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WELCOME AND BIG WHOOPS TO THIS YEAR'S VISITING GROUPS

New Friends from the Old North State

Last year, six players from Charlotte, North Carolina came to the Bermuda Regional for the first time and loved it so much that this year they arranged a group of 48 to return!
Mother Nature, however, had other ideas and many were unable to come because of atrocious weather conditions on the eastern seaboard.
Group organiser, Judith Gaines, couldn't even get out of her driveway, and so has to direct operations via e-mail or whatsapp and we thank her for her efforts to stay in touch.
This group is the largest ever from North Carolina ever to attend an out of country regional tournament and we are deeply honoured that they have chosen Bermuda to set this historic standard,
and very grateful that they persevered in getting here.
Thank you all so much for coming and,
we're ordering in advance much better weather for your return next year.

Old Friends from the Old Bay State

The Bermuda Regional has welcomed groups of players from Massachusetts for as long as anybody can remember, led for many years by the wonderful Margie Sullivan, who recently passed.

They have traditionally had a long-standing relationship with a local small hotel so they stay there, but they attend our Bridge sessions every day and we are thrilled to see them back here again in 2026.

Quite simply, our Regional would not be the same without these Cape Codders, so we welcome them back warmly and thank them for all their support over the years.

Margie would be proud.

New Friends from the Volunteer State

This lovely group from Tennessee is mostly comprised of newcomers to our Tournament.
They are (L to R) Barbara Bogumill, Phyliss Murray, Janet Mobley, Ken Willis,
Carol Kirk and Susan Badwell.
We welcome them heartily to Bermuda and hope that they will keep coming back to see us.
One thing, though – the state drink of Tennessee is MILK, so they'll have to brace themselves mightily when they come up against the Bermudian Dark and Stormy, which is just like milk to many a Bermudian.

New Friends form Dixieland

This delightful group from the U.S. is a mixture of people who have attended our tournament in the past and newcomers who – er – haven't.
They are (L to R) Susan Chapman, Cindy Wilson, Terri Liles, Stephanie Craft (twice here) and Chris Stephens (five times here).
We are so glad that they have left their sweet home in Alabama
to join us this week and hope that they will follow five-timer Chris's lead and come back time after time.

WINNERS WINNERS EVERYWHERE

The Ninja Avengers, AKA Judy King (L) and Martha Ferguson ruled Section B of the Tuesday Aft Side Game and we say in trepidation, "You go, girls!"

In a slightly more sober pic, because he's a man with a uniform, Judy King and Steve Cosham celebrated a good as gold performance in Flight A of Tuesday's Gold Rush Pairs. Hooray for them!

THE COMMITTEE THAT NEVER SLEEPS

Here, in all their glory, is your Bermuda Regional Committee, 2026, the members of which have worked tirelessly this week to give you as good a time as possible under the most severe meteorological conditions.

If I only had a dollar for every time I've heard, "I'm running on empty", I'd be having a fabulous time in some ritzy destination like Bermuda. Oh, wait - I AM!

Every one of them has done a fabulous job and can, without doubt, be congratulated on running an extremely successful tournament. If they can pull off this coup in a year like this, imagine the Grand Slam of an event it will be in 2027, a year that rhymes very promisingly with "heaven"!

THE A.C.B.L. EDUCATIONAL FUND

Trustee John Luebkemann, President Robert Todd and Trustee Danielle Favre-Panayotatos are all members of the board of the directors of the ACBL Educational Foundation.
The Foundation is a 501c (3) non-profit organization that provides grants and runs programs that supports the long term good of bridge.
The Foundation has a heavy focus on helping teachers create new bridge players and support youth and young adult bridge.
Some of the Foundation's programs focused on youth are Bridgewhiz, and Jump Start Bridge which is a new initiative that in 2024, through the hard work of Patty Tucker and others, signed up over 13,000 kids to learn bridge.

REVELATIONS: YESTERDAY'S PANEL SHOW

You would have counted yourself extremely fortunate to have been among the large number of attendees at the Wednesday lunchtime Prophet's Panel Show for you were privileged to hear the advice on a number of topics from a truly distinguished panel: the Prophet, whose credentials speak for themselves, Gail Greenberg, five-time World Champion amongst other honours; Jeff Hand, a celebrated teacher and organiser of spectacular Bridge events; and Robert Todd, the young blood who's added his expertise and energy to the rich mix of Bermuda Bridge's educational programme.

The vibe was electric with questions firing from the audience and receiving expert and sometimes varied expert opinions from all four panellists.

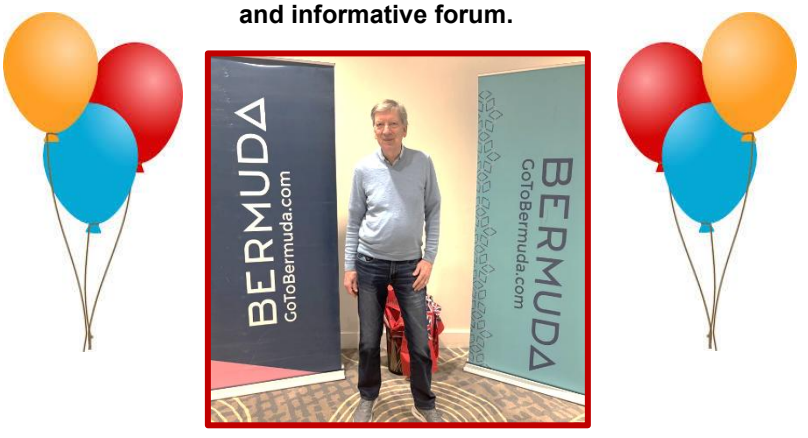
It might look like all sweetness and light for the photograph but there was certainly healthy and lively disagreement during the discussion.

What with all the bridge wisdom crackling about, there was no time at all for any of the Prophet's hoary gags or wheezes, so this one has been dug up from the archive:

On one occasion, when the Prophet was commentating on an international game with Edgar Kaplan and a third commentator, they waited so long for the Pakistanis to make a lead that the third commentator was obliged to fill in and ask Kaplan what he would lead in the circumstance.

Holding the ♦AK, Kaplan replied, "I'd lead out the Ace of Diamonds just to get a look at Dummy." To which the Prophet, with the speed of the ages, joked, "They let you look at Dummy whatever you lead, Edgar!"

Thanks to this Quality Quartet for a fun and informative forum.



Apologies to Nico Panayotatos whose birthday it is today and not yesterday as advertised in the Bulletin. So sorry to have shortened such a life by one day!

TROPHY TRIVIA

In Bulletin 3, you were introduced to one of Bermuda's many natural wonders – her famous pink sand; however, these islands boast so much more of Nature's beauty, two examples of which you will discover reflected in some of the trophies you might be lucky (and skilled) enough to win this week.

The Bermuda Longtail bird, unlike the Cahow, is not endemic to Bermuda but has certainly become our 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 for this winged wonder – the junior individual visitor's trophy - 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 (cute, eh?).

The Bermuda REGIONAL

At one time in Bermuda's history, the mighty cedar tree was the dominant endemic tree of these islands and formed woodland that covered much of the terrain; however, scale insects, accidentally introduced from the US mainland during World War II, devastated the forests, killing over 99% of the Bermuda cedar. Since then, the salt-tolerant Casuarina has been planted as a replacement species, although a small number of Bermuda cedars still survive having developed resistance to the insects which destroyed the others.

The cost of Bermuda cedar reflects both its scarcity and its worth and the smell of it is divine, giving a whole new meaning to a high score – sniffing this wood makes you delirious, a true Bermuda High. The bases supporting some of the trophies to be won this week are crafted from this rarity, lending even greater lustre to the glory of victory.

The Bermuda REGIONAL

BERMUDA
so much more

Terry and Lesley's Marvellous Machine Playbridgedealer4

This is the machine that has dealt all your cards this week (good or bad – don't blame the machine!) and the owners of the Company which produces the machine, Terry and Lesley Collier, are here operating it (don't blame THEM for your cards, either!). They are happy to meet with anyone who has questions about this marvellous machine (in particular, how to keep it in tip-top condition) and will be in the Churchill Room (next to the Tea Room) at 6 p.m. on Thursday. Just pop by.

Here are Terry and Lesley, not their marvellous machine nor AI versions of themselves. They are able to relax in this way because their marvellous machine is doing all the work for them.

THE HASTY TASTY EXPRESS LUNCH SPECIAL TOMORROW'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	$12.50
Sandwich Only	$13.50
Soup and Half Sandwich Combo	$17
Soup and Full Sandwich Combo	$21

FRIDAY'S MENU
Tomato Bisque OR Leek and Potato Soup

Tuna Salad Sandwich OR Ham and Cheese Sandwich

Gluten-free options are available – just indicate at sign-up.
Pick-Up outside Playing Room 12:15 p.m.

Ode to Bridge

I'm giving up bridge - tonight's my last night,
It's Amen to Staymen, I give up the fight.
The insults and muddles are giving me troubles;
I can't sleep at night for remembering doubles.

What to bid, what to lead, and which cards have been played?
Did my partner's discard mean she wanted a spade?
So for now it's all over - I'm off to the backwood,
I'm bidding good riddance to Gerber and Blackwood.

I can't stand the hassle, I can't stand the pain,
I'm getting those bad cards again and again.
I'm giving up bridge - tonight's a bad night,
Declarer is horrid and nothing's gone right.

My partner's quite hopeless but tends to blame me,
When we go down in four and we should be in three.
And I sit there in dread when I hear her say "double",
She does it a lot and it always means trouble.

My points are not high, and I'm wondering why,
She keeps on and on bidding right up to the sky;
We're in seven hearts and my nerves are all frayed,
When wonder of wonders - the contract is made!

We've got all the tricks, the defenders look grey,
And I have to admit that my partner's okay.
But ... I'm giving up bridge - tonight's my last night,
Farewell to conventions, I give up the fight!

So I end with some words that I know to be true,
Bridge is a game, not for me but for you.
So be kind to your partners, and don't mind their cheek,
For it's only a game - oh! and see you next week!

The return to paper bulletins for the Daily Rag has been nothing short of an emotional event for many of you and local favourite and well-known reader of classic literature, Victor Farag, was spotted eagerly devouring this year's first printed version. Online versions are still available on the Regional website, or by using the many QR codes dotted around the playing area!

ANOTHER RIGHT HAND OF THE PROPHET

Although the Prophet has already communicated with you through the medium of his panel show and this bulletin this week, the Chosen One is keen to reveal himself further, not in a burning bush in these eco-friendly days, but in this equally red-hot hand from ages past. And he wants to test and sharpen your bridge wits ....

This hand is a quiz for you and you can be sure that, at the table, 95% of advanced players will get it wrong and probably 75% of the 'better' players will join them !

Well, you're not at the table now, so take your time and come up with your answer before looking at all four hands.

You open a strong 2 Clubs with the North hand, partner bids 2 Hearts to show a bust and you jump to 4 Spades.
The defence starts by cashing 3 hearts and then switches to a diamond - over to you.

You don't have many choices, so you should get there! Trumps break kindly.

At the table many will win the diamond and run five spades hoping for someone to throw a club, and then eventually play the clubs – and go one down ☺

♠ AKQJ10
♥ 852
♦ A
♣ AKQ2

♠ 432
♥ 743
♦ J985
♣ 654

Now see if you can find the play looking at all FOUR hands

	♠ AKQJ10 ♥ 852 ♦ A ♣AKQ2	
♠ 65 ♥ QJ96 ♦ K10432 ♣ 93		♠ 987 ♥AK10 ♦Q76 ♣J1087
	♠ 432 ♥ 743 ♦ J985 ♣ 654	

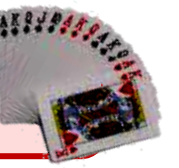
Do you see it now? The success of the hand revolves around the club suit – if they are 3-3, all is well, but what if they are 4-2 or 5-1? You need to be brave on this – the defender with the long clubs may be the one with the three trumps, so win the diamond, draw only 2 rounds of trumps and now play the Ace-King-Queen of clubs. When West can't ruff the third one, you ruff your fourth club in dummy and claim 10 tricks. If the third club gets ruffed, you were going down anyway if you had drawn trumps, so it's pay me now or pay me later.

So, you now SEE the play – the next challenge is to have the guts to MAKE the play at the table.
May courage be unto you – amen!

Another of our small groups this year comes for the first time from Prince Edward Island, Canada. You might recognize Sheila on the left from an earlier bulletin and a rather comfortable couch outside the Playing Area!

We welcome these newcomers, thank them for coming and hope they come again next year.

PAST HANDS - YESTERDAY'S BEST
BY ROBERT TODD



Counting Tricks

Dealer: East
Vul: All Vul

	♠ AKJ9432 ♥ J9 ♦ -- ♣ T764	
♠ T ♥ KT872 ♦ Q974 ♣ 952		♠ 8765 ♥ 543 ♦ KJT65 ♣ J
	♠ Q ♥ AQ6 ♦ A832 ♣ AKQ83	

NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	WEST
			Pass
3♠	Pass	4NT	Pass
5♥	Pass	7♠!	

This hand from Tuesday Afternoon KO gives an opportunity to help use preempts to reach to a good slam.

North opens 3♠ vulnerable in the 2nd seat. Knowing this, South can count on North to have a good suit. They ask for Keycards (either using 4NT or 4♣) and find out Opener has a good 7-card suit.

Now it is time to stop and think. South can count at 7 Spade tricks, 1 Heart trick, 1 Diamond trick, and at least 3 Club tricks. That is 12 tricks.

Declarer could settle for just the small slam. But that is lazy. With ♣AKQxx in dummy we can expect that the last Club will setup – either by establishing it or by ruffing the suit out.

Even if the worst-case scenario, where one player has 5-cards in the Club suit, we may still be able to make the hand by taking the Heart finesse. That is an excellent grand slam (especially if partner has the Spade Jack) and is worth pushing for…

Don't just count your HCP, count your tricks.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

WED MORNING SIDE GAME
10.5 Tables

	A	B	C		
3.98	1	1	1	Diane Drake, Edgartown MA; Lolly Hand, Vineyard Haven MA	68.60%
2.99	2	2		Wilhelmina Moyer, Oldwick NJ; Virginia Disch, Summit NJ	64.87%
2.24	3			John Euler - Judith Euler, Mooresville NC	59.00%
1.72	4			Meg Boyles, Charlotte NC; Nelson Crisp, Greenville NC	58.79%
1.87	5	3		Bari Boyer, Edgartown MA; Beatrice Phear, West Tisbury MA	57.15%
1.23	6			Polly Arnold, Raleigh NC; Edith Walker, Nashville TN	56.55%
1.40		4		Peter Donnellan - Lynanne Bolton, Warwick Bermuda	55.47%
1.64		5	2	Arman Tookmanian, Budd Lake NJ; Joy Scally, Essex Fells NJ	55.31%
1.23			3	Susan Chapman - Cindy Wilson, Montgomery AL	51.62%
0.92			4	Sally Irvine, Devonshire Bermuda; Keith Smith, Warwick Bermuda	47.56%

WED MORNING SIDE GAME 1ST OF 3 SESSIONS

SECTION I NORTH-SOUTH

A	B	C		
1	1		Wilhelmina Moyer, Oldwick NJ; Virginia Disch, Summit NJ	64.87%
2			John Euler - Judith Euler, Mooresville NC	59.00%
3	2		Bari Boyer, Edgartown MA; Beatrice Phear, West Tisbury MA	57.15%
4	3	1	Arman Tookmanian, Budd Lake NJ; Joy Scally, Essex Fells NJ	55.31%
	4	2	Susan Chapman - Cindy Wilson, Montgomery AL	51.62%

SECTION I EAST-WEST

A	B	C		
1	1	1	Diane Drake, Edgartown MA; Lolly Hand, Vineyard Haven MA	68.60%
2			Meg Boyles, Charlotte NC; Nelson Crisp, Greenville NC	58.79%
3			Polly Arnold, Raleigh NC; Edith Walker, Nashville TN	56.55%
4	2		Peter Donnellan - Lynanne Bolton, Warwick Bermuda	55.47%
	3		Iris Abelson, Signal Mountain TN; Margie Moses, Chattanooga TN	48.26%
		2	Sally Irvine, Devonshire Bermuda; Keith Smith, Warwick Bermuda	47.56%

Can you spot the players who have just bid and made a Grand Slam?

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

WED-THU GOLD RUSH PAIRS FIRST SESSION

SECTION H NORTH-SOUTH

A	B	C		
1	1		Alice Ogle, Bluffton SC; Cathy Dann, Greenwich CT	60.18%
2	2	1	Laura Miralia - Elizabeth Schillings, Charlotte NC	59.74%
3	3		Gail Kepley - Lonnie Kepley, Naperville IL	56.66%
4			Earl Rivers - Jan Kiefhaber, Cincinnati OH	56.05%
5	4		Charlotte Cannon, Steamboat Spgs CO; Suze Jones, Atlanta GA	53.33%
6			Betsy Baillie, Warwick Bermuda; Lisa Ferrari, Smiths Fl08 Bermuda	53.24%

SECTION H EAST-WEST

A	B	C		
1	1		Stephen Poirier - Jessie Macdonald, Lake Loon NS	63.42%
2			Anna Yates, Venice FL; Jane Palmer, Ottawa ON	56.64%
3	2		Richard Hall, Southampton Bermuda; Jane Gregory, Crawl Bermuda	55.68%
4	3		Sharon Ranson - Susan Guichon, Toronto ON	55.49%
5	4	1	Janet Nelson - Kimberly Bassett, Charlotte NC	51.90%
6			Peter Bonk - Heather Overland Bonk, Toronto ON	51.32%
		2	Ken Willis, Avondale Estate GA; Barbara Bogumill, Saute Nacoche GA	48.52%

WED-THU A/X PAIRS FIRST SESSION

SECTION E NORTH-SOUTH

A	X		
1	1	June Bunn, Ft Walton Beach FL; Jo Watford, Niceville FL	59.17%
2		Robert Todd, Tallahassee FL; Magda Farag, Smiths Parish Bermuda	56.25%
	2	Jesse Laird - Deborah Branch, Delray Beach FL	51.25%

SECTION E EAST-WEST

A	X		
1		Bill Souster, Newport Gwent United Kingdom; Sheena Rayner, Wk 09 Bermuda	58.75%
2	1	Gene Thom, Hamilton ON; Susan Bond, North York ON	55.83%
	2	Elizabeth McKee, Devonshire Bermuda; Diana Diel, Smith Bermuda	53.75%

WED-THU B/C PAIRS FIRST SESSION

SECTION F NORTH-SOUTH

B	C		
1	1	Elizabeth Carlson, Summit NJ; Katherine Smith, New Providence NJ	68.29%
2	2	Carolyn Overland, Toronto ON; Daniele Panayotatos, Orangeburg NY	57.18%
3		John Luebkemann, Aubrey TX; Allan Chernov, Irving TX	56.94%
4		Judith Bussell, Devonshire Bermuda; Stephanie Kyme, Pembroke Bermuda	53.47%
	3	Peter Schmitt - Freddie Schmitt, Mount Hope ON	52.78%

SECTION F EAST-WEST

B	C		
1	1	Sarah Stairs, Toronto ON; Janis Silvestri, Thornhill ON	55.32%
2	2	Maureen Pechacek, Las Vegas NV; Stephen Pescatore, Revere MA	54.17%
3		Nancy Hayden, Boca Grande FL; Madeleine Gordon, Cincinnati OH	53.24%
4		Christopher O'Connor - Mary O'Connor, Charlotte NC	49.07%

Don't be too depressed about getting older, dear.
All your bridge partners remembered your birthday.
FOURTEEN books on how to improve your play is amazing!

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

WED AFT SIDE GAME
17.0 Tables

	A	B	C		
5.12	1	1		Molly Taussig - Elysa Burland, Warwick Bermuda	72.94%
3.84	2	2		Judy King - Martha Ferguson, Bermuda	65.54%
2.88	3			Sheena Rayner, Wk 09 Bermuda; Bill Souster, Newport Gwent United Kingdom	64.82%
2.16	4			Steven Paxhia, Milton MA; Lawrence Schell, Weymouth MA	60.75%
1.62	5			Edith Walker, Nashville TN; Polly Arnold, Raleigh NC	58.97%
1.22	6			Judith Bussell, Devonshire Bermuda; Morris Trager, Halifax NS	58.75%
2.63		3	1	Tracey Pitt, Paget Bermuda; David Leach, Hamilton Bermuda	55.94%
1.55		4		Georganne Mackaronis, Winston Salem NC; Barbara Burian, Fairfield CT	55.66%
1.16		5		Meryl Mann, Roslyn NY; Nirmala Shevde, Great Neck NY	55.58%
1.97		6	2	Richard Hall, Southampton Bermuda; James Fraser, Ottawa ON	51.93%
1.48			3	Barbara Bogumill, Saute Nacoche GA; Ken Willis, Avondale Estate GA	51.67%
1.11			4	Kathy Alfonzetti, New York NY; Angelika Algava, Delray Beach FL	46.74%
0.83			5	Jean Schilling - Catherine Kennedy, Paget Bermuda	46.66%

MON-THU AFT KO1
6 Tables

17.59	1	Barbara McLendon - Radu Nistor - Raluca Nistor, New York NY; Iulian Rotaru, Sunnyside NY
12.31	2	Rachael Gosling - John F W Glynn, Bermuda; Gertrude Barker, Warwick Bermuda; Robert Todd, Tallahassee FL

MON-THU AFT KO-2
6 Tables

8.92	1	Sallie Cozart - Thomas Cozart - Jerry Woodard, Wilson NC; Joe Exum, Kinston NC
6.24	2	Margie Moses - Ann Keown - Suzanne Atchley, Chattanooga TN; Iris Abelson, Signal Mountain TN

These two figures were spotted by the Ed yesterday morning on the roof of the hotel.

It is a mystery what they are doing there but could one of them be checking bridge scores on his phone and does his partner look set to jump?

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

BRACKETED PAIRS - 1 FIRST SESSION

SECTION E NORTH-SOUTH

1	Charles Hall, Smiths Parish Bermuda; Stephanie Kyme, Pembroke Bermuda	67.86%
2	Ruth Weston, Marshfield MA; Richard Palmer, Fountain Hills AZ	57.74%
3	Carolyn Overland, Toronto ON; Daniele Panayotatos, Orangeburg NY	52.08%

SECTION E EAST-WEST

1	Maureen Pechacek, Las Vegas NV; Stephen Pescatore, Revere MA	63.39%
2	Greg Winkler, Centerville MA; Sheila Pechinski, Scarborough ME	59.82%
3	Miodrag Novakovic, Pembroke Bermuda; Margaret Way, Paget Bermuda	49.11%

BRACKETED PAIRS - 2 FIRST SESSION

SECTION H NORTH-SOUTH

1	Katrina van Pelt, Stgeorge Parish Bermuda; Stephen Cosham, St Georges Bermuda	58.56%
2	Janis Silvestri, Thornhill ON; Sarah Stairs, Toronto ON	56.02%
3	Caryl Marcellus - Dawne Griffiths, Toronto ON	53.47%
4	Patricia Melton - Judy Ranson, Charlotte NC	51.62%

SECTION H EAST-WEST

1	Zeljko Sokolovic, Oakville ON; Dragan Basta, Toronto ON	58.80%
2	Carol Jones, Bermuda; Jane Clipper, Hamilton Parish Bermuda	57.18%
3	Marie Rose - Heather Pierce, Stratford PE	54.40%
4/5	Stephen Poirier - Jessie Macdonald, Lake Loon NS	51.16%
4/5	Betsy Baillie, Warwick Bermuda; Delton Outerbridge, Paget Bermuda	51.16%

WED AFT SIDE GAME 1ST OF 3 SESSIONS

A	B	C		
1			Louise Rodger, Paget Bermuda; Magda Farag, Smiths Parish Bermuda	56.42%
2	1	1	Richard Hall, Southampton Bermuda; James Fraser, Ottawa ON	51.93%
3	2	2	Brad Jollimore - Margaret Jollimore, Wildwood FL	46.27%
4			Arman Tookmanian, Budd Lake NJ; Joy Scally, Essex Fells NJ	45.66%

SECTION I EAST-WEST

A	B	C		
1	1		Molly Taussig - Elysa Burland, Warwick Bermuda	72.94%
2	2		Judy King - Martha Ferguson, Bermuda	65.54%
3			Meryl Mann, Roslyn NY; Nirmala Shevde, Great Neck NY	55.58%
4			Hope Furth, White Plains NY; Susan Sekulow, Rye NY	54.93%
		1	Kathy Alfonzetti, New York NY; Angelika Algava, Delray Beach FL	46.74%

SECTION K NORTH-SOUTH

A	B	C		
1			Sheena Rayner, Wk 09 Bermuda; Bill Souster, Newport Gwent United Kingdom	64.82%
2			Edith Walker, Nashville TN; Polly Arnold, Raleigh NC	58.97%
3			Judith Bussell, Devonshire Bermuda; Morris Trager, Halifax NS	58.75%
	1	1	Tracey Pitt, Paget Bermuda; David Leach, Hamilton Bermuda	55.94%
	2		Georganne Mackaronis, Winston Salem NC; Barbara Burian, Fairfield CT	55.66%

SECTION K EAST-WEST

A	B	C		
1			Steven Paxhia, Milton MA; Lawrence Schell, Weymouth MA	60.75%
2			Wendy Gray - Richard Gray, Southampton Bermuda	58.25%
3			Meg Boyles, Charlotte NC; Nelson Crisp, Greenville NC	51.17%
	1	1	Steven Trumper - Sandra Curtis, Toronto ON	45.78%
	2	2	Wenda Krupp, Devonshire Bermuda; Jane Gregory, Crawl Bermuda	44.34%

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 Regional website on www.bermudaregional.com

Maude Lines Trophy – visitors in Championship events (through Wednesday evening)`

1	42.65	Radu Nistor, New York NY
2	42.65	Barbara McLendon, New York NY
3	38.83	Gail Greenberg, New York NY
4	38.83	Jeff Hand, New York NY
5	35.13	Iulian Rotaru, Sunnyside NY
6	35.13	Raluca Nistor, New York NY
7	22.00	Bill Souster, Newport Gwent
8	14.34	Jerry Woodard, Wilson NC
9	14.34	Joe Exum, Kinston NC
10	13.70	Robert Todd, Tallahassee FL
11	13.16	Hope Furth, White Plains NY
12	13.16	Susan Sekulow, Rye NY
13	12.34	Allan Chernov, Irving TX
14	11.52	Carole Berman, Boca Raton FL
15	11.52	Howard Berman, Boca Raton FL
16	11.06	Brenda Fortunate, Grand Blanc MI
17	10.87	Daniele Panayotatos, Orangeburg N
18	10.87	Carolyn Overland, Toronto ON
19	8.92	Sallie Cozart, Wilson NC
20	8.92	Thomas Cozart, Wilson NC

Longtail Trophy Thru Wed

1	11.27	Michelle Segal,
2	11.27	Paulette Sachon,
3	5.12	Elysa Burland, Warwick
4	4.58	Kelley Johnston, Charlottesville VA
5	4.14	Jeffrey Bennett, Jericho NY
6	3.97	Beth Bjarnason, Mississauga ON
7	3.97	Henny Westra, Chatham ON
8	1.84	Cathy Dann, Greenwich CT
9	1.84	Alice Ogle, Bluffton SC
10	1.75	Jacques Bonneau, Jupiter FL
11	0.83	Catherine Kennedy, Paget
12	0.76	Susan Mathews, Alexander City AL

Norman Bach Trophy – Bermudians in Championship events (through Wednesday evening)

1	26.46	John F W Glynn,
2	26.37	Gertrude Barker, Warwick
3	26.13	Rachael Gosling,
4	18.56	David Cordon, Warwick
5	12.76	Jane Smith,
6	11.94	Judith Bussell, Devonshire
7	8.09	Heather Woolf, Paget
8	7.20	Stephanie Kyme, Pembroke
9	7.20	Charles Hall, Smiths Parish
10	6.68	Katrina van Pelt, St George's Parish
11	6.68	Carol Jones,
12	6.25	Desmond Nash, Sn 02
13	6.25	Tracy Nash, Sn02
14	5.79	Betsy Baillie, Warwick
15	5.79	Lisa Ferrari, Smiths Fl08
16	5.75	Kathleen Keane, Warwick
17	5.75	Jane Clipper, Hamilton Parish
18	4.31	Judy King,
19	4.31	Martha Ferguson,
20	4.30	Miodrag Novakovic, Pembroke

Karl Hicks Trophy (through Tuesday evening)

1	5.64	Veronica Boyce, Hamilton
2	5.64	Carol Eastham, Southampton
3	5.10	Keri McKittrick, Hamilton Parish
4	5.07	Tracey Pitt, Paget
5	5.07	David Leach, Hamilton
6	4.49	Tim McKittrick, Smiths Parish
7	2.74	Joshimar Hussey, Hamilton
8	2.74	Julia Tadman, Hamilton
9	1.86	Susan Adhemar, Flatts Fl Bx
10	1.86	Peter Adhemar, Flatts Fl Bx
11	1.75	Andrew McComb, Smiths
12	1.52	Sally Irvine, Devonshire
13	1.52	Keith Smith, Warwick
14	1.14	Jamie Sapsford, St George
15	1.14	Jane Downing, Mangrove Bay
16	0.94	Ross Cooper, Smiths
17	0.94	Desiree Woods, Southampton
18	0.74	Anna White, Smiths Parish
19	0.74	Colin James, Crawl Hill
20	0.61	Jean Schilling, Paget

FRIENDLY ADVICE FROM THE TWICE AS NICE

TODAY'S PROGRAMME FOR
THURSDAY, February 5th

9:30 a.m.
The Championship Stratflighted Pairs 2 AX/BC
(Session 2 of 2 – *finishes this morning*)
The Bermuda Gold Rush Pairs 2 (0-750 points)
(Session 2 of 2 – *finishes this morning)*
Open Side Game – Smiths Series (Session 2 of 3)
(*continues tomorrow morning*)
199er Game (0-199 points)

12:30 p.m.
Hot Toddy in the Trudeau Room
Hand Evaluation and Re-Evaluation

2:00 p.m.
The Championship Bracketed KO Teams
(Session 4 of 4 – *finishes this afternoon*)
Bracketed Pairs (Session 2 of 2)
(*finishes this afternoon*)
Open Side Game – St. George's Series (Session 2 of 3)
(*continues tomorrow afternoon*)
199er Game (0-199 points)

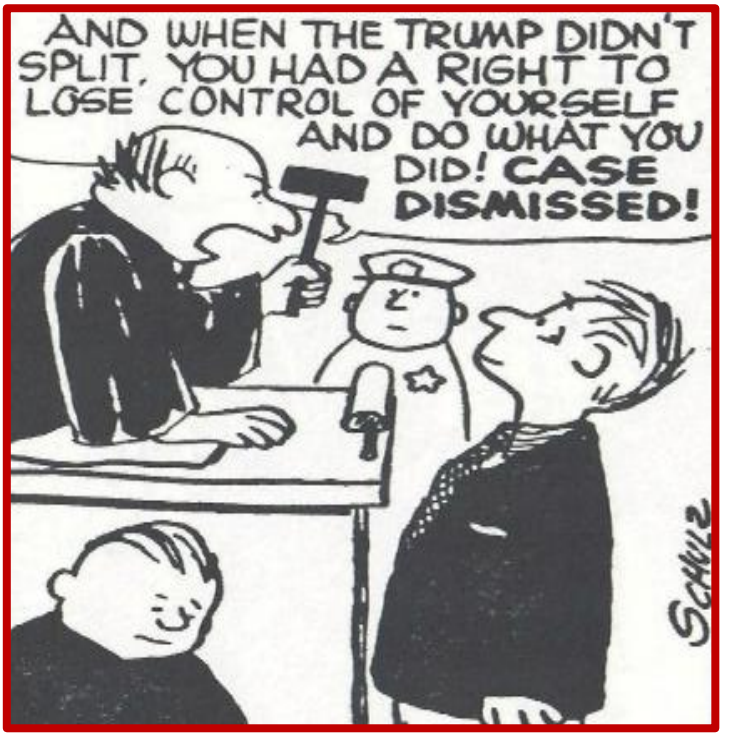
4:45 p.m.
Tea in Trudeau

TOMORROW'S PROGRAMME - PLAN AHEAD FOR
FRIDAY, February 6th

9:30 a.m.
The Championship Stratiflighted Swiss Teams
(Session 1 of 2 – *continues this afternoon)*
Open Side Game – Smiths Series (Session 3 of 3)
(finishes this morning)
199er Game (0-199 points)

2:00 p.m.
The Championship Stratiflighted Swiss Teams
(Session 2 of 2 – *finishes this afternoon*
Open Side Game – St. George's Series (Session 3 of 3)
(*finishes this afternoon)*
199er Game (0-199 points)

Senior Trophy Events in Bold

6:30 p.m.

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