Bridge North West



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This is the third issue of Bridge North West, a newsletter published by and for the ACBL members of District 19. Representing some 6000+ bridge players this newsletter is entirely volunteer driven and we expect to publish twice a year in April and October.

To keep costs to a bare minimum, and do our part to be environmentally friendly, this newsletter is published online only.

When a new issue is available you'll receive an email notification and a link to view, save or print the newsletter. Links to past issues are also available through our website, d19.org

This means we can only reach the players who have given a valid email address to the ACBL. If you have a partner or bridge playing friend who doesn't have access to the internet or is not online with the League, please consider sharing this newsletter with them. We hope you enjoy this newsletter and we welcome your feedback at bridgenorthwest@d19.org

In future issues, as face-to-face club, sectional and regional tournament attendance ramps up (we hope), we will highlight top finishers in our district at our regionals and nationals in addition to the varied list of leaders in the district Ace of Clubs and Mini-Mckenny races. (With pictures if we can get them!)

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From the President

by Nicholas Stock



Greetings fellow bridge players. This has been a challenging year for us as we try to encourage the return of face-to-face play. With the availability of bridge online through BBO and other online sites, many of you may be experiencing a reluctance to go back to "ordinary" face to face bridge at the club, the local sectional or even a regional or national tournament. Some of that reluctance is born of fear of COVID, while some of it is no doubt that online bridge is easier to participate in. What I'd like to do is remind you that this game is, above all, a social experience. If you remember when you learned to play, it was no doubt with a group of other people, many of them like-minded, who discussed how to play and what to play with each other before and after the actual games. Sure, it was always quite competitive, but you were doing it together. I find that element mostly missing from online bridge so I am eager to once again play in club games, sectional, regional and national tournaments.

This year, our District 19 has had two regional tournaments: Leavenworth and Penticton. Leavenworth was put on in the spring but it was hardly spring weather (snow in the mountain passes) and the result was that we didn't achieve a good attendance level. Thanks to our tournament chair and government grants, this did not cost the district money. Penticton in June was a different story as it saw the return of many bridge addicts to the tables. Weather in Penticton was also poor (not like summer at all - I had to wear a sweater 6 days out of seven) but it still achieved attendance at 52% of its 2019 rate. Thanks to the tournament chair who negotiated a smaller space for the venue, the district once again didn't lose money.

These are small successes compared to what has happened to our sectional tournaments (thank you to all units who put these on) which are not doing as well.

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| Sectional | Dates | Tables |
| Peace Arch | Feb 4-6 | 57 |
| Redmond | Feb 18-20 | 140 |
| Acnhorage | Feb 23-27 | 68 |
| Qualicum Beach | Apr 29-May 1 | 113 |
| Vernon | Apr 29-May 1 | 101 |
| Richland | Apr 29-May 1 | 74 |
| Vancouver Spring | May 20-23 | 187 |
| Osoyoos | May 27-29 | 52 |
| Shoreline | May 28-30 | 151 |
| Spokane Summer | Jun 10-12 | 83 |

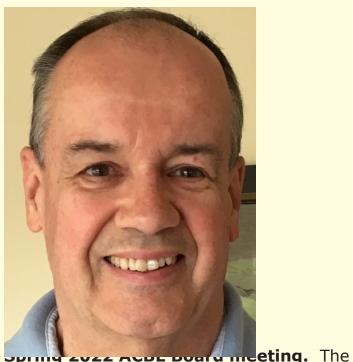
We need to dust off the old convention cards we used with former partners and take them to the upcoming sectional tournaments:

| Nanaimo | Aug 5 - 7 |
|----------------|-------------|
| Spokane Fall | Sep 2 - 5 |
| Vancouver Fall | Sep 3 - 5 |
| Lacey | Sep 3 - 5 |
| Sydney | Sep 16 - 18 |
| Lake Country | Sep 23 - 25 |
| Sunnyside | Oct 7 - 9 |
| Yakima | Oct 26 - 28 |

But the most important things we can do are

- 1. support our local bridge clubs, many of which are struggling to stay afloat as they compete with the ACBL virtual club games on BBO (which do not provide a social experience at all).
- 2. try to teach younger people the elements and the wonders of the game. By younger people I mean not only our grandchildren, but also college attendees, our sons and daughters and any newly retired people who are looking for a social pastime.

From the ACBL Board by Tim White



ACBL Board of Directors held its spring 2022 meeting in Reno in conjunction with the Spring North American Bridge Championships. A report on the meeting is posted to the District 19 website here http://www.d19.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/04/Spring-2022-Board-Report.pdf

Combating Cheating. In the October 2021 Edition of Bridge North West I

reported that an initiative was underway to create an Institute of Bridge Arbitration (IBA) which, in conjunction with the American Arbitration Association, would hear cases of alleged first degree ethical violations. Work continues on IBA implementation, its formal relationship with the American Arbitration Association, formulation of a training program and identification of volunteers to serve on cases.

On April 9 the ACBL announced development of a new tool for detecting and prosecuting cheating. Developed by chief architects Franco Baseggio and Brian Platnick, "EDGAR" (Electronic Data Gathering and Anti-cheating Radar) will allow bridge organizations to scan thousands of cases and look for telltale signs of cheating. EDGAR is currently being tested and refined, and is expected to be in use in ACBL cases later this year, initially in support of "traditional" investigations. The name pays homage to the great Edgar Kaplan, the father of modern bridge ethics.

Instead of identifying single hands that appear suspicious in a vacuum, EDGAR will be able to identify whether funnylooking bridge decisions are representative of a larger pattern or constitute a one-off aberration. It is expected players will have confidence in EDGAR's ability to identify cheaters without raising suspicion of innocent players.

As EDGAR is refined, consideration is being given to its transparency, accessibility, validation, maintenance, and control. Goals include: (a) providing everyone the information needed to understand how it works, (b) providing access to the cheating detection algorithms and operational details, meaning these can be verified by statisticians, programmers, mathematicians, and anyone else who wants to "look under the hood" to see if it works as intended, (c) inviting contributions of the brightest minds in the bridge world toward improvements and refinements, and (d) making EDGAR

available to all bridge organizations at little to no cost.

The project has been managed by AJ Stephani, Chair of the ACBL Appeals and Charges Committee, as part of a comprehensive transformation in the way cheating cases are handled by the ACBL. In addition, it is hoped EDGAR will become a critical tool in both detection and prosecution methods around the world. **ACBL Board Transition.** En route from a twenty-five- to a thirteen-member ACBL Board, eight Regional Director elections were held in 2021, four more will be held this summer, and a thirteenth will take place in 2023. As the board reduces in

Advisory Council (formerly Board of Governors)

Hugh McSheffrey Marv Norden Charlie Bennett

size, other bodies are taking on some of

appropriate to recognize D19 members

who currently serve on ACBL bodies:

its functions and responsibilities. It's thus

ACBL Laws Commission
Matt Koltnow

Competition and Conventions Committee

Jeff Ford

Online Ethical Oversight Committee
Julie Smith

Please feel free to touch base. Questions, concerns and suggestions are always welcome.

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Send the kid in your life to Bridge Camp

Bridge for Youth is running its annual bridge summer camp this year. We invite you to send the child in your life to camp to learn bridge, master new skills, and make new friends!

There are two weeks to camp this year: Week 1 will be online, with classes for beginners, intermediate players (who have had some previous instruction) and advanced kids (generally these have enough skills to keep up in a club game). (August 2-6)

Week 2 is a face-to-face day camp, for kids at all levels. (August 8-12)
Each week costs \$125.00, you can sign up for one week or both weeks.
Financial assistance is available. You can register for Camp by clicking on this link:

https://forms.gle/ohfyvvTUxMWU3gS56.

For more information, see our flyer (below) or email me at:

Ann Romeo (Ann.Romeo@b4youth.org)

D19 GNT Finals

Results!

by Ann Romeo

In April we held the **D19 GNT finals** and are pleased to announce the winners!

In the **Open Flight**, we had 8 teams participate, with Team Zhou (Kai Zhou, Xinguo Chen, Alex Hong, Lu Gan, Roy Li) besting Team Martineau (Joel Martineau, Wenmin Chen, Jack Lee, James Wu) in the finals. Team Zhou (with the addition of Jack Lee and James Wu and without Chen

or Gan) will represent D19 in Providence.

In **Flight A**, we had 9 teams participate, with Team Ford and Team Zaugg exchanging leads over the course of the two-day match. In the end, Team Ford (Jeff Ford, Kim Eng, Eric Sieg, Greg Herman) beat Team Zaugg (Brian Zaugg, Shawn Abernethy, David Wright, Mike Ring). Team Ford will be representing D19 in Providence.

In **Flight B**, we had 9 teams participate, with Team Hsieh (Frank Hsieh, Gianni Hsieh, Nathan and Arthur Gong, Helena Hsieh and Jessie Cai) wiring the event. This team is packed with kids from Bridge for Youth. Finishing a close second was Team Class (Christopher Class, Tom Reis, Eileen Deutsch, Mike Edwards). Finishing third was Team Feldman (Cliff Feldman, Bob Munger, Hugh Hendrickson, Christine Chai). Representing D19 in Providence will be Team Hseih and an augmented Team Feldman (with Tim and Renae White); Team Class electing not to go.

In **Flight C**, we had 11 teams, and in the end, Team Yan (Flora Yan, Junkai Peng, Hong Chang, Qiang Hua) won, and Team Bowman (Jeremy Bowman, ShavivBen Neriah, Bakul Dalal, Satadru Roy) just edging out Team Miller (Laura Miller, Mary Blanchett, and Grechen and Chuck Shivey). Both Team Yan (augmented with new captain Jennifer Hong and without Hua) and Team Miller will represent D19 in Providence (Team Bowman deciding not to go).

We want to thank all who participated in this event, and special thanks go to JP Weber (who helped set up the signup page, and our directors, Kim Hayward and Jenni Carmichael. This was the first time our GNT coordinator (Ann Romeo) ran this event—we recognize that it was not as smooth as it could be, and we promise that NEXT year, things will be more seamless.

Ask Matt by Matt Koltnow



Our club has had face-to-face play for the better part of a year already. Our games are smaller than they were before, but we do always get enough for a Mitchell movement. There are normally seven to nine tables in play. Two of the NS pairs are always a bridge teacher playing with a student. Our club director is very professional and serious, but I get the impression that he always rules in their favour. Why would he do that? Sincerely, Frustrated intermediate player

Dear No Rulings For You,

Your reaction is understandable, and I'm sure it is frustrating to watch the director take in the facts at the table, consider them, and give your opponents what they ask for. Then when you call, you get nothing.

It is entirely possible that your director is intimidated by the strong players or fears the loss of their business. On the other hand, consider that more experienced players might simply pick their spots better. Sure, the Law says that the director should be summoned at once when attention is drawn to an irregularity. We want you to call us over to settle leads out of turn, revokes, and insufficient bids. When you call us for rulings that involve matters of bridge judgement, we adjust the score when the side who committed an infraction gained something from having done so.

That's where this impression that the director always rules for the strong player comes from. Let's say that your RHO opens 1C, you pass, and LHO responds 1H. Partner passes, and RHO reaches into the bidding box, pulls out 2C, and before putting it on the table says, "oh!" replacing it with 1NT. You are welcome to call us to the table when this happens. A director could tell the table that ACBL's regulation is that a bid is not considered part of the auction until it meets the standard of declarer's played card. That is, it needs to be face up, touching or nearly touching the table, or maintained in a position to indicate it has been played. Pulling something out of the bid box and not putting it on the table creates unauthorized information for the partner and extraneous information for the opponents that they use at their own risk. The director might continue by reminding your opponent to gain no advantage from what they might have seen or heard. The problem is, we don't know why 2C came out of the box. It's possible it was a mechanical error and your opponent had always intended 1NT. It could have been that he was indeed considering 2C and changed his mind after pulling the 2C card out. Although this is a bad habit, it is not by itself illegal. And let's face it, it's unlikely the director will adjust the score as a result of what this player has done. Law 16C says that when a player is in possession of unauthorized information from partner that they cannot choose a call or play demonstrably suggested by the information if there is another call or play that is a logical alternative. This extraneous information does not demonstrably suggest anything; your opponent simply said, "Oh!" and put out the bid he wanted to make. Players sometimes seem disappointed that directors do not scold their opponents for these violations of procedure. I think that is because we suspect that our players already know they are supposed to decide

what they want to bid before touching

their bidding box, for instance. We are

more concerned about ensuring that non-offenders are protected when their opponents do something that is against the rules. Law 12 addresses this. It mentions that the purpose of an adjusted score is to take away any advantage gained by an offending side through its irregularity. An innocent side is damaged when they receive a score poorer than what they would have achieved had the infraction not occurred, not simply because their opponents committed an infraction. We adjust the score only when there is damage.

That was a long way of saying that there are a lot of things that can go wrong at the table. Some of them lead to an adjusted score. Experienced players recognize those situations, and they ask for redress when that happens. They don't always get what they want, but they know what to ask for and when to ask for it. We directors can combat the impression of favouritism by explaining our rulings clearly, referencing the Law we have applied.

(Matt Koltnow is the ACBL Area Manager for the Northwest)

If you have questions about the rules or ruling the game please send to:

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The Joys of Face to

Face

by Nick Stock

It was so refreshing to play face to face recently but I did have trouble with a few things I was no longer used to. Some examples:

1. In a regional (Penticton) I reached a difficult contract of 4NT (I shouldn't have opened? partner shouldn't have pushed?) and received a bad lead for my side, a

good lead for the opponents. After way too much thought I took a poorish line of play involving finessing against a Jack (it was offside of course) in a 5-2 fit. The opponents then made a play that would have got me my tenth trick if I could figure out which card to play from my hand. After much agonizing I chose the wrong one and knew I was going down 1. That is a poor result. In a fit of annoyance (stupidity?) I played the hand out not noticing when one of the opponents didn't follow suit. At the end, they claimed an extra trick from their withheld card and I was down 2. A really cold zero. After the round was over and scored up, I asked the opponents about their holdings - they didn't remember. Between rounds I spoke to a director who, of course, pointed out that I only had one chance to uncover the revoke and it was just at the end of the hand (or earlier when the revoke occurred). Moral: pay attention to your opponents following suit or not.

2. In a club game the opponents had the following auction:

Me LHO Partner RHO 1C 1D Pass Dbl

RHO was horrified to hear the ruling when the director came over: "You can replace Dbl with whatever bid you like (excluding Rdbl of course) but your partner must pass throughout."

"You mean I have to just guess what to bid?" they said.

"As usual, I thought".

Moral: look at your opponents bids.

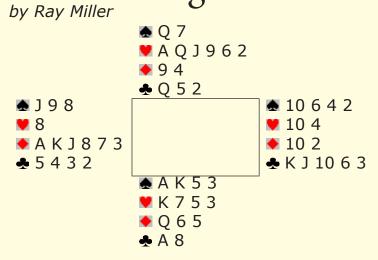
3. Some recent hand shapes I held have led to some odd auctions:

Both of these were artifacts of losing the

art of sorting one's hand correctly.

Moral: actually look at each of those cards.

Best Defense Not Good Enough



North South have an uncontested auction to 4 hearts played in the South after South opens with a strong 1NT. West starts things off by leading the Ace of diamonds, to which East follows to show 1 or 2 diamonds. So what is West's proper continuation at trick 2?

If, say, West switches to a spade, declarer can win, pull trumps in 2 rounds and pitch a diamond on the third spade and concede a club. Making 5.

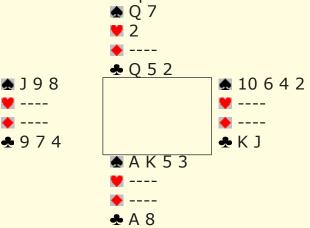
So West decides they must cash their second diamond establishing a trick for South's Queen. Now if West switches to a club, declarer can pull trumps in 2 rounds and pitch 2 clubs from dummy, one on the third spade and one on the diamond Queen. Making 5.

So West decides to play a 3rd diamond. Now declarer has 2 options. They can ruff high, or pitch a club now and a club later on the third spade. Obviously this latter play will allow declarer to make just 4 as East ruffs the third diamond.

But what about ruffing high? Now declarer can pitch just 1 club later on the third spade and still has a club loser in dummy. So it seems it doesn't matter which play declarer takes, either road leads to 4.

But wait a minute, maybe that's not true. Maybe there is a squeeze as everything looks right for that. By cashing two diamonds, West has rectified the count so if declarer has 4 spades to the AK (so East guards the fourth round of that suit) East won't also be able to keep his club cards.

Best defense is to lead the third diamond and hope declarer doesn't ruff high and squeeze your partner. On the last trump this would be the position:



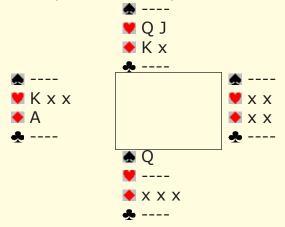
On the lead of the 2 of hearts, East is finished. Note declarer could also cash the ace of clubs early and run the position as a Vienna Coup, but here the position is flexible enough that it isn't necessary to do so.

Let Them Ruff

by Nick Stock

Here is a playing technique that can sometimes save tricks (under or over tricks). You've seen this as a defensive maneuver where you wish to force declarer to ruff in hand but because the dummy has a potential winner in the suit, only one defender can safely lead it. For example:

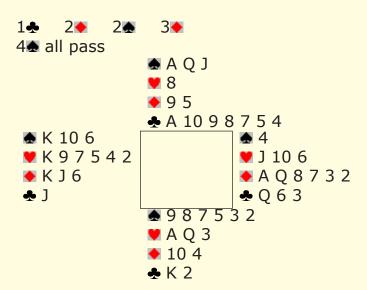
With spades as trump and this as a layout:



If you, East, are on lead, you can safely lead a heart – if declarer ruffs, partner plays low; if declarer doesn't ruff your partner scores his heart King. If your partner, West, is on lead, they cannot lead a heart without giving declarer three tricks.

Similarly, as declarer, you can score extra tricks by leading towards a winner, past an opponent who can ruff.

Here are two examples of this from recent play:

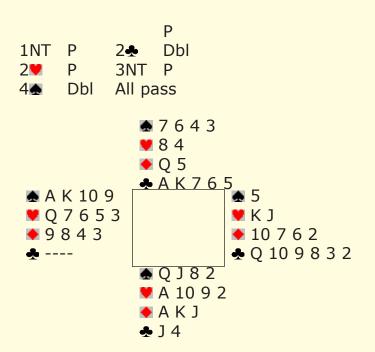


The defense starts with a diamond to the Ace and the Queen of diamonds. West overrules their partner (who was trying to hold the lead) by overtaking with the $\mbox{\em K}$ and switching to the $\mbox{\em J}$.

It looks like the ♣ J is a singleton, so you can win in hand with the King, play a spade to the Jack, and lead a heart to your hand and lead another spade, hoping spades are 2-2. If East has 3 spades though, and you draw their last trump you won't have an entry back to dummy after you establish the club suit. Is there another play?

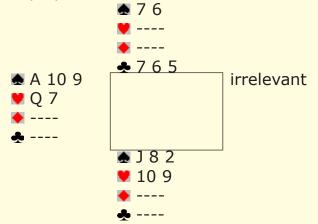
Try leading a second club right away. If East ruffs this, the club suit is established and anything they lead (except a trump) gets you back to your hand for a spade finesse. If East doesn't ruff this, you can win the Ace, and ruff a third club with your highest trump (the 9). Now if East overruffs your 9 with the 10, one spade finesse is all you need. And if they don't overruff, you will take 2 spade finesses and make an overtrick.

This second example uses this technique twice:



Against 4 doubled, East leads the 9. Seeing that East didn't lead a club and based on the auction, you can deduce that clubs must be 0-6. Also, their double suggests that they have a very strong trump holding. If that holding is AK109(x), you are destined to go down at least 1 and you are short of tricks unless you can ruff hearts in dummy.

So win the ♠ A in hand and lead a club towards dummy. In this case, East pitches a diamond. So win the ♣ A in dummy, lead a second diamond to the ♠ K, cash the third diamond pitching a heart and lead a second club towards the ♣ K in dummy. If East doesn't ruff this but pitches a heart he is in trouble: win the ♣ K in dummy, lead a heart to the Ace, ruff a heart in dummy and lead a trump to the Queen. East is left on play with



He can play ♠ A, ♠ 10 to score 3 spades and a heart. If he tries for an extra trick by leading a low heart, you can let it ride to your 9, and ruff a heart in dummy then play a second spade ducked to him for 10 tricks. If he plays the ♥ Q you can ruff in dummy and lead a spade ducked to him and he plays his last heart to endplay you in spades (still down one).

A Kantar Apprentice

A frequent theme in the late Eddie Kantar's columns on defending is: "If the only way to defeat the hand is for partner to have certain cards, then play as if he does have them."

Playing pairs in a club game, everyone Vul, you pick up:

▲ AK6 ► KQ8743 ► 92 ♣ 95

Partner deals and passes. The auction proceeds;

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$$(1 \bullet)$$
 $1 \lor (1 \bullet)$
4 \lor $(4 \bullet)$ All Pass.

Partner leads the ♣ 4 and you see:

Dummy

■ J 10 9 3

■ ---
■ K Q 8 7 5 3

♣ A Q J

You

■ A K 6

■ K Q 8 7 4 3

● 9 2

♣ 9 5

Dummy plays the J, you play the 9 (encouraging), and Declarer follows with the 2.

Make a plan; you need four tricks, so where are they coming from? Only from two top spades, a club ruff and a trick from partner.

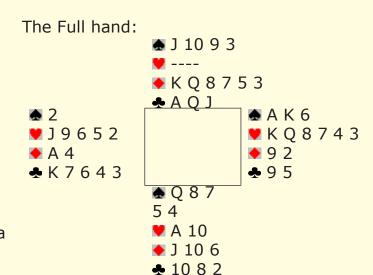
You VISUALIZE (Kantar leaning over your shoulder). What card(s) does partner need for your plan to work? Ready?

Declarer now calls for the ▲ J from dummy, and you? Clearly to get a club ruff you must fly with your Ace, and continue with the ♣ 5 right into Dummy's AQ. Too bad about partner's K, (if he even has it) but it was dead anyway. Declarer plays the 10, and partner the 3.

Dummy wins and leads another spade. You play the King and partner discards a discouraging heart. You now lead the ● 9. Partner shows up with the Ace (thank you Kantar!) and gives you your club ruff. Down 1. Be sure to congratulate partner on making the only opening lead that allows you to beat the contract.

This is not a difficult defence to find, but it does require partnership trust. You must hope that partner has the diamond Ace for an entry, as clearly the heart Ace in his hand is worthless. West should not be fooled by Declarer's false card of the ♣ 10, and suddenly imagine that East is trying for a diamond ruff. If he wanted a diamond

ruff, he would have led one at trick 3, instead of a second round of clubs. A good partner will be trying to tell you what you most need to know. Trust him, not the opponents – he is on your side, Declarer is not.



District Leaders

as of July 06, 2022

2022 Leaders Mini-Mckenny 2022 Leaders Ace of Clubs

| 2022 | Leaders | 1V11111-1V1CF | CITITY | | , | 1 | |
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| Pts at start | Leaders | Location | Pts Earned | Pts at start | Leaders | Location | Pts Earned |
| 0 - 5 | Xiaojing Deng | Richmond BC | 89.79 | 0 - 5 | S Dale Simms | Campbell River BC | 11.52 |
| 5 - 20 | John Dyblie | Yakima WA | 22.20 | 5 - 20 | Roy Forsander | Vashon WA | 16.98 |
| 20 - 50 | Thomas Sparks | Seattle WA | 43.53 | 20 - 50 | Lanette Guthmann | Redmond WA | 28.47 |
| 50 - 100 | Xiaoming Shen | Richmond BC | 89.79 | 50 - 100 | Grace Shen | Kirkland WA | 46.62 |
| 100 - 200 | Thomas Rippon | North Vancouver BC | 98.31 | 100 - 200 | Thomas Rippon | North Vancouver BC | 98.31 |
| 200 - 300 | Marianne Kersten | Bellevue WA | 164.61 | 200 - 300 | Marianne Kersten | Bellevue WA | 163.01 |
| 300 - 500 | Arthur Gong | Sammamish WA | 158.49 | 300 - 500 | Debbie Harris | North Vancouver BC | 98.31 |
| 500 - 1000 | Francis Wallis | Anchorage AK | 161.74 | 500 - 1000 | Francis Wallis | Anchorage AK | 108.67 |
| 1000- 1500 | Herman Xiao | Sammamish WA | 253.16 | 1000- 1500 | Wane Stann | Kelowna BC | 136.83 |
| 1500- 2500 | Marion Kosior | Penticton BC | 325.86 | 1500- 2500 | Marion Kosior | Penticton BC | 281.86 |
| 2500- 3500 | Kelly Meenagh | Kelowna BC | 229.69 | 2500- 3500 | Gordon Hepperle | Summerland BC | 175.64 |
| 3500- 5000 | Don Bell | Vernon BC | 277.68 | 3500- 5000 | Don Bell | Vernon BC | 165.42 |
| 5000- 7500 | Chris Penner | Nanaimo BC | 253.35 | 5000- 7500 | Chris Penner | Nanaimo BC | 228.75 |
| 7500- 10000 | Leo Glaser | Lake Country BC | 165.02 | 7500- 10000 | Patti Hartley | Kenmore WA | 87.44 |
| Over 10000 | Ray Miller | Seattle WA | 339.60 | Over 10000 | Ray Miller | Seattle WA | 111.22 |

District 19 Board Members Voting Members

D19 Officials

| Who | Units Represented | Function |
|--------------------|--|---|
| Nick Stock | 430 | President, Newsletter Editor |
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| Kathie Hoehne | 425, 426, 427 | |
| Karen Madison | 436, 442, 448, 450, 453, 454, 455 | |
| Marv Norden | 456, 571, 574 | Communic- ations |
| J. P. Weber | 429, 431 | D19.org WebMaster |
| Marla Patterson | 433, 437, 439, 441, 443, 451 | |
| David Waterman | 430 | |
| Nick Stock | 430 | Newsletter Editor |
| Ann Romeo | 446 | Youth |
| Ray Miller | 446 | |
| Tim White | | Region 13 (D18 & 19) rep on ACBL Board of Directors |

| Who | Function |
|----------------|--|
| Dudley Brown | Secretary, Tournament Administrator |
| David Schmidt | Treasurer |
| Matt Koltnow | Tournament Coordinator, Northwest Area Manager |
| Stephen Hosch | Appeals Chair |
| John Weinberg | Disciplinary Chair |
| David Binney | District Recorder |
| David Taylor | TournTables, District Supplier |
| Bruce McIntyre | Online Regional Bulletin Editor |
| J. P. Weber | Webmaster |
| Tim White | Region 13 (districts 18 and 19) on ACBL Board of Directors |



Bridge for Youth



IN PERSON and ONLINE BRIDGE SUMMER CAMP



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ONLINE CAMP (Grades 5-12)

Aug. 1st - Aug. 5th

Introduction to Bridge (Hands-on introduction)

Intermediate Workshop

Advanced Workshop

Hours: 10:00 AM - 12:PM pm and 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm PDT

Fee: \$125/5-day session. Financial aid available

IN PERSON CAMP - LEARN and PLAY

Aug. 8th - Aug. 12th

Pre-Requisite - Completion of a beginner bridge class

Hours: 9:00 am - 3:00 pm PDT (Bring lunch and snacks)

Location: Mercer Island Congregational Church

4545 Island Crest Way, Mercer Island, WA 98040

Fee: \$125/5-day session. Financial aid available

PLEASE NOTE: Proof of COVID 19 vaccination required; TBD if ACBL, WA DOH

and/or SBC will require masks for indoor events

DON'T DELAY – SPACE IS LIMITED

REGISTER NOW

Questions? Email camp@b4youth.org





2022 Puget Sound Regional Tournament August 22-28

Lynnwood Convention Center

3711 196th St SW Lynnwood, Washington Sanction: R2208114

Local Hotels a short walk from the play site

(ask for the Bridge Tournament Rate)

- Best Western Alderwood (425)-775-7600
 \$112.00 + tax for double queen; book before 8/15
- America's Best Value (425)775-8030
 \$109 plus tax for single queen; \$124 plus tax for double queen; book before 8/7

What makes Lynnwood great?

- Team games every day!
- Single session BAM on Friday!
- Daytime starts on Saturday and Sunday (make your ferry!)
- Afternoon and evening schedule: explore Seattle in the AM, then play bridge!
- Soloway KOs: play for a day, then either advance or play bracketed teams the next day.
- Bracketed teams: GOLD for the top finishers in each bracket!
- Venue is near good restaurants, including Red Lobster, The Rock, Silver Spoon Thai, Bamboo Tree Pho, Triple Bs, Ezell's Chicken, El Risconsito, Anthony's Seafood, Moonshine BBQ.
- Venue is near Alderwood Mall--great destination shopping!
- Late Monday start--play in the club game on Monday, then come play teams in the evening!
- Hotels a short walk away!
- 5 Gold Rush Pairs games!
- Bridge for Youth Kids play for free!
- TournTables books and bridge materials for sale!
- Speakers and bridge advice between sessions.
- The Lynnwood Convention Center: a comfortable, air-conditioned, well-lit venue.
- And if you like music on vinyl, come shop at Silver Platters between sessions!



REGIONAL BRIDGE TOURNAMENT WHISTLER 2022 NOVEMBER 3, 2022 - NOVEMBER 9, 2022



Tournament Contact: Marv Norden marv.norden@gmail.com 778-214-6278

Room Rate \$149+tax.

Complimentary parking if registered by October 15, 2022.

Ask for District 19 Bridge League Tournament Rate

Visit D19.org for more information

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2022/2023 Calendar

| Dates | Name | Location |
|---------------------------|---|---|
| August 5 - 7, 2022 | Nanaimo Sectional | Bowen Park Complex 500 Bowen Rd, Nanaimo, BC |
| August 22 - 28, 2022 | Puget Sound Regional | Lynnwood Convention Center 3711 196th St. SW, Lynnwood , WA |
| September 2 - 5, 2022 | Spokane Labor Day Sectional | Spokane Bridge Center 1427 North Argonne Rd, Spokane Valley |
| September 3 - 5, 2022 | Vancouver Evergreen Sectional | Queensborough Community Centre 920 Ewen Avenue, New Westminster, BC |
| September 3 - 5, 2022 | Olympia Labor Day Weekend Sectional | Thurston County Fairgrounds 3054 Carpenter Road SE, Lacey |
| September 16 - 18, 2022 | Victoria Fall Sectional | Mary Winspear Centre 2243 Beacon Avenue, Sidney, BC |
| September 23 - 25, 2022 | Kelowna Fall Sectional | Winfield Memorial Hall 10130 Bottom Wood Lake Road, Lake Country |
| October 7 - 9, 2022 | Sunnyland 22 Sectional | Mini Mall 204 South 6th Street, Sunnyside |
| October 26 - 28, 2022 | Yakima Sunshine Sectional | Bethlehem Lutheran Church 801 Tieton Dr, Yakima |
| November 3 - 9, 2022 | Whistler Regional | Fairmont Chateau Whistler |
| November 18 - 20, 2022 | Vancouver Roundup Sectional | IUOE 115 Local Engineer's Hall 4333 Ledger Street, Burnaby, BC |
| February 3 - 5, 2023 | Peace Arch Sectional | Northwood Hall, Bellingham |
| March 24 - 26, 2023 | Everett Fun Sectional | Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church Building 12810 35th Ave SE, Everett |
| April 17 - 23, 2022 | Victoria Regional | Victoria Conference Centre 720 Douglas Street, Victoria |