

# THE KIBITZER

## CALGARY DUPLICATE BRIDGE ASSOCIATION

SEPTEMBER 2004

**Banff Classic Sectional**  
**November 5-7, 2004**



**Inns of Banff, 600 Banff Avenue, Banff, Alberta phone: (403) 762-4581**

### Open Events

Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> November, 2004

2:00 PM: Stratified IMP Pairs  
8:00 PM: Stratified Pairs

Saturday, 6<sup>th</sup> November, 2004

1:00 PM: Stratiflighted Open Pairs  
(1<sup>st</sup> session of playthrough)  
7:30 PM: Stratiflighted Open Pairs  
(2<sup>nd</sup> session of playthrough)

**Note: Single session Side Games on  
Saturday**

Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> november, 2004

10:00 AM: Stratified Swiss Teams  
(1<sup>st</sup> Session)  
TBA: Stratified Swiss Teams  
(2<sup>nd</sup> Session)

**NOTE: Limited time break between Sessions**  
**Lunch available on Site**  
**Play to be completed by 6:30PM**

**Flighting for Friday & Sunday Games**

**A: 750<sup>+</sup>    B: 300 - 750    C: 0 - 300**

### Future Masters Events

**Future Masters Events Will Be Held If  
Numbers Warrant (Minimum 3 Tables)**

**All Future Master Events are Single Session**

**Host Hotel**

**Inns of Banff**

**600 Banff Avenue  
Banff, Alberta**

**Calgary Direct Line: 265-6962**

**Toll Free Reservation Line: 1-800-661-1272**

**NOTE: THIS EVENT IS HELD 100KM  
AWAY FROM THE HOSTING CALGARY  
UNIT. PARTNERSHIPS AT THE HOTEL  
CAN UNFORTUNATELY NOT BE  
GUARANTEED.**

**No Smoking in the Playing Area.  
Breaks Will be Provided.**

Check the Unit Web Site [www.calgarybridge.com](http://www.calgarybridge.com) for the latest news (new awesome prizes!!).

## President's Message

In May your Board welcomed two additions, Tom Nault and Hash Mohammed, who will be managing the membership and special events functions respectively. Steve Lawrence left his position as president but expects to help us as past-president. I'd like to thank Steve Lawrence, my immediate predecessor, for his two years' service in this role and what he accomplished (that I don't have to) in that time.

One topic Steve addressed at the AGM in May was the issue of ethics, fair play and grievance procedure. While we tend to focus more on playing and bidding better, and of course having fun and meeting new people, and that's as it should be, we are also aware that an integral part of the game comprises the backdrop of rules and their interpretation and enforcement.

First of all, rules infringements are inevitable and come in a wide range of severity - most procedures that deal with them simply seek to preserve the integrity of the bidding or play of the hand, without passing judgment on the offending player. For that reason you should usually not be offended if someone 'calls the director on you'. When you feel aggrieved by an opponent's action, your first step should be to call the director-your question or complaint will be addressed in the exact same manner as each of the last 100 times he or she encountered your situation.

If you are not satisfied with the way your director ruled on the ethical issue, or if you believe the offence was particularly egregious, your recourse is not to publicly bemoan your opponent's lack of morals, or parentage, but rather to contact the Recorder. In our Unit Dann Kramer has served this role impeccably, if not frequently. This person receives complaints of behaviour of a nature that would not be too serious in one case, but a series of similar examples could be considered unethical. The frequency of reports to the Recorder has averaged less than once per year over the past 7-8 years, a reflection of our Unit members' high ethical conduct (or they're not aware of the Recorder?).

The serious transgressions, where only one occurrence requires review if not sanction, are referred to the Conduct & Ethics Officer, a position currently filled by the ethical Stan Shedd. He has received fewer submissions than Mr. Kramer.

Finally (for those of you still with me) there is a link on the ACBL website that discusses appeals from director calls at past NABC's. The discussed cases include breaks-in-tempo during bidding, misinformation, unauthorized information, invalid claims and other miscellaneous faux pas. The hands can also be instructive on bidding and/or play at high levels-yes it's not the most exciting recommendation you'll read this week but we are entering another long winter in Calgary. At ACBL.org you click on tournaments...charts, rules & regulations...NABC Casebooks. Happy bridging.

Dave Johnson

### Please Help Us Out

If you have an EMAIL address that please let us know so we can send you the Kibitzer by email instead of Canada Post. Not only does the postage cost money but there is also the considerable cost of photocopying and envelopes. Also it takes time for volunteers to fold the paper, stuff the envelopes, paste the mailing labels, etc., but of course we love doing that.

Send your email address to Marlene Lenstra at [lenstra@shaw.ca](mailto:lenstra@shaw.ca)

**MEMBERSHIP DESK - Tom Nault**

**We are sad to report the passing of Roy Kinnear**

**Welcome to the following new ACBL Members:** Douglas Allard 228-5802, Ineke Boudewijn 374-1835, Bill Clarke 242-2233. Ron Courtoreille - 830-0563; Rita Cushon - 263-4578; Susan Jull - 243-0921; Francis Tierney - 244-7442; Darren Vaast - 277-6317

**Welcome to the following players who transferred into our Unit:** Mr. M.J. Laughlin - TOL 2B0, Mr. Bruce Murray - 760-7662, Yvonne Montgomery, Florence Todaro - 609-0106, Mr. Ralph White - 586-3770

**Sorry to see the following players leave our Unit:** Bruce Adair, W Bidulka, James Corley, James MacQuarrie, Donald & Sandra McCleary, James McGrath, Jan & Warren Schier, Gerri Shymko, Donald R. Smith, Lynn Stefanson, Derrek Webb

**Please make the following changes to your Telephone List:**

**Add**

**Change** Maureen McClure 257-5231, Mel Mills 279 - 6976

Anyone wishing to remove their name from the next publication of the Unit Telephone List (October 2004) or their email address from the email database - are asked to contact Tom Nault at 281-0334 (trnault@shaw.ca)

**Congratulations to the following who have achieved new milestones:**

**JUNIOR MASTER (5-20):** James Claydon, Rita Cushon, Malcolm Harrison, Robert Jacobs, Philip Oldale, David Reid, Alice Thomas, Donald Van Mierlo

**CLUB MASTER (20 - 50):** Shellan Chaney, Susan Julius, Bev Mason, Louis Sandmaier, Roxy Sandmaier, Karol Szklarz, Phyllis Teitelbaum, Nicolae Vartosu, Miryam Waldman

**SECTIONAL MASTER (50 - 99):** Shellan Chaney, Anne Day, Sharon Mansell, Elaine Smith

**REGIONAL MASTER (100 - 200 including 15 silver and 5 red or gold):** Doug Biggs, Sydney A. Holberton, Freda Nychkalo, Sheila Ross, Dianna Wreford

**NABC MASTER (100 - 200 ):** Margaret Cooke, Edward Faichuk, Eldon Godfrey, Eileen Grady, Alan Hochstein, Eveleine King, Lucy Miller, Tom Nault, Kenneth Oram, Roxanne Rees, Lucielle Smith

**LIFE MASTER (300 - 50 silver, 25 gold, 25 red or gold):** Helga Baldwinson, Nancy Calis, Willa Dumka, Geraldine Paterson, Ann Soloman

**BRONZE LIFE MASTER (Life Master over 500):** Hilary Bean, Linda Harrison, Wilber Zinter

**SILVER LIFE MASTER (Life Master over 1000):**

## NEWS FROM THE CLUBS

### Martinique Bridge Club

Knights of Columbus Hall  
2419-54 Ave. S.W.  
243-4353

Mon 12:15 Open Swiss Teams  
7:00 99er Swiss Teams  
Wed 12:15 99er Pairs  
7:30 Open Pairs  
Fri 12:15 Open Pairs  
7:30 NLM Pairs

Tue 12:15 Open Pairs  
7:30 Open Pairs  
Thu 12:15 Open Pairs  
7:00 Novice Pairs  
Sat 7:30 Open Swiss Teams

Our Club Appreciation Games for October are:

Mon Aft: Oct 18	Mon Eve: Oct 18	Tues Aft: Oct 12	Tues Eve: Oct 12
Wed Aft: Oct 6	Wed Eve: Oct 20	Thurs Aft: Oct 28	Thurs Eve: Oct 28
Fri Eve: Oct 22	Sat Eve: Oct 16		

Saturday September 25th will be our first luncheon. And amazingly we have a date for our October luncheon, it is October 23. Maureen always does a great job. We will especially hope some of the newer players would attend. We will run a separate section for you, if you will just come.

## The Aurora Bridge Club

North Haven Community Assoc. 5006 North Haven Drive N.W.

Lorne & Debbie Hanson 239-2806 Brian & Joy Saville 239-2768

**Monday 12:30pm Open Pairs Stratified**

**Wednesday 12:30pm Open Pairs Stratified**

**Thursday 7:00pm Open Pairs Stratified**

**Friday 12:15pm Non-Life-Master Stratified**

(Life-Master can play with a partner who has less than 5 master points)

Please to not wear perfume as some players are allergic Web site: <http://www.calgarybridge.com>

Emergency phone # 1 hour before to  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour after game time 860-7079

Special Games: September 20<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> 2004 Club Championships

October 25<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> 2004 Club Appreciation Championships



### RECYCLING TO OUR ADVANTAGE!

With the Unit's continued efforts in attracting bridge players to duplicate, I recycle my old bridge bulletins through the Calgary Public Library! A friend of mine at the Fish Creek Branch tells me that since I brought mine in at the beginning of summer, they have been checking out like hotcakes!!

Terri Bedard

Great Idea Terri. Lets get more people learning about the game and the ACBL.

# **A FUN FRIDAY EVERY 6 WEEKS OR SO**

**UNIT 390 &  
THE 2006 REGIONAL COMMITTEE  
ARE GIVING AWAY**

**FREE PLAYS FOR ALL SESSIONS OF THE 2006 WHITE HAT REGIONAL**

**PARTICIPATE IN OUR  
'FUN FRIDAY' BRIDGE EVENTS  
AND WIN WHITE HAT POINTS.**

**INFORMATION AVAILABLE FROM BOARD MEMBERS**

## **FOUR PRIZES TO BE WON.**

FLIGHT A	(0 – 50 mps. as of Sept. 1, 2004)
FLIGHT B	(51 – 100 mps. as of Sept. 1, 2004)
FLIGHT C	(101 – Non LM as of Sept. 1, 2004)
FLIGHT D	(Life Master as of Sept. 1, 2004)

### **Conditions of Contest:**

**CONTEST RUNS FROM SEPTEMBER 2004 THROUGH JUNE 2006**

**2 WHITE HAT POINTS AWARDED FOR PARTICIPATION IN ANY 'FUN FRIDAY' EVENT**

**1 WHITE HAT POINT AWARDED FOR "PLACING" IN ANY 'FUN FRIDAY' EVENT**

**Ties broken by Placing Points, further ties broken by Event wins.**

**Free Plays are not transferable, if winner is unable to participate in the 2006 White Hat Regional the next person in that flight will be awarded the prize.**

**Unit board members and Regional Committee Chairpersons are not eligible.**

**Dates, Type of Events, and Rules are determined by Unit 390.**

**FIRST 'FUN FRIDAY' EVENT**

**ROOKIE MASTER GAME**

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup> at 7:30 P.M.**

**MARTINIQUE BRIDGE CLUB**

**PRE-REGISTRATION MANDATORY**

**Fun Fridays are entirely sponsored by Unit 390 and the 2006 White Hat Regional Committee.**

**All Proceeds go directly toward hospitality at the 2006 White Hat Regional.**

## NORTH AMERICAN OPEN PAIRS

Congratulations to Hash Mohammed and Frank Ayer for placing second in the NAP Flight B District Finals in Billings. They get a free trip to the Spring NABC in Pittsburg to play in the National Finals.

## CANADIAN NATIONAL TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP

Congratulations to Hash Mohammed and Ilya Kuzkin who teamed up with four players from Saskatchewan to win Flight B of the Canadian National Team Championships in St. Katherines, Ontario. Well Done.

### Has This Ever Happened to You?

By Hash Mohammed

Playing with my beer buddy one day, the bidding goes;

LHO	OHO*	RHO	Me	*Opposite Hand Opponent
1D	3D	pass	3NT	

all pass

Before leading LHO asked "What's 3 Diamonds?" I answered "Diamonds".

After I went down four partner said, "That was asking you to bid 3NT with a diamond stopper. We discussed that, remember?"

I said, "When?"

"In the Bar", he said.

"When?"

"About three years ago!"

### Off the WEBSITE

All the **Aurora Bridge Club** games September 20<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> are Championship games.

The Wednesday afternoon game has been moved from Varsity to North Haven

#### Attn anyone not receiving the Newsletters

Hotmail has added a filter to block mass mailings in an attempt to control the spread of viruses and worms. My computer is secure but Hotmail cannot differentiate. You need to add my e-mail address [mufc@shaw.ca](mailto:mufc@shaw.ca) to your safe list if you want to continue getting the news etc. Otherwise, Please come here for your News. If anyone else knows that they have added themselves to the mailing list and is not receiving the Newsletters, check to see if your email account has any filters similar to Hotmail. Another possibility is that I do not have your correct address.

I have created a [new page](#) for anyone who wants to write in and share something with other members. It could be something humorous related to bridge or maybe someone would like to write about a friend who has passed away or maybe you want to rant about something. The page will be limited by your imagination. Please nothing racist, sexist or defamatory.

Bob Crosby has a fabulous web site for any serious bridge partnership. There are many learning and practice tools and great articles to improve your game, too many to mention here. Visit the site and check out all links.

More and more clubs are asking people to refrain from wearing perfume or cologne. There are many bridge players with allergies so maybe the best thing to do is not wear any at all when coming out to play.

## A Bridge Zugzwang by frank ayer

In chess the obligation to make a move to your detriment is called Zugzwang. All bridge squeezes have this element, of course, but this hand seems more Zugzwang than Squeeze.

You hold S - K J 7 5 4, H - void, D - A 10 9 4 3, C - J 6 3. Partner deals and opens 1D, RHO overcalls 2C, and you venture 2S. LHO passes and partner raises you to 3S. RHO refuses to give up and bids 4H over which you bid 4S. RHO ends the auction with Double. The opening lead is the CQ and dummy comes down.

S - A Q 9

H - K 10 4 3

D - K 7 5 2

C - 7 2

S - K J 7 5 4

H -

D - A 10 9 4 3

C - J 6 3

Pard	RHO	You	LHO
1D	2C	2S	pass
3S	4H	4S	pass
pass	DBL	all pass	

The CQ goes to the 2, 9 (u/d), and 3. LHO continues with the C5 to the 7, K, and 6. RHO now tries to cash the HA but you ruff with S4 as LHO plays H2 and dummy the H3. At this point you may want to try to make the hand on your own.

### Part One: Construct the Hands

For RHO to bid clubs before hearts he must have more clubs than hearts and we know he has at most six clubs since LHO followed to two rounds. RHO must have five hearts to bid them at the four level opposite a passing partner. But why did he double? The C-AK and the H-AQJ are not really enough to double and the only logical conclusion is that RHO has a diamond void and was hoping to ruff a diamond opening lead. RHO's shape is 2-5-0-6 and LHO is 3-4-4-2.

### Part Two: Form a Plan

The good news is that trumps are breaking 3-2 but with two club losers the problem is to only lose one diamond. Since LHO has D-QJ86 you cannot develop the diamonds for one loser by force (try it), you have to endplay LHO into leading a diamond. In order to do that you have to lose a trick to him at a point when he has only diamonds in his hand. That means stripping him of all his non-diamonds. Since he has three hearts left and the HK will take care of one you have to ruff two more hearts in your hand. If you ruff three hearts in total you will only have two trumps left to draw LHO's three spades so you will have to draw the last trump in dummy and the S9 won't be high enough for LHO's hypothetical S10. But a finesse of the S9 on the second round of spades should take care of that. So the plan is, after ruffing HA: spade to Ace, ruff a heart with SJ, spade to the Nine, ruff a heart, D10 covered by Jack and won with King, SQ drawing last trump, HK stripping LHO of his last heart and throwing CJ from hand, and finally a diamond to the Nine to endplay LHO.

### Part Three: Review the Plan

The hand construction seems valid and the only flaw is the finesse of the S9 - if RHO has S-10x he will win the second spade - still the odds are 3-2 in your favour. Can anything be done about it? Well, LHO is out of clubs and a club lead at trick four may embarrass him. But why should you ruff CJ, wasting one of dummy's precious trumps, when you can pitch it on the HK? That doesn't seem right. Still it can't hurt to think this through. What will LHO play if you ruff the CJ at trick four? If he throws a diamond it's easy to draw trump and lose only one diamond; if he throws a heart you only have to ruff one more heart (and cash HK) to strip him of hearts and you will have enough trumps in hand to draw them without risking the S9 finesse; and finally if he throws a spade you can over-ruff and only have to draw two rounds of trump. LHO is squeezed in three suits, one of them trump! WOW! So to prepare the plan in Part Two first ruff the CJ to "pre-squeeze" LHO and eliminate the need for the spade finesse. The squeeze doesn't win a trick, it merely forces LHO to play a card - puts him in Zugzwang!

As Bobby Fischer said (although he speaking of chess, of course), "When you find a good move look again, you may find a better one."

The full hand:

S - A Q 9	
H - K 10 4 3	
D - K 7 5 2	
C - 7 2	
S - 8 6 2	S - 10 3
H - Q 7 5 2	H - A J 9 8 6
D - Q J 8 6	D -
C - Q 5	C - A K 10 9 8 4
S - K J 7 5 4	
H -	
D - A 10 9 4 3	
C - J 6 3	

## An Extra Regional in Calgary Next Year

Calgary Unit 390 and the Canadian Bridge Federation are hosting a Fund-Raising Regional Bridge Tournament March 21-27, 2005. That's the week before Easter. It will be held at the Marlborough Community Hall, the same place we have our Calgary Sectionals. Hotel costs are so high now that we are practically forced to find a non-hotel venue. Steve Bates and I have checked out the site and there seems to be plenty of room with extra space available upstairs in the community hall. We have booked the entire facility for the week of the tournament.

This is a full regional with lots of gold points, Blue Ribbon qualifications, and everything else you have come to expect. But it is a fund-raising event for the CBF in order to provide monies for international travel for bridge players to represent Canada in international competitions so we are advertising it as a "No Frills" regional.

## CHAMPIONSHIP EVENT PROGRAM

<b>TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR:</b>	<b>Steve Bates</b>
<b>TOURNAMENT CHAIRPERSONS:</b>	<b>Frank Ayer &amp; Delores Hedley</b>

<b>FLIGHTS: *A:</b>	<b>Unlimited</b>	<b>*B:</b>	<b>0 - 1500</b>	<b>C:</b>	<b>0 - 300</b>
<b>STRATS: *A:</b>	<b>1500+</b>	<b>*B:</b>	<b>300 - 1500</b>	<b>C:</b>	<b>0 - 300</b>

BRIDGE RATES: \$13.00 All Events  
ACBL surcharge of \$1.00 for non-members and unpaid Life Masters

### MONDAY, MARCH 21

*Emily Follensbee* Charity 99'er Pairs ..... 7:00 p.m.  
*Emily Follensbee* Charity Open Pairs ..... 7:00 p.m.  
Kickoff Bracketed K.O. Teams (Rd. 1) ..... 7:00 p.m.  
(continues Tues. 9:00 a.m.; 1:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.)

### TUESDAY, MARCH 22

Kickoff Bracketed K.O. Teams (Rd. 2) ..... 9:00 a.m.

(continues Tues. 1:00 & 7:00 p.m.)

Morning Side Game Series ..... 9:00 a.m.

*Lynn Douglas* Stratified Open Pairs 1:00 and 7:00 p.m.

Afternoon Side Game Series ..... 1:00 p.m.

Evening Side Game Series ..... 7:00 p.m.

### **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23**

Midweek Bracketed K.O. Teams (Rd. 1) ..... 9:00 a.m.

(continues Thurs. 9:00 a.m.; 1:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.)

Morning Side Game Series ..... 9:00 a.m.

*Mike Chomyn* Open Swiss Teams .... 1:00 and 7:00 p.m.

(Stratified, Win/Loss)

Afternoon Side Game Series ..... 1:00 p.m.

Evening Side Game Series ..... 7:00 p.m.

### **THURSDAY, MARCH 24**

Midweek Bracketed K.O. Teams (Rd. 2) ..... 9:00 a.m.

(continues Thurs. 1:00 & 7:00 p.m.)

Morning Side Game Series ..... 9:00 a.m.

*Bob Clements* Stratified Open Pairs . 1:00 and 7:00 p.m.

Afternoon Side Game Series ..... 1:00 p.m.

Evening Side Game Series ..... 7:00 p.m.

### **FRIDAY, MARCH 25**

Week-end Bracketed K.O. Teams (Rd. 1) ..... 9:00 a.m.

(continues Fri. 1:00 & 7:00 p.m.; Sat. 9:00 a.m.)

Morning Side Game Series ..... 9:00 a.m.

*Stan Matheson* Stratified Open Pairs 1:00 and 7:00 p.m.

Afternoon Side Game Series ..... 1:00 p.m.

Evening Side Game Series ..... 7:00 p.m.

### **SATURDAY, MARCH 26**

Prime Time Bracketed K.O. Teams (Rd. 1) ..... 1:00 p.m.

(continues Sat. 7:00 p.m.; Sun. 10:30 a.m. & 3:15 p.m.)

Morning Side Game Series ..... 9:00 a.m.

*Marj Andrukow* Stratified Open Pairs 1:00 and 7:00 p.m.

Afternoon Side Game Series ..... 1:00 p.m.

Evening Side Game Series ..... 7:00 p.m.

### **SUNDAY, MARCH 27**

*John Davison* Swiss Teams .. 10:30 a.m. and 3:15 p.m.

(Strati-Flighted, Flight A-VPs, Flight B/C-Win/Loss)

## **FUTURE MASTER EVENTS**

All future master events are single session  
Stratified Pairs Games

**FLIGHTS: D: 50 – 100 E: 20 – 50 F: 0 – 20**

**This is an excellent opportunity to garner some precious gold points. There are lots of Knockout Events. Put your teams together now and practice your partnerships at the local clubs and the Fall and Banff Sectionals.**



# CALGARY DUPLICATE BRIDGE ASSOCIATION

JANUARY 2005



## Calgary Winter Sectional January 7-9

**Marlborough Park Community Association, 6021 Madigan Dr. NE**

### Open Events

Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> January, 2005

1:00 PM: Stratified IMP Pairs  
7:30 PM: Stratified Pairs

Saturday, 8<sup>th</sup> January, 2005

1:00 PM: Stratiflighted Open Pairs  
(1<sup>st</sup> session of playthrough)  
A: Unlimited (Stand Alone)  
B: 300 to 500 (Stratified)  
C: 0 to 300 (Stratified)

7:30 PM: Stratiflighted Open Pairs  
(2<sup>nd</sup> session of playthrough)

**Note: Single session Side Games on  
Saturday**

Sunday, 9<sup>th</sup> January, 2005

10:30 AM: Stratified Swiss Teams  
(1<sup>st</sup> Session)

TBA: Stratified Swiss Teams  
(2<sup>nd</sup> Session)

**Victory Points**

**Flighting for Friday & Sunday Games**

**A: 750<sup>+</sup>    B: 300 - 750    C: 0 - 300**

### Future Masters Events

Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> January, 2005

1:00 PM: Future Master Stratified Pairs  
7:30 PM: Future Master Stratified Pairs  
11:30 PM: Reception for Future Masters

Saturday, 8<sup>th</sup> January, 2005

1:00 PM: Future Master Stratified Pairs  
7:30 PM: Future Master Stratified Pairs

Sunday, 9<sup>th</sup> January, 2005

10:30 AM: Stratified Swiss Teams  
TBA: Stratified Swiss Teams

**Stratified Events:    A:    50 - 100  
                              B:    20 - 50  
                              C:    0 - 20**

**All Future Master Events are Single Session**

**The President's Trophy will be awarded to  
the Future Master who wins the most  
Masterpoints in Future Master Events**

If you have any comments, suggestions, or articles for the Kibitzer please contact the editor Frank Ayer (283-3716) or any Unit Board Member or email [kibitzer@calgarybridge.com](mailto:kibitzer@calgarybridge.com)