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SULTAN AND BIANCHEDI PROVE THE PAIR WITHOUT COMPARE IN THE STRATIFLIGHTED CHAMPIONSHIP PAIRS

Last night, and not for the first time this tournament, Alejandro Bianchedi and Perla Sultan proved the perfect partnership, scoring a magnificent victory in this Blue-Ribbon Event. Applause, applause, you two! Give yourselves another winning hand!

The Fab Four strike again with a fantastic win in the Sun/Mon Morning Swiss Teams Event. This is a second Teams win for Alejandro Bianchedi, Stephanie Flinn, Perla Sultan, and Kevin Bathurst as they also won the Championship Round Robin Teams Event on Sunday. They are fast becoming the Team of the Tournament and we salute them for their achievements.

MORE TWOS THAT DIDN'T LOSE

BRILLIANT BERMUDIANS ALL NIGHT LONG

The local partnership of Geoff Bell and Martha Ferguson has made an excellent start to this Tournament, winning the Monday afternoon B/C Pairs, and the secret to their success is held up for all to see! They ruled their flight, all right!

More locals making the news yesterday were Heather Woolf (L) and Lorna Anderson
Nice job, ladies!
Making Bermuda proud!

Yet another popular win yesterday was that of another pair of locals, Elizabeth McKee (L) and Magda Farag
Congratulations to them!
We'd ring victory bells if we could.

Elaine Stevens and Lisa Rhind scored yet another very popular local win in the Tuesday evening 199er Pairs.
You go, girls!

Locals Stephanie Kyme and Charles Hall continued their successful run in this event by winning the Monday/Tuesday evening B/C Pairs.
Hail to Bermuda!
Nice one!

GOLD STARS

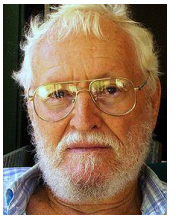
Mike Dawson and Joann Dawson went prospecting for Bermuda Gold last night and found a crock of it!
Congratulations to them!

The Gold Standard is definitely on the up at the Bermuda Regional!
Bravo, Both!

BERMUDA BRIEFS: THE CAHOW AND THE LONGTAIL- TWO FOR JOY

While the annually returning lovely Longtail grabs all the local headlines, it is the Bermuda Cahow or Petrel, the Island's only endemic bird, which is the real avian show-stopper. Before settlement, these birds lived here in abundance but those hogs mentioned in yesterday's bulletin destroyed many of them, early explorers killed others for food, and rats frequently preyed on the birds' ground level nests so that, by about 1620, the Cahow seemed to have disappeared forever.

Believed extinct for 330 years, 18 pairs of Cahows were unexpectedly discovered in the early 20th century surviving on isolated islands in Castle Harbour at Bermuda's east end. Following this find, the Bermuda Government declared the nesting islets as sanctuaries and local scientist David Wingate made it his life's work to protect and cultivate this colony.



Dr. David Wingate

As a result of Wingate's and others' efforts, this "Lazarus Species" has significantly increased in numbers and now flourishes in peace on Nonsuch Island. The miraculous Cahow has naturally become the national bird of Bermuda and its continued survival is rightly described as "one of the world's ecological triumphs".

You can see the Bermuda Cahow on the back of a local $10 bill – unless, of course, you've spent all your money already!

Unlike the Cahow, the Bermuda Longtail is not endemic to Bermuda but has certainly become the Island's scene-stealing show-stopper and is the widely-anticipated harbinger of Spring. These annual visitors arrive after spending the winter at sea on the open ocean, and nest with mates with whom they are paired for life. They raise a single chick during the summer months and then the family leaves again in the fall. Abundant on the Southern shore of the island in summer, they are certainly among the most graceful and elegant of Bermuda's natural attractions and are instantly recognisable because they have - er - long tails.

We have named one of our most prestigious bridge trophies after this winged wonder because the winner of the award flies to the Island for a short while, soars to sensational heights, leaves an indelible impression, and then flies away again until, hopefully, the following year.

So, not just one high-flying national treasure, but two – two for joy

HAND'S ON with JEFF HAND YESTERDAY'S EXPERT LECTURE

Yesterday lunchtime, Jeff Hand offered his usual format resembling a tutorial group with interactive and inclusive exchanges, peppered with gently humorous comments from both Jeff and his group.

With his emphasis on creating entries to dummy and unblocking suits, there were occasional gasps of recognition from the many attendees as plays supporting these techniques were discovered in the hands that Jeff had prepared.

At the end of the class, Jeff said some very kind things about the Bermuda Tournament, that he loved being here and that the hospitality was "beyond".
We hope he knows that those sentiments are entirely reciprocated to him, Gail and the Bridge Sprees Groups.

Finally, you've got to hand it to Jeff for a real hands-on session and give him a huge thumbs up and a high five for his time and insights.
He certainly received a big hand from his audience at the end of the session

In a metaphorical slap on the wrist, the Ed promises a hands - off approach to all further hand metaphors except to say that she's sitting on them.

MID-WEEK MERRIMENT.

How ever your bridge is going this week (and we hope you're winning), here are a few real-life bridge vignettes which will surely bring a smile to any face.

DOWN AND DOWN

During a Women's Swiss Teams event at an Indianapolis Regional, one of the players fell over and twisted her ankle between rounds.
The paramedics were soon on the scene and the following conversation with the injured lady ensued:

Can you hear us?
Yes
Can you tell us what happened?
Yes, I went down in two spades!

OVERHEARD AT A GAME IN MISSOURI AFTER A A BADLY BUNGLED BOARD.

"Hey, Partner, the Partnership Desk never told me exactly when you learned to play bridge. I mean, I know it was today, but what time today?"

OVERHEARD AT A NATIONALS IN HAWAII

"ANOTHER bottom board!
I TOLD you to watch out for those Lavinthal discharges!"

WELL AND TRULY BUSTED!

Losing heavily at a game of rubber bridge in Ohio, a husband-and- wife team decided to develop a system of signals to give them an edge.
"If you want me to bid diamonds, darling, just subtly hold up your ring finger," whispered the husband conspiratorially.

The next time they sat down to play, the opponents opened four spades and the wife casually put her hand on her chest and passed.
So, her husband confidently bid five hearts, whereupon he was doubled and went down for 1700.

As soon as they were alone, the husband snarled, "All you had was a singleton jack of hearts. How could you tell me to bid them?"

Equally apoplectic, the wife bit back, "Don't blame me, you dummy, I was just trying to tell you I had a bust!"

PAST HANDS - YESTERDAY'S BEST
by ROBERT TODD

The Play is the Thing! – The Power of Spot Cards
Dealer: South
Vul: E/W Vul

	♠ 98 ♥ KJT9 ♦ AK943 ♣ 86	
♠ AK762 ♥ 65 ♦ QJ7 ♣ K74		♠ J4 ♥ 742 ♦ T652 ♣ J932
	♠ QT53 ♥ AQ83 ♦ 8 ♣ AQT5	

NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	WEST
		1♣	1♠
X	Pass	3♥	Pass
4♥	All Pass		

You are playing in the Championship Monday- Tuesday Pairs against good competition.

After partner's negative double Opener bids Hearts. Assuming we have a Heart fit, then South can re-evaluate their hand and jump to 3♥. Partner happily raises and you reach a nice 4♥ contact.

The Defense starts off with ♠A, ♠K, and a 3rd round of ♠. How do you take as many tricks as possible and avoid danger?!? (Remember this is matchpoints!)

The play is somewhat simple, but also elegant. Look at the fabulous ♥ spots.

Ruff the 3rd round of ♠. Play ♦A, ♦K, and another ♦, ruffing with the ♥8. Now that ♦ are 4/3, we can set them up. Now play the ♥3 to the ♥T (drawing one round of trump) and ruff a 2nd round of ♦ with the ♥A!! (That is the key play, that unblocks that suit).

Play the ♥Q and overtake it with the ♥K. Use the ♥J to draw the final trump.

Now, cash your final Diamond and make an overtrick, not with a ♣ finesse, but with the ♣A and the now good ♠Q!

11 Tricks, well done! This hand was nicely played and bid by the Alejandro Bianchedi – well done, Ale!

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

TUE MORNING SIDE PAIRS
24.5 Tables

	A	B	C		
6.64	1			Richard Palmer, Fountain Hills AZ; Ruth Weston, Marshfield MA	66.39%
4.98	2			John Atlee Macgregor, Halifax NS; Isabelle Chaplet, Escazu - 1260 Costa Rica	65.07%
3.74	3			Mustafa Cem Tokay, New York NY; David McCreery, East Hampton NY	63.11%
2.80	4			Judith Euler - John Euler, Mooresville NC	61.83%
4.55	5	1		Cynthia Martin, Moorestown NJ; Susan Thompson, Zanesville OH	60.80%
1.58	6			Eugene Franklin Jr, Goldsboro NC; Heather Burling, Newmarket ON	59.47%
3.41	7	2		Zeljko Sokolovic, Oakville ON; Dragan Basta, Toronto ON	55.58%
2.56		3		Deborah Crisfield, Philadelphia PA; Betty Morrison, Warminster PA	55.22%
2.33		4	1	Barbara Burian - Justine Hawley, Fairfield CT	54.66%
1.75		5	2	Katie Rust, Fairfield CT; Anne Cole, Topsham ME	54.66%
1.08		6		Patricia Pacheco, Kansas City KS; Cheryl Diane Patrick, Kansas City MO	53.93%
1.31			3	Duncan Silver, Smiths Hs01 Bermuda; Marion Silver, Smiths Bermuda	52.81%
0.98			4	Maria Wilson - Lynne D'Arville, Nassau Bahamas	49.75%

**There was no need for this, Partner!
Two hearts making six isn't so bad!
A plus is a plus, after all!**

**My husband said that if I attended next year's Bermuda Regional with the girls, he'd leave me.
Gee, I'm sure gonna miss him!**

**What's the difference between my partner and a trampoline?
I remove my shoes before jumping on the trampoline!**

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

TUE MORNING SIDE PAIRS ONLY SESSION

NORTH-SOUTH				SECTION H	EAST-WEST			
A	B	C			A	B	C	
1			Richard Palmer, Fountain Hills AZ; Ruth Weston, Marshfield MA	66.39%	1			John Atlee Macgregor, Halifax NS; Isabelle Chaplet, Escazu - 1260	65.07%
2	1		Cynthia Martin, Moorestown NJ; Susan Thompson, Zanesville OH	60.80%	2			Judith Euler - John Euler, Mooresville NC	61.83%
3			Eugene Franklin Jr, Goldsboro NC; Heather Burling, Newmarket ON	59.47%	3			Mary Lou Flach, Sewickley PA; Carol Bolen, Allison Park PA	54.70%
4	2	1	Barbara Burian - Justine Hawley, Fairfield CT	54.66%	4	1		Belinda Metzger - James Metzger, Darien CT	52.99%
5	3	2	Katie Rust, Fairfield CT; Anne Cole, Topsham ME	54.66%	5	2	1	Duncan Silver, Smiths Hs01 Bermuda; Marion Silver, Smiths Bermuda	52.81%
6			June Bunn, Ft Walton Beach FL; Jo Watford, Niceville FL	53.94%	6			Jeff Hand, New York NY; Susan Berry, Bay Head NJ	52.61%
	4		Maria Wilson - Lynne D'Arville, Nassau Bahamas	49.75%		3		Judy Kleinberger - Maxine Adler, New York NY	50.56%
						4		Glen Dexter - Margie Knickle, Lunenburg NS	50.38%
							2	Judy Niver - David Niver, Danville CA	43.56%

NORTH-SOUTH				SECTION I	EAST-WEST			
A	B	C			A	B	C	
1			Jerry Helms, Charlotte NC; Betty Sue El Gammal, Hoover AL	54.64%	1			Mustafa Cem Tokay, New York NY; David McCreery, East Hampton NY	63.11%
2			Michael Bird - Donna Bird, Wyoming MI	54.23%	2	1		Zeljko Sokolovic, Oakville ON; Dragan Basta, Toronto ON	55.58%
3			Diana Diel, Smith Bermuda; Patricia Siddle, Warwickn Bermuda	53.15%	3	2		Deborah Crisfield, Philadelphia PA; Betty Morrison, Warminster PA	55.22%
4			Robert Todd, Tallahassee FL; Judy Hyde, Memphis TN	52.60%	4	3		Patricia Pacheco, Kansas City KS; Cheryl Diane Patrick, Kansas	53.93%
	1		Janis Humphrey - Chuck Humphrey, Greenville NC	47.61%					
	2		Mary Joseph, Columbia SC; Hansa Patel, West Columbia SC	45.75%					

COCKTAIL HOUR TRUMPS CARD GAME

(a TRUE tale)

submitted by Lisa Burland

Once, at a Southern Regional in the U.S., two women, on the shady side of seventy, started to put on their coats to leave before the end of the session. The Director raced up to them and said," Ladies, you can't leave now. You still have three rounds to play!"

"But we have dates for cocktails and dinner and have to leave immediately," they insisted.

The Director became more adamant: "Now, ladies, you committed yourselves to the entire game when you registered."

At which, one of the southern Belles raised herself to her full height, fixed him with a granite gaze and growled, "Stand aside, honey. At our age, when we get dates for cocktails and dinner, no darned bridge game is getting in our way!"

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

TUESDAY AFT SIDE SWISS
9 Tables

	A	B	C		
3.55	1	1		Cynthia Martin, Moorestown NJ; Susan Thompson, Zanesville OH; Georgia Pope - Nancy Marion, Bonita Springs FL	66.00
2.66	2	2		Donald Duncan - Melody Purdy, Ottawa ON; Suzanne Maurice, Gloucester ON; Kathryn Jensen, Toronto ON	50.00
2.00	3	3	1	Sue Palmer - Barbara Ryon - Ann O'Kelley - Pamela Gladysz, Fort Worth TX	47.00
1.50	4			J Mark Siegrist, Gloucester ON; Maureen McCann, Arnprior ON; Marg Willis, Nepean ON; Dave Willis, Orleans ON	40.00

MON-TUE AFT A/X PAIRS
9.0 Tables / Based on 16 Tables

	A	X		
11.38	1		Susan Berry, Bay Head NJ; Jeff Hand, New York NY	60.57%
8.54	2	1	Elizabeth McKee, Devonshire Bermuda; Magda Farag, Smiths Parish Bermuda	57.14%
6.40	3	2	June Bunn, Ft Walton Beach FL; Jo Watford, Niceville FL	55.80%
4.80	4		Stephanie Flinn, Hobe Sound FL; Kevin Bathurst, Palm Bch Gdns FL	54.91%
3.84	5	3	Sheila Pechinski, Scarborough ME; Greg Winkler, Centerville MA	54.76%
2.88		4	Richard Palmer, Fountain Hills AZ; Ruth Weston, Marshfield MA	53.27%

MON-TUE AFT B/C PAIRS
14.0 Tables / Based on 12 Tables

	B	C	D		
7.22	1	1		Lorna Anderson, Saint George Bermuda; Heather Woolf, Paget Bermuda	59.44%
5.42	2	2		Mary Lyons Scott, Hanover NH; Nancy Fleming, Exeter NH	58.65%
4.06	3			Michael Bird - Donna Bird, Wyoming MI	57.03%
3.05	4	3	1	Maria Wilson - Lynne D'Arville, Nassau Bahamas	56.38%
2.41	5	4	2	Claude Guay - Sharon Shanahan, Hamilton Bermuda	53.03%
2.10	6	5	3	Linda Kee Hawfield - Ben Hawfield, Charlotte NC	52.70%
1.20		6	4	Mike Dawson - Joann Dawson, Aylmer ON	52.07%
2.73			5	Geoff Bell, Paget Bermuda; Martha Ferguson, Hamilton Bermuda	51.29%

TUE AFT 199ER PAIRS
5.0 Tables

	A	B	C		
1.86	1			Duncan Silver, Smiths Hs01 Bermuda; Marion Silver, Smiths Bermuda	78.75%
1.52	2	1		Alice George - Betty Morrison, Warminster PA	69.38%
1.05	3			Susan Adhemar - Peter Adhemar, Flatts Fl Bx Bermuda	60.00%
1.14	4	2		Tracey Pitt, Paget Bermuda; Dorea Grant, St George Bermuda	50.00%

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

MON-TUE AFT A/X PAIRS 2ND OF 2 SESSION

NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION G	EAST-WEST			
A	X			A	X		
1		Susan Berry, Bay Head NJ; Jeff Hand, New York NY	67.26%	1	1	Sheila Pechinski, Scarborough ME; Greg Winkler, Centerville MA	59.23%
2	1	Elizabeth McKee, Devonshire Bermuda; Magda Farag, Smiths Parish Bermuda	54.46%	2	2	June Bunn, Ft Walton Beach FL; Jo Watford, Niceville FL	56.55%
3		Stephanie Flinn, Hobe Sound FL; Kevin Bathurst, Palm Bch Gdns FL	52.38%	3/4		Lannetta Schmidt - Katherine Hawker, Baltimore MD	54.17%
4	2	Richard Palmer, Fountain Hills AZ; Ruth Weston, Marshfield MA	51.79%	3/4		Steven Ackerman, Essex Junction VT; Susan Collinson, South Hero VT	54.17%

MON-TUE AFT B/C PAIRS 2ND OF 2 SESSION

NORTH-SOUTH				SECTION H	EAST-WEST				
B	C	D			B	C	D		
1			Katie Rust, Fairfield CT; Anne Cole, Topsham ME	64.74%	1	1		Mary Lyons Scott, Hanover NH; Nancy Fleming, Exeter NH	66.35%
2	1		Lorna Anderson, Saint George Bermuda; Heather Woolf, Paget Bermuda	61.22%	2	2	1	Maria Wilson - Lynne D'Arville, Nassau Bahamas	65.22%
3			Michael Geisinger - Irene Geisinger, Westbury NY	58.49%	3	3	2	Hansa Patel, West Columbia SC; Mary Joseph, Columbia SC	59.29%
4	2	1	Janis Humphrey - Chuck Humphrey, Greenville NC	54.65%	4	4		Beverly Basile, Chestnut Hill MA; Rosanne Catarius,	55.13%
5	3		Belinda Metzger - James Metzger, Darien CT	54.49%	5	5	3	Claude Guay - Sharon Shanahan, Hamilton Bermuda	53.85%
6			Michael Bird - Donna Bird, Wyoming MI	53.53%	6		4	Aida Bostelmann, Paget Bermuda; Allyson Eadie, Bermuda Bermuda	50.48%
	4	2	Mike Dawson - Joann Dawson, Aylmer ON	53.04%					
		3	Georganne Mackaronis, Winston Salem NC; Regina Doorn, Los Alamos NM	46.47%					

TUE AFT 199ER PAIRS

NORTH-SOUTH				SECTION F	EAST-WEST				
A	B	C			A	B	C		
1			Duncan Silver, Smiths Hs01 Bermuda; Marion Silver, Smiths Bermuda	78.75%	1	1		Alice George - Betty Morrison, Warminster PA	69.38%
2	1		Tracey Pitt, Paget Bermuda; Dorea Grant, St George Bermuda	50.00%	2			Susan Adhemar - Peter Adhemar, Flatts Fl Bx Bermuda	60.00%
	2		Carol Eastham, Southampton Bermuda; Veronica Boyce,	45.63%					

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

MON-TUE EVE A/X PAIRS
8.0 Tables / Based on 47 Tables

	A	X		
24.94	1		Alejandro Bianchedi, Buenos Aires Argentina; Perla Sultan, Aventura FL	61.26%
18.71	2		Radu Nistor, Aventura FL; Barbara McLendon, New York NY	55.23%
14.03	3		Sue Lan Ma, Akron OH; Peter Petruzzellis, Scarborough ON	55.18%
10.60	4	1	Raluca Nistor, Aventura FL; Sarmiza Dobrescu, Woodside NY	55.16%
8.31	5		David Cordon, Warwick Bermuda; Bill Souster, Newport Gwent	53.67%
7.95		2	Peter Giannandrea, Port Hope ON; Claude King, Mississauga ON	49.43%
5.96		3	Steven Ackerman, Essex Junction VT; Susan Collinson, South Hero VT	46.28%

MON-TUE EVE B/C PAIRS
11.0 Tables / Based on 39 Tables

	B	C		
16.08	1		Stephanie Kyme, Pembroke Bermuda; Charles Hall, Smiths Parish Bermuda	60.84%
12.06	2		Deborah Crisfield, Philadelphia PA; Cyndi Sauvage, Englewood CO	57.50%
9.05	3		Gertrude Barker, Warwick Bermuda; Jane Smith, Southampton. Bermuda	56.02%
6.78	4		Allan Chernov, Irving TX; John Luebkemann, Aubrey TX	53.55%
5.36	5		Maureen McCann, Arnprior ON; Marg Willis, Nepean ON	51.63%
4.82		1	Dawne Griffiths - Caryl Marcellus, Toronto ON	51.56%
3.62		2	Carolyn Overland, Toronto ON; Daniele Panayotatos, Orangeburg NY	50.45%

MON-TUE EVE GR PAIRS
10.0 Tables

	7	3		
4.59	1		Maria Wilson - Lynne D'Arville, Nassau Bahamas	60.59%
3.44	2		Jose Marshall - Grace Paterson, Halifax NS	57.78%
2.60	3		Mike Dawson - Joann Dawson, Aylmer ON	56.61%
1.94	4		Susan Salek, Chicago IL; Ann Johnson, Morristown NJ	56.00%
1.53	5		Betsy Baillie, Warwick Bermuda; Delton Outerbridge, Paget Bermuda	54.03%
1.31	6		Regina Doorn, Los Alamos NM; Georganne Mackaronis, Winston Salem NC	53.68%
2.56		1	Sandy Walker, Nassau Bahamas; Jane Iredale, Gt Barrington MA	51.35%
1.92		2	James Mulderig, Saint Simons GA; Robert Mulderig, Saint Simons Is GA	46.20%

TUE EVE 199ER PAIRS
6.0 Tables

	A	B	C		
1.98	1	1		Elaine Stevens, Pembroke Bermuda; Lisa Rhind, Smiths Parish Bermuda	58.75%
1.53	2	2	1	Ben Stone, Hamilton Parish Bermuda; James Fielding, Paget Bermuda	58.55%
1.15	3	3	2	Caitlin Conyers, Pembroke Bermuda; Erika Jones, Southampton Bermuda	55.48%
0.86	4	4	3	Joshimar Hussey - Julia Tadman, Hamilton Bermuda	55.16%
0.65			4	Tracey Pitt, Paget Bermuda; Desiree Woods, Southampton Bermuda	52.04%

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

MON-TUE EVE A/X PAIRS SECOND SESSION

NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION G	EAST-WEST		
A	X			A	X	
1		Jeff Hand - Gail Greenberg, New York NY	57.74%	1		Sue Lan Ma, Akron OH; Peter Petruzzellis, Scarborough ON 62.80%
2		Radu Nistor, Aventura FL; Barbara McLendon, New York NY	55.95%	2		Alejandro Bianchedi, Buenos Aires Argentina; Perla Sultan, Aventura FL 55.06%
3	1	Raluca Nistor, Aventura FL; Sarmiza Dobrescu, Woodside NY	54.76%	3		David Cordon, Warwick Bermuda; Bill Souster, Newport Gwent 54.17%
					1	Steven Ackerman, Essex Junction VT; Susan Collinson, South Hero VT 53.27%
					2	Peter Giannandrea, Port Hope ON; Claude King, Mississauga ON 50.60%

MON-TUE EVE B/C PAIRS SECOND SESSION

NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION E	EAST-WEST		
B	C			B	C	
1		Stephanie Kyme, Pembroke Bermuda; Charles Hall, Smiths Parish Bermuda	60.67%	1		Deborah Crisfield, Philadelphia PA; Cyndi Sauvage, Englewood CO 56.66%
2	1	Dawne Griffiths - Caryl Marcellus, Toronto ON	60.26%	2		Maureen McCann, Arnprior ON; Marg Willis, Nepean ON 55.04%
3		Allan Chernov, Irving TX; John Luebkemann, Aubrey TX	56.51%	3		Margot Loren - Natalie Silverstein, Toronto ON 54.35%
4		Glen Dexter, Lunenburg NS; Isabelle Chaplet, Escazu - 1260 Costa Rica	55.45%	4		Gertrude Barker, Warwick Bermuda; Jane Smith, Southampton. Bermuda 54.01%
					1	David Niver - Judy Niver, Danville CA 47.25%

MON-TUE EVE GR PAIRS SECOND SESSION

NORTH-SOUTH			SECTION H	EAST-WEST		
7	3			7	3	
1		Maria Wilson - Lynne D'Arville, Nassau Bahamas	70.03%	1		Mike Dawson - Joann Dawson, Aylmer ON 60.44%
2		Susan Salek, Chicago IL; Ann Johnson, Morristown NJ	60.39%	2		Regina Doorn, Los Alamos NM; Georganne Mackaronis, Winston Salem NC 58.75%
3		Jose Marshall - Grace Paterson, Halifax NS	56.30%	3		Betsy Baillie, Warwick Bermuda; Delton Outerbridge, Paget Bermuda 54.12%
4		Linda Kee Hawfield - Ben Hawfield, Charlotte NC	50.18%	4		Judy King, Warwick Bermuda; Stephen Cosham, St Georges Bermuda 53.88%
	1	Kimberly Bassett - Janet Nelson, Charlotte NC	46.78%			
					1	Sandy Walker, Nassau Bahamas; Jane Iredale, Gt Barrington MA 52.93%

TUE EVE 199ER PAIRS

NORTH-SOUTH				SECTION F	EAST-WEST			
A	B	C			A	B	C	
1	1		Elaine Stevens, Pembroke Bermuda; Lisa Rhind, Smiths Parish 58.75%		1	1	1	Ben Stone, Hamilton Parish Bermuda; James Fielding, Paget Bermuda 58.55%
2	2	1	Joshimar Hussey - Julia Tadman, Hamilton Bermuda 55.16%		2	2	2	Caitlin Conyers, Pembroke Bermuda; Erika Jones, Southampton Bermuda 55.48%
		2	Tracey Pitt, Paget Bermuda; Desiree Woods, Southampton Bermuda 52.04%					

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

MON-THU AFT KO-1

7 Tables

Bill Souster, Newport Gwent ; Alan Godes, Needham MA; Dee Lindon - Peter Lindon, Buckinghamshire England

vs

Rachael Gosling, Paget Bermuda; Robert Todd, Tallahassee FL; Perla Sultan, Aventura FL; Alejandro Bianchedi, Buenos Aires Argentina

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MON-THU AFT KO-2

9 Tables

Lynanne Bolton - Peter Donnellan, Warwick Bermuda; Allan Chernov, Irving TX; John Luebkemann, Aubrey TX

vs

Amy Mackoul - Andrea Luckey, Kinnelon NJ; Barbara Fingerhut, Clifton NJ; Marlene Case, Stony Point NY

Carolyn Overland - Margot Loren - Natalie Silverstein, Toronto ON; Daniele Panayotatos, Orangeburg NY

vs

Isabelle Chaplet, Escazu - 1260 Costa Rica; John Atlee Macgregor, Halifax NS; Margie Knickle - Glen Dexter, Lunenburg NS

OUT AND ABOUT AT REGIONAL '25

THE BIG CHILLAX

What with the Bermuda Regional's extensive late-night hospitality when Bridge players after midnight become uncharacteristically convivial, our Tournament is sometimes referred to as "The Regional that Never Sleeps"! Well, local fave, Margie Way, was having none of that and grabbed her forty winks between sessions on a very comfortable-looking chair. Way to go, Margie Way!

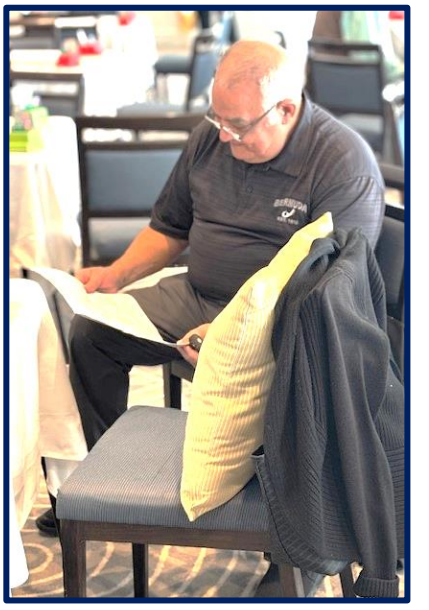
Please note that this pic has been included in the Rag with Margie's full permission and support – she's always been a sport!

SOCK IT TO 'EM, DANIELLE!

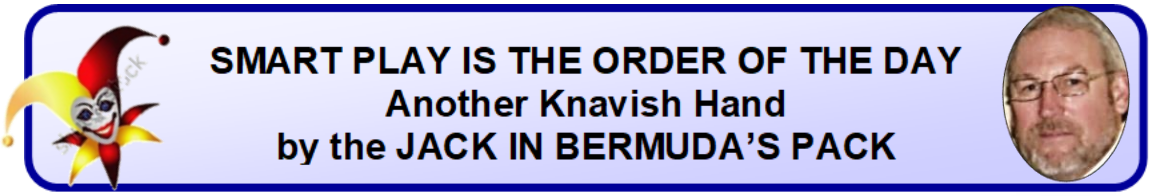
As you all are by now aware, the Bermuda Regional prides itself on its elegance and suaveness of dress and Daniele Favre-Panayotatos, a frequent attendee from New York, took this dress-code to new, zany heights this week.

We applaud her originality of footwear and her willingness to dress outside the box, but, considering our nod to James Bond glamour in our dress code, we are having some difficulty in envisaging Honey Ryder or Pussy Galore in a pair of these!

Meanwhile, another local fave, Victor Farag, was spotted getting his fix of classic literature, pouring over the daily bulletin, absorbed in the drama of it all. What a well-read man he is!



President of the A.C.B.L., Margot Hennings, meets and greets Bridge Players at tea yesterday. As she had remembered fondly the "delicious teas" from her first visit to Bermuda years ago, We hope that yesterday's fare also did the trick!



Dealer: S EW Vul.

♠A 5 3 2
♥Q J 10 4
♦9 6 5
♣4 2

♠9 4
♥9 8
♦K J 3 2
♣A 9 8 6 3

♠6
♥K 7 6 5 2
♦Q 10 8
♣Q J 10 5

♠K Q J 10 8 7
♥A 3
♦A 7 4
♣K 7

West	North	East	South
—	—	—	1♠
Pass	2♠	Pass	4♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	

This deal was used in an intermediate class on play. The bidding was designated to be the same at every table, as was the lead – the nine of hearts.

At one table, the heart was covered by the queen, king, and ace. Declarer drew trumps with his king and dummy's ace then led a club from dummy. The defenders took two clubs and had to make a diamond trick: four spades making.

At a second table, the nine of hearts was again covered by the queen but, here, East was cannier, playing the two of hearts. Then declarer had to lose two clubs and two diamonds for a one-trick set.

The correct play was found at a third table. Declarer played the four of hearts from dummy at trick one. After taking his ace of hearts, declarer drew trumps with the king and queen then played his remaining heart to dummy's ten and East's king. East's continuation of the queen of clubs was covered by the king and ace. After winning the club continuation with the ten, East shifted to the ten of diamonds. Declarer won with the ace and crossed to dummy with a trump to the ace to throw his losing diamonds on the queen and jack of hearts. Smart play, huh?

EARLY MASTER POINT RACE UPDATE
The Top Twenty on the Trail of the Trophies

Please note that these tables represent master points earned **IN TROPHY EVENTS ONLY, so please don't harass the Directors or the Ed if these lists don't reflect your OVERALL Masterpoint score**. For a list of **MASTERPOINTS EARNED OVERALL, please consult the ACBL Live website.**

Visitors' Scores in Trophy Events, as of Tuesday Evening
The Maude Lines Trophy

1	51.01	Perla Sultan, Aventura FL
2	51.01	Alejandro Bianchedi, New York NY
3	31.62	Barbara McLendon, New York NY
4	31.62	Radu Nistor, Aventura FL
5	26.27	Jeff Hand, New York NY
6	26.27	Gail Greenberg, New York NY
7	21.57	Sarmiza Dobrescu, Woodside NY
8	21.57	Raluca Nistor, Aventura FL
9	20.63	Kevin Bathurst, Palm Bch Gdns FL
10	20.63	Stephanie Flinn, Hobe Sound FL
11	18.27	Isabelle Chaplet, Escazu - 1260
12	17.60	Allan Chernov, Irving TX
13	17.46	John Atlee Macgregor, Halifax NS
14	15.99	Kathleen Clay, Wellesley MA
15	15.99	Peter Clay, Wellesley MA
16	15.42	Peter Petruzzellis, Scarborough ON
17	15.42	Sue Lan Ma, Akron OH
18	14.63	Hope Furth, White Plains NY
19	14.63	Susan Sekulow, Rye NY
20	13.12	Robert Todd, Tallahassee FL

Total Masterpoints reported: 460.73
Players selected: 20 out of 273

Visiting Juniors' Scores as of Tuesday Evening
The Longtail Trophy

1	11.85	Susan Berry, Bay Head NJ
2	11.10	Lynne D'Arville, Nassau
3	6.98	Jane Iredale, Gt Barrington MA
4	6.82	Barbara Ryon, Fort Worth TX
5	6.53	Betty Morrison, Warminster PA
6	5.41	Justine Hawley, Fairfield CT
7	3.82	Elisabeth Fishbach, Old Westbury NY
8	3.80	Joann Dawson, Aylmer ON
9	2.84	Victor Huang, Toronto ON
10	2.76	Peter Fishbach, Old Westbury NY
11	2.45	Shawn McLaughlin, Ambler PA
12	2.13	Alice George, Warminster PA
13	1.98	Elaine Albert, Boynton Beach FL
14	1.98	Peter Albert, Boynton Beach FL
15	1.97	Pamela Yih, Penn Valley PA
16	1.92	Robert Mulderig, Saint Simons Is GA
17	1.92	James Mulderig, Saint Simons GA
18	1.53	Patricia Walsh, Blue Bell PA
19	1.31	Michael Moriarty, Toronto ON
20	1.14	C. Alicia Clelland, Clifton VAT

Total Masterpoints reported: 80.24
Players selected: 20 out of 273

Bermudians' Scores inTrophy Events, as of Tuesday Evening
The Norman Bach Trophy

1	16.71	Charles Hall, Smiths Parish
2	16.08	Stephanie Kyme, Pembroke
3	12.14	Gertrude Barker, Warwick
4	11.95	Judith Bussell, Devonshire
5	9.89	Jane Smith, Southampton.
6	9.36	David Cordon, Warwick
7	8.41	Peter Donnellan, Warwick
8	8.41	Lynanne Bolton, Warwick
9	7.03	Richard Gray, Southampton
10	7.03	Wendy Gray, Southampton
11	7.02	Delton Outerbridge, Paget
12	6.09	Sancia Garrison, Warwick
13	5.37	Stephen Cosham, St Georges
14	5.37	Judy King, Warwick
15	4.73	Heather Woolf, Paget
16	4.57	Betsy Baillie, Warwick
17	4.57	Lisa Ferrari, Smiths Fl08
18	4.57	Sharon Shanahan, Hamilton
19	4.57	Claude Guay, Hamilton
20	4.08	John F. W. Glynn, Paget

Total Masterpoints reported: 157.95
Players selected: 20 out of 273

Bermudian Juniors' Scores in as of Tuesday Evening
The Karl Stanley Hicks Trophy

1	8.55	Delton Outerbridge, Paget
2	5.93	Marion Silver, Smiths
3	5.93	Duncan Silver, Smiths Hs01
4	5.87	Joshimar Hussey, Hamilton
5	5.87	Julia Tadman, Hamilton
6	4.30	Peter Adhemar, Flatts Fl Bx
7	4.30	Susan Adhemar, Flatts Fl Bx
8	3.39	Edward Ferrari-Willis, Smiths
9	3.39	Jaime Ferrari-Mccomb, Smiths
10	2.94	Tracey Pitt, Paget
11	2.82	Lisa Rhind, Smiths Parish
12	2.06	Allyson Eadie, Bermuda
13	1.98	Elaine Stevens, Pembroke
14	1.80	Desiree Woods, Southampton
15	1.71	Veronica Boyce, Hamilton
16	1.71	Carol Eastham, Southampton
17	1.61	Jane Downing, Mangrove Bay
18	1.61	Jamie Sapsford, St George
19	1.53	James Fielding, Paget
20	1.53	Ben Stone, Hamilton Parish

Total Masterpoints reported: 68.83
Players selected: 20 out of 273

FRIENDLY ADVICE FROM THE TWICE AS NICE

TODAY'S PROGRAMME

WEDNESDAY, January 29th
9:30 a.m.
The Stratflighted Pairs AX/BC
(Session 1 of 2 – *continues tomorrow morning)*
The Bermuda Gold Rush Pairs **(**0-750 points)
(Session1 of 2)
(continues tomorrow morning)
Open Side Game – Paget Series (Session 2 of 3)
(continues tomorrow morning)
199er Game (0-199 points)

12:45 p.m.
Revelations
Panel Show in the Trudeau Room
With The Prophet, Gail Greenberg and Robert Todd

2:00 p.m.
The Championship Bracketed KO Teams
(Session 3 of 4 – *continues tomorrow afternoon)*
Swiss Teams 3 (Session 1 of 2)
(continues tomorrow afternoon)
Stratiflighted Pairs AXB/CD
(Session 1 of 2)
(continues tomorrow afternoon
199er Game (0-199 points)

5:00 p.m.
Tea in Trudeau

Senior Trophy events in bold

TOMORROW'S PROGRAMME- PLAN AHEAD FOR

THURSDAY, January 30th
9:30 a.m.
The Stratflighted Pairs AX/BC
(Session 2 of 2)
The Bermuda Gold Rush Pairs 2 **(**0-750 points)
(Session2 of 2)
Open Side Game – Paget Series (Session 3 of 3)
(finishes tomorrow morning)
199er Game (0-199 points)

12:45 p.m.
Hot Toddy in the Trudeau Room

2:00 p.m.
The Championship Bracketed KO Teams
(Session 4 of 4)
Swiss Teams 3 (Session 2 of 2)
Stratiflighted Pairs AXB/CD *(Session 2 of 2)*
199er Game (0-199 points)

5:00 p.m.
Tea in Trudeau

Senior Trophy events in bold

ANCHORS AWEIGH! H.M.S. GALA DINNER/DANCE ABOUT TO SAIL

If you wish to attend the Gala Bash on Friday in the Princess Rooms, you MUST sign up THIS MORNING!
Please make any special dietary requirements known now!

"I'm late! I'm late!
I'll miss that Banquet date!

The Twice as Nicers will willingly throw you a life line if you take the plunge NOW, but you must sign the passenger manifest IMMEDIATELY and then be prepared to get into the swim of things on Friday night, if not go completely overboard on that dance floor.

The ticket price of £125.89 includes grats, two complimentary cocktails, and entry into the Gala Raffle.

THE HASTY TASTY EXPRESS LUNCH SPECIAL THURSDAY'S MENU

For maximum speed between games, pre-order a soup and sandwich special combo.
MUST BE ORDERED A DAY IN ADVANCE
Pick up order form from the Hospitality Desk; paid for as a charge to your room.
Non-residents may pay with cash or card.
All prices inclusive of grats

Soup Only	**$13**
Sandwich Only	**$15**
Soup and Half Sandwich Combo	**$18**
Soup and Full Sandwich Combo	**$23**

THURSDAY'S MENU
Leek and Potato Soup OR
Tomato Bisque

Tuna Salad Sandwich OR
Turkey, Swiss Cheese and Lettuce Sandwich

Gluten-free options are available – just indicate at sign-up.
Pick-Up outside the playing area