Hap Neuffer/Betty Warren	3) Wendy Carlson/M Murphy
4)	Bucky Bruce/Fran Lawton	4) Greg Mackey/Jimmy Blackwe	
		Club Champ 9/19 Aft.	Club Champ 9/19 Eve
1) J	oyce and Pat Lauterbach	1) Carla and Dan Davis	1)Lucas Lebioda/Hap Neuffer
2)	Greg Mackey/Jim Blackwell		2)Rose Watson/Brian Lipscomb
3)	Harold Moore/John MacGregor	3)Bob and Maria Davis	3) Dave Collins/Marg Hill
4)	DaMaris Rorie/Ken Fasching	4) Lou Riddle/Melissa Day	4) Ken Fasching/Jack Wilkinson
Clu	b Champ 9/16	Club Champ 9/24	Club Champ 9/25
1)	Dorothy DeFiori/Sallie Blackwell	1) Brian Lipscomb/Alice Moore	
2)	Maria and Bob Davis	2) Hap Neuffer/Arnold Levinson	2) Terry Moore/Alvaree Hanley
3)	Winkie Hancock/Bucky Bruce	3) Ellen Oliver/Ardis Dalrymple	
4)	Madalyn Dybvik/Irma Murray	4) Pat Lauterbach/Greg Mackey	

## June 2002/May 2003 Club Points Races

Sol Lourie Unlimited		Henry Mills 0-LM		Coleman Farrell 0-50		
Brian Lipscomb	52.95	Tommy Overby	20.21	David West	13.85	
Hap Neuffer	48.70	Arnold Levinson	20.13	Brent Holcomb	6.52	
Ken Fasching	34.28	Everett Ness	17.08	James Hutchinson	6.09	
Pat Lauterbach	32.99	Frances Lawton	15.16	Jane Temple	5.30	
Marika Hallosy	25.85	David West	13.85	Terry Moore	4.75	
DaMaris Rorie	24.58	Lou Riddle	12.37	Elaine Wade	4.63	
Ellen Oliver	24.02	Betty Warren	11.03			
Greg Mackey	22.50	Sallie Blackwell	10,07	Leonard Bifano	3.09	
Rosa Shaw	22.27	Bucky Bruce	9.33	Mary Graham	2.93	
Pat Webb	22.13	Shirley Ness	8.99	Patrick Austin	2.59	

<sup>&</sup>quot;The most important thing is-Do not stop questioning. Curiosity has its own reason for existing." Albert Einstein

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Saturday  Saturday  Birthday Cele-  Birthday Cele-  Membership  Appreciation	12 IPM - OPEN	No Game Flight A, B, C NAOP at Tri-Clty	26 IPM - OPEN	November S M T W T F S 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30
Friday 4	11	18	25	
Thursday  3 1PM: 0-300 7:30PM - OPEN	10 1PM: 0-300 7:30PM - OPEN Pro/Am Game	17 1PM: 0-300 7:30PM - OPEN	24 IPM: 0-300 7:30PM - OPEN Membership Appreciation	31 1PM: 0-300 7:30PM - OPEN
Wednesday  2 10AM - OPEN 7PM: 0-300	9 10AM - OPEN 7PM: 0-300	16 10AM - OPEN 7PM: 0-300	23 10AM - OPEN 7PM: 0-300	30 10AM - OPEN 7PM: 0-300
Tuesday  I  NOON: 0-750  Charitis Game  7:30PM - OPEN Series Game	8 NOON: 0-750 7:30PM - OPEN Series Game	15 NOON: 0-750 7:30PM - OPEN Series Game	22 NOON: 0-750 Membership Appreciation 7:30PM - OPEN	29 NOON: 0-750 7:30PM - OPEN
Monday  w T F S  W T F S  4 5 6 7  11 12 13 14  18 19 20 21  25 26 27 28	7 7PM: 0-1000	14 7PM: 0-1000	2 <i>I</i> 7PM: 0-1000	28 7PM: 0-1000 Charity Game
Sunday  September  S M T W T F  1 2 3 4 5 6 8 9 10 11 12 13 1 15 16 17 18 19 20 2 22 23 24 25 26 27 2	9	13	20	27