

**DISTRICT NINETEEN ORGANIZATION BALANCE SHEET**  
December 31, 2007 (All Amounts in US Dollars)

	<b>2007</b>	<b>2006</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Canadian Accounts	103,815	71,107
American Accounts	<u>31,099</u>	<u>22,602</u>
Total Cash Accounts	134,914	93,709
Accounts Receivable	138	278
Book Inventory	1,467	1,973
Prepaid Deposits	<u>16,571</u>	<u>12,367</u>
Total Assets	153,090	108,327
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
GST/Sales Taxes Payable	86	211
NABC Hospitality Reserve	<u>21,533</u>	<u>14,457</u>
Total Liabilities	21,619	14,668
<b>MEMBERS' EQUITY</b>		
Retained Surplus	93,659	92,074
Adjustments to Prior Years	---	2,419
Current Year (Deficit) Surplus	<u>37,812</u>	<u>-834</u>
Total Members' Equity	<u>131,471</u>	<u>93,659</u>
Total Liabilities & Members' Equity	153,090	107,327

**STATEMENT OF INCOME & EXPENSES**  
January 1, 2007-December 31, 2007 (US Dollars)

<b>INCOME</b>		
Book Sales	1,069	5,283
Book Costs	<u>-868</u>	<u>-6,017</u>
Book Sales - Net	201	-734
Regional Income	340,800	276,623
Direct Rgl Costs	<u>-287,742</u>	<u>-236,322</u>
Regional Income - Net	53,058	40,301
Interest, Exchange & Miscellaneous	<u>21,271</u>	<u>1,082</u>
Total Income	74,530	40,649
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
Administration	2,361	1,609
Advertising & Promotion	4,494	5,047
Charity Games & Donations	1,686	1,448
District Board	9,070	13,301
Education Expenses	4,550	3,635
Education Income	<u>-2,735</u>	<u>-1,400</u>
Education Costs - Net	1,815	2,235
Member Communications	7,600	7,719
Multi-Level Event Inc	-7,520	-7,445
Multi-Level Costs	4,533	5,471
GNT Player Subsidies	<u>5,601</u>	<u>5,591</u>
Multi-Level Costs - Net	2,614	3,617
NABC Hospitality Fund	<u>7,077</u>	<u>6,507</u>
Total Expenses	36,717	41,483
<b>SURPLUS (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>37,813</b>	<b>-834</b>

Speakers this week (6:45 in the Guildford Ballroom):

Today: **Cam Doner**, Richmond BC  
*Two Conventions You Should Play*  
Friday: **Matt Smith**, Victoria BC  
*Director, Please*  
Saturday: **Dee Berry**, Arlington WA  
*Cuebids in a Nutshell*

Masterpoint awards for knockouts have been changed for 2008, and I can see a huge difference between Reno two weeks ago and this tournament. The idea was to base the new awards on the strength of the bracket, rather than the number of tables in your bracket and lower brackets. This way, winning a strong bracket in a small tournament with only a few brackets would be worth the same amount as winning in a large tournament with many brackets. The net effect seems to be about 30% more masterpoints for the winners of the top (or, in the Morning knockouts, the only) bracket, with others about as before.

Entries for the 199ers games have been way down this week, usually resulting in those pairs playing in the side game or the open pairs. We hope that some of the games will go on the weekend, especially on Friday when there will be an Intermediate/Newcomer reception between sessions. Watch tomorrow's Bulletin for the location of this event.

With legal-sized colour paper getting more difficult to find, we opted for the two-toned look for this week's Daily Bulletins. Not only was the legal-sized colour paper hard to find, but the colours you could use were limited: often I would find my options down to three different shades of yellow and a few other pale hues. Using a letter-sized cover sheet opens up the whole rainbow for cover colour possibilities, while keeping the layout-friendly legal-sized booklet format.

Finally, another reminder that photos of winners are happily taken for the Daily Bulletin. It doesn't matter what you win, come find me and I will take your picture. Once the tournament ends, you can send me an e-mail and request photos so you can print them at your local photo printing centre. I bought a new digital camera in Reno, so the old one that required that awkward endless wait for the flash to recharge is long gone.

You'll usually find me in the Guildford Ballroom from about 10pm to the end of play. If you win a knockout or the Swiss, stop in on your way out to get a photo taken.

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## Masterpoints

Leaders thru Wednesday

(completed events only)

(ties broken randomly by ACBLScore)

1	Polly Dunn, Bellevue WA.....	39.29
2	Don Mamula, Mill Creek WA.....	39.29
3	Bruce Ferguson, Boise ID.....	39.29
4	Douglas Bullock, Boise ID.....	39.29
5	Pat Dunn, Bellevue WA.....	39.29
6	Randy Corn, Kirkland WA.....	39.29
7	Samantha Nystrom, Burnaby BC.....	27.50
8	Larry Pocock, New Westminster BC..	27.50
9	Gordon Estrada, Surrey BC.....	27.50
10	Zoran Peca, Vancouver BC.....	27.50
11	William Ge, Vancouver BC.....	19.06
12	George Mittelman, Toronto ON.....	18.65
13	Arno Hobart, Toronto ON.....	18.65
14	Mike Passell, Las Vegas NV.....	18.65
15	Tony Kasday, Puyallup WA.....	18.65
16	Olga Guitelmakher, Burnaby BC.....	18.15
17	Steve Vincent, Burnaby BC.....	17.26
18	Donald Sache, Delta BC.....	16.25
19	Thomas Gandolfo, Edmonton AB.....	16.12

## Attendance Report

365 tables so far

2008 total thru Wednesday: 475 tables.

# Wednesday Open Pairs

## 70% in the evening passes everyone!

They were so far back nobody saw them coming. **Dudley Brown** and **Brian Cross**, slightly under average in the afternoon, scored 69.44% in the evening session to win the event by about a full board. Strat B winners **Yvonne Drane** and **Marlene Powell** did the opposite, scoring big in the afternoon (second at the break) and holding on in the evening for a win by more than a board. The difference in strat C was four-tenths of a matchpoint, in favour of **Ivy Pye** and **Elsie Mackinnon**.



Score	MP	A	B	C	Wednesday Open Pairs
59.67%	12.60	1			<b>Dudley Brown, Grandview WA; Brian Cross, Vancouver BC</b> (photo, above)
57.25%	9.45	2			Margie Neate, West Vancouver BC; Marina Page, Burnaby BC
56.30%	7.09	3			Marcia Christie - Grace Jeklin, Surrey BC
56.28%	7.03	4	1		<b>Yvonne Drane, Vancouver BC; Marlene Powell, Burnaby BC</b>
56.12%	4.20	5			Koba Ter Neuzen, Victoria BC; Larry Chow, Abbotsford BC
55.95%	4.20	6			David Waterman, Coquitlam BC; Steve Vincent, Burnaby BC
55.55%	3.64	7			Michael Takemori, Coquitlam BC; Chris Diamond, Winnipeg MB
55.50%	2.80	8			Michael Yuen, Vancouver BC; Kathy Adachi, Surrey BC
53.96%	5.27		2		Barbara Green - Betty Harold, North Vancouver BC
53.76%	4.20		3		Anne Smith, Burnaby BC; Sima Sadri, West Vancouver BC
52.87%	2.97		4		M Dianne Wilson, Burnaby BC; Rosalyn Richardson, Coquitlam BC
51.52%	2.94		5		John Aslin, Woodinville WA; David Hildebrand, Lake Forest Par WA
51.52%	2.01		6		Nick Parker - Janis Parker, Delta BC
48.67%	3.18			1	<b>Ivy Pye, North Vancouver BC; Elsie Mackinnon, Delta BC</b>
48.64%	2.39			2	Murray Clements, Mission BC; Ramzan Ackber, Abbotsford BC
47.84%	1.80			3	Barbara Hamal - Norma Titus, Kingston WA

Wednesday Afternoon				
Score	MP	A	B	C
59.23%	4.20	1		
57.15%	2.94	2		
55.17%	2.10	3		
55.16%	1.47	4		
54.22%	2.25	5	1	
53.84%	0.96	6		
53.12%	1.58	7	2	
52.90%	0.77	8		
52.80%	1.13	9	3	
51.86%	0.79	10	4	
51.03%	1.06	5	1	
50.99%	0.38	6		
48.49%	0.74		2	

Wednesday Afternoon				
Score	MP	A	B	C
61.88%	4.20	1	1	
59.80%	2.94	2		
59.76%	2.10	3		
59.21%	1.64	4	2	
57.48%	1.12	5		
55.60%	0.96	6		
54.36%	0.85	7		
53.71%	0.77	8		
53.37%	1.17	9	3	
52.56%	0.64	10		
51.13%	0.82	4		
49.38%	0.47	5		
48.96%	0.39	6		
45.67%	1.06		1	
45.07%	0.74		2	

table is seriously behind your pace, call the Director and say so immediately.

4) On the last board of a segment, whoever is dummy should spend the time during the play comparing scores with the scores of ONE of the defenders to ensure that they match. Don't interrupt: if there is a problem, say nothing until the hand is over. Once this comparison is done, the dummy and the player whose scorecard was compared can each hand their scoresheet to their partner, and a quick comparison can be made so that all four players agree. If one player has managed to gouge holes in his or her scoresheet by repeated errors and a frenzy of frantic erasing, compare with the other. Tell that player to read this article.

5) If you have some time to wait for the other table to finish, check (without interrupting) how many boards they have left. If they're on the last one, don't run off. If they have multiple boards left, count on five minutes per unstarted board and make sure you are back in time. If you are the last table in the match to finish and you see your teammates hovering, let them know how many boards you have left.

6) Don't wait more than a minute for a missing player to arrive before you begin comparing. If they wanted to be there they would have ensured that they were.

7) Whoever on your team is best at math should be the receiver. A member of the other partnership calls out their score on board one, and the receiver calls out the IMP swing. "Plus 420." "Win six." "Minus 180." "Lose ten." Nothing more is required (or desired) at this stage. The objective is to arrive at the final score as quickly as possible. Two minutes tops in a knockout segment, one minute tops in a Swiss should be all that is needed.

8) (I credit Cam Doner with this particular bit of magic, although he will no doubt tell me he got it from someone else.) On your scoresheet (this works especially well for long segments), score up the IMPs cumulatively. Instead of this way...

Plus	Minus
3	
5	
-	-
	9
	11
6	
	6
3	

...do it this way:

Plus	Minus
3	
8	
-	-
	9
	20
14	
	26
23	

You'll be able to tell everyone what the final score for the segment was, instantly, while they are adding all the numbers up. This is very impressive and often spurs your teammates on to play better, whatever the result is. If this is the second half of a knockout, you start with the half-time score at the top and continue from there:

Plus	Minus
(45)	(47)
48	
53	
-	-
	56
	67
59	
71	

Doing it this way is a lot more exciting, especially in a knockout, because you can see the lead changes as they occur.

9) Confirm the result with the other team as soon as you can, or better yet, find the member of the team who doesn't do post-mortems and have him go over and confirm. (If I'm on your team, that would be me.)

10) Report the confirmed result to the Director as soon as possible. If you're in a Swiss teams, your result may allow the computer to match up a few more teams for the next round, or in the last round your reported result may clinch an overall spot for someone (hopefully you). Why delay?

My theory of post-mortems is that you're better off to avoid them. If there is a board you are interested in, write the number down now and look at it after the comparison. Most of us have learned the rudiments of bridge and are honest enough to see and learn from our mistakes. Many post-mortem addicts are not so concerned with doing what's right as with doing what works on that particular deal. They work backwards through the 'clues' like a corrupt regime trying to frame an inconvenient victim. Humour them—but make sure they eat somewhere else.

# Comparing at IMPs

by **McBruce**

Before finding out how many IMPs were won or lost on the very first board, any good player playing with new teammates can tell how the match is going to go. It has nothing to do with how good your own results were. It has nothing to do with how well you and your partner play. It has nothing to do with how well your teammates play. It has nothing to do with how good the other team is.

Here's the great secret. If you call out "plus 420" (or whatever the score is) and hear any of the following within two seconds...

- "push"
- "minus 400"
- "minus 450; lose one"
- "win six"
- "lose two"
- "minus 1520"

...you're going to have an okay day. Even the last one is not necessarily an omen for eventual disaster. It may look bad but there is one key advantageous element to it that will presently become clear. For if you call out "plus 420" and hear anything like the following...

- "well, the declarer at our table took the finesse..."
- "which board are we starting with?"
- "wait, did you guys bid the slam? Lemme see your scorecard!"
- "what contract were you in?"
- "I led the queen of diamonds on that one, and at trick seven..."
- "wait, let me find my scorecard"

...it is time to check the tournament schedule to see what's on in the next session, because this session will - mercifully - be your last in this knockout. If you're in a Swiss Teams, you're in for a rough ride.

IMPs is the only game at which we let the players score the results, and perhaps this is a weak point. Maybe it might be a better idea to put out pickup slips and have the scores entered into the computer, because only the very best teams seem to know how to properly compare. The rest of us seem more concerned with excuses and alibis and stories and other silliness than the score, which is all the Directors ask for in the end. Sadly, the worst offenders are often those who have taken the longest to actually play the hands, which is

why it sometimes takes forever between rounds in a Swiss. (I guess they realize that their next round opponent will be out as soon as the result is in, so they want to make sure they get their excuses and stories in.) At the other end of the scale, I have personally witnessed some Flight A teams comparing the second half of a knockout...and then arguing about the score of the first half, which nobody seems to have bothered to confirm.

Here are some tips to help speed up the process. Follow these and you will look like an expert from the moment you sit down (which is often worth a few IMPs by itself!):

1) Before you begin making the boards, figure out which boards you will have for the segment. There's a bit of mathematics here, but you can do it. In a Swiss teams where the rounds have  $x$  boards, you will always play a set that ends in a number that is evenly divisible by  $x$ : a seven-board set will be 1-7, 8-14, 15-22, 23-28, or 29-35. The first number of such a set will always be 1, or a number one greater than a number divisible by  $x$ . In knockouts there will normally be twelve-board segments, 1-12, 13-24, or 25-36. But in afternoon and evening sessions, matches may get extra boards (usually of a different colour, one per half) so that you play 26 boards in a session. Put the extra boards at the very end of your list no matter when you play them.

2) Prepare your scorecard. Whichever boards you have, write the board numbers down on your sheet before you begin shuffling. If you start in the middle of the set numerically, make a note so that you write the first score on the correct line. Another good technique is to write the vulnerability down as well. You can find the vulnerability using the chart at the bottom of the standard team score-sheet or on a standard pairs scoresheet. I usually pencil in one of the following symbols:

o — | +

to indicate "none," "they," "we," and "both" vulnerable. This will save time later. I find that the average number of boards that have to be retrieved from the chair (sometimes from the other table!) to find out who's vulnerable is about one in three! I often wonder if these people knew who was vulnerable during the auction.

3) If you still need boards from the other table and have none left to play after the current one ends, call for a caddy at the end of the auction. Don't wait until the play is finished or wait for the boards to miraculously arrive. If play at the other

# Antarctica now part of District Nineteen!

District Director Don Mamula invites you to the first Antarctic Regional

Just kidding.

**Don Mamula** managed to win my local group's NFL point-spread pool despite missing a few weeks and having generic picks made for him. The rule governing the generic picks got hot just as Don left on a trip to South America. When Don reported that he was unable to send picks from Antarctica but figured the generic picks would be okay, I assumed Don meant South America. Soon I was sent this photo of Don in Port Lockroy, which is about 700 miles south of the southern tip of South America, at 64°49'S. For comparison, 64°49'N at the same longitude is a spot about 400 miles north of the northernmost tip of Labrador.

Don says (and the photo indicates) that it was cold, but far from unbearable.



					<b>Wednesday Evening</b>				
					<b>North-South Leaders</b> (Section A, B)				
Score	MP	A	B	C	Score	MP	A	B	C
69.44%	4.20	1			58.76%	4.20	1		
					56.33%	2.94	2	1	
60.12%	2.94	2			56.15%	2.10	3		
59.92%	2.10	3			54.80%	1.64	4	2	
59.34%	1.47	4			53.87%	1.17	5	3	
56.64%	1.12	5			53.84%	0.96	6		
53.51%	0.96	6			53.60%	0.85	7	4	
53.35%	2.25	7	1		53.39%	0.77	8	5	
51.45%	1.58	8	2		53.19%	0.70	9		
51.30%	0.70	9			53.15%	0.64	10		
51.24%	0.64	10			51.34%	1.06	6	1	
50.68%	1.13	3			48.64%	0.74	2		
50.60%	1.06	4	1						
49.83%	0.45	5							
49.57%	0.38	6							
44.60%	0.74	2							

					<b>Wednesday Evening</b>				
					<b>East-West Leaders</b> (Section A, B)				
Score	MP	A	B	C	Score	MP	A	B	C
58.76%	4.20	1							
56.33%	2.94	2	1						
56.15%	2.10	3							
54.80%	1.64	4	2						
53.87%	1.17	5	3						
53.84%	0.96	6							
53.60%	0.85	7	4						
53.39%	0.77	8	5						
53.19%	0.70	9							
53.15%	0.64	10							
51.34%	1.06	6	1						
48.64%	0.74	2							

# Wednesday Evening Swiss Teams

## Winners: MORSE, BEGLEY (B & C)

MORSE and BEGLEY met, both 3-0, in the final round, and a 21 IMP win for MORSE sealed the victory. BEGLEY ended up fourth but got enough in the last round to seal up the B and C strat double win.

VPs	MP	A	B	C	Sunday Evening Swiss Teams (11 teams)
65.00	3.19	1			Peter Morse, North Vancouver BC; Donald Sache - Sheila Sache, Delta BC; Mike Wilson, New Westminster BC
58.00	2.39	2			Jude Ballard - Neil Ballard, Seattle WA; Tom Jepson - Patti Hartley, Kirkland WA
48.00	1.79	3			Jennifer Ballantyne - Joerg Schneider, Vancouver BC; Dan Watson, Burnaby BC; Harry Friedman, Richmond BC
47.00	2.73	4	1	1	Robert Begley - Garry Scollon - Craig Dunning, Langley BC; Edgar L'Heureux, White Rock BC
44.00	2.05		2	2	Judy Christensen, Richmond BC; Susan Mitchell, New Westminster BC; Patricia Chen, Vancouver BC; Parvin Grigg, North Vancouver BC
39.00	1.54		3		Rita Dodge - Theresa Kong, Vancouver BC; Doreen Ransom - Colin Ransom, Furry Creek BC

## This Day In History

### January 10 edition

- 2,056 years ago today, Julius Caesar did what to signify the beginning of a civil war?
- 232 years ago today, Thomas Paine published a pamphlet that supported the American Revolution. What was its title?
- 138 years ago today, Standard Oil was founded by...who?
- 79 years ago today, which comic book character by Hergé, and since appearing in 200 million comic books, made his debut?
- 9 years ago today, which recently-concluded American television series made its HBO debut?  
*Who's older among these birthday pairs?*
- Frank James, American outlaw (elder brother of Jesse James), or Sir John A. Macdonald, first Canadian Prime Minister?
- Grigori Rasputin, Russian monk, or Aleksei Nikolaevich Tolstoi, Russian writer?
- Ray Bolger, American actor/dancer (the Scarecrow in *The Wizard of Oz*), or Bernard Lee, British actor ("M" in the early James Bond films)?
- Max Patkin, American baseball player (known as the Clown Prince of Baseball), or Max Roach, American jazz drummer/composer.
- Donald Fagen, American musician (*Steely Dan*), or George Foreman (American boxer)?  
*(answers on page xx)*



## Wednesday's Sudoku

(shaded boxes are the starting hints)  
Today's puzzle is on page 15.

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

# FIRST Side Game Series

## Session 4 of 6: Wednesday Evening Side Game

Score	MP	A	B	C	Wednesday Evening Side Game (10 tables)
62.50%	2.73	1/2	1	1	Joan Tang, Burnaby BC; Baixiang Liu, Vancouver BC
62.50%	2.65	1/2			Aidan Ballantyne, Burnaby BC; Joel Martineau, Vancouver BC
57.18%	1.70	3			Lauren Miller - Linda Sims, Surrey BC
55.09%	1.31	4			Pearl Minkoff, Vancouver BC; John Koster, Richmond BC
52.31%	2.05	5	2	2	Richmond Williams, Abbotsford BC; Dorothy Lust, Osoyoos BC
51.85%	0.94	6			Nancy Arnold, La Quinta CA; John Demeulemeester, Burnaby BC
51.39%	1.59		3		Ken Ramsay, West Vancouver BC; Andrew Nalos, Vancouver BC
50.93%	1.37		4	3	Bernard Hoeschen - Gordon Wright, Vancouver BC
50.69%	1.14		5	4	John Patterson, Chemainus BC; Ruby Krause, Ladysmith BC

Score	MP	A	B	C	Wednesday Evening North-South Leaders (Section C)
62.50%	1.87	1	1	1	Joan Tang, Burnaby BC; Baixiang Liu, Vancouver BC
55.09%	1.31	2			Pearl Minkoff, Vancouver BC; John Koster, Richmond BC
52.31%	1.18	3	2	2	Richmond Williams, Abbotsford BC; Dorothy Lust, Osoyoos BC
50.93%	0.84	4	3		Bernard Hoeschen - Gordon Wright, Vancouver BC

Score	MP	A	B	C	Wednesday Evening East-West Leaders (Section C)
62.50%	1.87	1			Aidan Ballantyne, Burnaby BC; Joel Martineau, Vancouver BC
57.18%	1.31	2			Lauren Miller - Linda Sims, Surrey BC
51.85%	0.94	3			Nancy Arnold, La Quinta CA; John Demeulemeester, Burnaby BC
51.39%	1.59	4	1		Ken Ramsay, West Vancouver BC; Andrew Nalos, Vancouver BC
50.69%	1.14		2	1	John Patterson, Chemainus BC; Ruby Krause, Ladysmith BC
49.31%	0.80		3	2	Rosemary Cunningham - Eileen Sayers, Vancouver BC

## Side Game Series Leaders

### Morning after 2/5, First after 4/6

There are overall awards for each Side Game Series in the tournament. Individual players in each series are ranked by the sum of their two best games (in percent). The top six individuals will be eligible for overall awards. If you play more than two sessions in a series, only your best two scores count. You need not play with the same partner: two 65% games with two different partners (in the same series) would get you on the leaderboard (probably close to the top). Here are the current standings in the MORNING and FIRST series'.

Rank	Score	MORNING Side Game Series Leaders after two of five sessions (22 different players so far)
1/2	118.75%	Beverly Hall, West Vancouver BC
1/2	118.75%	Tai Eng, Burnaby BC
3	110.41%	Ronald Kuiper, Surrey BC
4	109.02%	John Coone, Vernon BC
5/6	95.83%	Karen Morris, Saskatoon SK
5/6	95.83%	Kathy Bryden, Regina Beach SK

Rank	Score	FIRST Side Game Series Leaders after four of six sessions (103 different players so far)
1/2	122.49%	Gladys Adilman, Vancouver BC
1/2	122.49%	Rowena Huberman, Vancouver BC
3	118.49%	Allan Ferguson, Nanaimo BC
4	112.27%	Dorothy Lust, Osoyoos BC
5	103.24%	Andrew Nalos, Vancouver BC
6	102.08%	Ruby Krause, Ladysmith BC

# MORNING Side Game Series

## Session 2 of 5: Wednesday Morning Side Game

Score	MP	A	B	C	Wednesday Morning Side Game
64.58%	2.12	1			<b>Ronald Kuiper, Surrey BC; Dorothy Carnegie, White Rock BC</b>
63.19%	1.59	2			Charlotte Alekson, Richmond BC; John Coone, Vernon BC
57.64%	1.97	3	1	1	<b>Bev Wardstrom - Sue Richardson, Kamloops BC</b>
45.14%	1.30		2/3	2/3	Ken Beck - David Peppar, Chilliwack BC
45.14%	1.30		2/3	2/3	Gordon Delf - Susan Kuipers, Kelowna BC

Score	MP	A	B	C	Wednesday Morning Howell Leaders
64.58%	1.68	1			Ronald Kuiper, Surrey BC; Dorothy Carnegie, White Rock BC
63.19%	1.18	2			Charlotte Alekson, Richmond BC; John Coone, Vernon BC
57.64%	1.40	3	1	1	Bev Wardstrom - Sue Richardson, Kamloops BC
45.14%	0.84		2/3	2/3	Ken Beck - David Peppar, Chilliwack BC
45.14%	0.84		2/3	2/3	Gordon Delf - Susan Kuipers, Kelowna BC

## Eleven and a half?

by David Schmidt, DINO treasurer

Some people have questioned how we came up with such an odd entry fee as \$11.50 per player per session.

As a Canadian Director of District Nineteen, I feel strongly that Canadian tournaments should be priced similarly to our American tournaments. The Board has set the American entry fee at \$11

per person per session.

With the Canadian and American dollars currently virtually at par, the Canadian entry fee should also be at par. Adding a wrinkle to this is the fact that we are required to charge GST in Canada. As a result, the Canadian entry fees are \$11.00 plus 5% GST, rounded out to \$11.50.

Because the exchange rate is in a state of flux, we will set the entry fee for Penticton at the beginning of that tournament, again based on the prevailing exchange rate.

# FIRST Side Game Series

## Session 3 of 6: Wednesday Afternoon Side Game

Score	MP	A	B	C	Wednesday Afternoon Side Game
61.01%	2.58	1			<b>Julie Smith - Peter Cooper, Vancouver BC</b>
58.33%	2.43	2	1		<b>Olga Guitelmakher, Burnaby BC; Dorothy Lust, Osoyoos BC</b>
54.46%	2.12	3	2	1	<b>Sylvia Ruskin - Janneke Noort, Vancouver BC</b>
54.17%	1.37	4	3		Richard Dunn, Delta BC; Vincent Yung, Vancouver BC
53.57%	0.82	5			Leyden Chao - Hsiang Li, Burnaby BC
53.27%	1.59		4	2	Jean Hope - Ann McKenzie, Langley BC
51.49%	1.19			3	Dawn Smith, Port Coquitlam BC; Ruth Winkler, Coquitlam BC

Score	MP	A	B	C	Wednesday Afternoon North-South Leaders
54.46%	1.59	1	1	1	Sylvia Ruskin - Janneke Noort, Vancouver BC
54.17%	1.11	2	2		Richard Dunn, Delta BC; Vincent Yung, Vancouver BC
53.57%	0.80	3			Leyden Chao - Hsiang Li, Burnaby BC
51.49%	0.74		2		Dawn Smith, Port Coquitlam BC; Ruth Winkler, Coquitlam BC

Score	MP	A	B	C	Wednesday Afternoon East-West Leaders
61.01%	1.59	1			Julie Smith - Peter Cooper, Vancouver BC
58.33%	1.40	2	1		Olga Guitelmakher, Burnaby BC; Dorothy Lust, Osoyoos BC
53.27%	1.06	3	2	1	Jean Hope - Ann McKenzie, Langley BC
48.21%	0.74		2		Peter Tsang, Richmond BC; Russell Gregory, New Westminster BC

## Wednesday-Friday Morning Handicap Knockout Teams

With only one bracket, District 19 uses handicaps in knockouts. This means there is a point spread for each match (or half-match) that may decide who gets to sleep in the next morning. The point spreads are actually in hundredths of IMPs, but we've simplified them to halves.

QUARTERFINALS Wednesday Morning 2.90 red	SEMIFINALS Thursday Morning 20.99 gold	FINAL Friday Morning 38.66 gold
<b>Christensen vs Lambert vs Zhou</b>	Zhou vs Christensen (-18½) Bullock vs Passell (-7½)	??? vs ???
<b>Bullock vs Angus</b>	<b>The Hideous Hog (In Training)'s Picks:</b> Passell over Zhou in the final	
<b>Passell vs Demeulemeester</b>	Rosters for surviving teams are below	

### MORNING HANDICAP KNOCKOUTS SEMIFINALISTS

Ken Christiansen, Bothell WA; Leo Glaser, Winfield BC; Barbara Nist, Seattle WA; Cameron Doner, Richmond BC; Steve Hosch, Olympia WA  
vs

Kai Zhou - Tao Feng, Burnaby BC; William Ge - David Hu - John Chen, Vancouver BC; Jack Lee, Richmond BC

Douglas Bullock - Bruce Ferguson, Boise ID; Pat Dunn - Polly Dunn, Bellevue WA; Bryan Maksymetz, Alert Bay BC; Michael Gamble, Shawnigan Lake BC  
vs

Mike Passell, Las Vegas NV; Tony Kasday, Puyallup WA; Garey Hayden, Tucson AZ; Arno Hobart - George Mittelman, Toronto ON

## DINO Meeting Synopsis

by Dudley Brown, DINO Secretary

The DINO Board met on January 7 here in Surrey.

New Member Carol Holcombe from Alaska was welcomed to the Board and Carol-Ann Halliday and Angela Taylor-Ferguson were congratulated for new three-year terms.

The Treasurer's year ending reports showed an equity of \$93,659 U.S. and a yearly surplus of \$37,813 U.S. Treasurer David Schmidt pointed out that a sizable portion of these figures were due to the reevaluation of Canadian bank holdings.

Entry fees for the Surrey 2008 Regional were put at \$11.50 either Canadian or U.S. currency.

2008 will be the last year the District sponsors a District-wide Charity Week and Game due to changes made by ACBL.

District Director Donald Mamula announced his appointment of Pat and Polly Dunn, Dan Jacob, and Brian Maksymetz to the National Goodwill Com-

mittee.

The District's annual grant from the ACBL Charity Foundation has been split between Canadian International Sports and the Northwest Kidney Association.

The District has opted to eliminate Unit Finals of the North American Pairs starting this year. Individuals can progress directly from the club level to the District Final.

This year's District Finals of the Grand National Teams will be held April 5-6 in Everett. A Saturday evening Swiss Teams event has been added to assure entrants of a full day of play.

The District has equalized caddy pay at \$35 per session in the currency of the country in which the Regional is held.

The October 10-16, 2011 Regional will be in Eastern Washington. District Liaison for the tournament is Stuart Iedema. The Board asked him to discuss the location with the Yakima and Tri-Cities Unit Boards and to make a recommendation at the next District Board meeting in Penticton.

### Wednesday-Thursday Bracketed Knockout Teams, Bracket One

Bracket One has thirteen teams and no masterpoint limit.

OPENING ROUND Wednesday Afternoon 3.00 red	QUARTERFINALS Wednesday Evening 19.10 gold	SEMIFINALS Thursday Afternoon 33.43 gold	FINAL Thursday Evening 47.76 gold
<b>McCully</b> vs Wilson vs <b>Pettie</b> <b>Lien</b> vs Devine vs <b>Maksymetz</b> Schneider vs <b>Bullock</b> vs <b>Romm</b> Hartley vs <b>Glaser</b> Passell vs <b>McOrmond</b>	Maksymetz vs <b>McCully</b>  <b>Bullock</b> vs McOrmond  <b>Romm</b> vs Glaser  Lien vs <b>Pettie</b>	McCully vs Romm	??? vs ???
		Pettie vs Bullock	
<b>The Hideous Hog (In Training)'s Picks:</b> McCully over Pettie in the final  Rosters for surviving teams are below			

### Wednesday-Thursday Bracketed Knockout Teams, Bracket Two

Bracket Two has twelve teams and a masterpoint limit of 8,024 (team average times four).

OPENING ROUND Wednesday Afternoon 1.69 red	QUARTERFINALS Wednesday Evening 9.01 gold	SEMIFINALS Thursday Afternoon 15.76 gold	FINAL Thursday Evening 22.52 gold
<b>Alekson</b> vs Broderick vs <b>Eng</b> Nours vs <b>Dietrich</b> vs <b>Moffatt</b> <b>Estrada</b> vs Dodge vs <b>Polujan</b> <b>Alibhai</b> vs <b>Harding</b> vs Thomas	<b>Harding</b> vs Eng  Alibhai vs <b>Estrada</b>  <b>Dietrich</b> vs Alekson  Polujan vs <b>Moffatt</b>	Dietrich vs Moffatt	??? vs ???
		Estrada vs Harding	
<b>The Hideous Hog (In Training)'s Picks:</b> Estrada over Dietrich in the final  Rosters for surviving teams are below			

#### PRIME TIME KNOCKOUTS BRACKET ONE SEMIFINALISTS

Gerry McCully - Rhonda Foster, New Westminster BC; Vince Nowlan - Vince Lambert, Edmonton AB; Jim Galand, Victoria BC  
 vs  
 Dan Romm - Bob Hitchens, Seattle WA; Helen Abbott, Mercer Island WA; Ron Tracy, Edmonds WA  
  
 Leslie Pettie - Thomas Gandolfo - Anita Lambert, Edmonton AB; Doug Deschner - Lorna Deschner, Red Deer AB  
 vs  
 Douglas Bullock - Bruce Ferguson, Boise ID; Pat Dunn - Polly Dunn, Bellevue WA

#### PRIME TIME KNOCKOUTS BRACKET TWO SEMIFINALISTS

Harold Dietrich, Toronto ON; Tom Williams - Wendie Berge - Kay Adams, Seattle WA  
 vs  
 Vicki Moffatt, Surrey BC; Kathy Bye - Beryl Hamilton - Raymond Morrison, Burnaby BC  
  
 Gordon Estrada, Surrey BC; Larry Pocock, New Westminster BC; Samantha Nystrom - Olga Guitelmakher, Burnaby BC; Zoran Peca, Vancouver BC  
 vs  
 Paul Harding, Seattle WA; Gustav Axen - Dee Steil, New Westminster BC; Isabelle Anderson, Burnaby BC

### Wednesday-Thursday Bracketed Knockout Teams, Bracket Three

Bracket Three has nine teams and a masterpoint limit of 2,784 (team average times four).

OPENING ROUND Wednesday Afternoon 0.92 red	QUARTERFINALS Wednesday Evening 3.27 gold, 1.63 red	SEMIFINALS Thursday Afternoon 5.71 gold, 2.86 red	FINAL Thursday Evening 8.16 gold, 4.08 red
<b>Feng</b> vs Hysert vs <b>Baker</b>  <b>Barber</b> vs <b>Abougoush</b> vs Clayton  Nalos vs <b>Cormode</b> vs <b>Kay</b>	Kay vs <b>Baker</b> vs <b>Barber</b>  Cormode vs <b>Abougoush</b> vs <b>Feng</b>	Feng vs Baker	??? vs ???
		Barber vs Abougoush	
<b>The Hideous Hog (In Training)'s Picks:</b> Feng over Abougoush in the final  Rosters for surviving teams are below			

### Wednesday-Thursday Bracketed Knockout Teams, Bracket Four

Bracket Four has eleven teams and a masterpoint limit of 1,536 (team average times four).

OPENING ROUND Wednesday Afternoon 0.75 red	QUARTERFINALS Wednesday Evening 1.93 gold, 1.92 red	SEMIFINALS Thursday Afternoon 3.37 gold, 3.36 red	FINAL Thursday Evening 4.81 gold, 4.81 red
<b>Good</b> vs Hoeschen vs <b>Delf</b> Meyer vs <b>Wardstrom</b> <b>Dilkes</b> vs Mitchell Holcombe vs <b>Mayan</b> <b>Peppar</b> vs Stickland	<b>Mayan</b> vs Wardstrom vs <b>Delf</b>  Good vs <b>Peppar</b> vs <b>Dilkes</b>	Delf vs Dilkes	??? vs ???
		Mayan vs Peppar	
<b>The Hideous Hog (In Training)'s Picks:</b> Peppar over Delf in the final  Rosters for surviving teams are below			

#### PRIME TIME KNOCKOUTS BRACKET THREE SEMIFINALISTS

Tao Feng - Long Xie - Kai Zhou, Burnaby BC; Jack Lee, Richmond BC;  
 John Chen - David Hu, Vancouver BC  
 vs  
 Dominique Baker - Sachi Yamakami - Rowena Huberman - Gladys Adilman, Vancouver BC  
  
 Marlene Barber, Surrey BC; Norma McNamara - Diane McNames, Delta BC;  
 Marlene Shankland, Victoria BC  
 vs  
 Lamya Abougoush - Maged Wafa - Garry Ramsden-Wood, Calgary AB; Malcolm McDonald, Surrey BC

#### PRIME TIME KNOCKOUTS BRACKET FOUR SEMIFINALISTS

Gordon Delf - Susan Kuipers - Shirley Lewis - Gordon Lewis, Kelowna BC  
 vs  
 David Dilkes - Geraldine May, Vancouver BC; Peggy Winter, Ladner BC; Beverley Hall, West Vancouver BC  
  
 Liz Mayan, Richmond BC; Mhairi Longridge - Lorna Hawes - Ross Deegan, Vancouver BC  
 vs  
 David Peppar - Ken Beck, Chilliwack BC; Richard Kay, Mission BC; Jim Munns, Maple Ridge BC