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# **CLUBS SET FOR SECOND STAC**

# 400 TABLES THE GOAL

This January Maritime players will compete in their second Sectional Tournament at Clubs. Last years STAC yielded an incredible 388 tables and we are optimistic that this year we can break the 400 mark.

Sectional Tournaments at Clubs permit players to earn silver points while playing at their own local club. Hands are duplicated at all participating clubs and overall winners are based on the total table entry at all participating clubs. It is an excellent opportunity for players to get sectional rated silver points without the prohibitive costs associated with travelling. This is a particular advantage to players who live in our more remote communities.

The 1996 STAC will be held the week of January 8 - 14. Stratified Pairs games will be held every evening from Monday to Friday with a two-session Stratified Pairs on Saturday, January 13. Stratas are as follows: A = 300+, B = 100-300and C = 0-100 master points. Sunday, January 14 will be a two-session or one-session Swiss Team game. All events will have local winners based on sectional awards. This is also an excellent opportunity for players to get a kick start on the various master point races. All points won at the STAC count toward the Lagan, McLeod, Springhill and Callaghan Trophy races. sectional, the STAC is our longest with nine possible sessions of play.

This year players will also receive a handrecord sheet containing a printout of all the hands played during each pairs game session as they would in a regular sectional tournament.

The STAC fills a gap in a normal down time as far as competitive bridge is concerned.

The response from players and club managers last year was extremely positive. Players were happy to get back to competitive bridge after the Holidays and participation was much higher than anticipated.

This year we expect an even greater involvement. Contact your local club(s) to find out which sessions are being held in your area and go out for an excellent evening of bridge. The rewards can be high if you and your partner put together a good game so come out and play!

# **BIDDING BOXES**

Bidding boxes have been in use for over three decades. In 1972, I recollect Carolyn MacDonald, from Truro, bringing back a set from Sweden where she had competed in the World Women's Pairs.

The ACBL now uses bidding boxes at all National tournaments in events rated Regional or higher. Many Maritime clubs use them on a regular basis. Unit 194 has purchased enough bidding boxes for all events at their Sectionals.

We tried this very successfully at the Halifax Metro sectional in November. I was very impressed with our players who cooperated by collapsing the bidding boxes after each session of play. We had almost 100% cooperation and the one or two exceptions most certainly were an oversight.

Bidding boxes are a tremendous asset to the game. Originally they slowed the game down a bit because players were unfamiliar with their use but that is no longer a legitimate criticism. My initial concern as a director was the amount of extra work for our caddies when players just up and walked away from the table at the end (Continued on page 41)

## THE TOURNAMENT TRAIL

by Karl Hicks

They just keep getting better. I don't know if it's just me but I find the general tone of our tournaments to be increasingly more congenial and as a result more enjoyable for everyone.

Congratulations to Sam Ghosh and his committee for once again hosting a very successful Can-At in Fredericton.

The Sugarloaf Sectional in Campbellton was once again everything that I expected. Hilda Reid and her committee continue to amaze players with their hospitality and congeniality. The Civic Centre playing area overlooking the beautiful Restigouche River is something that every bridge player should experience at least once.

Frank Starzomski led the way at our local Cabot Trail Sectional in Sydney. He not only did the lion's share of the work but (with the help of his charming wife Dolores) provided a sit down meal between sessions of the open pairs. Unbelieveably good stuff!

Next we travelled to the beautiful Annapolis Valley Sectional held this year in the town of Windsor, Nova Scotia. Gordon Warner convened this tournament even though he had moved to Halifax earlier in the year. The War Memorial Community Centre was an excellent venue. A ladies group provided non-stop beveridge and the food which was plentiful throughout. The tournament was very well attended and everyone had a good time.

Catherine MacNeill and her committee once again put on a fantastic tournament at the Rodd Travelodge in Charlottetown (previously the Rodd Royalty Inn). This tournament never disappoints and this year was no exception. The committee had been trying to get Omar Sharif, who was hosting a Bridge Cruise in the harbour, to make an appearance at the tournament but he was unable to do so for security reasons. In spite of his absence, we had thirty-eight tables in play.

This year the Halifax Metro tournament under the capable leadership of Greg Homer was held for the first time at the Wandlyn Inn in Bedford. Economic considerations in the provincial capital mitigate against one of the major hotels. Room rates were excellent and good food was the order of the day in spite of continuous rain. Greg is this years Can-At chairman and you can count on him to deliver one of the best. ©

# SISTER MARION KEEFE WINS HARTOP TROPHY

This years winner of the coveted Hartop Trophy is sister Marion Keefe C.S.M. from Charlottetown, PEI. The Hartop Trophy is awarded annually to the person in Acadian Unit 230 who has promoted the game of bridge through extraordinary personal effort and example.

Sister Marion joined the Charlottetown Duplicate Bridge Club in 1987 and has been extremely active in the administration of and promotion of duplicate bridge and good will ever since. She became club manager in 1988 and has performed her duties with dedication and efficiency.

Sister Marion was instrumental in computerizing the club and takes her turn entering scores. In 1994, she helped organize a directors course which she also successfully passed and she now takes her turn directing the games.

She can also be counted on to bring a cake to special events and a bucketful of cookies to the Spud Island Sectional. Sister Marion is truly a worthy recipient of this award. ©

# 1995 MASTER POINT RACES FINAL RESULTS

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# **UNIT 230**

| LAGAN TROPHY          | Y     | SPRINGHILL TRO        | PHY   |
|-----------------------|-------|-----------------------|-------|
| 1.RON LEGACY          | 98.42 | 1. RASHID KHAN        | 77.02 |
| 2. Elizabeth Legacy   | 96.48 | 2. Norman O'Brien     | 73.81 |
| 3/4. Ralph Fisher     | 75.31 | 3. Jonathan Shute     | 72.64 |
| 3/4. Louise Fisher    | 75.31 | 4. Mike Hartop        | 62.59 |
| 5. William Halliday   | 68.04 | 5. George Colter      | 49.39 |
| 6. Ken Eisner         | 68.03 | 6. Gerry LaFlamme     | 35.08 |
| 7. Ian Crowe          | 66.19 | 7. Bill Campbell      | 35.05 |
| 8. Ron MacDonald      | 63.91 | 8. Ron Doucet         | 25.77 |
| 9. Boyd Wells         | 59.75 | 9. Bob Baker          | 24.31 |
| 10. Balon Buckley     | 56.32 | 10. Gord Chippin      | 20.95 |
| 11. Bram Schwartz     | 55.82 | 11. Jim Jodrey        | 19.26 |
| 12/13. Roy LeBlanc    | 51.11 | 12. Elmer Tory        | 17.90 |
| 12/13. Brian Hannon   | 51.11 | 13/14. Rodney McInnis | 17.86 |
| 14. David Scammell    | 48.03 | 13/14. David Crocker  | 17.86 |
| 15. Al Millman        | 40.37 | 15. Jack O'Brien      | 17.66 |
| MCLEOD TROP           | HY    | CALLAGHAN TR          | OPHY  |
| 1. LIZ LEGACY         | 96.48 | 1. SANDRA FOX         | 68.33 |
| 2. Louise Fisher      | 75.31 | 2. Ann Hartop         | 55.75 |
| 3. Kathie MacNab      | 47.90 | 3. Helen Colter       | 50.95 |
| 4. Judy Walker        | 46.93 | 4. Carole Berry       | 42.71 |
| 5. Betsy Eisner       | 37.98 | 5. Mary Cotter        | 39.82 |
| 6. Myrtle Moulton     | 31.89 | 6. Ann Posch          | 34.06 |
| 7. Carol Thompson     | 27.34 | 7. Marie Carragher    | 33.34 |
| 8. Louise Faulkner    | 27.24 | 8. Linda Cobham       | 31.63 |
| 9. Jo Ann Lynds       | 25.31 | 9. Erin Berry         | 29.09 |
| 10. Carolyn MacDonald | 25.02 | 10. Kathleen Murphy   | 27.82 |
| 11. Brenda Kirby      | 24.34 | 11. Carol Mann        | 23.48 |
| 12. Elaine MacKeigan  | 23.51 | 12. Carol Forsythe    | 21.51 |
| 13. Linda Lockwood    | 22.19 | 13. Alice Manzer      | 20.95 |
| 14. Myrna Murphy      | 21.13 | 14. Helen Lawrence    | 17.82 |
| 15. Inez Schwartz     | 19.98 | 15. Bea O'Brien       | 17.66 |

The four winners receive free entries to all 1996 Sectionals except the STAC held at clubs. ©

## 1996 CANADIAN NATIONAL TEAMS

This year we are encouraging clubs to conduct qualifying games for the 1994 CNTCs. If our grass roots participation continues to decline, we will lose our third qualifying team to a Zone with a larger participation.

Club Qualifying: clubs can hold qualifying games from September 1, 1995 through January 31, 1996. If you have more than 4 teams, you must have a two-session event and the sanction fee to the CBF is \$20.00 per team. If you have 4 teams or less, the qualifying round can be a one session event with a sanction fee of \$15.00.

Unit Finals: Unit 230 finals will be held in Newcastle, Sunday, February 25 at 11am and possibly in Charlottetown. Unit 194 finals will be held in Sydney, Sunday, February 25 at 1:30, Halifax, Saturday, February 24 and possibly St. John's, Newfoundland.

Zone 1 Finals: The zone finals will be held at the Amherst Bridge Club rooms on Saturday and Sunday, March 30 and 31, 1996. Please make reservations early.

National Finals: The National Finals will be held in Saskatoon, Sask. June 3 - 8, 1996. We encourage your participation. This year we send our top three teams.

## **UNIT 230 PRESIDENTS MESSAGE**

by Shirley Matchett

As we approach a new year of bridge, there are some issues that deserve consideration. Our Unit is struggling and this is due in part to lack of communication and cooperation among our local clubs and its members. Each player must take responsibility for his or her behaviour. Do not focus on the accumulation of master points. Such attitudes prohibit growth of our clubs as new members are discouraged by aggressive tactics and lack of respect shown to them. It takes only one negative experience to turn off a new player.

The ACBL provides an excellent teaching program with the Audrey Grant Series. A warm and friendly atmosphere coupled with this excellent program have proven to be a successful combination for the Mirimichi.

The Rookie-Master night is certainly the time to work and solicit new bridge players. A simple phone call to extend an invitation to a friend, family member or even a total stranger can produce encouraging results. You might even pick them up and come with them. When 26 new bridge players(18 tables in all) show up and express a sincere interest in playing in future games, I think that a lot has been accomplished at our local level.

There are a great number of potentially excellent bridge players out there. Each one possesses the ability to enrich your club. The future of our tournaments depends on our attracting these new players.

Bridge is truly a challenging game for people of all ages and abilities. As in all games, good sportsmanship is necessary to ensure its future. Above all we must keep the fun in this game. Without it, we will have nothing.

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Editor's note. Shirley's comments are most appropriate. Generally the turnover from lessons to regular duplicate is frustratingly low. A single bad experience, even at another table, is enough to ensure that a beginner will not return (as well as their friends). Players who call the director on a new player (the ultimate embarassment), on the grounds that they have to learn the rules, is not only doing a great disservice to the game but deserves to reap the harvest of their actions which unfortunately is no opponents and no club in the near future.

# **CAN-AT REGIONAL**

Fredericton Inn, Fredericton, NB June 29 - July 4, 1995 Sanction # R9507011

| Thursday, June 29  |               |
|--|---------------|
| STRATIFIED PAIRS   |               |
| FLIGHT A 44 tables   |               |
| 1. Claude Rouleau, Ste-Adele, QC - Gaetan Thibeault, Laval, QC   | 402           |
| 2. Rod MacKenzie, Dartmouth, NS - Leo Weniger, Halifax, NS   | 388           |
| 3. Ron Legacy - Elizabeth Legacy, Bras D'Or, NS  | 384           |
| 4. Sam Ghosh - Barbara MacKay, Fredericton, NB   | 380           |
| FLIGHT B 19 tables   |               |
| 1. Joe Austin, Springhill, NS - Lyn Leighton, Amherst, NS  | 367           |
| 2. Peter Ineson - Carol Thompson, Halifax, NS  | 353           |
| FLIGHT C 13 tables   |               |
| 1. Daryl Perry - Esmee McKenzie, Saint John. NB  | 341           |
| CBF CHARITY PAIRS 10 tables  |               |
| 1. Niki Sfanos, Roslindale, MA - Joan Cook, Bow, NH  | 137           |
| Friday, June 30  |               |
| MORNING BRACKETED KO TEAMS   |               |
| BRACKET 1 17 teams   |               |
| 1. Mark Molson - Russ Ekeblad - Sheila Ekeblad - Tony Reus - Beth H  | Englehart     |
| 2. Ron Legacy - Elizabeth Legacy - Mike Hartop - Ann Hartop, Moncton,  |               |
| BRACKET II 16 teams  |               |
| 1. Lyle Wiggins - Jim Anderson - Chuck Crawford, Saint John, NB,   |               |
| Kim LeClair, Rothesay, NB-Grant Godfrey, E.Riverside, NB-Bob M   | Ielles, F'ton |
| 2. Bram Schwartz, Sydney, NS-Bob Baker, Bathurst, NB-Leon and Zelda Zeld | elikovitz,Hf  |
| STRATIFLIGHTED SWISS TEAMS   |               |
| FLIGHT A 32 teams  |               |
| 1. Jim Gordon - Brian Alexander - Norm O'Brien - Leo Weniger   | 186           |
| 2. Rod MacKenzie - Arno Hobart - John Malley - Danial Colatosti  | 171           |
| 3. Steve Cooper - Dave Willis - Mike Petras - Heather Pecket, Ottawa FLIGHT B 23 teams   | 160           |
| 1. Jacques LeBlanc - Denis caissy - Edmond D'Amboise - Peirre LaVo   | ie 194        |
| 2. Ron Pegg - Brenda Kirby - Tom Dale - Elizabeth Dale, St. John's, NF   | 160           |
| FLIGHT C 5 teams   | 100           |
| 1. Kathleen Furler-Valerie Evers-Elena Bonavita-Elaine MacKeigan   | 99            |
| ELM CITY PAIRS 1 session 8 tables  |               |
| 1. Ann Hartop - Carol Forsythe, Moncton, NB  | 115.          |
| FRIDAY EVENING SIDE GAME 16 tables   |               |
| 1. Bram Schwartz - Bob Baker   | 212           |
| 2. Eric Balkam - Judy Walker, Halifax, NS  | 205           |

# CAN-AT RESULTS (continued)

# FRIDAY ZIP KNOCKOUT 14 teams

| 1. Morley | <b>English-Pauline</b> | <b>English-Dave</b> | <b>Burgess-Mary</b> | Drummie,Ottawa |
|-----------|------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------|
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2. Bill Campbell - Mary Cotter, Fredericton, NB - Mike Petras - Heather Peckett

## Saturday, July 1 STRATIFLIGHTED PAIRS

| STRATH DIGHT ED TIME   |             |
|--|-------------|
| Flight A 29 tables   |             |
| 1. William Chan, Van Buren, ME-Elizabeth Harris, Ft Kent, M              | E 373       |
| 2. Bill Campbell - David Ross, Moncton                                   | 366         |
| 3. Rod MacKenzie, Dartmouth, NS-Rashid Khan, Fton, NB                    | 361         |
| Flight B 39 tables   |             |
| 1. Bob Tumilty - Gordon Flewwelling, Annapolis Royal, NS                 | 382         |
| 2. Leon Zelikovitz - Zelda Zelikovitz                                    | 378         |
| Flight C 18 tables   |             |
| 1. Bob Tumilty - Gordon Flewwelling                                      | 382         |
| SENIORS KO TEAMS 12 teams  |             |
| 1. David Narins-Susi Katz, Sarasota, FL-Kamla Chawla - David Kow         | arsky       |
| 2. John McAdam - Sid McGowan - David Burgess - Norman O'Brien            |             |
| SATURDAY MIDNIGHT KNOCKOUT TEAMS 22 teams                                |             |
| 1. Mary Cotter - Bill Campbell - Gordon Chippin - Norman O'Brien         |             |
| 2. Stephen Cooper - David Willis - morley English - Pauline English      |             |
| Sunday, July 2   |             |
| BOARD - A - MATCH TEAMS FLIGHT A 17 teams                                |             |
| 1. Allan Colpitts - Stephanie Colpitts - Eric Balkam                     | 32          |
| Arno Hohart - Stepen Gladyszak - Geoffrey Phipps                         |             |
| 2. Michael Gamble - Richard Gamble - Frank Caul - Jim Kirby, St. John's  | ,NF 31.5    |
| STRATIFLIGHTED SWISS TEAMS - Flight B 27 teams                           |             |
| 1. Ron Pegg - Brenda Kirby - Tom Dale - Elizabeth Dale                   | 186         |
| 2. Elizabeth Scott - Brian Boulter - Craig Symington - Paul Hardy, Ottaw | va 169      |
| Flight C 7 teams   |             |
| 1. Kathleen Furler - Elena Bonavita - John Schwartz - Michael Vale       | nte III 135 |
| STRATIFIED PAIRS   |             |
| Flight A 25 tables   |             |
| 1. Ray Lee - Linda Lee, Toronto, ON 277                                  |             |
| 2. Bill Milgram - Leah Milgram, Toronto, ON 271                          |             |
| Flight B 10 tables   |             |
| 1. Joe McVicar, Scottsdale AZ - Daryl Perry 238                          |             |
| Flight C 6 tables  |             |
| 1. Mildred Jones - Mary Cox, Saint John, NB 229                          |             |
| SUNDAY MIDNIGHT KNOCKOUT TEAMS 20 teams                                  |             |
| 1. Marie Berbard - Suzanne LaPierre - Marc Fourcaudot - Marc Po          | upart       |
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2. Stephen Cooper - Heather Peckett - Mike Petras - David Willis

#### CAN-AT RESULTS (continued) Monday, July 3 STRATIFIED SENIORS PAIRS Flight A 18 tables 1. Tom Forziati - Susan Gould, Brookline MA 412 2. David Narins - Susi Katz 385 Flight B 11 tables 1. Lucille Keifer - Paul Arsenault, Chatham, NB 381 Flight C 6 tables 1. Jim Jodrey, Amherst, NS - Elmer Tory, Sackville, NB 348 OPEN PAIRS Flight A 24 tables 1. Sam Ghosh - Bob Simmonds, Fredericton, NB 272 2. Daniel Colatosti - John Malley 268 Flight B 15 tables 1. Frank Caul - Ron Pegg 264 Flight C 7 tables 1. Tim Andrew - Rob Fisher, Fredericton, NB 241 MIXED PAIRS Flight A 10 tables 1. Dorothy Kelleher - William Bingham 267 2. Rashid Khan - Carol Mann, Summerside, PE 263 Flight B 7 tables 1. Michael Inkpen, Kingston, NS - Valerie Best, Kentville, NS 245 MONDAY MIDNIGHT ZIP KNOCKOUT 10 teams 1. Brian Boulter-Michael Gamble-Richard Gamble-Craig Symington-Jack Brown Tuesday, July 4 STRATIFIED SWISS TEAMS Flight A 33 teams 1. Sheila Ekeblad - Russell Ekeblad - Mark molson - Tony Reus 213 2. Rod MacKenzie - Daniel Colatosti - John Malley - Arno Hobart 171 3. Walter Fontaine- Marie Bernard - Tony Petronelli - Marc Poupart 160 Flight B 14 teams 1. Leon Zelikovitz-Zelda Zelikovitz-Peter Ineson-Carol Thompson 134 2. Carol Airst - Jennie Chippin - Saibei Zhau, F'ton-Patricia MacLean 122 Flight C 5 teams 1. Jim Jodrey - Elmer Tory - Daryl Perry - Esmee McKenzie 118 SENIORS STRATIFIED SWISS TEAMS Flight A 11 teams 1. David Narins - Susi Katz - Richard Burns - Norman O'Brien 2. John O'Dowd - Flo O'Dowd - Rita Poder - Betty McLeod, Hamilton, ON 168 Flight B 4 teams 1. James Maxwell - Louise Faulkner - Verna Petrie - Lorrine Williams 118

# SUGARLOAF SECTIONAL

Campbellton Civic Centre, Campbellton, NB August 11 - 13, 1995 S9508061

| Friday, August 11  |           |
|--|-----------|
| SUGARLOAF PAIRS  |           |
| Flight A 17 tables   |           |
| 1. Irene Jenkins, Campbellton - Bert Mosher, Cornwall, ON              | 200 1stB  |
| 2. Lenore Flett, Newcastle - Helen Lindsay, Port Richey, FL            | 191       |
| FRIDAY STRATIFIED PAIRS  |           |
| Flight A 22 tables   |           |
| 1. Ron Legacy - Elizabeth Legacy, Bras D'Or, NS                        | 142       |
| 2. Elaine MacKeigan, Bras D'Or, NS - Inez Schwartz, Sydney, NS         | 134       |
| Flight B 12 tables Flight C 6 tables                                   | 200       |
| 1. Elaine MacKeigan - Inez Schwartz                                    | 134       |
| KNOCKOUT TEAMS 7 teams   |           |
| 1. Balon Buckley - Ian Crowe - Kathie MacNab - William Halliday, H     | alifax    |
| 2. Bram Schwartz, Sydney-Bob Baker, Bathurst- Carole Berry-Erin Berry, | Moncton   |
| FRIDAY MIDNIGHT ZIP KO 11 teams  |           |
| 1. Marie Carragher-Kathleen Murphy-Chris Larrabee-Gladys Reid, Char    | lottetown |
| 2. Jacques LeBlanc - Nicole Martin - Bert Mosher - Noreen Doucet       |           |
| 2. Jacques Lebiane - Woole Warm - Bert Woole - World Boller            |           |
| Saturday, August 12  |           |
| OPEN PAIRS   |           |
| Flight A 30 tables   |           |
| 1. Jon Shute, Moncton - William Halliday                               | 399       |
| 2. Ralph Fisher - Louise Fisher, New Glasgow, NS                       | 376       |
| 3/4 Sandra Fox, Sackville, NB - Geoff Phipps, Manchester, NH           | 368       |
| 3/4 Balon Buckley - Ian Crowe, Halifax, NS                             | 368       |
| Flight B 14 tables   |           |
| 1. J Leonard Allard - Venner Doucet, Campbellton                       | 360 1stC  |
| 2. Bill Reilly - Judy Reilly, Charlottetown, PE                        | 351       |
| SATURDAY ZIP KNOCKOUT 9 teams  |           |
| 1. Jon Shute - Carol Forsythe - Ann Posch - Geoff Phipps               |           |
| 2. Bill Campbell - Mary Cotter - Rashid Khan - Sandra Fox              |           |
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| Sunday, August 13  |           |
| SWISS TEAMS  |           |
| Flight A 24 teams  |           |
| 1. Elizabeth Legacy - Ron Legacy - Ann Hartop - Mike Hartop            | 92        |
| 2. Balon Buckley - Ian Crowe - Kathie MacNab - William Halliday        | 91        |
| 2. Dashid Khan - Sandra Foy - Ron MacDonald - Geoff Phipps             | 90        |

Flight B 10 teams

1. Elaine MacKeigan - Louise Faulkner - Inez Schwartz - Kerry Hicks 68

# CABOT TRAIL SECTIONAL

Cape Breton Bridge Club Rooms, Sydney, NS

September 2 - 4

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| Saturday, September 2   |                |
|---|----------------|
| CABOT TRAIL PAIRS 10 tables                                   |                |
| 1. Carole Berry - Erin Berry, Moncton, NB                     | 112            |
| 2. Cliff Mader - Paddy Gouthro, Sydney, NS                    | 99             |
| SATURDAY STRATIFIED PAIRS                                     |                |
| Flight A 13 tables  |                |
| 1. Elizabeth Legacy - Ron Legacy                              | 163            |
| 2. John Cashin - Hattie Cashin, New Waterford, NS             | 157            |
| Flight B 9 tables   |                |
| 1. John Cashin - Hattie Cashin                                | 157 1stC       |
| 2. Lil Farmer - Ann MacMillan, Sydney, NS                     | 150            |
| KNOCKOUT TEAMS 6 teams  |                |
| 1. Frank Caul - Ron Pegg - Brenda Kirby - Jim Kirby, St. John | i's, NF        |
| SATURDAY ZIP KNOCKOUT 4 teams                                 |                |
| 1. Ron Legacy - Elizabeth Legacy - Ann Hartop - Mike Hartop   | PART SEA 3     |
| Sunday, September 3   |                |
| OPEN PAIRS  | and the second |
| Flight A 17 tables  |                |
| 1. Norman O'Brien - Sandra Fox                                | 402            |
| 2. Frank Caul - Jim Kirby                                     | 396            |
| 3. Bram Schwartz - Dolores McNeil, Sydney                     | 388            |
| Flight B 10   |                |
| 1. Brenda Kirby - Ron Pegg                                    | 374            |
| 2. Carole Berry - Erin Berry                                  | 369            |
| Flight C 6 tables   |                |
| 1. Paddy Gouthro - Teresa MacNeil, Sydney                     | 319            |
| Monday, September 4   |                |
| SWISS TEAMS   |                |
| Flight A 12 teams   |                |
| 1. Frank Starzomski - Claudette Trudeau - Carole Berry - Erin |                |
| 2. Bram Schwartz - Dolores MacNeil - D.A.MacKinnon - Mary Man | lley 85        |
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Please Mail me the MARITIME BRIDGE LINE at the address below. I enclose a cheque for \$5.00. Please make cheques payable to KARL HICKS - MBL. This will guarantee that you will receive your bridge line in 1996.

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# ANNAPOLIS VALLEY SECTIONAL

War Memorial Community Centre, Windsor, NS. September 22 - 24, 1995 S9509072

ANNAPOLIS VALLEY PAIRS

| Flight A 14 tables  |   |
|---|---|
| 1. Norman O'Brien - Jonathan Shute 170                            |   |
| 2. Jim Jodrey - Elmer Tory 168                                    | **  |
| Flight B 6 tables   |   |
| 1. Jessie Sanford - Elianor Kennie, Kentville, NS 145             |   |
| FRIDAY STRATIFIED PAIRS   |   |
| Flight A 19 tables  |   |
| 1. Sandra Fox - Rashid Khan 109                                   |   |
| 2. Brian Hannon - Roy LeBlanc, Yarmouth, NS 108                   |   |
| Flight B 6 tables   |   |
| 1. Mary Moulton - Liz MacDonald, Halifax, NS 93                   |   |
| FRIDAY ZIP KO TEAMS 7 teams                                       |   |
| 1. Ann Posch - Ruth MacPhail - Jonathan Shute, Moncton-Gordon     | Warner, Hfx   |
| KNOCKOUT TEAMS OF FOUR 6 teams                                    |   |
| 1. Kathie MacNab - Brian Busby - Elliot Offman - William Halliday | , Halifax   |
| 2. Ian Crowe - Balon Buckley - Del Knox - Judy Walker             |   |
| SATURDAY OPEN PAIRS   |   |
| Flight A 32 tables  |   |
| 1. Rashid Khan - Sam Baney, Halifax 390                           |   |
| <ol> <li>Ron MacDonald - Blair Sullivan, Halifax</li> </ol>       |   |
| 3. Norm O'Brien - Sandra Fox 373                                  |   |
| 4. Eric Balkam - Judy Walker 372                                  |   |
| Flight B 18 tables  |   |
| 1. John Pitblado, Liverpool, NS-Bilgin Batman, Bridgewater,       |   |
| 2. Hugh Shankel - Mike Wyman, Windsor, NS                         | 354   |
| Flight C 9 tables   |   |
| 1. Bob Tumilty - Gordon Flewwelling, Annapolis Royal, NS          | 328   |
| SATURDAY ZIP KO TEAMS 6 teams                                     |   |
| 1. Sandra Fox - Rashid Khan - Mary Cotter - Bill Campbell         |   |
| SWISS TEAMS   |   |
| Flight A 31 teams   |   |
| 1/2. Gerry Callaghan - Judy Walker - Betsy Eisner - Ken Eisner    | 107   |
| 1/2. Roy Landry - Dan Landry - Brian Hannon -Roy LeBlanc          | 107   |
| 3. Brian Hansen - Glenda Hansen - Gerry Murphy - Myrna Murphy     | 105   |
| Flight B 12 tables  | CONTRACTOR OF THE PARTY OF THE |
| 1. Greg Homer - Tom Ball - Stuart Eastwood - Guy Turner           | 101   |
| 2. Bob Tumilty - Gordon Flewwelling - Mike Inkpen - Marie Stuart  | 88  |
| Flight C 3 teams  |   |
| 1. Margaret Harris - Pearle Neale - Beth Woolaver - Frank Woolav  | er 69   |
|   |   |

# SPUD ISLAND SECTIONAL

Rodd Travelodge Inn, Charlottetown, PEI October 13 - 15, 1995 S9510124

| SPUD ISLAND PAIRS   |          |     |
|---|----------|-----|
| Flight A 16 tables  |          |     |
| 1. Patricia Scammell - Carolyn MacDonald, Truro, NS                             | 164      |     |
| 2. Kerry Lafferty - Michael Lafferty, Charlottetown, PE                         | 161 1s   | stB |
| FRIDAY STRATIFIED PAIRS   |          |     |
| Flight A 30 tables  |          |     |
| 1. Bruce Murray - Louise Faulkner, Truro 180                                    | 1stB     |     |
| 2. Brian Hannon - Roy LeBlanc 163   |          |     |
| Flight B 19 tables  |          |     |
| 2. Frank Haley - Nan Haley, St. Andrews, NB 154                                 |          |     |
| Flight C 6 tables   |          |     |
| 1. Anna Floyd - Helen MacNeil, Sydney, NS 145                                   |          |     |
| FRIDAY ZIP KO TEAMS 12 teams  |          |     |
| 1. John Steeves - Edward Hynes, Sussex, NB - Rashid Khan - Carol N              | Iann     |     |
| 2. Roy Vessey - Olive Fleming - Gladys Reid - Chris Larrabee, Charlotte         | town, PE |     |
| KNOCKOUT TEAMS 14 teams   |          |     |
| 1. Ralph Fisher - Louise Fisher - Jonathan Shute - William Halliday             |          |     |
| 2. Marie Carragher - Kathleen Murphy - Florence Griffin - Jean MacPha           | il       |     |
| SATURDAY OPEN PAIRS   |          |     |
| Flight A 38 tables  |          |     |
| 1. Norman O'Brien - Sandra Fox 351  |          |     |
| 2. Marie Carragher - Kathleen Murphy 318  |          |     |
| Flight B 22 tables  |          |     |
| 1. Edward Hynes - John Steeves 311  |          |     |
| 2. Ron MacDougall-Eugene Ward, Charlottetown 303                                |          |     |
| Flight C 8 tables   |          |     |
| 1. Stuart Iedema-Zemmie Iedema, Charlottetown 287                               |          |     |
| SATURDAY ZIP KO TEAMS 11 teams  |          |     |
| 1. Shane Lafferty - Ron MacDougall - Gerry LaFlamme - Gordon M                  |          |     |
| 2. Rashid Khan - Arthur Lilly - Carol Mann - Helen MacDonald - Joanne           | Posina   |     |
| SWISS TEAMS   |          |     |
| Flight A 36 teams   |          |     |
| 1. Gerry LaFlamme - Linda Cobham - Elizabeth Legacy - Ron Legac                 |          |     |
| 2. Bruce Murray - Boyd wells - Gordon Chippin - Alice Manzer                    | 117      |     |
| 3. Ron Doucet - Peter Hare - Brian Hannon - Roy LeBlanc                         | 102      |     |
| Flight B 17 teams   | 02       |     |
| 1. Frank Elliott - Loretta Elliott - Helen Lawrence - Evelyn Tower              | 92       |     |
| 2. Roy Vessey - Olive Fleming - Eddie Michael - Dave Steeves                    | 81       |     |
| Flight C 5 teams  1/2 Percenter Percent Margaret Percent Leith Chy. Scott MacDe | mald     | 71  |
| 1/2. Beverley Boswell - Margaret Romcke - Leith Chu - Scott MacDo               | maid     | /1  |

1/2. Roger Pichette - Mario Taurasi - Esther Cox - Bill Nearing

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# HALIFAX METRO FALL SECTIONAL

Wandlyn Inn, Bedford, NS November 3 - 5, 1995 S9511012

| BEDFORD PAIRS   |                |
|---|----------------|
| Flight A 12 tables  |                |
|   | 1.41           |
|   | 1.06           |
| Flight B 4 tables   |                |
| 1. Stuart Eastwood - Guy Turner 131                                 |                |
| FRIDAY STRATIFIED PAIRS   |                |
| Flight A 22 tables  |                |
| 1. George Holland - Elliot Offman, Halifax, NS 147                  | 7              |
| 2. David Jackson - Brian Lafferty, Halifax, NS 139                  | ).5            |
| Flight B 12 tables  |                |
| 1. Bruce Murray - Louise Faulkner 121                               | l              |
| FRIDAY MIDNIGHT ZIP KO 8 teams                                      |                |
| 1. Boyd Wells - Carol Mann - Helen MacDonald - Rashid Khan          |                |
| KNOCKOUT TEAMS 11 teams   |                |
| 1. Earle Fergusson - Russell Boyle - Daid Oulton - Al millman       |                |
| 2. Ian Crowe - Del Knox - Judy Walker - Eric Balkam - Balon Buckley | ,              |
|   |                |
| SATURDAY OPEN PAIRS   |                |
| Flight A 31 tables  |                |
| 1. Jo Ann Lynds - Boyd Wells, Truro 405                             |                |
| 2. Ian Crowe - Balon Buckley 386                                    |                |
| 3. Leon Zelikovitz - Zelda Zelikovitz 379                           | 48             |
| 4. John Currie - Roy Landry, Halifax 372                            |                |
| Flight B 15 tables  |                |
| 1. Mary Moulton - Liz MacDonald 351 1stC                            |                |
| 2. Bob Tumilty - Gordon Flewwelling 348                             |                |
| SATURDAY MIDNIGHT ZIP KO 8 teams                                    |                |
| 1. Rashid Khan - Carol Mann - Helen MacDonald - Sam Baney           |                |
| CANAGO TE A MO  |                |
| SWISS TEAMS   |                |
| Flight A 37 teams   | 14 122         |
| 1. Bill Knoll, Jr - Ralph Fisher - Louise Fisher - Carolyn MacDona  |                |
| 2. Mike Hartop - Ann Hartop - Elizabeth Legacy - Ron Legacy         | 113            |
| 3. Blair Sullivan - Ron MacDonald - Myrtle Moulton - H L Stewart    | 112            |
| 4. Al millman - Del Knox - David Oulton - Earle Fergusson           | 102            |
| Flight B 13 teams   | 05             |
| 1. Don Aylward - Michael Inkpen - Gordon Way - James Gray           | 95<br>90 1et C |
| 2. Tom Ball - Greg Homer - Stuart Eastwood - Guy Turner             | 90 1st C       |

# **UPCOMING TOURNAMENTS**

## SECTIONAL TOURNAMENT AT CLUBS

January 8 - 14, 1996 Participating Clubs Monday, January 8, 1996 STRATIFIED PAIRS Evening Tuesday, January 9, 1996 STRATIFIED PAIRS Evening Wednesday, January 10, 1996 Evening STRATIFIED PAIRS Thursday, January 11, 1996 STRATIFIED PAIRS Evening Friday, January 12, 1996 Evening STRATIFIED PAIRS Saturday, January 13, 1996 Afternoon STRATIFIED PAIRS 1st Swiss Teams One session Evening STRATIFIED PAIRS 2nd Sunday, January 14, 1996 Afternoon SWISS TEAMS 1st SWISS TEAMS One Session **SWISS TEAMS** Evening 2nd STRATIFIED PAIRS -A-300 plus B-100-300 C-0-100

# HALIFAX WINTER SECTIONAL

location to be announced
February 9 - 11, 1996 S9602053

Friday, February 9

2:00 Metro Pairs

Knockout Teams 1

8:00 Stratified Pairs

Knockout Teams 2

11:59 Zip Knockout Teams

Saturday, February 10

9:00 Knockout Teams 3

1:30 Open Pairs 1

7:30 Open Pairs 2

11:30 Zip Knockout Teams

Sunday, February 11 9:00 Swiss Teams (Stratified play-through)

Tournament Chairman: **GREG HOMER** (H) 902-860-0121 (B) 902-468-5665 Partnerships: arranged in the playing area.

## BIDDING BOXES (continued)

of a session. This concern is rapidly disappearing.

Bidding boxes have a number of distinct advantages. They are a Godsend for people with a hearing disability. They significantly reduce the noise level at a game and have all but eliminated the need for a review of the auction as the auction is visible throughout.

However, bidding boxes do have some difficulties associated with them. Some of our players view them as they initially viewed the introduction of the computer. They don't want to use them for whatever reason. I can understand a beginn-

ing players reluctance to use bidding boxes as they have all they can do to just play the game let alone worry about how these things work.

I am very lenient in ruling on bidding box infractions particularly if the offender is a new player or a player who is unfamiliar with their use. I have less patience with players who have considerable experience with bidding boxes and high level competition. To these players my advice is not to touch the bidding box or remove a bid without deciding on what your next call will be. DON'T THINK WITH YOUR HANDS, THINK WITH YOUR HANDS, THINK WITH YOUR HEAD and bidding boxes will prove an asset. ©

# RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE NAOP

by Ian Crowe

By now many of you will have heard of the controversy that arose a this years District North American Open Pairs contest. One of the members of the winning Flight C pair was not an ACBL member at the correct time according to the rules. As I write this, I have not yet heard what the resolution will be but whatever the result there will be somebody who has the right to be upset.

My purpose in writing this piece is not to attach blame for this or any of the other myriad problems that I encountered running this event this year. Any bridge player who had to listen to me vent my frustration in the several days since the event will know that I have had enough. I have had discussions with both Unit Presidents and several other players involved in bridge administration and all have agreed that the organization of this event has to be changed.

I am going to take the following recommendations to the Board of directors and with the concurrence of Acadian Unit 230 intend to get as many of these rules incorporated into the District Conditions of contest as possible.

- 1. The location and dates of the Unit and District Finals should be agreed upon by the end of the Can-At and these dates distributed to all ACBL sanctioned clubs.
- 2. It will be mandatory for clubs to send a list of all NAOP club qualifiers to the Unit NAOP Coordinator. In addition, clubs must use the ACBL qualification slips and players who wish to compete at the Unit level will be required to produce these slips in order to play. Players who arrive without their slips will be allowed to play conditionally upon receipt of a penalty of \$10.00 and subject to verification after the game. It will be the responsibility of the Unit Coordinator to verify that all players are qualified to advance to the next level.
- 3. All players who participate at the Unit level will be required to notify the Unit Coordinator

within 10 days of the Unit Final as to whether they intend to play or not. The entry fee for the District Final must accompany this notification and players who do not follow these procedures will under no circumstances be permitted to compete in the District Final. Players who fail to show up for the district final will be prohibited from playing in this event at the unit level for a period of two years.

4. The Unit Coordinator from whichever Unit is responsible for holding the event will be delegated the authority of the District 1 coordinator to make all decisions necessary for running the District final.

I suspect that there will be people who have other ideas and I would welcome comments. If these suggestions seem Draconian to you, I can assure you that the event will continue to cause problems unless immediate corrective measures are taken. Personally, I will not agree to run this event without substantial changes.

## KATHIE MACNAB UNIT 194 PRESIDENT

The Annual Meeting of Canadian Maritime Unit 194 was held at the Halifax Metro Sectional on Saturday, November 4.

Officers elected for a two year term were:

President: Kathie MacNab
Vice-President Mark Spear
Secretary-Treasurer Ian Crowe

Kathy brings her considerable bridge administration experience to her new position. She has served in various capacities including Unit 194 Vice-President and Club Manager of the Halifax Bridge World.

A sincere vote of thanks was given to outgoing President Bram Schwartz for an outstanding job during his tenure in office. Mr Schwartz continues on the executive as Past President.

New executive members elected were Valerie Best, Ron Legacy and Edgar Blinn. ©



# Units 194 and 230

| Jan 8 - 14        | MARITIME STAC                        |                  |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------|
| Jan 27 (Sat. Aft) | International Fund Game #1           | Clubs            |
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| Feb 9 - 11        | MARITIME WINTER Sectional            | Halifax, NS      |
| Feb 24 (Sat)      | CNTC Unit Final                      | Halifax, NS      |
| Feb 25 (Sun)      |                                      | Newcastle,NB     |
| Feb 26 (Mon. Aft) | ACBL SENIORS Game                    | Clubs            |
| Mar 6 (Wed)       | ACBL-Wide Charity Game               | Clubs            |
| Mar 25 (Mon)      | Canada-Wide International Fund Game  | Clubs            |
| Mar 27 (Wed)      | Rookie-Master Game                   | Clubs            |
| Mar 30 - 31       | CNTC ZONE 1 FINAL                    | Amherst, NS      |
| Apr 26 - 28       | DON COX MEMORIAL Sectional           | Truro, NS        |
| May 9 (Thurs)     | International Fund Game #2           | Clubs            |
| Jun 1 - Aug 31    | NAOP Flts A, B, and NLM Qualifying   | Clubs            |
| Jun 3 - 8         | CNTC National Final                  | Saskatoon, SK    |
| Jun 6 - 8         | COPC National Final                  | Saskatoon, SK    |
| Jun 7 - 9         | SOUTH SHORE Sectional                | Bridgewater, NS  |
| Jun 26 - Jul 1    | CAN-AT REGIONAL                      | Halifax, NS      |
| Jul 2 - 6         | CWTC NATIONAL FINALS                 | Fredericton, NB  |
| Jul 26 - 28       | ST. JOHN'S Sectional                 | St. John's, NF   |
| Aug 2 (Fri)       | International Fund Game #3           | Clubs            |
| Aug 19 - 25       | DISTRICT 1 SPLIT REGIONAL            | Newcastle, NB    |
| Sep 1 - 30        | North American 49er Pairs Qualifying | Clubs            |
| Sep 19 (Thurs)    | ACBL Instant Matchpoint Game         | Clubs            |
| Sep 22 (1:30)     | NILODIE COLDINA                      | ifax, Sydney     |
| Sep 27 - 29       | ANNAPOLIS VALLEY Sectional           | Windsor, NS      |
| Oct 19 - 21       | SPUD ISLAND Sectional                | Charlottetown,PE |
| Oct 22 (Mon)      | Canada-Wide International Fund Game  | Clubs            |

<sup>\*</sup> Dates are tentative. Please check with your Unit Coordinator or club manager before making travel arrangements. Book accommodations early to avoid disappointment. Plan to involve your club in January's Sectional Tournament at Clubs. We will be providing hand records for players.

# Kings Korner: No 5

#### by: Parker MacDonald

Some readers called to say they couldn't find the solution to KK#5 in the last issue, while others called to say they couldn't even find the pieces! We repeat the column for those who called.

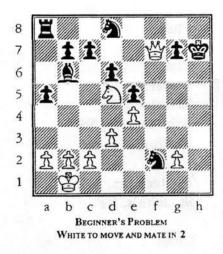
Solution to previous problems:

Beginner's: 1. 營×b8 旦×b8 2. 旦e8+ 旦×e8 3. B×e8 ++

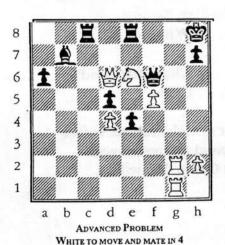
Advanced: 1.2g3 2×g3 2.2h2 2×h2

3.Ag4++

In the beginner's problem we have a game between one of our readers and his computer (playing the black pieces).



In the advanced problem white has control over the g-file but black seems to have ample defenses. Can you find the crushing move to begin this mate!



# **PUZZLE** PAGE

#### AMERICAN POLITICS

With 400 members voting the House of Representatives defeated a bill. A re-vote, with the members voting, resulted in passage of the bill by twice the margin by which it was originally defeated.\* number voting for the bill on the re-vote was 12/11 of the number voting against it originally. How many more members voted for the bill the second time than voted for it the first time?

\* In this context, margin of defeat (passage) is defined as the number of navs minus the number of ayes (ayes - nays).

#### SOMETHING FISHY

An aquarium on a level table has rectangular faces and is 10 inches wide and 8 inches high. When it is tilted, the water in it just covered an 8 inch by 10 inch end but only three-fourths of the rectangular bottom.

What was the depth of the water when the aquarium was level? \*\*\*\*

#### A LARGE NUMBER

How many digits are there in the product

 $N = 212 \times 58$ 

### Solution to last issue's problems:

Apology

Please accept my humble apologies for Kings Corner and Vowel-less in our last issue. Our proofreader has been ordered to get glasses.

Petty Cash .

The amount counted in cents is 25q + 10d + 5n + c. The correct amount is

25(q-x)+10(d+x)+5(n+x)+(c-x). The difference is

-25x + 10x + 5x - x = -11xTherefore 11x must be subtracted. My Three Sons

There are only fourteen combinations of ages that correspond to clue #1. Assuming George knows how old he is, the only way that the second clue was not enough to solve the riddle indicates that George must be 36 years old. (The only product to occur twice: 9x2x2 and 6x6x1). The final clue indicates only one oldest son therefore the ages must be 9, 2, and 2.

Vowel-less

Pedestrians come in two sorts, the quick and the dead.

#### VOWEL-LESS

A Clever Working Girl

In the aphorism below the vowels have been left out and the remaining letters broken into groups of three letters each. Replace the determine vowels to the saving.

NFF CNT BSN SSW MNW HFN DMC HNT HTW LDD HLF HRW RKB GHT TWO.