

# I/N News ... especially for you!

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## More Than Ever for YOU at SummerFest in July!!

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Upcoming SummerFest Tournament ... I/N Heaven! 1

Plan to attend Chicago's Exciting New SummerFest Regional from July 6-12 at the DuPage Expo Center, 4050 E. Main Street, in St. Charles, IL.

Bob Young, Tournament Chairman, 847-280-1118, and his hard-working committee, have a variety of new and different concepts to make this a truly worthwhile, fun experience for players of all levels... but especially for I/N players.

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Angie Clark, I/N Chair, 847-272-1060, is planning a **Special Charity Pro-Am Pairs** on Monday afternoon. **Pre-registration is required.** Please call either Angie or Carl Sharp, Partnership Chairman, 312-497-4277, to make your reservation. Local experts have volunteered their time to play as your partners. All we need is YOU!!

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Angie also has other exciting plans including: a daily **"Lunch and Learn"** where you grab a sandwich at the snack bar and gather with others to eat your lunch while an expert speaker answers your bridge questions or offers a free lesson on a bridge related topic.

There will be a **free I/N Dinner on Thursday.**

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After the evening session each night, there will be a **"question and answer"** period where the Subecks (Stan is president of District 13 and Suzi is the Daily Bulletin editor) will be available to answer your questions on the hands you played during the day.

There will be **free daily lectures** from the pros between the afternoon and evening sessions.

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There will be a **Daily Bulletin** with bridge tales, results from the previous sessions, puzzles, and jokes for your amusement. All you need to do is show up and grab your copy.

Parking is free and plentiful. Hospitality nightly. Fresh fruit every day! Guaranteed partners! And last but not least ... Free Lunch for everyone in the Sunday Swiss!

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Make your plans to attend now!! The Pheasant Run Campus is beautiful... We have use of the amenities at both the Hilton and Pheasant Run... Rooms at the **Hilton Garden Inn, St. Charles**, are \$99/night. They are new and clean and perfect. To reserve yours, call 630-584-0700. Or, if you prefer, you can stay at Pheasant Run for an extra \$10/night. Rooms are limited so make your reservation early.

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The new playing site is only 30 miles W. of Chicago O'Hare Airport. We will have an **Information Booth open daily** to help you around the area. (see ad on page 8 for more info)

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## Improve your bridge with me by *Migry Zur Campanile*

When I am asked how to get better at bridge, I often quote that very well known line that a famous musician going to perform in a concert used when his driver, obviously new at his job, wanted advice on how to get to his destination, the Carnegie Hall: "Practice! Practice! Practice!".

Naturally practice works best if combined with the help of a kind soul willing to patiently show us the many errors and imprecisions that we are all inevitably guilty of when we have not yet mastered the basics of the game. Like in many other sports it is relatively easy to get better when we first start; eventually our rate of improvement will get slower and slower as we go on.

The bidding system used in all the hands will be a no-frills standard with 5 card majors, better minor and 15-17 NT.

All Vul - S dealer

You sit South and you are dealt ♠ K7 ♥ Q932 ♦ A4 ♣KQ765.

After you open 1♣, West interferes with 1♥ and your partner bids 2♦. East passes. *Is 2♦ forcing? What is your reply?*

The change of suit by responder is always forcing even after an overcall. The correct reply is now 2NT. Your partner raises you to 3NT and after everyone passes West leads the ♥6.

That is what you see:

♠ Q653  
♥ A7  
♦ KQJ109  
♣109

♠ K7  
♥ Q932  
♦ A4  
♣KQ765

*What should you do now? Do you count your winners or your losers?*

Since it is a NT contract we should concern only with counting our winners. *How many winners do you have?* We have 5 winners in diamonds and 2 in hearts. You play low from dummy and you take East's ♥J with your ♥Q. Where can you find the two missing tricks needed to make the contract?

In theory we should be able to develop one trick in clubs and one in spades. Can you see a problem with this plan?

Yes, of course. We only have one more heart stop and West has probably both missing aces since he interfered with such a poor suit. He will be able to promote his tricks in hearts before we can set up our 9th trick. *Is there any other chance?*

No, finessing the ♣J cannot work since even if the finesse is on we do not have good enough communications to cash all the tricks we need. The spades however will give us a chance to make our contract if we can figure out how to play them in order to set up our two extra tricks. *Can you see how?*

We have seen that the problem is that we cannot give the hand to West twice. What can West do, however, if we start by playing the ♠7 from hand? If he jumps in with his ♠A, he will set up both the ♠Q and the ♠K and we are home and dry. If he plays low, we can win the ♠Q and then play a club to set up our 9th trick with our heart stop still in place. The most that the

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opponents can do now is to cash a couple of spades and then surrender.

Here is the complete hand:

♠ Q653	
♥ A7	
♦ KQJ109	
♣ 109	
♠ AJ2	♠ 10984
♥ K10864	♥ J5
♦ 863	♦ 752
♣ A4	♣ J832
♠ K7	
♥ Q932	
♦ A4	
♣ KQ765	



This ingenious way of playing a suit which puts the opponents to such an insoluble dilemma is known as "Morton's Coup", taking the name from the unscrupulous chancellor of King Henry VII, who was ruthless in extracting taxes from wealthy London merchants for the royal treasury. His approach was that if the merchants lived ostentatiously, they obviously had sufficient income to spare for the king. Alternatively, if they lived frugally, they must have substantial savings and could therefore afford to contribute to the king's coffers. In either case they were fixed by "Morton's Fork": damned if you do, damned if you don't!

*Migry has won numerous Israeli National titles including the National Teams championship three times, the National Pairs twice, as well as several Mixed Pairs and Mixed Teams titles.*

*2004 brought more successes with a second place in the NEC Cup and qualification to the Venice Cup. In February 2005 Migry went one better and won the NEC Cup with Michael Barel, Israel and Doron Yadlin, with a convincing 158-130 victory over Balicki-Zmudzinski and Gromov-Dubinin. In July 2005 the same team, with the addition of Kalish-Podgur, won the gold medal, representing Israel at the 2005 Maccabiah.*

*In February 2006 Migry and her team succeeded in defending their NEC title, defeating an impressive selection of teams, including the powerful Italian Lavazza team with Bocchi-Duboin, the reigning Venice Cup champions from France and many others on the way to a nail biting final against a vastly improved Japanese Open team.*

*In April 2006 Migry won the Ladies Teams at the Spring US Nationals in Dallas, playing with Pamela Granovetter (the other team members were Judi Radin, Sylvia Moss, Shawn Quinn and Mildred Breed). Only three months later the same team won the prestigious Wagar Trophy at the Summer US Nationals in Chicago, defeating all the opponents they met by a minimum of 60 IMPs difference!*

*2007 and 2008 brought more successes with a few top finishes in the US Nationals and the prestigious Yeh Cup and another win in the NEC Cup. Two more significant achievements were to mark her ground-breaking debut in the Summer nationals in Las Vegas as a professional player in a top US team: the victory in the BAM Mixed Teams with Chris Willenken and the Stansbys, and also winning the Fishbein Trophy, as the top performing player in the Nationals.*

Look for more of Migry's lessons in future issues of the **I/N News... especially for you!!**

Since the average person's small supply of politeness must last him all his life, he can't afford to waste it on bridge partners!

Alfred Scheinwold

## Determining the Proper Level and Strain

You know how to count points: Aces are 4; Kings are 3; Queens are 2 and Jacks are 1.

Distribution matters too. Doubletons (two cards in a suit), Singletons (one card in a suit), and Voids (no cards in a suit) count in hands played in suit. Doubletons count one point. Singletons count two. Voids count three.

You and partner use bidding as a language to communicate your values one to the other in order to determine the proper place to play the hand.

First you must determine if it is your hand. If partner opens the bidding showing 13 points or more and you have more than seven points, you and partner have more than half the deck and it is most certainly your hand. Now it is up to you to find a fit.

With six or more points, you respond to partner's bid with one of your longest suit. If partner continues with two of your suit, you have found a fit and now you can add in the points for your distribution to determine if you have a game.

Game in bridge means three no-trump, four hearts/spades, five clubs/diamonds.

### **How do you and partner know if you have enough points for game or slam?**

If a partnership holds a combined total of 26 points, it has enough high cards to bid a game.

If a partnership holds a combined total of 37 points, it has enough high cards to bid a grand slam. [You need all 13 tricks to bid and make a grand slam.]

If the partnership holds a total of 33 points, it has enough high cards to bid a small slam. [You need 12 tricks to bid and make a small slam.]

Because major suit games and no trump games require fewer tricks (9 in no trump and 10 in hearts or spades), they can usually be made with only 26 points total between the hands.

It usually takes 29 combined points to make game in clubs or diamonds where 11 tricks are required.

### **The second thing to determine is if you and partner have eight or more cards in one of the major suits.**

If you hold at least 26 points total, you should try to find out if we have the cards to play in either three no trump or four of a major suit.

Eight cards between you in a suit means that you hold more than half of the trump cards. With 8 cards between you, the opponents have only five trumps, and you definitely have the advantage. Generally, you want to have an eight card fit to play a game in suit. (It is possible to play in a seven card holding ... called a Moysian ... but it is more difficult and will be discussed in future issues.) If you open or respond in a suit and partner raises your suit, you have found a fit. Generally that fit is at least eight cards in length.

If you know by your bids that you hold 26 points and at least 8 hearts in the two hands, you should bid AT LEAST four hearts (game in hearts.) If you hold less points or less than eight cards in the suit, you should probably stop at a lower level to insure a plus score.

Corollaries of this with 29 points and an eight card fit in a minor suit are also true.

Bridge: Once you're hooked, it's like a disease!  
*30 year tournament player*

## A History of Bridge from Baron-Barclay

Bridge can be traced back to the early 16th century when a game called Whist was played in England. Through the centuries, Whist evolved and grew steadily in popularity. Early in the 1890's, bridge appeared on the American scene at about the same time it was introduced in England. The game underwent many changes until Harold S. Vanderbilt perfected a new form of bridge in 1925. It incorporated many of the most popular principles and also produced a scoring table. He succeeded so well that his game of "Contract Bridge" became the staple diet of card players everywhere.

The word "bridge" comes from Russian Whist, called "biritch," meaning announcer or herald. Bridge players announce their contract bids.

1742 - The first book devoted to Whist appeared, Edmond Hoyle's *Short Treatise*, which became a best seller.

1857 - The first game of duplicate Whist was played in London; this eliminated much of the luck involved in which card each player was dealt. It was the forerunner of modern duplicate bridge.

1903 - British civil servants in remote India developed the practice of bidding for the privilege of calling the trump suit, thus introducing "auction bridge."

1925 - Harold S. Vanderbilt, American multi-millionaire and three-time America's Cup winner, changed the course of bridge while on a cruise. He suggested that only tricks bid and made count toward game, with extra tricks counted as bonuses. These revised rules turned auction bridge into contract bridge.

1931 - *The Culbertson Summary* and Culbertson's *Blue Book* topped all book sales for the year, outselling such popular titles as *Believe It or Not* and *Crossword Puzzles!* "The Battle of the Century" was held in New York City. The team captained by Ely Culbertson won by 8980 points.

1953 - President Eisenhower played bridge regularly on Saturday night with top experts. He attended national bridge tournaments when possible. He enjoyed bridge as much as golf and he was considered an excellent player.

1958 - Charles Goren appeared on the cover of *Time* magazine and was dubbed "The King of Aces." The inside story explained the basic rules of bridge and proclaimed it the "United States' No. 1 card game."

1990's - There are millions of bridge players in the United States; most play at home and there are also more than 1000 American tournaments annually and 4200 American bridge clubs.

Milwaukee Fallfest Sectional  
October 2-4, 2009  
Cardinal Stritch University  
Kliebhan Conference Center  
6801 N. Yates Road, Glendale, WI

Friday, 10/2

9:30, 1:30

Stratified 299er Pairs



Saturday, 10/3

9:30, 1:30

Stratified 299er Pairs

Sunday, 10/4

10:00

Gary Williams Memorial Stratified Swiss  
Teams: Strat C: 0-300

Tournament Chair: Yvette Neary  
414-526-9035—yneary@firstweber.com

Partnership Chair: Nancy Wilkinson  
414-906-1471

The Friendly Northwoods Vacation Tournament  
AmericInn Center, 700 Hwy 51 N, Minocqua, WI

Schedule of events:

Wednesday, June 10

7:00 pm

Stratified 199er Pairs

Thursday, June 11

9:00 am

Stratified 199er Pairs

1:30 pm

Stratified 199er Pairs

7:00 pm

Stratified 199er Pairs

Friday, June 12

10:00 pm

Stratified 199er Pairs

3:00 pm

Stratified 199er Pairs

Saturday, June 13

10:00 am

Stratified 199er Pairs



0-5 ACBL Members play free all sessions

Chairman Judy Gaarder (715) 356-7220  
Partnerships JoAnne Zickert (715) 356-6303

**GREEN BAY SECTIONAL, July 17-19**  
**Radisson Hotel & Conference Center,**  
**2040 Airport Drive**

**FRIDAY, JULY 17**

**2:00 PM**

Stratified 199er Pairs

**7:30 PM**

Stratified 199er Pairs

**SATURDAY, JULY 18**

**2:00 PM**

Knock Outs (2<sup>nd</sup> round)

Stratified 199er Pairs

**7:30 PM**

Stratified 199er Pairs

**SUNDAY, JULY 19**

**10:00 AM**

Stratified 199er Swiss Teams

Lunch Included

Stratified 199er Events

100-199/50-100/0-50

**Partners guaranteed 30 minutes before  
game time.**

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**ACBL Members with 0-5 points play free!**

**Free Bridge Lesson on Saturday at 1:15**

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**Reiter Center, 18-20 September 2009**  
**1858 S Michigan, Three Lakes, WI**

**Friday, Sept 18**

**1:30 pm**

**299er Pairs**

**7:00 pm**

**299er Pairs**

**Saturday, Sept 19**

**9:00 am**

**299er Pairs**

**1:30 pm**

**299er Pairs**

**7:00 pm**

**299er Pairs**



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**La Crosse Sectional**

**City Brewery & Hospitality Center, 1111 3rd Street, La Crosse, WI**

**Friday, 11/13**

**1:30 pm**

**199er Pairs**

**7:00 pm**

**199er Pairs**



**Saturday, 11/14**

**9:00 am**

**199er IMP Pairs**

**1:30 pm**

**199er Pairs**

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**Chairperson: Dave Melin (608) 797-3587**

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**ACBL members with 5 or fewer points play free!**

**Labor Day Sectional**

**Weber Leisure Center**  
**9300 Weber Park Place, Skokie, IL**

**0-299er Intermediate/Novice Schedule**

0-100, 100-200, 200-299

**Friday, September 4**

**10:30 "I/N" Stratified Pairs**

3:30 "I/N" Stratified Pairs

7:30 "I/N" Stratified Pairs

**Saturday, September 5**

1:30 "I/N" Stratified Pairs

7:30 "I/N" Stratified Pairs

**Sunday, September 6**

1:30 "I/N" Stratified Pairs

7:30 "I/N" Stratified Pairs



**Monday, September 7**

11:00 299er Stratified Swiss Teams

(Stratified 0-100/100-200/200-300)

Play-through with 2 single sessions

*All Intermediate/Novice games  
will be single session events.*

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## Ms. Information ...

### Don't Get "Board"!

- Board 1: dealer North; neither side vulnerable
- Board 2: dealer East; North-South vulnerable
- Board 3: dealer South; East-West vulnerable
- Board 4: dealer West; both sides vulnerable
- Board 5: dealer North; North-South vulnerable
- Board 6: dealer East; East-West vulnerable
- Board 7: dealer South; both sides vulnerable
- Board 8: dealer West; neither side vulnerable
- Board 9: dealer North; East-West vulnerable
- Board 10: dealer East; both sides vulnerable
- Board 11: dealer South; neither side vulnerable
- Board 12: dealer West; North-South vulnerable
- Board 13: dealer North; both sides vulnerable
- Board 14: dealer East; neither side vulnerable
- Board 15: dealer South; North-South vulnerable
- Board 16: dealer West; East-West vulnerable

After board 16 the pattern repeats - board 17 is like board 1, board 18 like board 2 and so on.

Bridge is a great comfort  
in your old age...  
It also helps you get there  
faster!  
Anonymous

Dear Ms.,

I went to the recent District Regional in Lake Geneva, WI. It was great. It was my first ever Regional and I loved it.

I was nervous going by myself, but I am very glad I did. The partnership people were wonderful and arranged partners for me for every session. I met lots of nice people and made some excellent new friendships (as well as partnerships for the future.)

I was impressed by how many out-of-towners were there. And also impressed by how many "pros" attended. I felt like I was among celebrities.

Most of the time I played in limited events, but twice I ventured out and played in stratified fields because my fix-up partner had too many points to play in the lowest flight.

I was amazed!! I am writing to you to let others know how great the experience really was. I won my first gold points (what a thrill!!) My previously unknown partners were as tickled that they won gold as I was.

I attended the speakers' lectures Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday between sessions (sadly, I had to go home on Saturday because my husband missed me!!) The lectures were entertaining and helpful. I was really impressed.

Playing better competition was not only fun, but I felt a real sense of accomplishment when I got a good result.

Thanks for the chance to participate in such a great game against such great players. I will be back next year... maybe in flight B!

Mary-ed in Michigan

Dear Mary-ed,

Thank you for your letter. We try really hard to let new players know how great tournaments are. Coming from you it will mean even more.

It would be great if other newcomers shared their tournament escapades with us too. Readers should feel free to share their thoughts ... Contact info for the editor is on page 12 of this newsletter.

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- I/N Schedule of Events
- ◆ All masterpoints are red points.
  - ◆ Lunch & Learn Program
    - ◆ Guest Speakers
  - ◆ Details in Daily Bulletin.

Monday 7:30 I/N Stratified  
Charity Pairs  
Tuesday through Saturday  
1:30 & 7:30 Single Sessions  
Sunday 11:00 am & 2:00,  
299er Stratified Swiss Teams

**SPECIAL ALERT!!!**  
Monday afternoon:  
1:30 Charity Pro-Am Pairs  
Am pays full entry  
Random Draw for Pros  
Pre-Registration Required  
Call Carl Sharp 773-483-3734  
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ATTENTION: Intermediates/Newcomers, Pair Game Lovers, Team Game Lovers, here's the schedule for you!

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Monday, August 31-Friday, September 4

199'er Stratified Pairs

Saturday, September 5

99'er Stratified Pairs

B/C/D Pairs

Sunday, September 6

299'er STRATIFIED SWISS

9:30 am & 1:30 pm Single Sessions

PLUS – Don't Miss

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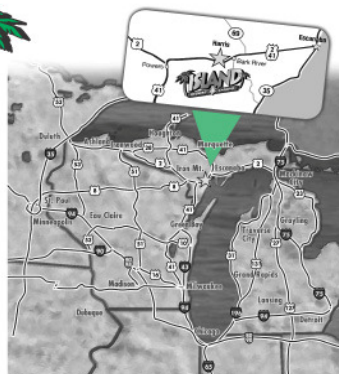
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## Duplicate Bridge Procedure and Ethics

During a duplicate event, where play will be in progress at several tables at the same time, it is important that players do not see, overhear or otherwise take an interest in the play at the other tables. Any attempt to do so would be cheating, as it might give unauthorized information about the distribution of cards or the result of a board which the player would later be playing. For similar reasons, partners should not discuss the boards they have played in the hearing of other players until the end of the event (or a suitable break at a time when everyone has played the same boards).

In some places devices are used to enable the bidding to proceed silently, reducing the chance of hearing bids from another table. The best arrangement is for each player to have a **bidding box**, which is a box containing cards displaying all the possible bids, pass, double and redouble. At your turn you display the relevant card. All the cards used for bids remain on view until the end of the auction, thus also avoiding the problem of players forgetting or mishearing part of the bidding. A cheaper but less satisfactory method is to use a large card with a compartment for each possible bid; at your turn you point to the bid you wish to make. I am told that in Australia, overhearing of bids is commonly avoided by requiring bids to be written down rather than spoken.

In an event of any size, there will be a **tournament director** whose job is to ensure that the play flows smoothly. This person will deal with any infringements of the rules that occur, referring when necessary to the laws. If some irregularity occurs, such as a bid out or play out of turn, an illegal bid or play, or discovering that the cards have been wrongly boarded (the hands contain more or fewer than 13 cards), the director should be called to the table. This should not be construed as an accusation of cheating - the purpose of calling the director is simply to ensure that the irregularity is sorted out fairly and in accordance with the rules. The instructions and decisions of the director should be followed and respected at all times. In a serious tournament, if you strongly disagree with the director's ruling, it should be possible to appeal against the director's decision. The procedure for this varies according to the nature of the event - the director should be able to advise you on the options.

### Stop and alert

In tournament bridge, if you make a bid at a level higher than necessary in that denomination (a "jump" bid), you are supposed to precede your bid by saying "stop" (or displaying your "stop" card if you are using bidding boxes). The next player **must** then pause before bidding or passing. The reason behind this is that after a jump bid the next player may have reason to hesitate, as your unexpectedly high bid might have disrupted the course of action which that player was planning. The player is forced by the stop rule to hesitate anyway, so avoiding giving unauthorized information. Example:

- North bids "one spade"
- East bids "stop; three hearts"

South pauses and then passes

If South had been planning to bid two spades, say, then he might need time after East's unexpected jump to decide whether a three spade bid would now be appropriate. As South is forced to pause, North gets no clue as to whether the jump gave South a problem. Similarly, if South instead bids three spades after the mandatory pause, he gives North no clue as to whether he was considering a pass instead.

The idea of alerts is to warn the opponents of a bid (or double or pass) which has an unexpected agreed meaning. It is always the duty of the **partner** of the bidder to alert the bid when required. If using bidding boxes, this is done by displaying the "alert" card. Otherwise the alert is given by saying "alert" or (in Britain but not in North America) by knocking the table. The definition of what bids require alerts varies from place to place - it is determined by the bridge organization under whose aegis the tournament is being held. In Britain, most artificial bids must be alerted; in North America, alerts are required for bids which diverge from a defined standard set of meanings.

Since the late 1990's, "announcements" have been introduced in some places. When bids with certain specific meanings are

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made, the bidder's partner must say a specific phrase that explains the meaning of the bid. For example the partner of a player who makes an opening bid of "one no trump" might be required to disclose the partnership's agreed range of strength for that bid in "high-card points", by saying for example "12 to 14" or "16 to 18".

### Unauthorized information

This is information which you obtain as a result of some irregularity in the game, rather than as a legitimate deduction from the bidding and play. Unauthorized information might arise from:

- hesitation or undue haste in bidding or playing a card
- seeing your partner's cards
- extraneous remarks made during the game; questions about the bidding or play; also gestures, tone of voice, etc. seeing or overhearing events at another table

The principle is that you are allowed to take advantage of anything done by your opponents at your table, but you are obliged to ignore any unauthorized information gained from your partner's actions or other tables.

In fact if you do obtain unauthorized information from your partner, you should not only ignore it but be prepared to prove that you have done so. This means that if you are involved in any kind of close decision you ought to take the action **opposite** to the one indicated by the information from your partner. For example if during the bidding your partner passes after a hesitation, you must pass too unless you have a cast iron case for bidding, otherwise you might be accused of making use of the unauthorized information that your partner had nearly enough strength to bid.

In bridge it is illegal to behave deliberately in such a way as to try to give spurious information to the opponents. For example if you have only one card of a suit that is led, it is illegal to hesitate before playing it, creating the impression that you had more than one card to choose from. (Even an inadvertent hesitation would be an offence, though a less serious one, if it misled the opponents to your benefit, and the director would adjust the score to give a fair result.) On the other hand there is no ban on making deceptive bids and plays to confuse the opponents - as long as these are not part of an undisclosed partnership agreement. You are free for example to play a card different from what might be expected from your holding, as long as you do it smoothly and without comment. Similarly you are free to make a bid which is inconsistent with your system to upset the opposition, provided that this is as much of a surprise to your partner as it is to the opponents.

#### Tournament Results:

##### **Bruce Brown Valentine Sectional, Milwaukee**

###### Friday Morn 199ers - 5.5 Tables

MPs	A	B	C	Names	Score
1.52	1	1		Anna Biederwolf - Patricia Shea, Racine WI	60.94%
1.14	2	2		Steve Spitzer - Dennis Price, Burlington WI	56.77%
0.86	3			Richard Krueger - Thomas Krueger, Milwaukee WI	55.21%
1.05	4	3	1	Barbara Blackburn - Bonnie Jenko, Waukesha WI	54.17%
0.69			2/3	Carol Cobus, Brookfield WI; Bea Husting, Waukesha WI	46.88%
0.69			2/3	Maggie Topitzes, Milwaukee WI; Marlene Frey, Brookfield WI	46.88%

###### Friday Aft 199er Pairs - 6.0 Tables

MPs	A	B	C	Names	Score
1.52	1			Jerald Schlais, Dousman WI; Wes Burzynski, Waukesha WI	64.44%
1.36	2	1		Cyann Martin, Neenah WI; Shirley Adams, Appleton WI	57.41%
1.11	3	2	1	Anna Biederwolf - Patricia Shea, Racine WI	56.67%
0.83	4	3	2	Steve Spitzer - Dennis Price, Burlington WI	54.07%
0.57		4		Richard Krueger - Thomas Krueger, Milwaukee WI	51.48%

###### Sat Aft 199er Pairs - 4.5 Tables

MPs	A	B	C	Names	Score
1.43	1	1		Shirley Adams, Appleton WI; Cyann Martin, Neenah WI	60.42%
1.11	2	2	1	Michael Wagner, Delafield WI; Elijah Hall, Brookfield WI	58.33%
0.83	3/4	3/4	2	Dennis Price - Steve Spitzer, Burlington WI	54.17%
0.70	3/4	3/4		Renee Wendt, Slinger WI; Anita Reichling, New Hampton IA	54.17%

## Sturttant, WI Sectional

### Saturday Aft 299er Pairs - 4.5 Tables

MPs	A	B	C	Names	Score
1.51	1			Anna Rindfleisch, Racine WI; Charles Divine, Mequon WI	63.89%
1.13	2			Lisa Frese, Lake Barrington IL; Diane Treslo, Rolling Meadows IL	58.33%
1.24	3	1	1	Donna Kenski - Joseph McCormack, Libertyville IL	52.08%
0.93	4	2		Patricia Diel - Kimberly Davis, Milwaukee WI	51.39%
0.83		2		Marlene Nievin - Paula Meisner, Racine WI	49.31%

### District 13 Regional, Lake Geneva, Wisconsin

#### Tuesday Aft 299er Pairs - 4.0 Tables

MPs	A	B	Names	Score
1.98	1		Robert Meyer - Janet Meyer, Speedway IN	64.58%
1.49		2	Neil Whittle, Carol Stream IL; William Parsons, Pewaukee WI	58.33%
1.73		3	1 Virginia Enman, Glenview IL; Sue Lies, Wilmette IL	54.17%
1.30			2 Eugene Trieglaff, Wild Rose WI; Barton Blum, Waupaca WI	51.39%

#### Tues Eve 299er Pairs - 4.5 Tables

MPs	A	B	C	Names	Score
1.98	1	1	1	Bill Defuniak - Barbara Defuniak, Long Beach IN	54.17%
1.30		2/3	2/3	Nancy Bruick - John Bruick, Mundelein IL	52.78%
1.30		2/3	2/3	Dennis Price - Steve Spitzer, Burlington WI	52.78%

#### Wed Morn 299er Pairs - 4.0 Tables

MPs	A	B	C	Names	Score
1.98	1	1	1	Shirley Mitchem - Edward Gordon, Fox Lake IL	64.82%
1.49	2	2	2	Barbara Swansby, Pewaukee WI; Patricia Peck, Hartland WI	60.88%
1.11	3			Ron Blouin, Blue Island IL; Jim Jurik, Oak Forest IL	56.49%

#### Thurs Morn 299er Pairs - 3.0 Tables

MPs	A	B	Names	Score
1.84	1	1	Eugene Trieglaff, Wild Rose WI; Barton Blum, Waupaca WI	53.75%
1.21	2/3		Linda Brubaker, Geneva IL; Neil Whittle, Carol Stream IL	52.50%
1.30	2/3	2	Hope Reynolds, Winnetka IL; Claire McGuire, Glenview IL	52.50%

#### Fri Morn 299er Pairs - 4.0 Tables

MPs	A	B	C	Names	Score
1.98	1			Mary Coon, Saint Joseph MI; Evelyn Edmunds, Stevensville MI	61.81%
1.49	2			Diane Treslo, Rolling Meadows IL; Joseph Connelly, Mundelein IL	60.42%
1.11	3			Rose Zicarelli - Joyce Stearns, Racine WI	59.72%

#### Fri Aft 299er Pairs - 5.0 Tables

MPs	A	B	C	Names	Score
2.12	1	1	1	Lois Michaels, Northbrook IL; Ellen Katz, Riverwoods IL	63.50%
1.59	2	2		Mary Warren, Wheaton IL; Carolyn Satrum, Downers Grove IL	58.50%
1.21	3	3	2	Barbara Hull - Sam Hull, Lake Forest IL	57.00%
0.78	4/5			Courtney Keller, Basalt CO; Susan Knox, Aspen CO	53.50%
0.78	4/5			Marva Anderson, Burr Ridge IL; Jane Norman, Indianhead Park IL	53.50%

#### Friday Eve 299er Pairs - 4.0 Tables

MPs	A	B	C	Names	Score
1.98	1	1		Nancy Bruick - John Bruick, Mundelein IL	64.58%
1.49	2			David Vietti - Vicki Vietti, Cary IL	63.89%
1.30	3	2		Linda Heinkel - Joyce Christopherson, Medford WI	54.86%



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**Upcoming Tournaments**

Northwoods Sectional, 6/10-14, Minocqua, WI

SummerFest Regional, 7/6-12, St. Charles, IL

Green Bay Sectional, 7/17-19, Green Bay, WI

WI/Upper MI Regional, 8/31-9/6, Harris, MI

Labor Day Sectional, 9/4-7, Skokie, IL

Three Lakes Sectional, 9/18-20, Three Lakes, WI

Milwaukee FallFest Sectional, 10/2-4, Glendale, WI

LaCrosse Sectional, 11/13-15, LaCrosse, WI

**15 Words Allowed During the Auction:**

Pass

Double

Redouble

One, Two, Three, Four, Five, Six, Seven

Club

Diamond

Heart

Spade

No-trump

The ACBL, however, has added several words that alert opponents to unusual bidding:

**Stop** — Bidders say "Stop" prior to jumping the bidding (such as with a weak 2 or splinter bid) to give opponents time to consider their bids.

**Alert** — A warning to the opponents that the last call by your partner has been assigned a conventional message.

**Announcement** — A word or phrase that directly describes the meaning of partner's call. This is part of the Alert process and is used primarily in three cases: to describe partner's range when opening 1NT (such as 15-17 or 16-18 high-card points); when the partnership uses a Jacoby transfer bid following an NT opening; when the partnership uses a forcing 1NT response.

**Bob Charlson Memorial Summer Sectional - July 31st, August 1st, and 2nd 2009**

**Radisson Pewaukee: N14 W24140 Tower Place, Pewaukee, WI**

**Just seconds off of interstate I-94 - Exit 294B Take the first left**

**Friday, July 31st 9:30 AM Stratified I/N (299er) Pairs**

**1:30 PM Stratified I/N (299er) Pairs**

**Saturday, August 1st 9:30 AM Stratified I/N (299er) Pairs**

**1:30 PM Stratified I/N (299er) Pairs**

**Sunday, August 2nd 10:00 AM Stratified I/N Swiss Teams (299ers)**

**Free Plays for ACBL members with 0-5 points\***

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Remember that you can access the most recent Hand-Outs from the District 13 Regionals at:

<http://acbl-district13.org/RegionalHandouts.htm>

They are left online until the next year or two when the same tournament is again held.