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“Trials” and Tribulations—Pre-Bulletin USBC and MUSBC



The Prez Says ...

Welcome back to Schaumburg, Illinois, home of the 2026 United States Bridge Championships. Please be advised: **There have been changes to some of rules. In the Open, there will be no byes based on last year’s performance.**

In the Mixed, a team that qualifies for the Wuhan Cup and becomes reduced to 3 of 4, or 4 of 6 original qualifiers will continue to be eligible to compete in the World Championship, even if the reduced team does not have 2 men and 2 women. The team will be required to add players so the ultimate World Championship team does have 3 men and 3 women.

The 2026 Open and Mixed USBCs will select 1 team for the 2027 Bermuda Bowl (Open) and 1 team for the 2027 Wuhan Cup (Mixed). The U.S.A. is entitled to two teams in each division of the World Bridge Team Championships; One team for each will be qualified this year and one team for each plus 2 teams for the Seniors and Women’s will be qualified in the 2027 USBCs.

Events will be held face to face in Schaumburg from the Round of 16 forward. With more than 16 teams entered (and there are 19 entered in the Open), there will be an online Round Robin on RealBridge to reduce the field to 16 teams for face to face play. Some high seeds will be exempt.

The first face to face stage of each event will be a 3 day Round Robin to select 8 teams for the Quarterfinal. The Quarterfinal, Semifinal, and Final will feature 2 day 120 board KO matches.

The 2026 F2F Open USBC will start on Monday, April 13th and end on Tuesday, April 21st. The 2026 Mixed USBC will start on Wednesday, April 22nd and end on Thursday, April 30th.

As in the past, this event will be played using LoveBridge software on ChromeBooks in individual rooms at the Hyatt Hotel with two players (one from each team) in each room.

The USBF Board of Directors, Advisors and the Tournament Committee do their best to ensure the fairest Competition on the planet. WE, the players, do our part by upholding the high level of ethics, camaraderie and sportsmanship for which the USBF is known worldwide. Good luck all! Let the games begin! And, most importantly, respect one another and have fun!

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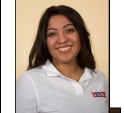
**LoveBridge Info
on pages 23-27**

Open Teams: Mixed Teams:

* = KO'd in the 10 team online RR

Bailey	Bill Bailey, Capt Daniel Korbel Joel Wooldridge	Josh Donn Roger Lee David Grainger
Baseggio	Franco Baseggio, Capt Ai-Tai Lo	Jeff Ferro Josh Sher
Bramley	Bart Bramley, Capt Greg Hinze Owen Lien	Adam Kaplan Venkatrao Koneru Aaron Jones
Davinci	Chris Compton Eddie Wold Finn Kolesnik Donna Compton, NPC	Richard Leonardon Adam Grossack Harrison Luba
Fleisher	Marty Fleisher, Capt Brad Moss Kevin Rosenberg	Chip Martel Joe Grue Brian Platnick
Goodman	Mike Passell Eric Rodwell Kevin Dwyer-Rimstedt	Doug Simson Andy Goodman Shan Huang
Han	Yanong Han, Capt Wanfeng Mou	Ming Sheng Jeff Fang
Henner	Christal Henner, Capt Debbie Rosenberg Jeff Wolfson	Uday Ivatury Max Schireson Steve Garner
Jacobs	George Jacobs, Capt Gary Cohler Larry Robbins	Claude Vogel Billy Cohen Alan Sontag
* Kolesnik	Alex Kolesnik, Capt Jiang Gu	Ron Smith Walter Lee
Kovachev	Val Kovachev, Capt Jacob Morgan	Charlie Wilkins Alex Hudson
Nickell	Nick Nickell Bobby Levin Eric Greco Jill Levin, NPC	Ralph Katz Steve Weinstein Geoff Hampson
Parrish	Adam Parrish, Capt Phil Clayton	Greg Humphreys Danny Sprung
Rathi	Anant Rathi, Capt Amber Lin Brent Xiao	Drew Hoskins Will Watson Cornelius Duffie
Rosenthal	Andrew Rosenthal, Capt Chris Willenken Zach Grossack	Aaron Silverstein Eldad Ginossar Michael Rosenberg
Shourie	Rajath Shourie, Capt John Kranyak John Hurd	Gavin Wolpert Vince Demuy Kevin Bathurst
Wildavsky	Adam Wildavsky, Capt Ron Gerard Neil Chambers	Doug Doub Mark Lair John Schermer
* Woolsey	Kit Woolsey Steve Beatty Mark Feldman	James Holzhauer Fred Stewart Jeff Aker
* Zheng	Vinny Zheng, Capt Ava Donnellan	Nicole Qian David Long

Bramley	Bart Bramley, Capt Kit Woolsey	Kitty Cooper JoAnna Stansby
Compton	Chris Compton, Capt Gigi Simpson Jeff Meckstroth	Donna Compton Gary Cohler Candyce Pfluger
Ding	Hong Ding, Capt Lin-huan Chen	Ming Sheng Ding-hwa Hsieh
Dinkin	Sam Dinkin, Capt Cenk Tuncok Adam Grossack	Avery Silverstein Lynn Baker Emma Kolesnik
Ge	Xin Ge, Capt Michael Rosenberg Kevin Rosenberg	Disa Eythorsdottir Debbie Rosenberg Amber Lin
Hamman	Kristen Onsgard, Capt Bob Hamman Kerri Sanborn	Mike Passell Jill Meyers Steve Sanborn
Henner	Christal Henner, Capt Steve Garner Adam Wildavsky	Uday Ivatury Shawn Quinn Pam Wittes
Kaplan	Adam Kaplan, Capt Harrison Luba Garth Yettick	Jenni Carmichael Allison Howard
Lewis	Linda Lewis, Capt Raluca Nistor Max Rotaru	Finn Kolesnik Radu Nistor Ljudmila Kamenova
Li	Music Li, Capt Genie Thai-May	Qinqin Zhang Leyi Chen
Millens	Shan Huang, Capt Sandra Rimstedt Kevin Dwyer-Rimstedt	Joan Millens Cecilia Dwyer-Rimstedt
Rosenthal	Andrew Rosenthal, Capt Chris Willenken Eldad Ginossar	Migry Campanile Olivia Schireson Dana Berkowitz
Rubenstein	Stewart Rubenstein, Capt Joe Grue Zach Grossack	Anam Tebha Jenny Wolpert Giorgia Botta
Smid_Sarnow	Ariel Smid-Sarnow, Capt Philip Wang	Julie Arbit Nicole Qian
Zhang	Sylvia Shi, Capt Susan Zhang Janice Molson	Daniel Korbel Eddie Wold Geoff Hampson



Lovebridge practice sessions IN ROOM 1321			
Day	Date	Time (CDT)	
Sunday	April 12	5:00 PM - 7:00 PM	
Tuesday	April 21	7:00 PM - 9:00 PM	

PRE-TOURNAMENT CAPTAINS & PLAYERS MEETINGS Live in Room 1321 & On Zoom			
Event	Day	Date	Time (CDT)
Open	Sunday	April 12	9:00 PM
Mixed	Tuesday	April 21	9:00 PM



Play, Practice, Captains' Meetings Open & Mixed Schedules

OPEN SCHEDULE			
Day	Date	Time (CDT)	Boards
Round ROBIN (Based on 16 TEAMS) (Click Here for Playing Room Assignments WHEN AVAILABLE)			
Monday	April 13	10:00 - 11:25	Round 1 Boards 1-11
		11:45 - 1:10	Round 2 Boards 12-22
		2:30 - 3:55	80 minute Lunch Break
		4:15 - 5:40	Round 3 Boards 23-33
		6:00 - 7:25	Round 4 Boards 34-44
Tuesday	April 14	10:00 - 11:25	Round 5, Boards 45-55
		11:45 - 1:10	Round 6 Boards 1-11
		2:30 - 3:55	Round 7 Boards 12-22
		4:15 - 5:40	80 minute Lunch Break
		6:00 - 7:25	Round 8 Boards 23-33
Wednesday	April 15	10:00 - 11:25	Round 9 Boards 34-44
		11:45 - 1:10	Round 10, Boards 45-55
		2:30 - 3:55	Round 11 Boards 1-11
		4:15 - 5:40	Round 12 Boards 12-22
		6:00 - 7:25	80 minute Lunch Break
Thursday	April 16	10:00 - 12:00	Round 13 Boards 23-33
		12:15 - 2:15	Round 14 Boards 34-44
		3:30 - 5:30	75 minute Lunch Break
		5:45 - 7:45	Round 15, Boards 45-55
			Round 16, Boards 56-66
Friday	April 17	10:00 - 12:00	Segment 1 Boards 1-15
		12:15 - 2:15	Segment 2 Boards 16-30
		3:30 - 5:30	75 minute Lunch Break
		5:45 - 7:45	Segment 3 Boards 31-45
			Segment 4 Boards 46-60
Saturday	April 18	10:00 - 12:00	Segment 5 Boards 1-15
		12:15 - 2:15	Segment 6 Boards 16-30
		3:30 - 5:30	75 minute Lunch Break
		5:45 - 7:45	Segment 7 Boards 31-45
			Segment 8 Boards 46-60
Sunday	April 19	10:00 - 12:00	Segment 9 Boards 1-15
		12:15 - 2:15	Segment 10 Boards 16-30
		3:30 - 5:30	75 minute Lunch Break
		5:45 - 7:45	Segment 11 Boards 31-45
			Segment 12 Boards 46-60
Quarterfinal			
Monday	April 20	10:00 - 12:00	Segment 13 Boards 1-15
		12:15 - 2:15	Segment 14 Boards 16-30
		3:30 - 5:30	75 minute Lunch Break
		5:45 - 7:45	Segment 15 Boards 31-45
			Segment 16 Boards 46-60
Tuesday	April 21	10:00 - 12:00	Segment 17 Boards 1-15
		12:15 - 2:15	Segment 18 Boards 16-30
		3:15 - 5:15	60 minute Break
		5:30 - 7:30	Segment 19 Boards 31-45
			Segment 20 Boards 46-60

Mixed Schedule			
Day	Date	Time	Boards
Round Robin (Assumes 13 or 14 teams; with 15 or 16 will be same as open) (Click Here for Playing Room Assignments WHEN AVAILABLE)			
Wednesday	April 22	10:00 - 11:30	Round 1 Boards 1-12
		11:50 - 1:20	Round 2 Boards 13-24
		3:00 - 4:30	100 minute Break
		4:50 - 6:20	Round 3 Boards 25-36
			Round 4 Boards 37-48
Thursday	April 23	10:00 - 11:30	Segment 5 Boards 1-12
		11:50 - 1:20	Segment 6 Boards 13-24
		2:30 - 4:00	70 minute Break
		4:20 - 5:40	Segment 7 Boards 25-36
		6:00 - 7:30	Segment 8 Boards 37-48
Friday	April 24	10:00 - 11:30	Segment 9 Boards 49-61
		11:50 - 1:20	Round 10 Boards 1-12
		3:00 - 4:30	Round 11 Boards 13-24
		4:50 - 6:20	100 minute Break
			Round 12 Boards 25-36
Saturday	April 25	10:00 - 12:00	Round 13 Boards 37-48
		12:15 - 2:15	Round 14 Boards 49-61
		3:30 - 5:30	75 minute Lunch Break
		5:45 - 7:45	Round 15 Boards 1-12
			Round 16 Boards 13-24
Sunday	April 26	10:00 - 12:00	Segment 5 Boards 1-15
		12:15 - 2:15	Segment 6 Boards 16-30
		3:30 - 5:30	75 minute Lunch Break
		5:45 - 7:45	Segment 7 Boards 31-45
			Segment 8 Boards 46-60
Quarterfinal			
Monday	April 27	10:00 - 12:00	Segment 9 Boards 1-15
		12:15 - 2:15	Segment 10 Boards 16-30
		3:30 - 5:30	75 minute Lunch Break
		5:45 - 7:45	Segment 11 Boards 31-45
			Segment 12 Boards 46-60
Tuesday	April 28	10:00 - 12:00	Segment 13 Boards 1-15
		12:15 - 2:15	Segment 14 Boards 16-30
		3:30 - 5:30	75 minute Lunch Break
		5:45 - 7:45	Segment 15 Boards 31-45
			Segment 16 Boards 46-60
Semifinal			
Wednesday	April 29	10:00 - 12:00	Segment 17 Boards 1-15
		12:15 - 2:15	Segment 18 Boards 16-30
		3:30 - 5:30	75 minute Lunch Break
		5:45 - 7:45	Segment 19 Boards 31-45
			Segment 20 Boards 46-60
Thursday	April 30	10:00 - 12:00	Segment 21 Boards 1-15
		12:15 - 2:15	Segment 22 Boards 16-30
		3:15 - 5:15	60 minute Break
		5:30 - 7:30	Segment 23 Boards 31-45
			Segment 24 Boards 46-60

Delayed Kibitzing Throughout the USBCs on the LoveBridge site!

There will be delayed kibitzing for both of the 2026 USBCs on the LoveBridge website. Live Vugraph is delayed 30 minutes or until all tables have completed play on a board, whichever is later.

Live video commentary of Finals

In addition to your opportunity to watch the 2026 USBC play on LoveBridge Vugraph, Rob Barrington, Ewan McNay, and Adam Parrish will be hosting full day video commentary of the 2nd day of both Finals on the USBF YouTube channel at 11:30 AM and 5:00 PM EDT, on the following dates:

- April 21, Open Final, April 30, Mixed Final.

Highlights after each stage of each event

Teams of experts, including some of the players in the USBCs, will join Rob, Ewan, and Adam for round ups of each stage of play. These BridgeCasts will be posted on the USBF YouTube channel the morning after each segment airs:

- 4/16 - Open Round Robin;
- 4/18 - Open Quarterfinal;
- 4/20 - Open Semifinal;
- 4/25 - Mixed Round Robin;
- 4/27 - Mixed Quarterfinal;
- 4/29 - Mixed Semifinal.



“Pass”ing the time,
With VuGraph, not boring
Watching my friends
And hoping they’re
scoring!

Kibitzing Schedule (EDT) For all KO days of the 2026 USBCs, kibitzing times will be :

Segment 1: 11:30 am EDT

Segment 2: 1:45 pm EDT

Segment 3: 5:00 pm EDT

Segment 4: 7:15 pm EDT

For Round Robin days, each kibitzing segment will start 30 minutes after play starts.

To view a Single Table, click on the blue arrow on the scores page. It provides the largest view of one table, with buttons to get to other information.

Match View will show the two tables of a match side by side on your screen;

Split View will give you 4 panes of your window and you can put whatever you want in each of them to watch 2 side-by-side matches at once, or one match and the scores of others.

Click on Buttons to get interesting information:

- The image of the sticker with the number of the board (upper right) takes you to the results of the board;
- the arrow in the bottom right corner takes you to the scoresheet
- the DDS shows the double dummy analyses. Besides that there is a button for the other table of the same match,
- at the top left corner you can see the bidding with alerts and the explanations (mouse over), the tricks already played, and the double dummy analysis for the available number of tricks with the par score.
- **NEW THIS YEAR:** Written commentary will show in a large area on the left of the screen in Single Table view and at the top of the screen in Match View. If you are interesting in providing written commentary, please email Jan and she will get you authorized.

Navigation icons:

While surfing here and there in the vugraph, or amongst the archive sessions, there are icons to help you. You can always go back to the main page with the “house” or to the standings with the “scores”. There is also a built-in back button because the back button of your browser will always take you to the starting page. If this is not what you wanted, push next in your browser and you can continue where you were.

Helpful Information for Players On Site!

LOVEBRIDGE PRACTICE

There will be a LoveBridge practice session on Sunday, April 12 from 5-7 pm in room 1321. Players are welcome to attend. Whether you've played on LoveBridge before and just want a quick review, or are new to LoveBridge and want to become familiar with the interface, this is recommended for your comfort using this platform.



MASSAGES

Our wonderful massage therapist, Ela, will come to the hotel whenever there are enough people who want a massage. Hopefully, she will be coming on Sunday, April 12.

Please let Jan Martel (on site) know if you want a massage that Sunday or on any other day and Jan will arrange it.

HOSPITALITY

The hospitality suite (room 2321) will be open most of the day. You may watch Vugraph or get a snack when there. We are providing breakfast and lunch each day of play. **Marie France Benoit** will be our lead hostess, with help from **Jacob** and **Marge Morgan**. If you can volunteer to help with hospitality (mainly picking up last-minute things at Costco and other local stores) please let Jan Martel or Marie France know and they will put you to work!!

Breakfast: From 8:00-10:00 am. There will be the usual breakfast food: cereal, bagels, toast, salmon, fruit, juice, coffee and tea. Keurig coffee will be available in the hospitality suite. So long as the suite doesn't become too crowded, you are welcome to eat there.

Lunch: On the first three days of the Open and Mixed USBCs we will be serving a buffet lunch in the hotel restaurant. The hotel is unwilling to have people take food out of the restaurant to eat someplace else. Lunch will be served from 12:30-2:30. The second Round Robin match each day is scheduled to end at 1:10 and the third match starts at 2:30.

After the first 3 days of each event, lunch will be available in the hospitality suite from 1:45-3:45. There will be a main dish (sandwiches, chicken, main dish salads, pizza) as well as tuna salad, green salad, cheese, fruit, berries, cookies or other desserts.

There is a water dispenser in the hospitality suite. Please bring a water bottle to use. Soft drinks will be available in refrigerators. As with breakfast, you are welcome to eat in the hospitality suite unless it is too crowded.

Let us know if you have specific needs: please make our hosts aware of your needs and they will do their best to accommodate you.

Playing Rooms & Player's Break Room

We have a water dispenser in the Office/Player's Break Room (1321), as well as soft drinks, Nespresso, some packaged snacks, and some fruit. We ask that you recognize that we are working in that room, and others are playing in the rooms next door and across the hall, so please try to keep voices low.

Some Nearby Suggestions For Your Dining Pleasure

Calling ahead is recommended since this list is a few years old...



Chicago Prime Italian Restaurant
\$\$\$ · Italian
700 N Meacham Rd
Elegant, locally owned venue offering a menu of Italian dishes, plus a seasonal patio.
Dine-in·Curbside pickup·No-contact delivery

Morton's The Steakhouse
\$\$\$\$ · Restaurant
1470 McConnor Pkwy · In Windy Point
4:30PM
Upscale chain for aged prime beef, seafood & other traditional steakhouse fare in a clubby space.
Dine-in·Curbside pickup·Delivery

Seasons 52
\$\$ · New American
1770 E Higgins Rd
Rotating menu of seasonal American dishes alongside international wines in an upscale setting.
Dine-in·Curbside pickup·No delivery

Weber Grill Restaurant & Academy
\$\$\$ · Restaurant
1010 N Meacham Rd
Boisterous, rustic American hideaway serving up kettle-cooked steaks, burgers & ribs.
Dine-in·Curbside pickup·No-contact delivery

Shaw's Crab House
\$\$\$ · Seafood
1900 E Higgins Rd · In the Streets of Woodfield
Suburban version of the upscale city seafood restaurant with traditional decor & an oyster bar.
Dine-in·Curbside pickup·No-contact delivery

Wildfire
\$\$\$ · Steak
1250 E Higgins Rd
"Best dining experience in Schaumburg!"
Dine-in·Curbside pickup·No-contact delivery

City Works - Schaumburg
\$\$ · Restaurant
1850 E Golf Rd
"Outdoor dining was great different options of seating."
Dine-in·Curbside pickup· No-contact delivery

Stonewood Alehouse
\$\$ · American
601 Mall Dr
Spacious contemporary alehouse serves up draft micro-brews & wood-fired meals in a lodgelike venue. Dine-in·Curbside pickup·Delivery

Bahama Breeze
\$\$ · Caribbean
406 E Golf Rd · In Woodfield Plaza
Laid-back chain eatery featuring Caribbean entrees & tropical cocktails amid beachy decor. Dine-in·Curbside pickup·No delivery

Westwood Tavern
\$\$ · Grill
1385 N Meacham Rd · In Woodfield Village Green
"Patio dining available."
Dine-in·Curbside pickup·Delivery

Chicago Prime Steakhouse
\$\$\$ · Steak
1444 E Algonquin Rd · In The Shoppes at Prime Village
"Unbelievable dining experience!"
Dine-in·Curbside pickup·No-contact delivery

The Capital Grille
\$\$\$\$ · Fine Dining
2000 E Golf Rd
Opens 5PM
Outpost of the upscale steakhouse chain offers classic American fare & a clubby, refined setting. Dine-in·Curbside pickup·No delivery

Kuma's Corner Schaumburg
\$\$ · American
1570 E Golf Rd · In Woodfield Village Green
American eatery with a wraparound bar & patio for burgers piled with toppings, plus craft beer.
Dine-in·Curbside pickup·No-contact delivery

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Maggiano's Little Italy
\$\$ · Restaurant
1901 Woodfield Rd · In the Streets of Woodfield
Semi-upscale chain for classic Italian fare served family-style in a relaxed, polished space. Dine-in·Curbside pickup

LongHorn Steakhouse
\$\$ · Steak
1901 E Golf Rd
"Very nice dine , always it's a pleasure to eat at Long-horn"
Dine-in·Curbside pickup·No delivery

Meze Mediterraneo
Mediterranean
680 Mall Dr
Rustic Mediterranean fare in an elevated dining room with bar seating & contemporary interiors.
Dine-in·Curbside pickup·No delivery

Benihana
\$\$\$ · Japanese
1200 E Higgins Rd
Hibachi chain serving Japanese dishes grilled tableside by theatrical chefs.
Dine-in·Curbside pickup·No-contact delivery

Texas de Brazil
\$\$\$ · Steak
5 Woodfield Mall Ste D312 · In Woodfield Mall
Dine-in·Curbside pickup·Delivery

Bonefish Grill
\$\$ · Seafood
180 S Roselle Rd
Contemporary grill chain offering a seafood-centric menu, plus steaks & cocktails.
Dine-in·Curbside pickup·No-contact delivery

This list is pretty recent and indicates pickup or delivery. Some of your old haunts from past Championships may have closed since the start of the Pandemic.

Several of these listings are across the street in Woodfield Shopping Mall. These listings do not include phone numbers but with the information here, you should be able to research that on your cell if you want to make reservations.

(More dining options with outdoor dining designations on pages 15 through 18)

Where to Shop in the Area...

Woodfield Mall
5 Woodfield Mall · (847) 330-1537
Open · Closes 6PM
In-store shopping·In-store pickup

Style Encore - Schaumburg
Consignment shop
1402 N Roselle Rd · In Remington Plaza · (847) 874-7184
Open · Closes 6PM
In-store shopping·Curbside pickup

Streets of Woodfield
601 N Martingale Rd · (630) 954-7300
Open · Closes 10PM
In-store shopping

Kibitzer Activities...

Heritage Farm
201 S. Plum Grove Road, Schaumburg · 847-985-2102
Step back into the 1880s for a look at when Schaumburg was a rural German farm community. On a visit to Volkening Heritage Farm, you can help with seasonal farm chores, participate in family activities and games of the 1880s or simply visit the livestock and soak in the quiet.

Authentically dressed interpreters welcome and guide visitors through the site.

Hours of Operation

- Visitor Center/Museum Store/Farmhouse - Wed.-Sun., 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
- Farm Grounds & Trails - Daily, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Admission to Heritage Farm is FREE; however, during scheduled special events it may require an entrance fee.

DISCOVER THE ART!

The **Chicago Athenaeum's International Sculpture Park** is situated on 20 acres of meadow, forest, and natural prairie on the grounds of the Robert O. Atcher Municipal Center, 201 Schaumburg Court, Schaumburg,

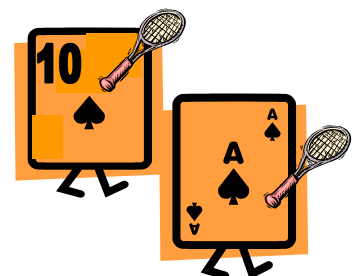
PARKING AT

Prairie Center For the Arts, 201 Schaumburg Ct

HOURS

The International Sculpture Park is open daily from sunrise to sunset.

Tenace anyone?



Puzzle Page ...

Geometry

Find and circle all of the Geometry words that are hidden in the grid.
The remaining letters spell a secret message.

R A D I U S E Q U I L A T E R A L E P Y
E C A F S A R O G A H T Y P T P H L A G
O R R H O M B U S E P T O O T O N C C D
A E L G N A I R T R E C B L N L O R H I
C O N G R U E N T A R E T S E Y I I O O
E T U C A V E R E H P S U S M G T C R Z
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T R C I H D A E S I O A R S I D E D S T
V E R T E X S E S V T E P M E R O E H T

ACUTE
APOTHEM
AREA
BASE
BISECT
CHORD
CIRCLE
CIRCUMFERENCE
CONE
CONGRUENT
COORDINATES
CYLINDER
DIAMETER

EQUATION
EQUIANGULAR
EQUILATERAL
FACE
FORMULA
HEIGHT
HYPOTENUSE
INTERSECT
ISOSCELES
LEGS
MIDPOINT
OBTUSE
PARALLELOGRAM

PERIMETER
PERPENDICULAR
POLYGON
POLYHEDRON
PYRAMID
PYTHAGORAS
QUADRILATERAL
RADIUS
RHOMBUS
SCALENE
SECANT
SEGMENT

SIDE
SLANT
SLOPE
SOLIDS
SPHERE
SQUARE
THEOREM
TRANSVERSAL
TRAPEZOID
TRIANGLE
VERTEX
VOLUME



Put your heart
in the game!

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		6	3				
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					1	8	

Sudoku 1

How did the hipster burn his mouth? He ate the pizza before it was cool.

What do you call a criminal landing an airplane? Condescending.

What did one hat say to the other? "Stay here, I'm going on ahead!"

Do you know what they say about a clean desk? It's a sure sign of a cluttered desk drawer.

I told a joke during our video call today. It wasn't even remotely funny.

What's the best thing about teamwork? Someone else to blame.

What do parents want for Christmas? A silent night.

You know you're a parent when it takes three days to watch a 90-minute movie.

What does a cloud wear under his raincoat? Thunderwear.

Why can't you give Elsa a balloon? Because she'll let it go!

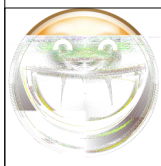
Why is the ocean so clean? Because it has mermaids.

Hard Sudoku

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Sudoku 2

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



Please be "scent" sitive! Many players have allergies and have trouble breathing when perfumed aromas are present! Thank you!!



World Bridge News...

After three days of near continuous play, the 3rd Annual WBF Women's Online Transnational Teams finished on March 29th.

Four women from Norway playing under the name, **Viking Queens: Virginia Chediak, Torild Heskje, Ranja Sivertsvik, Gunn Tove Vist**, averaged 14.85 VP from their 13 matches and emerged as the winners. Team **Thunder**, an alliance between the USA and Israel (**Adi Asulin, Nancy Katz, Hila Levy, Dana Tal, Noga Tal and Migry Zur Campanile**) averaged 14.65 to finish in second place. E18 Norway (**Aase Birbakken, Siri Hove Bjerger, Marianne Homme, Anja Prestvik**), with an average of 14.33 VP finished third. Congrats to all!

Great prizes encouraged the 65 teams to enter the event. The winning team received a berth in the upcoming Women's event at the World Championships in Poland in August.

Mark Horton produced a Daily Online Bulletin, elevating the competition and bringing both Women's Bridge and the World Bridge Federation to the forefront. Here is a hand from the final bulletin involving two US women players: Nancy Katz and Migry Zur Campanile from team Thunder:



Board 52. Dealer West. All Vul.

♠ A Q 4
 ♥ A K Q 6 3
 ♦ A K 6 5
 ♣ J

♠ 3 2
 ♥ J 10 9 4 2
 ♦ Q J 7
 ♣ K 7 6

♠ 8 6
 ♥ 8 5
 ♦ 9 4
 ♣ A Q 10 8 5 4 3

♠ K J 10 9 7 5
 ♥ 7
 ♦ 10 8 3 2
 ♣ 9 2

N
 W E
 S

Open Room

West	North	East	South
Martorell	Zur-Campanile	Cafranga	Katz
Pass	2♣*	3♣	3♠
4♣	4NT*	Pass	5♣*
Dble	6♠	All Pass	

4NT RKCB
5♣ 1 keycard

13 IMPs to Thunder!!

West led the ♥10 and declarer won with dummy's ♥A, cashed the ♠A, played a spade to the ten, a diamond to the ace and cashed the top hearts pitching clubs. A club ruff was followed by a spade to the queen, a heart ruff and a diamond, +1430.

In total, the 65 teams entered were comprised of 395 players representing 40 distinct countries.

Shireen Mohandes and Andy Bowles were greatly appreciated for their incredible organizational skills setting up the round the clock matches, as well their creation of the RealBridge platform on which the event was played.

Thanks to WBF President, Franck Riehm, for his unwavering support for bridge worldwide. Franck is pushing the WBF forward in its quest to bring bridge "to the people". He is encouraging WBF committees to work more actively than in the past. He has established a WBF development committee under the direction of WBF VP, Ben Thompson which has been very successful in its efforts to improve the image of bridge as a game and as a sport.

Thanks to the WBF Women's Committee, and especially Mary Kelly, coordinator, for steadfastly pursuing these Women's Online Team events. The events have forged both friendships and partnerships worldwide!

There will be more WBF online events in the future so long as these events are successful.

Closed Room

West	North	East	South
Asulin	Fernandez	Levi	de Lorenzo
Pass	2♣*	3♣	3♠
4♣	4♠	All Pass	

A Little Humor!

What's the difference between ignorance and apathy? I don't know and I don't care.

When does a joke become a dad joke? When it becomes apparent.

Where does the majority of a hockey player's salary come from? The tooth fairy.

Why do basketball players love donuts? Because they dunk them.

Why are baseball games at night? Bats sleep during the day.

What kind of bird can lift the most? A crane.

What did the farmer call the cow that had no milk? An udder failure.

What do you get from a pampered cow? Spoiled milk.

What do you call a cowardly dog? A golden retrieater.

Why are penguins socially awkward? They find it difficult to break the ice.

Why did the frog take the bus to work today? His car got toad away.

What did the fish say when it hit the wall? Dam.

Why couldn't the clownfish buy a house? Because he didn't have an-e-mon-e!

Some guy wanted to charge me a bunch of money for a second-hand bouncy house. But I wasn't sure if I wanted to jump into it!

What does a house wear? Address.

How does the homeowner's association tell time? It checks its neighborhood watch.

My internet went down yesterday. I think my cheap neighbor forgot to pay the bill.

Nothing makes you more tolerant of a neighbor's noisy party than being there.

My neighbors said they wanted to talk to me about my bad home security habits. So I said, "Sure, my door is always open."

Why did the financial planner quit his job? Because he was losing interest.



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		Hurricanes					Destruction					Cities				
		Joan	Lucy	Nina	Tammy	Velma	\$15.7 million	\$16.6 million	\$16.9 million	\$17.4 million	\$19.2 million	Granger	Hesperia	Onawa	Rockford	Zamora
Years	1956															
	1960															
	1964															
	1968															
	1972															
Cities	Granger															
	Hesperia															
	Onawa															
	Rockford															
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Destruction	\$15.7 million															
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Years	Hurricanes	Destruction	Cities
1956			
1960			
1964			
1968			
1972			

- Hurricane Lucy struck in 1960..
- The hurricane that caused \$17.4 million in damage hit 8 years after the storm that caused \$19.2 million in damage..
- The storm that hit in 1956 didn't make landfall at Granger..
- Hurricane Nina caused \$15.7 million in damage..
- The storm that made landfall at Granger didn't cause exactly \$16.9 million in damage..
- Hurricane Lucy didn't make landfall at Onawa..
- The hurricane that hit in 1968 didn't cause exactly \$15.7 million in damage..
- Neither the hurricane that hit in 1960 nor the storm that caused \$16.6 million in damage was the hurricane that made landfall at Zamora..
- Of the hurricane that made landfall at Zamora and the storm that hit in 1956, one caused \$19.2 million in damage and the other was Hurricane Tammy..
- The storm that hit in 1968 was either the hurricane that made landfall at Zamora or the hurricane that made landfall at Rockford..
- The five hurricanes were Hurricane Joan, the storm that caused \$15.7 million in damage, the storm that hit in 1960, the storm that caused \$19.2 million in damage and the storm that made landfall at Zamora..

Meet the Players



Joe Grue grew up in Minnesota. He now lives in New York City and works as a full time bridge professional. Joe has had great success with many different partners. He won the Junior World Championships with John Kranyak in 2001, 2005 and 2006. He won the Reisinger, North American Swiss and Vanderbilt with Curtis Cheek. Since then he & Brad Moss have won the Spingold, Vanderbilt, Bermuda Bowl and two USBCs, as well as finishing second in the World Open Pairs. Joe won the Blue Ribbon Pairs in 2015, 2016 and 2018 and finished second in 2017. He won the 2018 Barry Crane top 500, winning a record total of 3676 masterpoints.

Joe comes from a bridge-playing family still in Minnesota who are proud of his accomplishments and cheer him on via VuGraph.

Brad Moss was born in 1971 in New York City. His parents, Mike Moss and Gail Greenberg, are well known among bridge players for their expertise. His sister, Jill Levin, is also a bridge star. Brad was named the ACBL King of Bridge at the age of 18. Two years later, he became the youngest player to win the New York Player of the Year title. In 1991, he just missed out on a medal at the World Junior Teams in Ann Arbor, Michigan, finishing fourth, and won his first National title - the Master Mixed Teams. In 1993, he added to his tally by winning the Grand National Teams and the Life Masters Open Pairs.

His successful partnership with Fred Gitelman included wins in the 1998 NABC Board-a-Match Teams, a third in the 1998 Cavendish Invitational Pairs, first in the 2005 & 2010 Spingolds, the 2010 Roth Open Swiss, the 2012 Jacoby Open Swiss, the Bronze medal in the 2005 Bermuda Bowl and gold in the 2010 Rosenblum teams.

With Joe Grue he finished second in the 2013 Spingold (tied at the end of regulation play) and won the 2016 Spingold and 2017 Bermuda Bowl.

Grue and Moss are playing as partners in this USBC as members of team Fleisher.



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If you think no one cares about you, try missing a couple payments.

Did you hear about an ATM that got addicted to money? I heard it was suffering from withdrawals.

Who earns a living by driving their customers away? A taxi driver!

Ticket inspectors... you've got to hand it to them!

I asked a conductor how many times he'd been on a derailed train. He told me it was hard to keep track.

Why shouldn't you run behind a bus? You'll get exhausted.

Why was the bus driver sad? Everyone was talking behind their back.

What did Darwin's son tell his siblings? You're adapted!

What did the cell say when his sister stepped on his foot? Mitosis!



ABOUT SCHAUMBURG:

Located just 30 miles outside Chicago and about 11 miles west of O'Hare International Airport, Schaumburg is arguably a premier suburban business destination in Illinois. In the past 60 years, Schaumburg has transformed from a small farming community into a thriving economic center that is home to more business in Illinois than any other community outside of Chicago. The village's businesses provide support to the community's 78,000 residents, 80,000 employees and the northwest suburbs.

Residents and visitors can attend a concert or the Farmers Market in the Town Square, take in theater and other shows at the Al Larson Prairie Center for the Arts, visit the Trickster Cultural Center (Native-owned and operated art gallery), discover family fun at Legoland Discovery Center, or enjoy independent league baseball at Wintrust Field. And, the Schaumburg Township District Library is the second-largest public library in Illinois, with more than one million visitors each year.

History

The Village of Schaumburg was incorporated on March 7, 1956, but the heritage of Schaumburg dates back to the much earlier times when the first inhabitants of the area were members of the Sauk, Fox, Pottawatomie, and Kickapoo Indian tribes. Schaumburg's earliest residents were primarily German-speaking immigrants and their days consisted of farming, community and family. In many ways that remains true today, although now Schaumburg is a mecca of commercial activity.

The First Settlers

By the mid-nineteenth century, settlers first began to arrive from Germany and the eastern United States. Legend has it that the earliest settler was Trumbull Kent from Oswego, New York. Kent, a "Yankee," as settlers from New England were called in the west, founded a settlement in 1835 not far from what is now called Olde Schaumburg Centre, formerly known as Sarah's Grove.

The Sunderlage Family

The first recorded settler of Schaumburg Township was German-born Johann Sunderlage. According to legend, Sunderlage was a member of a survey team that divided Cook County into townships around 1833. He liked the area so much that, upon completion of the project, he brought his family from Germany and settled in the area around 1836.

Sunderlage and his family occupied their land in the Township until the federal land sale of 1842 allowed them to purchase the property and obtain the deed. Sunderlage and Kent represented the predominant groups that settled Schaumburg Township in its early days. In 1840, 56 percent of the Township households originated from the eastern United States, while 28 percent were German-born. By the 1850s, the population mix had settled to 28 percent "Yankee" and 48 percent German.

German Settlers

By 1870, Schaumburg Township had become completely German. Land records show that all the property in the Township was owned by German immigrants or their descendants. This pattern emerged as many Yankee settlers continued to travel west for the promise of newly opened lands on the Great Plains. The land they occupied in Schaumburg was then purchased by German-born immigrants.

Schaumburg Township remained almost exclusively under German ownership until the Great Depression of the 1930s. The Depression caused the foreclosure on some German-owned farms which were then purchased by non-German individuals and companies. Nonetheless, German heritage remained important in the area. German was the first language of the majority of households until the 1950s. St. Peter Lutheran Church, the community's oldest church which was constructed in 1847, held services in German as late as 1970.

92 TOWN
243 W GOLF RD
Outdoor Dining: No

BIBIBOP ASIAN GRILL
1022 N MEACHAM RD
Outdoor Dining: No

BRAZIL EXPRESS
1045 S ROSELLE RD
Outdoor Dining: No

CHARLEYS PHILLY STEAKS
VC03 WOODFIELD MALL
Outdoor Dining: No

CHIPOTLE MEXICAN GRILL
2558 W SCHAUMBURG RD
Outdoor Dining: No

AHI POKE
VC04 WOODFIELD MALL
Outdoor Dining: No

BIG BOWL
1950 E HIGGINS RD
Outdoor Dining: No

B'S SHRIMP AND FISH
1706 W WISE RD
Outdoor Dining: No

CHECKERS PANCAKE HOUSE
506 W WISE RD
Outdoor Dining: Yes

CHIKUITA GRILL
46 S MEACHAM RD
Outdoor Dining: No

ALI BABA KABAB
869 S ROSELLE RD
Outdoor Dining: No

BISI RESTAURANT
853 S ROSELLE RD
Outdoor Dining: No

BUFFALO WILD WINGS
1430 N MEACHAM RD
Outdoor Dining: No

CHICAGO PRIME ITALIAN
700 N MEACHAM RD
Outdoor Dining: Yes

CIELO MEXICAN GRILLE
1108 S ROSELLE RD
Outdoor Dining: No

AMORINO GELATO
K301 WOODFIELD MALL
Outdoor Dining: No

BLACKWOOD BBQ
1711 E GOLF RD
Outdoor Dining: Yes

BURGER KING
VC09 WOODFIELD MALL
Outdoor Dining: No

CHICAGO PRIME STEAKHOUSE
1444 E ALGONQUIN RD
Outdoor Dining: Yes

CINNABON
D203 WOODFIELD MALL
Outdoor Dining: No

ANDY'S FROZEN CUSTARD
390 N BARRINGTON RD
Outdoor Dining: Yes

BLAZE PIZZA
VC11 WOODFIELD MALL
Outdoor Dining: No

BURGER KING
1015 S ROSELLE RD
Outdoor Dining: No

CHICK-FIL-A
90 N BARRINGTON RD
Outdoor Dining: No

CINNAHOLIC
1404 E GOLF RD
Outdoor Dining: No

ARBYS
522 W GOLF RD
Outdoor Dining: No

BONCHON
1408 E GOLF RD
Outdoor Dining: No

BURRITO PARRILLA MEXI-CANA
720 E HIGGINS RD
Outdoor Dining: Yes

CHICK-FIL-A
935 E GOLF RD
Outdoor Dining: No

CITY WORKS EATERY AND POUR HOUSE
1850 E GOLF RD
Outdoor Dining: Yes

AUNTIE ANNES PRETZELS
E328 WOODFIELD MALL
Outdoor Dining: No

BONEFISH GRILL
180 S ROSELLE RD
Outdoor Dining: Yes

CAFE ZUPAS
1422 E GOLF RD
Outdoor Dining: No

CHILL BUBBLE TEA
KI-01 WOODFIELD MALL
Outdoor Dining: No

COFFEE HAUS
209 W GOLF RD
Outdoor Dining: No

AUNTIE ANNE'S PRETZELS
D103 WOODFIELD MALL
Outdoor Dining: No

BOSTON MARKET
24 W GOLF RD
Outdoor Dining: No

CALIFORNIA PIZZA KITCHEN
1550 E GOLF RD
Outdoor Dining: No

CHILL BUBBLE TEA
F319 WOODFIELD MALL
Outdoor Dining: No

COLD STONE CREAMERY
E102 WOODFIELD MALL
Outdoor Dining: No

BACOWKA / TERMINAL 5 CLUB
1120 S ROSELLE RD
Outdoor Dining: No

BRANDYS GYROS
SCHAUMBURG
140 E GOLF RD B
Outdoor Dining: No

CHANDLER'S CHOPHOUSE
GRILL & BANQUETS
401 N ROSELLE RD
Outdoor Dining: Yes

CHIPOTLE MEXICAN GRILL
VC01 WOODFIELD MALL
Outdoor Dining: No
CHIPOTLE MEXICAN GRILL
601 N MARTINGALE RD 330
Outdoor Dining: No

COOKIES BY DESIGN
1332 N ROSELLE RD
Outdoor Dining: No

BAWARCHI BIRYANIS
855 E SCHAUMBURG RD
Outdoor Dining: No

BB.Q CHICKEN
247 W GOLF RD
Outdoor Dining: No

BEAROLOGY
16 E GOLF RD E
Outdoor Dining: No

BEERHEAD BAR & EATERY
888 N MEACHAM RD
Outdoor Dining: Yes

BENIHANA OF TOKYO
1200 E HIGGINS RD
Outdoor Dining: No

BENJYEHUDA
1020 N MEACHAM RD
Outdoor Dining: No

Outdoor Dining in Schaumburg?

Call the Boomers Box Office at [847-461-3695](tel:847-461-3695)

Orange denotes home games!

MAY

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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3	4	5	6	7	@LE	@LE
@LE	T-R 6:30PM	T-R 6:30PM	T-R 11AM	14	@WSH	@WSH
@WSH	18	DE 6:30PM	DE 6:30PM	DE 6:30PM	MIS 6:30PM	MIS 3PM
MIS 1PM	25	WSH 6:30PM	WSH 6:30PM	WSH 6:30PM	@FLO	@FLO
@FLO	31					

Schaumburg Boomers Baseball Squad

CORNER BAKERY 1901 WOODFIELD RD Outdoor Dining: No	DUNKIN DONUTS 2263 W SCHAUMBURG RD Outdoor Dining: No	FIVE GUYS BURGERS & FRIES 1424 N MEACHAM RD Outdoor Dining: No	HAROLDS CHICKEN 1318 N ROSELLE RD A Outdoor Dining: No	JIMMY JOHN'S 66 E GOLF RD Outdoor Dining: No
COUNTY DONUTS 1218 S ROSELLE RD Outdoor Dining: No	DUNKIN DONUTS 893 E SCHAUMBURG RD Outdoor Dining: No	FORTUNE HOUSE 2211 W SCHAUMBURG RD Outdoor Dining: No	HAVMOR ICECREAM 1909 W GOLF RD Outdoor Dining: No	JIMMY JOHN'S 584 S ROSELLE RD Outdoor Dining: No
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CULVERS RESTAURANT 1410 E ALGONQUIN RD Outdoor Dining: No	EGG MANIA 1133-1135 N SALEM DR Outdoor Dining: No	GARRETT POPCORN SHOPS KI-14 WOODFIELD MALL Outdoor Dining: No	HOT AND COLD MILK TEA 751 W GOLF RD Outdoor Dining: No	JOJO'S 1935 W GOLF RD Outdoor Dining: No
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				LA MICHOACANA PALETERIA 2381 BODE RD Outdoor Dining: No



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LOU MALNATI'S PIZZERIA 357 S BARRINGTON RD Outdoor Dining: No	MOD PIZZA 1731 E GOLF RD Outdoor Dining: No	OLIVE GARDEN 1925 E GOLF RD Outdoor Dining: Yes	PHAT PHAT 17 S ROSELLE RD Outdoor Dining: No	RED ROBIN GOURMET BURGERS J120 WOODFIELD MALL Outdoor Dining: No
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MANNYS BURRITO EXPRESS 1433 W SCHAUMBURG RD Outdoor Dining: No	MORETTI'S RISTORANTE & PIZZERIA 1893 WALDEN OFFICE SQ Outdoor Dining: Yes	ORANGE & CHICKEN 1037 S ROSELLE RD Outdoor Dining: No	PILOT PETE'S 905 W IRVING PARK RD Outdoor Dining: No	RICHARD WALKER'S PANCAKE HOUSE 1300 N ROSELLE RD Outdoor Dining: Yes
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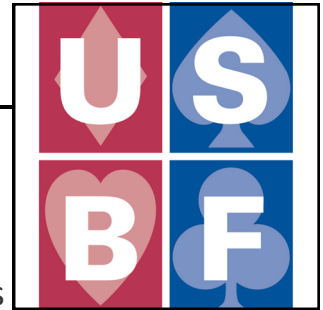
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SCHAUMBURG PUBLIC HOUSE 1551 THOREAU DR Outdoor Dining: No	STARBUCKS 1261 E HIGGINS RD Outdoor Dining: No	SUSHI TSUKI 889 S ROSELLE RD Outdoor Dining: No	THE CHEESECAKE FACTORY F301 WOODFIELD MALL Outdoor Dining: No	WENDY'S 1750 E HIGGINS RD Outdoor Dining: No
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5	7	2	8	4	1	3	6	9	8

Sudoku Answers Puzzles on Page 9

Answer to Sudoku 1 Answer to Sudoku 2



USBF Supporting Membership

If you don't want to play in the USBF Championships that choose teams to represent the USA in the World Bridge Federation Championships, but do want to aid our events, a **Supporting Membership** can be the perfect way for you to be involved.

A Supporting Membership is \$25 for one year (\$75 for 3 years) and your donation will be used to cover inevitable expenses: attorney fees, accounting fees, website support services, tournament directors, insurance, WBF dues, and vugraph operators.

The USBF is an **all-volunteer** organization.

Our meetings are by conference call and at NABCS. Board members and the organization's officers are not compensated for meetings, travel, or hotel expenses.

Fun Fact About Schaumburg:

Schaumburg might not be the most popular area in Illinois but it definitely attracted some productions to film within the area over the years. Some of the movies that shot scenes in places around Schaumburg were *Bad Teacher (2011)*, *Blood and Wine (1996)*, *Normal Life (1996)*, *White Out (2008)*, *Driver's Ed Mutiny (2010)*, and *The Founder*.

Answer to Logic Puzzle On Page 12

Granger	\$15.7 million	Nina	1972
Rockford	\$16.6 million	Joan	1968
Zamora	\$17.4 million	Tammy	1964
Hesperia	\$16.9 million	Lucy	1960
Onawa	\$19.2 million	Velma	1956

Hallo Yanks:

Here we are again with The UBSF Open Trials to determine the first of two entrants for the 2027 World Championship. Limey Jack is already perplexed, befuddled, and downright confused about the goings on to this juncture. It seems like a gigantic game of April's Fools. Aye, we do celebrate it on this side of the pond as well.

19 squads entered and somehow a Roundabout couldn't net 8 teams. Must be new maths. So 10 teams held a last moment online Roundabout over the course of a half fortnight to eliminate 3 of their ilk. 2 of those 3 were of the decent variety. Now there is a perfect number at 16 for knockouts. But nay, there is no knockout. The remainder double octet will play a Roundabout over the course of 3 days to get to 8 teams who will then have a cozy knockout.

Limey Jack is also very saddened to report that this USBC will be like none other for the past third century. You will note that the three most famous names in bridge are missing. M. Hamman, M. Meckstroth, and the inimitable Zia are not participating. That is a huge loss for bridge and even a larger one for Limey Jack. At a recent pub visit while Zia drank wine and Limey Jack had a warm ale, it was observed that even Zia's toupee was turning grey. The passage of time awaits no man. Alas, on to the event. 8 prevail, and 8 return from whence they came.

Some observations on the teams:

Bailey has made nice progress and should survive. Wouldst there be an upset loser, this could be it.

Baseggio is playing 4-handed which Limey Jack abhors and will fail.

Bramley was dumped by Woolsey, who in turn was dumped by the first Roundabout. Bramley has a hodgepodge of talent but emerges for now. The second possibility of being upset.

Davinci: At first glance this is the team that won last year's USBC, as well as the world title, but stay the moment. Arguably their finest player was shanghaied over to Bramley, and there are 3 lesser players now active. The code to make money with your punter is to go hard against.

Fleisher is one of three automatic advancers.

Goodman: with two clients, it is hard to allow them entry into the elite 8, a nod to the Colonial Basketball Tourney occupying an entire month. But read below.

Han is 4 handed and unknown. Limey Jack believes they will wind up that way.

Henner has a record tying three clients sharing the load. That is worse than playing 4 handed.

Jacobs: peculiar team but all with experience on the big stage. They can survive for now.

Kovachev is 4 handed and a sub-par grouping.

Nickell is the 2nd automatic qualifier

Parrish is yet again Limey Jack's Achilles heel. Perhaps a 4 handed event will be coming soon.

Rathi is playing for experience.

Rosenthal is the 3rd automatic Q.

Shourie is fast becoming one of the best clients around and may well go far.

Wildavsky will qualify, but they certainly have the oldest player in the event and could well become 5 handed if they last too long.

There you have it. Limey Jack rests his honour on these picks and you should go at instant to make a Bob or more.



Limey Jack...

From 19 to 16, we've online refined,
With Woolsey, Kolesnik and Zheng now resigned!

The 16 remaining are Illinois bound,
The'll play for 3 days 'fore eight will leave town!

Who are the ones that will come out on top?
Who are the ones that sadly will flop?

Nickell's a keeper. He stays in the fray.
Fleisher's another who won't go away!

Jacobs is strong and maybe some sc"ary" ...
With Billy and L"arry" and Alan and G"ary"!

Bailey's a team, sure to do well,
With Wooldridge, Grainger, Lee and Korbel.

Howie Doing...

With Rosenberg/Garner, Cristal is clear...
Come to day 4 and she will be here!

Wildavsky and Rosenthal, Schaumburg remain...
Shourie's the 8th who will feel no pain.

So long to the others. It's really been fun.
But 2 teams can never be USA1!

You Leavers can read your notes through and through...
And maybe next year, become USA2!

Be nice to your opps. Be nice to your pard.
Watch for the signals behind every card!

Howie Doing!! Not bad...

2026 PP and IPP Schedules:

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Players	IPPs	Law	2025 USBC		2025 SG			2025 soloway			2025 Reisinger	
			IPPs	Team	Rank	IPPs	Team	Rank	IPPs	Team		
A. Grossack	0	96	51	Kaplan	12	Lebowitz	9-16				21	Grossack
Bathurst	0	92	19	Fleisher	46	Shourie	3-4					
Demuy	0	106	33	Shourie	46	Shourie	3-4					
Fleisher	0	142	19	Fleisher	27	Fleisher	5-8	12	Fleisher	9-16	14	Fleisher
Garner	0	121	21	Wolfson	100	wolfson	1					
Goldberg	0	97			12	Goldberg	9-16				85	Goldberg
Greco	0	116	14	Nickell	46	Nickell	3-4	27	Nickell	5-8	17	Nickell
Grue	0	116	19	Fleisher	70	Rubenstei	2					
Hampson	0	110	8	Nickell	46	Nickell	3-4	27	Nickell	5-8	17	Nickell
Hurd	0	92	19	Fleisher	46	Shourie	3-4					
K Rosenberg	0	136	9	Bailey	100	Wolfson	1	27	Rosenberg	5-8		
Katz	0	116	14	Nickell	46	Nickell	3-4	27	Nickell	5-8	17	Nickell
Kranyak	0	106	33	Shourie	46	Shourie	3-4					
Levin	0	116	14	Nickell	46	Nickell	3-4	27	Nickell	5-8	17	Nickell
M. Rosenberg	0	127	30	Rosenthal	70	Rubenstei	2					
Martel	0	142	19	Fleisher	27	Fleisher	5-8	12	Fleisher	9-16	14	Fleisher
Moss	0	116	19	Fleisher	70	Rubenstei	2					
Nickell	0	116	14	Nickell	46	Nickell	3-4	27	Nickell	5-8	17	Nickell
Platnick	0	136	9	Bailey	100	Wolfson	1	27	Rosenberg	5-8		
Rosenthal	0	139	30	Rosenthal	12	Rosenthal	9-16	70	Rosenthal	2		
Rubenstein	0	97			70	Rubenstei	2					
Shourie	0	206	33	Shourie	46	Shourie	3-4	100	Shourie	1		
Silverstein	0	139	30	Rosenthal	12	Rosenthal	9-16	70	Rosenthal	2		
Weinstein	0	116	14	Nickell	46	Nickell	3-4	27	Nickell	5-8	17	Nickell
Willenken	0	139	30	Rosenthal	12	Rosenthal	9-16	70	Rosenthal	2		
Wolfson	0	121	21	Wolfson	100	Wolfson	1					
Wolpert	0	206	33	Shourie	46	Shourie	3-4	100	Shourie	1		
Z. Grossack	0	187	30	Rosenthal	70	Rubenstei	2				60	Edmonds
Overdeck	44	58						12	Gerli	9-16		
Bailey	42.5	55	9	Bailey				46	Bailey	3-4		
Donn	42.5	55	9	Bailey				46	Bailey	3-4		
Korbel	42.5	55	9	Bailey				46	Bailey	3-4		
Lee	42.5	55	9	Bailey				46	Bailey	3-4		
F. Kolesnik	40.5	51	51	Kaplan								
Kaplan	40.5	51	51	Kaplan								
Wold	40.5	51	51	Kaplan								
Berkowitz	39	48	21	Wolfson				27	Nitabach	5-8		
Meckstroth	39	48	21	Wolfson				27	Nitabach	5-8		
Bakhshi	38	46						46	Cayne	3-4		
Cayne	38	46						46	Cayne	3-4		
Dwyer Rimstedt	37.5	45	33	Shourie	12	Goodman	9-16					
Huang	37.5	45	33	Shourie	12	Goodman	9-16					
Lebowitz	37.5	45			12	Lebowitz	9-16				21	Grossack
Zia	37.5	45	21	Wolfson				12	Lall	9-16		
Rippey	34.5	39			27	Rippey	5-8	12	Rippey	9-16		
Ginossar	30	30	30	Rosenthal								
Nitabach	27	27						27	Nitabach	5-8		
Pszczola	27	27						27	Nitabach	5-8		
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Kamil	21	21	21	Wolfson								
Passell	21	21	9	Goodman	12	Goodman	9-16					

firstname	lastname	Open	Mixed	Senior	Wome
Aaron	Jones				
Aaron	Silverstein				
Adam	Kaplan	1	2		
Adam	Wildavsky	1	2		
Adam	Grossack	1	2		
Adam	Parrish				
Ai-Tai	Lo				
Alex	Hudson				
Alex	Kolesnik	1	2		
Amber	Lin	1	2		
Anant	Rathi	1	2		
Andrew	Rosenthal	1	2		
Andy	Goodman				
Avery	Silverstein				
Bart	Bramley				
Bernie	Greenspan				
Bill	Bailey				
Billy	Cohen				
Bobby	Levin	1	3	2	
Brad	Moss				
Brent	Xiao				
Brian	Platnick				
	Dwyer				
Cecilia	Rimstedt				
Cenk	Tuncok				
Charlie	Wilkins	1		2	
Chip	Martel	1			
Chris	Compton	1	2		
Chris	Willenken	1	2		
Christal	Henner	1	3	2	4
Cornelius	Duffie				
Daniel	Korbel				
Danny	Sprung	1			
Dana	Berkowitz				
David	Grainger				
Debbie	Rosenberg				
Disa	Eythorsdotir		1		
Doug	Doub				
Doug	Simson				
Eddie	Wold	1	2	3	
Eldad	Ginossar	1	2		
Emma	Kolesnik				
Eric	Greco	1	2		
Eric	Rodwell				
Finn	Kolesnik	1			
Franco	Baseggio				
Fred	Schenker				
Fred	Stewart	1			
Gary	Cohler				
Gavin	Wolpert				
Geoff	Hampson	1			
Greg	Hinze				
Greg	Humphries	1			
Harrison	Luba	1	2		
Jacob	Morgan	1	2		
James	Holzauer				

Jeff	Aker	1	2		
Jeff	Fang				
Jeff	Ferro				
Jeff	Wolfson				
Jenny	Wolpert				
Jiang	Gu				
Joe	Grue	1	2		
Joel	Wooldridge				
John	Hurd				
John	Kranyak				
Josh	Donn	1			
Joshua	Sher				
Ken	Kranyak				
Kevin	Bathurst				
Kevin	Dwyer Rimstedt	1	2		
Kevin	Rosenberg	1	2		
Kit	Woolsey	1	2	3	
Larry	Robbins				
Linda	Lewis	1	2		
Ljudmila	Kamenova	1	2		
Lynn	Baker				
Mark	Lair	1	2		
Mark	Itabashi				
Marty	Fleisher	1			
Max	Schireson	1			
Michael	Rosenberg	1	2		
Mike	Passell	1	3	2	
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Olivia	Schireson	1	2	3	
Owen	Lien	1	2		
Peter	Weichsel				
Phil	Clayton	1			
Rajath	Shourie				
Ralph	Katz	1			
Richard	Leonardon	1			
Roger	Lee				
Ron	Gerard				
Ron	Smith				
Sam	Dinkin	1			
Sandra	Rimstedt				
Shan	Huang	1	2		
Shawn	Quinn				
Steve	Beatty				
Steve	Garner	2	3	1	

Steve	Weinstein				
Uday	Ivatury				
Val	Kovachev	1	2		
Venkatrao	Koneru				
Vince	Demuy	1			
Walter	Lee				
Wanfeng	Mou				
Will	Watson				
Xin	Ge	2	1		
Yanong	Han				
Zach	Grossack				
Zia	Mahmood				

Player Event Preferences!

Everything You Need to Know About LoveBridge and May Have Forgotten!

Just a Disclaimer... Some of the below may be obsolete with the new Chromebooks!*

*Jan says, "The only real changes from the pads to the Chromebooks involve the keyboard being part of the Chromebook and the larger screen. The biggest differences from previous years is each pair has its own time clock and will be shown their time remaining at the beginning of each hand, and a "STOP" button that a player can click on to stop play at both sides of the table when they are calling the director about something and it would be bad to have the other side of the table act before the director rules.

The directors have tested the Chromebooks and advise that some of the screen display may be new to you!

- **What does that number in the upper left mean?** You have unread chat message(s) and the strip at the left will be a sky blue until you read them (the number indicates how many unread messages are there). Click on the number/strip on the left to open/view. Click the X in top right corner to close. When all messages are read, the strip is grey.
- **Why can't I chat to my partner?** For security reasons, chat to partner is not available while cards for a new hand are on display. Since there is no "between round down time," there is no real partner chat.

Bidding

- **The system won't let me pass!** If you have the level (1 through 7) highlighted, you will be unable to pass/double/redouble. If you try do so, the reset button will start flashing. Click the reset button to refresh.
- **Where is the undo button?** While there is no undo button, every call made is followed by a brief cancellation time period. A **cancel** button will appear immediately below the call selected in the top center portion of the screen. If you cancel within the time period, your bidding panel will reappear for you to select the intended call. If you do not cancel within the time period, summon a director (hit red TD whistle) to request an undo (second option).

Play

1. **Why can't I click on a card?** The default setting for LoveBridge is neither a tap/click nor a double tap/click. The default setting is a drag-and-drop motion where the player pulls a card to the gray box in the center of the screen and releases to play the card. If the "pulled" card is not the intended one, the player can drag it back to the hand and select another card. **We recommend this setting while players are getting accustomed to the system.** Players may change this setting to double tap/click if desired, but we strongly discourage single tap/click settings.
2. **Whose turn is it?** In the bidding or play of the hand, the player's direction letter (N S E W) will be a white letter inside of the circle with a pale blue outer circle when it is the player's turn. The auction is always displayed so that you are on the very right and your hand is at the bottom.
3. **How do I claim?** During the play, you may click the larger blue box below the TD whistle to claim. If the claim button is grayed out (not available), you either already contributed a card to the current trick or you are dummy. (Note that you may not claim mid-trick. You may only claim between tricks.)
4. **How do I see the bidding once play has started?** Per the Laws of Duplicate Bridge, a player is not entitled to the entire auction once they have played to trick 1. If you have not yet played to trick one, the auction will be in the lower left corner. Click on it to enlarge to the center area. Click the double gray arrows in the bottom right of the center area to send it back to the corner. Similarly, this is how a player may see the cards from the previous trick (prior to playing to current trick).

TABLET GUIDE

CC CONVENTION CARD

SETTINGS

You can set here the language, bidding and playing preferences anytime.

The system will remember your settings when you play next time.

RESULTS

You can review the previous boards anytime.

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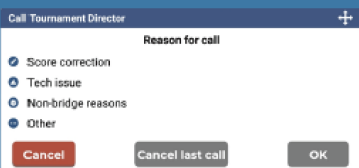
To hide your screen from view, tap this icon.

CALL TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR

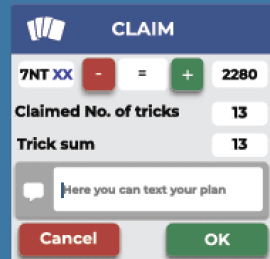
You can tap on this button twice to call the director, and **stop the play immediately.**



If you would like to call the director and keep playing, you can press the whistle and select the reason for your call.



MENU



Tap **-** or **+** to adjust number of tricks.

You can write your plan in the text field.



At the top left corner you will always see vulnerability and the dealer from your perspective (you are at the bottom).

You can tap on a bid to alert your calls or ask for information. You can even give written explanation.



When you place a bid, there is a short time period, when you can take it back with the cancel button, and the other players will not notice.

You can also confirm your bid, if you don't want to wait until the time is over.

Live streaming: <https://vugraph.lovebridge.com>

EXPLANATION & CHAT GUIDE

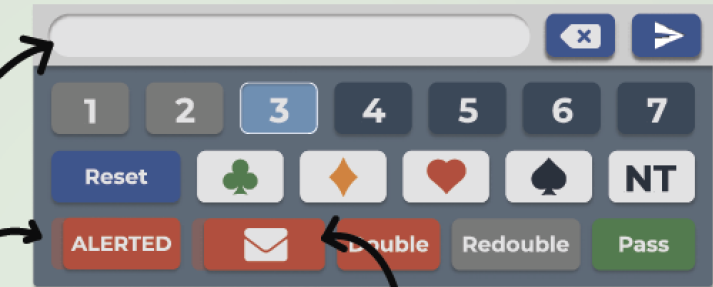
The logic of alerts and explanations in the LoveBridge system can work multiple ways. You will use it **with self alert and screened tables**. You only alert your own calls. Both opponents can ask for more information, and they will always know the same details about bids.

Alerting

When you want to alert your call, you have multiple options:

You can **tap in the input field** and write your explanation here.

You can **tap on the alert button** so your opponent knows it's artificial.



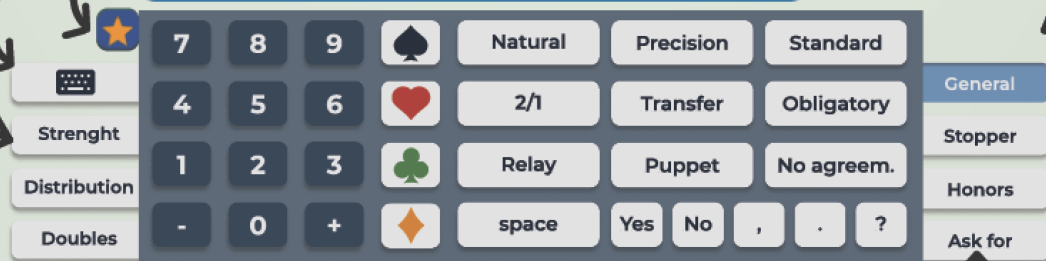
You can **tap the envelope button** and, after placing your call, the bridge keyboard will pop up. Here you can type your explanation. Note: Your call will be alerted as well.

Bridge keyboard

Common bridge expressions are organized in seven categories to help you type bridge related messages with only a few taps.

You can type any other message using a traditional keyboard.

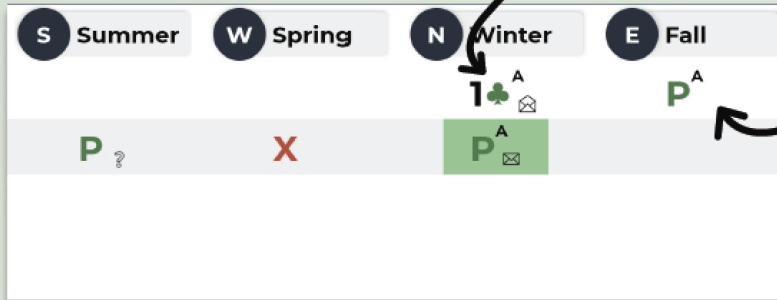
Your favorite explanations will be saved here.



Multiple words in every category

Bidding Panel

The closed envelope shows that you have an **unread message**.



You can always give additional information by tapping on your bid. Make sure that your explanation contains complete information about a specific call.

You can ask for additional information by sending a question mark. You can ask specific questions using the chat. (More about the chat on the next page.)

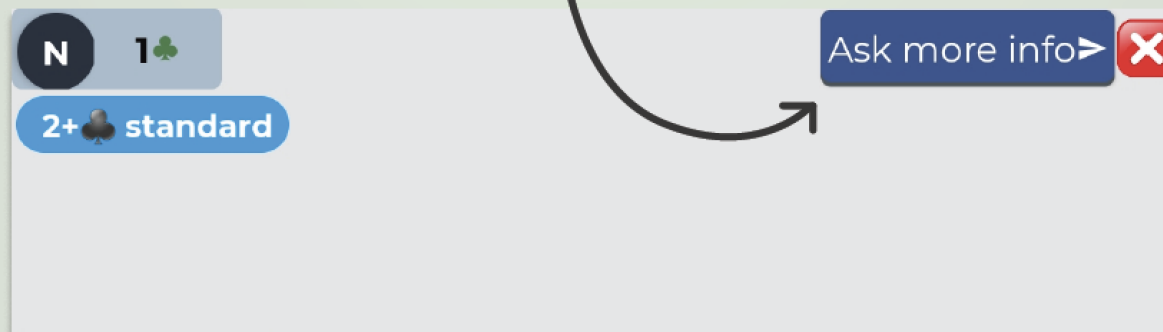
When you send an explanation, both of your opponents will receive it. Both opponents can ask for more information.

Received Explanations

You will see a pop up notification about new explanations.

You can ask for further information by simply tapping the 'Ask more info' button.

When you read the explanation, you can **close the window** with the X button.



Chat

You can use the chat to send private messages to your opponents, or you can chat with the entire table.



You can find the chat in the top left corner of the screen. You can open it by tapping the chat bar.



You can only send private messages to your partner when you are currently not playing any boards.

Android Keyboard

When writing an explanation, you can press the “done” button to switch back to the bridge keyboard.



To write a question mark: You can use the shift button or a long press on the question mark or switch to the symbol keyboard.

On the Subject of Bridge...from Chip Martel

Board 3
Dealer S
EW Vul

From the RoundRobin
Qualifying, 4/1/2026

Open Room
Woolsey (S)

W	N	E	S
			1NT
P	2♥*	P	2♠
P	2NT	P	3NT
P	P	P	

Closed Room

W	N	E	S
			1NT*
P	2♥*	P	2♠
P	3NT	P	P
P			

♠ KJ1064
♥ A106
♦ 108
♣ 1065

♠ Q73
♥ K752
♦ AJ2
♣ 943

♠ 985
♥ QJ93
♦ 9763
♣ Q2

♠ A2
♥ 84
♦ KQ54
♣ AKJ87

	NT	♠	♥	♦	♣
N	11	12	7	9	12
S	11	12	7	9	12
E	1	1	5	3	1
W	1	1	5	3	1

Par +980 6♠= NS

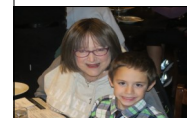
NS: 8 + 17 = 25 HCP
EW: 5 + 10 = 15 HCP

Perhaps not ideal as neither the Woolsey team nor the Zheng team Q'ed, but interesting points nonetheless... Both Wests led a 4th best H2 against 3N. Kit Woolsey ducked the first heart to the 9 and won the East's Q lead (not wanting to duck and have them switch to a diamond). If hearts are 4-4 as they appear to be, running the clubs will yield 9 tricks (drive out DA). How best to play the clubs is unclear with only one later entry to the dummy. If you cash the A then finesse, you won't be able to pick up Q9xx onside (3 holdings), while running the T immediately will pick up Q9xx onside, but lose to stiff Q in either hand (though if stiff Q onside, can later hope to run the spades for 9 tricks). Kit led the club 10 and successfully ran the clubs. East threw two spades, so Kit could safely run them for 11 tricks (note that if E had kept Qxx of spades, Kit would likely have led a diamond to set up his 9th trick rather than risk setting up the spade Q for the defense's 5 trick).

At the other table E returned a low heart at trick 2 to the K and ducked. After winning the 3rd heart, declarer cashed the CA and the SAK. Superficially this gave declarer a chance to run spades or clubs (if the spade Q drops declarer can eventually drive out the DA and avoid the club finesse), however, when the spade Q didn't drop this set up the 5th defensive trick, and declarer went down 1 even when the clubs ran.

As a final note on the club suit, if we assume that East would prefer to lead a 5 card diamond suit over a 4 card heart suit, then East will only have a stiff club with 4-4-4-1 or with 5 spades, so that might shift the odds to a different approach that improves on the losing line: cash one high club, then lead a high diamond to set up the 9th trick. After the opponents take their hearts, declarer can play AK of spades. If the Q drops, they have 9 tricks, and if not they can try to run the clubs. This risks extra under-tricks as East/West can set up diamond tricks to cash if the club finesse loses (possibly resulting in going down 4).

Ed. Note: With delayed broadcasting, it is challenging to watch every hand for write ups. If anyone has a particularly interesting hand, please send me the board # & match # with any essential details. I will do my best to review and include it. Email to stansubeck@prodigy.net. Thank you!



No Electronic Devices are Permitted in the Playing Area.
This applies to players AND kibitzers.

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The USBF reserves the right to wand anyone entering the playing field.

