August 19-25





# Daily Bulletin

# Welcome to the Gateway to the West Regional!



**Charity Stratified Open Pairs at** 9 AM Saturday... set your alarm! See you there.



### **No** 5:00 PM Mass Tomorrow

Because of dwindling attendance in the past few years, we will not hold Saturday afternoon Mass onsite this year. We apologize for any inconvenience.

# Daily Grin



- There are two theories about arguing with women bridge partners. Neither one works.
- In hand post mortems, a closed mouth gathers no foot.
- Bridge is a social game that attracts a substantial number of anti-
- My wife made me join a bridge club. I jump off next Tuesday.
- One advantage of bad bidding is that you get practice at playing atrocious contracts -Alfred Sheinwold

New Life Masters! We reported their achievement yesterday, here's their photo!



**Bill Wold and Nancy Shaver** 

Calling all 0-750MP Players

# **Gold Rush Pairs Today**

The ACBL is offering this new gold pairs game at tournaments for 0-300 and 300-750 MP players; these games are scored over the two sessions, not as two separate games. You will only play against other 0-750 MP players. Gold points paid to section top and overall winners. Players are competing in a 0-750 game, but the 0-300 MP player can win gold



points by placing in the overalls (as there are no gold points given for finishing overall in the 0-300 games.) You must play in both sessions. The best things about this event: it's a one-day event and the level of the competition is not prohibitive. See you at 1PM and 7PM.



## **Free Dinner Prize**

### From the Restaurant Committee

We will be giving away a \$20 dinner gift certificate at Outback Steakhouse during the afternoon event today... compliments of the restaurant committee of Lee Hastings, Linda Seibert, Jay Shah, and Jeff Kopolow. Be sure to check out the green Restaurant Guide at the Partnership Desk for restaurants you may enjoy around St. Louis.



Late Night Hospitality

St. Louis offers serious hospitality for all. Join us for snacks after the evening session. Tonight's Chat & Snack treat: Hot Dogs and condiments, including relish, diced onion, and sauerkraut assorted Pepsi® soda products and a keg of Bud Light®.

9 AM

1 PM, 7 PM

1 PM. 7 PM

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# **Today's Events**

2-SESSION MORNING SWISS TEAM 2 **REGIONAL SIDE SERIES 3 Pairs** FRIDAY-SATURDAY KO 4 2-SESSION A/X OPEN PAIRS 0-2000/2000+ **GOLD RUSH PAIRS 0-300/750 Intermediate/Newcomer Pairs** 1-SESSION EVENING SWISS

Session 1 of 2 Sessions 1 & 2 of 4 Sessions 1 & 2 of 4 2 Sessions 2 Sessions **Single Sessions Single Session** 

Friday Speakers: For the Advancing Player I/N Room 12:15 PM **Bruce Greenspan** "Opening Leads" 6:15 PM - TGIF -No speaker

Stratified Events: 0-750/750-2000/2000+, I/N Pairs: Stratified 0-20/20-100/100-200, Strati-flighted Swiss: Flight A/X: 0-3000/3000+, Strat B/C/D: 0-300/300-750/750-2000. Barometer Pairs: Flight A Unlimited, All Stratifications by Average MP's in all events. Eligibility for flighted events based on highest MP player. Knockouts may be handicapped.

Zero Tolerance is in place!

# Friday's Puzzles



Thursday's Solution Sudoku 5

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

#### Sudoku 6

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

#### Sudoku 7 Moderate

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

### Sudoku 8 Demanding

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

32. When declarer ignores a strong suit in dummy lacking one honor, assume declarer has the honor. If he doesn't, that would be the first suit he would be leading - the rule of 'Unattended Strong Suits'.

If you see something like the K-Q-J-10-(x) or A-Q-J-10-(x) in dummy and declarer plays other suits, assume declarer has the missing honor.

33. When there is a short side suit in dummy and declarer draws all of dummy's trumps, the inference is that declarer doesn't have any losers in that suit to ruff. Translation: It is safe to discard that suit.

### **Today's Cash Concessions**

Where Main playing area
When 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM, Concourse Ballroom

- ♦ Italian Hoagie Half with Condiments \$3
- ♦ Individual Cheese Pizza \$4
- ♦ Individual Bags of Potato Chips & Pretzels \$1
- ♦ Whole Fresh Fruit, including Bananas \$1
- ♦ Assorted Cookies and Cookie Bars \$1
- ♦ Assorted Soft Drinks \$2.50
- Assorted Bottled Juices & Bottled Water \$2.50
- Fresh Fruit Bowl \$3



52 FACTS OF BRIDGE LIFE – continued Good Advice To Give Your Partner By Eddie Kantar

Tips 21-40 are defensive tips; today we cover 24-33.

24. To lead an honor at a suit contract, only two adjacent honors are necessary and the top honor is led.

Lead the ace from AKx(x), the King from KQx(x), the Queen from QJx(x), the Jack from J10x(x), and the ten from 109x(x). At notrump, lead fourth highest from these combinations holding four or more cards in the suit. If you happen to have three cards headed by two adjacent honors (QJx), and think that is the suit to lead, lead the top honor and hope partner can work it out.

- 25. In general the lead of a low card shows strength and the lead of a relatively high spot card shows weakness. (See tip #29) 26. When partner leads low from length and dummy has small cards, third hand plays high. However, if third hand has two or three equal high cards, third hand plays the lower or lowest equal. (From K10x, play the king, from KQx, play the queen, from KQJ(x), play the jack.)
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- 27. When returning the suit partner has led, with two cards remaining return the higher; with three cards remaining, return the lowest.

Say partner leads low and dummy has low cards. If you have A-10-5, play the ace and return the 10. If you have A-10-6-5, play the ace and return the 5.

28. When partner leads low from length and dummy comes down with an honor and you have a higher and a lower honor, insert the lower honor if dummy plays low.

Say dummy has the Q-5-4 or the J-5-4 and you have K-10-6(x). If dummy plays low, play the 10. Say dummy has the K-7-6 or the Q-7-6 and you have A-J-3(2). If dummy plays low, play the jack.

- 29. If partner leads a low card in one suit, gets in and shifts to a low card (showing strength) in another suit, partner wants a return in the second suit. If partner shifts to a high card in the second suit (top of nothing perhaps), he is asking for a return in the first suit. Got it?
- 30. One doesn't lead the same against 3NT as against 6NT. Against 6NT avoid leading from an honor unless you have a sequence.

With: ♠ K10763 ♥ J108 ♦ 85 ♣ Q92 Lead the ♠6 against 3NT, but the ♥J against 6NT. (If they have about 33 HCP, guess how many partner has!).

31. At notrump it is important to keep communications with partner's hand. If partner's lead looks like top of a doubleton, it's usually a good idea not to take the first trick. Let partner keep that second card so when he gets in he can return your suit. This tip comes in very handy when you have A-K-x-x-x-(x) with no outside entry. If you duck the first trick, partner will be able to return the suit when he gets in.



# **Information At-A-Glance!**

#### Welcome

The members of Greater St. Louis Unit 143 welcome you to the Gateway to the West Regional.

### Your Tournament Team





Mike Carmen, Tourn. Chairman & Speakers Chris Patrias, Head Directo

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Peggy Wald



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### Say the magic word, *Please!* when you call. Try, "Caddy, please, or "Director, please." ... and, we Thank You!



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### **New Life Masters.**

Let us know the details of what put you over and where you're from! Drop your news in our Inbox.

### Registration

Convention Card Holder

Let us know you're here! The Registration desk opens 45' before each session morning, afternoons, and evenings. It's located in the main hallway. It closes 15 minutes before each event to allow volunteers to get to their tables. When you register, pick up your

registration gift of a convention card holder.





### Daily Hospitality

#### Complimentary Parking & Free Coffee

As part of our daily hospitality, we are pleased to offer you Complimentary Coffee Service will be provided during each session Morning. Afternoon, and Evening session for 1½ hours on a daily basis beginning Monday evening. Freshly Brewed Regular and Decaffeinated Coffee will be provided. Each time you leave the parking lot you will need a ticket to open the gate. Pick up your exit ticket at the Director's table in the Main Playing area.



### Partnership Desk

Looking for a Partner? Or Teammates? The Partnership desk opens 45 minutes before each session morning, afternoons, and evenings. It is located in the main hallway. It will close 5 minutes before each event to allow volunteers to get to their tables. The same desk is used for ALL players in any event.

### **Convention Card Reminder**

Each player is required to have a convention card filled out legibly and on the table throughout a session. Both cards of a partnership must be identical and include the first and last names of each partner.

### Photographer

Attention Winners! Unit 143 photographers will snap pictures of all New Life Masters, I/N winners, and all event winners in the main hallway near the Photography poster for 20' immediately after each session starting Tuesday evening.

## NEW TO USING ELECTRONIC SCORING DEVICES?



Here's Rick Beye explaining how they work. There is one scoring device on each table. After the auction, North enters the contract into a device that looks like an oversized calculator. When play is completed, North enters the result, and then hands the device to one of the opponents to verify that it is accurate. After the opponent OKs the score, it is sent via radio signal to a computer that is compatible with ACBLscore. When the final score of the session is entered, the complete results are available for printout – just as though the data had been entered by hand.







Zero Tolerance Policy

Be cool! Bridge is fun.

We are committed to improving acceptable player behavior at all times. The ultimate purpose of the Zero-Tolerance policy is to create a much more pleasant atmosphere in our game. We are attempting to eradicate unacceptable behavior in order to make the game of bridge more enjoyable for all. If a player at the table behaves in an unacceptable manner, the director should be called immediately. Annoying behavior, embarrassing remarks, or any other conduct which might interfere with the enjoyment of the game is specifically prohibited; the director has the authority to assess disciplinary penalties.

# **Reduced Entry Fee\$**



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





### **Awards Desk**

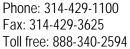
There are First Overall trophies for **ALL** Intermediate/Novice event winners. We will give Section Top Awards for all **Pairs** event – a 24 oz. insulated clear acrylic (BPA free) cool cup with straw. Prizes will be awarded from results posted in the *Daily Bulletin*. (The only exception will be awards for the Sunday events; they must be picked up within one hour of the end of the event.) The awards table is located in the main hallway. It will be open 30' prior to the afternoon and evening sessions Tuesday evening through Saturday, and 60' prior to morning sessions Friday and Saturday. The prize table will close promptly 15' prior to the sessions in order to allow our volunteers to get to their games. You can help us greatly if you can tell us the *day*, *session*, *and type of event*, *the section letter and direction of your section top*. No prize can be awarded until the directors have officially certified the results, which includes the time period set for scoring corrections. **No prizes will be mailed**.

# Players with Non-ACBL Masterpoints

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

### **Hotel Information**

We are less than 1 mile from the airport at the Renaissance St. Louis Hotel Airport 9801 Natural Bridge Rd. St. Louis, MO, 63134



Special bridge rate and Marriott Rewards program credit. High-speed internet is available in all rooms at \$12.95/day with flat-screen TV with HBO, Indoor and outdoor swimming pools, complimentary in-room coffee/tea, toll-free phone calls, shoeshine, gym and business center. An ATM is on site. Check in is 3 p.m., check out time is Noon.



### **Lost and Found**

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



# First Aid/Medical Service

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





Come by the Partnership desk for information on area Restaurants.

# **Ground Transportation**



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

### **Bookseller**

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

# Turn Them OFF! Please and Thank You!!!

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

# **Smoking Policy**



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

### Special Request

As a courtesy to our fellow players with allergies, *please* refrain from wearing heavy colognes and fragrances. Thanks for your cooperation.



### **Area Attractions**









Visit the <a href="https://www.unit143.org">www.unit143.org</a> Homepage for a link for your friends and family to do in St. Louis while you are playing bridge. The top attractions are, of course, the Gateway Arch, the Clydesdales & brewery tour, the MO Botanical Garden, and the 21 *new* East building galleries at the St. Louis Art Museum which opened June 29. Arch trams to the top every 10 minutes, 8:20 am to 9:10 pm. Brewery tours: Mon-Sat: 9 am - 5 pm - Sun: 11:30 am - 5 pm. The MO Botanical Garden hours are 9 am - 5 pm. Art Museum hours are Tu-Sun 10am - 5pm. Fri 10-9.



# **Hotel Food & Beverages**

Norah's Crafted Food & Spirits is an American-style restaurant'. Opens at 4:30 PM Tuesday through Saturday.

**Lobby Bar** brews *Starbuck's* coffee daily from 6:30 AM - Noon. Full bar available from 2:00 PM – 1:00 AM, food available at the bar.



### **Recorder Forms**

Recorder forms are available from the Head Director. Milt Zlatic is the District 8 Recorder. The aim of the recorder system is to establish a method of dealing with complaints that: 1) by themselves do not warrant the filing of formal charges; 2) are very serious but there is only the implication of wrongdoing without substantial evidence necessary to bring formal charges or 3) should be addressed by counseling and/or education.

# Daily Bulletins & Results

**Bulletins** will be available in the main hallway each morning. **Bulletins and daily results** can be found at <a href="www.unit143.org">www.unit143.org</a>. Results will be posted online late, late, late each night. Daily Bulletins will be uploaded each morning.

Did you see a great play? Have an amusing anecdote? Know someone who passed a bridge milestone while at our Regional? Contact Daily Bulletin editor and the tournament photographer in the playing area or leave a message in the In Basket if you have news for the Bulletin. We love to bring you your news and photos.

**New Life Masters**, give us your home town & the event that put you over. We also love to recognize **birthdays**, **engagements**, **and anniversaries** you are celebrating here with us this week.



### INTERMEDIATE/NOVICE PLAYERS PAGE

### The Principle of Fast Arrival

### by Eric Rodwell

One of the major advantages of the 2/1 game forcing response is that it allows the partnership to take its time exploring for the best contract and deciding whether there is enough extra strength to consider a slam. Neither partner is worried about a bid being passed below the game level. So why would either player jump to game after a 2/1 response and use up some of the extra bidding room? It has to do with the *principle of fast arrival*. Even if you don't play 2/1, many of your opponents will, so this will help you understand some of their auctions. Let's look at this interesting —and controversial—topic.

The basic guideline for fast arrival is:

### **Principle of Fast Arrival**

When the partnership has found a fit and is committed to the game level:

- Bidding quickly to game shows no interest in slam.
- Bidding slowly toward game shows interest in slam.

It's actually an extension of the KISS approach. If we know HOW HIGH and WHERE the partnership belongs, we should get there directly before something goes wrong. "The one who knows... goes!"

One advantage of going directly to game without make any 'extra' bids is that it gives less information on how to defend the hand to the opponents.

They may not get off to the best opening lead, and they may have difficulty finding the best defense thereafter. There is also the preemptive factor. Jumping right to game makes it tougher for the opponents to come into the auction with an overcall or double.

Consider these two hands:

| WEST                  | EAST           | West East |
|-----------------------|----------------|-----------|
| <b>♠</b> A Q 10 8 7 5 | <b>♦</b> J 6 3 | 1♠8       |
| <b>♥</b> A K 8        | <b>♥</b> 93    | 17 00     |
| ♦8                    | ♦ KQJ75        |           |
| ♣ J 8 4               | <b>.</b> K Q 6 |           |
|                       |                |           |

After West opens 1♠, East's 2♠ response commits the partnership to the game level. West has a nice hand but simply shows the extra length in spades by rebidding the suit. There will be lots of time to show the extra strength later. At this point, East 'knows' WHERE the partnership belongs: in Spades. With a minimum for the 2/1 response— 12 high-card points plus 1 length point for the five-card suit—East also 'knows' HOW HIGH: in Game. Unless West has considerable extra values, slam is unlikely. Using the principle of fast arrival, East wastes no more time and jumps directly to game. West would like to bid more but is warned by the jump to game that East has no interest in slam. The partnership does well to stop in game. Slam has no chance, and a five-level contract could be defeated if the spade finesse loses.

| Let's give East a      | WEST                 | East |     |
|------------------------|----------------------|------|-----|
| WEST<br>♠ A Q 10 8 7 5 | EAST<br>♠ K 6 3      | 1♠   | 2♦☆ |
| ♥ A K 8<br>♦ 8         | ♥ 9 3<br>♦ A Q J 7 5 | 2♠   | 3♠  |
| ♣ J 8 4                | <b>♣</b> K Q 6       | 4♥   | 4NT |

The auction starts the same way, but after West's 2♠ rebid, East takes the 'slow' approach by raising to only 3♠, safe in the knowledge that West can't pass because game has not yet been reached. Why? East knows WHERE the contract belongs—spades —but is not sure HOW HIGH. East has enough extra strength that slam is still a possibility. Over East's 3♠ raise, West is happy to have the opportunity to cooperate in looking for slam.

West *cuebids* 4♥ to show some values in that suit, and the partnership is on its way. Without the cue bid in Hearts, showing the Ace, East could not bid 4NT looking at two Heart losers. How the auction continues depends on the partnership's slam bidding methods, but East and West are likely to reach the excellent 6♠ contract.

Let's try another example.

| WES1<br>♠ 8.3 | EAST<br>◆ J 6 | WEST | East |
|---------------|---------------|------|------|
| ♥ A K 8 7 3   | <b>♥</b> QJ4  | 1♥   |      |
| ♦ A 5         | <b>♦</b> 97   |      | 2♣   |
| ♣ Q 10 7 4    | ♣ A K J 6 3   |      |      |

As soon as West opens 1♥, East is planning to take the partnership to 4♥. However, an immediate jump to 4♥ would be preemptive, and East can't make some form of forcing raise— such as Jacoby 2NT—with only three-card support. So East 'temporizes' by bidding a new suit, with no intention of actually playing in clubs.

After West shows the club support, East follows through with the plan to put the partnership in game in hearts. The jump to 4♥ tells West that East has a minimum for the 2/1 response with little help outside of clubs and hearts. West is happy to pass.

Let's give East a better hand: WEST EAST  $\bullet$  8 3  $\bullet$  J 6  $\bullet$  A K 8 7 3  $\bullet$  Q J 4  $\bullet$  A 5  $\bullet$  K Q J  $\bullet$  A K J 6

Now East bids only 3♥ over West's raise, leaving lots of room to explore slam. West cooperates by cuebidding the ◆A. East is worried about spades, however, and can't afford to venture beyond game. East cannot bidf 4NT looking at two spade losers. West also has nothing in spades, so the partnership stops at the game level. But at least the possibility of slam was investigated.

### Fast Arrival Is Not a Signoff

Fast arrival does not rule out the possibility of slam when partner has considerable extra values.

### INTERMEDIATE/NOVICE PLAYERS PAGE

### The Principle of Fast Arrival

### by Eric Rodwell

| WEST                            | EAST                   | WEST | EAST |
|---------------------------------|------------------------|------|------|
| <b>★</b> KQ87643<br><b>∀</b> K3 | <b>^</b> AJ6<br>♥AQJ62 | 1♠   | 2♥   |
| ♦ A 9                           | <b>♦</b> 842           | 2♠   | 4♠   |
| <b>♣</b> K 7                    | <b>♣</b> 9 5           | 4NT  | 5♥   |

With a minimum for the 2/1 response, East jumps to game over the 2♠ rebid. That doesn't deter West from going to slam once East shows a fit for spades, along with enough strength for a 2/1 game forcing response.

#### Both Partners Can Use Fast Arrival

Responder isn't the only one who can use fast arrival. Sometimes opener can show a minimum by taking the fast route to game when a slower route is available.

| WEST                  | EAST                              | WEST | EAST |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|------|------|
| ♠AKJ75<br>♥KJ6        | <b>∲</b> 82<br>♥AQ1074            | 1♠   | 2♥   |
| ♦ 8 4<br><b>♣</b> 9 8 | <ul><li>KQ6</li><li>Q74</li></ul> | 1 ₩  | Docc |

West likes East's 2♥ response, but has a minimum opening bid with no help outside of hearts and spades. West quickly takes the partnership to game. East knows that opener could have simply raised to 3♥ to leave more room for slam exploration.

West's jump to game is sometimes referred to as a *picture bid*. It paints a nice picture of the West hand: a minimum opening bid with most of the high cards in hearts and spades. With extra values, or high cards in clubs and diamonds, West could raise to 3♥. With shortness in clubs or diamonds, West could make a *splinter* jump to 4♣ or 4♦, if the partnership uses that convention.

The overlap among concepts such as 'fast arrival' and 'picture bids' is one reason that fast arrival is a somewhat controversial subject. Not all experts agree on the best use of a jump to game in some sequences.

Still, it's a good idea to have some partnership agreement about whether jumps to game show minimum values or extra values! So the principle of fast arrival is a useful guideline.

#### Other Uses of Fast Arrival

The concept of fast arrival arises in many situations that have nothing to do with 2/1. For example, what message do you think West is sending in this auction?

| WEST | EAST |
|------|------|
| 1♠   | 2♠   |
| 3♦   | 3♠   |
| 4♠?  |      |

West is making a slam try! If West merely want to play at the game level after East raised to 2♠, West would have jumped to 4♠. If West was simply trying for game with the 3♦ bid, West would have passed when East showed nothing extra by bidding 3♠. So we can infer from West's 'slow' approach that West is actually interested in more than game.

- **A** K 8 7 5 2
- West might have a hand like this. If East had shown some interest over the 3♦ bid, West was willing to take a shot at slam. When East shows no interest, West settles for game.
- ♦ Q 10 7 3
- ♣ A K 7

Here's one final example in a competitive situation.

| WEST           | EAST            |
|----------------|-----------------|
| <b>★</b> KQ973 | ♠ AJ74          |
| <b>♥</b> K Q 4 | <b>♥</b> A 10 2 |
| ♦ Q 7 3        | <b>♦</b> 62     |
| <b>♣</b> 4 2   | ♣ Q 10 9 5      |
|                |                 |

After North overcalls  $2 \spadesuit$ , East's *cuebid* of the opponents' suit shows a limit raise (10-12 points and four-card spade support) or better. West is expected to bid  $3 \spadesuit$  to turn down the invitation, or jump to  $4 \spadesuit$  to accept the invitation.

WEST NORTH EAST SOUTH
1♠ 2♦ 3♦ Double

With a minimum opening bid and the ♦Q being of dubious (wasted) value, West is planning to reject the invitation and bids 3♠. But what should West do when South doubles?

South's double, which presumably shows something in diamonds, gives West an additional option. West could pass. Passing certainly sounds weaker than bidding 3♠ and many players would take this approach. Adherents of fast arrival, however, might see things differently. Since East's cuebid committed the partnership to at least 3♠, getting there quickly—by bidding 3♠— would show no interest in going any further.

Taking the slow route—by passing would show some interest! As you can see, the principle of fast arrival is a fascinating concept. You might want to discuss it with your partner to see if you are on the same wavelength!

Previous articles in this series by world-class player and theorist Eric Rodwell can be found at: www.betterbridge.com/articles

# Wednesday Results... sorry for the delay

| Intern  | nedia | te/Ne | wcom | ner Pairs Afternoon Session                                     | 1 PM   |   |
|---------|-------|-------|------|---|--------|---|
| 17.5 Ta | bles  | -     |      |   |        | 1 |
|         | Α     | В     | C    |   |        | L |
| 3.73    | 1     | 1     |      | Linda Myers, Ballwin MO; Stephen Myers, Manchester MO           | 61.54% |   |
| 2.80    | 2     |       |      | Judy Zimmermann, Fulton MO; Linda Litton, Columbia MO           | 59.94% |   |
| 2.10    | 3     |       |      | Tom Engle, Dardenne Prairi MO; Kae Williams, Ballwin MO         | 58.20% |   |
| 2.06    | 4     | 2     |      | Betty Justice, Belleville IL; Pamela Ballard, Swansea IL        | 58.02% |   |
| 1.54    | 5     | 3     | 1    | Cathy Paulsmeyer, Chesterfield MO; Mary Joan Woods, St Louis MO | 58.00% |   |
| 1.26    | 6     | 4     |      | Margie Horowitz, Boca Raton FL; Charlene Bry, St Louis MO       | 55.19% |   |
| 1.04    |       | 5     | 2    | Nancy Gellman, Creve Coeur MO; Susan Schettler, St Louis MO     | 54.32% |   |
| 0.88    |       | 6     | 3    | Mona Powers, St Louis MO; Diana Stoneman, Chesterfield MO       | 54.11% |   |
| 0.95    |       |       | 4    | James Meteer, Wildwood MO; Michael Pinney, Chesterfield MO      | 52.22% |   |
|         |       |       |      |   |        |   |

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| Linda &             | Steve | Myers |



| NORTH-SOUTH |   | -SO | UTH SECTION O  | EAST-     | WEST |   |     |  |        |
|-------------|---|-----|--|-----------|------|---|-----|--|--------|
| A           | В | C   |  | A         | В    | C |     |  |        |
| 1           | 1 |     | Linda Myers, Ballwin MO; Stephen Myers, Manchester MO          | 61.54%    | 1    | 1 |     | Me Horowitz, Boca Raton FL; Charlene Bry, St Louis MO      | 55.19% |
| 2           | 2 | 1   | C Paulsmeyer, Chesterfield MO; Mary J Woods, St Louis MO       | 58.00%    | 2    | 2 | 1   | Mona Powers, St Louis MO; Diana Stoneman, Chesterfield MO  | 54.11% |
| 3           | 3 |     | Chris Newman - Grace Fagin, Chesterfield MO                    | 52.52%    | 3    |   |     | James Markey, Chesterfield MO; James Horst, Arnold MO      | 51.30% |
| 4           |   |     | Patricia Mendel, St Louis MO; Judy Milton, Saint Louis MO      | 52.10%    | 4    |   |     | Debb Keniley, St Louis MO; San Milosovich, Chesterfield MO | 50.60% |
|             |   |     | NORTH-SOUTH  | SECTION P |      |   | EAS | Γ-WEST   |        |
| A           | В | C   |  | A         | В    | C |     |  |        |
| 1           |   |     | Judy Zimmermann, Fulton MO; Linda Litton, Columbia MO          | 59.94%    | 1    |   |     | Tom Engle, Dardenne Prairi MO; Kae Williams, Ballwin MO    | 58.20% |
| 2           |   |     | Lauretta Weimer, Desoto MO; Wallace Burton, Festus MO          | 54.20%    | 2    | 1 |     | Betty Justice, Belleville IL; Pamela Ballard, Swansea IL   | 58.02% |
| 3           |   |     | Roberta Millham, Wildwood MO; Kathleen Rather, Chesterfield MO | 53.04%    | 3    | 2 | 1   | N Gellman, Creve Coeur MO; Susan Schettler, St Louis MO    | 54.32% |
| 4           | 1 | 1   | James Meteer, Wildwood MO; Michael Pinney, Chesterfield MO     | 52.22%    | 4    |   |     | Robert Street, Chesterfield MO; Bob Gulovsen, Alton IL     | 50.92% |
|             | 2 |     | Aloys Faenger, St Louis MO; Jim Bowers, Saint Louis MO         | 51.21%    |      |   |     |  |        |

# Thursday's Results

| Intern   | 1edia | te/Ne | wcom | ner Pairs Afternoon Session                                    | 1 PM   |
|----------|-------|-------|------|--|--------|
| 28.5 Tal | bles  |       |      |  |        |
|          | Α     | В     | C    |  |        |
| 5.19     | 1     |       |      | Richard Messinger - Toni Messinger, Alton IL                   | 65.38% |
| 3.89     | 2     |       |      | John Wening - George Schaefer, Jefferson City MO               | 65.30% |
| 3.69     | 3     | 1     |      | Dennis Whitmore - Delaine Boyd, Manchester MO                  | 64.28% |
| 2.19     | 4     |       |      | Sheri Lindauer, Yorba Linda CA; Melda Richardson, Orange CA    | 60.85% |
| 2.77     | 5     | 2     | 1    | Diana Votaw, Chesterfield MO; Fritz Gebhard, St Louis MO       | 60.56% |
| 1.33     | 6     |       |      | Robert Street - Albert Barnett, Chesterfield MO                | 60.24% |
| 2.08     |       | 3     |      | Jerry Dutra, St Louis MO; Jane Miller, Chesterfield MO         | 58.87% |
| 1.56     |       | 4     |      | Margaret Boveri, Saint Louis MO; Cathy Galan, Ballwin MO       | 57.99% |
| 1.17     |       | 5     | 2    | Sandy Brickman, St Louis MO; Teddi Baumgarten, Chesterfield MO | 57.27% |
| 0.88     |       | 6     |      | Roberta Millham, Wildwood MO; Sharon Sweet, Manchester MO      | 57.25% |
| 0.88     |       |       | 3    | Mona Powers, St Louis MO; Diana Stoneman, Chesterfield MO      | 54.28% |
| 0.58     |       |       | 4    | John Belfi, Chesterfield MO; Andrew Creasey, St Louis MO       | 53.42% |

1<sup>st</sup> Overall Rick & Tony Messinger



1<sup>st</sup> in B Delaine Boyd and Dennis Whitmore



1<sup>st</sup> in C Diana Votaw and Fritz Gebhard



| NO | RTH-  | -SO | UTH SECTION P   | EAST-W    | VEST | 7 |           |   |        |  |
|----|-------|-----|---|-----------|------|---|-----------|---|--------|--|
| A  | В     | C   |   | A         | В    | C |           |   |        |  |
| 1  | 1     |     | Mary Ann Gerdes, Wildwood MO; Katie Boles, Manchester MO    | 55.52%    | 1    |   |           | Robert Street - Albert Barnett, Chesterfield MO             | 60.24% |  |
| 2  |       |     | L Keith Graves - Karen Graves, Saint Charles MO             | 52.38%    | 2    | 1 | 1         | S Brickman, St Louis MO; Teddi Baumgarten, Chesterfield     |        |  |
| MO | 57.27 | 7%  |   |           |      |   |           |   |        |  |
| 3  | 2     |     | Judith Wagner, Belleville IL; Pamela Ballard, Swansea IL    | 49.50%    | 3    |   |           | Georgann DeMoss - Bernadette Cleary, Marshall MO            | 56.55% |  |
| 4  | 3     |     | Chris Newman, Chesterfield MO; James Cooper, Manchester MO  | 48.59%    | 4    | 2 |           | Joyce Lewin, Chesterfield MO; Jane Mitchell, St Louis MO    | 56.05% |  |
|    |       | 1   | Mary Joan Woods - Marcia Buterin, St Louis MO               | 48.24%    |      | 3 |           | Meredith Schainblatt, Clearwater; Joan Barzilai, Cleve Hgts |        |  |
| OH | 55.88 | 3%  |   |           |      |   |           |   |        |  |
|    |       |     | NORTH-SOUTH   | SECTION O |      |   | EAST-WEST |   |        |  |
| A  | В     | C   |   | A         | В    | C |           |   |        |  |
| 1  |       |     | Richard Messinger - Toni Messinger, Alton IL                | 65.38%    | 1    | 1 |           | Margaret Boveri, Saint Louis MO; Cathy Galan, Ballwin MO    | 57.99% |  |
| 2  | 1     |     | Jerry Dutra, St Louis MO; Jane Miller, Chesterfield MO      | 58.87%    | 2    |   |           | J Schroeder, Maryland Hgts MO; Lauren Rice, St Louis MO     | 55.61% |  |
| 3  | 2     |     | Roberta Millham, Wildwood MO; Sharon Sweet, Manchester MO   | 57.25%    | 3    | 2 |           | T McGinnis, W Groves MO; C Paulsmeyer, Chesterfield MO      | 53.07% |  |
| 4  |       |     | John Belfi, Chesterfield MO; Andrew Creasey, St Louis MO    | 53.42%    | 4    | 3 |           | Brenda Lessel - Lauren Baxter, Chesterfield MO              | 52.38% |  |
|    |       |     | NORTH-SOUTH   | SECTIO    | N N  |   | EAST-     | WEST  |        |  |
| A  | В     | C   |   | A         | В    | C |           |   |        |  |
| 1  |       |     | John Wening - George Schaefer, Jefferson City MO            | 65.30%    | 1    | 1 |           | Dennis Whitmore - Delaine Boyd, Manchester MO               | 64.28% |  |
| 2  |       |     | Sheri Lindauer, Yorba Linda CA; Melda Richardson, Orange CA | 60.85%    | 2    | 2 | 1         | Mona Powers, St Louis MO; Diana Stoneman, Chesterfield MO   |        |  |
| 3  | 1     | 1   | Diana Votaw, Chesterfield MO; Fritz Gebhard, St Louis MO    | 60.56%    | 3    | 3 |           | R Cummings, Town& Country MO; D Cummings, Chield MO         | 53.36% |  |
| 4  |       |     | Kae Williams, Ballwin MO; Tom Engle, Dardenne Prairi MO     | 57.28%    | 4    |   |           | Jane Herman - William Herman, Effingham IL                  | 52.21% |  |
|    | 2     |     | Irene Hommert, Kirkwood MO; Marcee Silverstein, Clayton MO  | 56.69%    |      |   |           |   |        |  |

| Intern  | nedia | te/Ne | wcom | ner Pairs Evening Session  | 7 PM   |
|---------|-------|-------|------|--|--------|
| 15.5 Ta | bles  | •     |      | _  |        |
|         | Α     | В     | C    |  |        |
| 3.46    | 1     |       |      | Regina Schlueter - Ken Schlueter, Ferguson MO  | 63.86% |
| 2.62    | 2     | 1     |      | Joan Barzilai, Cleveland Hgths OH; Meredith Schainblatt,   |        |
|         |       |       |      | Clearwater FL  | 62.85% |
| 1.97    | 3     | 2     |      | Ann Lemp - Frank Lemp, St Louis MO   | 61.64% |
| 1.47    | 4     | 3     |      | Dennis Whitmore - Delaine Boyd, Manchester MO  | 59.59% |
| 1.11    | 5     | 4     |      | Margaret Boveri, Saint Louis MO; Cathy Galan, Ballwin MO   | 58.63% |
| 0.83    | 6     | 5     |      | Jane Herman - William Herman, Effingham IL   | 57.35% |
| 1.25    |       | 6     |      | Aloys Faenger, St Louis MO; Jim Bowers, Saint Louis MO   | 56.92% |
| 1.30    |       |       | 1    | Dale Liefer - Deborah Liefer, Ballwin MO   | 52.50% |
| 0.98    |       |       | 2    | Bruce Kannenberg - Louisa Miller,  | 50.89% |
| 0.73    |       |       | 3    | Cathy Paulsmeyer, Chesterfield MO; Mary Joan Woods, St Louis MO  | 49.79% |
| 0.65    |       |       | 4    | Ann Crowley, St Louis MO; Julie Nicolai, St Louis MO   | 48.43% |
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1st in B JoanBarzilai and Meredith Schainblatt

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| NO  | RTH | I-SO | UTH SECTION P  | EAST-V | <b>WES</b> | T     |   |  |        |
| Α   | В   | C    |  | A      | В          | C     |   |  |        |
| 1   |     |      | Regina Schlueter - Ken Schlueter, Ferguson MO            | 63.86% | 1          | 1     |   | J Barzilai, Cleveland Hgths OH; M Schainblatt, Clearwater FL | 62.85% |
| 2   | 1   |      | Aloys Faenger, St Louis MO; Jim Bowers, Saint Louis MO   | 56.92% | 2          | 2     |   | Ann Lemp - Frank Lemp, St Louis MO                           | 61.64% |
| 3   | 2   |      | Judith Wagner, Belleville IL; Pamela Ballard, Swansea IL | 55.09% | 3          | 3     |   | Dennis Whitmore - Delaine Boyd, Manchester MO                | 59.59% |
| 4   |     |      | L Keith Graves - Karen Graves, Saint Charles MO          | 54.81% | 4          | 4     |   | Margaret Boveri, Saint Louis MO; Cathy Galan, Ballwin MO     | 58.63% |
| 5   |     |      | Lauretta Weimer, Desoto MO; Wallace Burton, Festus MO    | 54.46% | 5          | 5     |   | Jane Herman - William Herman, Effingham IL                   | 57.35% |
| 6   |     |      | Kathleen Rather - Marilyn Bolz, Chesterfield MO          | 54.40% | 6          |       |   | Georgann DeMoss - Bernadette Cleary, Marshall MO             | 57.03% |
|     | 3   | 1    | Dale Liefer - Deborah Liefer, Ballwin MO                 | 52.50% |            |       | 1 | Ann Crowley, St Louis MO; Julie Nicolai, St Louis MO         | 48.43% |
|     | 4   |      | Curtis Wehling - Judy Wehling, Glenview IL               | 52.46% |            |       | 2 | Kenneth Tacony, Clayton MO; Larry Labrier, St Louis MO       | 41.18% |
|     |     | 2    | Bruce Kannenberg - Louisa Miller,                        | 50.89% |            |       |   |  |        |

| REGIO   | REGIONAL SIDE SERIES 2 Pairs FINAL |                                    |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|---------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| 28.50 T | ables /                            | Based on 14 Tables                 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5.88    | 1/2                                | Jan Zadroga, Todz                  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5.88    | 1/2                                | Robert Porter, Henderson NV        |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4.10    | 3                                  | Jacqueline Sincoff, Saint Louis MO |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4.72    | 4/5                                | Patricia Berger, Chesterfield MO   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

| REGIO   | DNAL | SIDE | SERIE | 8 2 Pairs continued Sessions 3-of 4                               | 1 PM   |
|---------|------|------|-------|---|--------|
| 13.0 Ta | bles |      |       |   |        |
|         | A    | В    | C     |   |        |
| 3.49    | 1    | 1    |       | Sanford Becker, Chesterfield MO; Marianne Payne, Overland Park KS | 63.98% |
| 2.62    | 2    |      |       | Leonard Kaufman - Donna Kaufman, Peoria IL                        | 58.96% |
| 2.58    | 3    | 2    | 1     | Daisy Spitzer, St Louis MO; Louise Mandel, Saint Louis MO         | 58.89% |
| 2.15    | 4    | 3    |       | Kay Cohen, Saint Louis MO; Julie Woods, Chesterfield MO           | 58.13% |
| 1.51    | 5    |      |       | Jan Zadroga, Todz Poland; Robert Porter, Henderson NV             | 57.02% |
| 1.08    | 6    |      |       | Bob Bainter, Saint Louis MO; Patricia Berger, Chesterfield MO     | 56.64% |
| 1.28    |      | 4    |       | George Marvin, Maryland Hts MO; George Jones, Maryland Hgts MO    | 56.61% |
| 0.96    |      | 5    |       | Shirley Johnson, Kentland IN; Waneta Dailey, Watseka IL           | 53.33% |
| 1.94    |      | 6    | 2     | Jan Mackey - Gene Fluri, Saint Louis MO                           | 52.91% |
| 1.45    |      |      | 3     | Rochelle Popkin, Saint Louis MO; Bobbie Glaser, Creve Coeur MO    | 52.42% |
| 1.09    |      |      | 4     | Howard Handelman, St Louis MO; Sanford Spitzer, Saint Louis MO    | 47.58% |
| 0.82    |      |      | 5     | Robert Harris - Richard Booker, Columbia MO                       | 46.44% |

| NO | RTH   | [-SO | UTH SECTION I   | EAST-V | VES. | Γ |   |   |        |
|----|-------|------|---|--------|------|---|---|---|--------|
| Α  | В     | C    |   | A      | В    | C |   |   |        |
| 1  | 1     |      | Kay Cohen, Saint Louis MO; Julie Woods, Chesterfield MO         | 58.13% | 1    | 1 |   | S Becker, Chesterfield MO; Marianne Payne, Overland Park  |        |
| KS | 63.98 | 8%   |   |        |      |   |   |   |        |
| 2  |       |      | Jan Zadroga, Todz Poland; Robert Porter, Henderson NV           | 57.02% | 2    |   |   | Leonard Kaufman - Donna Kaufman, Peoria IL                | 58.96% |
| 3  |       |      | Bob Bainter, Saint Louis MO; Patricia Berger, Chesterfield MO   | 56.64% | 3    | 2 | 1 | Daisy Spitzer, St Louis MO; Louise Mandel, Saint Louis MO | 58.89% |
| 4  | 2     |      | G Marvin, Maryland Hts MO; George Jones, Maryland Hgts MO       | 56.61% | 4    | 3 |   | Shirley Johnson, Kentland IN; Waneta Dailey, Watseka IL   | 53.33% |
| 5  |       |      | Gunnar Berg, Posen IL; John Weber, Watseka IL                   | 55.37% | 5    | 4 | 2 | Jan Mackey - Gene Fluri, Saint Louis MO                   | 52.91% |
|    | 3     | 1    | Rochelle Popkin, Saint Louis MO; Bobbie Glaser, Creve Coeur MO  | 52.42% |      |   | 3 | H Handelman, St Louis MO; Sanford Spitzer, Saint Louis MO | 47.58% |
|    | 4     |      | Walter Carpenter III, Olivette MO; Charles Ries, Saint Louis MO | 46.62% |      |   |   |   |        |
|    |       | 2    | Jan Pass, Saint Louis MO; Gretchen Smith, St Louis MO           | 45.96% |      |   |   |   |        |

| REGIO   | NAL S | SIDE 9 | SERIE | <b>S 2 Pairs continued</b> | Sessions 4 of 4                 | 7 PM   |
|---------|-------|--------|-------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|--------|
| 5.0 Tab | les   |        |       |                            |                                 |        |
|         | Α     | В      | C     |                            |                                 |        |
| 2.28    | 1     |        |       | Jan Zadroga, Todz Poland;  | Robert Porter, Henderson NV     | 64.00% |
| 1.71    | 2     |        |       | Clay Cuthbertson, Quincy I | L; Farid Azzam, Chesterfield MO | 60.50% |
| 1.28    | 3     |        |       | Kenneth Bland - Nancy Bur  | ke, Saint Louis MO              | 59.50% |
| 2.12    | 4     | 1      |       | Ken Horwedel, Memphis T    | N; Cindy Casson, Las Vegas NV   | 57.00% |
| 1.59    |       | 2      |       | Scott Weber - Marianna We  | eber, Edwardsville IL           | 55.00% |
| 1.19    |       | 3      |       | Steven Goodman - Carol Fr  | ana, Overland Park KS           | 51.00% |

| NORTH-SOUTH |   | -SO | UTH SECTION I   | EAST-V | VES | Γ |   |        |
|-------------|---|-----|---|--------|-----|---|---|--------|
| A           | В | C   |   | A      | В   | C |   |        |
| 1           |   |     | Jan Zadroga, Todz Poland; Robert Porter, Henderson NV | 64.00% | 1   |   | Clay Cuthbertson, Quincy IL; Farid Azzam, Chesterfield MO | 60.50% |
| 2           | 1 | 1   | Scott Weber - Marianna Weber, Edwardsville IL         | 55.00% | 2   |   | Kenneth Bland - Nancy Burke, Saint Louis MO               | 59.50% |
|             | 2 |     | Steven Goodman - Carol Frana, Overland Park KS        | 51.00% |     | 1 | Ken Horwedel, Memphis TN; Cindy Casson, Las Vegas NV      | 57.00% |
|             |   |     |   |        |     |   |   |        |

### THUSDAY STRATIFIED OPEN PAIRS FINAL

| 22.0 Tal | bles |   |   |  |        |
|----------|------|---|---|--|--------|
|          | Α    | В | C |  |        |
| 11.20    | 1    |   |   | Allan Siebert - Bonnie Melchior, Little Rock AR                | 62.37% |
| 8.40     | 2    |   |   | Dennis Spencer, Saint Louis MO; Judy Eaton, Edwardsville IL    | 62.09% |
| 6.30     | 3    |   |   | Tom Oppenheimer, Ballwin MO; Elizabeth Percich, Saint Louis MO | 60.46% |
| 4.73     | 4    |   |   | Stephen Apodaca, Santa Fe NM; Mike Cappelletti, Winter Park FL | 59.32% |
| 3.73     | 5    |   |   | Linda Leinicke - Gloria Spitzer, Saint Louis MO                | 57.79% |
| 3.20     | 6    |   |   | Judy Putzel - Alice Kerckhoff, Saint Louis MO                  | 56.43% |
| 7.08     | 7    | 1 | 1 | Patricia Levy - Barbara Watson, Chesterfield MO                | 56.32% |
| 5.31     |      | 2 |   | Deborah King - Marvin King, Creve Coeur MO                     | 56.00% |
| 3.98     |      | 3 |   | Susan Rechter - Susan Wolff, Saint Louis MO                    | 54.36% |
| 2.99     |      | 4 |   | Hall Whitaker - William Morgan, Rolla MO                       | 54.09% |
| 3.53     |      | 5 | 2 | John Maloney, Mahomet IL; Melissa Fitton, Urbana IL            | 52.45% |
| 2.02     |      | 6 |   | James Faulkner - Fred Sandegren, Quincy IL                     | 50.98% |
| 2.64     |      |   | 3 | Rose Kiernan - Nancy Hope, St Louis MO                         | 50.60% |
| 1.98     |      |   | 4 | Stephen Russell, Fenton MO; Dennis Abeln, Ballwin MO           | 50.16% |
| 1.57     |      |   | 5 | Dennis Puryear, Fenton MO; Ruth Naber, Kansas City MO          | 49.    |



Afternoon Section Top & 2<sup>nd</sup> Overall

### THUSDAY STRATIFIED OPEN PAIRS

### **Afternoon Session**

### 1 PM

| NORTH-SOUTH |     | -SO | UTH SECTION J   | EAST-V | VES' |   |           |  |        |  |
|-------------|-----|-----|---|--------|------|---|-----------|--|--------|--|
| A           | В   | C   |   | A      | В    | C |           |  |        |  |
| 1           |     |     | Dennis Spencer, Saint Louis MO; Judy Eaton, Edwardsville IL   | 66.12% | 1    | 1 | 1         | Patricia Levy - Barbara Watson, Chesterfield MO          | 58.39% |  |
| 2           | 1   |     | James Faulkner - Fred Sandegren, Quincy IL                    | 60.46% | 2    | 2 |           | Deborah King - Marvin King, Creve Coeur MO               | 57.41% |  |
| 3           |     |     | A Wolfe, Saint Louis MO; S Shymanski Moore, Ballwin MO        | 55.66% | 3    |   |           | T Oppenheimer, Ballwin MO; E Percich, Saint Louis MO     | 51.96% |  |
| 4           | 2   |     | Hall Whitaker - William Morgan, Rolla MO                      | 55.01% | 4    | 3 | 2         | J Butkiewicz, Chesterfield MO; Steven Norman, Chicago IL | 51.85% |  |
|             | 3/4 | 1/2 | Stephen Russell, Fenton MO; Dennis Abeln, Ballwin MO          | 50.54% |      | 4 |           | Rose Kiernan - Nancy Hope, St Louis MO                   | 48.91% |  |
|             | 3/4 | 1/2 | C Roland Boehm, Florissant MO; J Michael Kenski, Arnold MO    | 50.54% |      |   |           |  |        |  |
|             |     |     | NORTH-SOUTH   | SECTIO | )N K | - | EAST-WEST |  |        |  |
| A           | В   | C   |   | A      | В    | C |           |  |        |  |
| 1           |     |     | Allan Siebert - Bonnie Melchior, Little Rock AR               | 62.42% | 1    |   |           | Linda Leinicke - Gloria Spitzer, Saint Louis MO          | 62.09% |  |
| 2/3         | 1/2 |     | Susan Rechter - Susan Wolff, Saint Louis MO                   | 53.16% | 2    |   |           | S Apodaca, Santa Fe NM; Mike Cappelletti, Winter Park FL | 60.57% |  |
| 2/3         | 1/2 | 1   | Deborah Pirkle, Clearwater FL; Carol Wilson, Rolla MO         | 53.16% | 3    | 1 |           | George Hawley, Florissant MO; Ron Combs, Ballwin MO      | 53.05% |  |
| 4           |     |     | Britain Beezley - Joe Hill, Oklahoma City OK                  | 52.83% | 4    | 2 | 1         | Linda Mize, Florissant MO; Alan Lemley, Saint Louis MO   | 52.18% |  |
|             | 3   | 2   | Dianne Glick, Saint Louis MO; Doris Schwartz, Chesterfield MO | 50.11% |      |   |           |  |        |  |

| <b>THUSDAY</b> | <b>STRATII</b> | TIED OPEN PAIRS                | Evenin    | g S | ession | 7 PM                     |   |
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| NORTH-SO       | UTH            | SECTION J                      | EAST-V    | VES | T      |                          |   |
| A B C          |                |                                | A         | В   | C      |                          |   |
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| 1 |   |   | Tom Oppenheimer, Ballwin MO; Elizabeth Percich, Saint Louis MO | 68.95%  | 1    |   |       | Allan Siebert - Bonnie Melchior, Little Rock AR             | 62.31% |
|---|---|---|--|---------|------|---|-------|---|--------|
| 2 |   |   | Ken Gee, Regina SK; Hannah Moon, Prince Albert SK              | 59.69%  | 2    | 1 |       | Susan Rechter - Susan Wolff, Saint Louis MO                 | 55.56% |
| 3 | 1 | 1 | Patricia Levy - Barbara Watson, Chesterfield MO                | 54.25%  | 3    |   |       | Linda Leinicke - Gloria Spitzer, Saint Louis MO             | 53.49% |
| 4 | 2 | 2 | Dennis Puryear, Fenton MO; Ruth Naber, Kansas City MO          | 53.81%  | 4    |   |       | Connie Pugh, Columbia MO; Thomas Ahmann Sr, Mexico MO       | 52.18% |
|   | 3 |   | Rose Kiernan - Nancy Hope, St Louis MO                         | 52.29%  |      | 2 |       | Dennis Rose, Boaz KY; Ronald Brockman, Paducah KY           | 47.82% |
|   |   |   |  |         |      | 1 |       | Carol Layton, Saint Louis MO; Carol Ottsen, St Louis MO     | 47.60% |
|   |   |   | NORTH-SOUTH  | SECTION | ON K |   | EAST- | WEST  |        |
| Α | В | C |  | A       | В    | C |       |   |        |
| 1 |   |   | Judy Putzel - Alice Kerckhoff, Saint Louis MO                  | 62.20%  | 1    | 1 | 1     | John Maloney, Mahomet IL; Melissa Fitton, Urbana IL         | 59.04% |
| 2 |   |   | Stephen Apodaca, Santa Fe NM; Mike Cappelletti, Winter Park FL | 58.06%  | 2    |   |       | Dennis Spencer, Saint Louis MO; Judy Eaton, Edwardsville IL | 58.06% |
| 3 | 1 |   | John Tompkins Sr, Quincy IL; Marie Kurz, Vandalia MO           | 52.83%  | 3    | 2 |       | Deborah King - Marvin King, Creve Coeur MO                  | 54.58% |
| 4 | 2 | 1 | Anita Norton - Glenda Bridges, Belleville IL                   | 50.76%  | 4    | 3 | 2     | Tom Cadwell, Saint Louis MO; Robert McDill, St Louis MO     | 54.14% |
|   |   | 2 | Linda Mize, Florissant MO; Alan Lemley, Saint Louis MO         | 46.30%  |      | 4 |       | Hall Whitaker - William Morgan, Rolla MO                    | 53.16% |

### **2-SESSION MORNING SWISS**

### **FINAL**

| 26 Table | es |   |   |   |        |
|----------|----|---|---|---|--------|
|          | Α  | В | C |   |        |
| 12.60    | 1  |   |   | Stephen Stewart - Don Stack, Overland Park KS; Jack Spear,      |        |
|          |    |   |   | Shawnee Mission KS; Chuck Said, Nashville TN                    | 195.00 |
| 9.45     | 2  |   |   | Jacob Morgan, Madison WI; James Melville, Springfield IL; Jack  |        |
|          |    |   |   | Bryant - Milton Zlatic, Saint Louis MO; Rod Beery, St Peters MO | 193.00 |
| 7.09     | 3  |   |   | Curtis Hastings - Jennifer Luner, St Louis MO; Carol Hamilton,  |        |
|          |    |   |   | Saint Charles MO; Clay Cuthbertson, Quincy IL                   | 167.00 |
| 5.32     | 4  |   |   | Stephen Apodaca, Santa Fe NM; Ron Ashbacher, Lead Hill AR; John |        |
|          |    |   |   | Oxley, Saint Joseph MO; Mike Cappelletti, Winter Park FL        | 159.00 |
| 4.20     | 5  |   |   | James McKinney, Carol Stream IL; Marilyn Croft, St Charles IL;  |        |
|          |    |   |   | George Marvin, Maryland Hts MO; George Jones, Maryland Hgts MO  | 151.00 |
| 3.60     | 6  |   |   | Hannah Moon, Prince Albert SK; Robert Porter, Henderson NV; Jan |        |
|          |    |   |   | Zadroga, Todz Poland; Kazimierz Omernik, Gdynia Poland; Ken     |        |
|          |    |   |   | Gee, Regina SK  | 144.00 |
| 3.15     | 7  |   |   | John Seng, Champaign IL; Debra Romero, Clarkson Valley MO; John |        |
|          |    |   |   | Russell, North Barringto IL; Peggy Wald, Chesterfield MO        | 138.00 |
| 8.27     | 8  | 1 | 1 | Robert Griffin, St Louis MO; Navin Shah, Maryland Hghts MO;     |        |
|          |    |   |   | Frederick Eriksen, Murray NE; Gil Kreul, Omaha NE               | 130.00 |
| 6.20     |    | 2 |   | Cindy Moore - Ann Schuyler - Lori Moore - Eunice Patton,        |        |
|          |    |   |   | Bloomington IL  | 124.00 |
|          |    |   |   |   |        |

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| 4.65 | 3 | Jeff Morasco, Ft Lauderdale FL; Laird Schaub, Rutledge MO; Leon  |        |
|------|---|--|--------|
|      |   | McCarty - Chris Buck, Hurdland MO                                | 123.00 |
| 3.49 | 4 | Jan Pass - Tom Cadwell - Nancy Cadwell, Saint Louis MO; Helene   |        |
|      |   | Siegfried, St Louis MO   | 122.00 |
| 2.76 | 5 | Elizabeth Zalar - Mark Schollenberger - Jeff Ehrlich - Sandra    |        |
|      |   | Stults, Springfield IL   | 118.00 |
| 3.71 |   | 2 Beth Curtis - Eileen Fritsch - Cookie Arneson - Lois Marshall, |        |
|      |   | Saint Louis MO   | 116.00 |
| 2.78 |   | 3 Bernard Hoover, Ballwin MO; Sheri Lindauer, Yorba Linda CA;    |        |
|      |   | John Robey, Winchester TN; Melda Richardson, Orange CA           | 113.00 |
| 2.09 |   | 4 Judy Thompson - Gwyn Groseclose - Julia Rodery - Cliff Barton, |        |
|      |   | Springfield MO   | 110.00 |

### **WEDNEDAY-THURSDAY KO #3**

### **FINAL**

### **Bracket 1** 10 Tables

| 37.77 | 1   | Mark Kessler, Springfield IL; Colby Vernay, Lacon IL; Dick Bruno, des Plaines IL; Robert Gardner, Glenview IL     |
|-------|-----|---|
| 26.44 | 2   | Jack Bryant - Milton Zlatic, Saint Louis MO; Jacob Morgan, Madison WI; James Melville, Springfield IL; Rod Beery, |
|       |     | St Peters MO  |
| 15.11 | 3/4 | Fred Lambert - Jim Wattenbarger, Kansas City MO; Gary McDole - William Karnaze Jr, Lees Summit MO                 |
| 15.11 | 3/4 | Jay Whipple III, Boca Grande FL; Michael Kamil, Holmdel NJ; Ron Smith, Las Vegas NV; Gabrielle Sherman, W         |
|       |     | Long Branch NJ  |

### **Bracket 2** 9 Tables

| 17.33 | 1   | Ronnie Frank - Jane Ettelson - Ann Ruwitch, Saint Louis MO; Judith Inker, Wellesley Hills MA                      |
|-------|-----|---|
| 12.13 | 2   | James Nunn - Dolores Hill, Chesterfield MO; Elizabeth Freeman, Saint Louis MO; Brenda Hoffman, St Louis MO        |
| 6.93  | 3/4 | Ron Sholes, Springfield IL; Jim Heller, Petersburg IL; James McKinney, Carol Stream IL; Marilyn Croft, St Charles |
|       |     | ${ m IL}$   |
| 6.93  | 3/4 | Laura Scholten, Saint Charles MO; Robert Dempsey, St Charles MO; Edward Wang, Chesterfield MO; Roy Lewis,         |
|       |     | Saint Peters MO   |

### **Bracket 3** 10 Tables

| 11.90 | 1   | Cindy Moore - Ann Schuyler - Lori Moore - Eunice Patton, Bloomington IL                           |
|-------|-----|---|
| 8.33  | 2   | Jeff Morasco, Ft Lauderdale FL; Leon McCarty - Chris Buck, Hurdland MO; Laird Schaub, Rutledge MO |
| 4.76  | 3/4 | Douglas Sutton - Nancy Shaver - William Wold, Springfield IL; Mark Beattie, Sherman IL            |
| 4.76  | 3/4 | Elizabeth Zalar - Mark Schollenberger - Sandra Stults - Jeff Ehrlich, Springfield IL              |

#### **2-SESSION THURSDAY SWISS FINAL**

| <b>2-SES</b><br>40 Tab |       | THU | RSDAY | SWISS FINAL  |              |
|------------------------|-------|-----|-------|--|--------------|
| 70 Tab                 | A     | В   | C     |  |              |
| 17.50                  | 1     |     |       | Chris Compton, Dallas TX; Marc Levine, Lubbock TX; Clement Jackson, Albuquerque NM; Mike Passell, Las Vegas NV   | 216.00       |
| 13.13                  | 2     |     |       | Stephen Stewart - Don Stack, Overland Park KS; Jack Spear,<br>Shawnee Mission KS; Chuck Said, Nashville TN; Ed Schulte, Tamp<br>FL; Tom Kniest, Brentwood MO | oa<br>167.00 |
| 9.84                   | 3     |     |       | Debra Romero, Clarkson Valley MO; En Xie, Saint Louis MO;<br>Curtis Hastings, St Louis MO; Mark Boswell, Chesterfield MO                                     | 161.00       |
| 7.38                   | 4     |     |       | John Dicks - Shirley Dicks - Carol Hamilton, Saint Charles MO;<br>Jennifer Luner, St Louis MO  | 158.00       |
| 5.83                   | 5     |     |       | Kimberly Whipple, Boca Grande FL; Cookie Potter, Sunset Beach CA; Kevin Dwyer, Tampa FL; Danny Molenaar, 2592 Bz Netherlan Tim Verbeek, 3971Ma Netherlands   |              |
| 5.00                   | 6     |     |       | Karen Walker - Nate Ward, Champaign IL; Nancy Popkin - Tod   |              |
| 10.04                  | 7     | 1   |       | Moses, Saint Louis MO; Alan Popkin, St Louis MO<br>Jerome Shen, Saint Louis MO; David Drennan, Granite City IL;  | 151.00       |
| 3.89                   | 8     |     |       | Doug O'Leary, St Louis MO; John Antognoli, Clayton MO<br>Bruce Greenspan - Judy Cardin, Chesterfield MO; Loughery  | 150.00       |
| 3.50                   | 9     |     |       | Hawkins - Gail Hawkins, Ballwin MO<br>John Seng, Champaign IL; Richard Ellis Jr, Kokomo IN; Donald   | 144.00       |
| 3.05                   | 10/11 |     |       | Florida, Indianapolis IN; John Russell, North Barringto IL<br>Ron Ashbacher, Lead Hill AR; Anthony Astrologes, Florissant MO;                                | 140.00       |
|                        | 10/11 |     |       | Marvin Shapiro, Saint Louis MO; John Oxley, Saint Joseph MO  | 136.00       |
| 7.53                   | 10/11 |     |       | Christina Parker, Newton Centre MA; Stewart Rubenstein, Newton MA; Deanna Nesbit, Indianapolis IN; Wanda Cole, Greenfield IN                                 | 136.00       |
| 5.65                   |       | 3   |       | Christopher Shaw Jr - Mary Lattan, Carlinville IL; Maggie Frick, Overland Park KS; Alan Spohn, Olathe KS   | 130.00       |
| 5.19                   |       | 4   | 1     | Linda Badgley, Edwardsville IL; Claudia Davidage, Worden IL; Barbara Simpson, Godfrey IL; Jeanne Netherton, Ballwin MO                                       | 125.00       |
| 3.35                   |       | 5   |       | Emil Strotheide, Saint Louis MO; William Davis, Chesterfield MO; Ralph Rotter Jr, Granite City IL; Robert Daniels, Lake St                                   | 123.00       |
|                        |       |     |       | Louis MO   | 122.00       |

| 2.87 | 6   |     | Richard Brummer - Ronald Diehl, Effingham IL; Toby Kahn,      |        |
|------|-----|-----|---|--------|
|      |     |     | Louisville KY; David Stevens, Charleston IL                   | 120.00 |
| 3.41 | 7/8 | 2/3 | Kathy Bost - Sharon Ohsfeldt - Ken Kishishita, Germantown TN; |        |
|      |     |     | Helen Easley, Memphis TN                                      | 115.00 |
| 3.41 | 7/8 | 2/3 | Susan Rosenthal - S Rives, Saint Louis MO; Patricia Corich,   |        |
|      |     |     | Creve Coeur MO; Carolyn Kribben, St Charles MO                | 115.00 |
| 2.19 |     | 4   | John Losik, Kansas City MO; Carol Marks, Overland Park KS;    |        |
|      |     |     | Sandra Meinz - Marvin Meinz, Chesterfield MO                  | 112.00 |

| <b>1-SES</b> 7 Tables |   | EVEN | ING S | WISS TEAM FINAL  | 7 PM   |
|-----------------------|---|------|-------|--|--------|
|                       | Α | В    | C     |  |        |
| 2.58                  | 1 | 1    |       | Patricia Berger - Carole Burt, Chesterfield MO; Bob Bainter,   |        |
|                       |   |      |       | Saint Louis MO; Richard Edwards Jr, Wildwood MO                | 106.00 |
| 1.94                  | 2 |      |       | Jim Wattenbarger - Fred Lambert, Kansas City MO; Gary McDole - |        |
|                       |   |      |       | William Karnaze Jr, Lees Summit MO                             | 93.00  |
| 1.45                  | 3 |      |       | Ron Sholes, Springfield IL; Jim Heller, Petersburg IL; James   |        |
|                       |   |      |       | McKinney, Carol Stream IL; Marilyn Croft, St Charles IL        | 65.00  |
| 1.97                  |   | 2    | 1     | Michael Kelly, Ballwin MO; Mark Guignon - Rick Armstrong, St   |        |
|                       |   |      |       | Louis MO; David Dierkes, St Louis MO                           | 52.00  |

### The Duke of Cumberland Hand \*

A famous hand from the era of *whist*, according to many the predecessor of bridge. The Duke of Cumberland, son of British King George III, was a compulsive gambler, playing for high stakes.

One day, in one of the notorious playing rooms of Bath, he was dealt this hand:

- ♠ AKQJ
- ♥ A K Q J
- ♦ A K
- **♣** K J 9

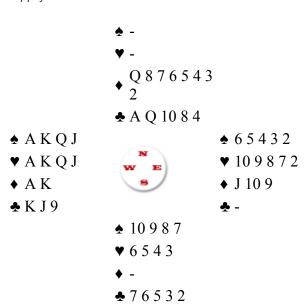
In whist the trump suit is established by turning a card, in this case it was a club. The Duke was on the left hand side of the dealer and therefore to lead. He led a club, intending to remove the trumps from the game as quickly as possible, thereafter he would be able to cash his high cards in the other suits.

The Duke's opponents claimed he would make no trick at all! Of course he did not believe it and he bet 20.000 pounds he would make at least one trick.

Before we take a look at all hands, here is a second scenario. Ian Fleming later used the hand to put James Bond in the limelight against the *bad guy* Sir Hugo Drax in *Moonraker*.

| West   | North    | East  | South |
|--------|----------|-------|-------|
| Drax   | Bond     | Meyer |       |
| -      | 7♣       | pass  | pass  |
| double | redouble | pass  | pass  |
| pass   |          |       |       |

Drax had been dealt the same hand as the Duke of Cumberland and was astonished to hear Bond opening 7♣! Of course Drax doubled happily and Bond would not have been Bond if he would not coolly have redoubled.



Of course 7♣ cannot be defeated, so both Drax and the Duke did not score a trick.

The play went smoothly. The Duke's ♣9 lead was won with north's ♣10. Next came a diamond ruff in south, club to the queen, diamond ruff in south and south's last club to the ace, drawing west's last trump (♣K). North's diamond suit was now established.

In the James Bond scenario east was to lead but it made no difference. Here too •AK were ruffed out while *en passant* west's trumps were finessed.

### This Week's Events

### **7.00** Tolerance Policy is in Place/

ALL PAIRS EVENTS FEATURE PRE-DUPLCATED BOARDS

#### Intermediate/Newcomer (I/N) Pairs Expert Guest Speakers before I/N Pairs Games

Tuesday thru Saturday: 199er Pairs, Single Sessions

1:00 PM & 7:00 PM

Friday: 2-Session Gold Rush Pairs\*

1:00 PM & 7:00 PM

\*Must play in both sessions of Gold Rush Pairs. Only play vs. other 0-750 players.

Pays Gold for Section Tops (300-750) & Overalls.

### **Regional Side Game Series (Single sessions)**

Series 3: Friday & Saturday

1:00 PM & 7:00 PM

Can play in 1 or more games of a series.

Must play in at least 2 games of same series for gold.

### **Knockout Teams (4-Session events)**

Friday-Saturday Knockout 4

1:00 PM & 7:00 PM

Saturday-Sunday Knockout 5

1:00 PM & 7:00 PM, 10:30 AM & TBA

### **Swiss Teams (Stratified, unless noted)**

Single Session Evening Swiss: Tuesday – Saturday (Wednesday Charity)

7:00 PM

2-Session Morning Swiss: Friday – Saturday

9:00 AM

2-Session Strati-Flighted Sunday Swiss, Play through, finishes by 6:00 PM

10:30 AM

### Pairs (All 2-Session events, except Saturday Charity)

Friday Gold Rush Pairs (0-300, 300-750) Friday A/X Pairs (0-2000, 2000+)

1:00 PM & 7:00 PM 1:00 PM & 7:00 PM

Saturday Stratified Open Pairs (New Charity Game)

9:00 AM

**Saturday Barometer Pairs (Qualifying)** 

1:00 PM & 7:00 PM

**Saturday BCD Pairs** 

1:00 PM & 7:00 PM

Sunday Fast Pairs (finishes by 5:00 pm)

10:30 AM & TBA

Stratified Events: 0-750/750-2000/2000+ I/N Pairs: Stratified 0-20/20-100/100-200 Strati-flighted Swiss: Flt A/X: 0-3000/3000+ Strat B/C/D: 0-300/300-750/750-2000 Barometer Pairs: Flt A Unlimited

All Stratifications by Average MP's in all events. Eligibility for flighted events based on highest MP player. Knockouts may be handicapped.