



# Bridge by the Flag

♠ ♥ ♦ ♣ **Daily Bulletin of the** ♦ ♣  
♦ ♣ **2008 Vancouver Regional** ♠ ♥  
♠ ♥ ♦ ♣ *Editor: Bruce McIntyre* ♠ ♥ ♦ ♣

## Today's Schedule

Friday, January 11, 2008

**Morning Knockout Teams**  
 (finals, bracketed) .....8:30  
**Side Game (MORNING Series, 4th of 5)**  
 (1500+ / 500-1500 / 0-500) .....8:30

**Weekend Knockout Teams** (opening round  
 and quarterfinals, bracketed) ..... 1:00 & 7:30

**Stratified Open Pairs**  
 (1500+ / 500-1500 / 0-500) ..... 1:00 & 7:30

**Senior Open Pairs**  
 (1500+ / 500-1500 / 0-500) ..... 1:00 & 7:30

**Side Game (SECOND Series, 1st of 5)**  
 (1500+ / 500-1500 / 0-500) .....1:00

**Afternoon Stratified 199er Pairs**  
 (100-199 / 50-100 / 0-50) .....1:00

**Stratified Swiss Teams**  
 (1500+ / 500-1500 / 0-500) .....7:30

**Side Game (SECOND Series, 2nd of 5)**  
 (1500+ / 500-1500 / 0-500) .....7:30

**Evening Stratified 199er Pairs**  
 (100-199 / 50-100 / 0-50) .....7:30

**0-5 FREE Pairs**.....(0-5 only).....7:30

**Bold:** first session of a new event or side series.

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## Attendance Report

512½ tables so far

2006 total thru Wednesday: 667 tables.

# Notes & Notables

## Friday edition

The outside world this week seems to indicate that comic songwriters Michael Flanders and Donald Swann knew Vancouver very well:

A Song of the Weather — Flanders and Swann  
from *At the Drop of a Hat* (1956)  
(a short piano cadence follows each couplet)

January brings the snow,  
Makes your feet and fingers glow.

February's ice and sleet,  
Freeze the toes right off your feet.

Welcome, March, with wint'ry wind,  
Would thou weren't not so unkind.

April brings the sweet spring showers,  
On and on for hours and hours.

Farmers fear unkindly May,  
Frost by night and hail by day.

June just rains and never stops,  
Thirty days and spoils the crops.

In July the sun is hot,  
Is it shining? No it's not!

August, cold and dank and wet,  
Brings more rain than any yet.

Bleak September's mist and mud,  
Is enough to chill the blood.

Then October adds a gale,  
Wind and slush and rain and hail.

Dark November brings the fog,  
Should not do it to a dog.

Freezing wet December, then...

Bloody January again!

*(continued on page 3)*

Underground parking here means you need not get wet at all as you arrive. Parking passes are available (\$5.00/day) at the kiosk beside the snack bar, set up just past the hotel's main desk. If there is nobody there, you can also get your parking pass at the hotel's main desk.

Directions. Walk in the front door, stop, and shake off the rain or snow. Straight ahead is the hotel lounge and restaurant. A left just before you get to the lounge will take you to the elevators. An immediate sharp left will take you to the Hospitality and Partnership Desk, the PDI book sellers location, and the Guildford Ballroom, the main playing area. Going in the other direction, off to the right around the lounge and restaurant, takes you past the hotel main desk, past the snack bar, and around into a second playing area consisting of the Barnston Room, behind the restaurant, and the Fraser Room, further back.

Entries are being sold outside the rooms in which they are held. The general rule is morning session in the Fraser Room, pairs, side games, and 199er games in the Guildford Ballroom, and team games in the Barnston and Fraser rooms.

Smoking is not allowed anywhere inside the building. Because of the windy and cold conditions outside, we ask that players go outside through the main hotel entrance and not through the doors adjacent to the Guildford Ballroom so that we can control the temperature of the main playing area.

***Following today's afternoon session, in the Barnston room, a social event for all Intermediate/Newcomer players (many of whom have been bravely battling the experienced players in the open games this week), plus DINO Board members and Goodwill Committee members.***

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

Friday: **Matt Smith**, Victoria BC

*Director, Please*

Saturday: **Dee Berry**, Arlington WA

*Cuebids in a Nutshell*

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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# Thursday StratiFlighted A/X Swiss Teams

## Winners: PASSELL, LEE

The PASSELL team lost their final match by 5 IMPs and had to wait to see if HARGREAVES could catch them. HARGREAVES won by only 4 IMPs, a few shy of enough to take over the lead. The X strat, only five of the 24 teams, was won by the LEE team: in a tough field, staying close in losses and winning when you could was enough.

VPs	MP	A	X	Thursday StratiFlighted Swiss Teams, Flight A/X (24 teams)
85.00	17.85	1		<b>Mike Passell, Las Vegas NV; Tony Kasday, Puyallup WA; Arno Hobart - George Mittelman, Toronto ON; Garey Hayden, Tucson AZ</b>
83.00	13.39	2		Michael Hargreaves - Gordon McOrmond - Debbie Hargreaves - Doreen McOrmond, Victoria BC
71.00	8.79	3/4		Dennis Groden, West Vancouver BC; Doug Hansford, Delta BC; Chris Diamond, Winnipeg MB; Ben Takemori, Burnaby BC
71.00	8.79	3/4		Steve Vincent - Michael Dimich - Laurence Betts - Aidan Ballantyne - Katrin Litwin, Burnaby BC; Cameron Doner, Richmond BC
70.00	5.95	5		Sandra Robson, New Westminster BC; Thomas Devine, Ferndale WA; Ron Beall, Bellingham WA; Gene Fomin, Glacier WA
69.00	5.10	6		Leo Glaser, Winfield BC; Stephen Hosch, Olympia WA; Bryan Maksymetz, Alert Bay BC; Michael Gamble, Shawnigan Lake BC
65.00	4.46	7		Richard Christie - Marcia Christie, Surrey BC; Trudy Hurdle - John Hurdle, Richmond BC
64.00	3.77	8/9		Peter Morse, North Vancouver BC; Sheila Sache - Donald Sache, Delta BC; Mark Eddy, Vancouver BC; Mike Wilson, New Westminster BC
64.00	3.77	8/9		Angela Huang, Toronto ON; Mary Fines, North Vancouver BC; Donald Mamula, Mill Creek WA; Randy Corn, Kirkland WA
62.00	4.73		1	<b>Andrew Lee, Richmond BC; Garry Skoropada, Maple Ridge BC; John De-meulemeester, Burnaby BC; Angela Fenton, North Vancouver BC</b>
58.00	3.55		2	William Osten, Richmond BC; Neil McAllister - Maureen McAllister, Vancouver BC; Nancy Arnold, La Quinta CA

## This Day In History

### January 11 edition

1. 106 years ago today, which do-it-yourself magazine, still on newsstands today, was published for the first time?
2. 89 years ago today, which territory was counted in with Romania as set out in the Treaty of Versailles?
3. 73 years ago today, who was the first woman to fly solo from Hawaii to California?
4. 62 years ago today, Enver Hoxha set up a dictatorship in which country?
5. 36 years ago today, East Pakistan renamed itself...what?

### **Who's older among these birthday pairs?**

6. Ezra Cornell, American businessman/university founder, or Alexander Hamilton, American politician?
7. Carroll Shelby, American race car driver/auto designer, or Jean Chrétien, 20th Prime Minister of Canada?
8. Gérson de Oliveira Nunes, Brazillian soccer player, or Arthur Scargill, British labour leader/politician?
9. Ben Crenshaw, American golfer, or Naomi Judd, American singer?
10. Mary J. Blige, American singer, or Amanda Peet, American actress?

**(answers on page 11)**

# Thursday StratiFlighted B/C/D Swiss Teams

## Winners: DODGE, CHAN (C & D)

DODGE scored a big win in the last round to take the lead and waited for the result from the Thomas team, who won by only 9 IMPs, leaving them a few VPs short. The CHAN team finished a strong third, winning strat C and D.

VPs	MP	B	C	D	Thursday StratiFlighted Swiss Teams, Flight B/C/D (18 teams)
87.00	7.87	1			<b>Rita Dodge - Theresa Kong, Vancouver BC; Doreen Ransom - Colin Ransom, Furry Creek BC</b>
85.00	5.90	2			Alice Thomas, Langley BC; Karin Dunlop, West Vancouver BC; Priscilla Brown, Vancouver BC; Dolores Hesse, Morinville AB
74.00	5.49	3	1	1	<b>Vincent Chan, Kingston ON; Vincent Yung - Robin Chan, Vancouver BC; Cyril Tsou, Richmond BC</b>
72.00	4.12	4	2		David Hildebrand, Lake Forest Par WA; John Aslin, Woodinville WA; Sidney Robinson, Vancouver BC; Dorothy Trask, North Vancouver BC
70.00	3.09	5	3		Andrew Nalos, Vancouver BC; Ken Ramsay, West Vancouver BC; Samuel Krikler - Greg Morse, Richmond BC
68.00	2.90		4	2	Chang-Shan Chen, Richmond BC; Kun Shao, Surrey BC; Ann Hung, Vancouver BC; Hsiang Li, Burnaby BC
56.00	2.18			3	James Shaw, Bowen Island BC; Pamela Rattenbury, West Vancouver BC; Michael Stickland - Angela Stickland, North Vancouver BC

The first **DINO Gazette** of 2008 has been released. It's green, free, and contains information on District Nineteen Sectionals and Regionals. It's a must-have for all tournament players. Also on the display desks (in both areas), in a slightly lighter shade of green, is the **Matchpointer**, the Vancouver Unit 430 newsletter, which was printed just days before the tournament. Local club managers should look for **Peter Morse** to arrange for a bundle to take to their clubs instead of taking them from the display tables.

## DINO Recorder

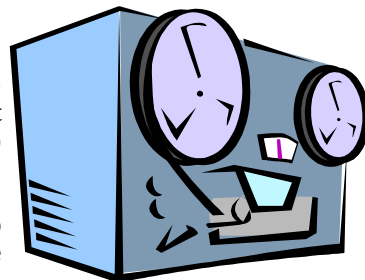
The main role of the Recorder is to receive written information, complaints and suggestions by players about other players, tournament directors, tournament facilities and anything else directly related to bridge.

### The Recorder's Duties:

- The Recorder keeps ongoing records of all grievances brought to his attention, the facts of which he is able to verify. Absolute confidentiality is observed.
- The Recorder has no punitive powers. If a hearing does take place, however, the Recorder's records may be made available to the Committee as evidence.
- The Recorder will review memos received and determine how the issue is to be acted upon. He may investigate to determine the facts and possible extenuating circumstances.
- The Recorder acts as an educator. Many players do not understand ethics and rules. The Recorder is able to help newer players, and others, become aware of each player's ethical responsibilities.

If you wish to report to the Recorder, you do so by obtaining a Player Memo form from a Director. All Player Memos should be completed as fully as possible and returned to a Recorder or to a Director.

The DINO Recorder is: Ole Godefroy, 1210 101st Pl NE, Bellevue, WA 98004. Phone: 425/452-8335 (home); 206/725-4900 (work). Email: ahabfox@cs.com



# Wednesday-Thursday Knockout Teams

## The Prime Time Bracketed Knockouts

MP	Brkt.	Rank	Wednesday-Thursday Prime Time Bracketed Knockout Teams	(4 brackets, 45 teams)
47.76	<b>I</b>	1	<b>Douglas Bullock - Bruce Ferguson, Boise ID; Pat Dunn - Polly Dunn, Bellevue WA</b>	
33.43		2	Dan Romm - Bob Hitchens, Seattle WA; Helen Abbott, Mercer Island WA; Ron Tracy, Edmonds WA	
19.10		3/4	Gerry McCully - Rhonda Foster, New Westminster BC; Vince Nowlan - Vince Lambert, Edmonton AB	
19.10		3/4	Leslie Pettie - Thomas Gandolfo - Anita Lambert, Edmonton AB; Doug Deschner - Lorna Deschner, Red Deer AB	
22.52	<b>II</b>	1	<b>Paul Harding, Seattle WA; Gustav Axen - Dee Steil, New Westminster BC; Isabelle Anderson, Burnaby BC</b>	
15.76		2	Vicki Moffatt, Surrey BC; Kathy Bye - Beryl Hamilton - Raymond Morrison, Burnaby BC	
9.01		3/4	Harold Dietrich, Toronto ON; Tom Williams - Wendie Berge - Kay Adams, Seattle WA	
9.01		3/4	Gordon Estrada, Surrey BC; Larry Pocock, New Westminster BC; Samantha Nystrom - Olga Guitelmakher, Burnaby BC; Zoran Peca, Vancouver BC	
12.24	<b>III</b>	1	<b>Tao Feng - Long Xie - Kai Zhou, Burnaby BC; Jack Lee, Richmond BC; John Chen - David Hu, Vancouver BC</b>	
8.57		2	Marlene Barber, Surrey BC; Norma McNamara - Diane McNames, Delta BC; Marlene Shankland, Victoria BC	
4.90		3/4	Dominique Baker - Sachi Yamakami - Rowena Huberman - Gladys Adilman, Vancouver BC	
4.90		3/4	Lamya Abougoush - Maged Wafa - Garry Ramsden-Wood, Calgary AB; Malcolm McDonald, Surrey BC	
9.62	<b>IV</b>	1	<b>David Peppar - Ken Beck, Chilliwack BC; Richard Kay, Mission BC; Jim Munns, Maple Ridge BC</b>	
6.73		2	Gordon Delf - Susan Kuipers - Shirley Lewis - Gordon Lewis, Kelowna BC	
3.85		3/4	David Dilkes - Geraldine May, Vancouver BC; Peggy Winter, Ladner BC; Beverley Hall, West Vancouver BC	
3.85		3/4	Liz Mayan, Richmond BC; Mhairi Longridge - Lorna Hawes - Ross Deegan, Vancouver BC	

# MORNING Side Game Series

## Session 3 of 5: Thursday Morning Side Game

Score	MP	A	B	C	Thursday Morning Side Game	(3½ tables)
59.90%	1.86	1/2			<b>Tai Eng, Burnaby BC; Beverley Hall, West Vancouver BC</b>	
59.90%	1.97	1/2	1		<b>Ronald Kuiper, Surrey BC; Bruce McIntyre, Burnaby BC</b>	
56.25%	1.19	3			John Coone, Vernon BC; Daphne Dunbar, Victoria BC	
50.63%	1.48		2		Dave Hildebrand, Lake Forest Par WA; John Aslin, Woodinville WA	

Score	MP	A	B	C	Thursday Morning Howell Leaders	(Section G)
59.90%	1.35	1/2			Tai Eng, Burnaby BC; Beverley Hall, West Vancouver BC	
59.90%	1.40	1/2	1		Ronald Kuiper, Surrey BC; Bruce McIntyre, Burnaby BC	
56.25%	0.80	3			John Coone, Vernon BC; Daphne Dunbar, Victoria BC	
50.63%	0.98		2		Dave Hildebrand, Lake Forest Par WA; John Aslin, Woodinville WA	
42.19%	0.99		1		Gordon Delf - Susan Kuipers, Kelowna BC	

(Morning Side Game Series Leaders — page 8)

## 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>  <b>Bullock vs Angus</b>  <b>Passell vs Demeulemeester</b>	<b>Zhou vs Christensen (-18½)</b>  Bullock vs <b>Passell (-7½)</b>	Zhou vs Passell (-29½)
	<b>The Hideous Hog (In Training) Picked:</b> Passell over Zhou in the final (so far, so good)  Rosters for surviving teams are below	

### MORNING HANDICAP KNOCKOUTS FINALISTS

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

vs

Mike Passell, Las Vegas NV; Tony Kasday, Puyallup WA; Garey Hayden, Tucson AZ;  
Arno Hobart - George Mittelman, Toronto ON (-29½)

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22	Leslie Pettie, Edmonton AB .....	34.82
23	Olga Guitelmakher, Burnaby BC .....	28.84
24	George Mittelman, Toronto ON .....	27.58
25	Isabelle Anderson, Burnaby BC .....	26.79
26	Gustav Axen, New Westminster BC .....	26.79
27	David Hu, Vancouver BC .....	26.72
28	Tao Feng, Burnaby BC .....	26.72
29	Jack Lee, Richmond BC .....	26.72
30	Kai Zhou, Burnaby BC .....	26.72
31	Paul Harding, Seattle WA .....	25.38
32	Dee Steil, New Westminster BC .....	25.38
33	Rhonda Foster, New Westminster BC ..	24.75
34	Laurence Betts, Burnaby BC .....	22.40
35	Steve Vincent, Burnaby BC .....	21.65
36	Vince Lambert, Edmonton AB .....	20.90
37	Gerry McCully, New Westminster BC ..	20.90
38	Donald Sache, Delta BC .....	20.89
39	Vince Nowlan, Edmonton AB .....	19.91
40	William Ge, Vancouver BC .....	19.91
41	Long Xie, Burnaby BC .....	18.03
42	John Chen, Vancouver BC .....	18.03
43	Rita Dodge, Vancouver BC .....	17.78
44	Colin Ransom, Furry Creek BC .....	17.78
45	Theresa Kong, Vancouver BC .....	17.78
46	Ken Beck, Chilliwack BC .....	17.10
47	David Peppar, Chilliwack BC .....	17.10
48	Mike Moffatt, Surrey BC .....	17.02
49	Jim Munns, Maple Ridge BC .....	16.99
50	Richard Kay, Mission BC .....	16.99
51	Cameron Doner, Richmond BC .....	16.89
52	Kathy Adachi, Surrey BC .....	16.87
53	Harold Dietrich, Toronto ON .....	16.64
54	Danny Lee, Vancouver BC .....	16.57
55	Jadwiga Polujan, Port Coquitlam BC ..	16.57
56	Debbie Hargreaves, Victoria BC .....	16.39
57	Michael Hargreaves, Victoria BC .....	16.39
58	Doreen McOrmond, Victoria BC .....	16.39
59	Gordon McOrmond, Victoria BC .....	16.39
60	Dan Watson, Burnaby BC .....	15.97
61	Beryl Hamilton, Burnaby BC .....	15.76
62	Kathy Bye, Burnaby BC .....	15.76
63	Vicki Moffatt, Surrey BC .....	15.76
64	Raymond Morrison, Burnaby BC .....	15.76
65	Marcia Christie, Surrey BC .....	15.31
66	Dudley Brown, Grandview WA .....	14.28
67	Wendie Berge, Seattle WA .....	14.21
68	Kay Adams, Seattle WA .....	14.21
69	Stephen Hosch, Olympia WA .....	14.10
70	Marina Page, Burnaby BC .....	13.77
71	John Demeulemeester, Burnaby BC .....	13.29
72	Susan Peters, Vancouver BC .....	13.06
73	Lamy A Bougoush, Calgary AB .....	12.83
74	Garry Ramsden-Wood, Calgary AB .....	12.83
75	Amirali Alibhai, North Vancouver BC ..	12.67
76	Leo Glaser, Winfield BC .....	12.63
77	Ken Ramsay, West Vancouver BC .....	12.62
78	Brian Cross, Vancouver BC .....	12.60
79	Malcolm McDonald, Surrey BC .....	12.49
80	Chris Diamond, Winnipeg MB .....	12.43
81	Nancy Arnold, La Quinta CA .....	12.11
82	Eurydice Nours, Richmond BC .....	11.98
83	Margie Neate, West Vancouver BC .....	11.50
84	Tai Eng, Burnaby BC .....	11.46
85	Marlene Powell, Burnaby BC .....	11.37
86	William Osten, Richmond BC .....	11.17
87	Andrew Nalos, Vancouver BC .....	10.98

# FIRST Side Game Series

## Session 5 of 6: Thursday Afternoon Side Game

Score	MP	A	B	C	Thursday Afternoon Side Game	(15 tables)
63.78%	3.79	1			<b>Evelyn Hodge, Burnaby BC; Flora Tereposky, Pitt Meadows BC</b>	
60.90%	2.84	2			Paula Nowlan, Edmonton AB; Rhonda Foster, New Westminster BC	
59.13%	2.13	3			Terry Martin, Parkside SK; Eugene Chan, Burnaby BC	
58.97%	1.63	4			Stella Alliston - Claire Burns, North Vancouver BC	
56.25%	1.20	5			Rhoda Tafler, Richmond BC; Barry Yamanouchi, Burnaby BC	
55.61%	2.88	6/7	1	1	<b>Michael Haggerty, Burnaby BC; Jim Ash, Richmond BC</b>	
55.61%	0.79	6/7			Marla Gropper, Vancouver BC; Tai Eng, Burnaby BC	
54.01%	1.67		2/4		Donald Merry - Nancy Merry, Duncan BC	
54.01%	1.70		2/4	2	Vilborg Wilson - Diane Uyttersprot, Victoria BC	
54.01%	1.67		2/4		Joseph Wong - Russell Gregory, New Westminster BC	
53.85%	1.28		5	3	Sharon Hysert, Courtenay BC; Dianna Rickson, Comox BC	
52.08%	1.11			4	Erwin Tenta - Leslie Tenta, Squamish BC	

Score	MP	A	B	C	Thursday Afternoon North-South Leaders	(Section A)
63.78%	2.33	1			Evelyn Hodge, Burnaby BC; Flora Tereposky, Pitt Meadows BC	
59.13%	1.63	2			Terry Martin, Parkside SK; Eugene Chan, Burnaby BC	
56.25%	1.17	3			Rhoda Tafler, Richmond BC; Barry Yamanouchi, Burnaby BC	
55.61%	1.59	4/5	1	1	Michael Haggerty, Burnaby BC; Jim Ash, Richmond BC	
55.61%	0.65	4/5			Marla Gropper, Vancouver BC; Tai Eng, Burnaby BC	
52.08%	1.11	6	2	2	Erwin Tenta - Leslie Tenta, Squamish BC	
50.64%	0.80		3		Carol Holcombe, Anchorage AK; Bonita Wernli, Richmond, BC	

Score	MP	A	B	C	Thursday Evening North-South Leaders	(Section A)
60.90%	2.33	1			Paula Nowlan, Edmonton AB; Rhonda Foster, New Westminster BC	
58.97%	1.63	2			Stella Alliston - Claire Burns, North Vancouver BC	
54.01%	1.37	3/5	1/3		Donald Merry - Nancy Merry, Duncan BC	
54.01%	1.37	3/5	1/3	1	Vilborg Wilson - Diane Uyttersprot, Victoria BC	
54.01%	1.37	3/5	1/3		Joseph Wong - Russell Gregory, New Westminster BC	
53.85%	0.74	6	4	2	Sharon Hysert, Courtenay BC; Dianna Rickson, Comox BC	

# MORNING Side Game Series Leaders

## After three of five sessions

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 (although in the MORNING series, there may be less than six since there are fewer players in that series). If you play more than two sessions, 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 Series with two sessions left to go.

Rank	Score	MORNING Side Game Series Leaders	(25 different players so far)
1	124.48%	Ronald Kuiper, Surrey BC	
2/3	123.79%	Beverley Hall, West Vancouver BC	
2/3	123.79%	Tai Eng, Burnaby BC	
4	119.44%	John Coone, Vernon BC	
5	108.33%	Daphne Dunbar, Victoria BC	
6/7	97.74%	Karen Morris, Saskatoon SK	
6/7	97.74%	Kathy Bryden, Regina Beach SK	

# FIRST Side Game Series

## Session 6 of 6: Thursday Evening Side Game

Score	MP	A	B	C	Thursday Evening Side Game	(18 tables)
62.36%	4.25	1			Karen Cumpstone, Nanaimo BC; Michael Roche, Victoria BC	
58.89%	3.34	2	1	1	Leatha Dudra, Surrey BC; Louise Hutchinson, White Rock BC	
58.06%	2.61	3			Marla Gropper, Vancouver BC; Tai Eng, Burnaby BC	
57.78%	1.57	4/5			David Schmidt, Chilliwack BC; Allan Ferguson, Nanaimo BC	
57.78%	2.51	4/5	2	2	Lamya Abougoush - Garry Ramsden-Wood, Calgary AB	
57.22%	1.01	6			Paula Nowlan, Edmonton AB; Rhonda Foster, New Westminster BC	
56.53%	1.88		3		Sima Sadri, West Vancouver BC; Anne Smith, Burnaby BC	
56.39%	1.41		4		Donald Merry - Nancy Merry, Duncan BC	
55.83%	1.45		5	3	Denis Lefebvre - Gilles St Pierre, Abbotsford BC	
53.47%	0.69		6/7		Ramzan Ackber, Abbotsford BC; James Sache, Rosedale BC	
53.47%	1.09		6/7	4	Sharon Hysert, Courtenay BC; Dianna Rickson, Comox BC	
49.17%	0.82			5	Noah Stewart - Andrew Mackey, Vancouver BC	

Score	MP	A	B	C	Thursday Evening North-South Leaders	(Sections A, B)
58.06%	2.61	1			Marla Gropper, Vancouver BC; Tai Eng, Burnaby BC	
57.78%	1.96	2	1	1	Lamya Abougoush - Garry Ramsden-Wood, Calgary AB	
56.25%	1.31	3			Rhoda Tafler, Richmond BC; Barry Yamanoouchi, Burnaby BC	
55.83%	1.37	4	2	2	Denis Lefebvre - Gilles St Pierre, Abbotsford BC	
54.44%	0.52	5			Don Keith, New Westminster BC; Adi Wadia, Vancouver BC	
52.50%	0.98	6	3		Gordon Burns - Joy Berry, North Vancouver BC	
51.67%	0.37	7			Richard Syrnyk, North Vancouver BC; Grace Jeklin, Surrey BC	
49.44%	0.69		4		Harold Dietrich, Toronto ON; Tom Williams, Seattle WA	
49.17%	0.65		3		Noah Stewart - Andrew Mackey, Vancouver BC	

Score	MP	A	B	C	Thursday Evening East-West Leaders	(Sections A, B)
62.36%	2.61	1			Karen Cumpstone, Nanaimo BC; Michael Roche, Victoria BC	
58.89%	2.05	2	1	1	Leatha Dudra, Surrey BC; Louise Hutchinson, White Rock BC	
57.78%	1.31	3			David Schmidt, Chilliwack BC; Allan Ferguson, Nanaimo BC	
57.22%	0.91	4			Paula Nowlan, Edmonton AB; Rhonda Foster, New Westminster BC	
56.53%	1.44	5	2		Sima Sadri, West Vancouver BC; Anne Smith, Burnaby BC	
56.39%	1.03	6	3		Donald Merry - Nancy Merry, Duncan BC	
53.47%	0.57	7/8	4/5		Ramzan Ackber, Abbotsford BC; James Sache, Rosedale BC	
53.47%	0.85	7/8	4/5	2	Sharon Hysert, Courtenay BC; Dianna Rickson, Comox BC	

# FIRST Side Game Series Overall Awards

Winner: Allan Ferguson by 0.18%!

Score	MP	Rank	FIRST Side Game Series Overall Awards	(177 different players)
123.29%	7.56	1	Allan Ferguson, Nanaimo BC	
123.11%	5.00	2/3	Marla Gropper, Vancouver BC	
123.11%	5.00	2/3	Tai Eng, Burnaby BC	
122.49%	3.89	4/5	Gladys Adilman, Vancouver BC	
122.49%	3.89	4/5	Rowena Huberman, Vancouver BC	
118.12%	3.85	6/7	Rhonda Foster, New Westminster BC	
118.12%	3.85	6/7	Paula Nowlan, Edmonton AB	

# Photo Gallery

## Thursday's Winners

Lots of winners in the camera on Thursday, and even a new Life Master!



Prime Time knockouts winners:

Top: Bracket One winners **Bruce Ferguson**, **Pat** and **Polly Dunn**, and **Douglas Bullock**.

Middle: Bracket Two winners **Paul Harding**, **Gustav Axen**, **Isabelle Anderson**, and **Dee Steil**.

(Bracket Three left after a halftime concession.)

Bottom: Bracket Four winners **Richard Kay**, **Jim Munns**, **David Peppar**, and **Ken Beck**. **David Peppar** became a new Life Master with the win. Congratulations!



Thursday StratiFlighted Swiss Teams winners:  
Above: The Flight A/X winners didn't think they would end up on top, but they did, giving me an excuse to repeat the photo I shrunk to tiny proportions in the Wednesday issue: **Tony Kasday**, **Arno Hobart**, **Mike Passell** and **George Mittelman**. (**Garey Hayden** was also on the winning squad.)

Below: Flight B/C/D winners **Colin** and **Doreen Ransom**, **Theresa Kong** and **Rita Dodge**.



Some Side Game winners:



**Bev Hall**, **Tai Eng**, and **Marla Gropper**.  
Bev and Tai won two Morning Side Games. Tai and Marla finished just 0.18% from first in the First Side Game Series Overall.

**Bruce McIntyre** and **Ron Kuiper** were tied for first with Bev Hall and Tai Eng in the Thursday Morning Side Game.

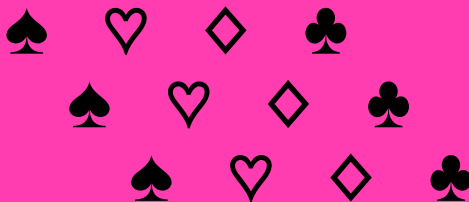


## This Day In History Answers

questions on page 4

1. Popular Mechanics.
2. Transylvania.
3. Amelia Earhart.
4. Albania.
5. Bangladesh.
6. Hamilton was born 52 years before Cornell.
7. Shelby is eleven years older than Chrétien.
8. Scargill is three years older than Gérson.
9. Judd is six years older than Crenshaw.
10. Blige is a year older than Peet.

(source: [www.wikipedia.com](http://www.wikipedia.com))



## Thursday's Sudoku

(shaded boxes are the starting hints)

Today's puzzle is below.

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

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

## Su-do-ku!

### Your brain warmup

*Sudoku* means "single number" in Japanese. These puzzles do not require math skills, only simple logic. They might help you get into a logical mindset for good bridge!

To solve, fill in digits from 1 to 9 (no zeroes) such that every row, column, and 3x3 box contains each digit exactly once. No guessing is necessary; logic alone should be enough.

Want an endless supply? [www.waynegouldpuzzles.com](http://www.waynegouldpuzzles.com) is where you can download the program for the 28-day trial, and purchase the full version once you are hooked.

Today's puzzle, rated **Medium**, was difficult for me. My time: 36 minutes, 45 seconds!

The answer, and a new puzzle will appear in tomorrow's issue. Good luck!

# Tomorrow's Schedule

Saturday, January 11, 2008

<b>Zip Swiss Teams</b> .....	(1500+ / 500-1500 / 0-500) .....	8:30
Side Game (MORNING Series, 5th of 5) .....	(1500+ / 500-1500 / 0-500) .....	8:30
<b>StratiFlighted Open Pairs, Flight A/X</b> .....	(3000+ / 0-3000) .....	1:00 & 7:30
<b>StratiFlighted Open Pairs, Flt. B/C/D</b> .....	(1000-1500 / 500-1000 / 0-500) .....	1:00 & 7:30
<b>Compact Knockout Teams</b> .....	(bracketed).....	1:00 & 7:30
Weekend Knockout Teams (semifinals and finals).....	(bracketed).....	1:00 & 7:30
Side Game (SECOND Series, 3rd of 5) .....	(1500+ / 500-1500 / 0-500) .....	1:00
<b>Afternoon Stratified 199er Pairs</b> .....	(100-199 / 50-100 / 0-50) .....	1:00
Side Game (SECOND Series, 4th of 5) .....	(1500+ / 500-1500 / 0-500) .....	7:30
Evening Stratified 199er Pairs.....	(100-199 / 50-100 / 0-50) .....	7:30

Events in **boldface** are the first session of multi-session events, or of Side Game Series'.  
(Side Games can be entered any time and carry no obligation to play any other games.)

## Bridge by the Flag

### Friday Edition

*Bridge by the Flag* is the Daily Bulletin of the 2008 Vancouver Regional, held at the Guildford Sheraton Hotel in Surrey, across the street from the flagpole that flew over Expo 86. At 86 meters it was the world's tallest free-standing flagpole at that time. When the fair ended, the flagpole was moved to the Flag Motors car dealership here in Guildford. The flag itself is replaced several times a year and takes quite a beating, especially in winter conditions—so it might not look as majestic as it does on the cover page here...



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I welcome news, stories, photos, interesting deals, and other material for *Bridge by the Flag*,

and I'll print as much as I can—from experts, intermediates and novices alike. I will be available for digital photos of overall winners of all strats before the afternoon session and again after the evening session. Any win is important enough for a photo: no matter the bracket or the strat. If you have a digital camera and see an winner, snap a picture and come find me! I have a gizmo that can read most memory sticks.

Each edition of *Bridge by the Flag* (and other recent McBruce Daily Bulletins) are posted online early each morning to this address:

[www.matchpointer.com/db.htm](http://www.matchpointer.com/db.htm)

A link to this page will be found at the District 19 website at <http://www.d19.org/>

Photos will appear in *Bridge by the Flag* as space permits. If you would like a full-color copy, send me an e-mail request including the issue and page number. I usually send photos out a few days after the tournament ends (when I wake up).